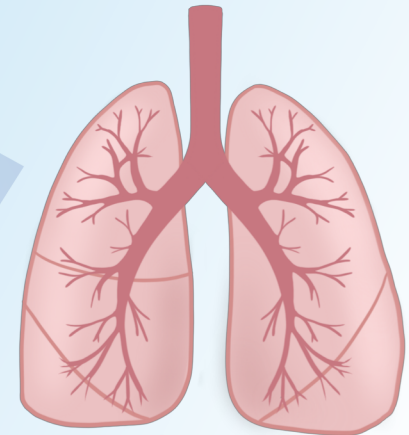
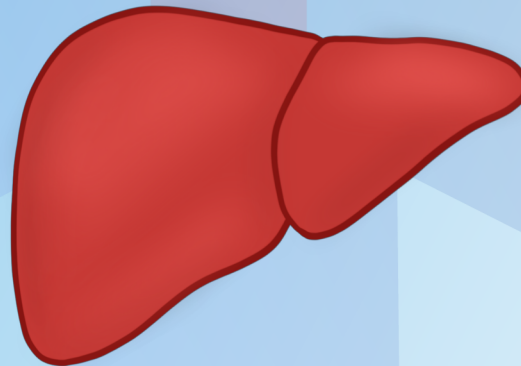
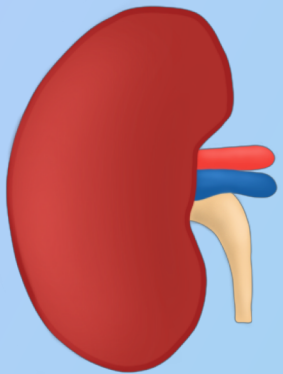


RAAS

Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone-System



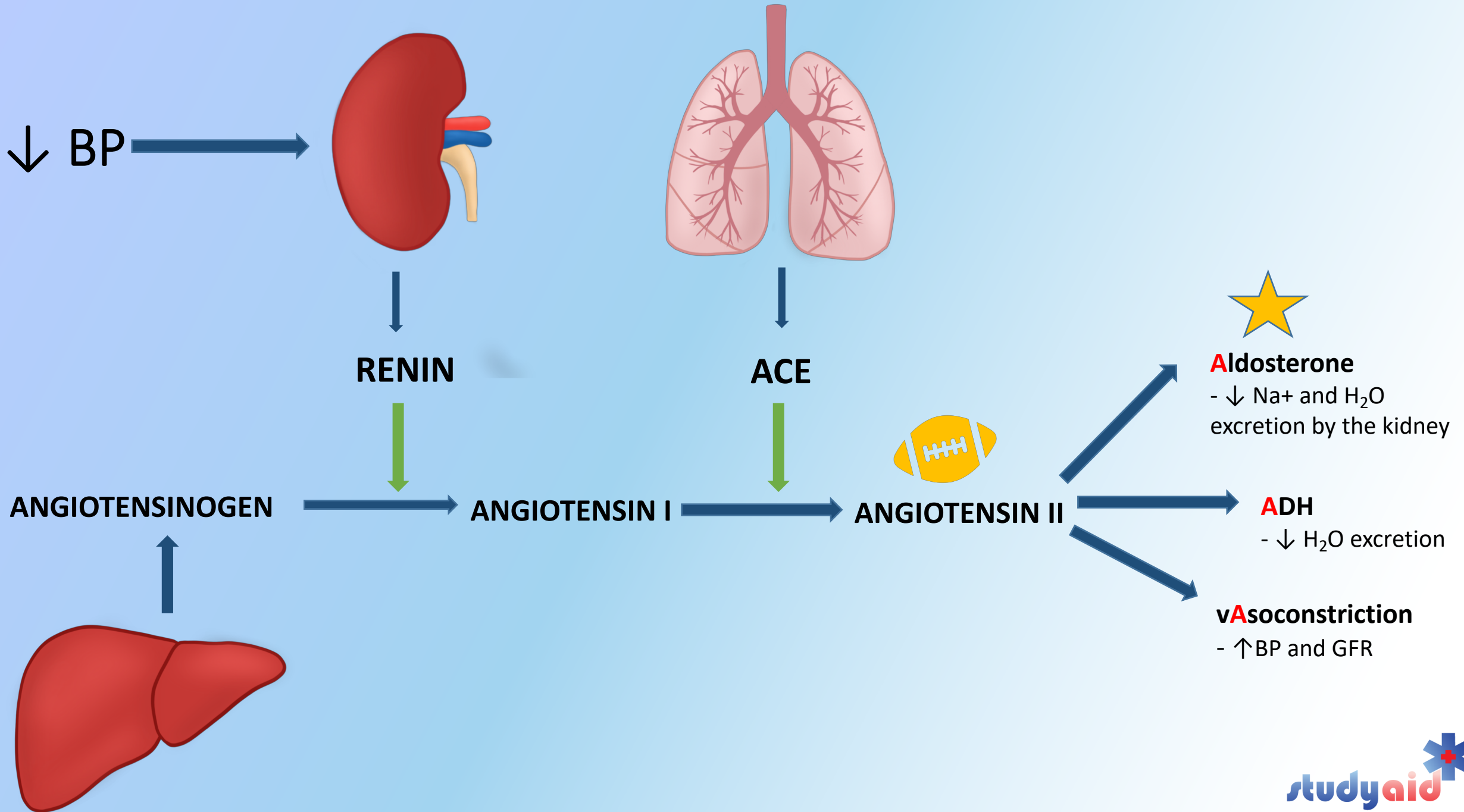
Blood Pressure Regulation

Baroreceptor Reflex

- Neurally mediated
- Fast
- Respond to change in Arterial pressure (Pa)

RAAS

- Hormonally mediated
- Slow
- Respond to change in Arterial pressure (Pa)



Step by step

- **Renin (Angiotensinogenase)**
 - Made from Prorenin
 - Hydrolyze Angiotensinogen to Angiotensin I
- **Angiotensinogen**
 - Produced mainly in liver
 - Constant presence in circulation
- **Angiotensin I**
 - No apparent biological activity, except as precursor
- **ACE (Angiotensin converting enzyme)**
 - Convert AT1 → AT2 in the lungs and kidneys

The Quarterback – The playmaker



• Angiotensin II

➤ Hypothalamus

- Increases secretion of Antidiuretic hormone (**ADH**, also called vasopressin)
 - ADH increase water reabsorption in collecting ducts

➤ Zona glomerulosa of adrenal cortex

- Increases **Aldosterone** synthesis and secretion

➤ Direct action on kidneys

- Stimulates Na^+/H^+ exchange
- Increases reabsorption of Na^+ and HCO_3^-

➤ Arterioles

- (**vAso**) **Constricts** efferent arteriole → ↑GFR
- Stimulate G_q protein in endothelial cells → generalized vasoconstriction → ↑BP

The Star player



- **Aldosterone**

- Mineralocorticoid hormone
- Function
 - Distal tubule and collecting ducts
 - increase Na^+ reabsorption
 - Colon:
 - upregulates epithelial sodium channels → increased Na^+ absorption