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European guideline on diagnosis and treatment of hypotonic hyponatraemia

Programme

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Medical Practice

Opinion
What we believe

Best Practice

Experience
What we have done

Evidence
What we know



The trouble with guidelines

Too complex

Too simple

Add nothing
contradictory



What am I supposed to do?!

European guideline



The Intensive Connection



European guideline

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Clinical Practice Guideline

Clinical practice guideline on diagnosis and treatment of hyponatraemia

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Recommandation generation

GRADE

Recommendation generation - Strength

Grade	Implications	
	Patients	Clinicians
1 - strong 'We recommend'	Most people would want the recommended course of action, only few would not	Most patients should receive the recommended course of action
2 - weak 'We suggest'	Most people would want the recommended course of action, but many would not	Recognize that different choices will be appropriate for different patients.

Recommendation generation - Strength

- Quality of the evidence
 - A: high quality: multiple well executed RCTs
 - B: moderate quality: RCTs with flaws – multiple large well executed observational studies
 - C: low quality: small observational studies
 - D: very low quality: case reports
- Balance between benefits and harms
- Difference in values and preferences
- Whether the benefits are worth the costs

Recommendation generation - Strength

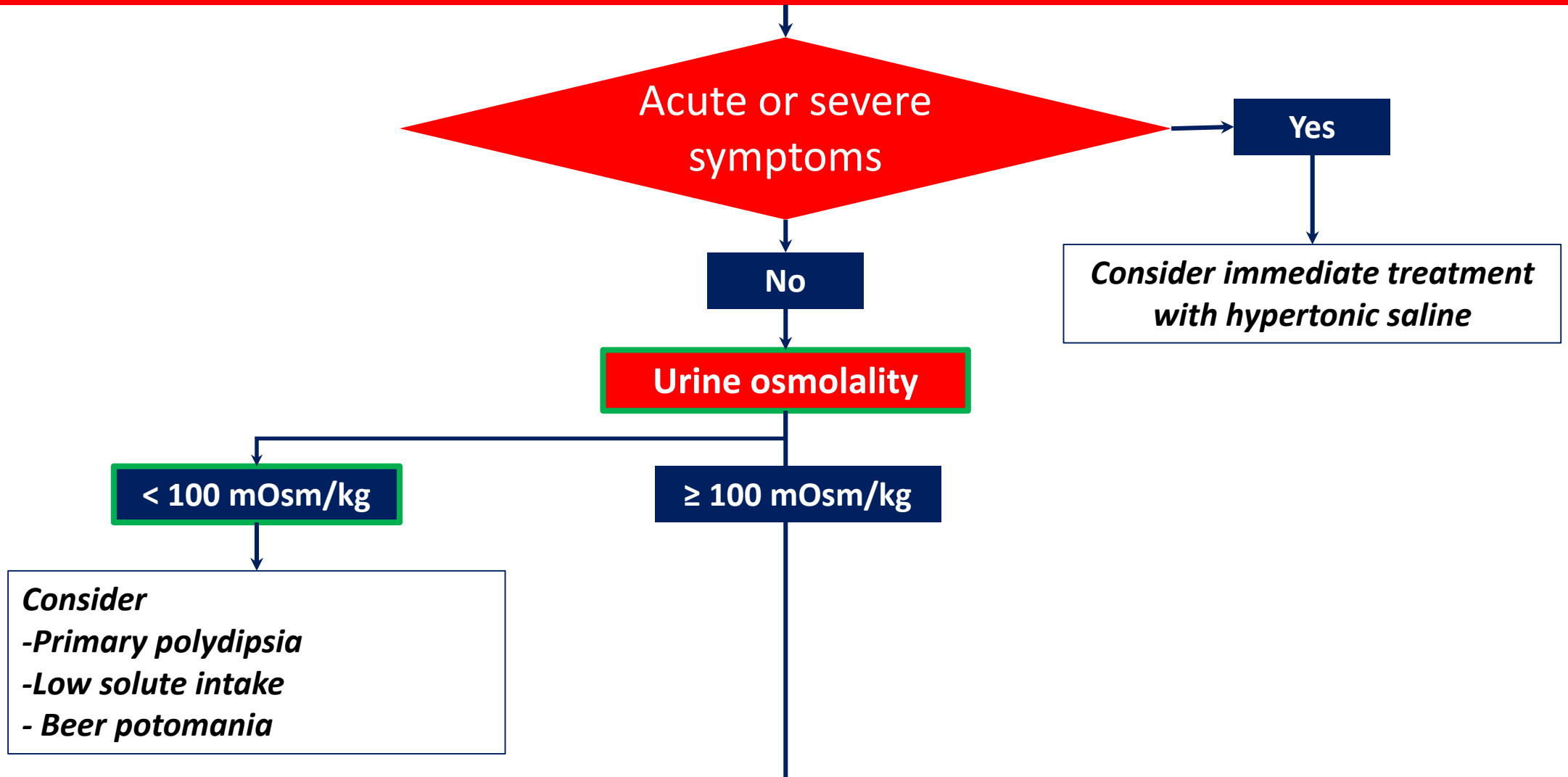
Strength Recommendation	Level Evidence	
1	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Benefits clearly outweigh harms▪ High level evidence
1	B	
1	C	
1	D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Serious adverse effect from case-reports▪ Safe alternative available
2	A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ High quality evidence▪ Little benefit
2	B	
2	C	
2	D	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Benefits outweigh harms▪ Very low level evidence

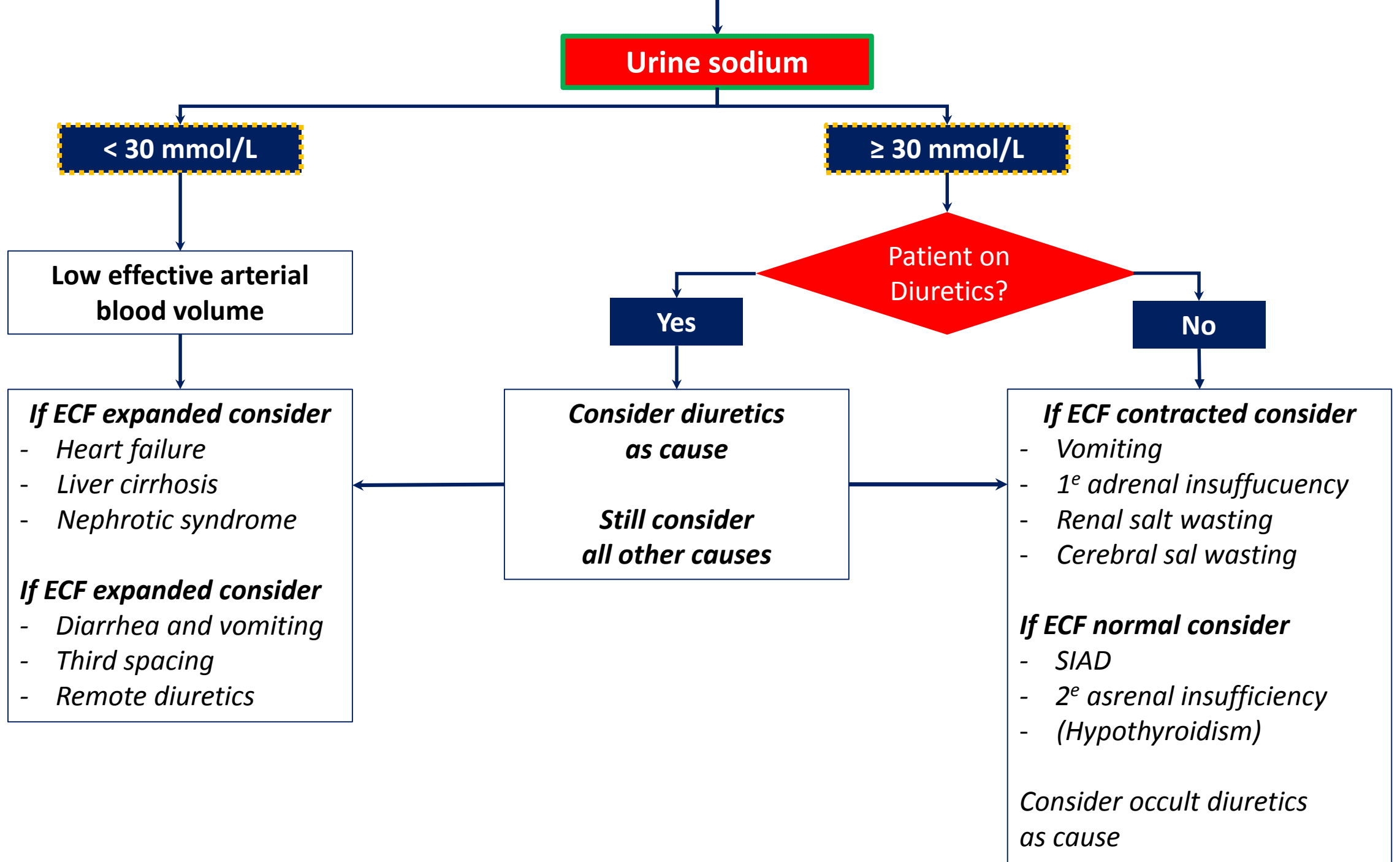
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Diagnostic algorithm

Exclude hyperglycaemia and other causes of non-hypotonic hyponatraemia





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120 $\frac{\text{mmol}}{\text{L}}$

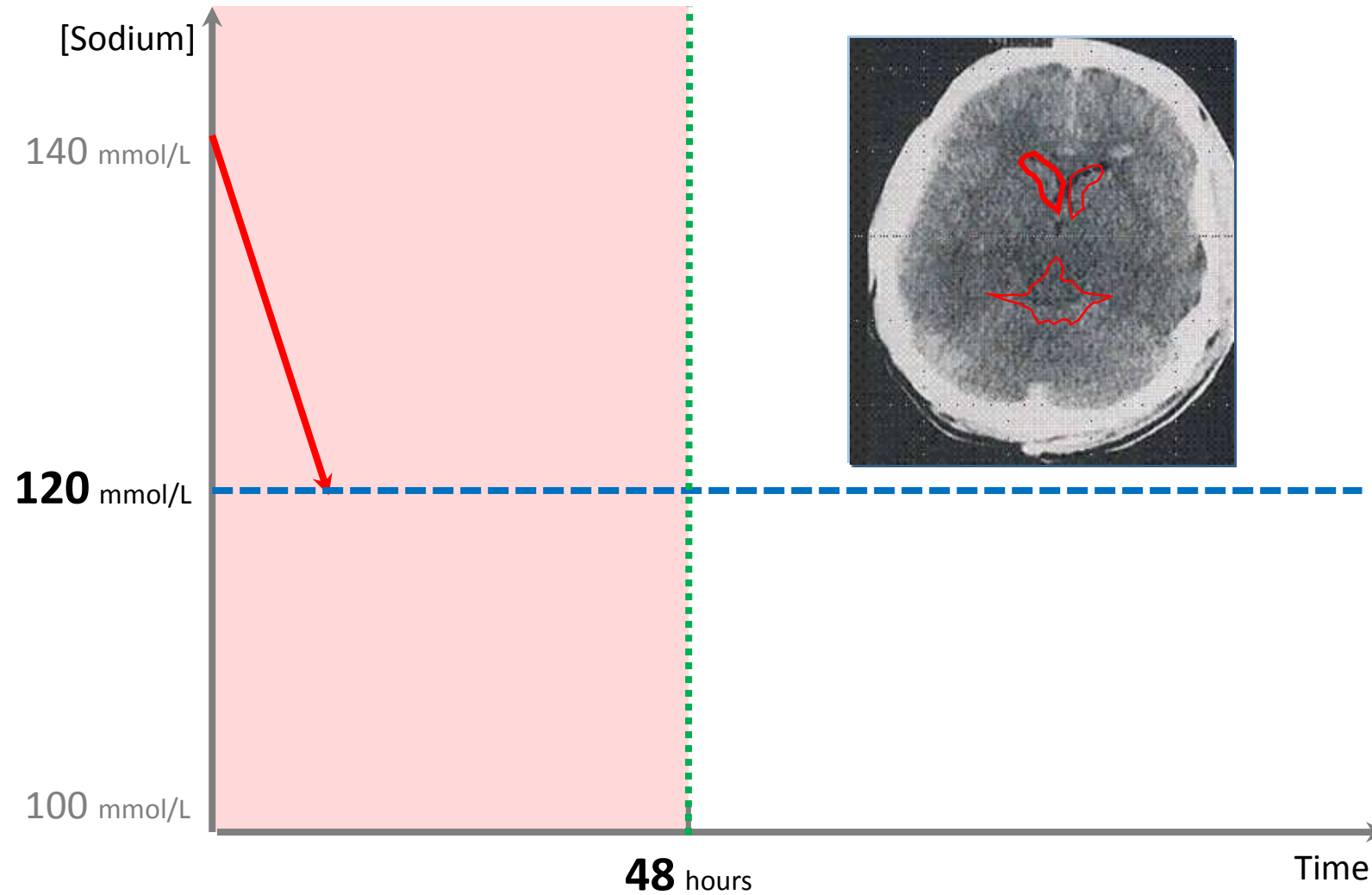


**Treat
now?**

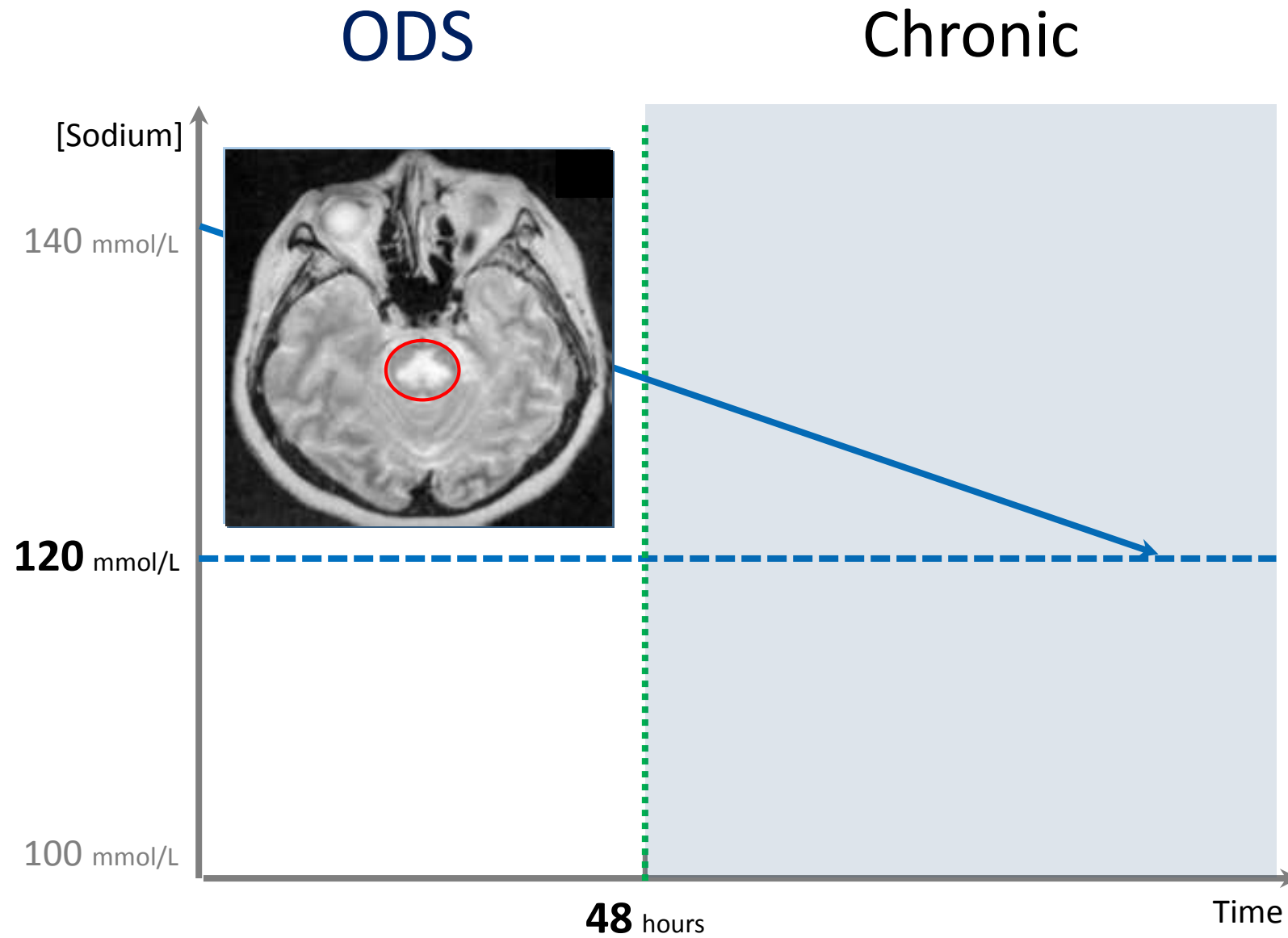
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Acute

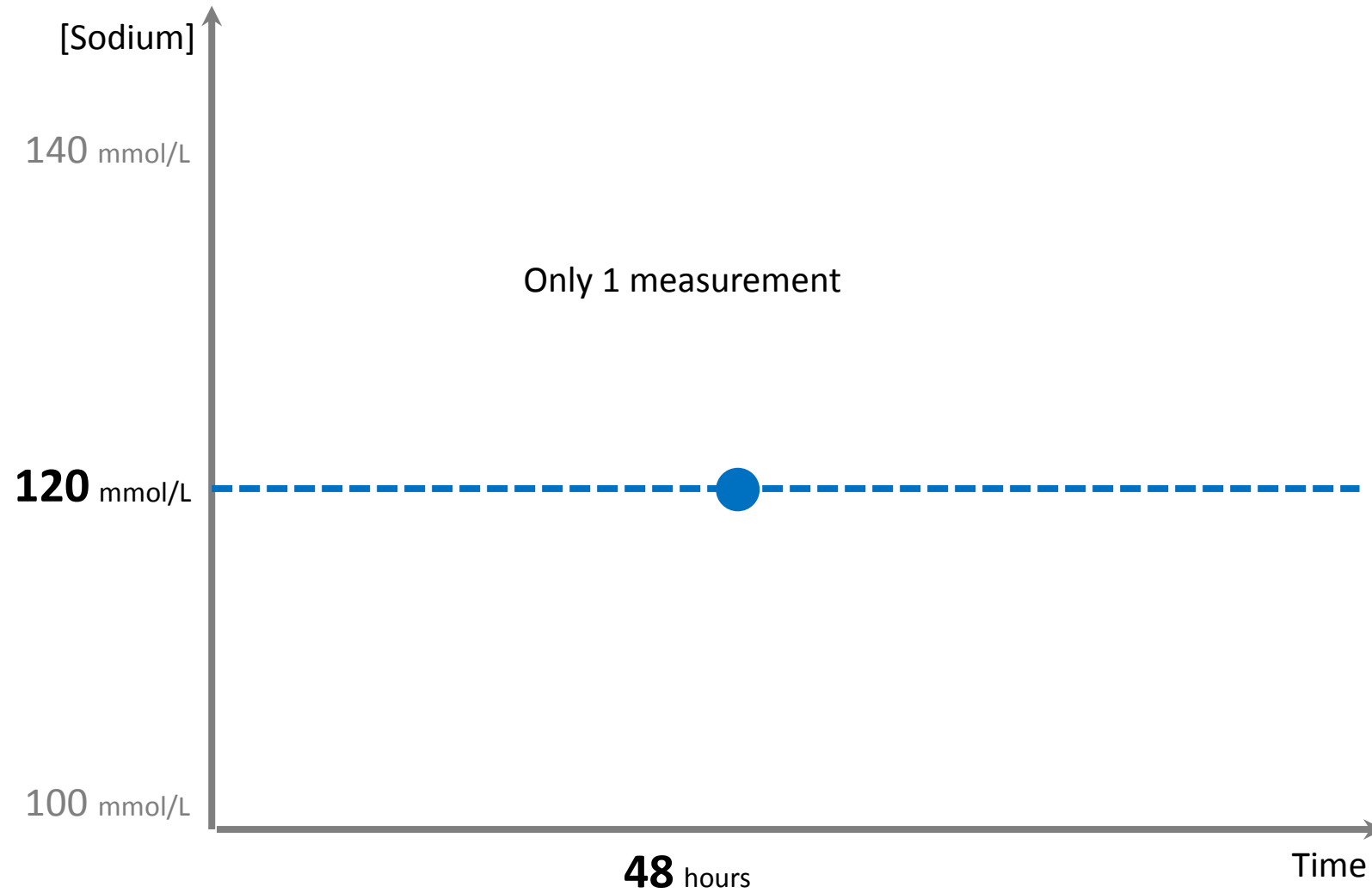
Brain oedema



Depends...



Problem...

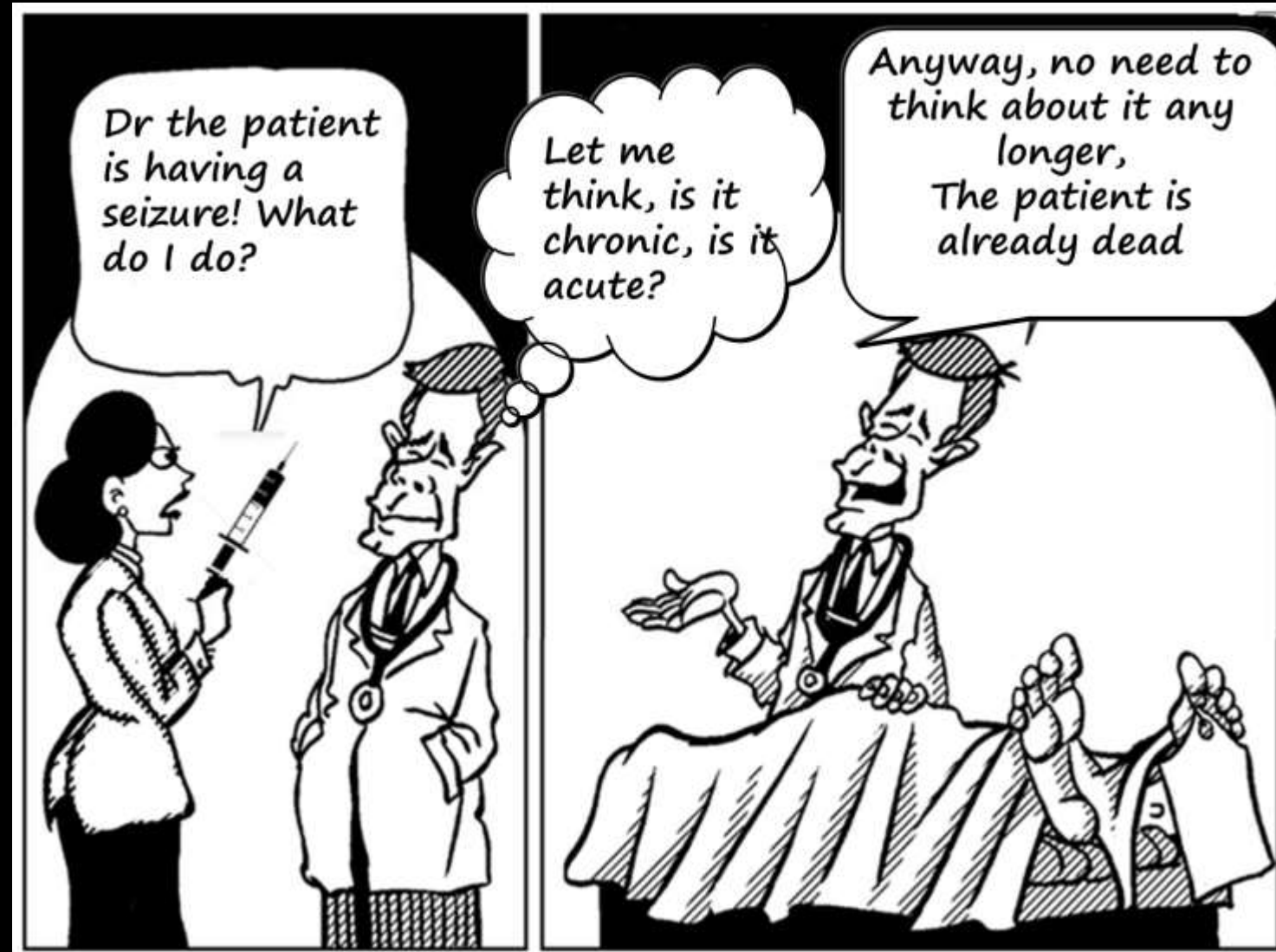




Sometimes the context helps...

- ‘I only had onez, I swearzz!’

But mostly we are left in the dark...



Symptoms

Severe

Coma

Seizures

Deep somnolence

Cardiorespiratory distress

Vomiting

Moderately severe

Headache

Confusion

Nausea

Severe symptoms

**Osmotic
demyelination in
chronic
hyponatraemia**

**Brain oedema in
acute
hyponatraemia**



Severe

Coma

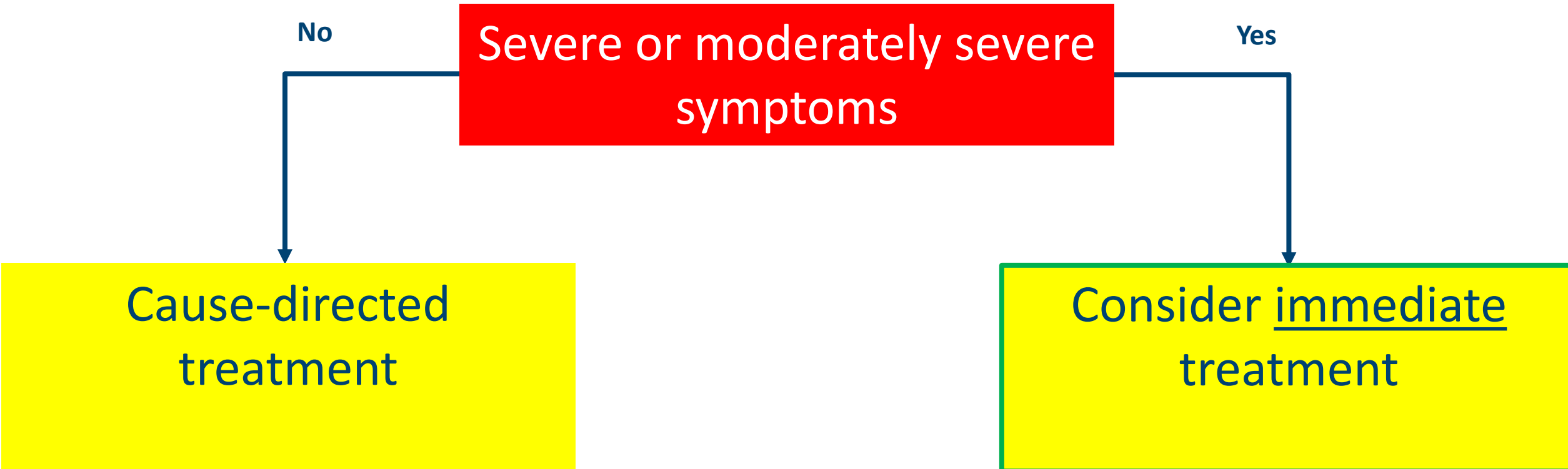
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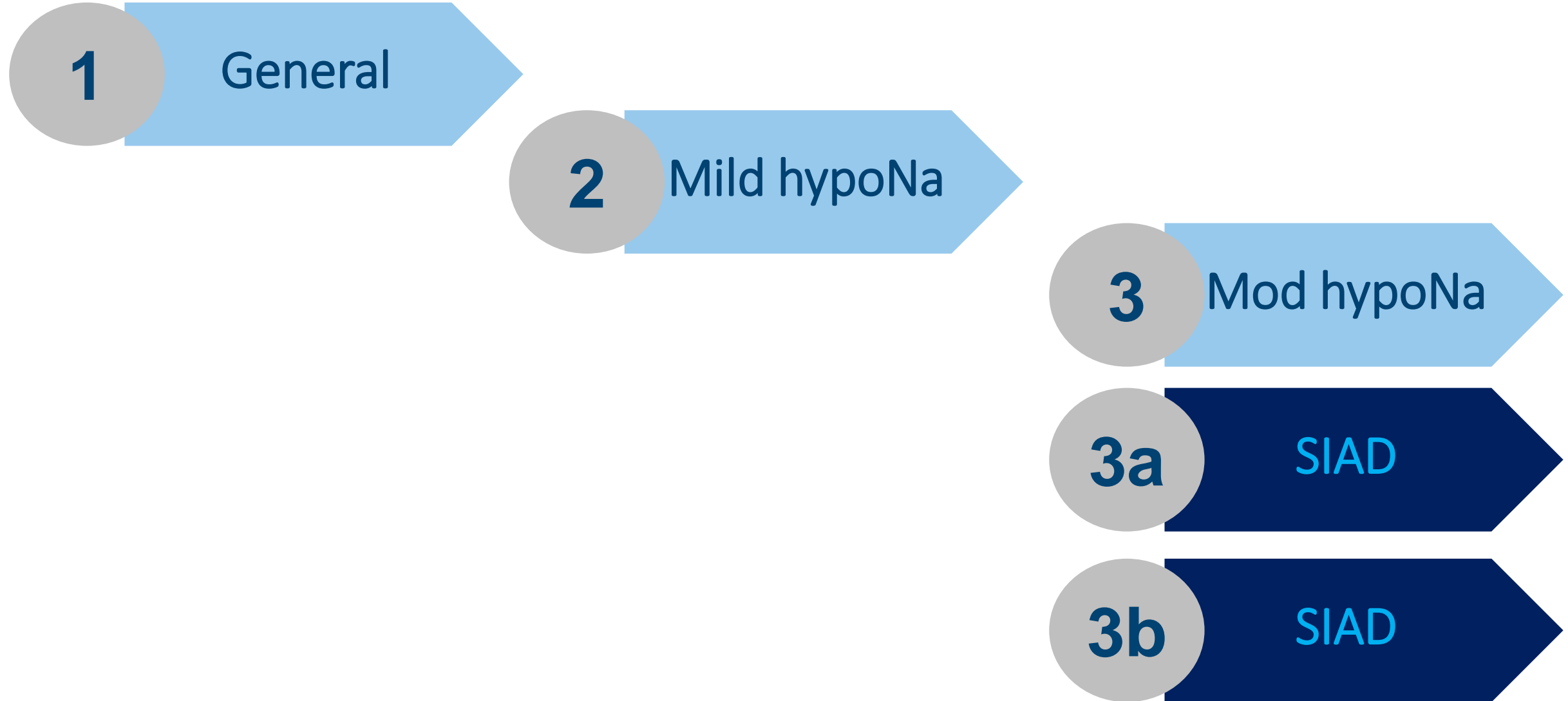
Severe/moderately severe symptoms



Severe/moderately severe symptoms



Chronic hyponatraemia without symptoms



Chronic hyponatraemia without symptoms

1

General

- Stop non-essential fluids & contributing factors (not graded)
- We recommend cause-directed treatment (1D)

Chronic hyponatraemia without symptoms

2

Mild hypoNa

- We suggest against treatment with sole aim of increasing serum Na^+ concentration (2C)

Chronic hyponatraemia without symptoms

3 Mod hypoNa

- We recommend to avoid increase in $[\text{Na}^+] > 10$ mmol/L during first 24 hrs (1D)
- We recommend to avoid increase $[\text{Na}^+] > 8$ mmol/L per 24 hrs thereafter (1D)
- We recommend to check $[\text{Na}^+]$ 6 hourly until stable on stable treatment (1D)

Chronic hyponatraemia without symptoms

3a

SIAD

- We suggest fluid restriction as first line treatment (2D)
- We suggest the following be considered as second-line treatments (2D)
 - increasing solute intake with urea 0.25-0.50 g/kg
 - combination of low dose loop diuretic & oral sodium chloride
- We recommend against lithium or demeclocycline (1D)

Chronic hyponatraemia without symptoms

3b

SIAD

- We do not recommend VRAs in moderate hyponatraemia (1C)
- We recommend against VRAs in profound hyponatraemia (1C)

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CHINSTRAPS

‘One size fits all... lying bastards..’

Opinion

**Best
Practice**

Experience

Evidence



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