

# DIURETICS-4

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## Pop Quiz !!

- Loop diuretics act on which transporter

PKCC

NKCC2

AIKTCC

I Don't know

## Pop Quiz !!

- Loop diuretics are \_\_\_\_\_ diuretics

Strong

Medium

weak

I Don't know

## Pop Quiz !!

- Thiazide diuretics act on which transporter

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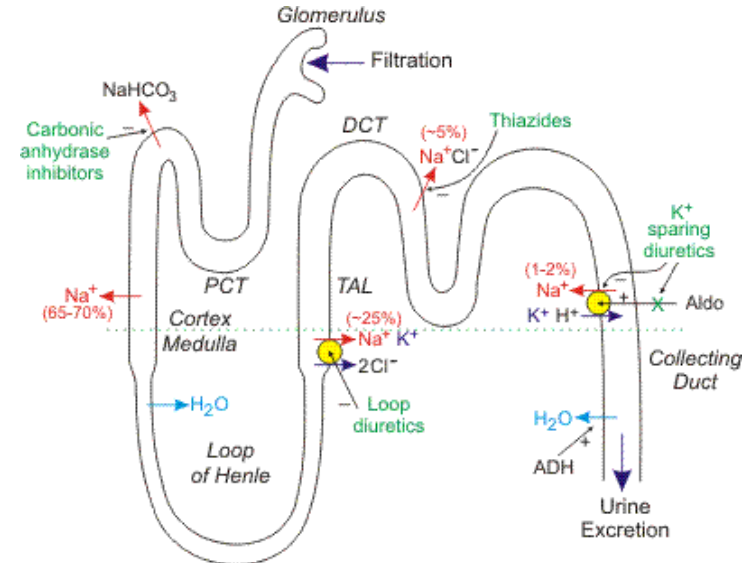
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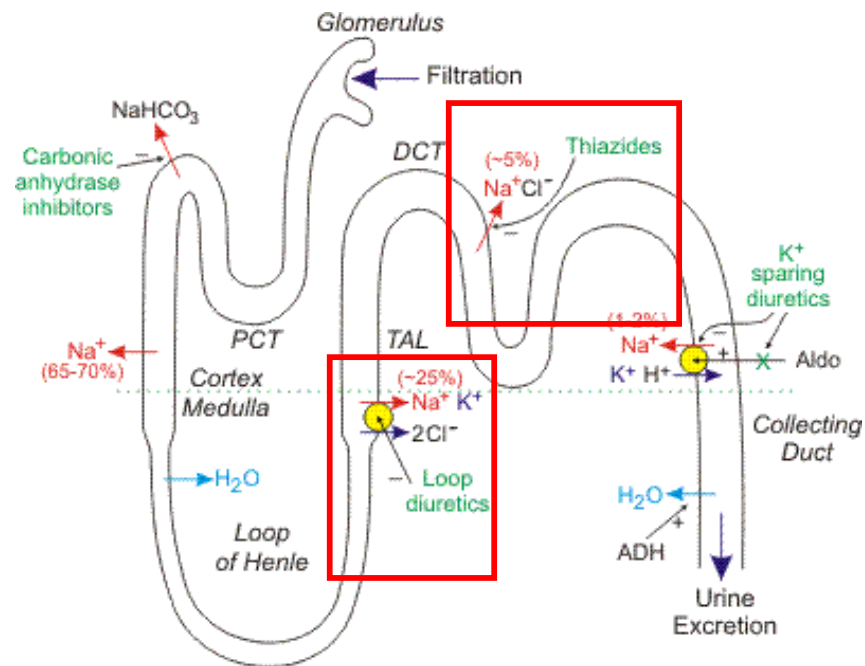
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# Recap of what we did last time

- Reviewed the structure/function of Nephron
- Basic concept of how diuretics work
- Introduced different classes of Diuretics
- Looked in detail at Carbonic Anhydrase inhibitors

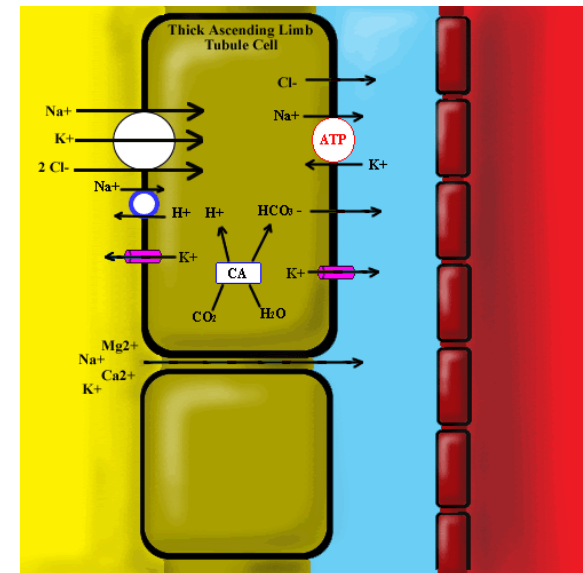


# Plan for today



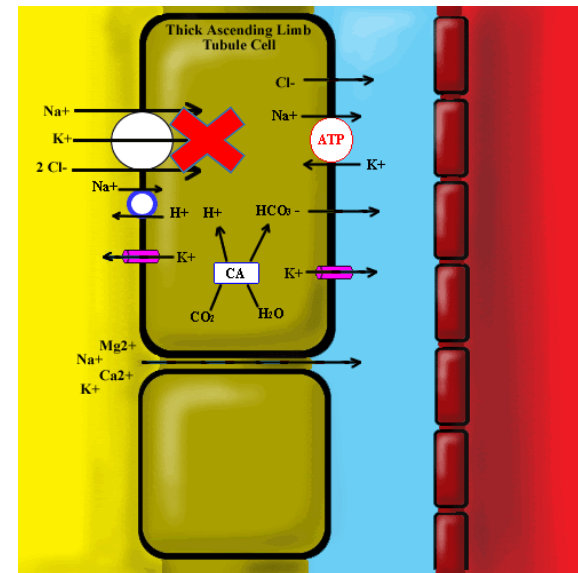
## Action at TAL, close look at NKCC2

- NKCC2 electrically neutral transporter ( $2^+$ ,  $2^-$ )
- Leads to excess accumulation of  $K^+$  in cells, gets diffused back in lumen
- Positive potential in lumen drive  $Ca^{2+}$ ,  $Mg^{2+}$  reabsorbed via paracellular path



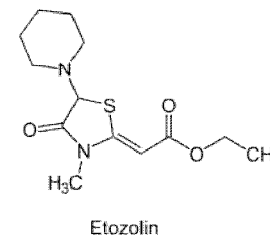
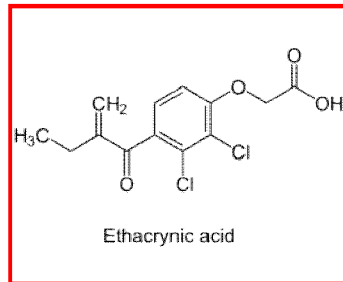
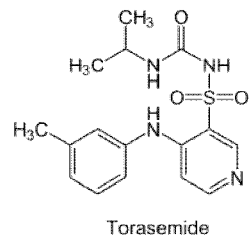
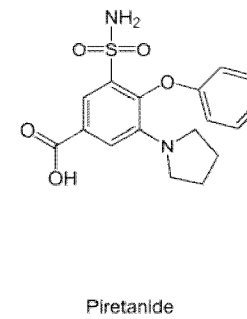
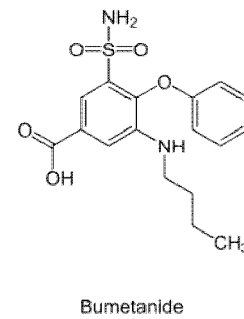
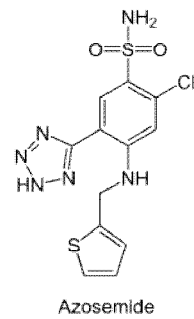
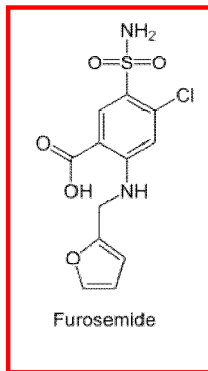
# Loop Diuretics, MOA, Site

- Loop diuretics blocks the NKCC2 transporter leading to
  - Decreased reabsorption of  $\text{Na}^+$  along with  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$
  - By disrupting the reabsorption of these ions, loop diuretics prevent the generation of a hypertonic renal medulla
  - Without such a concentrated medulla, water has less of an osmotic driving force to leave the collecting duct system, ultimately resulting in increased urine production





# Loop Diuretics, Structures

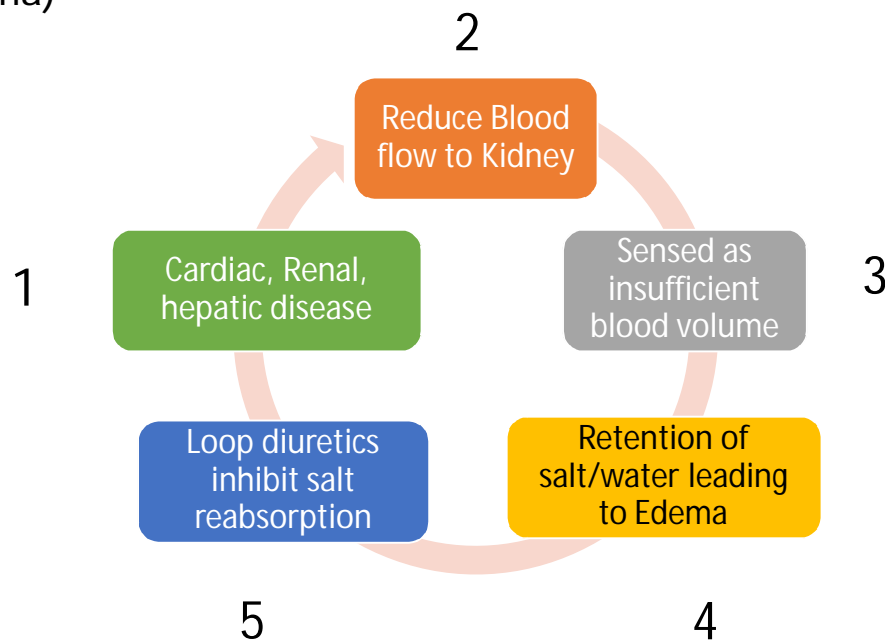


## Pharmacokinetics of Diuretics

- Loop diuretics are rapidly absorbed (1-3 hours)
- Eliminated by glomerular filtration and secretion
- Duration of effect is 2- 3 hours
- Half life depends on renal function

# Clinical Indications

- Most important use of loop diuretics in treating EDEMATOUS conditions (peripheral or pulmonary edema)



## Clinical Indications

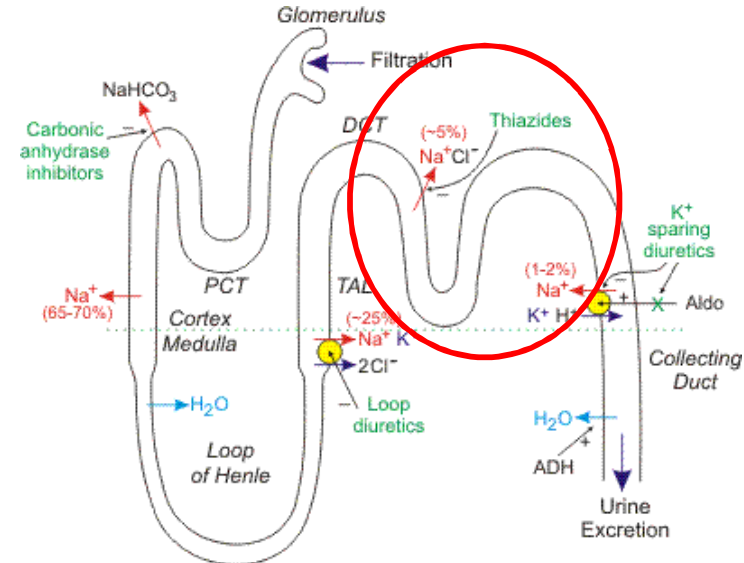
- Hyperkalemia:
  - Loop diuretics significantly enhance urinary excretion of  $K^+$
- Acute renal failure
  - Increase in urinary flow to flush out intra-tubular casts , obstructions
- Anion overdose
  - Br, FI, I
  - Saline must be co-administered to replenish Na, Cl loss

## Toxicity

- Hypokalemia Metabolic Alkalosis
  - Increased excretion of  $K^+$  due to increased excretion of  $Na^+$
- Hypomagnesaemia
  - Increased excretion of  $Mg^+$
- Allergic and other reactions

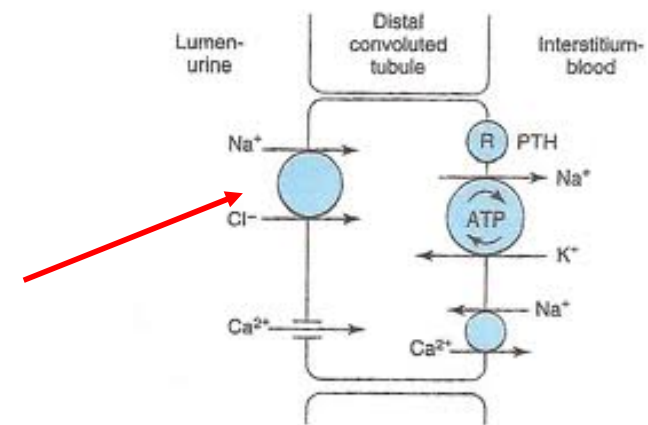
# Thiazide Diuretics

- 5- 10 % Na reabsorbed at DCT
- Impermeable to water, leads to dilution
- Thiazide diuretics originally synthesized to create more potent carbonic anhydrase inhibitors
- Act at DCT

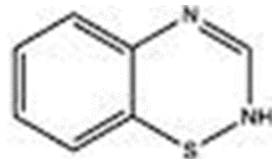


## Thiazide action at DCT

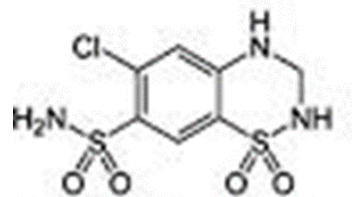
- $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$  reabsorbed by  $\text{Na}^+/\text{Cl}^-$  co-transporter (NCC)
- $\text{Ca}^{++}$  actively reabsorbed by  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  channel & basolateral  $\text{Na}^+/\text{Ca}^{++}$  exchanger
- Thiazides bind to  $\text{Cl}^-$  inhibiting NCC & thus prevent  $\text{Na}^+$  reabsorption



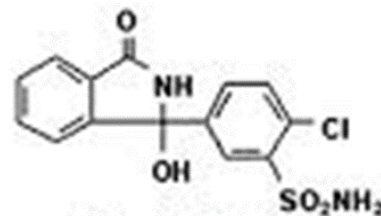
# Thiazide Diuretics, Structures



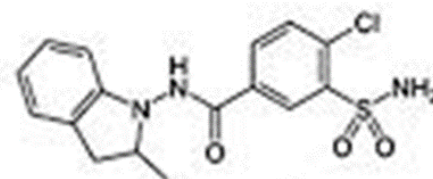
Benzothiadiazine ring



Hydrochlorothiazide



Chlorthalidone



Indapamide



## Clinical Indications

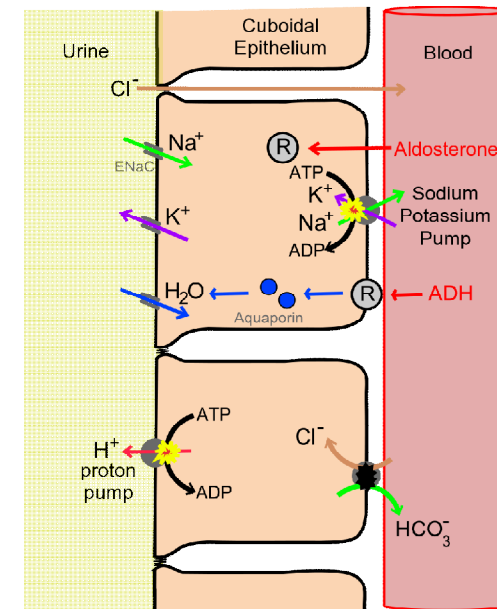
- Less powerful than loop diuretics but preferred in treating Hypertension
  - Decreased blood volume , vasodilation
  - Amongst the group, Hydrochlorothiazide is the most widely used
  - Usually reserved for patients with mild renal insufficiency
- Mild heart failure

## Toxicity

- Hypokalemic metabolic acidosis
- Hyperlipidemia
  - Increase in cholesterol and LDL
  - Levels typically return to baseline after prolonged use
- Hyponatremia
  - Important side effect
  - Prevented by reducing the dose or fluid intake

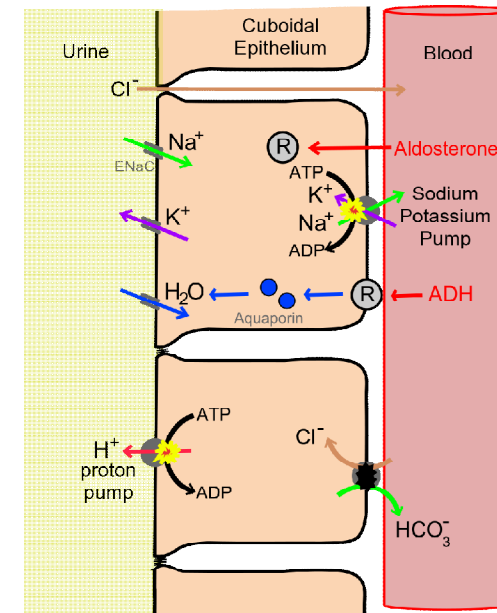
# Activity at Collection tubule

- 3 components: connecting tubule, collecting tubule, collecting duct
- 2.5 % Na reabsorption, final site of  $\text{Na}^+$  reabsorption
- Mineralocorticoids have the largest influence at this site
- Most important site of  $\text{K}^+$  secretion in kidney



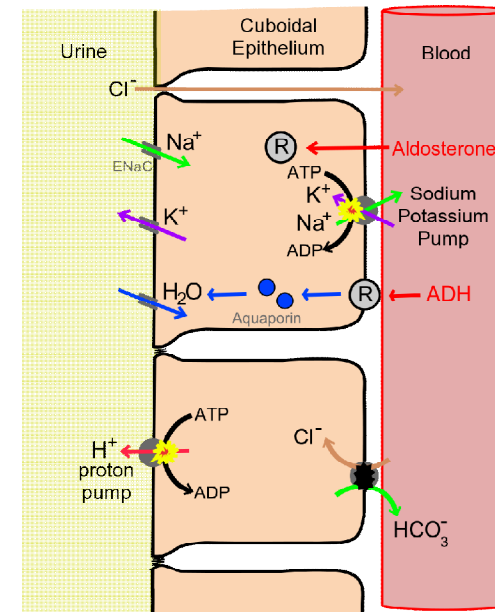
# Activity at Collection tubule

- Mechanism of ion reabsorption different from other regions
- Separate channels for  $\text{Na}^+$  &  $\text{K}^+$
- $\text{Na}^+$  entry preferred, movement creates a negative lumen potential
- $\text{Cl}^-$  get's in via paracellular route,  $\text{K}^+$  goes out of cell
- Aldosterone increases activity of these channels
- Diuretics and Aldosterone activity leads to  $\text{K}^+$  wasting



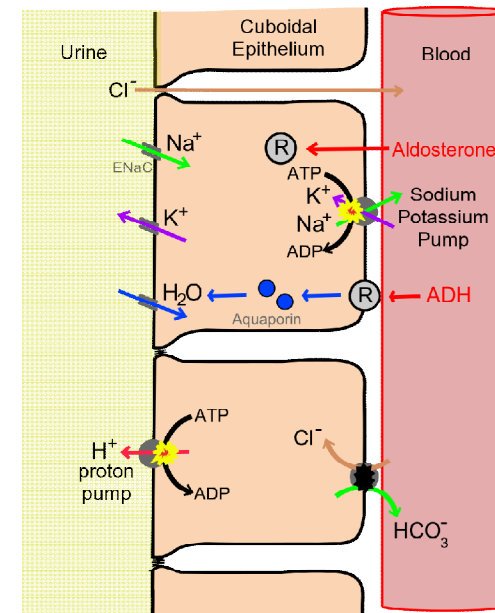
# K-Sparing diuretics

- K-Sparing diuretics mainly act by 2 ways
  1. Competitive antagonist of Aldosterone
  2. Directly block Na channels



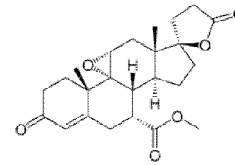
## Competitive Aldosterone antagonist

- These directly compete with aldosterone for intracellular cytoplasmic binding sites
- Thus prevent formation of proteins that are normally synthesized in reaction to aldosterone
- As a result mediator proteins are not produced, and so stimulation of sodium-potassium exchange does not occur

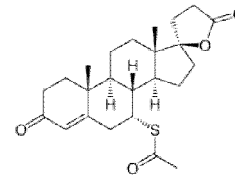


## Competitive Aldosterone antagonist

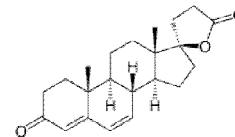
- Synthetic steroidal molecules
- Spironolactone has a slower onset, takes days for full therapeutic effect
- Eplerenone is much selective for ADH receptor, lower side effects



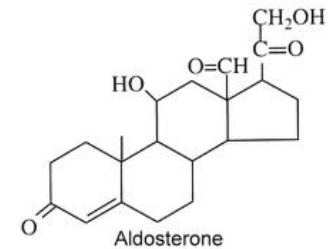
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Spironolactone



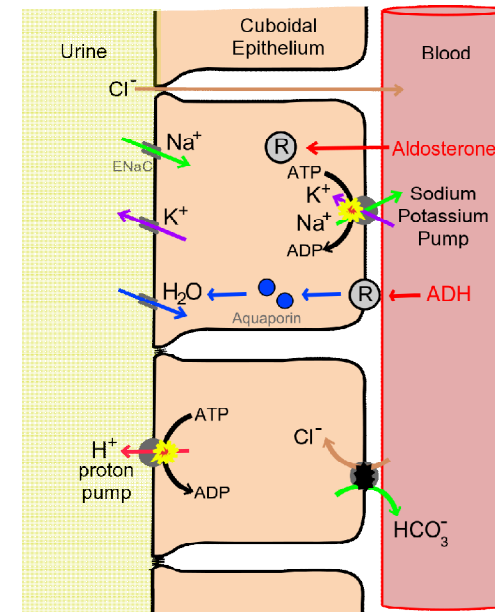
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Aldosterone

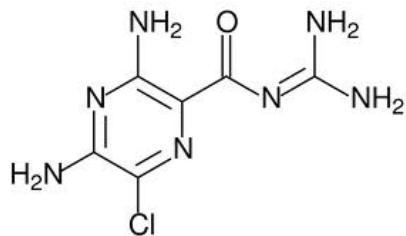
## Direct channel blockers

- Directly interfere with Na entry through epithelial Na<sup>+</sup> channels (eNaC)
- Since K<sup>+</sup> secretion is coupled with Na<sup>+</sup> entry in this region
- Both categories are thus K<sup>+</sup> -sparing diuretics

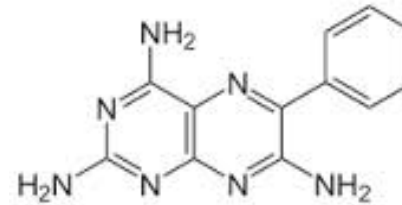




## Direct channel blockers



Amiloride



Triamterene

## Clinical Indications

- Most useful in conditions of Aldosterone excess (hyperaldosteronism)
- This excess can be due to
  - Primary hypersecretion (Conn's syndrome .)
  - Secondary hypersecretion (evoked by heart failure, liver cirrhosis etc conditions with lower blood volume)
  - Use of loop, thiazide diuretics exacerbate volume contraction
  - Due to enhanced Aldosterone, higher  $\text{Na}^+$  presentation,  $\text{K}^+$  wasting occurs,  $\text{K}^+$ -sparing agents prevent wasting
- These drugs have mild action, should be avoided in conditions where potent diuretic action is desired

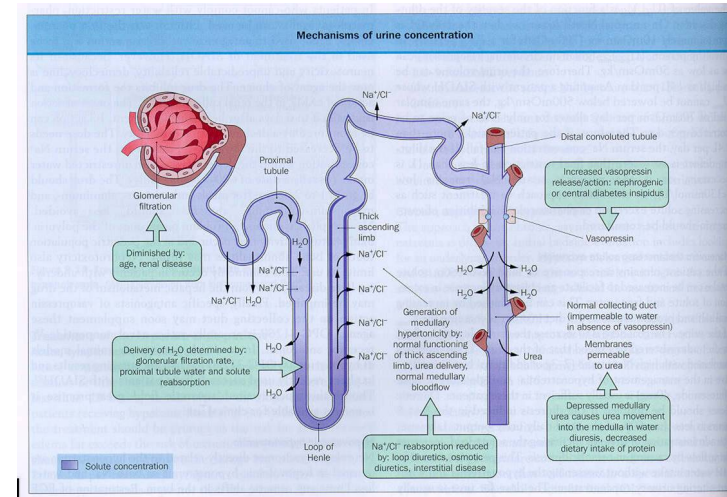
# Toxicity

- Hyperkalemia
  - Can cause mild, moderate or even life threatening hyperkalemia
  - Risk increased in case of renal disease or renin inhibitors
  - Toxicity more common when used alone
- Hyperchloremic Metabolic Acidosis
  - Inhibit H<sup>+</sup> secretion along with K<sup>+</sup> causing acidosis
- Kidney stones
  - Triamterene is slightly soluble in urine, may ppt causing kidney stones

# Agents that alter water excretion

## Osmotic Diuretics

- Proximal tubule, descending limb are water permeable
- Any osmotic active agent filtered but not absorbed causes water retention
- Prototype agent : Mannitol

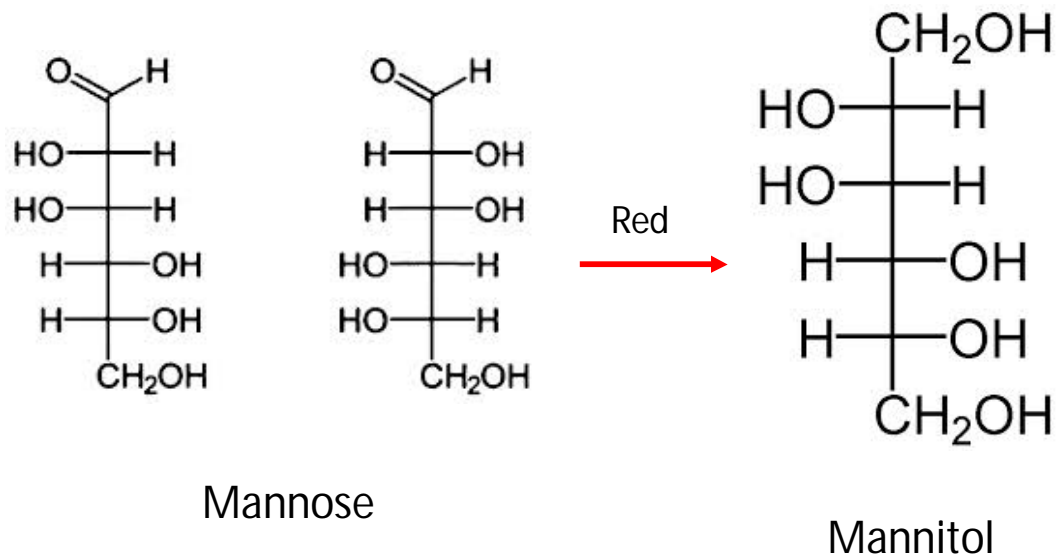


# Pharmacodynamics & Pharmacokinetics

- PD:
  - Major effect on Proximal tubule & descending limb
  - Presence of non-absorbable solute counters other osmotic forces
  - Increase in urine flow decreases the contact time for  $\text{Na}^+$ , water reabsorption
- PK:
  - Mannitol poorly absorbed in GI, given IV
  - Not metabolized, excreted by filtration within 30- 60 min (No reabsorption or secretion)

# Mannitol Structure

- Sugar alcohol derived from sugar
- Derived from Mannose by reduction



## Clinical Indications

- Increase in Urine Volume
  - Used to increase water excretion in preference to  $\text{Na}^+$  excretion
  - To maintain urine volume & prevent anuria (No urine formation)
- Reduction of intra-cranial, intra-ocular pressure
  - Osmotic diuretics alter osmotic forces; water leaves cell reducing intra-cellular volume
  - This effect used to lower intra-cranial pressure in neurological conditions
  - & lower intra-ocular pressure before ophthalmic procedures

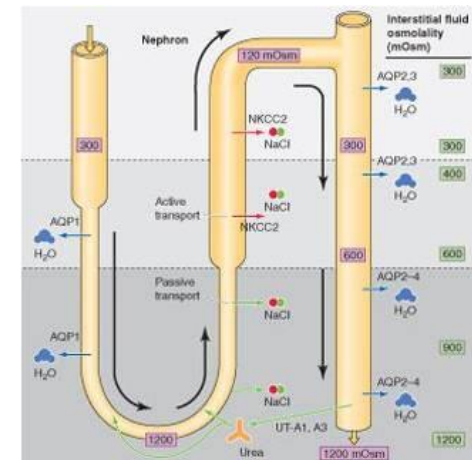
# Toxicity

- Extracellular Volume expansion:
  - Mannitol rapidly distributed in extracellular compartment, extracts water from cells
  - Leads to expansion of extracellular volume, hyponatremia
  - This can complicate heart failure, lead to edema
- Dehydration, Hyperkalemia, Hypernatremia:
  - Excessive use leads to water losses leading to dehydration, hypernatremia
  - Water extraction from cells leads to hyperkalemia (increase in  $K^+$  conc)



## Water extraction at Collection tubule

- Regulated system of water channels for water reabsorption
- **ADH or arginine vasopressin** controls the movement of water by inserting pre-formed water channels (Aquaporins)
- In absence of ADH, collecting tubule is impermeable to water
- ADH increases water permeability leads to formation of conc urine



## ADH Antagonist

- ADH antagonist block effects of ADH leading to diuresis
- Non-selective agents:
  - Lithium, demeclocycline
- Selective agents:
  - Vasopressin receptor (V2) antagonist
  - Conivaptan, tolvaptan, *lixivaptan*, *satavaptan*
  - Conivaptan is administered IV
  - Tolvaptan is administered orally, half life of 12-24 hrs

## Clinical Indications

- Syndrome of Inappropriate ADH secretion (SIADH)
  - Water restriction is preferred choice in SIADH
  - If doesn't work then use ADH antagonist
- Other causes of elevated ADH:
  - Low blood volume due to various reasons leads to elevated ADH levels
  - ADH antagonist useful in this setting