

Acute management of hyperkalaemia

- Assess patient using ABCDE approach
- 12-lead ECG and monitor cardiac rhythm if serum potassium (K+) ≥ 6.0 mmol/l
- Exclude pseudohyperkalaemia (check VBG K+ if haemolysis suspected or send Lithium heparin tube sample)
- In cardiac arrest or life-threatening arrhythmias with suspected hyperkalemia follow ALS algorithms

