

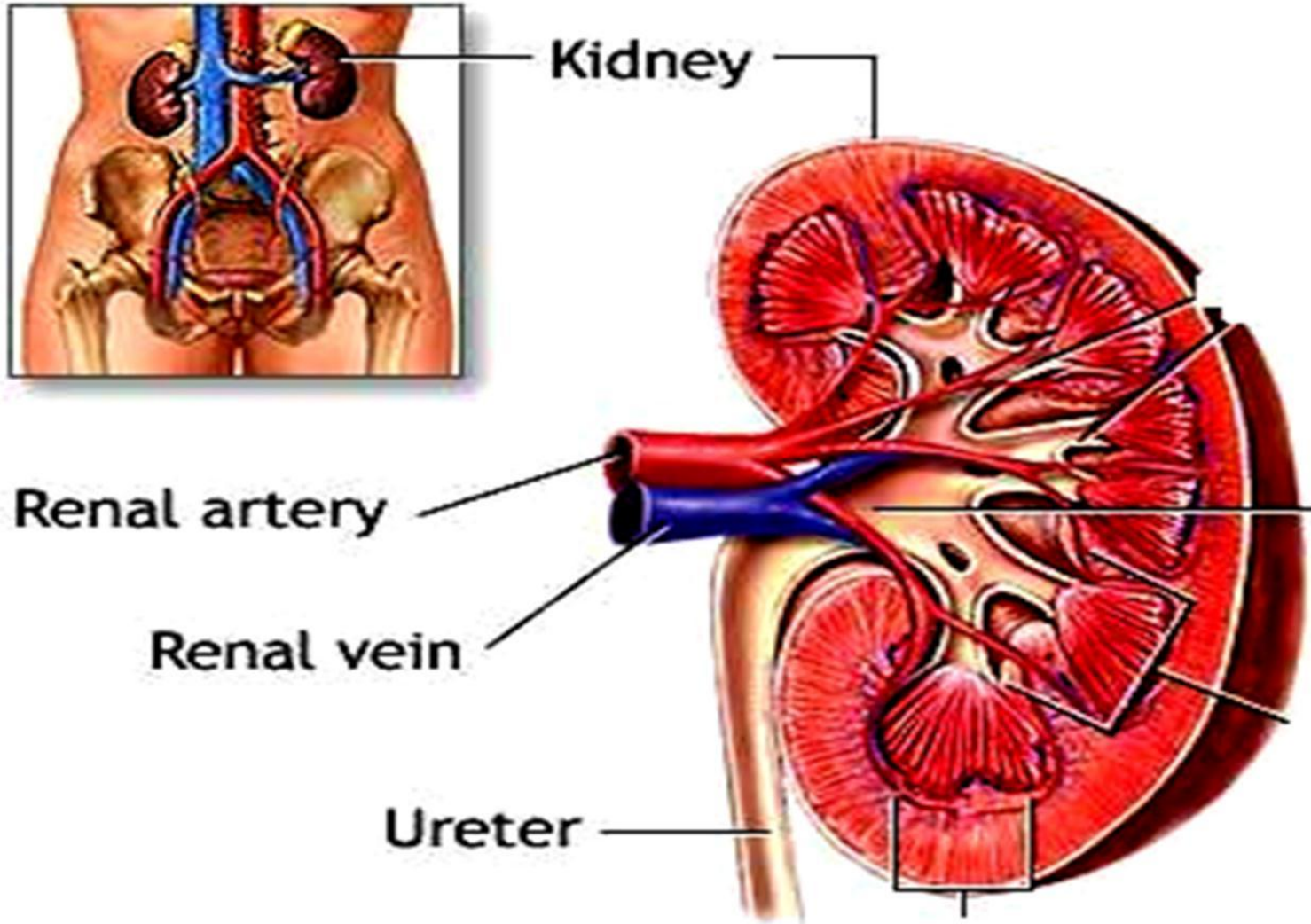
**Chapter 39**  
**Section 3**

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**The Excretory System**

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# Excretion



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## → Composition of blood in renal artery

→ Carries oxygenated blood from heart to kidneys → to supply kidney cells with O<sub>2</sub> to release energy from respiration

→ Carries unfiltered blood /rich in nitrogenous wastes and urea

## → Composition of blood in renal vein

→ Carries deoxygenated blood from kidneys back to heart/ carries CO<sub>2</sub> which is produced from respiration

→ Carries filtered blood /free of nitrogenous wastes and urea

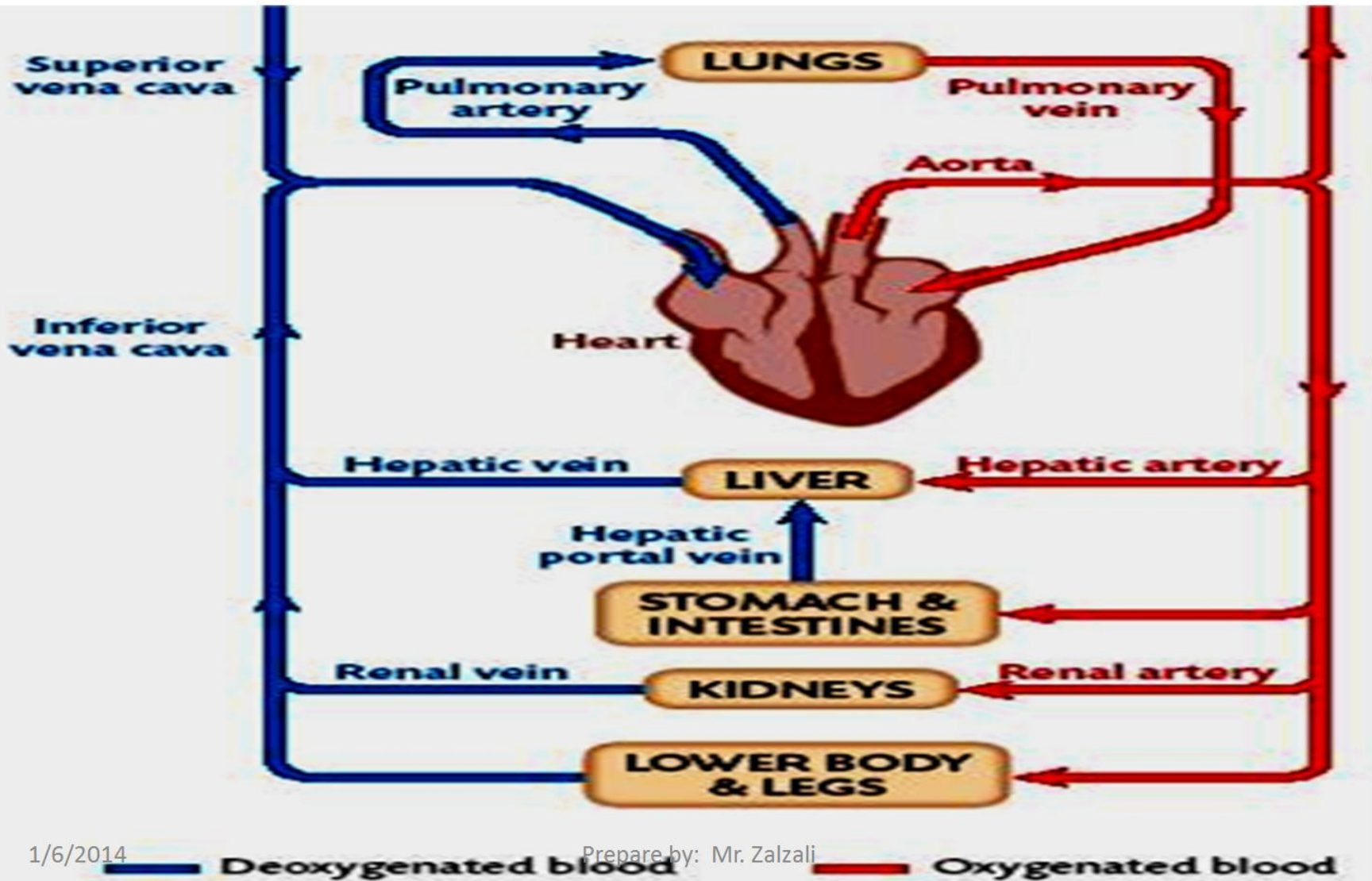
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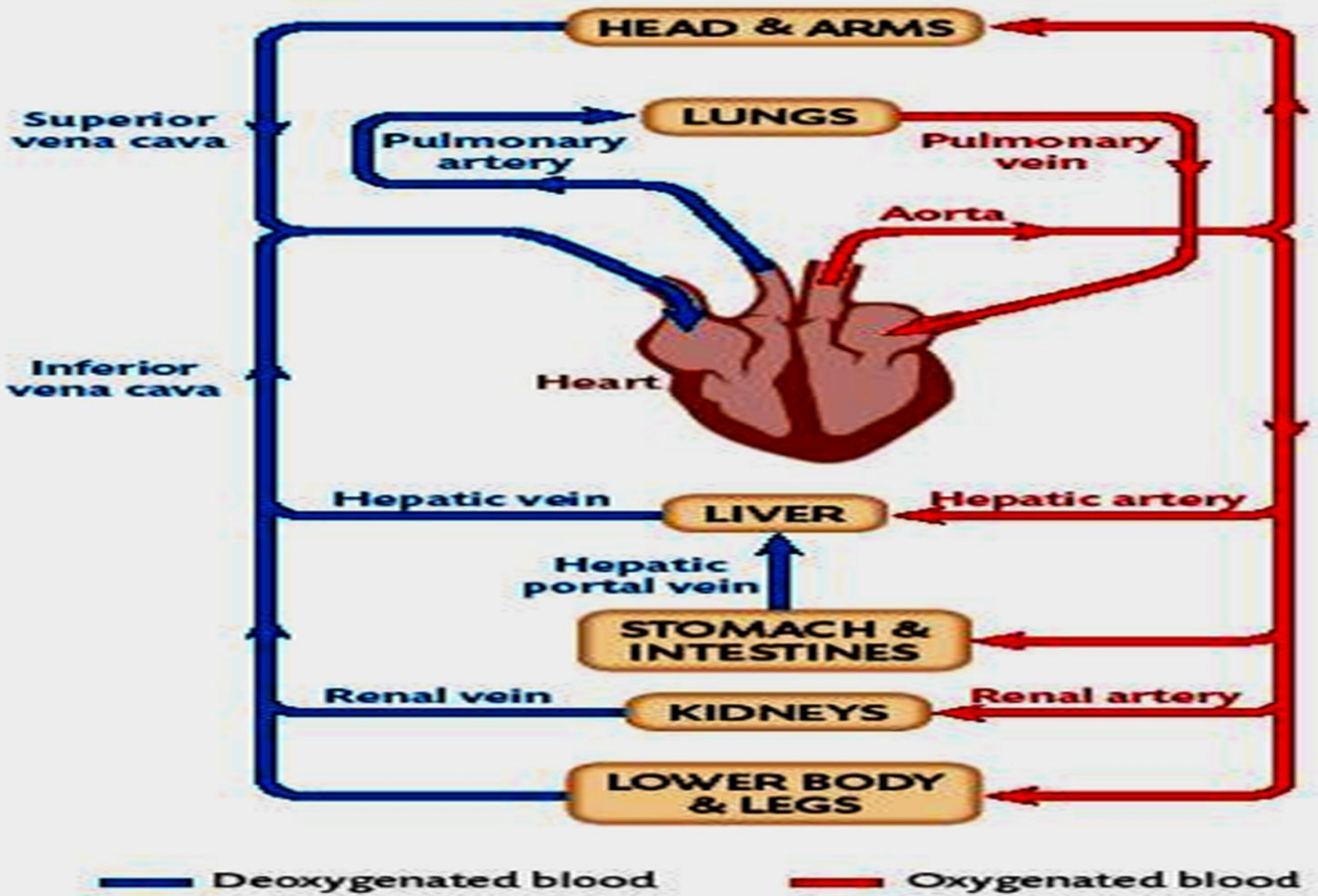
- Urea is formed in the liver → it's a toxic nitrogenous wastes
- How urea is formed?
  - 1- Hepatic vein carries amino acids from the small intestine to the liver
  - In the liver , amino acids will be broken by liver's enzymes.
  - 2- When a.a are broken , the toxic nitrogenous part is removed from amino acids and converted into highly toxic chemical called ammonia

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- 3- ammonia converts later into less toxic substance called **urea**
- Urea should be carried by the blood from liver to kidneys through the blood.

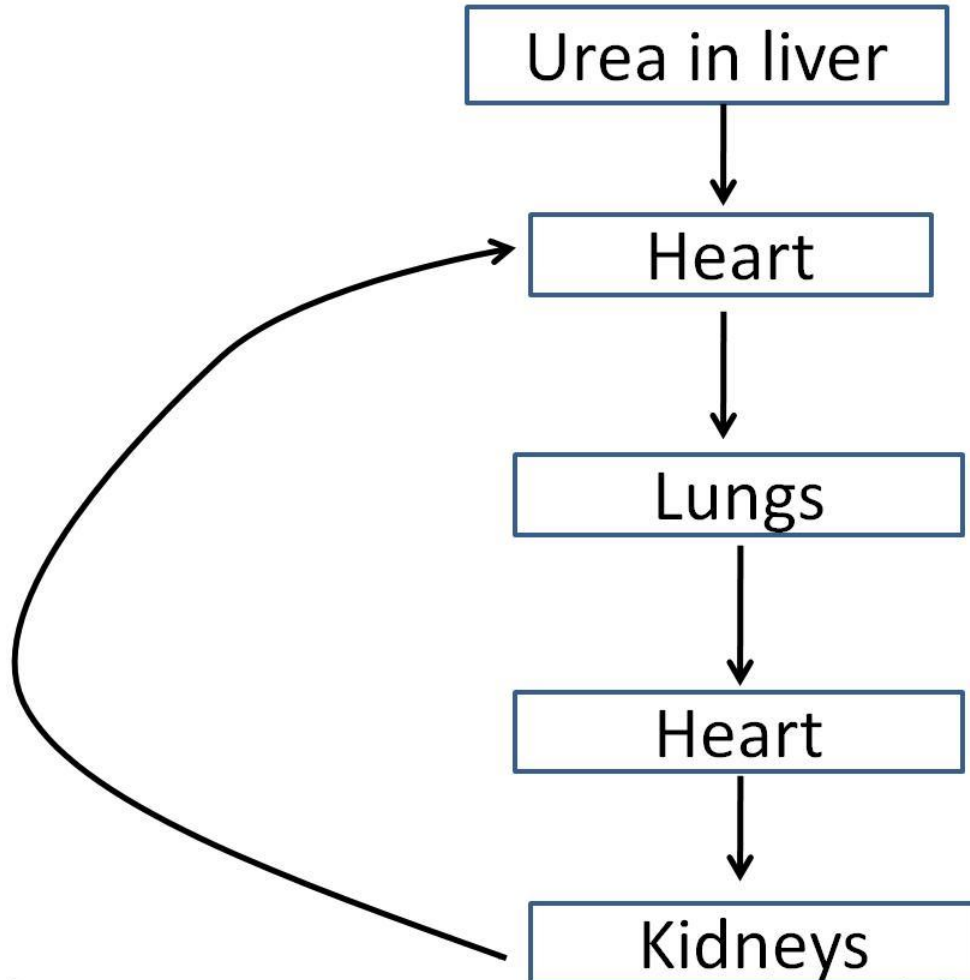
# How is urea carried through blood stream from the liver to kidneys?





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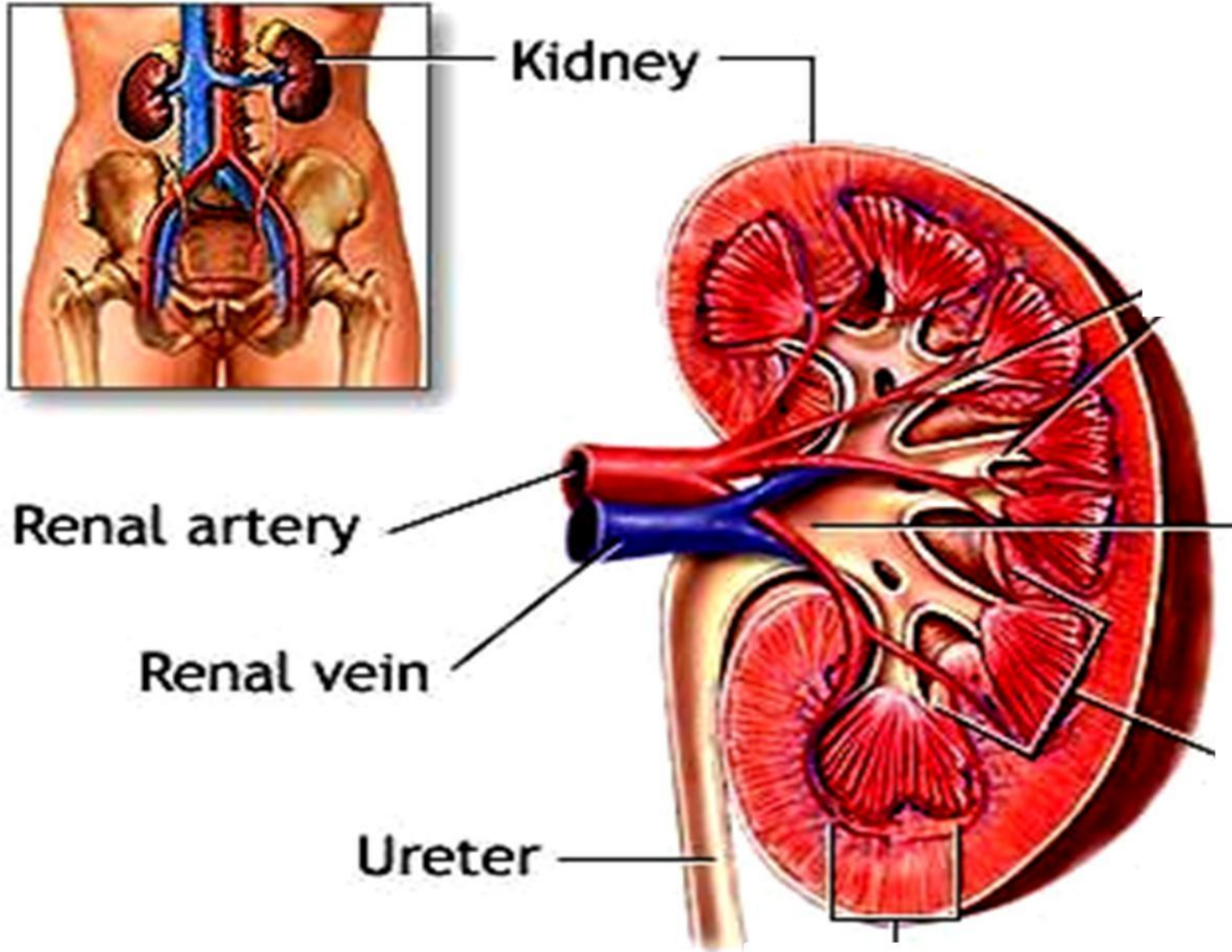
→ How urea is carried through blood stream from liver to kidneys to be excreted?



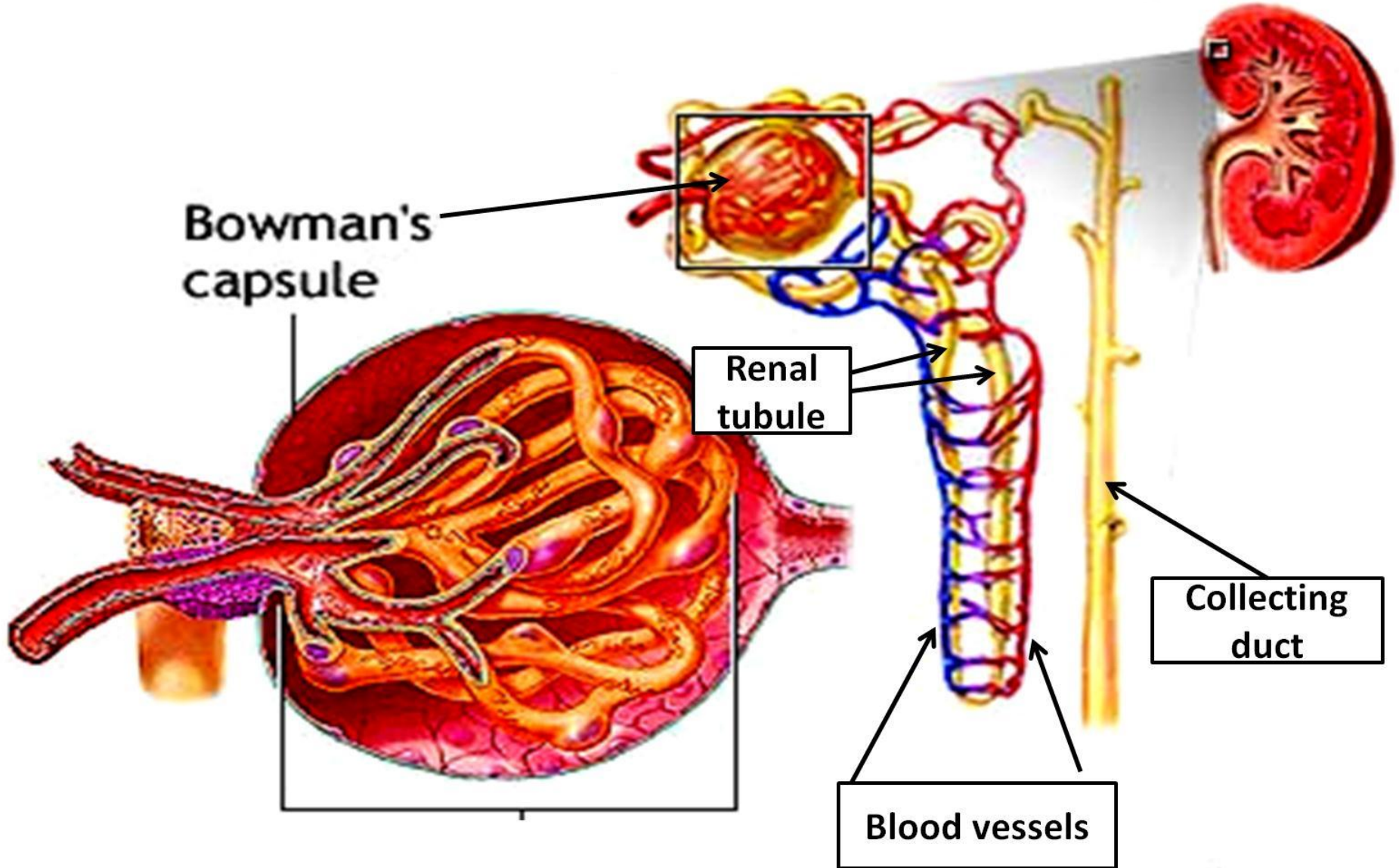


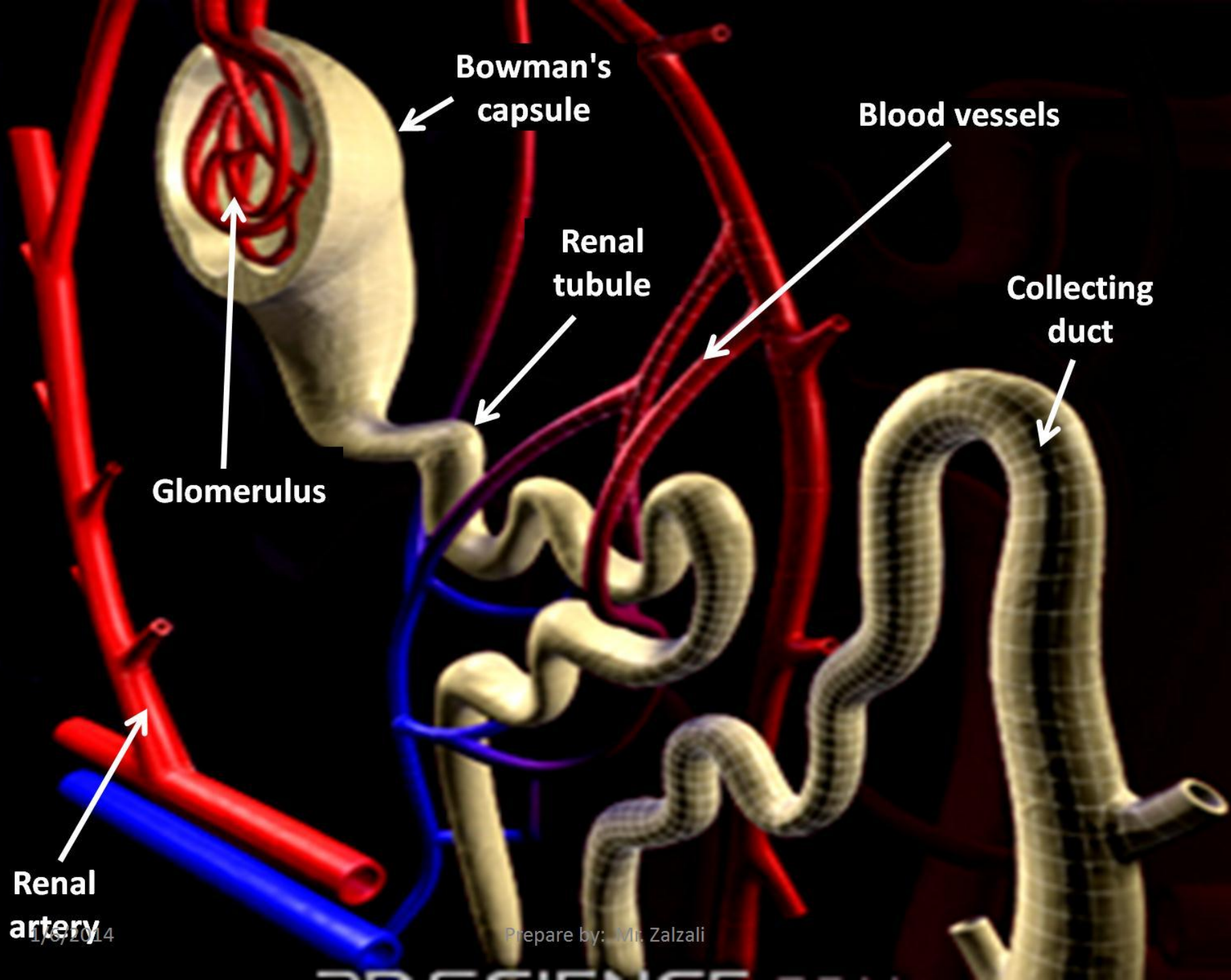
# Cross – section through the kidneys:

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# Kidneys and nephron





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→ Nephron :

→ Microscopic filtering units in kidneys

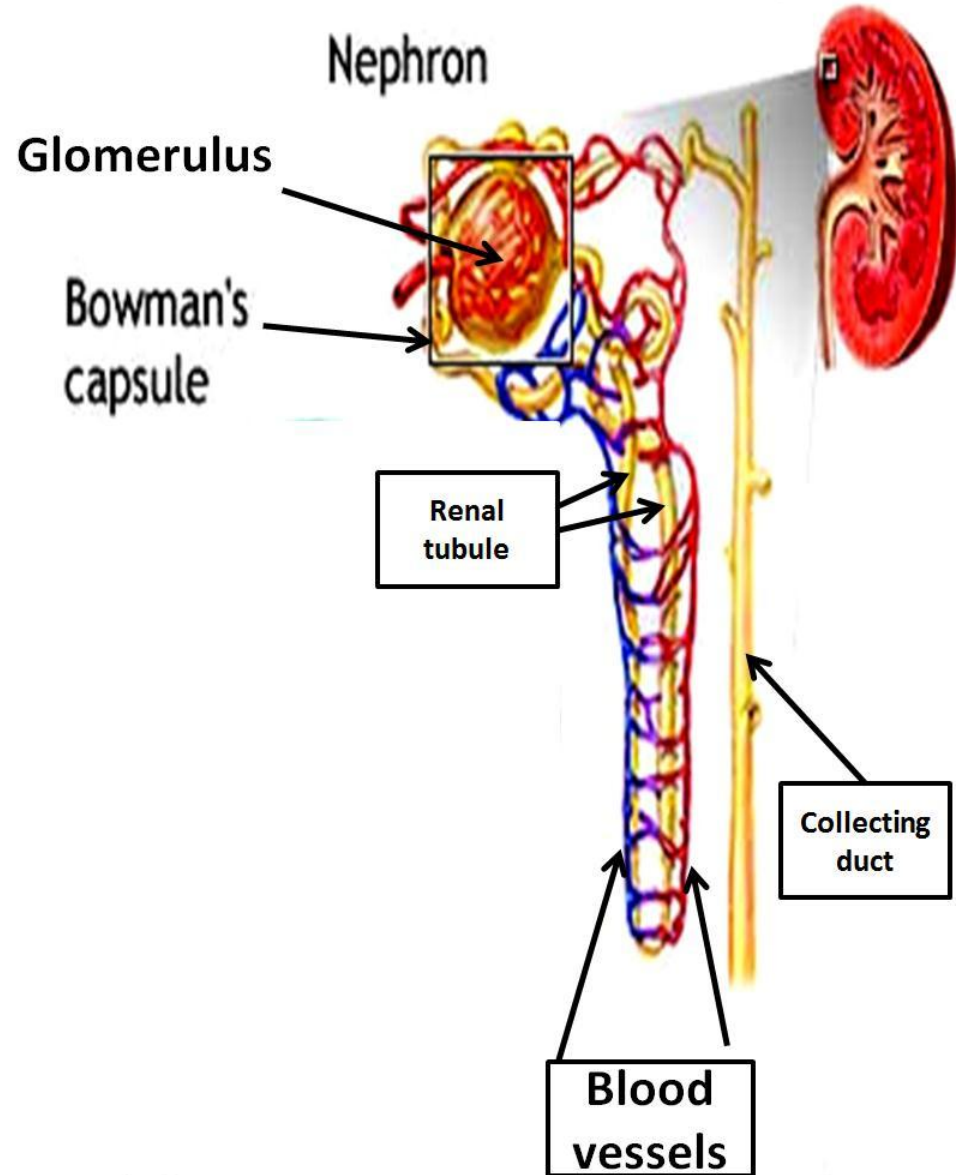
→ Nephron consists of 4 parts:

→ 1-glomerulus

→ 2-Bowman's capsule

→ 3-Renal tubule

→ 4-collecting duct



# Kidneys and nephron

## → 1-Bowman's capsule:

→ A cup – shaped structure in which Glomerulus filters blood

## → 2-Glomerulus:

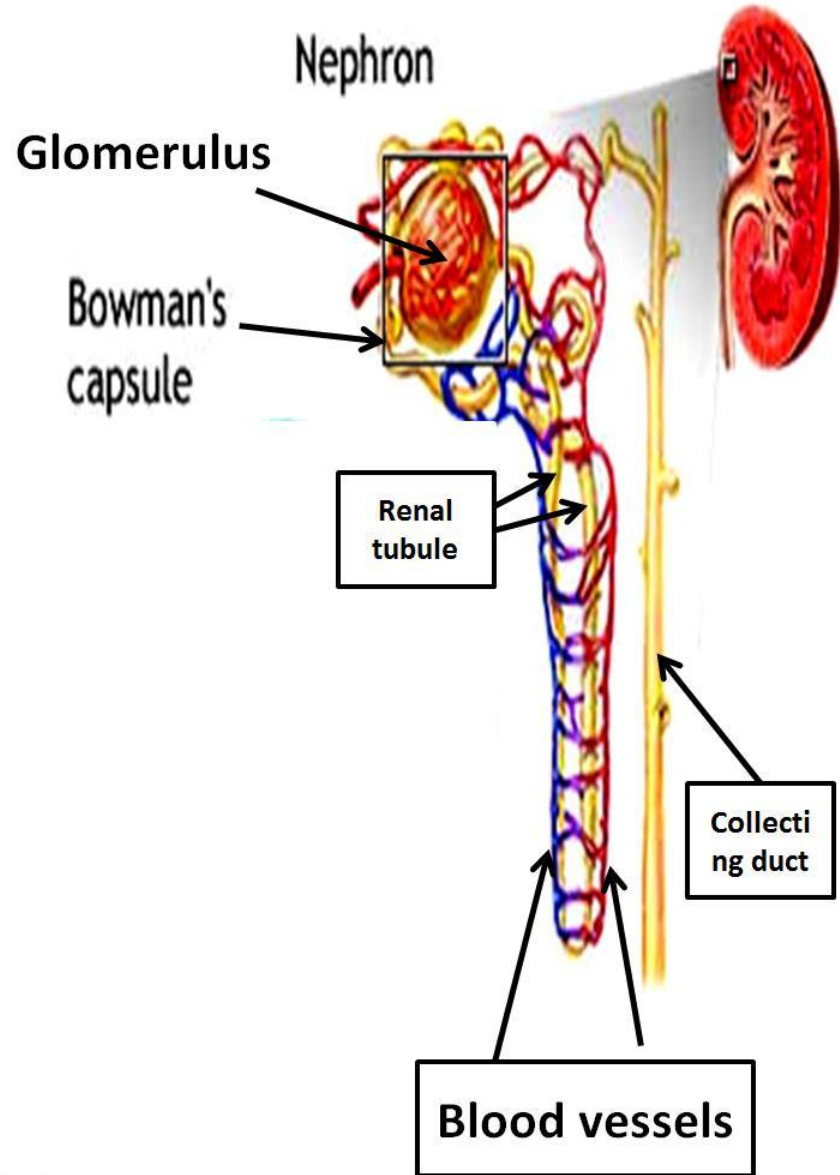
→ Bed of extensive network of capillaries embedded into Bowmans capsule to allow diffusion of small molecules into the capsule.

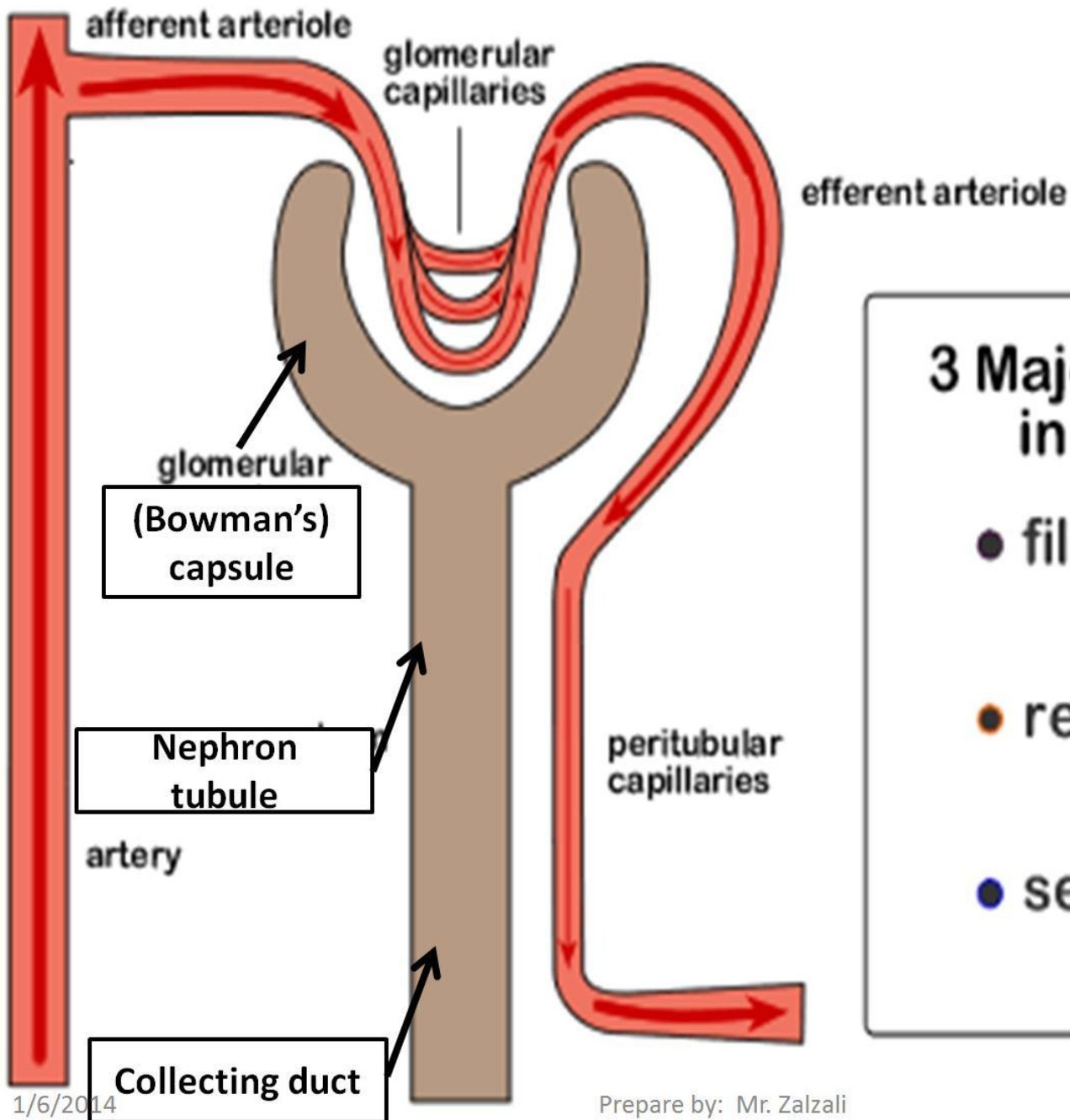
## → 3- Renal tubule:

→ Tiny folded tube surrounded by many capillaries to allow reabsorption to take place

## → 4-Collecting duct:

→ Carries urine to the pelvis then to ureter





### 3 Major Processes in Nephrons

- filtration
- reabsorption
- secretion

# → Three main processes take place in a nephron:

→ 1-filtration

→ 2-reabsorption

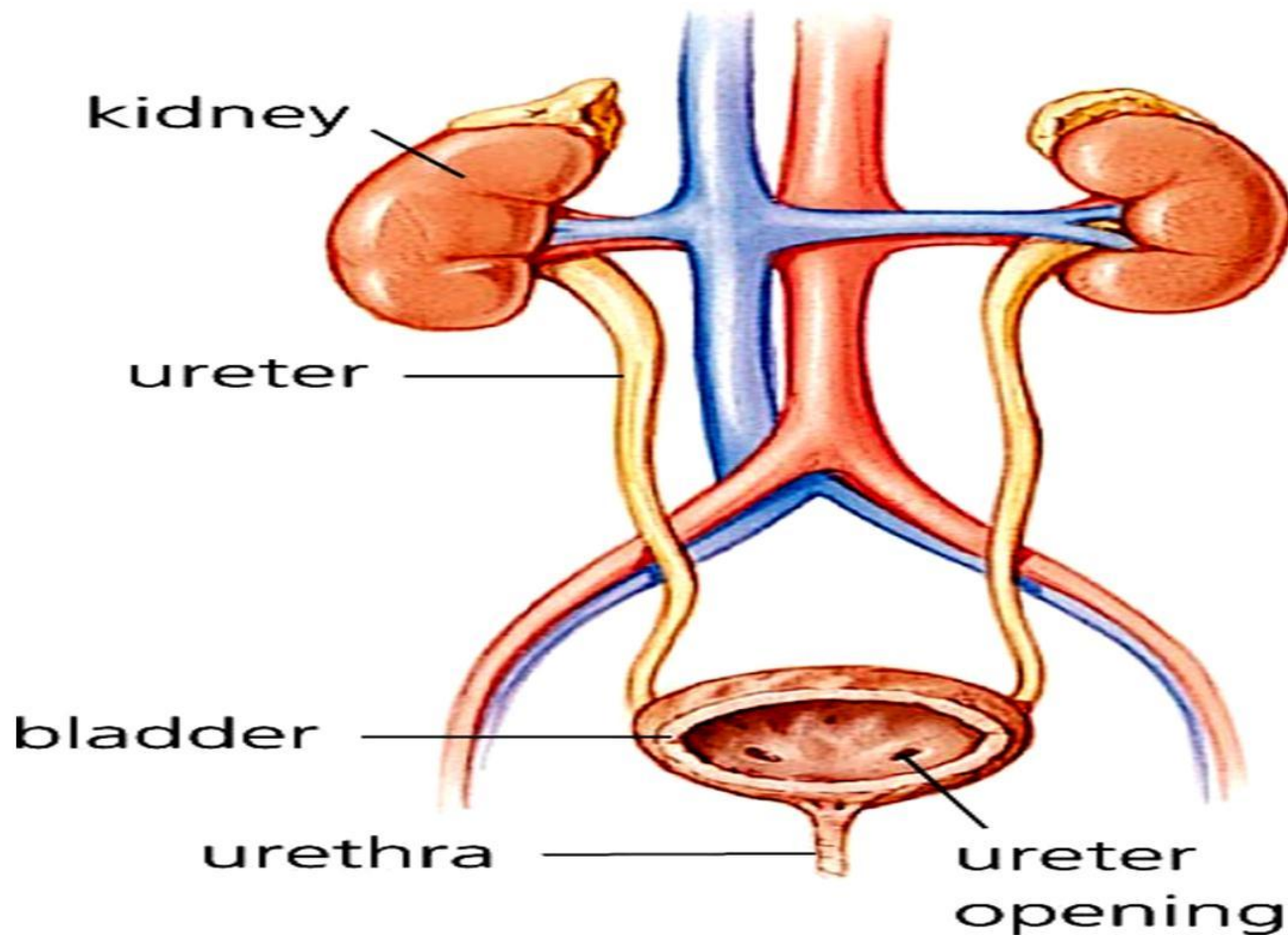
→ 3-secretion

→ What substances are allowed to diffuse from blood in Glomerulus into the Bowmans capsule?

→ Only small, tiny molecules can diffuse into Bowmans capsule to form the filtrate, these molecules include : water, glucose , amino acids , fatty acids,, mineral salts and toxic urea

→ But large molecules remain in blood stream and cannot diffuse into the capsule as large proteins, white blood cells and RBC's

- All collecting ducts in the kidneys collect the urine (urea – water – salts ) and empty in the ureter.
- Ureter carries the urine to urinary bladder where it will be stored
- Urine is excreted outside the body though urethra





## Kidney disorders:

### → Kidney failure:

→ If one kidney fails to function and to filter blood from toxic and nitrogenous metabolic wastes, the other kidney will do the work of both.

### → Main causes :

→ 1- Bacterial or viral infection

→ 2- Diabetes over long period of time

→ 3- High blood pressure

→ 4- Sudden drop in blood pressure for more than 2 weeks

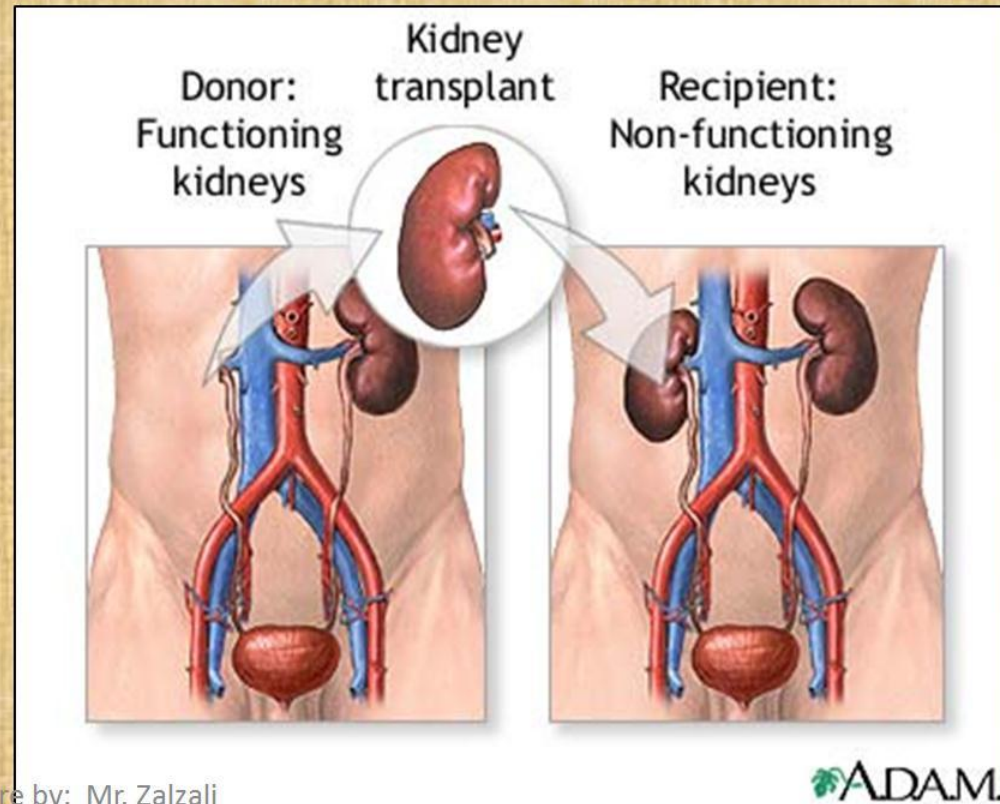
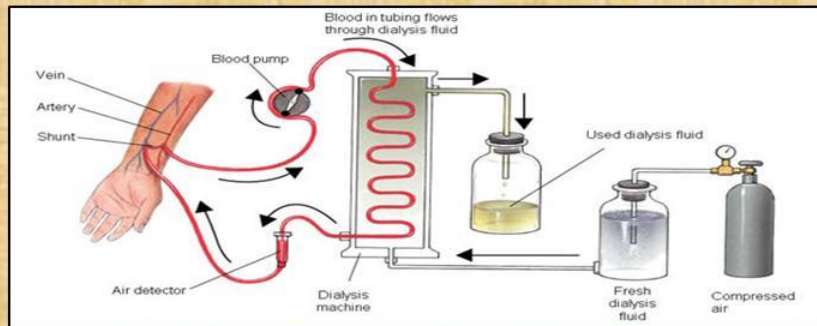
→ 5- Accidents

→ 6- Drugs (as alcohol, some medicines)



## Kidney disorders:

- Possible treatments:
- 1-Kidney dialysis
- 2-kidney transplant



## Kidney disorders:

### → 1-Kidney dialysis

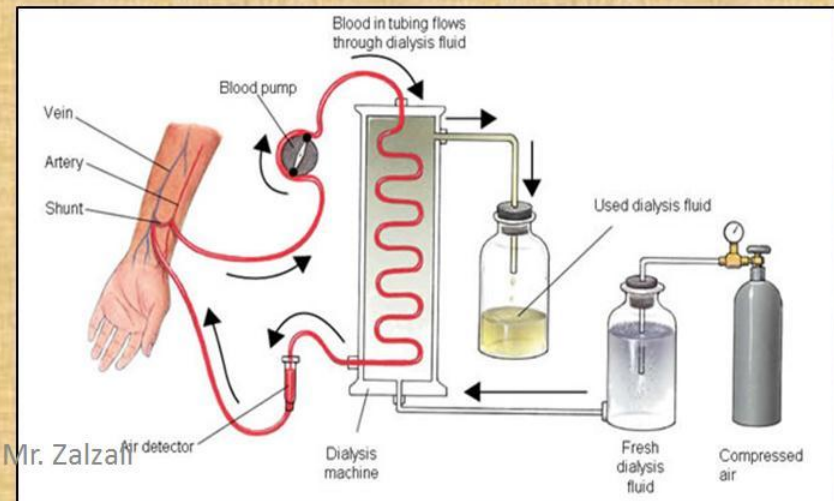
#### → Main advantage:

→ Affordable treatment for every patient, as all hospitals can offer this machine

#### → Main disadvantage:

→ Temporary solution until finding a donor with matching tissues, blood and immune system.

→ Patient should be connected to dialysis machine at least 2-3 hours twice a week.



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→ 1-Kidney transplant

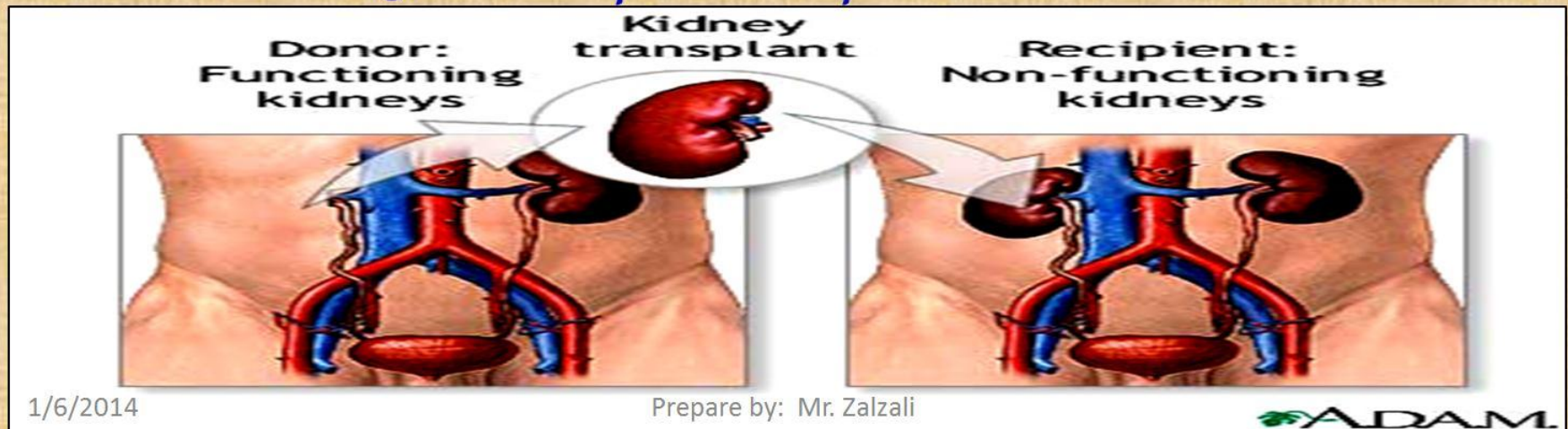
→ Main advantage:

→ A permanent solution for kidney failure and if the new transplanted kidney is not rejected in patient's body → they will live healthy life later on.

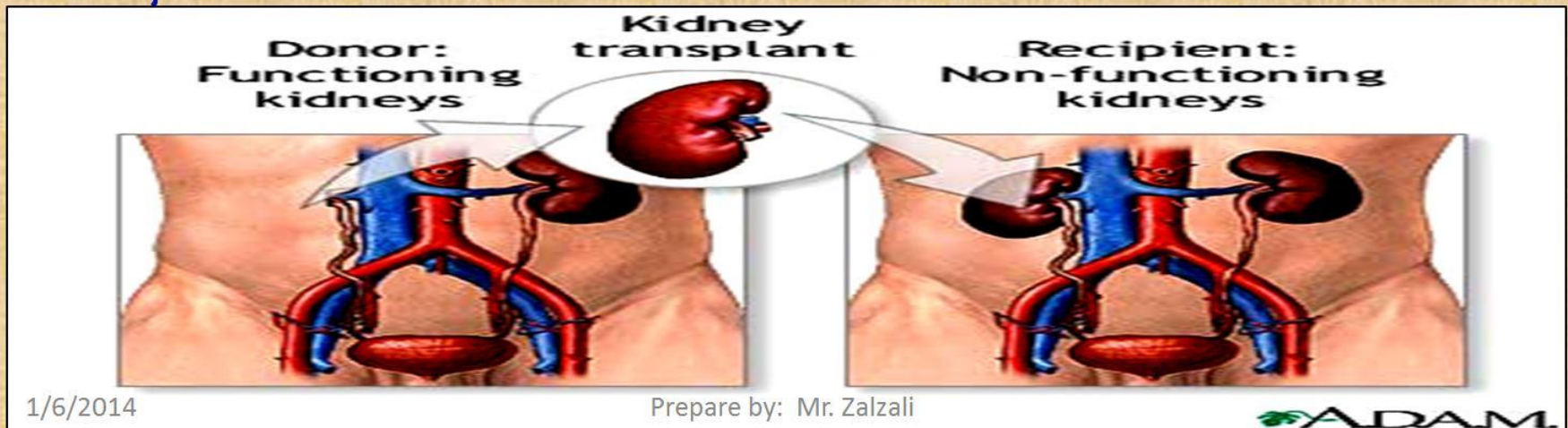
→ Main disadvantage:

→ Rejection of the new transplanted kidney by the patient immune system.

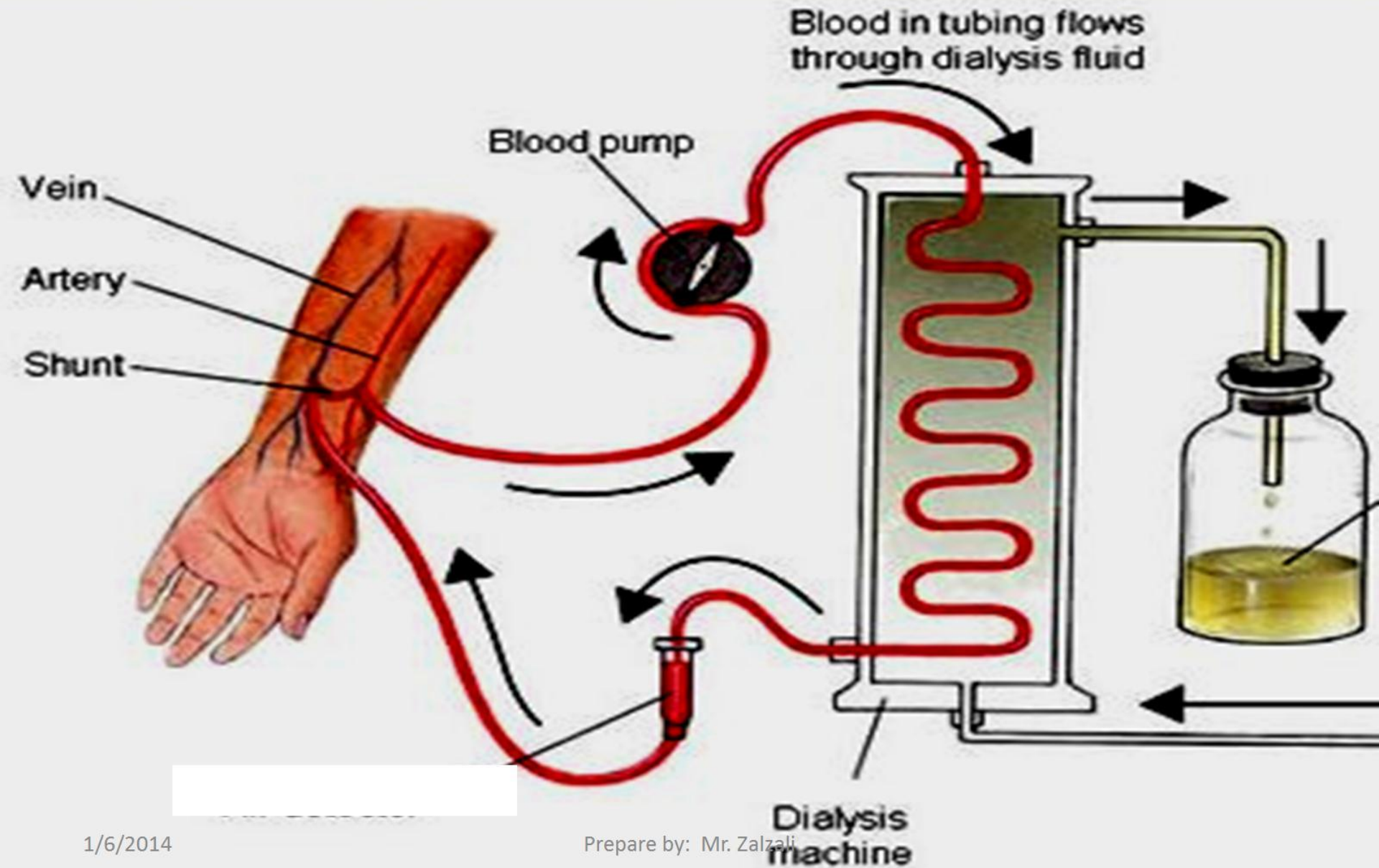
→ Costly and expensive procedure



- How to overcome rejection problem?
- 1 - patient will be given drugs called immunosuppressive to minimize the action of WBCs so they don't attack the new organ.
- 2 - the donor should be a close relative to the patient so the antigens on cells match and reduce the risk of rejection.

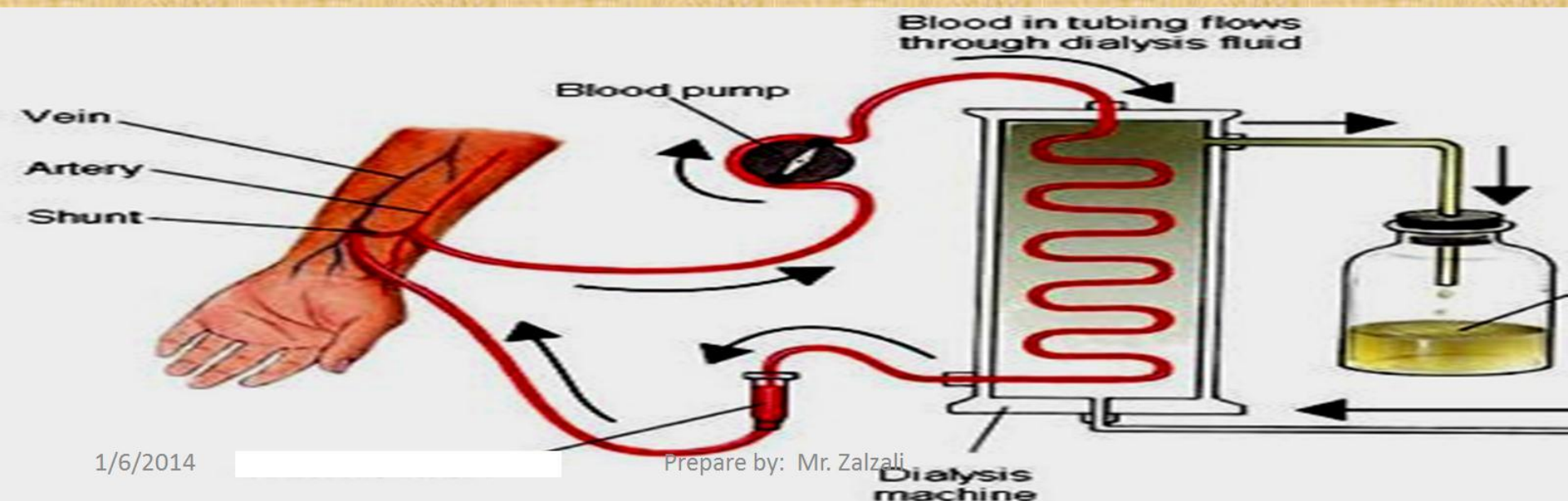


## → Kidney dialysis machine:



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- Kidney dialysis machine:
- Made up of:
- 1-long folded dialysis tube
- Long to increase surface area for faster diffusion of toxic and unwanted wastes.
- Semipermeable to allow small molecule to diffuse out of the blood



→ Kidney dialysis machine:

→ 2- a solution contains:

→ Warm water → same as body temperature and same concentration as in blood stream

→ Salts → same as in blood stream

→ Glucose sugar : same concentration as blood stream

