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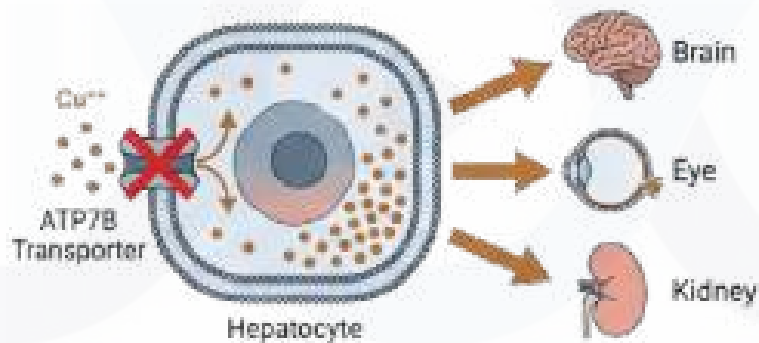
Wilson Disease: Genetic Basis & Pathophysiology

Autosomal Recessive | ATP7B Mutation | Chromosome 13

- **Definition**
Mutation in ATP7B gene encoding transmembrane ATP-ase transport protein.
- **Mechanism**
Failure of copper transport out of liver cells.
- **Result**
Copper accumulation in Liver, Brain, Eyes, and other organs causing oxidant damage.
- **Systemic Scope**
Multi-systemic (Hepatic, Neuro, Psych, Cutaneous, Skeletal, Endocrine).

The Copper Blockade & Expression Spectrum

A) The Cellular Defect



B) Variable Expressivity

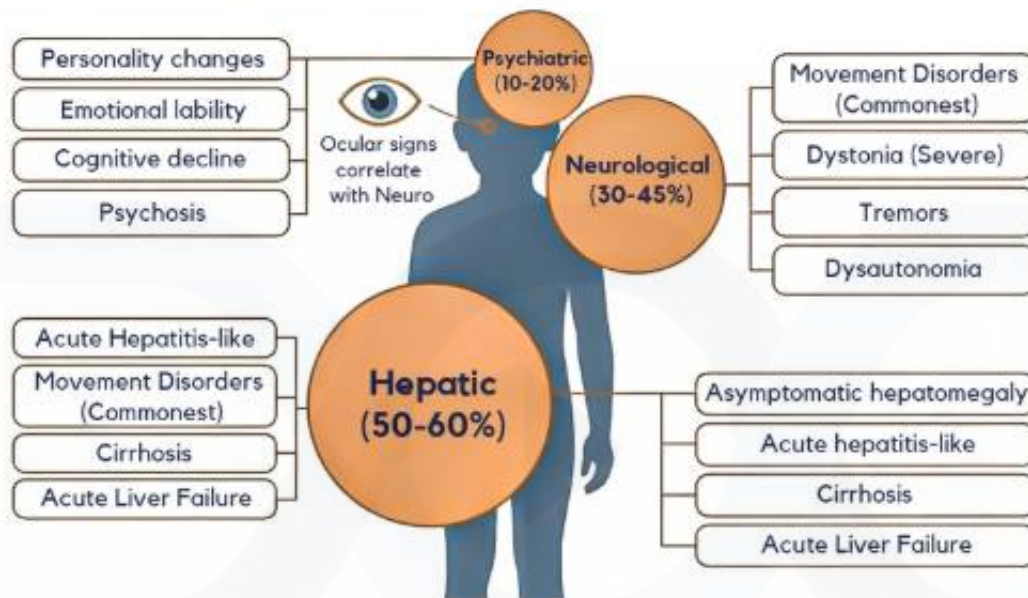


Clinical Presentation Spectrum

Systemic Prevalence in Pediatric Patients

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Systemic Prevalence in Pediatric Patients



Study Structure

- Kidney
- Skeletal
- Endocrine (menstrual abnormalities)

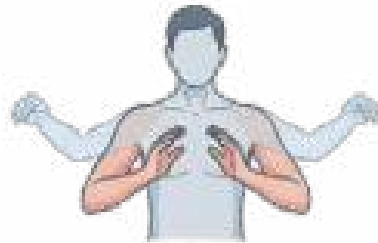
Seizures:

5-10% of cases (Status epilepticus rare)

Neurological Subtypes: Denny Brown Classification

Distinct Phenotypes & Physical Exam Findings

Tremor-Predominant (70%)



Wing-Beating Posture

- Wing-Beating Tremor (Pathognomonic)
- Elicited by proximal arm flexion
- Basal ganglia & dentate-rubro-thalamic pathway

Dystonia-Predominant (13-30%)



Risus Sardonicus

- Most severe form
- Focal, segmental, or generalized
- Hypomimia (expressionless) or Risus Sardonicus
- **WARNING:** Status Dystonicus = Emergency (Rhabdomyolysis/ AKI)

Nigrostriatal (11%)



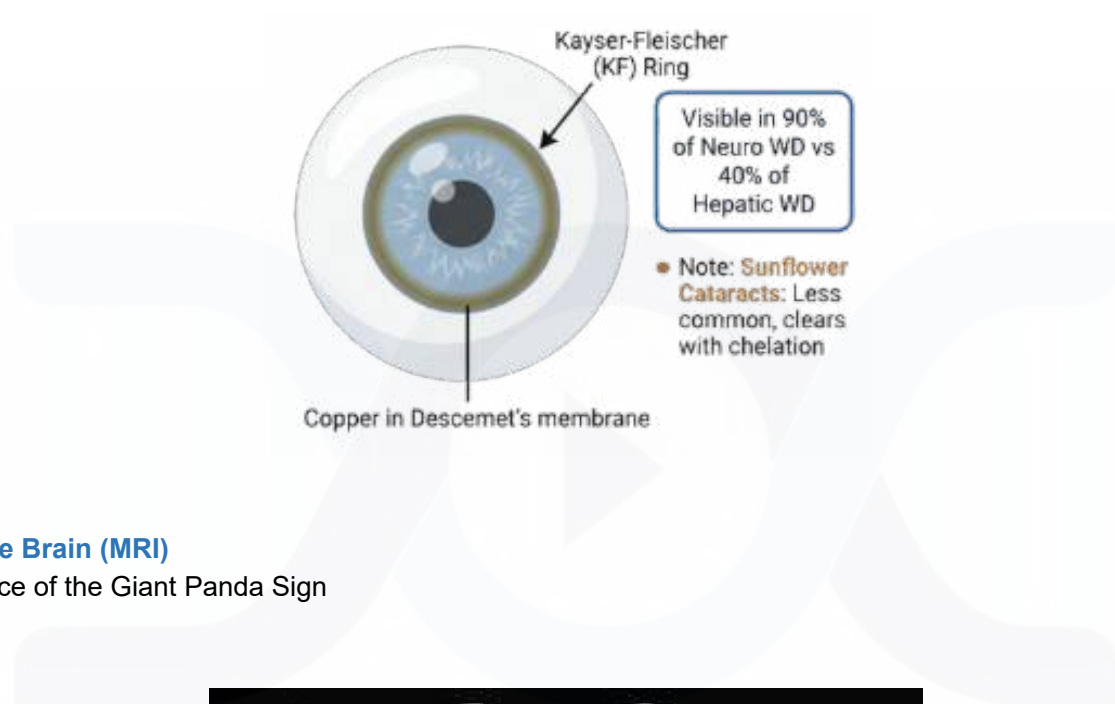
Parkinsonian Gait & Posture

- Rigidity & Bradykinesia
- Resting tremor
- Drooling, gait difficulty

Diagnostic Signs: Ocular & Neuroimaging

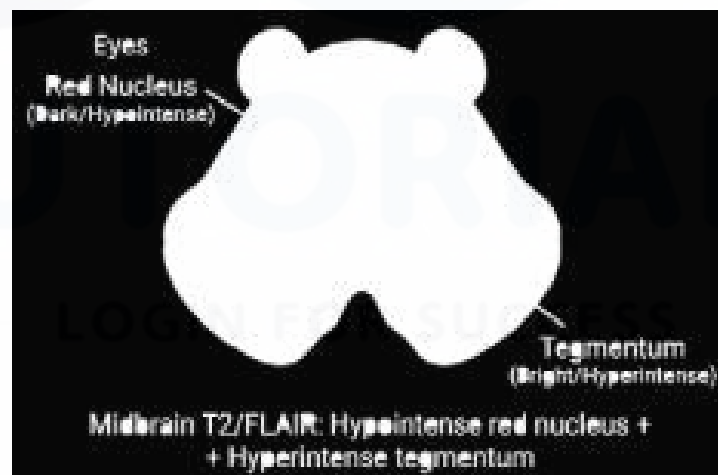
Kayser-Fleischer Rings and The 'Giant Panda' Sign

The Eye (Ophthalmology)



The Brain (MRI)

Face of the Giant Panda Sign



Epidemiology & Diagnosis: Leipzig Scoring System

MeanPediatricOnset:7-9Years | Prevalence:3-10per100,000

The Leipzig Diagnostic Calculator

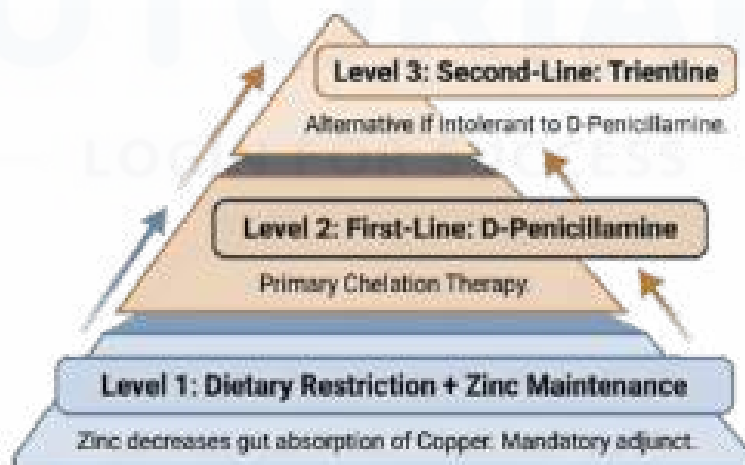
	Kayser-Fleischer Rings	+2
	Neurological Symptoms	+1
	Serum Ceruloplasmin (< 20 mg/dL)	+1
	24hr Urine Copper (> 30 µg)	+1
	Liver Copper (Biopsy)	+2
	Coombs-negative hemolytic anemia	+1

Traffic Light Scoring Logic



Management Strategy: Copper Chelation

Goal: Remove excess copper and prevent re-accumulation



Prognosis

- Generally favourable if diagnosed and treated in time.
- Clinical signs (KF rings, cataracts) often clear with chelation.
- Genetics: Testing may be negative even with clear presentation (New genes emerging).

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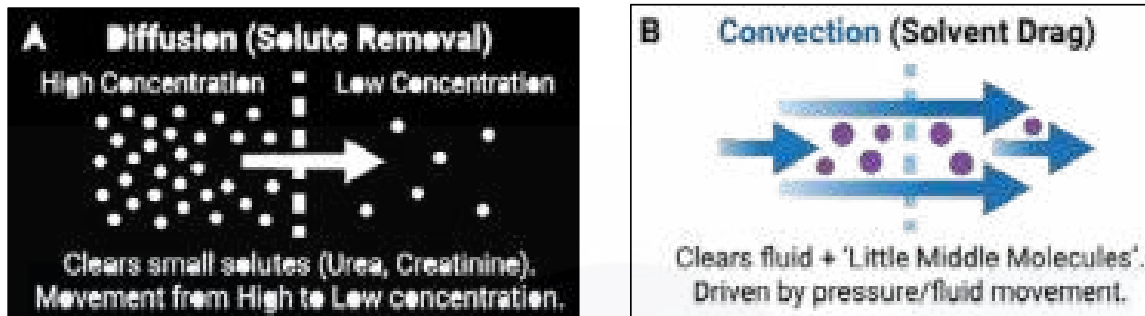


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Pediatric RRT: Foundations & Mechanisms

Replaces Kidney Function in AKI/CKI | Requires PICU + Nephrology Team

Physics of Clearance

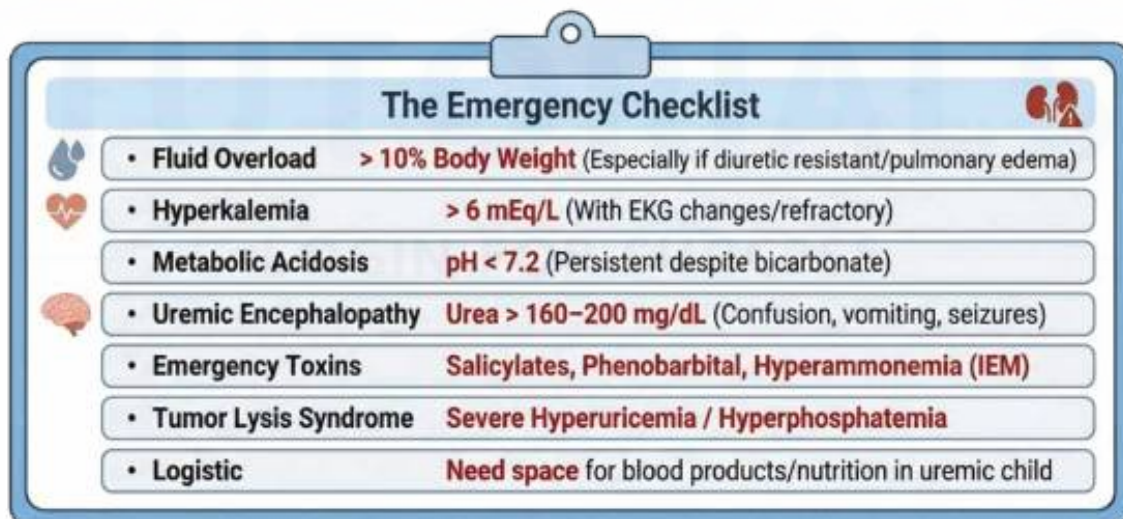


⚠ **Limitation:** Does not replace metabolic or hormonal kidney functions.

⚠ **Risk:** CKI incidence after pediatric AKI is 20-30%.

Indications for Initiation: The Non-Negotiables

Critical thresholds for emergency start



Modality Selection Matrix

Choosing between PD, IHD, and CRRT based on patient status

Peritoneal Dialysis (PD)

Patient Status: Stable OR Unstable

Speed: Continuous

Pros:

- Simple, Low Cost
- No Vascular Access

Cons:

- Poor solute clearance
- **Infection risk (Peritonitis)**
- Uncontrolled Ultrafiltration

Best For: Difficult access

- Neonates, Low resource

Intermittent Hemodialysis (IHD)

Patient Status: **Stable Only**

Speed: Rapid (Intermittent)

Pros:

- Rapid toxin removal
- Controlled fluid removal

Cons:

- Hypotension
- **Dialysis Disequilibrium Syndrome (DDS)**

Best For: Rapid toxin clearance

Continuous (CRRT)

Patient Status: **Clinically Unstable**

Speed: Continuous (>24hr)

Pros:

- Hemodynamic stability
- Precise fluid control



Cons:

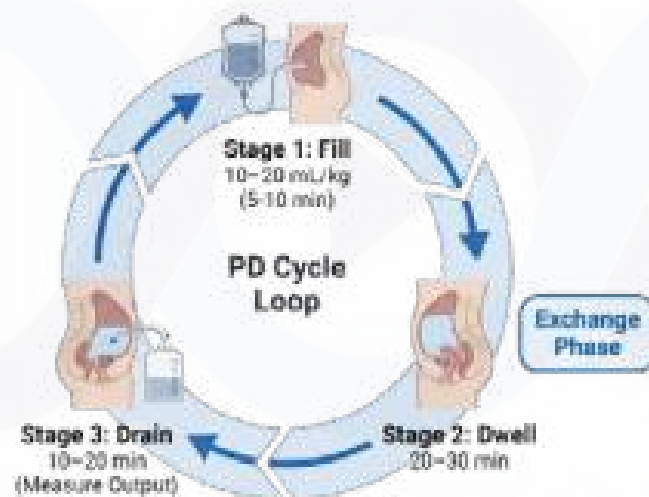
- Immobilization
- High cost
- Prolonged anticoagulation

Best For: Sepsis, Shock

- Multi-organ failure

Peritoneal Dialysis (PD): Procedure & Prescription

Cycle Logic and Dwell Times

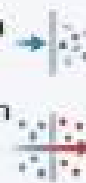


Prescription Basics

- **Access:** Abdominal catheter.
- **Fluid:** 1.7% Dextrose (Std) up to 2.5%. Lactate or Bicarb based.
- **Additives:** Heparin (500u/L), Potassium (2-4 mEq/L after stabilization).

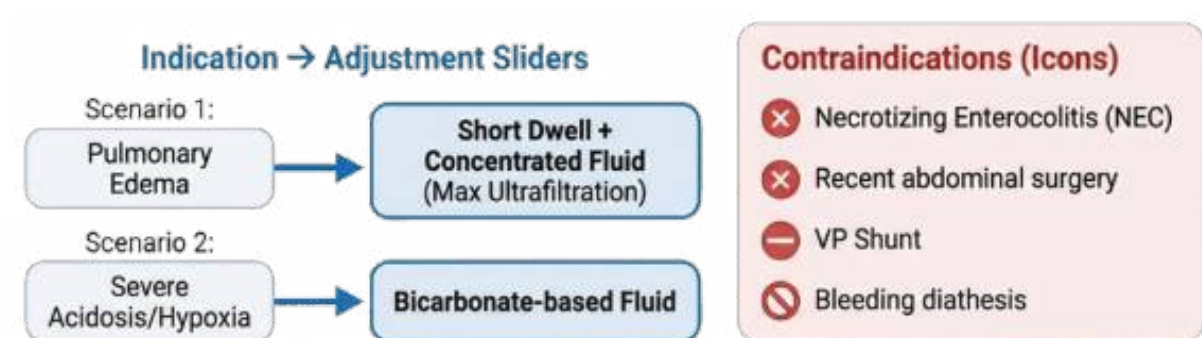
Key Concept Box: Dwell Time Physics

- **Short Dwell:** Better Diffusion (Solute Clearance).
- **Prolonged Dwell:** Equilibrium reached = Less clearance, More fluid removal.



PD Safety: Modifications & Complications

Monitoring Requirements and Contraindications



Non-Negotiable Monitoring

Fluid Check

- Color (turbid=infection), fibers/threads

Labs

- Electrolytes/Sugar q12h (Risk: Hypoglycemia/Hyperglycemia).

Complications

- Peritonitis, Leakage, Hypothermia, Poor drainage.



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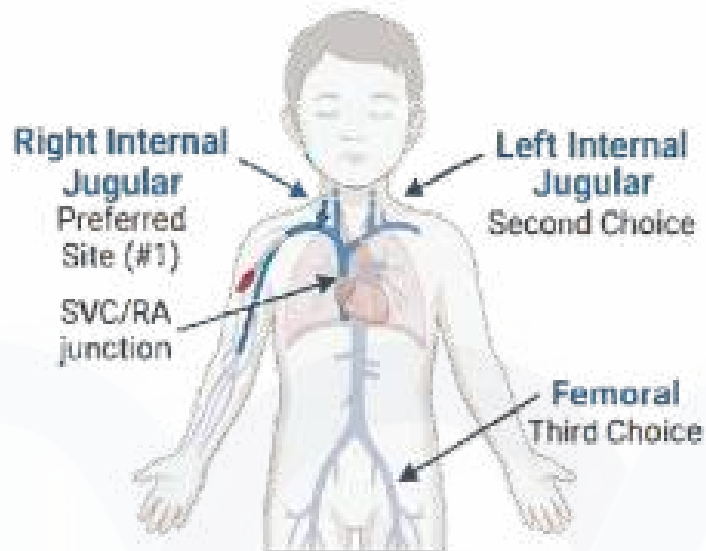
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Intermittent Hemodialysis (IHD): Technical Setup

Access Sites & Equipment Sizing Rules



Critical Equation

Dialyzer Surface Area $\leq$ Patient Body Surface Area (BSA)

- Smallest size available: 0.2 m²

Safety Note: Prevents hemodynamic collapse.

Critical Equation

- Dual flow.
- Heparin lock (1000u/mL).

Contraindications

- Hemodynamic instability,
- Small infants (technical limits).

IHD Prescription & Safety Parameters

Dosing, Flow Rates, and Avoiding DDS

Rx IHD Prescription

- **Blood Flow (Q_b):** 3–5 mL/kg/min.
- **Dialysate Flow (Q_d):** 2x Blood Flow Rate.
- **Max Ultrafiltration:** 10% of BW or 2 mL/kg/hr.
- **Anticoagulation:** Heparin (Bolus 20 IU/kg, Maint 10–5 IU/kg/hr).
- **Dialysate Na:** Match Serum Na (Avoid <135 to prevent cramps/hypotension).

⚠ WARNING STAMP

Risk: Dialysis Disequilibrium Syndrome (DDS)

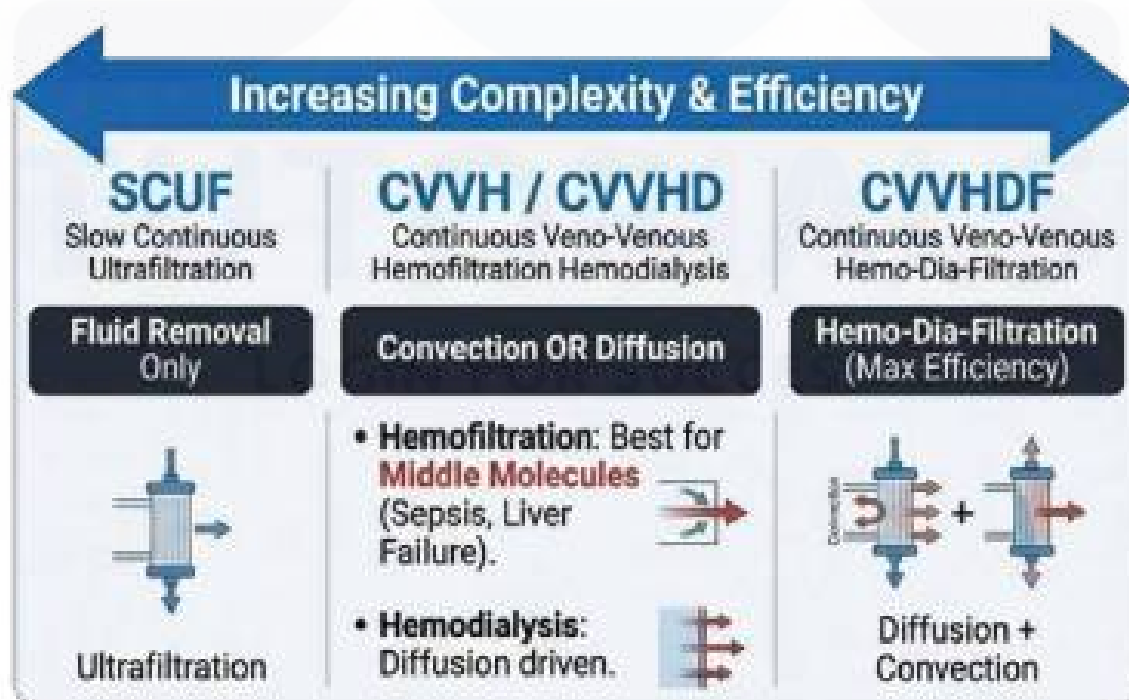
Start Slow, Short Duration to prevent Cerebral Edema.

Target Kt/V: 1.2-1.4

** Measure of dialysis adequacy.

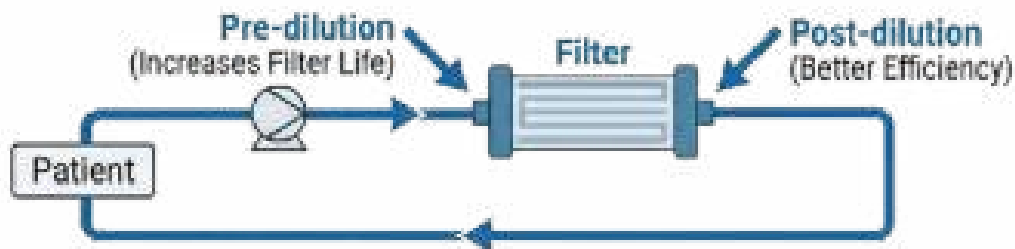
CRRT: Modalities & Indications

Continuous Therapy for Unstable Patients



CRRT: Prescription Logic

Dosing, Dilution, and Priming



1. Dosing (Effluent Dose)

- Standard: 20-25 mL/kg/hour.
- Hyperammonemia: > 50 mL/kg/hour.

2. Flow Rates

- Blood Flow: 3-5 mL/min.
- Filtration Fraction: < 25%.

3. Priming

- Saline or Albumin.
- **Whole Blood:** Required for small infants/neonates to prevent hemodilution.

Notes:



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