

Effects of Renal Disease on Pharmacokinetics

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GOALS of Effects of Renal Disease on Pharmacokinetics Lecture

- A. Dose Adjustment in patients with renal Impairment
- B. Effect of Renal Disease on:
 - Renal Drug Elimination
 - Hepatic Drug Metabolism
 - Drug Transporters
 - Drug Distribution
 - Drug Absorption

GOALS Of Effects of Renal Disease on PK Lecture

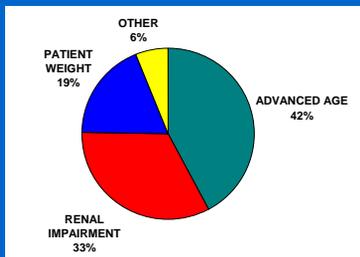
- **DOSE ADJUSTMENT** in Patients with Renal Impairment

Statement of the Problem

How is renal function assessed?

How is drug dose adjusted based on this assessment?

PATHOPHYSIOLOGIC FACTORS NOT ACCOUNTED FOR IN DRUG DOSING*



* Lesar TS, Briceland L, Stein DS. JAMA 1997;277:312-7.

Central Role of *DRUG LABEL*

The *DRUG LABEL* is the primary source of drug prescribing information and is *reviewed by the FDA* as part of the drug approval process.

As such the drug label is *a distillate of the entire drug development process.*

INFORMATION CONTENT OF CURRENT DRUG LABELS*

CORE INFORMATION CATEGORY	Inclusion of Desirable Data Elements	
	MEAN	(95% CI)
MECHANISM OF ACTION	88%	(84% - 93%)
PHARMACODYNAMICS	43%	(37% - 49%)
DRUG METABOLISM	23%	(16% - 29%)
PHARMACOKINETICS	42%	(35% - 49%)
DOSE ADJUSTMENT	37%	(32% - 42%)

* Spyker DA, et al. Clin Pharmacol Ther 2000;67:196-200.

FDA GUIDANCE FOR INDUSTRY

PHARMACOKINETICS IN PATIENTS WITH IMPAIRED RENAL FUNCTION – Study Design, Data Analysis, and Impact on Dosing and Labeling (1998)

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ELIMINATION by Different Routes

MEASUREMENTS	RENAL	HEPATIC	DIALYSIS
Blood Flow	+*	+*	+
Afferent Concentration	+	+	+
Efferent Concentration	0	0	+
Eliminated Drug	+	0	+

**not actually measured in routine PK studies*

RENAL CLEARANCE EQUATION

$$CL = \frac{U \times V}{P}$$

U = URINE CONCENTRATION

V = URINE VOLUME / TIME

P = PLASMA CONCENTRATION

CLEARANCE TECHNIQUES FOR ASSESSING RENAL FUNCTION

GLOMERULAR FILTRATION:

Normal: 120 – 130 mL/min/1.73 m²

CLEARANCE MARKERS:

Inulin

Creatinine

¹²⁵I-Iothalamate

RENAL BLOOD FLOW:

Normal: 1,209 256 mL/min/1.73 m²

982 184 mL/min/1.73 m²

CLEARANCE MARKER:

Para-Aminohippuric Acid

GOALS of Renal Disease Effects Lecture

- How is renal function assessed?

If renal function is stable, commonly estimated from the *Cockcroft and Gault equation* for creatinine clearance, or the *Modification of Diet in Renal Disease (MDRD) Study equation* for estimating GFR .

Estimation of GFR

- The **MDRD equation** to estimate GFR from serum creatinine is **the most accurate** compared to the (^{125}I) -iothalamate standard.
- However, it tends to underestimate high GFRs and also overestimates low GFRs.
- **Not validated** in the elderly population

Levey AS et al. *Ann Intern Med.* 2006;145:247-254
Lalonde RL, Wagner JA. *Clin Pharmacol Ther* 2009;86:557-561

Assessment of Renal Function

- **Cockcroft-Gault equation:**
- *Creatinine Clearance:* ml/min
- **MDRD Study equation:**
- *eGFR:* ml/min/1.73 meter square

Renal Clearance of Drugs

- Generally, there is a **linear correlation** between the clearance of creatinine and the clearance of drugs excreted via the kidneys.
- We take advantage of this correlation when making **dose adjustments** in patients with impaired renal function.

STEADY STATE CONCENTRATION

Continuous Infusion:

$$C_{ss} = \frac{I}{CL_E}$$

Intermittent Dosing:

$$\bar{C}_{ss} = \frac{DOSE / \tau}{CL_E}$$



Professor
Luzius Dettli

*Clin. Pharmacol.
Ther. Nov 2009*
Focus: **Nephro-
pharmacology**

ADDITIVITY OF CLEARANCES

$$CL_E = CL_R + CL_{NR}$$

CL_R = RENAL CLEARANCE

CL_{NR} = NON-RENAL CLEARANCE

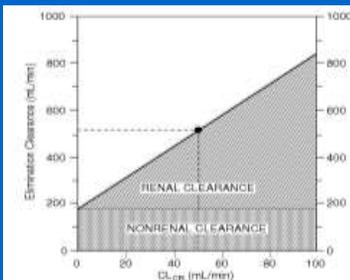
DETTLI Approach*

$$CL_R = \alpha CL_{Cr}$$

$$CL_E = CL_R + CL_{NR}$$

* Dettli L. Med Clin North Am 1974;58:977-85

NOMOGRAM FOR CIMETIDINE DOSING*



*From: Atkinson AJ Jr, Craig RM. Therapy of peptic ulcer disease.

Key ASSUMPTIONS of Dettli Method

- CL_{NR} remains *CONSTANT* when renal function is impaired.
- CL_R declines in *LINEAR FASHION* with CL_{CR}
- *Intact Nephron Hypothesis*
- Some drugs ↓ *SECRETION* > *GFR* with aging*

* Reidenberg MM, et al. Clin Pharmacol Ther 1980;28:732-5.

CIMETIDINE Case History

A 67-year-old veteran had been **functionally anephric**, requiring outpatient **hemodialysis** for several years. He was hospitalized for revision of his arteriovenous shunt and postoperatively complained of symptoms of **gastroesophageal reflux**. This complaint prompted institution of **cimetidine** therapy in a dose of 300 mg every 6 hours.

CIMETIDINE Case History (cont.)

Rationale for Prescribed Cimetidine Dose:

At that time, 600 mg every 6 hours was the **usual cimetidine dose** for patients with normal renal function and the *Physician's Desk Reference* recommended *halving the cimetidine dose for patients "with creatinine clearance less than 30 cc/min"*.

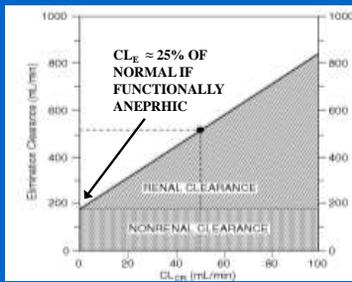
CIMETIDINE Case History (cont.)

Three days later the patient was noted to be **confused**. The nephrology team reevaluated the patient and agreed to *discontinue cimetidine* as suggested by the attending internist/clinical pharmacologist. Two days later the patient was **alert** and was discharged from the hospital to resume outpatient hemodialysis therapy.

LABELING FOR CIMETIDINE*

- **DOSAGE ADJUSTMENT**
1/2 normal dose if $CL_{Cr} < 30$ mL/min
 - **PHARMACOKINETICS**
Following I.V. or I.M. administration in *normal subjects*,
- **75% of drug is recovered from the urine as parent compound.**
- * Physician's Desk Reference. 58th edition, 2004.

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DOSE ADJUSTMENT OPTIONS FOR PATIENTS WITH RENAL IMPAIRMENT

$$\bar{C}_{ss} = \frac{\text{DOSE} / \tau}{CL_E}$$

- MAINTAIN USUAL DOSING INTERVAL BUT **REDUCE DOSE** IN PROPORTION TO $\downarrow CL_E$
- MAINTAIN USUAL DOSE BUT **INCREASE DOSING INTERVAL** IN PROPORTION TO $\downarrow CL_E$
- **ADJUST BOTH** DOSE AND DOSING INTERVAL

GOALS of Renal Disease Effects Lecture

- **EFFECT OF RENAL DISEASE ON RENAL DRUG ELIMINATION**
 - *MECHANISMS* OF RENAL DRUG ELIMINATION
 - CONCEPT OF *RESTRICTIVE* VS. *NONRESTRICTIVE* ELIMINATION

MECHANISMS of Renal Drug Elimination

- Glomerular Filtration
- Renal Tubular Secretion
- Reabsorption by Non-Ionic Diffusion
- Active Reabsorption

MECHANISMS OF RENAL ELIMINATION

GLOMERULAR FILTRATION

- Affects all drugs and metabolites of **appropriate molecular size**.
- Influenced by **protein binding**
Drug Filtration Rate = $GFR \times f_u \times [Drug]$
(f_u = free fraction)

RENAL TUBULAR SECRETION

- *Not influenced* by protein binding
- May be affected by *other drugs*, etc.

EXAMPLES:

Active Drugs: ACIDS – Penicillin
 BASES – Procaïnamide
Metabolites: Glucuronides, Hippurates, etc.

RESTRICTIVE vs. NONRESTRICTIVE ELIMINATION

RESTRICTIVE:

Clearance *DEPENDS* on Protein Binding.

KIDNEY: Drug Filtration Rate = $f_u \cdot \text{GFR}$

LIVER: $\text{CL} = f_u \cdot \text{Cl}_{\text{int}}$

NONRESTRICTIVE:

Clearance *INDEPENDENT* of Protein Binding

KIDNEY: $\text{CL} = Q$ (renal blood flow)

EXAMPLE: PARA-AMINOHIPPURATE CLEARANCE MEASURES RENAL BLOOD FLOW.

INTRINSIC CLEARANCE

INTRINSIC CLEARANCE IS THE ELIMINATION CLEARANCE THAT WOULD BE OBSERVED IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY PROTEIN BINDING RESTRICTIONS.

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LIVER: $\text{CL} = Q$ (hepatic blood flow)

Renal *REABSORPTION* Mechanisms

REABSORPTION BY NON-IONIC DIFFUSION

- Affects **weak acids** and **weak bases**.
- Only important if excretion of *free drug* is major elimination pathway.

EXAMPLES:

Weak Acids:	PHENOBARBITAL
Weak Bases:	QUINIDINE

ACTIVE REABSORPTION

- Affects **ions**, not proved for other drugs.

EXAMPLES:

Halides:	FLUORIDE, BROMIDE
Alkaline Metals:	LITHIUM

RENAL EXCRETION OF DRUGS

INTACT NEPHRON HYPOTHESIS: Provides a basis for dose adjustment when renal excretion of drug is impaired.

- Regardless of mechanism, *renal drug elimination declines in parallel with decreases in GFR*.
- Therefore, CL_{Cr} can be used to assess impact of renal impairment on renal excretion of drugs.

WHAT ABOUT OTHER EXCRETION ROUTES?

GOALS of Renal Disease Effects Lecture

- EFFECT OF RENAL DISEASE ON *DRUG METABOLISM and TRANSPORT*

CRF – Effects on Drug Metabolism and Transport

Recent **Reviews** on this topic:

TD Nolin, J Naud, FA Leblond, V Pichette
Emerging Evidence of the Impact of
Kidney Disease on Drug Metabolism
and Transport
Clin. Pharmacol. Ther. 2008;83:898-903

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Effect of CRF on Non-Renal Drug Clearance in Humans

	CL _{NR} (%)	Enzyme
Captopril	- 50	TPMT
Morphine	- 40	UGT2B7
Procainamide	- 60	NAT-2
Verapamil	- 54	CYP3A4
Metoclopramide	- 66	CYP2D6
Warfarin	- 50	CYP2C9

Effect of CRF on Drug Transport

Impaired transport function in renal failure (intestine, liver, kidney)

- P-Glycoprotein
- Organic Anion Transporting Polypeptide (OATP)

Fexofenadine is a substrate for both

Effect of CRF on Bioavailability

Studies in human subjects:

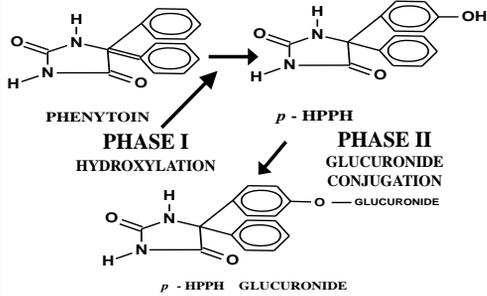
Propranolol	+300 %	CYP2D6
Erythromycin	+100 %	CYP3A4
Propoxyphene	+100 %	CYP3A4
Dyhydrocodeine	+70 %	CYP2D6

Effects of Uremic Toxins

Indoxyl sulfate
CMPF-propanoic acid
Parathyroid hormone (PTH)
Cytokines (chronic inflammation)

Inhibition of drug metabolism and transport **reversed by hemodialysis**

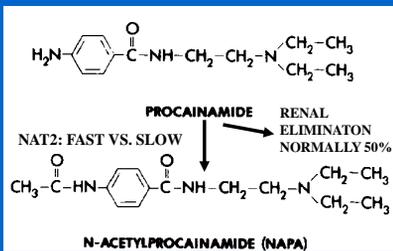
PHASE I AND PHASE II METABOLIC REACTIONS



GOALS of Renal Disease Effects Lecture

- EFFECT OF RENAL DISEASE ON *DRUG METABOLISM*
- EXAMPLES:
 - PROCAINAMIDE - Acetylation
 - PHENYTOIN - Hydroxylation

PROCAINAMIDE ACETYLATION

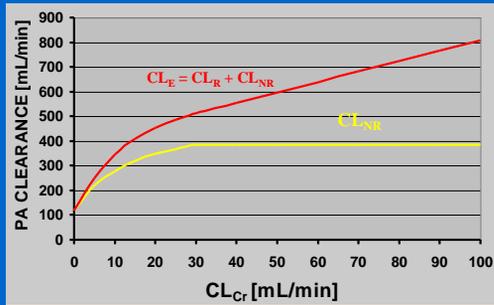


**Procainamide Kinetics in
DIALYSIS PATIENTS***

	NORMALS		FUNCTIONALLY ANEPHRIC PATIENTS	
	Fast	Slow	Fast	Slow
$T_{1/2}$ (hr)	2.6	3.5	12.2	17.0
CL_E (L/kg)	809	600	118	94
CL_R (L/kg)	426	357	0	0
CL_{NR} (L/kg)	383	243	118	94
$V_{d(ss)}$ (L/kg)	1.95	1.93	1.41	1.93

* From: Gibson TP. *Kidney Int* 1977;12:422-9.

**Procainamide Dosing Nomogram
(FAST ACETYLATORS)**

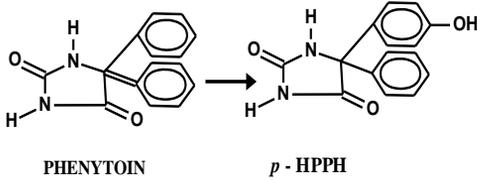


**NAPA ELIMINATION HALF LIFE IN
FUNCTIONALLY ANEPHRIC PATIENTS**

- HEALTHY SUBJECTS: 6.2 hr
- *PREDICTED* for DIALYSIS PATIENTS: 42.8 hr *
- *MEASURED* in DIALYSIS PATIENTS: 41.9 hr *

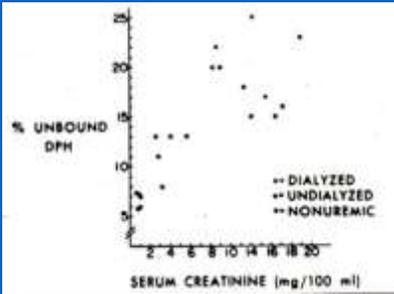
* See Study Problem at end of Chapter 5.

PHENYTOIN HYDROXYLATION BY P450



CYP2C9: Major, CYP2C19: Minor

Effect of Renal Disease on PHENYTOIN PROTEIN BINDING



PHENYTOIN KINETICS IN DIALYSIS PATIENTS*

	NORMALS (N = 4)	UREMIC PATIENTS (N = 4)
% UNBOUND (f_u)	12%	26%
CL_H	2.46 L/hr	7.63 L/hr
CL_{int}	20.3 L/hr	29.9 L/hr NS

$CL_H = f_u \cdot CL_{int}$, So: $CL_{int} = CL_H / f_u$

* From: Odar-Cederlöf I, Borgå O: Eur J Clin Pharmacol 1974;7:31-7.

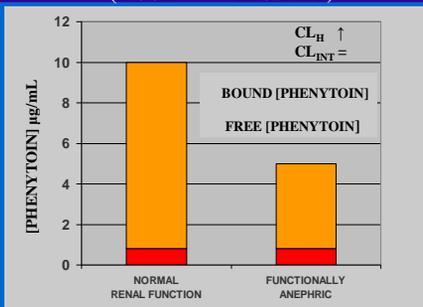
Effect of *PROTEIN BINDING* Changes on Phenytoin Plasma Concentration

$$\bar{C}_{SS} = \frac{DOSE / \tau}{CL_E}$$

PHENYTOIN > 98% ELIMINATED BY HEPATIC METABOLISM, SO $CL_E = CL_H$

$$\bar{C}_{SS,u} / f_u = \frac{DOSE / \tau}{f_u CL_{INT}}$$

FREE AND TOTAL PHENYTOIN LEVELS (DOSE = 300 MG/DAY)



THERAPEUTIC RANGE of Phenytoin Levels in Dialysis Patients

RISK is that **TOTAL** levels below the usual range of 10 – 20 µg/mL will prompt inappropriate dose adjustment in dialysis patients. ↑

THERAPEUTIC RANGE FOR DIALYSIS PTS:

Based on “Total Levels”: 5 - 10 µg/mL

Based on “Free Levels”: 0.8 - 1.6 µg/mL

GOALS of Renal Disease Effects Lecture

• EFFECT OF RENAL DISEASE ON DRUG DISTRIBUTION

- PLASMA PROTEIN BINDING

EXAMPLE: PHENYTOIN

- TISSUE BINDING

EXAMPLE: DIGOXIN

Effect of Renal Disease on *BINDING TO PLASMA PROTEINS**

*BASIC OR NEUTRAL
DRUGS:*

NORMAL OR
SLIGHTLY REDUCED

ACIDIC DRUGS:

REDUCED FOR MOST

* From: Reidenberg MM, Drayer DE: Clin Pharmacokinet 1984;9(Suppl. 1):18-26.

Effect of Binding Changes on *APPARENT DISTRIBUTION VOLUME**

$$V_d = ECF + \phi f_u \uparrow TBW - ECF$$

Φ = TISSUE/PLASMA PARTITION RATIO

f_u = FRACTION NOT BOUND TO PLASMA PROTEINS

FOR PHENYTOIN: $\Phi = 10.4$

* Atkinson AJ Jr, et al. Trends Pharmacol Sci 1991;12:96-101.

**PHENYTOIN DISTRIBUTION
IN DIALYSIS PATIENTS***

	NORMALS	UREMIC PATIENTS
% UNBOUND (f_u)	12% [†]	26%
$V_{d(AREA)}$	0.64 L/kg	1.40 L/kg

[†] USUAL VALUE IN NORMAL SUBJECTS ~ 9%

* From: Odar-Cederlöf I, Borgå O: Eur J Clin Pharmacol 1974;7:31-7.

**GOALS OF RENAL DISEASE
EFFECTS LECTURE**

**EFFECT OF RENAL DISEASE ON DRUG
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- PLASMA PROTEIN BINDING

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- TISSUE BINDING

EXAMPLE: DIGOXIN

**IMPAIRED RENAL FUNCTION REDUCES
DIGOXIN DISTRIBUTION VOLUME***

$$V_d = 3.84 \cdot \text{wt (kg)} + 3.12 \text{ CL}_{cr} \text{ (mL/min)}$$

* Sheiner LB, et al. J Pharmacokinet Biopharm 1977;5:445-79.

CRITERIA FOR NORMAL ABSORPTION OF 25 GRAM D-XYLOSE DOSE

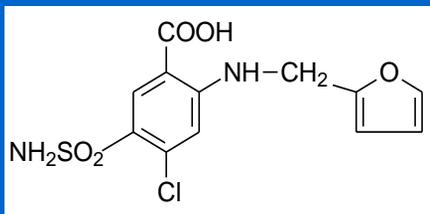
5-hr URINE RECOVERY	> 4 g
[SERUM] 1 hr AFTER DOSE	≥ 0.2 mg/mL
% DOSE ABSORBED	> 42%
k_a	> 0.37 hr ⁻¹

EFFECT OF RENAL DISEASE ON D-XYLOSE ABSORPTION*

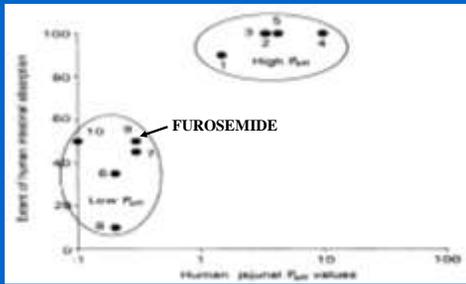
PATIENT GROUP	k_a (hr ⁻¹)	k_o (hr ⁻¹)	% DOSE ABSORBED
NORMALS	1.03 ± 0.33	0.49 ± 0.35	69.4 ± 13.6
MODERATE	0.64 ± 0.28	0.19 ± 0.15	77.4 ± 14.8
DIALYSIS	0.56 ± 0.42	0.67 ± 0.61	48.6 ± 13.3

* From: Worwag EM et al. Clin Pharmacol Ther 1987;41:351-7.

FUROSEMIDE



BIOPHARMACEUTIC CLASSIFICATION OF FUROSEMIDE*



* From: Lenneräs. J Pharm Pharmacol 1997;49:627-38.

BIOPHARMACEUTIC DRUG CLASSIFICATION OF FUROSEMIDE*

CLASS IV:
LOW SOLUBILITY-LOW PERMEABILITY

- *in vitro* – *in vivo* correlation poor
- good bioavailability not expected

* From: Lenneräs, et al. Pharm Res 1995;12:S396

Biopharmaceuticals Classification System (BCS)

- Class I (high S, high P)
Enzyme effects predominate
- Class II (low S, high P)
Both enzymes and transporters
- Class III (high S, low P)
Transporter effects predominate

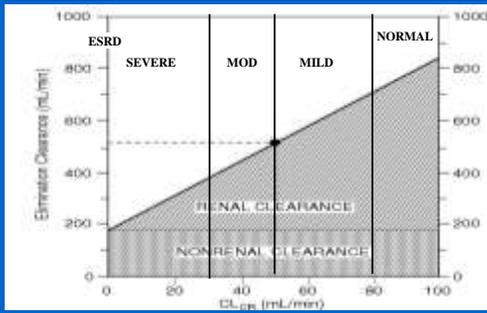
Sun H, et al (2006)
Amidon GI, et al (1995)

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BASIC “FULL” STUDY DESIGN



Effects of Hemodialysis

Advanced CRF:
Stage IV (GFR 15-29 ml/min)
Stage V (GFR 0-15 ml/min)

Hemodialysis may reverse the inhibition of drug metabolizing enzymes and transporters

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FDA GUIDANCE FOR INDUSTRY

- A **revision** of this guidance document is currently under way (initiated in 2008).
- A **concept paper/draft guidance** has been posted by the FDA regarding revised recommendations for PK studies in patients with **impaired renal function**.

US FDA Perspective:

S-M Huang, R Temple, S Xiao, L Zhang,
LJ Lesko
Clin. Pharmacol. Ther. 2009;86:475-479
