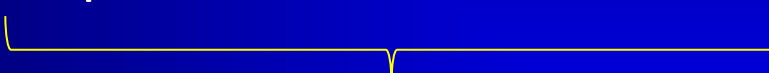


Antihypertensives



Definition of ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION

- Definition : repeated increase of blood pressure (systolic-diastolic) 140/90 mmHg or higher in patients older than 18 years in at least two of three measurements in two different checks
 - The most often disease of cardiovascular system
 - AH + hyperlipidemia + DM + nicotine addiction


premature atherosclerosis & ischemic heart disease
- prevalence in elderly 20-50 %, 35 % in CZ

Classification

➤ Etiology

- **Primary – essential**
- **Secondary**

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- App. 90 % of all patients with HT
- Multifactorial disease without organic reason

Classification

- **Ethiology**
 - **Primary – essential**
 - **Secondary**

Secondary hypertension

- **Nephropathy** – the most often
- **Endocrine** – suprarenal gland (hyperaldosteronism)
- **Renovascular** – renal artery disease
- **Iatrogenic** – long-term use of corticosteroids, NSA, sympathomimetics, HAT
- **Gestation** – HT in pregnancy

Treatment goals in hypertensive patients

SBP < 140 mm Hg

low- moderate CV risk
diabetes
previous stroke or TIA

SBD between 150 and 140 mm Hg

elderly < 80 years
elderly > 80 years in good condition

DBP < 90 mmg Hg

always recommended, except diabetes (< 85 mm Hg)

Blood Pressure regulation

- **decrease / increase**

Peripheral resistance
(vasoconstriction/vasodilatation)

- **decrease / increase**

Blood volume, cardiac output

THERAPY OF ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION

1. NON-PHARMACOLOGICAL

2. PHAMACOLOGICAL

decrease the risk of cardiovascular disease /
target BP ↓ **140/90 mm Hg (high-risk 140/85 mm Hg)**

2. PHARMACOLOGICAL

- **WHEN ?**

- **WITH ?**

- **MONOTHERAPY** (app. 30 % of the patients)
- **COMBINATION, lower doses /Fixed combination** - better compliance, *more problematic titration /*

Next steps

- ✓ + drug

- ✓ Increase the dose

Changes - 4-6 weeks interval, urgent situation immediately

Drug classes

1st line treatment

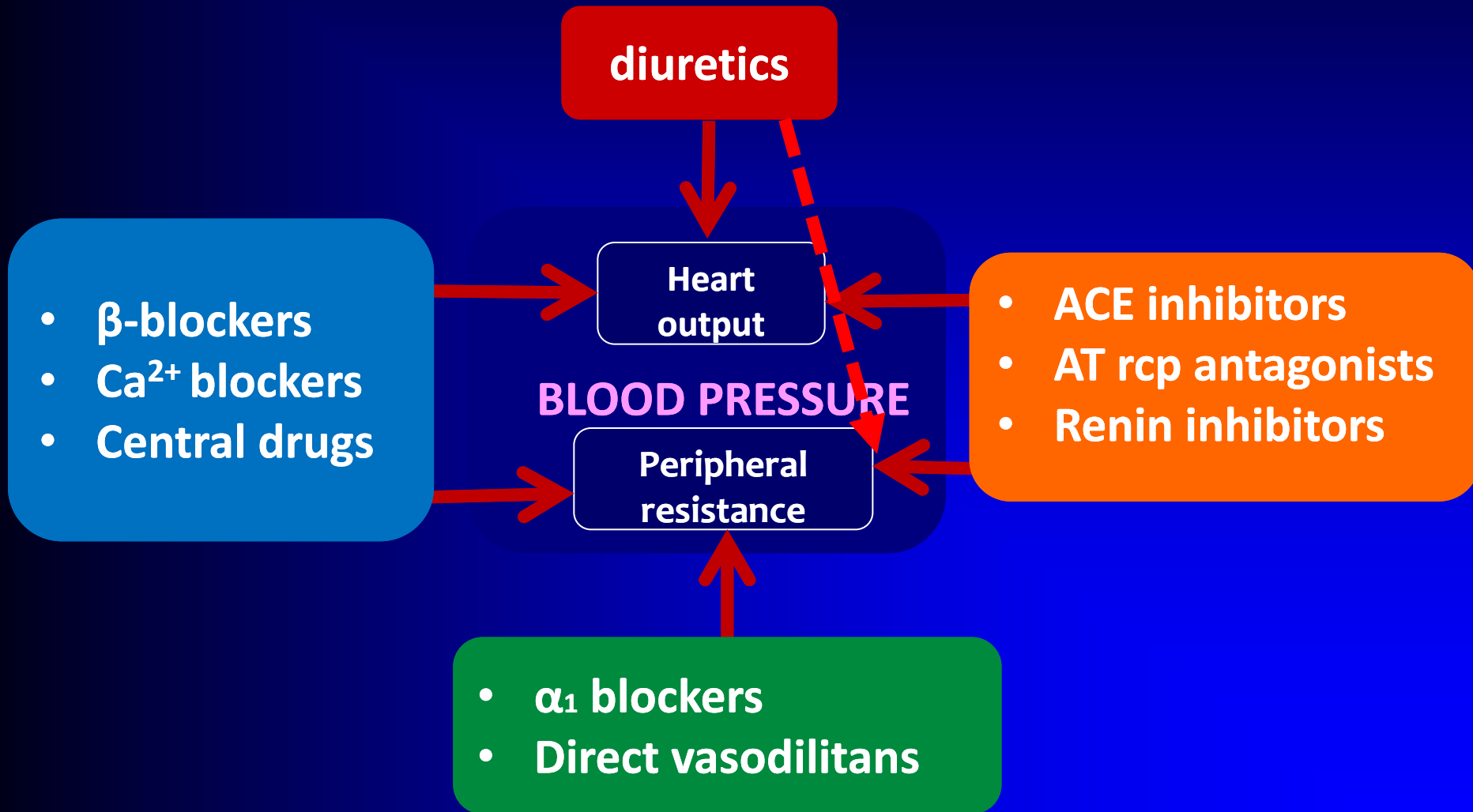
- ACEi
- AT-II inhibitors
- CCB
- Diuretics
- BB

2nd line treatment

- Central acting drugs
- α_1 -lytics
- Renin inhibitors



PHARMACOTHERAPY



1. ACEi

2. AT₁-antagonists

R-A-A-S

Hyperactivation leads to ↑ TK

- ✓ ↑ blood volume (**aldosteron**) +
- ✓ ↑ peripheral resistance (**A II**)

AT II actions include also...

induction of growth, cell migration, mitosis of vascular smooth muscle cells, increased synthesis of collagen type I and III in fibroblasts, leading to thickening of the vascular wall and myocardium, and fibrosis.

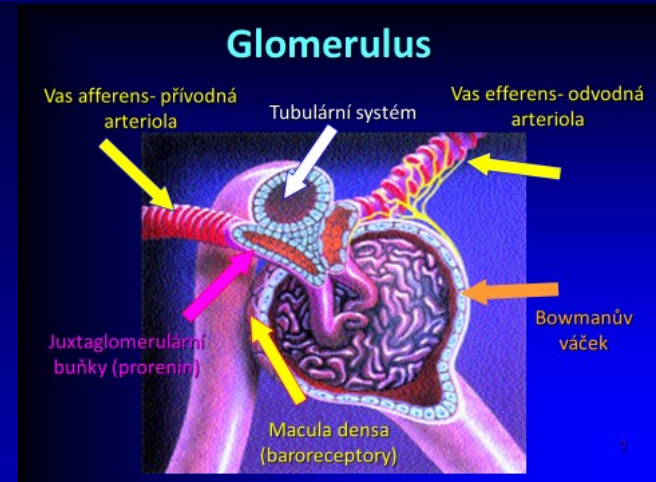
Physiology

RENIN

juxtaglomerular apparatus; as prorenin

- Signal from baroreceptors (*decreased BP*)
- Signal from chemoreceptors (*decreased Na load*)
- Stimulation of β_1 adrenergic receptors

RENIN / PRORENIN are **hormons**



Physiology

RENIN

PD effect

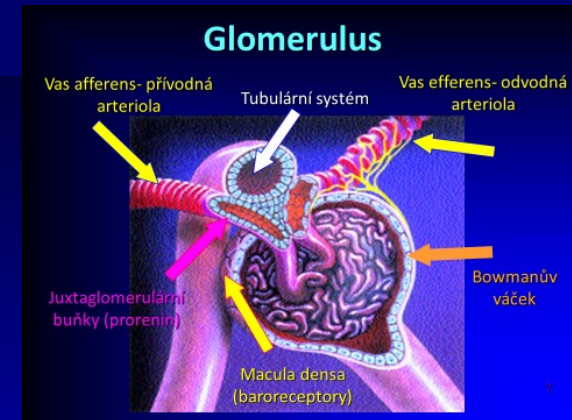
❖ PROTEOLYTIC ENZYME

endopeptidase acts on **angiotensinogen** splitting off a **decapeptid angiotensin I**

inactive, but converted to AT II (potent vasoconstrictor)

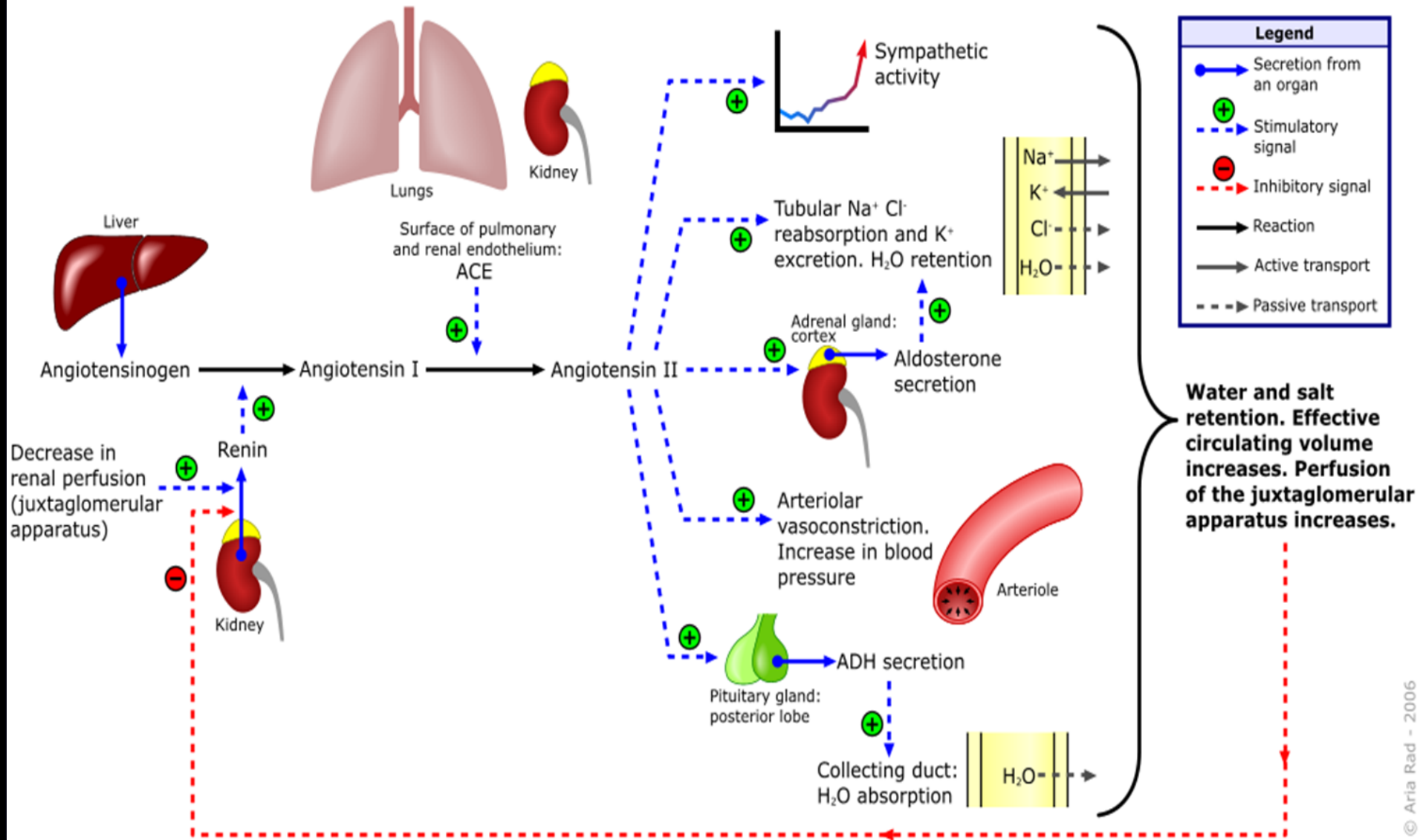
❖ NON-PROTEOLYTIC ACTIVITY

induction of synthesis of **TGF- β** a **PAI-1** \Rightarrow **fibroproduction and remodeling of tissues** \Rightarrow etiopathogenesis of CVD (!)

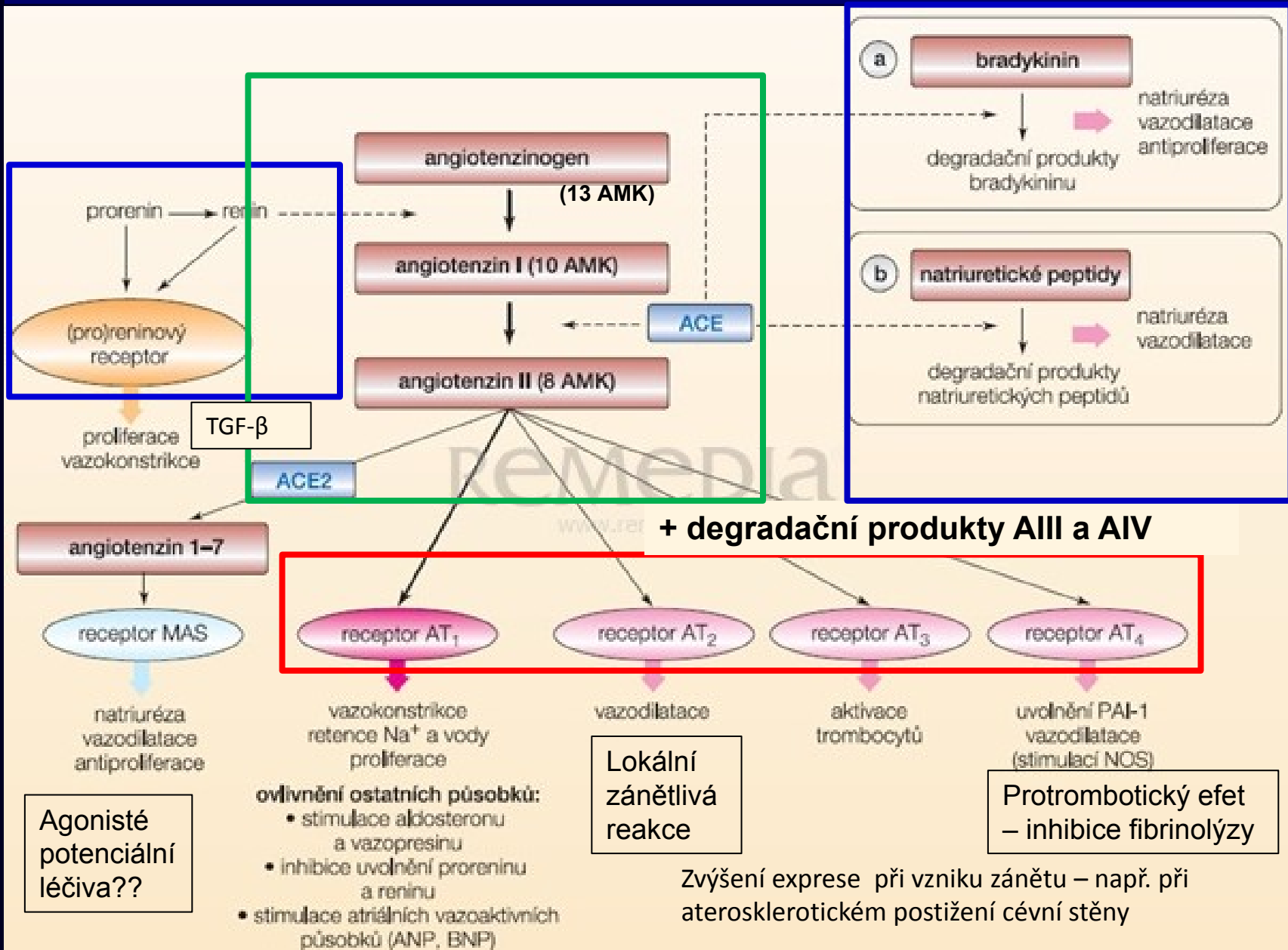


RAAS

Renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system



R-A-AS



R-A-AS - final step ALDOSTERON

the main mineralocorticoid hormone

produced by the zona glomerulosa of the adrenal gland
by acting on the mineralocorticoid receptors in the distal tubules
and collecting ducts of the nephron

- Na^+ + H_2O reabsorption
- Tubular secretion K^+ (antiport Na-K)

Stimulation of aldosterone production:

- ACTH
- AT II
- \uparrow K^+ ions

Inhibition of production:

- Negative feedback regulation

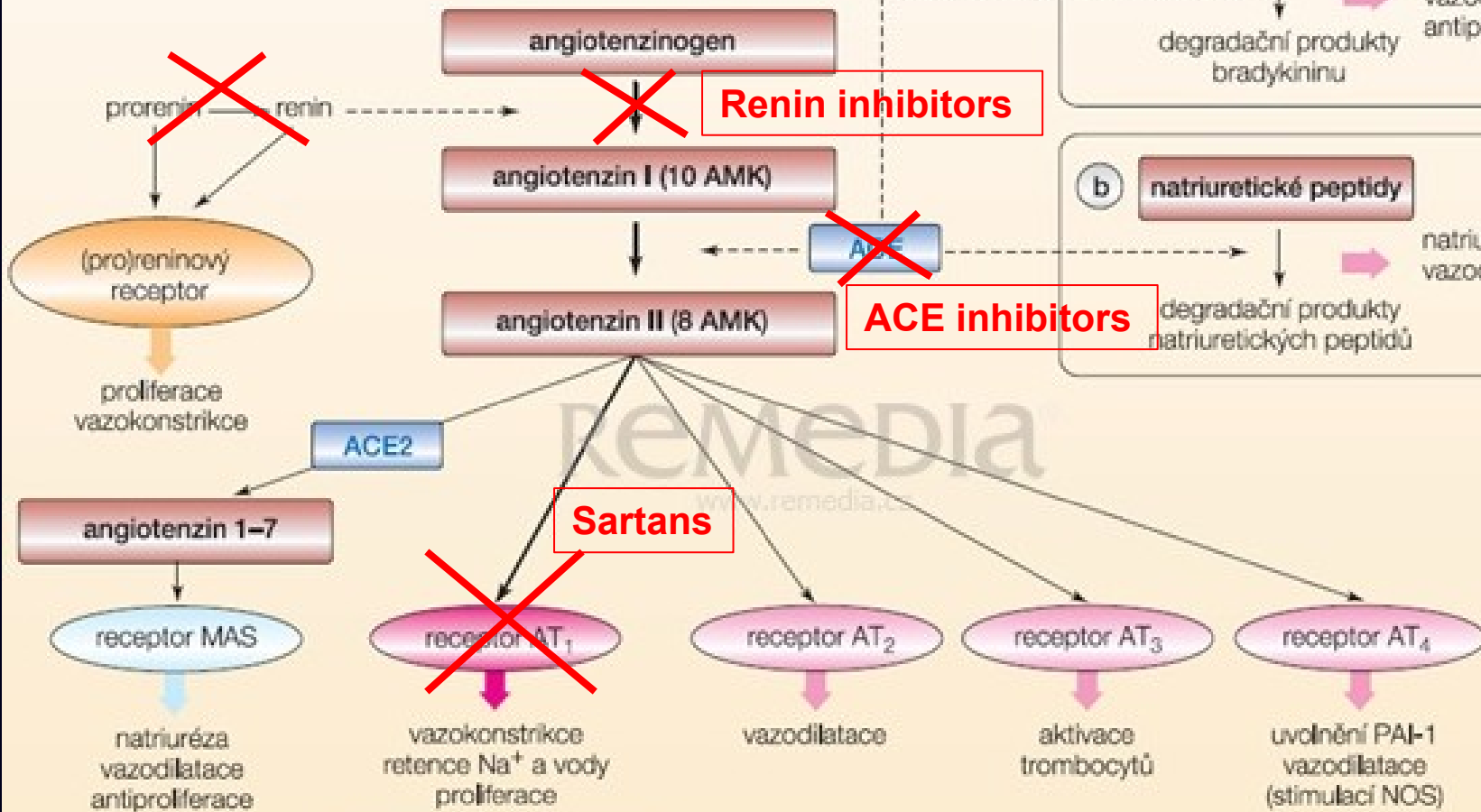
Inhibition of R-AA-S

Different level...

- ❖ **Beta – blockers** (inhibition of renin secretion)
- ❖ **Renin inhibitors** (inhibition of conversion angiotensinogen to AT I)
- ❖ **ACEi** (inhibition of conversion of AT I to AT II)
- ❖ **sartans** (antagonization of AT₁-rcp)
- ❖ **Antagonisation of aldosteron receptor**

Možnosti ovlivnění RAAS léčivy

Betablockers



ovlivnění ostatních působků:

- stimulace aldosteronu a vazopresinu
- inhibice uvolnění proreninu a reninu
- stimulace atriálních vazoaktivních působků (ANP, BNP)

aldosteron rcp antagonists

1. ACEi

MECHANISM OF ACTION

1. Reversible antagonisation of ACE (dipeptidase)

2. Block od bradykinine degradation ⇒ prolongation of vasodilatation and natriuretic effect



- ↓ peripheral resistance
- ↓ aldosteron
- ↓ sensitivity of baroreceptors

A thick yellow arrow pointing diagonally down and to the right, connecting the list of effects to the final outcome.

BP ↓

- Given orally
- Bioavailability 50-75 %
- Liver metabolism (to the active metabolite)
- Renal elimination /glomerular filtration/
- Variable half-life
 - 13-36 hrs ramipril(ate)
 - 30-120 hrs perindopril(ate)

ADVANTAGE

- Safe and effective drugs in monotherapy as well as combination
- **Favorable profile on carbohydrates** (diabetic patients)
- **Cardioprotective effect**
- **Renoprotective effect** (↓ albuminuria)

Classification according to $t_{1/2}$:

- **Short-acting** (3x/ per day)
 $t_{1/2}$ = app. 2 hrs, effect app. 8 hrs
CAPTOPRIL (not used)
- **Intermediatte** (1-2x/ per day)
 $t_{1/2}$ = app. 6-12 hrs, effect app. up to 24 hrs
ENALAPRIL*, **LISINOPRIL**, **FOSINOPRIL**
- **Long-acting (1x/ per day)**
 $t_{1/2}$ = app. 13-36 hrs (perindopril 120 hrs)
TRANDOLAPRIL♦, **RAMIPRIL**, **PERINDOPRIL**

* i.v. (hypertensive crisis) ♦ lowest onset of action

ADVERSE EFFECTS

ACEi

- **Dry irritant cough.** The most common
↓ degradation of bradykinin
- **Hyperkalemia.** (↓ aldosteron ⇒ inhibition of Na/K antiport)
lab monitoring K, urea and kreatinine level (mainly during the first period of treatment)
- **Angioedema.** allergic/ hereditary angioedema
- **Teratogenity.** KI in gravidity (*second and third trimestr*)
- **(hypotension)**

INDICATION

- **Arterial hypertension*** /suitable in DM pts. /
- **Chronic Heart Failure*** – /↓ LVEF, remodeling and hypertrophy of left ventricle/
- **Secondary prophylaxy of trombotic complication *** (IM, stroke)
- **Diabetic /non-DM/ nephropathy**

Long-time administration of ACEI for clinical benefit

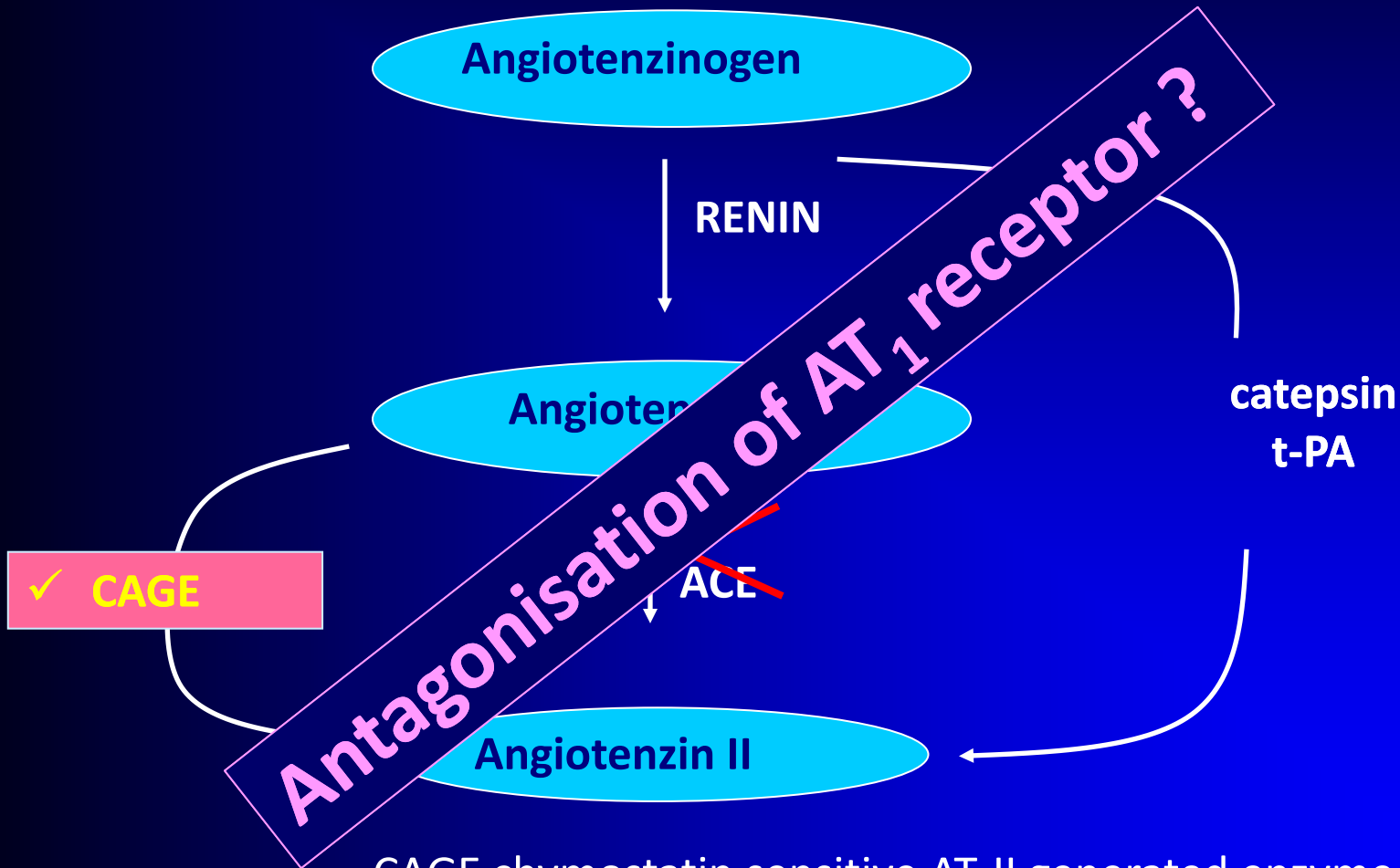
* The best RR in RCT: **PERINDOPRIL, RAMIPRIL**

CONTRAINDICATION

- **GRAVIDITY ***
- **Hypercalemia**
- **Bilateral stenosis of renal arteries** with clinically significant ↓ GF (relative KI)
- **Angioedema in anamnesis**
- **Primary hyperaldosteronism**
(non-responders)

* All RAAS acting drugs

Alternative synthesis of AT-II not inhibited by ACEi



CAGE chymostatin sensitive AT-II generated enzyme (veins)
t-PA – tissue plasminogen activator
catepsin – serum protease

2. AT₁ RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS – SARTANS (ARB)

MECHANISM OF ACTION

Non-competitive/competitive antagonisms of AT₁ receptor
(selective)

- ⇒ ↓ peripheral vascular resistance
- ⇒ vazodilatation
- ⇒ ↓ volume

ACE not affected – cough not present



↓ BP

PHARMACOKINETICS

Sartans

Biological half-life



EPROSARTAN

LOSARTAN - prodrug - CYP2C9 metabolism. **Drug interaction!!**

VALSARTAN – nephroprotective drug

CANDESARTAN – EBM efficacy in CHF

OLMESARTAN

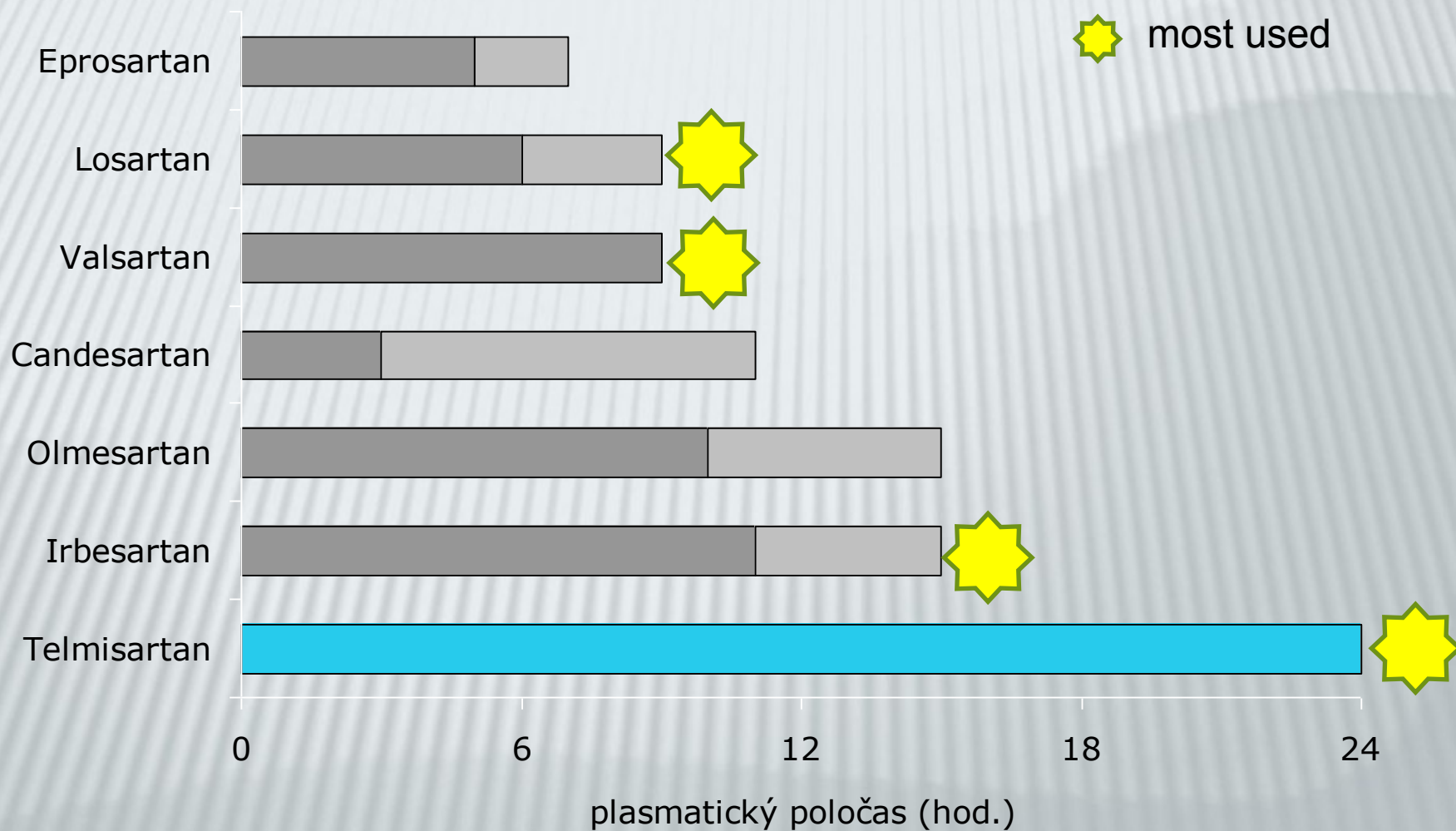
IRBESARTAN

TELMISARTAN - long half-life

Strong inhibitor of P-gp, hepatal elimination

Partial agonist of PPAR- γ receptor \rightarrow better metabolic profile

Angiotensin receptor blockers (ARB)



ADVERSE EFFECT

- (hypotension)
- Hyperkalemia
- angioedema less common

At the beginning and during the treatment lab monitoring –
kalium, urea and creatinine

INDICATION

- **Arterial Hypertension** (ACEI a sartans, both effective)
- **Chronic Heart Failure** (ACEi better, only for – pouze pro candesartan EBM data for ↓cardiovascular complications)
- **Diabetic nephropathy with proteinuria** (data for telmisartan and valsartan)
- **Cough after ACEi**

CONTRAINDICATION

- **Pregnancy, lactation**
- **Hyperkaemia**
- **Angioedema in anamnesis**
- **Bilateral stenosis of renal arteries (relative contraindication)**

DRUG INTERACTION of RAAS drugs

- **LITHIUM** ⇒ ↑ plasmatic level of LITHIUM (based on PK)
- **NSAID, ASA (more than 3g/day)**
 - ⇒ ↓ antihypertensive effect
 - ⇒ ↑ risk of renal function
 - ⇒ ↑ risk hyperkalemia(PD interaction)

LOSARTAN + strong inhibitor of CYP2C9 (**FLUCONAZOL**) ⇒ ↓ level of active metabolite (50%)

TELMISARTAN (strong inhibitor of P-glycoprotein) + **DIGOXIN** ⇒ ↑ digoxin level

Combination - dual effect

Entresto[®]

ARNI =

Angiotensin receptor blocker / neprilysin inhibitor

VALSARTAN

+

SACUBITRIL

↓
prodrug

NEPRILYSIN = enzyme catalysed degradation of endogenous vasodilative natriuretic peptides

neprilysine inhibition ⇒ prolongation of effects

⇒ ↓ BP

INDICATION:

Hypertension + symptomatic chronic heart failure with ↓left ventricular fraction in adult patients

CONTRAINDICATION:

- Hypersensitivity
- Concomitant therapy with ACE inhibitors
- Angioedema
- Concomitant therapy with renin inhibitors

RENIN INHIBITORS

Second line treatment of hypertension !

MECHANISM OF ACTION

Selective direct renin inhibitor

Binds to active site of renin, changes its steric confirmation and inhibits its binding to angiotensinogen

⇒ **block conversion of angiotenzinogen to angiotensin I**

DRUGS

ALISKIREN

Registered

Oral form, non-peptide, LW

Combination with diuretics, ARBs – additive effect

PHARMACOKINETICS

- Bioavailability 15%, effect is not influenced by food
- long T_{1/2} (about 24 hrs)
- **First pass effect**
- **Biliary excretion** (78 %) and **kidney excretion** (< 10%)

INDICATION

Essential hypertension

CONTRAINDICATION

- Hypersensitivity, allergic reaction in anamnesis
 - Gravidity (mainly 2. a 3. trimester), lactation
 - Bilateral stenosis of arteria renalis
 - Severe nephropathy
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ADVERSE EFFECTS

- **diarrhoea** (the most often)
- **veretigo**
- **atralgia**
- **Hyperkalemia**
- **Oedema** (< 1%)

In combination with sartans ↑ stroke in older patients

3. Ca CHANNEL BLOCKERS

Previous lecture

For the treatment of hypertension:

DIHYDROPYRIDINES

- ↓ peripheral vascular resistance (vasodilatation)
- vasoselective (relatively)

4. DIURETICS

Next lecture

5. β blockers (β sympatolytics)

From previous lecture...

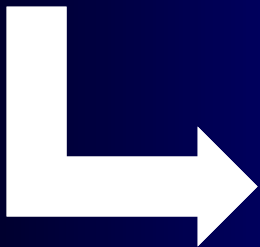
Drugs for second line treatment of hypertension

CENTRAL ANTIHYPERTENSIVES

- ❖ Central α_2 -agonists
- ❖ Imidazolin I_1 receptor agonists
- ❖ Central α_2 -agonists + peripheral α_1 -antagonists

α_1 -receptor antagonists

VASODILATANS (direct)



- ❖ **Nitrates** Previous lecture
- ❖ **PDE-5 inhibitors**
- ❖ **Endotelin-1 antagonists**
- ❖ **Syntetic analogs of prostacyclines**

CENTRAL ANTIHYPERTENSIVES

Indirectly acting vasodilators – the central control of sympathetically mediated vasoconstriction:

- central α_2 rcp. (brain stem)
- imidazoline rcp. (ventrolateral medulla)

ACTIVATION \Rightarrow reducing sympathetic activity

METHYLDOPA
KLONIDIN

MOXONIDIN
RILMENIDIN

Peripheral activation:

- peripheral presynaptic α_2 rcp.
 $\Rightarrow \downarrow \text{NA}$
- Imidazolin receptors in kidney
 \Rightarrow stimulation of Na^+/H^+ pump in proximal tubulus

CENTRAL ANTIHYPERTENSIVES

❖ Central α_2 agonists

METHYLDOPA

MoA:

- Activation of central α_2 rcp. in brain stem and peripheral presynaptic α_2 rcp.
- indirect sympatholytic activity - false NRA precursor/ prodrug
 α -metyldopa \rightarrow α -methylnorepinephrine \rightarrow activation of α_2 adrenergic receptors

CLONIDIN

MoA:

- Activation of central α_2 rcp and imidazolin I₂ receptors

METHYLDOPA

Disadvantages:

Short half-life ⇒ more time daily

INDICATION:

- Hypertension **in pregnancy**
- Hypertension in patient with **renal insufficiency**

GF is not affected

- Patients with anxiety
- Without metabolic effect - in combination for patients with **DM, HLP**

ADVERSE EFFECT:

Sedation, nasal congestion, dry mouth, orthostatic hypotension

Methyldopa combined with diuretics

CLONIDIN

INDICATION:

Hypertensive crisis (ICU) – *on request*
Essential hypertension - obsolet

ADVERSE EFFECTS:

- rebound fenomen

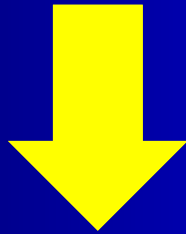
CENTRAL ANTIHYPERTENSIVES

❖ Imidazoline I₁ receptor agonists

MOXONIDIN, RILMENIDIN

Mechanism of action:

I₁ receptor stimulation (medulla oblongata, kidney)



- Inhibition of sympathetic stimulation of heart, veins and kidney
- ↓renin secretion
- ↓ vasopresin secretion

ADVERSE EFFECTS

Selective agonists of I_1 receptors \Rightarrow minimal effect on α_2 – rcp. \Rightarrow

- less AE

Positive metabolic profile

- Stimulation of Na excretion
- \downarrow insulin resistance
- \uparrow glucose tolerance

INDICATION: prevention of diabetic nephropathy

CONTRAINDICATION: chronic heart failure

CENTRAL ANTIHYPERTENSIVES

❖ Central α_2 -rcp agonists + peripheral α_1 -rcp antagonists

URAPIDIL MoA:

Agonistic effect

α_2 a $5HT_{1A}$ rcp. in CNS

Antagonistic effect

α_1 rcp. in vessels

Dual action

↓ sympathetic tonus

vasodilatation

⇒ ↓ peripheral resistance without reflex tachycardia

- Significant antihypertensive effect
- i.v. administration – rapid onset

INDICATION:

- Resistant hypertension
 - Severe hypertension (stroke)
 - **Emergent hypertension crisis (ICU)**
 - Perioperative hypertension
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- Well titrated (i.v. infusion)
 - Rapid onset (maximal effect 2-5 minutes)

AE:

- Sedation (higher doses)
- Bradycardia

CONTRAINDICATION:

Pregnancy, lactation

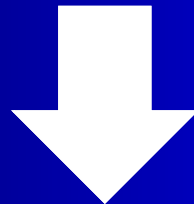
Liver insufficiency

PERIPHERAL α_1 -receptor antagonists

MoA

Selective reversible antagonisation of peripheral α_1 receptors – relaxation of vascular smooth muscle

⇒ ↓ peripheral vascular resistance



Slight increase of heart output

TERAZOSIN
DOXAZOSIN

uroselective, blocks α_{1A}
TAMSULOSIN
ALFUZOSIN

INDICATION

- In combination – severe hypertension
- Vasospasm (Raynaud phenomenon)

INDICATION

- BHP
- Not used for hypertension

CONTRAINDICATION

- heart failure

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Orthostatic hypotension
- Reflex tachycardia
- Impotency
- Oedema, cephalgia, fatigue

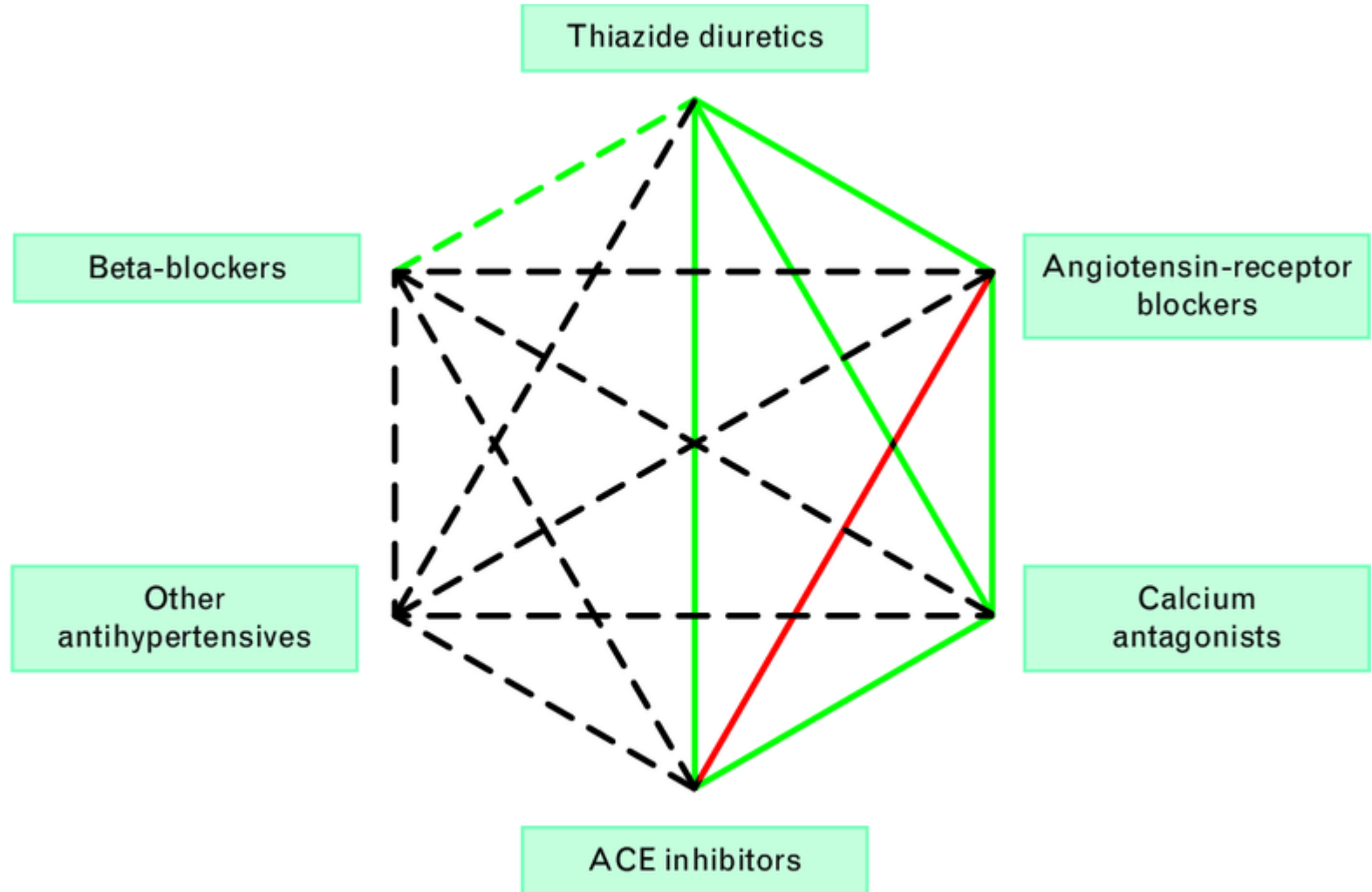
COMBINATION OF DRUGS

MONOTHERAPY - 30 % of the patients

Combination - two or more drugs

fixed combination (2 v 1) - better compliance

COMBINATION OF DRUGS



ACE = angiotensin-converting enzyme.

HYPERTENSION IN GRAVIDITY

HT: Systolic BP \geq 140 mm Hg or diastolic BP \geq 90 mm Hg

If systolic BP \geq 170 mm Hg or diastolic BP \geq 110 mm Hg – emergent situation with hospitalisation

PHARMACOTHERAPY

ACEi and sartans are contraindicated !

Relative contraindication – thiazide diuretics

- **Pre-existing hypertension**

chronic medication, if not contraindicated

- **Gestational hypertension**

METHYLDOPA (1st line)

Metoprolol, atenolol – third trimester

Pre-eclampsia – diuretics not recommended

Severe hypertension **LABETALOL** i.v.

Thank you for your attention