

# Wearable Artificial Organs

## The unmet needs...

# WAO

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*Artificial Kidney "WAK 2.0" Successful*

# DISCLOSURES



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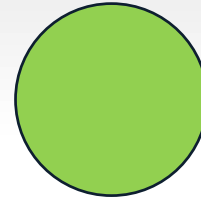
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# UNMET NEEDS IN WEARABLE ORGANS

Do we have better answers to the following questions:



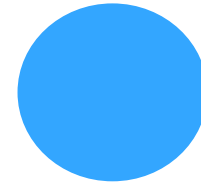
What can I expect?



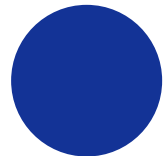
Can I work?



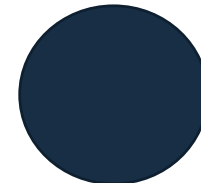
How long do I have  
before I'm gone?



Do I need help?



Does it hurt?



How am I going to pay for this?

# WEARABLE ORGANS, THE UNMET NEEDS

## WHAT ARE THE GOALS

- Reduce mortality
- Improve quality of life
- Reduce cost
- Improve access
- Simplify care

# UNMET NEEDS IN DIALYSIS: To improve quality of life



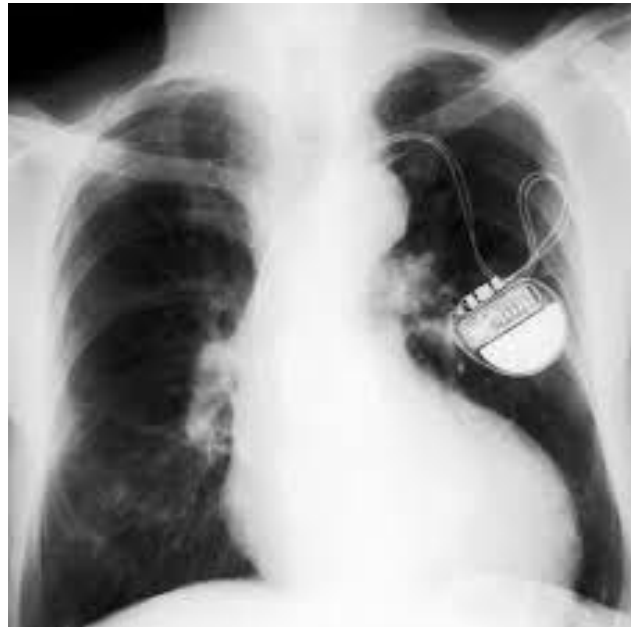
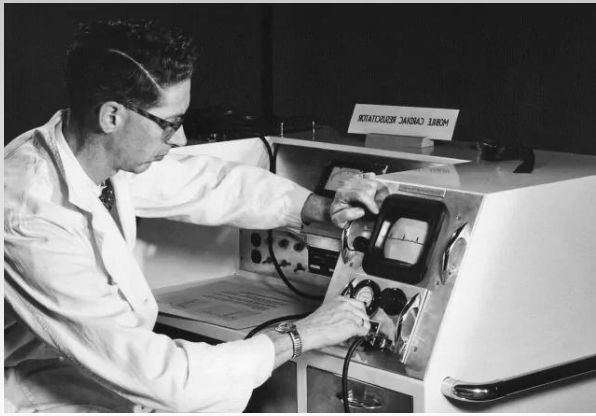
# Sinus Node Disease

**Sinoatrial Block:** The heart rate slows down due to the very slow movement of electrical signals sinus node.

Labels in the diagram:

- Sinus Node
- Right Atrium
- AV Node
- Right Bundle Branch
- Left Bundle Branch
- Left Ventricle
- Right Ventricle
- Endocardium (Inner Surface of Myocardium)
- Epicardium (Outer Surface of Myocardium)

[ePainAssist.com](http://ePainAssist.com)





We can miniaturize anything and everything.....



computer



clock



Why not a  
dialysis  
machine!!!?





Dialysis Today



The Lancet

Dialysis with the WAK



# WHY WE NEED THEM

Wearable Artificial Organs Will Disrupt The Way Medicine is Practiced Time After Time



**Need for increased collaboration**

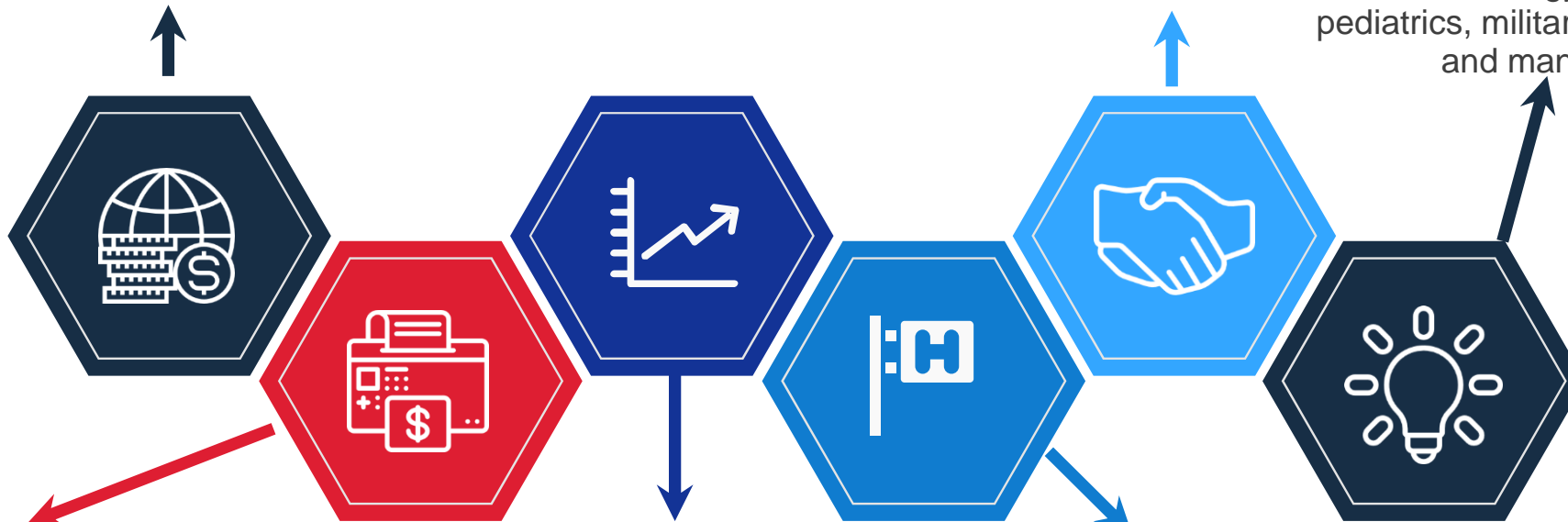
Physicians, nurses  
engineers and.. patients.

**We need IT, AI, Nano..**

Better technology applications for  
pediatrics, military, disaster relief,  
and many other products

**Billions of Health Expenses Globally**

Worldwide there are millions of people with failing organs



**Dialysis alone \$88,000+ Annual Cost**

In the US, average cost per patient is \$88,000...

In total \$40B in for treatments and growing.

**Improving life span and income**

Older population, more western diets

**Exorbitant Hospital Costs**

Expensive technologies and drugs  
labor intensive, regulations

# The World Cannot Afford ESRD

Eli Friedman M.D.



# US CLINICAL TRIAL DATA

Peer Reviewed & Published Data



## Clinical Trial Summary:

- WAK provided continuous solute clearance and volume removal capacity for patients with ESRD
- Acid-base and electrolyte homeostasis were maintained:
  - no restriction on patients' dietary choices,
  - no use of phosphorus-binding medications.
    - Hemodynamic parameters remained stable
    - Ultrafiltration was achieved as intended
  - No unexpected adverse treatment effects

## The Following 6 Slides Provide Key Data From The Study:

Table 1. Characteristics of the subjects at enrollment

Table 2. Mean plasma concentrations of blood urea nitrogen and  $\beta$ 2-macroglobulin

Figure(A). Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dl).

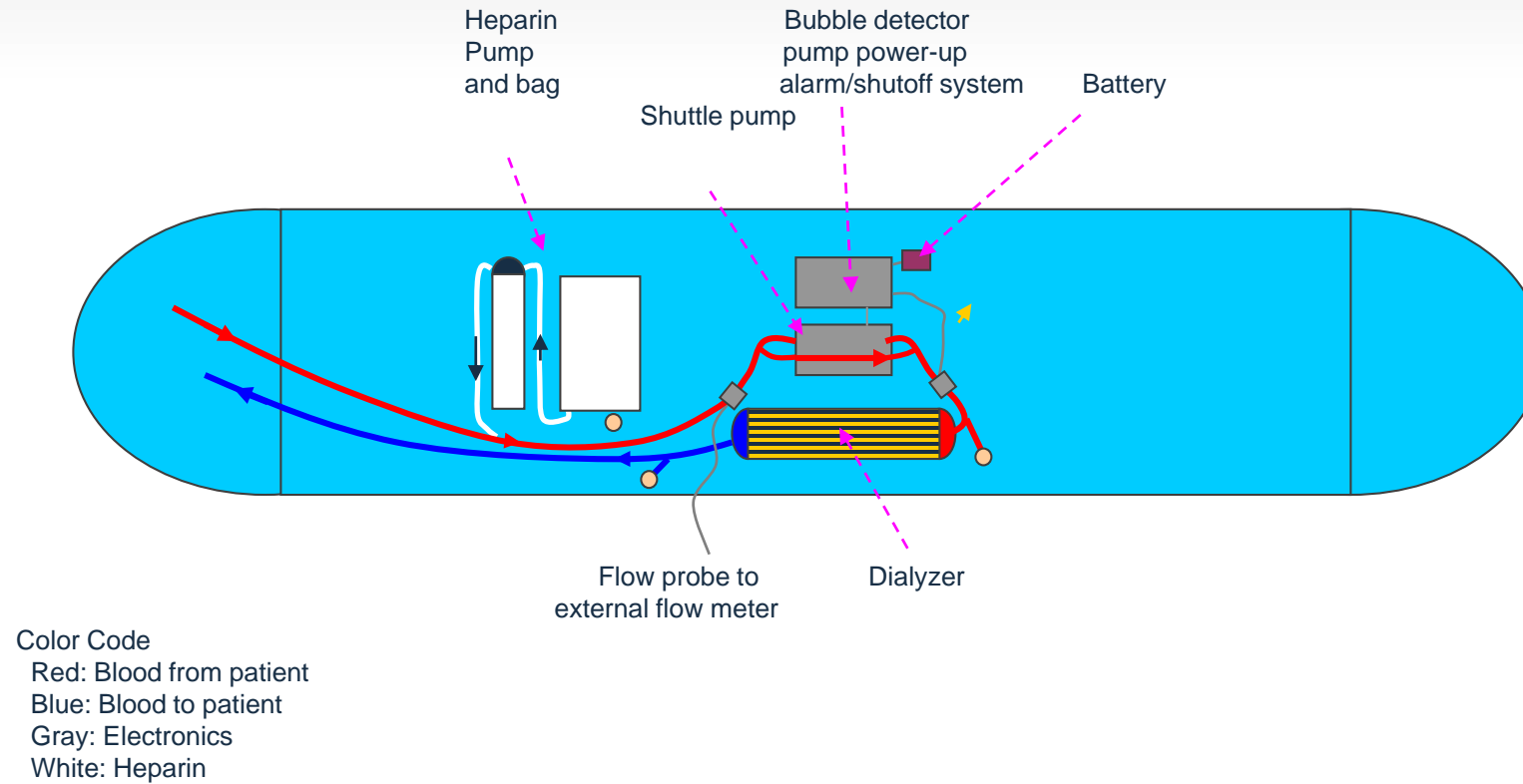
Figure (B). Plasma  $\beta$ 2-microglobulin (mg/l).

Figure 3. Summary small solute, middle molecule clearance, blood flow, dialysate flow

(A). Plasma urea, creatinine, phosphorus,  $\beta$ 2-microglobulin clearances (ml/min)

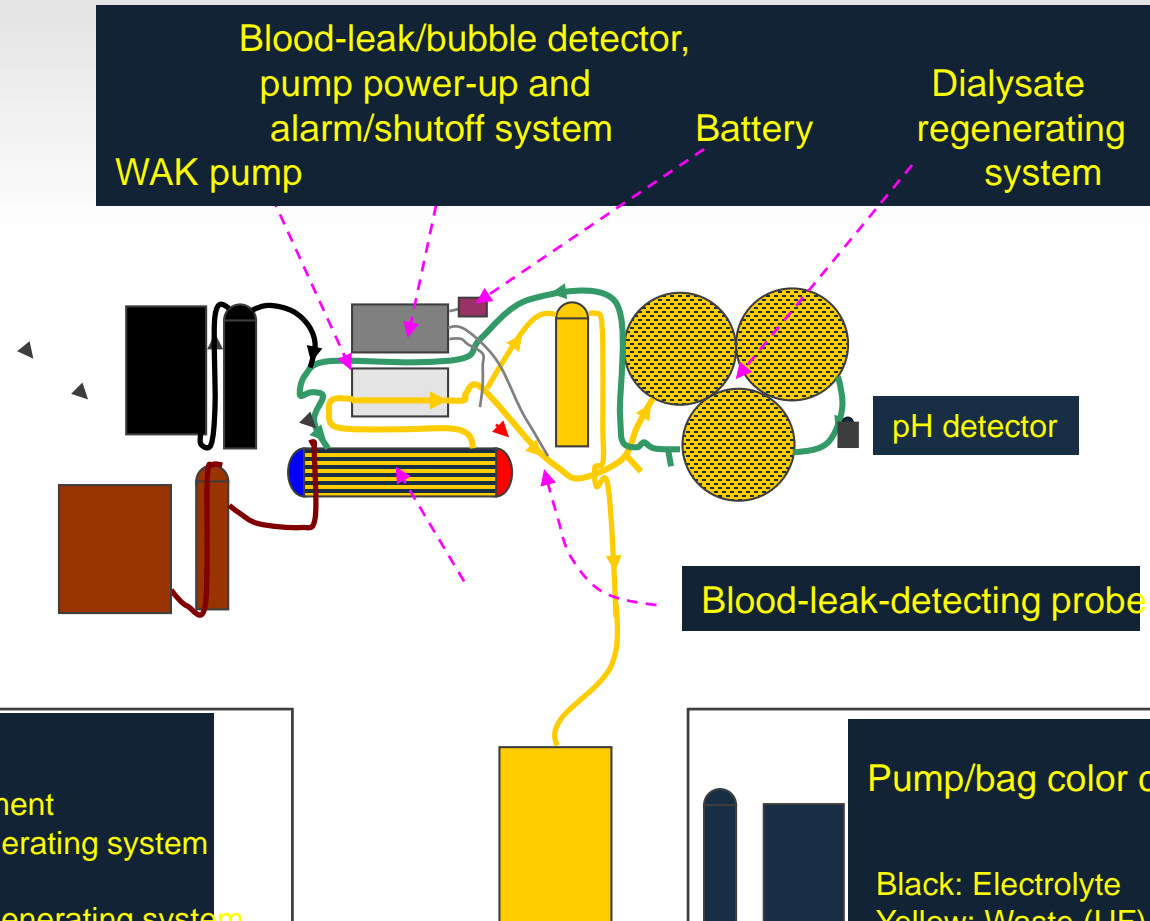
(B). Blood and dialysate flow (ml/min).

# The Wearable Artificial Kidney (WAK) Blood Circuit





# Night Time Dialysate Circuit



## Tubing color code:

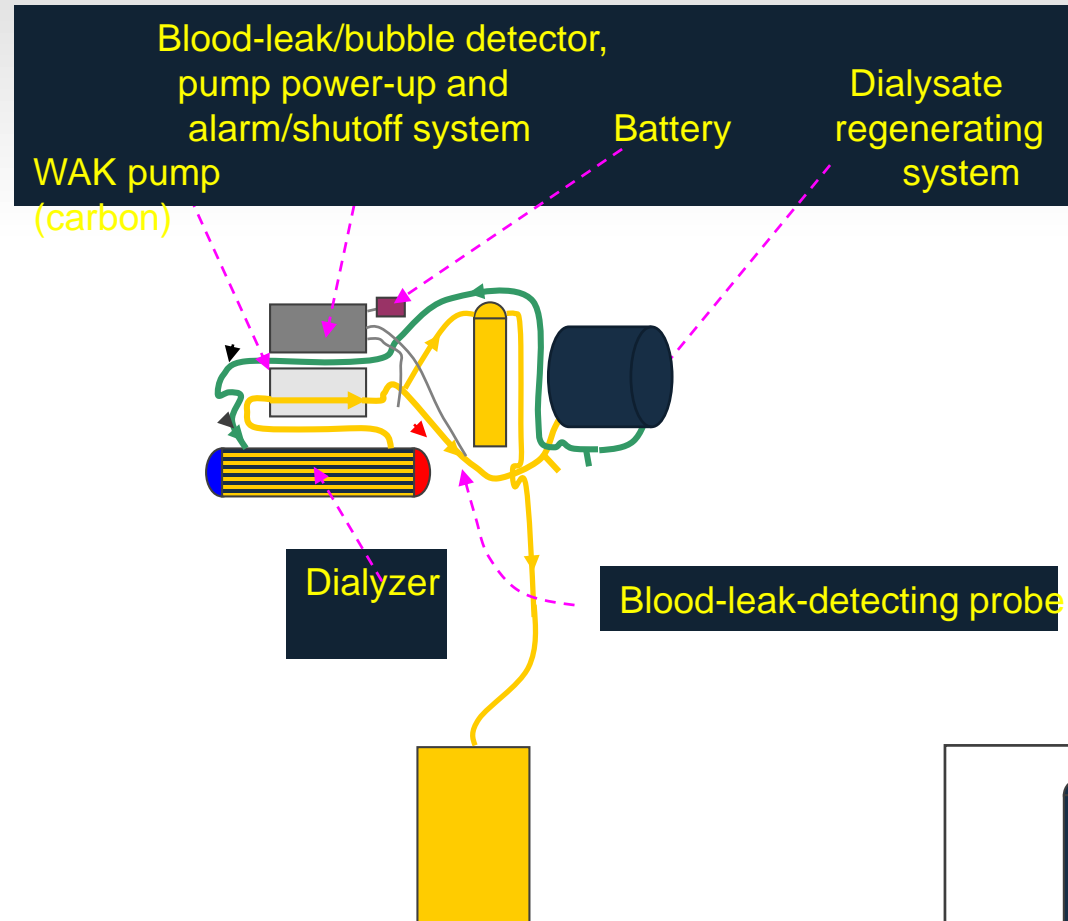
Black: Electrolyte supplement  
Yellow: Dialysate to regenerating system  
Brown: Bicarbonate  
Green: Dialysate from regenerating system

Electronics/cables are shown in gray

## Pump/bag color code:

Black: Electrolyte  
Yellow: Waste (UF)  
Brown: Bicarbonate

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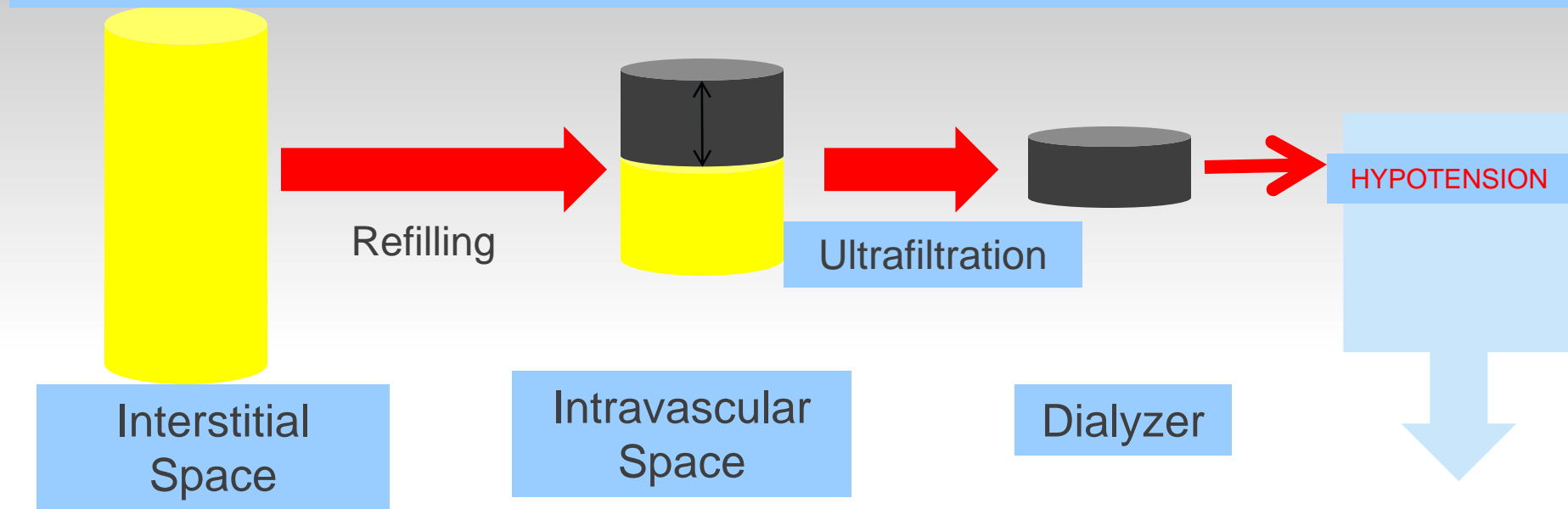
Yellow: Waste (UF)

# The Wearable Artificial Kidney v2.0

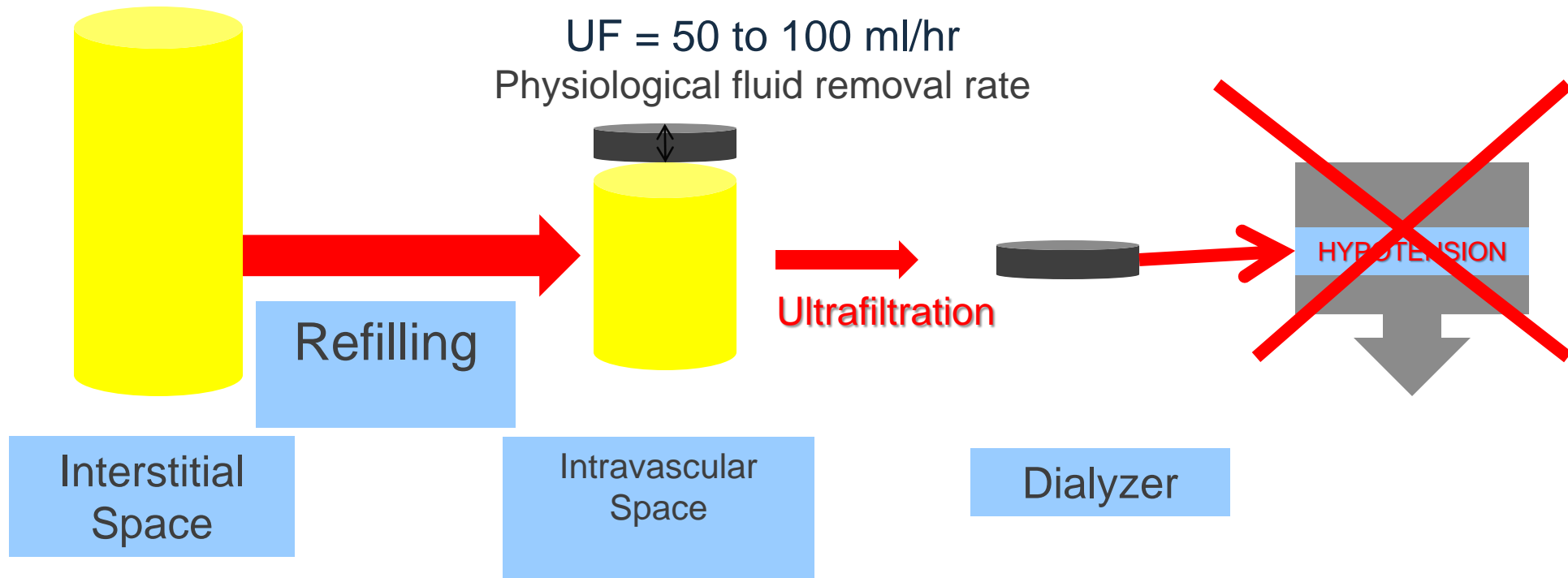
US Patent No. 6,960,179 and other patents



UF = 500 to 1000 ml/hr shrinks the intravascular space



UF = 50 to 100 ml/hr  
Physiological fluid removal rate





**Protein Bound p-cresol is not toxic bound**

**Free particles are toxic**

The diagram illustrates the concept that protein-bound p-cresol is non-toxic, while free p-cresol particles are toxic. On the left, a large yellow gear labeled "ALBUMIN" is surrounded by several smaller red gears, each labeled "P-CRESOL". A thick yellow arrow points from this complex towards the right. On the right side, four individual red gears labeled "P-CRESOL" are shown separately. A curved grey arrow loops back from the free particles towards the albumin complex, suggesting a reversible process.

Bammens B et al. KI. 2006

## Free particles are toxic



P-CRESOL








P-  
CRESO  
L

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# CLINICAL BENEFITS

Continuous (WAK) vs Intermittent (Stationary)






	Blood Filtration Time 	Fluid Removal 	Phosphorous Removal 	Potassium Levels 	Salt Overload 	Arterio-Venous Connection 	Hospitalizations 
<b>CONVENTIONAL HEMODIALYSIS (Intermittent)</b>	9 to 12 hours per week	2 - 3+ liters in 3 - 4 hours	Insufficient: Must take many, expensive pills with stringent food restrictions	Fluctuating high & low levels can cause arrhythmia or sudden death.	Removal, requires severely limited intake	Shunt: 2 Large-bore needles; Multiple vascular surgeries	Frequent heart attacks, strokes, infections, and hypertension
<b>WAK HEMODYALYSIS (Continuous)</b>	Continuous 24 / 7 (168 hrs a week)	2 - 3 liters in a 24 hour period	Removes phosphorous similar to a healthy kidney, without pills	Normal levels	Removes like healthy kidney	Catheter: Tunneled under the skin	No fluid overload or salt retention
<b>WAK ADVANTAGE</b>	Continuously filters at <b>NATURAL</b> physiological rate	Continuous removal at <b>SAME RATE AS KIDNEYS</b>	Does NOT require food restrictions or pills. <b>\$4B Savings a Year</b>	<b>LESS RISK OF SUDDEN DEATH</b> from abnormal potassium levels	Little salt. <b>NO HYPERTENSION, HEART DISEASE;</b> Patients eat normally.	<b>NO NEEDLE STICKS OR REPEATED SURGERIES</b>	Control blood pressure; <b>FEWER HEART ATTACKS AND STROKES</b>

# PATIENT BENEFITS

Continuous (WAK) vs Intermittent (Stationary)



	Dietary Restrictions 	Drinking Restrictions 	Transportation Requirements 
CONVENTIONAL HEMODIALYSIS (Intermittent)	Very little or no potatoes, dairy, citrus or juices.	No more than 800 ml/day since no water is excreted; no urine produced between sessions	Require an ambulance or van 3x per week round trip
WAK HEMODYALYSIS (Continuous)	NONE	NONE	Requires filter change 1x per week (Sterile environment)
WAK ADVANTAGE	NO RESTRICTIONS	UNRESTRICTED WATER AND FLUIDS	MUCH FEWER trips to doc office, hospitals, clinics

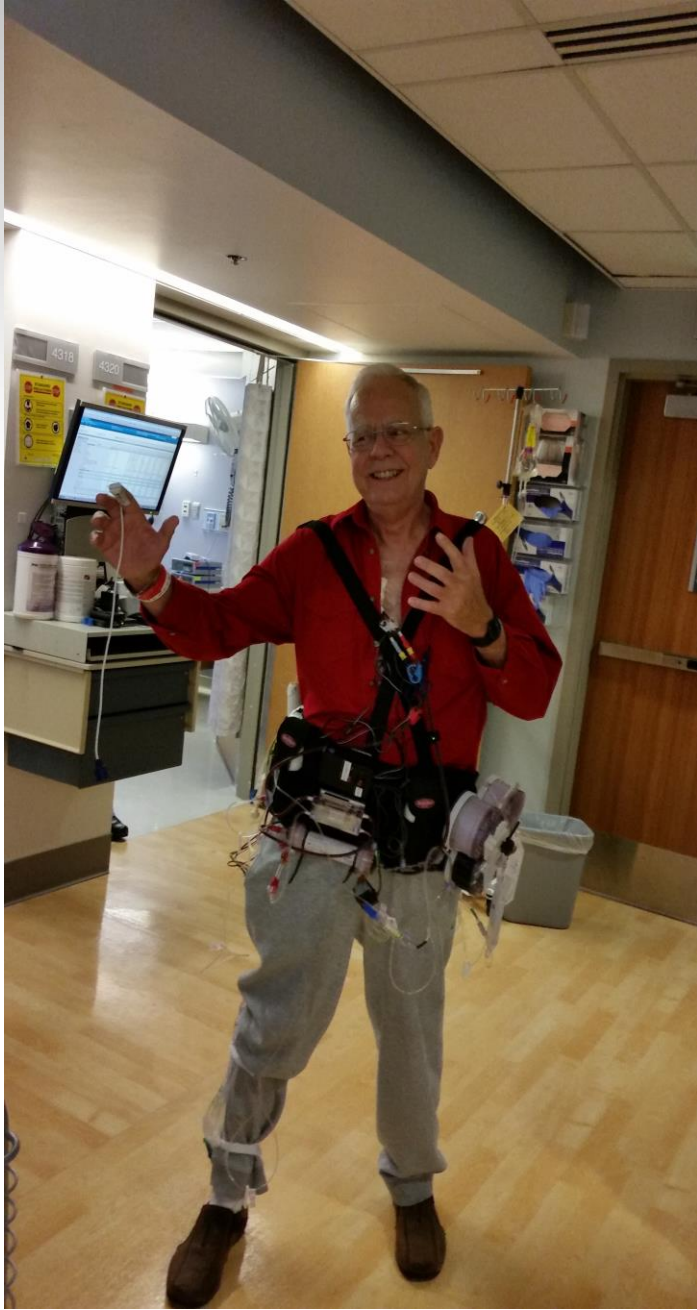




# WAK 6 HOURS TRIAL







First US Human trial in progress











# CLINICAL BENEFITS: WAK VS STATIONARY



CLINICAL CRITERIA	CONVENTIONAL HEMODIALYSIS (HD)	WAK	BENEFITS: WAK vs HD
<i>Blood Filtration Time</i>	9 to 12 hours / week	Continuous 24 / 7 (168 hours / week)	<b>Continuously filters at natural physiological rate</b>
<i>Fluid Removal</i>	2 to 3+ liters in 3 to 4 hours	1.5 - 2.0 liters over 24 hour period	<b>Continuous removal at same rate as healthy kidneys</b>
<i>Phosphorous Removal</i>	Insufficient; patient must take numerous expensive pills, endure food restrictions	Removes like healthy kidney, no pills	<b>No food restrictions; no pills = \$4B Savings / Year</b>
<i>Potassium Levels</i>	Fluctuating high / low levels can cause arrhythmias, sudden death.	Normal	<b>No food restrictions; no risk of sudden death from abnormal potassium levels</b>
<i>Salt overload</i>	Removal, requires severely limited intake	Removes like healthy kidney	<b>Patients eat normally, incl. salt; No hypertension, heart disease</b>
<i>Arterio-venous connection</i>	Shunt: 2 Large-bore needles; Multiple vascular surgeries	Catheter: Tunneled under the skin	<b>No needle sticks or repeated surgeries</b>
<i>Hospitalizations</i>	Frequent heart attacks, strokes infections, hypertension	No fluid overload or salt retention	<b>Control blood pressure; Fewer heart attacks, strokes</b>
<b>KEY PATIENT ISSUES</b>			
<i>Restrictions: Dietary</i>	Very little or no potatoes, dairy, citrus or juices.	None	<b>No restrictions, incl. salt</b>
<i>Restrictions: Drinking</i>	No more than 800 ml/day since no water is excreted; patients make no urine in between dialysis sessions	None	<b>Unrestricted salt, water and other fluid intake</b>
<i>Transportation</i>	Ambulance or van 3x / Wk round trip	Requires 1x / Wk filter change (Sterile environment)	<b>Fewer trips to doc office, hospitals, clinics</b>

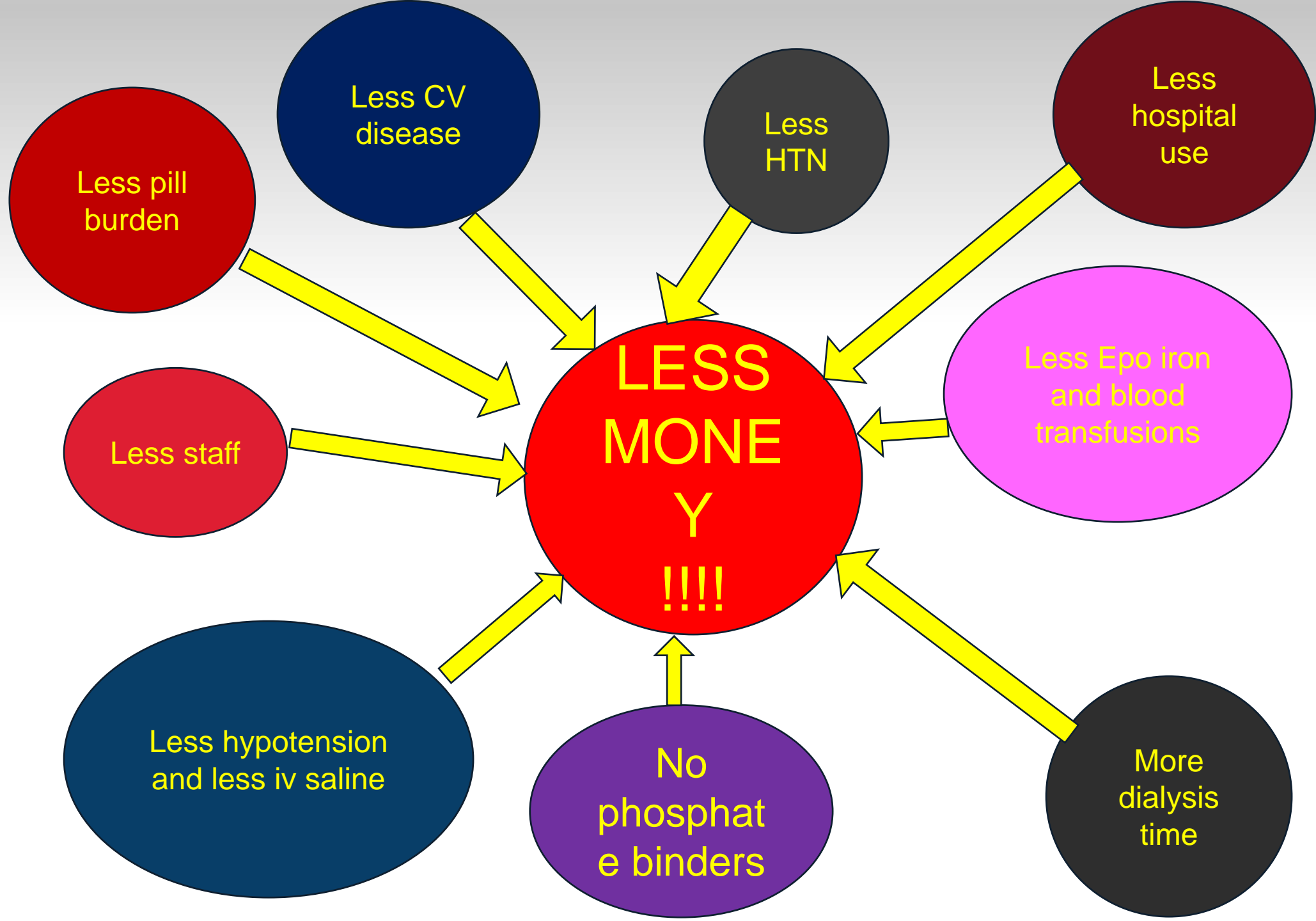



Fresenius Medical Care  
Anderson Dialysis

Pelzer  
Rescue  
Squad

AMBULANCE







Inventions have long since reached and I  
see no hope for further developments....

Julius Sextus Frontinus (Roman

Engineer 10 AD)

The Americans have need of the telephone but  
we do not. We have plenty of messenger boys...

Sir William Preece (Chief Engineer. British Post

Office. 1878)

I think there is a world market for maybe  
five computers.....

Thomas Watson. (Chairman. IBM. 1943

# The WAO Team Thanks You!



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## Blood access via outpatient catheter placement

