





Tubular Reabsorption



Red: very important. Green: Doctor's notes. Pink: formulas. Yellow: numbers. Gray: notes and explanation.

Physiology Team 436 – Renal Block Lecture 5

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•Define tubular reabsorption, tubular secretion, transcellular and paracellular transport.

Identify and describe mechanisms of tubular transport

Describe tubular reabsorption of sodium and water

Revise tubulo-glomerular feedback and describe its physiological importance

Identify and describe mechanism involved in Glucose reabsorption

Study glucose titration curve in terms of renal threshold, tubular transport maximum, splay, excretion and filtration

 \bullet Identify the tubular site and describe how Amino Acids, HCO₃⁻, PO₄⁻ and Urea are reabsorbed

Tubular Reabsorption

- Transported substances move through <u>three membranes</u>:
- Luminal "Apical" membranes of tubule cells.
- Basolateral membranes of tubule cells
- Endothelium of peritubular capillaries
- Ca²⁺, Mg²⁺, K⁺, and some Na⁺ can be reabsorbed via paracellular pathway. " بين " الفراغات"



(a) Active solute reabsorption



Tubular Reabsorption



Sodium Reabsorption: Primary Active Transport

Sodium In all areas of the nephron

- Na+ reabsorption is almost always by active (Needs energy) transport
- **Na+** enters the tubule cells at the luminal membrane.

Is actively transported out of the

tubules by a Na+-K+ ATPase pump

Other important solutes are linked either directly or indirectly to reabsorption of Na⁺.



Exchanges the sodium with potassium 3 Na+ out, 2 K+ in

In the basolateral membrane of the Tubular cells

Mechanisms of Tubular Absorption & secretion



Proximal Convoluted Tubule Reabsorption (PCT):

Early stage We will be looking at the reabsorption and secretion mechanisms of each part of the nephron

- The epithelium is *leaky*, and it's permeable to ions & water.
- **70%** of Na+, Cl-, K+ & water is absorbed passively (with/follows Na+). Sodium will pull water with it

Sodium leaves the pump through the symporters.



Na+ Reabsorption (transcellular):

Early PCT Na+ absorbed: exchanged with H+, but HCO3- reabsorbed with organic substances 2) glucose, amino acids, lactate, Pi

Na+/K+-**ATPase** important



Glucose Reabsorption

From tubular lumen to tubular cell: Sodium co-transporter (Carrier-mediated secondary active transport). Uphill transport of glucose driven by electro-chemical gradient of sodium, which is maintained by Na-K pump presents in basolateral cell membrane. (Na is downhill) So, it needs glucose and a carrier and it's an active transport

 From tubular cell to peritubular capillary: Facilitated diffusion (Carrier-mediated passive transport) (the glucose don't forget ⁽ⁱ⁾)
 So, it's a passive transport but with carrier

-Carrier mediated = needs protein-So it's an active process and needs protein



Tubular Handling of Glucose (Lecture 3: Renal Clearance)

IF plasma [glucose] = 275 mg/dl • 275 mg/dl will be **Filtered** • 180 mg/dl **Reabsorbed** • 95 mg/dl **Excreted**

Tubular Transport Maximum of Glucose

- Kidney does regulate some substances by means of the T_m mechanism e.g sulphate and phosphate ions.
- Also subject to PTH regulation for phosphate, [PTH \ reabsorption].
 *PTH = parathyroid hormone

PCT Na+ Reabsorption: Late stage

Late = related to Cl-, the reason isn't important.



Urea Reabsorption

Normal plasma level of urea 2.5-6.5 mM/L (15-39 mg/100ml).

- Mechanism of urea reabsorption:
- About 40-70% of filtered load of urea is reabsorbed in (areas of reabsorption):
- Second half of PCT.
- Medullary CT and CD (ADH dependent).
- Due to water reabsorption in the first half of PCT, the conc. of urea is increased in the second half and urea is reabsorbed by simple diffusion (downhill).

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The percentages in all of them are important

Water reabsorption

PCT cells *permeable* to water.

PCT Passively reabsorbs 67% of filtered water.

Transtubular Passive (osmosis)

due to osmotic active substances that are absorbed, e.g. Na+, glucose, HCO3-, Cl-

 \downarrow tubule osmolality. \Rightarrow \uparrow intracellular space osmolality.

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but read it

- Solvent drag: K+, Ca2+, carried with water & hence reabsorbed
- The accumulation of fluid and solutes within the lateral intercellular space increases hydrostatic pressure in this Not important compartment
 - The increased hydrostatic pressure forces fluid and solutes into the capillaries. Thus, water reabsorption follows solutes.

The proximal tubule reabsorption is isosmotic

12 Osmosis: concentration of water, from high water conc. To low water conc.



Protein Reabsorption

Peptide hormones, small proteins & amino acids are reabsorbed in **PCT**.

Has a maximum capacity: (T Max) if too much protein is filtered \rightarrow Proteinuria.

Proteinuria. we will find protein in the urine, same with glucose. Both are abnormal.

If the reabsorption exceeds it's capacity

Peptide hormones, small proteins & amino acids undergo Endocytosis into the PCT, either intact or after being partially degraded by enzymes. Protein enters the cell by endocytosis

Once protein is inside (engulfed) the cell, enzymes digest them into amino acids, which leave the cell to the blood.



3 Endocytosis is a form of active transport in which a cell transports molecules (such as proteins) into the cell, by engulfing them in an energy-using process.

Organic Ion / Cation Secretion

Organic Ion/Cation Secretion in PCT

Harmful substances, the body gets rid of them.

Endogenous Compounds:

- End products of metabolism
- Bile Salts
- Creatinine
- Catecholamine :

(Adrenaline, Noradrenaline)

Exogenous Compounds:

- Penicillin -NSAIDs e.g. Ibuprofen) - Morphine

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HCO₃⁻ Reabsorption

The renal tubules are *poorly-permeable* to HCO_3^- . **However**, it is still reabsorbed **but** in the form of CO_2 (to which the tubules are highly permeable) **This occurs through the following steps:**

H⁺ is formed inside the cells then secreted into the tubular fluid (through Na+ H+ pump)

H⁺ Combines with HCO₃⁻ in the tubular fluid forming H₂CO_{3 (}unstable₎ By activity of Carbonic Anhydrase enzyme (C.A.) in the Tubular cells, H_2CO_3 dissociates into $CO_2 \& H_2O$

 CO_2 Diffuses into the cells Where it combines with H₂O (By activity of **intracellular** C.A), Forming H₂CO₃ which dissociates into HCO₃⁻ & H⁺ HCO₃⁻ passively diffuses into the interstitial fluid (then to the blood) while H⁺ is secreted into the tubular fluid to help more reabsorption of HCO₃⁻ It gets in through the reaction , never gets in directly

H+ out in exchange of Na+

Tubules are highly preamble to CO2 > H+ions are formed inside the cells >secreted in the tubular fluid through NHE pump > H+ combines with CO2 to form H2CO3 in the tubular fluid > CA disassociateH2CO3 into CO2 and H+ > CO2 diffuse into the cell where combines with water and it keep repeating > CO2 gets out the cell by passive diffusing into the interstitial fluid (blood) H+ is secreted through the pump tubular lumen.

15 Bicarbonate is the only molecule doesn't get reabsorbed as it self must be converted

HCO₃⁻ Reabsorption, Cont..





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