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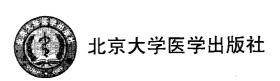
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PREFACE

The Editors of Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine refer to it as the "Mother Book," a description that confers respect but also acknowledges its size and its ancestral status among the growing list of Harrison's products, which now include Harrison's Manual of Medicine, Harrison's Online, and Harrison's Practice, an online, highly structured reference for point-of-care use and continuing education. This book, Harrison's Nephrology and Acid-Base Disorders, is a compilation of chapters related to kidney function.

Our readers consistently note the sophistication of the material in the specialty sections of *Harrison's*. Our goal was to bring this information to our audience in a more compact and usable form. Because the topic is more focused, it is possible to enhance the presentation of the material by enlarging the text and the tables. We have also included a Review and Self-Assessment section that includes questions and answers to provoke reflection and to provide additional teaching points.

Renal dysfunction, electrolyte, and acid-base disorders are among the most common problems faced by the clinician. Indeed, hyponatremia is consistently the most frequently searched term for readers of *Harrison's Online*. Unlike some specialties, there is no specific renal exam. Instead, the specialty relies heavily on laboratory tests, urinalyses, and characteristics of urinary sediments. Evaluation and management of renal disease also requires a broad knowledge of physiology and pathology since the kidney is involved in many systemic disorders. Thus, this book considers a broad spectrum of topics including acid-base and electrolyte disorders, vascular injury to the kidney, as well as specific diseases of the kidney.

Kidney disorders, such as glomerulonephritis, can be a primary cause for clinical presentation. More commonly, however, the kidney is affected secondary to other medical problems such as diabetes, shock, or complications from dye administration or medications. As such, renal dysfunction may be manifest by azotemia, hypertension, proteinuria, or an abnormal urinary sediment, and it may herald the presence of an underlying medical disorder. Renal insufficiency may also appear late in the course of chronic conditions such as diabetes, lupus, or scleroderma and significantly alter a patient's quality of life. Fortunately, intervention can often reverse or delay renal insufficiency. And, when this is not possible, dialysis and renal transplant provide life-saving therapies.

Understanding normal and abnormal renal function provides a strong foundation for diagnosis and clinical management. Therefore, topics such as acidosis and alkalosis, fluid and electrolyte disorders, and hypercalcemia are covered here. These basic topics are useful in all fields

of medicine and represent a frequent source of renal consultation.

The first section of the book, "Introduction to the Renal System," provides a systems overview, beginning with renal development, function, and physiology, as well as providing an overview of how the kidney responds to injury. The integration of pathophysiology with clinical management is a hallmark of *Harrison's*, and can be found throughout each of the subsequent disease-oriented chapters. The book is divided into seven main sections that reflect the scope of nephrology: (I) Introduction to the Renal System; (II) Alterations of Renal Function and Electrolytes; (III) Acute and Chronic Renal Failure; (IV) Glomerular and Tubular Disorders; (V) Renal Vascular Disease; (VI) Urinary Tract Infections and Obstruction; and (VII) Cancer of the Kidney and Urinary Tract.

While Harrison's Nephrology and Acid-Base Disorders is classic in its organization, readers will sense the impact of the scientific advances as they explore the individual chapters in each section. Genetics and molecular biology are transforming the field of nephrology, whether illuminating the genetic basis of a tubular disorder or explaining the regenerative capacity of the kidney. Recent clinical studies involving common diseases like chronic kidney disease, hypertensive vascular disease, and urinary tract infections provide powerful evidence for medical decision making and treatment. These rapid changes in nephrology are exciting for new students of medicine and underscore the need for practicing physicians to continuously update their knowledge base and clinical skills.

Our access to information through web-based journals and databases is remarkably efficient. While these sources of information are invaluable, the daunting body of data creates an even greater need for synthesis and for highlighting important facts. Thus, the preparation of these chapters is a special craft that requires the ability to distill core information from the ever-expanding knowledge base. The editors are therefore indebted to our authors, a group of internationally recognized authorities who are masters at providing a comprehensive overview while being able to distill a topic into a concise and interesting chapter. We are grateful to Emily Cowan for assisting with research and preparation of this book. Our colleagues at McGraw-Hill continue to innovate in healthcare publishing. This new product was championed by Jim Shanahan and impeccably produced by Kim Davis.

We hope you find this book useful in your effort to achieve continuous learning on behalf of your patients.

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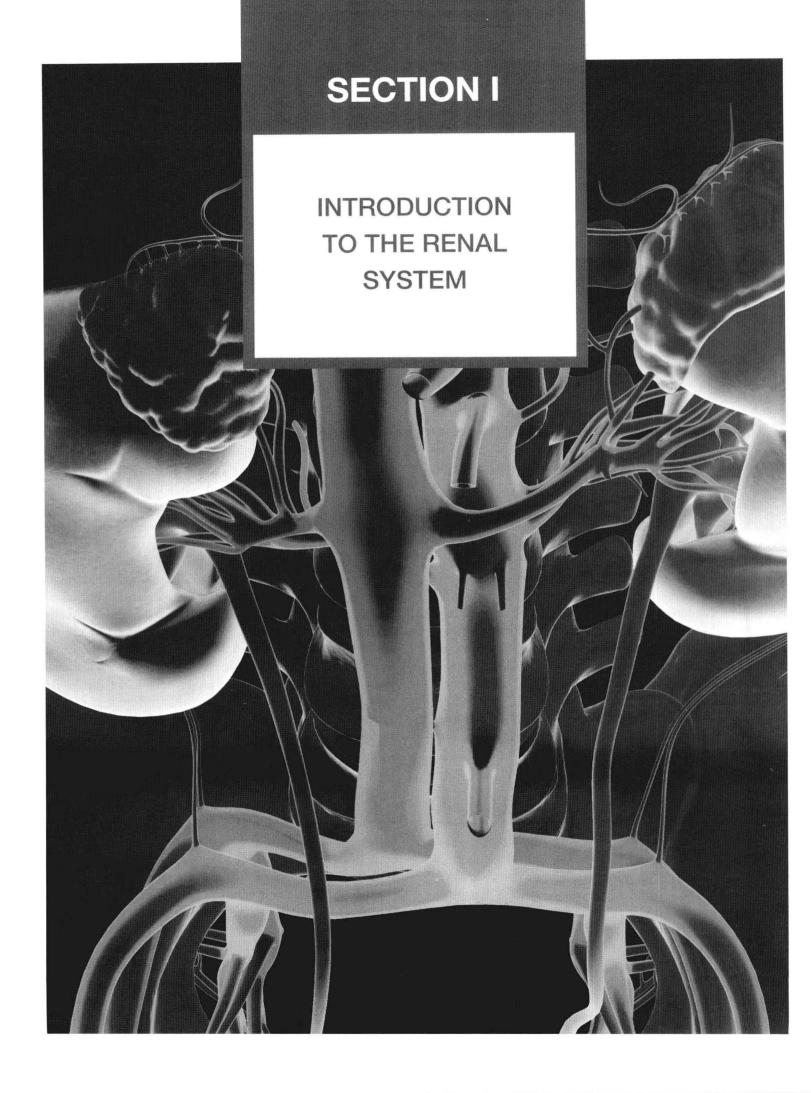
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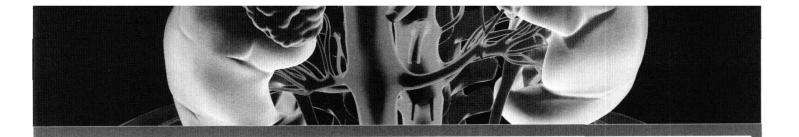


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CHAPTER 1

BASIC BIOLOGY OF THE KIDNEY

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The kidney is one of the most highly differentiated organs in the body. Nearly 30 different cell types can be found in the renal interstitium or along segmented nephrons, blood vessels, and filtering capillaries at the conclusion of embryological development. This panoply of cells modulates a variety of complex physiologic processes. Endocrine functions, the regulation of blood pressure and intraglomerular hemodynamics, solute and water transport, acid-base balance, and removal of fuel or drug metabolites are all accomplished by intricate mechanisms of renal response. This breadth of physiology hinges on the clever ingenuity of nephron architecture that evolved as complex organisms came out of water to live on land.

EMBRYOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

The kidney develops from within the intermediate mesoderm under the timed or sequential control of a growing number of genes, described in Fig. 1-1. The transcription of these genes is guided by morphogenic cues that invite ureteric buds to penetrate the metanephric blastema, where they induce primary mesenchymal cells to form early nephrons. This induction involves a number of complex signaling pathways mediated by c-Met, fibroblast growth factor, transforming growth factor β , glial cell-derived neurotrophic factor, hepatocyte growth factor, epithelial growth factor, and

the Wnt family of proteins. The ureteric buds derive from the posterior nephric ducts and mature into collecting ducts that eventually funnel to a renal pelvis and ureter. Induced mesenchyme undergoes mesenchymalepithelial transitions to form comma-shaped bodies at the proximal end of each ureteric bud. These lead to the formation of S-shaped nephrons that cleft and enjoin with penetrating endothelial cells derived from sprouting angioblasts. Under the influence of vascular endothelial growth factor A, these penetrating cells form capillaries with surrounding mesangial cells that differentiate into a glomerular filter for plasma water and solute. The ureteric buds branch, and each branch produces a new set of nephrons. The number of branching events ultimately determines the total number of nephrons in each kidney. There are approximately 900,000 glomeruli in each kidney in normal-birth-weight adults and as few as 225,000 in low-birth-weight adults. In the latter case, a failure to complete the last one or two rounds of branching leads to smaller kidneys and increased risk for hypertension and cardiovascular disease later in life.

Glomeruli evolved as complex capillary filters with fenestrated endothelia. Outlining each capillary is a basement membrane covered by epithelial podocytes. Podocytes attach by special foot processes and share a slit-pore membrane with their neighbor. The slit-pore membrane is formed by the interaction of nephrin, annexin-4, CD2AP, FAT, ZO-1, P-cadherin, podocin, and neph 1-3 proteins. These glomerular capillaries seat

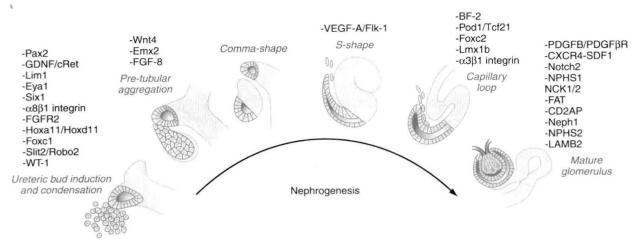


FIGURE 1-1

Genes controlling renal nephrogenesis. A growing number of genes have been identified at various stages of glomerulotubular development in mammalian kidney. The genes listed have been tested in various genetically modified mice, and their location corresponds to the classical stages of kidney development postulated by Saxen in 1987. GDNF, giant cell line-derived neutrophilic factor; FGFR2, fibroblast growth

factor receptor 2; WT-1, Wilms tumor gene 1; FGF-8, fibroblast growth factor 8; VEGF-A/ Flk-1, vascular endothelial growth factor-A/fetal liver kinase-1; PDGFB, platelet-derived growth factor B; PDGFβR, PDGFβ receptor; SDF-1, stromalderived factor 1; NPHS1, nephrin; NCK1/2, NCK-adaptor protein; CD2AP, CD2-associated protein; NPHS2, podocin; LAMB2, laminin beta-2.

in a mesangial matrix shrouded by parietal and proximal tubular epithelia forming Bowman's capsule. Mesangial cells have an embryonic lineage consistent with arteriolar or juxtaglomerular cells and contain contractile actin-myosin fibers. These cells make contact with glomerular capillary loops, and their matrix holds them in condensed arrangement. Between nephrons lies the renal interstitium. This region forms the functional space surrounding glomeruli and their downstream tubules, which are home to resident and trafficking cells, such as fibroblasts, dendritic cells, occasional lymphocytes, and lipid-laden macrophages. The cortical and medullary capillaries, which siphon off solute and water following tubular reclamation of glomerular filtrate, are also part of the interstitial fabric as well as a web of connective tissue that supports the kidney's emblematic architecture of folding tubules. The relational precision of these structures determines the unique physiology of the kidney.

Each nephron segments during embryological development into a proximal tubule, descending and ascending limbs of the loop of Henle, distal tubule, and the collecting duct. These classic tubular segments have subsegments recognized by highly unique epithelia serving regional physiology. All nephrons have the same structural components, but there are two types whose structure depends on their location within the kidney. The majority of nephrons are cortical, with glomeruli located in the mid- to outer cortex. Fewer nephrons are juxtamedullary, with glomeruli at the boundary of the cortex and outer medulla. Cortical nephrons have short

loops of Henle, whereas juxtamedullary nephrons have long loops of Henle. There are critical differences in blood supply as well. The peritubular capillaries surrounding cortical nephrons are shared among adjacent nephrons. By contrast, juxtamedullary nephrons use separate capillaries called vasa recta. Cortical nephrons perform most of the glomerular filtration because there are more of them and because their afferent arterioles are larger than their respective efferent arterioles. The juxtamedullary nephrons, with longer loops of Henle, create a hyperosmolar gradient that allows for the production of concentrated urine. How developmental instructions specify the differentiation of all these unique epithelia among various tubular segments is still unknown.

DETERMINANTS AND REGULATION OF GLOMERULAR FILTRATION

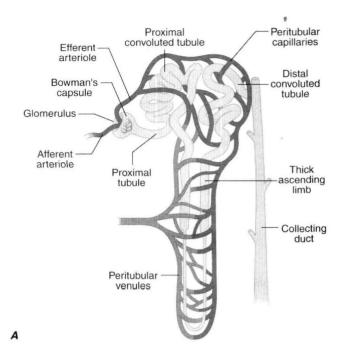
Renal blood flow drains approximately 20% of the cardiac output, or 1000 mL/min. Blood reaches each nephron through the afferent arteriole leading into a glomerular capillary where large amounts of fluid and solutes are filtered as tubular fluid. The distal ends of the glomerular capillaries coalesce to form an efferent arteriole leading to the first segment of a second capillary network (peritubular capillaries) surrounding the cortical tubules (Fig. 1-2.4). Thus, the cortical nephron has two capillary beds arranged in series separated by the efferent arteriole that regulates the hydrostatic pressure in both capillary beds. The peritubular capillaries empty

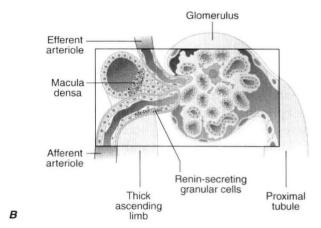
4 into small venous branches, which coalesce into larger veins to eventually form the renal vein.

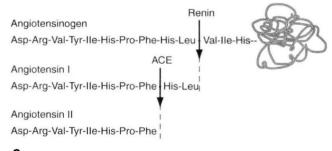
The hydrostatic pressure gradient across the glomerular capillary wall is the primary driving force for glomerular filtration. Oncotic pressure within the capillary lumen, determined by the concentration of unfiltered plasma proteins, partially offsets the hydrostatic pressure gradient and opposes filtration. As the oncotic pressure rises along the length of the glomerular capillary, the driving force for filtration falls to zero before reaching the efferent arteriole. Approximately 20% of the renal plasma flow is filtered into Bowman's space, and the ratio of glomerular filtration rate (GFR) to renal plasma flow determines the filtration fraction. Several factors, mostly hemodynamic, contribute to the regulation of filtration under physiologic conditions.

Although glomerular filtration is affected by renal artery pressure, this relationship is not linear across the range of physiologic blood pressures. Autoregulation of glomerular filtration is the result of three major factors that modulate either afferent or efferent arteriolar tone: these include an autonomous vasoreactive (myogenic) reflex in the afferent arteriole, tubuloglomerular feedback, and angiotensin II-mediated vasoconstriction of the efferent arteriole. The myogenic reflex is a first line of defense against fluctuations in renal blood flow. Acute changes in renal perfusion pressure evoke reflex constriction or dilatation of the afferent arteriole in response to increased or decreased pressure, respectively. This phenomenon helps protect the glomerular capillary from sudden elevations in systolic pressure.

Tubuloglomerular feedback changes the rate of filtration and tubular flow by reflex vasoconstriction or dilatation of the afferent arteriole. Tubuloglomerular feedback is mediated by specialized cells in the thick ascending limb of the loop of Henle called the macula densa that act as sensors of solute concentration and flow of tubular fluid. With high tubular flow rates, a proxy for an inappropriately high filtration rate, there is increased solute delivery to the macula densa (Fig. 1-2B), which evokes vasoconstriction of the afferent arteriole causing the GFR to return to normal. One component of the soluble signal from the macula densa is adenosine triphosphate (ATP), which is released by the cells during increased NaCl reabsorption. ATP is metabolized in the extracellular space by ecto-59-nucleotidase to generate adenosine, a potent vasoconstrictor of the afferent arteriole. Direct release of adenosine by macula densa cells also occurs. During conditions associated with a fall in filtration rate, reduced solute delivery to the macula densa attenuates the tubuloglomerular response, allowing afferent arteriolar dilatation and restoring glomerular filtration to normal levels. Loop diuretics block tubuloglomerular feedback by interfering with NaCl reabsorption by macula densa cells. Angiotensin II and reactive oxygen







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FIGURE 1-2 Renal microcirculation and the renin-angiotensin system.

A. Diagram illustrating relationships of the nephron with glomerular and peritubular capillaries. B. Expanded view of the glomerulus with its juxtaglomerular apparatus including the macula densa and adjacent afferent arteriole. C. Proteolytic processing steps in the generation of angiotensin II.

species enhance, while nitric oxide blunts tubuloglomerular feedback.

The third component underlying autoregulation of filtration rate involves angiotensin II. During states of reduced renal blood flow, renin is released from granular

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cells within the wall of the afferent arteriole near the macula densa in a region called the juxtaglomerular apparatus (Fig. 1-2B). Renin, a proteolytic enzyme, catalyzes the conversion of angiotensinogen to angiotensin I, which is subsequently converted to angiotensin II by angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) (Fig. 1-2C). Angiotensin II evokes vasoconstriction of the efferent arteriole, and the resulting increased glomerular hydrostatic pressure elevates filtration to normal levels.

MECHANISMS OF RENAL TUBULAR **TRANSPORT**

The renal tubules are composed of highly differentiated epithelia that vary dramatically in morphology and function along the nephron (Fig. 1-3). The cells lining the various tubular segments form monolayers con- 5 nected to one another by a specialized region of the adjacent lateral membranes called the tight junction. Tight junctions form an occlusive barrier that separates the lumen of the tubule from the interstitial spaces surrounding the tubule. These specialized junctions also divide the cell membrane into discrete domains: the apical membrane faces the tubular lumen, and the basolateral membrane faces the interstitium. This physical separation of membranes allows cells to allocate membrane proteins and lipids asymmetrically to different regions of the membrane. Owing to this feature, renal epithelial cells are said to be polarized. The asymmetrical assignment of membrane proteins, especially proteins mediating transport processes, provides the structural machinery for directional movement of fluid and solutes by the nephron.

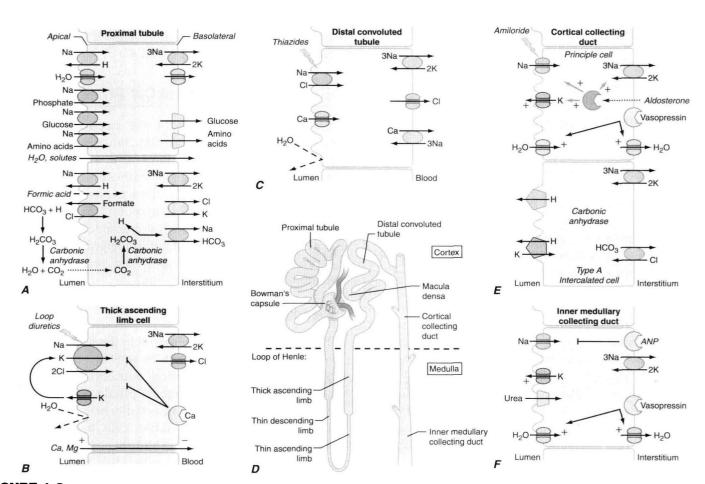


FIGURE 1-3

Transport activities of the major nephron segments. Representative cells from five major tubular segments are illustrated with the lumen side (apical membrane) facing left and interstitial side (basolateral membrane) facing right. A. Proximal tubular cells. B. Typical cell in the thick ascending limb of the loop of Henle. C. Distal convoluted tubular cell. D. Overview of entire nephron. E. Cortical collecting duct cells. F. Typical cell in the inner medullary collecting duct. The major membrane transporters, channels, and pumps are

drawn with arrows indicating the direction of solute or water movement. For some events, the stoichiometry of transport is indicated by numerals preceding the solute. Targets for major diuretic agents are labeled. The actions of hormones are illustrated by arrows with plus signs for stimulatory effects and lines with perpendicular ends for inhibitory events. Dotted lines indicate free diffusion across cell membranes. The dashed line indicates water impermeability of cell membranes in the thick ascending limb and distal convoluted tubule.

6 EPITHELIAL SOLUTE TRANSPORT

There are two types of epithelial transport. The movement of fluid and solutes sequentially across the apical and basolateral cell membranes (or vice versa) mediated by transporters, channels, or pumps is called cellular transport. By contrast, movement of fluid and solutes through the narrow passageway between adjacent cells is called paracellular transport. Paracellular transport occurs through tight junctions, indicating that they are not completely "tight." Indeed, some epithelial cell layers allow rather robust paracellular transport to occur (leaky epithelia), whereas other epithelia have more effective tight junctions (tight epithelia). In addition, because the ability of ions to flow through the paracellular pathway determines the electrical resistance across the epithelial monolayer, leaky and tight epithelia are also referred to as low- and high-resistance epithelia, respectively. The proximal tubule contains leaky epithelia, whereas distal nephron segments, such as the collecting duct, contain tight epithelia. Leaky epithelia are best suited for bulk fluid reabsorption, whereas tight epithelia allow for more refined control and regulation of transport.

MEMBRANE TRANSPORT

Cell membranes are composed of hydrophobic lipids that repel water and aqueous solutes. The movement of solutes and water across cell membranes is made possible by discrete classes of integral membrane proteins, including channels, pumps, and transporters. These different components mediate specific types of transport activities, including active transport (pumps), passive transport (channels), facilitated diffusion (transporters), and secondary active transport (co-transporters). Different cell types in the mammalian nephron are endowed with distinct combinations of proteins that serve specific transport functions. Active transport requires metabolic energy generated by the hydrolysis of ATP. The classes of protein that mediate active transport ("pumps") are ion-translocating ATPases, including the ubiquitous Na⁺/K⁺-ATPase, the H⁺-ATPases, and Ca²⁺-ATPases. Active transport can create asymmetrical ion concentrations across a cell membrane and can move ions against a chemical gradient. The potential energy stored in a concentration gradient of an ion such as Na+ can be utilized to drive transport through other mechanisms (secondary active transport). Pumps are often electrogenic, meaning they can create an asymmetrical distribution of electrostatic charges across the membrane and establish a voltage or membrane potential. The movement of solutes through a membrane protein by simple diffusion is called passive transport. This activity is mediated by channels created by selectively permeable membrane proteins, and it allows solute or water to move across a

membrane driven by favorable concentration gradients or electrochemical potential. Examples in the kidney include water channels (aquaporins), K⁺ channels, epithelial Na⁺ channels, and Cl- channels. Facilitated diffusion is a specialized type of passive transport mediated by simple transporters called carriers or uniporters. For example, a family of hexose transporters (GLUTs 1-13) mediates glucose uptake by cells. These transporters are driven by the concentration gradient for glucose, which is highest in extracellular fluids and lowest in the cytoplasm due to rapid metabolism. Many transporters operate by translocating two or more ions/solutes in concert either in the same direction (symporters or co-transporters) or in opposite directions (antiporters or exchangers) across the cell membrane. The movement of two or more ions/solutes may produce no net change in the balance of electrostatic charges across the membrane (electroneutral), or a transport event may alter the balance of charges (electrogenic). Several inherited disorders of renal tubular solute and water transport occur as a consequence of mutations in genes encoding a variety of channels, transporter proteins, and their regulators (Table 1-1)

SEGMENTAL NEPHRON FUNCTIONS

Each anatomic segment of the nephron has unique characteristics and specialized functions that enable selective transport of solutes and water (Fig. 1-3). Through sequential events of reabsorption and secretion along the nephron, tubular fluid is progressively conditioned into final urine for excretion. Knowledge of the major tubular mechanisms responsible for solute and water transport is critical for understanding hormonal regulation of kidney function and the pharmacologic manipulation of renal excretion.

PROXIMAL TUBULE

The proximal tubule is responsible for reabsorbing ~60% of filtered NaCl and water, as well as ~90% of filtered bicarbonate and most critical nutrients such as glucose and amino acids. The proximal tubule utilizes both cellular and paracellular transport mechanisms. The apical membrane of proximal tubular cells has an expanded surface area available for reabsorptive work created by a dense array of microvilli called the *brush border*, and comparatively leaky tight junctions further enable high-capacity fluid reabsorption.

Solute and water pass through these tight junctions to enter the lateral intercellular space where absorption by the peritubular capillaries occurs. Bulk fluid reabsorption by the proximal tubule is driven by high oncotic pressure and low hydrostatic pressure within the peritubular capillaries. Physiologic adjustments in GFR made by changing efferent arteriolar tone cause proportional changes in reabsorption, a phenomenon known as

TABLE 1-1

DISEASE OR SYNDROME	GENE	OMIMA'
Disorders Involving the Proximal Tubule		
Proximal renal tubular acidosis	Sodium bicarbonate co-transporter	
	(SLC4A4, 4q21)	604278
Faconi-Bickel syndrome	Glucose transporter-2	007044
landada da arabahar arawa	(SLC2A2 3q26.1-q26.3)	227810
solated renal glycosuria	Sodium glucose co-transporter (SLC5A2,16p11.2)	233100
Cystinuria, type I	Cystine, dibasic and neutral amino acid transporter	20010
Systimum, type i	(SLC3A1, 2p16.3)	22010
Cystinuria, non-type I	Amino acid transporter, light subunit	
•	(SLC7A9, 19q13.1)	60091
Lysinuric protein intolerance	Amino acid transporter	
	(SLC7A7, 4q11.2)	22270
Hereditary hypophosphatemic	Sodium phosphate co-transporter	0.4450
rickets with hypercalcemia	(<i>SLC34A3</i> , 9q34)	24153
Renal hypouricemia	Urate-anion exchanger	00015
Dent's disease	(SLC22A12, 11q13) Chloride channel, CIC-5	22015
Dent's disease	(CLCN5, Xp11.22)	30000
X-linked recessive nephrolithiasis	Chloride channel, CIC-5	30000
with renal failure	(CLCN5, Xp11.22)	31046
X-linked recessive	Chloride channel, CIC-5	0.0.0
hypophosphatemic rickets	(CLCN5, Xp11.22)	30780
Disorders Involving the Loop of Henle		
Bartter's syndrome, type 1	Sodium potassium-chloride co-transporter	<u>-</u>
- ш. т. с. т. с	(SLC12A1,15q15-q21)	24120
Bartter's syndrome, type 2	Potassium channel, ROMK	
	(KCNJ1, 11q24)	60167
Bartter's syndrome, type 3	Chloride channel, CIC-Kb	
	(CLCNKB, 1p36)	60202
Bartter's syndrome with	Chloride channel accessory subunit, barttin	
sensorineural deafness	(BSND, 1p31)	60252
Autosomal dominant hypocalcemia	Calcium-sensing receptor	
with Bartter-like syndrome	(CASR, 3q13.3-q21)	60119
Familial hypocalciuric hypercalcemia	Calcium-sensing receptor	
	(CASR, 3q13.3-q21)	14598
Primary hypomagnesemia	Claudin-16 or paracellin-1	
	(CLDN16 or PCLN1, 3q27)	24825
Isolated renal magnesium loss	Sodium potassium ATPase, γ ₁ -subunit	
	(<i>ATP1G1</i> , 11q23)	15402
Primary hypomagnesemia with	Melastatin-related transient receptor potential	
secondary hypocalcemia	cation channel 6	
	(<i>TRPM6</i> , 9q22)	60201
Disorders Involving the Distal Tubule an	d Collecting Duct	
Gitelman's syndrome	Sodium-chloride co-transporter	
D	(SLC12A3, 16q13)	26380
Pseudoaldosteronism	Epithelial sodium channel β and γ subunits	
(Liddle's syndrome)	(SCNN1B, SCNN1G, 16p13-p12)	17720
Recessive pseudohypoaldosteronism	Epithelial sodium channel, α , β , and γ subunits	
type 1	(SCNN1A, 12p13; SCNN1B, SCNN1G, 16p13-p12)	26435
Pseudohypoaldosteronism type 2	Kinases WNK-1, WNK-4	
(Gordon's hyperkalemia-hypertension	(WNK1, 12p13; WNK4, 17q21-q22)	14526

TABLE 1-1 (CONTINUED)

DISEASE OR SYNDROME	GENE	OMIMA				
Disorders Involving the Distal Tubule and Collecting Duct						
X-linked nephrogenic diabetes	Vasopressin V ₂ receptor					
insipidus	(AVPR2, Xq28)	304800				
Nephrogenic diabetes insipidus	Water channel, aquaporin-2					
(autosomal)	(AQP2, 12q13)	125800				
Distal renal tubular acidosis,	Anion exchanger-1					
autosomal dominant	(SLC4A1, 17q21-q22)	179800				
Distal renal tubular acidosis,	Anion exchanger-1					
autosomal recessive	(SLC4A1, 17q21-q22)	602722				
Distal renal tubular acidosis with	Proton ATPase, β1 subunit					
neural deafness	(ATP6B1, 2cen-q13)	192132				
Distal renal tubular acidosis with	Proton ATPase, 116-kD subunit					
normal hearing	(ATP6N1B, 7q33-q34)	602722				

^aOnline Mendelian Inheritance in Man database (http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Omim).

glomerulotubular balance. For example, vasoconstriction of the efferent arteriole by angiotensin II will increase glomerular capillary hydrostatic pressure but lower pressure in the peritubular capillaries. At the same time, increased GFR and filtration fraction cause a rise in oncotic pressure near the end of the glomerular capillary. These changes, a lowered hydrostatic and increased oncotic pressure, increase the driving force for fluid absorption by the peritubular capillaries.

Cellular transport of most solutes by the proximal tubule is coupled to the Na+ concentration gradient established by the activity of a basolateral Na⁺/K⁺-ATPase (Fig. 1-3A). This active transport mechanism maintains a steep Na⁺ gradient by keeping intracellular Na⁺ concentrations low. Solute reabsorption is coupled to the Na⁺ gradient by Na⁺-dependent co-transporters such as Na⁺-glucose and the Na⁺-phosphate. In addition to the paracellular route, water reabsorption also occurs through the cellular pathway enabled by constitutively active water channels (aquaporin-1) present on both apical and basolateral membranes. In addition, small, local osmotic gradients close to plasma membranes generated by cellular Na+ reabsorption are likely responsible for driving directional water movement across proximal tubule cells.

Proximal tubular cells reclaim bicarbonate by a mechanism dependent on carbonic anhydrases. Filtered bicarbonate is first titrated by protons delivered to the lumen by Na⁺/H⁺ exchange. The resulting carbonic acid is metabolized by brush border carbonic anhydrase to water and carbon dioxide. Dissolved carbon dioxide then diffuses into the cell, where it is enzymatically hydrated by cytoplasmic carbonic anhydrase to reform carbonic acid. Finally, intracellular carbonic acid dissociates into free protons and bicarbonate anions, and bicarbonate exits

the cell through a basolateral Na⁺/HCO₃⁻ co-transporter. This process is saturable, resulting in renal bicarbonate excretion when plasma levels exceed the physiologically normal range (24–26 meq/L). Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors such as acetazolamide, a class of weak diuretic agents, block proximal tubule reabsorption of bicarbonate and are useful for alkalinizing the urine.

Chloride is poorly reabsorbed throughout the first segment of the proximal tubule, and a rise in Cl⁻ concentration counterbalances the removal of bicarbonate anion from tubular fluid. In later proximal tubular segments, cellular Cl⁻ reabsorption is initiated by apical exchange of cellular formate for higher luminal concentrations of Cl⁻. Once in the lumen, formate anions are titrated by H⁺ (provided by Na⁺/H⁺ exchange) to generate neutral formic acid, which can diffuse passively across the apical membrane back into the cell where it dissociates a proton and is recycled. Basolateral Cl⁻ exit is mediated by a K⁺/Cl⁻ co-transporter.

Reabsorption of glucose is nearly complete by the end of the proximal tubule. Cellular transport of glucose is mediated by apical Na⁺-glucose co-transport coupled with basolateral, facilitated diffusion by a glucose transporter. This process is also saturable, leading to glycosuria when plasma levels exceed 180–200 mg/dL, as seen in untreated diabetes mellitus.

The proximal tubule possesses specific transporters capable of secreting a variety of organic acids (carboxylate anions) and bases (mostly primary amine cations). Organic anions transported by these systems include urate, ketoacid anions, and several protein-bound drugs not filtered at the glomerulus (penicillins, cephalosporins, and salicylates). Probenecid inhibits renal organic anion secretion and can be clinically useful for raising plasma

concentrations of certain drugs like penicillin and oseltamivir. Organic cations secreted by the proximal tubule include various biogenic amine neurotransmitters (dopamine, acetylcholine, epinephrine, norepinephrine, and histamine) and creatinine. Certain drugs like cimetidine and trimethoprim compete with endogenous compounds for transport by the organic cation pathways. These drugs elevate levels of serum creatinine, but this change does not reflect changes in the GFR.

The proximal tubule, through distinct classes of Na⁺dependent and Na+-independent transport systems, reabsorbs amino acids efficiently. These transporters are specific for different groups of amino acids. For example, cystine, lysine, arginine, and ornithine are transported by a system comprising two proteins encoded by the SLC3A1 and SLC7A9 genes. Mutations in either SLC3A1 or SLC7A9 impair reabsorption of these amino acids and cause the disease cystinuria. Peptide hormones, such as insulin and growth hormone, β_{2-} microglobulin, and other small proteins, are taken up by the proximal tubule through a process of absorptive endocytosis and are degraded in acidified endocytic vesicles or lysosomes. Acidification of these vesicles depends on a "proton pump" (vacuolar H+-ATPase) and a Cl-channel. Impaired acidification of endocytic vesicles because of mutations in a Cl⁻ channel gene (CLCN5) causes low-molecular-weight proteinuria in Dent's disease. Renal ammoniagenesis from glutamine in the proximal tubule provides a major tubular fluid buffer to ensure excretion of secreted H⁺ ion as NH₄⁺ by the collecting duct. Cellular K+ levels inversely modulate ammoniagenesis, and in the setting of high serum K⁺ from hypoaldosteronism, reduced ammoniagenesis facilitates the appearance of type IV renal tubular acidosis.

LOOP OF HENLE

The loop of Henle consists of three major segments: descending thin limb, ascending thin limb, and ascending thick limb. These divisions are based on cellular morphology and anatomic location, but also correlate well with specialization of function. Approximately 15-25% of filtered NaCl is reabsorbed in the loop of Henle, mainly by the thick ascending limb. The loop of Henle has a critically important role in urinary concentrating ability by contributing to the generation of a hypertonic medullary interstitium in a process called countercurrent multiplication. The loop of Henle is the site of action for the most potent class of diuretic agents (loop diuretics) and contributes to reabsorption of calcium and magnesium ions.

The descending thin limb is highly water permeable owing to dense expression of constitutively active aquaporin-1 water channels. By contrast, water permeability is negligible in the ascending limb. In the thick ascending limb, there is a high level of secondary active salt transport

enabled by the Na⁺/K⁺/2Cl⁻ co-transporter on the api- 9 cal membrane in series with basolateral Cl- channels and Na^+/K^+ -ATPase (Fig. 1-3B). The $Na^+/K^+/2Cl^$ co-transporter is the primary target for loop diuretics. Tubular fluid K⁺ is the limiting substrate for this cotransporter (tubular concentration of K⁺ is similar to plasma, about 4 meg/L), but it is maintained by K⁺ recycling through an apical potassium channel. An inherited disorder of the thick ascending limb, Bartter's syndrome, results in a salt-wasting renal disease associated with hypokalemia and metabolic alkalosis. Lossof-function mutations in one of four distinct genes encoding components of the Na⁺/K⁺/2Cl⁻ co-transporter (NKCC2), apical K⁺ channel (KCNJ1), or basolateral CF channel (CLCNKB, BSND) can cause the syndrome.

Potassium recycling also contributes to a positive electrostatic charge in the lumen relative to the interstitium, which promotes divalent cation (Mg²⁺ and Ca²⁺) reabsorption through the paracellular pathway. A Ca²⁺sensing, G-protein coupled receptor (CaSR) on basolateral membranes regulates NaCl reabsorption in the thick ascending limb through dual signaling mechanisms utilizing either cyclic adenosine monophosphate (AMP) or eicosanoids. This receptor enables a steep relationship between plasma Ca2+ levels and renal Ca2+ excretion. Loss-of-function mutations in CaSR cause familial hypercalcemic hypocalciuria because of a blunted response of the thick ascending limb to exocellular Ca²⁺. Mutations in CLDN16 encoding paracellin-1, a transmembrane protein located within the tight junction complex, leads to familial hypomagnesemia with hypercalcuria and nephrocalcinosis, suggesting that the ion conductance of the paracellular pathway in the thick limb is regulated. Mutations in TRPM6 encoding an Mg2+ permeable ion channel also cause familial hypomagnesemia with hypocalcemia. A molecular complex of TRPM6 and TRPM7 proteins is critical for Mg²⁺ reabsorption in the thick ascending limb of Henle.

The loop of Henle contributes to urine concentrating ability by establishing a hypertonic medullary interstitium, which promotes water reabsorption by a more distal nephron segment, the inner medullary collecting duct. Countercurrent multiplication produces a hypertonic medullary interstitium using two countercurrent systems: the loop of Henle (opposing descending and ascending limbs) and the vasa recta (medullary peritubular capillaries enveloping the loop). The countercurrent flow in these two systems helps maintain the hypertonic environment of the inner medulla, but NaCl reabsorption by the thick ascending limb is the primary initiating event. Reabsorption of NaCl without water dilutes the tubular fluid and adds new osmoles to the interstitial fluid surrounding the thick ascending limb. Because the descending thin limb is highly water permeable, osmotic equilibrium occurs between the descending-limb tubular fluid and the interstitial space, leading to progressive