



Advances in Paediatric Dialysis



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UREMIC TOXINS: WHAT THEY DO AND HOW TO CLEAR THEM

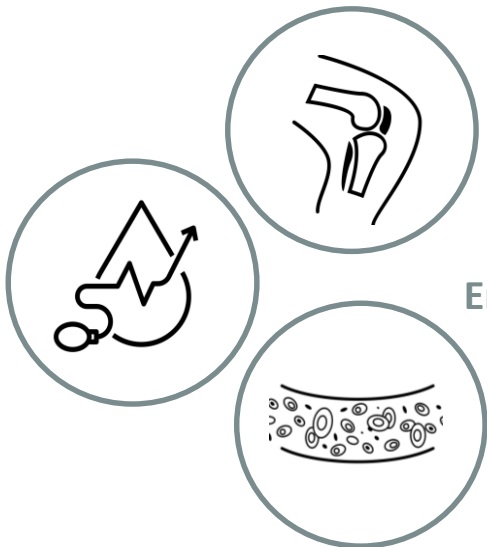
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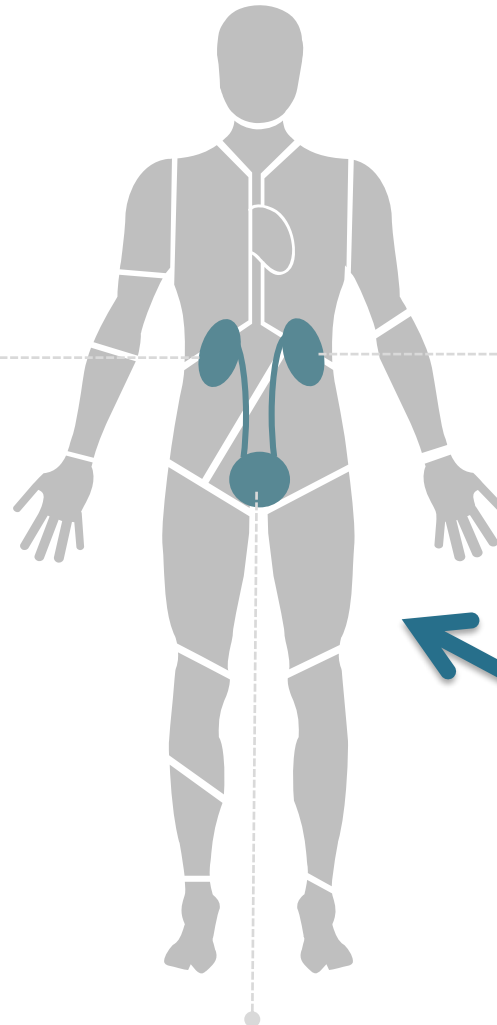




Introduction



Endocrine function



Waste product removal

Water-soluble

Middle molecule

Protein-bound

“Uremic toxins”

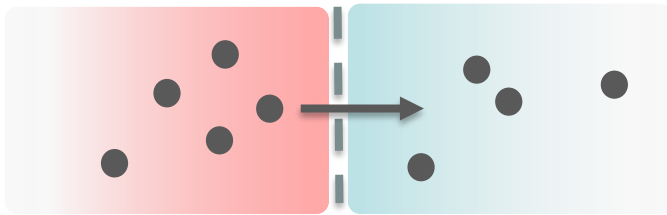
Homeostasis of fluid, electrolytes & acid-base



Introduction



Water-
soluble



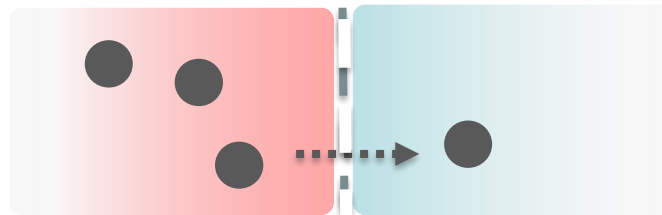
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Diffusion

Concentration gradient

Urea

Middle
molecule



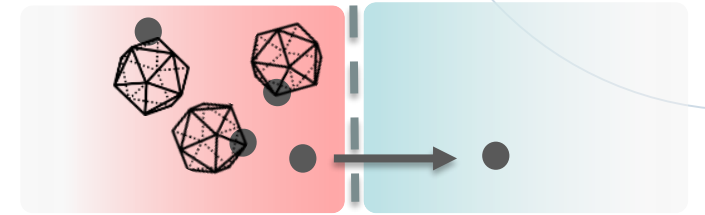
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Convection

Pressure gradient

B2-microglobulin

Protein-
bound



< 500 Da, protein-bound

Diffusion, convection, adsorption

Indoxyl sulfate, p-cresylsulfate



Uremic toxins, what they do?





Pathophysiology



CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

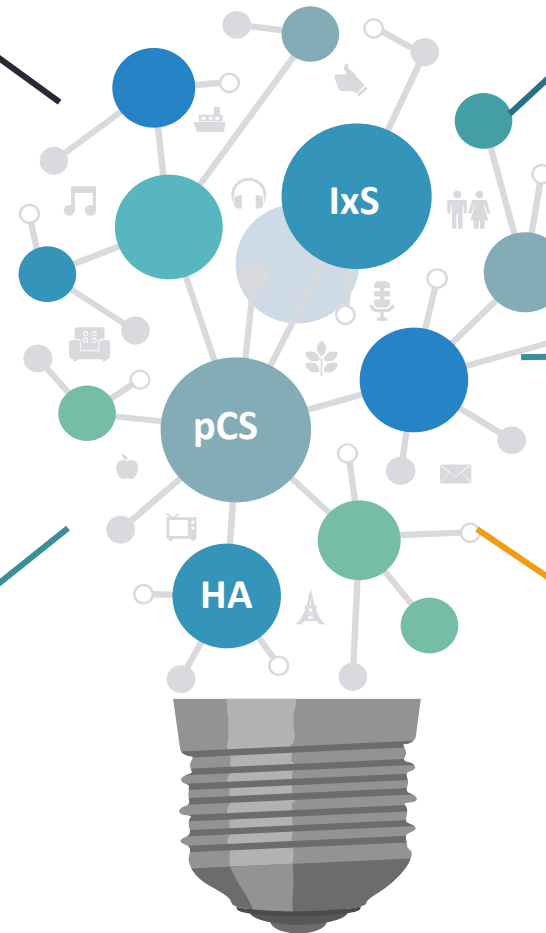
OXIDATIVE STRESS

METABOLIC DISEASE

INFLAMMATION

INFECTION

FIBROSIS





Which uremic toxins are making our patient sick?



Confounding factors (pre-existing CV disease)



Large inter-patient variability



Inability to decrease a single compound



Complex and multifactorial interplay between different key elements, present for longer time



Which uremic toxins are making our patient sick?

No confounding factors
or co-morbidities

Isolated kidney disease

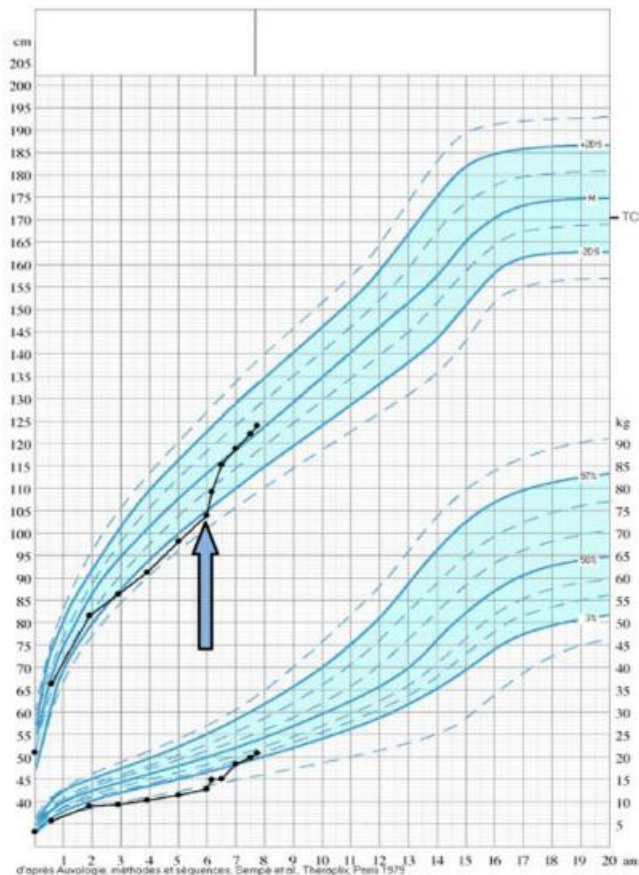
Growth



**Opportunities in
pediatric population**



Enhancing uremic solute removal improves growth



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Daily online haemodiafiltration promotes catch-up growth in children on chronic dialysis

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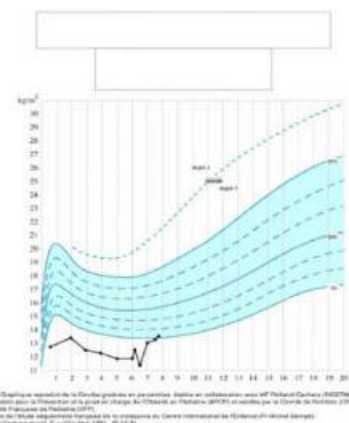
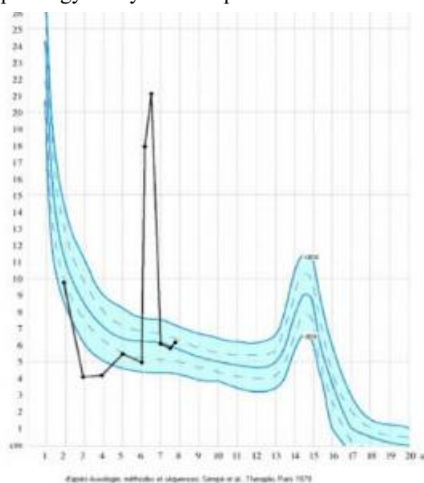


Figure 2 Daily intensive online hemodiafiltration (↑) promotes catch-up growth (from reference 12).



In pediatrics?



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EDITORIAL COMMENTARY



A plea for more uremic toxin research in children with chronic kidney disease

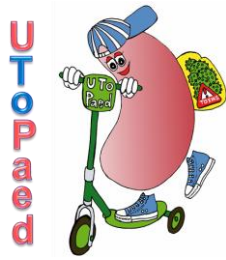
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UToPaed study: uremic toxins in pediatric CKD

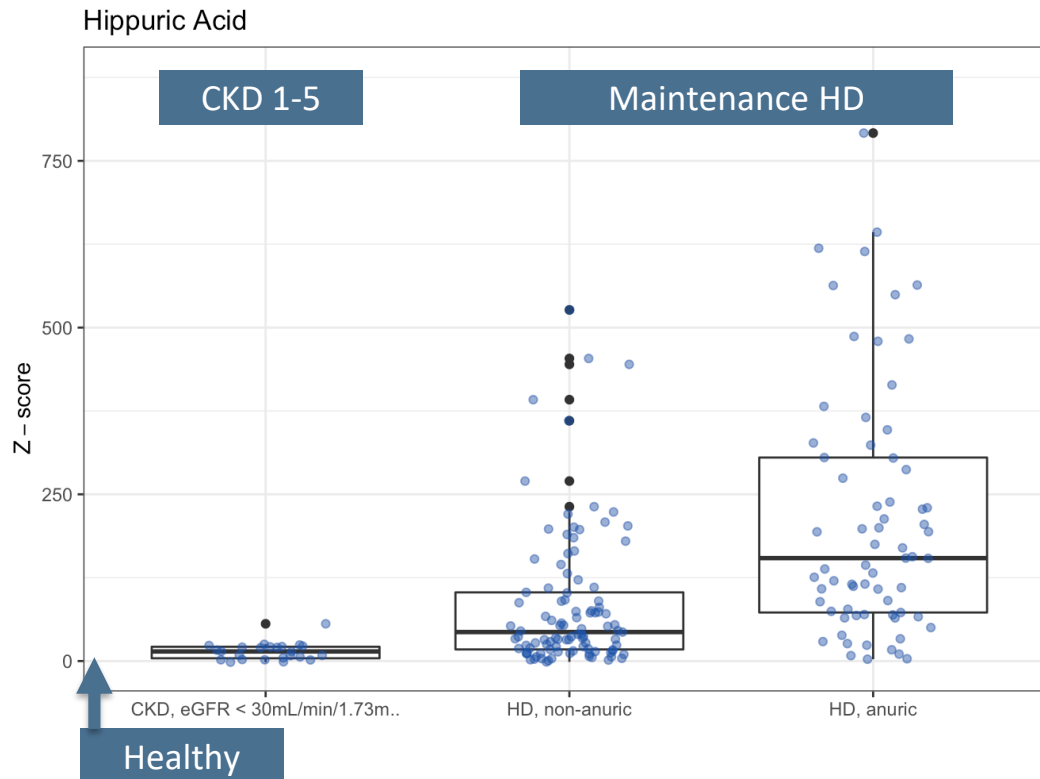


more advanced and appropriate tools
to improve management of children
with CKD





Pediatric reference frame



50 healthy children
65 children CKD stage 1-5 (not on dialysis)
170 children hemodialysis



6 protein-bound uremic toxins
4 small water-soluble uremic toxins
2 middle molecules

Ensure use of biologically relevant uremic toxin levels in experimental studies

Allow proper design of studies



Results from observational study to be announced soon



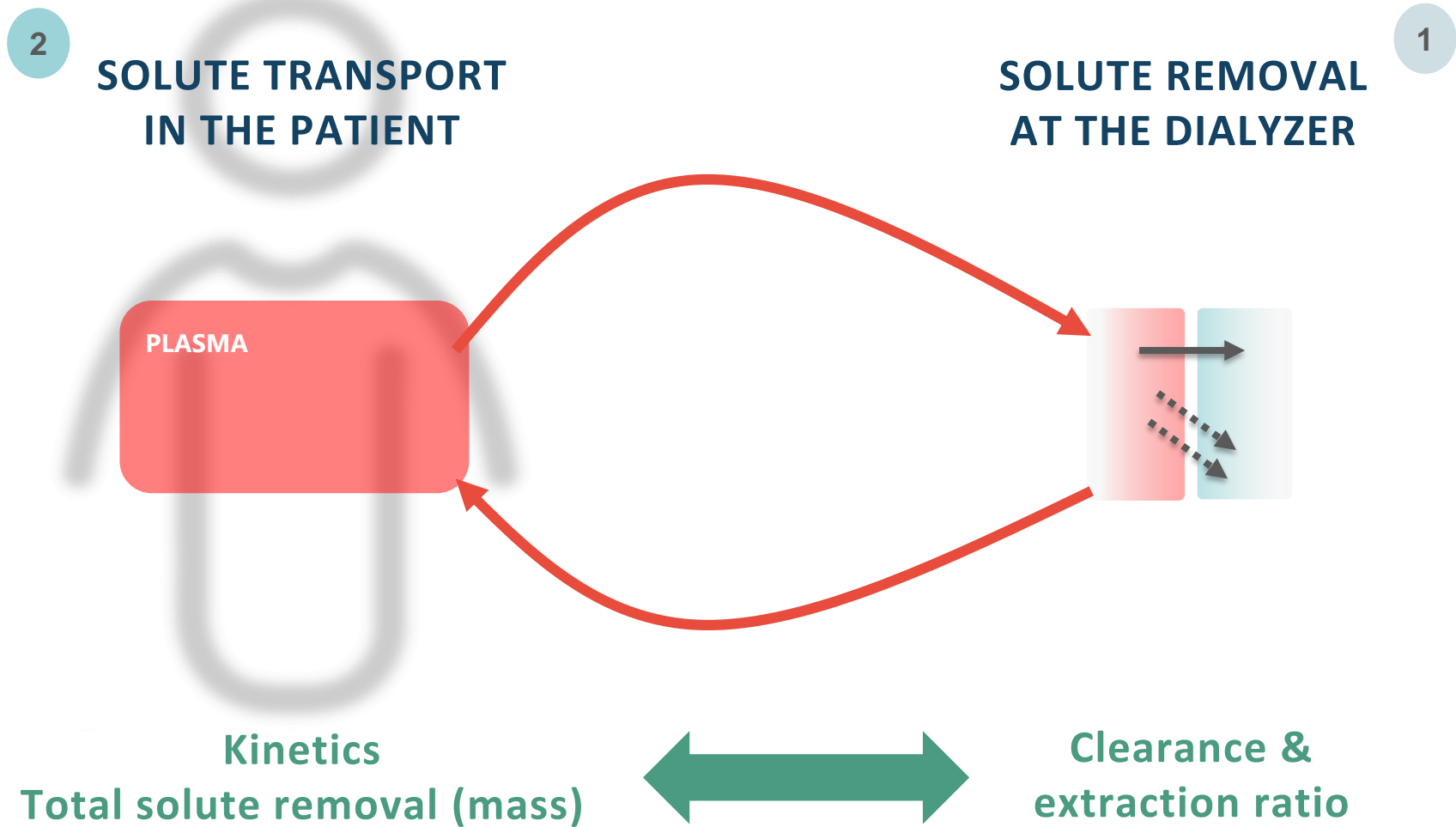


Uremic toxins, how to clear them?



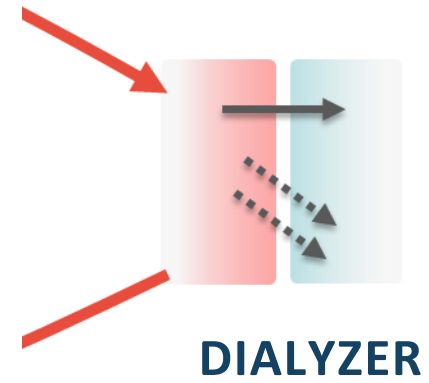


How to clear uremic toxins?

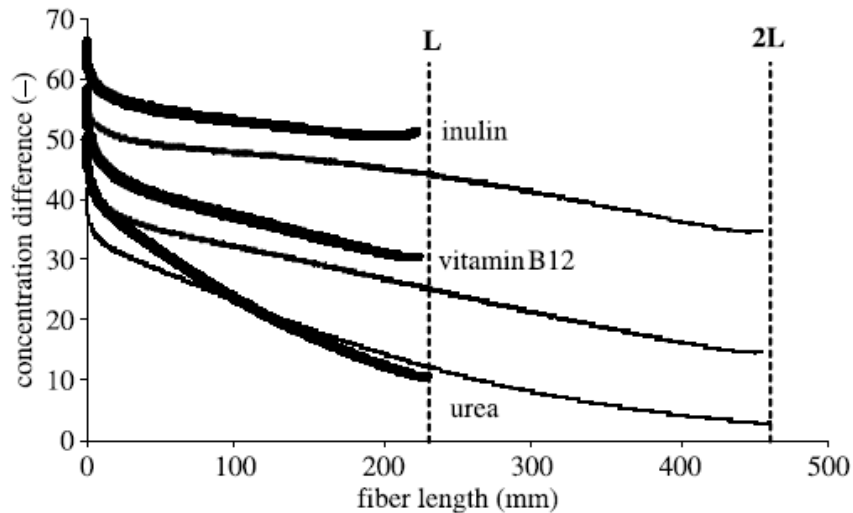




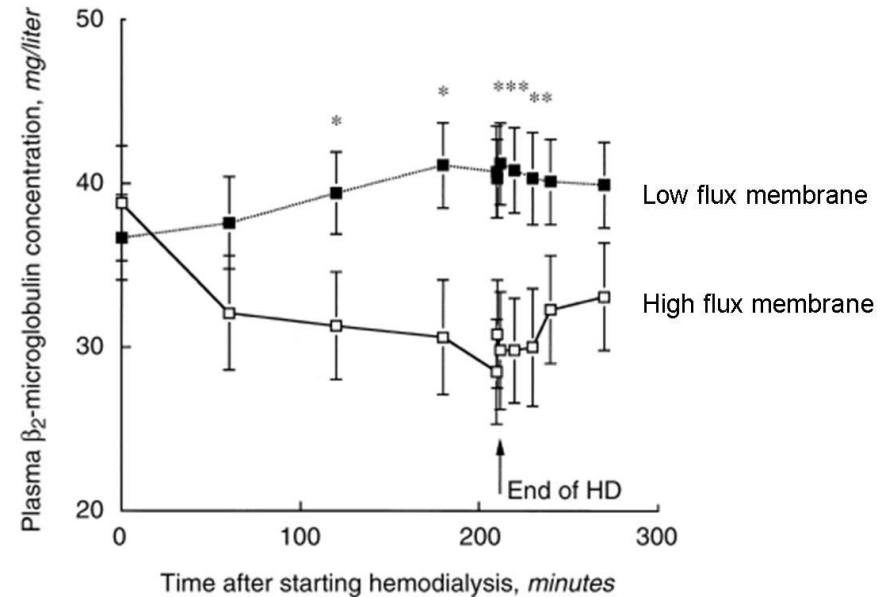
Solute transport in the dialyzer



Clearance and extraction ratio \approx **blood flow** + membrane + **dialysate flow**



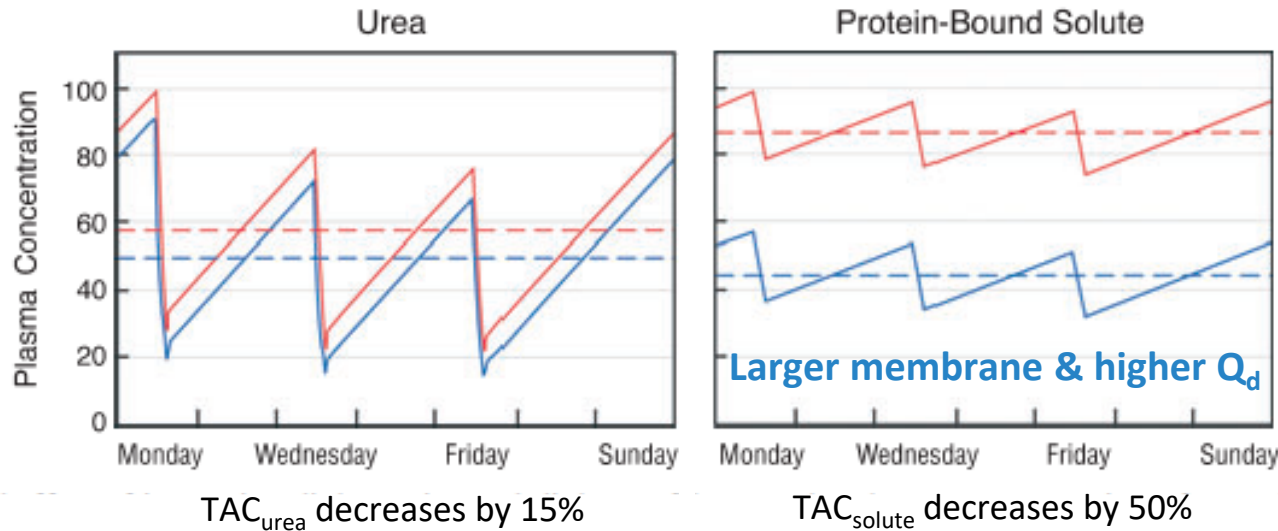
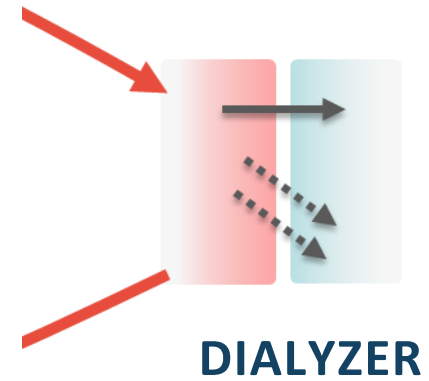
Dialyzer fiber length,
diameter and permeability



Adding convection to
diffusion



Solute transport in the dialyzer



Diffusion = well established removal strategy of free fraction protein-bound uremic toxins

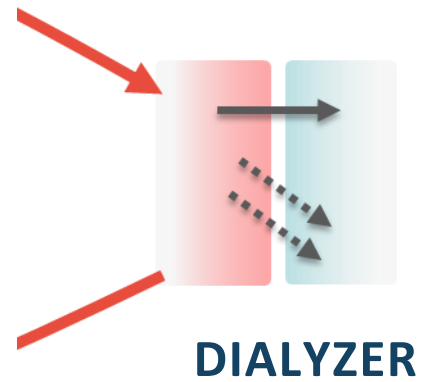
Table 2. Instantaneous clearance (mL/min) at 60 min

	Post-HDF	Pre-HDF	Pre-HF
Urea	243.0 ± 18.7	230.1 ± 10.5*	150.7 ± 15.0 ^{°°} .§§
Creatinine	179.4 ± 48.3	148.9 ± 22.3*	103.7 ± 19.9 ^{°°} .§§
Uric acid	166.4 ± 14.1	153.4 ± 9.8*	104.8 ± 8.9 ^{°°} .§§
β ₂ M	82.8 ± 16.1	67.2 ± 18.5*	87.5 ± 9.6 [§]
Hippuric acid	131.2 ± 15.6	121.4 ± 13.1*	68.7 ± 23.9 [°] .§
Indole acetic acid	66.6 ± 8.6	67.5 ± 9.3	38.8 ± 5.4 ^{°°} .§§
Indoxylsulfate	33.4 ± 7.4	34.7 ± 9.9	18.7 ± 6.6 ^{°°} .§§
<i>p</i> -Cresylsulfate	23.5 ± 4.6	24.6 ± 6.4	12.9 ± 2.5 ^{°°} .§§
CMPF			

Pre-HDF versus post-HDF: **P* < 0.017, ***P* < 0.001; pre-HF versus post-HDF: °*P* < 0.017, °°*P* < 0.001; pre-HF versus pre-HDF: §*P* < 0.017, §§*P* < 0.001.



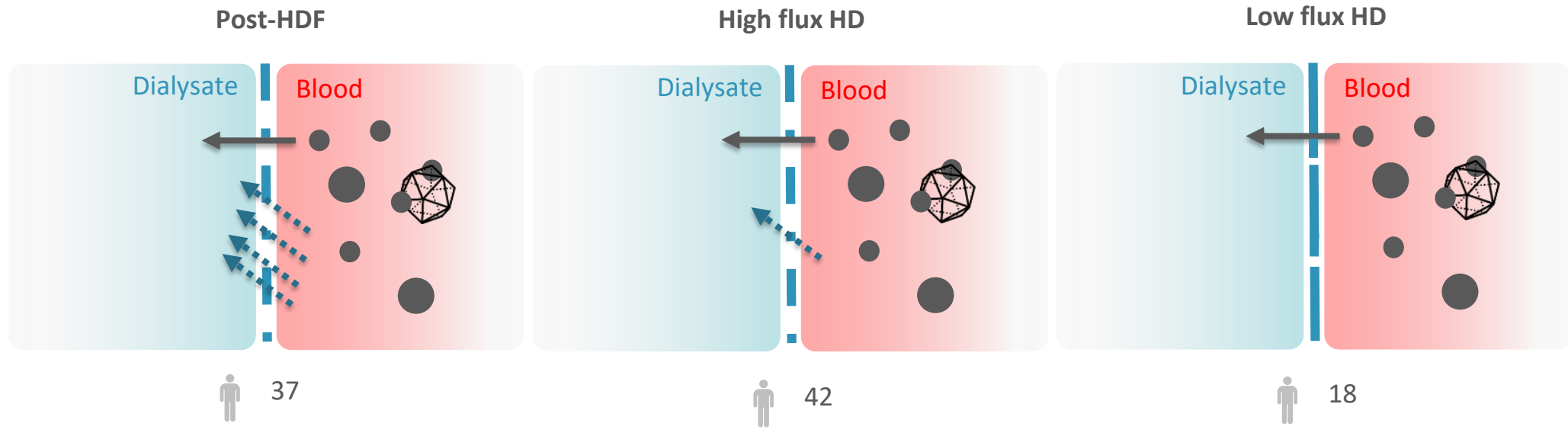
Solute transport in the dialyzer



DIALYZER



Research question: does post-HDF decrease levels of protein-bound uremic toxins ?

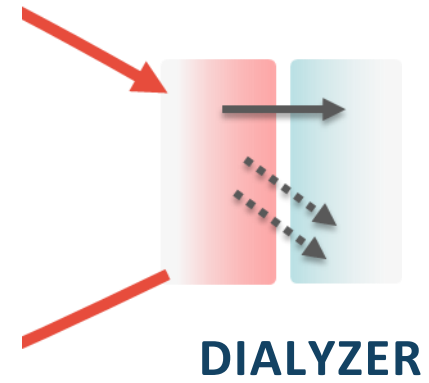


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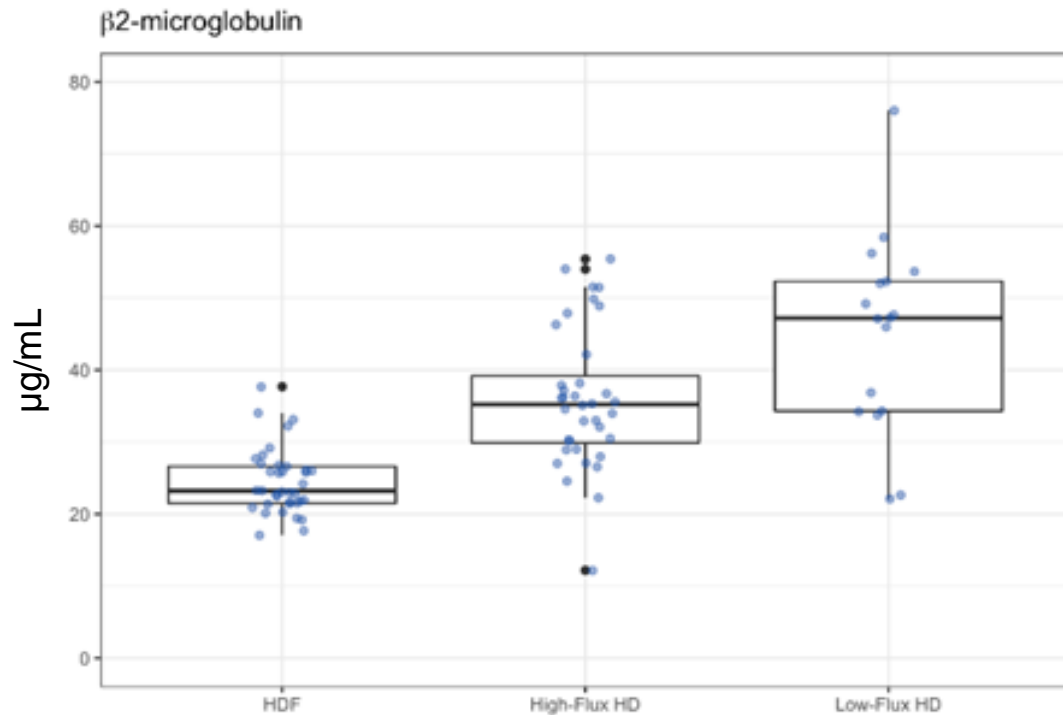
12 months



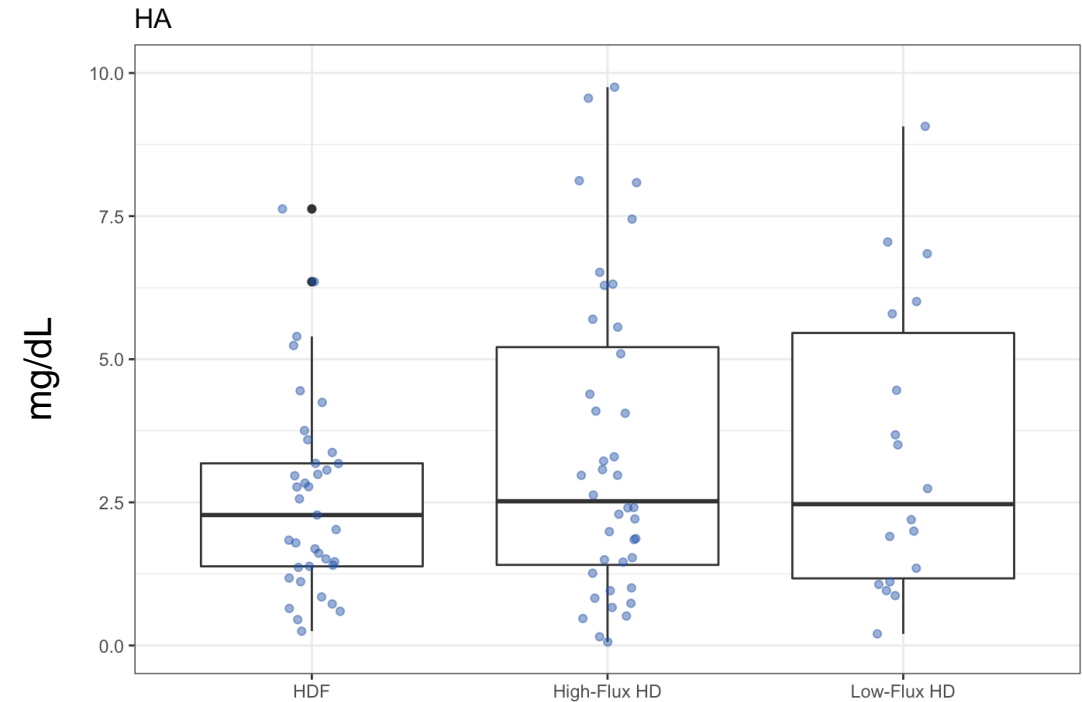
Solute transport at the dialyzer



MIDDLE MOLECULES

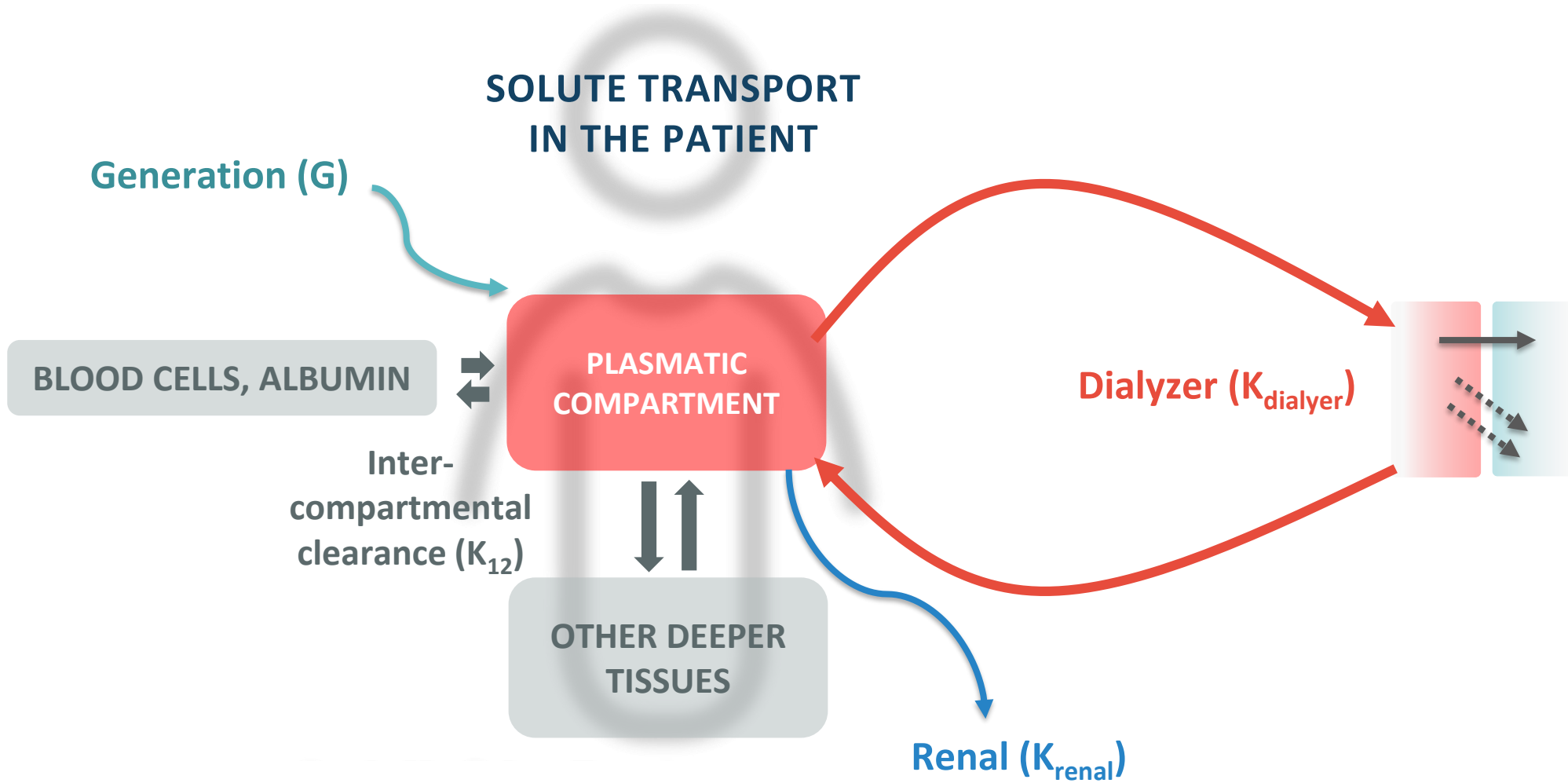


PROTEIN-BOUND UREMIC TOXINS



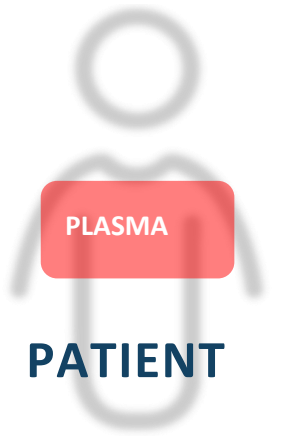


Solute transport in the patient

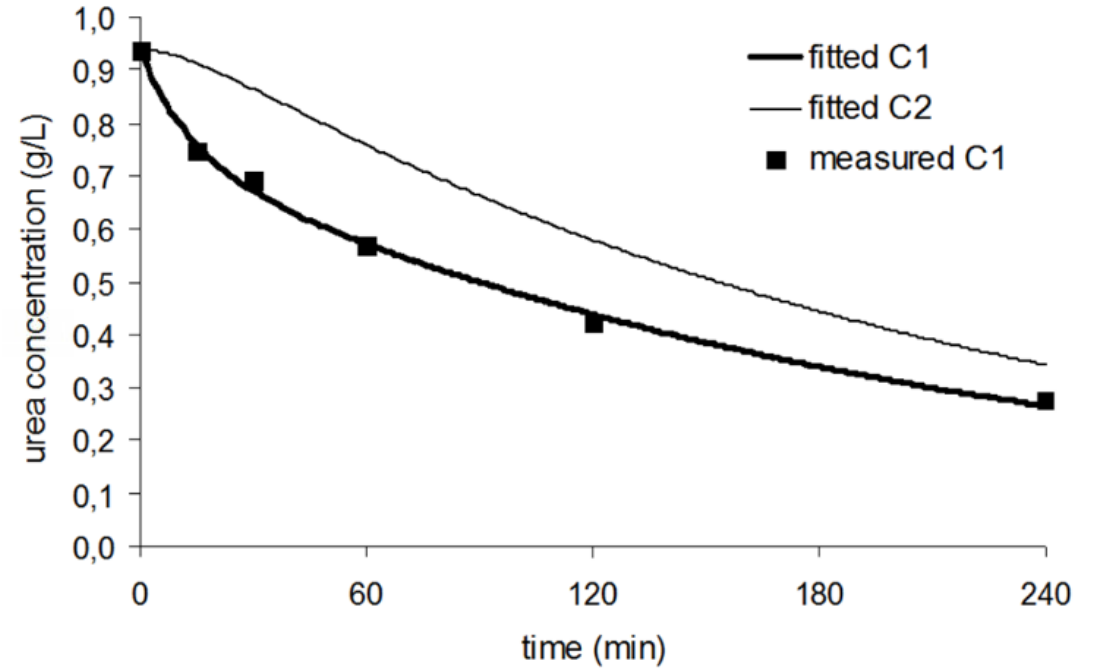
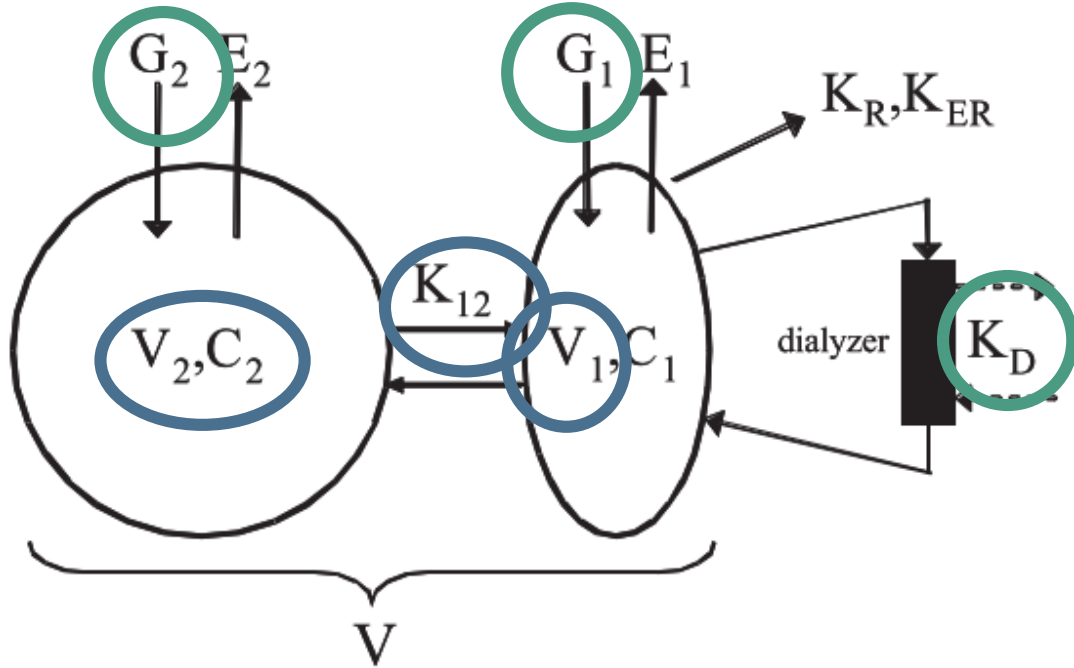




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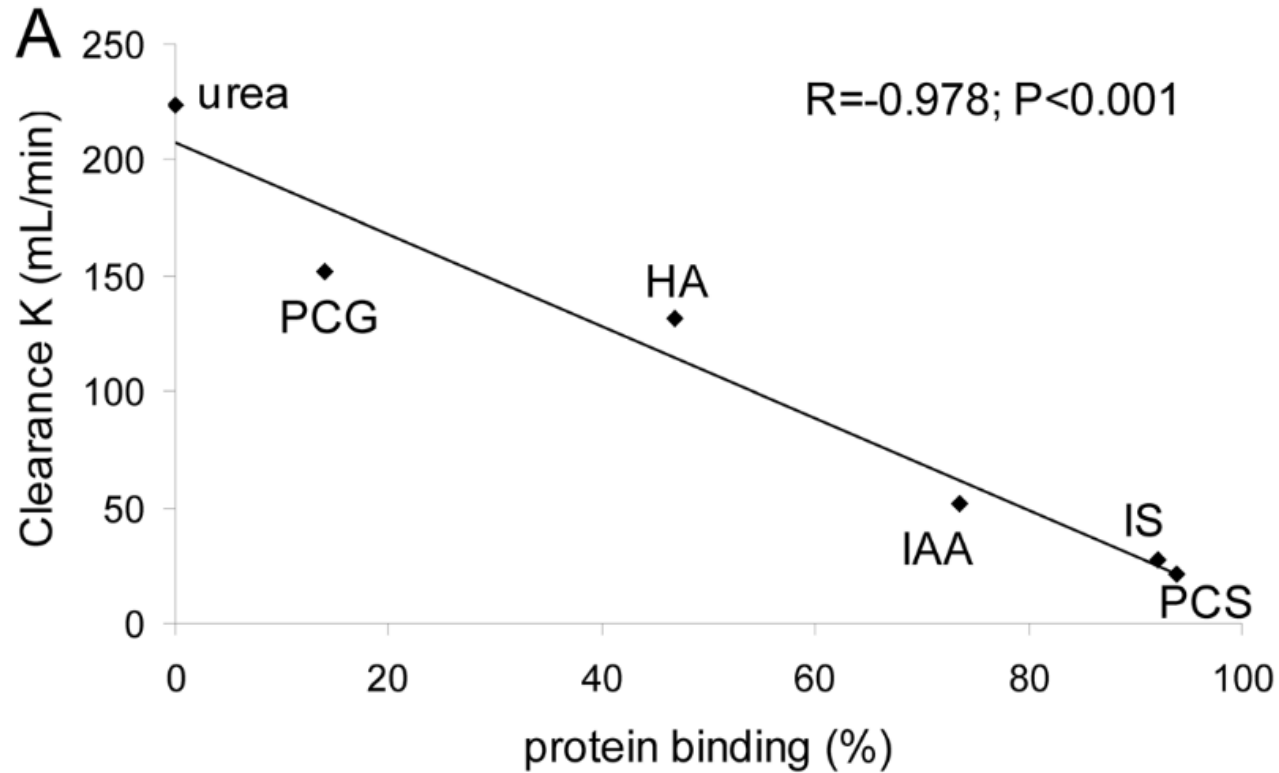
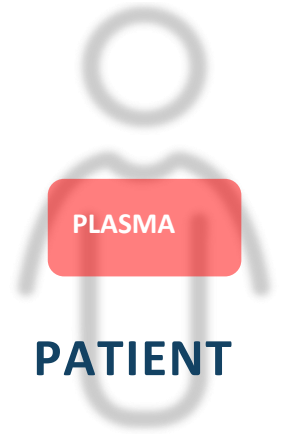


Two-compartment kinetic model





Solute transport in the patient

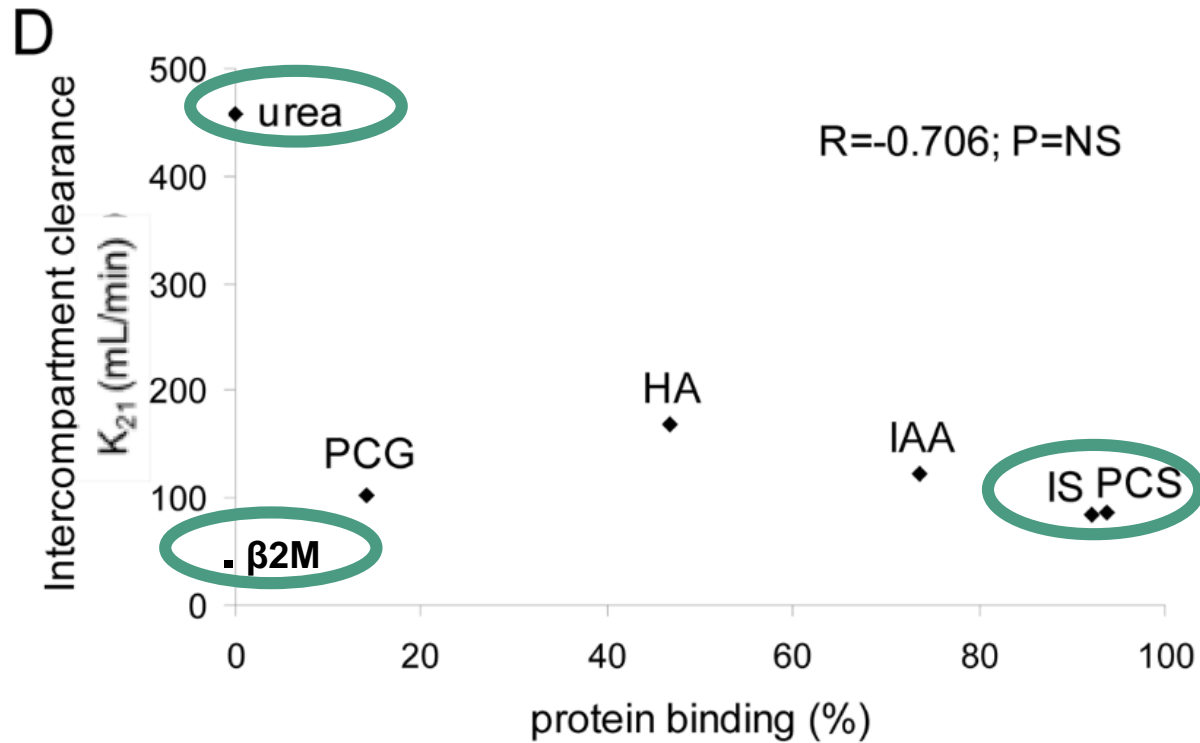
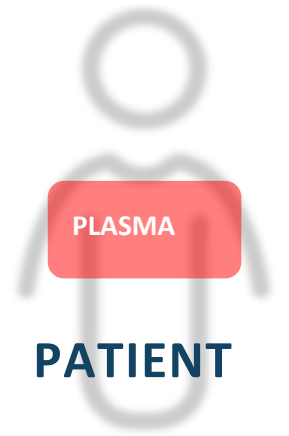


Dialyzer clearance shows an inverse relation with % protein-binding

Only free fraction can be removed!



Solute transport in the patient



Multicompartmental distribution
+ slow intercompartmental
clearance (K_{12})

= slow transport into the plasma



Solute transport at the dialyzer



Haemodiafiltration does not lower protein-bound uraemic toxin levels compared with haemodialysis in a paediatric population

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Seminars in Dialysis

A Sad but Forgotten Truth: The Story of Slow-Moving Solutes in Fast Hemodialysis

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Does the Adequacy Parameter Kt/V_{urea} Reflect Uremic Toxin Concentrations in Hemodialysis Patients?

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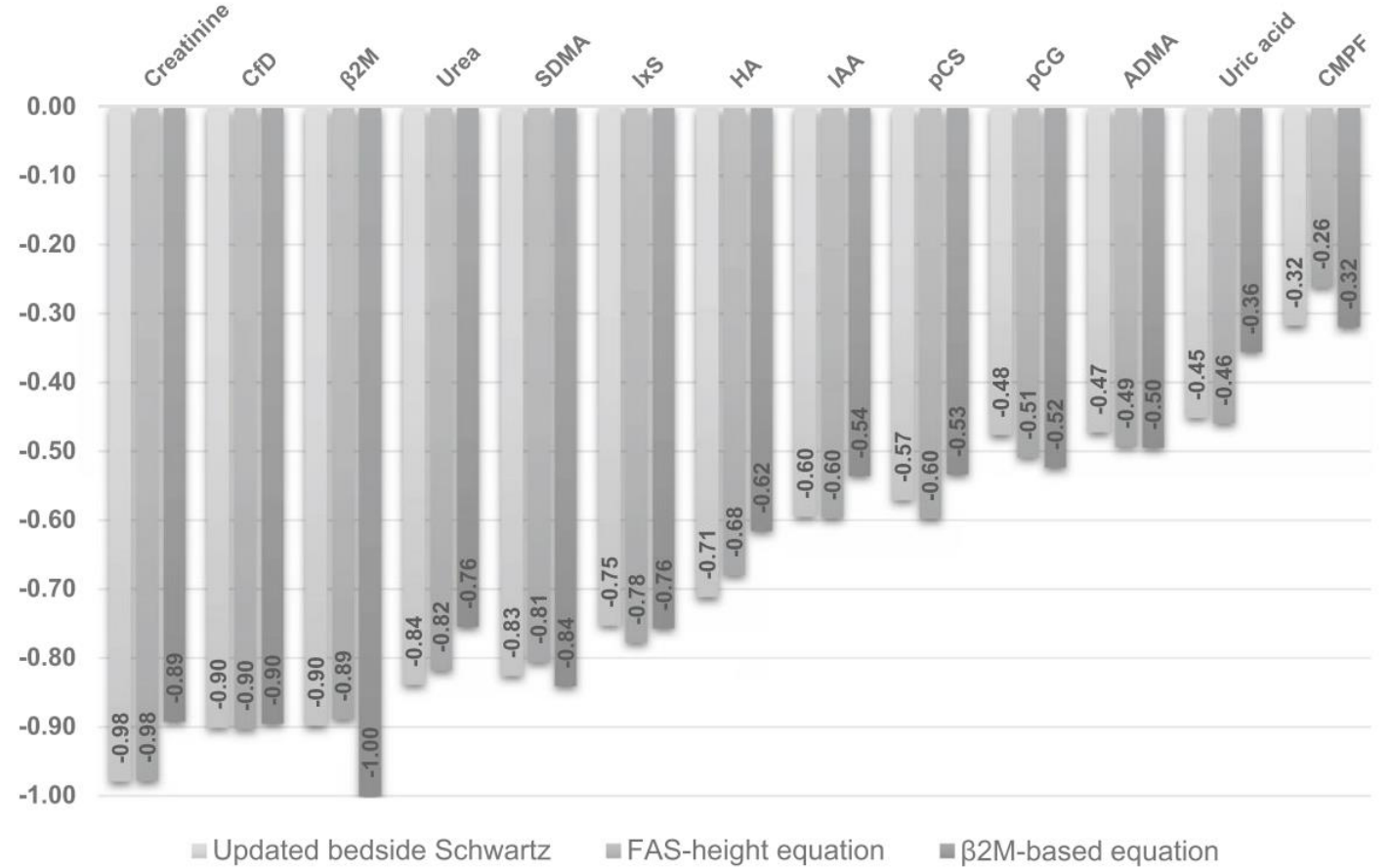
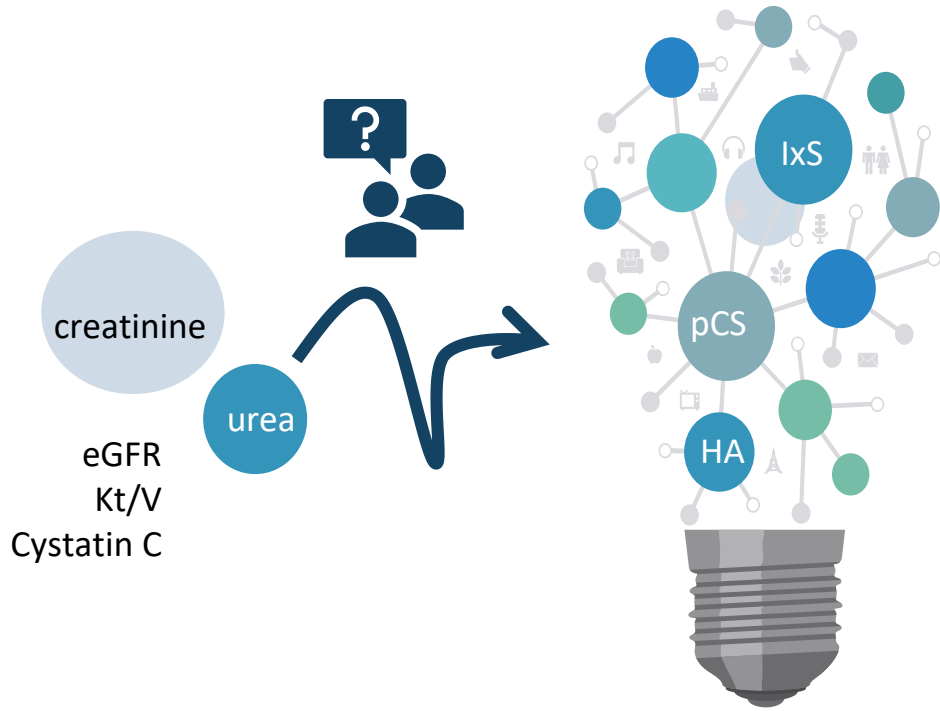


Abstract

Hemodialysis aims at removing uremic toxins thus decreasing their concentrations. The present study investigated whether Kt/V_{urea} used as marker of dialysis adequacy, is correlated with these concentrations. Predialysis blood samples were taken before a midweek session in 71 chronic HD patients. Samples were analyzed by colorimetry, HPLC, or ELISA for a broad range of uremic solutes. Solute concentrations were divided into four groups according to quartiles of Kt/V_{urea} , and also of different other parameters with potential impact, such as age, body weight (BW), Protein equivalent of Nitrogen Appearance (PNA), Residual Renal Function (RRF), and dialysis vintage. Dichotomic concentration comparisons were performed for gender and Diabetes Mellitus (DM). Analysis of Variance in quartiles of Kt/V_{urea} did not show significant differences for any of the solute concentrations. For PNA, however, concentrations showed significant differences for urea ($P < 0.001$), uric acid (UA), p-cresylsulfate (PCS), and free PCS (all $P < 0.01$), and for creatinine (Crea) and hippuric acid (HA) (both $P < 0.05$). For RRF, concentrations varied for β_2 -microglobulin ($P < 0.001$), HA, free HA, free indoxyl sulfate, and free indole acetic acid (all $P < 0.01$), and for p-cresylglucuronide (PCG), 3-carboxy-4-methyl-5-propyl-2-furanpropionic acid (CMPF), free PCS, and free PCG (all $P < 0.05$). Gender and body weight only showed differences for Crea and UA, while age, vintage, and diabetes mellitus only showed differences for one solute concentration (UA, UA, and free PCS, respectively). Multifactor analyses indicated a predominant association of concentration with protein intake and residual renal function. In conclusion, predialysis concentrations of uremic toxins seem to be dependent on protein equivalent of nitrogen appearance and residual renal function, and not on dialysis adequacy as assessed by Kt/V_{urea} . Efforts to control intestinal load of uremic toxin precursors by dietary or other interventions, and preserving RRF seem important approaches to decrease uremic solute concentration and by extension their toxicity.

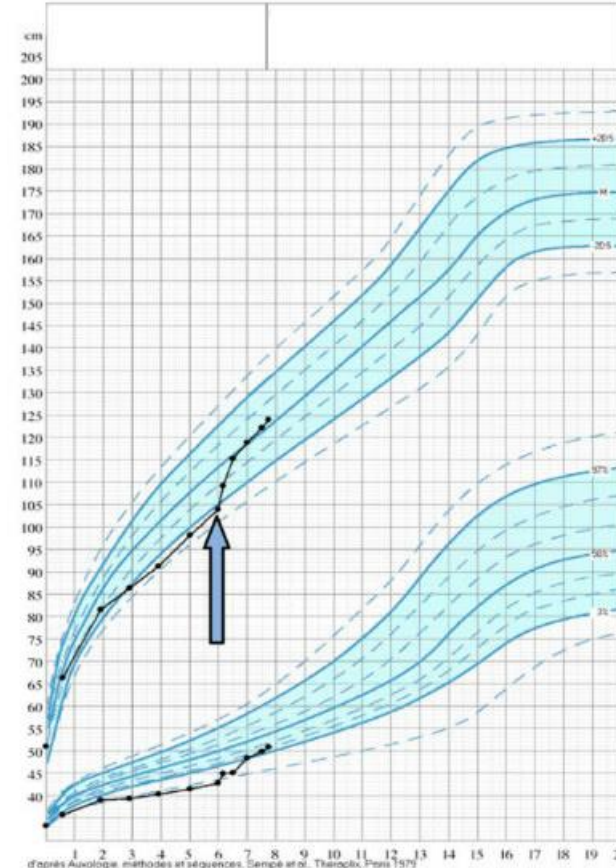
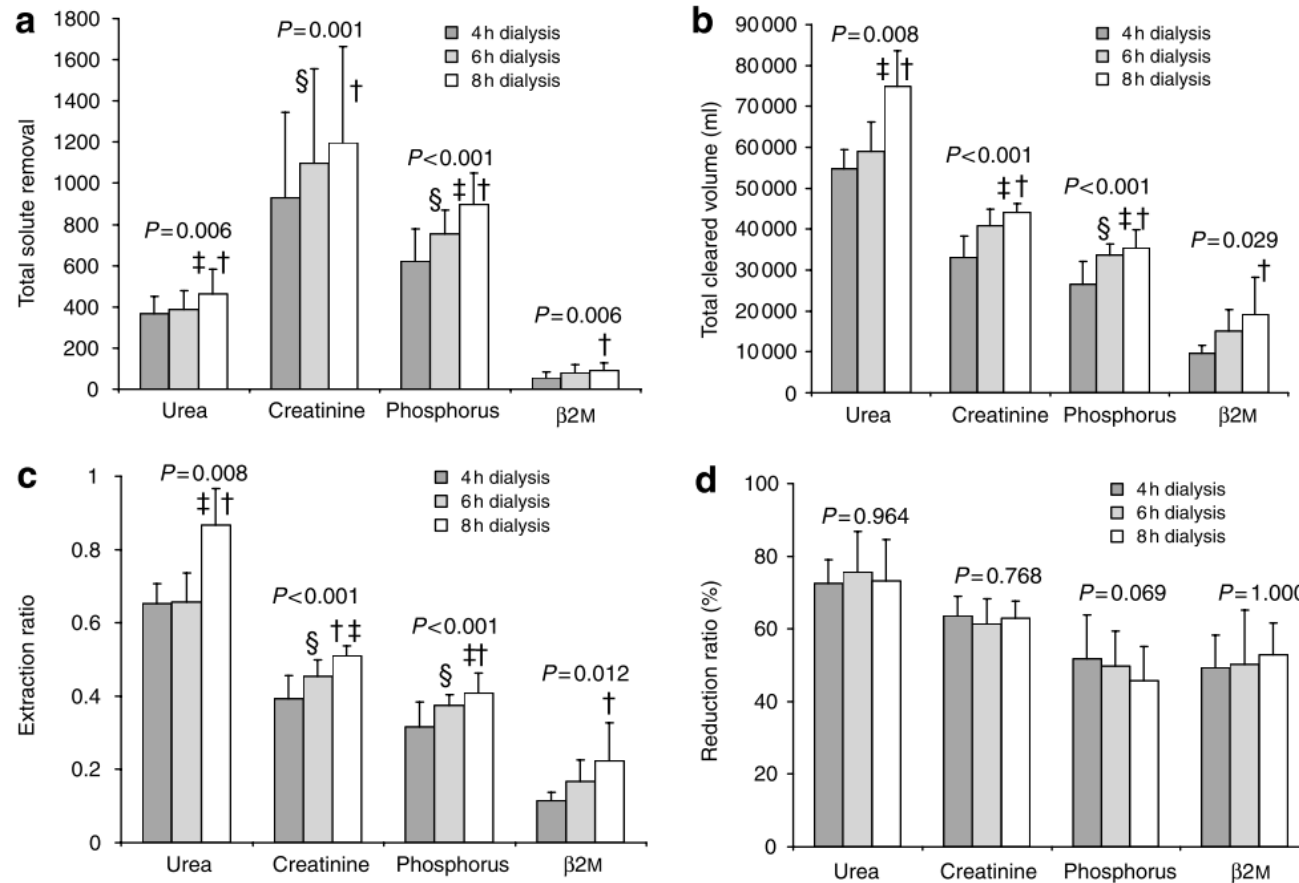


Current markers are poor predictors of overall uremic toxin accumulation





Alternative strategies to decrease uremic toxicity?

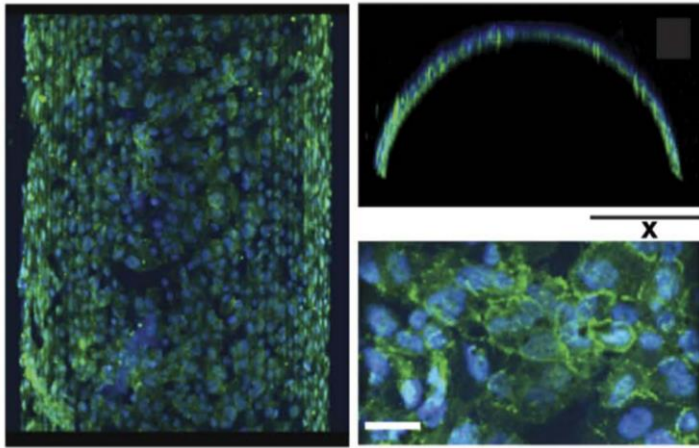


Extended hemodialysis strategies

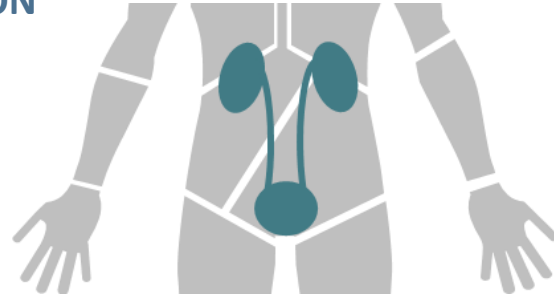
Figure 2 | Removal parameters. (a) Total solute removal (mg, except for urea in 0.1 g), (b) total cleared volume (ml), (c) dialyzer extraction ratio, (d) and reduction ratio (%) of urea, creatinine, phosphorus, and β2-microglobulin for the 4, 6, and 8 h dialysis session.



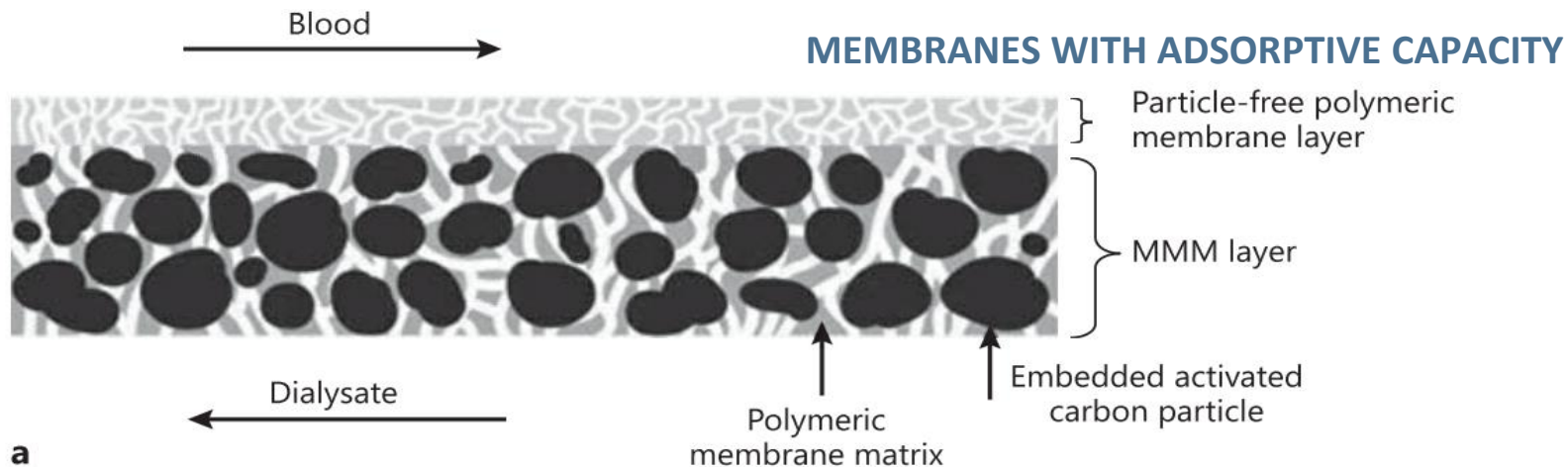
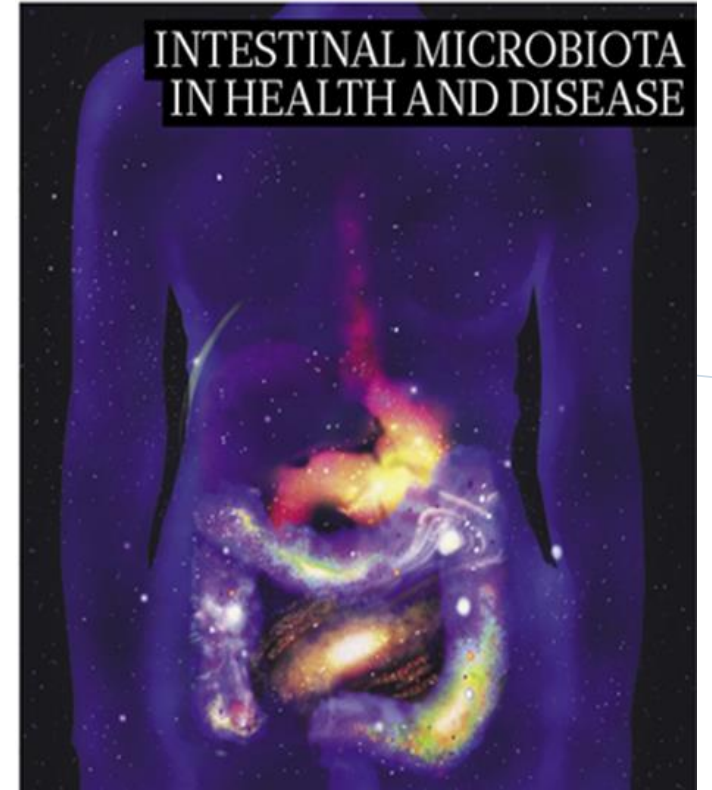
Alternative strategies to decrease uremic toxicity?



PRESERVATION OF RESIDUAL KIDNEY FUNCTION



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DIETARY FIBER, PRE-, PRO, and SYNBIOTICS

Take-home messages





Question 1: Which statement is true?

- A. Solute transport at the dialyzer is solely dependent on Q_d and Q_b
- B. Solute removal at the dialyzer is the only determinant of uremic solute removal
- C. With even the most recent advances, it seems that small solute removal in the dialyzer is close to its optimum.
- D. The main removal strategy of protein-bound uremic toxins is convection



Answers Question 1: Which statement is true?

- A. Solute transport at the dialyzer is solely dependent on Q_d and Q_b + membrane
- B. Solute removal at the dialyzer is the only determinant of uremic solute removal
FALSE + Patient kinetics
- C. **With even the most recent advances, it seems that small solute removal in the dialyzer is close to its optimum.**
- D. The main removal strategy of protein-bound uremic toxins is convection
FALSE = Diffusion of free fraction



Question 2: Which statement is true?

- A. eGFR is a good predictor of overall uremic toxin accumulation
- B. Kt/V is a good marker of dialysis adequacy as it reflects overall uremic toxin removal
- C. Solute transport in the patient limits the increase of performance with the traditional dialytic approaches.
- D. Intercompartment clearance (K_{12}) of urea and β 2-microglobuline are similar, e.g. 800mL/min



Answers Question 2: Which statement is true?

- A. eGFR is a good predictor of overall uremic toxin accumulation **Only partially!**
- B. Kt/V is a good marker of dialysis adequacy as it reflects overall uremic toxin removal **FALSE**
- C. **Solute transport in the patient limits the increase of performance with the traditional dialytic approaches.**
- D. Intercompartment clearance (K_{12}) of urea and β 2-microglobuline are similar, e.g. 800mL/min **β 2M = 50mL/min, only 6% of K_{12} of urea**



TEAMWORK DIVIDES THE TASK & DOUBLE THE SUCCESS



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