

# USKRC Reveals Breakthrough Membrane for Dialyzers used in Dialysis

ARKANSAS, USA, August 4, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In what can be heralded as one of the most significant milestones in the realm of medical research and development, the <u>US Kidney Research Corporation</u> (USKRC) has taken the covers off its latest innovation—an ultra-sophisticated ultrafiltration membrane. This result, a product of relentless pursuit of excellence, and an unwavering collaboration with the academic and scientific prowess of the University of Arkansas (U of A), is being seen as a touchstone that could recalibrate the paradigms in not just the medical realm, but in broader filtration arenas across various industries.

Redefining the Boundaries in Dialysis Techniques

Historically, dialyzers have served as the linchpin in the intricate process of hemodialysis. Their role, pivotal in ensuring the blood's purification, is now poised to witness a tectonic shift with USKRC's recent unveiling. The innovative membrane, with its advanced engineering, is not just an enhancement, but a complete



Dialyzer showing internal membrane

evolution. It promises amplified ultrafiltration rates and a zenith of dialysis efficiency, thus opening the doors to a future where toxin removal from the bloodstream is not just more effective, but also faster and safer.

Deciphering the Science: The Genius Behind the Innovation

Lending credibility and showcasing the depth of research and development behind this new membrane, the acclaimed Scientific Reports journal <u>(Sci Rep 2023 Jul 20;13(1):11703)</u> provided a dedicated coverage. The narrative delves deep into its genesis in the intricate tempo cellulosic oxidation technique, made even more potent through the cutting-edge use of ionic liquids. However, while the technological underpinnings are impressive, the true essence of this breakthrough lies in the membrane's exceptional biocompatibility, its unparalleled provess in

expunging uremic toxins, and its assurance of long-term stability. Speaking on the innovation, Jamie Hestekin, who played a pivotal role from U of A in this transformative research, observed, "Beyond the science and the technology, it's the nuanced engineering and the precision-aligned fibers that elevate this membrane, positioning it leagues ahead of existing dialysis materials."

### A Pan-Global Endeavor: A Membrane for the World

Having astutely navigated the patent and licensing landscapes to secure exclusive worldwide rights to this avant-garde membrane, USKRC is laying out intricate blueprints for introducing it across a myriad of biomedical sectors globally. Roland Ludlow, the strategic mind at the helm of USKRC, elaborated on the expansive vision that goes beyond traditional boundaries, hinting at a vast expanse of sublicensing ventures stretching from the American heartland to global medical hubs. "Our vision transcends the unveiling of a superior product. It's about birthing a new era, an era where our membrane becomes the cornerstone of dialysis and possibly other medical procedures across continents," Ludlow elucidated, reflecting his palpable enthusiasm.

## Inaugurating the Golden Age of Renal Healthcare

The significance of this innovation has resonated strongly within medical circles. Dr. Ira Kurtz, the Chief of Nephrology at UCLA and Science/Medical advisor for USKRC is the core pillar in advising the U of A team, encapsulating the profound implications. "We are not merely discussing an incremental advancement in renal care. This membrane, with its revolutionary chemistry and design, is poised to usher in a golden era—an era teeming with leaps in research, patient care, and medical outcomes," Dr. Kurtz passionately conveyed, reinforcing the gravity of the membrane's expected impact.

## USKRC: The Torchbearers of Novelty in Renal Care

The ethos of USKRC revolves around ceaseless innovation. The ultrafiltration membrane, albeit a significant stride, is a single chapter in their odyssey of breakthroughs. Their research spectrum is broad, spanning from ideating and materializing a state-of-the-art waterless blood purification technology that could potentially replace current dialysis, to envisioning futuristic modalities like the implantable artificial kidney. Their global acclaim, as evinced by acknowledgments from preeminent institutions like KidneyX and validation from esteemed bodies such as the American Society of Nephrology, serves as a testament to USKRC's unwavering commitment to pushing boundaries in renal research.

#### About US Kidney Research Corporation

In the contemporary medical landscape, the imperatives for pioneering renal care solutions grow more urgent daily. The numbers paint a somber picture—700,000 ESRD patients in the USA alone and a staggering 850 million globally grappling with kidney ailments. This pressing scenario cries out for radical solutions, and answering this clarion call is USKRC. Since its genesis

in Delaware in 2015, the corporation has been on a quest, challenging the established tenets of traditional dialysis, and envisioning a future where waterless device technology for blood purification deems dialysis obsolete. It will be more efficient and more patient-friendly. Waterless blood purifying devices will benefit providers by eliminating the immense ongoing expense from continually replacing disposables, (dialyzers, and dialysate solution), as well as eliminating the need for a water purifying infrastructure and its inherent maintenance.

As USKRC's journey unfolds, its tapestry of accomplishments grows richer. Their groundbreaking work, celebrated in elite academic circles, as seen in journals like Nature, combined with their global patent troves, innovative forays like the anti-coagulant coatings, and collaborative endeavors with the crème de la crème of academic institutions, underscores their mission: to metamorphose renal care, making it robust, accessible, and transformative for every individual.

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