

Lec 6

- tubular reabsorption goes through tubular lumen → tubular cells → interstitium → peritubular capillaries

- nutritional passage into peritubular capillaries is called

Bulk flow & is regulated by 6 mechanisms:

Glomerulotubular balance

Peritubular physical factors

Hormones

Sympathetic NS

Arterial pressure

Osmotic factors

$$\text{load} = \text{GFR} \times \text{Plasma substance conc.}$$

- **tubular load** is the amount of filtered renal plasma fluid, & when **load** ↑ then **tubular reabsorption** ↑, but to a limit, then reabsorption plateaus

* reabsorption refers to peritubular capillaries while filtration refers to glomerular capillaries

Glomerulotubular Balance

- **minimizes the changes in urine volume** due to changes in GFR

- lets say $\text{GFR} \uparrow$ from 125 ml/min → 150, & there

is no glomerulotubular balance ... what happens?

→ reabsorption stays the same (124) & **urine volume**

↑ from 1 to 26 ml/min

b/c reabsorption didn't ↑, the **% reabsorbed** will ↓

* $\text{Urine volume} = \text{GFR} - \text{Reabsorption}$

* $\% \text{ Reabsorbed} = \frac{\text{Reabsorption}}{\text{GFR}} \times 100$

- So $\% \text{ reabsorbed}$ in this case is 82.7% instead of the normal 99.2 %.

- lets say $\text{GFR} \uparrow$ from 125 - 150 & we have perfect glomerulotubular balance

Reabsorption will \uparrow from 124 - 148.8 & urine volume will be 1.2 ml & $\% \text{ Reabsorbed}$ is 99.2 %.

Peritubular Physical forces

- forces that govern peritubular reabsorption :

Capillary hydrostatic Pressure

- 13 mmHg w/ direction going outside the capillary (negative pressure)

Interstitial fluid oncotic pressure

- 15 mmHg w/ direction outside the capillary (negative pressure)

Interstitial hydrostatic pressure

- 6 mmHg w/ direction into the capillary (positive pressure)

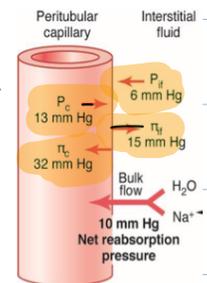
Capillary oncotic pressure

- 32 mmHg w/ direction into the capillary (positive pressure)

So...

- NET Reabsorption pressure = 10 mmHg

* direction of forces are the same as bowmans capsule, but have different values



Calculating tubular Reabsorption Rate

When Excretion is less than filtration

- meaning the substance is being reabsorbed
- in order to find how much of the substance was reabsorbed, we need to find the filtration rate & excretion rate

$$\text{Filtration Rate} = \text{GFR} \times \text{Plasma conc. of substance } (P_s)$$

\downarrow mg/min \downarrow ml/min \downarrow mg/ml

$$\text{Excretion Rate} = \text{Urine conc. of s } (U_s) \times \text{Urine flow rate } (V)$$

\downarrow mg/min \downarrow mg/ml \downarrow ml/min

- then we can find **Reabsorption = filtration - excretion**

When Excretion is more than filtration

- meaning the substance had undergone **net secretion**, so we measure **tubular secretion rate**

* Same equations as above

then

Remember:

$$\text{Filt s} = \text{GFR} \times P_s$$

$$\text{Excret s} = U_s \times V$$

$$\text{Secretion} = \text{Excretion} - \text{Filtration}$$

Transport Maximum

- Some substances have a maximum transport rate due to **saturation** of carriers or **limited ATP**

- once all nephrons reach transport maximum, an \uparrow in tubular load will not be reabsorbed, & they will be excreted

- Some nephrons have a lower max than others, so the tubular load at which some nephrons exceeded their max is called

the Threshold

- at threshold, there is an \uparrow in excretion of certain substance, but other nephrons can still reabsorb this substance

* Threshold & transport max are related but not the same

- examples of substances w/ threshold & max: glucose, amino acids, phosphate, sulphate
- ex. if transport max is 150, but tubular load is 180, then 30mg/ml of the remaining substance will be excreted b/c all nephrons are saturated

Determinants of Peritubular Capillary Reabsorption

- to measure peritubular capillary reabsorption =

net reabsorption pressure (NRP) \times filtration coefficient (K_f)

$$10 \text{ mmHg} \times 12.4 \text{ ml/min/mmHg} = 124 \text{ ml/min}$$

- $\uparrow K_f = \uparrow$ peritubular reabsorption
- \uparrow peritubular oncotic pressure = \uparrow reabsorption
- \uparrow peritubular capillary hydrostatic pressure = \downarrow reabsorption
- if arterial pressure $\uparrow \rightarrow \uparrow$ in glomerular & peritubular hydrostatic pressure $\rightarrow \downarrow$ reabsorption
- \uparrow resistance of afferent arteriole $\rightarrow \downarrow$ renal glomerular blood flow $\rightarrow \downarrow$ glomerular hydrostatic pressure $\rightarrow \downarrow$ blood in peritubular capillary $\rightarrow \downarrow$ peritubular hydrostatic pressure $\rightarrow \uparrow$ reabsorption rate

- \uparrow resistance in efferent arteriole \rightarrow peritubular blood flow $\downarrow \rightarrow$ peritubular hydrostatic pressure $\downarrow \rightarrow \uparrow$ reabsorption

Determinants of Peritubular Capillary

Colloid Osmotic Pressure

- \uparrow oncotic pressure $\rightarrow \uparrow$ reabsorption
- oncotic pressure of peritubular capillary \uparrow due to \uparrow in plasma proteins or an \uparrow in filtration fraction

$$\text{Filtration Fraction} = \text{GFR} / \text{RPF}$$

\rightarrow renal plasma flow

- Filtration fraction \uparrow due to \downarrow renal plasma flow or \uparrow GFR