

Kidney has major homeostatic function

↳ to keep the extracellular fluid constant for optimal function of cells

Regulation of :

[1] Water and electrolyte balance

[2] Acid-base balance

↳ blood's pH is kept

lungs resp. or kidneys to acidic

or fixed acids excreted through the kidney

- Buffer

- NH<sub>3</sub> secretion (Ammonia)

[3] ABP → short term regulation

Renin  
Angiotensin  
system.

long term → regulation of plasma volume

↑ BP → ↑ urination

Excretion of → endogenous → Metabolic waste products (urea, uric acid, creatine, ...)  
exogenous → drugs, antibiotics, etc.

# Endocrinial and paracrinial functions $\rightarrow$

$\downarrow$   
into the blood

$\hookrightarrow$  into tissue fluid

$\hookrightarrow$  PGE<sub>2</sub>, PG<sub>I<sub>2</sub></sub>  $\rightarrow$  vaso dilation

Bradykinin

Erythropoietin 85% (Renal failure  $\rightarrow$  Anemia)

Renin

$\rightarrow$  last function:  
glucuronogenesis

convert amino acids  
to glucose.

liver  $\downarrow$   $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$   
10%  $\downarrow$   $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$

$\downarrow$  kidney  $\downarrow$   $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$

to be activated it  
should be hydroxylated  
in both the liver and the  
kidney.

(Renal failure  $\rightarrow$  Bone problems).  $\downarrow$  kidney  $\downarrow$   $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{OH}$

Kidney  $\rightarrow$   $\text{NaOg} \rightarrow$   $\text{NH}_4^+$   $\downarrow$   $\text{NH}_3$

$> 12\text{ cm} \times > 8\text{ cm}$

Cortex and Medulla

$\downarrow$   
granular  
and darker

$\downarrow$   
striated and paler

divided into Pyramids

$\hookrightarrow$  end with papilla

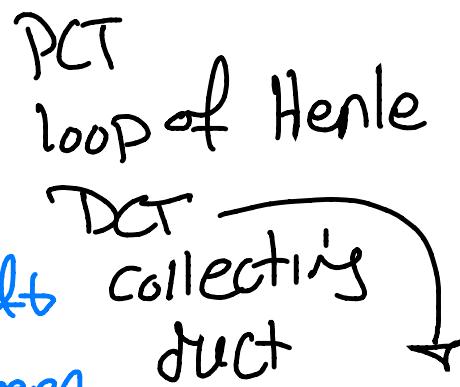
water  $\leftarrow$  pelvis  $\leftarrow$  Major  
calyx

$\hookrightarrow$  minor  
calyx  $\leftarrow$

Types of nephrons → kidney contains 1.3 million nephrons

## Renal corpusle + Tubules

↓  
glomerulus  
and bowman's  
capsule (spiral tuft  
of capillaries between  
afferent and efferent  
arterioles).



↓  
尿管  
集合管  
膀胱

In contact with  
afferent arterioles

Because of Juxta-  
glomerular apparatus

## PCT vs. DCT

15mm	5mm
Brush border to ↑ the surface area	few microvilli few mitochondria

Many mitochondria



2/3 new  
filtering barrier  
PCT

## loop of Henle

Descending limb and ascending  
limb

Thin segment → flat epithelium

Thick segment → cuboidal

Reabsorption of  $\text{Na}^+$  ← passive  
↓  $\text{Cl}^-$  diffusion ← in active  
Diluting portion of the nephron

Collecting duct → 2 types of cells →

Principle cells VS. intercalated cells

P-cells

predominal cells

less microvilli

less mitochondria

less vesicles

on blood

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I-cells

less number

More Mitochondria,  
Micrilli, vesicles.

Acid secretion

$\text{HCO}_3^-$  reabsorption

Na-K<sub>+</sub> exchange



$\text{H}_2\text{O}$  reabsorption (ADH)

Collecting tubules



final adjustment  
of urine

Depending on the location of the glomerules :

Cortical nephrons (outer part of the cortex)

Juxamedullary nephron (near the medulla)

collecting tubules

Water / pale

very long loop of Henle

very short loop of Henle.

that's why the  
cortex appears  
granular and  
dark

Cortical	juxtaglomerular
%	15%
Glomerulus	outer part of the cortex

loop of Henle      short loop of Henle      dips to pyramids (Apex).

    .      dips to junction between cortex and inner medulla.

Blood supply      peritubular capillary      peritubular capillary + vasa recta  
 loop J, Job U at Henle.

specific function      concentration of urine

Juxtaglomerular apparatus → Area of contact

between afferent and efferent arterioles and first part of distal convoluted tubule

3 types of cells →

① Juxtaglomerular cells in media of afferent arterioles  
some of smooth muscle cells of afferent A. get  
modified to be epithelial-like cells: secrete  
Renin (granular) → BP (Baroreceptors)

↓  
secreted when → renal diffusing pressure ↓  
↓ blood flow → ↓ glomerular blood

② NaCl concentration decreased in Macula  
densa (filtration ↓ ← ↓ GFR, ADH, DCT)  
↳ ↓ BP. (because of ↓ glomerular  
filtration rate).

③  $\beta$ -adrenergic stimulus ( $\uparrow$  Renin release)-

④ Extraglomerular mesangial cells → Agranular  
cells  
↓  
outside the glomerulus in the middle  
at the junction between afferent and efferent  
arterioles  
function: non-known / store of renin

③ Macula densa  $\rightarrow$  DCT

when  $\text{NaCl} \downarrow$  (filtration  $\downarrow$ )  $\downarrow$  in contact with Afferent and efferent Arterioles macula densa will sense that and will try to  $\uparrow$  pressure (chemoreceptors)  $\uparrow$  filtration  
 $\hookrightarrow$  Tubuloglomerular feedback

$\downarrow$   
tubule that is in contact with the glomerulus will control the function of the glomer-

When  $\text{NaCl} \downarrow \rightarrow$  macula densa will release NO and PGs to dilate the Afferent and will stimulate Juxtaglomerular cells to  $\uparrow$  renin which will constrict the efferent. (Angiotensin II will constrict the efferent).

if  $\text{NaCl} \uparrow$  (filtration  $\uparrow$ )  $\rightarrow$  vasoconstriction of the Afferent

Functions of Juxtaglomerular apparatus  $\rightarrow$

will control the filtration of the glomerulus (GFR and renal blood flow)  $\rightarrow$  Autoregulation of the individual nephron.

clinical significance → Excess secretion of renin from Juxtaglomerular cells → secondary (renal) hypertension - 90% of hypertension cases are essential, 10% are secondary [with known cause] -

But why could renin secretion be excessive?!

tumor in Juxtaglomerular cells or stenosis in the renal artery with subsequent ischemia in the kidney  $\Rightarrow$  secondary hypertension and secondary hyperaldosteronism ( $\text{Na}^+ \uparrow / \text{K}^+ \downarrow / \text{H}^+ \downarrow$ )

Renal blood flow → kidneys take 20-25% of CO (cardiac output)  $\approx 1.2 - 1.32/\text{min}$

Renal artery  $\rightarrow$  interlobar arteries ↗

efferent arteriole      ← Afferent arteriole      ← Interlobular arteries  
↓  
gives peritubular capillary (in juxamedullary nephrons it will also give vasa recta)

1/5 of the plasma that reached the kidney will be filtered. (GFR).

1.2 L blood/min (625 mL plasma/min)

500 mL plasma  $\leftarrow$  125 mL plasma/min will be filtered. (GFR)  
IgG  $\leq$

Efferent arterioles  $\rightarrow$  peritubular capillaries and Vasa recta (in juxamedullary nephrons)

$\Rightarrow$  1/5 inside the tubules and v/s in the peritubular capillaries

1/5 (125 mL)  $\rightarrow$  will be reabsorbed almost completely except for 0.5 - 2 mL  $\rightarrow$  will then enter the peritubular capillaries with all substance that our body needs and have been reabsorbed

while the 4/5 that are in the peritubular capillaries from the beginning will undergo

secretion

Filtration fraction = GFR / effective renal plasma flow  
plasma  $\rightarrow$  GFR = 125 / 625 = 20% (1/5)  
- 20% of

functions of the kidney → filtration  
filtration is the most important  
function → if there is no filtration there will be  
no Reabsorption and Secretion

Secretion vs. Excretion

↓                            ↓  
loop of Henle              Kidney →, secreted  
                                  ↓

Auto regulation of renal blood flow →

↑ BP → Intrinsic myogenic response

↳ will cause stretching of afferent arterioles

smooth muscles of the kidney vessels only will undergo vasoconstriction

↑ pressure → ↑ Resistance

$$F = P/R \rightarrow \text{flow will be constant.}$$

(F) = (P)/(R)

↓                  ↓  
↑                  ↑

at low pressure → tubuloglomerular

feedback →  $P \downarrow$  → Juxtaglomerular cells will release renin

dilation of  
afferent  
constriction  
& efferent.

← Macula densa will have less

NaCl → will induce renin release.

# Glomerulus

VS.

# peritubular capillary



- filtration
- high pressure in the glomerulus  
 $\approx 60 \text{ mm Hg}$  (Highest capillary pressure in the body). Why?!

Renal artery is direct branch of the aorta.

- Afferent → short straight
- Efferent

vasa recta → capillary that deals with loop of henle in juxamedullary nephrons only. (receives 1-2% of blood)

4/5 of the renal plasma flow



will reabsorb 120 mL of the filtered plasma (low pressure)  
 $\approx 13 \text{ mm Hg}$