

## **Supplementary Appendix**

**Supplementary Table 1.** The association of serum adiponectin levels with all-cause mortality, using baseline estimated GFR

		Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)			
	ADPN, median (range)	Unadjusted	Model 1 <sup>a</sup>	Model 2 <sup>b</sup>	Model 3 <sup>c</sup>
Overall population					
Per natural log ADPN	10.1 (0.04-127.1)	<b>1.76 (1.41-2.20)</b>	<b>1.79 (1.43-2.26)</b>	<b>1.48 (1.17-1.87)</b>	<b>1.40 (1.08-1.81)</b>
ADPN Tertile					
1	5.0 (0.04-7.4)	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]
2	10.1 (7.4-14.1)	1.19 (0.72-1.95)	1.13 (0.69-1.87)	1.03 (0.62-1.72)	1.02 (0.61-1.71)
3	22.0 (14.1-127.1)	<b>2.17 (1.39-3.38)</b>	<b>2.27 (1.43-3.60)</b>	<b>1.81 (1.12-2.93)</b>	<b>1.66 (1.00-2.77)</b>

Abbreviations: lnADPN, natural log-transformed adiponectin

<sup>a</sup>Model 1 adjusts for age and gender

<sup>b</sup>Model 2 adjusts for covariates in model 1 plus baseline estimated glomerular filtration rate, serum albumin, and log-transformed C-reactive protein

<sup>c</sup>Model 3 adjusts for covariates in model 2 plus Charlson Comorbidity Index, abdominal circumference, systolic blood pressure, time since kidney transplantation, and malnutrition-inflammation score

**Supplementary Table 2.** The association of serum adiponectin with the death with a functioning graft\*

		Hazard Ratio (95% Confidence Interval)			
	ADPN, median (IQRrange)	Unadjusted	Model 1 <sup>a</sup>	Model 2 <sup>b</sup>	Model 3 <sup>c</sup>
Overall population					
Per natural log ADPN	10.0 (0.04-127.1)	<b>1.77 (1.45-2.17)</b>	<b>1.78 (1.45-2.20)</b>	<b>1.49 (1.20-1.85)</b>	<b>1.24 (1.00-1.55)</b>
ADPN Tertile					
1	5.1 (0.04-7.37)	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]	1 [Reference]
2	10.0 (7.4-14.1)	1.43 (0.93-2.19)	1.33 (0.86-2.04)	1.12 (0.72-1.75)	1.17 (0.75-1.82)
3	22.0 (14.1-127.1)	<b>2.19 (1.47-3.27)</b>	<b>2.20 (1.45-3.34)</b>	<b>1.72 (1.12-2.65)</b>	1.36 (0.86-2.14)

Abbreviations: lnADPN, natural log-transformed adiponectin

\*Data available for N=850

<sup>a</sup>Model 1 adjusts for age and gender

<sup>b</sup>Model 2 adjusts for covariates in model 1 plus estimated glomerular filtration rate, serum albumin, and log-transformed C-reactive protein

<sup>c</sup>Model 3 adjusts for covariates in model 2 plus Charlson Comorbidity Index, abdominal circumference, systolic blood pressure, time since kidney transplantation, and malnutrition-inflammation score

### **Supplementary Figure Legend**

**Supplementary Figure 1.** Repeated measurements of estimated GFR over time by ADPN tertile. Repeated measures of CKD-Epi-based GFR were available for 2 years following study enrolment. The test of hypothesis using PROC GLM for between groups effects was significant ( $p < 0.0001$ ), indicating that median eGFR were different across ADPN tertiles. The within group tests indicated that there was a significant time effect ( $p < 0.0001$ ), demonstrating that eGFR declined with time. However, there was no interaction between ADPN tertile and time with respect to eGFR ( $p = 0.12$ ).

Supplementary Figure 1.

