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Is simultaneous pancreas kidney transplant the most cost-effective treatment for Type 1 diabetes patients with renal failure? A cost-utility analysis

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Introduction

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Introduction

➤ Pancreas transplant for type I diabetes mellitus:

- ✓ improve quality of life ¹⁻³,

- ✓ cost-effective⁴,

- ✓ prolong survival⁵

- ✓ induce an insulin-independent normoglycemic state⁶

➤ Most widely applied in Type 1 diabetes with renal failure (IDDM-RF)

- ✓ simultaneous pancreas kidney transplant (SPK).

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Introduction

- Established & available in US & European centres
 - ➔ not available in Singapore
- Singapore has a national liver and kidney transplant programme
 - SPK is the next natural progression
- Overseas studies¹⁻² had proven that SPK is a cost-effective strategy
 - no analysis done in the region.

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Objective

to assess cost-effectiveness of SPK compared with other treatment strategies for IDDM-RF prior to establishment of a pancreas transplant programme in Singapore.

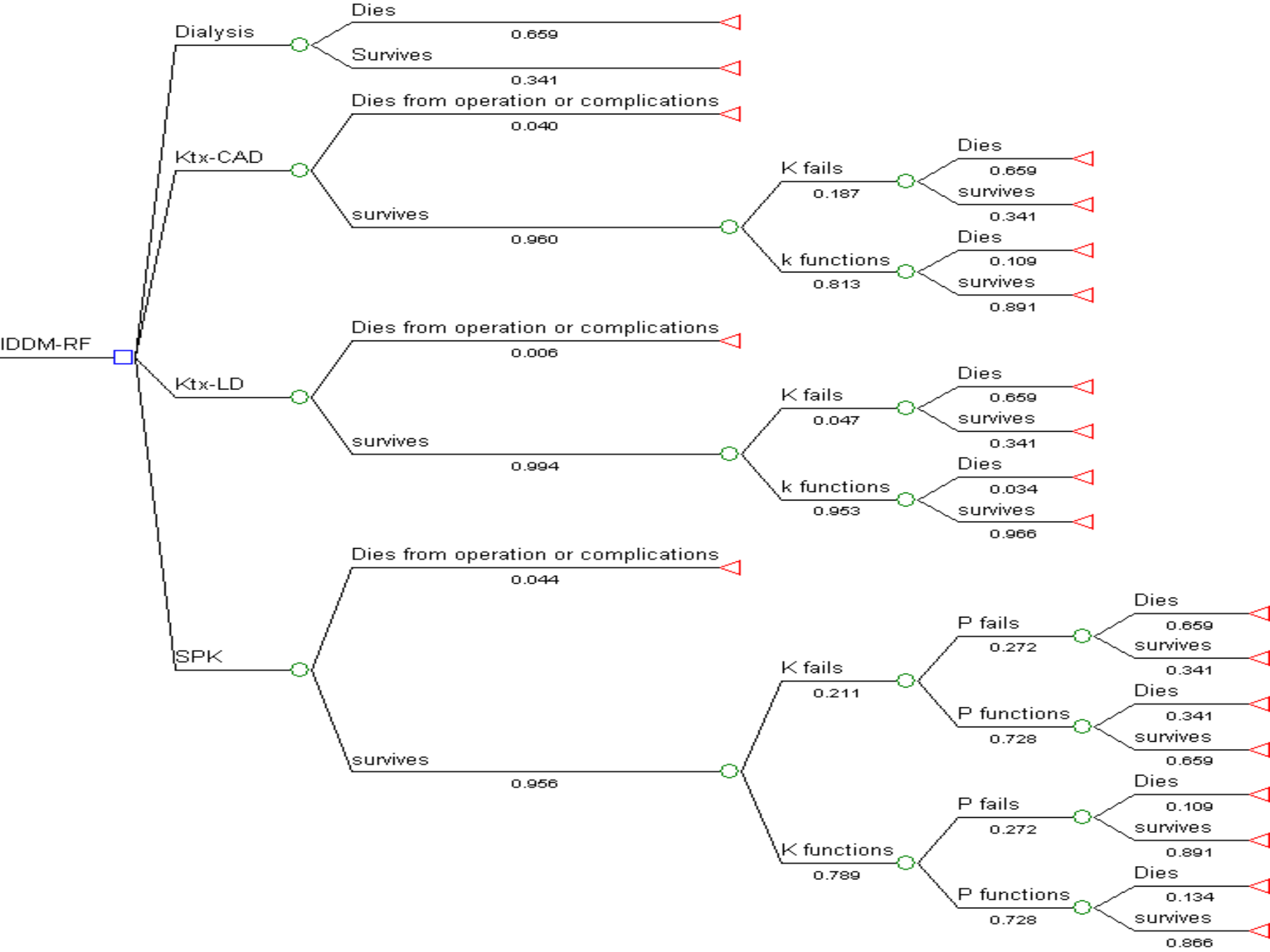
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Methods

Model structure and assumptions

- A decision analysis model was used.
- Treatment strategies for IDDM-RF:
 - ✓ Cadaveric kidney transplant (Ktx-CAD),
 - ✓ Living donor kidney transplant (Ktx-LD),
 - ✓ Simultaneous pancreas kidney transplant (SPK),
 - ✓ Dialysis.



Methods

➤ Assumptions:

- ✓ all options are available to patients,
- ✓ transplantations are performed and managed according to standard techniques and immunosuppressive regimens.

➤ The time horizon: 5 years

➤ Perspective: healthcare provider.

➤ Analyzed using TreeAge Pro software

Methods

Probabilities

- All patients and graft survival probabilities- - 5-year survival analyses
- Exception: “Dies from operation or complication” --survival probability of 1 year.
- All survival values -- Singapore Renal Registry data
- Exception: All SPK survival variables
 - ✓ American data from the United Network for Organ Sharing and Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients (OPTN/SRTR)
 - ✓ no local data available

Methods

Health Outcomes

- Outcomes: Quality adjusted life year (QALY).
- QALY: a measure of disease burden, including both the **quality** and the **quantity** of life lived.
- QALY for each treatment option were obtained from a overseas study*
 - Standard Gamble method
 - based on a 5-year model

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Cost analysis

- Only direct medical costs were considered in this study.
- Adjusted to 2010 values
 - health care component of the Singapore Consumer Price Index.
- We adopted a 3% annual discount rate for all future costs
 - which converted values that would occur in the future to their present values.

Methods

- All cost components were based on the actual patients' data locally.
- Exception: All SPK related costs were based on expert opinion of a local surgical team
 - ✓ 1st year SPK transplant cost--40%
 - ✓ annual follow-up cost--15%

higher than the cadaveric kidney transplant

Methods

Cost-utility analysis

- Cost-effectiveness: Cost-utility ratio (CUR, i.e., Cost per QALY gained)
- Incremental cost-utility ratio (ICUR) was also calculated versus the least costly strategy.

$$\text{ICUR}_{A \text{ vs. } B} = \frac{\text{Cost A} - \text{Cost B}}{\text{QALY gained for A} - \text{QALY gained for B}}$$

- WHO guidelines:
 - ✓ ICUR below 1 GDP per capita - **highly cost-effective**
 - ✓ < 3 times GDP per capita - **cost-effective**

*GDP per capita for Singapore 2010= **SGD59,813 (USD48,382)**

Methods

Sensitivity analysis

- Sensitivity analyses were performed to evaluate the **impact of uncertainties** around key variables.
- Survival variables
 - variations: 95% CI (Singapore Renal Registry)
- SPK survival variables,
 - Variations: $\pm 15\%$ of the baseline values (the OPTN data)
 - higher level of uncertainty as no local data available.

Methods

Sensitivity analysis

➤ Cost variables

- Variations: \pm 20% of baseline values.

➤ QALY:

- Variations: \pm 1 Standard deviation
- Previous study*

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Results

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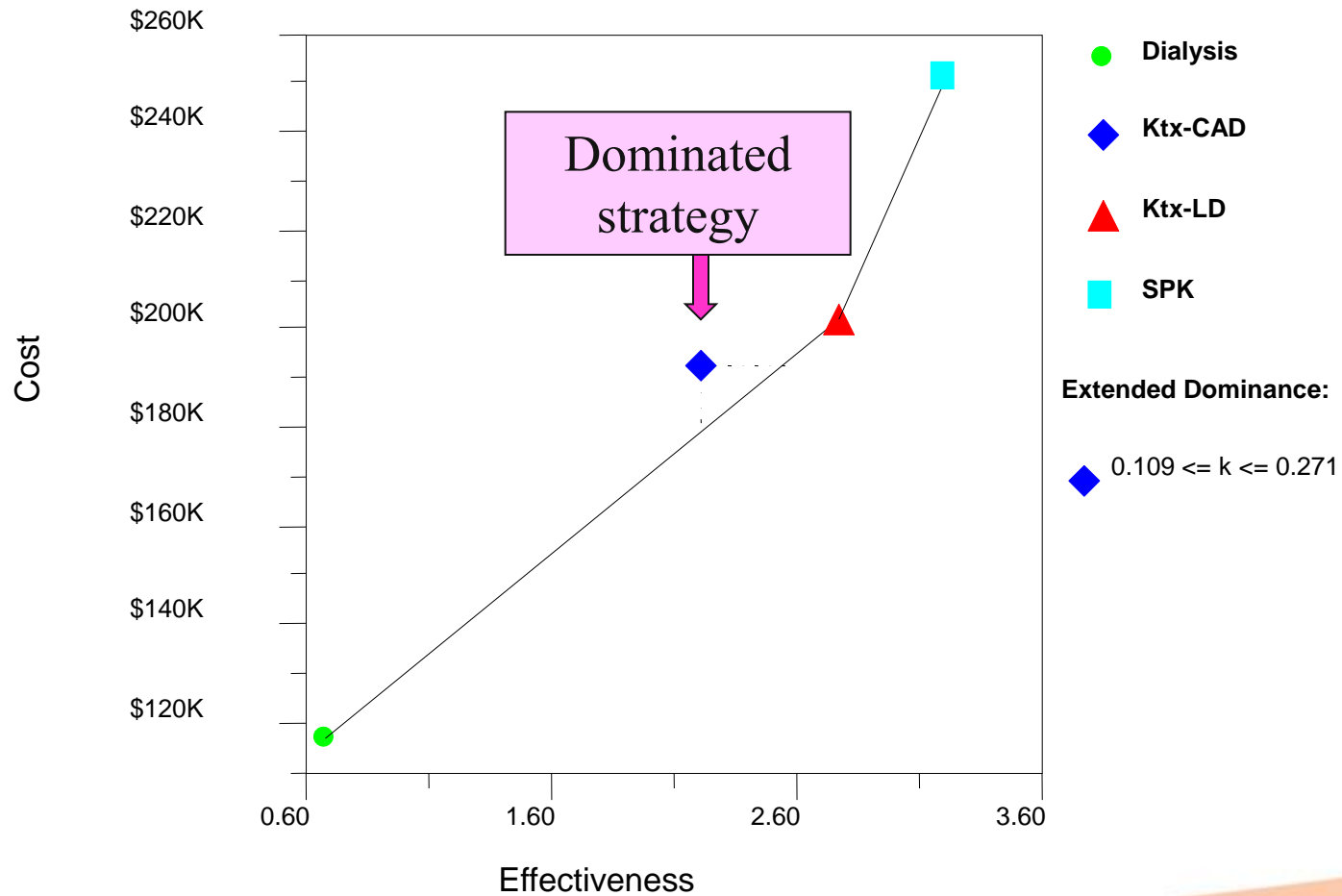
Baseline analysis

Treatment option	Cost, SGD	QALY	Cost-utility ratio, SGD	ICUR (vs dialysis), SGD
Dialysis	116,777	0.68	171,227	NA
Cadaveric kidney transplant, Ktx-CAD	192,602	2.21	87,203	Dominated
Living donor kidney transplant, KD-LD	201,900	2.78	72,702	40,630
Simultaneous pancreas kidney transplant, SPK	251,099	3.21	78,335	53,091

1 USD = SGD1.24

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Figure 1: Cost-utility analysis for IDDM-RF treatment strategies



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Baseline analysis

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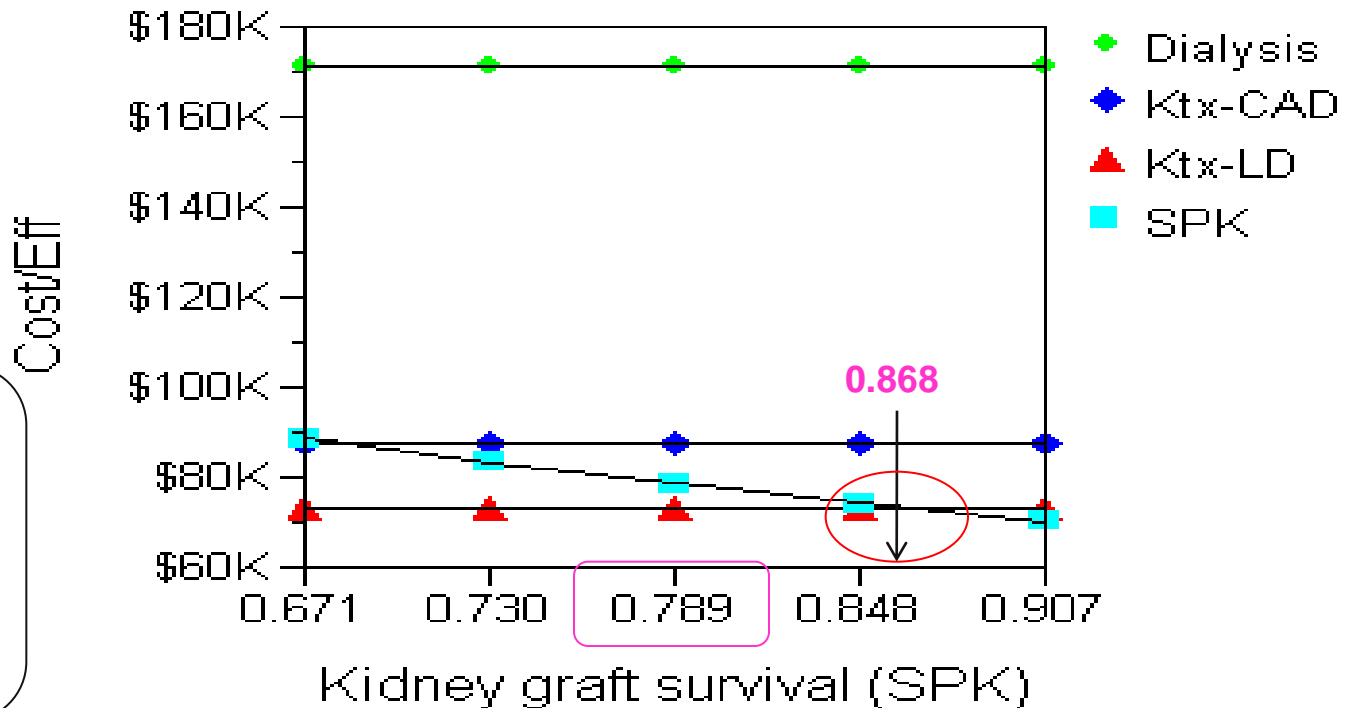
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Sensitivity Analysis on Kidney graft survival (SPK)

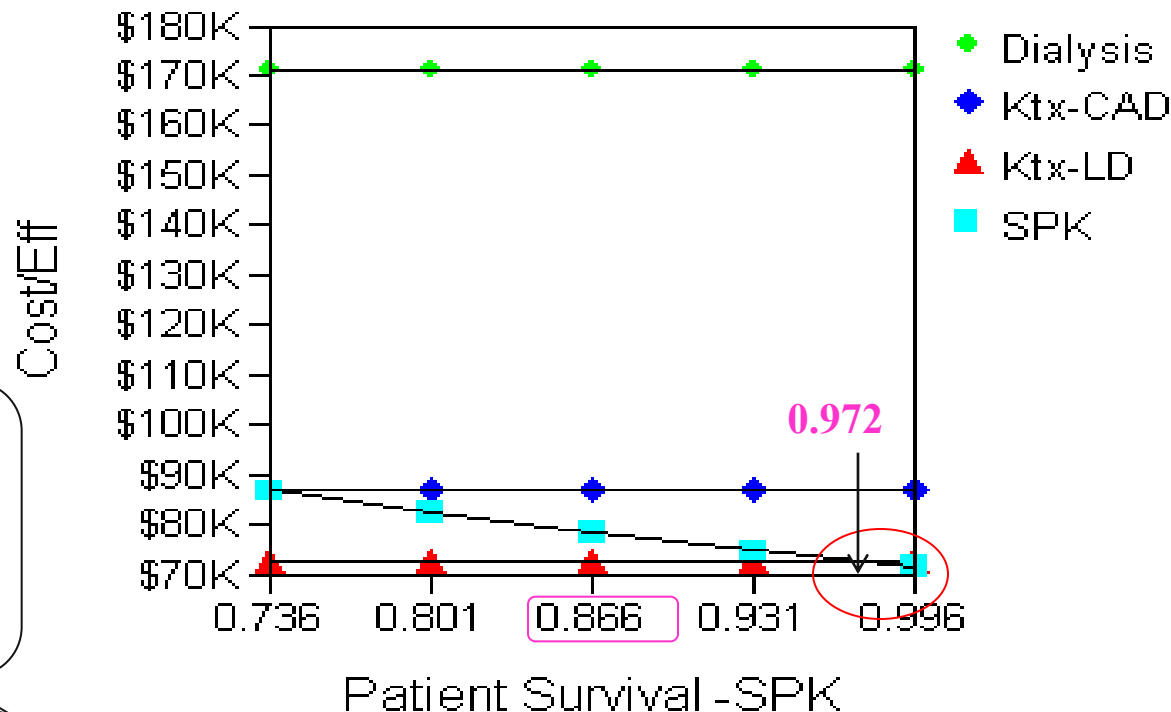


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- 10% increase in SPK kidney graft survival
- i.e., 86.8% versus 78.9% used in the baseline

Results

Sensitivity Analysis on Patient Survival -SPK

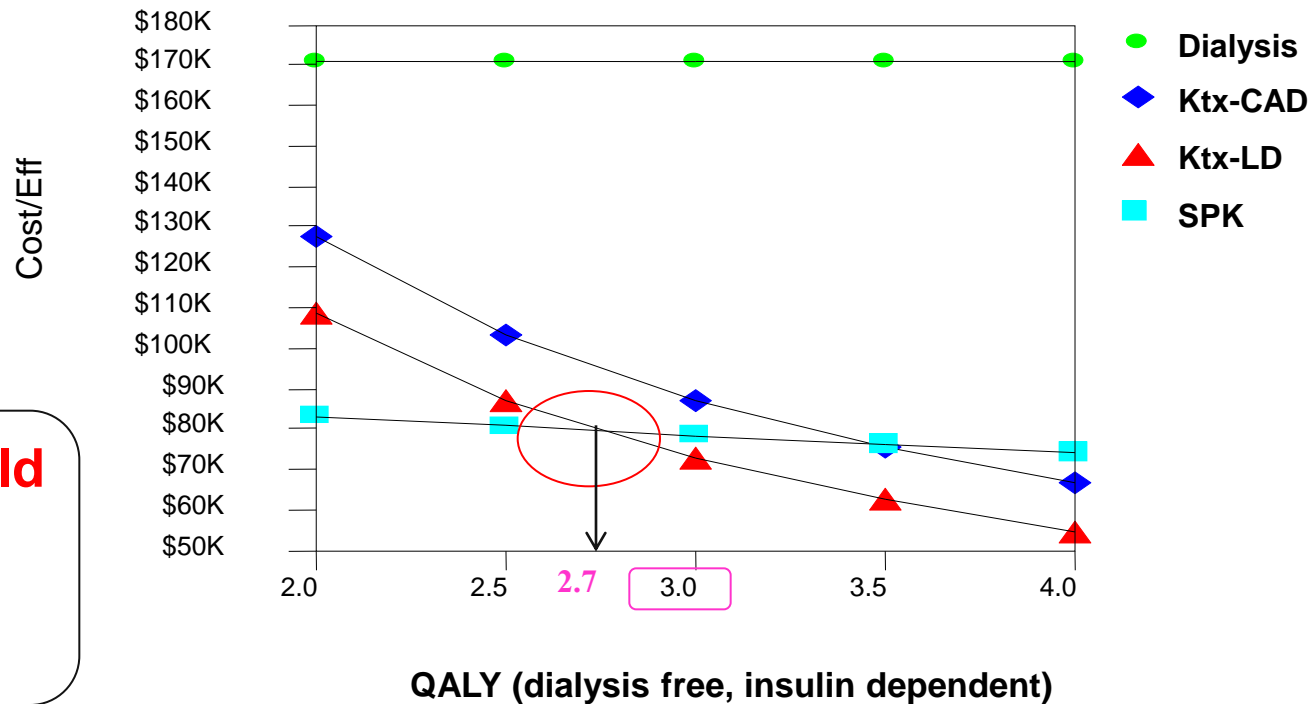


The SPK would be the most cost-effective strategy

- 12% increase in patient survival for SPK strategy
- i.e., 97.2% vs 86.6% used in the baseline

Results

Sensitivity Analysis on QALY (dialysis free, insulin dependent state)

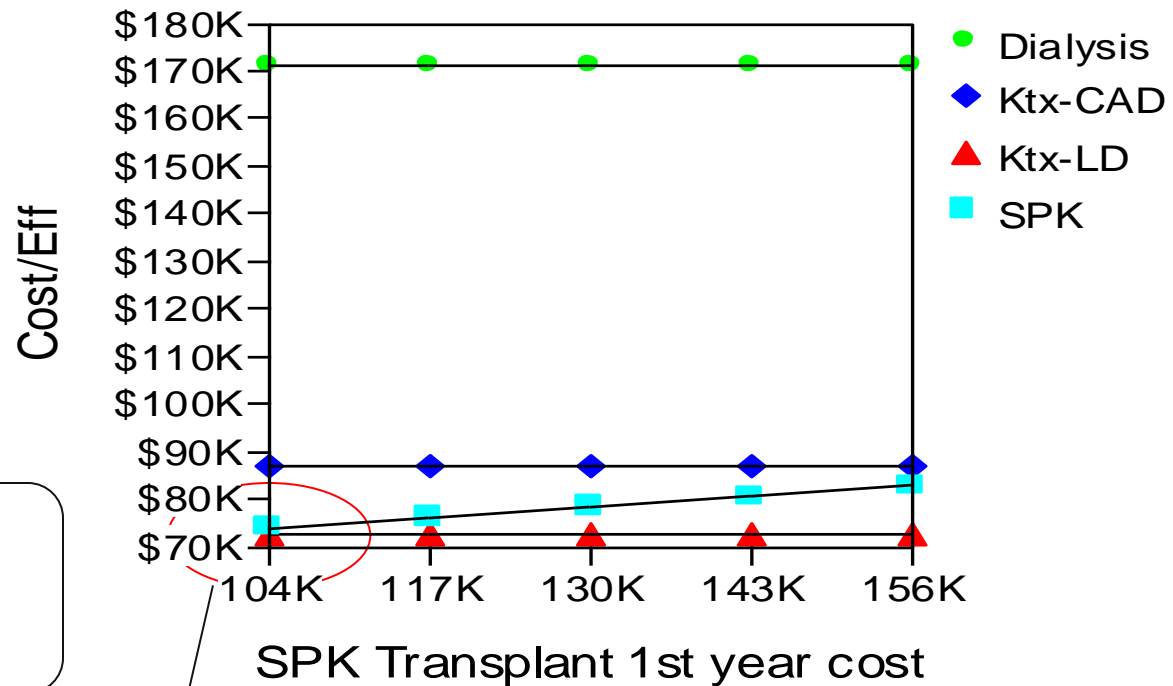


The SPK would be the most cost-effective strategy

- QALY for the dialysis-free, insulin dependent state falls < 2.7
- vs 3.0 used in the baseline

Results

Sensitivity Analysis on SPK Transplant 1st year cost



as cost-effective
as KA-LD
strategy

- 1st year SPK transplant cost is only 20% higher than the KA-CAD cost
- vs 40% higher than the Ktx-CAD used in the baseline

Conclusions

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Conclusions

- Both **Ktx-LD** and **SPK** are **highly cost-effective** strategies in the treatment of IDDM-RF.
- **Ktx-LD** is the most cost-effective strategy in the baseline analysis.
- **SPK** is potentially the most cost-effective strategy in the **sensitivity analyses** :
 - ✓ 10% increase in SPK kidney graft survival
 - ✓ 12% increase in SPK patient survival
 - ✓ QALY for the dialysis-free, insulin dependent state falls <10 %
- ➔ Reasonable within the sensitivity analyses ranges and achievable

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