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Pediatric Electrolyte Disorders

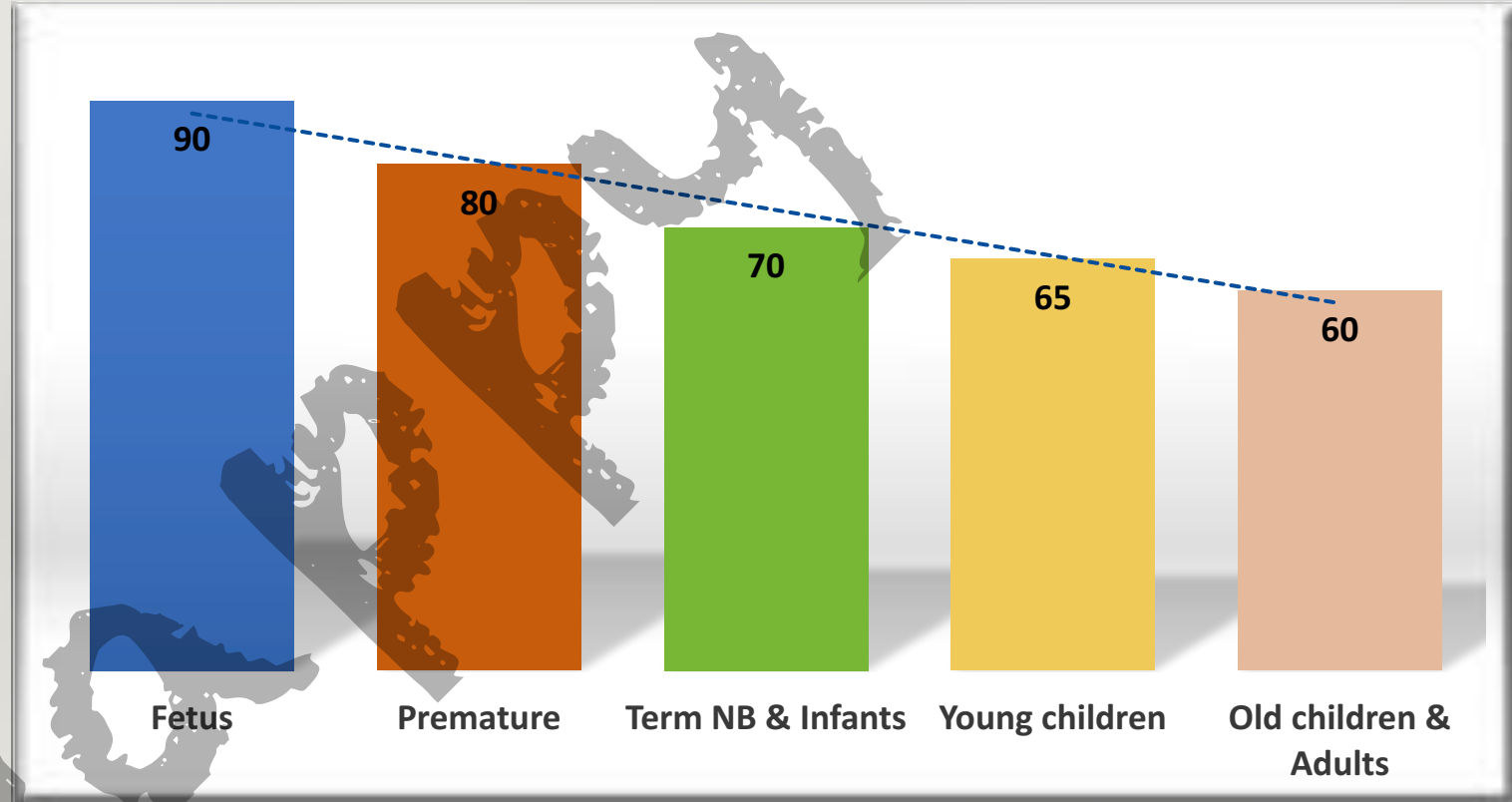
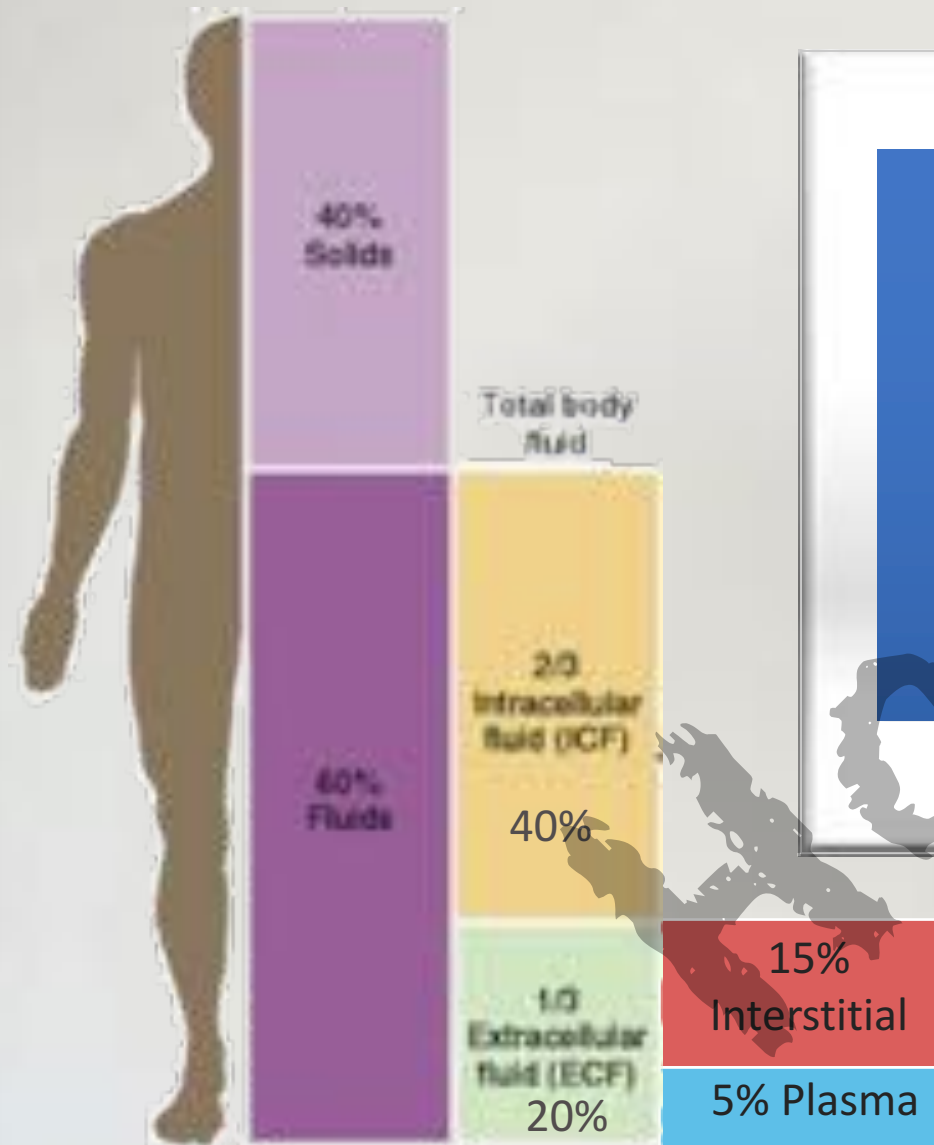
Sodium (Na)

Case-based Approach

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Total Body Water (TBW)



Lean individuals >> greater % of TBW
Fat individuals >> smaller % of TBW

ICF & ECF Electrolytes distribution

PLASMA		INTRACELLULAR	
Cations	Anions	Cations	Anions
Na ⁺ (140)	Cl ⁻ (104)	K ⁺ (140)	Phos ⁻ (107)
	HCO ₃ ⁻ (24)		Prot ⁻ (40)
	Prot ⁻ (14)		HCO ₃ ⁻ (10)
K ⁺ (4)	Other (6)	Na ⁺ (13)	Cl ⁻ (3)
Ca ⁺ (2.5)	Phos ⁻ (2)	Mg ⁺ (7)	
Mg ⁺ (1.1)			

Definitions

- **Osmolality:**

A measure of all solute particles/ weight of solvent.

Calculated osmolality = $[2 \times \text{Na}] + [\text{BUN}/2.8] + [\text{glucose}/18]$

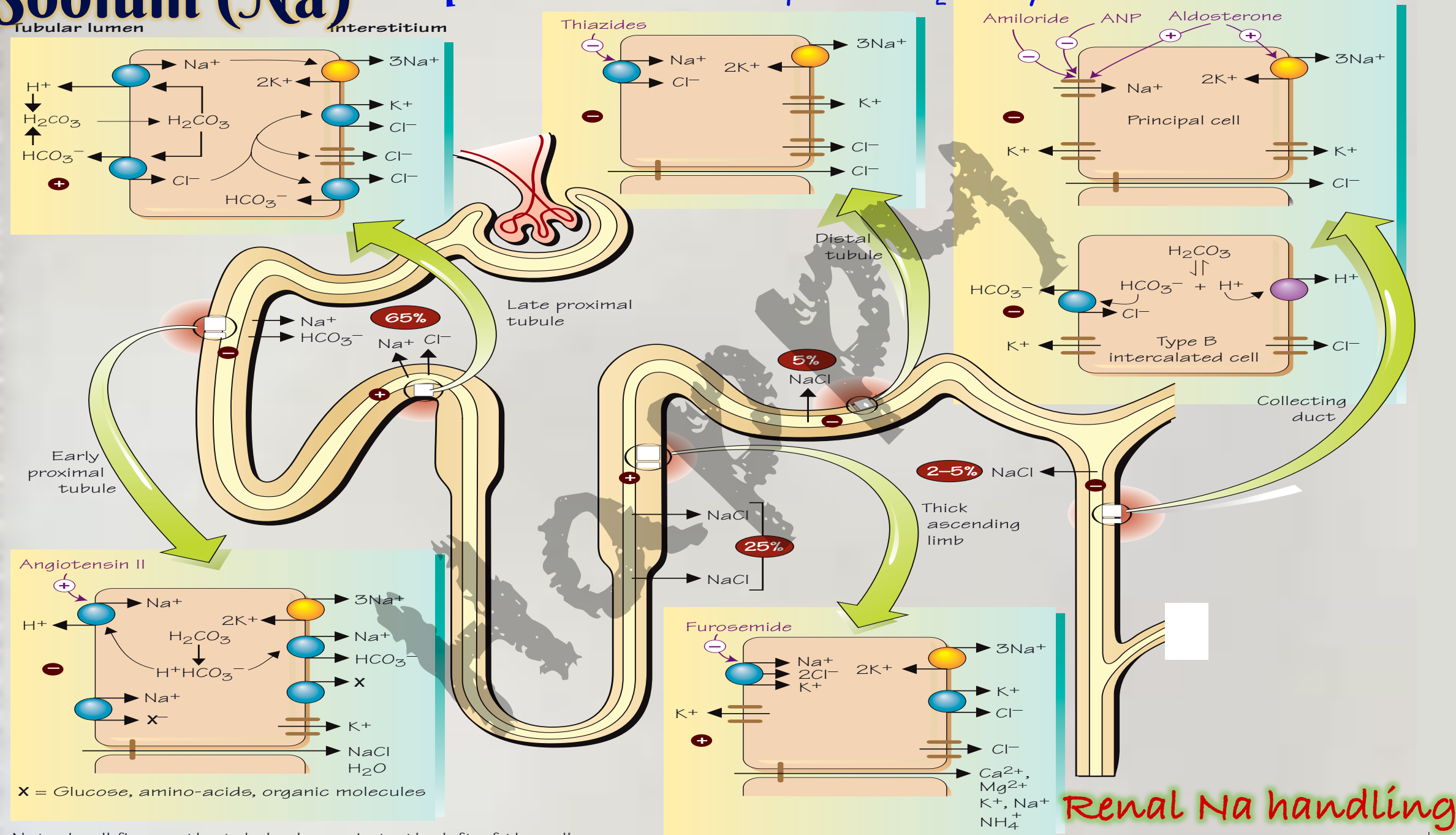
Normal osmolality = 280-295 mOsm/kg

- **Tonicity**

A measure of the "EFFECTIVE OSMOLS" in a particular weight of solvent.

EFFECTIVE OSMOLS: determined by solutes that hold water (Na and glucose not urea)

Sodium (Na) • Requirements: 2-3 mEq/100ml H₂O/day



Note: In all figures the tubular lumen is to the left of the cell

Renal Na handling

Neuronal regulation

Thirst



Sodium and water Homeostasis



ADH

ANP

Aldosterone



Hormonal regulation

Na in Neonates and Pre-term Infants

- In the immediate period after birth, neonates manifest a **NEGATIVE** Na balance associated with increased urinary Na excretion and high FeNa.
- Urinary Na excretion in the early neonatal period is due to effect of ANP released as a result of atrial stretch after birth. ANP is implicated in increase GFR (dilates renal vessels) and inhibition of RAS.
- So there is an initial balance between low GFR (decrease Na excretion) and natriuretic effect of ANP resulting in negative Na balance.

Na in Neonates and Pre-term Infants

- After sometime, maturational change resulting in increase GFR and simultaneous tubular maturation and decrease ANP release >>> positive Na balance to compensate low Na in breast milk.

N.B. Urinary excretion of Na is inversely related to gestational age....

Premature < 30 weeks have FeNa near 5% where full-term NB has FeNa 3%.

N.B. Initial negative Na balance is needed to eliminate excess ECW and Na

Hypонатremia

- **Definition:**

Serum Na < 130 mEq/l

Acute

- Onset < 48 h.
- Symptoms related to brain edema (H₂O moves to brain cells).
- Impaired conscious, seizures and death.

• Symptoms:

Chronic

- Onset > 48 h.
- Na is usually > 120 mEq/l
- Asymptomatic (brain protective mechanisms)
- GIT symptoms: anorexia, nausea & vomiting

Hyponatremia

Hypotonic Hyponatremia
Low osmolality
<280 mosm/kg



True hyponatremia

Isotonic Hyponatremia
Normal osmolality
280-295 mosm/kg



Hyperlipidemia
hyperproteinemia

Hypertonic Hyponatremia
High osmolality
>295 mosm/kg



Hyperglycemia
Mannitol



Na Trend

Actual Na =
Measured Na + 1.6 x each 100 mg/dl glucose

True Hyponatremia

Hypovolemic

U Na > 20 meq/L

- Diuretics
- Mineralocorticoid deficiency
- RTA
- Cerebral salt wasting
- Salt losing nephropathy

U Na < 20 meq/L

- GE
- CF
- Third space loss
e.g. Burns, I.O.,
chylous effusion, etc...

Euvolemic

U Na > 20 meq/L

- SIADH
- Glucocorticoid deficiency
- Hypothyroidism

U Na < 20 meq/L

- Polydipsia
- ? malnutrition

Hypervolemic

U Na > 20 meq/L

- Renal failure

U Na < 20 meq/L

- Liver cirrhosis
- CHF
- Nephrotic \$



Na and Renal Failure

- Progressive CRI is typified by an adaptive increase in Na excretion rate/nephron as the total GFR declines. This increase is caused, at least in part, by the effect of ANP & other natriuretic peptides, whose release is augmented in the setting of volume expansion and renal failure.
- As GFR progressively declines towards ESRD, total renal Na excretion eventually decreases, and extracellular volume expansion, hypertension, and edema develop



Correction of Hyponatremia

Goals of treatment

Restoration of normal volume

Symptomatic cases require more rapid correction

Symptomatic hyponatremia within 2 hours
Asymptomatic hyponatremia over 24-48 hours

Changes in serum Na should not exceed 0.5 meq/L /h (12-15 meq/day)

Monitoring of serum Na should be done at least thrice daily

Correction of Hyponatremia

Case 1

An infant 10 kg with gastroenteritis, presented with generalized convulsions. The mother reported trial of correction of GE by water only.

Assessment: moderate dehydration, within normal KFT, serum Na 120 meq/l.

$$\text{Deficit} = (\text{expected} - \text{observed}) \times 0.6_{(\text{fraction of TBW})} \times \text{Wt.} = \text{mmol}$$

$$\text{Na Deficit} = (125 - 120) \times 0.6 \times 10 = 30 \text{ mmol (over 1-2 hours)}$$

hypertonic saline : 30 mmol = 60 ml

isotonic saline: 30 mmol = 200 ml

$$\text{Volume deficit} = 80 \times 10 = 800 \text{ ml (over 6 hours)}$$

So, isotonic saline only can be given over 1.5 hours and then correct the deficit volume over next 4.5 hours.

Monitor serum Na after 6 hours

Correction of Hyponatremia

Case 2

A 17-month-old boy with GE over the last 3 days, moderate dehydration, serum Na 118 meq/l, serum creatinine 1.2 mg/dl. Urine output 0.7 ml/kg/hour. He is fully conscious. No history of convulsions. His weight is 10 Kg.

$$\text{Deficit} = (\text{expected} - \text{observed}) \times 0.6_{(\text{fraction of TBW})} \times \text{Wt.} = \text{mmol}$$

Fluid & Na requirements for 24 hours
(deficit + maintenance + ongoing losses)

Fluid requirements

$$\text{Deficit} = 80 \times 10 = 800 \text{ ml}$$

$$\text{Maintenance} = 100 \times 10 = 1000 \text{ ml}$$

$$\text{Total} = 1800 \text{ ml/ 24 h}$$

Na requirements

$$\text{Na deficit independent of any volume loss} = (125 - 118) \times 0.6 \times 10 = 42 \text{ mmol}$$

$$\text{Na deficit associated with volume loss} = 140 \text{ meq/l} = 140 \times 0.8 = 112 \text{ mmol}$$

$$\text{Na maintenance} = 3 \text{ meq/kg} = 3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ mmol}$$

$$\text{Total} = 184 \text{ mmol/ 24 h}$$

Fluid & Na requirements for 24 hours

Fluid 1800 ml and Na 184 meq

½ of the volume should be given over the 1st 8 hours then the rest over next 16 hours.

- 900 ml G5% : saline (1:2) over the first 8 hours (100 meq Na)
- 900 ml G10%: saline (1:1) over the next 16 hours (75 meq Na)
- Don't forget to add K

Specific Treatment of Euvolemic Hyponatremia

Fluid restriction

Diuretics

Vaptans

Hypernatremia

Disorder of total body water rather than plasma Na concentration

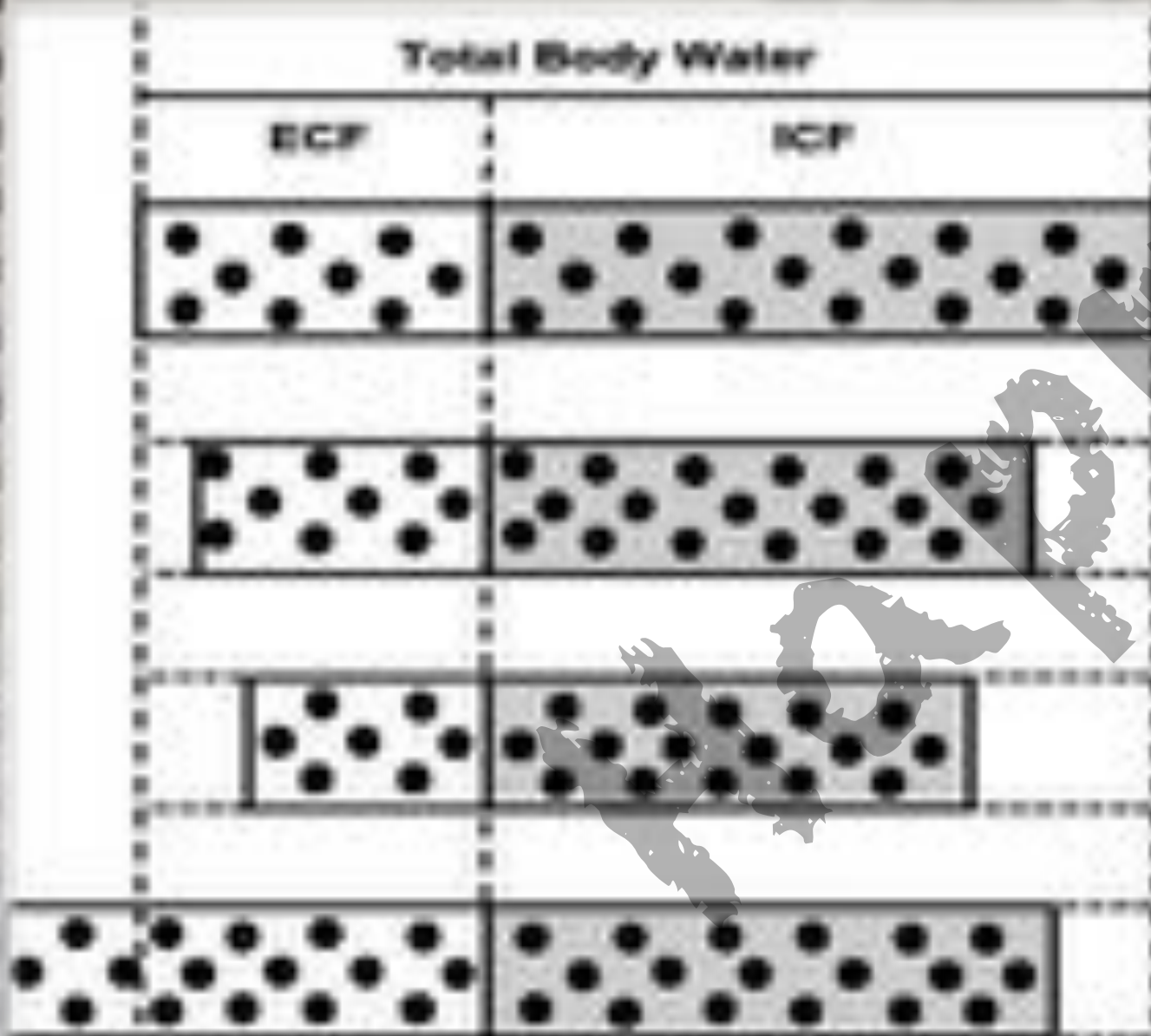
Dehydration vs Volume Depletion

Dehydration	Volume depletion
Body water deficits (intracellular) and disturbance in H ₂ O metabolism	Extracellular fluid volume depletion. Net loss of TB sodium + ↓IV volume
Dx: measurement of plasma Na / Calculation of plasma tonicity	Dx: history and physical examination (e.g. neck veins, etc...)
TTT: replace free water deficit	TTT: replace fluid volume deficit

Hypernatremia

- **Definition:**

Serum Na >150 mEq/l



Normal TBW, Normal TBNa, Normal PNa

Euvolemic Hypernatremia
 TBW \downarrow , TBNa unchanged, PNa \uparrow
 Loss of free water ICF \rightarrow ECF, therefore
 little or no signs of volume depletion

Hypovolemic Hypernatremia
 TBW \downarrow , $>$ TBNa \downarrow , PNa \uparrow
 Loss of free water from both ECF and ICF,
 loss of Na from ECF leads to hypovolemia

Hypervolemic Hypernatremia
 TBW \uparrow , \approx TBNa \uparrow , PNa \uparrow
 Addition of Na and water into ECF leads to
 hypervolemia
 \uparrow in PNa leads to reduction in ICF

Hypernatremia

Hypovolemic

TBW ↓ ↓

TB Na ↓

U Na > 20 meq/L
Renal losses

- Diuretics
- Post-obstructive
- Renal diseases

U Na < 10 meq/L
Extra-renal losses

- GE
- Burns

Euvolemic

TBW ↓

TB Na ---

U Na Variable

- **Diabetes insipidus**
 - Central
 - Nephrogenic
 - psychogenic polydipsia
- **Increase insensible loss**
 - Ineffective breast feeding
 - Child neglect
 - Phototherapy

Hypervolemic

TBW ↑

TB Na ↑ ↑

U Na normal or increased

- Hyperaldosteronism
- Cushing's
- Na HCO₃ excessive intake

...presumably due to the advent of
late infant formulas and the increased use
availability of oral rehydration solutions.

A group at high risk for developing hypernatremia in the outpatient setting is that of the breastfed infant [30]. Breastfeeding-associated hypernatremia is on the rise. Over 15% of mother-infant dyads have difficulty establishing successful lactation during the first week postpartum. This is of particular concern for the primiparous infant. Reasons for lactation failure are multifactorial, including physiological factors which require 5 days for optimal breast milk production

...factors resulting in a neonate

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Hypernatremia Signs and Symptoms



"you are fried"

Fever (low grade), flushed skin

Restless (irritable)

Increased fluid retention and increased bp

Edema (peripheral and pitting)

Decreased urinary output, dry mouth



Correction of Hypernatremia

Goals of treatment

Emergency phase: shock should receive prompt response

use of 0.9% NaCl 20ml/kg over 30 min

Rehydration phase: calculate

Free water deficit (in L) = $[(\text{current Na} \div 145) - 1] \times \text{TBW} \times \text{B.Wt.}$
+ Maintenance fluid = Total fluid over 48 hours

- Changes in serum Na should not exceed 0.5 meq/l /h (12-15 meq/day)
 - Dehydration should be corrected over 48-72 hours
 - Consider dialysis if serum Na > 180-200 meq/l

Correction of Hypernatremia

Goals

- First to correct IV (ECF) fluid volume deficit
- Then correct free water deficit
- Correct underlying cause

**Hypovolemic
Hypernatremia**

Goals

- First correct free water deficit
- Pharmacological ttt of DI

**Euvolemic
hypernatremia**

Goals

- First correct free water deficit
- Then discontinue any sodium source and induce natriuresis

**Hypervolemic
Hypernatremia**

Case 1

An infant 1 year, 10 kg, with gastroenteritis, presented with marked irritability. The mother reported trial of correction of GE by ORS (improper dilution).

Assessment: severe dehydration, urine output $< 1 \text{ ml/kg/hour}$, serum creatinine = 1.4 mg/dl , serum Na 170 meq/l .

Free H₂O deficit = $[(\text{current Na}/145)-1] \times \text{TBW} \times \text{B.Wt.}$
 $[(170/145)-1] \times 0.7 \times 10 = 1.2 \text{ L} = 1200 \text{ ml}$

- Maintenance fluid over 48 hours = $1000 \times 2 = 2000 \text{ ml}$
- Total fluid = 3200 ml over 48 hours

Na

. Maintenance = $3 \times 10 = 30$
meq/d = 60 meq/ 48 h

. Deficit = $1.2 \times 140 \times 0.6 = 100$
meq

K

- Maintenance = $2 \times 10 = 20$
meq/d = 40 meq/48 h

- Deficit = $1.2 \times 120 \times 0.4 = 57$
meq

	Water	Na	K
Maintenance /48h	2000 ml	60 meq	40 meq
Water deficit	1200 ml		
Na deficit		100 meq	
K deficit			57 meq
Total	3200 ml/48 h	160 meq/48 h	97 meq/48 h

Rate of infusion = 66 ml/h (1600 ml over 24 h)

1600 ml fluids /day should contain Na 80 meq Na and 50 meq K (~ Na 50 meq/L and K 30 meq/L)

Type of fluids = G5% : isotonic saline = 2:1 (add 15 ml K ~ 30 meq/L)

Monitor serum Na every 6-8 hours

