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# Salt-Wasting 21-Hydroxylase Deficiency

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A classic form of congenital adrenal hyperplasia characterized by complete absence of 21-hydroxylase activity resulting in deficiency of glucocorticoids and mineralocorticoids accompanied by androgen excess causing virilization in female infants. Mineralocorticoid deficiency results in renal salt-wasting, and if untreated, hyponatremia, hyperkalemia, and shock.