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High-Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein in Peritoneal Dialysis Patients

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Methods: We recruited a total of 175 patients who had been undergoing continuous ambulatory PD (CAPD) or automated PD (APD) for at least 4 months and regularly followed up. Air pollution levels were recorded by a network of 27 monitoring stations near or in the patients' living areas throughout Taiwan. The 1-year average concentrations of particulate matter (PM) with an aerodynamic diameter of <10 and <2.5 μ m (PM10 and PM2.5), sulfur dioxide (SO2), nitrogen dioxide (NO2), carbon monoxide (CO), and ozone (O3) were included.

Results: hs-CRP level was positively correlated with CO level (r = 0.162, p = 0.032). Other air pollutants such as PM10 (r = 0.005, p = 0.944), SO2 (r = 0.035, p = 0.649), NO2 (r = 0.12, p = 0.115), O3 (r = -0.079, p = 0.302), and PM2.5 (r = 0.068, p = 0.375) were not significantly associated with hs-CRP. In stepwise linear regression, after adjustment for related factors, white blood cell count (β : 0.279, 95% CI [0.71, 2.116]) and CO level (β : 0.173, 95% CI [2.5, 21.32]) were positively associated with hs-CRP and serum albumin levels (β : -0.25, 95% CI [-13.692, -3.96]) and normalized protein nitrogen appearance (β : -0.183, 95% CI [-17.7, -2.51]) was negatively associated with hs-CRP. However, serum indoxyl sulfate and *p*-cresyl sulfate levels were not significantly associated with hs-CRP.

Conclusion: In PD patients, the environmental CO level was positively correlated with hs-CRP level.