

CHAPTER 27

WATER, ELECTROLYTES, AND ACID-BASE BALANCE

CHAPTER OVERVIEW: This chapter continues the discussion of water balance begun in the previous chapter (The Urinary System). The detailed interactions between the endocrine and local controls for maintaining concentrations of individual electrolytes and the water content of the body fluids are discussed. The regulation of pH is explained in terms of electrolytes, water and the buffer systems of the body fluids.

OUTLINE (two or three fifty-minute lectures):
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Lect. Topic	Outline, Chapter 27	Figures & Tables	Transparenc Acetates
1	I. Body Fluids., p. 901		
	A. Proportion of Body Weight that is Water	Table 27.1, p.902	
	1. Decreases with Age		
	2. Decreases with Increased Fat Content		
	B. Fluid Compartments	Table 27.2, p.902	
	1. Intracellular Fluid is 40 % of the Total Body Weight		
	2. Extracellular Fluid is 20 % of the Total Body Weight		
	a. Interstitial Fluid		
	b. Blood Plasma		
	II. Regulation of Intracellular Fluid Composition, p. 901		
	A. Continuous Exchange Among Compartments	Fig. 27.1, p.902	TA-556
	1. Separated by Semipermeable Membranes		
	2. Water Moves Freely by Osmosis		
2	3. Difference in Actual Composition		
	4. Osmotic Equivalence		
	III. Regulation of Extracellular Fluid Composition. P. 901		
	A. Balance Between Intake and Elimination of Electrolytes		
3, 4	IV. Regulation of Ion Concentrations, p. 901		
	A. Sodium Ions	Clinical Note, p.903	
	1. Responsible ofr 90-95 % of Osmotic Pressure		
	2. Ingestion Usually Greater than Need		
	3. Kidneys Major Route of Na ⁺ Ion Excretion		
	a. Rate of Sodium Transport Under Control of Aldosterone		
	b. Presence of Aldosterone Leads to Sodium Retention		
	4. Na ⁺ also found in Sweat		

5. Sodium Transport Mechanisms Controlled by Osmolality and BP Fig. 27.2, p.904 TA-557
Table 27.3, pp.905-906
- a. Increased Osmolality Leads to Small volume of Concentrated Urine
 - b. Increased BP Leads to Increased Salt and Water Excretion Predict Quest. 1
6. Atrial Natriuretic Hormone Table 27.4, p.906
- a. Secreted in Response to Increased BP in Right Atrium
 - b. Actions
- 1). Inhibits Reabsorption of Sodium Ions in Kidney
 - 2). Inhibits Effect of ADH on Distal convoluted Tubules and Collecting Ducts
7. Lack of Control of Na^+ Concentration has Severe Consequences Predict Quest. 2
- B. Chloride Ions
1. Predominant Anion of Extracellular Fluid
 2. Follow the Movement of Cations (Na^+ , K^+ , Ca^{2+})
- C. Potassium Ions
1. Extracellular K^+ Concentration Kept within Narrow Range
 2. Profound Effects on Membrane Potentials if Concentration Moved Outside Normal Range Table 27.5, p.907
 - a. Hyperkalemia and Depolarization of Membranes
 - b. Hypokalemia and Hyperpolarization of Membranes
 3. Regulation Primarily through Altering Rate of Secretion in Distal Convoluted Tubule
 - a. Aldosterone Increases Rate of Secretion Fig. 27.3, p.908 TA-558
 - b. Lowers Plasma K^+ Concentration
- D. Calcium Ions
1. Normal Concentration of 9.4 mg/100 ml
 2. Effects of Derangement Table 27.6, p. 909
 - a. Hypercalcemia (≥ 12 mg/100 ml)
 - b. Hypocalcemia (≤ 6 mg/100 ml)
 3. Kidneys, Bone and Intestinal Tract all Involved in Ca^{2+} Regulation Fig. 27.4, p.910 TA-559
 4. Parathyroid Hormone
 - a. Secretion from Parathyroid Fig. 27.4, p. 910 TA-559

Glands Stimulated by Decreased
Blood Ca^{2+}

b. Actions

5. Calcitonin

a. Secretion from C Cells of
Thyroid Stimulated by Increased
blood Calcium Levels

b. Actions

1). No Effect on Kidney

E. Phosphate Ions (Regulated Through Rates of Kidney
Transport)

5, 6 V. Regulation of Water Content, p. 909

A. Water Intake

Fig. 27.5, p.911
Table 27.7,
p.912

1. Intake 1500 to 3000 ml

2. Thirst Center in Hypothalamus

a. Supraoptic Nucleus

b. Sensitive to Changes in
Osmolality

c. Baroreceptor Reflex Stimulates
Thirst Center

B. Three Routes of Water Loss

1. Surface Evaporation

a. Insensible Perspiration (100-150
ml)

b. Sweat or Sensible Perspiration

Table 27.8,
p.913
Predict Quest. 3

2. Feces - Minor Volume

3. Urine - Variable Amount in Response to Blood
Osmolality Changes

7 VI. Regulation of Acid-Base Balance, p. 913

A. Acids and Bases

1. Increased H^+ = Lower pH

Appendix D
Fig. 27.6, p.913 TA-560

2. $\text{pH} < 7$ = Acidic Condition; $\text{pH} > 7$ = Basic
Condition

8 B. Buffer Systems

Table 27.9,
p.914

1. Buffers Resist Changes in pH

2. Chemical Equilibrium of Weak Acid and its
Salt

9 C. Mechanisms of Acid-Base Balance

Fig. 27.7, p.915 TA-561

1. Respiratory Regulation of Acid-Base Balance

a. Carbonic Acid - Bicarbonate
Buffer System

Fig. 27.8, p.916 TA-562

b. Reversible Reaction

- c. Carbonic Anhydrase Enzyme System
- d. Increased CO₂ at Lungs Leads to Decreased H⁺

- 2. Renal Regulation of Acid-Base Balance
 - a. Active Transport of Hydrogen Ions into Filtrate
 - b. Tubular Carbonic Anhydrase System
 - c. Filtration of Bicarbonate Ions
 - d. Presence of Phosphate Buffers pH of Urine
 - e. Secretion of Ammonia

Fig. 27.9, p.917 TA-563
Clinical Note,
p.916
Predict Quest. 4

10 Clinical Focus: Acidosis and Alkalosis

Clinical Focus,
pp.918-919
Table 27-A,
p.918

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS: If there are only two lecture sessions for these topics, split them into composition, distribution and ion exchanges of body fluids and compartments; followed by regulation of water concentration and acid-base balance. If there is a third session available use this to review, summarize and collate all the various mechanisms discussed here and in previous chapters. This chapter provides an excellent opportunity for students to draw together the functions of all of the organ systems and appreciate the interactive relationships and compensating mechanisms that provide the functional links. Unfortunately students often become overwhelmed by the detail and do not see the larger points to be made. Help students make the functional connections before they worry about the fine details.

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