## SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

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**Supplemental Table 1: Proportion of missingness for covariate variables** 

		Missing data		
	N	N	%	
Country	3780	0	0	
Age	3780	0	0	
Female	3780	0	0	
History and severity of CKD				
eGFR, ml/min	3780	0	0	
Albumin- or protein-to-creatinine ratio	3093	687	18	
Cause of CKD	3375	405	11	
Comorbidities, %				
Hypertension	3738	42	1	
Diabetes	3773	7	0	
Peripheral Vascular Disease	3691	89	2	
Congestive Heart Failure	3743	37	1	
Lung Disease	3690	90	2	
Depression	3673	107	3	
Psychiatric Disorder	3688	92	2	
Recurrent Cellulitis, Gangrene	3688	92	2	
History cirrhosis of the liver	3586	194	5	
Lab Values				
HbA1C*, %	2073	422	26	
Serum calcium, mg/dl	3341	439	12	
Serum phosphorus, mg/dl	3165	615	16	
Hemoglobin, g/dL	3391	389	10	
Medication				
Antihistamines	3,393	387	10	
Gabapentin	3,393	387	10	
Pregabalin	3,393	387	10	
Patient-reported outcomes				
Itchy skin	3780	0	0	
Dry skin	3741	39	1	
Restless sleep in the last week	3668	112	3	
SF-12 Physical Component Summary score	3326	454	12	
SF-12 Mental Component Summary score	3326	454	12	
CES-D score	3229	551	15	

Supplemental Table 2: Patient characteristics of those who completed the patient questionnaire (PQ) and those who did not

questionnaire (1 Q) and those who did not		No	PQ			Wit	h PQ		
Variable	N	%	Mean	SD	N	%	Mean	SD	p-value
Age	1312		66.5	14.2	3881		67.1	12.9	0.1569
Age, 4 categories									0.0077
<55	250	19.1			599	15.4			
55-64	256	19.5			773	19.9			
65-74	394	30.0			1306	33.7			
>=75	412	31.4			1203	31.0			
Female	555	42.3			1514	39.0			0.0353
Current smoker or stopped smoking within past	172	13.7			424	11.1			0.0144
year									
Married	527				2414				<.0001
Live Alone		16.4				20.1			0.0107
College degree and more		16.1			1178	38.0			<.0001
eGFR, ml/min	1312		27.6	12.3	3881		31.0	12.4	<.0001
Albumin- or protein-to-creatinine ratio (r)									<.0001
Normal (A1)		21.3				23.9			
High (A2)		17.4				23.9			
Very High or nephrotic (A3)		31.4			1316				
Missing	393	30.0			711	18.3			
CKD stage (r)									<.0001
Stage 3a		11.3				14.8			
Stage 3b		23.6			1313				
Stage 4	681	51.9			1715	44.2			
Stage 5	174	13.3			280	7.2			
Systolic Blood Pressure (SBP)	1174		138.0	20.6	3659		140.0	20.9	0.0054
Diastolic Blood Pressure (DBP)	1173		76.5	12.5	3656		77.2	12.2	0.1341
Cause of CKD (r)									<.0001
1.Diabetes	412	33.5			917	24.3			
2.Glomerular Disease	137	11.1			534	14.1			
3.Hypertension	377	30.7			1107	29.3			
4.Others	264	21.5			911	24.1			
5.Unknown	40	3.3			309	8.2			
Comorbidities									
Diabetes	647	49.3			1696	43.8			0.0005
Hypertension	1166	88.9			3381	87.1			0.0958
Congestive Heart Failure	212	16.2			535	13.8			0.0342
Cerebrovascular Disease	149	11.4			436	11.2			0.9034
Peripheral Vascular Disease	225	17.1			662	17.1			0.9390
Lung Disease	128	9.8			391	10.1			0.7394
Physician-diagnosed Depression	148	11.7			341	9.0			0.0059
Parkinson Disease	7	0.6			15	0.4			0.4769
History cirrhosis of the liver	22	1.7			54	1.4			0.4567
Recurrent Cellulitis, Gangrene	54	4.1			95	2.4			0.0018

Supplemental Table 3: Association of selected factors (with CKD stage 3 split into stage 3a and stage 3b) with the likelihood of having moderate-to-extreme pruritus in non-dialysis CKD patients

Characteristics	Adjusted Prevalence Ratio of having Moderate- to-extreme pruritus					
	vs.					
	no or mild pruritus (95% CI)					
	Limited Model	Full Model				
Stage 3b (vs stage 3a)	1.20 ( 1.00 - 1.43)	1.18 (0.99-1.41 )				
Stage 4 (vs stage 3a)	1.21 ( 1.00 - 1.47)	1.18 (0.96-1.44 )				
Stage 5 (vs stage 3a)	1.39 ( 1.07 - 1.79)	1.35 (1.04-1.76)				
Brazil (vs the US)	0.89 ( 0.69 - 1.14)	0.88 (0.68-1.13 )				
France (vs the US)	0.82 ( 0.71 - 0.95)	0.86 (0.74-0.99)				
55-64 years old (vs <55 years old)	1.38 ( 1.12 - 1.70)	1.29 (1.05-1.58)				
65-74 years old (vs <55 years-old)	1.52 ( 1.22 - 1.88)	1.39 (1.12-1.73)				
≥75 years old (vs <55 years-old)	1.48 ( 1.19 - 1.83)	1.40 (1.12-1.74)				
Male (vs female)	0.89 ( 0.78 - 1.01)	0.87 (0.76-0.99)				
Albumin- or protein-to-creatinine ratio						
High (vs normal)		1.06 (0.89-1.26)				
Very High or nephrotic (vs normal)		1.08 (0.92-1.28 )				
Diabetes (vs no)		1.17 (1.04-1.31 )				
Hypertension (vs no)		1.02 (0.83-1.25)				
Congestive Heart Failure (vs no)		1.08 (0.94-1.24)				
Peripheral Vascular Disease (vs no)		1.07 (0.93-1.24)				
Lung Disease (vs no)		1.37 (1.18-1.59)				
Physician-diagnosed Depression (vs no)		1.29 (1.10-1.52)				
Recurrent Cellulitis, Gangrene (vs no)		1.17 (0.88-1.56)				
History cirrhosis of the liver (vs no)		1.28 (0.92-1.78)				

Results are based upon 3 countries of CKDopps (Brazil, France, and the United States) from a log-Poisson regression analysis adjusted for all selected factors in the full model. The limited model is adjusted for country, CKD stage, age, and sex. The full model is adjusted for country, CKD stage, age, sex, albumin-creatinine ratio, and comorbidities (diabetes, hypertension, congestive heart failure, peripheral vascular disease, lung disease, depression, recurrent cellulitis/gangrene, history of cirrhosis of the liver).

## Supplemental Table 4: Association of selected factors and laboratory values with the likelihood of having moderate-to-extreme pruritus in non-dialysis CKD patients

Characteristics	Adjusted Prevalence Ratio of having moderate to		
	extreme pruritus vs. no or mild pruritus (95% CI)		
Stage 4 (vs stage 3)	0.97 (0.84-1.12)		
Stage 5 (vs stage 3)	1.02 (0.82-1.27)		
Brazil (vs the US)	0.88 (0.69-1.13)		
France (vs the US)	0.90 (0.78-1.05)		
55-64 years old (vs <55 years old)	1.30 (1.06-1.58)		
65-74 years old (vs <55 years-old)	1.42 (1.15-1.75)		
≥75 years old (vs <55 years-old)	1.41 (1.14-1.75)		
Male (vs female)	0.93 (0.81-1.08)		
Albumin- or protein-to-creatinine ratio			
High (vs normal)	1.07 (0.90-1.28)		
Very High or nephrotic (vs normal)	1.06 (0.90-1.26)		
Comorbidities			
Diabetes (vs no)	1.15 (1.02-1.28)		
Hypertension (vs no)	1.03 (0.84-1.26)		
Congestive Heart Failure (vs no)	1.08 (0.94-1.23)		
Peripheral Vascular Disease (vs no)	1.06 (0.92-1.22)		
Lung Disease (vs no)	1.33 (1.15-1.55)		
Physician-diagnosed Depression (vs no)	1.26 (1.06-1.49)		
Recurrent Cellulitis, Gangrene (vs no)	1.14 (0.85-1.53)		
History cirrhosis of the liver (vs no)	1.17 (0.85-1.62)		
Laboratory Values			
Serum phosphate, per 1 mg/dl higher	1.07 (1.00-1.15)		
Serum calcium, per 1 mg/dl higher	1.01 (0.92-1.12)		
Hemoglobin, per 1 g/dL higher	0.94 (0.90-0.98)		

Results are based upon 3 countries of CKDopps (Brazil, France, and the United States) from a log-binomial regression analysis adjusted for CKD stage, country, age, sex, albumin-creatinine ratio, comorbidities (diabetes, hypertension, congestive heart failure, peripheral vascular disease, lung disease, depression, recurrent cellulitis/gangrene, history of cirrhosis of the liver) and laboratory values (phosphate, calcium, and haemoglobin). This model accounted for facility clustering effects.