

Osmotic Conductance to Glucose: What does it mean?



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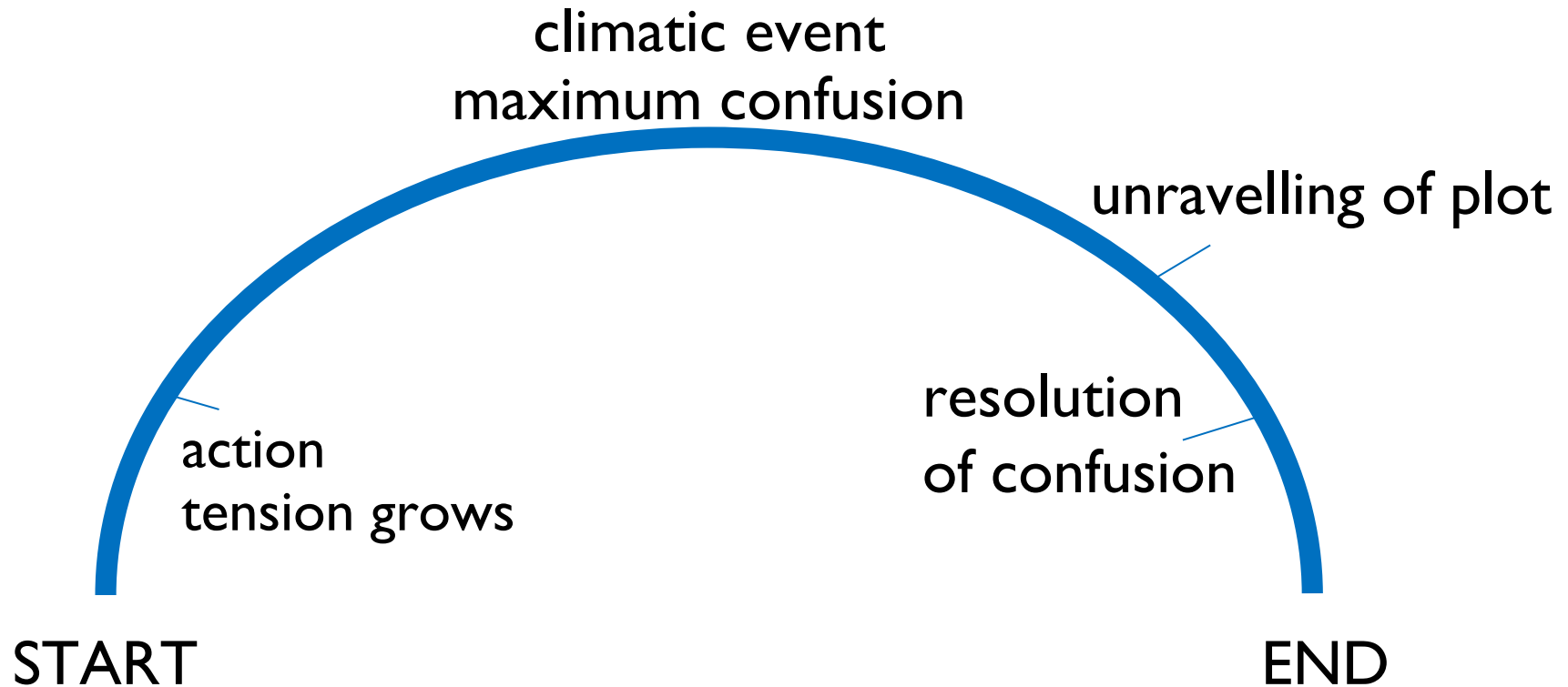
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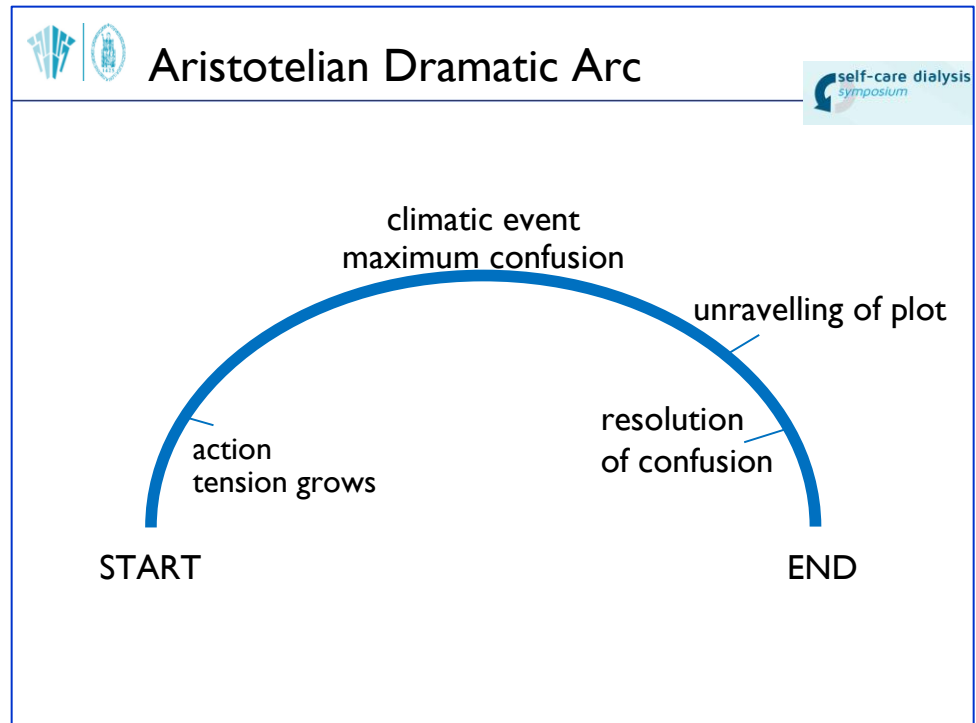
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- Essential peritoneal membrane physiology
- Please welcome: OCG!
- OCG: what does it mean?



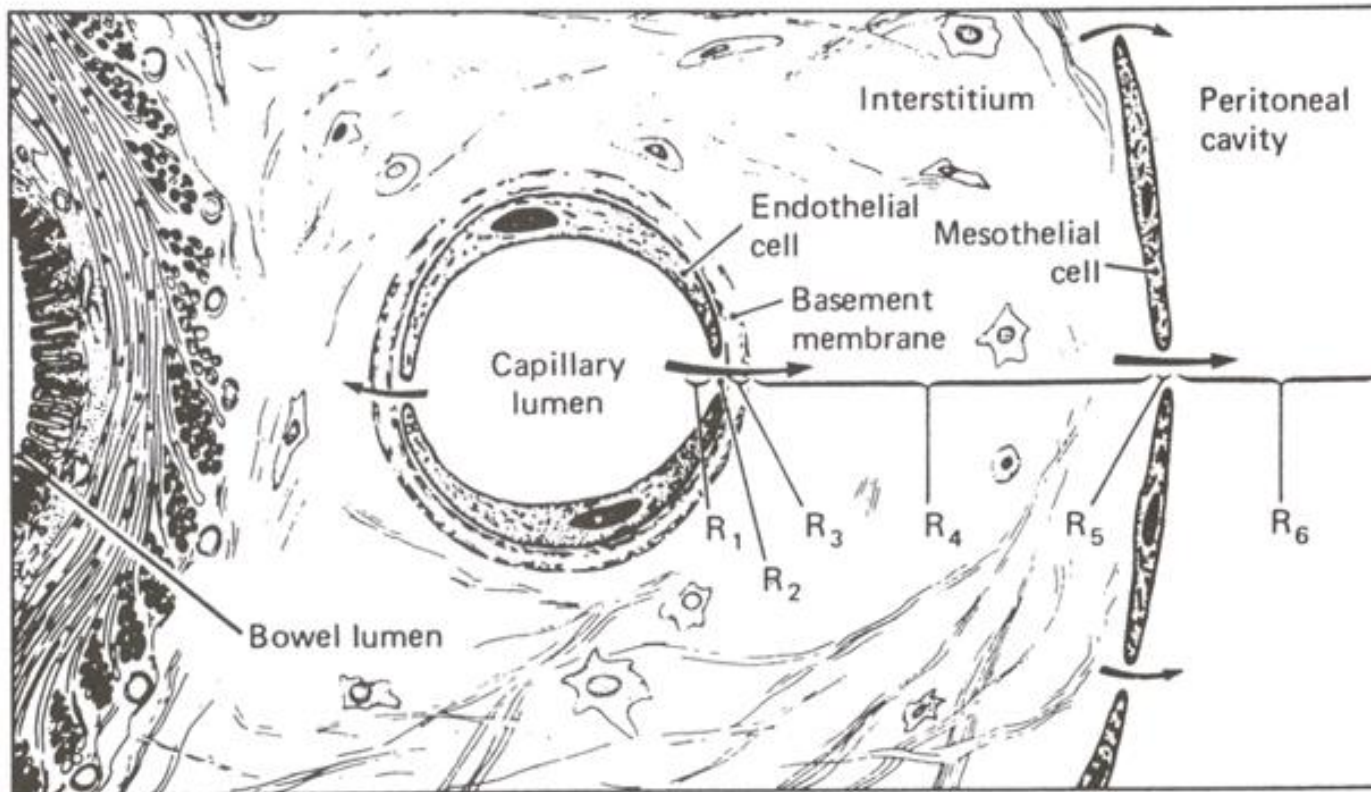
'6 barriers for transport'

Stagnant layers at mesothelial and capillary side: not relevant

Mesothelial cell layer: not relevant

Interstitial tissue: (minor) diffusive resistance

Capillary wall: most important restriction barrier



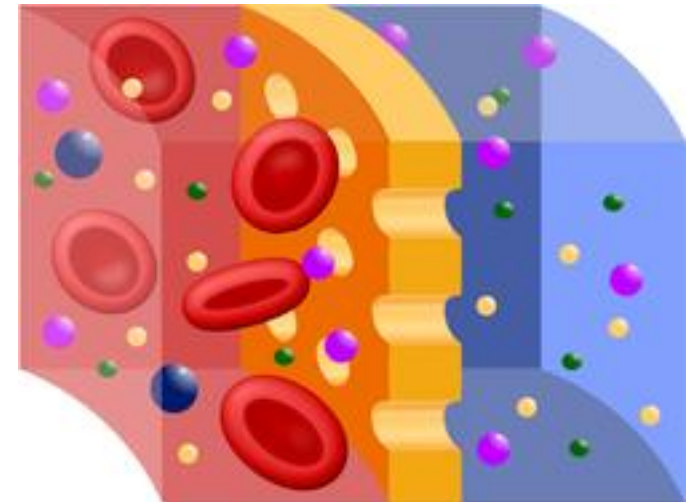
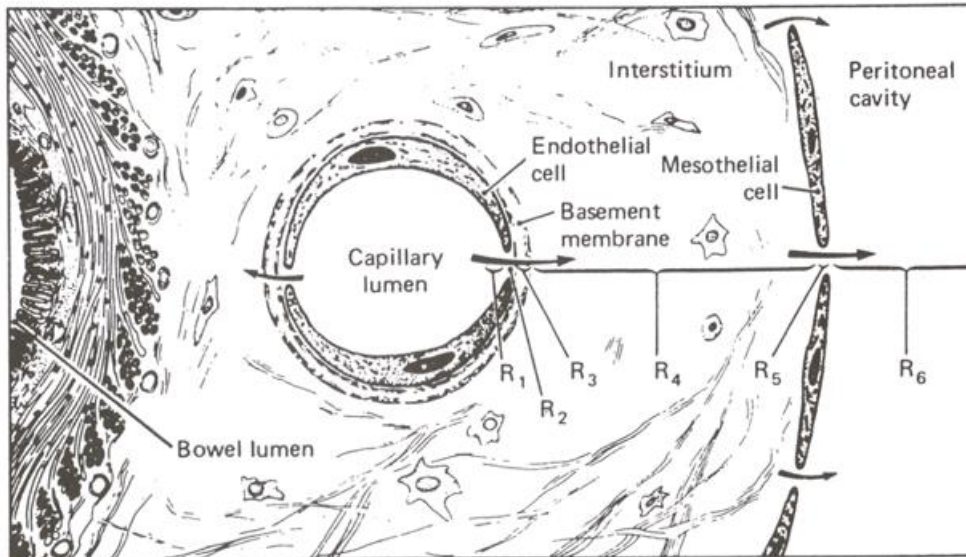
Nolph et al. *Kidney Int* 18 (Suppl 20): S111-S116, 1980

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'2D membrane with pores'

Capillary wall is the most important restriction barrier and determines the peritoneal membrane's size-selectivity through a system of pores

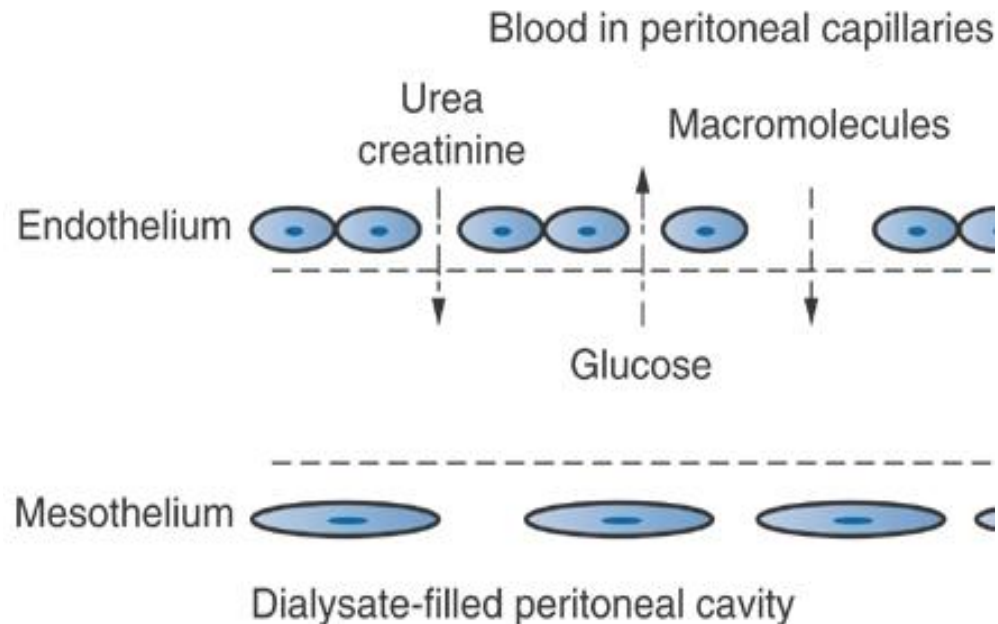
→ the “PORE THEORIES”



'Old' theory: TWO pores

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(majority)
for transport of low molecular weight solutes**

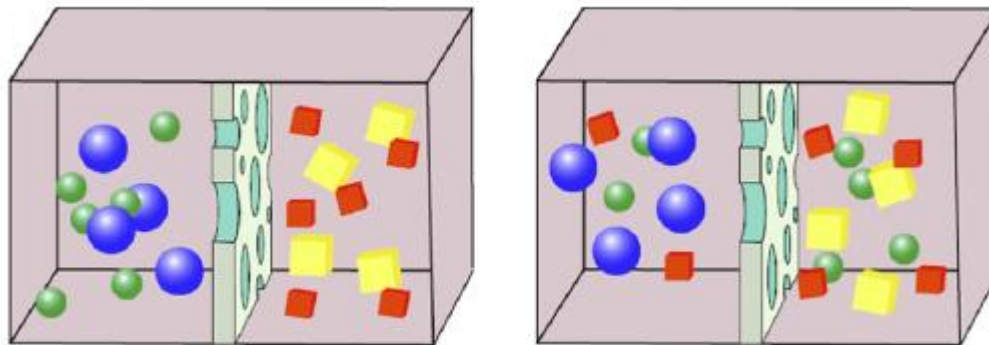
**Large pores with various radii, average $> 150\text{\AA}$
(minority, less than 0.1% of total pore count)
for transport of macromolecules**



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DIFFUSION

movement of solutes along their concentration gradient



Diffusive transport

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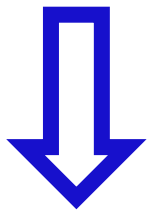
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mass transfer area coefficient (MTAC)

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Transport of small molecules up to MW of β_2M (11,8 kDa)
NOT limited by size of (large) pores



MTAC for a given solute ONLY determined by
effective vascular peritoneal surface area (number of pores)



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SOLUTE REMOVAL

ULTRAFILTRATION



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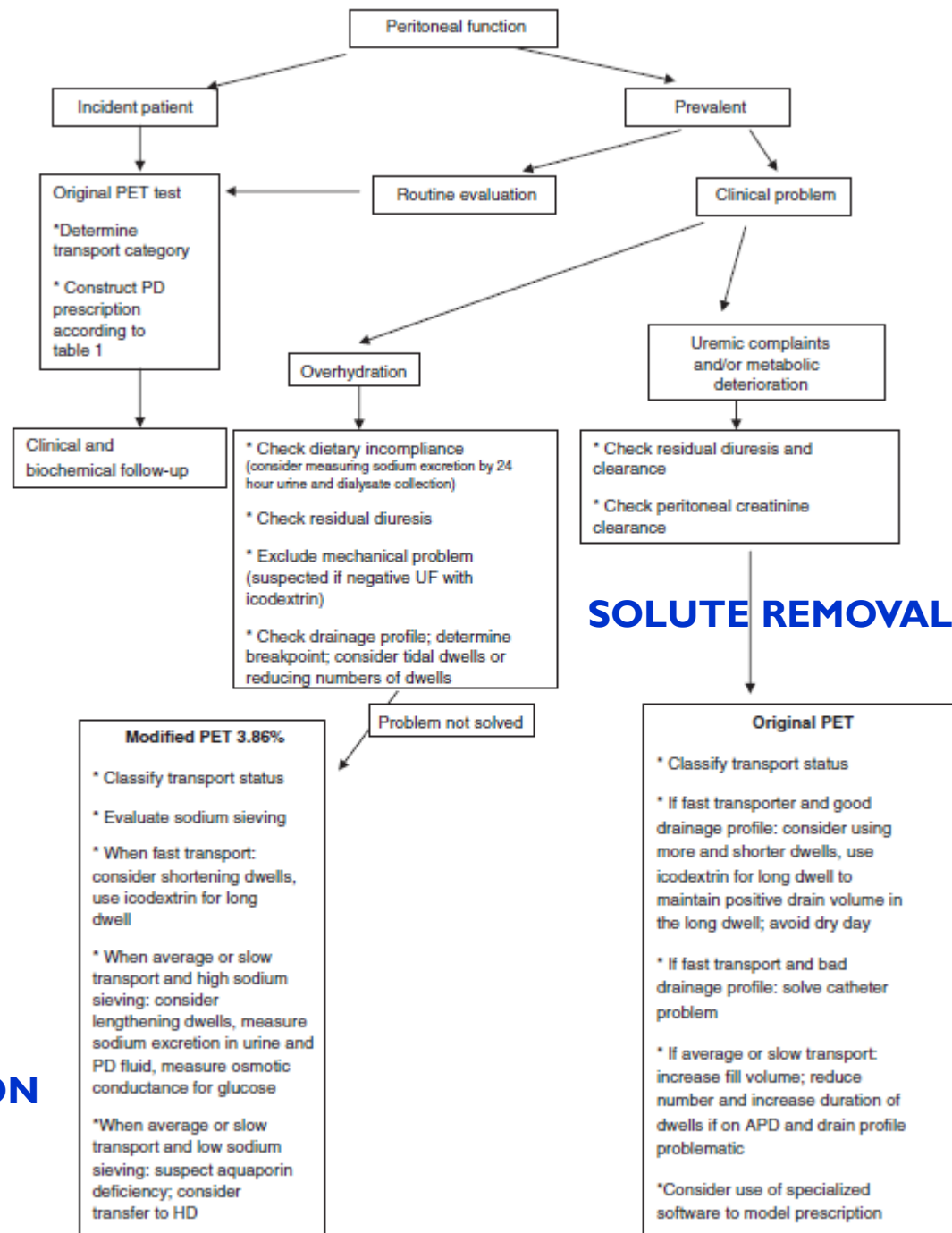
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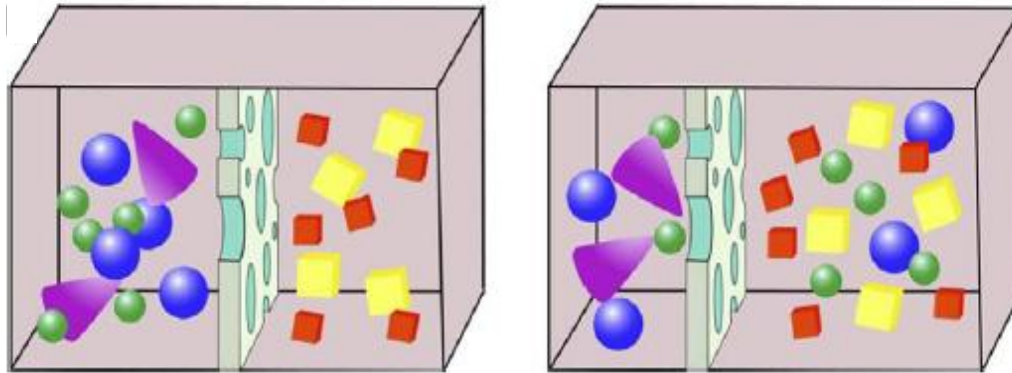


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CONVECTION

movement of solutes along with fluid as it moves across the membrane (solvent drag)

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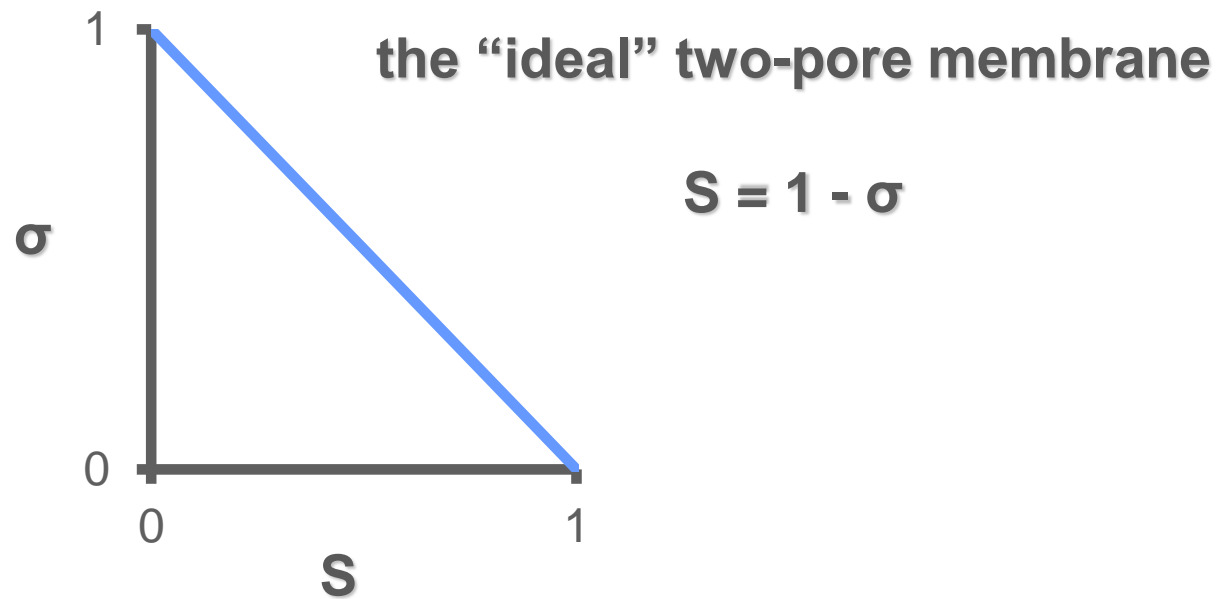
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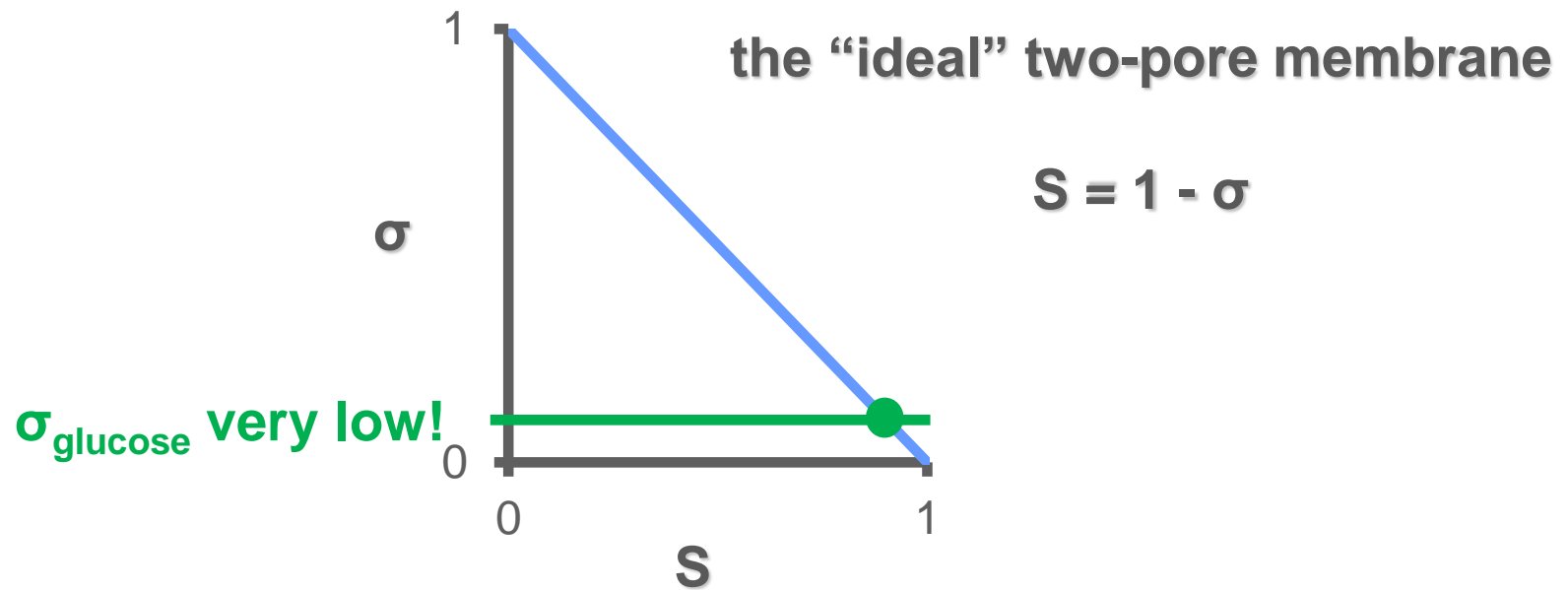
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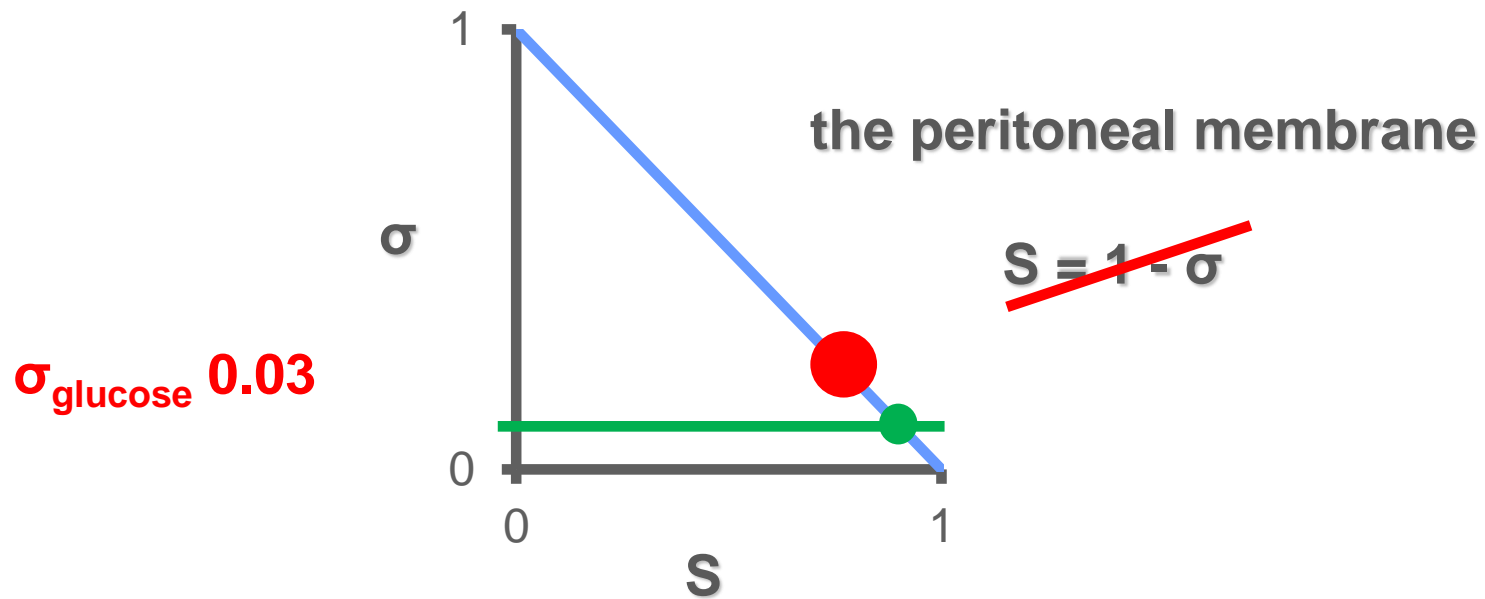
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Apparent $\sigma_{\text{glucose}} = \text{higher}$

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However, the peritoneal membrane seems not to fulfill this “ideal semi-permeable membrane” criteria.



'New' theory: THREE pores

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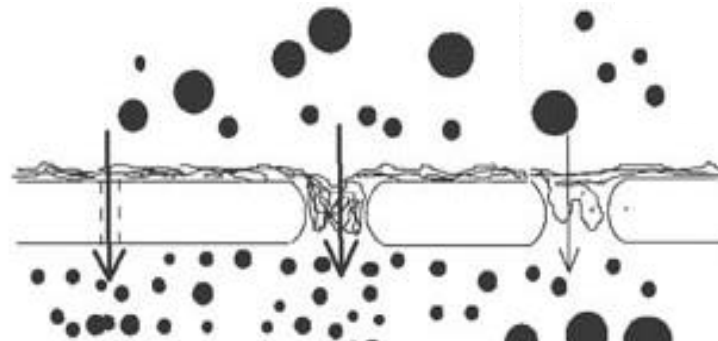
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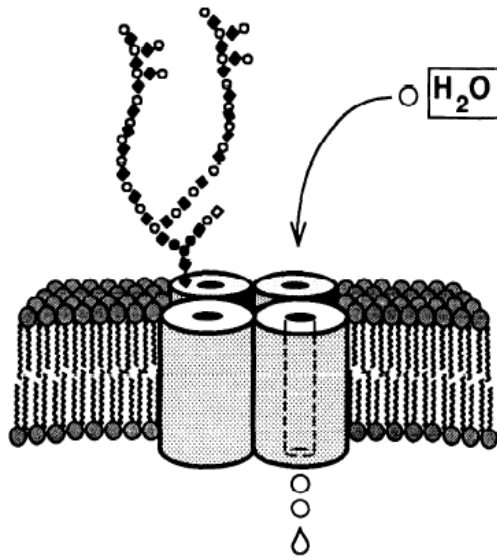
for transport of water only

accounts for 1/2 of transcapillary water transport

(explains good osmotic properties of glucose)



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AQUAPORIN-1

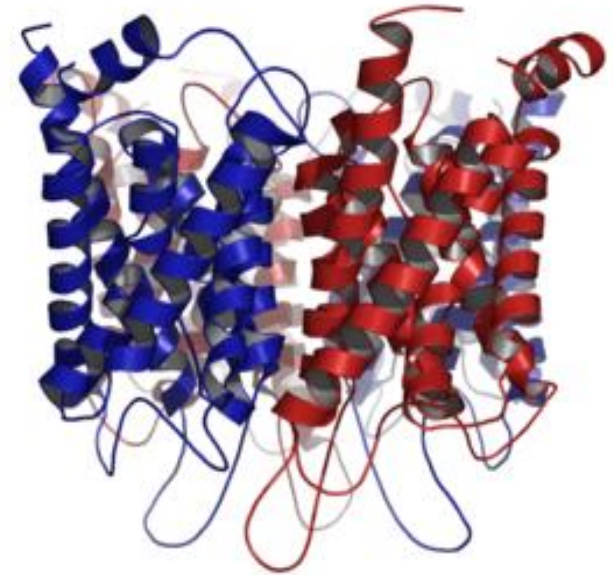
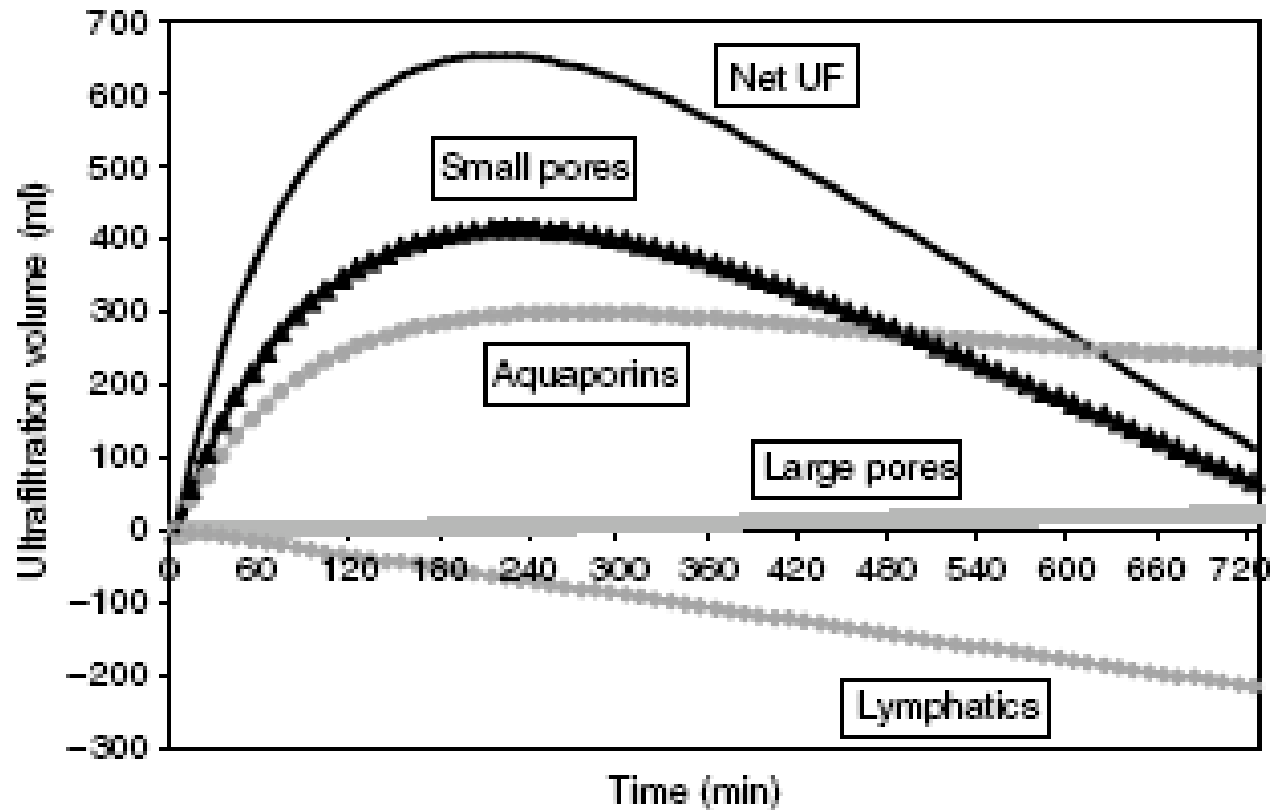
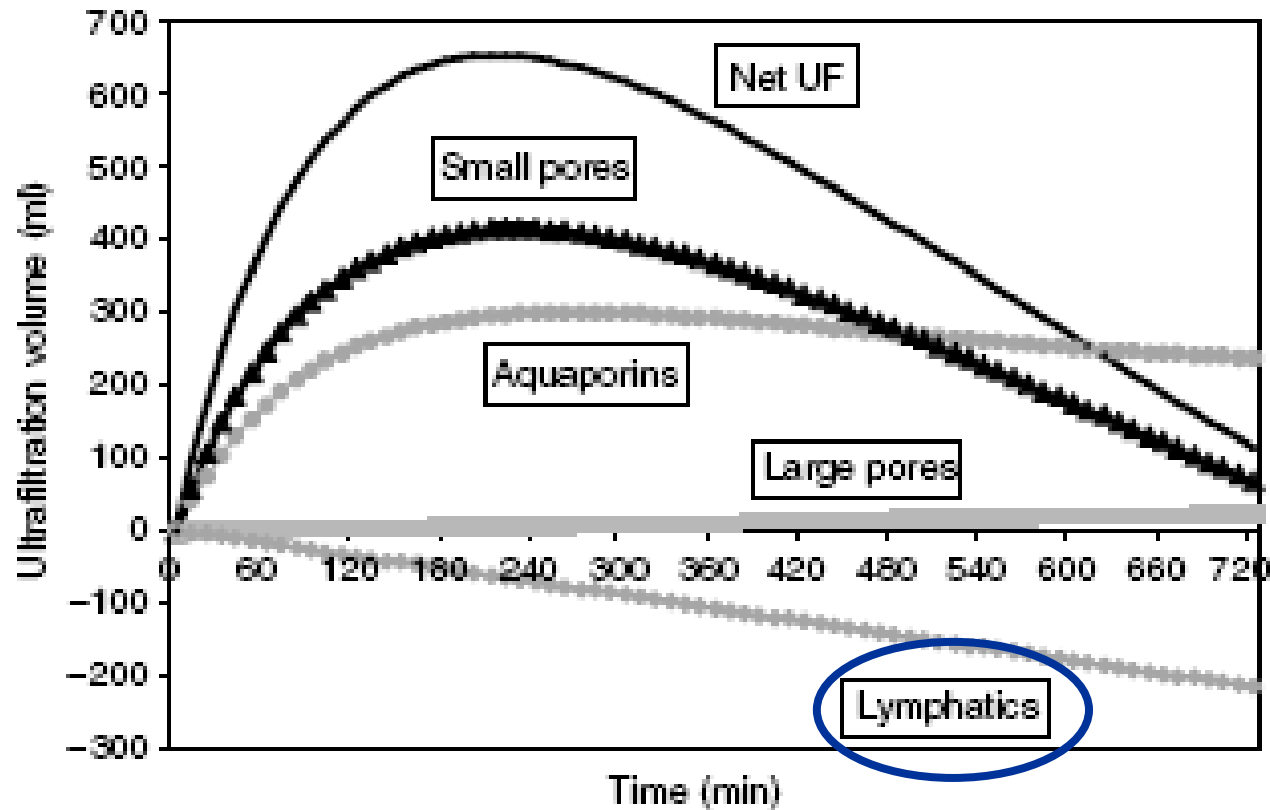


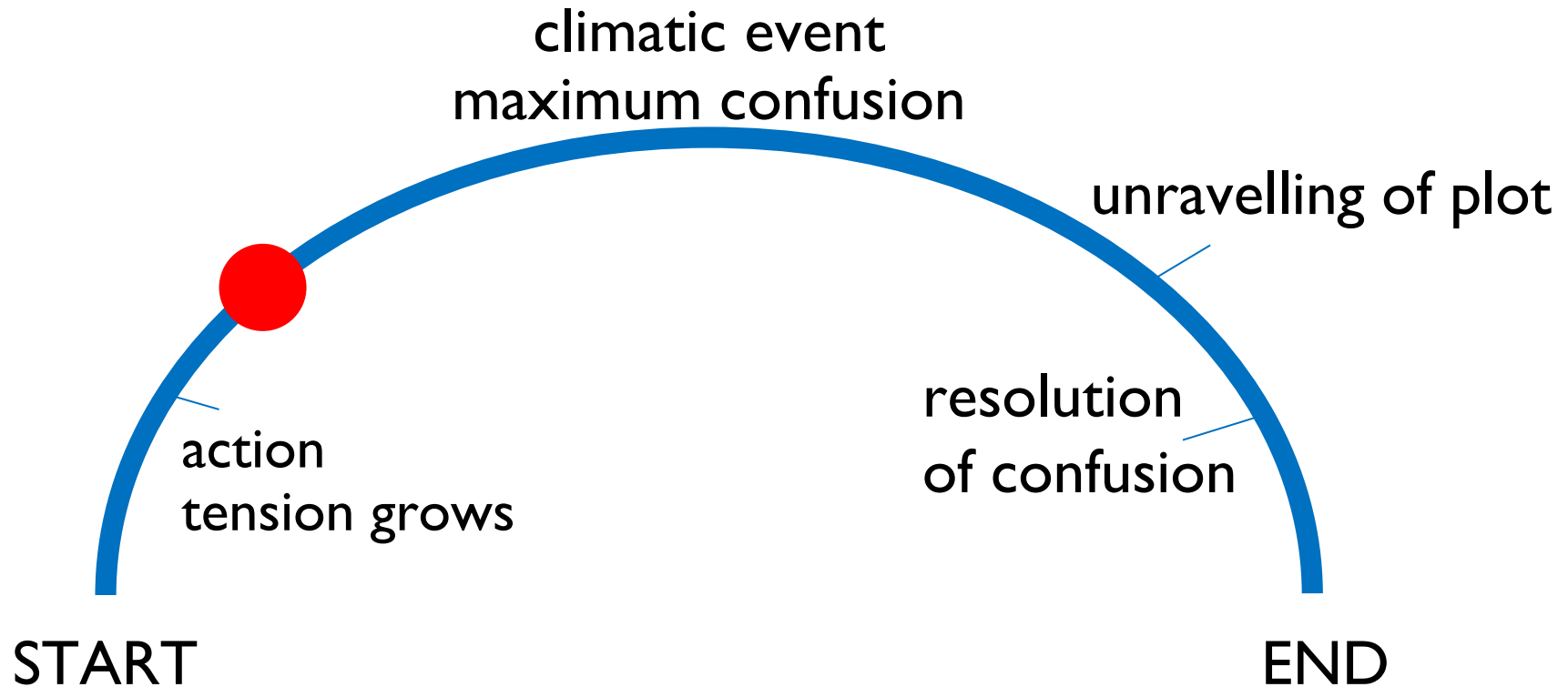
Fig. 1. Schematic model representing CHIP integral membrane protein within the membrane lipid bilayer. Notable features include 1) homotetrameric complex with 1 subunit bearing a polylactosaminoglycan, 2) minimal polypeptide mass extending above or below the lipid bilayer, and 3) possible individual water pore within each subunit.

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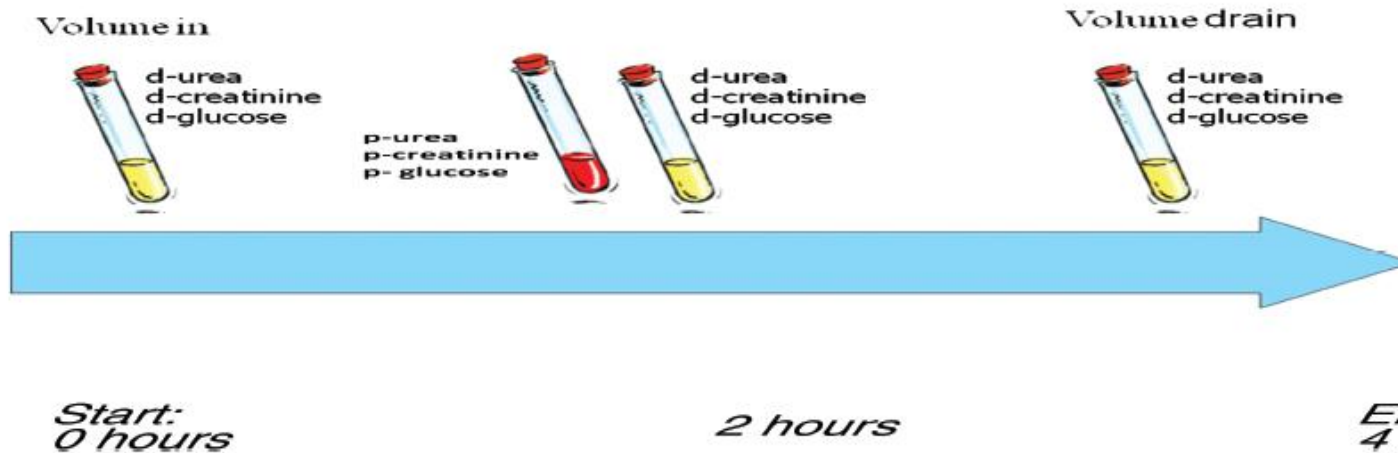


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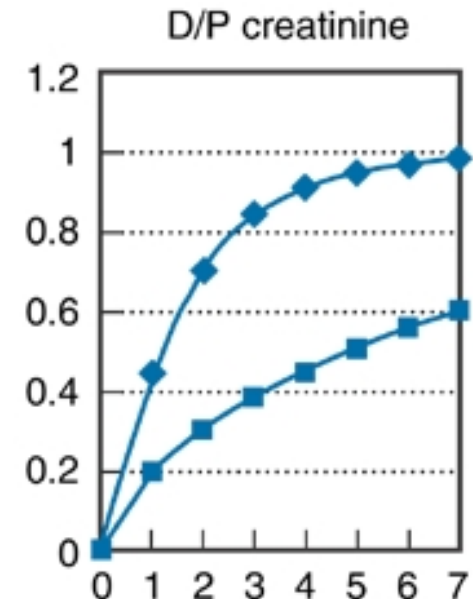


The original 2.27% PET test



SOLUTE TRANSPORT

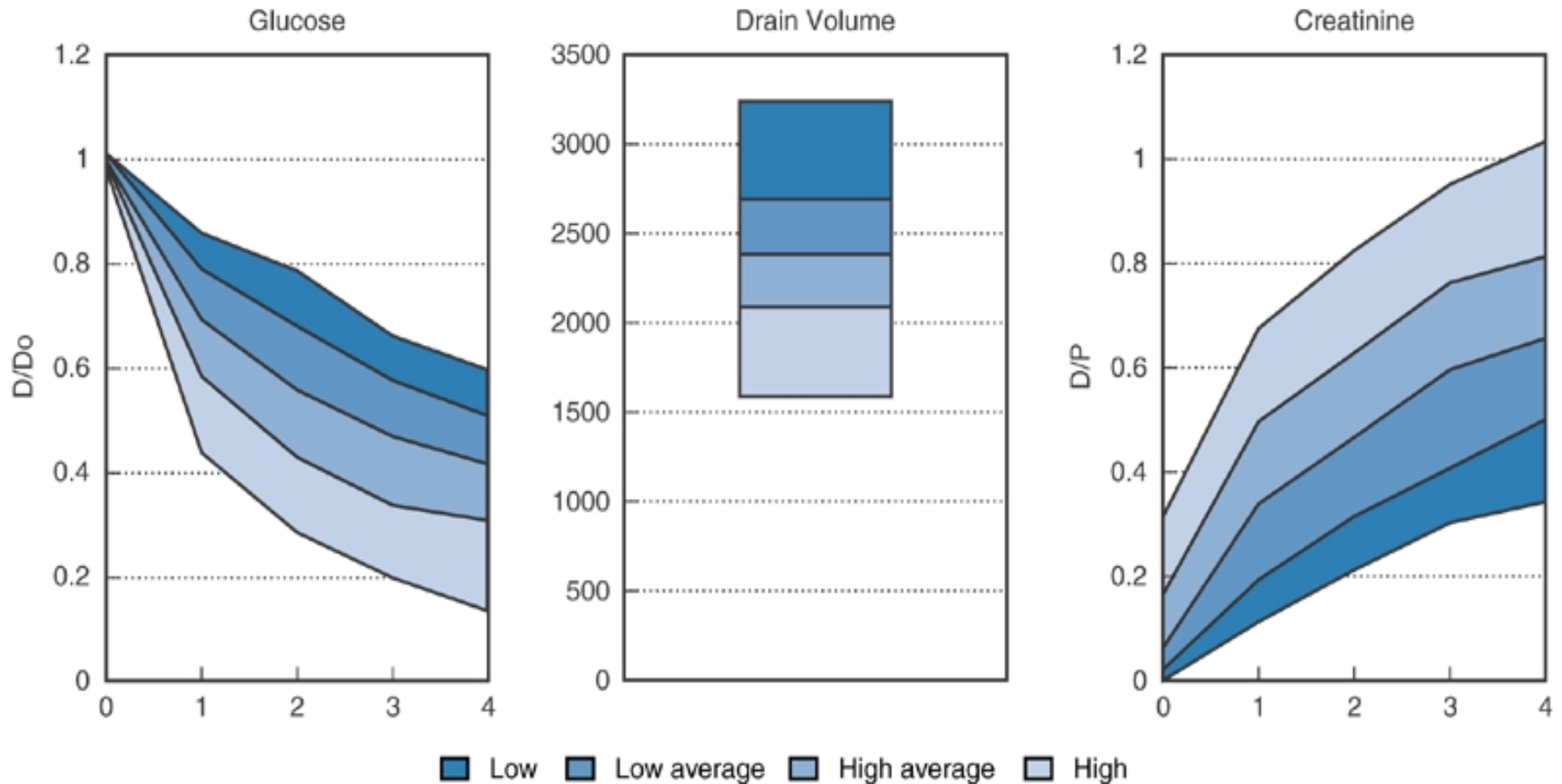
(D/P creatinine reflects effective vascular surface area, rather than the intrinsic permeability of the membrane!)



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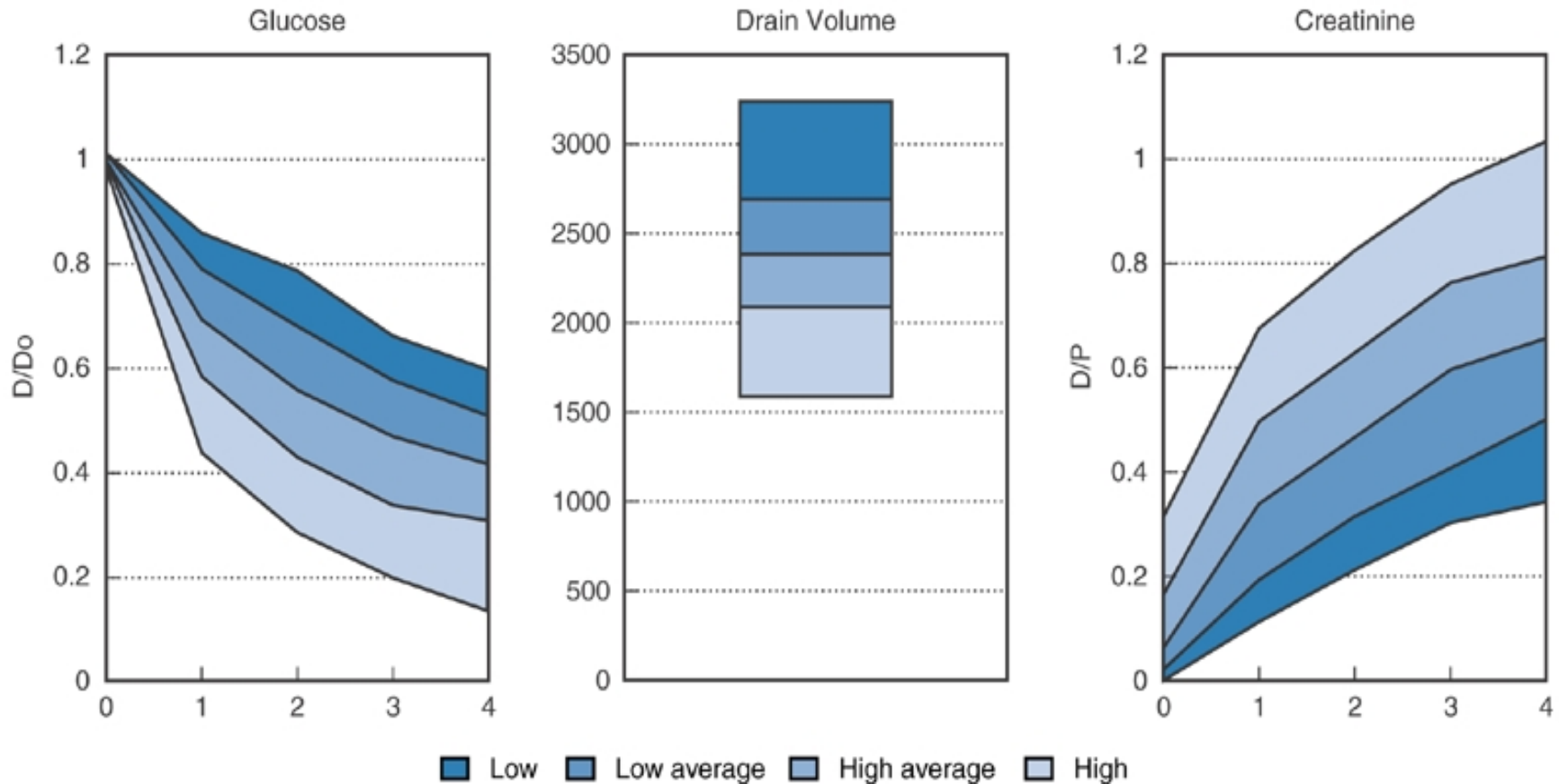


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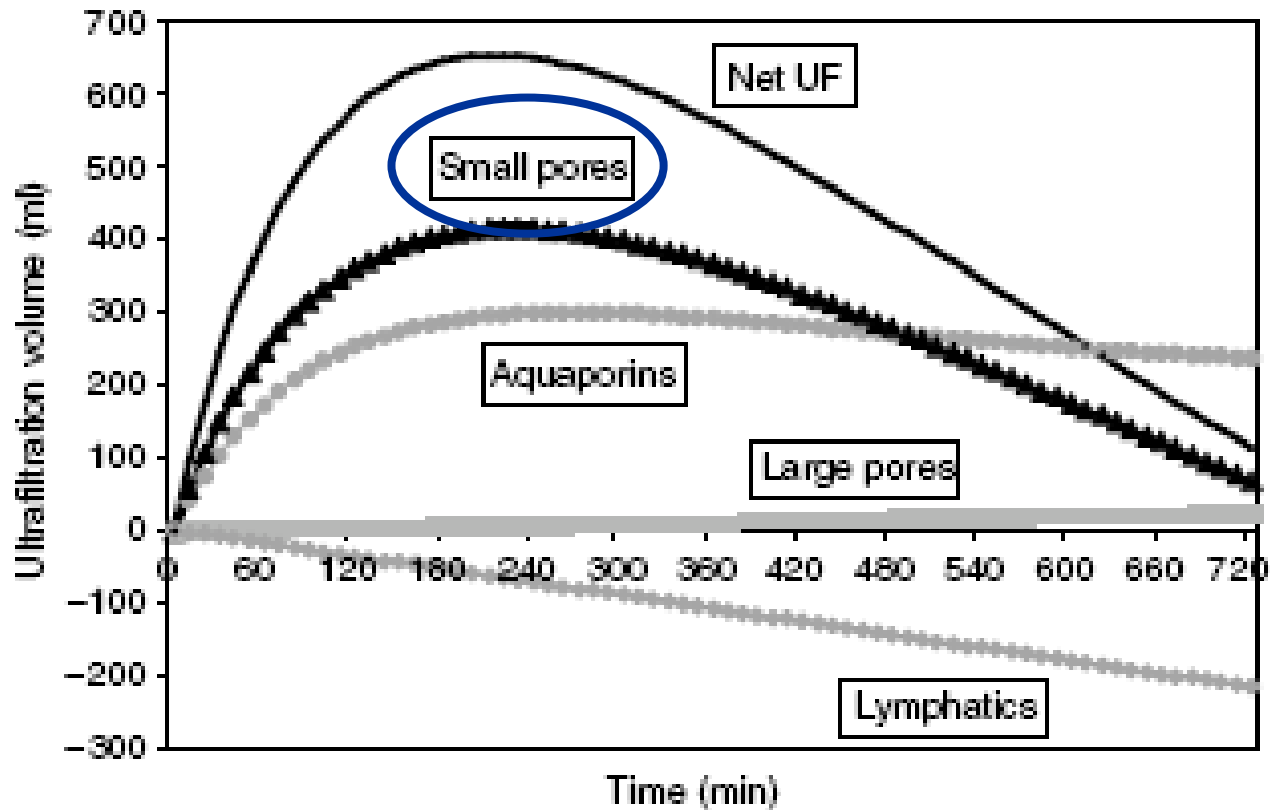
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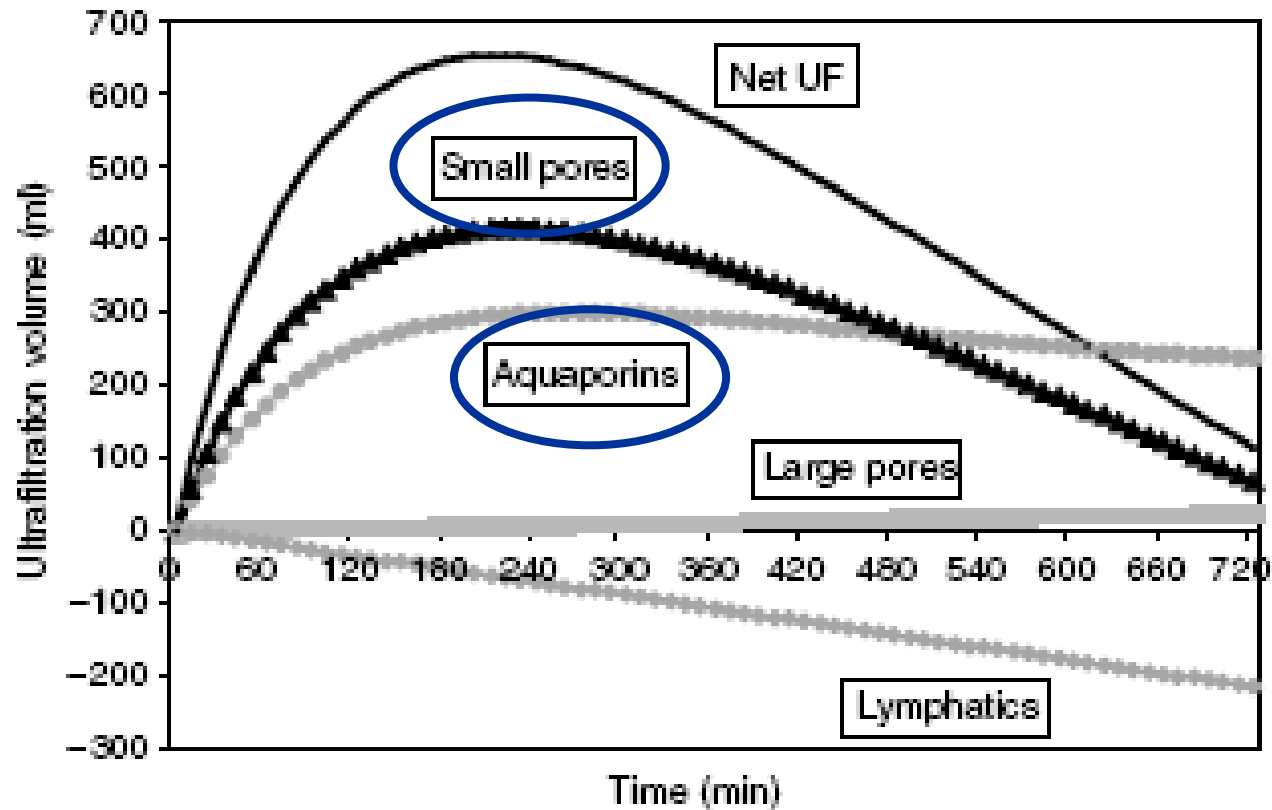
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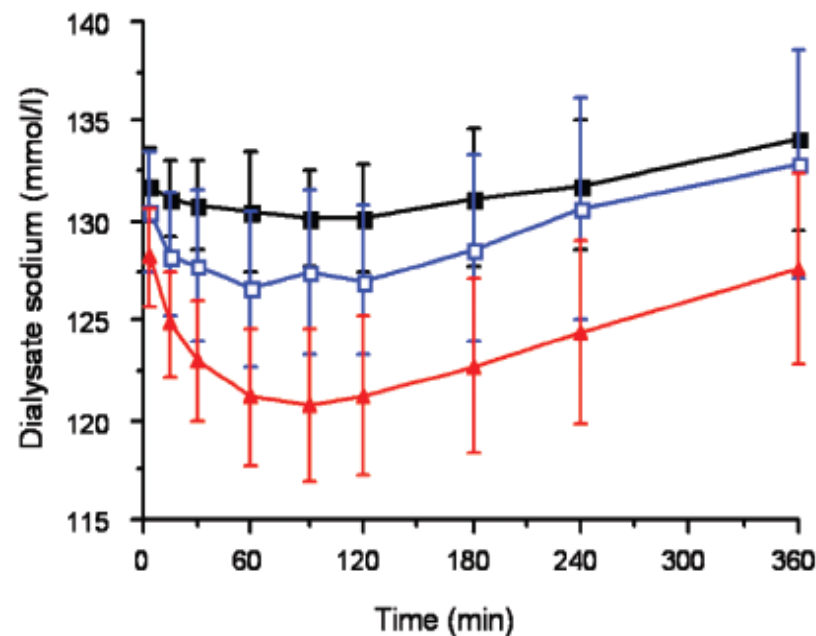
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Modified (3.86%) PET test

With a hypertonic dialysate solution, dialysate Na^+ concentration will decrease initially due to water-only transport across aquaporins.

= SODIUM SIEVING

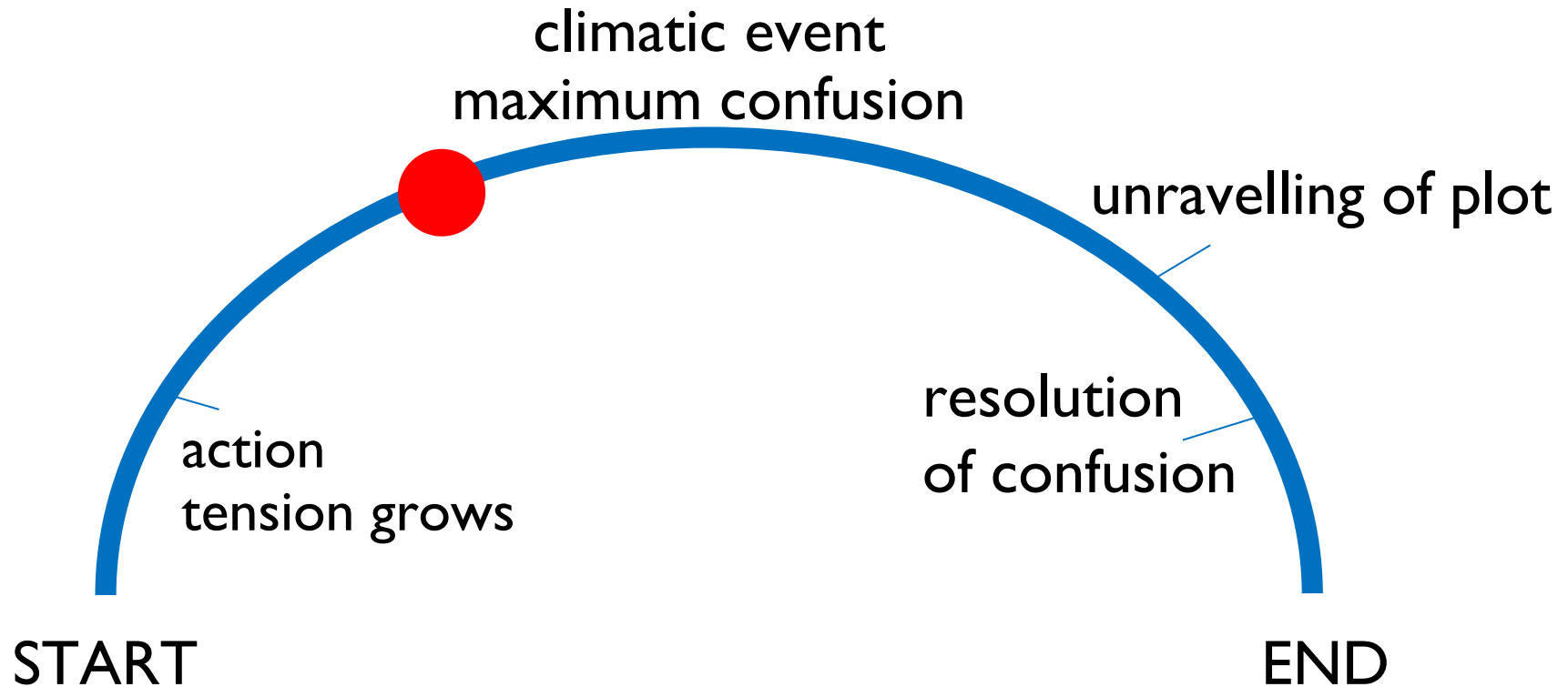


Black: 1.36%; blue: 2.27%; red: 3.86% glucose solution

Time profile D/P_{sodium} , D_{sodium}
(or D/D_0 or ΔD_{sodium} at 1 hour)
CAN BE USED TO ASSESS THE
CONTRIBUTION OF AQUAPORIN
TRANSPORT TO ULTRAFILTRATION

ISPD definition of UF failure =
< 400ml UF after 4 hours of 3.86% glucose

Aristotelian Dramatic Arc

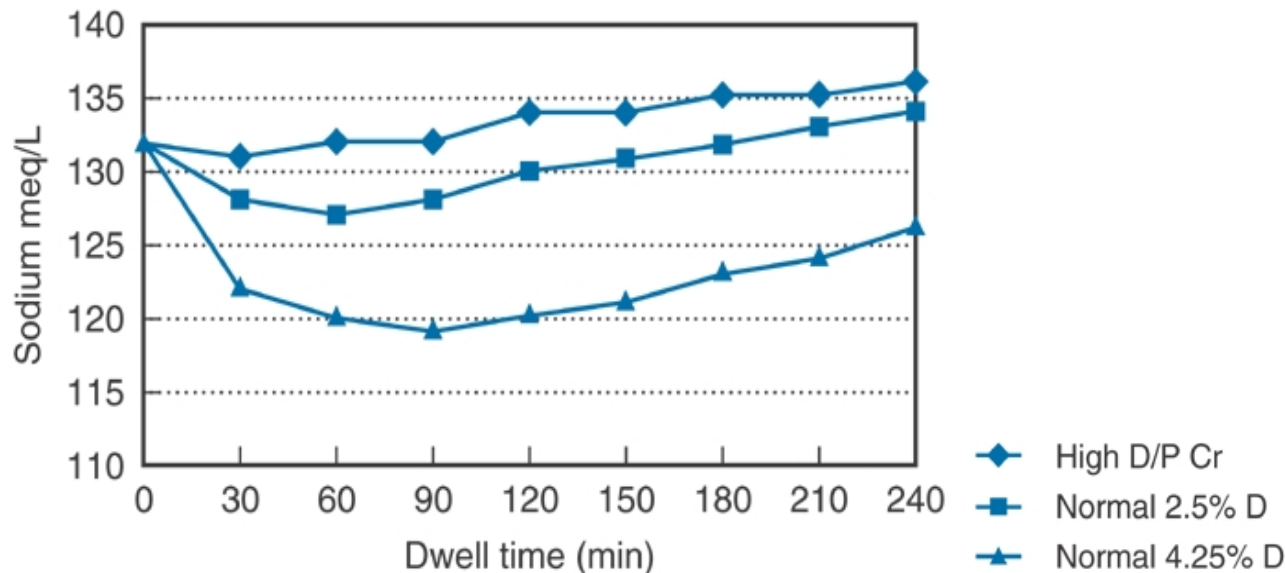


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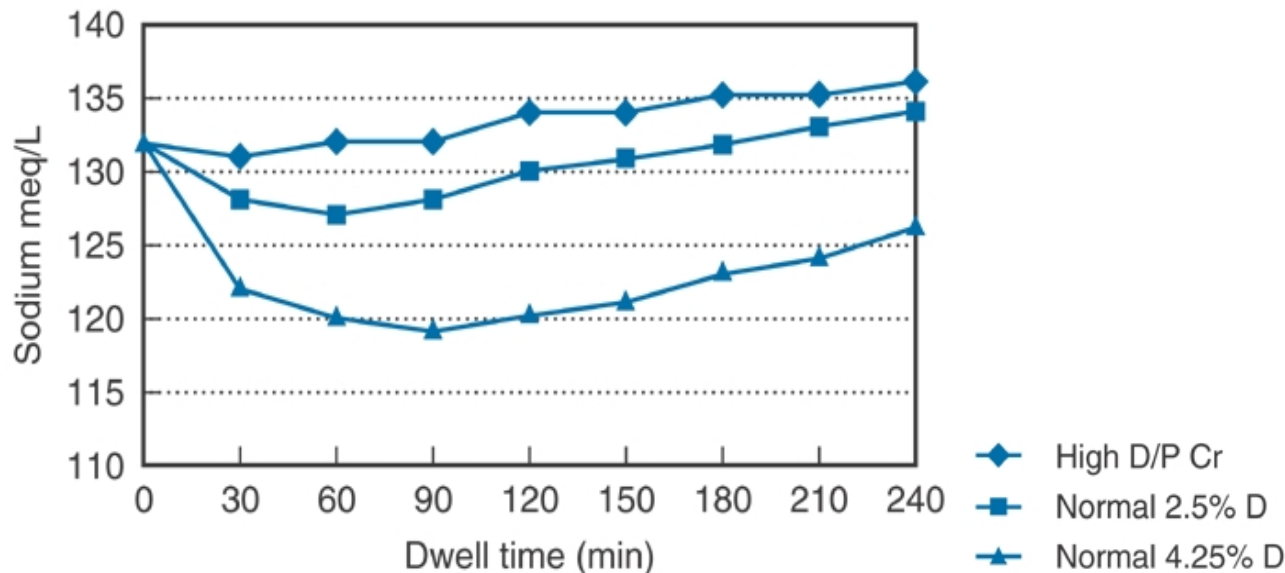
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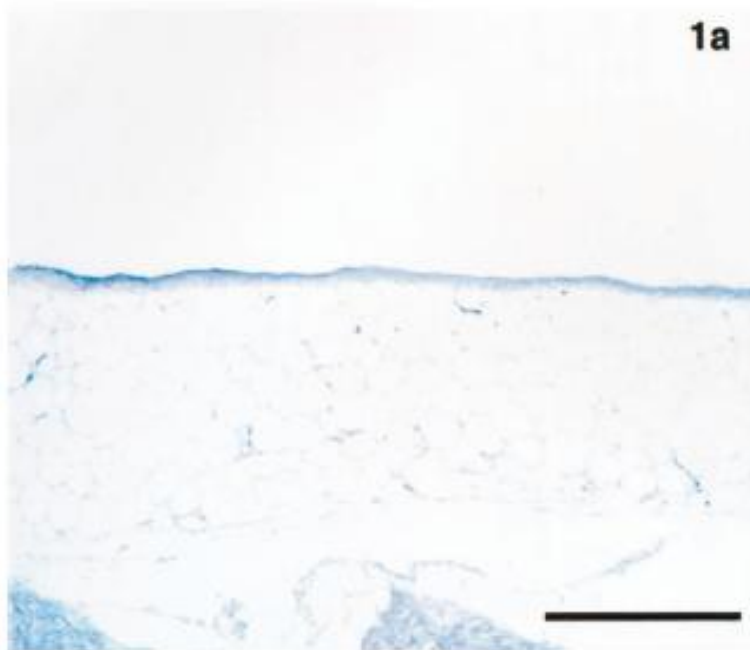
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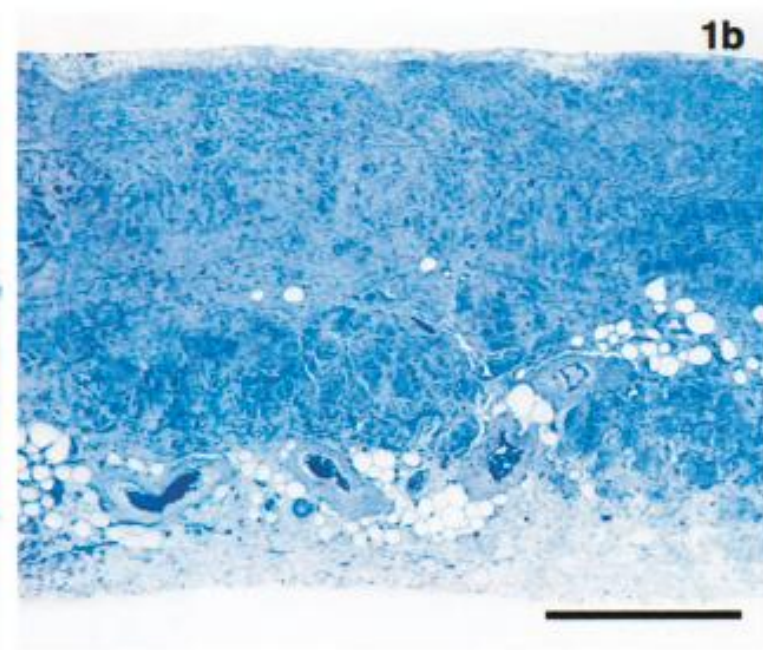


Pore models: interstitium?

Morphological changes in peritoneal membrane THICKNESS OF SUBMESOTHELIAL COMPACT ZONE



Normal



After 9 years of PD

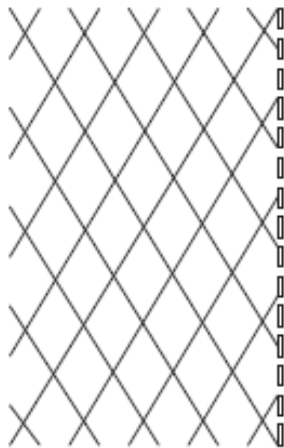
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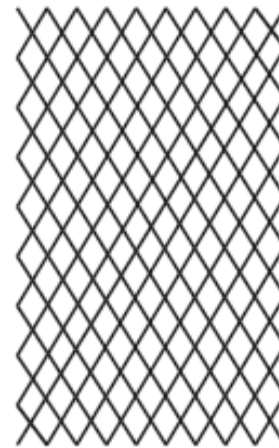
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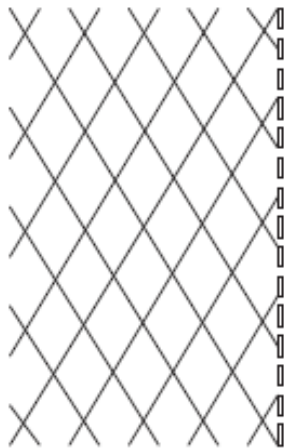
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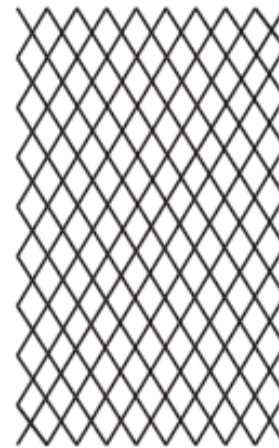
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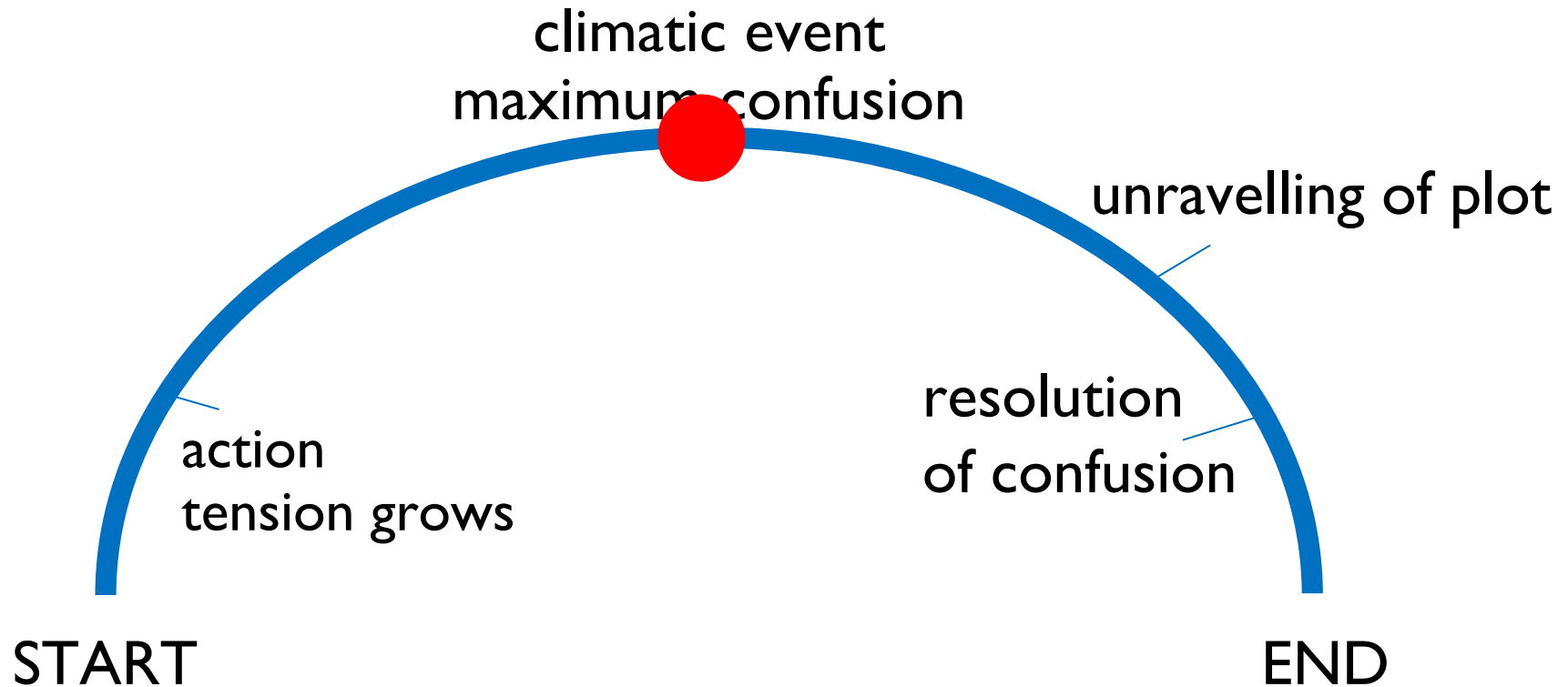
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The Osmotic Conductance to Glucose

= the ability of glucose to exert an osmotic pressure sufficient to cause transperitoneal ultrafiltration

$$= L_p \cdot S \cdot \sigma \text{ (}\mu\text{L/min/mmHg)}$$

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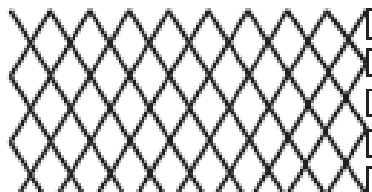
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Reflection coefficient of glucose

= lower in case of aquaporin dysfunction

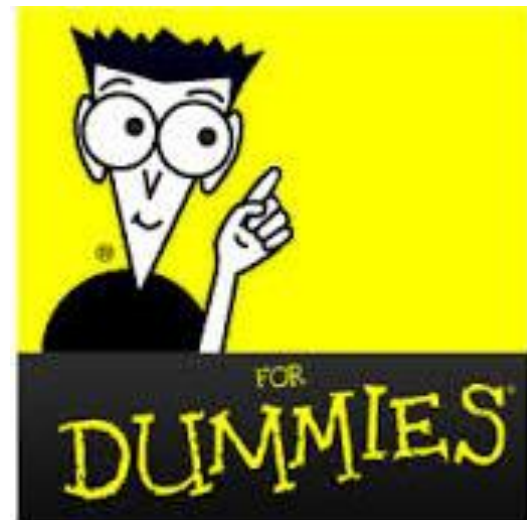
= lower in case of increased small solute transport

Surface area

= higher in case of increased small solute transport

Hydraulic conductivity

= lower in case of fibrosis



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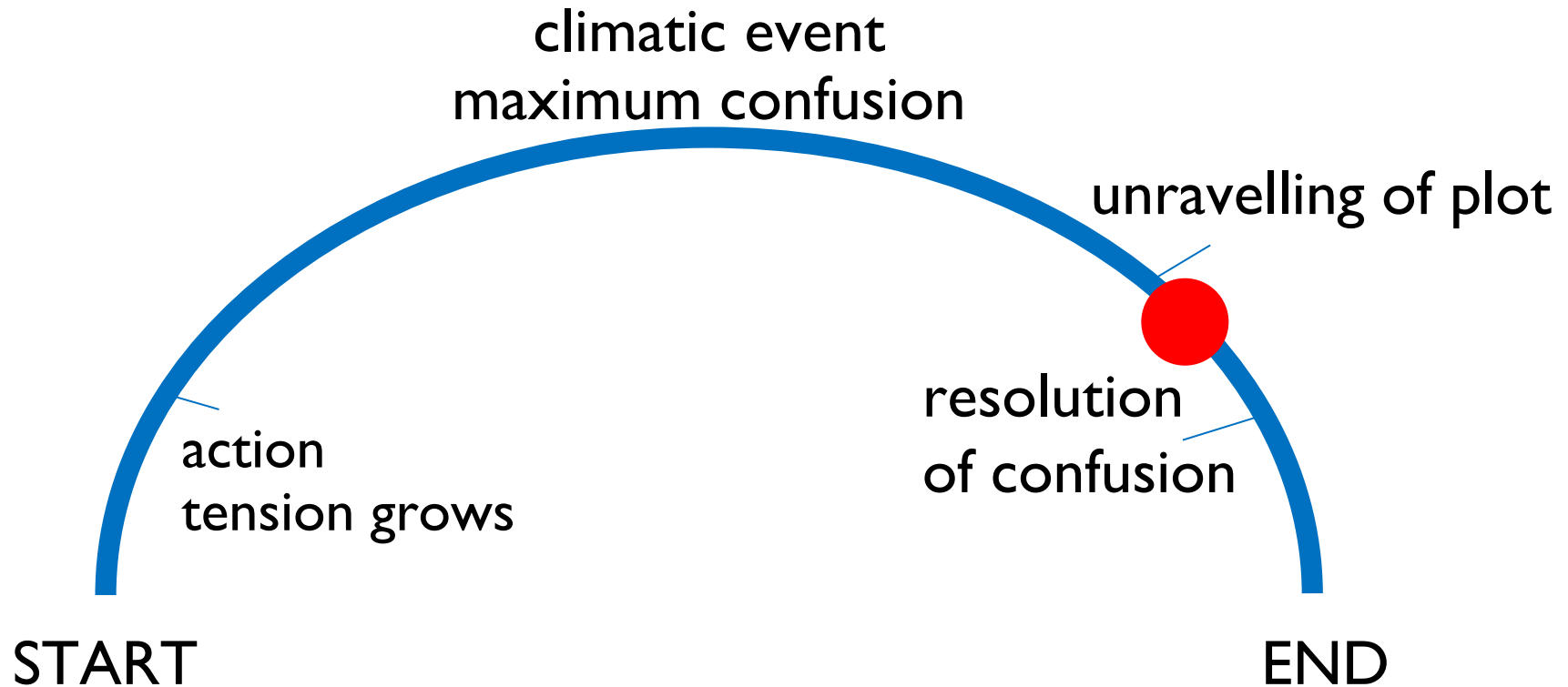
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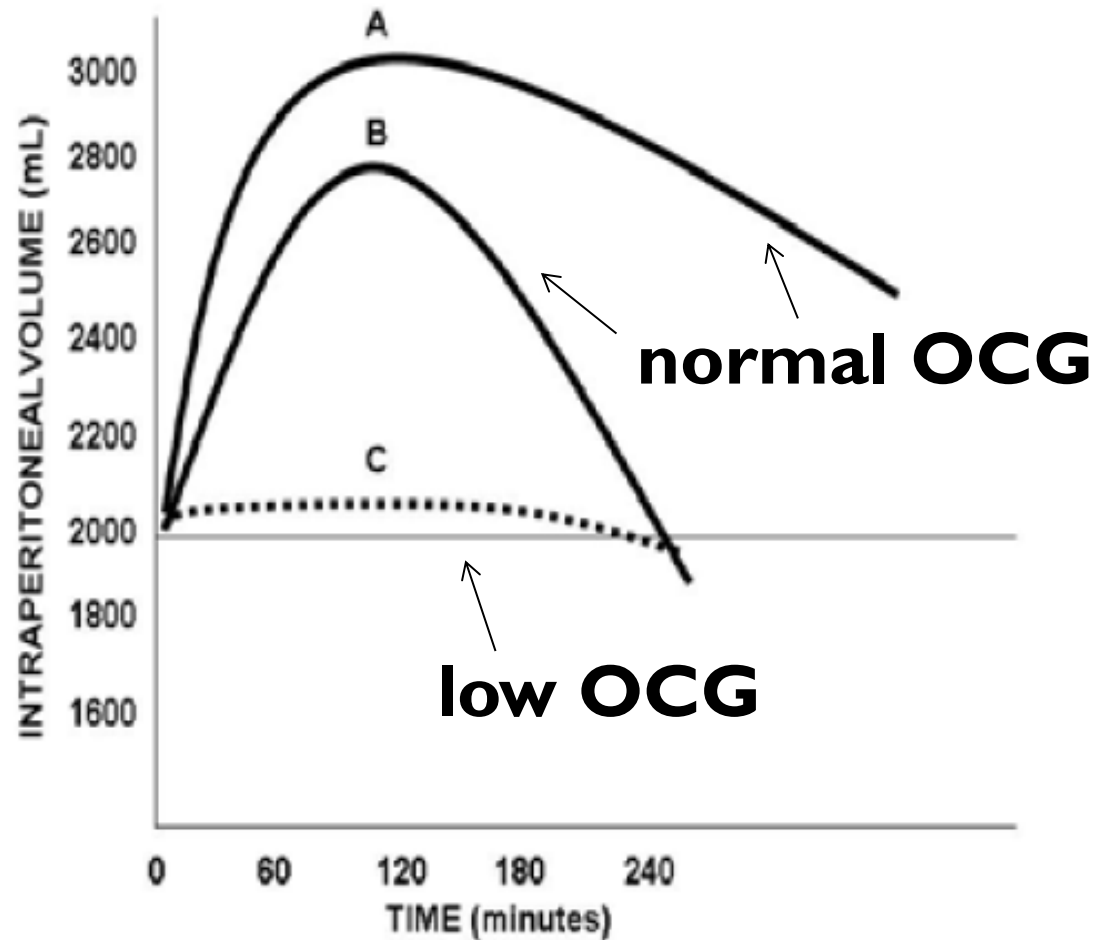
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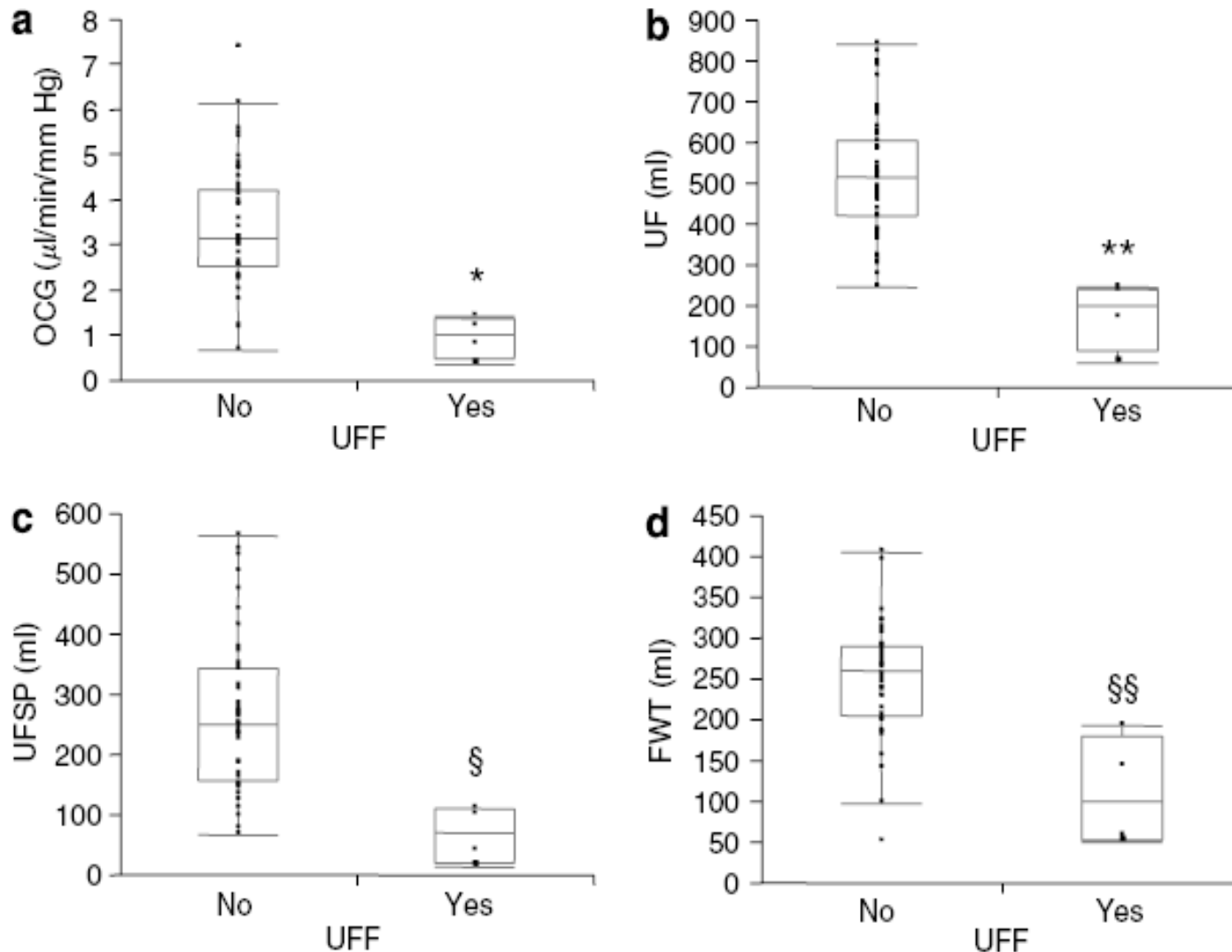
‘isolated aquaporin dysfunction probably non-existent’ (Rippe a.o.)



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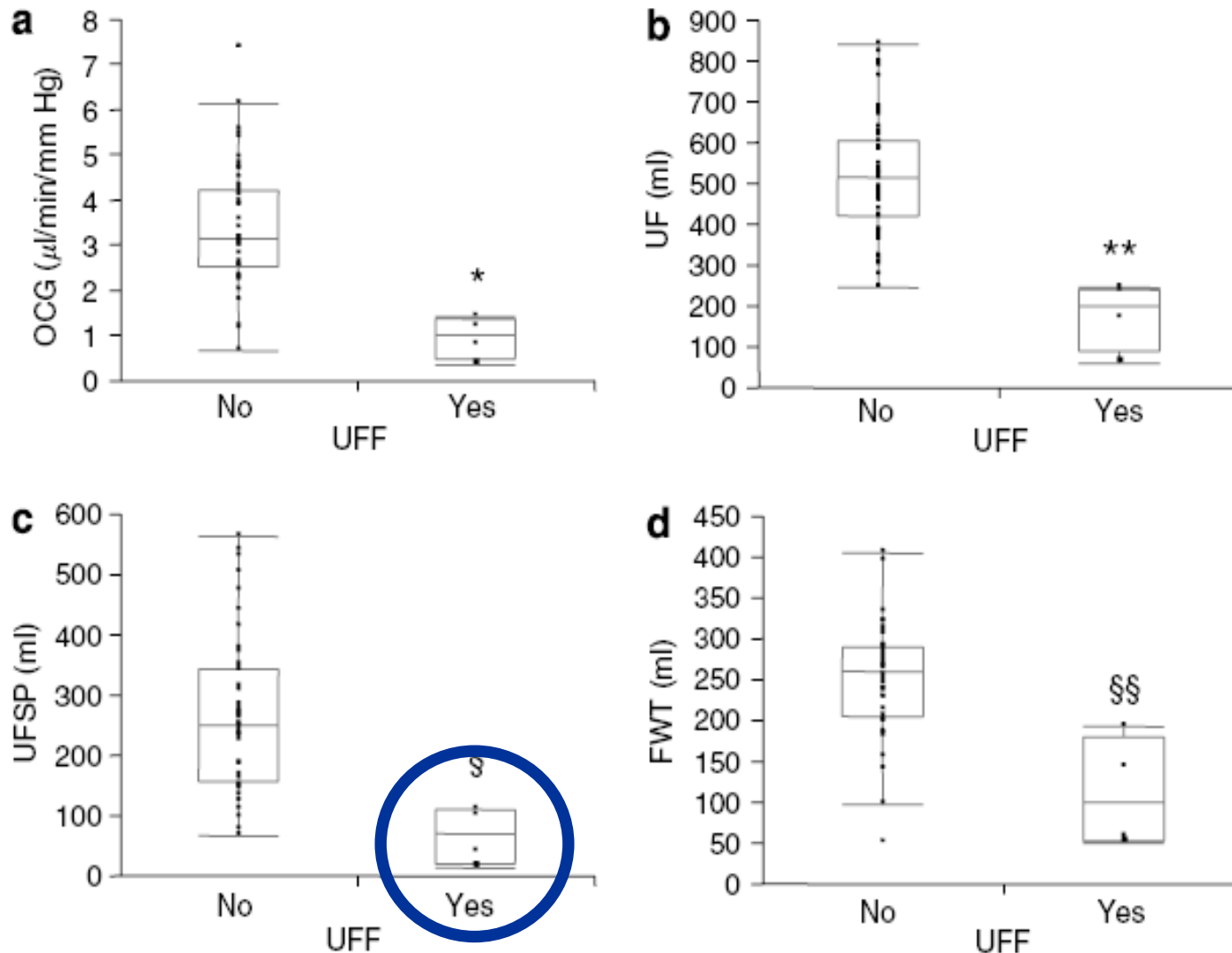


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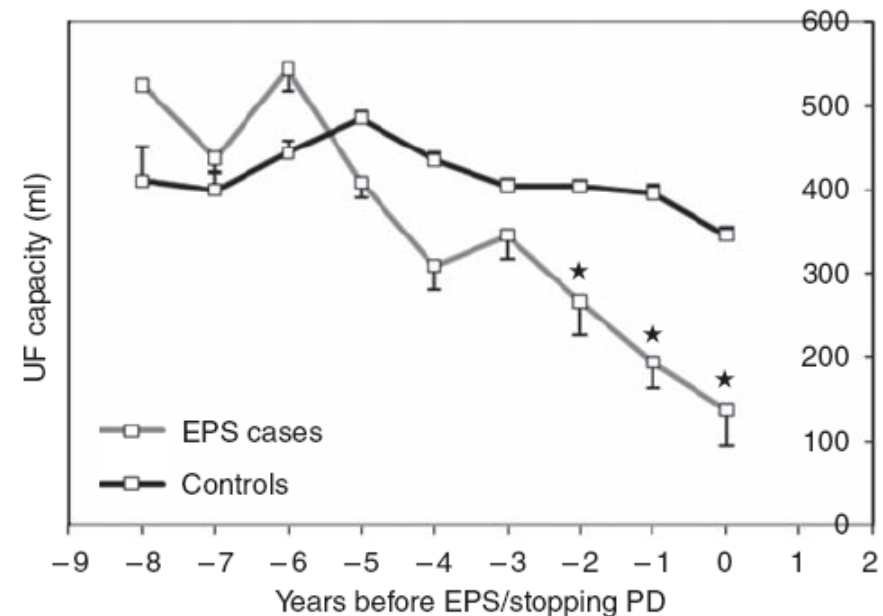
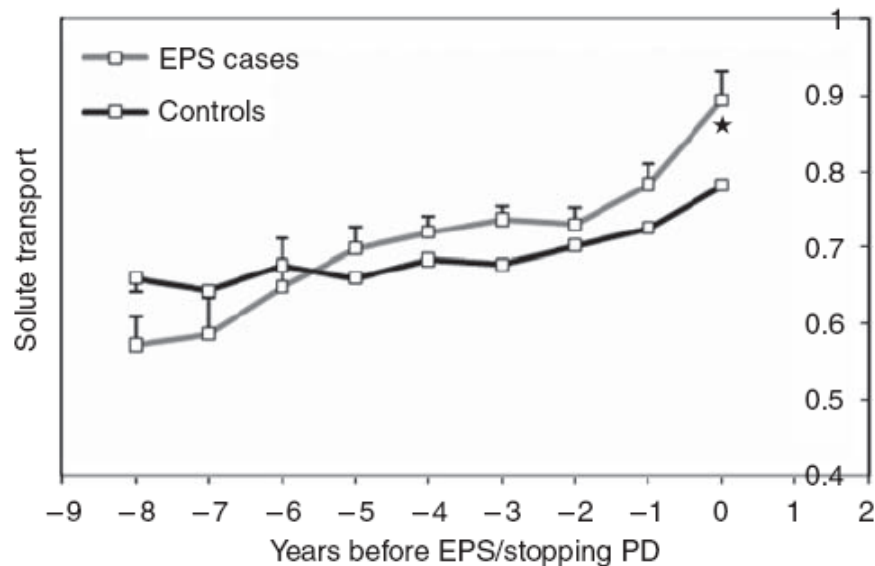
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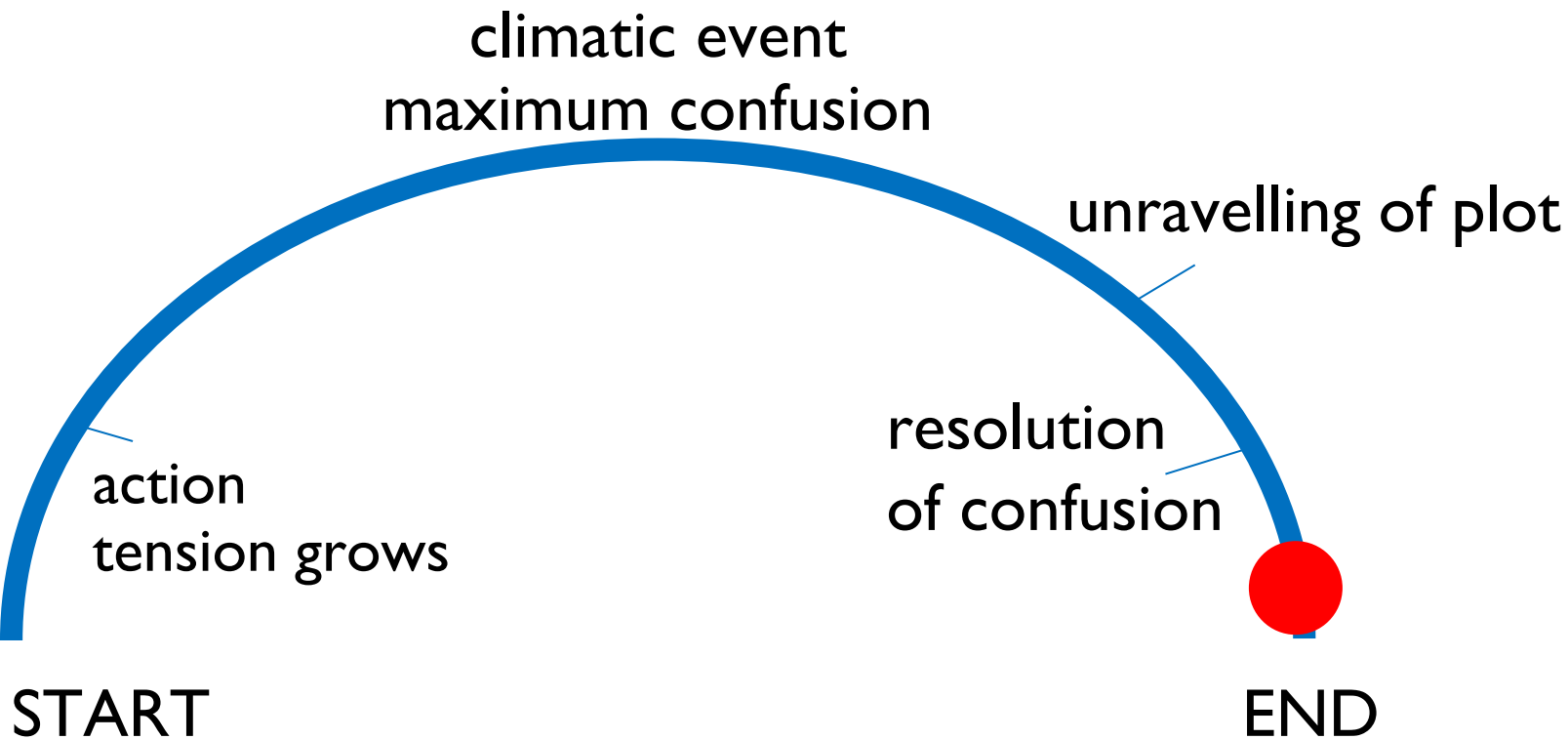


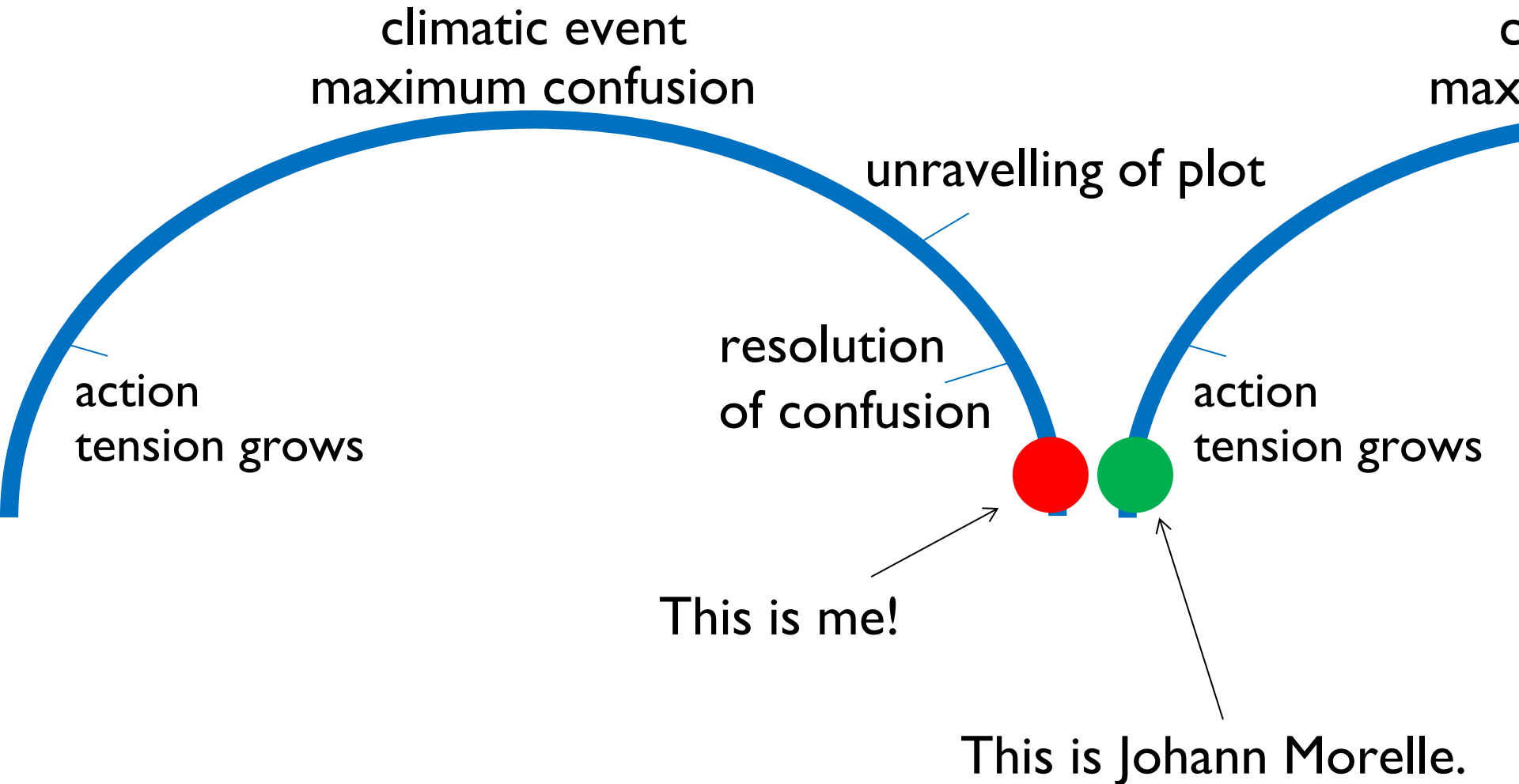
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The peritoneal osmotic conductance is low well before the diagnosis of encapsulating peritoneal sclerosis is made

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