

B DRUGS

ADRENOCEPTOR ANTAGONISTS : β - Blockers

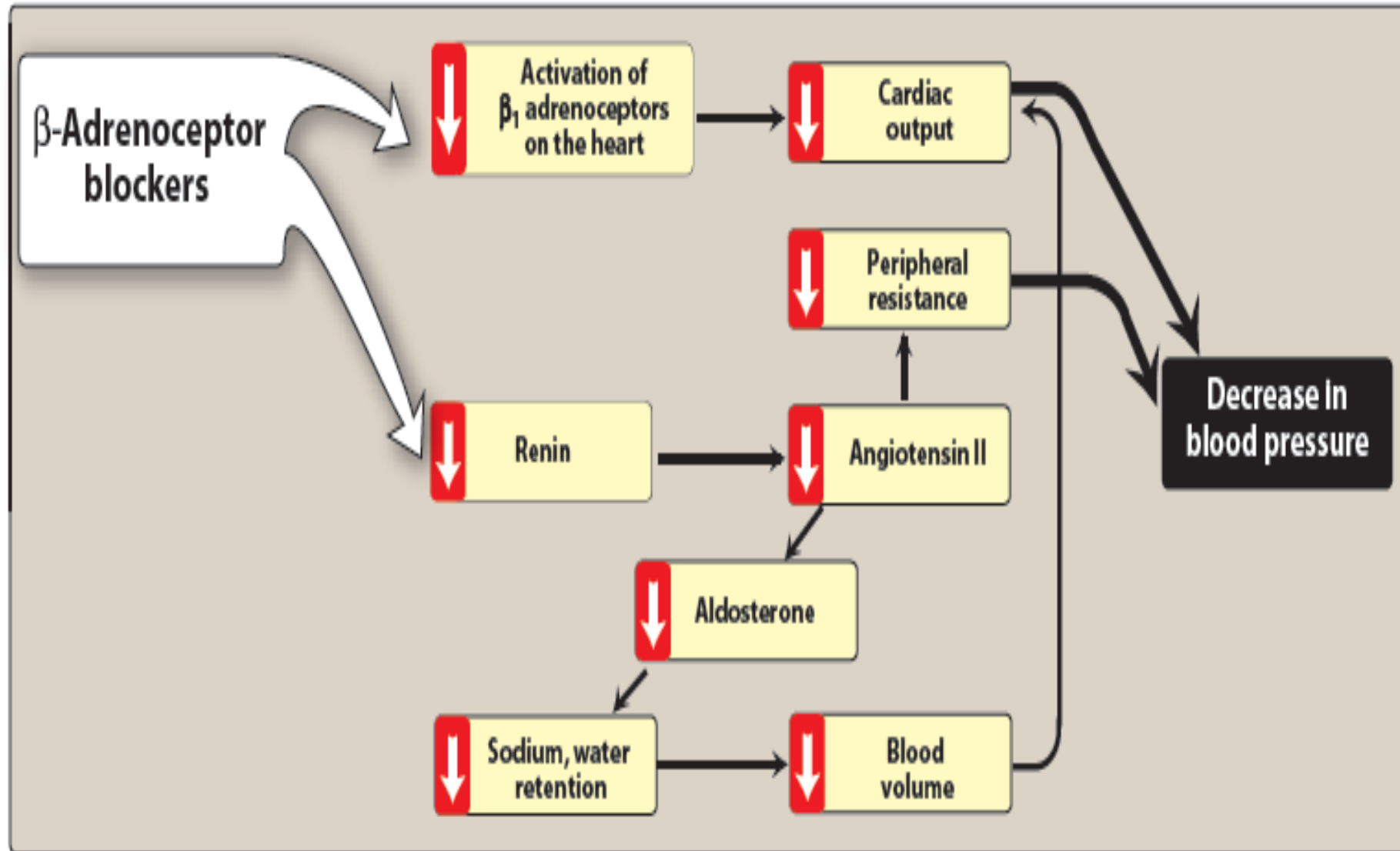
❑ Classification of β -adrenoceptor receptors

- ✓ β_1 -receptors (heart)
- ✓ β_2 -receptors (blood vessels, bronchioles)
- ✓ β_3 -receptors (adipose tissue).

❑ Mechanism of action

- ✓ Reduce cardiac output (via $\downarrow$ HR $\downarrow$ contract negative chronotropic and negative inotropic effects on the heart)
- ✓ Inhibit renin secretion *
- ✓ Reduce sympathetic outflow from the central nervous system (CNS).

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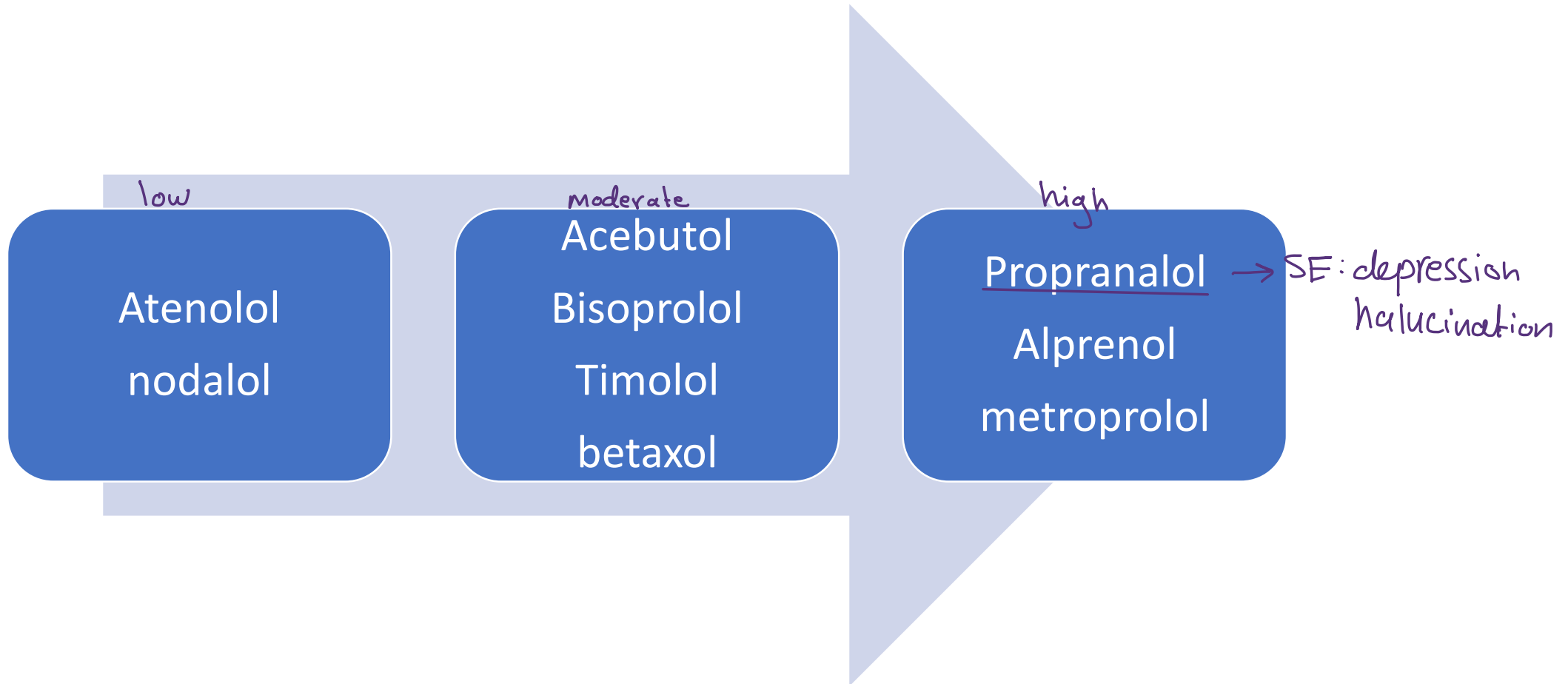
❑ Pharmacokinetics

- well absorbed and active for hypertension orally
- Given intravenously in emergencies (Esmolol)
- Lipophilic drugs (e.g. **propranolol**) are subject to **extensive first pass metabolism**
- Lipophilic beta-blockers enter the brain more readily than do polar drugs and so **central nervous system side effects** (e.g. nightmares, sedation, tremor) occur more commonly.

Oral β -blockers may take several weeks to develop their full effects.
Esmolol, *metoprolol*, and *propranolol* are available in intravenous formulations

Classification of β -Blockers according to Increasing Lipophilicity

More lipophilic means more side effects (CNS)



بنعطيهما لما المريض يكون عنده HTN و bradycardia بنفس الوقت لأنهم برفعوا HR

- Some beta-blockers (e.g. **oxprenolol**) are **partial agonists** and possess intrinsic sympathomimetic activity. drug acceptable when they have failed to tolerate a pure $\uparrow$ HR antagonist (e.g. patients with angina).
- Beta-blockers with additional vasodilating properties are available. This is theoretically an advantage in treating patients with hypertension. Their mechanisms vary. Some (e.g. labetolol, carvedilol) have additional α -blocking activity.

يستخدم في الحمل pregnancy

- **Nebivolol** releases **endothelium-derived nitric oxide**

vasodilator

Indications include :

- HTN
- HTN with angina
- MI
- Panic attacks!!! palpitation, tremor, elevated blood glucose بزيد الـsympathetic, بصير عندي
- Topically for glaucoma treatment (timolol)
- Essential tremor
- Phenocromocytoma (along with α -blockers)

في بعض الأشخاص بصير عندهم ورم بالـ adrenal medulla، بحتاج لأنه يعمل عملية، بس احنا مجرد ما نعمل جرح راح تطلع كل كمية الـ epinephrine الزيادة من الورم للدم فجأة، وتأثيرها راح يكون عالي من ناحية ارتفاع في ضغط الدم وعدد ضربات القلب. ممكن نحل هالمشكلة من خلال إنه نعطي المريض a blocker قبل العملية بيوم

Contraindications :

- Asthma, COPD(caution)
- Diabetes(caution with insulin patients)
- Bradycardia, AV block Give them antagonist with partial agonist activity

Adverse effects and contraindications :

- *Intolerance – fatigue*
- *cold extrémités* أطراف باردة
- *erectile dysfunction*;
- *Airways obstruction* **nonselective drugs** **السبب** **البروكونستريكتيون** **من** **الدواء**

asthmatics sometimes tolerate a small dose of a selective drug when first prescribed, only to suffer an exceptionally severe attack subsequently, and β -adrenoceptor antagonists should ideally be avoided altogether in asthmatics and used only with caution in COPD patients, many of whom have a reversible component.

بنستخدمهم في بعض حالات الـ HF، وهو الـ محاضرة كاملة لحاله 🥰

- Decompensated heart failure – β -adrenoceptor antagonists are contraindicated

- Hypoglycaemia لأنها بتخفي أعراضه

– β -adrenoceptor antagonists can mask symptoms of hypoglycaemia

- Heart block – β -adrenoceptor antagonists can precipitate or worsen heart block.

بتقلل الـ glycogenolysis & glucagon secretion

- Metabolic disturbance – β -adrenoreceptor antagonists worsen glycaemic control in type 2 diabetes mellitus.
Also increase in TG levels and reduction in HDL !!!

Drug interactions

- *Pharmacokinetic interactions: β -adrenoceptor antagonists*

inhibit drug metabolism indirectly by decreasing hepatic blood flow secondary to decreased cardiac output. This causes accumulation of drugs such as **lidocaine** that have such a high hepatic extraction ratio that their clearance reflects hepatic blood flow.

- *Pharmacodynamic interactions: Increased negative inotropic and atrioventricular (AV) nodal effects occur with*

Verapamil, lidocaine and other negative inotropes.

الـ b blocker يقللوا الـ HR فأَي دوا رح يعمل نفس الشغل لازم ما نعطييه معهم
مثل الـ lidocaine وهو مسكن يقلل الـ heart=induction of signals to heart
برضو ما بصير أعطييه مع الـ CCB مثلاً الـ verapamil لأنه ممكن القلب يتوقف وما نلحق المريض
giving both verapamil and beta blockers intravenously can be fatal

Table 28.1: Examples of β -adrenoceptors in clinical use

Drug	Selectivity	Pharmacokinetic features	Comment
Propranolol	Non-selective	Non-polar; substantial presystematic metabolism; variable dose requirements; multiple daily dosing	First beta-blocker in clinical use
Atenolol	β_1 -selective	Polar; renal elimination; once daily dosing	Widely used; avoid in renal failure
Metoprolol	β_1 -selective	Non-polar; cytochrome P450 (2D6 isoenzyme)	Widely used
Esmolol	β_1 -selective	Short acting given by i.v. infusion; renal elimination of acid metabolite	Used in intensive care unit/theatre (e.g. dissecting aneurysm)
Sotalol	Non-selective (L-isomer)	Polar; renal elimination	A racemate: the D-isomer has class III anti-dysrhythmic actions (see Chapter 31)
Labetolol	Non-selective	Hepatic glucuronidation	Additional alpha-blocking and partial β_2 -agonist activity. Used in the latter part of pregnancy
Oxprenolol	Non-selective	Hepatic hydroxylation/glucuronidation	Partial agonist

هم بمنعوا دخول الكالسيوم المسؤول عن الانقباض، ويضل في حالة relaxation

فهي selective على القلب والأوعية blood vessels

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CALCIUM-CHANNEL BLOCKERS

- Drugs that block voltage-dependent Ca channels are used to hypertension and angina.

- There are three classes: حسب الـ structure والتأثير

➤ Phenylalkylamines: (Verapamil) target mainly cardiac myocytes

➤ Benzothiazepines: (Diltiazem) target mainly cardiac myocytes

➤ Dihydropyridines: (Amlodipine, Nifedipine) relax smooth muscles blood vessels

يقللوا على عضلة القلب بشكل أساسي

وهذا يساعدني بتحديد الدواء المناسب للمريض حسب MOA حتى لو كلهم يقللوا الضغط

Notes



Verapamil is the least selective of any calcium channel blocker and has significant effects on both cardiac and vascular smooth muscle cells. It is also used to treat angina and supraventricular tachyarrhythmias and to prevent migraine and cluster headaches.

Diltiazim has less pronounced negative inotropic effect compared to verapamil.

Dihydropyridines have more affinity to calcium channels in blood vessels than in heart.

The dihydropyridines have the advantage in that they show little interaction with other cardiovascular drugs, such as *digoxin* or *warfarin*, which are often used concomitantly with calcium channel blockers.

CCBs dilate arterioles not veins

- **Mechanism of action (vasodilators)**

→ Vasodilator → blood vessels
→ ↓ contractility → cardiac myocytes

- Calcium-channel blockers inhibit Ca^{2+} influx through voltage-dependent L-type calcium channels.
- Calcium-channel blockers therefore relax arteriolar smooth muscle, reduce peripheral vascular resistance and lower arterial blood pressure.

- **Pharmacokinetics**

- absorbed when given by mouth. orally

amlodipine + ➤ **Nifedipine has a short half-life and many of its**

adverse effects (e.g. flushing, headache) relate to the peak plasma concentration. Slow-release preparations improve its profile in this regard.

لأنه يعمل vasodilation لكل الجسم، رح يعمل هاي التأثيرات بالإضافة لـ reflex postural hypotension و tachycardia

➤ **Amlodipine** is renally eliminated and
has a half-life of two to three days ^{long duration of action} and produces a persistent
antihypertensive effect with once daily administration
high potency → 5mg / Day

❖ Dihydropyridine calcium-channel blockers :

✓ **Amlodipine :**

➤ most prescribed CCB → Norvasc مشهور باسم

بقلل من حالات الوفاة بسبب HTN
والمضاعفات المصاحبة له

➤ Stands on strong evidence , to improve mortality and morbidity ✕

➤ Achieves slow rate to release , (less side effects)

➤ Once daily 5-10 mg per day

long duration of action and fewer SE بشتغل كـ SR فهذا يعطي

• **Adverse effects of CCB s :** الأدوية اللي بتعمل vasodilation لها SE أكثر، ليهك علاج الـ hypotension مثلاً أسهل

▪ usually well tolerated,

▪ Short-acting preparations (e.g. **nifedipine capsules**) cause

flushing and headache (reflex tachycardia in some cases)

+ postural hypotension

- Ankle swelling (oedema) is common. تجمع الدم والسوائل في الكاحل.
- The negative inotropic effect of **verapamil exacerbates** cardiac failure.
- Constipation is common with **verapamil**.

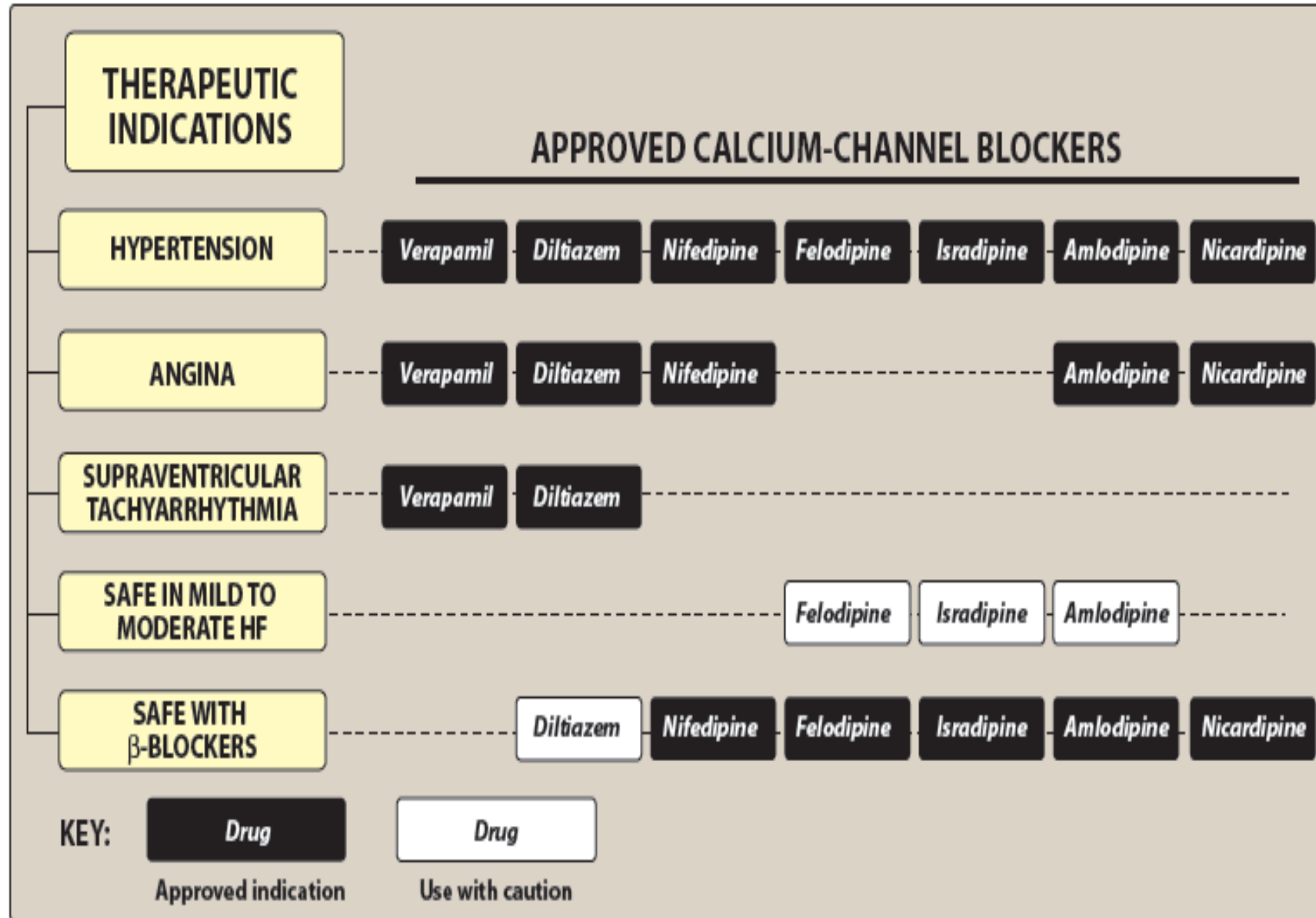
Drug interactions

Intravenous **verapamil can cause circulatory collapse in patients** treated concomitantly with β -adrenoceptor antagonists.

معلومة مهمة جداً وكثير كرناها، ممكن يموت وقلبه يوقف من حبتين!

Table 28.2: Examples of calcium-channel blocking drugs in clinical use

Class	Drug	Effect on heart rate	Adverse effects	Comment
Dihydropyridine	Nifedipine	↑	Headache, flushing, ankle swelling	Slow-release preparations for once/twice daily use
	Amlodipine	0	Ankle swelling	Once daily use in hypertension, angina
	Nimodipine	↑	Flushing, headache	Prevention of cerebral vasospasm after subarachnoid haemorrhage
Benzothiazepine	Diltiazem	0	Generally mild	Prophylaxis of angina, hypertension
Phenylalkylamine	Verapamil	↓	Constipation; marked negative inotropic action	See Chapter 32 for use in dysrhythmias. Slow-release preparation for hypertension, angina



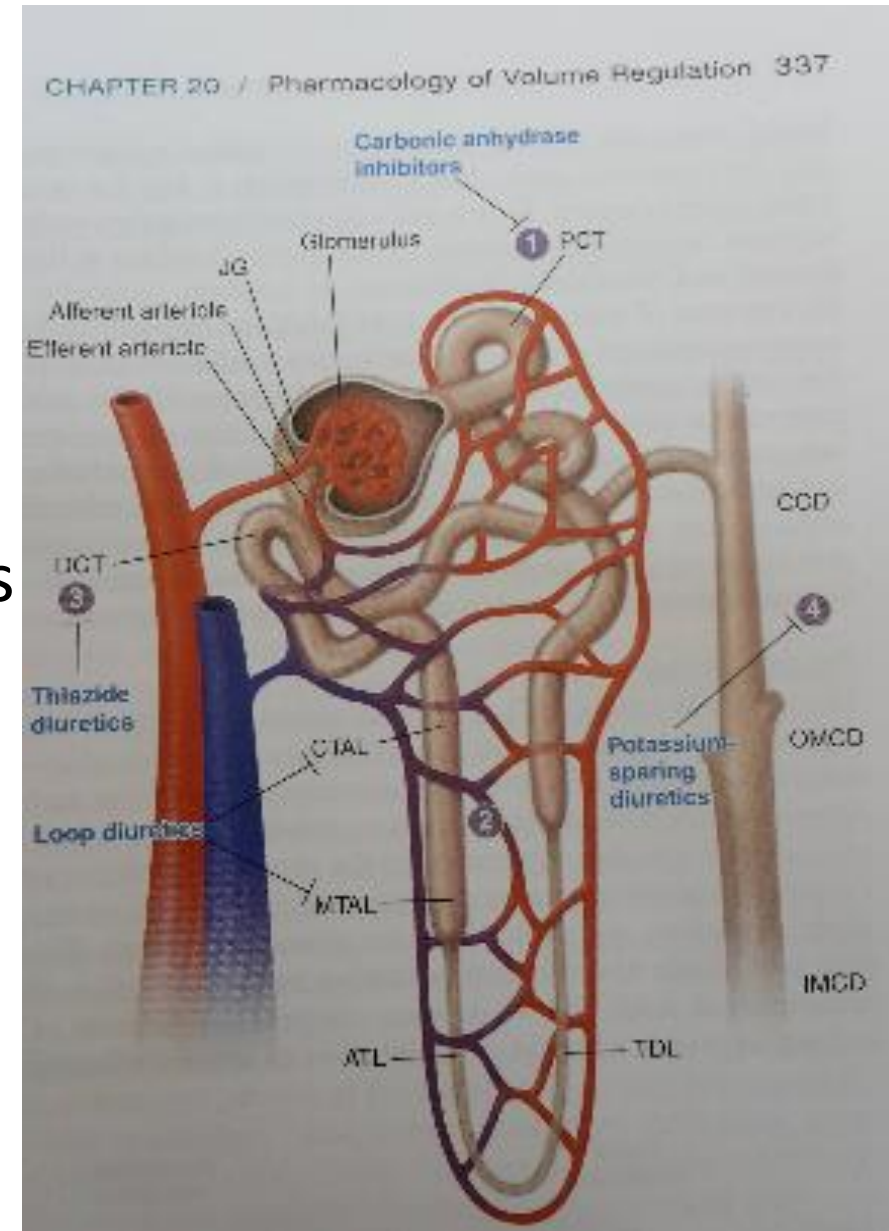
D DRUGS DIURETICS

PRINCIPLES OF DIURETIC ACTION

- Increase the rate of excretion of Na^+ (natriuresis) and of an accompanying anion, usually Cl^- .
↑ urine excretion ↓ BV ↓ BP
- Most clinical applications of diuretics are directed toward reducing extracellular fluid volume by decreasing total-body NaCl content.

Classes of Diuretics :

- Loop diuretics (high ceiling)
- Thiazides (moderate ceiling)
- Potassium Sparing
- Aldosterone antagonists
- Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors
- Osmotic diuretics

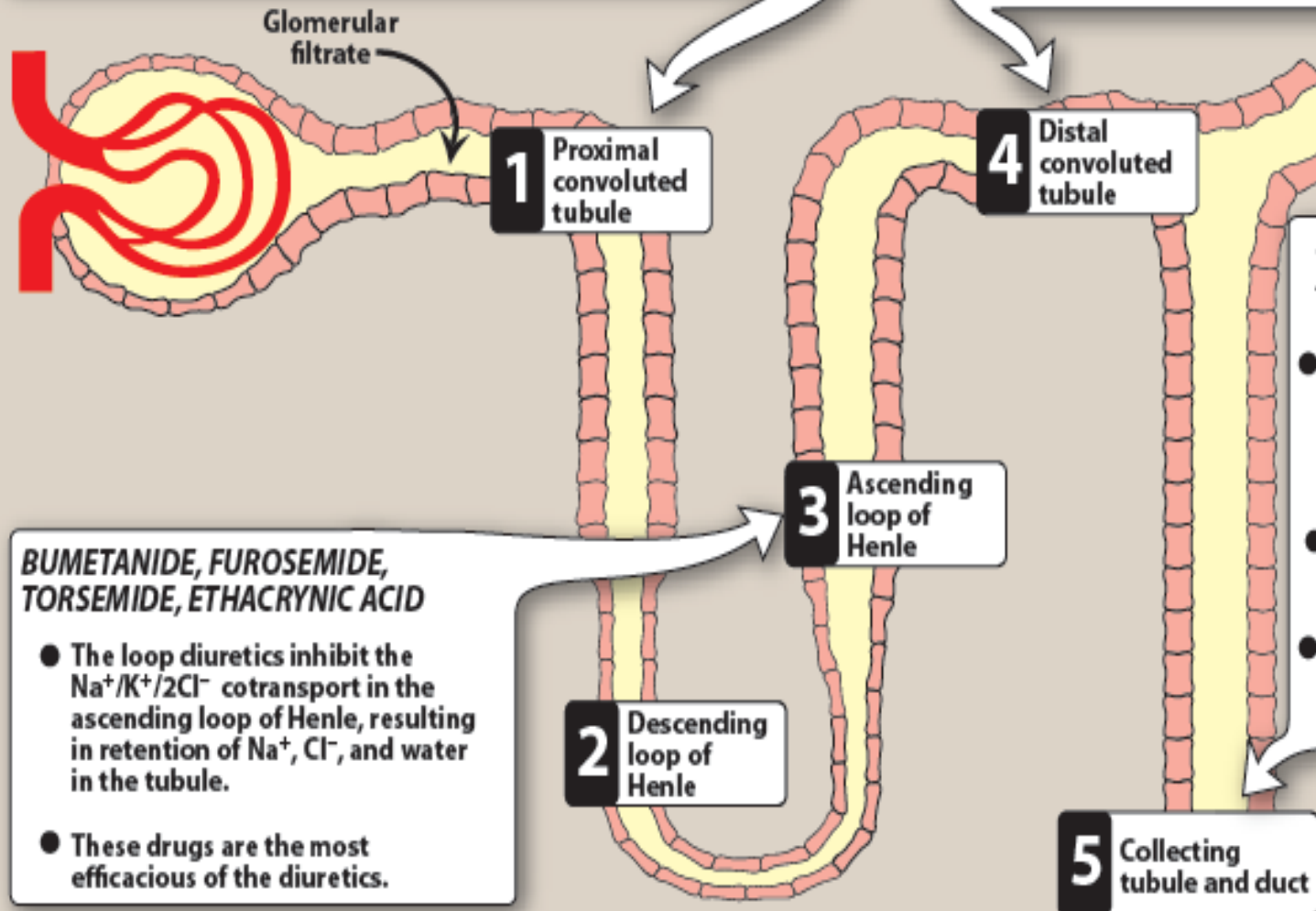


ACETAZOLAMIDE

- A carbonic anhydrase inhibitor that inhibits the reabsorption of HCO_3^- in the proximal convoluted tubule.
- Weak diuretic properties.

THIAZIDES

- Inhibit reabsorption of Na^+ and Cl^- in the distal convoluted tubule, resulting in retention of water in the tubule.
- Most commonly used diuretic for the treatment of hypertension.



BUMETANIDE, FUROSEMIDE, TORSEMIDE, ETHACRYNIC ACID

- The loop diuretics inhibit the $\text{Na}^+/\text{K}^+/\text{2Cl}^-$ cotransport in the ascending loop of Henle, resulting in retention of Na^+ , Cl^- , and water in the tubule.
- These drugs are the most efficacious of the diuretics.

SPIRONOLACTONE, AMILORIDE, TRIAMTERENE

- *Spironolactone*, an aldosterone antagonist, inhibits the aldosterone-mediated reabsorption of Na^+ and secretion of K^+ .
- *Amiloride* and *triamterene* block Na^+ channels.
- These agents can prevent loss of K^+ that occurs with thiazide or loop diuretics.

Solute transport and reabsorption sites

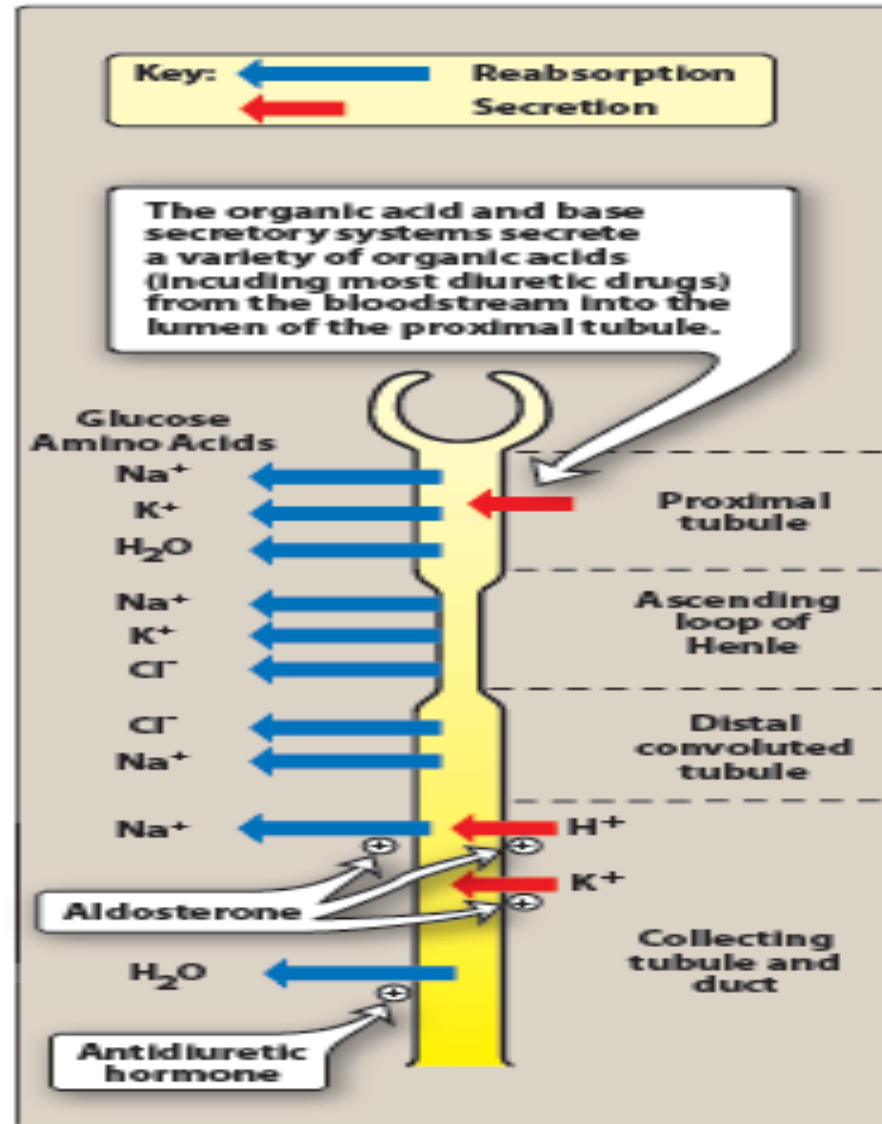


Figure 22.3

Sites of transport of solutes and water along the nephron.

Loop Diuretics (High Ceiling)

بشتغلوا على loop of henle بالذات على ascending وهو أكثر مكان بصير فياته urine excretion، وتأثيرهم الأقوى وكمية السوائل اللي بتخرج كبيرة بحيث بنسميهم high ceiling diuretic.

بتشغل عن طريق عمل inhibition للـ reabsorption of Na,K,Cl,water ويزيد الـ excretion ويقلل نسبهم بالجسم -رح نشوفهم بالـ adverse- وبصير عنا tachycardia بالعادة يستخدم في حالات الـ ER لما نكون بحاجة مدر قوي، مش للاستخدام المستمر

1 Loop Diuretics (High Ceiling)

- works at the thick ascending limb of the loop of Henle
- are highly efficacious, and for this reason, they sometimes are called *high-ceiling diuretics*.
- Furosemide and bumetanide contain a sulfonamide moiety. ما بنعطيهم اللي عندهم حساسية من الكبريت
- Ethacrynic acid is a phenoxyacetic acid derivative and torsemide is a sulfonylurea
- loop diuretics increase in the urinary excretion of Na^+ and Cl^- profoundly, also K^+
- also results in marked increases in the excretion of Ca^{2+} and Mg^{2+} .

- **Adverse Effects :**

- abnormalities of fluid and electrolyte balance

- Hyponatremia

- Hypotension

- thromboembolic episodes

- circulatory collapse

- increased urinary excretion of K^+ and H^+ , causing a hypochloremic alkalosis

blood $pH \uparrow$

- Hypokalemia

- Hypomagnesemia

- Hypocalcemia

- Ototoxicity → يؤثر على السمع.

- Contraindications to the use of loop diuretics :

- ❖ hypersensitivity to sulfonamides

- ❖ Anuria urine less than 100 ml

- Drug interactions :

- Aminoglycosides antibiotic

- Anticoagulants

- digitalis glycosides (increased digitalis-induced arrhythmias),

- propranolol (increased plasma levels of propranolol)

- Sulfonylureas دواء للسكري

- NSAIDs

مثل digoxin وهو دوا بنعطى في حالة HF وبتعمد في شغلة على وجود الصوديوم

Therapeutic Uses

- Acute pulmonary edema → ممكن بسبب مشاكل بالقلب أو infection في الرئتين
- chronic congestive heart failure
- edema and ^{تجمع السوائل في البطن}ascites of liver cirrhosis
- HTN (not first choice) however in ER
↳ ACEI, ARBs

2 THIAZIDE AND THIAZIDELIKE DIURETICS

الـ moderate effect، وهو الأكثر استخداماً للاستعمال اليومي وحكيماً عنه من قبل كيف بنستخدمه بـ combination
نفس الشيء بعملوا excretion of Na,Cl بس في الـ DCT لـهيك تأثيرهم متوسط

- Sulfonamides, derivatives of benzothiadiazine
- Drugs that are pharmacologically similar to thiazide diuretics but are not thiazides were developed and are called *thiazidlike diuretics*.
- inhibit NaCl transport in the **DCT**
- the proximal tubule may represent a secondary site of action
- increase Na^+ and Cl^- excretion

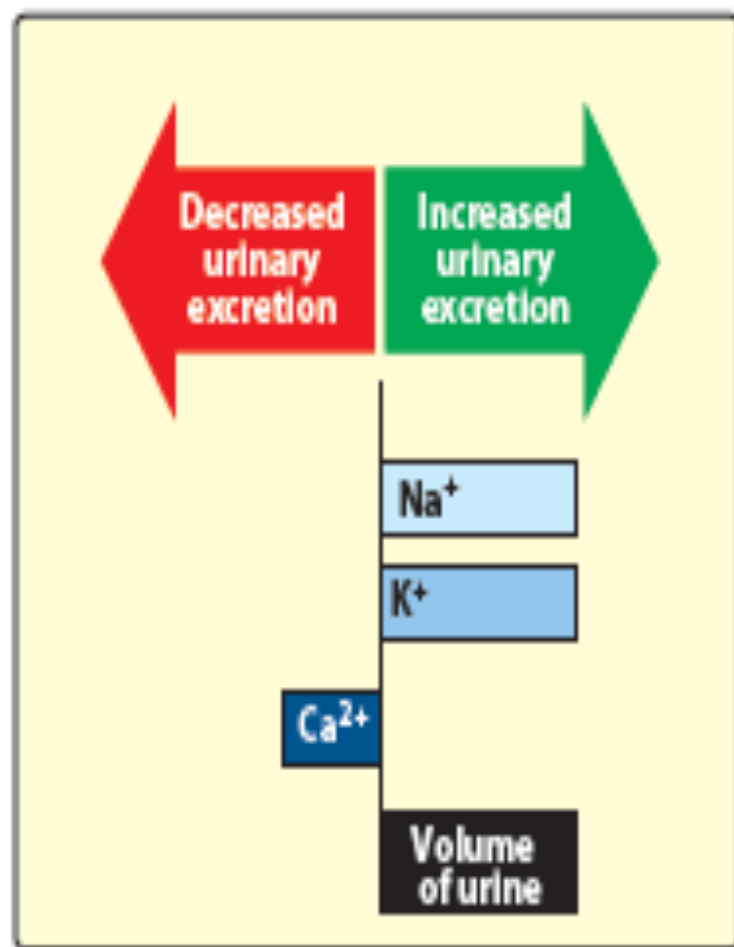


Figure 22.4

Relative changes in the composition of urine induced by thiazide diuretics.

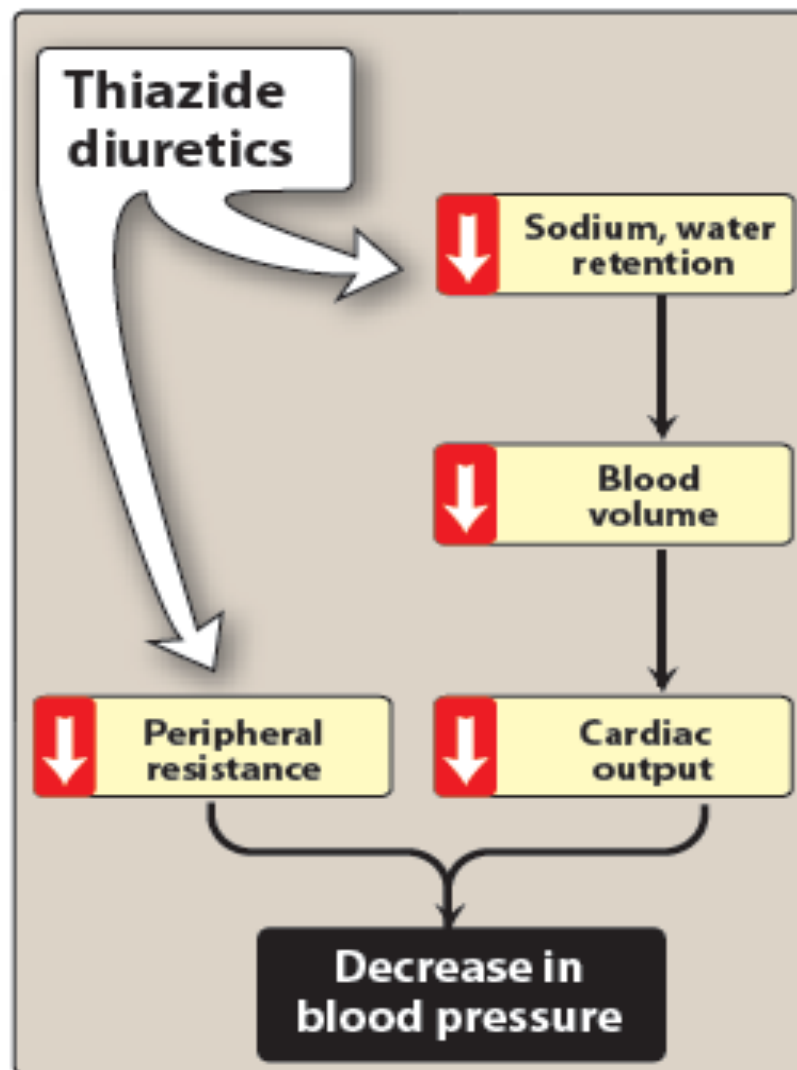
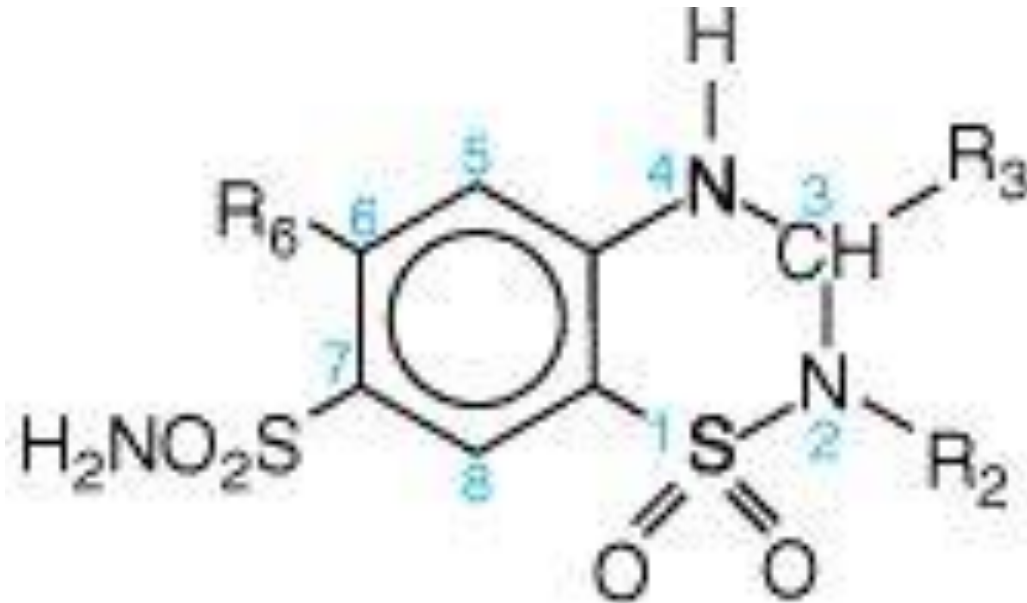


Figure 19.8

Actions of thiazide diuretics.

- thiazides are only moderately efficacious , because approximately 90% of the filtered Na^+ load is reabsorbed before reaching the DCT
- increase the excretion of K^+

Thiazide core structure



Adverse effects :

- extracellular volume depletion
- Hypotension
- hypokalemia
- hyponatremia
- hypochloremia
- metabolic alkalosis Thiazides cause alkalosis due to increase excretion of chloride in proportion to bicarbonate.
- Hypomagnesemia
- hypercalcemia
- hyperuricemia

Therapeutic Uses

- Edema : (CHF, RF, Liver cirrhosis) اکثر مش کالے
- Moderate HTN either alone or in combination with other antihypertensive drugs
- A common dose for hypertension is 25 mg/day of hydrochlorothiazide or the dose equivalent of another thiazide.
- The ALLHAT study ([ALLHAT Officers and Coordinators for the ALLHAT Collaborative Research Group, 2002](#)) provides strong evidence that thiazide diuretics are the best initial therapy for uncomplicated hypertension, a conclusion endorsed by the Joint National Committee on Prevention, Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Pressure (Chobanian *et al.* 2003)

بشتغل على عملية تبادل بحيث بطلع الصوديوم NA من الجسم ويدخل البوتاسيوم، فالتالي أكيد رح يرفع نسبة البوتاسيوم بالجسم فلازم نكون حذرين باستخدامهم لأنه ممكن توقف عضلة القلب، وهو low ceiling diuretic

≡ K⁺-SPARING DIURETICS

النوع الأول

- **Inhibitors of renal epithelial Na⁺ channels** → DCT, collecting duct
- **Triamterene** and **Amiloride** are the only two drugs of this class in clinical use
- Both drugs cause small increases in NaCl excretion and usually are employed for their antikaliuretic actions to offset the effects of other diuretics that increase K⁺ excretion
- **Triamterene** and **Amiloride**, along with Spironolactone (see next section), often are classified as *potassium (K⁺)-sparing diuretics*.

Adverse Effects

- The most dangerous adverse effect of Na⁺-channel inhibitors is **hyperkalemia**, therefore contraindicated:

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↑ K

❖ with NSAIDs *life threatening ممكن يكون*

❖ With K supplement, or ACEIs,

- **nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and headache**
- **CNS, gastrointestinal, musculoskeletal, dermatological**

tiredness or weakness.

a feeling of numbness or tingling.

trouble breathing.

chest pain.

palpitations or irregular heartbeats.

Therapeutic Uses

- seldom are used as sole agents تأثیرها ضعیف و نادرًا ما تستخدام کالها
- major utility is in *combination* with other diuretics
- augments the diuretic and antihypertensive response to thiazide and loop diuretics (also decreases incidence of hypokalemia associated with loop and thiazide)

ALDOSTERONE ANTAGONISTS, K⁺-SPARING DIURETICS

النوع الثاني

بمنع ارتباط الألدوستيرون بالـreceptor
فبقلل الضغط عن طريق تقليل الصوديوم
ولكنه يرفع البوتاسيوم

- **antagonists of mineralocorticoid receptors**
- Mineralocorticoids cause retention of salt and water and increase the excretion of K⁺ and H⁺ by binding to specific mineralocorticoid receptors
- spiro lactones block the effects of mineralocorticoids; this finding led to the synthesis of specific antagonists for the mineralocorticoid receptor (MR).
- two MR antagonists are available :
- *spironolactone* (a 17-spirolactone) and *eplerenone*

- Spironalactone acts on the distal convoluted tubules and the collecting duct
- Drugs such as spironolactone and eplerenone competitively inhibit the binding of aldosterone to the MR
- They increase excretion of Na and water, also enhance K and H retention.

increased sodium absorption from urine and increased potassium excretion
 aldosterone's role is to increase Na reabsorption and K excretion, which increases blood volume (BV) and blood pressure (BP).

هم يشتغلوا على collecting duct، فلما أعطي دوا زي **spironolactone** اللي هو aldosterone antagonist بقلل Na reabsorption ويقلل الضغط، كونه بزيد الـ K هو والـ k-sparing فمممكن أعطييه مع loop diuretic لو احتجت استخدمه لفترة طويلة حتى أعادل التأثير

- ❖ Spironolactone has some affinity toward progesterone and androgen receptors and thereby induces side effects: as gynecomastia, impotence, and menstrual irregularities.
- ❖ An active metabolite of spironolactone, canrenone, has a half-life of approximately 16.5 hours, which prolongs the biological effects of spironolactone *بزيد وقته في الجسم وبزيد تأثيره بس كمان بزيد الـ SE*
- ❖ Owing to the 9,11-epoxide group, eplerenone has very low affinity for progesterone and androgen receptors (<1% and <0.1%, respectively) compared with spironolactone.

تركيبته مشابهة لتركيبية الهرمون الأنثوي **progesterone** وهذا بأدي لـ SE غريبة بحسب الـ gender عند males يعمل gynecomastia, impotence (تثدي) عند females يعمل menstrual irregularities وكمان خشونة في الصوت deep of voice و hirsutism

طوره عن طريق تقليل هاي الأعراض الجانبية بتغيير الـ epoxide group in eplerenone، بس سعره غالي ومش مستخدم بكثرة، note that the eplerenone is 10 folds more expensive

Adverse Effects

- ❖ may cause life-threatening hyperkalemia
- ❖ مشتقات الأسبرين Salicylates may reduce the tubular secretion of canrenone and decrease the diuretic efficacy of spironolactone
- ❖ spironolactone may alter the clearance of digitalis glycosides ↑ SE
- ❖ gynecomastia, impotence, decreased libido, hirsutism, deepening of the voice

Therapeutic Uses

- spironolactone often is coadministered with thiazide or loop diuretics in the treatment of edema and hypertension
- treatment of primary hyperaldosteronism بس بهاي الحالة بستخدمه لحاله
- hepatic cirrhosis
- heart failure

Hepatic cirrhosis causes ascites which is abdominal swelling. Controlled studies found that Spironolactone is stronger than loop diuretics in this case.

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INHIBITORS OF CARBONIC ANHYDRASE

- *Acetazolamide* is the prototype of a class of agents
- Proximal tubular epithelial cells are richly endowed with carbonic anhydrase
- Carbonic anhydrase plays a key role in NaHCO_3 reabsorption and acid secretion.
- In the lumen, H^+ reacts with filtered HCO_3^- to form H_2CO_3 , which decomposes rapidly to CO_2 and water in the presence of carbonic anhydrase (thousands of times)

بشتغلوا على الـ proximal convoluted tubules، وهاي المنطقة أصلاً الـ excretion فيها قليل
مما يعني الأدوية اللي بتشتغل عليها تأثيرها قليل
بتثبط انزيم اسمه carbonic anhydrase وهو بعمل inhibition للـ reabsorption of NaHCO_3
فهيك بزيد الـ excretion of Na and urine

- Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors potently inhibit both the membrane-bound and cytoplasmic forms of carbonic anhydrase, resulting in nearly complete abolition of NaHCO_3 reabsorption in the proximal tubule.
- Inhibition of carbonic anhydrase results in more alkaline urine (more HCO_3 in urine) + acidosis

Adverse Effects

- Mainly well tolerated
- may cause bone marrow depression, skin toxicity,
- metabolic or respiratory acidosis

(RBC, WBC, platelets) ↓, ~~↑~~ ↓

Acidosis leads to increase respiratory rate. COPD patients cannot cope with this acidosis so acetazolamide is contraindicated with COPD

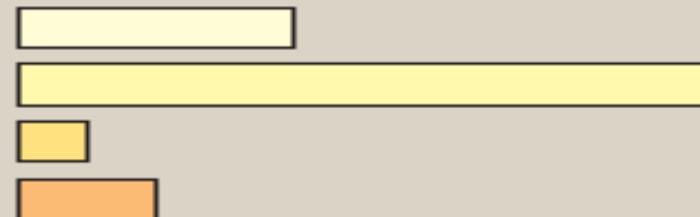
Therapeutic Uses

- Seldom used in clinical practice for HTN
- open-angle glaucoma (major indication) topically as eye drops

KEY

- Thiazide diuretics
- Loop diuretics
- K⁺-sparing diuretics
- Acetazolamide

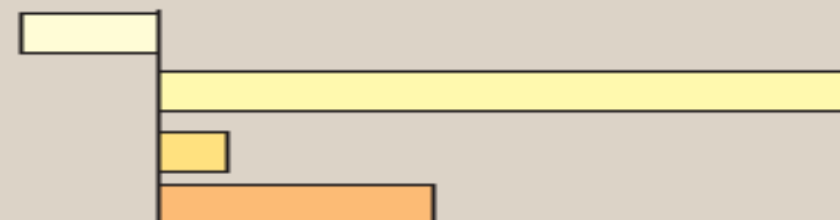
Na⁺ excretion



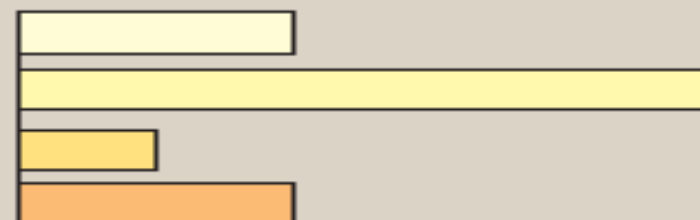
K⁺ excretion



Ca²⁺ excretion



Volume of urine



OSMOTIC DIURETICS

- relatively inert pharmacologically
- administered in large enough doses to increase significantly the osmolality of plasma and tubular fluid
- four currently available osmotic diuretics :

- *Glycerin*
- *isosorbide*
- *mannitol*
- *urea*

هي نفسها الـ osmosis, انتقال المي من التركيز الأعلى للأقل والعكس بالنسبة لتركيز الأملاح، كثير قوية لهيك استخدامها جداً محدود، بشكل أساسي في حالات الـ edema حتى أتخلص منها بسرعة
اللي بميزها إنها بتتركز في loop of henle فما بطلع من الـ tissue للدم بل بروح للـ kidney وبصيرله excretion

Mechanism and Site of Action

- Major site of action of osmotic diuretics is the loop of Henle.
- ✓ extracting water from intracellular compartments
- ✓ expand the extracellular fluid volume
- ✓ decrease blood viscosity لأنه يزيد كمية السوائل Fluids
- ✓ inhibit renin release
- ✓ These effects increase RBF
- ✓ increase in renal medullary blood flow
- ✓ removes NaCl and urea from the renal medulla

هذا يساعدنا تستهدف أماكن صعب تطلع منها سوائل الـ edema التي ما بتقدر الـ loop
Such as: brain, CSF, Eye in glaucoma-mannitol eye drop , diuretics توصّلها

Adverse Effects

- In patients with heart failure or pulmonary congestion, they may cause frank pulmonary edema (since there is expansion in extracellular fluid volume)
- Hyponatremia
- Dehydration
- elevation of blood ammonia levels

الأهم، لا تستخدم لفترة طويلة

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Therapeutic Uses

- osmotic diuretics extract water from the eye and brain
- reduce cerebral edema
- In glaucoma

OTHER VASODILATORS

في كثير أنواع من الـ VD وبطبيعة الحال كلهم يقللوا الضغط

α -ADRENOCEPTOR ANTAGONISTS

There are two main types of α -adrenoceptor, α_1 - and α_2 .

Adrenoceptor antagonists lower blood pressure $\alpha_1 \rightarrow$ vaso cons

α_1 blocker $\rightarrow$ vasodilation

Phenoxybenzamine irreversibly alkylates α -receptors. It is

uniquely valuable in preparing patients with phaeochromocytoma for surgery, but has no place in the management of

essential hypertension. **Prazosin** is a selective α_1 -blocker, but

its use is limited by severe postural hypotension, especially following the first dose. It has a short elimination half-life.

صارت تستخدم في حالات ما قبل العملية في
الـ phaeochromocytoma أكثر من علاج HTN

بهاي الحالة بتكون severe postural hypotension لذلك قل
استخدامه هو الـ doxazosin

Doxazosin is closely related to prazosin, but is longer lasting,

permitting once daily use and causing fewer problems with first-dose hypotension. It did not compare well with diuretic, Ca² antagonist or ACEI as first-line agent in ALLHAT, but is **Antihypertensive and Lipid-Lowering Treatment** useful as add-on treatment in patients with resistant hypertension. It is given last thing at night.

✧ **Doxazosin improves symptoms of bladder outflow tract** obstruction, and is useful in men with mild symptoms from benign prostatic hypertrophy

Mechanism of action

Noradrenaline activates α 1-receptors on vascular smooth muscle, causing tonic vasoconstriction. α 1-Antagonists cause vasodilatation by blocking this tonic action of **noradrenaline**

Adverse effects

- First-dose hypotension and postural hypotension are adverse effects.
- Nasal stuffiness, headache, dry mouth and pruritus have been reported, but are relatively infrequent.
- α -Blockers can cause urinary incontinence, especially in women with pre-existing pelvic pathology.

Doxazosin has an elimination half-life of approximately 10–12 hours and provides acceptably smooth 24-hour control if used once daily

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Table 28.3: Additional antihypertensive drugs used in special situations

Drug	Mechanism of action	Uses	Side-effects/limitations
Minoxidil	Minoxidil sulphate (active metabolite) is a K^+ -channel activator	Very severe hypertension that is resistant to other drugs	Fluid retention; reflex tachycardia; hirsutism; coarsening of facial appearance. Must be used in combination with other drugs (usually a loop diuretic and β -antagonist)
Nitroprusside	Breaks down chemically to NO, which activates guanylyl cyclase in vascular smooth muscle	Given by intravenous infusion in intensive care unit for control of malignant hypertension	Short term IV use only: prolonged use causes cyanide toxicity (monitor plasma thiocyanate); sensitive to light; close monitoring to avoid hypotension is essential
Hydralazine	Direct action on vascular smooth muscle; biochemical mechanism not understood	Previously used in 'stepped-care' approach to severe hypertension: β -antagonist in combination with diuretic. Retains a place in severe hypertension during pregnancy	Headache; flushing; tachycardia; fluid retention. Long-term high-dose use causes systemic lupus-like syndrome in susceptible individuals
α -Methyldopa	Taken up by noradrenergic nerve terminals and converted to α -methylnoradrenaline, which is released as a false transmitter. This acts centrally as an α_2 -agonist and reduces sympathetic outflow	Hypertension during pregnancy. Occasionally useful in patients who cannot tolerate other drugs	Drowsiness (common); depression; hepatitis; immune haemolytic anaemia; drug fever