

SIMPLY.... Fluids

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Plan

- Maintenance vs Resuscitation
- Prescribing
- Common Errors ☹️
- Calculations 😊
- Drip rates



Case

54 yo presents with severe diarrhoea and vomiting.

- How would you proceed?

Assessment

- History
- Examination
- Investigation
- Management



Assessment

History



Case

54 yo presents with severe diarrhoea and vomiting.

HPC

Vomiting for 3 days, 2 days of diarrhoea

Unable to tolerate oral fluids for 24hrs

Ate dodgy kebab on Saturday. No recent travel.

Feeling unwell, thirsty, light-headed when standing

Passing less urine than normal

No feverish symptoms

Normally fit and well

HISTORY

Input vs Output

?Limited intake

?High Losses

Symptoms

Urine

Co-morbidities

Assessment

Examination



Case

54 yo presents with severe diarrhoea and vomiting.

Examination

Alert

Accessory muscles of respiration

Cool peripheries

Dry mucus membranes

Observations:

See chart

T37.0 BP 95/60 HR 110 RR 24 98% OA

EXAMINATION

- A**
- B** Respiratory Rate $>20/\text{min}$
- C** Systolic Blood Pressure $<100\text{mmHg}$
Heart Rate $>90\text{ bpm}$
Cold peripherally
JVP
- D** Urine output $< 0.5\text{ ml/kg/hr}$
Temperature
AVPU
- E** Dry mucosae



NEWS observation chart

National Early Warning Score

Monitoring frequency		Date	Time	NEWS key				Ward/department
				0	1	2	3	
Respiration rate	≥25	3						
	21-24	2	24					
	12-20							
	9-11	1						
	≤8	3						
SpO ₂	≥96%		98					
	94-95%	1						
	92-93%	2						
	≤91%	3						
Oxygen (O ₂)	%/lpm	2	RA					
O ₂ delivery system								
Temp (normal range 36.1-38°C)	≥39°C	2						
	38°C	1						
	37°C		*37.8					
	36°C	1						
	≤35°C	3						
Blood Pressure	NEW SCORE uses systolic BP							
	≥220	3						
	210							
	200							
	190							
	180							
	170							
	160							
	150							
	140							
	130							
	120							
	110	1						
	100	2	↑95					
	90							
	80							
	70							
60								
50	3	↓60						
40								
≤30								
Heart rate	≥140	3						
	130							
	120	2						
	110		*110					
	100	1						
	90							
	80							
	70							
	60							
	≤30	3						
Rhythm								
Level of consciousness	Alert	0	A					
Verbal/Pain/Unresp	3							
NEWS total		6						
Initials								
Blood glucose level								
Pain score	n* at rest							
0-10	n* on movement							
Urine output*								
RN initials								

* If urine output <0.5ml/kg/hr contact doctor to review

Date		Time
28/01		20:30
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Assessment

Investigation

Weight: 100kg

Urine : 4+ ketones, nil else

What should his Urine Output be over 4 hours?

Bloods:

U&E

FBC

INVESTIGATIONS

Bedside: Weight
Fluid Balance Chart
Urine dipstick

Bloods: Electrolytes

Imaging: Chest X-Ray

Management

- IV Access:
 - What size cannula ?
- Fluid Challenge:
 - What type of fluid?
 - How much fluid ?



Type of fluid and rate

- Crystalloids

Clear fluids- water+electrolytes

- 0.9% Normal Saline
- Dextrose
- Hartmann's

	0.9% Normal saline	Hartmann / Plasmalyte	5% glucose
Na	154 mmol	131 mmol	0
K	0	5 mmol	0
Cl	154 mmol	111 mmol	0
Osmol	303 mosm/l	279 mosm/l	253 mosm/l
Other	nil	Lactate 29 Calcium 2	Glucose 50g/l

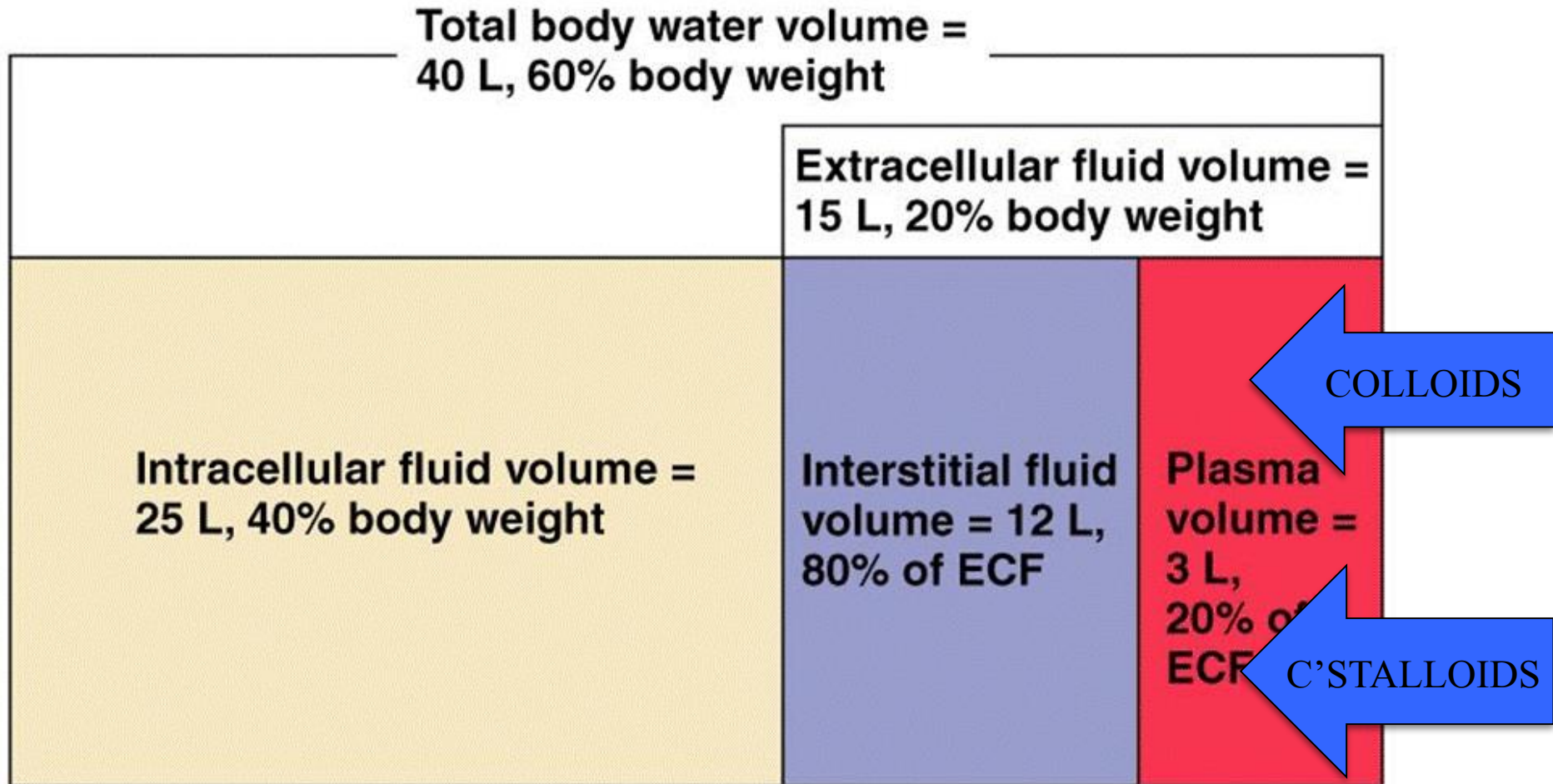
- Colloids

Gelatinous- particles suspended in solution

- Volplex
- Gelofusion
- Blood



Fluid compartments



How much fluid?



Resuscitation

Assess- ABCDE

IF NO OVERLOAD SIGNS...

*** FLUID CHALLENGE ***

250-500mls Crystalloid

Re-assess

Further 250-500mls bolus until 2L given

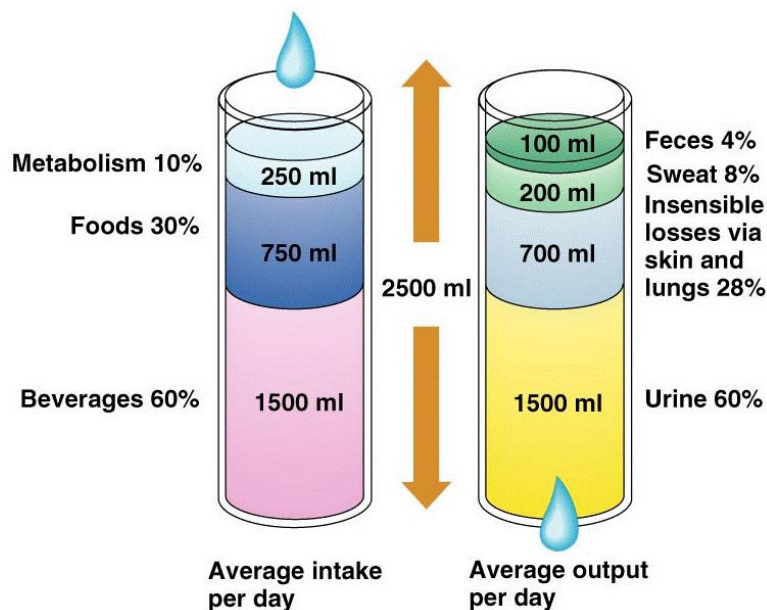
RE-ASSESS





Fluid balance

The patient was placed on a fluid balance chart.



1		24 Hour Fluid Balance Chart		The Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust						
		01:00hrs - 24:00hrs		WPG562						
Patient's Name <u>JAMES JONES</u>				Notes						
Ward <u>83</u>										
Consultant <u>BIET</u>										
Date of Birth <u>01/01/78</u> Unit No <u>666661</u>										
Date/Time	Intake (in mls.)				Output (in mls.)					
	Oral	Enteral Feed/NG Feed	Parenteral IV	Blood Product	Running Total	Urine	Aspirate/Suction	Other	Running Total	
01										
02										
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22										
23										
00										
Total										
Total Intake					mls.	Total Output				mls.

Handwritten notes on chart:
 (RETURNED) FROM THEATRE
 83
 83
 CANNULA FELLOUT

Case 2...

- 35yo
- Post emergency caesarean section (for sepsis and fetal distress)
- Blood loss 1300mls

- Obs

T37.0 BP 95/60 HR 110 RR 24 98% OA

- Fluid challenge...



Resuscitation

Assess-ABCDE

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REASSESS

- If improves... likely hypovolaemia
- If does not improve... Likely something else



Maintenance Requirements

Fluid: 25-30 ml/kg/day
Sodium: 1-2mmol /kg/day
K⁺: 0.5-1mmol /kg/day
(approx. max 10mmol/hr)
+ Replacements

Example... 70kg per day

- Fluid: 1750-2100ml
- Sodium: 70-140mmol
- Potassium: 35-70mmol

DOES PATIENT NEED IV FLUID???

	0.9% Normal saline	Hartmanns	5% glucose
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Prescribing maintenance fluids

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INVESTIGATIONS

Bedside: Weight

balance Fluid
dipstick Urine

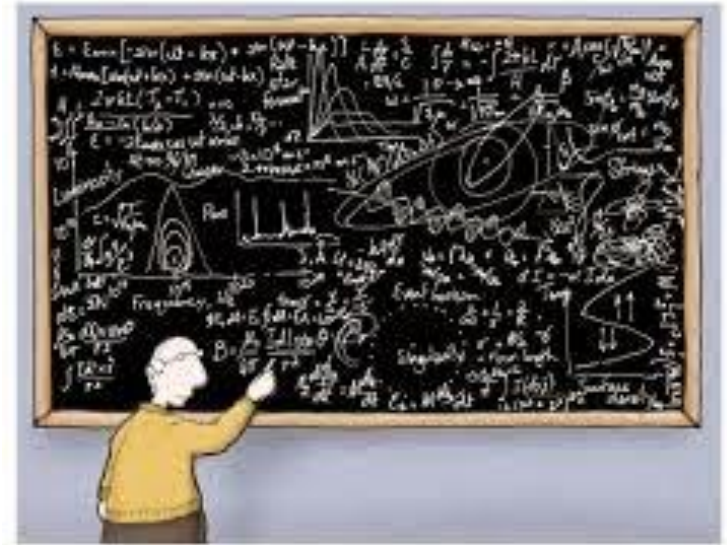
Bloods: Electrolytes

Imaging: Chest X-Ray

Depends on the case: e.g. ?NBM



Calculations



Calculating Drip Rate

What is the drip rate (drops/minute) required for a unit of blood to run over 4 hours using giving set with drop factor of 20 drops/ml?

1 unit of blood = approx 400mls

Calculating Drip Rate

- Drip rate (drops per minute)
- Volume (ml)
- Time (*minute*)
- Drop Factor (drops per ml) or (gtt per ml)

Three different methods... use the one you're most comfortable with



1. Know the Equation

What is the drip rate (drops/minute) required for a unit of blood to run over 4 hours using giving set with drop factor of 20 drops/ml?

$$\text{Drip rate} = \frac{\text{Volume}}{\text{Time}} \times \text{Drop Factor}$$

$$\text{Drip Rate} = \frac{400\text{mls}}{240\text{mins}} \times 20 \text{ gtt/ml}$$

$$= 33 \text{ drops / min}$$

$$= 32 \text{ drops / min} \quad \text{OR} \quad 8 \text{ drops / 15 sec}$$



2. Think about the problem

- Drip rate is DROPS PER MINUTE
- This is TOTAL DROPS DIVIDED BY TIME
- TOTAL DROPS same as VOLUME x DROP FACTOR (as this is drops per ml)

What is the drip rate (drops/minute) required for a unit of blood to run over 4 hours using giving set with drop factor of 20 drops/ml?

TOTAL DROPS = VOLUME X DROP FACTOR = $400 \times 20 = 8000$

DRIP RATE = TOTAL DROPS / TIME = $8000 / 240 = 33$ drops/min



3. Look at the units

Drip rate (drops per minute)

- Volume (ml)
- Time (minute)
- Drop Factor (drops per ml)

$$\text{Drip rate} \left(\frac{\text{Drops}}{\text{min}} \right) = \frac{\text{Volume} \left(\frac{\text{ml}}{\text{mins}} \right)}{\text{Time}} \times \text{Drop Factor} \left(\frac{\text{Drops}}{\text{ml}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Drip Rate} &= \frac{400\text{mls}}{240\text{mins}} \times 20 \text{ gtt/ml} \\ &= 33 \text{ drops / min} \end{aligned}$$

Converting drip rate to ml/hour

What is the transfusion rate in ml/hour of a blood transfusion being run at 40 drops/minute through a giving set with drop factor of 20 drops/ml?

Transfusion Rate	(ml/hr)
Drip rate	(Drops/minute)
Drop Factor	(Drops/ml)

1. Know the Equation

$$\text{Transfusion Rate} = \frac{\text{Drip Rate}}{\text{Drop Factor}}$$

What is the transfusion rate in ml/hour of a blood transfusion being run at 40 drops/minute through a giving set with drop factor of 20gtt/ml?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Transfusion Rate} &= \frac{40 \times 60}{20} \\ &= 120 \text{ ml/hr}\end{aligned}$$



2. Think about the problem

What is the transfusion rate in ml/hour of a blood transfusion being run at 40 drops/minute through a giving set with drop factor of 20 drops/ml?

- 20 drops per ml
- Therefore 40 drops = 2ml
- Therefore 2ml per minute
- Therefore $2 \times 60 = 120$ ml per hour



3. Look at the units

What is the transfusion rate in ml/hour of a blood transfusion being run at 40 drops/minute through a giving set with drop factor of 20 drops/ml?

Transfusion Rate	(ml/hr)
Drip rate	(Drops/minute)
Drop Factor	(Drops/ml)

$$\text{ml/hr} = \frac{\text{drops}}{\text{hr}} \text{ divided by } \frac{\text{drops}}{\text{ml}} = \frac{\cancel{\text{drops}}}{\text{hr}} \times \frac{\text{ml}}{\cancel{\text{drops}}}$$

$$= 40 \times 60 \text{ divided by } 20$$

$$= 120 \text{ ml per hour}$$



Try these later...

What is the drip rate (drops/minute) required for a 1 litre bag of saline to run over 5 hours using giving set with drop factor of 10 drops/ml?

$$\text{Drip rate} = \frac{\text{Volume}}{\text{Time}} \times \text{Drop Factor}$$

$$\text{Drip rate} = \frac{1000}{60 \times 5} \times 10 = 33 \text{ gtt/min}$$

What is the transfusion rate in ml/hour of a blood transfusion being run at 20 drops/minute through a giving set with drop factor of 15 drops/ml?

$$\text{Transfusion Rate} = \frac{\text{Drip Rate}}{\text{Drop Factor}} = \frac{20 \times 60}{15} = 80 \text{ ml/hr}$$



Summary

- IV only if not PO
- Calculations...
 - Take your time!
 - Is your answer sensible?
- Practice!

Any Questions?



Calculations

1. 0.01% Adrenaline. How many grams of adrenaline are in 1 litre of saline?

- Same as 1:10,000 adrenaline
- So 1 unit adrenaline in 10,000 units saline
- Or 1g Adrenaline in 10,000ml saline
- So 0.1g in 1 litre
- (one decimal place to the right)

2. What should the urine output for a 80kg patient over 4 hours be?

- $UO > 0.5 \text{ ml / kg / hr}$
- So at least $0.5 \times 80 \times 4 = 160\text{ml}$



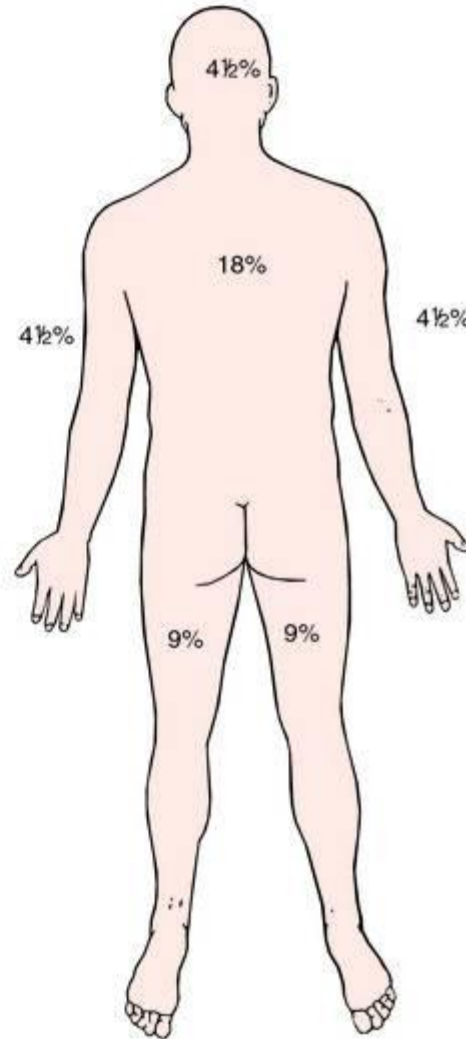
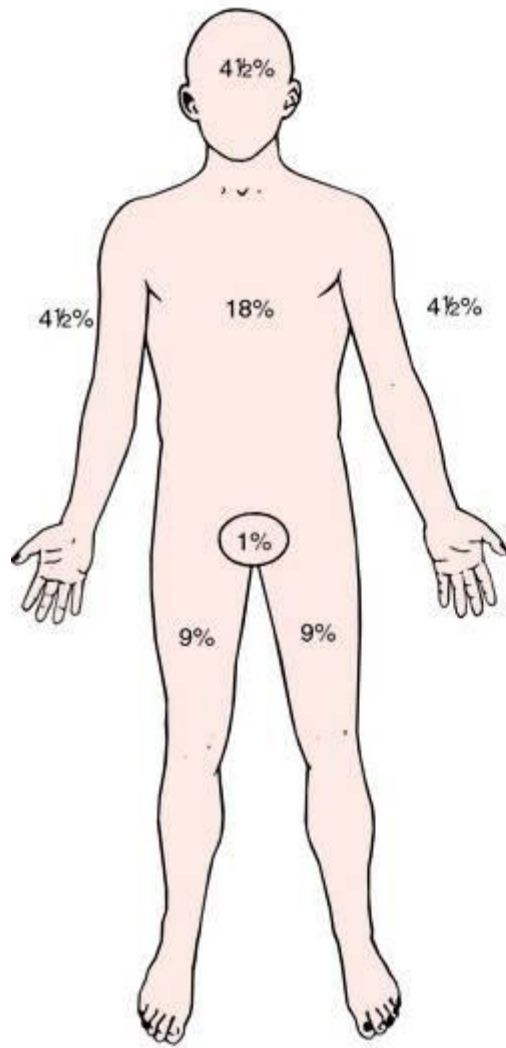
Burns

A patient presents with burns from fire. The burns are affecting both his arms, his face and head.

- What percentage body area has been effected?



Herndon Rule of 9s



Arm	9%
Head	9%
Neck	1%
Leg	18%
Anterior trunk	18%
Posterior trunk	18%