

Practical Pharmacology

Lab 2

Diuretics

Drug Samples

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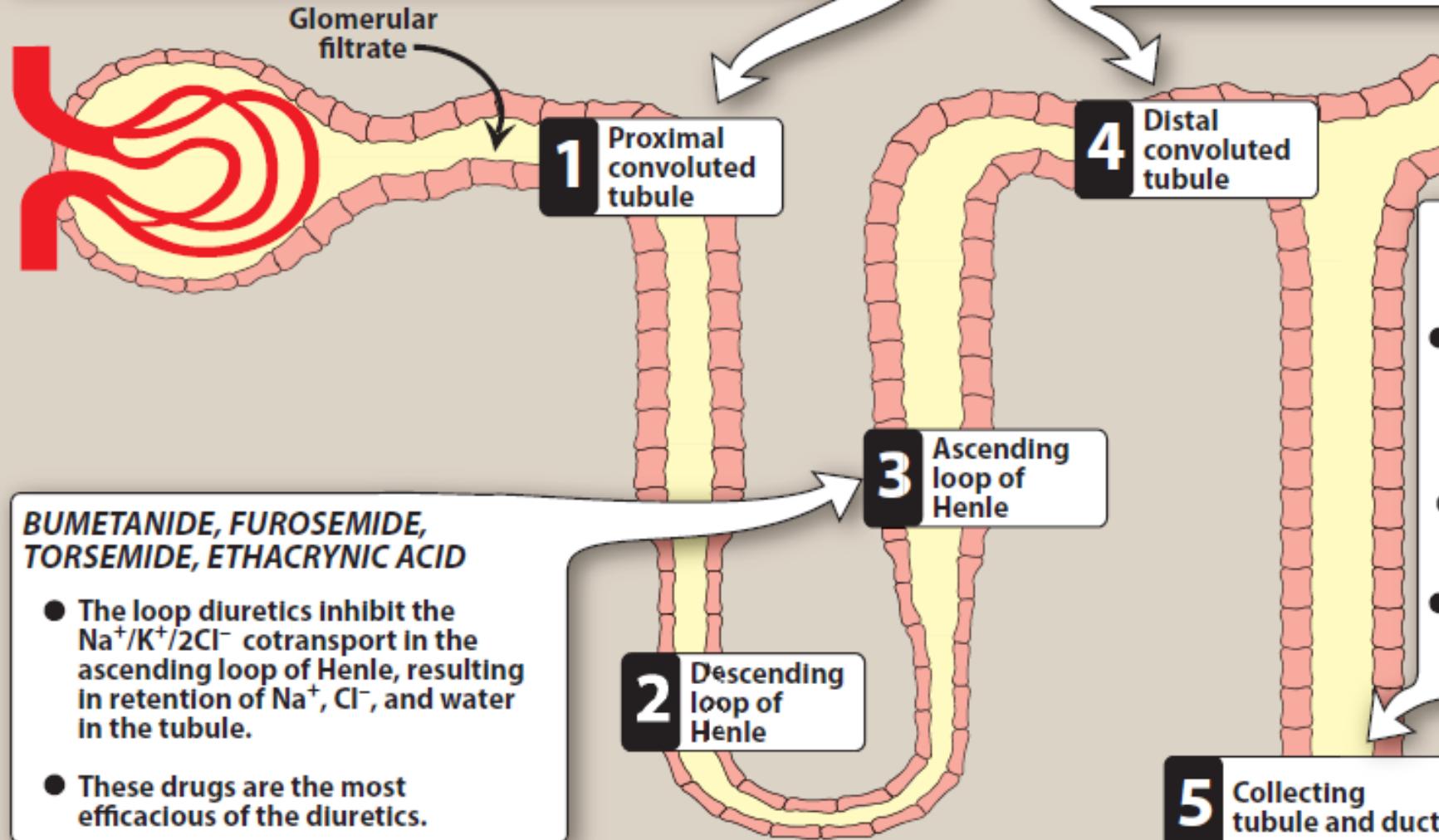
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DIURETICS

- “**Diuretics**” are agents that increase urine volume.
- “**Natriuretic**” causes an increase in renal sodium excretion.
- “**Aquaretic**” increases excretion of solute-free water.
- Because natriuretic almost always also increase water excretion, they are usually called diuretics. So, most **diuretics comprise both natriuretic plus aquaretic**

ACETAZOLAMIDE

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



BUMETANIDE, FUROSEMIDE, TORSEMIDE, ETHACRYNIC ACID

- The loop diuretics inhibit the $\text{Na}^+/\text{K}^+/2\text{Cl}^-$ 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.

THIAZIDES AND THIAZIDE-LIKE

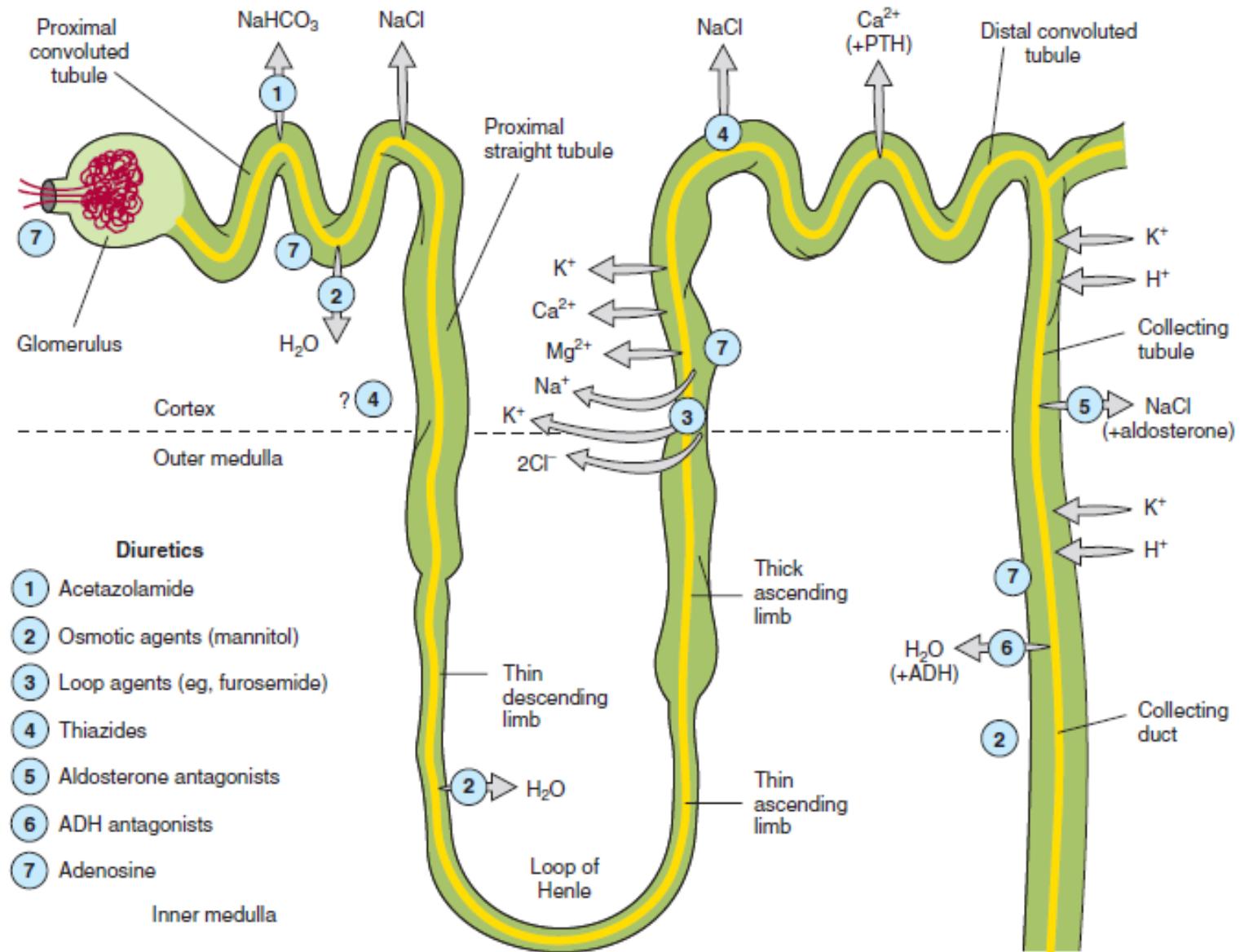
- Inhibit reabsorption of Na^+ and Cl^- in the distal convoluted tubule, resulting in retention of water in the tubule.
- Most commonly used diuretic for the treatment of hypertension.

SPIRONOLACTONE, AMILORIDE, TRIAMTERENE

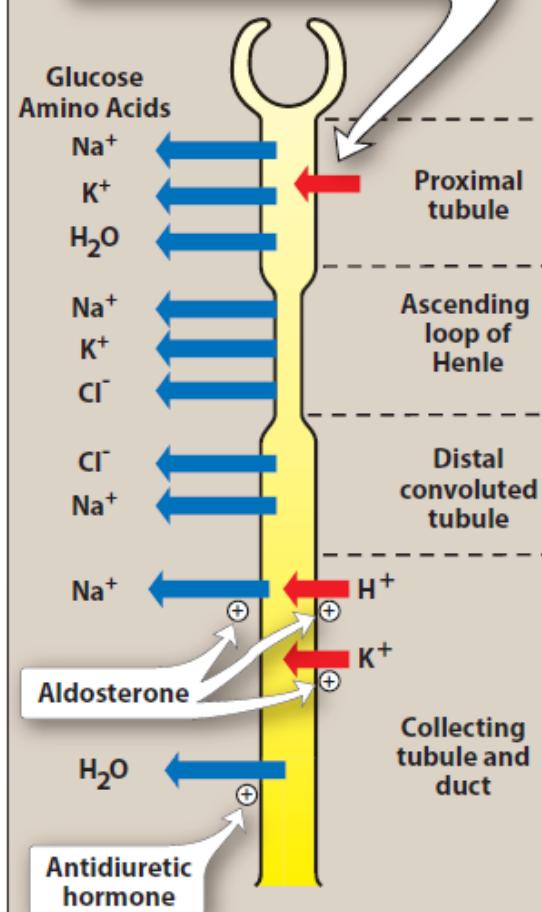
- *Spironolactone*, an aldosterone antagonist, inhibits the aldosterone-mediated reabsorption of Na^+ and secretion of K^+ .
- *Amiloride* and *triamterene* block Na^+ channels.
- These agents can prevent loss of K^+ that occurs with thiazide or loop diuretics.

Sites of transport of solutes and water along the nephron

Key: Reabsorption
 Secretion



The organic acid and base secretory systems secrete a variety of organic acids (including most diuretic drugs) from the bloodstream into the lumen of the proximal tubule.



CLASSIFICATION OF DIURETICS



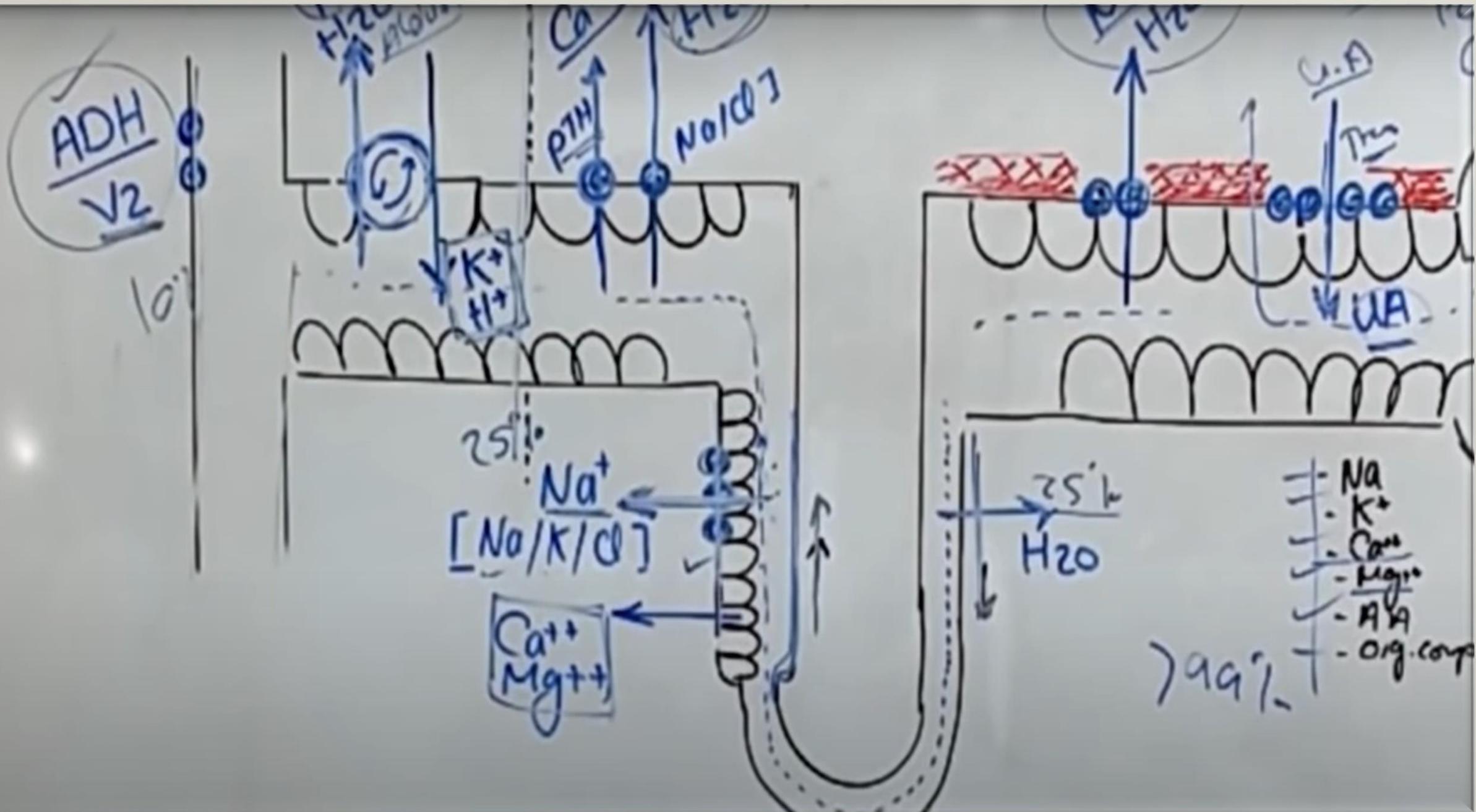
High efficacy: excretes 15-25 % of the filtrated sodium as ***loop diuretics***.



Moderate efficacy: excretes 5-10 % of the filtrated sodium as ***thiazides***.



Low efficacy: excretes less than 5 % of the filtrated sodium as ***K-sparing diuretics and osmotic diuretics***.



Diuretics

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Lasix “Loop diuretics”



- Generic name: furosemide (**HIGH CEILING DIURETICS**)

- Mechanism of action:

They act by inhibition of $\text{Na}^+ / \text{K}^+ / 2\text{Cl}^-$ co-transport mechanism in thick part of the ascending limb of loop of Henle. They also increase the excretion of Ca^{++} and Mg^{++} .

Why furosemide is suitable in emergency

Situations?

Rapid onset of action within 1 hour of oral use, peak effect within 30 min. after I.V. use with Short duration (3-6h.)

- Side effects:

Hypocalcemia

Hypomagnesemia

Torseretic “Loop diuretics”

- **Generic name:** torsemide

- **Mechanism of action:**

They act by inhibition of $\text{Na}^+ / \text{K}^+ / 2\text{Cl}^-$ co-transport mechanism in thick part of the ascending limb of loop of Henle. They also increase the excretion of Ca^{++} and Mg^{++} .

- **Side effects:**

- Hypokalemia: , Teratogenicity: if used during pregnancy.

Allergic Reactions

- **Uses : Acute Renal Failure , Hypertension**

- **Precaution when use with chronic case of hypertension**
due to their short duration



Averothiazide “Thiazide diuretics”

- **Generic name:** hydrochlorothiazide



- **Mechanism of action:**

- They act by inhibition of Na⁺ / Cl⁻ co transport mechanism in early segment of distal tubules, so they increase the excretion of Na⁺ Cl-and water. They also increase the excretion of K⁺.
- They increase the excretion of Mg⁺⁺.

- **Uses : The first choice for treatment of mild to moderate hypertension.**

- ✓ **Can be combined with other antihypertensive drugs in moderate to severe hypertension.**

- **Side effects:**

- ✓ Hypomagnesemia.
- ✓ Hypercalcemia.

Co-Vasotec “Thiazide diuretics”

- **Generic name:** valsartan-hydrochlorothiazide

- **Mechanism of action:**

- **Hydrochlorothiazide**

They act by inhibition of Na⁺ / Cl co transport mechanism in early segment of distal tubules, so they increase the excretion of Na⁺ Cl-and water. They also increase the excretion of K⁺ and They increase the excretion of Mg⁺⁺.

- **valsartan**

Angiotensin II antagonists (renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system)

- **uses : treatment hypertension**

- **Advantages**

- Safe, inexpensive, effective, well tolerated, once daily dosage and have additive or synergistic effects when combined with other antihypertensive agents.



Spiromide (Generic name : Spironolactone)

- **Mechanism of action:** Diuretic effect through increases the excretion of sodium chloride and water while conserving potassium and hydrogen ions

- **Therapeutic uses:**

- Edema
- Some cases of Hypertension

- **Side effects:**

- Dehydration. - Decreased sodium , magnesium and calcium level in blood.
- Breast enlargement in male. - Increased blood uric acid.

- **Why use Spironolactone and hydrochlorothiazide combination preferred ?**

Due to it may also be used to treat water retention (edema) in patients with congestive heart failure, liver cirrhosis, or a kidney disorder called nephrotic syndrome , with avoidance of **hypokalemia** causes by thiazide monotherapy.



lasilactone (Generic name : Spironolactone)

- **Mechanism of action:** Diuretic effect through increases the excretion of sodium chloride and water while conserving potassium and hydrogen ions
- **Contraindication**
 - ✓ CRF
 - ✓ Beta blocker , ACEI

Why Spironolactone is consider a weak diuretics ?

These drugs are weak diuretics since the amount of Na^+ -reabsorbed at this site of nephron is only 2-5 % of the filtered Na load.

Cidamex

Generic name : Acetazolamide
(CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS)

Mechanism of action:

- ✓ They act by inhibition of carbonic anhydrase enzyme in the proximal tubules of kidney, so they inhibit bicarbonate reabsorption and increase its secretion
- ✓ CAIs can inhibit carbonic anhydrase-dependent bicarbonate transport at the ciliary body of the eye and hence reduce the formation of aqueous humor (used in glaucoma).

■ **Therapeutic uses:**

- ✓ Glaucoma
- ✓ Acute Mountain Sickness

■ **side effect**

- Metabolic acidosis (mild)
- potassium depletion
- renal stone formation,
- drowsiness



Dorsolamide

Generic name : CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS

Mechanism of action:

CAIs can inhibit carbonic anhydrase-dependent bicarbonate transport at the ciliary body of the eye and hence reduce the formation of aqueous humor (used in glaucoma).

■ **Therapeutic uses:**

✓ **Glaucoma**

■ **side effect**

- Metabolic acidosis (mild)
- potassium depletion
- renal stone formation,
- drowsiness



Mannitol

Generic name : OSMOTIC DIURETICS

Mechanism of action:

It increases the renal excretion of water by exerting high osmotic pressure within tubular lumen without Na loss.

■ Therapeutic uses:

- ✓ Increased intracranial pressure (cerebral edema & cerebral tumors).
- ✓ Glaucoma: In cases of acute glaucoma and before eye surgery, it reduce IOP.
- ✓ They are used to maintain urine flow in cases acute toxicity induced acute renal failure

■ side effect

- Dehydration and extracellular water expansion



