

# Homeostasis

## (1+2)

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- **At the end of this session, the students should be able to:**
  - **Understand the concept and importance of homeostasis.**
  - **Understand how the steady state is monitored.**
  - **Discuss the physiologic control mechanisms that enable maintenance of the normal steady state of the body.**
  - **Identify and describe the compensatory responses to any change in the steady state.**
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- **Homeostasis (2)**
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  - **Define a feedback mechanism and describe its components.**
  - **Differentiate between positive and negative feedback mechanisms and give examples for each in the body.**
  - **Apply the knowledge gained in feedback mechanisms to disturbances in the disturbances in ECF volume and osmolarity.**

# Homeostasis

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- Homeostasis is the ability to maintain a **relatively stable internal environment** in an ever-changing outside world
- The internal environment of the body (ECF) is in a **dynamic state of equilibrium**
- All different body systems operate in **harmony** to provide **homeostasis**

# Homeostatic Control Mechanisms

- The **variable** produces a **change in the body**
- The three interdependent components of control mechanisms are:
  - **Receptor** – monitors the environments and responds to changes (stimuli)
  - **Control center** – determines the set point at which the variable is maintained
  - **Effector** – provides the means to respond to the stimulus

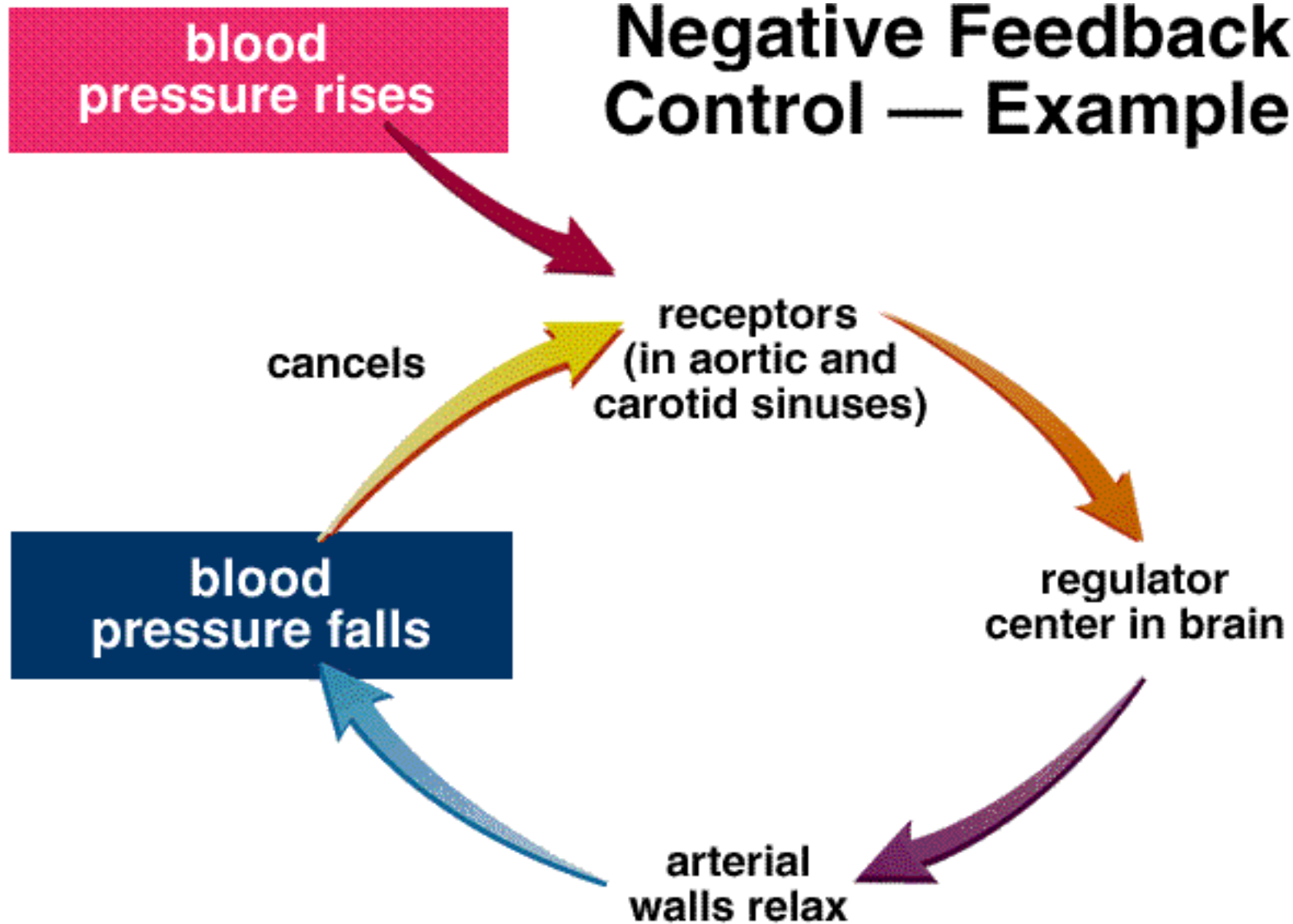
# Regulation of body functions

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## **1. Nervous system**

- **sensory input.**
- **central nervous system.**
- **motor out put.**

# Negative Feedback Control — Example



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## **2. Hormonal system of regulation.**

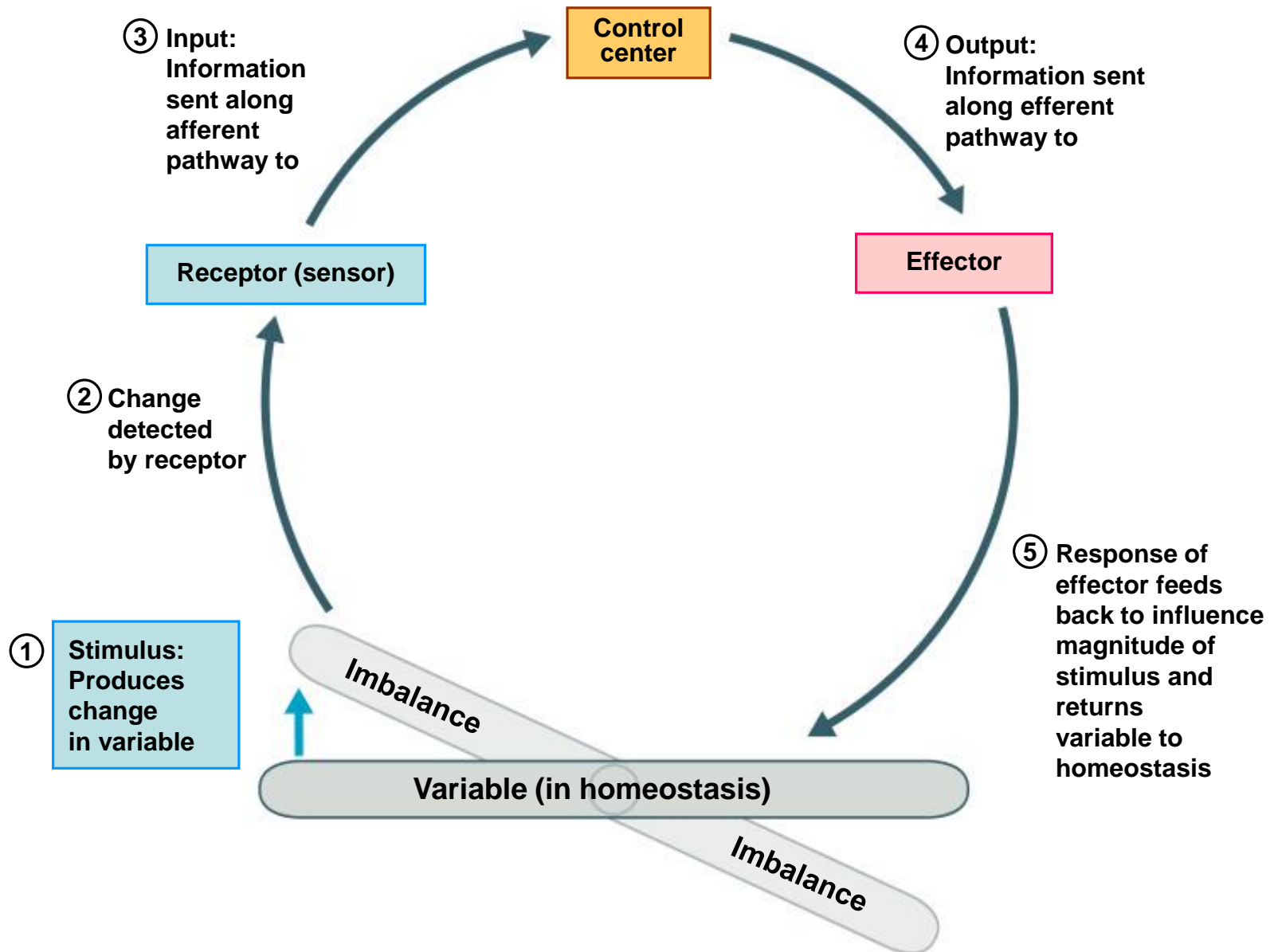
**- Endocrine gland.**

**Pancreas, thyroid**

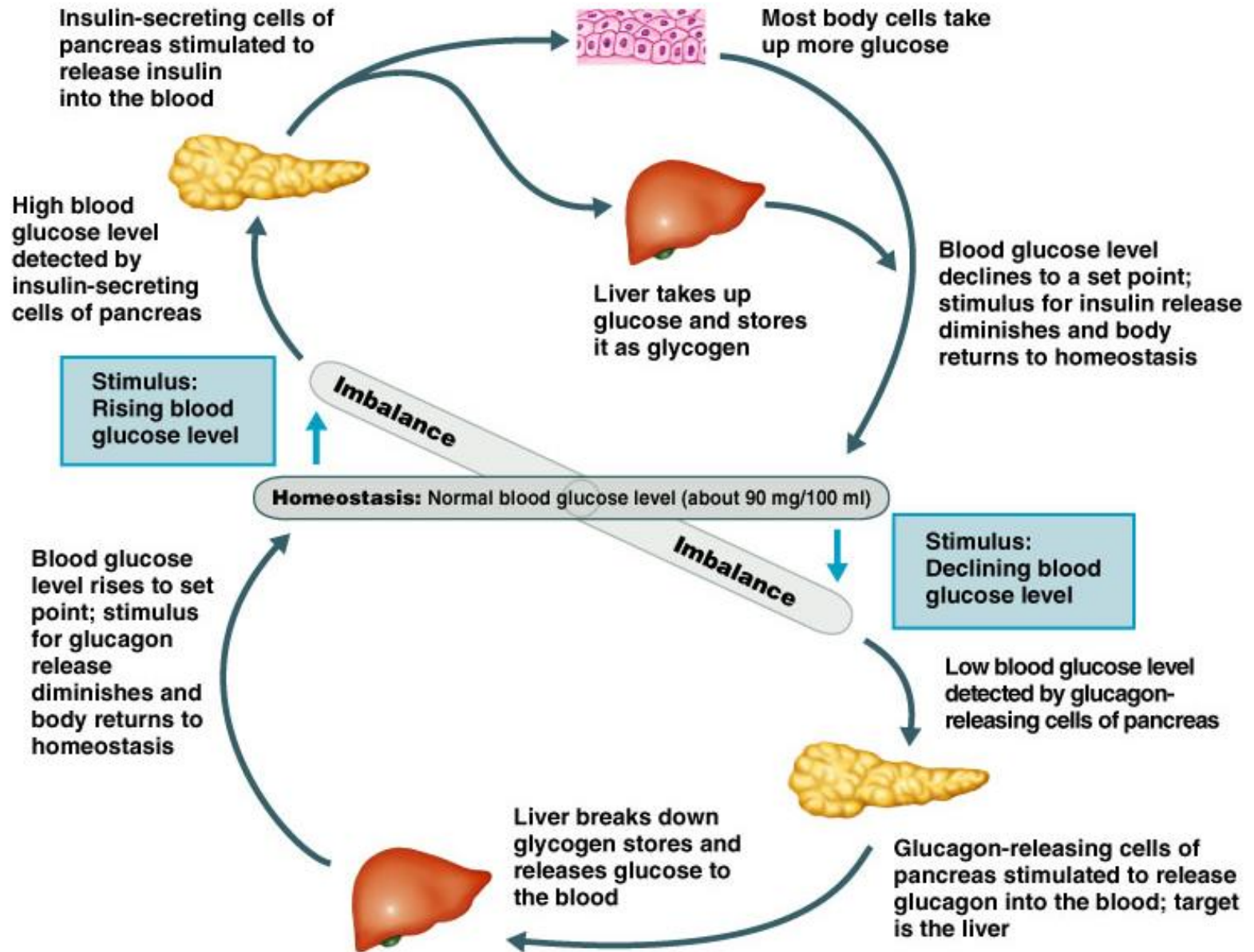
**e.g. : insulin control glucose level.**

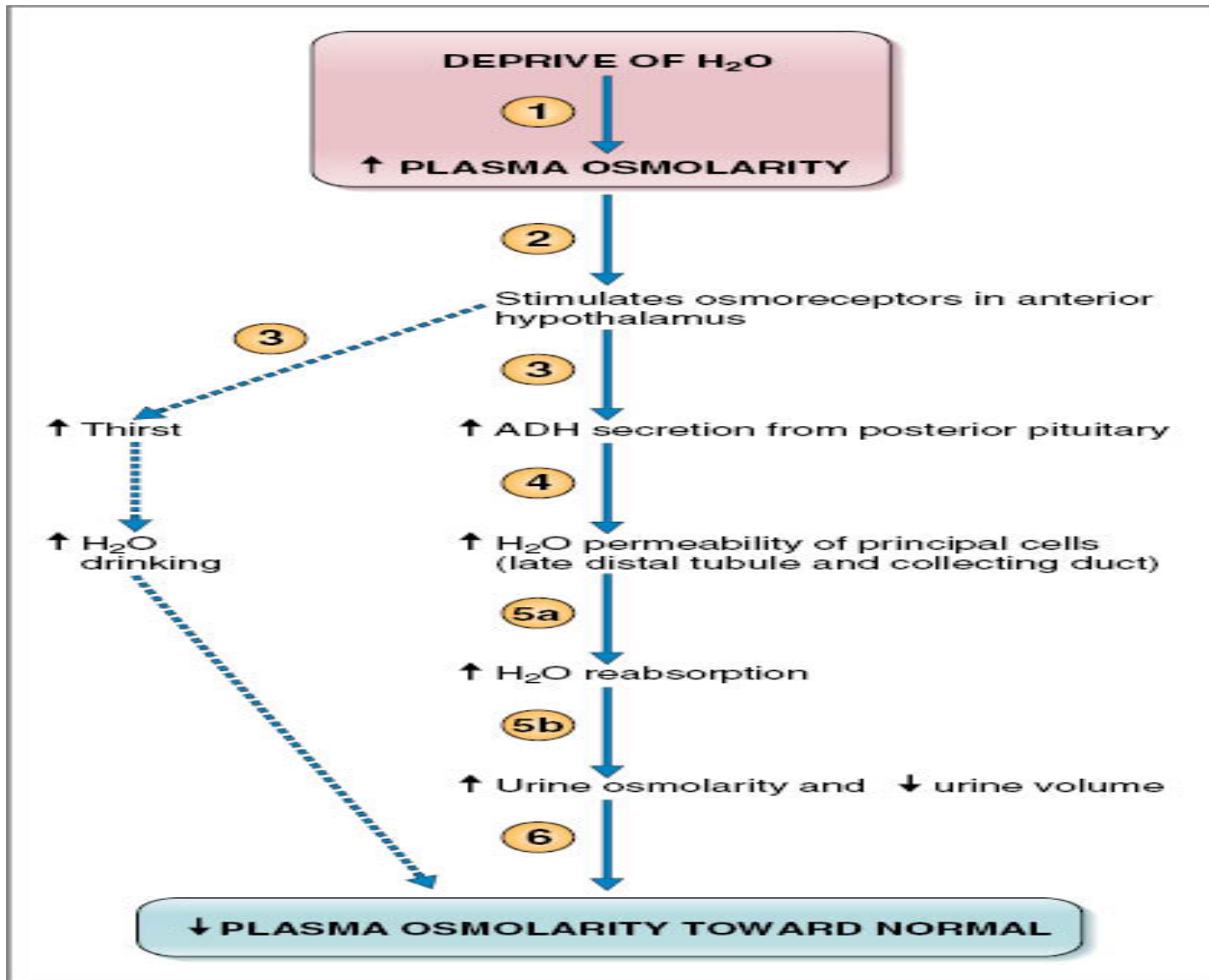


# Homeostatic Control Mechanisms



# Feedback





**DRINK H<sub>2</sub>O**  
①  
↓ PLASMA OSMOLARITY

②

Inhibits osmoreceptors in anterior hypothalamus

③

③

↓ ADH secretion from posterior pituitary

↓ Thirst

④

↓ H<sub>2</sub>O permeability of principal cells (late distal tubule and collecting duct)

↓ H<sub>2</sub>O drinking

⑤a

↓ H<sub>2</sub>O reabsorption

⑤b

↓ Urine osmolarity and ↑ urine volume

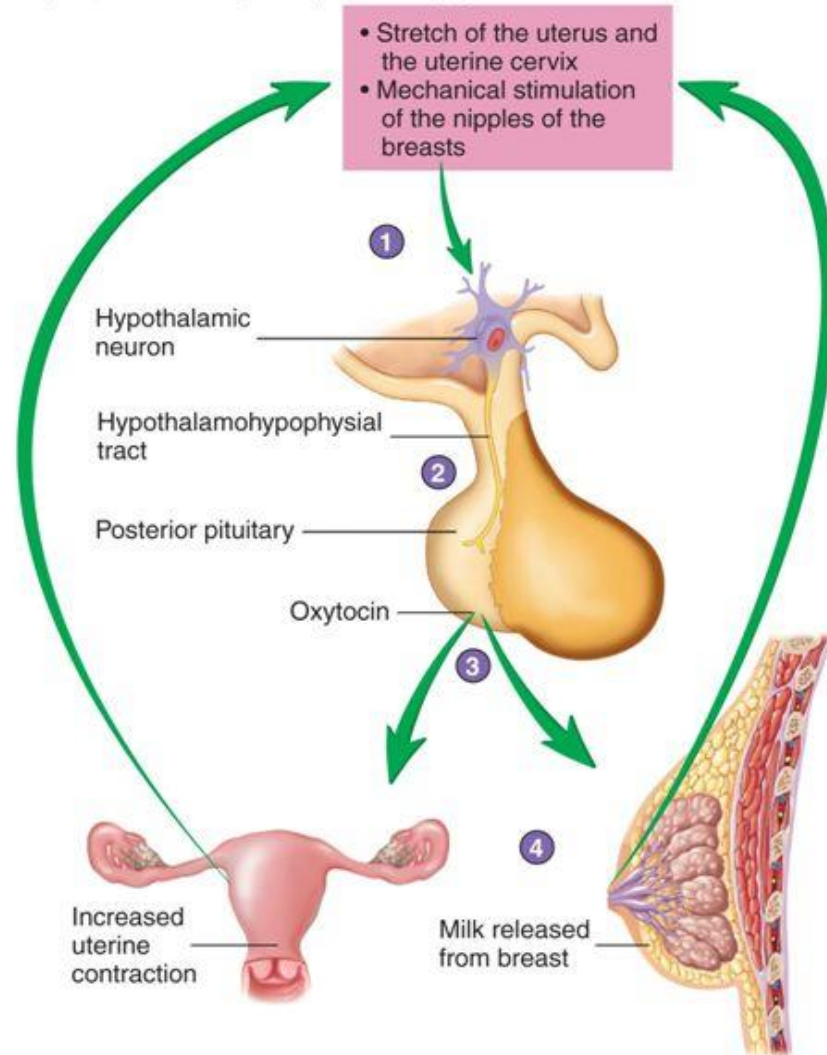
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↑ PLASMA OSMOLARITY TOWARD NORMAL

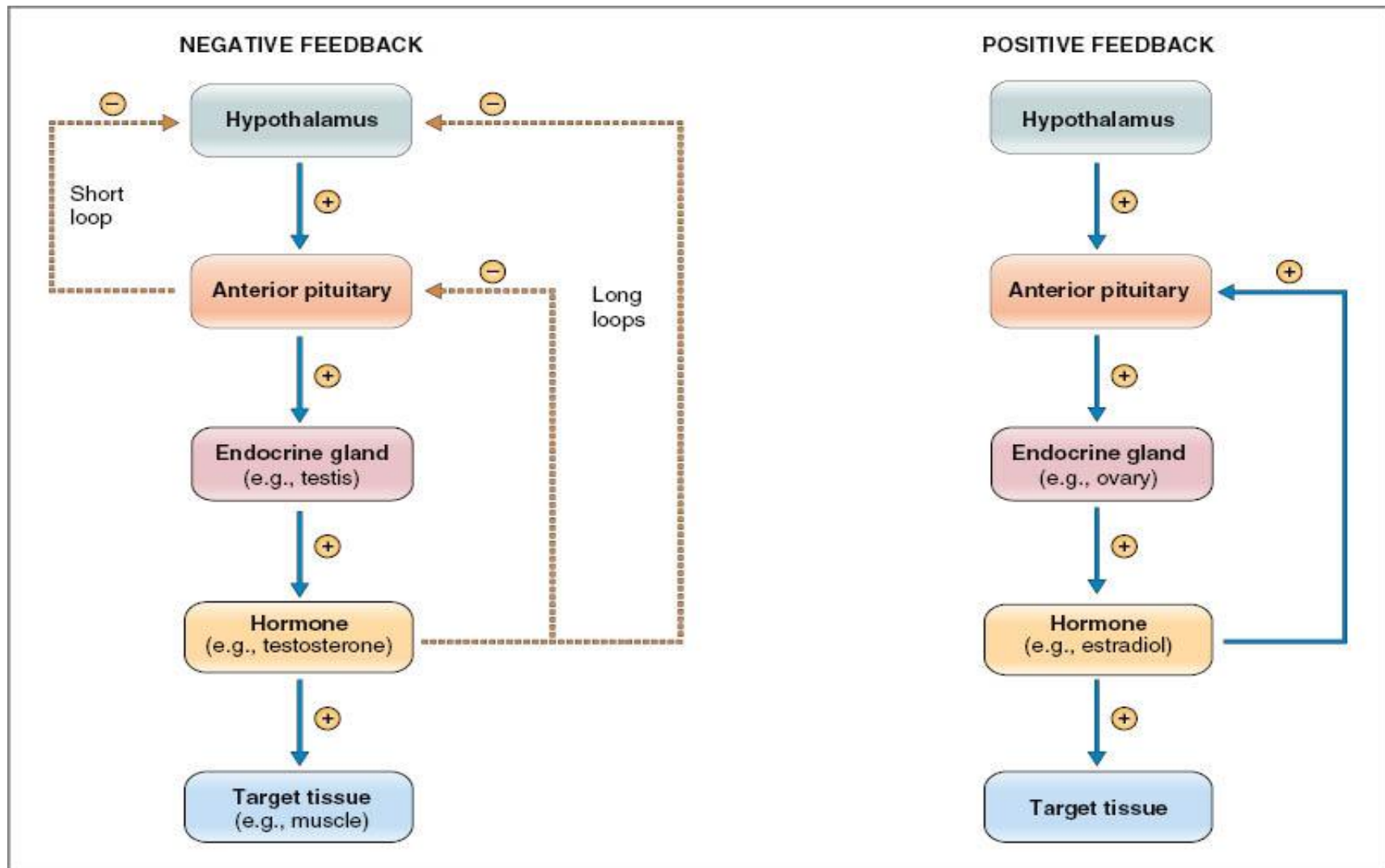
# Control of Oxytocin Secretion

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- 1 Stretch of the uterus and the uterine cervix or stimulation of the breasts' nipples increases action potentials in axons of oxytocin-secreting neurons.
- 2 Action potentials are conducted by sensory neurons from the uterus and breast to the spinal cord and up ascending tracts to the hypothalamus.
- 3 Action potentials are conducted by axons of oxytocin-secreting neurons in the hypothalamohypophysial tract to the posterior pituitary, where they increase oxytocin secretion.
- 4 Oxytocin enters the circulation, increasing contractions of the uterus and milk ejection from the lactating breast.



# FEEDBACK MECHANISM



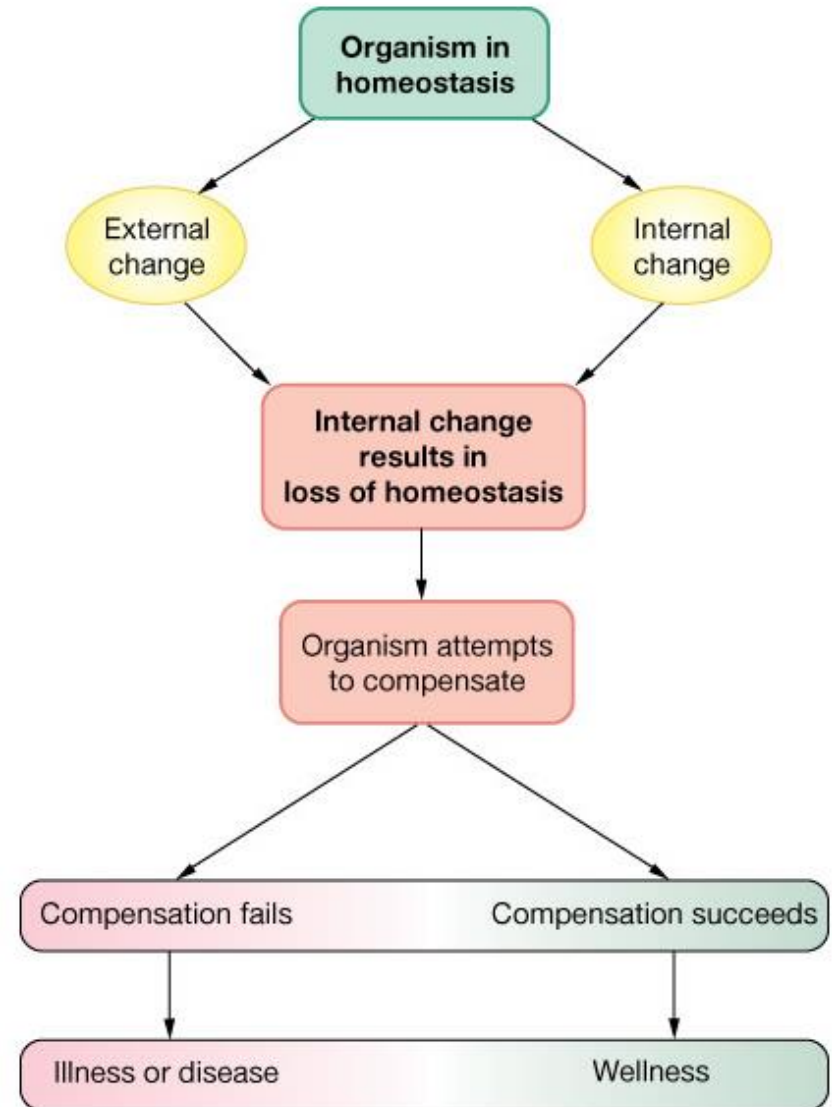
# Homeostatic Imbalance

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- **Disturbance** of homeostasis or the body's normal equilibrium

# Homeostasis & Controls

- **Successful compensation**
  - **Homeostasis reestablished**
- **Failure to compensate**
  - **Pathophysiology**
    - **Illness**
    - **Death**





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- **Apply the knowledge gained in feedback mechanisms to disturbances in the disturbances in ECF volume and osmolarity.**

# Osmotic equilibrium is maintained between intracellular and extracellular fluids:

- **Small** changes in concentration of **solutes** in the extracellular fluid can cause **tremendous** change in cell volume.
- Intracellular **osmolarity** = extracellular **osmolarity**
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- $\approx 300 \text{ mosm/L}$

# Mechanisms for Movement

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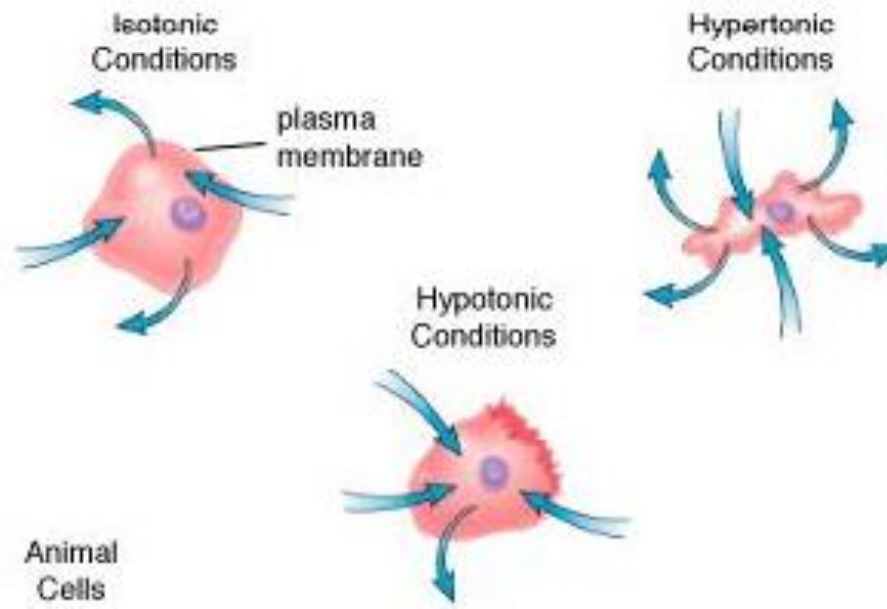
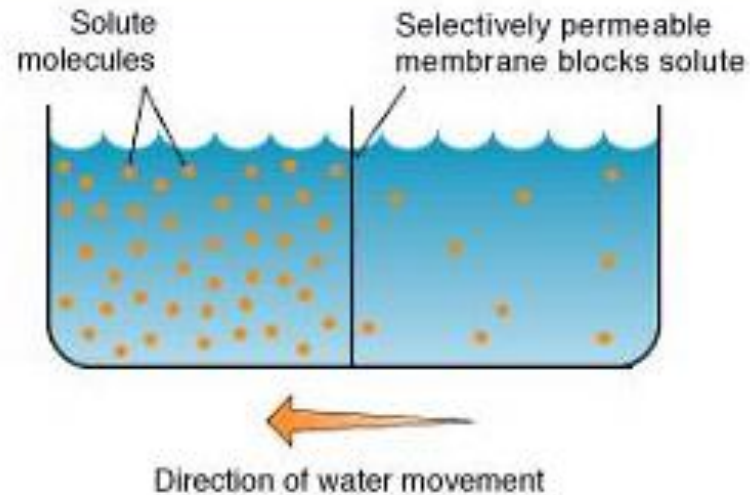
- **3 General mechanisms:**
  - 1. Simple diffusion (passive)**
  - 2. Facilitated transport (passive)**
  - 3. Active transport**

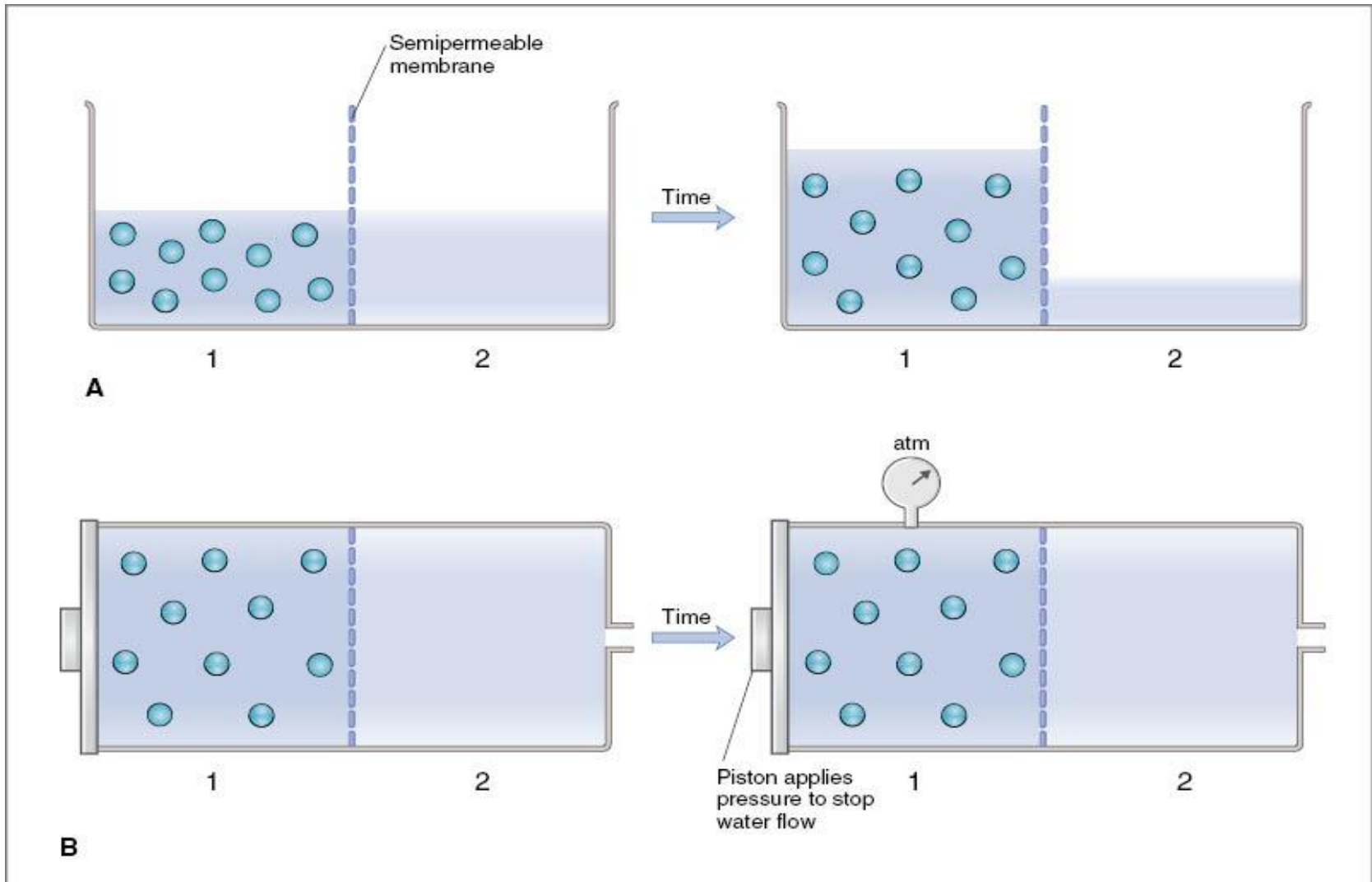
# osmosis

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- net diffusion of water from a region of **high water** concentration to region of **low water** concentration.

# Osmosis





# Tonicity:

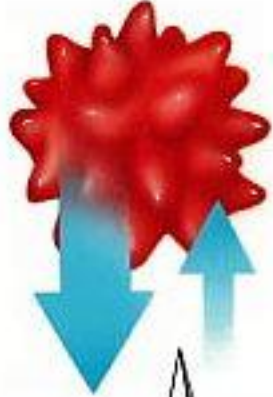
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- means effective osmolality in relation to plasma (=285 milliosmol/L). Therefore, isotonic solutions [e.g. 0.9% saline solution] **have almost equal tonicity** of the plasma, hypotonic solutions [e.g. 0.45% saline solution] **have < tonicity** than plasma, and hypertonic [e.g. 3% saline solution] solutions **have > tonicity** than plasma.

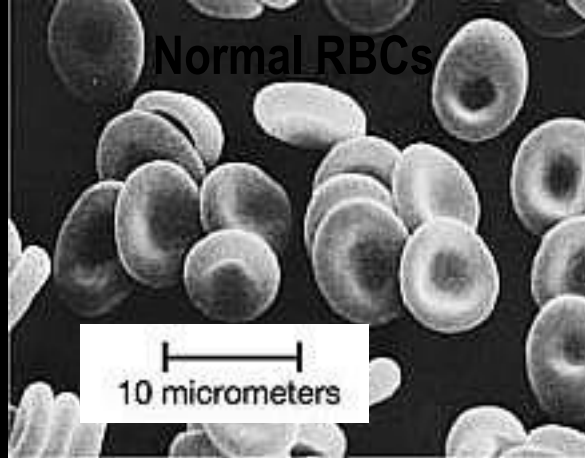
# Osmosis



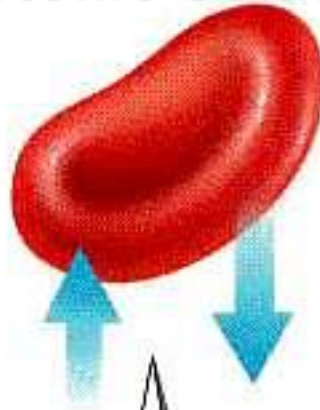
Hypertonic Solution



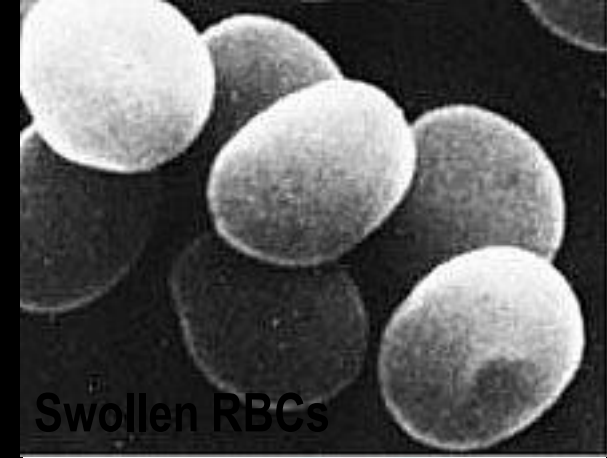
Net movement of water out of cells



Isotonic Solution



Equal movement of water into and out of cells

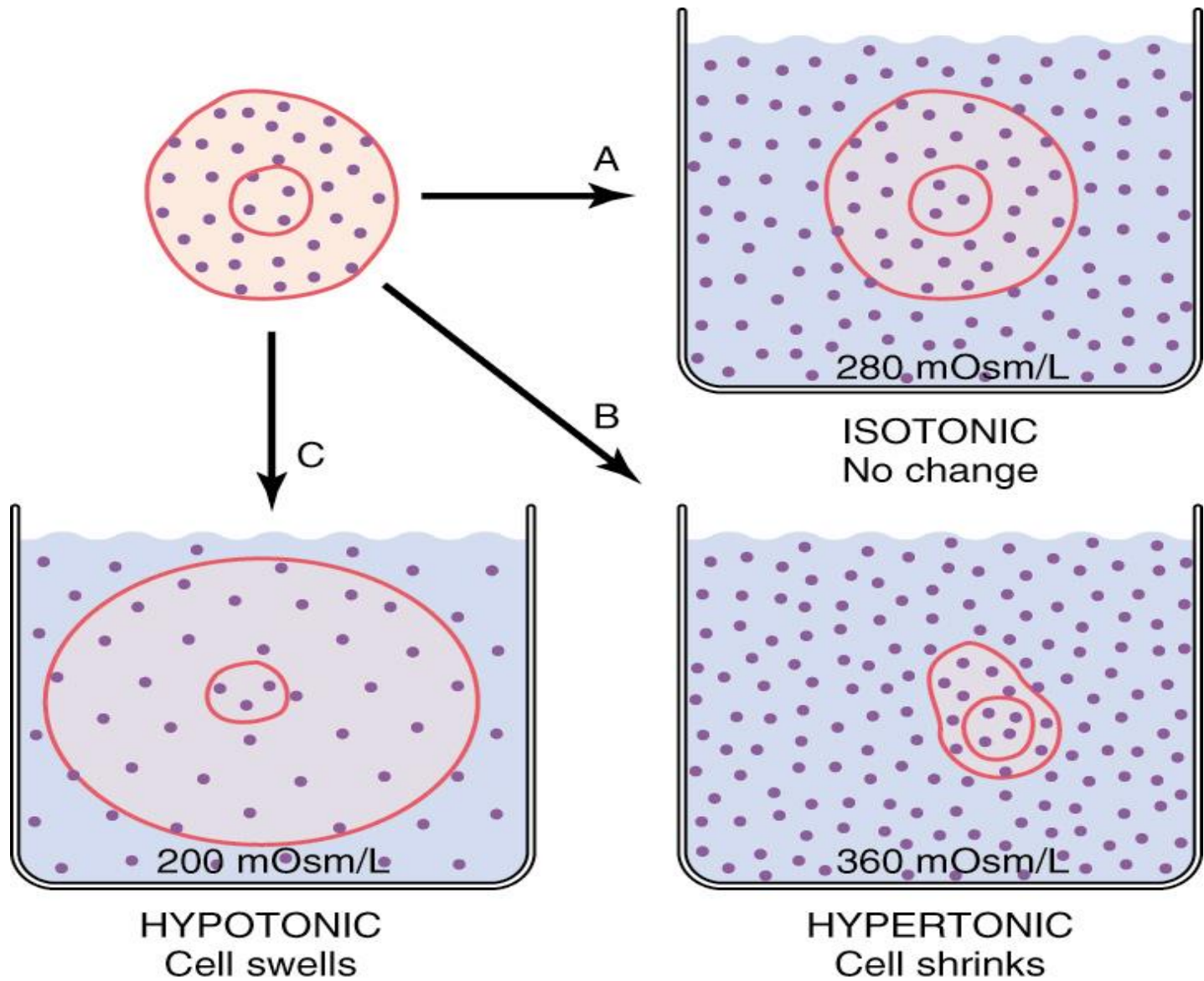


Hypotonic Solution



Net movement of water into cells





# Osmosis

- **If environment is:**
  - **Hypertonic:**
    - **MORE SOLUTES** outside cell
    - **MORE WATER IN CELL**
    - **over time, cell loses water**
  - **Isotonic:**
    - **same**
    - **No change in cell volume**
  - **Hypotonic:**
    - **LESS SOLUTES** outside cell
    - **LESS WATER IN CELL, more solutes in cell.**
    - **over time, cell gains water**

## ❖ **Isotonic solution :**

- (no swells or shrink )
- **0.9% solution of sodium chloride .**
- **same in and out .**

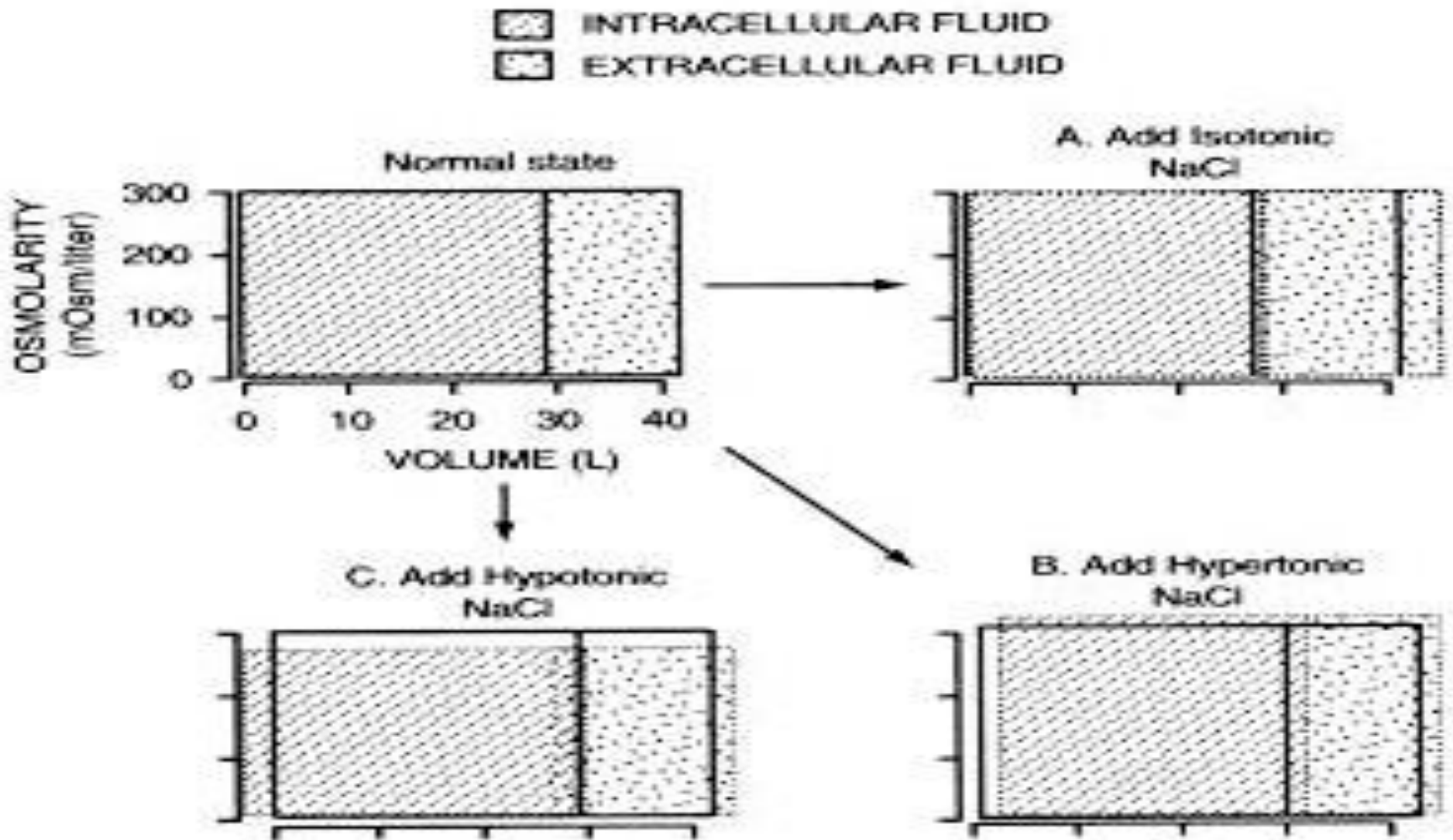
## ❖ **Hypotonic solution :**

- (swelling)↓ **0.9%**
- **in is higher than out .**

## ❖ **Hypertonic solution :**

- (shrink) ↑ **0.9%**
- **out is higher than in**

# Effect of adding saline solution to the ECF



# **Glucose and other solutions administered for nutritive purposes**

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- **People who can not take adequate amount of food.**
- **Slowly.**
- **Prepared in isotonic solution.**
- **Water is excreted.**

# Volumes And Osmolarities Of ECF and ICF In Abnormal States.

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- **Some factors can cause the change:**
  - **dehydration .**
  - **intravenous infusion.**
  - **abnormal sweating.**
  - **etc..**

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- **Changes in volume :**

- 1. Volume expansion.**

- 2. Volume contraction.**

# Volume contraction ( decrease in the ECF volume) :

## 1. Diarrhea.



- **osmolarity of fluid lost  $\approx$  osmolarity of ECF**

**(loss of isosmotic fluid).**

- **↓ volume in ECF.**
- **↓ arterial pressure.**



## 2. Water deprivation :

- **Water and NaCl.**
- **Osmolarity and volume will change .**
- **Hyposmotic** fluid (small NaCl  
large water)
-  **Osmolarity in both ECF and ICF.**
-  **Volume in both ECF and ICF.**

### 3. Adrenal insufficiency:

- Aldosterone deficiency.
- ↓ Na in the ECF.
- ↓ osmolarity in both .
- ↓ in ECF volume.
- ↑ in ICF volume.

# Volume Expansion

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1. - **Infusion of isotonic NaCl.**

-  **ECF volume.**

- **No change in osmolarity.**

- **Isotonic expansion .**

## 2. High NaCl intake.

- ↑ eating salt.
- ↑ **osmolarity** in both.
- ↓ **volume of ICF** .
- ↑ **volume of ECF** .
- **hyperosmotic volume expansion.**

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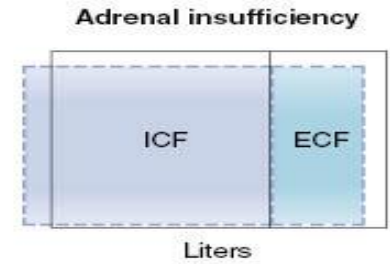
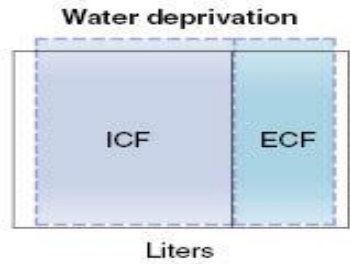
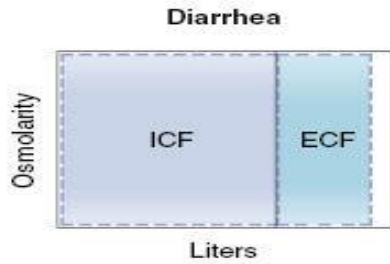
### 3- Syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone (SIADH):

-  **volume**
-  **osmolarity**

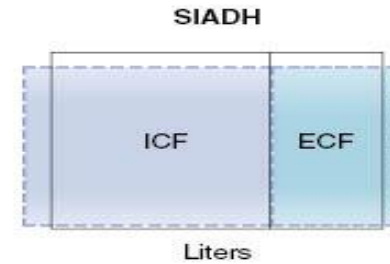
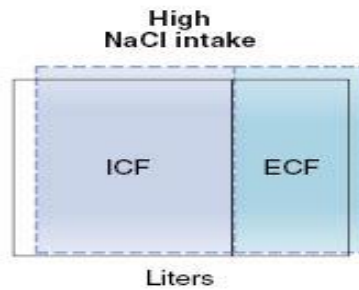
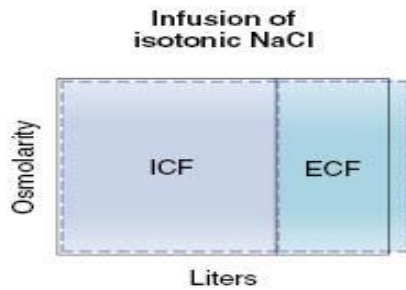
**NORMAL STATE**



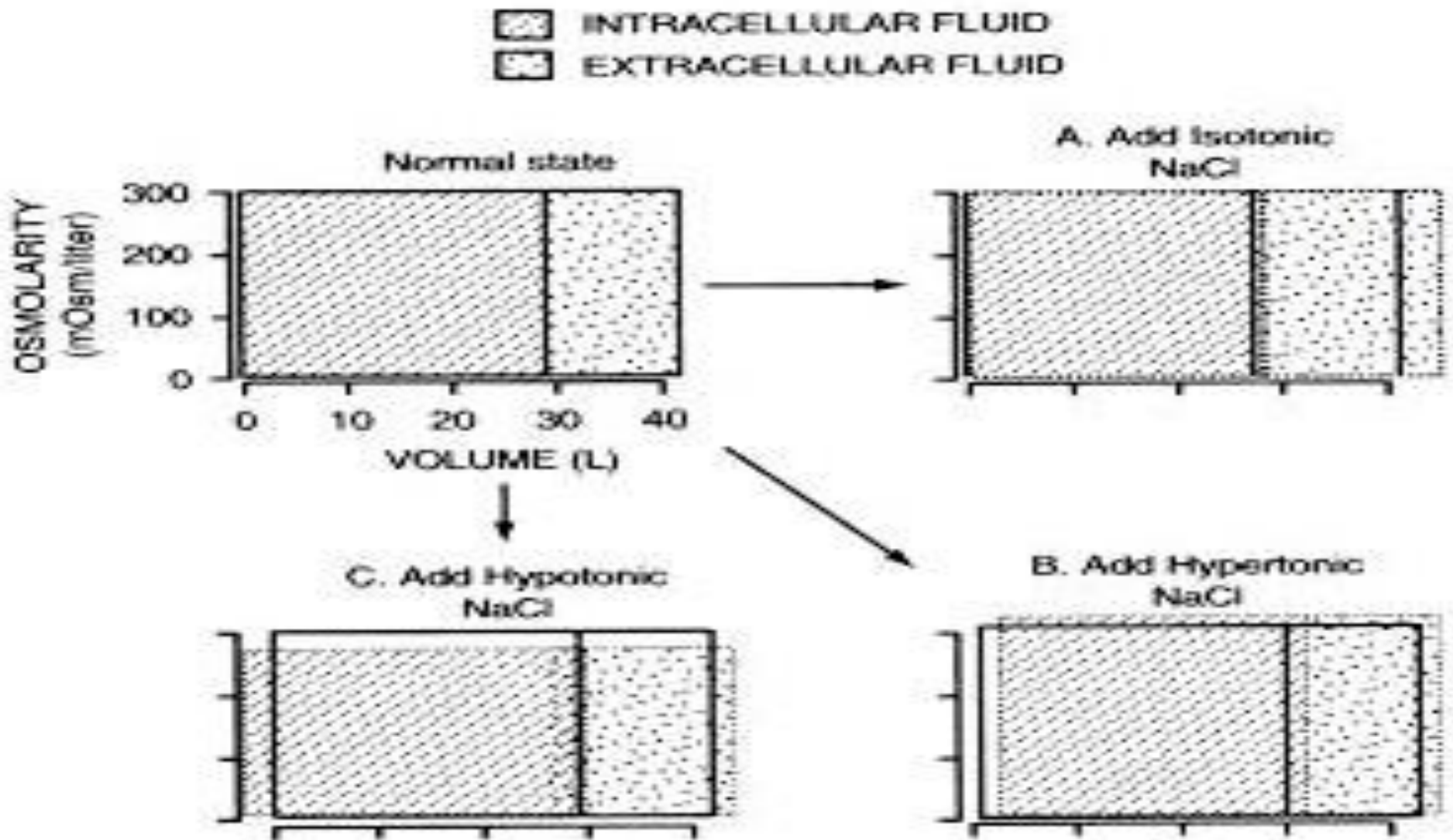
**VOLUME CONTRACTION**



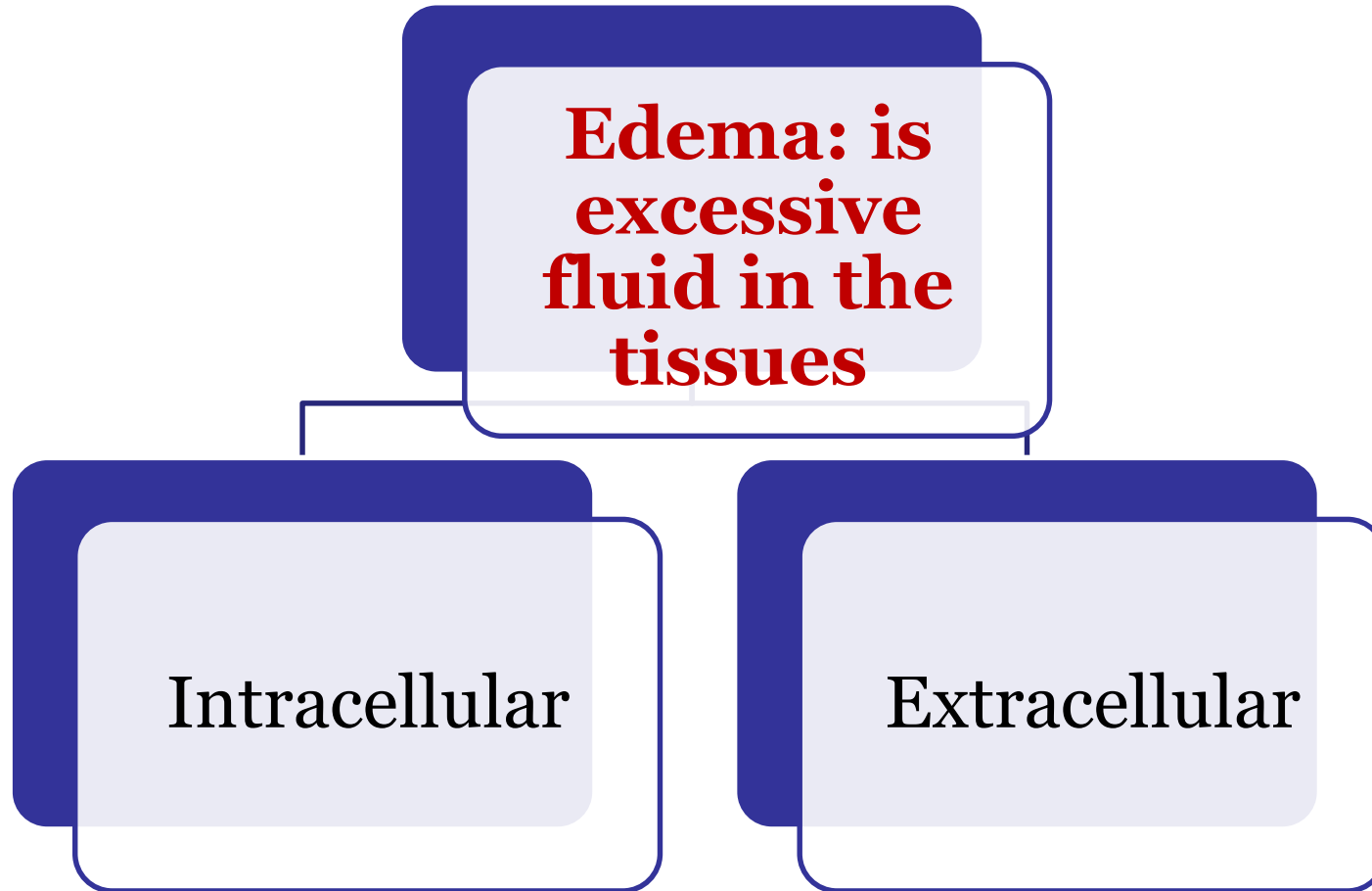
**VOLUME EXPANSION**



# Effect of adding saline solution to the ECF



# Edema



*Edema occurs mainly in the extracellular fluid compartment*



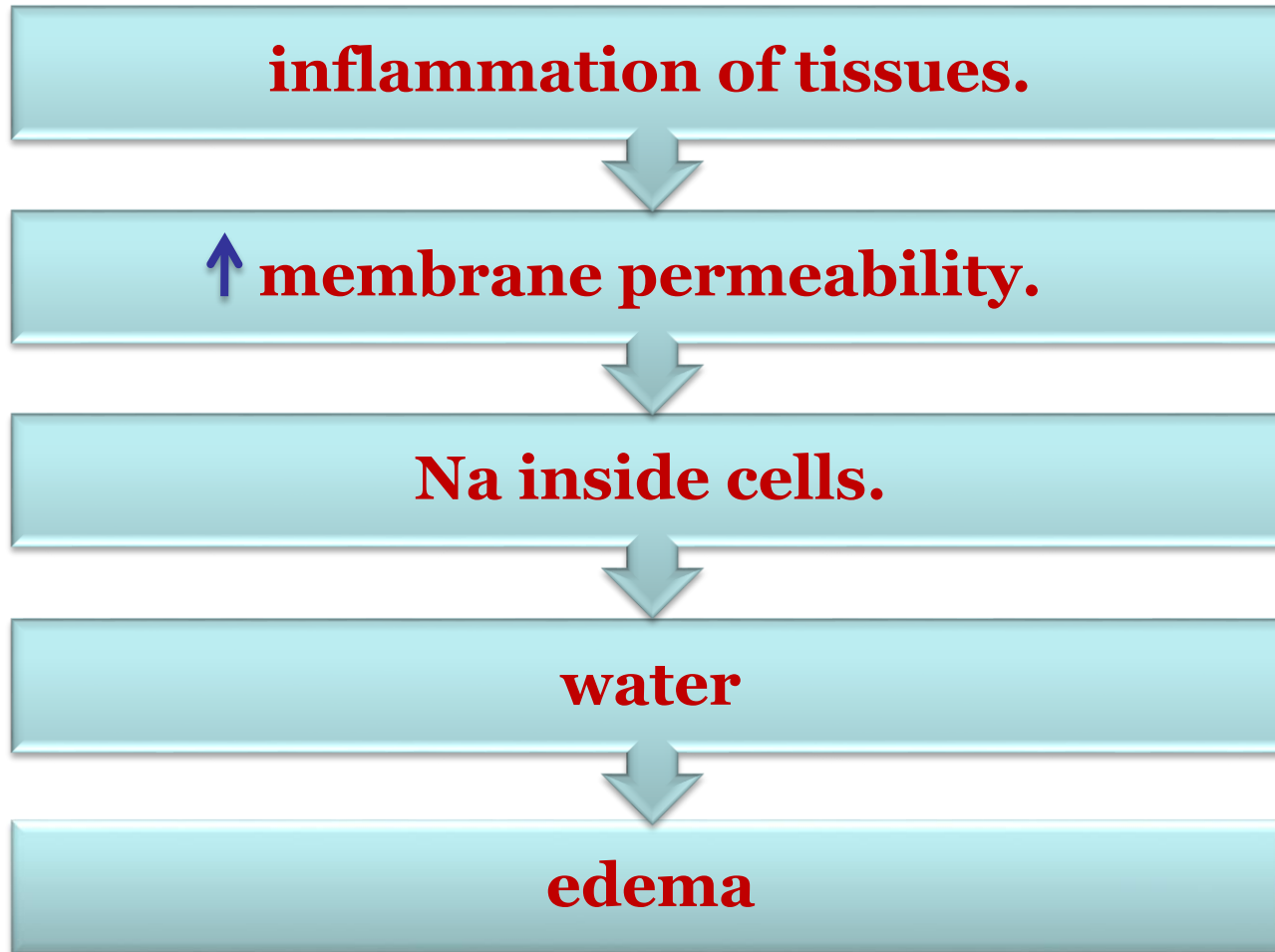


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Edema (swelling) of the ankles and foot

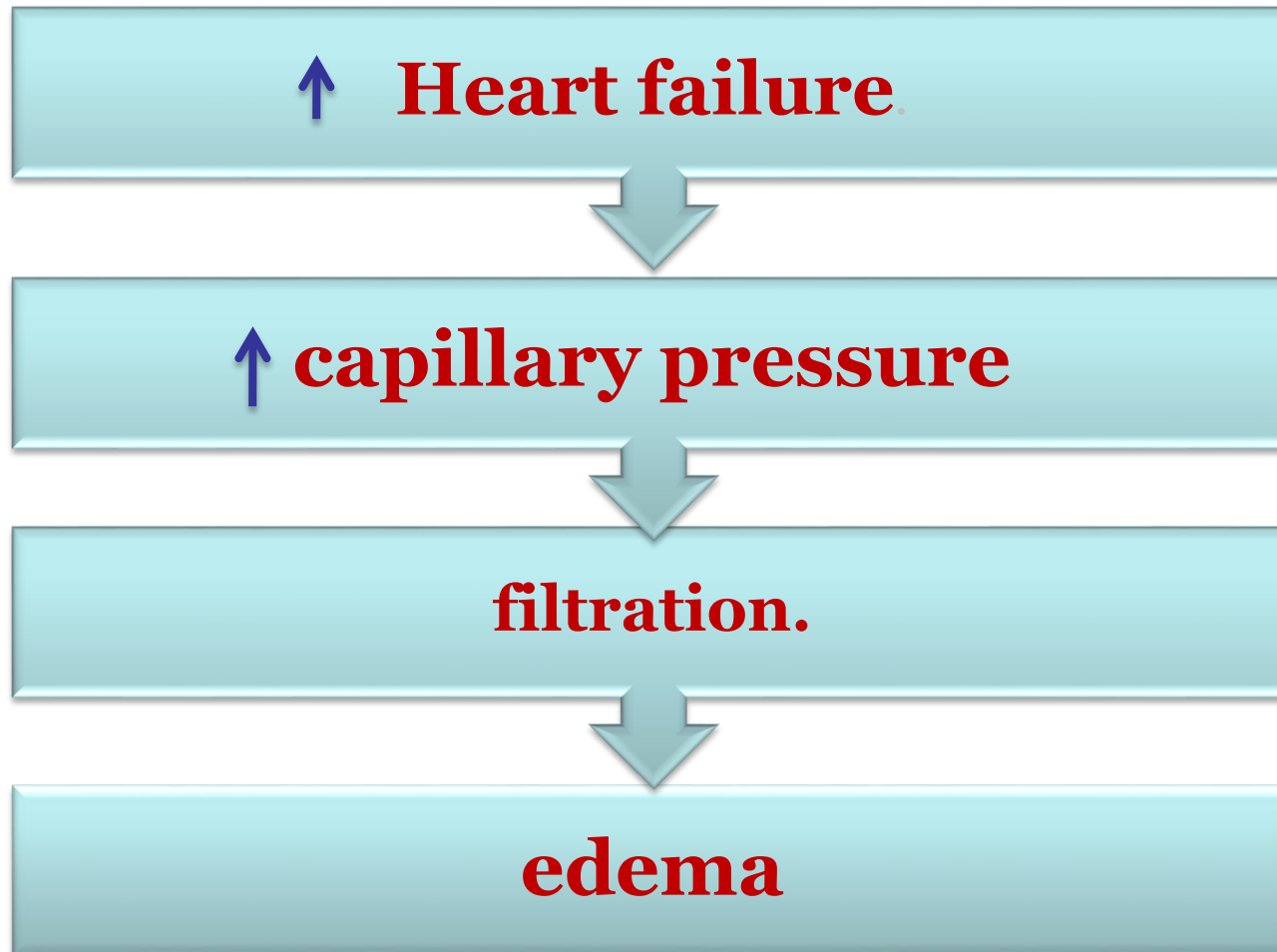


# Intracellular Edema:

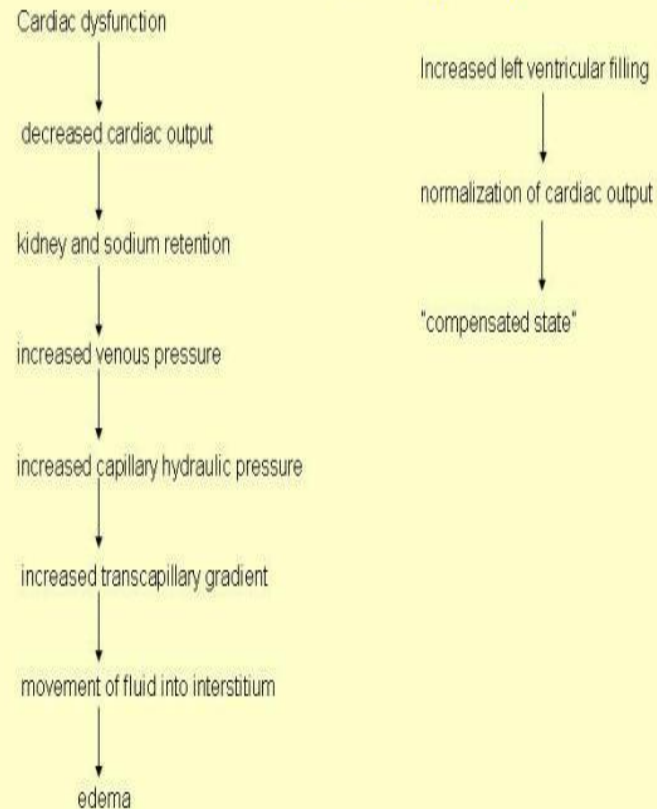


# Extracellular Edema:

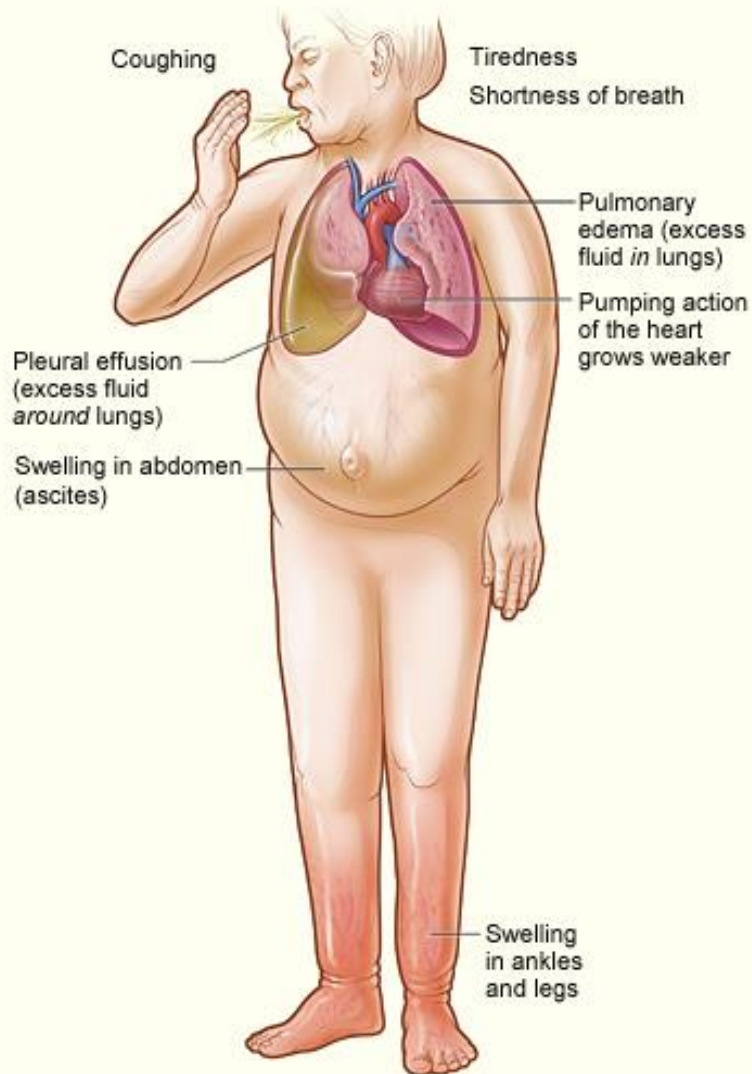
*common clinical cause is excessive capillary fluid filtration.*



# Pathophysiology of edema in heart failure (HF)



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# Decreased Cardiac Output

