

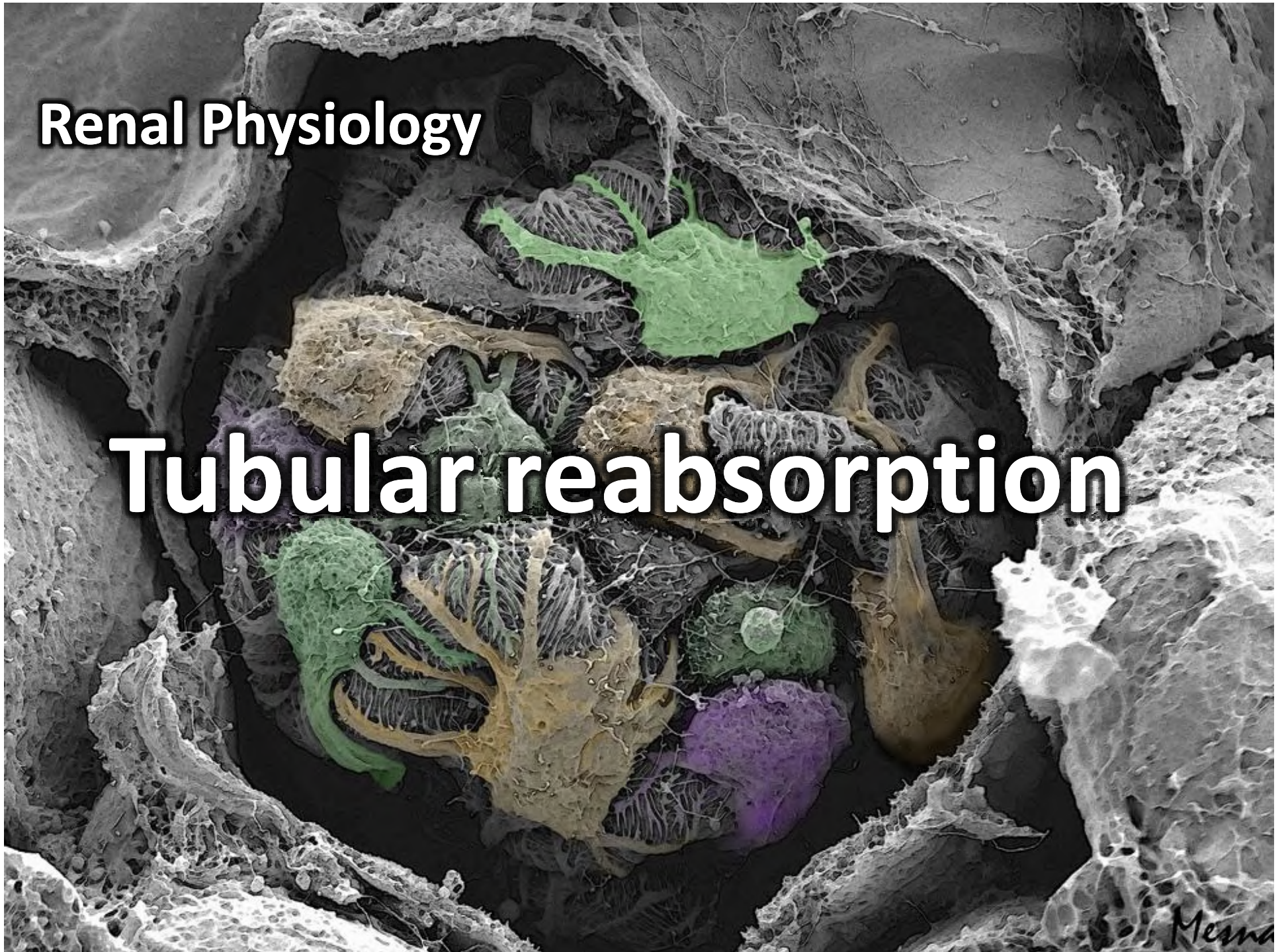
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Renal Physiology

Tubular reabsorption



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Sodium handling by the
renal tubules

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Mechanisms of Tubular Transport.

- There are three basic mechanisms:

1- Active transport.

- Primary active.
- Secondary active:
Co-transport.
Counter transport.

2- Passive transport.

3- Pinocytosis.

Tubular function

Reabsorption

- Moving substances from lumen through renal cells into the blood

Secretion

- Moving substances from blood (peritubular capillary) to the lumen

Type of Reabsorption

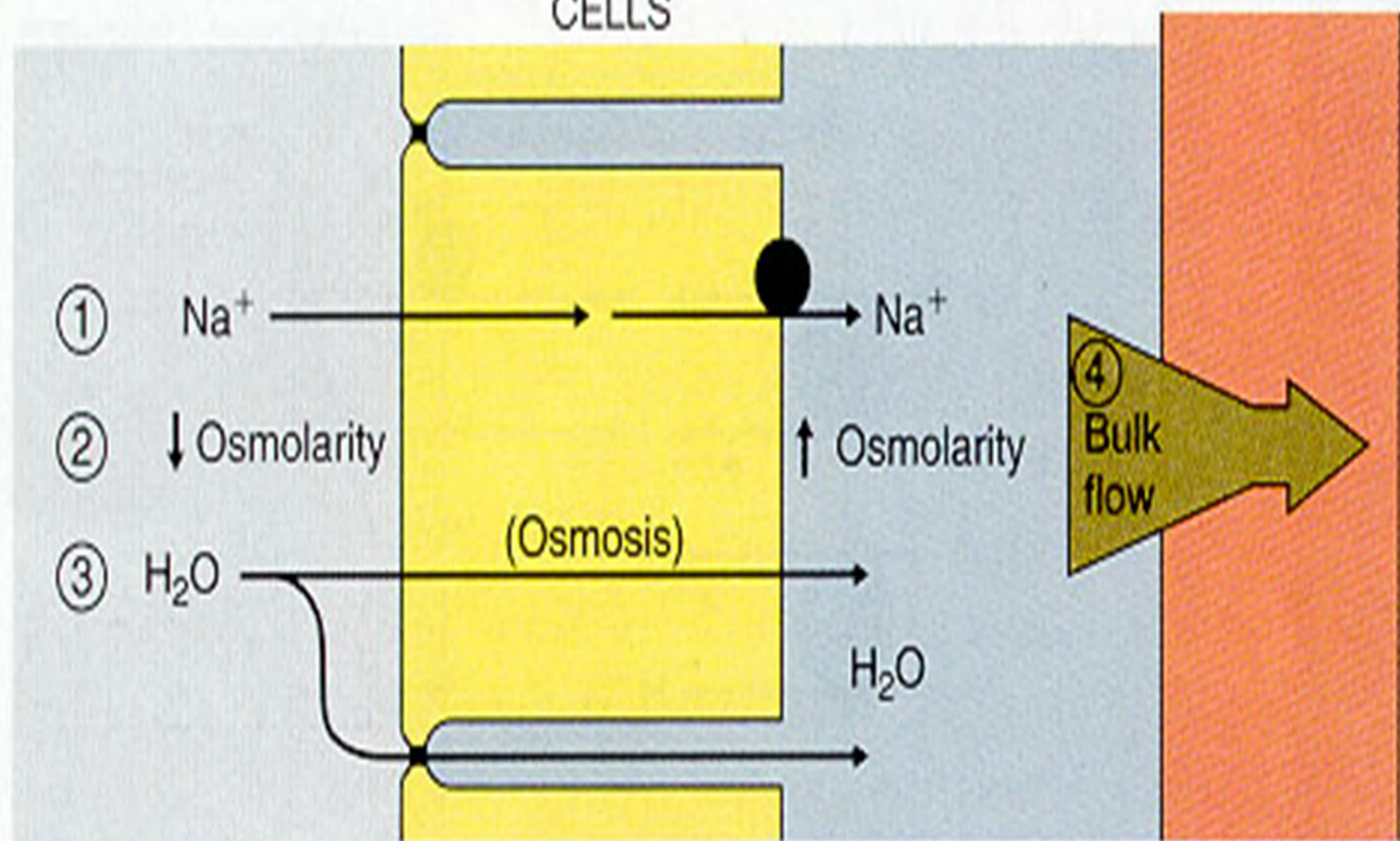
- ◆ Transcellular reabsorption
(Through the Cells)
 - ❖ Primary active transport
 - ❖ Secondary active transport
 - ❖ Passive transport – Ion channels
- ◆ Para cellular reabsorption
(Between the Cells)

TUBULAR
LUMEN

TUBULAR
EPITHELIAL
CELLS

INTERSTITIAL
FLUID

PERITUBULAR
CAPILLARIES



Primary Active Transport.

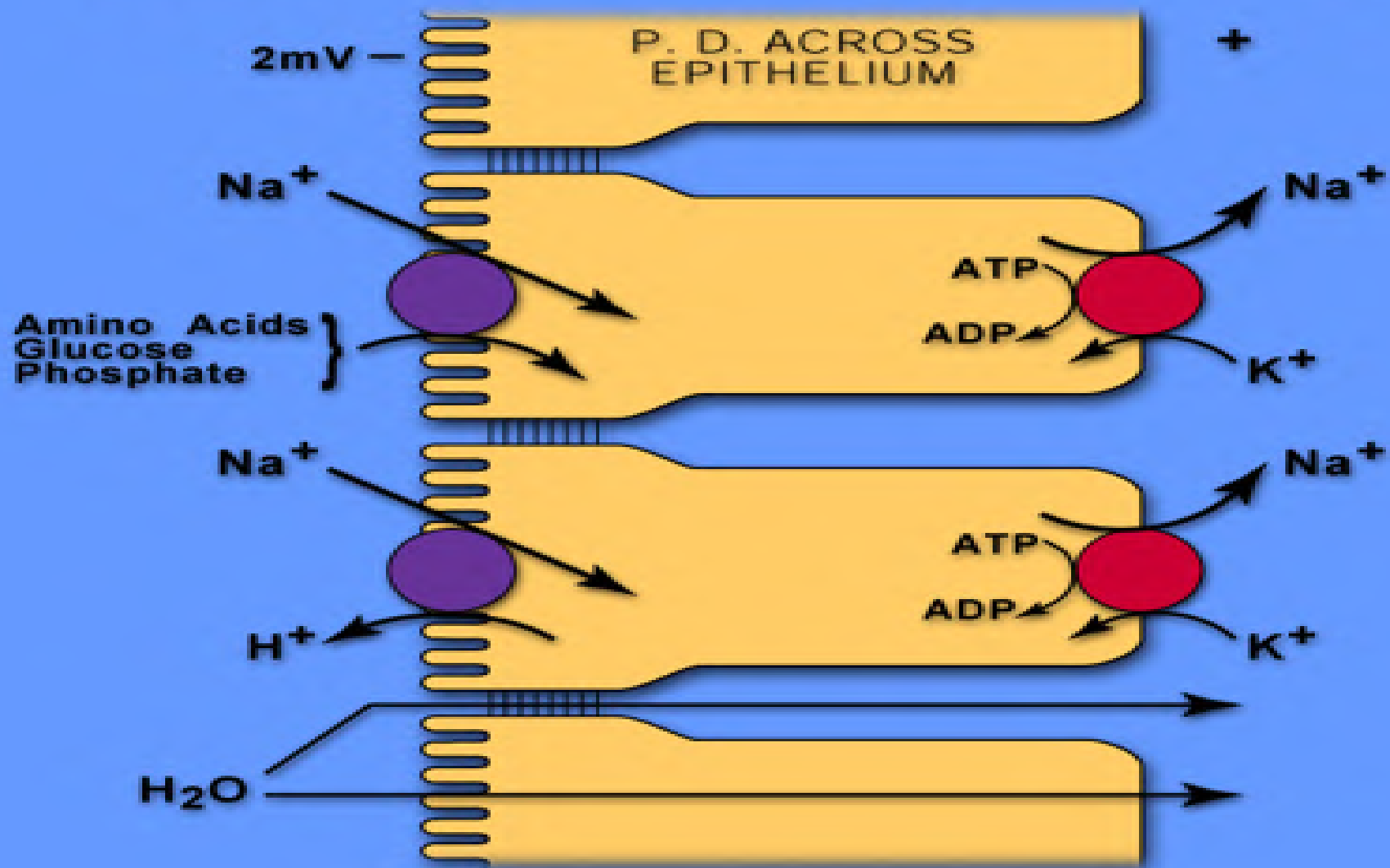
- Primary active transport utilizes metabolic energy directly.
- Example: Na^+ reabsorption across PCT.
- **At basolateral border:**
- Na^+ - K^+ ATPase creates negative potential of about -70 mV and low intra cellular Na^+ level.
- **At the luminal border:**
- Na^+ diffuses from the tubular lumen into the cells according to electrochemical gradient.

Na⁺ ENTRY INTO PROXIMAL TUBULAR EPITHELIAL CELLS EARLY PROXIMAL

TUBULAR LUMEN

EPITHELIAL CELL

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Secondary Active Transport.

- **Does not require energy directly from ATP.**
- **It utilizes the energy resulting from the work of primary active transport system.**
- **Cotransport:**
- **The reabsorption of a substance is linked to the passive reabsorption of another.**
- **The 2 substances bind to a specific carrier.**
- **One substance is transported down its gradient and the other against its chemical gradient.**

Example

Na⁺- glucose co-transport.

At luminal border:

Glucose and Na⁺ bind to common carrier SGLT-2.

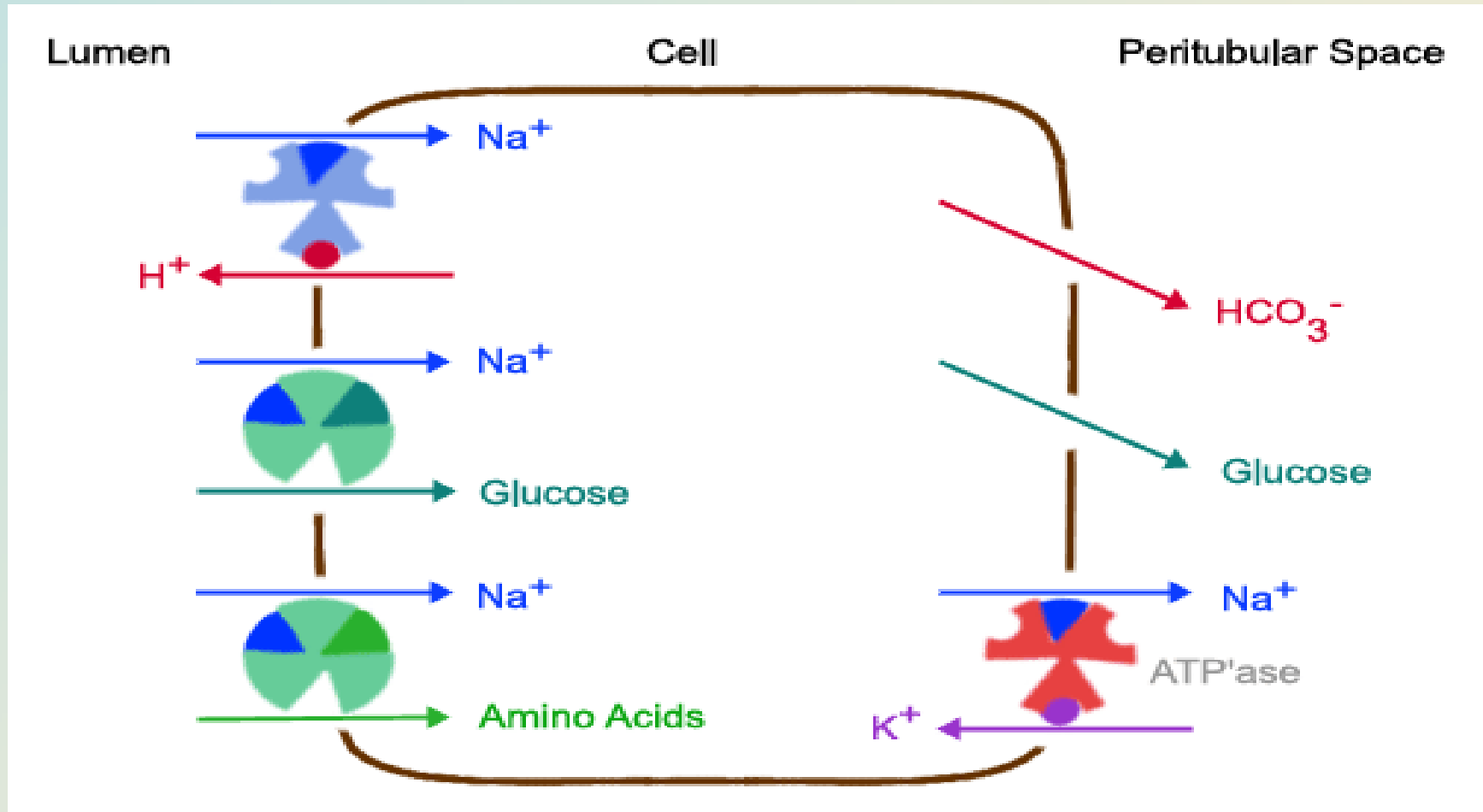
At basolateral border:

Glucose is carried by GLUT-2.

Counter-transport:

Secondary active secretion of H^+ together with Na^+ reabsorption by a Na^+ - H^+ counter transport protein in the brush border of the luminal membrane of the proximal convoluted tubule.

Active Transport.



2- Passive Reabsorption:

Chloride:

occurs through **paracellular** pathway following Na^+ reabsorption which creates negativity inside the tubular lumen.

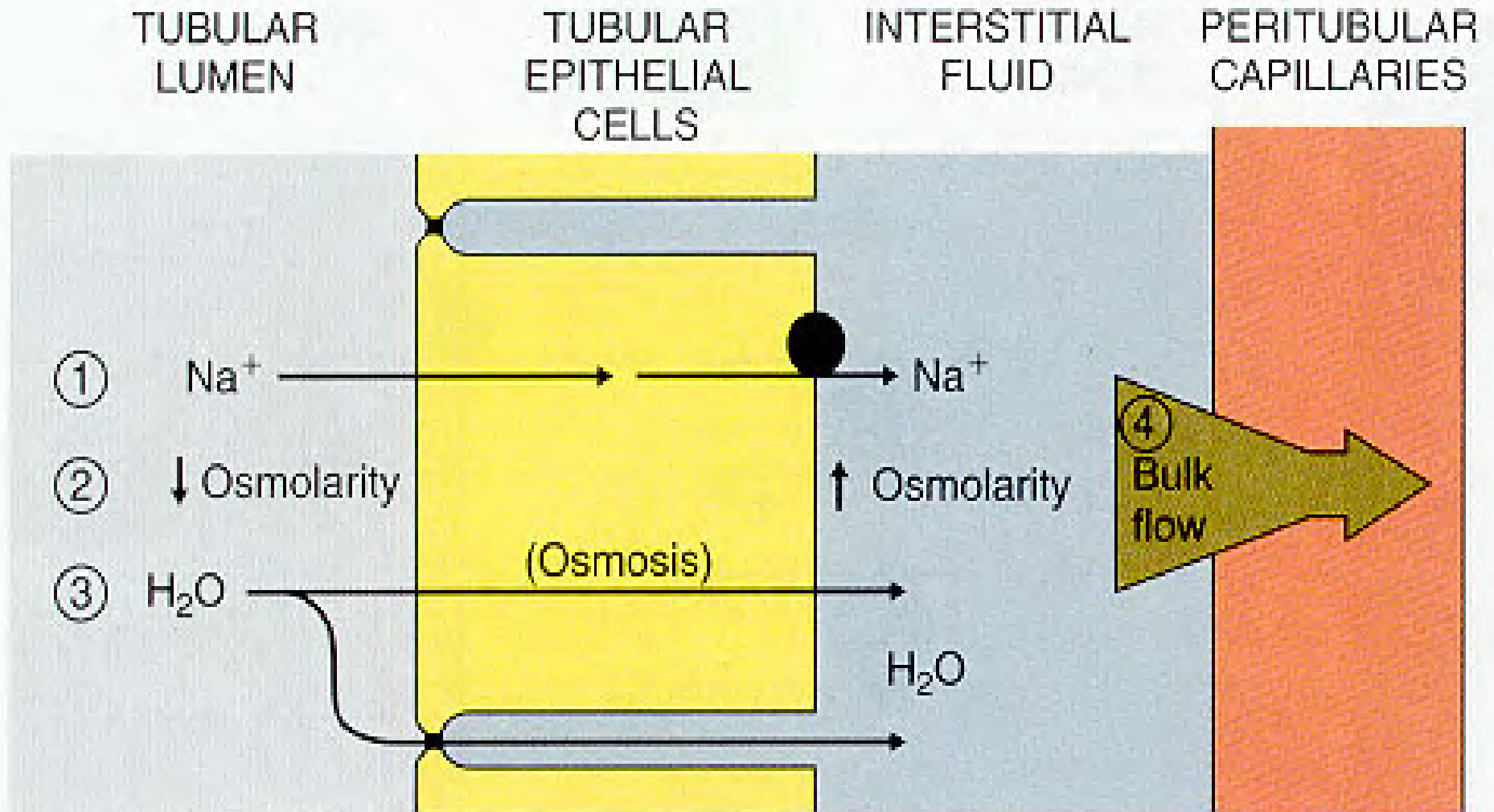
Water (osmosis):

Occurs **paracellularly** following solute.

Urea:

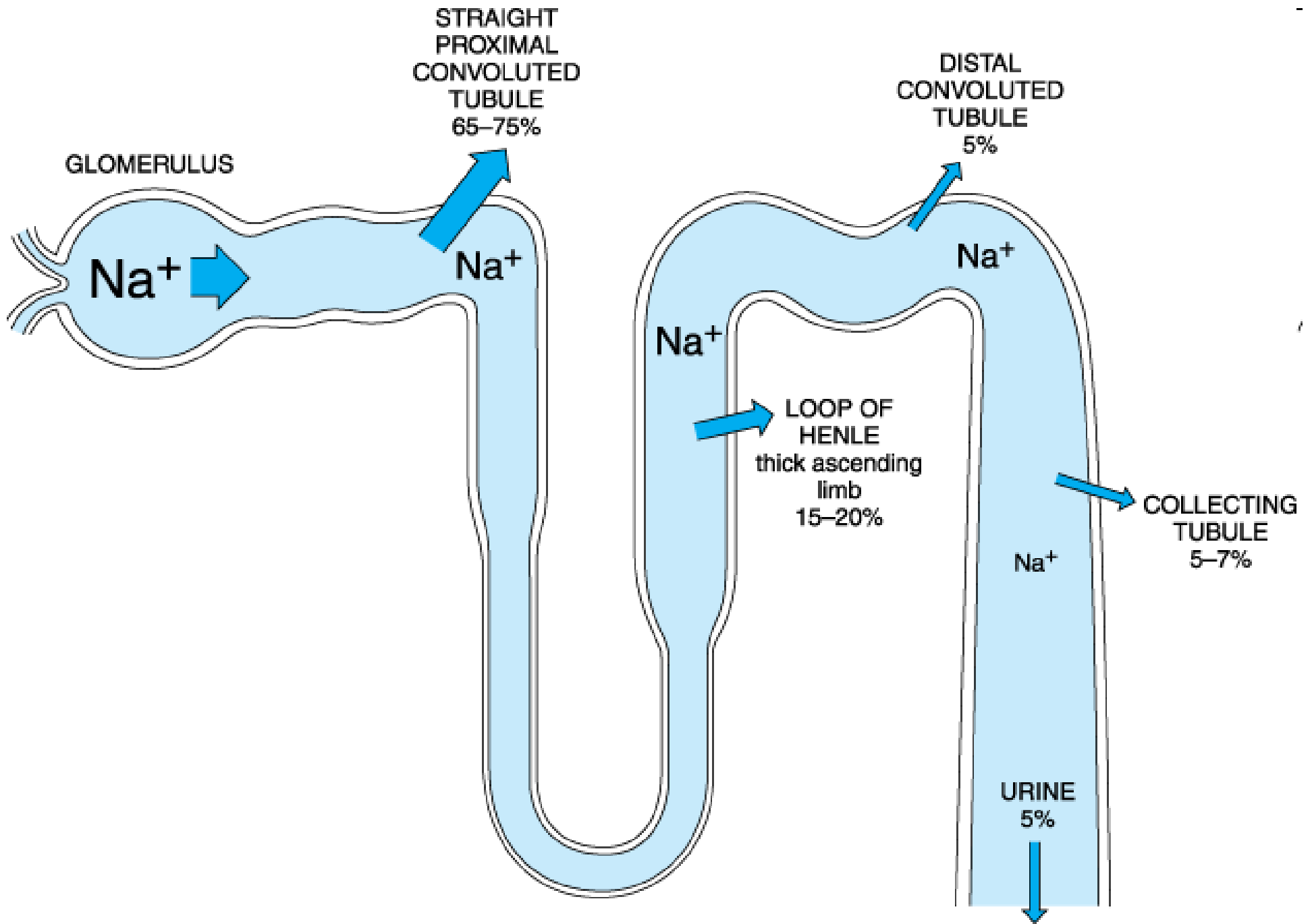
- H_2O reabsorption leads to urea concentration in the tubular fluid creating a gradient for its absorption, **50% of urea is reabsorbed.**

Passive Water Reabsorption.



Na⁺ Handling by Renal Tubule.

- Large amounts of Na⁺ are filtered through the glomeruli.
- Na⁺ is reabsorbed out of all portions of the tubule except the thin descending limb of loop of Henle.
- 96 - 99% of filtered Na⁺ is reabsorbed.
- 90% of the Kidney energy consumption is due to active Na⁺ transport which depends on Na⁺-K⁺ pump.



Reabsorption of Na⁺ is coupled with:

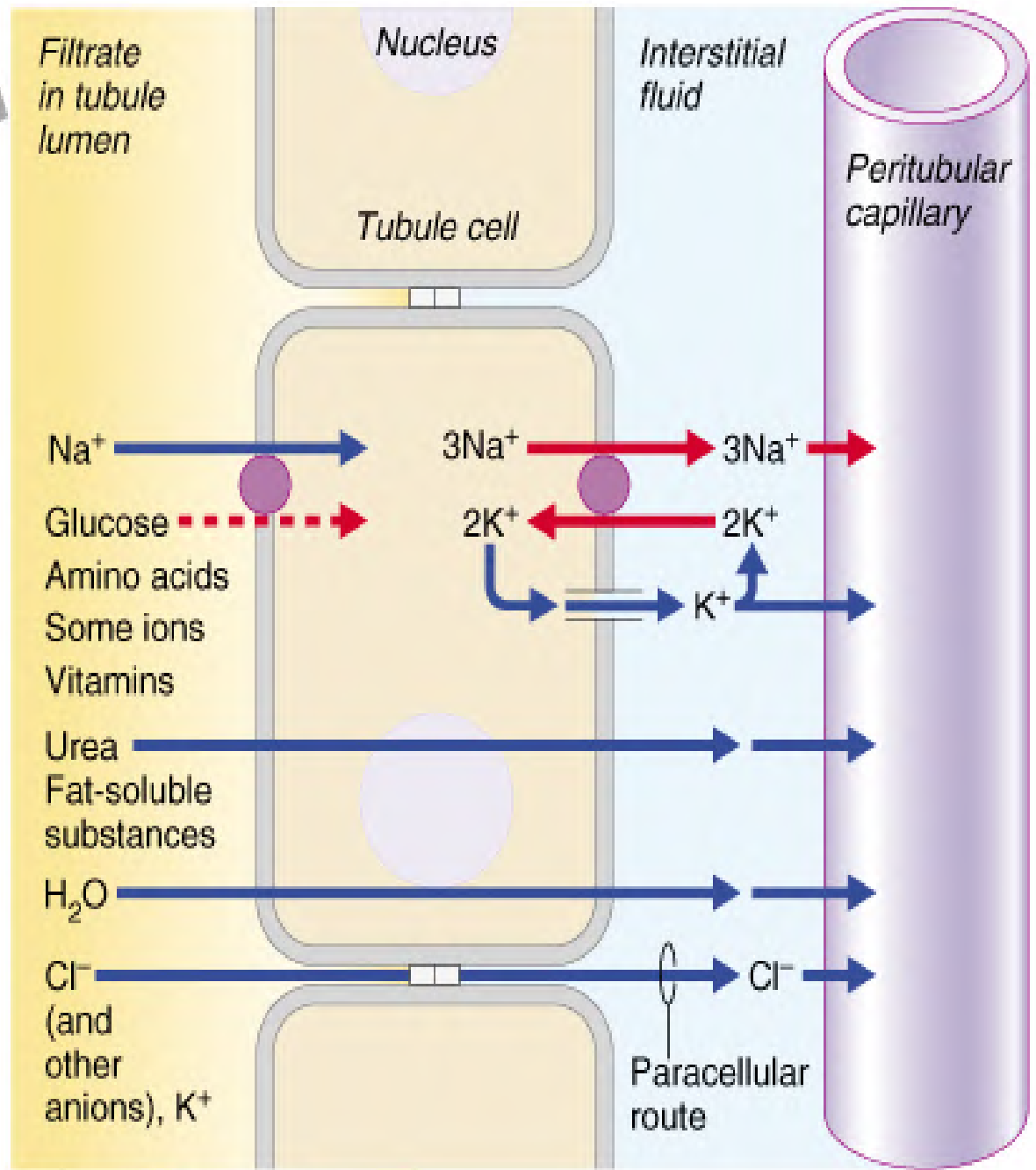
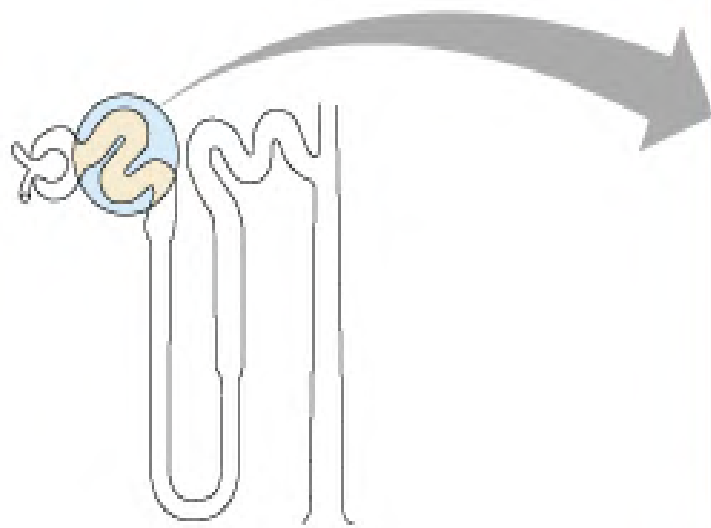
Reabsorption of most solutes by:

Secondary active transport as glucose, amino acids, sulphates, phosphate and organic acids (lactate and citrate) or

Diffusion (Cl⁻ and urea).

H₂O osmosis.

H⁺ & K⁺ secretion & HCO₃⁻ reabsorption



Key:

= Primary active transport

= Secondary active transport

= Passive transport (diffusion)

= Protein carrier

= Ion channel

Na⁺ Reabsorption in Different Segments

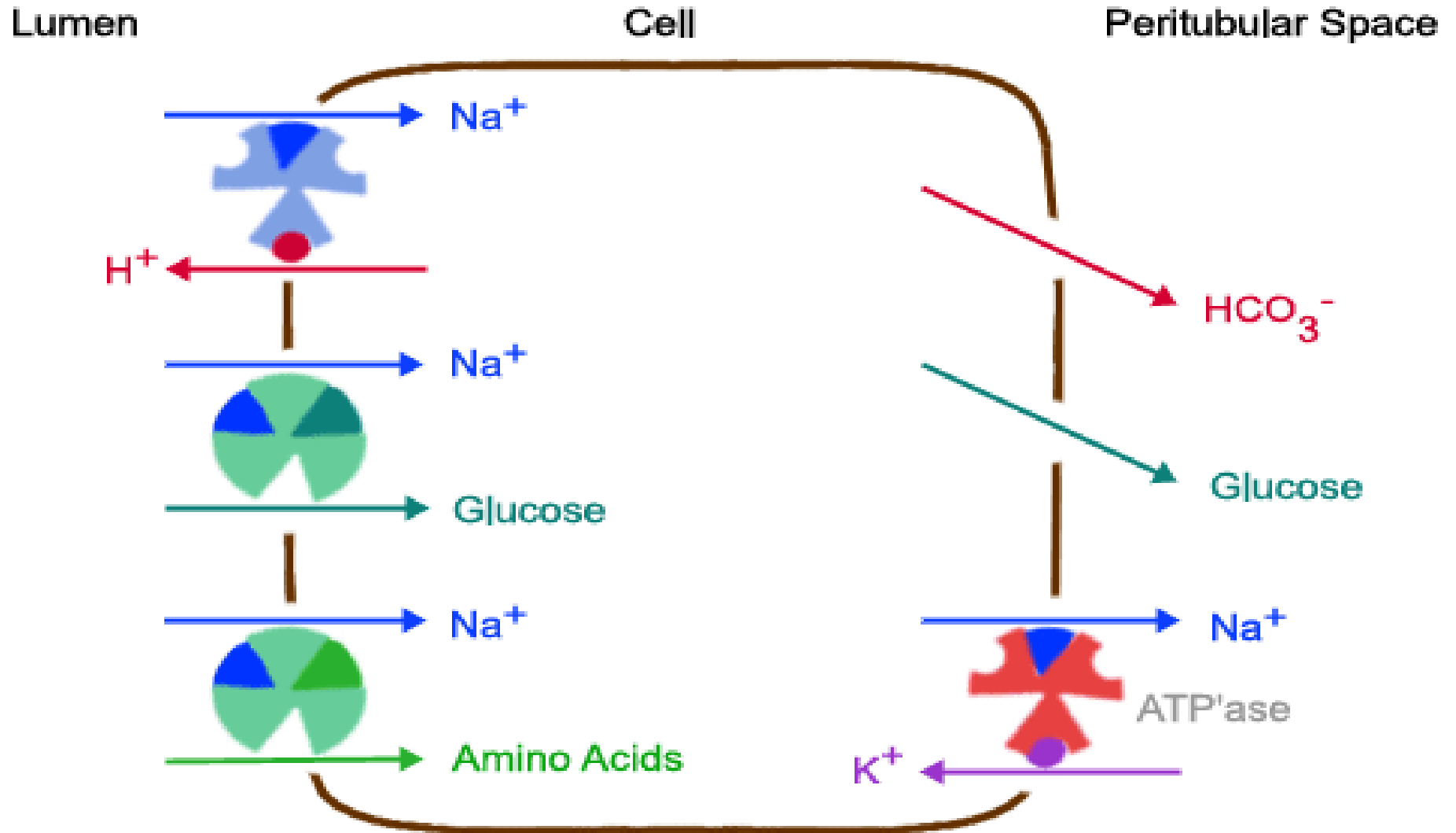
PCT

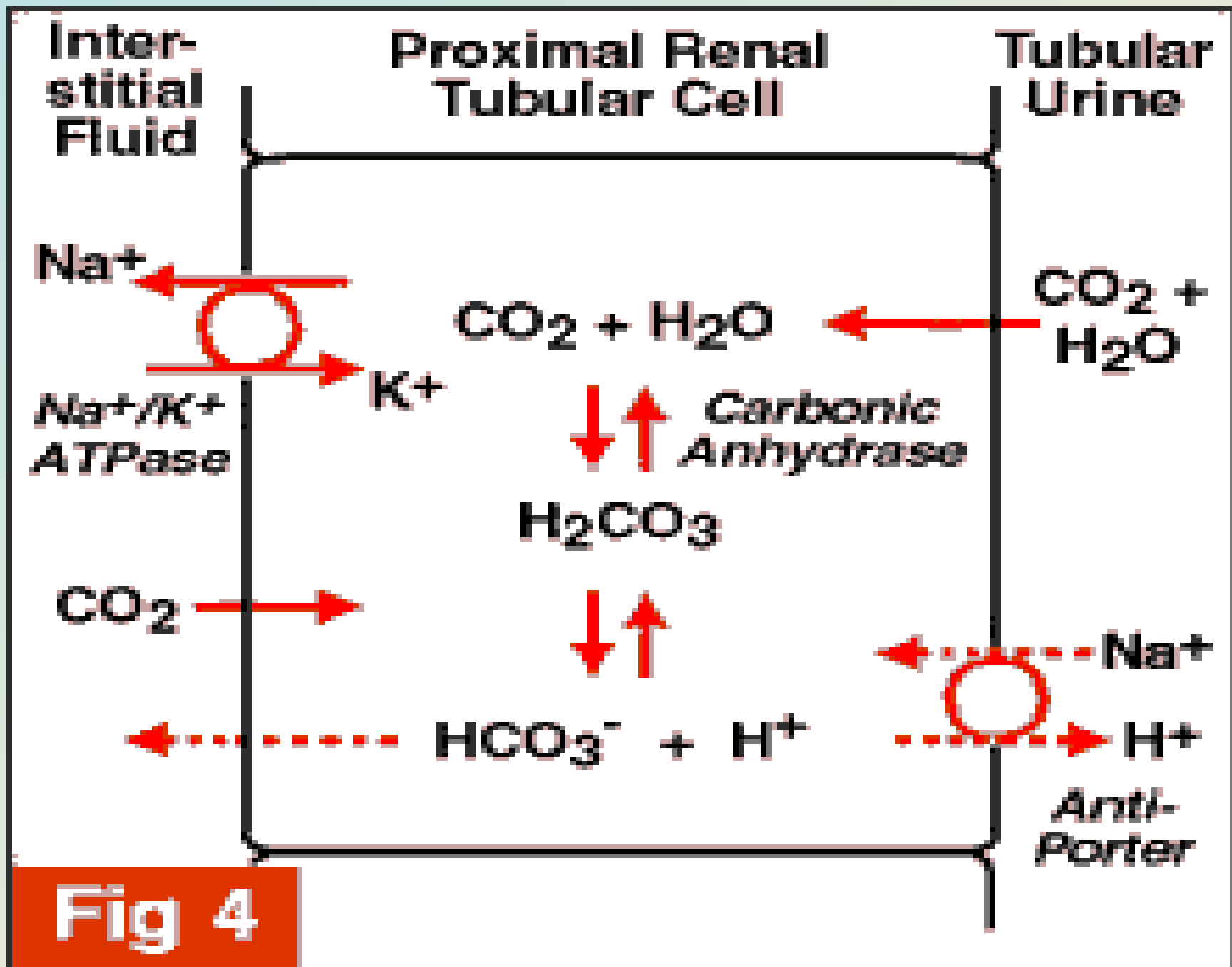
65% of filtered load.

Although it is an **active transport**, it has no tubular maximum.

Because the rate of its pumping outside at the basolateral border is greater than the rate of diffusion at luminal border.

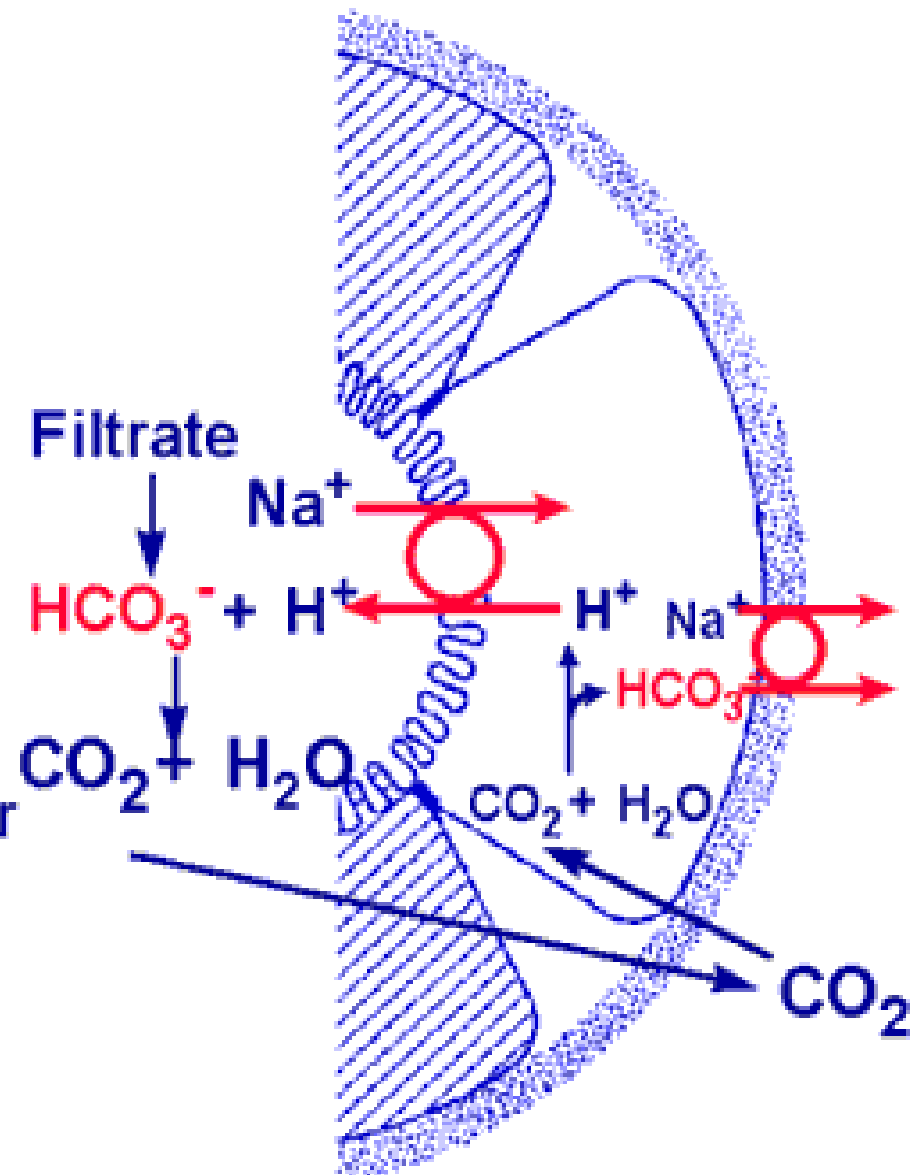
Na⁺ Reabsorption at PCT

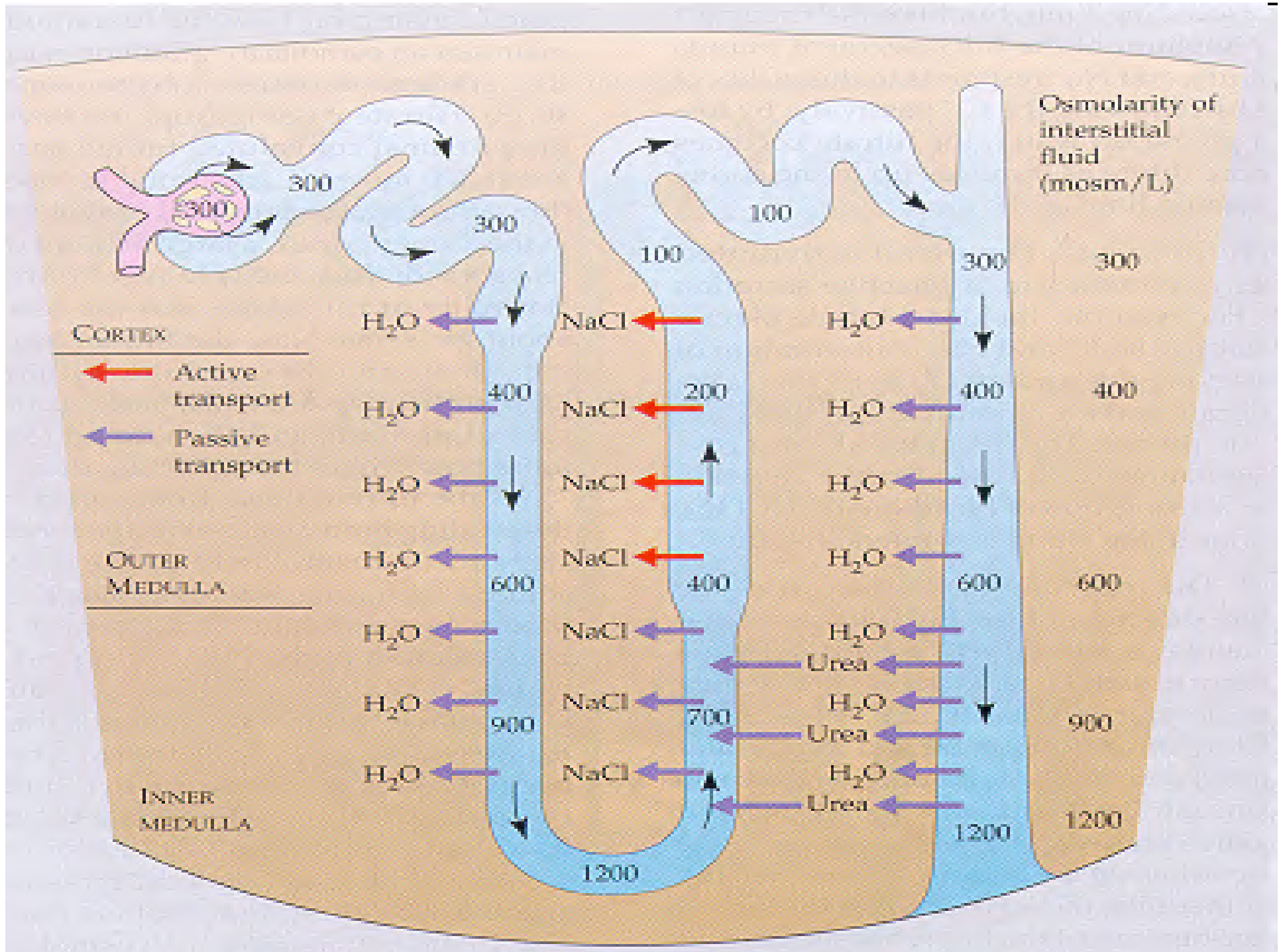




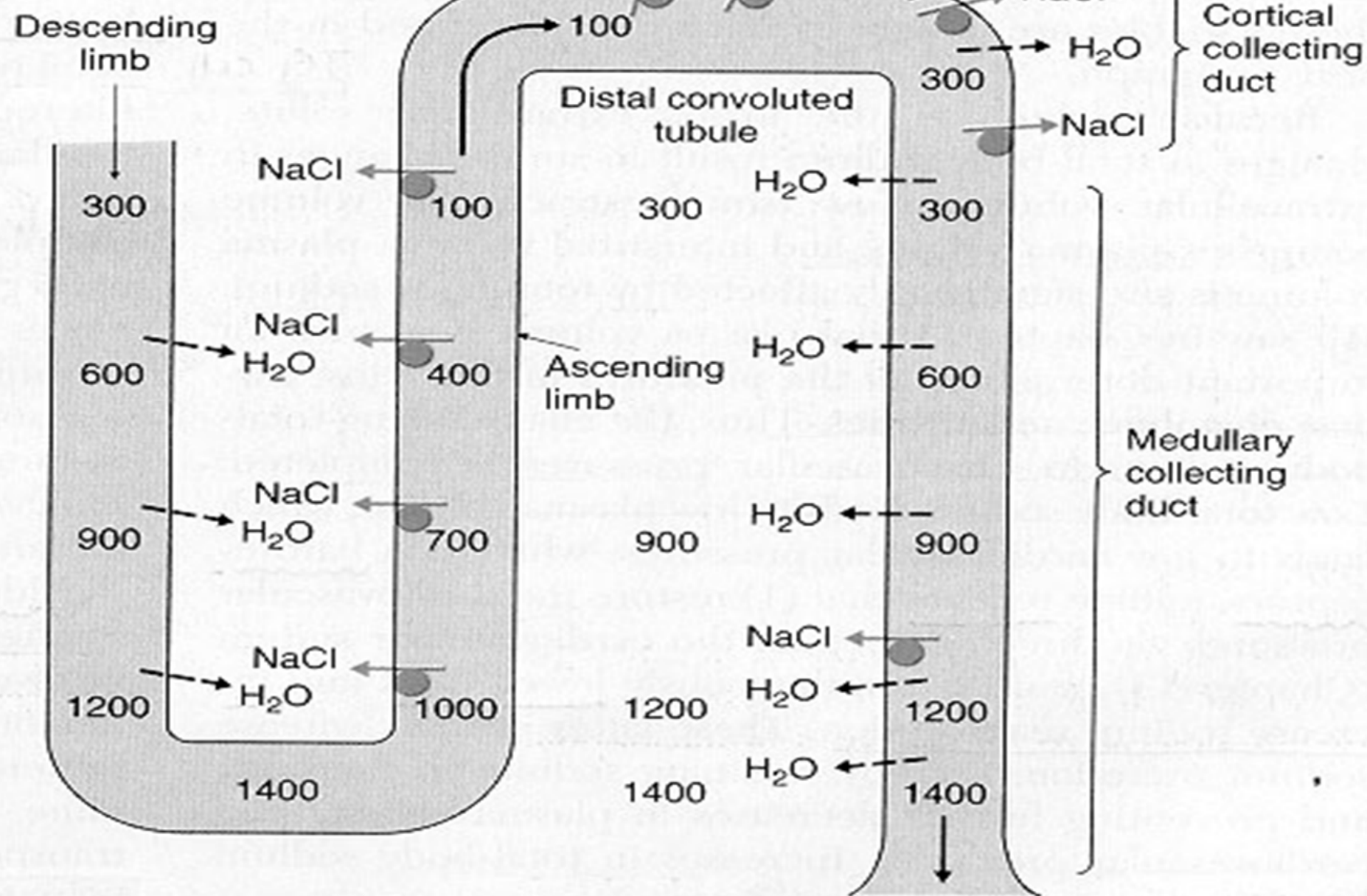
BICARBONATE REABSORPTION IN THE PROXIMAL TUBULE

- ◆ Filtered HCO_3^- is titrated by secreted protons to CO_2 and water.
- ◆ Hydration of CO_2 in the cell produces protons for secretion and HCO_3^- . The HCO_3^- is transported into the ISF by a Na-HCO_3^- cotransporter in a ratio of 3 HCO_3^- :1 Na^+ .
- ◆ Thus one HCO_3^- disappears from tubular fluid and another appears in the ISF.
- ◆ The net effect is reabsorption of bicarbonate.





● → = Active transport
- - - → = Diffusion



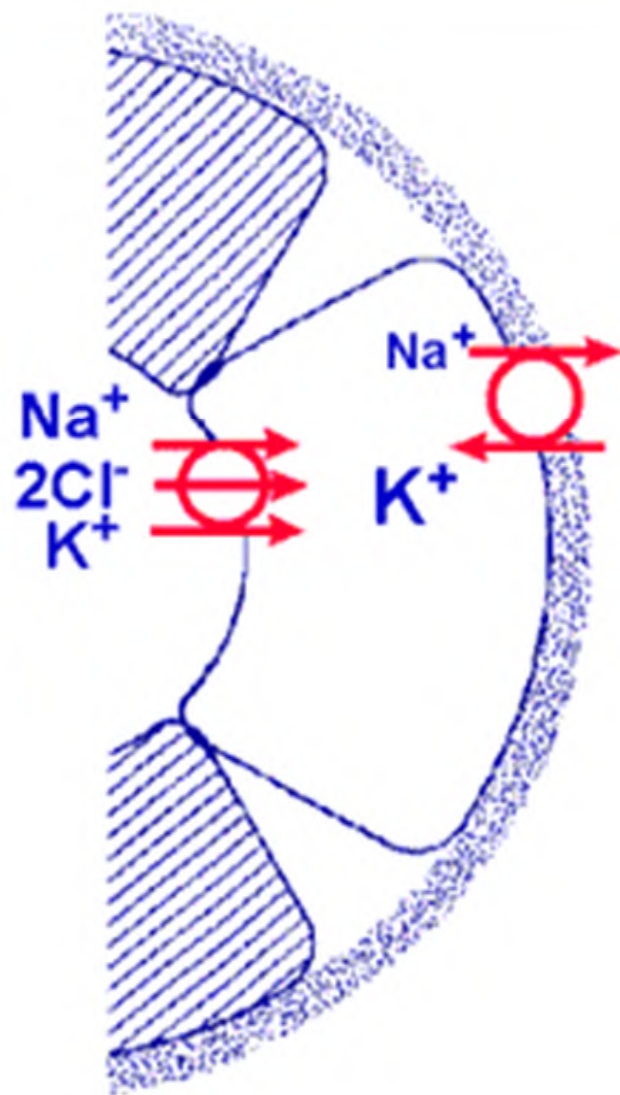
SALT TRANSPORT IN THE THICK ASCENDING LIMB

PRIMARY TRANSPORT MECHANISM:

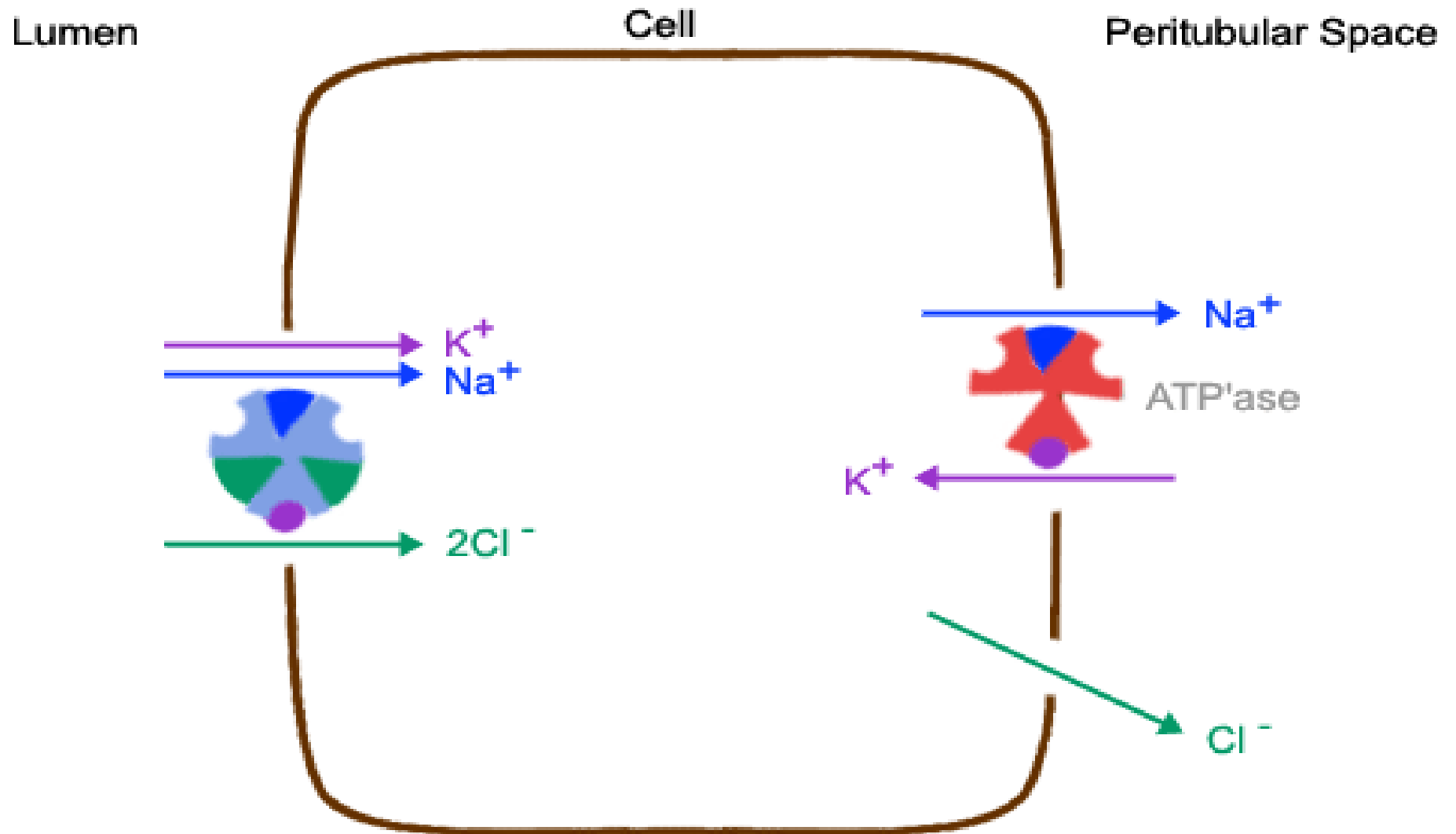
Na-K-ATPase in basolateral membrane.

SECONDARY TRANSPORT SYSTEM:

Na-K-2Cl cotransporter in apical membrane, electrically neutral, driven by Na and Cl gradients.



Thick ascending Loop of Henle.



Bartter's syndrome

Cause

Defect in the Na^+ - K^+ -2 Cl^- cotransporter in the luminal membrane of the thick ascending limb → loss of Na^+ , K^+ , Cl^- and Ca^{++} in urine.

Manifestations:

Renal salt wasting.

Volume depletion.

Hypercalcuria.

Hypokalemia.

Metabolic alkalosis.

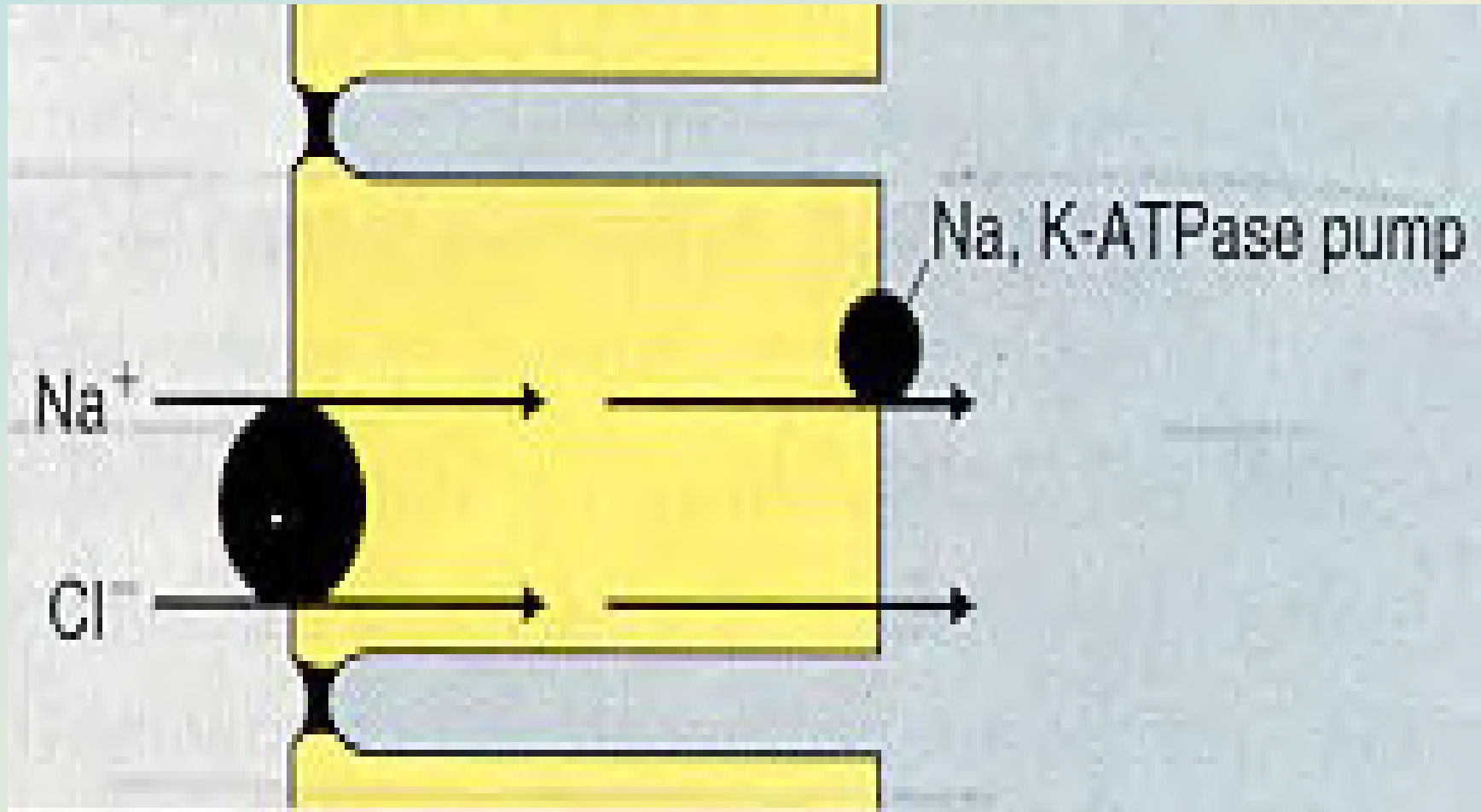
Early distal tubule

Called cortical **diluting segment**.

Reabsorption of NaCl by **Na⁺ - Cl⁻ cotransporter**.

Impermeable to water, thus the tubular fluid is further diluted.

Early DCT.

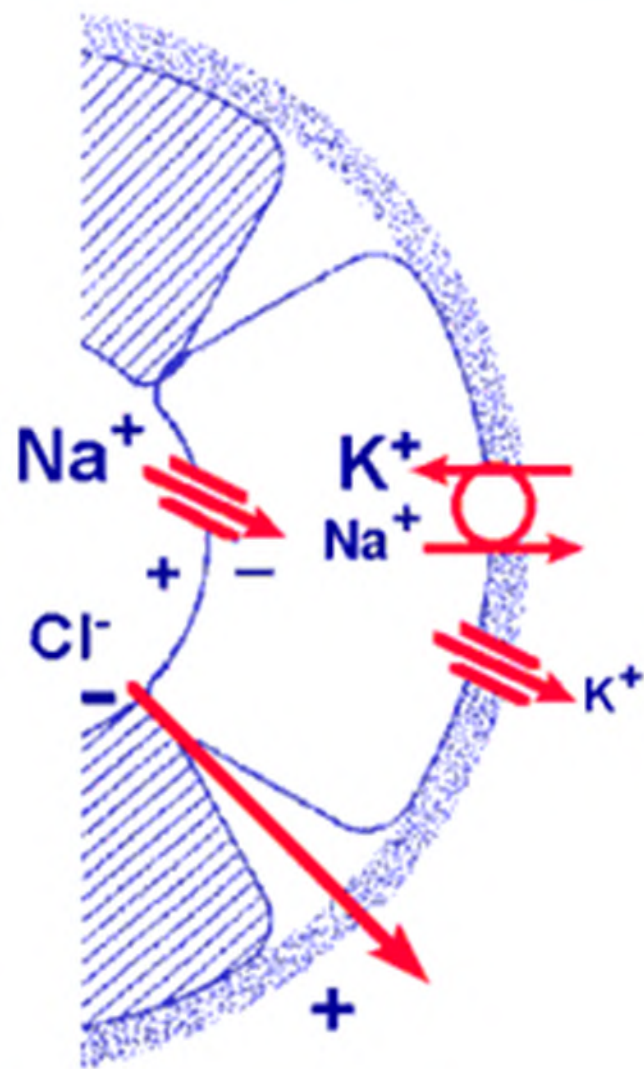


Late distal & collecting duct

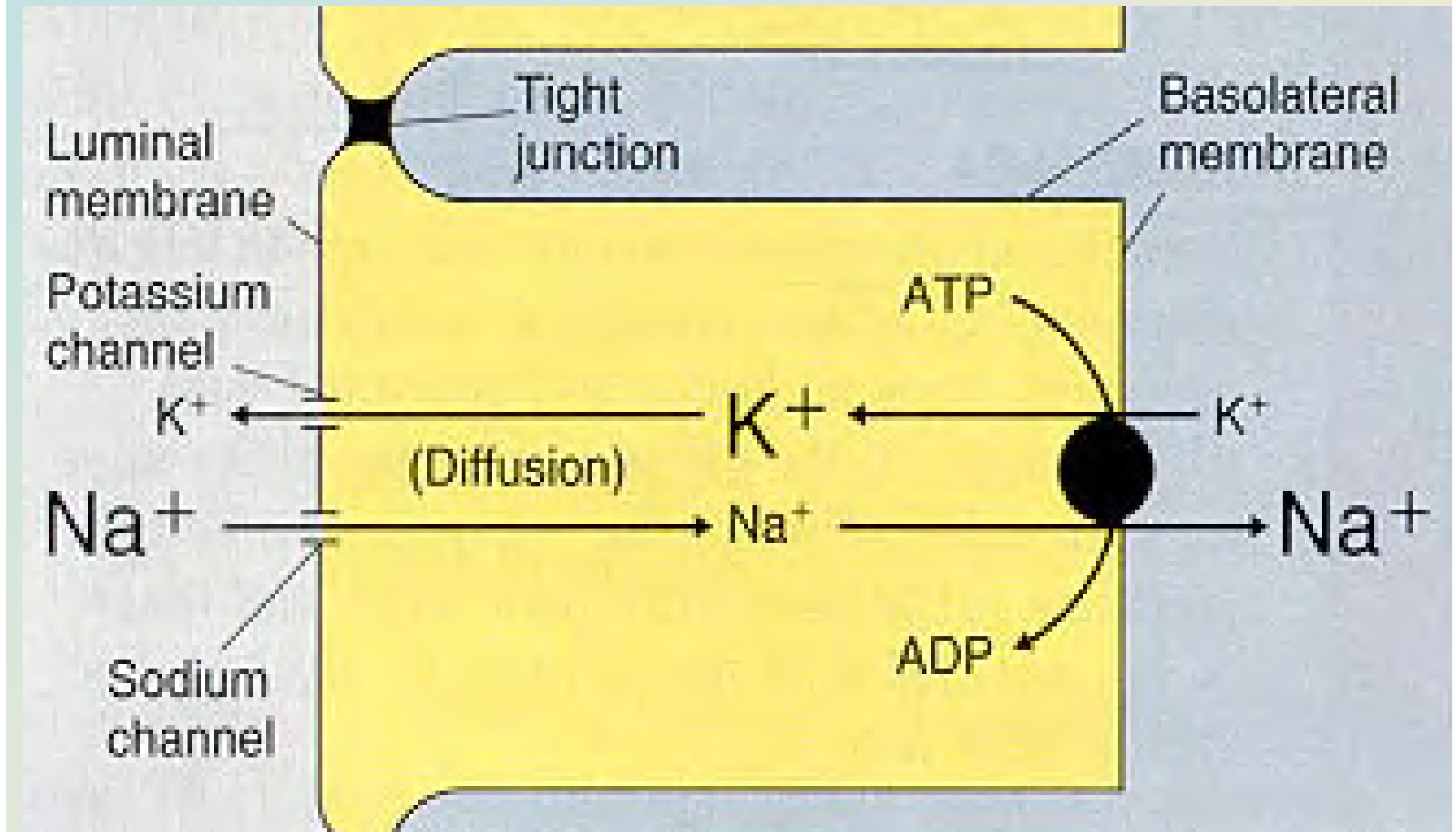
<10% of Na^+ is reabsorbed
at the principle cells as
counter transport with K^+
under effect of
aldosterone.

Na REABSORPTION IN THE COLLECTING TUBULE

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- ◆ **The primary engine:** Na-K ATPase in the basolateral membrane.
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- ◆ That gradient drives Na into the cell via a **Na channel**.
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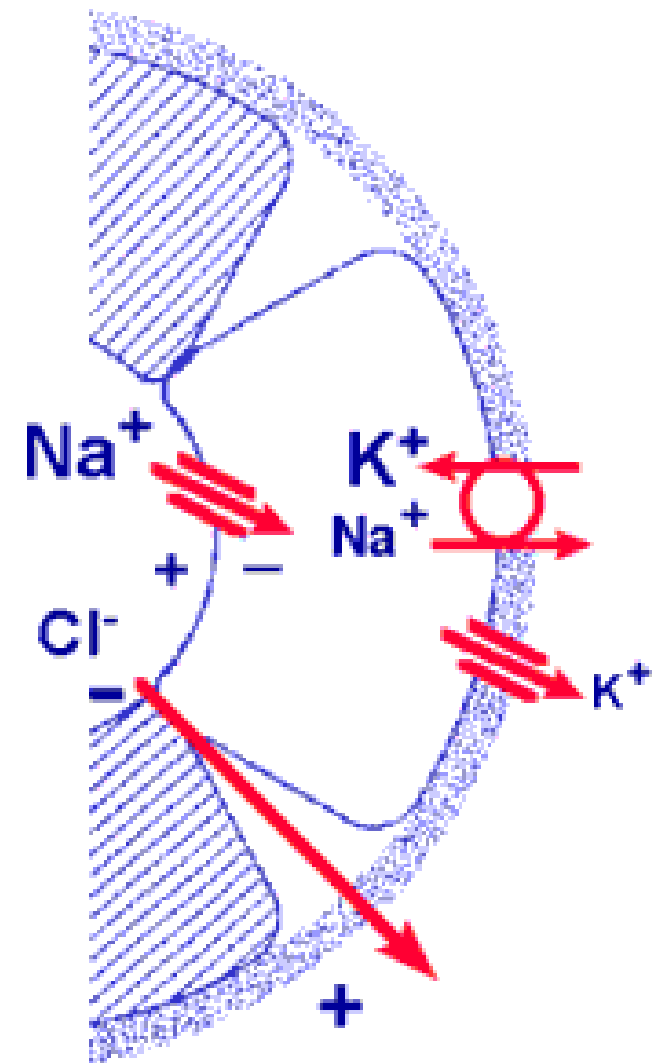


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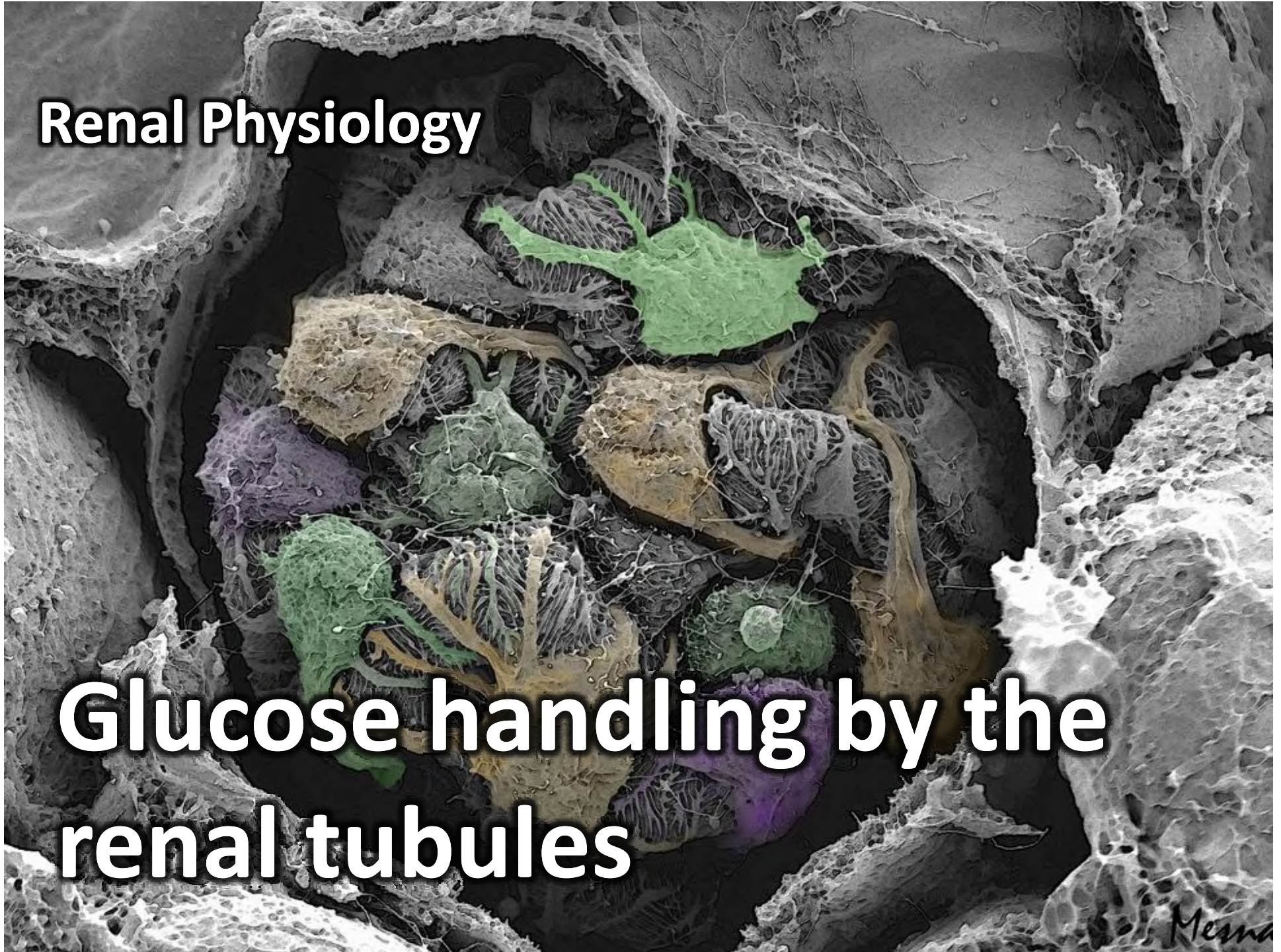
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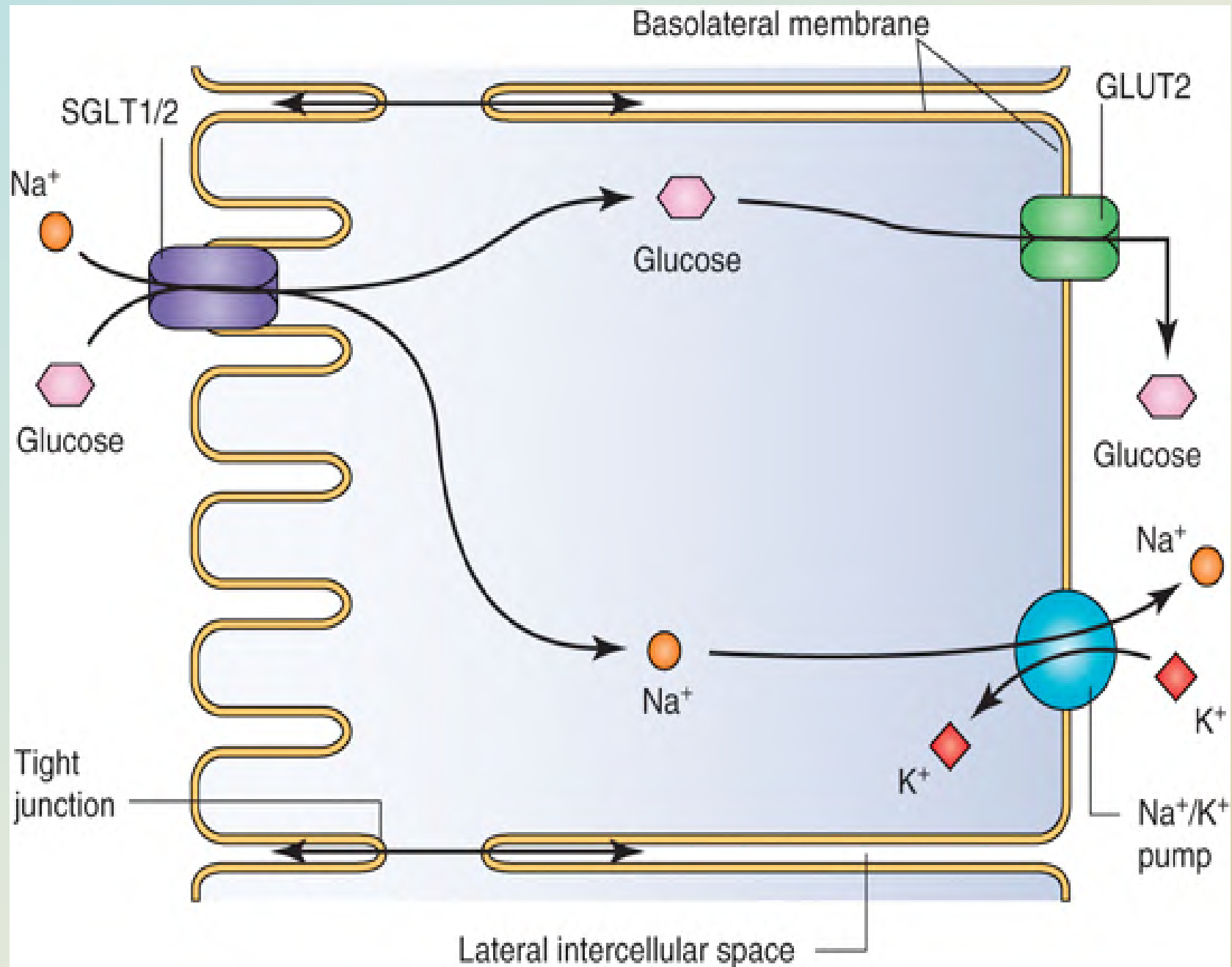


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Glucose handling by the
renal tubules



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Glucose Reabsorption

Normally all filtered glucose is reabsorbed at the early portion of PCT.

Mechanism:

Secondary active transport with Na.⁺

At luminal border

Common carrier with Na^+ , **SGLT2**

Can be blocked by

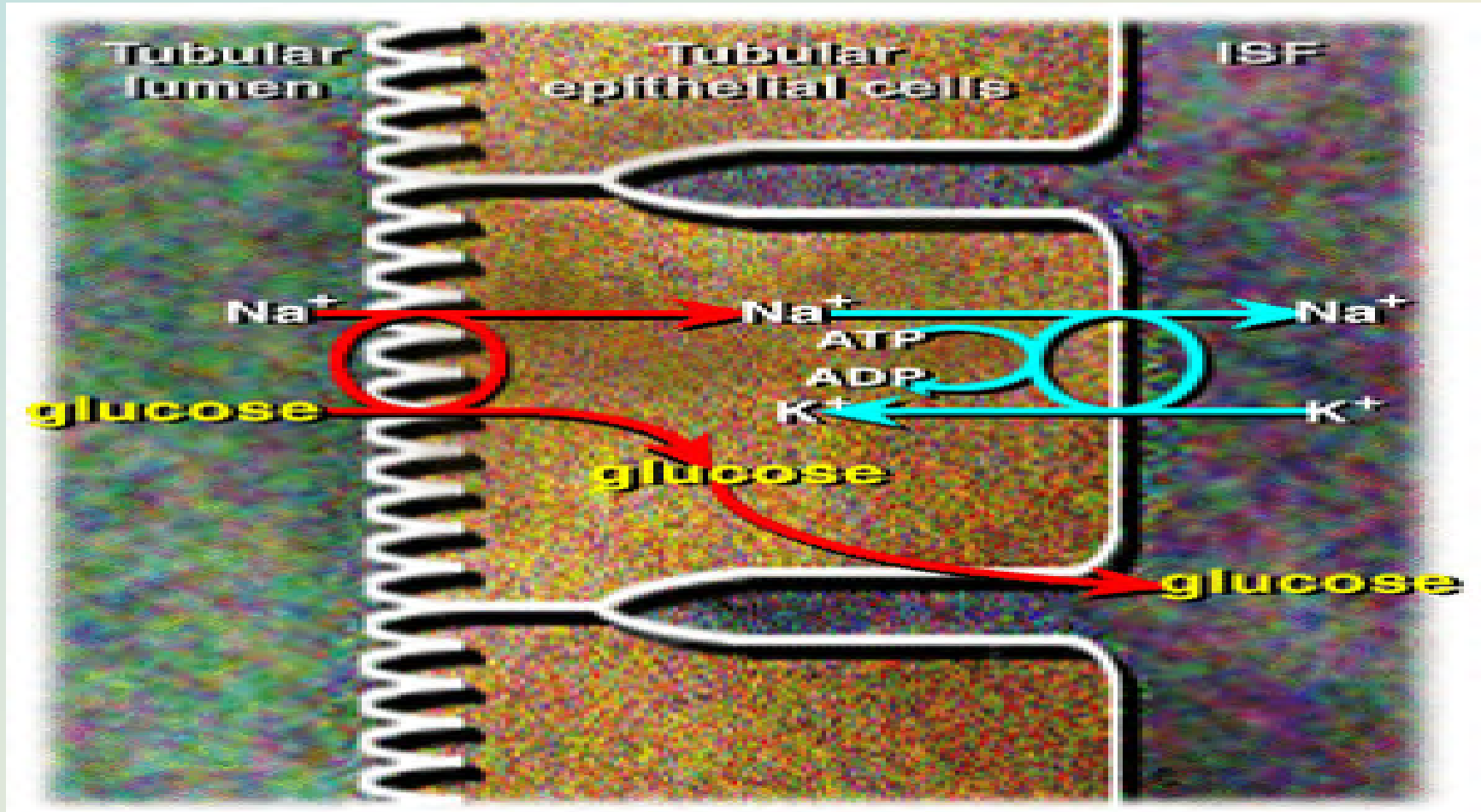
Oubain which blocks Na^+ - K^+ ATPase and

Phlorhizin which competes for the carrier.

At basolateral border

Glucose is carried by **facilitated diffusion**
down chemical gradient by carrier **GLUT2**.

Secondary active transport of glucose.



Tubular transport maximum for glucose (T_{mG})

Definition:

Maximum amount of glucose in (mg) that can be reabsorbed by renal tubules /min.

Renal threshold for glucose

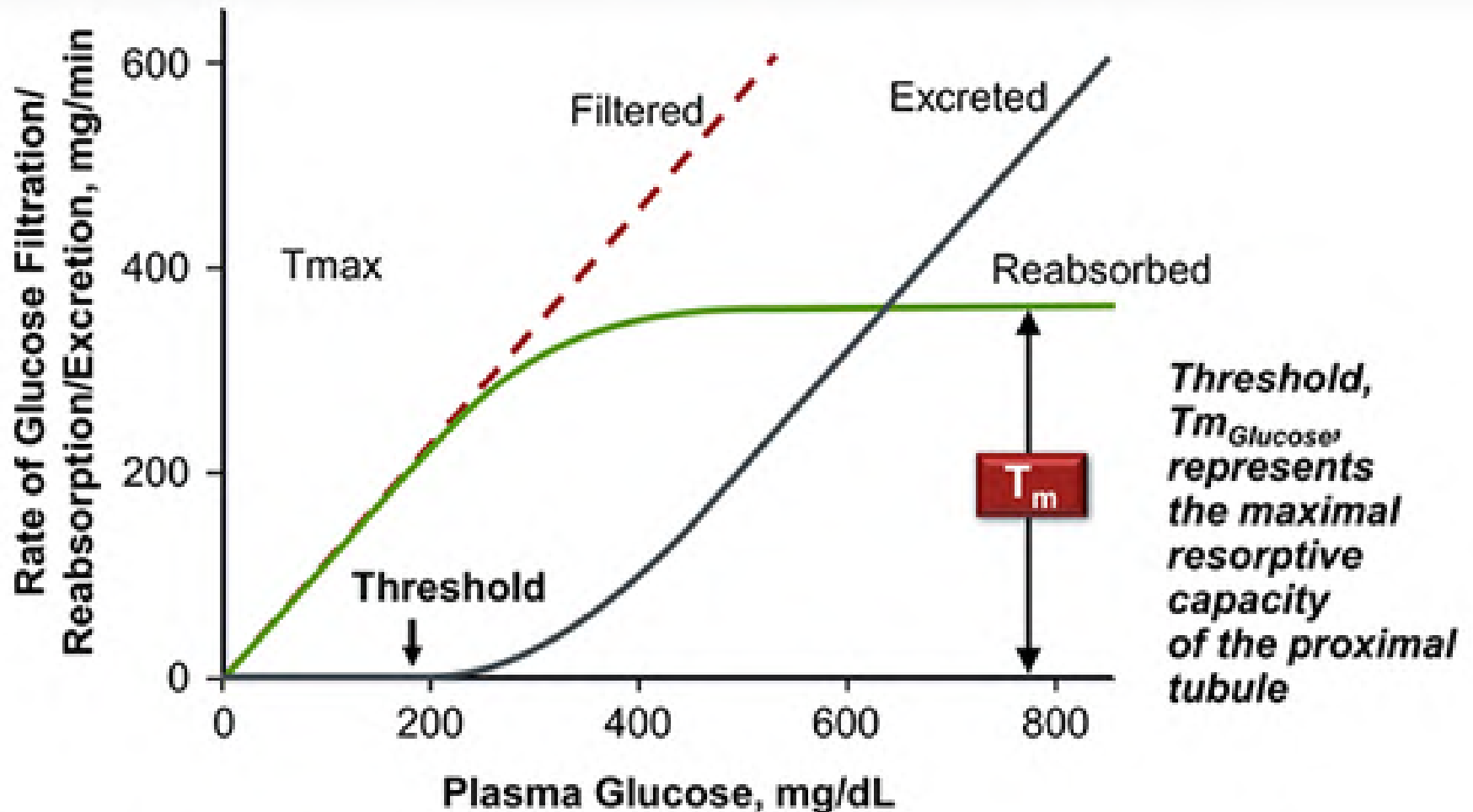
Plasma level at which glucose starts to appear in urine.

Value:

200mg/dL in arterial blood.

180mg/dL in venous blood.

Renal Glucose Handling



Schematic representation of the typical titration curve for renal glucose reabsorption in humans. Silverman M, Turner RJ. *Handbook of Physiology. Section 8: Renal Physiology*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press: 1992:2017-2038.^[4]

Glycosuria

Excretion of glucose in urine in considerable amounts.

Causes:

Diabetes mellitus,

Blood glucose exceeds renal threshold.

Renal glycosuria,

Normal blood glucose but decreased renal threshold below 180 mg%. T_m is markedly decreased in renal glycosuria. Due to congenital defects.

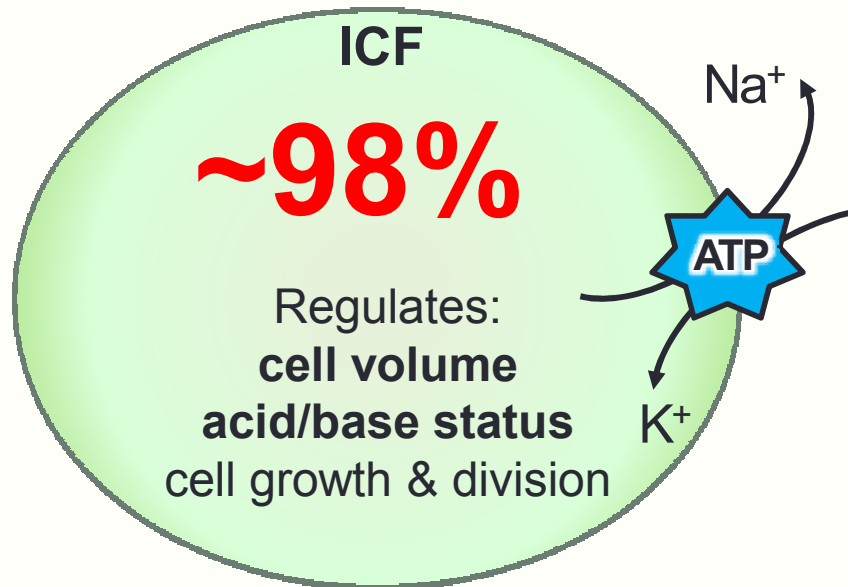
Renal Physiology

**Potassium handling by the
renal tubules**

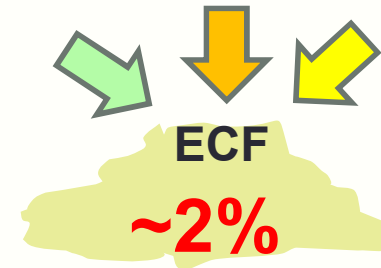


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K^+ is the most abundant cation in the body



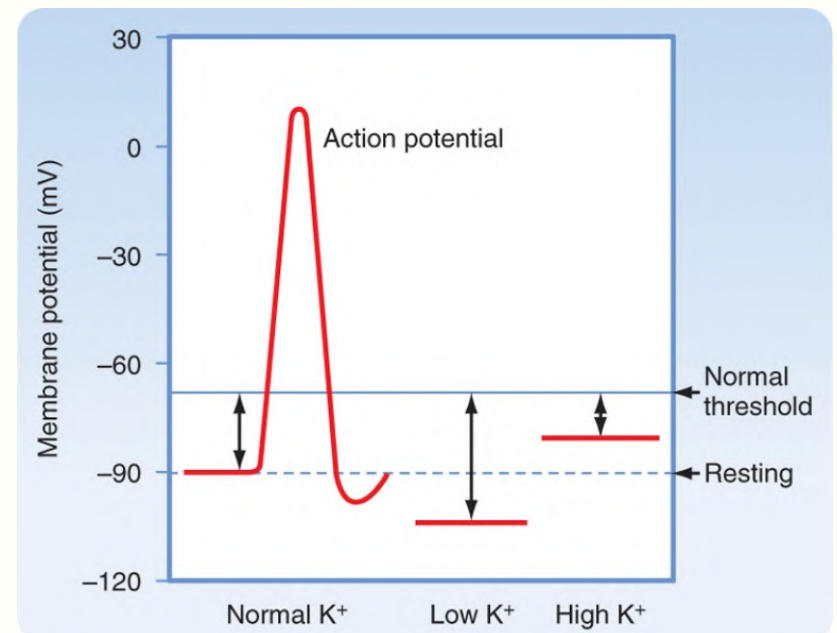
precise control mechanisms



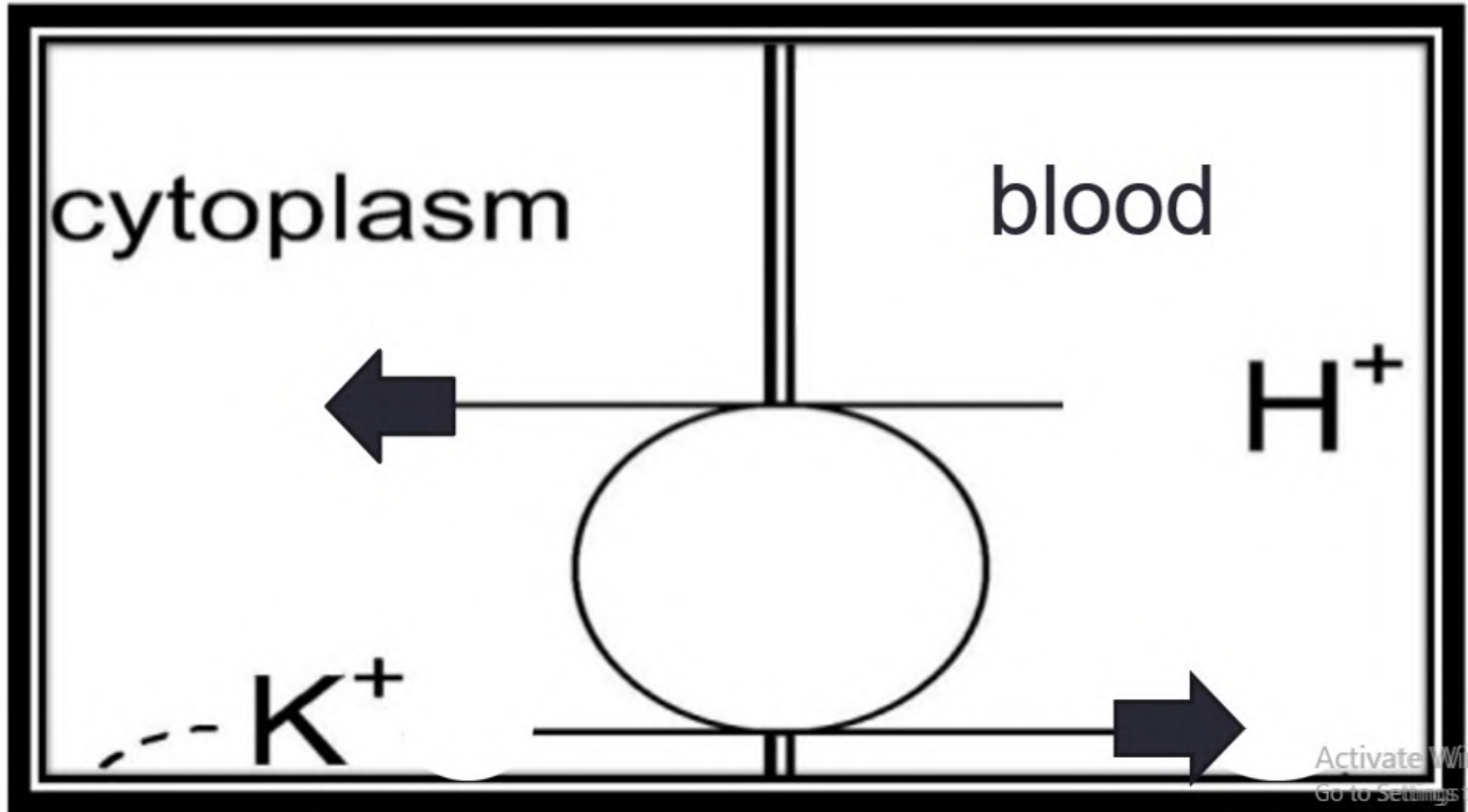
Plasma [K^+] 3.5-4.8 mmol/L

Regulates:
membrane potentials in excitable cells

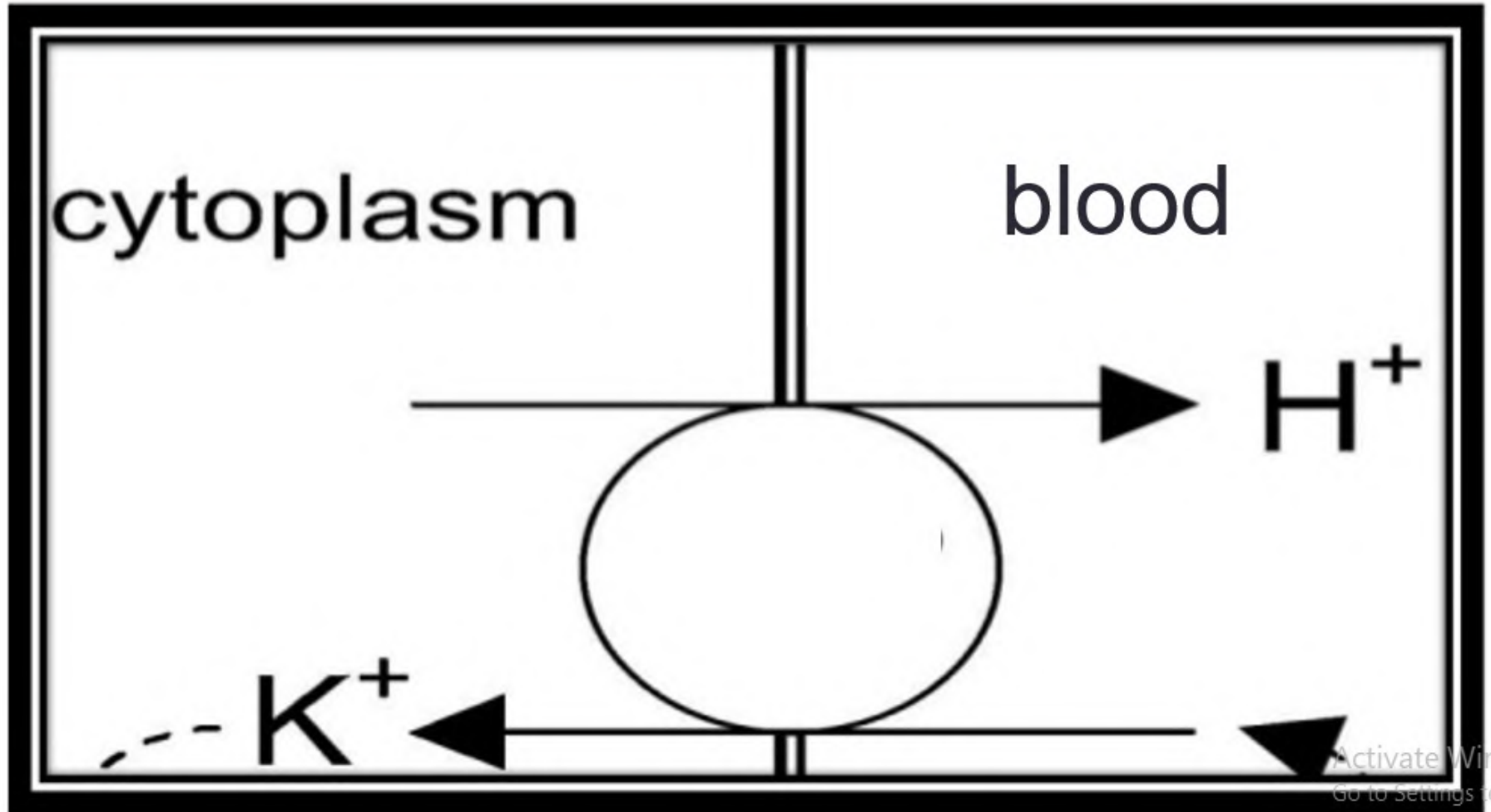
- K^+ concentrations in equilibrium → Equal diffusion into and out of cell
- ↓ EC K^+ → ↑ diffusion of K^+ out of cell → cells hyperpolarized
- ↑ EC K^+ → ↓ diffusion of K^+ out of cell → cells partially depolarized



During Acidosis

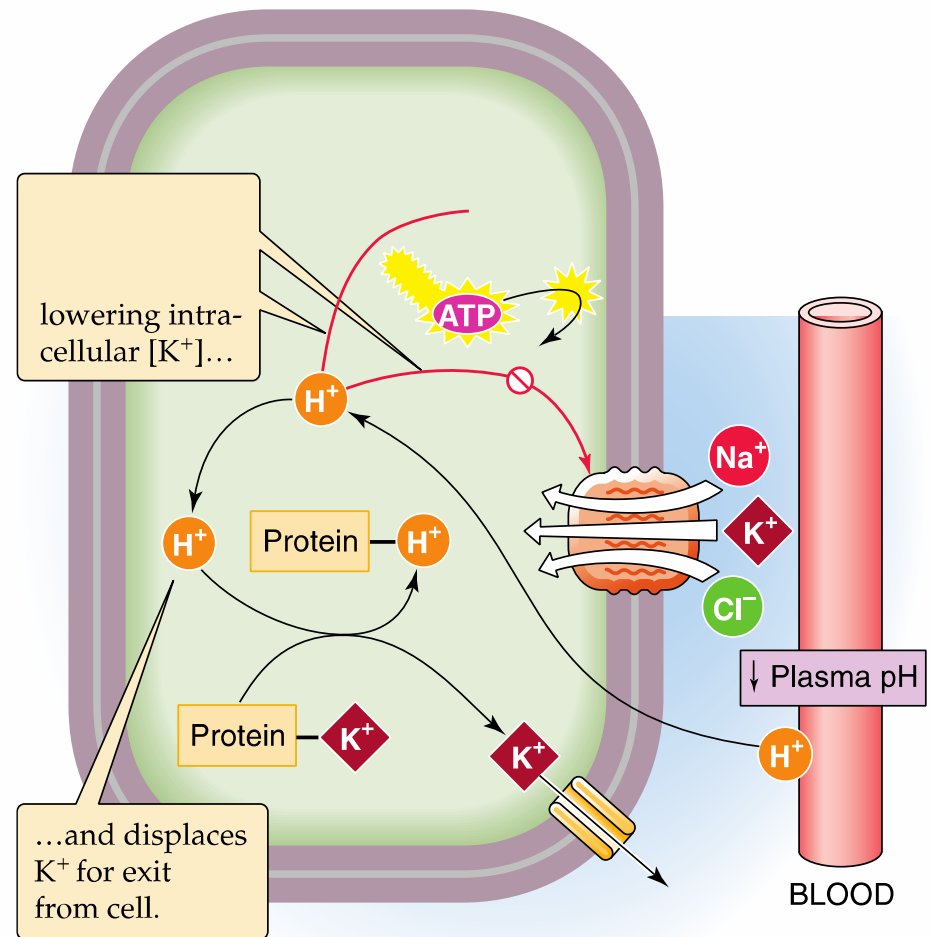


During Alkalosis

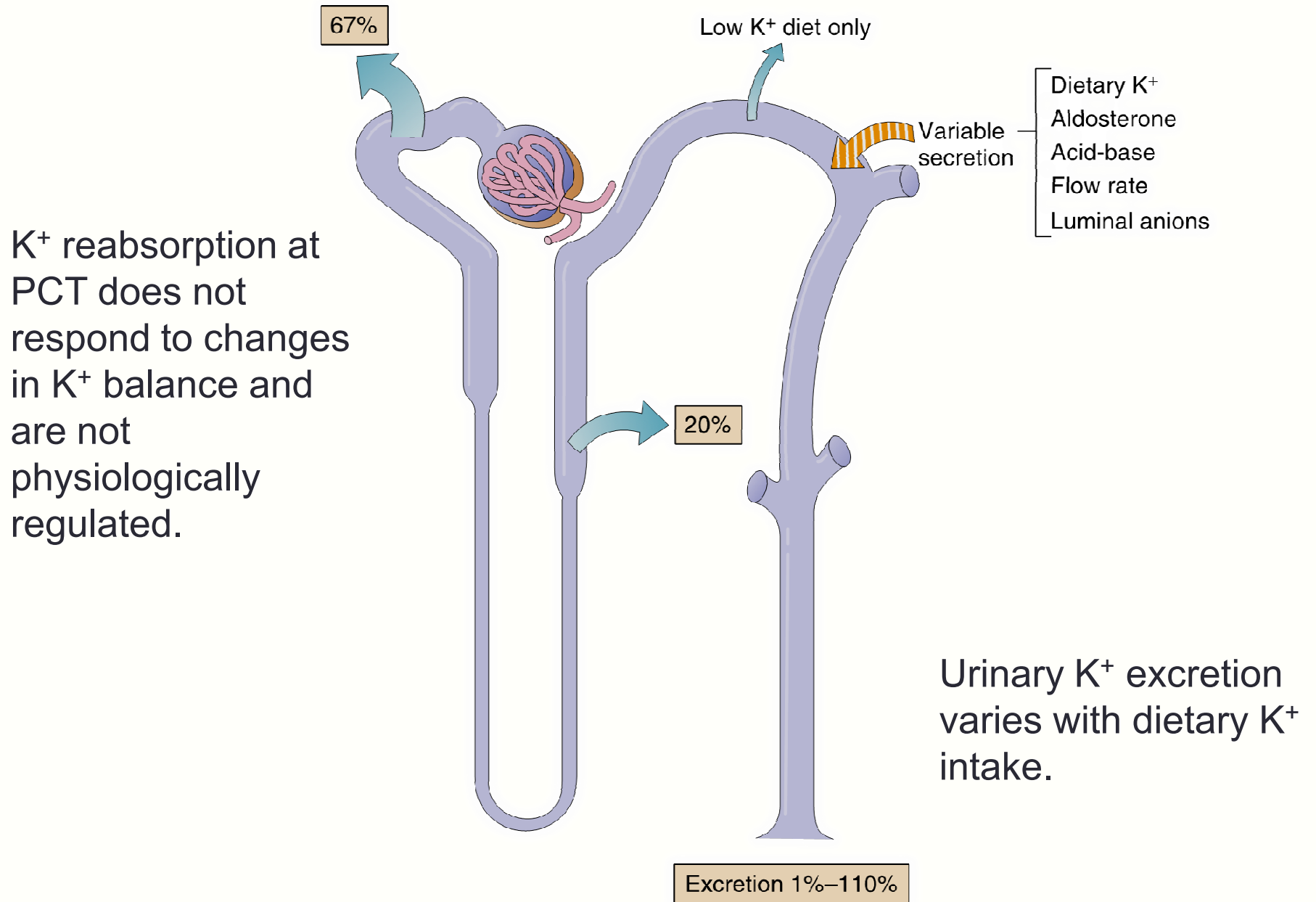


↑ Plasma K^+ levels can be due to:

- **Acidosis:** ICF K^+ is “exchanged” for extracellular H^+ .
- **↑ Osmolality** → K^+ moves out secondary to H_2O movement out of cells
- **Exercise** → loss of K^+ from muscles
- **Cell lysis** → release of cellular contents



Renal excretion of potassium



K⁺ reabsorption at PCT does not respond to changes in K⁺ balance and are not physiologically regulated.

Urinary K⁺ excretion varies with dietary K⁺ intake.

Major Factors and Hormones Influencing K^+ Excretion

Homeostatic: Keep K^+ Balance Constant

- Plasma [K^+] (\uparrow K^+ excretion)
- Aldosterone (\uparrow K^+ excretion)

Pathophysiological: Displace K^+ Balance

- Flow rate of tubule fluid (\uparrow K^+ excretion)
- Acid-base balance

Plasma [K⁺]

Hyperkalaemia stimulates secretion of K⁺ within minutes

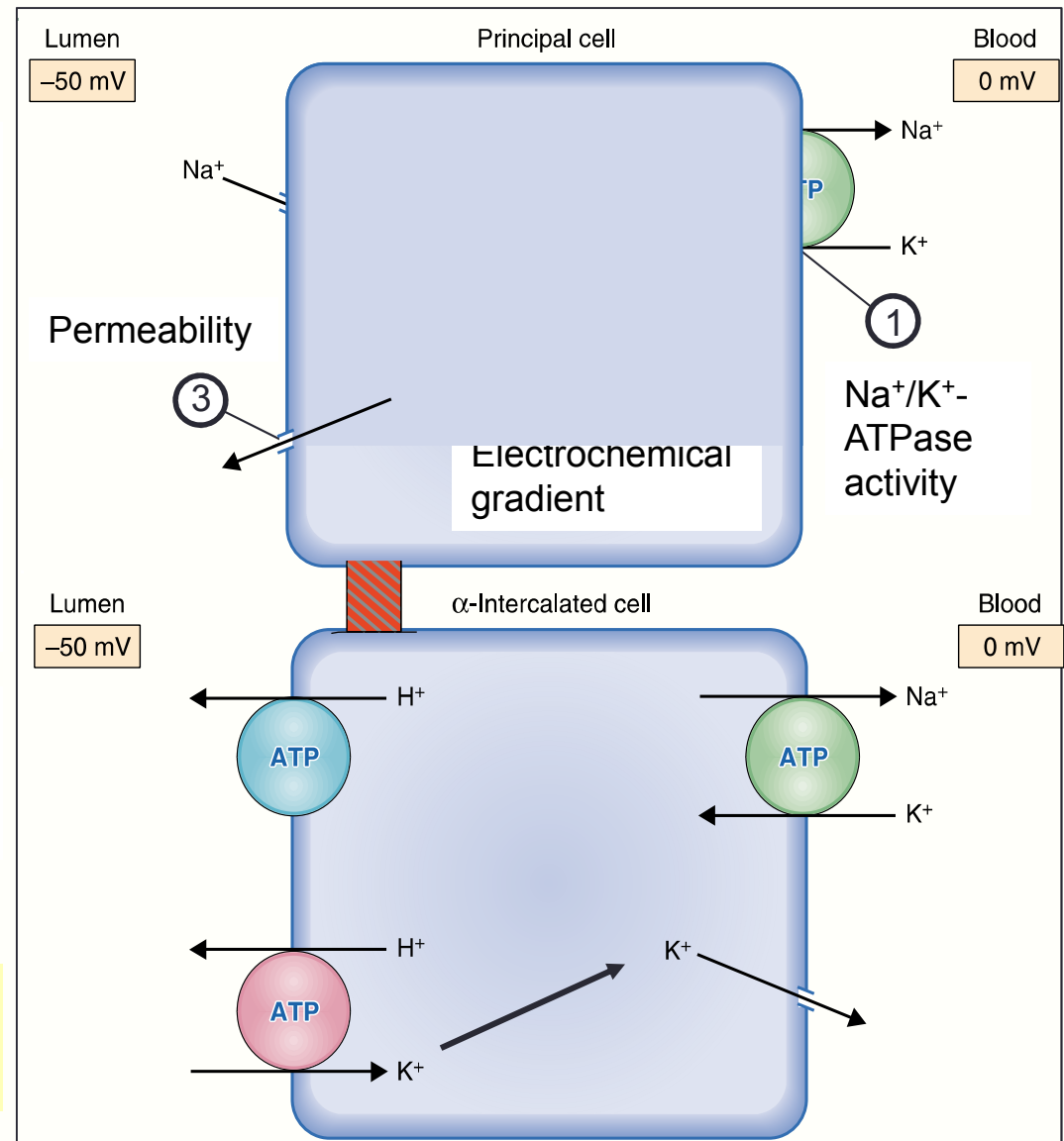
How?

1. Stimulates Na/K-ATPase → ↑ K⁺ uptake (*basolateral*) → ↑ electrochemical gradient.

2. ↑ permeability to K⁺ (*apical*).

3. ↑ aldosterone → ↑ secretion of K⁺.

Hypokalaemia produces an opposite effect



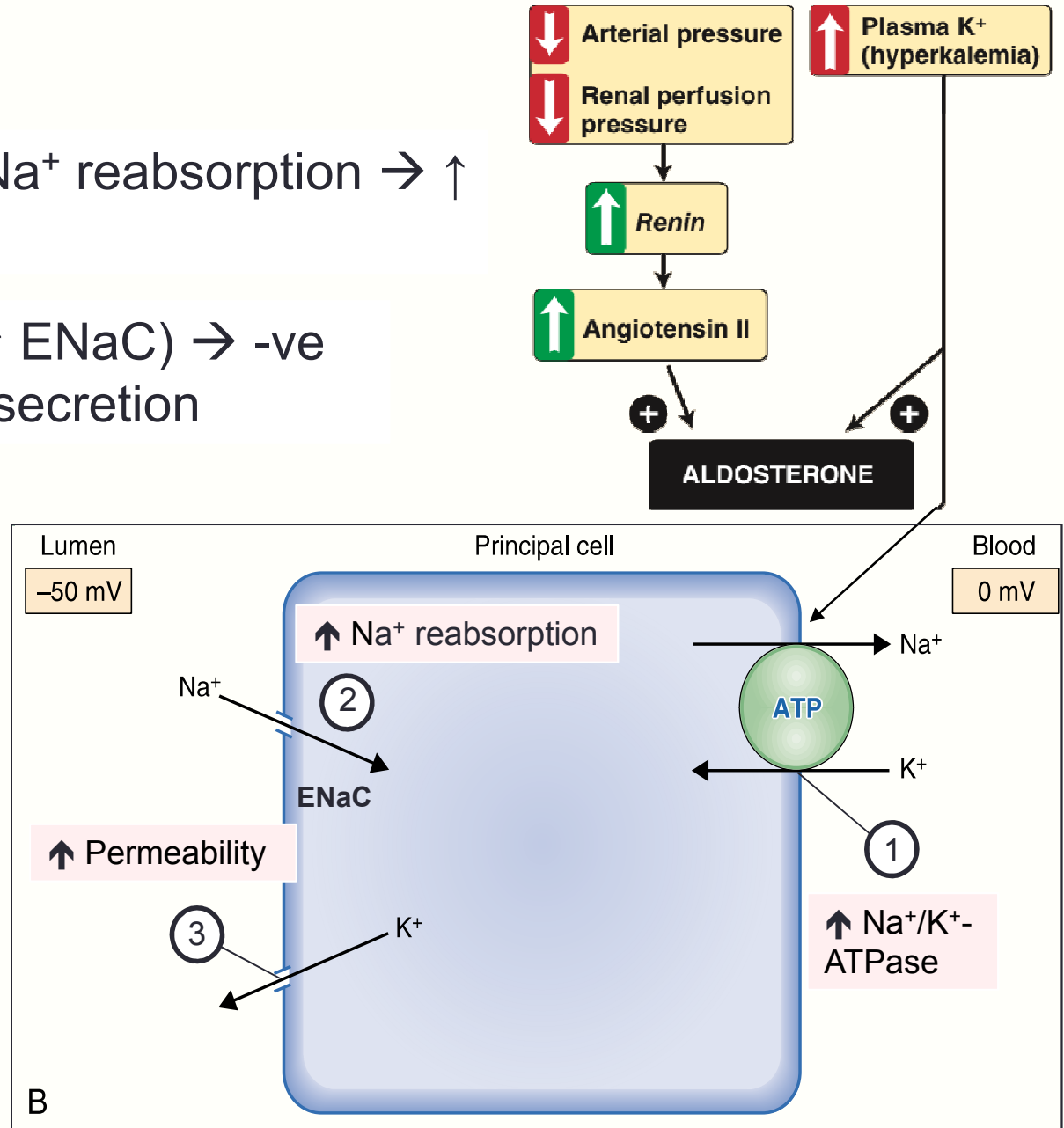
Aldosterone

↑ K⁺ secretion by:

1. ↑ Na/K ATPase → ↑ Na⁺ reabsorption → ↑ K⁺ secretion.
2. ↑ Na⁺ reabsorption (↑ ENaC) → -ve lumen potential → ↑ K⁺ secretion
3. ↑ permeability of apical membrane → ↑ K⁺ secretion

Conn's syndrome (↑ aldo) → hypokalaemia

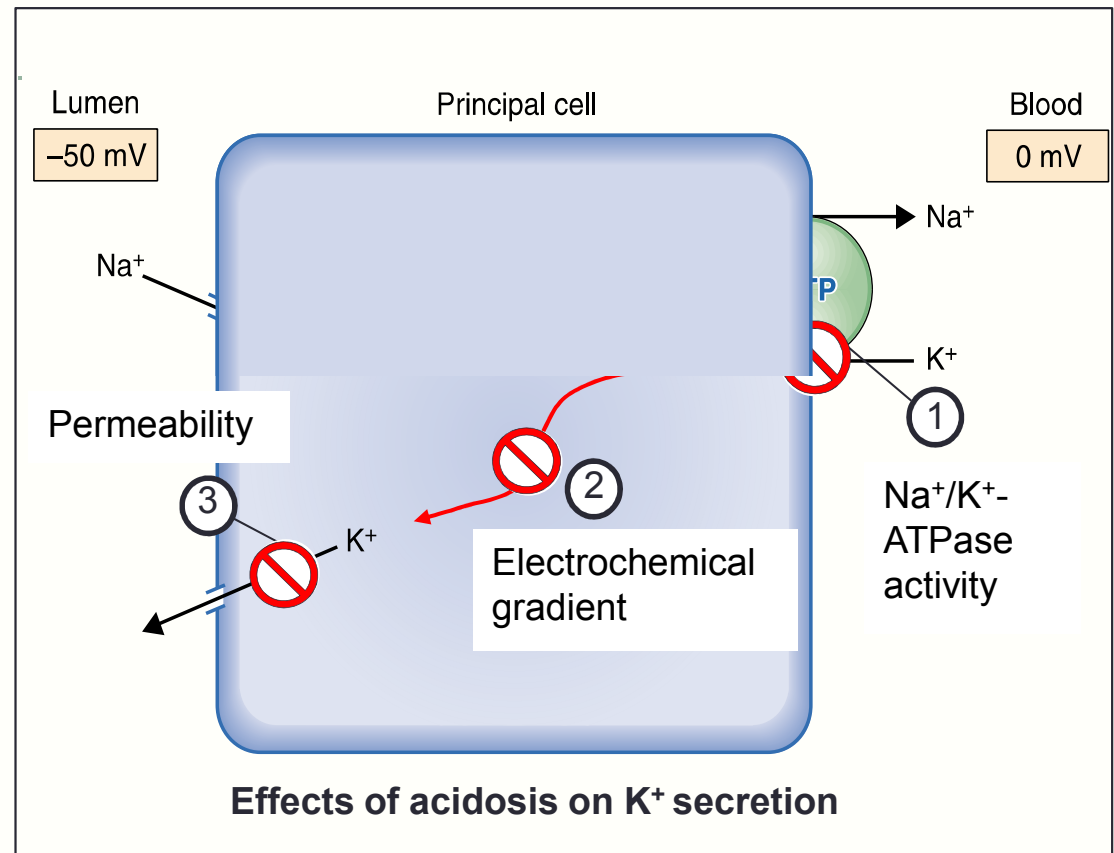
Addison's disease (↓ aldo) → hyperkalaemia



Acid-base balance

Acidosis inhibits K^+ secretion in principal cells by **INHIBITING** \ominus :

- **Na/K ATPase** \rightarrow \downarrow K^+ uptake from blood \rightarrow \downarrow conc. gradient for K^+ efflux into the lumen.
- **K^+ channels (apical)** \rightarrow \downarrow K^+ secretion directly \rightarrow hyperkalemia.



Alkalosis has the opposite effect, promoting K^+ secretion and hypokalemia.

Thank
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