

Definitions (Key Point Number 2)

- **Diabetic Nephropathy or Overt DN**
 - A clinical syndrome characterized by persistent albuminuria (> 300 mg/24 h) on at least two occasions separated by 3-6 months.
 - Equivalent to total proteinuria > 500 mg/24 h.
 - Syndrome is also characterized by hypertension and a relentless decline in GFR.
- **Microalbuminuria or Incipient DN**
 - > 30 mg/24 h and < 300 mg/24 h

"Normal" Proteinuria < 150mg / 24 h (Overt > 500mg)