

Hypermagnesemia

in gastrointestinal tract

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Overview

- Serum magnesium concentration
[Mg²⁺] > 2.6 mg/dL in adults
 - Renal failure OR Excessive intake of magnesium
- Typically asymptomatic unless [Mg²⁺] > 4.8 mg/dL

Overview

- Mechanisms of hypermagnesemia include:
 1. **Excess intake** via oral, rectal, or IV medications
 2. **Decreased renal excretion** renal failure
 3. **Redistribution** intra- to extracellular space with acidosis
 4. **Release** from cells (for example, due to tumor lysis syndrome)

Clinical Sequelae of Magnesium Disturbances

	mg/dL	Manifestation
Severe hypomagnesemia	<1.2	Tetany, seizures, arrhythmias
Mild to moderate hypomagnesemia	1.2-1.8	Neuromuscular irritability, hypocalcemia, hypokalemia
Normal	1.8-2.5	Normal magnesium level
Hypermagnesaemia	2.5-4.8	Typically asymptomatic
Mild hypermagnesaemia	4.8-7.0	Lethargy, drowsiness, flushing, nausea and vomiting, diminished deep tendon reflexes
Moderate hypermagnesaemia	7.0-12	Somnolence, loss of deep tendon reflexes, hypotension, electrocardiographic changes (bradycardia)
Severe hypermagnesaemia	>12	Complete heart block, cardiac arrest, apnea, paralysis, coma

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Magnesium and cardiovascular complications of chronic kidney disease, [Nat. Rev. Nephrol.](#) 2015

Incidence/Prevalence

- Moderate-to-severe hypermagnesemia is rare in persons with normal renal function
- Hypermagnesemia reported to be common in hospitalized patients
 - 2.8% - 13.5% hospitalization patient
- Upper limit of $[Mg^{2+}]$: 2 - 2.6 mg/dL

Cause

1. Excess intake

- Ingestion of magnesium
 - Magnesium-containing medication
 - Cathartics, antacids, laxatives, and dietary supplements
- Magnesium-containing enemas
- IV infusion for seizure prophylaxis in eclampsia

Cause

2. Decreased renal excretion
 - Renal insufficiency
 - Familial hypocalciuric hypercalcemia (CaSR inactivation)
3. Other causes (redistribution and release)
 - Redistribution from intra- to extracellular space with acidosis
 - Release from cells, such as in tumor lysis syndrome
 - Primary adrenal insufficiency
 - Hypothyroidism

Hypomagnesemia and hypermagnesemia. [Rev Endocr Metab Disord.](#) 2003 May

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Pathophysiology

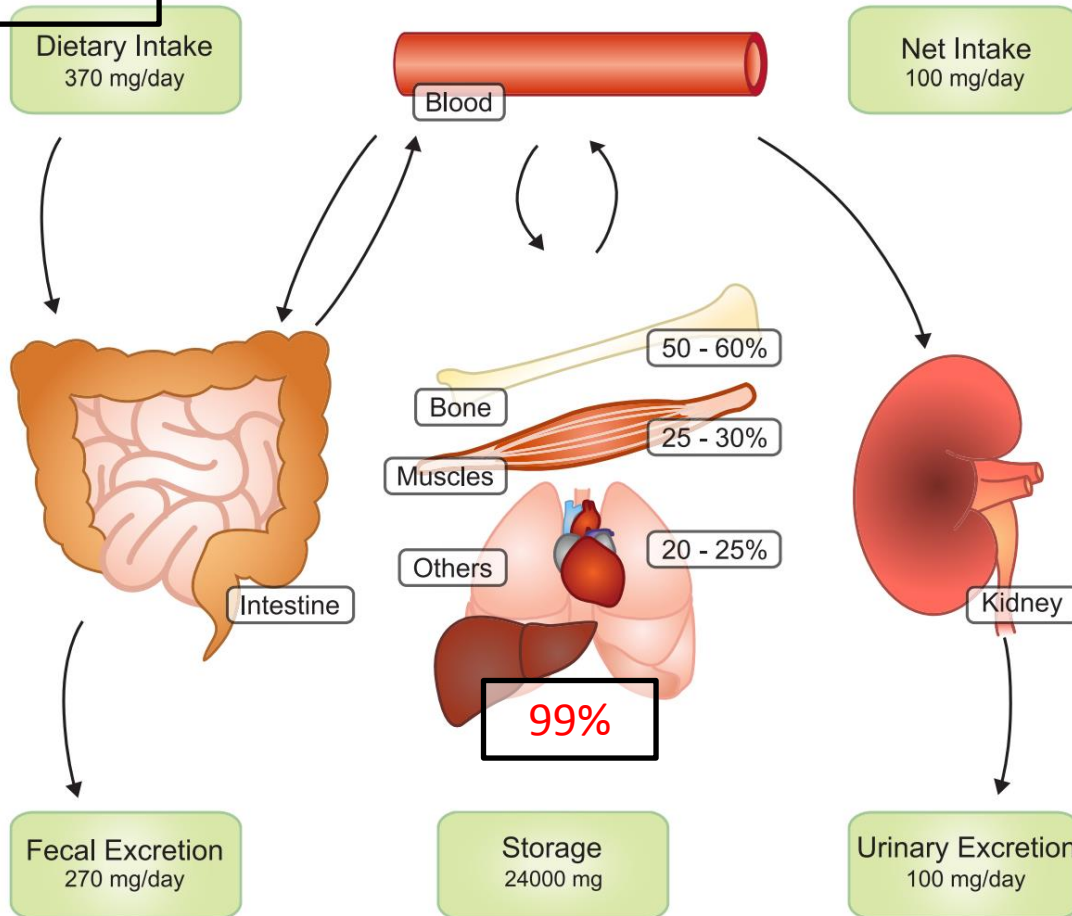
- 2nd intracellular cation
- Shares chemical properties with calcium but has distinct biologic properties and regulation
- [Mg²⁺] homeostasis depends:
 1. Intestine: uptake
 2. Bone: storage system
 3. Kidneys: [Mg²⁺] excretion

Pathophysiology

- $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ required 3.0-4.5 mg/kg/day
 - Female: 310-320 mg/day
 - Male: 400-420 mg/day
- Green vegetables, nuts, seeds, and unprocessed cereals
- About 10% of daily intake comes from drinking water

Pathophysiology

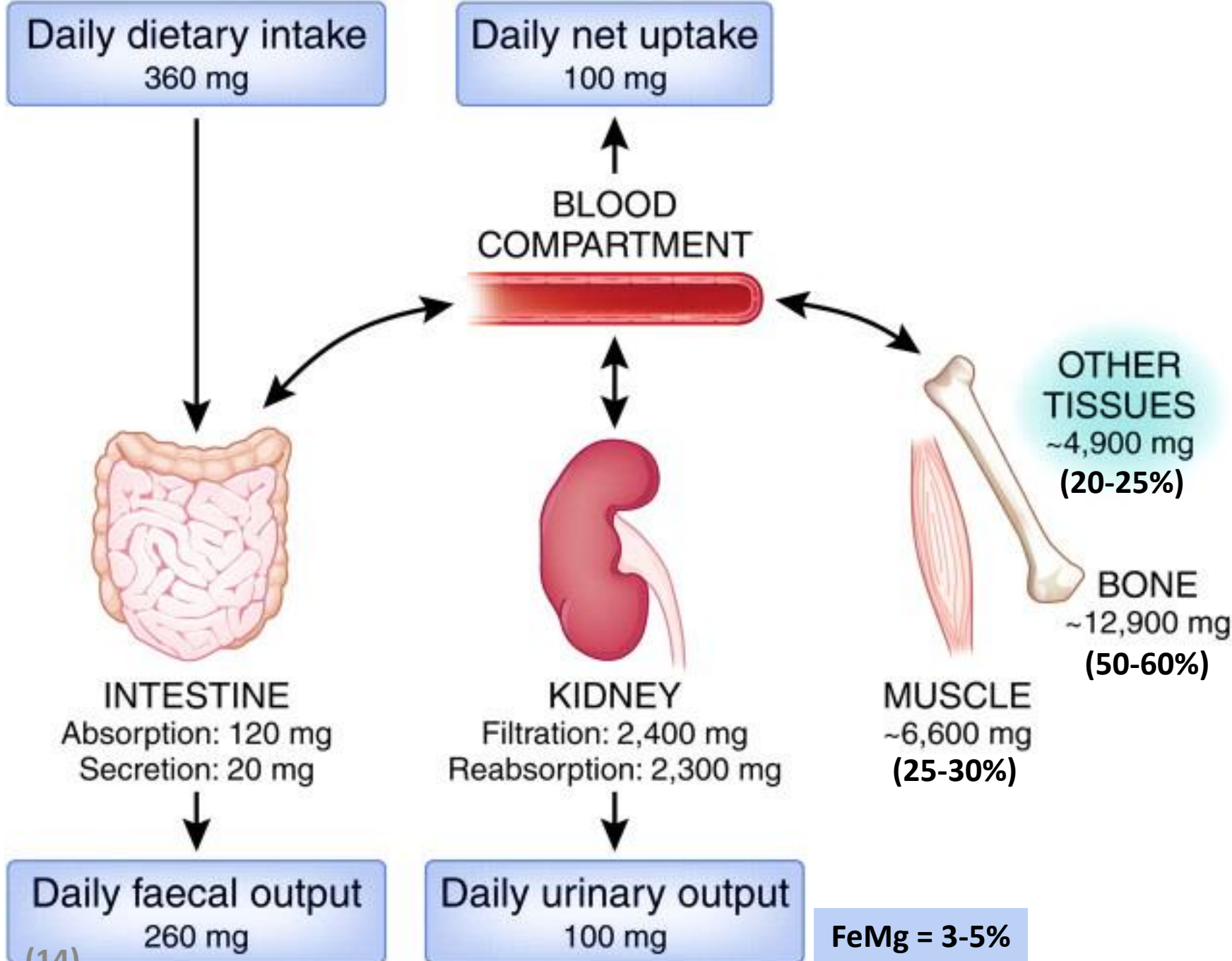
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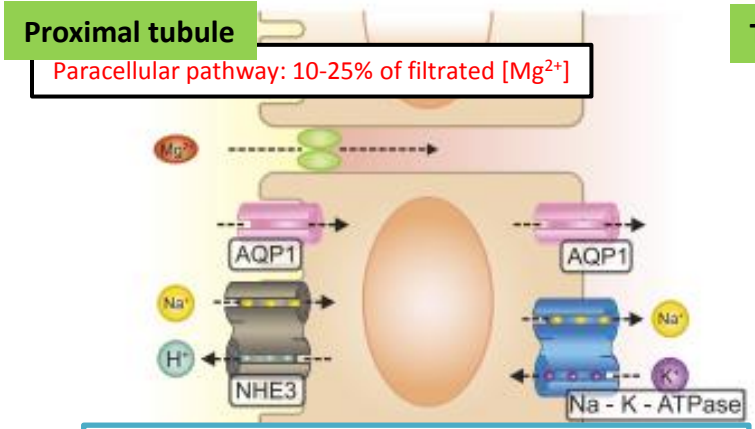
- Reported 85% of whole-body magnesium does not exchange or does so very slowly with an estimated half-life of 1,000 hours.



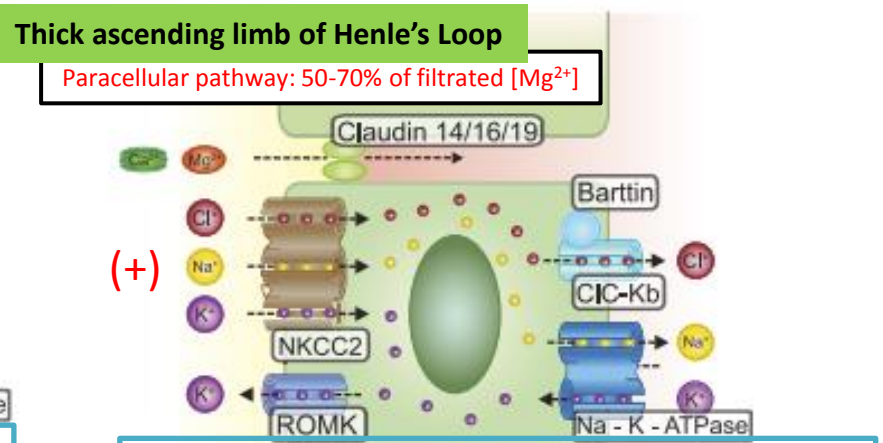
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Pathophysiology - Kidney

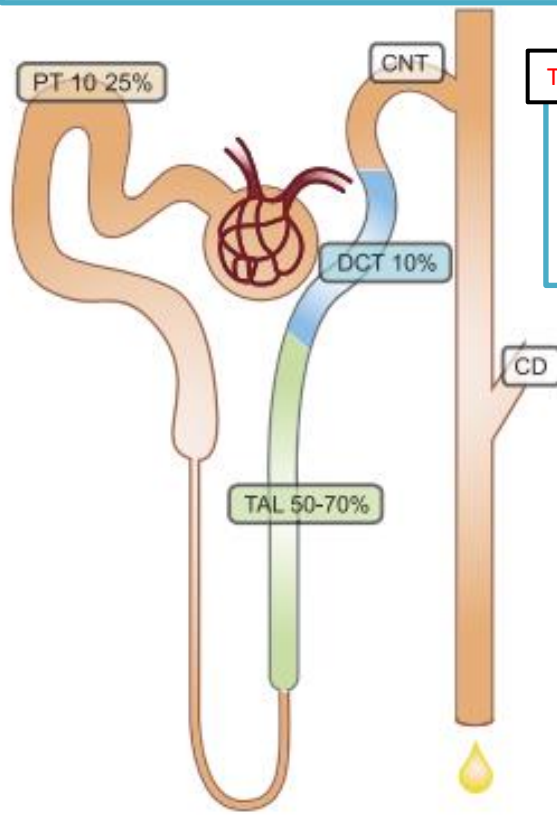
- Mechanisms of Mg absorption in kidney
 - Maintaining magnesium homeostasis
 - Renal excretion: 0.5% - 70% of filtered load depending on magnesium balance
 - Filter 2,400 mg/day
 - 95% reabsorbed, and 3%-5% is excreted in urine
 - Proximal tube (10%)
 - Ascending loop of Henle (60%-70%)



Gradient from Na^+/H^+ and water

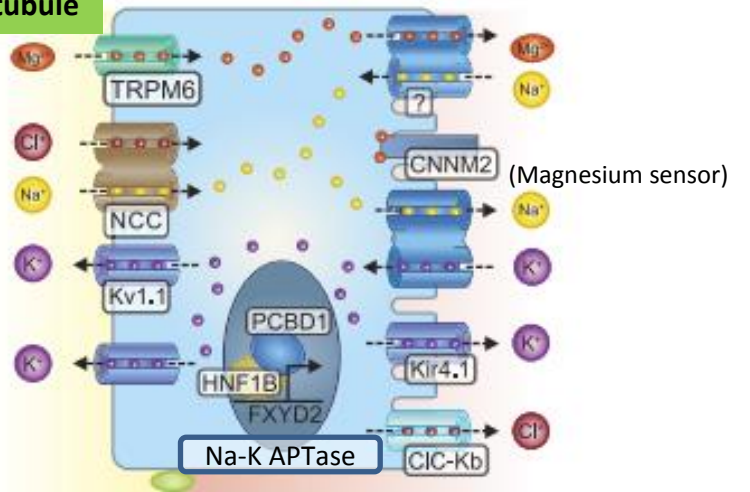


Epithelial voltage via $NKCC2/ROMK$

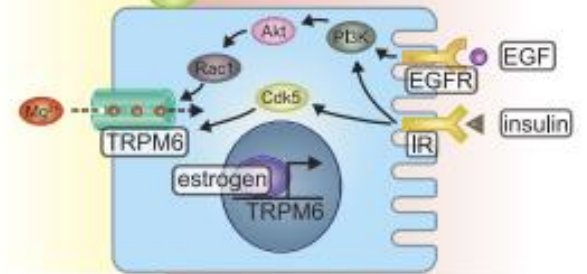


Distal convoluted tubule

Transcellular pathway
Epithelial voltage via $NCC/Kv1.1$

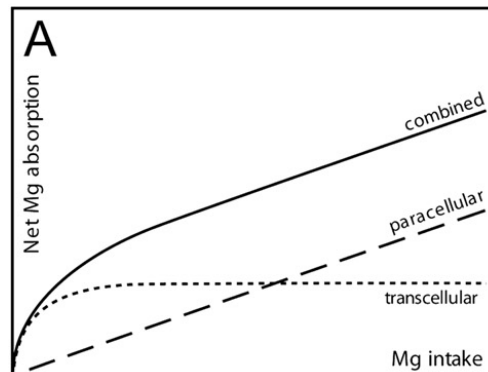


EGF
Insulin
Estrogen



Pathophysiology – GI tract

- Mechanisms of Mg absorption in intestine
 - Predominantly in small intestine (distal jejunum and ileum) via **paracellular pathway (80-90%)**
 - Smaller amounts are absorbed in the colon, mainly via a **transcellular pathway (10-20%)**
 - 24%-76% of dietary magnesium is absorbed
 - Absorption is determined by magnesium status



Regulation of magnesium balance: lessons learned from human genetic disease, [Clin Kidney J. 2012](#)
TRPM6 and TRPM7—Gatekeepers of human magnesium metabolism, [Biochimica et Biophysica Acta, 2007](#)
Intestinal Absorption and Factors Influencing Bioavailability of Magnesium, [Current nutrition Food science, 2017](#)

Mg Salts	Carbonate	Chloride	Citrate	Fumarate	Gluconate
Solubility	Nearly insoluble	High	Very good	Good	Moderate
Bioavailability	Extremely low	Good	Good	Good	Good
Delivery system	Tablets	Enteric coated tablets	Liquid tablets	Tablets	Tablets, liquid
Side effects	GI distress, diarrhea	GI distress, diarrhea	Laxative		GI distress, diarrhea

Bioavailability of US commercial magnesium preparations. [Magnes. Res. 2001](#)
 Bioavailability and Pharmacokinetics of Magnesium Salts to Humans, [Am J of therapeutic, 2001](#)

Mg Salts	Glycinate	L-lactate	Oxide	K Mg citrate	DL-aspartate
Solubility	Good	Excellent	Extremely low	High solubility	Good
Bioavailability	Good	Excellent	Extremely low	Good	
Delivery system	Ingestion	Sustained release caplets	Tablets, capsule	Tablets	Tablets
Side effects		Minor GI disturbances	Emesis, diarrhea	No GI side effect	

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Mg Salts	L-aspartate	Hydroxide	Salicylate	Sulfate	Aminoate
Solubility	Good		Freely soluble	Moderately soluble	
Bioavailability			80-100%		
Delivery system	Tablets	Tablets	Tablets	Iv solution	Tablets
Side effects		Occasional regurgitation and mild diarrhea			

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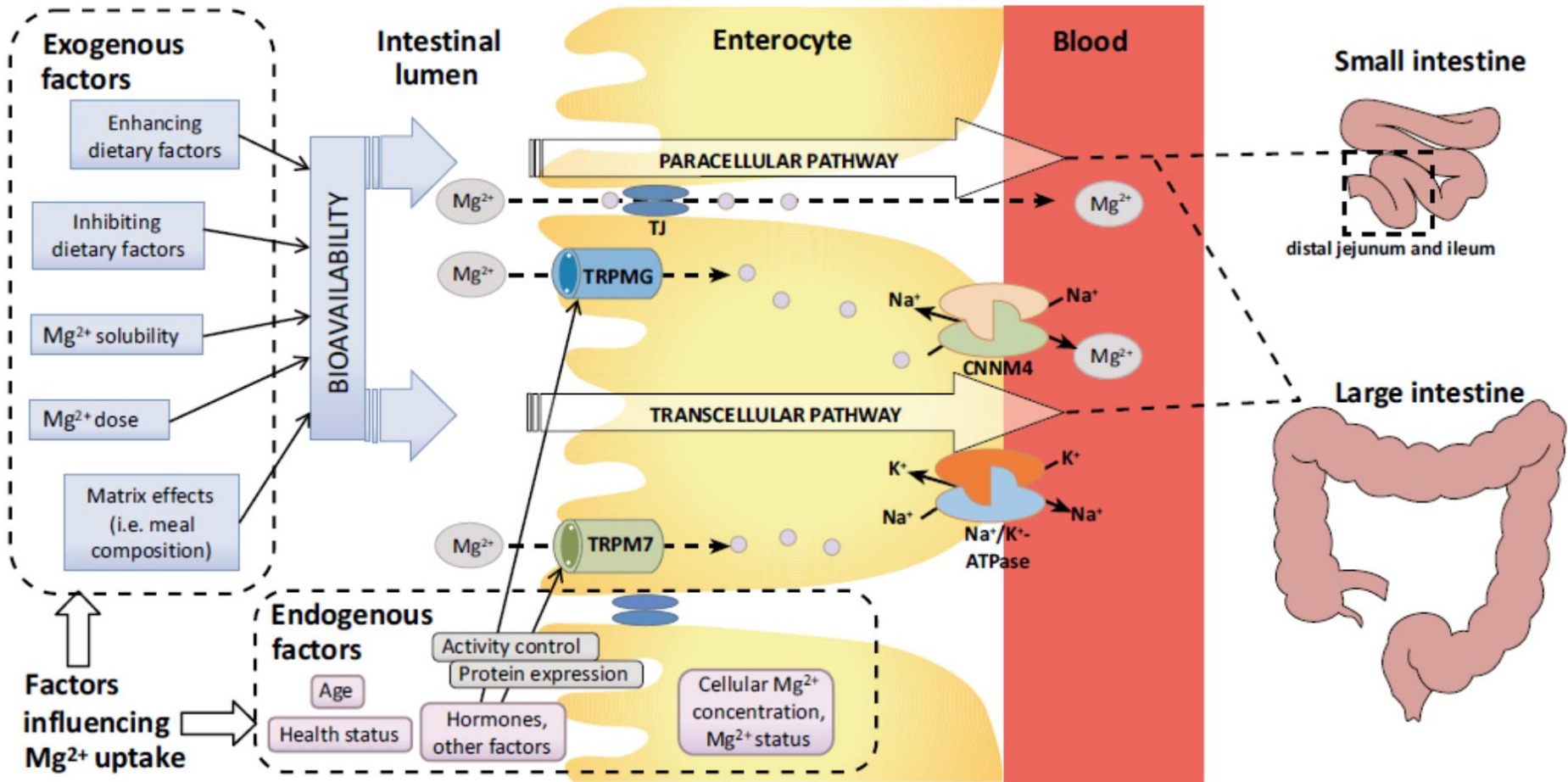
Bioavailability of Mg preparation

- The complexity of $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ absorption
 - **Direct method:** $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ after oral administration
 - Insufficient to investigate: Rate and amount of $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$
 - Rapid homeostasis: renal excretion + storage in compartment
 - **Indirect method:** faecal or urinary $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ excretion after oral Mg^{2+} administration
 - Limitation: diet, long-term
 - **Isotopic method:** $^{25}\text{Mg}^{2+}$ and $^{26}\text{Mg}^{2+}$
 - highly abundant in nature; relative low sensitivity

Bioavailability of Mg preparation

- The bioavailability and intestinal absorption efficacy of orally ingested $[Mg^{2+}]$ are influenced by **endogenous** and **exogenous** factors.

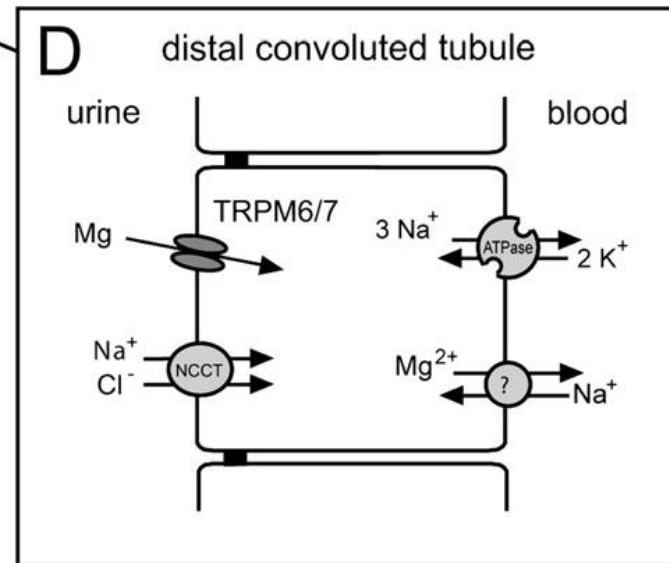
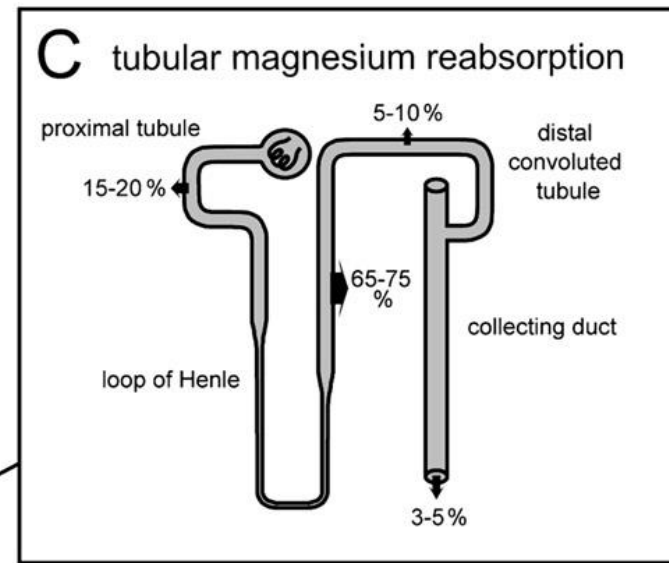
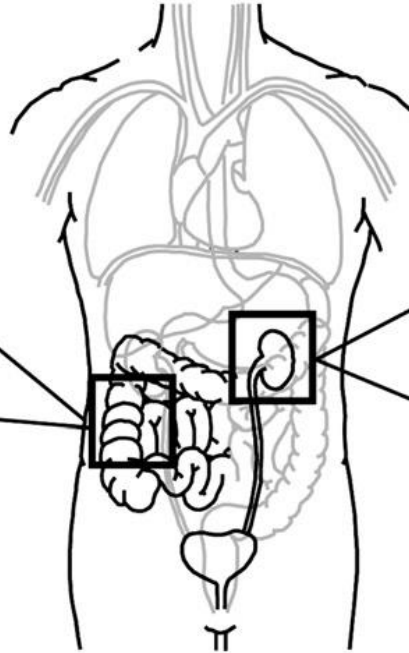
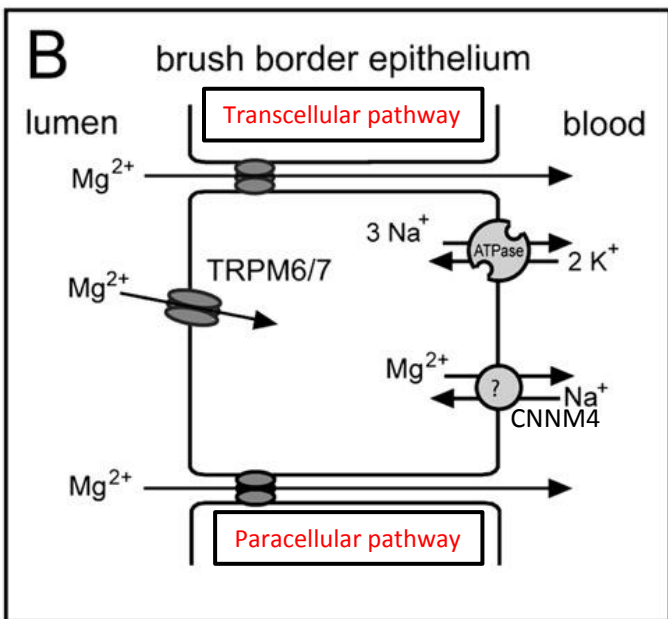
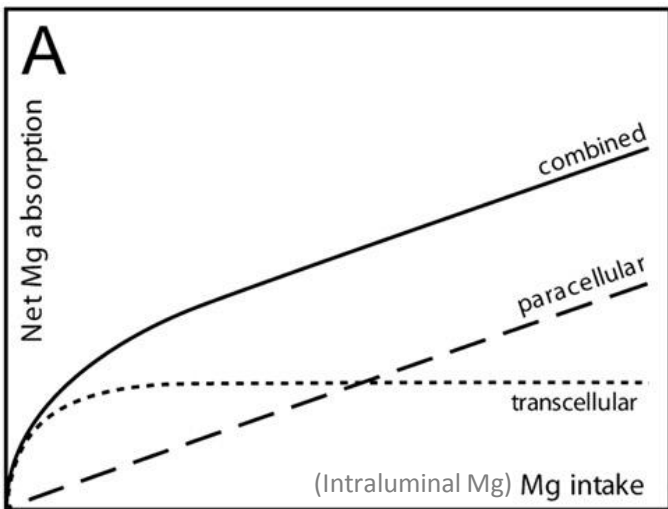
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Pathophysiology

- In principle, $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ uptake is higher
 - Multiple low doses > single, large dose
 - Mg salt: less relevant than is often thought.
 - Bioavailability: organic > inorganic Mg salts

Pathophysiology

- Effects on other electrolytes
 - Hypocalcemia
 - Inhibition of parathyroid hormone (PTH) by magnesium
 - $[Ca^{2+}]$ and $[PTH]$ fell after magnesium infusion in 7 pregnant women being treated to suppress labor
 - Hyperkalemia
 - $[Mg^{2+}]$ blocking potassium channels in cortical collecting duct, resulting in reduced potassium clearance

Making the diagnosis

- Correlations: **clinical presentation** and **[Mg²⁺]**
 - [Mg²⁺] < 4.8 mg/dL are usually asymptomatic
 - Deep tendon reflexes may be diminished with [Mg²⁺] > 6.1 mg/dL

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Making the diagnosis

- Interpreting serum magnesium
 - The serum $[Mg^{2+}]$: not reflect total body status
 - Avoid hemolysis : RBC $[Mg^{2+}] >$ serum $[Mg^{2+}]$
 - No clinically available "ionized" magnesium test to diagnose deficiency based on free magnesium

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Making the diagnosis

- Additional test: causes of alterations in calcium levels
 - parathyroid hormone
 - vitamin D
 - phosphate
 - muscle enzymes (to assess for rhabdomyolysis)
- urinary 24-hour magnesium collection

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Making the diagnosis

Electrocardiography

- In patient with unexplained bradycardia or tachycardia (not diagnostic)
 - prolonged PR, QRS, and QT intervals
 - complete heart block
 - atrial fibrillation and asystole

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Making the diagnosis

Additional test

- Few case report showed
 - Abdominal computed tomography
 - Magnesium-containing bezoars
 - Magnesium oxide, aluminum and magnesium hydroxide

Hypermagnesemia in a constipated female, [The Journal of Emergency Medicine, 2013](#)

Antacid bezoar in a newborn. [Pediatrics, 1979](#)

Hypermagnesemia and intestinal perforation following antacid administration in a premature infant. [Pediatrics, 1990](#)

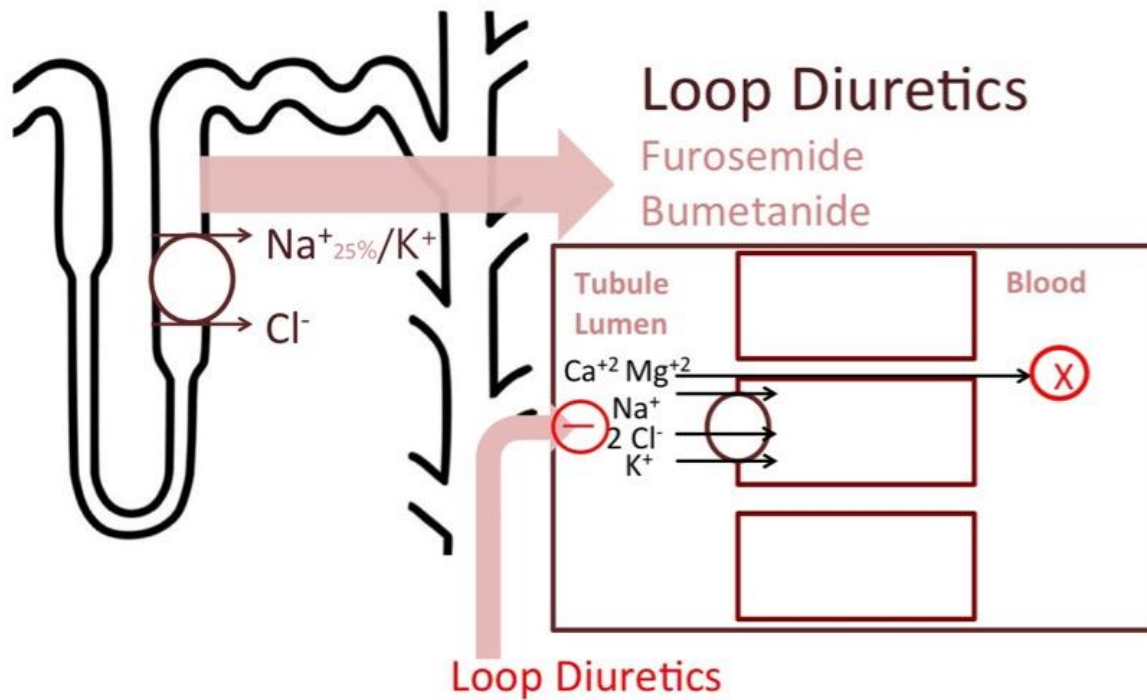
Management

- Most cases of sufficiently treated by
 - Discontinuing magnesium-containing supplements
 - Volume replacement with IV saline
- Loop diuretics: enhance magnesium excretion
 - Prevent volume overload from volume repletion
 - Monitor $[Ca^{2+}]$, because increased calcium excretion

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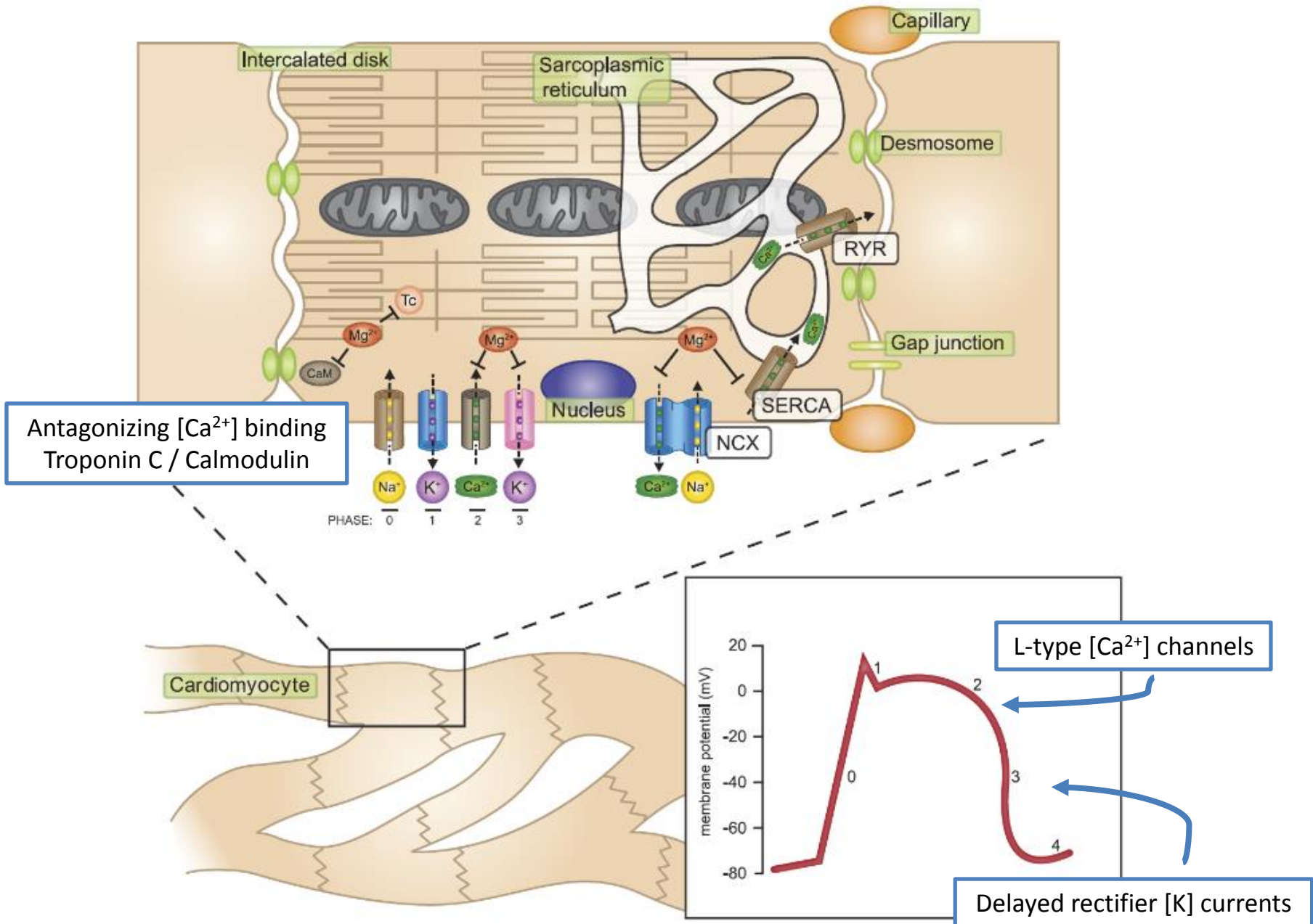
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Reduced paracellular $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ reabsorption

Management

- Cardiac dysfunction or hypotension and respiratory depression, additionally
 - Calcium to counteract effects of magnesium
 - $[Mg^{2+}]$ interfere with synaptic transmission by blocking calcium channels; formulations used include
 - Elemental calcium 100-200 mg IV over 5-10 minutes
 - Calcium chloride 10% solution 5-10 mL (500-1,000 mg) IV
 - Calcium gluconate 1 g IV over 3 minutes



Management

- For patients with severe renal dysfunction and/or severe hypermagnesemia, consider dialysis

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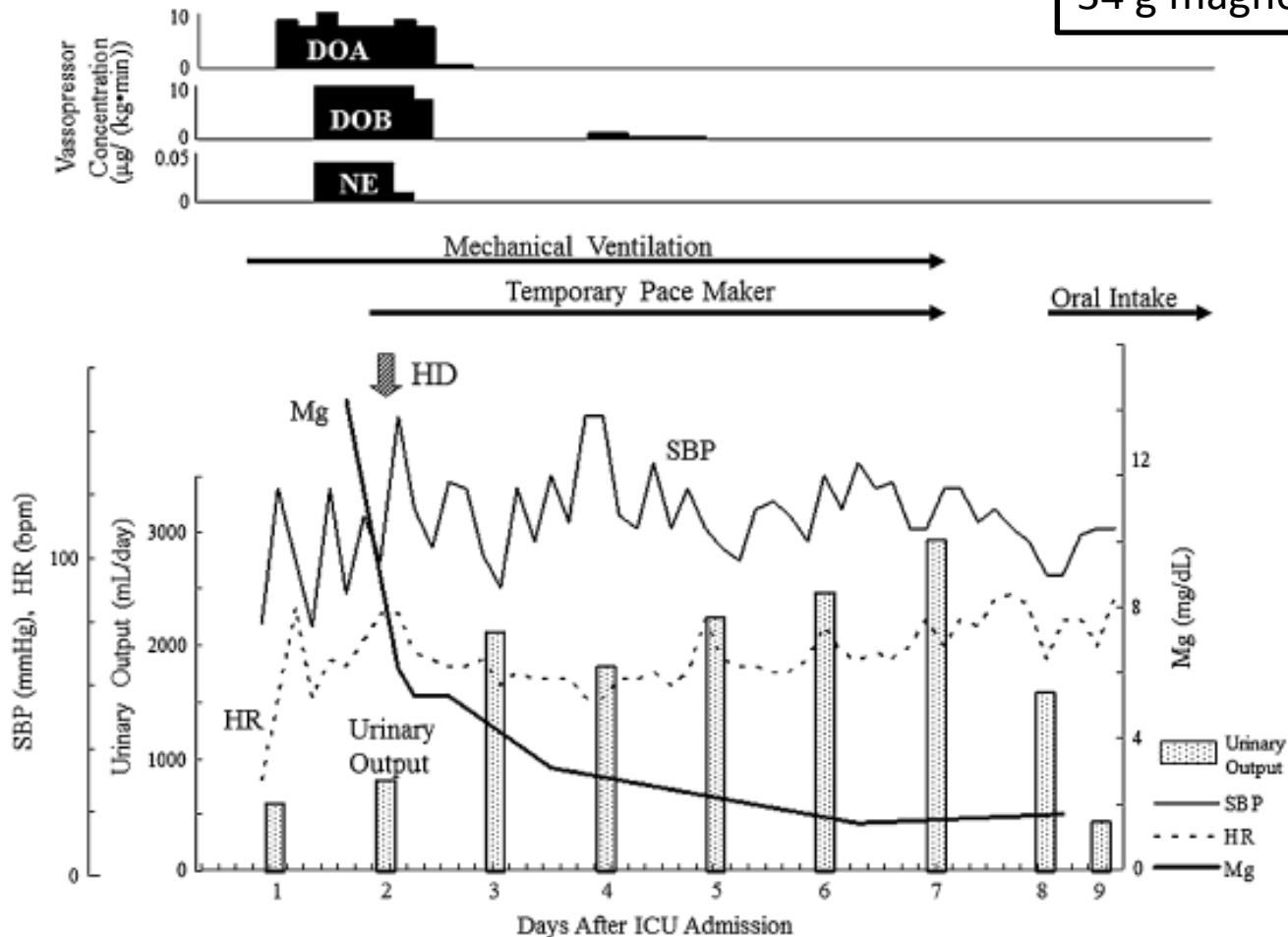
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Mg product develop hypermagnesemia in normal renal function patient.

Clin J Gastroenterol (2013) 6: 105–110

85-year-old woman
34 g magnesium citrate



Management – case experience

- Regularly measured serum magnesium in
 - Geriatric patients
 - Administered magnesium oxide for prolonged periods



Prognosis and prevention

- With adequate renal function typically recover and normalize magnesium levels once supply of magnesium has been stopped.
- Reduced prescription magnesium-containing antacids or cathartics to patients with renal insufficiency.

	Fleet Phospho-Soda	Bow-klean Powder	GI Klean Powder
	Sodium phosphate	Magnesium oxide, Sodium picosulfate, citric acid anhydrous	Sodium sulfate, sodium bicarbonate
清腸乾淨度	76.6-78.8%	72.5%	65.7-77.6%
自費價格	336元	578元	352元
Side effect	13.6-32.2% Renal toxicity, hyperphosphatemia, hypo-K/Ca	4.3-26.7% Hypermagnesemia Hypo-Na/K	10.4-33.1%
Benefit	Cheapest + cleanest		No renal adverse event
Disadvantage	Renal toxicity	Electrolyte imbalance	
Contraindication	Renal insufficiency	Renal insufficiency	
	Intestinal obstruction, intestinal perforation		



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