

Risk factors

Alcohol abuse
Cholestasis
Electrolyte imbalance
Excessive diuresis
Gastrointestinal bleeding
Increased intra-abdominal pressure (tense ascites!)
Inexpert paracentesis
Infections
Nephrotoxic drugs
Nonsteroidal antirheumatics
Poor nutritional status
Previous episodes of ascites
Spontaneous bacterial peritonitis
Surgical therapy

Predictive factors

Creatinine ↗
Glomerular filtration ↘
Natriuresis ↘
Plasma osmolality ↘
Potassium ↘, (↗)
Renin activity ↗
Urea ↗
Urine osmolality ↗