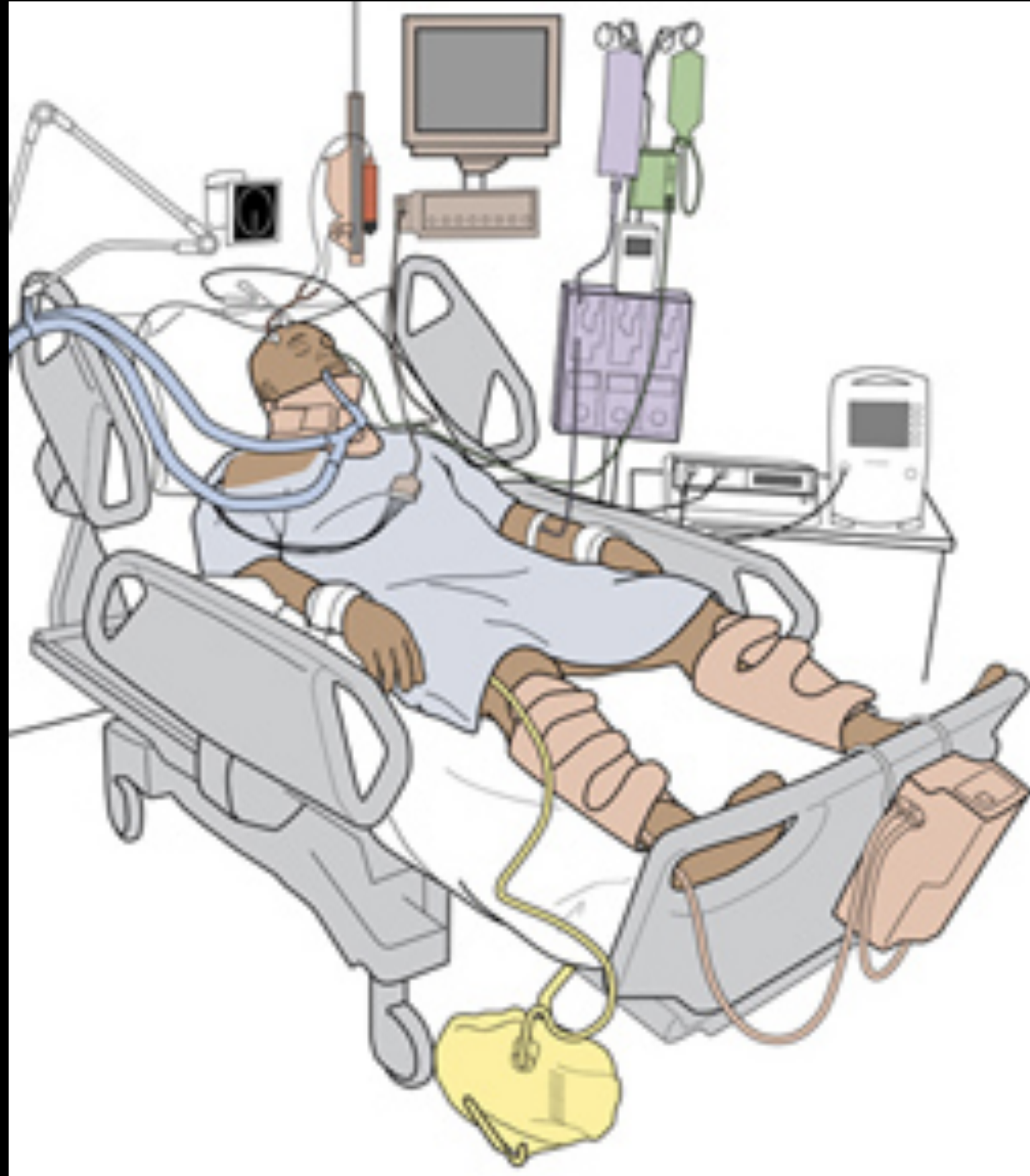


# OTHER ASPECTS

- STEROIDS - not recommended for reducing ICP or improving outcome. high dose methylpred contraindicated in severe TBI
- NUTRITION - Feed by day 5. Transgastric jejunal feeding is recommended to reduce incidence of VAP
- SEIZURES - Phenytoin is recommended to increase incidence of early PTS (<7days), although early PTS not a/w worse outcomes
- MANAGE DISORDERS OF SODIUM BALANCE



# SUMMARY

- Cerebral physiology is abnormal following TBI
- Be aware of potential difficulties in securing the airway in these patients
- Initiate measures to prevent secondary brain injury ASAP