

RENAL SYSTEM PHYSIOLOGY

CORE FUNCTIONS

- Waste Excretion (Urea, Creatinine)
- Osmolarity Regulation
- Blood Pressure Regulation (RAAS)
- Erythropoietin Production

KEY PARAMETERS

Normal GFR: **125 mL/min**

Daily Urine Output: **1.5 - 2.0 L**

Nephron Segment	Primary Process	Substances Handled
Glomerulus	Filtration	Water, Electrolytes, Glucose, Amino Acids
Proximal Tubule	Bulk Reabsorption	65% Na ⁺ , 100% Glucose, HCO ₃ ⁻ , H ₂ O
Loop of Henle	Countercurrent Multiplier	Descending: H ₂ O; Ascending: Na ⁺ , K ⁺ , Cl ⁻
Distal Tubule	Fine Tuning	H ⁺ Secretion, Ca ²⁺ Reabsorption
Collecting Duct	Hormonal Regulation	ADH-mediated Water Reabsorption