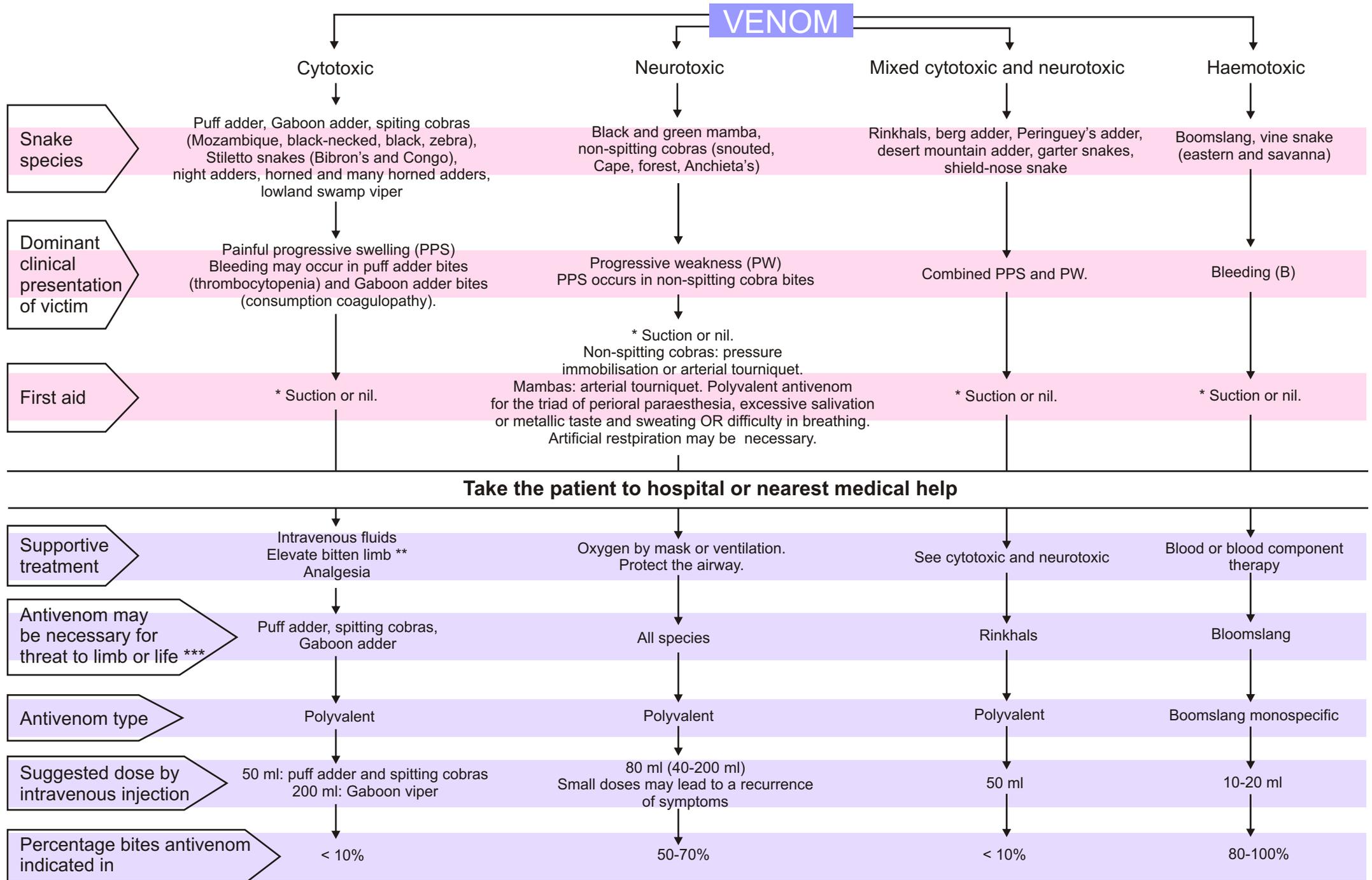


GUIDELINE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF SNAKEBITE



* Suction is of minimal benefit but reassuring to the patient.

** Some authors prefer keeping the bitten limb at heart level.

*** Polyvalent antivenom is effective against the bites of the mambas, cobras, rinkhals, puff adder and Gaboon adder only. A test dose of antivenom is not indicated.