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- 2  diuretics
  - act on the kidney to increase urine flow
  - most block reabsorption of ions from tubules
  - water kept in tubules by osmotic pressure
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- 4  diuretics & CHF
  - reduce pulmonary oedema
  - reduce preload
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- 7  groups of drugs
  - loop diuretics
  - thiazides
  - osmotic diuretics
  - potassium sparing diuretics
  - carbonic anhydrase inhibitors
  - (mercurials)
- 8  common drugs
  - frusemide
  - (hydrochlorthiazide)
  - (mannitol)
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- 10  loop of Henle
- 11  frusemide
  - potent
    - up to 20% of filtered Na<sup>+</sup> excreted
  - cheap
  - very widely used

## 12 frusemide indications

- reduce oedema
- reduce cardiac preload
- (acute renal failure)

## 13 minor indications

- hyperkalaemia
- hypercalcaemia
- uraemia
- epistaxis
- hypertension

## 14 abuse

- speeding up / slowing racehorses

## 15 pharmacokinetics

- iv
  - onset minutes
  - peak 30 mins
  - duration 2 hours
- po
  - onset 30 – 60 mins
  - peak 2 hours
  - duration 4 – 6 hours

## 16 pharmacokinetics

- metabolism
  - negligible
- elimination
  - secreted into PCT by anion pump
  - passes out in urine
    - horses which eat their bedding may take it in again

## 17 side effects

- hypovolaemia
  - reduced glomerular filtration
  - reduced excretion of other drugs
  - collapse
  - direct vasodilatation?
- hypokalaemia
- metabolic alkalosis
- hypocalcaemia / hypomagnesaemia
- tolerance

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  - digoxin!!!
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## 21 interactions

- increased PCT toxicity
  - aminoglycosides
  - out of date tetracyclines
  - some obsolete cephalosporins
- potentiates digoxin
- ACE inhibitors?

## 22 common drugs

- frusemide
- (hydrochlorthiazide)
- (mannitol)

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## 24 early DCT

## 25 thiazides

- many drugs available
  - hydrochlorthiazide
  - bendrofluazide, etc
- moderately potent
- cheap

## 26 thiazide side effects

- hypokalaemia
  - digoxin!!
- metabolic alkalosis
- increased plasma uric acid
- hyperglycaemia

## 27 kinetics

- always given po
- onset 1 – 2 hours
- peak effect 4 – 6 h
- duration 8 – 12 h

## 28 indications

- mild / moderate heart failure
- (diabetes insipidus)

## 29 osmotic diuretics

- mannitol
- glycerol

- glucose

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31  mannitol

- indications
  - glaucoma
  - cerebral oedema
  - acute renal failure
- contraindications
  - heart disease
- caution
  - must be given iv

32  K<sup>+</sup> sparing diuretics

- amiloride
- triamterene
- spironolactone

33  late DCT

34  K<sup>+</sup> sparing diuretics

- weak diuretics
- expensive
- caution with ACE inhibitors
- rarely used in animals

35  CA inhibitors

- acetazolamide
- (dorzolamide – eye drops only)

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37  CA inhibitors

- weak diuretics
- rarely used as diuretics
  - used for glaucoma

- cause mild metabolic acidosis

## 38 diuretics

- frusemide most important
- main indication – oedema
- very potent – beware overdose
- hypokalaemia potentiates digoxin
- do not use in horses about to race
- mannitol – beware accidental perivascular injection