

## Palliativedrugs.com survey: opioid use in renal impairment/failure

United Kingdom (88 responses)

1) If you have had to use an opioid in a patient with progressive renal impairment, what is your *usual*/first choice? (prognosis weeks-months) (one\_of)

answer	votes	% of vote	
alfentanil	8	9%	<div></div>
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	<div></div>
buprenorphine SL	0	0%	<div></div>
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	33	38%	<div></div>
fentanyl CSCI	3	3%	<div></div>
hydromorphone	8	9%	<div></div>
methadone	3	3%	<div></div>
morphine	19	22%	<div></div>
oxycodone	15	17%	<div></div>
sufentanil	0	0%	<div></div>
other (please specify in question 5)	1	1%	<div></div>













2) If a patient with progressive renal impairment developed undesirable effects with morphine, which alternative opioid would be your *usual*/first choice? (prognosis weeks-months) (one\_of)

answer	votes	% of vote	
alfentanil	8	9%	<div></div>
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	<div></div>
buprenorphine SL	0	0%	<div></div>
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	41	47%	<div></div>
fentanyl CSCI	5	6%	<div></div>
hydromorphone	9	10%	<div></div>
methadone	6	7%	<div></div>
oxycodone	22	25%	<div></div>
sufentanil	0	0%	<div></div>
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	<div></div>

3) If you have had to use an opioid in a patient on dialysis, what has been your *usual*/first choice? (prognosis months-years) (one\_of)












answer	votes	% of vote	
have not had to use an opioid in this situation	31	35%	<div></div>
alfentanil	9	10%	<div></div>
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	<div></div>
buprenorphine SL	0	0%	<div></div>
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	17	19%	<div></div>
fentanyl CSCI	1	1%	<div></div>
hydromorphone	3	3%	<div></div>
methadone	2	2%	<div></div>
morphine	17	19%	<div></div>
oxycodone	4	5%	<div></div>
sufentanil	0	0%	<div></div>
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	<div></div>

4) If you have had to use an opioid in a patient discontinuing dialysis, what has been your *usual* first choice? (prognosis days) (one\_of)











answer	votes	% of vote	
have not had to use an opioid in this situation	29	33%	
alfentanil	18	20%	
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	
buprenorphine SL	0	0%	
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	9	10%	
fentanyl CSCI	2	2%	
hydromorphone	3	3%	
methadone	1	1%	
morphine/diamorphine	15	17%	
oxycodone	9	10%	
sufentanil	0	0%	
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	

Rest of the world responses (81 responses)

1) If you have had to use an opioid in a patient with progressive renal impairment, what is your *usual* first choice? (prognosis weeks-months) (one\_of)

answer	votes	% of vote	
alfentanil	1	1%	
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	
buprenorphine SL	0	0%	
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	18	22%	
fentanyl CSCI	4	5%	
hydromorphone	12	15%	
methadone	13	16%	
morphine	22	27%	
oxycodone	11	14%	
sufentanil	0	0%	
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	

2) If a patient with progressive renal impairment developed undesirable effects with morphine, which alternative opioid would be your *usual* first choice? (prognosis weeks-months) (one\_of)

answer	votes	% of vote	
alfentanil	1	1%	
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	
buprenorphine SL	1	1%	
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	30	37%	
fentanyl CSCI	4	5%	
hydromorphone	18	22%	
methadone	17	21%	
oxycodone	6	7%	
sufentanil	1	1%	
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	

3) If you have had to use an opioid in a patient on dialysis, what has been your *usual*/first choice? (prognosis months-years) (one\_of)

answer	votes	% of vote	
have not had to use an opioid in this situation	19	23%	<div></div>
alfentanil	0	0%	<div></div>
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	<div></div>
buprenorphine SL	1	1%	<div></div>
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	22	27%	<div></div>
fentanyl CSCI	2	2%	<div></div>
hydromorphone	6	7%	<div></div>
methadone	12	15%	<div></div>
morphine	11	14%	<div></div>
oxycodone	6	7%	<div></div>
sufentanil	1	1%	<div></div>
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	<div></div>

4) If you have had to use an opioid in a patient discontinuing dialysis, what has been your *usual*/first choice? (prognosis days) (one\_of)

answer	votes	% of vote	
have not had to use an opioid in this situation	11	14%	<div></div>
alfentanil	1	1%	<div></div>
buprenorphine TD (transdermal)	0	0%	<div></div>
buprenorphine SL	0	0%	<div></div>
fentanyl TD (transdermal)	12	15%	<div></div>
fentanyl CSCI	11	14%	<div></div>
hydromorphone	14	17%	<div></div>
methadone	9	11%	<div></div>
morphine/diamorphine	18	22%	<div></div>
oxycodone	3	4%	<div></div>
sufentanil	1	1%	<div></div>
other (please specify in question 5)	0	0%	<div></div>

For combined results, please see the February 2004 newsletter on the website.