SCREENING FOR MICROALBUMINURIA

Routine urinalysis at diagnosis* (type 2 patients)

- for protein

Test for microalbuminuria

+ for protein

Condition that may invalidate urine albumin excretion?

Treat and/or wait until resolved, repeat test to confirm

Quantitative measure

Microalbuminuria, begin treatment

Overt nephropathy, begin treatment

Rescreen in one year

2 of 3 tests positive?

No

Yes

Yes

+ for protein

Condition that may invalidate urine albumin excretion?

Treat and/or wait until resolved. Repeat test. + for protein?

No

Yes

Yes

No

*In type 1 diabetes, screening for albuminuria should begin with puberty and after 5 years’ disease duration.