

# Diuretics

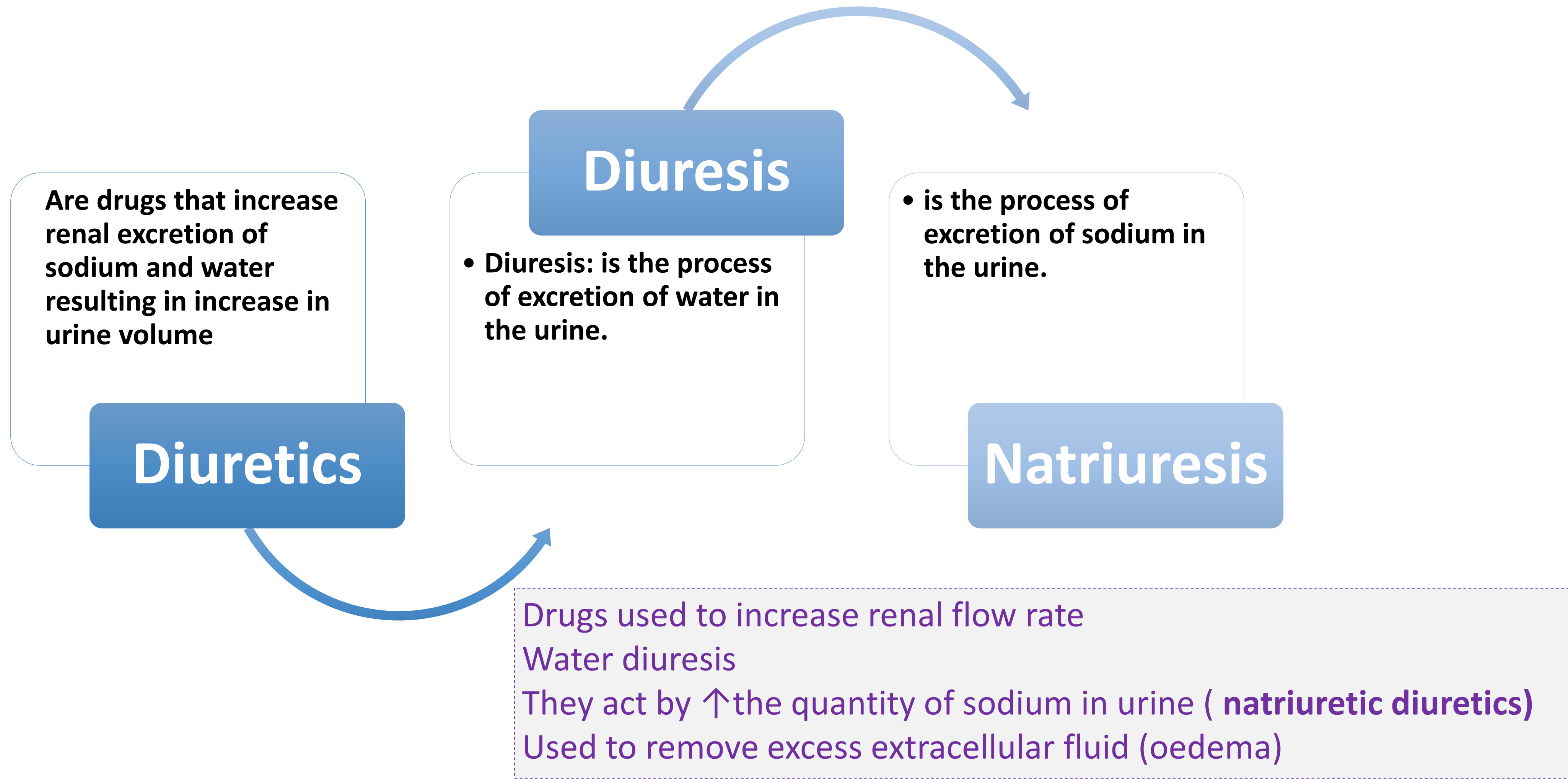
## OBJECTIVES:

- Define and classify diuretics.
- Describe the mechanisms of action of diuretics.
- Identify the site of action of each class of diuretics in the nephron.
- Detail on the pharmacodynamic actions and pharmacokinetic aspects of diuretics.
- List ADRS, therapeutic uses, contraindications and drug-drug interactions of diuretics.

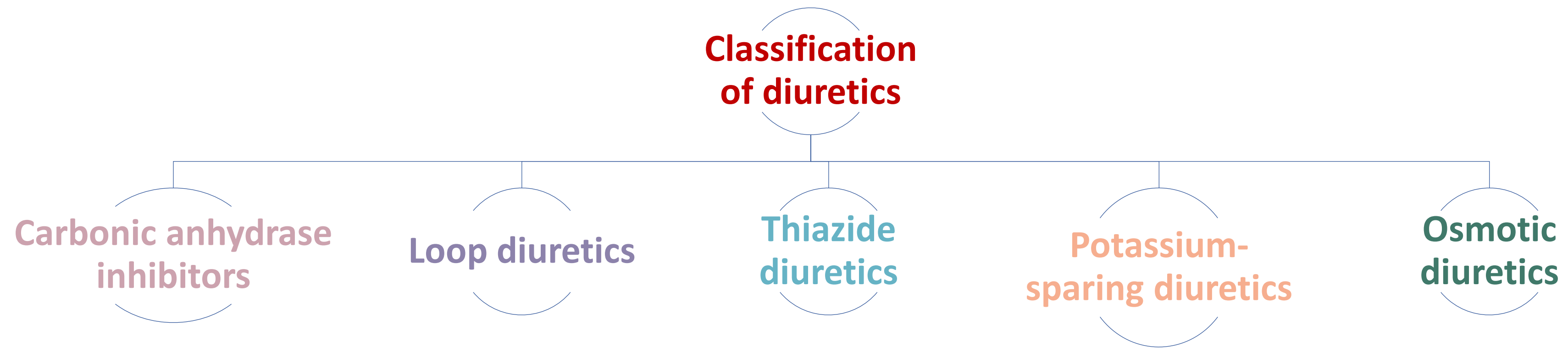


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# Diuretics



<b>Nephron Segment</b>	<b>Diuretics</b>	<b>Transporter mostly Na<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>Function</b>	<b>Filtered Na<sup>+</sup> re-absorbed</b>
<b>Proximal convoluted tubules</b>	<b>Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors</b>	<b>Na<sup>+</sup>/H<sup>+</sup> transporter Carbonic anhydrase enzyme</b>	<b>Re-absorption of 100% glucose and amino acids, 66% Na, K, Ca, Mg; 85% NaHCO<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>85 % Na<sup>+</sup>, HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 65 % As NaHCO<sub>3</sub></b>
<b>Proximal Straight Tubules</b>	-	<b>Acid &amp; base transporter</b>	<b>Secretion and re-absorption of organic acids and bases</b>	-
<b>Ascending Loop of Henle</b>	<b>Loop diuretics</b>	<b>Na<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup>/2Cl<sup>-</sup> co-transporter</b>	<b>Active reabsorption 25% Na, K, Cl Secondary re-absorption Ca, Mg</b>	<b>20-30% Active reabsorption Na, K, Cl Ca and Mag</b>
<b>Distal convoluted tubules</b>	<b>Thiazide diuretics</b>	<b>Na<sup>+</sup>/Cl<sup>-</sup> co-transporter</b>	<b>Active tubular reabsorption of 5%Na, Cl, Ca</b>	<b>5-10% Active reabsorption Na, Cl</b>
<div style="border: 1px dashed orange; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">         إذا جاء يزيد (Thiazide) وهو أصلاً جاي متأخر (Distal convoluted tubule)       </div>				
<b>Cortical Collecting Tubules</b>	<b>K-sparing diuretics</b>	<b>Na<sup>+</sup> channel K &amp; H transporter Aldosterone Antidiuretic hormone</b>	<b>Na reabsorption K &amp; H secretion</b>	<b>5% Na reabsorption K &amp; H secretion</b>



## Mechanism of actions of diuretics

Most diuretics act by interfering with the **normal sodium reabsorption** by the renal tubules resulting into sodium and water excretion.

## Sites of action for diuretics

### How diuretics produce their effects?

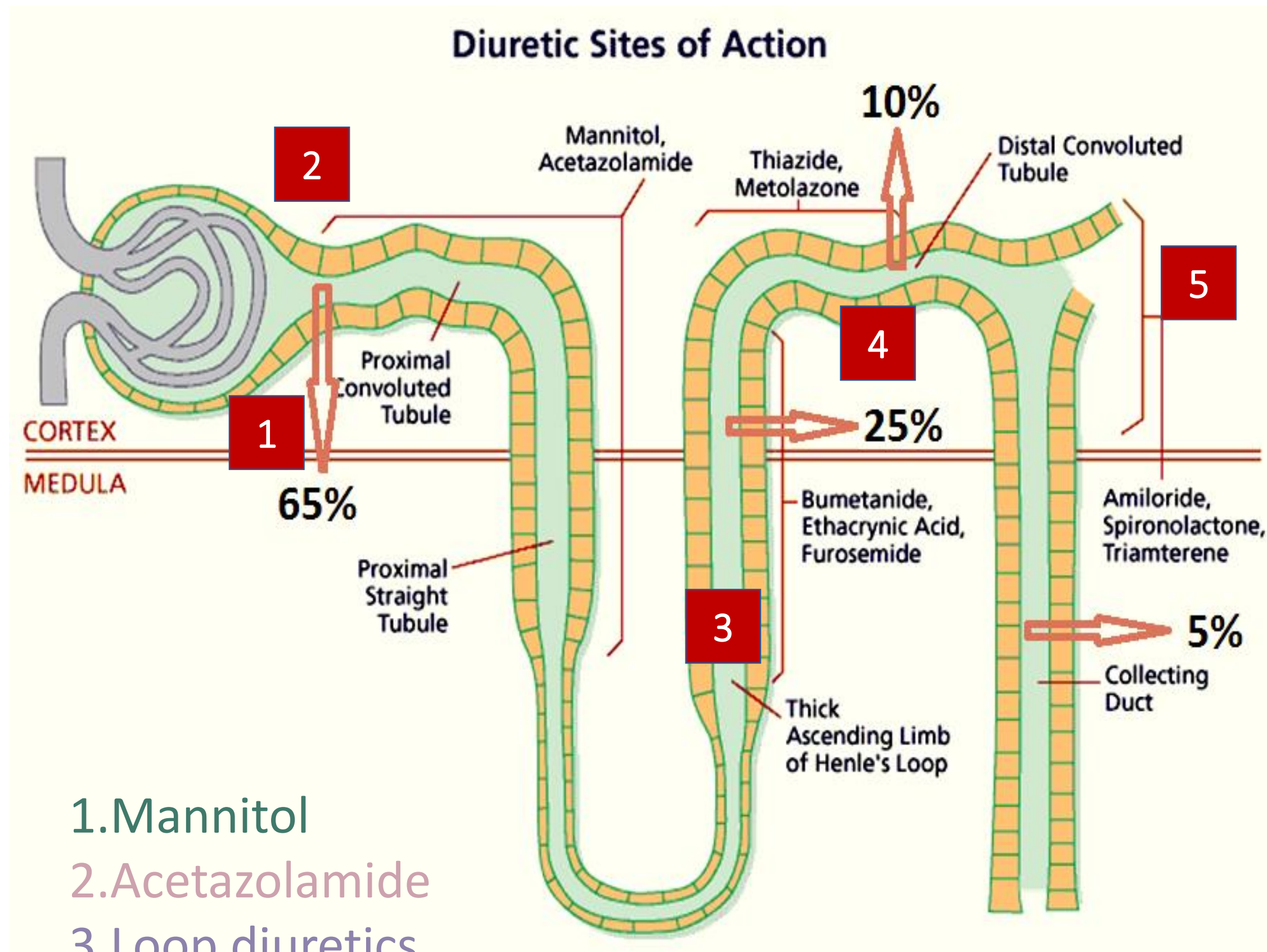
Diuretics affect **carriers or transporters** in luminal membrane of renal tubular cells required for tubular reabsorption of sodium from filtrate back into blood.

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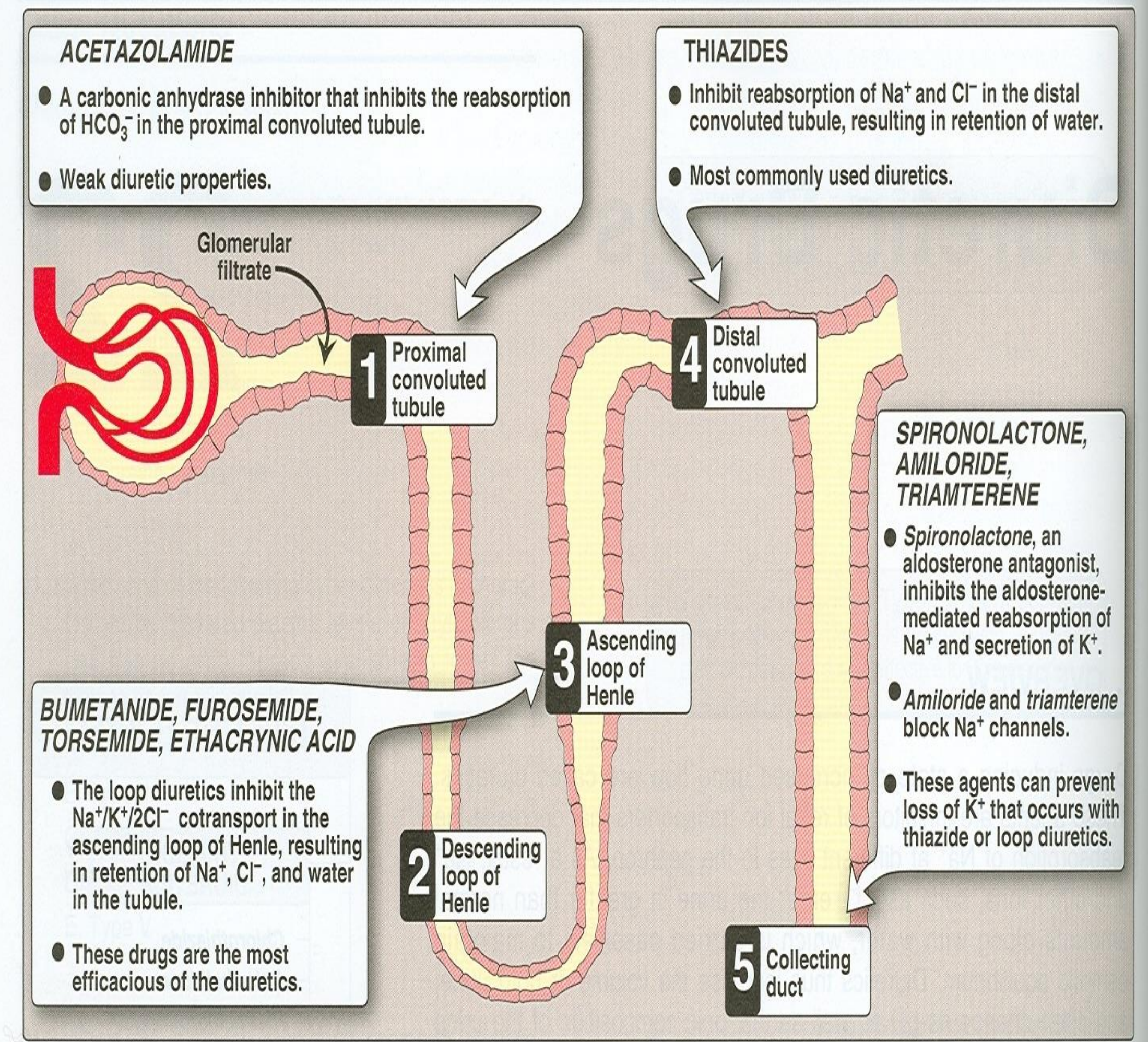


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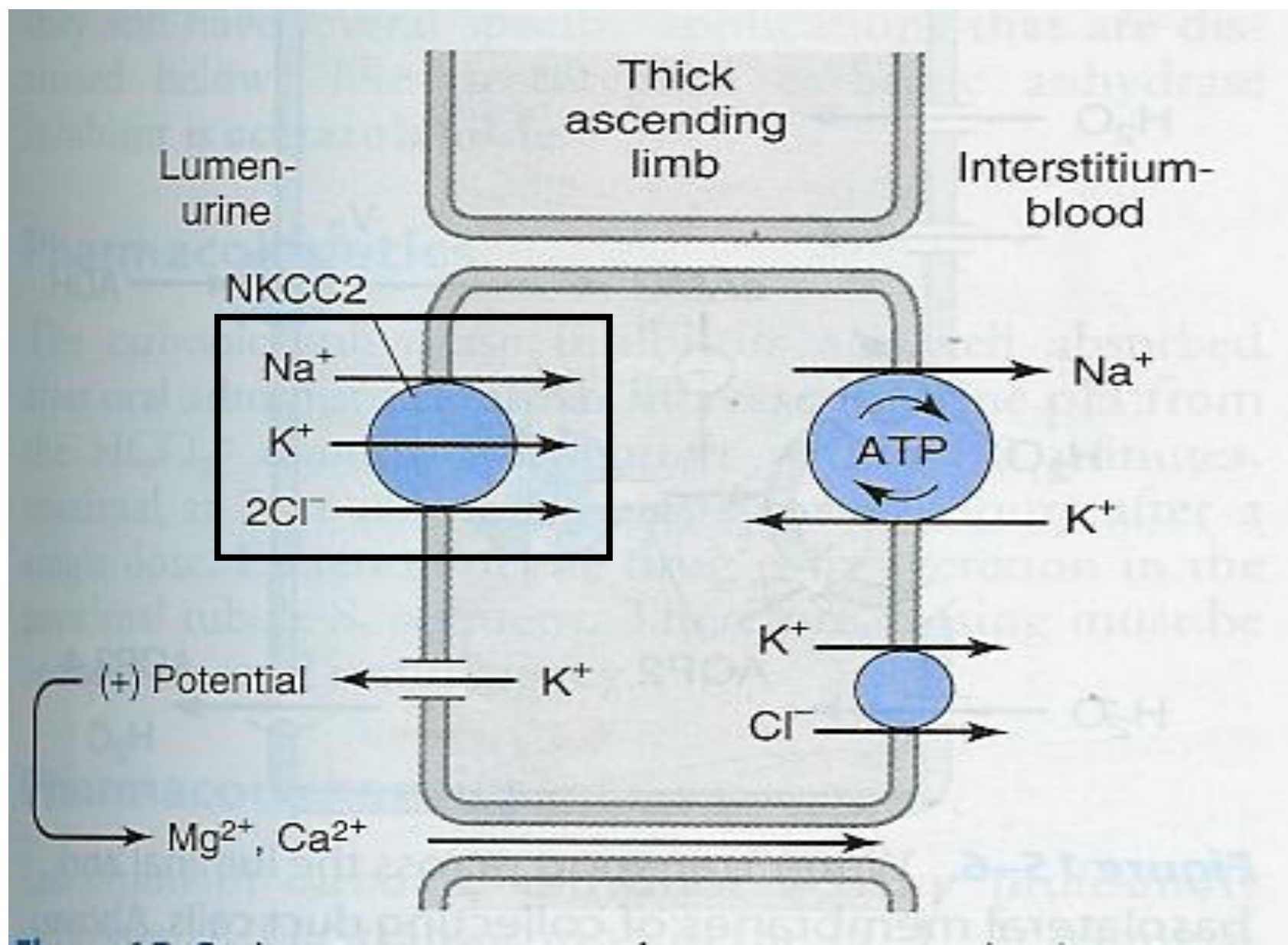
1. Mannitol
2. Acetazolamide
3. Loop diuretics
4. Thiazide
5. K sparing diuretics



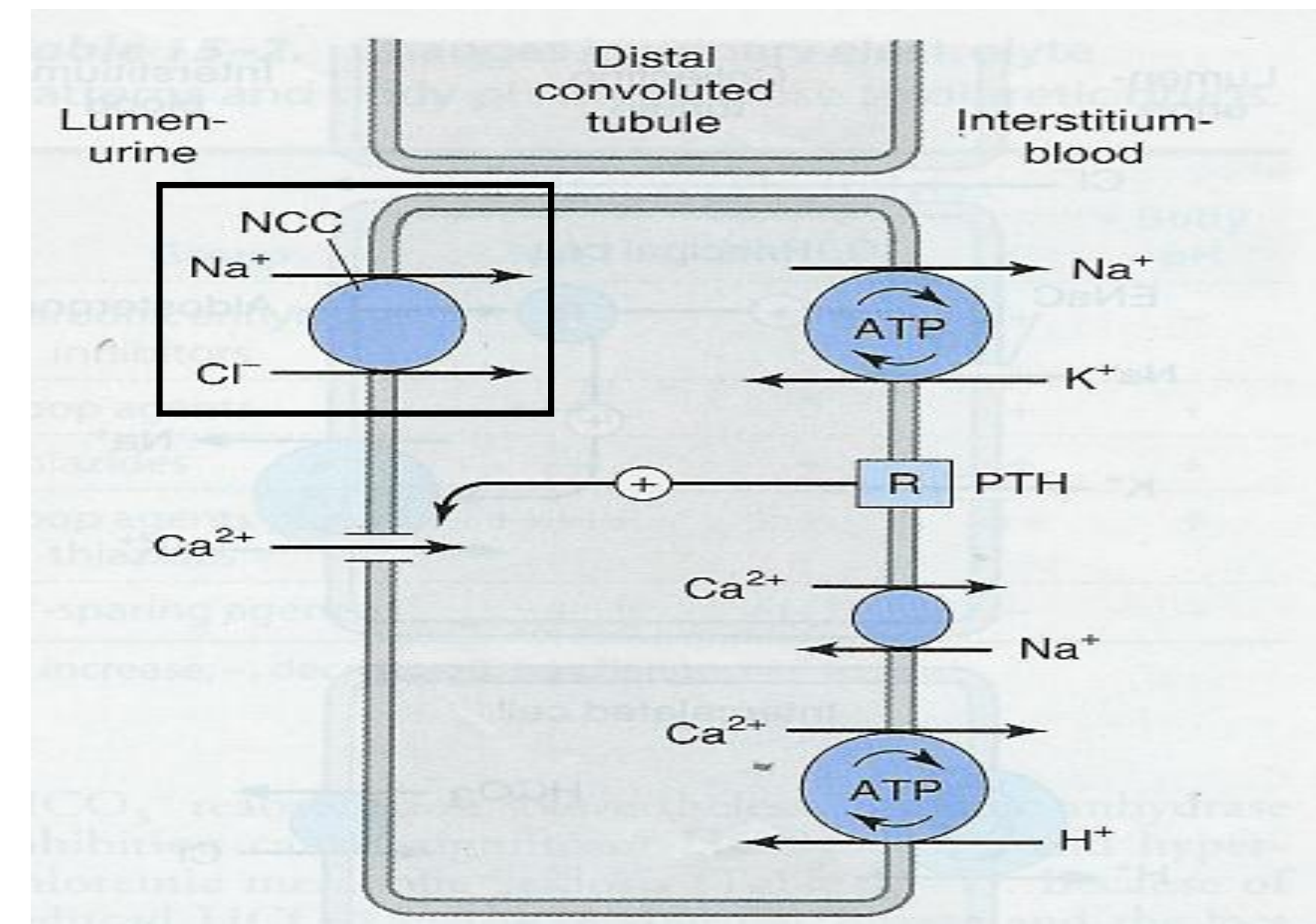
**Figure 22.2** Major locations of ion and water exchange in the nephron, showing sites of action of the diuretic drugs.



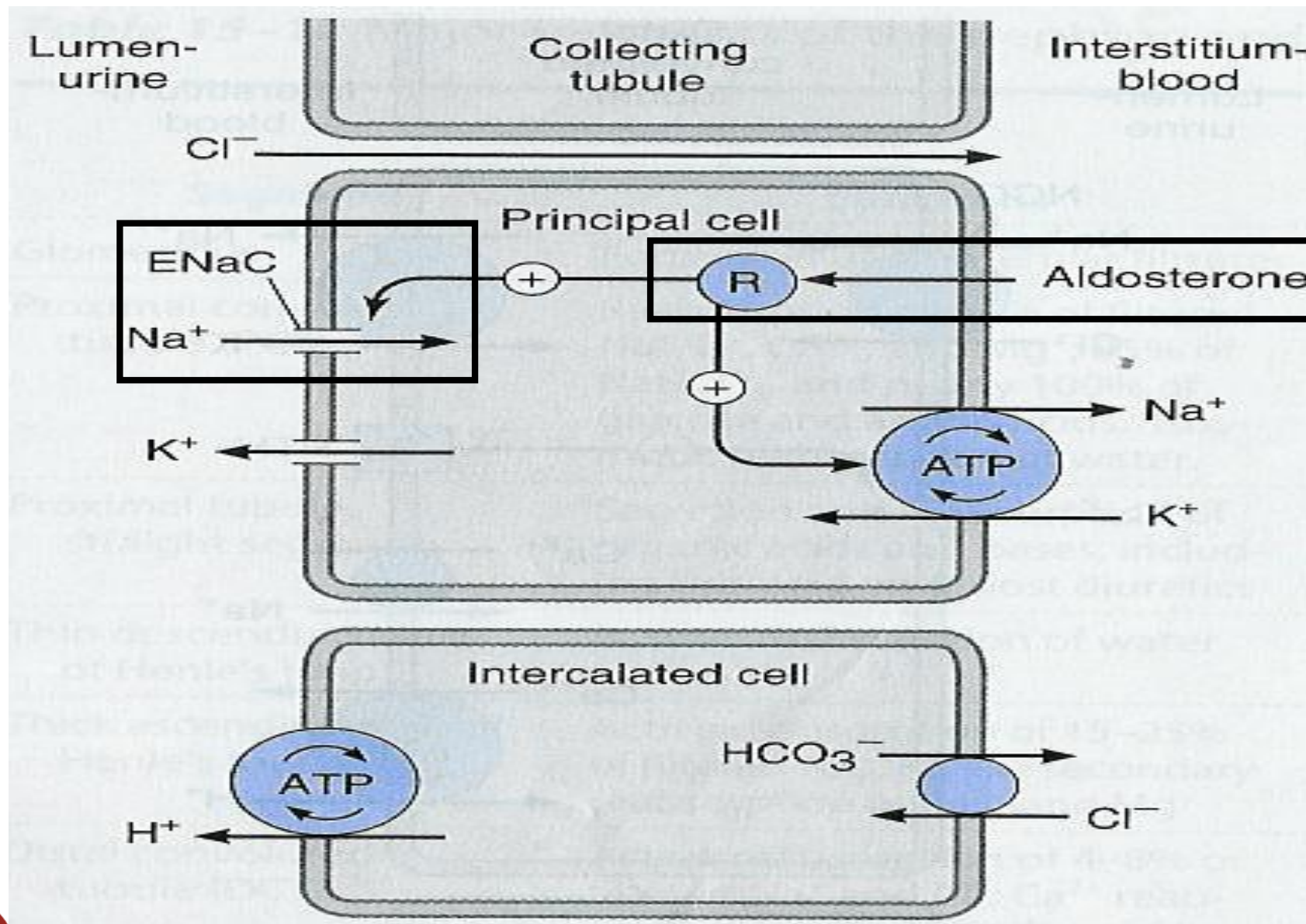
## ASCENDING LOOP OF HENLE



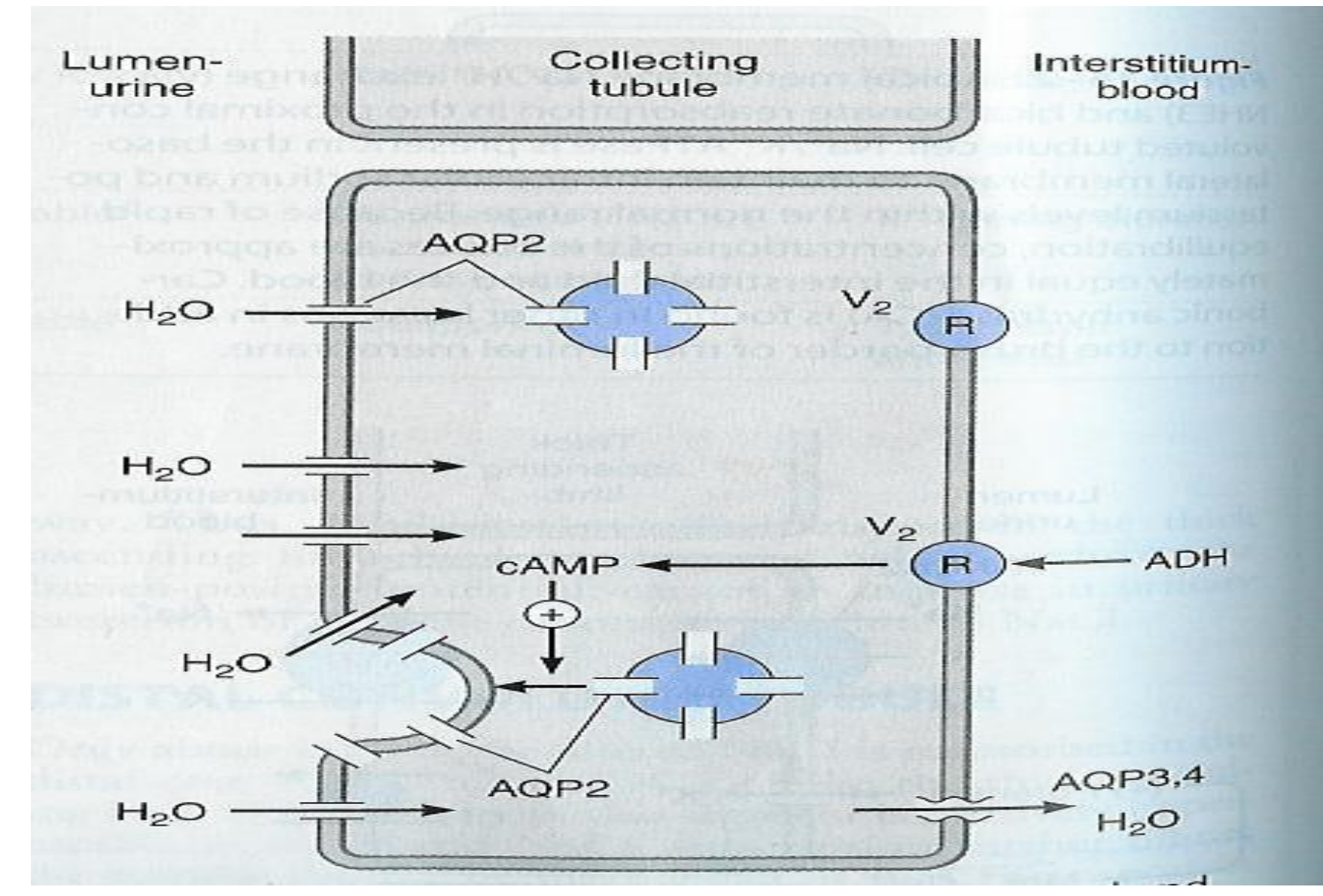
## Distal convoluted tubules (DCT)



## COLLECTING TUBULES (CT)



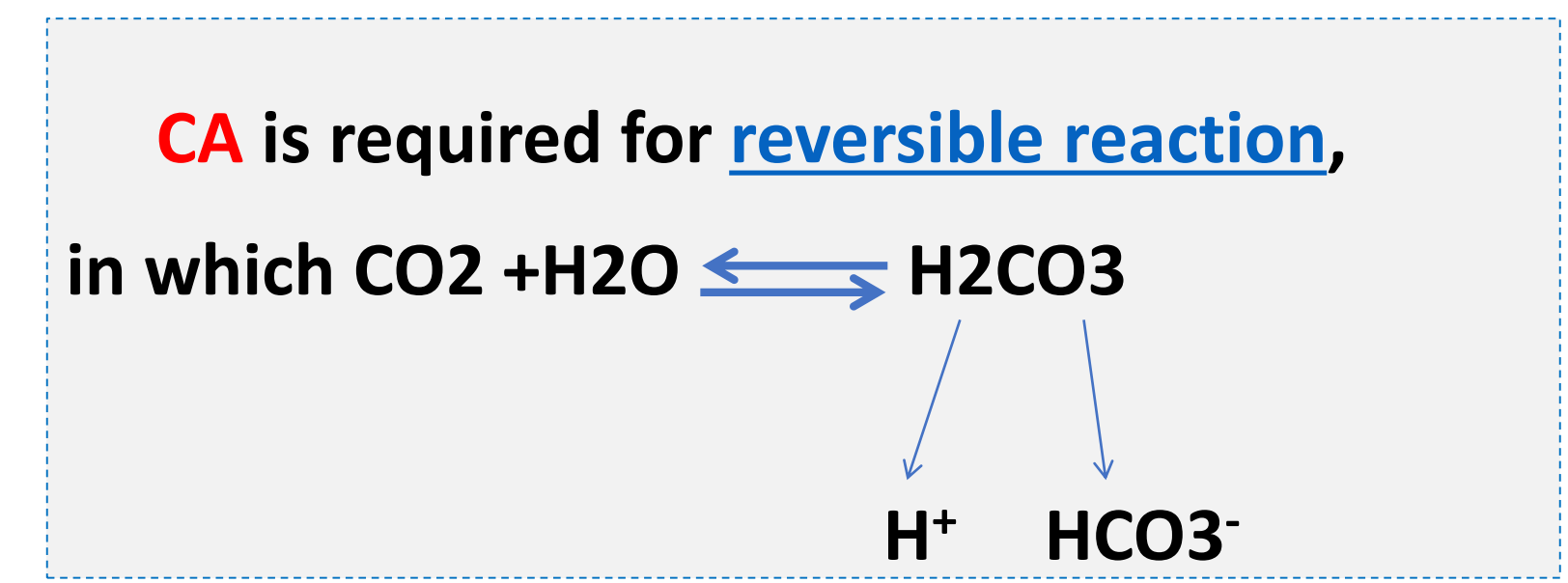
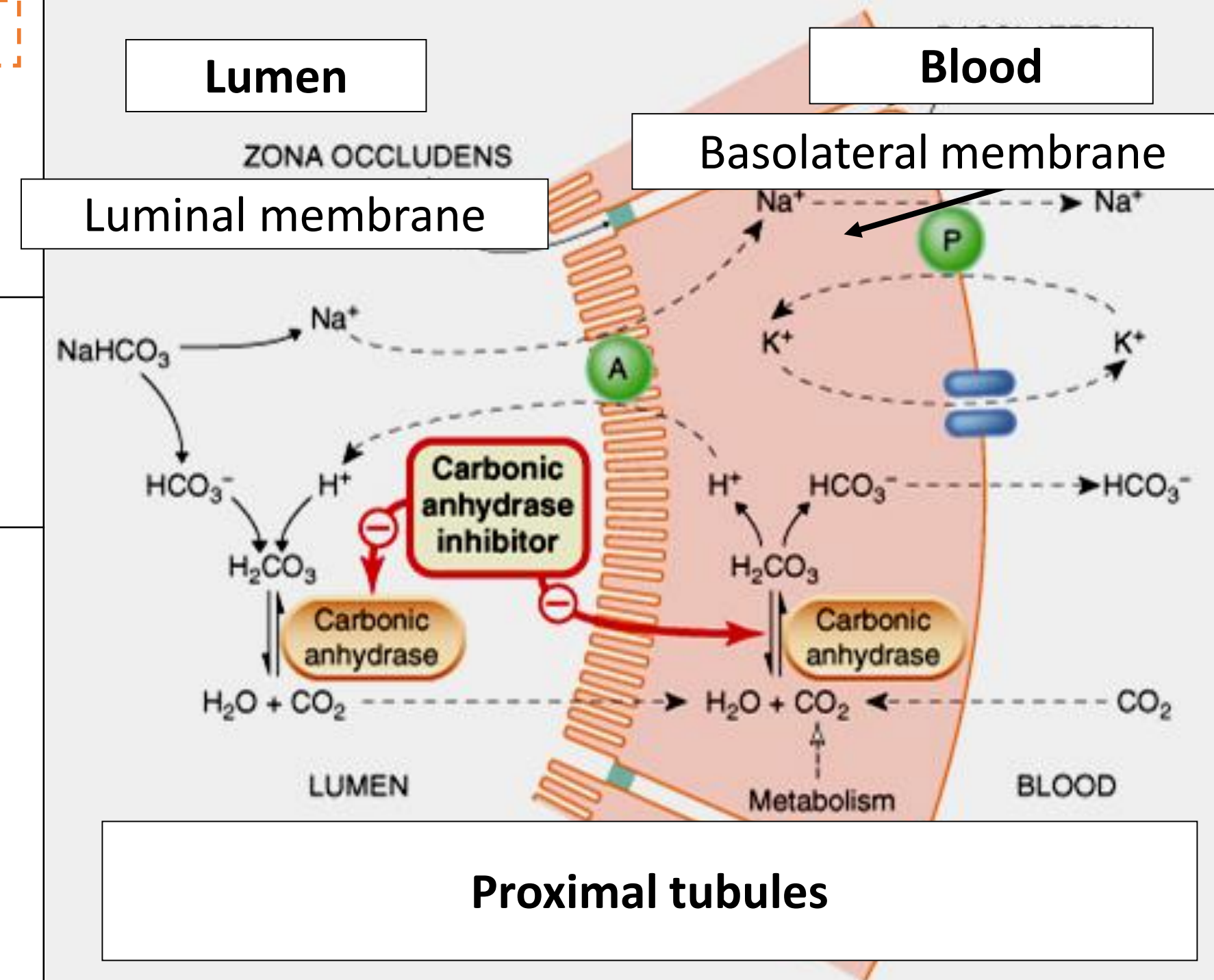
## COLLECTING TUBULES (CT)





# Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

Drug	<p>Inhibitors = Zola</p> <p>Acetazolamide "ممكن نقراً اسم الدرق بالمقلوب "مدى الزولىه يا ستي" أو "يا ستي الزولىه مدى" Dorzolamide "درسو للميد" ممكن نقراً اسم الدرق</p> <p><b>Acetazolamide – dorzolamide</b></p> <p>Acetazolamide is a potent specific inhibitor of carbonic anhydrase, enzyme inhibition is non competitive</p>
Mechanism of action	<p>Site of action: proximal convoluted tubules.</p> <p>Inhibits <b>carbonic anhydrase (CA) enzyme</b> in proximal convoluted tubules thus interferes with <b>NaHCO<sub>3</sub> re-absorption</b> and causes diuresis.</p> <p>"زولىه" proximal Convoluted = Zola "ملفوفه من الأول"</p>
Pharmacokinetics	<p>given orally once a day.</p> <p>Onset of action is rapid (30 min). <math>t_{1/2}</math> 6-9h</p> <p>Duration of action (12 h).</p> <p>Excreted by active secretion in proximal convoluted tubules.</p> <p>Produces <b>alkaline urine</b> Because of the aldosterone effect there will be an exchange between K and Na (K out Na in)</p> <p>"رحت بيت الخال يوريني الزولىه" (alkaline urine (Zola)</p>
Pharmacodynamics	<p>-↑ urine volume mildly acts on HCO<sub>3</sub></p> <p>It ↓ reabsorption of bicarbonate in the proximal tubule &amp; prevent the acidification of urine in the distal tubule</p> <p>-↑ urinary excretion of sodium, potassium, bicarbonate (<b>alkaline urine</b>).</p> <p>-With repeated dosage the diuretic development of <b>Metabolic acidosis</b>.</p> <p>"متى أسدد لك دين الزولىه" (Metabolic acidosis(Zola)</p> <p><b>Self-limiting action</b> of acetazolamide restrict its use to mild edema.</p> <p>-↑ Urinary phosphate excretion. Because phosphate prefer alkaline urine</p> <p>-Promotes K<sup>+</sup> excretion by ↑ the load of Na<sup>+</sup> delivered to the distal tubules.</p>



# Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors

## Therapeutic uses

Open angle glaucoma. **carbonic anhydrase inhibitors cause ↓ Intraocular pressure (IOP) by reducing aqueous humor formation in ciliary body of eye.** (tolerance does not develop to this effect) **which drug? The one taken as topically which is Dorzolamide**

↓ **Cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) of brain.** ↓ of carbonic anhydrase in the choroid plexus → ↓ formation of CSF. Useful in management of benign intracranial hypertension.

As prophylactic therapy, in acute mountain sickness. given nightly 5 days before the ascent ↓ **weakness, breathlessness, dizziness, nausea, cerebral & pulmonary edema.**

- **Epilepsy (decrease cerebrospinal fluid, CSF).** glial cells contain carbonic anhydrase. Nerves are highly responsive to rise in pH. ↑7.4 → 7.8 causes convulsions ↓ of neuronal carbonic anhydrase → ↓ pH in the vicinity of neurons → ↓ convulsions.
- **Metabolic alkalosis.** especially an alkalosis caused by diuretic-induced increases in H<sup>+</sup> excretion & metabolic alkalosis of heart failure
- **Urinary alkalization to enhance renal excretion of acidic substances (cysteine in cystinuria).**
- **Hyperphosphatemia**

## Adverse effects

ACOD azolamide causes ACIDosis

- **Hypokalemia (potassium loss).**
- **Metabolic acidosis.**
- **Renal stone formation (calcium phosphate stones).**
- **Hypersensitivity reaction.**

• **Drowsiness**

• **Numbness**

• **Tingling sensation of the face & extremities**

**Disturbance of vision**

**Contraindicated in patients with liver cirrhosis (alkaline urine ↓ excretion of NH<sub>4</sub> → hyperammonemia & hepatic encephalopathy)**

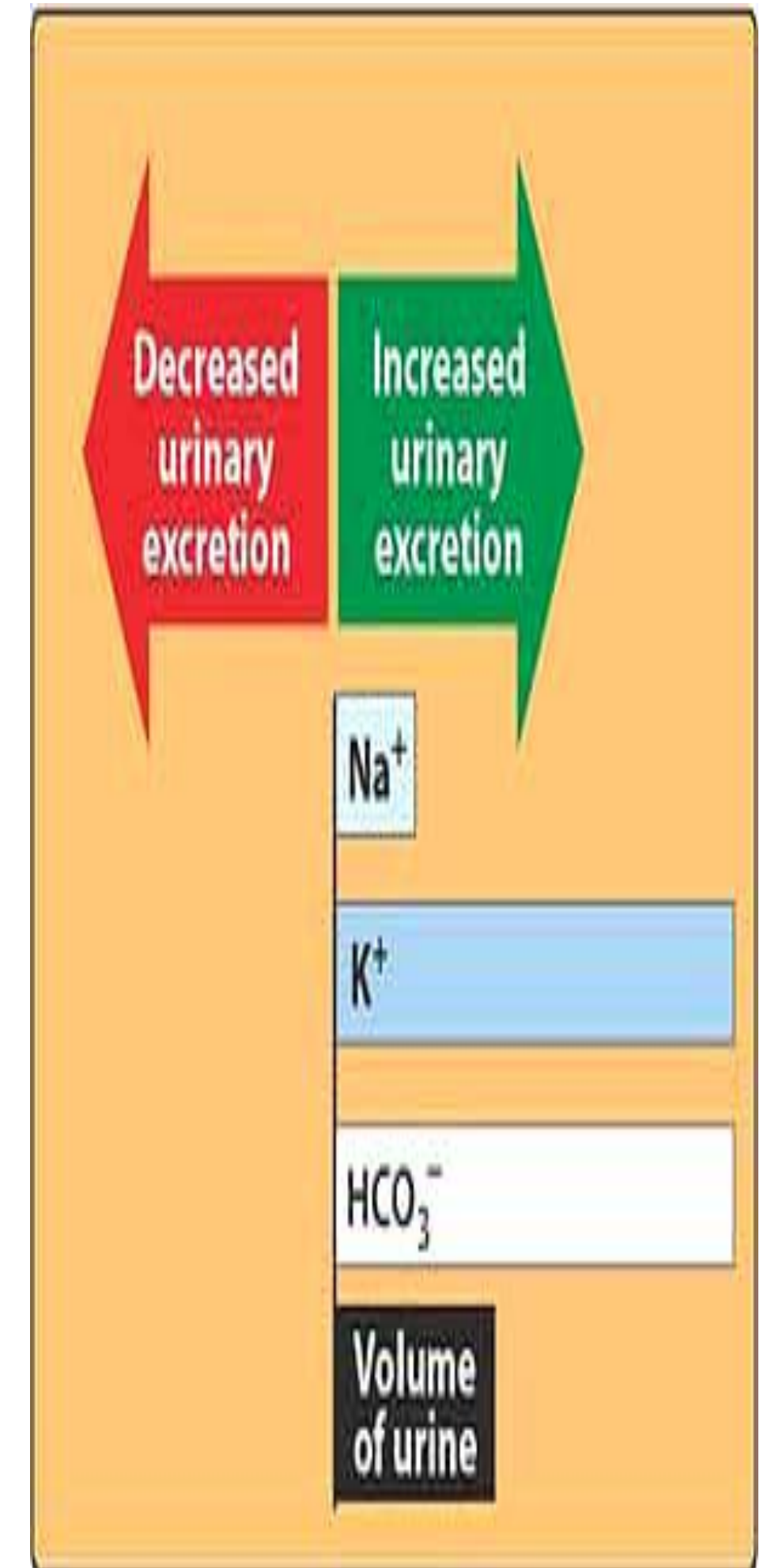


## Dorzolamide

- Is a carbonic anhydrase inhibitor
- Used topically for treatment of open-angle glaucoma. ”درسوا للميد زين وفتحوا عيونكم”
- no diuretic or systemic side effects (**Why?**) it's given as eye drops

### Why do CA inhibitors have weak diuretic properties?

Diuretic properties decreases after several days as the blood bicarbonate falls.





# LOOP DIURETICS

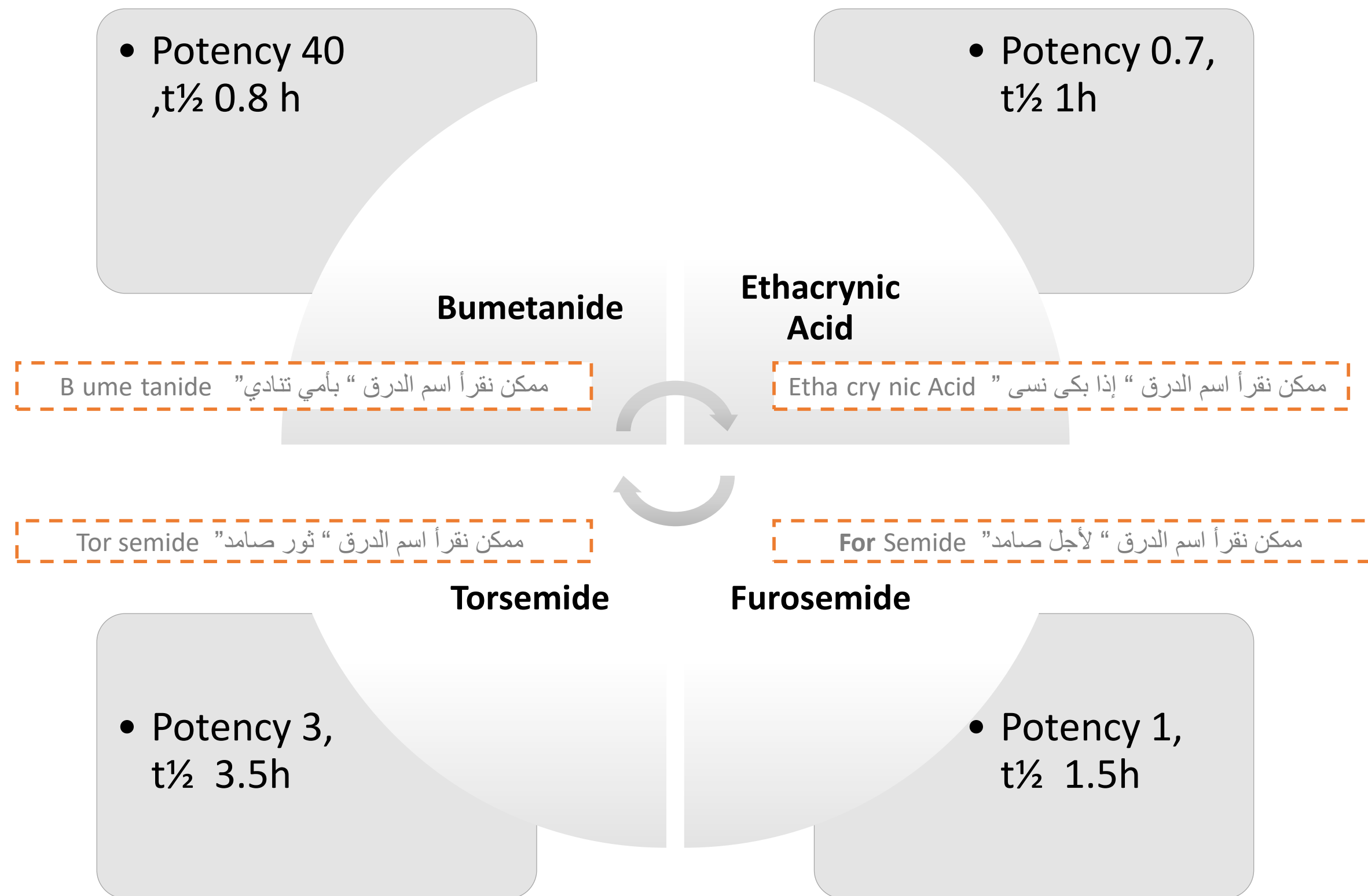
## High Ceiling diuretics

The most potent diuretic, termed “high ceiling diuretic”

Efficacy: High natriuresis as 25-30% Na<sup>+</sup> is reabsorbed

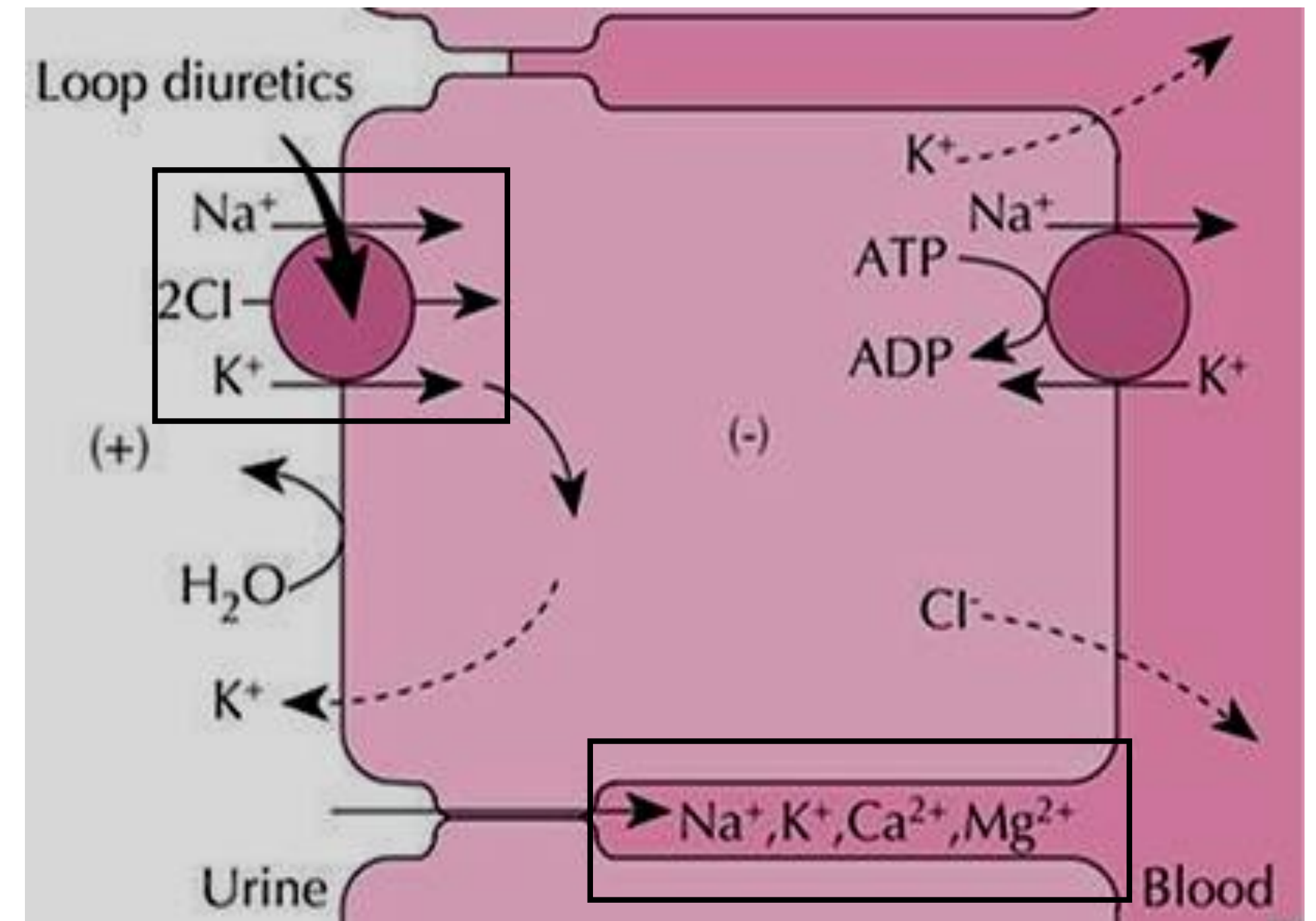
Induce expression of COX, PGE↓ salt transport in TAL

↓Renal vascular resistance & ↑renal blood flow → PGs



## Ascending loop of Henle

- Is impermeable to water
- **In thick ascending loop of Henle (TAL)** is responsible for active re-absorption of Na, K and Cl (25-30% Na<sup>+</sup> is reabsorbed) via transport system in luminal membrane called **Na<sup>+</sup>/ K<sup>+</sup> / 2Cl<sup>-</sup> co-transporter**
- Ca and Mg are reabsorbed and enter the interstitial fluid via paracellular pathway





# LOOP DIURETICS

Mechanism	Pharmacokinetics	Pharmacological effects	Uses	Adverse effects
<p>inhibit <b>Na<sup>+</sup> / K<sup>+</sup> / 2 Cl<sup>-</sup> co-transporter</b> in the luminal membrane of the thick ascending loop of Henle (<b>TAL</b>).</p> <p>inhibit Ca<sup>++</sup> and Mg<sup>++</sup> re-absorption.</p>	<p>Given orally or I. V.</p> <p>Have fast onset of action (<u>suitable for emergency</u>)</p> <p>Have short duration of action.</p> <p>Excreted by active tubular secretion of weak acids into urine. <b>By acid carrier</b> (avidly bound to plasma proteins).</p> <p>Interfere with uric acid secretion (<u>hyperuricemia</u>). #gout</p> <p>Bumetanide is the most potent</p>	<p>↑ urinary excretion of Na<sup>+</sup> and K<sup>+</sup>.</p> <p>↑ urinary excretion Ca<sup>++</sup> and Mg<sup>++</sup>.</p> <p>↑ urine volume.</p> <p>↑ renal blood flow.</p> <p><b>Furosemide and ethacrynic acid reduce pulmonary congestion and left ventricular filling pressures in heart failure → ↑ venous capacitance</b></p>	<p>because of their rapid onset of action they <b>are drugs of choice for emergency situations as:</b></p> <p><b>Severe</b> edema associated with congestive heart failure, nephrotic syndrome.</p> <p>Treatment for Oliguric ARF.</p> <p>Treatment of hypercalcemia</p> <p>3 Acutes:</p> <p><b>Acute pulmonary edema.</b></p> <p>Acute hyperkalaemia.</p> <p>Acute hypercalcemia.</p> <p>Toxicity of Br, F &amp; I</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hypovolemia.</li> <li>Hyponatraemia (↓ blood Na<sup>+</sup>).</li> <li>Hypokalemia (↓ blood K<sup>+</sup>).</li> <li>Hypomagnesaemia (↓ blood Mg<sup>2+</sup>).</li> <li>Hypocalcaemia (↓ blood Ca<sup>2+</sup>).</li> <li>Metabolic alkalosis. <b>Alkalosis because H goes in urine.</b></li> <li>Postural hypotension, <b>first dose causes severe drop in BP.</b></li> <li><b>Dietary K supplementation or K-sparing diuretics should be used to avoid hypokalemia.</b></li> <li>Hyperuricemia (<b>increase blood uric acid and gouty attack</b>).</li> <li><b>Oto toxicity = Loop Diuretics</b></li> <li><b>Ototoxicity (risk increased if combined with aminoglycosides).</b></li> <li>Allergic reactions, <b>Hypersensitivity</b></li> <li>To sulphonamides.</li> <li>Hyperglycemia.</li> <li>Anurea unresponsive to a trial dose of loop diuretic.</li> </ul>



# Thiazide Diuretics

Low Ceiling diuretics  
Drugs as:



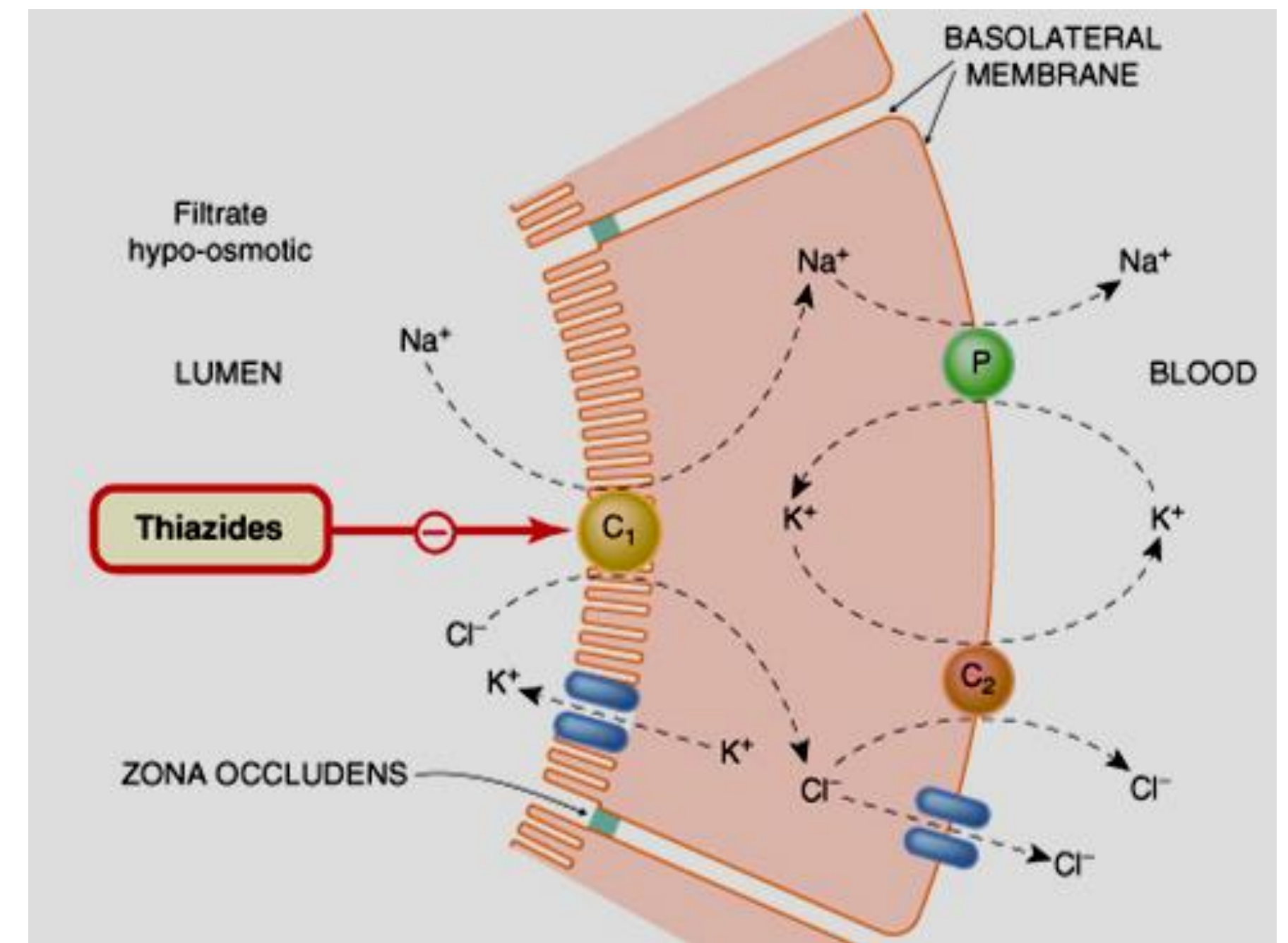
**Metolazone**  
• Potency 5, t<sub>1/2</sub> 5h

**Chlorothiazide**  
• Potency 0.1, t<sub>1/2</sub> 2h

**Hydrochlorothiazide**  
• Potency 1, t<sub>1/2</sub> 3h  
*most commonly used thiazide diuretic*

**Chlorthalidone**  
Potency 10, t<sub>1/2</sub> 26h

الدب (dap) كل ما له ذا يزيد (thiazide)  
**Indapamide**  
• Potency 20, t<sub>1/2</sub> 16h



## Mechanism of action:

acts via inhibition of Na/Cl co-transporter on the luminal membrane of **distal convoluted tubules**.

**Efficacy:** Moderate natriuresis (5-10% of filtered load of sodium is reabsorbed).



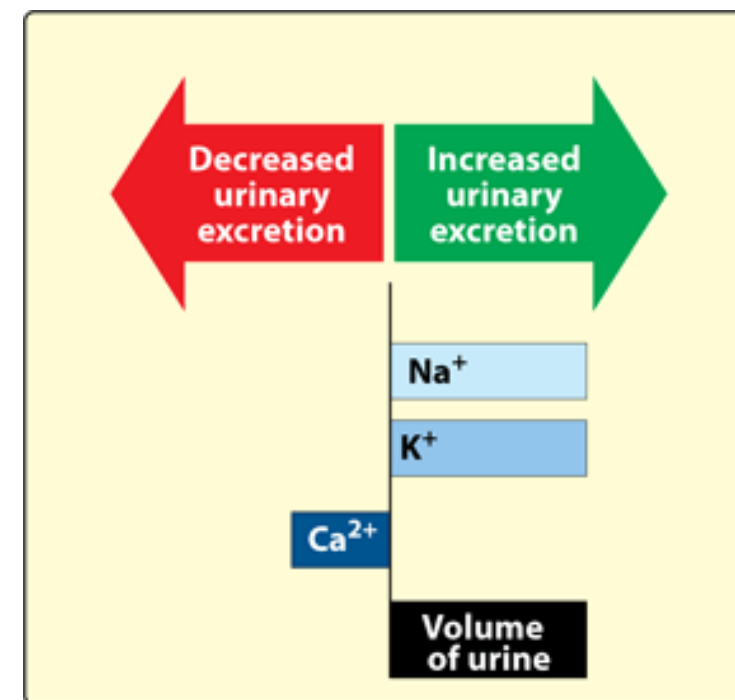
# Thiazide Diuretics

## Pharmacokinetics

Given orally, efficiently absorbed from the GIT. slow of onset, Lipid soluble.  
 long duration of action (40 h)  
 are secreted by active tubular secretory system of the kidney. Eliminated by Glomerular filtration & tubular secretion, some is reabsorbed  
 may interfere with uric acid secretion and cause **hyperuricemia**. thiazide should be taken with caution in patients with gout or high levels of uric acid.

## Pharmacological effects

↑ urinary NaCl excretion. Which can result in the excretion of very hyperosmolar (concentrated) urine.  
 ↑ urinary K excretion (**Hypokalemia**)  
 ↑ urinary magnesium excretion  
 ↓ urinary calcium excretion  
 ↑ **calcium re-absorption (Hypercalcemia)**  
 ↓ uric acid excretion  
 Causes vasodilatation, diazoxide, non diuretic thiazide is a potent vasodilator of urine volume in case of diabetes insipidus



## uses

Treatment of essential hypertension (**cheap-well tolerated**).  
 Ineffective when the GFR is less than 30 to 40 ml/min, except metolazone & indapamide.  
 Treatment of mild heart failure (**to reduce extracellular volume**).  
 Calcium nephrolithiasis due to hypercalciuria (**to increase calcium re-absorption and decrease renal calcium stones**)  
**Treatment for Osteoporosis** : Calcium Re-absorption (Hypercalcemia & osteoporosis) الطول (Thiazide) ذا يزيد  
 Nephrogenic diabetes insipidus **polyuria** (**decrease blood volume and GFR**)



# Thiazide Diuretics

# MEMORIZING STATION



Thiazides diuretics Hyper / Hypo effects:

**HYPER** effects in serum: (**Ugly Girls Like Cars**)

**HYPER**uricemia (precipitate acute gouty arthritis)

**HYPER**glycemia

**HYPER**lipidemia (increase cholesterol and LDL)

**HYPER**calcemia (renal calcium resorption, decrease calcium in urine)

**HYPO** effects in serum: (**Miss Nora Volunteered in Kuwait**)

**Hypo**magnesaemia

**Hypo**natremia

**Hypo**volemia and thus **HYPO**tension (decreases blood volume and peripheral vascular resistance)

**HYPO**kalemia

Fluid and electrolyte imbalance  
Metabolic alkalosis.

4 HYPOs:

Hyponatremia

Hypovolemia (volume depletion)

Hypokalemia

Hypomagnesaemia

4 HYPERs:

HyperUricaemia (gout)

HyperCalcemia

HyperGlycemia

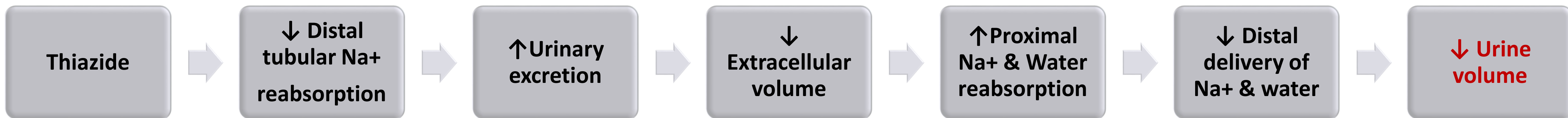
HyperLipidemia ↑LDL

HyperGLUC

Adverse Effects

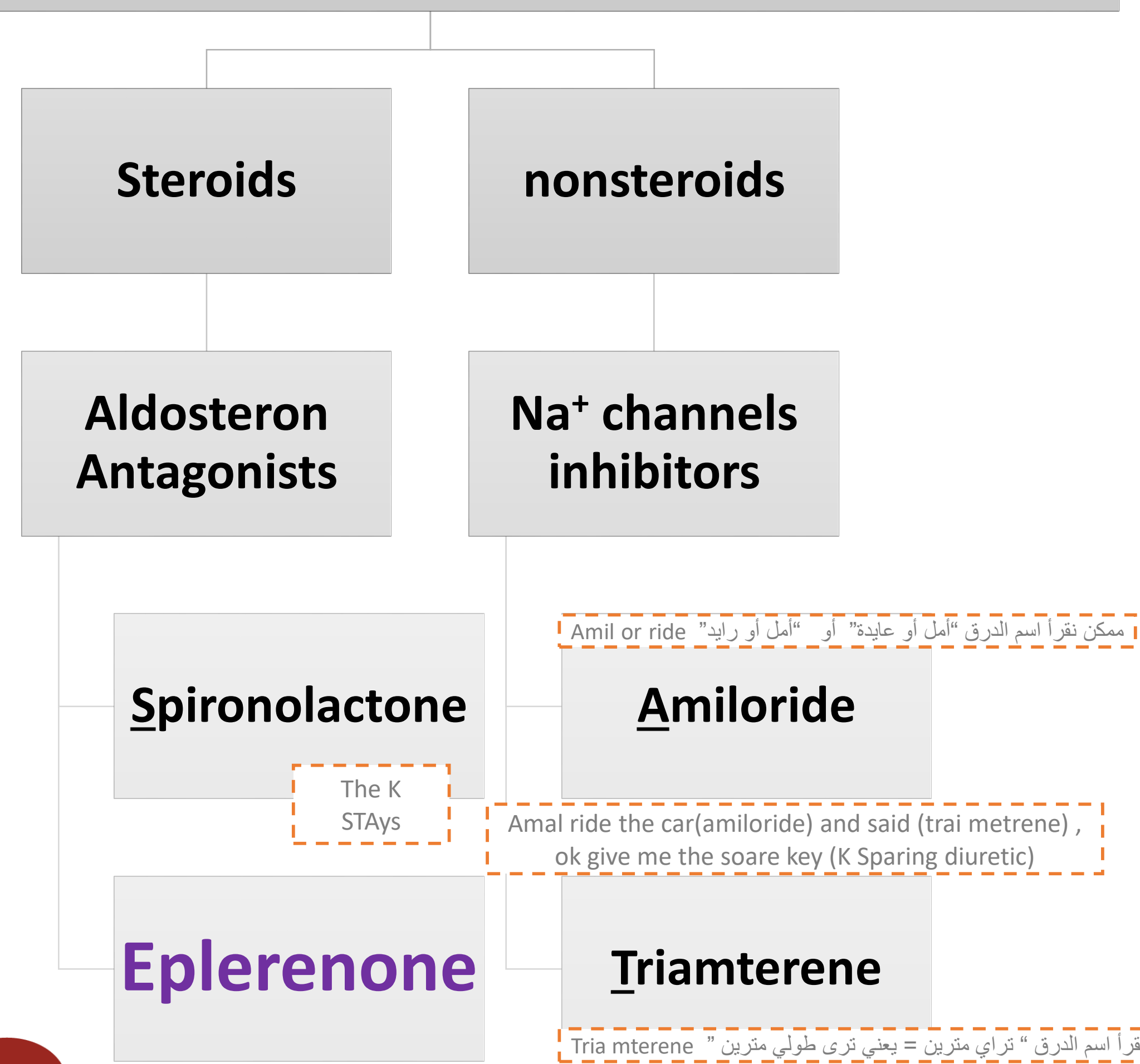
## Mechanism of antidiuretic effect of thiazide in diabetes insipidus

This is special for abnormal conditions.





# Potassium-sparing diuretics



## Mechanism of action

Act in **collecting tubules** and ducts by inhibiting Na re-absorption and K & H excretion (**K-sparing effect**) by either:

**Inhibition of Na influx through Na channels in the luminal membrane**

(triamterene – amiloride).

**By antagonizing cytoplasmic aldosterone receptors**

(Spironolactone)



# Potassium-sparing diuretics

Pharmacodynamics	<p>↑ urinary Na<sup>+</sup> excretion</p> <p>↓ urinary K<sup>+</sup> excretion <b>Hyperkalemia</b></p> <p>↓ H<sup>+</sup> excretion (<b>acidosis</b>)</p>
Therapeutic uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drug of choice for patients with hepatic cirrhosis</li><li>• Secondary hyperaldosteronism. <b>hyperaldosteronism is divided into primary and secondary secondary is a result of a disease like hepatic cirrhosis due to hyperalbuminemia which decreases blood volume which stimulates RAAS and results in hyperaldosternism.</b></li></ul> <p><b>(CHF, hepatic cirrhosis, nephrotic syndrome).</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Treatment of hypertension <b>(combined with thiazide or loop diuretics to correct for hypokalemia).</b></li></ul> <p>to prevent loss if supplements didn't work</p>
Adverse Effects	<p>Hyperkalaemia.</p> <p>Metabolic acidosis.</p> <p>Gynaecomastia. <b>only in spironolactone because it blocks testosterone and aldosterone leading to a decrease in sexaul desire</b></p> <p>GIT upset and peptic ulcer</p>
Contraindications	<p><b>Hyperkalaemia:</b> as in chronic renal failure, K<sup>+</sup> supplementation, β-blockers or ACE inhibitors.</p> <p><b>liver disease</b> (dose adjustment is needed).</p> <p><small>(Hyper) كبير (kalaemia) كلام (no) مان بلا (Spiro) سوبر</small></p>

Aldosterone antagonists are competitive antagonist at the collecting duct → ↑ Excretion of Na<sup>+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup> & ↓ Excretion of K<sup>+</sup>, H<sup>+</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub>

**Actions depend on renal PGs production**


	spironolactone	Eplerenone <i>100x more specific than spironolactone at clinical dose</i>
pharmacokinetics	Well absorbed from the GIT ,t <sub>1/2</sub> =1.6h. Highly protein- bound Undergoes enterohepatic recycling. Delayed onset of action (nuclear receptor), maximum diuretic action 4 days. Converted in gut & liver to canrenone [active metabolite, t <sub>1/2</sub> =16h].	Eliminated by metabolism(CYP3A4),t <sub>1/2</sub> 5h. Low affinity for progesterone and androgen receptors
	Both ineffective in adrenalectomized patients	
Therapeutic uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhances Natriuresis caused by Other Diuretics.</li> <li>• Prevents Hypokalemia.</li> <li>• Thus, Used in Combination with Loop &amp; Thiazide Diuretics</li> <li>• Primary Hyper-aldosteronism <b>called Conn's syndrome.</b></li> <li>• Secondary hyperaldosteronism <b>caused by nephrotic syndrome, heart failure and liver cirrhosis.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edema of Liver Cirrhosis.</li> <li>• resistant Hypertension.</li> <li>• Nephrotic syndrome.</li> <li>• Heart Failure, Improve survival.</li> </ul>
ADRS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hyperkalemia</li> <li>• Metabolic Acidosis in cirrhotic patients</li> <li>• CNS Side Effects</li> <li>• Impotence</li> <li>• Gynecomastia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Menstrual Irregularities</li> <li>• Hirsutism</li> <li>• Deepening of Voice</li> <li>• Peptic Ulcers</li> <li>• Gastritis</li> </ul>
contraindications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hyperkalemia</li> <li>• Renal failure</li> <li>• Other K<sup>+</sup> sparing diuretics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACE-I</li> <li>• K<sup>+</sup> supplement</li> </ul>



Sodium channel inhibitors

	<p>Triamterene 0.1, t½ 4.2 h, elimination by metabolism</p>	<p>Amiloride Potency 1, t½ 21h, Renal elimination</p>
<p>Therapeutic uses</p>	<p>Enhances Natriuresis caused by Other Diuretics Prevents Hypokalemia Thus, Used in Combination with Loop &amp; Thiazide Diuretics Liddle's Syndrome <i>genetic disorder characterized by hyperactivity of Na channels in collecting ducts</i> Lithium-Induced Diabetes Insipidus</p>	
<p>ADRS</p>	<p>Hyperkalemia Renal Stones Interstitial Nephritis Megaloblastosis in cirrhotic patients <i>caused by block to folate "folic acid"</i></p>	<p>Hyperkalemia</p>
<p>contraindications</p>	<p>Hyperkalemia Renal failure Other K+ sparing diuretics ACE-I &amp; ARBs K+ supplement Aliskiren</p>	

# Osmotic diuretics

Drug	<b>Mannitol</b> <span>ممکن نقرأ اسم الدرق ماني طويل</span> <span>اسمها د. منان تجنن مثل السكر (Suger) Osmotic diuretics = Mannitol</span>	
Pharmacokinetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poorly absorbed, If given orally → osmotic diarrhea</li> <li>• Given intravenously</li> <li>• Not metabolized</li> <li>• Excreted by glomerular filtration <b>without being re-absorbed or secreted within 30-60 min.</b></li> <li>• <math>t_{1/2}</math> 0.25-1.7h, prolonged in renal failure to 36h</li> </ul>	<p>منان (Mannitol) ما تأخذ وتعطي (not Reabsorbed or secreted) مع أي أحد</p> <p>ماني (Mannitol) ماخذ ومعطي (not Reabsorbed or secreted) معك</p>
Pharmacological actions	<p>Mannitol increases urine output by osmosis, drawing water out of cells and into the bloodstream</p> <p><b>Acts in proximal tubules &amp; descending loop of Henle by osmotic effect.</b> IV administration of any solute filtered by glomeruli may produce osmotic diuresis when the amount delivered to tubules exceeds their absorptive capacity</p> <p>↑ water excretion with relatively less effect on Na<sup>+</sup> (<b>water diuresis</b>). <span>د. منان تعرف تجذب الينات بشرحها (drag water out of the cell) وتخلي المحاضرة زي المويه سهله (only drag the water)</span></p> <p>Expand the extracellular fluid volume (<b>initially</b>), decrease blood viscosity, and inhibit renin release, ↑ renal blood flow.</p>	
Therapeutic uses	<p><b>Acute renal failure due to shock or trauma</b> (maintain urine flow- preserve kidney function). <b>severe injury , haemorrhage, hypovolaemia, → ↓ GFR, absorption of water &amp; salts is complete , distal part dries up → irreversible damage</b></p> <p><b>In acute drug poisoning:</b> To eliminate drugs that are reabsorbed from the renal tubules e.g. salicylates, barbiturates, bromides .</p> <p>To ↓ intracranial &amp; intraocular pressure before ophthalmic or brain procedures (<b>cerebral edema</b>).</p> <p>To maintain urine volume &amp; to prevent anuria resulting from large pigmentation load to the kidney e.g. haemolysis, rhabdomyolysis. But contraindicated in Anuric patients or patients not responding to a test dose of mannitol</p>	
Adverse effects	<p><b>Headache, nausea, vomiting → hyponatremia</b></p> <p><b>Extracellular volume expansion, complicates heart failure &amp; pulmonary oedema. Contraindicated in chronic heart failure</b></p> <p><b>Excessive use → dehydration &amp; *hypernatraemia</b> (Adequate water replacement is required). <b>The only drug with this effect</b></p>	



# Drug – Drug interactions

## Thiazide diuretics

Thiazides Diminish effect → Uricosurics Sulphonylurea

Thiazides Increase effect → Digitalis Diazoxide

NSAIDs → Reduce Thiazide efficacy

## Loop diuretics

NSAIDs Probenecid → ↓Diuretic Response

Digitalis → Arrhythmias

Aminoglycosides → ↑ Ototoxicity of Loop Diuretic

## K-Sparing diuretics

### A) Sodium Channel blockers:

ACE Inhibitors

Beta-Blockers

K Supplements

K-Sparing

Diuretics

Aliskiren

→ ↑Hyperkalemia induced by K-Sparing diuretics

### B) Aldosterone antagonists

Aldosterone antagonist depends on PG so NSAIDs block their effect

Salicylates

→ ↓Secretion of canrenone  
↓Efficacy of Spironolactone

Spironolactone alters clearance

→ Digitalis

## Treatment of hypertension:

Thiazide diuretics

used alone or in combination with beta-blockers at low-dose (fewer side effects)

In presence of renal failure, loop diuretic is used.

## Edema States

Thiazide diuretic is used in mild edema with normal renal function

Loop diuretics are used in cases with impaired renal function.

## Congestive Heart failure

Thiazides may be used in only mild cases with well-preserved renal function

Loop diuretics are much preferred in severe cases especially when GF is lowered

In life-threatening acute pulmonary edema, furosemide is given IV.

## Renal failure

Thiazides are used till  $GFR \geq 40-50$  ml/min

Loop diuretic are used below given values.

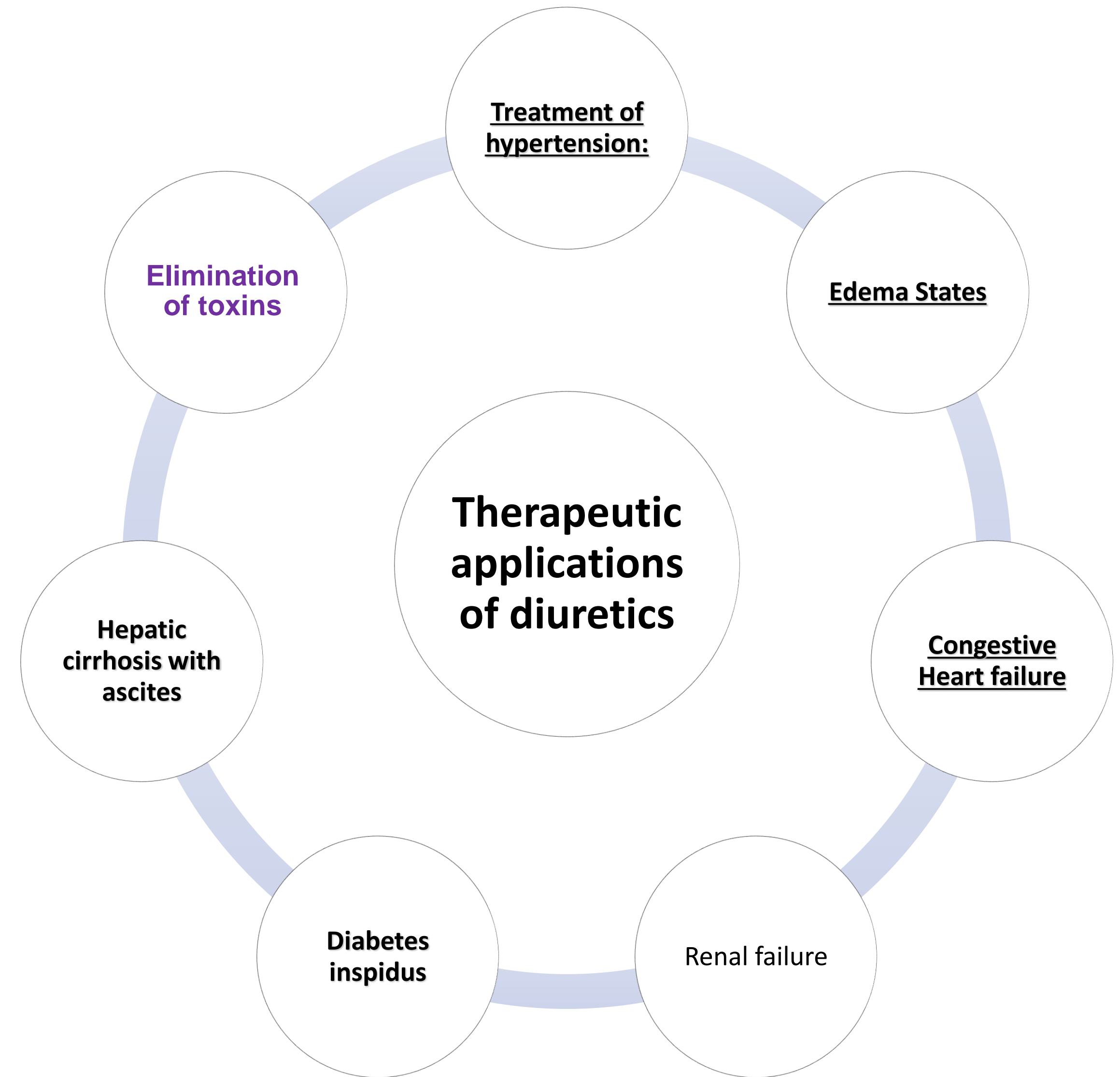
## Diabetes inspidus

Large volume (>10 L/day) of dilute urine

thiazide diuretics reduces urine volume

## Hepatic cirrhosis with ascites

Spironolactone is of choice.





# SUMMARY

Diuretics	Mechanism of action	Effects	Uses	Side effects
<b>CA inhibitors</b> Acetohexamide Dorzolamide	Inhibition of $\text{NaHCO}_3$ reabsorption in PCT	↑ Urinary Na $\text{HCO}_3$ , K Urinary alkalosis Metabolic acidosis	Glaucoma, epilepsy Mountain sickness Alkalosis Phosphatemia	Metabolic acidosis , Urinary alkalosis Hypokalemia
<b>Loop diuretics</b> Furosemide	Na/K/2Cl transporter in TAL the most effective	↑ Urinary Na, K, Ca, Mg	Acute pulmonary edema (Drug of choice) Heart failure Hyperkalemia, Hypercalcemia	Hypokalemia, hypovolemia, hyponatremia, hypomagnesemia, <b>hypocalcemia</b> Precipitate <b>gout</b> , alkalosis
<b>Thiazide diuretics</b> hydrochlorothiazide	Na and Cl cotransporter in DCT	↑ Urinary Na, K, Mg BUT ↓ <b>urinary Ca</b> (hypercalcemia) Metabolic alkalosis	Commonly used Hypertension, mild heart failure, <b>nephrolithiasis, diabetes inspidus</b>	Hypokalemia, hyponatremia, hypovolemia, hypomagnesemia, <b>hypercalcemia</b> <b>Metabolic Alkalosis</b> , precipitate gout Hyperlipidemia, hyperglycemia
<b>K-sparing diuretic</b> Spironolactone.	competitive antagonist of aldosterone in CCT	↑ Urinary Na ↓ K, H secretion Metabolic acidosis	<b>Hepatic cirrhosis</b> (Drug of choice)	<b>Gynaecomastia</b> <b>Hyperkalaemia</b> , Metabolic acidosis. GIT upset and peptic ulcer
<b>Osmotic diuretic</b> Mannitol	Osmotic effect in PCT	↑ Urine excretion ↑ Little Na	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cerebral edema, glaucoma</li> <li>• Acute renal failure, drug toxicities</li> </ul>	Extracellular water expansion Dehydration Hypernatremia

# MCQ

1. A patient taking aminoglycosides was prescribed one of these diuretics, then the patient experienced hearing loss and damage to the ear. Which drug did he take?  
A) Chlorothiazide .      B) Furosemide.      C) Acetazolamide.      D) Spironolactone.
2. A patient came to the emergency room suffering from severe pulmonary edema, which diuretic is the best choice for his case?  
A) Spironolactone.      B) Dorzolamide.      C) furosemide.      D) Hydrochlorothiazide.
3. How do thiazide diuretics affect these ions?  
A) Inhibits Ca, Mg, Na, K.      B) Reabsorbs Ca, Mg, Na, K.      C) Inhibits Ca, Mg, but reabsorbs Na, K.      D) Inhibits Mg, Na, K, but reabsorbs Ca.
4. A diabetic patient who urinates frequently was given a thiazide diuretic, how will it fix his problem as a compensatory mechanism?  
A) Decrease GFR and blood volume by reabsorbing sodium.      B) Increasing GFR and blood volume by excreting more sodium.  
C) Decreasing GFR and increasing blood volume.      D) Increasing GFR and decreasing blood volume
5. A patient had been taken (hydrochlorothiazide) , he came to see his doctor and on investigation the doctor noticed a decrease of K level , what is the drug that the doctor might use it in combination in this case?  
A) Mannitol.      B) Indapamide.      C) Metalazone.      D) Amiloride.
6. Which one of these diuretics is known to be (water diuresis) ?  
A) Amiloride.      B) Metalazone.      C) Mannitol.      D) hydrochlorothiazide.
7. Spironolactone can be characterized by which of the following properties ?  
A) It binds to a transmembrane receptor.      B) It inhibits aldosterone synthesis.      C) it is bio transformed to an active metabolite.      D) It is more potent than hydrochlorothiazide .
8. Which of the following is the mechanism of action of spironolactone?  
A) Though osmotic effects.      B) Through enzyme inhibition.      C) Through interaction with hormonal receptors.      D) Through inhibition of a co-transporter.
9. Which of the following diuretics act on specific membrane transport proteins?  
A) A) Mannitol.      B) Indapamide.      C) Amiloride.      D) Spironolactone.

Answers:  
1. B  
2. C  
3. D  
4. A  
5. C  
6. C  
7. D  
8. D  
9. C



# MCQ

10. A 54-year old male develops congestive heart failure after suffering his second myocardial infarction. His physician put him on a regimen of several medications, including frusemide. On follow-up, the patient is found to have hypokalemia. The addition of which medication would likely resolve the problem of hypokalemia, while helping to treat the underlying condition?
- A) Hydrochlorothiazide.      B) Spironolactone.      C) Acetazolamide.      D) Ethacrynic Acid.
11. A 50-year- old-male with pitting edema of the ankles developed gynecomastia and erectile dysfunction while being treated with which of the following drugs?
- A) Hydrochlorothiazide.      B) Metolazone.      C) Spironolactone.      D) triamterine.
12. A 45-year- old female with a long history of alcohol abuse is being treated for cirrhosis- associated ascites. Her physician decided to give her amiloride, a diuretic helpful in edema caused by cirrhosis. What common side effect should be monitored in this patient?
- A) Hyponatremia.      B) Hypercalcemia.      C) Hypermagnesemia.      D) Hyperkalemia.
13. A 45-year- old male with history of medication- controlled hypertension presented to you with complaints of a painful swollen big toe. You suspected gout and checked his uric acid levels, which were elevated. Upon looking at the list of his medication you realized that one of them might be the cause. Which medication might that be?
- A) Dorzolamide.      B) Spironolactone.      C) Hydrochlorothiazide.      D) Mannitol.
14. Which of the following statements about diuretics is false?
- A) All potassium-sparing diuretics may be taken orally.  
B) Osmotic diuretics cause an expansion of the extracellular fluid volume.  
C) Spironolactone and amiloride produce potassium loss by the same mechanism.  
D) Both a & b.
15. A 50-year- old-man with mild hypertension treated with spironolactone complains of discomfort in his chest, he has slightly enlarged fat deposits in his breasts with prominent nipples. His physician decides to switch this patient to a drug that has the same mechanism of action but will avoid this adverse effect. Which of the following drugs would he use?
- A) Amiloride.      B) Torsemide.      C) Chlorthalidone.      D) Aldosterone.

Answers:  
10. B  
11. C  
12. D  
13. C  
14. B  
15. A

16. Which drug falls under the carbonic anhydrase inhibitors class?  
 A) Acetazolamide.                      B) Bumetanide.                      C) Chlorothiazide.                      D) amiloride.
17. A 75-year- old woman with hypertension is being treated with a thiazide. Her blood pressure responds well and reads at 120/76mm hg. After several months on the medication, she complains of being tired and weak. an analysis of the blood indicates low values for which of the following?  
 A) Calcium.                      B) Potassium.                      C) Sodium.                      D) Uric acid.
18. A 57-year- old man with a history of heavy alcohol use is being admitted for a first episode of congestive heart failure, which likely resulted from untreated alcoholic cardiomyopathy. the cardiologist decides to start the patient on diuretic therapy. which class of diuretics is preferred in this case?  
 A. loop diuretics because they exert their action at the distal convoluted tubule  
 B. loop diuretics because the thick ascending limb is an area of high capacity for NaCl reabsorption  
 C. thiazide diuretics because they exert their action at the thick ascending limb of the loop of Henle  
 D. thiazide diuretics because they increase cardiac output
19. A 35-year- old woman presents to your office for a regular checkup. she has no complains. On examination, her blood pressure is slightly elevated at 145/85. she is physically fit and follows al heathy diet. you decide to start her on antihypertensive therapy and prescribe hydrochlorothiazide. how does this agent work?  
 A) inhibits reabsorption of sodium chloride in the early DCT.                      B) decrease net excretion of chloride, sodium and potassium  
 C) increases excretion of calcium.                      D) inhibits reabsorption of sodium chloride in the thick ascending limb of the loop of Henle.
20. which of the following is an action of loop diuretics on ionic excretion?  
 A) increased sodium excretion.                      B) decrease magnesium loss.                      C) decreased calcium loss.                      D) decreased potassium loss.
21. when furosemide is administrated to a patient with pulmonary edema, there is often symptomatic relief within 5 minutes of starting treatment. this relief is primarily due to:  
 A) a rapid diuretic effect.                      B) an increase in venous capacitance.                      C) a direct effect on myocardial contractility                      D. psychological effects.

Answers:  
 16. A  
 17. B  
 18. B  
 19. A  
 20. A  
 21. B



22. A new diuretic is being studied in human volunteers. compared with placebo, the new drug increase urine volume, increases urinary  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , increase plasma pH and decrease serum  $\text{K}^+$ . if this new drug has a similar mechanism of action to an established diuretic, it probably :

- A) block the  $\text{NaCl}$  cotransporter in the DCT.
- B) blocks aldosterone receptors in the CT
- C) inhibits carbonic anhydrase in the PCT.
- D) inhibits the  $\text{Na}^+/\text{K}^+/\text{2Cl}^-$  cotransporter in the TAL.

23. Which drug of the following diuretics is used in treatment of glaucoma?

- A) Acetazolamide
- B) Dorzolamide
- C) Furosemide
- D) Indapamide

24. Which class of diuretics work by acting on proximal tubules?

- A) Loop diuretics
- B) Thiazide diuretics
- C) Potassium-sparing diuretics
- D) Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors



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