

Supplementary Table and Figures

Table S1. Serum DKK1 levels (pg/ml) in healthy controls and CKD patients

Characteristics	Mean ± SD	Median (Range)
Healthy controls (n = 15)	176.2 ± 132.2	166.0 (2.2 to 493.7)
CKD patients (n = 50)	1559.4 ± 701.6	1440.0 (574.8 to 4581.6)
CKD/DKK1-high (n = 22)	2130.8 ± 657.0	1996.8 (1526.4 to 4581.6)
CKD/DKK1-low (n = 28)	1110.6 ± 287.5	1136.4 (574.8 to 1462.8)

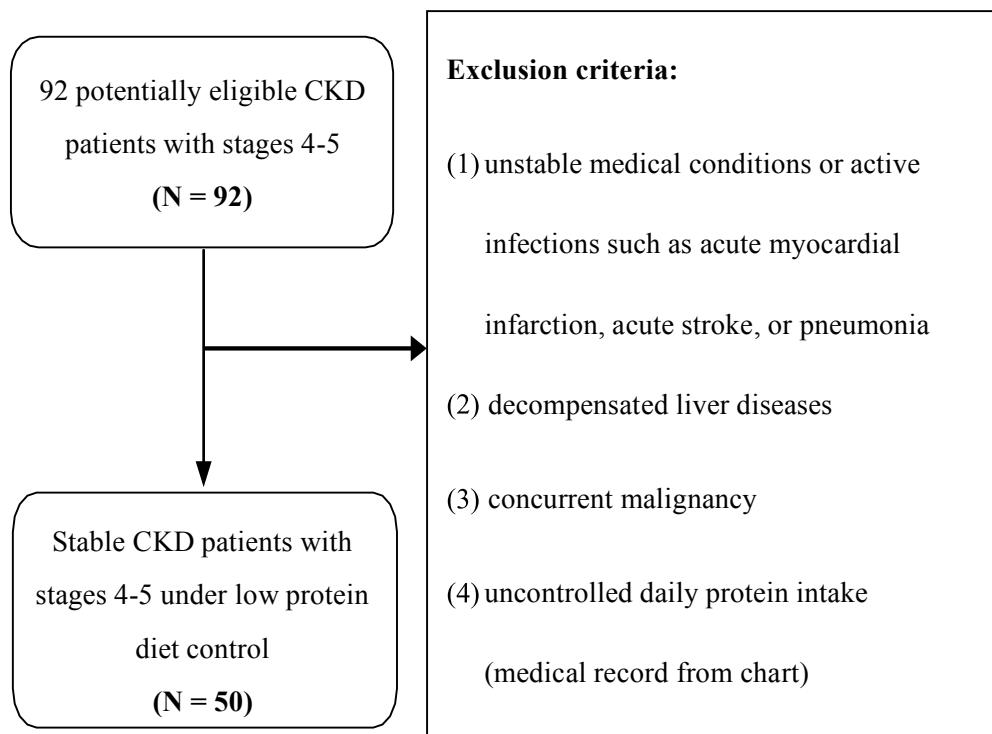


Figure S1. The flow chart of CKD patient recruitment and exclusion.

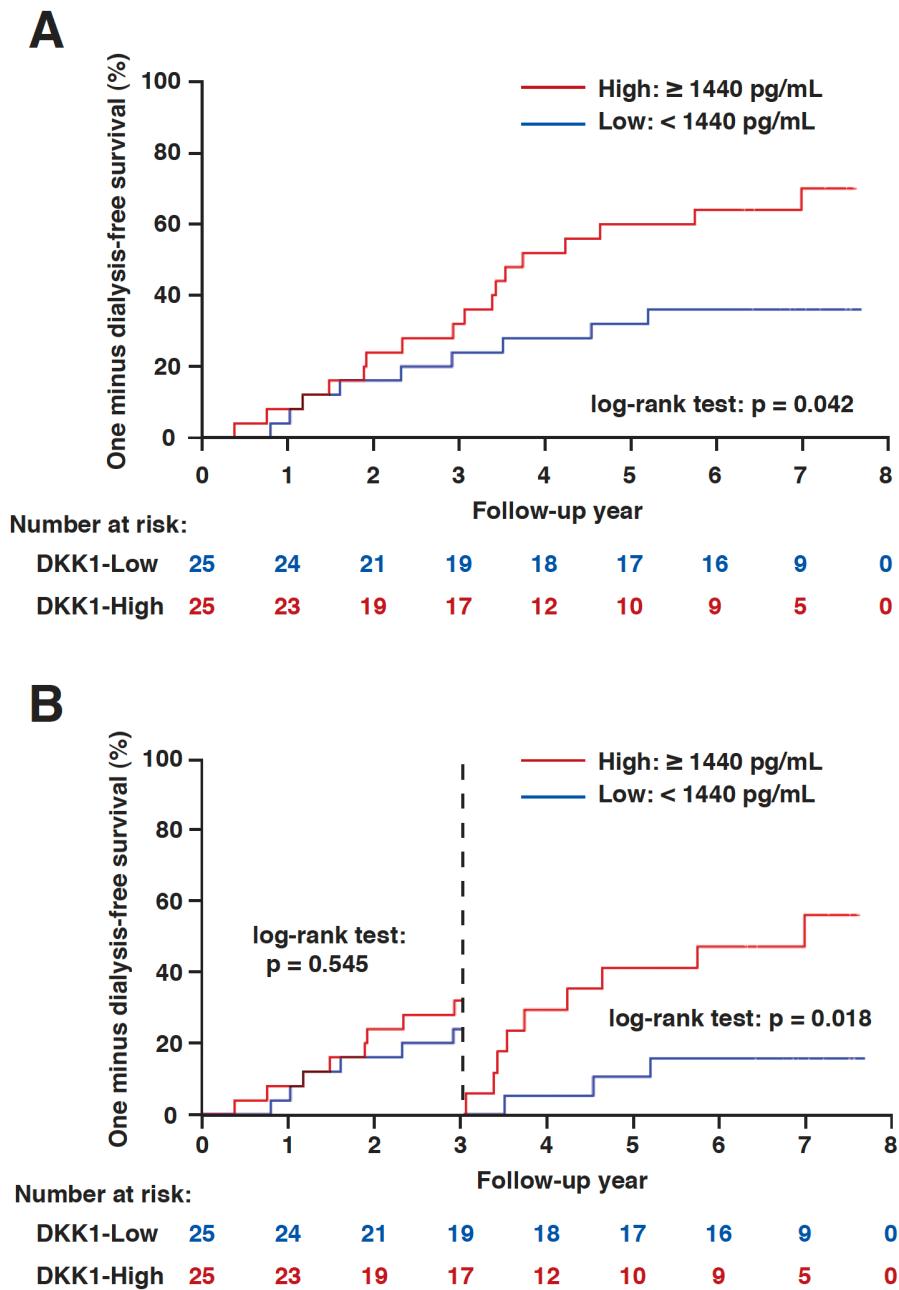


Figure S2. Kaplan-Meier analysis of dialysis-free survival in CKD patients with high or low serum DKK1. (A) One minus dialysis-free survival analysis for the serum DKK1-high ($\geq 1440 \text{ pg/mL}$; n = 25) and DKK1-low ($< 1440 \text{ pg/mL}$; n = 25) subgroups of CKD patients with stages 4-5 (log-rank test). (B) Stratification by 3-year follow-up in the serum DKK1-high and DKK1-low subgroups.

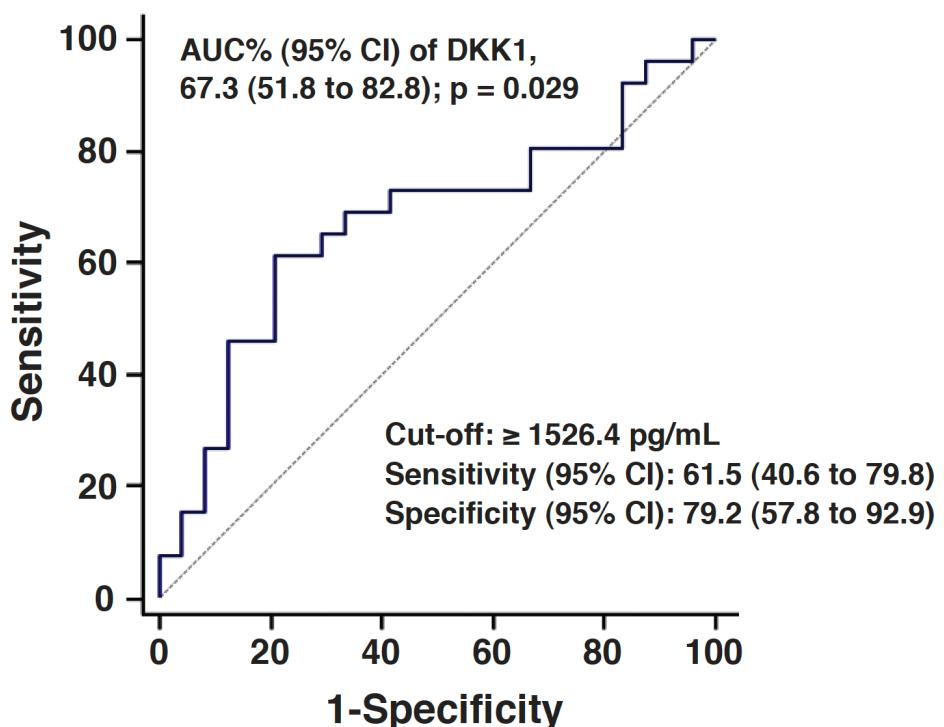


Figure S3. The ROC curve for the optimal cutoff point of serum DKK1 concentration. The most discrimination cutoff level for serum DKK1 was 1526.4 pg/mL with an AUC value of 0.673 ($p = 0.029$).

Gene name	Primer Sequences (5'-3')	Product size (bp)
DKK1 (rat)	TTACTGTGGGAAGGTCTGG ACATCCTGGGATTGAGCTG	178
FBN (rat)	GTGGCTGCCTCAACTTCTC AGTCCTTAGGGCGGTCAAT	231
TGF- β 1 (rat)	TGAGTGGCTGTCTTGACG TGGGACTGATCCCATTGATT	154
Actin (rat)	CGCCAACCGCGAGAAGAT CGTCACCGGAGTCCATCA	168
DKK1 (mouse)	TCCGTCTGCCTCCGATCATC GCCTTCCGTTGTGCTTGG	123
FBN (mouse)	AATGGAAAAGGGGAATGGAC CTCGGTTGTCCTCTTGCTC	244
TGF- β 1 (mouse)	TTGCTTCAGCTCCACAGAGA TGGTTGTAGAGGGCAAGGAC	183
Actin (mouse)	AGCCATGTACGTAGCCATCC CTCTCAGCTGTGGTGGTGAA	228

Figure S4. Primer sequences for quantitative RT-PCR.