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AUTONOMIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

The drugs which act on the 'autonomic nervous system' (ANS) and control the vital internal processes which ordinarily, are not under volition, are known as autonomic drugs.

Organization of The Nervous System



[I] SYMPATHETIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

Adrenergic receptors:

Receptor type	Site	Action on stimulation
α_1	Vascular endothelium	Vasoconstriction (↑ in blood
	(capillaries)	pressure)
α_2	presynaptically	Self-inhibition of NEP release
β_1	Heart	↑ heart rate & contractility force
-Bronchial smooth muscles		-Bronchodilation
β_2	-Blood vessels of SK. Muscles	-Vasodilatation
	-Uterine wall muscles	-Muscle relaxation of uterine wall

SYMPATHOMIMETIC AGENTS

Definition: Drugs that mimic the action of sympathetic N.S. **Classification:** According to the *mechanism* of action:

1] Direct acting agents		Interacts directly with adrenergic receptors.
2] Indirect acting agents		Acts through liberation of NEP from adrenergic nerves terminals.
3] Drugs with mechanism	mixed	Has direct and indirect action.
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CLASSIFICATION

The **autonomic drugs** may be classified into the following categories, namely:

I-Adrenergic Drugs

II-Adrenergic Blocking Agents

III- Parasympathetic Nervous System

IV-Antimuscarinic Drugs.

V-Ganglionic Blocking Agents.

VI- Adrenergic Neurone Blocking Agents.

The above categories of autonomic drugs have been treated separately, including typical examples from each group.

<u>I) ADRENERGIC DRUGS</u> 1] DIRECT ACTING SYMPATHOMIMETICS

Examples: Catecholamines (EP & NEP)



Metabolism:

MAO = monoamine oxidase

COMT = catechol ortho methyl transferase

So, EP & NEP metabolized rapidly (*not used orally*) How to overcome?

1) Replacement of catechol with resorcinol:

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- It is not a substrate to COMT.
- Orally used with longer duration.
- e.g.: Metaprotrenol
- 2) replacement of **3OH** by hydroxymethyl:

HOH₂C

- It is not metabolized by COMT.
- Orally used with longer duration.
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- e.g.: Albuterol

3) Introduction of methyl or ethyl on $\underline{\alpha}$ -carbon:



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Should contain at least the m- & p-OH gps or, alternatively, the m- & b-OH gps. exception albuterol -Important but **not** essential for activity. -Is chiral the active isomer is **R(-)**.



Derivatives of EP:



Note:

- 1) EP in large dose \uparrow B.P. by stimulation of α & β receptors, while in small dose it \downarrow B.P.by stimulation of β *receptor only*.
- 2) NEP acts mainly on α receptor so it \uparrow B.P. (*can't be used in bronchial asthma*).

<u>a-Agonists</u>

Methoxamine	Phenyl Ephrin	Etilefrine (Effortil [®])
OMe OH NH2	HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO H	
OMe Direct selective α1-agonist Weak than NE	Pure α_1 -agonist (o 4-OH) [synthetic \rightarrow weaker than NE]	
arterial blood pressure (with spinal anesthesia)	Nasal decongestant	Tablets or drops for Hypotension

Midodrine	
OMe OH NH CO-CH ₂ -NH ₂ OMe	PRODRUG \rightarrow by hydrolysis of amide give active form. Used in orthostatic hypotension & in urinary incontinence.

Drugs act mainly on β-receptors

<u>**1**</u> Isoprenaline sulfate (isoprotrenol):</u> It is a prototypic, non-selective β -agonist invariably employed to stimulate heart rate in heart block and bradycardia.



1-(3,4-Dihydroxyphenyl)-2-isopropylaminoethanol

Synthesis: As EP but we use isopropyl amine instead of methyl amine.

Uses: In treatment of bronchospasm, <u>asthma (non-selective β agonist)</u>.



3) Peripheral vascular disease for coldness & numbness of fingers and leg cramps.

Selective <u>*β*</u>-Agonists



<u>Selective B₂-agonists: \rightarrow Bronchodilators</u>

Isopreterenol	Isoethrine	Terbutaline
HO HO HO Pure β-agonist	HO OH NH	HO OH 2-tert-butyl amino-1-(3,5-dihydroxy phenyl) ethanol
-Non-selective $(3 \& 4-OH)$ $\beta_2/\beta_1 = 1$ (not used \rightarrow cardiac stimulant)-Metabolized by COMTcatechol moiety] \rightarrow 3-OMe (inactive)	\uparrow β ₂ (not pure B ₂)	

Salbutamol (Ventolin®)	Pirbuterol
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$-\beta_2/\beta_1 = 59$	-Salbutamol Isostere,
-Rapid onset \rightarrow Inhaler .	-Pyridine ↓ S.E. [Vasodilatation & tremors in
-Duration 4-6 hr.	skeletal muscles]
-Salicyl Alcohol derivatives.	

Synthesis of Salbutamol:







2] Indirect acting sympathomimetics

They are drugs acts as a direct and indirect agonist *i.e.*, it helps in the release of **norepinephrine**. Besides, it also exerts CNS-stimulatory actions. It has been observed that the ephedrine stereoisomer having essentially the (1R, 2S) absolute configuration exhibits direct activity on the receptors, both α and β , as well as an indirect component. It is worthwhile to state here that the (1S, 2R) enantiomer has primarily an indirect activity.

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Presence of OH decreases indirect activity Presence of CH₃ increases indirect activity

 $\beta H_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha}_{C} H_2 \xrightarrow{\alpha}_{C} H_2$

Catechol OHs increase potency

Substitution decreases indirect activity.Tertiary N inactive.

1] Ephedrine HCl:

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Erythro (-)-2-methylamino-1-phenylpropan-1-ol



α -Adrenergic receptor agonists

1] Phenylephrine HCl:

1-(3-hydroxyphenyl)-2-methylaminoethanol **Synthesis:**



- > Not metabolized by COMT but metabolized by MAO.
- \triangleright Selective α_1 agonist due to lack of *p*-OH group.

Uses:

1) Nasal decongestant.

- 2) Prolong the action of local anesthetics.
- 3) Treatment of open angle glaucoma.

Assav:

- 1) Non aq. Tit. As weak base.
- 2) Bromometrically:

2] Methoxamine:

Assay and uses as phenylephrine

3] Midodrine:

2- Amino-N-[2-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-hydroxyethyl]acetamide

- **<u>PRODRUG</u>** \rightarrow by <u>hydrolysis of amide</u> give active form.
- Used in orthostatic hypotension

2-Imidazoline derivatives

- They are used as nasal and ophthalmic decongestant.
- They act directly on α -receptors producing vasoconstriction.

a- Adrenergic receptors agonists

General structure:











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II) Adrenergic blocking agents

- It blocks adrenergic receptors preventing EP and NEP from its action.
- It's called sympatholytic agents or adrenergic antagonists.

<u>A</u>] α-Blockers

- 1) **Noncompetitive** (β -haloalkylamines) e.g. Dibenamine & phenoxybenzamine.
- 2) Competitive (imidazolines) e.g. Tolazoline & phentolamine.

Uses:

- Management of pheochromocytoma.
- Peripheral vascular diseases.
- Benign prostatic hyperplasia.

They are:

- 1) Ergot alkaloids.
- 2) Yohimbine alkaloid.
- 3) β halo alkylamines.
- 4) Imidazolines.
- 5) Quinazolines.

<u>3] β-Halo alkylamines (Noncompetitive)</u>

- Its adrenergic blocking action is **NOT** antagonized even by massive dose of NEP.

Dibenamine	Phenoxybenamine
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Mechanism of action: (3 steps)

1) Internal cyclization to form *azeridinium ion*:



- 2) Electrostatic attraction of +Ve charge to anionic site of α -receptor (**reversible process**):
- 3) Formation of covalent bond between drug & receptor (irreversible process):



- It's used to:
 - 1) Improvement of peripheral circulation.
 - 2) ↓↓ B.P.
 - 3) Management of *pheochromocytoma*.

Note:

Pheochromocytoma: tumor in adrenal medulla leading to \uparrow production & secretion of **NEP** $\rightarrow \uparrow \uparrow B.P.$

4] Imidazolines (competitive)

Tolazoline	Phentolamine	
Synthesis: $ \begin{array}{c} & \swarrow & \overset{C}{\underset{H_{2}}{\overset{C}{\underset{H_{2}}{\overset{O}{\underset{H_{2}}{\overset{O}{\underset{H_{2}}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{H_{2}}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{H_{2}}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{C}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{C}{\underset{O}{\overset{C}{\underset{O}{\overset{C}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\overset{O}{\underset{O}{\atopO}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\underset{O}{\atopO}{\underset{O}{\atopO}{\atopI}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}$		
 ^I H₂N^{OH2} Conc. H₂SO₄ ^{IN} H Uses: 1) <u>Vasodilator</u> (histamine like action). 2) Persistent pulmonary hypertension in newborn. 3) Diagnosis of <u>pheochromocytoma.</u> 	Synthesis: H_3C $NH + Cl-C \xrightarrow{N}_{H_2} Drug$ $HO \xrightarrow{N}_{H_2} H$	
Assay: Extract free base then dissolve in known Xss acid and back titrate with standard NaOH using methyl red indicator.	 Uses: 1) Peripheral vascular disease. 2) Diagnosis & management of pheochromocytoma. Assay: Spectrophotometrically. 	

5] Quinazolines

- 1- Prazosin
- 2- Terazosin
- **3- Doxazosin**



Mainly used in treatment of *hypertension (selective a₁-blockers)*

Assay:

- 1) Nonaqueous titration as *weak base*.
- 2) Spectrophotometry.

<u>B] β-Blockers</u>

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- 1) <u>Bulky aliphatic group</u> are normally found on the amino of aryloxypropanolamine.
- 2) For maximum activity, it should be *2ry amine*.
- R-(or levo) isomer is less potent than its <u>S-(or Dextro)</u> isomer, so the β-blocker activity is stereoselective.

Aryloxy propanolamines

- 1) Nonselective: e.g. propranolol, timolol
- 2) Selective: e.g. atenolol, metoprolol

1) <u>Nonselective β-blockers</u>

i) Propranolol:

1-Isopropylamino-3-(1-naphthyloxy)-2-propanol **Synthesis:**



Metabolism:



Uses:

- 1) Treatment of hypertension, cardiac arrhythmia and angina.
- 2) Treatment of myocardial infarction.
- 3) Headache and **migraine**.

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ii)Timolol	iii) Nadolol
Used in treatment of open angle	Antianginal, antihypertensive and antiarrhythmic
glaucoma.	agent.

2) <u>Selective *β*₁-blockers</u>

• Not affect β_2 receptors so it doesn't produce bronchoconstriction (used in patients With **bronchial asthma or bronchitis**).



Uses:

- 1) Treatment of hypertension.
- 2) Angina pectoris.
- 3) Cardiac arrhythmia.

[III] PARASYMPATHETIC NERVOUS SYSTEM

- The main neurotransmitter is *acetylcholinE* (ACh).

Cholinergic receptors:

1) <u>Muscarinic receptors:</u>

Receptor	Site	Action on stimulation
M ₁	Heart	Bradycardia & 1 cardiac contractility.
M ₂	Smooth muscles	Contraction of all smooth muscles except blood vessels.
M 3	Exocrine glands	↑ Secretion.

2) Nicotinic receptors:

Nm	Skeletal muscles	Contraction
Nn	Autonomic ganglia	↑ EP & NEP release.

Action of ACh:

- ^① Bradycardia.
- $\textcircled{}^{1}$ $\textcircled{}^{1}$ Motility of GIT
- ^⑤ Salivation, sweating and lacrimation.
- ^② Vasodilatation of blood vessels.
- ④ relaxation of sphincters.
- [©] Miosis.

Biotransformation of Ach: by cholinesterase enzyme



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- 2 Carbons is **optimum** for activity.

- substitution on β -C by CH₃ \longrightarrow \bigwedge M & \bigvee N activity (20 times mor active

and less hydrolizable than ACh) due to resistance to ACHE action.

- substitution on α -C -> WV M & N activity.



- Replacement of CH_3 gps by H decreases M & N activity.
- Replacement by ethyl leading to loss of activity.
- Replacement of N by P, S or As gives comps. wz some activity but wz less affinity.

- Replacement of CH_3 by NH_2 less hydrolizable by ACHE, longer duration and orally active.

- Replacement of C=O by CH₂ gives choline ether — still active as M but N activity.

Parasympathomimetic agents

- I) Direct acting: cholinesters
- **II)** Indirect acting: ACHE inhibitors
 - (a) Reversible.

[I] direct acting parasympathomimetic (true cholinergic)

(b) Irreversible.



General method of assay:

1) Volhard's method	2) Non aqueous titration
 For halogens which readily ionizable. Drug + Xss AgNO₃ then back titration With NH₄SCN using ferric alum as indicator. 	 For quaternary amm. group. As weak base. Titrant: perchloric acid, solvent: acetic acid. We add HgAc₂ for masking the halide ion which interfere with end point.

[II] Indirect Acting Parasympathomimetics

- 1) Reversible: cause <u>carbamoylation</u> of ACHE and <u>slowly hydrolyzed.</u>
- 2) Irreversible: cause **phosphorylation** of ACHE and **can't be hydrolyzed**.

Reversible ACHE inhibitors



<u>Irreversible ACHE inhibitors</u> Organophosphorus Compounds

Mechanism of action:

They cause <u>*phosphorylation*</u> of ACHE \rightarrow <u>*irreversible*</u> inhibition of ACHE which is **NOT** hydrolyzed to free enzyme.

General structure:

R1, R2 = Alkoxy

X=O or S

X ⊪ R1−−P−−Y

Y (good leaving group) = P-nitro phenoxy





Uses:

- 1) Treatment of glaucoma (causes long duration of miosis) \rightarrow Ex: Echothiophate & Isoflurophate.
- 2) Insecticides \rightarrow Ex: Parathion & Paroxon

Symptoms of toxicity:

- Nausea, vomiting, sweating, salivation and bradycardia.

Treatment of toxicity:

1) Atropine:

To treat symptoms of toxicity BUT doesn't remove organophosphates from ACHE enzyme.

2) <u>Pralidoxime chloride (PAM):</u>

- 2-Aldoxime-1-methylpyridinium chloride.
- <u>Antidote</u> of organophosphates.





Parasympatholytic Agents [I] Antinicotinics A-Ganglionic blocking agents (Nn)

They block Ach action at the ganglionic synapses of both sympathetic & parasympathetic N.S.

Hexamethonium chloride	Pentolinium tartarate	
$\frac{\mathbf{N}}{\mathbf{N}} (CH_2)_6 \mathbf{N} (CH_2)_6 \mathbf{N}$	$ \begin{array}{c} $	
Assay:	Pentamethylene-1,1-bis(1-	
1) Non aq. Tit. As weak base.	methylpyrolidinium) bitartarate	
2) Volhard's method.	Assay: Non aq. Tit. As weak base.	
Uses: Treatment of <i>severe hypertension</i> .	Uses: treatment of <i>hypertension</i> .	

B-Neuromuscular blockers (Nm) (Skeletal muscle relaxants)

- Used as <u>Skeletal muscle relaxant</u> <u>adjuvant to general anesthetics to \downarrow dose.</u>
- <u>*d*-tubocurarine (parent)</u> \rightarrow distance between 2 N⁺ \rightarrow 1-2 nm (one of them bind to anionic site & the other bind to nearby cysteine residue)

Gallamine triethiodide (Flaxedil)	Suxamethonium Cl (succinyl choline)			
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Both of them are assayed by:				
1) Non aq. Tit. As weak base.2) Volhard's method for halides.				

[II] Cholinergic blockers (Muscarinic blockers)

Action:

- 1. Anti-spasmodic (relax smooth muscle of GIT & Urinary tract).
- 2. Mydriatic (dilatation of eye pupil).
- 3. Preanesthetic medication: decrease gland secretion (decrease sweating & salivation).
- 4. Cardiac diseases: treatment of Bradycardia.
- 5. Bronchodilators.

It includes:

- I) Natural.
- II) Synthetic.



SAR:

Must be large hydrophobic to make hydrophobic bond with the receptor (umbrella effect) --> inhibit Ach approche.



- 1) Quaternarization of nitrogen atom produce agents that block Ach at additional sites (becomes antinicotinic & antimuscarinic) SO it's preferred to be **3ry** for selective antimuscarinic activity.
- 2) For GIT drugs, it's preferred to be quaternary because it will be LESS absorbable from intestine→ ↑ duration as spasmolytic.
- 3) For ophthalmic use, it's preferred to be **3ry** to be absorbed from cornea.
- 4) N-oxidation (N \rightarrow O) of this group of drugs $\rightarrow \uparrow$ duration which is **metabolized slowly**.



B. <u>Aminoalcohol ether</u>

- It has **antihistaminic** as well as **antimuscarinic** and local anesthetic action.
- It's used in treatment of parkinsonism.





- All of them are **antihistaminic** used in treatment of **Parkinsonism** while **benzotropine is antimuscarinic** used in treatment of **Parkinsonism as bedtime** medication.
- Assy for all: Non aqueous titration as weak base using standard perchloric acid.

C.<u>Aminoalcohol</u>

- They are used mainly in treatment of **parkinsonism**.



D. Diamines

Ethopropazine HCl:

10-(2-Diethylaminopropyl) phenothiazine

Synthesis:



Assay: Kjeldahl nitrogen determination

Uses: Has antihistaminic, anticholinergic activity and used in <u>parkinsonism</u>.

E. Aminoamides

Isopropamide iodide:

2,2-Diphenyl-4-diisopropylaminobutanamide methiodide

Uses:

- 1) Treatment of hyperacidity and peptic ulcer.
- 2) Antisecretory for symptoms of *common cold*.
- Synthesis:



Papaverine HCl (natural)

- Nonspecific antagonist.
- It has a broad **antispasmodic action** on the Muscarinic receptors.







Antiparkinsonian Agents

- Parkinson's disease is degenerative disorder of the CNS dopaminergic neurons which shows mainly motor and sometimes cognition (thinking) related symptoms.
- Movement-related (motor) shaking, rigidity, slowness of movement and difficulty with walking Cognitive problems Dementia.
- <u>Causes:</u>
- Parkinson is caused due to imbalance of dopamine (DA) and acetylcholine (Ach)
- Ach and DA need to be balanced for smooth movement. DA causes muscle relaxation while Ach causes contraction.
- Reduction of DA, in the basal ganglia results in imbalance of those two and causes motor disorders.
- In some cases, at later stages of the disease reduction of Ach which is also involved in learning and attention leads to dementia

N.B.:

- Parkinson has no cure. Drugs only used to control symptoms

1) Use anticholinergics ex: Benzotropine, Trihexyphenidyl.

So, if we need to treat these symptoms we should:



Dopamine

2) Antihistaminics (↓ the action of Ach).
3) Drugs which ↑ the level of dopamine.



Classification

1-Anti-Cholinergic drugs: atropine, Benzhexol

- Reduces acetylcholine effects (treatment for tremors in early stages)
- 2-Cholinesterase inhibitors: Rivastigmine
 - Promotes acetylcholine effects (treatment for dementia in later stages)
- **3-Dopamine precursors: levodopa**
 - Prodrug of dopamine

4-Dopamine decarboxylase inhibitors: Carbidopa, benserazide

- Inhibits peripheral metabolic degradation of dopamine

5-Catechol-O-methyl Tranferase (COMT) inhibitors: Entacapone

- Inhibits COMT based metabolism of Levodopa

6-Dopamine agonist: bromocryptin, Amantadine

- Promotes dopamine effect in the brain.

Anticholinergics

Trihexyphenidyl

It is an antimuscarinic drug that blocks Ach effect on M₁ receptor.
 In Parkinson DA and Ach levels are imbalanced that causes motor defects. DA levels are reduced while Ach levels remain constant.

Benzhexol lowers Ach levels and maintains the balance.

- Trihexyphenidyl is used for the symptomatic treatment of Parkinson's disease in mono and combination therapy with L-Dopa.
- Also used to control drooling of children with cebebrum paralysis that effects movement.
- In older patients with Parkinsonism it can increases chances of dementia since Ach is involved in cognition too.

Cholinesterase inhibitors



1-Cyclohexvl-1-

phenyl-3-

piperidino-1-

propanol

Which is more hydrophillic or less lipophilic?



- External DA can't cross BBB but the prodrug Ldopa can. L-Dopa is dopamine with acid group to create an amino acid functional group. The blood brain barrier has Amino Acid Transporter which allows penetration of L-dopa, even though LDopa is less lipophillic than DA
- > In the brain it gets metabolized into dopamine by the enzyme DOPA decarboxylase.
- Thus, L-DOPA is used to increase dopamine concentrations in the brain which is lowered in Parkinson.
- > It is most preferred and safest drug in Parkinson
- > Metabolism outside the brain can lower the efficacy of L-Dopa
- Thus L-Dopa is given with carbidopa which blocks Dopamine decarboxylase mediated peripheral metabolism and allows high dose of L-Dopa to penetrate brain. Carbidopa itself doesn't penetrate the brain.

1] levodopa	2] Carbidopa		
HO NH ₂ HO COOH	HO HO HO COOH NHNH ₂ CH ₃		
Mechanism: It is decarboxylated to dopamine by DOPA decarboxylase enzyme BUT this process takes place peripherally and in CNS, so we use carbidopa with it to prevent decarboxylation peripherally (carbidopa doesn't penetrate BBB).	 It is not a true drug but used with levodopa to prevent its peripheral decarboxylation. It is a Dopamine decarboxylase inhibitor. Its purpose is to increase efficacy of L-Dopa by preventing its peripheral metabolic degradation and thus allowing more L-Dopa to penetrate the brain. While Dopamine decarboxylase exists both inside and outside the brain, Carbidopa only blocks metabolism outside the brain. 		

Drugs that \uparrow **the level of dopamine**

Catechol-O-methyl Tranferase (COMT) inhibitors: Entacapone



Amatidine NH₂

It promotes Dopamine release and prevents reuptake of dopamine in the CNS
Exact MOA is not known. It promotes dopamine, noradrenaline and serotonine and blocks monoamine oxidase A and NMDA receptors,
It has amine group with pKa of 10.8. Although mostly protonated in the blood, the unique cage structure provides a very high lipophilicity for good penetration into brain and prevents metabolism such that it is excreted from kidney in

unchanged form.

CNS ACTING DRUGS

- Central Nervous System formed of Brain and Spinal cord.
- Any material to give CNS effect should be with high lipophilicity to pass BBB.
- Damage to CNS endothelial cells by toxins [if CNS infections]; alter CNS permeability selectivity → allow passage of foreign substances and drugs.

CNS ACTINGS DRUGS

CNS Depressants	CNS Stimulants		
 i. Sedative – Hypnotics and Anxiolytics. ii. Centrally acting skeletcal muscle relaxants. iii. Anti-psychotics. iv. Anti-convulsants. v. General anaesthetics [Local anaesthetics]. vi. Anti-Parkinsonism agents. 	 Analeptics [Respiratory simulants]. Xanthins. Psychomotor stimulants. Anti-Depressants. 		

CNS DEPRESSANT DRUGS

<u>Central nervous system (CNS) depressants</u> are drugs that can be used to slow down or "depress" the functions of the CNS.

CNS depressants include only anxiolytics, sedative-hypnotics and antipsychotics.

Antipsychotic drugs previously known as neuroleptic, anti- schizophrenic or major tranquilizers are used in the symptomatic treatment of thought disorders (psychoses), most notably the schizophrenias.

<u>Sedatives</u> are chemical agents tend to produce a calming effect, relax muscles, and relieve feelings of tension, anxiety, and irritability. At higher doses, most of these sedative drugs will also produce drowsiness and eventually produce sleep. Drugs that have such a sleep-inducing effect are called hypnotic drugs.

Both hypnotic and sedative properties usually reside in the same drug; a small dose of the same drug would act as a sedative, whereas a large dose of a drug may act as a hypnotic.

There are a few exceptional cases a compound exerts only one specific effect, *e.g.*, **potassium bromide** is a good sedative and exhibits no hypnotic action; likewise, certain powerful hypnotics, *e.g.*, **thiopental sodium** cannot be used as a sedative.

In reality, almost any drug that calms, soothes, and reduces anxiety is also capable of relieving insomnia.

General Mechanism of Actions of CNS Depressants:

- 1. Positive modulation of actions of GABA [common in all classes].
- 2. Others may inhibit voltage-gated sodium channels with decreased neuronal excitation.
- 3. Anti-psychotics: antagonize the action of dopamine [on D₂ & D₃ receptors in limbic system].

I-SEDATIVES, HYPNOTIC AND ANXIOLYTIC AGENTS

In addition to benzodiazepines, barbiturates, and a miscellaneous group, many drugs belonging to other pharmacological classes may possess one or more of the anxiolytics, sedative, and hypnotic activities. An arbitrary classification of these agents is as follows:

<u>1-GABAA</u> receptor modulators

- a) **Benzodiazepines** are highly effective anxiolytic and hypnotic agents (e.g., diazepam, chlordiazepoxide, prazepam, clorazepate, oxazepam, alprazolam, flurazepam, lorazepam, triazolam, temazepam, estazolam, and quazepam). They bind to benzodiazepine-binding sites on GABA_A receptor.
- b) **Nonbenzodiazepine hypnotics (Z-drugs):** Imidazopyridine (zolpidem), pyrazolo pyrimidine (zaleplon), and cyclopyrrolone (zopiclone and its [S]-[+]-enantiomer eszopiclone).
- c) **<u>Barbiturates</u>** including amobarbital, aprobarbital, butabarbital, pentobarbital, phenobarbital, and secobarbital are largely obsolete and replaced by benzodiazepines. Their use is now confined to anesthesia and treatment of epilepsy.

d) General anesthetics and ethanol.

2. <u>Melatonin-1 receptor (MT1) agonists:</u> e.g. Ramelteon (Rozerem) that has been approved for insomnia.

3. <u>Miscellaneous drugs</u> such as glutethimide, meprobamate, and chloral hydrate are no longer recommended, but occasionally used.

4. <u>Atypical azaspirodecanediones:</u> Buspirone is a partial 5-HT₁A receptor agonist and an anxiolytic. It is less sedative and has less abuse potential.

5. <u>Antipsychotics and anticonvulsants.</u> It has been proposed that DA has a facilitative and active role in the sleep wakefulness cycle. Waking appears to be a

state maintained by D_2 receptor activation, whereas blocking D_2 receptor appears to cause sedation.

6. <u>Antidepressants:</u> Many antidepressants cause sedation, of which trazodone, doxepin, and mirtazapine have been shown to be effective in the treatment of insomnia in patients with depression. Several selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs), including escitalopram, fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, paroxetine, and sertraline, became the firstline therapy for some anxiety disorders in 1990s because they are not as addictive as benzodiazepines.

7. <u>Sedative H1-antihistamines:</u> diphenhydramine and doxylamine: Diphenhydramine is sometimes used as sleeping pills, particularly for wakeful children. It is proposed that histamine may have an involvement in wakefulness and rapid eye movement (REM) sleep. Histamine-related functions in the CNS are regulated at postsynaptic sites by both H_1 and H_2 receptors, whereas the H_3 receptors appear to be a presynaptic autoreceptor regulating the synthesis and release of histamine. The H_1 receptor agonists and the H_3 receptor antagonists increase wakefulness, whereas the H_1 receptor antagonists and H_3 receptor agonists have the opposite effect. Another example of H_1 -antihistamines is doxylamine.

8<u>. β-Adrenoceptor antagonists</u> (e.g., propranolol) are sometimes used by actors and musicians to reduce the symptoms of stage fright, but their use by snooker players to minimize tremor is banned as unsportsmanlike.

<u>1-GABAA RECEPTORS, BENZODIAZEPINES, AND RELATED</u> <u>COMPOUNDS</u>

Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) system (deficiency of GABA activity in CNS) is important in the pathophysiology of anxiety and insomnia.

[A]BARBITURATES

The barbiturates were used extensively as sedative-hypnotic drugs. Except for a few specialized uses, they have been replaced largely by the much safer benzodiazepine. Barbiturates act throughout the CNS. However, they exert most of their characteristic CNS effects mainly by binding to an allosteric recognition site on GABA_A receptors that positively modulates the effect of the GABA_A receptor-GABA binding.

Unlike benzodiazepines, they bind at different binding sites and appear to increase the duration of the GABA-gated chloride channel openings. In addition, by binding to the barbiturate modulatory site, barbiturates can also increase chloride ion flux without GABA attaching to its receptor site on $GABA_A$. This has been termed a GABA mimetic effect. It is thought to be related to the profound CNS depression that barbiturates can produce.



The barbiturates are 5,5-disubstituted barbituric acids. Consideration of the structure of 5,5-disubstituted barbituric acids reveals their acidic character. Those without methyl substituents on the nitrogen have pKa's of about 7.6; those with a methyl substituent have pKa's of about 8.4. The free acids have poor water solubility and good lipid solubility (the latter largely a function of the two hydrocarbon substituents on the 5-position, although in the 2-thiobarbiturates, the sulfur atom increases lipid solubility). Sodium salts of the barbiturates are readily prepared and are water soluble. Their aqueous solutions generate an alkaline pH. A classic incompatibility is the addition of an agent with an acidic pH in solution, which results information and precipitation of the free water-insoluble disubstituted barbituric acid. Sodium salts of barbiturates in aqueous solution decompose at varying rates by base-catalyzed hydrolysis, generating ring-opened salts of carboxylic acids.

Barbiturates produce a wide spectrum of CNS depression, from mild sedation to coma, and have been used as sedatives, hypnotics, anesthetics and anticonvulsants. But they can be addictive and abused.

Chemistry of Barbiturates:

1. Barbiturates are derivatives of barbituric acid (2,4,6-trioxyhexahydropyrimidine) which is devoid of hypnotic and sedative activities.



Keto-enol tautomerism of barbituric acid

2. Barbituric acid may be described as a "cyclic ureide of malonic acid". Barbituric acid can be made by condensing urea with ethyl malonate in presence of sodium ethoxide.



- 3. Clinically important hypnotic-sedative barbiturates have substitutions at sites 1, 2 and, especially, 5 of barbituric acid.
- 4. Keto-enol tautomerism of barbituric acid and barbiturates allows formation of watersoluble salts with a strong base.
- 5. The barbiturates do not dissolve readily in water, their sodium salts dissolve readily in water.



- 6. Buffering action of Na₂CO₃ plus atmospheric CO₂ maintains pH at 10 to 11. In less alkaline solutions, these barbiturates may precipitate as the free acids; so, do not reconstitute barbiturates with normal saline and do not mix with acidic solutions of other drugs.
- 7. Barbituric acid with Pka = 4.12 and Monosubistituted derivative with Pka = $4.75 \rightarrow$ strong acid (at physiological PH are polarized and not penetrate BBB).
- 8. 5,5-Disubistitution with Pka = 7.6 and Disubstituted with Me substitution on nitrogen \rightarrow weak acid (can cross BBB at physiological PH).

So, for good hypnotic activity of barbiturate we need: 1. Weak acid 2. ↑ Partition coefficient (to certain limit)

Mechanism of Action of Barbiturates:

(a) Potentiation of the GABA_A-mediated chloride ion conductance.

(b) Enhancement of binding between **GABA** and **benzodiazepine**,

Barbiturate Abuse:

- Prolonged use of barbiturates causes habituation and tolerance to increase dose and physical dependence.
- Phenobarbital → Hepatic Microsomal Enzyme Inducing Drug [HME Inducer] → tolerance + many drug-drug Interaction.

1. Long acting (> 6 hrs)						
Phenobarbital		Mephobarbital				
Ph NH O H O		$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} CH_{3} \\ Ph \\ O \\ H \\ O \\ H \\ \end{array} \end{array} \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} CH_{3} \\ O \\ H \\ O \\ H \\ \end{array}$				
5-Ethyl-5-phenyl bar	5-Ethyl-5-phenyl barbituric acid		5-Ethyl-1-methyl-5-phenyl barbituric acid			
2. Intermediate	. Intermediate acting (3-6 hr)		3. Short acting (< 3 hr)			
Aprobarbital	Amobarbital		Secobarbital	Pentobarbital Na		
5-allyl-5-isopropyl barbituric acid	5-ethyl-5-isopentyl barbituric acid		5-allyl-5-(1-methyl butyl) barbituric acid	<i>5-ethyl-5-(1-methyl butyl) barbituric acid</i>		
4. Ultra short acting [G.A] [10-30 min.]						
Thiopental			Hexobarbital			
			O HN NH O CH ₃			
Administered by injection [as sodium salts], for induction of anesthesia with immediate onset [10 sec] & very short duration → with ↑ lipophilicity & ↑ plasma protein binding [>70%].						

Classification of Barbiturate

SAR:

a) <u>C5:</u>

1. $\overline{C_5}$ -H atoms must be substituted (summation of both subistituants should be 6-10 Cs).

2. Branching, unsaturation, replacement of alkyl group with alicyclic or aromatic groups \rightarrow all \uparrow lipid sol \rightarrow \uparrow potency.

3. Introduction of halogen atom into 5-alkyl subs $\rightarrow \uparrow$ potency.



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4. Introduction of polar group (OH, NH₂, RNH, CO, COOH & SO₃H) to 5-alkyl group

 $\rightarrow \downarrow$ lipid sol \rightarrow destroys the potency.

b) <u>N atoms:</u>

- 1. Methylation of N_1 or $N_3 \rightarrow \uparrow$ lipid solubility \rightarrow quick onset & short duration.
- 2. Subistitution of both N atoms \rightarrow non-acidic \rightarrow inactive.

c) <u>O atoms:</u>

1. Replacement of C=O by C=S $\rightarrow \uparrow$ lipid solubility \rightarrow rapid onset & short duration (So, thiobarbiturate used as IV anesthetics).

2. Introduction of more S atoms (2, 4-dithio) \rightarrow destroy activity (\downarrow hydrophilic characters below required limits, no dissolution).

Synthesis of 5, 5-disubstituted:



- Synthesis of Phenobarbital: [can be applied for Mephobarbital]
- General synthetic method cannot be applied as Aryl halide not reactive to react with sodiomalonic acid ester. so, the following methods used:



Assay of Barbiturate (Phenobarbital):

- 1. <u>Argentometric titrations:</u> Dissolve in pyridine → add excess AgNO₃ → HNO₃ which is titrated against standard NaOH (using thymol blue as indicator) (1 mol. Phenobarbital = 2 mol. NaOH).
- 2. <u>Non-aqueous titration</u> as weak acid dissolved in DMF and titration against NaOMe.

Metabolism of Barbiturate:

Barbiturate loss activity by metabolism in liver as follow:

1. $\underline{\omega}$ (ultimate) or $\underline{\omega}$ -1 (penultimate) oxidation of C₅ subistituants.



2. <u>Desulfuration</u> of 2-thiobarbiturate yielding more hydrophilic barbiturate.



3. <u>N-demethylation</u>: during <u>mephobarbital</u> therapy a definite blood level of <u>Phenobarbital</u> established



4. <u>Hydrophilic cleavage</u> of the ring yielding acetamide + acetylurea.
[B] BENZODIAZEPINES (BZPS)

Benzodiazepine is a psychoactive drug whose core chemical structure is the fusion of a benzene ring and a diazepine ring.

Benzodiazepines enhance the effect of the neurotransmitter gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) at the GABA_A receptor, resulting in sedative, hypnotic (sleep-inducing), anxiolytic (anti-anxiety), anticonvulsant, and muscle relaxant properties.

Benzodiazepines are categorized as short-, intermediate-, or long-acting. Short- and intermediate-acting benzodiazepines are preferred for the treatment of insomnia; longer-acting benzodiazepines are recommended for the treatment of anxiety.

Uses benzodiazepines (BzPs (Drug of Choice):

- 1. Anxiolytics.
- 2. Pre-anesthetic (induction of anesthesia)
- 3. Hypnotic.
- 4. Anticonvulsant.
- 5. Central acting skeletal muscle relaxant.
- 6. Alcohol withdrawal

Advantage over barbiturates:

- 1. More safe (overdose \rightarrow no respiratory depression)
- 2. Low tendency of drug interaction.
- 3. Preferred over barbiturate for patient with suicidal intention.

Disadvantage:

Slow eliminated from body \rightarrow due to formation of active metabolite in brain and liver \rightarrow hangover effect and accumulation on repeated dose.

<u>N.B.</u>

- BZPs potency depend on lipid solubility → ↑ lipophilicity will ↑ potency → (more distributed to the brain).
- BZPs duration \rightarrow depend on metabolism.

<u>M.O.A</u>:

They bind to BZPs binding sites on GABA_A receptor (also known as benzodiazepine receptor [BzR]) \rightarrow enhancing effect of GABA_A receptors \rightarrow As a result, the frequency of Cl⁻ channel openings are increased, and the cell is further hyperpolarized, yielding a more pronounced decrease in cellular excitability.

CLASSIFICATION OF BENZODIAZEPINES



<u>1,4-BENZODIAZEPINE-4-OXIDES</u>

Chlordiazepoxide (Librium)®



7-Chloro-2-(methyl amino)-5-phenyl-3H-1,4-benzodiazepine-4-oxide

- Chlordiazepoxide is the prototype and the most potent member. It is rapidly metabolized to a series of active benzodiazepine-2-ones.
- Chlordiazepoxide + Clidinium Br⁻ (anti-cholinergic drug) (Librax[®])
- The half-life of chlordiazepoxide is 6 to 30 hours.
- N-demethylation and hydrolysis of the condensed amidino group are rapid and extensive, producing demoxepam as a major metabolite.



SAR:

- ▶ ↑ Size of subistituents at $C_2 \rightarrow \downarrow$ potency.
- ▶ Replacement of the phenyl group at C₅ by other subs $\rightarrow \downarrow$ activity.
- ➤ The N₁-imidino function is NOT essential for activity → as the drug metabolized to 1,2-lactam structure (Demoxepam) and still active.
- > The N-imino structure is essential for activity.
- > It's long acting drug due to formation of several active metabolites

<u>@1,4-BENZODIAZEPINE-2-ONES</u>



5-Phenyl-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one

SAR:

Ring A:

- Electron withdrawing group at C_7 is essential (Cl, Br, F, NO₂, CN) [the more electron attracting effect \rightarrow the more activity].
- $C_7 \rightarrow NO_2$ (intermediate duration) \rightarrow due to metabolism of NO_2 into $NH_2 \rightarrow$ Acetylation (inactive metabolites).
- Position 6,8,9 should not substituted.

<u>Ring B:</u>

- •The presence of 7-membered imino-lactam ring is essential.
- The 2-carbonyl function is essential for activity.
- •The N1-substitution should be small \rightarrow except if active matabolits produced as (flurazepam and prazepam)
- •Alkyl subs at $C_3 \rightarrow \downarrow$ activity.
- •The presence or absence of 3-OH sis important pharmakokinetically.
- * Without 3-OH \rightarrow non-polar (long duration).
- * With 3-OH \rightarrow more polar \rightarrow more easily excreted as glucuronides \rightarrow short duration.
- •COOH at $C_3 \rightarrow$ prodrug with long half-life.
- •C₅ phenyl group promotes activity.

• Saturation of double bond between C₄, C₅ OR its shift to C₃, C₄ $\rightarrow \downarrow$ activity. **Ring C:**

- The presence of ortho or diortho substitution with electron-attracting effect →
 ↑ activity.
- Para substitution $\rightarrow \downarrow$ activity.



Diazepam (Valium)[®]:

CH₃

CI

Temazepam

Active

-0H

- <u>Prototype</u> of this class.
- It is very lipophilic and is thus rapidly and completely absorbed after oral administration \rightarrow very potent.
- With long duration (maximum peak blood concentration occurs in 2 hours and elimination is slow, with a half-life of about 46 hours) → active metabolites.



CI

Oxazepam

Active

<u>9-Hydroxy desmethyl</u> <u>diazepam</u> (Inactive)

> Glucuronide conjugation (Inactive)



Modification of BZPs by the addition of the ring of a cyclic compound to form a polycyclic compound. Characterized by high affinity for BZR and reduced side effects.

The fused heterocycle is triazole as triazolam & alprazolam and imidazole in medazolam.

<u>Alprazolam</u>: Is rapidly absorbed from the GI tract. Protein binding is lower (~70%) than with most benzodiazepines because of its lower lipophilicity \rightarrow due to rapid oxidation of -CH₃ \rightarrow -CH₂OH \rightarrow conjugation and excretion.

<u>**Triazolam:**</u> It is an ultra-short-acting hypnotic because it is rapidly α -hydroxylated to the 1-methyl alcohol, which is then rapidly conjugated and excreted. Consequently, it has gained popularity as sleep inducers, especially in elderly patients, because it causes less daytime sedation.

<u>Midazolam</u>: This drug is used intravenously as a short-acting sedative-hypnotic and as an induction anesthetic because of its short half-life for the same reason.

Alprazolam (Xanax) [®]	Triazolam	Midazolam
H ₃ C N N N N		H ₃ C N N C N F
8-Chloro-1-methyl-6- phenyl-4H-s-triazolo[4,3- a][1,4] benzodiazepine	8-Chloro-6-(o-chloro-phenyl)-1- methyl-4H-s-triazolo[4,3-a][1,4] benzodiazepine	Used as general anesthetic

Assay of Diazepam:

By non-aqueous titration: dissolve in acetic anhydride, titrate with perchloric acid using Nile blue indicator. [Benzodiazepines are weak bases while barbiturates were weak acids].

Benzodiazepine Antagonist

Flumazenil is an imidazobenzodiazepinone with selective benzodiazepine receptor antagonist.



[C]-NONBENZODIAZEPINE BZRAS (Z-DRUGS):

Nonbenzodiazepine hypnotics (Z-drugs): Imidazopyridine (zolpidem), pyrazolopyrimidine (zaleplon), and cyclopyrrolone (zopiclone and its [S]-[+]-enantiomer eszopiclone). They are nonbenzodiazepines and have been introduced as short- and moderate-acting hypnotics, respectively. Zolpidem exhibits a high selectivity for the α_1 -subunit of benzodiazepine-binding site on GABA_A receptor complex, whereas eszopiclone is a "superagonist" at BzRs with the subunit composition $\alpha_1\beta_2\gamma_2$ and $\alpha_1\beta_2\gamma_3$.

Zolpidem has a rapid onset of action of 1.6 hours and good bioavailability (72%), mainly because it is lipophilic and has no ionizable groups at physiological pH. Food can prolong the time to peak concentration without affecting the half-life probably for the same reason.

[1] Cyclopyrolone deriv.	[2] Imidazopyridine	[2] Pyrazolopyrimidine
Zopiclone	Zolpidem	Zaleplon
	H ₃ C N CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃	CH ₃ O O CN
Advantage:	Advantage:	It is similar to zolpidem; both are
1. No withdrawal	1. Rapid onset and short	hypnotic agents with short half-
symptoms.	duration.	lives.
2. No accumulation after	2. No rebound effects upon	It also has selective high affinity
repeated doses.	withdrawal of the drug	for α_1 -subunit containing BzRs
3. Rapidly induce sleep.		but produces effects at other
		BzR/GABA _A subtypes as well.
<u>Metabolism:</u>	Metabolism:	<u>Metabolism:</u>
1. Major: N-Oxide	Hydroxylation of the	It is primarily metabolized by
zopiclone (less active)	methyl groups \rightarrow followed	aldehyde oxidase to 5-oxo-
2. Minor: N-des methyl	by further oxidation $\rightarrow \rightarrow$	zaleplon and is also metabolized
zopiclone (inactive)	the carboxylic acid which	to a lesser extent by CYP_3A_4 .
	then conjugated for	
	excretion.	

2-MELATONIN RECEPTOR AGONIST: RAMELTEON

In the brain, three melatonin receptors (MT_1 , MT_2 , and MT_3). Activation of the MT_1 receptor results in sleepiness, whereas the MT_2 receptor may be related to the circadian rhythm. MT_3 receptors may be related to intraocular pressure.

Melatonin (N-acetyl-5-methoxytryptamine), referred to as "the hormone of darkness," is biosynthesized and released at night and may play a role in the circadian rhythm of humans.

Ramelteon (Rozerem)®:

The melatonin molecule was modified mainly by replacing the nitrogen of the indole ring with a carbon to give an indane ring and by incorporating 5-methoxyl group in the indole ring into a more rigid furan ring. The selectivity of the resulting ramelteon for MT_1 receptor is eight times more than that of MT_2 receptor. Unlike melatonin,

Ramelteon is more effective in initiating sleep (MT_1 activity) rather than to readjust the circadian rhythm (MT_2 activity).

It is more efficacious than melatonin but less efficacious than benzodiazepines as a hypnotic but it has no addiction liability, so it has been recently been approved for the treatment of insomnia.



Serotonin Precursor of melatonin

Melatonin An endogenous sleeping neurohormone

Ramelteon (Rozerem) A marketed drug

3-MISCELLANEOUS SEDATIVE-HYPNOTICS

A wide range of chemical structures (e.g., imides, amides, alcohols) can produce sedation and hypnosis resembling those produced by the barbiturates. Despite this apparent structural diversity, the compounds have generally similar structural characteristics and chemical properties: a nonpolar portion and a semipolar portion that can participate in H-bonding. In some cases, modes of action are undetermined. As a working hypothesis, most of the agents can be envisioned to act by mechanisms similar to those proposed for barbiturates and alcohols.

[i]-Amides and Imides (Piperidinediones)

Structurally and biologically like barbiturate and also enzyme inducer.

Glutethimide

It is one of the most active nonbarbiturate hypnotics that is structurally similar to the barbiturates, especially phenobarbital.

Glutethimide is a pyridine derivative. Chemically it is 2-ethyl-2-phenyl- glutarimide and is a substitute for barbiturates, to treat insomnia. It is fast acting sedative (30 minutes) with a long duration (6 hrs.). Effectiveness lasts for longer a period (5–7 days).



Metabolism of Glutethimide:

- 1. Hydroxylation of the α -carbon to carbonyl group \rightarrow *4-hydroxyglutethimide*.
- 2. *Aliphatic hydroxylation* (ω-1 OH)
- 3. Aromatic hydroxylation (minor metabolite)

Synthesis of Glutethimide:

Glutethimide is prepared by treating benzyl cyanide with ethyl chloride in presence of sodamide to yield α -ethyl benzyl cyanide



[ii]-Alcohols and Their Carbamate Derivatives

The very simple alcohol ethanol has a long history of use as a sedative and hypnotic. It is widely used in self-medication as a sedative-hypnotic. Because this use has so many hazards, it is seldom a preferred agent medically.

SAR:

- 1. CNS depressant potency increases up to eight carbon atoms, with activity decreasing thereafter.
- 2. Branching of the alkyl chain increases depressant activity and, in an isometric series, the order of potency is tertiary > secondary > primary, this may be because tertiary and secondary alcohols are not metabolized by oxidation to the corresponding carboxylic acids.
- **3.** Replacement of a hydrogen atom in the alkyl group by a halogen increases the alkyl portion and, accordingly, for the lower molecular weight compounds, increases potency.
- 4. Carbamylation of alcohols generally increases depressant potency. Carbamate groups are generally much more resistant to metabolic inactivation than hydroxyl functions.
- 5. Less active than BZPs as Anxiolytics.
- 6. Mepromate and Carisoprodol are used as muscle relaxant agent.

Meporamate	Ethchlorvynol
CH ₂ -O-CO-NH ₂ I H ₃ C-C-C ₃ H ₇ CH ₂ -O-CO-NH ₂ 2-Methyl-2-propyl trimethylene dicarbamate	CI HO 1-Chloro-3-ethyl-1- penten-4-yn-3-ol
Manrahamatar (Equanil)	

Meprobamate: (Equanil)

Meprobamate, is officially indicated as an antianxiety agent. It is also a sedativehypnotic agent.

Ethchlorvynol:

It is a mild sedative-hypnotic with a quick onset and short duration of action (t1/2-5.6 hours). Because of its highly lipophilic character, it is extensively metabolized to its secondary alcohol (90%) prior to its excretion. It reportedly induces microsomal hepatic enzymes. Acute overdose shares several features with barbiturate overdose.

Topaneulor Carbamate derivatives (Aryr Gryceror Monoceners)		
Mephenesin	Mephenesin carbamate	Chlorphenesin carbamate
H ₃ C increase lipophilicity $^{3}CH_{2}-O$ HC - OH I CH ₂ -OH	$H_{3}C$ $H_{2}-O$ $H_{2}-O$ $H_{2}-O$ $H_{2}-O$ $H_{2}-O$	CH ₂ -O HC-OH CH ₂ -O-CO-NH ₂ 3-(p-Chlorophenoxy)-1,2- prpanediol-1-carbamate
The prototype. Weak activity & short duration \rightarrow due to rapid metabolism of OH	More active > Mephenesin (OH is protected \rightarrow Carbamoylation \uparrow activity)	P-Chlorination $\rightarrow \uparrow$ lipophilicity and block P- posotion hydroxylation

Propanediol Carbamate derivatives (Aryl Glycerol Monoethers)

[iii]-Aldehydes and their derivatives

Few aldehydes are valuable hypnotic drugs. The aldehyde in use, chloral (as the hydrate), is thought to act principally through a metabolite, **trichloroethanol**. Acetaldehyde is used as the cyclic trimer derivative, paraldehyde, which could also be grouped as a cyclic polyether.

Chloral hydrate: (Noctec)

$CCl_3CH(OH)_2$

Trichloroac et ald ehyde monohydrate

It is a sleep-inducing drug used in the early 1900's but seldom used today. Chloral hydrate is used as hypnotic to treat insomnia and to allay anxiety as sedative.

Chloral hydrate is unstable in alkaline solutions, under-going the last step of the haloform reaction to yield chloroform and formate ion.

Metabolism:

Chloral hydrate is very quickly converted to trichloroethanol, which is generally assumed to account for almost all of the hypnotic effect. The trichloroethanol is metabolized by oxidation to chloral and then to the inactive metabolite, trichloracetic acid which is also extensively metabolized to acyl glucuronides via conjugation with glucuronic acid.



- Both Chloral hydrate and Trichloroethanol are equipotent → reduced (detoxified) to the inactive Trichloroacetic acid.
- <u>Trichloroehtanol</u> → accounts for <u>hypnotic activity</u>. It is still use as a sedative in small operations for the pediatric patient.

Mechanism of Action:

- Act on GABA receptors \rightarrow [bind to other site than Barbiturates and BZP]
- All enhance GABA inhibitory effect centrally.

Advantage: not cause respiratory center depression.

Disadvantage:

- 1. Unpleasant odour and taste.
- 2. GIT irritant \rightarrow nausea and vomiting due to it is weak acid because its CCl₃ group is very strong electron withdrawing.
- 3. They thought that the combination of ethanol and chloral hydrate is the basis for the lethal effect.

Triclofos Sodium

• Triclofos is 2,2,2-trichloroethylhydrogen orthophosphate, which occurs as its sodium salt.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Cl & O \\ | & | \\ Cl \hline C \\ | \\ Cl \\ Cl \\ OH \end{array} O Na^{+}$$

- Triclofos sodium is hygroscopic, white colored, water soluble powder.
- Triclofos is used as hypnotic and sedative.

iv-Atypical Azaspirodecanediones

Buspirone (Buspar [®])	Ondansetron (Zofran [®])
Aza spirodecanedione derivative	
Uses: Anxiolytic and Antidepressant M.O.A: 5-HT _{1A} partial agonist. S.E.: Block Dopamine receptors \rightarrow (EPS)	 Uses: Anxiolytic, Anti-depressant and Anti-emetic and anti-psychotic. M.O.A: 5-HT₃ antagonist.

Buspirone:

• Member of Long Chain Aryl Piperazines (LCAPs) • They show effects of these parts on SAR.

• In Buspirone: Aryl group \rightarrow Pyrimidine / Spacer \rightarrow 4C / Terminus \rightarrow amide



II-Centrally Acting Skeletal Muscle Relaxants

Uses:

Muscle spasm (due to spinal cord trauma), Arthritis, joint inflammation, low back bain, disk syndrome.

<u>M.O.A:</u>

Block inter-neuronal properties at the spinal cord by *inhibiting polysynaptic & monosynaptic transmission*.

Classification:

- i. Propanediol carbamate derivatives.
- ii. Aryl glycerol monoethers.
- iii. Miscellaneous.

i) Propanediol Carbamate Derivatives.

Meprobamate and Carisoprodol (N-isopropyl-2-methyl-2-propyl-1,3-propane diol dicarbamate)

III AI yi Oiyeer of Monoechers.		
Mephenesin	Mephenesin carbamate	Chlorphenesin carbamate
³ CH ₂ -O ² I HC-OH ¹ CH ₂ -OH	H_3C $CH_2 - O$ $H_1C - OH$ $CH_2 - O - CO - NH_2$	CH ₂ -O HC-OH CH ₂ -O-CO-NH ₂ 3-(p-Chlorophenoxy)-1,2- prpanediol-1-carbamate
The PROTOTYPE.	More active > Mephenesin	P-Chlorination $\rightarrow \uparrow$ lipophilicity &
Weak activity &short	(OH, is protected \rightarrow	block P-posotion hydroxylation
duration \rightarrow due to	Carbamoylation 1	
rapid metabolism of OH	activity)	

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Tizanidine (Sirdalaud [®])	Chlorzoxazone [Myolgin [®]]	Baclofen
		(<i>RS</i>)-4-Amino-3-(4-chlorophenyl) butanoic acid (GABA Analogue) Used in disease of spinal cord

Tizanidine: is a centrally acting α_2 adrenergic agonist. It is used to treat spasms, cramping, and tightness of muscles.

Synthesis of chlorzoxazone



Chlorzoxazone, is synthesized by a hetercyclization reaction of 2-amino-4chlorophenol with phosgene.

[III]-ANTICONVULSANT [ANTIEPILEPTICS]

- The epilepsies are a group of disorders characterized by chronic, recurrent, paroxysmal changes in neuralgic function caused by abnormalities in electrical activity of the brain. They are one of the common neuralgic disorders, estimated to affect 0.52% of the population and can occur at any age. The terms convulsion and seizure are often used interchangeably and basically have the same meaning.
- It's imbalance between excitatory neurotransmitter (Glutamate) and inhibitory neurotransmitter (GABA).
- It can be induced or diagnosed by:
 - 1. Injection of phenylene tetrazole. 2. Electric shock.



Antiepileptics: are drugs that are used to prevent and control epileptic seizures. Types of seizures:

- 1. <u>Generalized seizure</u>: it involves the entire brain and it is either:
 - a. Tonic-clonic seizures (Grand mal) is normally characterized by complete loss of consciousness, followed by transient muscular rigidity (tonic phase) and ultimately plunges into violent clonic convulsions embracing all voluntary muscles.
 b. Non-convulsant, absence (Petit mal) → brief loss of consciousness with no motor activity.
- 2. <u>Partial seizure</u>: (Simple focal).
- 3. <u>Unilateral seizure</u>: Involve one entire side of the body.
- 4. <u>Myoclonic seizure</u>: in newborn.
- 5. <u>Unclassified seizure</u>: sever seizures associated with high mortality.
 - The only effective way to control epilepsy is to use of drug.
 - The first drug used (KBr, 1857) followed by barbiturates (1912) and phenytoin (1938).

Classification:

I) Cyclic ureides and imides. II) Ureas e.g: Phenacemide. III) Miscellaneous

[I] Cyclic Ureides and Imides



Bioisosteres according to the hydride-displacement law

The general SAR:



- 1. The substitution pattern at C_5 of the hydantoins and oxazolidinediones or C_2 of the succinimides determines the type of anti-convulsant activity.
- 2. Hydantoins with at least one C₅ phenyl group are the drug of choice in \rightarrow generalized tonic-clonic seizure (grand mal). The diphenyl substitution pattern \uparrow potency of anti-grand mal > single substituent.
- 3. Oxazolidinediones subistitution at C₅ with small alkyl chain (Me or Et.) more effective against absence seizure (Petit mal) but less effective against grand mal seizures.
- 4. Oxazolidinediones are toxic; succinimides are safer as alternative for Petit mal.
- 5. The most potent anti-petit mal succinimides have small alkyl groups at C₂. Note: $R_1, R_2 \rightarrow$ Lower alkyl \rightarrow petit mal, but Phenyl \rightarrow grand mal.

1) Hydantion

- They are Na channel blockers $\rightarrow \downarrow$ glutamic acid release.
- Used against Grand-mal epilepsy [as soluble Na salts].
- All are metabolized by aromatic hydroxylation followed by conjugation.

Phenytoin	Mephenyto	in	Fosphenytoin
HN FO NH	Ph O NH CH ₃	D	
5,5-Diphenyl	5-Ethyl-3-mehtyl-5-		
imidazilidine-2,4-dione	phenyl hydantoin		
Structurally close to barbiturates (differ in lacking the 6-oxo moiety) with anti- generalized tonic clonic >> Anti-absence.			
Anti-convulsant activity	separated from	Metaboliz	ed by N-dealkylation then
sedative-hypnotic activity.	*	by aror	natic hydroxylation \rightarrow
Metabolized by P-hydroxyl	ation only.	conjugatio	on.

Fosphenytoin (Cerebyx)

- Phenytoin, the drug may be incompletely or erratically absorbed from sites of administration because of its very low water solubility.
- Fosphenytoin, a prodrug of phenytoin, was developed and marketed to avoid complications such as vein irritation, tissue damage, and muscle necrosis associated with parenteral phenytoin administration.

- Fosphenytoin is rapidly absorbed either by intravenous or intramuscular administration.
- It is converted into phenytoin through phosphatase catalyzed hydrolysis of the phosphate ester.

Synthesis of 5,5-disubs hydantoins:



Assay: As barbiturates

- 1) Non aqueous titration as weak acid, solution in DMF is titrated with NaOMe
- 2) AgNO₃ is added to solution of hydantion in pyridine then titration of the liberated HNO₃ by standard NaOH.



4) Succinimide

Ethosuximide	Phensuximide	Methuximide
O C H C H Me O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O N O O N O O O O O O O O O O O O O	Ph H O N CH ₃ O	Ph Me O N I CH ₃
2-Ethyl-2-methyl succinimide	N-methyl-2-phenyl succinimide	N,2-Dimethyl-2-phenyl succinimide
More effective and less toxic than trimethadione \rightarrow for pitit mal seizures.	due to the Phenyl group \rightarrow some activity against generalized seizure	Used in absence and partial seizures

[II] UREAS



[III] Miscellaneous Anticonvulsant Drugs

Primidone	Valproic acid (Depakin [®])
Ph NH O NH	Acetic acid deriv
5-Ethyl-5-phenyl perhydrpyrimidine-4,6-doine	2-propyl pentanoic acid
Grand mal seizures Metabolism: Phenobarbital (may be responsible for activity) + PEMA (phenyl ethyl malonyl diamide).	 M.O.A: Act as Na channel blocker & ↑ GABA in CNS. Uses: Drug of choice for absence seizures <u>Metabolism</u>: ① direct conjugation (COOH) ② ω or ω-1 oxidation → 5-hydroxy & 4-hydroxy derivative [5-Hydroxy → 2-n-propyl glutamic acid.



Gabapentin [Neurontin]®	Pregbalin [Lyrica]®		
acetic a deriv H ₂ N COOH	H ₂ N COOH		
Gabapentin (S)-3-isopropyl-GABA			
<i>1-(Amino methyl)-cyclohexane acetic acid</i>			
Broad spectrum AEP - GABA analogue but not acting on GABA receptors			
MOA:			
1. Modulate Ca influx.			
2. Stimulate GABA biosynthesis			
3. Compete with glutamic acid synthesis may due to structure similarity to (L-			

Leucine).

Metabolism: more than 95 % excreted unchanged

Gabapentin 60 % bioavailability but pregbalin 95 % bioavailability

FELBAMATE [FBM](Felbatole)



It is a potent and effective AED with a broad spectrum of action. It is a carbamate ester of 2-phenyl-1,3-propanediol, structurally like the anxiolytic drug meprobamate.

The carbamate ester is stable to esterase's and therefore provides good oral bioavailability.

M.O.A: Block NMDA, Ca channels and potentiating GABA action.

<u>Uses:</u> Used for partial seizures in adults and partial and generalized seizures associated with Lennox Gas taut Syndrome in children. However, the FBM therapy was found to be associated with rare but severe side effects such as aplastic anemia and hepatic failures within 6 months of its market introduction.

Lamotrigine [Lamectal]®	Topiramate [Topomax]®	
6-(2,3-Dichloro phenyl)-1,2,4-triazine-	Sulfamate-substituted monosaccharide \rightarrow Derived from D-Fructose	
for partial, myoclonic typical absence seizurea	Broad spectrum Antiepileptic.	
MOA: block both Na, Ca channels	MOA: Derived from D-Fructose that	
repetitive firing.	exhibits broad spectrum Antiepileptic	
Block glutamate release	at both glutamate and GABA receptors.	

Novel Broad-Spectrum Anticonvulsants

Levetiracetam [LEV]	Zonisamide	
Modulation of voltage-gated Na ⁺ ion channels	SO ₂ NH ₂ N O O O O H	
Only the <i>S</i> -isomer has anticonvulsant activity. LEV has few drug interactions with other AEDs thereby can be used in <u>combination to treat</u> <u>refractory epilepsy</u>	It metabolized by reductive ring cleavage of the 1,2-benzisoxazole ring to 2- sulfamoyl-acetyl-phenol	
Levetiracetam has no affinity for GAB_A receptors, BZD receptors, the various excitatory amino acid related receptors, its mechanism remains unclear, but it may modulate voltage-gated ion channels (K ⁺).	Approved for adjunctive therapy in the treatment of partial seizures in adults with epilepsy It may modulate voltage-gated ion channels (Ca^{2+} , Na^+).	



Structurally similar to GABA \rightarrow inhibition of GABA aminotransferase (for partial seizures)

<u>M.O.A:</u>



Tiagabine (Gabitril)

- It blocks GABA reuptake as a major mode of its anticonvulsant activity.
- Only used as R (-)-enantiomer. <u>Its use is against partial</u> <u>seizures</u>



IV-ANTIPSYCHOTICS DRUGS

[Neuroleptics][Major Tranquilizer]

Psychoactive drugs are also known as tranquilizers. These drugs are used in the treatment of abnormalities of mental function. The psychoactive drugs render the patient calm and peaceful by reducing agitation and anxiety.

Psychoactive drugs do not cure mental disorders, but the available drugs do control most symptomatic manifestations and behavioral deviances, facilitate the patient's tendency toward remission and improve the capacity of patient for social, occupational, and familial adjustment.

The psychotic disorders include schizophrenia, the manic phase of bipolar (manicdepressive) illness, acute idiopathic psychotic illness, and other conditions marked by severe agitation.

Uses of Anti-psychotic drugs:

- <u>Anti-psychotic drugs</u> are used to treat **psychoses** like schizophrenia, mania, senile dementia, behaviour disorders in children and anti-emetic [D₂-blocker at CTZ].
- These drugs act by depressing the CNS (by decreasing dopamine levels) and by producing sedation without producing sleep. Thus, the antipsychotics are employed to reduce excitation, agitation, agressiveness and impulsiveness. Hence, they are also known as antischizophrenic drugs or neuroleptic drugs or major tranquilizers.

Mechanism of action:

• Dopamine receptor antagonist (**D**₂ blockers).

The drugs used in the treatment of psychoses are classified as follows:

Butyrophenones.
 Miscellaneous.

- 1) Phenothiazines.
- 2) Thioxanthines.
- 3) Dibenzazipines.

[1] Phenothiazines

- The prototype is Chlorpromazine (CPZ) → typical antipsychotic drugs, obtained from promethazine (antihistaminic).
- Phenothiazines act exclusively on specific postsynaptic receptors and block the postsynaptic dopamine receptors. They work on the positive symptoms of psychosis such as hallucinations, delusions, disorganized speech and looseness of association.
- Phenothiazines are chemically constituted by a lipophilic, linearly fused tricyclic system having a hydrophilic basic amino alkyl chain.
- Typical antipsychotic drugs.

They are classified according to the type of substitution on the nitrogen atom into three main classes:

- A) Propyldimethylamino (Promazines).
- B) Propylpiperazinyl (Perazines).
- C) Alkylpiperidinyl (Ridazines).



[A]Promazines



Uses:

1. CPZ is used in the management of psychotic conditions. It also controls excitement, aggression and agitation.

2. It has antiemetic, antipruritic, anti-histaminic and sedative properties.

Common side effects:

Extra pyramidal symptoms, hypertension, orthostatic hypotension, blurred vision, dry mouth, anorexia, nausea, vomiting, constipation, diarrohea, weight gain, impotence, amenorrhea, photosensitivity.

[B] Perazines

They are the *most active*. **Trifluperazine** Fluphenazine - Fluphenazine is short acting, So--> Esters prodrug used --> latenation of ation (depot IM) 5 1. Decanoate [-O-CO-(CH₂)₈-CH₃] --> 2-3 weeks 2. Heptanoate [-O-CO-(CH₂)₅-CH₃] --> 1-2 weeks N-CH₂CH₂OH CH2 10-[3-[4-(2-Hydroxy ethyl)-piperazinyl]-propyl-2-trifluoro methyl phenothiazine **Perphenazine Prochlorperazine** CI C . N∙CH₂CH₂OH . N-CH₃ [C] Redazine Thioridazine Mesoridazine **Piperacetazine** 0 0 || - CH₃ . С - СН₃ CH₃ CH₃ 2 times more active CH₂CH₂OH

Chemical nomenclature:

• <u>Trifluperazine:</u>

2-Trifluromethyl-10-[3-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)propylphenothiazine Long acting phenothiazines:

- By esterification of OH group containing derivatives with long chain fatty acid. Advantages:
- 1) Treatment of psychotic patients who don't take their medication.
- 2) Patients who are subject to frequent relapse.

General method of synthesis:



<u>SAR:</u> in physiological pH R_3N converted to R_3N^+H

• The highest degree of specificity is required for site B followed by C then A.



Assay:

1) Chlorpromazine tab.:

Titrate with cerric ammonium sulfate using ferroin as indicator.

2) Non aqueous titration as weak base:
Solvent: glacial acetic acid.
Titrant: perchloric acid.
Indicator: crystal violet.

Metabolism:



[2] THIOXANTHINES

- Isosters to phenothiazines by replacement of N by C.

Chlorprothixine	Thiothixine	Flupenthixol		
S CI N CI	SO ₂ -N N-CH ₃	Prodrug dacanoate> IM depot V -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -O-CO-(CH ₂) ₈ -CH ₃		
Very similar to phenothiazine derivatives				

SAR of thioxanthines:

They are present in two isomers; Z and E. (\underline{Z} is the active isomer due to X which make bonding with N causing the drug to superimpose on dopamine receptors)



[3] DIBENZAZEPINES

Clozapine:

- 8-Chloro-11-(4-methyl piperazin-1-yl)-5H-dibenzo[b,e][1,4-diazepine
- ↓potency due to wrong orientation of N-methyl piperazinogroup relative to Cl atom



[4] **BUTYROPHENONES**

The fluorobutyrophenones belong group of compounds which possess high antipsychotic activity



Structural features (SAR):

- 1) Attachment of a tertiary amino group to the fourth carbon of the butyrophenone skeleton is essential for neuroleptic activity.
- 2) Lengthening, shortening, or branching of the three- carbon propyl chain decreases neuroleptic potency.
- 3) The aliphatic amino nitrogen is required, and highest activity is seen when it is incorporated into a cyclic form.
- 4) P-fluoro substituent increases the activity.
- 5) The Y group can vary and assist activity, and an example is the hydroxyl group of haloperidol. The empirical SARs could be construed to suggest that the 4-aryl piperidino moiety is superimposable on the 2-phenylethylamino moiety of DA and, accordingly, could promote affinity for D₂ and D₃ receptors.
- 6) The long N-alkyl substituent could help promote receptor affinity and produce receptor antagonism activity.



Highly potent \rightarrow *strong* D_2 *-antagonist*





- Aripiprazole is the newest, long acting aripiprazole (an arylpiperazine quinolinone derivative), appears to be partial agonist of D_2 receptors (i.e., it stimulates certain D_2 receptors while blocking others depending on their locations in the brain and the concentration of drug).
- It is metabolized by dehydrogenation oxidative hydroxylation, and N-dealkylation, largely mediated by hepatic CYPs 3A4.
- The diphenylbutylpiperidine class can be considered a modification of the fluorobutyrophenone class. Because of their high lipophilicity, the compounds are inherently long acting.

[5] Diphenyl butyl piperidine derivatives



[6] Miscellaneous agents

1) Benzamides e.g. (Sulpiride)	2) Benzisoxazole	3) Lithium salts.
MeO Hydrophilic> SO ₂ NH ₂ NH SO ₂ NH ₂ NH low potency & low EPS low sedation Sulpiride	Risperidone \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow	lithium CO₃/ Li₂ citrate Its action depends on similarity to Na⁺. It has many side effects.
 Pyrolidinyl containing benzamide. ↓ incidence of extrapyramidal symptoms 	 Risperidone used in treatment of schizophrenia. It is atypical &5HT/D₂ antagonist. Not inhibit DA neurotransmission in striatum and cortex → low EPS. BUT maintain blockage of D₂-limbic receptor. 	

[V]-GENERAL ANESTHETICS

General anesthetics are the drugs, which produce controlled, reversible depression of the functional activities of the CNS producing loss of sensation and consciousness.

Stages of General Anesthesia.

When an inhalation anesthetic is administered to a patient some of the following well defined stages are produced by increasing the blood concentration of the agent. They are;

- <u>Stage I (Stage of analgesia)</u>: This stage lasts from onset of drowsiness to loss of eyelash reflex. Variable levels of amnesia and analgesia are seen in this stage. The patient is considered unconscious at the end of stage I.
- <u>Stage II (Stage of delirium or excitement)</u>: This period characterized by agitation and delirium. During this stage, salivation may be copious. Heart rate and respiration may be affected. Induction agents are designed to move the patient through this undesirable stage quickly. The patient may laugh, vomit or struggle and for this reason it is called the stage of excitement.
- <u>Stage III (Stage of surgical anesthesia)</u>: In this stage excitement is lost and skeletal muscle relaxation is produced. Most types of surgeries are done in this stage.
- <u>Stage IV (Stage of medullary depression)</u>: Overdose of the anesthetic may bring the patient to this stage. Respiratory and circulatory failure occurs in this stage.

The ideal anesthetic combination will allow the patient to proceed quickly from stage I to stage III and avoid stage IV. Inhaled anesthetics are used in combination with other drugs to induce anesthesia.

CLASSIFICATION OF GENERAL ANESTHETICS

The general anesthetics are classified according to their nature (volatile or non-volatile) at room temperature into:

<u>1. Volatile Inhalation general anesthetics:</u> They are administered by inhalation and are further subdivided as;

- Gases: Ex: Nitrous oxide, Cyclopropane, Ethyl chloride.
- Liquids: Diethyl ether, Halothane, Chloroform, Trichloroethylene.

<u>2. Non-Volatile or Intravenous anesthetics.</u> They are non-volatile at room temperature and are administered by intravenous route. They are;

- Barbiturates: Thiopental sodium, Methohexital sodium.
- Non-barbiturates: Propanidid, Propofol and ketamine.

Induction of General Anesthesia

Barbiturates induce general anesthesia rapidly and painlessly. They have maximum effect in about 1 minute and duration about 5-8 minutes. Induction doses produce the

highest blood concentration, the greatest effects on body systems and the most side effects. Usual, recommended induction doses of thiopental:

Adults 2.5-4.5 mg/kg, Children 5-6 mg/kg, Infants 7-8 mg/kg

Since, some individuals seem "particularly sensitive" to thiopental, a conservative technique might be to inject 1/4 of the calculated (above) dose and observe patient response. If this smaller dose has great effect, reduce calculated subsequent dose.

Characteristic Features of Ideal Anesthetics

An ideal general anesthetic should possess the following characteristic features:

- 1. It should be potent, non-inflammable, inexpensive and inert.
- 2. Minimally soluble in the blood and tissues.
- 3. It should produce analgesia and muscle relaxation in addition to anesthesia.
- 4. It should be non-irritating to mucous membrane and pleasant to inhale.
- 5. It should produce rapid and smooth anesthesia.
- 6. It should not produce severe hypotension, nausea and vomiting.
- 7. It should be compatible with adjuvant drugs used in anesthesia.
- 8. It should be stable to heat, light and alkalies.

Solubility:

The ideal general anesthetic will have low solubility in blood conveyed by the blood:gas partition coefficient listed in the following table:

Properties of the Inhaled Anesthetics					
Anesthetic	MAC (%)	Blood:Gas	Oil:Gas		
Nitrous oxide	104	0.46	1.1		
Halothane	0.75	2.4	137		
Enflurane	1.68	1.8	98		
Isoflurane	1.15	1.43	90.8		

(MAC)=Minimum Alveolar Concentration

For the drug to have a quick onset, the solubility in the blood should be low, thus saturation will occur quickly, and the drug can then move into the tissue compartment.

Recovery is also expected to be faster for those drugs with a low blood:gas partition coefficient as the drug will be eliminated quicker if it has a low solubility in the blood and quickly passes into the lungs for exhalation.

When a patient is exposed to the volatile gas for prolonged procedures, the solubility of the drug in the tissues will also affect the recovery period.

<u>The blood:gas partition coefficient</u> is defined as the ratio of the concentration of the drug in the blood to the concentration of the drug in the gas phase (in the lung), at equilibrium. The volatile anesthetic is inhaled into the lungs, diffuses into the blood, and when equilibrium is reached, it diffuses into tissues.

MINIMUM ALVEOLAR CONCENTRATION (MAC):

It is the alveolar concentration of an anesthetic at 1 atmosphere that prevents movement in 50% of patients in response to a noxious stimulus (e.g., surgical incision).

- The MAC is a measure of the potency of an anesthetic. A low MAC means high potency.
- An anesthetic's potency is correlated with its lipophilicity (i.e., low MAC = very lipophilic).
- MAC is age-dependent: Highest in infants; drops to about half by age 80.
- Analgesia begins at about 0.3 MAC; Amnesia at about 0.5 MAC.

Mechanism of Action of General Anesthetics:

The general anesthetics inhibit CNS neuronal activity. But their precise mechanism of neuronal inhibition is not clear. Several mechanisms were proposed to explain general anesthesia. They are:

[1] Antagonist of N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) [block glutamate action]

- If this receptor activated $\rightarrow \uparrow$ flow of K to extracellular fluid and Ca, Na intracellular $\rightarrow \uparrow$ NO [important mediator for consciousness].
- Example: Ketamine, Halothane.

[2] Activation of inhibitory GABA receptor-controlled channel:

- Binding of GABA → open Cl⁻ ion channel → influx of Cl⁻ → hyperpolarization of neurons.
- Examples: Benzodiazepine (BZP), Barbiturates, Halothane, Isoflurane. Adjuvant to General Anesthetics:
 - [1] Narcotic analgesics [Morphine and Meperidine] $\rightarrow \downarrow$ anxiety.
 - [2] Sedatives [as BZP] \rightarrow cause sedation and \downarrow anxiety.
 - [3] Anti-cholinergics [Scopolamine] \rightarrow inhibit excess respiratory secretion.
 - [4] Skeletal muscle relaxants [Succinyl choline and Vancuronium] \rightarrow relax muscles

for optimum surgical working.

SPECIFIC GENERAL ANESTHETICS Classification



[I] GASES [Inhalation Anesthetics]

- > Inhaled and exhaled gas equilibrates with lung tissues and then with blood.
- $\blacktriangleright \underline{\textbf{Recovery}} \rightarrow \text{by stopping delivery of anesthetic.}$
- ➢ Most general anesthetic agents are non-specific agents → activity depend on lipophilicity not on structure.
- > If has \uparrow solubility in blood \rightarrow <u>slow onset + long duration</u> [and vice versa].

[1]-NITROUS OXIDE[N2O]

Chemistry:

Nitrous oxide was the first anesthetic. Joseph Priestly first reported nitrous oxide preparation in 1772. It is prepared by heating ammonium nitrate to 200°C.

$$NH_4NO_3 \rightarrow N_2O + H_2O$$

Properties:

- Nitrous oxide is available as a colourless, tasteless and odourless gas
- It is supplied in blue coloured metal cylinders.
- It is soluble in water, alcohol and ether.
- Laughing gas $\rightarrow \downarrow$ activity [not used alone].
- \downarrow **Toxicity** with **poor muscle relaxation**.

Uses:

- Nitrous oxide is used to induce anesthesia and is followed by ether, halothane or methoxy flurane.
- It is also used for short dental operations.
- Induction \rightarrow 70 % nitrous oxide + 30% oxygen for 2-3 min.
- Maintenance \rightarrow 30-70 % nitrous oxide with oxygen.

[2] CYCLOPROPANE (NON-HALOGENATED H.C.) [CYCLOPROPANE] Δ Chemistry:

Cyclopropane is a cyclic aliphatic hydrocarbon. It is prepared from 1,3dibromopropane with zinc and alcohol in absence of water.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} H_2C & \xrightarrow{Zn/C_2H_5OH} & \xrightarrow{H_2} \\ H_2C & \xrightarrow{C} \\ H_2C & \xrightarrow{L} \\ Br & Br & Cycloprobane \end{array}$$

Properties:

• Cyclopropane is a colourless **flammable gas** with characteristic odour and pungent taste. It is supplied in compressed form in metal cylinders.

- Cyclopropane forms explosive mixture with air.
- The cylinders of cyclopropane are painted red.

Uses:

• Cyclopropane is used as general anesthetic. It produces rapid and smooth induction at conc. 20%, good muscle relaxation and has wide margin of safety. It is administered by inhalation. But it has **CVS toxicity**.

[3]-ETHYL CHLORIDE

Chemistry:

Ethyl chloride is a chloro derivative of ethane. It is gas at normal conditions and is available in compressed form.

Synthesis:

Ethyl chloride is prepared from ethyl alcohol by passing dry hydrogen chloride into it.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} H_{3}C & & \hline CH_{2} + HCl & & \hline ZnCl_{2} \\ & & H_{3}C & \hline CH_{2} + H_{2}O \\ & & Cl \\ Ethyl alcohol & & EthylChloride \end{array}$$

Properties:

- Ethyl chloride is a volatile liquid having a pleasant ethereal odour and burning taste.
- It is slightly soluble in water and also miscible with alcohol and ether. Uses:

Ethyl chloride is used as a general anesthetic administered by inhalation.

2] LIQUIDS:

- 1. Halogenated hydrocarbons.
- 2. Ethers.
- 3. Halogenated ethers.

[1] HALOGENATED HYDROCARBONS

- Halogen $\rightarrow \downarrow$ flammability and \uparrow potency.
- But halogen may \rightarrow cause arrhythmia or renal and hepatic toxicity.

• If Br only \rightarrow not useful / If Cl \rightarrow toxic causing arrhythmia / so, use fluorinated hydrocarbons.

• $F \rightarrow \downarrow$ flammability, boiling point and incidence of catechol-induced arrhythmia which \uparrow as size of halogen $\uparrow \rightarrow F$ is the smallest.

HALOTHANE

$$\begin{array}{c} F & Cl \\ F - C & + \\ F & H \\ F & Br \end{array}$$

2-Bromo-2-chloro-1,1,1-trifluroethane

Synthesis: Chemically halothane is 2-bromo,2-chloro,1,1,1-trifluoroethane. It is prepared from trichloroethylene by the following chemical reactions.

$$Cl_{2}C = CHCl \xrightarrow{HCl} Cl_{3}C - CH_{2}Cl \xrightarrow{HF} F_{3}C - CH_{2}Cl \xrightarrow{Br_{2}} F \xrightarrow{F} \stackrel{H}{\underset{C}{\overset{|}{\longrightarrow}} C} Cl_{3}C - Cl_{3}C - CH_{2}Cl \xrightarrow{HF} F_{3}C - CH_{2}Cl \xrightarrow{Br_{2}} F \xrightarrow{F} \stackrel{H}{\underset{R}{\overset{|}{\longrightarrow}} Cl_{3}C - C$$

Properties:

- Halothane is a colourless, non-inflammable liquid having chloroform like odour.
- It is non-irritant to the skin and mucous membrane.

Uses:

• Halothane is one of the most widely used potent anesthetic agents (2-2.5%). It is usually administered through N₂O-air mixture. It has more rapid induction and recovery compared to ether (generally discouraged as an explosive hazard) and methoxyflurane.

• It is more potent than chloroform and ether.

Disadvantages of halothane are;

- It reduces cardiac output [\uparrow possibility of arrhythmia] + -ve effect on liver.
- It causes peripheral vasodilation leading to hypotension or low blood pressure.
- It is a dose-dependent respiratory depressant.
- If repeated dose → toxicity due to **fluro acetyl chloride metabolite**]

Carbinol



[2] ETHERS

<u>DIETHYL ETHER</u>

[\uparrow Chain \rightarrow \uparrow potency and \uparrow toxicity]

Chemistry:

Diethyl ether was the first compound to be used as an anesthetic by American doctor. In 1846, James Simpson popularized the use of ether as an anesthetic in surgical operations.

It is prepared in the laboratory and on the large scale by heating mixture of ethyl alcohol in presence of H_2SO_4 and purified with sodium hydroxide followed by drying on anhydrous calcium chloride.

 $2CH_{3}CH_{2}OH + HOSO_{3}H \rightarrow CH_{3}CH_{2}\text{-}O\text{-}CH_{2}CH_{3} + H_{2}SO_{4} + H_{2}O$

Properties:

- Diethyl ether is a colourless, volatile, highly inflammable liquid, having sweet burning taste and characteristic odour.
- The anesthetic ether should be stored in well-closed, light resistant containers in a cool place.
- Stabilizers like sodium pyrogallate, hydroquinol, or propylgallate are added to anesthetic ether.

Uses:

- It is a safe general anesthetic.
- It is inexpensive.

<u>DIVINYL ETHER</u>

$$(CH_2=CH_2)-O-(CH_2=CH_2)$$

• Explosive but cause rapid induction & recovery with minimum excitation.

[3] HALOGENATED ETHERS

METHOXYFLURANE

Methoxyflurane is the most potent of all inhalation anesthetics. Chemically methoxyflurane is 2,2-dichloro-1,1-difluoro-1-methoxyethane. It is available as a colorless liquid with sweet odor.

$$\begin{array}{c} C1 F \\ H-C-C-O CH_{2} \\ C1 F \end{array}$$

Methoxyflurane is nonflammable, nonexplosive, and a potent analgesic. Low vapor pressure makes it the only agent suitable for the open drop method. A disadvantage of methoxyflurane, compared to other inhalents, is a relatively slow induction phase that can result in a modest respiratory and cardiovascular depression. Perhaps the biggest disadvantage is that metabolization leads to flouride ion release which is **nephrotoxic**. An appropriate scavanging system must be in place to protect personnel.

ENFLURANE

• Chemically enflurane is *2-chloro-1,1,2-trifluoroethyldifluoromethylether*. Enflurane is available as a clear, colourless non-inflammable liquid with sweet odour.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} F & F & F \\ H - C - C - C - O & C - H \\ C I & F & H \end{array}$$

- Non-flammable \rightarrow mixed with oxygen and nitrous oxide.
- The induction and emergence from anesthesia of is smooth and moderately rapid.
- Enflurane has advantages over halothane → <u>lower blood/gas P.C</u> → more rapid induction and recovery and ↓ arrhythmia.

- It is used as an alternative to halothane.
- \downarrow F release $\rightarrow \downarrow$ nephrotoxicity [but if patient take <u>I.N.H</u> \rightarrow facilitate deflurination \rightarrow renal damage].

ISOFLURANE

1-Chloro-1-(difluro methoxy)-2,2,2-trifluroehane



- ✓ Isoflurane is an isomer of enflurane. Chemically isoflurane is 2-chloro-2-(trifluoromethoxy)-1,1,1-trifluoroethane. It is available as clear, colourless liquid at room temperature, with sweet taste. It is miscible with organic liquids including fats and oils. Isoflurane is nonflammable and nonexplosive.
- ✓ Isoflurane has a more rapid induction and emergence than halothane. It has higher margin of safety than enflurane or halothane.

Compared to halothane, isoflurane causes:

- Less depression of cardiopulmonary function
- Less sensitization of the heart to catecholamine (β-adrenoceptor agonist) release
- Less profound respiratory depressant effect
- Isoflurane reduces renal blood flow, glomerular filtration rate and urinary flow.
- Isoflurane's metabolism to organic and inorganic flourides is less than any other halogenated agent available, so if a minimally metabolized anesthetic is needed, **isoflurane is the choice.**

Desflurane

1-(Difluro methoxy)-1,2,2,2-tetrafluoro ethane $F \xrightarrow{F}_{F} \xrightarrow{F}_{F} \xrightarrow{F}_{F}$ pungent.

- Non-flammable \rightarrow pungent.
- <u>Replace Cl in isoflurane with F.</u> $\rightarrow \downarrow$ <u>blood/gas P.C.</u> \rightarrow twice rapid in induction & recovery \rightarrow used in out-patient surgical procedures.
- <u>C-F \rightarrow stable bond</u>, so, only 0.02% of drug metabolized to F ions and trifluroacetic acid \rightarrow NOT associated with hepato or nephrotoxicity.

Chloroform (CHCl₃)

Properties:

- \checkmark Chloroform is an important halogenated hydrocarbon.
- \checkmark It is a colorless, volatile liquid having characteristic odour and burning taste
- \checkmark It is non-inflammable and is freely miscible with ether and ethyl alcohol
- ✓ Chloroform must be protected from light and air, otherwise poisonous <u>phosogene</u> is formed.

Chemistry:

It is prepared from bleaching powder and ethyl alcohol by the following chemical reactions.

 $\begin{array}{ccccccc} Ca & & & & \\ Ca & & & \\ OCl & & & \\ CH_3CH_2OH + & Cl_2 & & \\ CH_3CHO & + & 3Cl_2 & & \\ CH_3CHO & + & 3Cl_2 & & \\ CCl_3CHO & + & \\ CCl_3CHO$

Uses:

- \checkmark Chloroform is a widely used general anesthetic agent.
- \checkmark It is used as solvent for fats and oils.

[II] I.V. ANESTHESIA

- ✓ Non-explosive solids that cause rapid loss of conscious but insufficient anesthesia [not used alone].
- \checkmark Oxygen administration is recommended \rightarrow especially if Barbiturates or thiobarbiturates.
- ✓ They classified into:
 - 1-Barbiturates: Thiopental sodium, Methohexital sodium.
 - 2-<u>Non-barbiturates:</u> Ketamine, Propofol, Propanidid.

1-<u>Ultra-Short Acting Barbiturates</u>

- **Rapid action** \rightarrow used to initiate anesthesia [maintenance with volatile anesthetics]
- Long side chain at $C_5 \rightarrow \uparrow$ lipid solubility $\rightarrow \uparrow$ penetration through BBB.

<u>Thiopental Na</u>



<u>Chemistry:</u> Thiopentone is an intravenous anesthetic. It is a barbituric acid derivative and is synthesized by condensing thiourea with ethyl (ethyl 1-methyl butyl) malonate. <u>Properties:</u>

- Thiopental is available as thiopental sodium.
- It is a yellowish hygroscopic powder, having characteristic odour and bitter taste. Uses:
- Thiopental sodium solutions (2.5%) as the <u>most widely used</u> and administered by intravenous route to produce anesthesia. It has short duration of actions $\rightarrow \underline{S} \uparrow \underline{lipophilicity.}$
- <u>Short acting</u> \rightarrow due to partitioning form the brian into body fat.
- It is also used to control convulsions.

Methohexital

- **<u>N-methylated</u>** with pka 8.4 [if not methylated, pka=7.6].
- **■** $\underline{\mathbf{pka}} \rightarrow \uparrow$ concentration of lipid-soluble acid form at physiological pH.



Metabolized at $CH_2 \alpha$ to triple bond.

Chemistry:

Methohexital is also a derivative of barbituric acid. It is prepared by condensation of ethylcyanoacetate with 2-chloro-3-pentyne in presence of sodium ethylate yields ethyl-
1-methyl-2-pentnyl cyanoacetate which on further condensation with allylbromide yields ethyl(1-methyl-2-pentynyl)allylcyanoacetate. Reaction with N-methyl urea yields the iminobarbituric acid which on acid catalyzed hydrolysis forms methohexital.

Properties:

- ✓ Methohexital is available as methohexital sodium.
- ✓ It is a colourless or slightly yellowish crystalline powder.
- ✓ Methohexital sodium is freely soluble in water.

Uses

- \checkmark It is used as a general anesthetic and hypnotic. It is administered either by intravenous route or intramuscular route.
- $\checkmark\,$ It is more potent than thiopentone sodium.

2- Ultra-Short Acting Non-Barbiturates

<u>Ketamine</u>



2-(2-Chloro phenyl)-2-(methyl amino) cyclohexanone

- Ketamine is available as colorless crystalline compound having characteristic odor. It melts at 258°C.
- Very potent \rightarrow rapid acting \rightarrow short duration [10-25 min.]
- Act by **blocking NMDA controlled channels** located at excitatory synapses on the pyramidal cells.
- Suitable for diagnosis and surgical procedures that do not require muscle relaxation.
- For patients > 16 years → wild dreams and hallucination during emergence → may last for 24 hrs → so, only indicated for children < 16 years.
 Metabolism:

Ketamine metabolized in liver to <u>Norketamine</u> [active] \rightarrow <u>long duration</u>. Ketamine is a cyclohexanol derivative.

Synthesis:

Chemically ketamine is (+) 2(o-chlorophenyl)-2-methylaminocyclohexanone. Ketamine is prepared by Griganard reaction of *o*-chlorobenzonitrile with bromocyclopentane in presence of strong alkali to form an expoxy compound, which converts to an imine by the action of methylamine. The imine rearranges to ketamine on heating with HCl.



Uses:

- ✓ Ketamine is used as a general anesthetic
- ✓ It also has analgesic effect
- ✓ Ketamine relaxes skeletal muscles.

Propofol

Propofol is a liquid short-acting general anesthetic. Chemically it is 2,6diisopropylphenol.



- Short acting [5 min] \rightarrow act by \uparrow GABA neurotransmission in CNS. \rightarrow bind allosterically to GABA receptor at a site differ from that of BZP.
- Maintenance achieved by volatile anesthetics or addition of propfol.
- **Poor water solubility** \rightarrow 1-2 % emulsion in soybean oil or glycerol.
- More effective than thiopental \rightarrow frequently associated with vomiting.
- Given repeatedly in **out-patient surgical procedures**.
- Metabolism \rightarrow Glucuronide & sulfate conjugation. Etomidate



Ethyl 3-[(1R)-1-phenylethyl]imidazole-5-carboxylate

- ✓ Etomidate is a carboxylated imidazole intended for the induction of general anesthesia.
- ✓ It is marketed as the more potent R (+) isomer. It is believed to exert its anesthetic effect via positive modulation of the GABA_A receptor.
- ✓ **Etomidate** has little effect on cardiac output, peripheral, or pulmonary circulation.
- ✓ **Etomidate** should only be used for induction of anesthesia.
- ✓ The lipid solubility of the drug allows it to rapidly penetrate into the brain with peak concentrations occurring within 1 minute of administration.
- ✓ Etomidate is rapidly metabolized in the plasma and liver via esterases. About 75% of the drug is eliminated in the urine as the inactive ester hydrolyzed carboxylic acid.

Benzodiazepine (Bzp)

Cause \rightarrow <u>Induction of anesthesia</u> by their sedative, muscle relaxant and anesthetic properties.

<u>Midazolam Maleate</u>



■ Act allosterically to \uparrow GABA opening of chloride channel. ■ Short duration → due to metabolic hydroxylation then conjugation. Maleate salt → reversible ring opening → less than pH 4, opening between 4,5-double bond allowing midazolam to dissolve in aqueous solution for injection → closed at physiological pH.

Twice as active as Diazepam.

Propanidid

Chemistry: Propanidid is a non-barbiturate general anesthetic. It has the following structure:



Properties

- Propanidid is available as a colourless or pale greenish-yellow hygroscopic liquid and having a faint odor.
- \checkmark It is slightly soluble in water but miscible with alcohol, chloroform and ether.

Uses

- ✓ Propanidid has been used as a short acting general anesthetic.
- \checkmark It also possesses local anesthetic activity.

LOCAL ANESTHETICS

- **Local Anesthesia:** Loss of sensation or loss of motor function in an area of the body.
- <u>Local Anesthetics</u>: Drugs given topically or by injection → reversible blockage of nerve conductance that transmit pain from this area to the brain.
- They achieve this by preventing the transient increase in sodium permeability of the excitable membrane.
- Local anaesthetics are used to abolish the sensation of pain in a restricted area of the body and for minor surgical operations when loss of consciousness is not desirable.

The main classes of Local anesthetics according to uses are:

- a) **Surface or Topical Anesthesia:** The **local anesthetic** is applied to the mucous membrane, *e.g.*, conjunctiva, larynx, throat, damaged skin surface, etc.
- b) **Infiltration Anaesthesia:** The **drug** is injected subcutaneously to paralyse the sensory nerve endings around the area to be rendered insensitive, *e.g.*, an area to be incised or for tooth extraction.
- c) Nerve Block Anesthesia: The local anesthetic is injected as close as possible to the nerve trunk supplying the specific area to be anaesthetized. This blocks conduction in both sensory and motor fibers and minor operations on the limb are possible.
- **d) Spinal Anesthesia:** The **drug** is injected into the subarachnoid space, *i.e.*, into the cerebrospinal fluid, to paralyse the roots of the spinal nerves. This method is used to induce anesthesia for abdominal or pelvic surgical operations.
- e) **Epidural Anesthesia:** This is a special type of nerve block anesthesia in which the drug is injected into the epidural space. It is technically a more difficult procedure. The roots of the spinal nerves are anaesthetized.
- f) **Caudal Anesthesia:** This is smaller to **epidural anesthesia** where the injection is made through *sacral hiatus* into the vertebral canal which contains the *cauda equina*. It is used for operations on the pelvic viscera.

Local anesthetics are used to remove pain caused by a wide variety of situation; they are used in:

- 1. Dentistry
- 2. In ophthalmology
- 3. In minor surgical operation including endoscopy.
- 4. In relieving pain in intractable medical condition like tumor growing in spine.
- 5. Local anesthetics are used also topically for temporary relief of pain from insect bites, burns and any other form of surface wounds.

Characters of ideal Local Anesthetics:

- 1. Non-irritant to tissues [not cause permanent damage].
- 2. Rapid onset and sufficient duration of action.
- 3. \checkmark Systemic toxicity.

4. Effective either injected or applied topically on skin or mucous membrane.

<u>Nervous tissue:</u>

- Function of nervous tissue based on two fundamental properties:
 - 1. Irritability [ability to react to various stimulating agents].
 - 2. Conductibility [ability to transmit excitation].
- Local Anesthetics block both properties of nervous tissues.
- Each nerve fiber called axon and its cell membrane is made up of lipid with some proteins.



- Depolarization occur in nerve by movement of Na⁺ in and K⁺ to out → by using Local Anesthetics → block these movements.
- Local Anesthetics to prevent these movements → must enter cell membrane → this is done by aromatic ring which is soluble in lipid layer.

Local Anesthetics structure:

- All of them contain: ① Aromatic ring. ② Intermediate chain [ester or amide] ③ Amine.
- They are weak bases → combined with acids forming salts → can combine with water or saline → stable injectable solution.
- In any anesthetic solution \rightarrow molecular structure shifts between:

$$\frac{\text{RNH}^{+}}{\text{Charged cation}} \xrightarrow{\text{OH}^{-}} \frac{\text{RN} + \text{H}^{+}}{\text{H}^{+}} \underbrace{\text{Uncharged base}}$$

- The two forms are in equilibrium depending on pH of the solution:
- In acidic pH $\rightarrow \uparrow \uparrow RNH^+$
- In basic $pH \rightarrow \uparrow \uparrow RN$.
- $Pka = pH at which [RN] = [RNH^+].$

How Local Anesthetics enter cell membrane:

• Neutral molecule [RN] →diffuse through cell membrane → inside the axon it's protonated to active form [RNH⁺] that binds to the receptor.



Anesthesia to infected areas is difficult:

In infection → pH of tissues is about 5-6 times more acidic → ↓ concentration of diffusible form [RN].

How can pH of tissues and pka of local anethetics affect the % of diffusible local anethetics:

- As pka becomes closer to pH [Mepivacine ----> pka = 7.6 and pH = 7.4] → ↑↑ [RN] relative to [RNH⁺]→ ↓ onset time.
- $\uparrow \uparrow$ pka relative to pH [Lidocaine ----> pka = 9.1 and pH = 7.4] $\rightarrow \downarrow \downarrow$ [RN] $\rightarrow \uparrow$ onset time.

The higher the % of [RN] \rightarrow The quicker the onset of L.A.

Classification of The Local Anesthetics According to Their Chemical Structures:

I- The Ester Local Anesthetics

[1] Cocaine

- It was the First one → but with ↑undesirable side effects [① Addiction ② Allergy
 ③ Tissue irritation ④ Poor stability in aqueous medium]
- By hydrolysis of cocaine → Ecgonine + Benzoic acid + Methanol. Carbomethoxy group



- Preparation of benzoyl esters of amino alcohols \rightarrow L.A. action without addiction.
- Some benzoic acid esters exhibited significant local anesthetic properties, as benzocaine hydrochloride; procaine hydrochloride, tetracaine hydrochloride; butacaine sulfate, etc

2] Procaine [Novocaine]: [Prototype]



[N,N-Diethyl aminoethyl ester of P-amino benzoic acid]

- Procaine is the first synthetic local anesthetics [removal of 2-carbomethoxy group $\rightarrow \psi$ addiction].
- It is lacks local irritation, minimal systemic toxicity and low cost.

Uses:

• It can be effectively used by infiltration, epidural block or spinal anaesthesia. **Disadvantages:** ① Ester \rightarrow allergic reactions ② \checkmark potency ③ Short duration.

[3] Chloropropane



2-Diethylaminoethyl ester of 2-chloro-4-aminobenzoic acid

Uses:

- In situations requiring fast-acting pain relief.
- It is also used in infiltration anesthesia.
- In spinal and epidural anesthesia.

Synthesis of Chloroprocaine



Ethyl P-amino benzoate

- ↓ Aqueous solubility [due to absence of terminal N in side chain] → used only topically not by injection.
- Of ↓ basicity that lone pair of N involved in resonance → if make salt → too acidic → can't be taken parentrally.

Synthesis of Benzocaine:



- Tetracaine is the most strong, long-lasting local anesthetic.
- It is primarily used in spinal cord anesthesia.

[II] The Amino Amide Local Anesthetics

1]-Lidocaine [Xylocaine]

- Lidocaine is the most widely used local anesthetic.
- The first amide local anesthetic with advantage of being hypoallergic.

Advantages

- fast-acting
- It suitable for practically any clinical use
- being hypoallergic

Disadvantages

• Short duration of action) it's Vasodilator)

To overcome this problem, add small concentration of vasoconstrictor agent such as adrenaline to slow down absorption by restricting amount of blood and plasma entering and leaving site of injection.

Uses:

- For terminal infiltration
- Dentistry, otolaryngology, obstetrics and gynecology

2]-Mepivacaine [Carbocaine]



- <u>Mepivacaine</u> with less vasodilatation effect than lidocaine \rightarrow can be used without epinephrine vasoconstrictor.
- Can be used when vasoconstrictor agent can't be used [can't use Lidocaine] as in:
- 1. Patients with \uparrow B.P. taking non-selective β -blockers.
- 2. Patients taking tricyclic anti-depressant [Imipramine].
- In fingers, toes, tip on nose → as vasoconstrictor may cause necrosis and death of tissues.





Importance of addition of vasoconstrictors:

- We add small concentration of Adrenaline [Epinephrine] to L.A. as vasoconstrictor.
- All L.A. are vasodilators [except Coccaine] \rightarrow so, vasoconstrictor is needed to \downarrow blood supply into and out the site of injection. So,
 - a) \checkmark Rate of removal of L.A. $\rightarrow \uparrow$ duration.
 - b) Ψ Systemic toxicity of L.A.
 - c) \checkmark Esterase enzyme $\rightarrow \checkmark$ metabolism of ester L.A. $\rightarrow \uparrow$ duration.
 - d) Aids in hemostasis in wound care.
 - e) They need acid as preservative → this acid help in ↓ amount of neutral basic radical [R-N] which is the diffusible form → converting it into [RNH⁺] that not diffused → ↑ onset time of action of L.A.

Conditions in which vasoconstrictor can't be used: [Use Mepivacaine]

- a) Uncontrolled hypertension.
- b) Uncontrolled hyperthyroidism.
- c) Angina patients.
- d) Patients taking non-selective β -blockers.
- e) Patients taking tricyclic anti-depressants.

Toxicity and side effects:

- Amide L.A. [Lidocaine] → produce more CNS side effects [convulsions] > Ester type [Procaine].
- Ester L.A. \rightarrow allergic reactions.
- Esters of PABA \rightarrow not taken with sulfa drugs [PABA antagonists].

<u>Metabolism:</u>

- Ester type → by Esterase [widely distributed in tissues]. E.g. Procaine and Benzocaine → PABA + corresponding alcohol.
- <u>Non-ester type:</u>



Synthesis of Procaine and Tetracaine [Esters]:



Synthesis of Lidocaine [Amide]:



III. TOPICAL ANESTHETICS

1]-Benzocaine

- Benzocaine is used in topical anesthesia on the skin and mucous membranes in the form of aerosols, or as creams for reduction of pain caused by itching, cuts, bites, etc.
- It begins to work 15–30 sec after application and lasts for 12–15 mins.

2] Cyclomethycaine



• Cyclomethycaine is also used in topical anesthesia on the skin or mucous membranes for cuts, bites, and also for urological examinations.

CNS STIMULANTS

They are substances that increase excitability within various regions of the brain or spinal cord which results in:

- d) Increased energy motivation.
- e) Elevation of mood.

- a) Increased mental alertness.
- b) Decreased fatigue.
- c) Improved concentration.

Mechanism of Action:

- 1- Selective blocking of neural inhibition (both postsynaptic and presynaptic).
- 2- Direct neural excitation.

Uses:

1-Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD); lack the ability to be involved in any one activity for longer than a few minutes.

2-Narcolepsy: It is a relatively rare **sleep disorder**, that is characterized by **uncontrollable bouts of sleepiness during the day.** It is sometimes accompanied by **catalepsy**, a loss in muscle control, or even paralysis brought on by strong emotion, such as laughter.

3-Obesity (anorectic agents).

Side effects: Extreme nervousness, agitation, anxiety and seizures.



Convulsant Stimulants

- Not used clinically but used as experimental tool in epilepsy studies.
- Examples: Natural: Picrotoxin and Strychnine. Synthetic: Pentylenetetrazole (Metrazole).



II) Psychic (Psychomotor) Stimulants

Called cerebral stimulants, stimulate cerebral cortex and medullary centers.

Classification:

- 1) Methylxanthenes.
- 2) Central sympathomimetics.
- 3) Antidepressant:
- i. MAO inhibitors.
- ii. Tricyclic compounds.
- iii. Miscellaneous.
- Antidepressant

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1) Caffeine	2)Theophylline	3)Theobromine
$H_{3}C$	O HN N CH ₃ N CH ₃ N CH ₃	H ₃ C N H ₂ N O H ₃ C N C N C H ₃ N O C C N C H ₃ N
Most potent	Less potent	Least potent
Actions: 1) Enhances mental alertness and wakefulness. 2) Diuretics. 3) Enhances concentration. 4) Lessens fatigue.		

Metabolism:

Caffeine	1,3-Dimethyluric acid		
	or 1-Methyl, 7-methyl		
Theophylline	1-Methyl, 1,3-dimethyluric acid	/	Oxidation
· ·		Demethylation	O N N

Some excreted unchanged.

Mechanism of action:

- Inhibition of cAMP phosphodiesterase
- Promote NE release
 Promote intracellular Ca⁺² release
- Phosphodiestrase-inhibiting ability through antagonism to adenosine at A_{1,2} receptors.

► CH3

2] Central sympathomimetics A) CNS Adrenergics

Mechanism of action:

- 1) Direct α_1 -adrenergic receptor stimulation.
- 2) Inhibit reuptake.
- 3) Enhances neuronal release of catecholamines.
- 4) MAO inhibition in high concenteration.

Amphetamine	Methamphetamine	Phenteramine
H ₃ C NH ₂	CH ₃ H ₃ C	CH ₃ H ₃ C
Chlorphenteramine	Chlortermine	Fenfluramine
CI H ₃ C H ₃ C	CI CH ₃ H ₃ C	$F_{3}C$ $F_{3}C$ $F_{2}H_{5}$ $H_{3}C$

B) CNS Adrenergic substitutes

• Developed to substitute the amphetamines because of their toxicity and abuse potentials.



SAR:



Synthesis:

• Amphetamine:



• Methamphetamine:



• <u>Phenmetrazine:</u>



3)-ANTI DEPRESSANTS

- > Depression: \downarrow of biological amines in postsynaptic sites (pathological depression).
- Affection mode disorders: Unipolar [depression without mania] and Bipolar (alternating episodes of mania & depression)

[I] MAO Inhibitors

Mechanism of Action:

Inhibition of intraneuronal MAO-A enzyme (which metabolize NE, 5-HT, DA) $\rightarrow \uparrow$ level of amines \rightarrow anti-depressant effect.

<u>N.B:</u>

- <u>MAO-B</u> enzyme (metabolize Dopamine only) so, by inhibition $\rightarrow \downarrow$ DA \rightarrow Parkinsonism treatment.
- <u>COMT</u>: Another enzyme metabolizes endogenous amines but present extra-neuronal.



Side effects of MAOIs:

If taken with sympathomimetics (amphetamine) or food contain tyramine (cheese) \rightarrow Hypertensive crisis [cheese effect] so, taken only in severe cases under medical supervision

Iproniazide	Phenelzine SO ₄	Tranylcypromine
(isopropyl derive. of I.N.H), Hepatotoxic not used	NH-NH ₂ .H ₂ SO ₄ (Hydrazine derivative)	(±)-2-phenyl cyclopropyl amine [Cyclic form of amphetamines] • Non-hydrazine.

A. Irreversible non-selective MAOIs

Assay of Phenelzine:

- Ph-CH₂-CH₂-NH-NH₂ + 2 I₂ + H₂O (known excess) \rightarrow Ph-CH₂-CH₂-OH + HI + N₂
- + NaHCO₃ \rightarrow to attract HI and Push the reaction forward \rightarrow Acidify with HCl (to neutralize excess NaCO₃)
- Titrate excess I_2 with Standard $Na_2S_2O_3$ and starch indicator.

M.O.A of Phenelzine:



B) Irreversible	C) Reversible preferential for MAO _A
Deprenyl	Moclobamide
MAO _B inhibitor (anti-parkinsonism)	P-Chloro-N-(2-morpholinoethyl)benzamide [Non-hydrazine]
	Advantage: Safer with \downarrow hypertensive crisis

[II] TRICYCLIC ANTIDEPRESSANT (THYMOLEPTICS)

MOA: Block transporters of NE and 5-HT (due to the structural similarities).

Advantage: Safer than MAOIs \rightarrow No diet control (may be used for children for nocturnal enuresis).

SAR:



3ry Amines	2ry Amine
↓ 5-HT reuptake [> NE] \rightarrow ↑ 5-HT	\downarrow NE reuptake \rightarrow \uparrow NE
↑ anti-cholinergic S.E	\downarrow anti-cholinergic S.E.
With ↑ sedation	Stimulatory

Azepine derivatives		Cylcoheptane derive.
Imipramine	Chlorimipramine	Amitryptiline
3(10,11-Dihydro-5H-dibenz [b,f]azepin-5yl)propyldimethyl amine Parent		(No geometrical isomers)
Metabolism \rightarrow Desipramine [2ry amine] \rightarrow more active	-With higher lipophilicity \rightarrow more potent. -Cl form H bond with protonated N \rightarrow stabilize β -aryl amine structure.	Metabolism \rightarrow Nortriptyline (2ry amine) \rightarrow active.



Synthesis of Imipramine:



[III] [MISCELLANEOUS]

It is considered as Second-Generation Anti-Depressants

A] Tetracyclic Anti-depressants		
Maprotaline	Amoxapine	Mirtazepine
M-CH3	⁸ Oxazepine derivative (Tricyclic derivative)	$\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ Mianserine & & \\ & & \\ & Pyrazino-azepine derivative \end{array}$
Selctive NE reuptake inhibitors	Anti-depressant related to Loxapine	Related to Mianserine
- Sedative not stimulant (block other receptors)	Metabolized to 8-OH → D ₂ -blocker → Antipsychotic.	 Central α₂-blocker →↑ NE release. ↑ Selective 5-HT transmission (block 5-HT₂ and 5-HT₃) → effects of released serotonin mediated only via 5-HT₁ action.

Synthesis of Amoxapine:



B. Trazodone	C. Tianebtine	D. Reboxetine
	Serotonin reuptake accelerator	$2-[\alpha-(2-\text{ethoxy phenoxy})]$ morpholine
Triazolidine derivatives (prevent 5- HT reuptake)	Initial effect $\rightarrow \downarrow 5$ -HT in synapse \rightarrow then by	MOA: Inhibit NE reuptake (NE factor)
Metabolism \rightarrow m-chlorophenyl piperazine $HN \longrightarrow Cl$ \rightarrow 5-HT agonist	feedback 1 release.	Uses: Chronic depression
F-Selective Serotonin reuptake Inhibitors (SSRI)		

First line of treatment -with phenyl ring, basic N (resemble 5-HT) and halogen. Bind to SERT [Serotonin Transporter]

Fluxetine	Fluvoxamine	Sertraline
F ₃ C	F ₃ C OMe	(15 AS (2 A diable methand))
	Paroxetine	(15,45-4-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)- 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1-
NH·CH ₃		naphthyl(methyl)amine[tetrahydro naphthyl amine derivative]
Nisoxetine	$CH_2 - 0$	$\frac{\text{Stereoselective}}{\bullet \text{Cis} \rightarrow \text{SSRI and Anorectic}}$
	E F	• Trans \rightarrow NE reuptake inhibitor.

SAR of Fluoxetine:

- <u>CF₃</u> \rightarrow must be Para. [if m $\rightarrow \downarrow$ selectivity 10-fold] [if O $\rightarrow \downarrow$ selectivity 90-fold]
- <u>**CF**</u>₃ \rightarrow O-Methoxy (Nesoxitine) \rightarrow NE reuptake inhibitor.
- <u>Degree of methylation on N</u> does not affect selectivity or potency [Norfluxetine is active]
- <u>Fluxetine</u> \rightarrow R and S are equal in activity [but S is slowly eliminated], <u>Norfluxetine</u> \rightarrow S with more selective > R.

Synthesis of Sertraline:





- 1. Removal of two methyl groups in isobenzofuran ring.
- 2. Introduction of second methyl to N [3ry]
- 3. Disubstitution on 5,4-positions → halogenation by Cl, Br, F [dichloro is more selective > mono-chloro derivative].
- 4. 5-substitution by e-withdrawing group [as $CN \rightarrow$ chemically & metabolically stable]

Synthesis of Citalopram:



SAR of SSRI:

- Central ring [as in TCA] is abolished here $\rightarrow \downarrow$ anti-cholinergic S.E. [\downarrow structure similarity] $\rightarrow \beta$ -aryl amine-like structure is kept through H-bonding.
- Aromatic ring + basic $N \rightarrow$ with distance similar to 5-HT.
- Halogen in aryl ring $\rightarrow \uparrow$ selectivity.
- Extra aryl group $\rightarrow \uparrow$ affinity to SERT.

Li Carbonate and Li Citrate		
Uses	 Prophylaxis and treatment of bipolar depression (manic depression) Prophylaxis of recurrent unipolar depression (+ other anti-depressant) 	
Disadvantage	With \downarrow safety margin (dose should be reduced gradually)	



Duloxetine



- Balanced and potent inhibitor of 5-HT and NE reuptake
- With 3 unrelated indications:
 - 1. Major depression.
 - 2. Stress urinary incontinence.
 - 3. Diabetic peripheral neuropathic pain.

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM [CVS DRUGS]

	CVS Diseases	Drug types
1	Congestive Heart Failure	Cardiotonic
2	Angina	Antianginals and vasodilators
3	Arrhythmia	Antiarrhythmics
4	Hypertension	Antihypertension
5	Hyperlipidemia	Antihyperlipidemic
5	Blood Coagulation Disorder	Anticoagulants

[I] Cardiotonics

They are drugs that \uparrow contractile force of the heart [INOTROPIC] \rightarrow used in CHF [Congestive Heart Failure].

<u>Congestive Heart Failure [CHF]</u>: inability of the heart to pump blood effectively due to the weakness of cardiac muscles.

Classified into:

Steroidal drugs	Non-steroidal drugs
 Cardiac glycosides [e.g. Digoxin] (Sod. Pot ATPase inhibitors) 	 β₁-agonists [as Dopamine & Doputamine] Phosphodiesterase Inhibitors [PDEIs]. Ca channel opener.

1] Cardiac glycosides

✓ They act by inhibition of <u>sod. Pot. ATPase</u> enzyme.

Chemistry:

- ✓ The molecule consists of **two** main parts:
 - 1) A sugar part (Glycone).
 - 2) A nonsugar part (Aglycone).



D-glucose; D-digitoxose

Structural features:

- 1) 1 to 4 sugar residues on C₃-O through β -1,4 linkage.
- 2) Ring A-B: cis; B-C: trans; C-D: cis (U-shape).
- 3) Two angular methyl gps at C_{10} and C_{13} .
- 4) Two β -hydroxyl gps at C₃ (sugar attachment) and C₁₄ (free).
- 5) 17 β lactone.

Digitoxin	Digoxin
CH ₃ CH ₃ OH OH Digitoxose	CH ₃ CH ₃ OH OH OH OH
3β,14β- <u>Dihydroxy</u> -5β-card-20(22)enolide	3β,12β,14β- <u>Trihydroxy</u> -5β-card-20(22) enolide
> Two OHs (more lipophylic)	> Three OHs (less lipophylic)
> 90% PP binding ($T_{1/2}$ 5-7 days)	\gg 30% PP binding (T _{1/2} 1-2 days)
Metabolized by liver	Excreted by kidney
Assay: Alkaline picric acid \rightarrow orange color	Assay: FeCl ₃ in presence of acetic acid \rightarrow
(colorimetry)	green color (colorimetry)

Ouabain

Used parenterally in **emergencies**, while the others are used in chronic cases. They act through inhibition of <u>Sod.Pot.-ATPase</u> $\rightarrow \uparrow$ intracellular <u>Na⁺</u> and accordingly \uparrow intracellular <u>Ca⁺⁺</u>

Stability:

- ✓ They are unstable in **acid** medium due to the **glycoside hydrolysis**.
- ✓ Ouabain and digoxin are more stable than digitoxin.
- ✓ Alkaline medium cleaves the lactone ring \rightarrow inactive.

2] PDEIs (rinones)

<u>M.O.A:</u> by inhibition of <u>PDE III</u> enzyme that hydrolyze cAMP into 5'-AMP \rightarrow $\uparrow\uparrow$ cAMP \rightarrow $\uparrow\uparrow$ intracellular Ca⁺⁺ \rightarrow \uparrow force of contraction of the heart [Inotropic effect].

Bipyridines		
Amrinone [Inamrinone]	Milrinone (Primacor®)	
$N \longrightarrow V \longrightarrow $	$\begin{array}{c} & & \\$	
 Disadvantages: more side effects ① Causes GIT disturbance. ② Taken only I.V. → hydrophilic drug. 	Taken orally [CN & Me ↑ its lipophilicity] More safe, No side effects.	

[III] ANTI-ANGINAL DRUG [I] Organic Nitrates and Nitrites [NO-Releasers]

They are simple **nitrous or nitric acid esters** of polyhydroxy **alcohols**. <u>**M.O.A:**</u>

 $RONO_2 + R'-SH$ [nitrate receptor in coronaries] $\rightarrow RSNO$ [thionitroso group] $\rightarrow NO \rightarrow$

activation of guanyl cyclase $\rightarrow \uparrow$ cGMP \rightarrow dephosphorylation of Myosin-P converting

it to Myosin light chain which can't interact with actin \rightarrow relaxation of smooth muscles

 \rightarrow vasodilatation.

Side effects of Nitrates:

- 1. **Rapid tolerance**: due to consumption of tissue thiols.
- 2. Headache, reflex tachycardia & explosive properties.
- 3. Some degree of volatility and sensitive to moisture.

N.B: there's **no relation** between no. of nitro groups and activity of the drug.

General synthesis:



Classified according to their onset and duration of action into:

[a] Rapid Acting Drugs:

[Rapid onset, short duration and rapid 1^{st} pass metabolism] \rightarrow used in <u>acute</u> cases.

Amyl nitrite [Isopentyl nitrite]	Glyceryl trinitrate (TNG)
H_3C CH - CH ₂ - CH ₂ - ONO H_3C	CH ₂ – ONO ₂ I CH – ONO ₂ I CH ₂ – ONO ₂
Taken by inhalation in emergency [onset in seconds]	Taken as sublingual tablets or transdermal patches to prevent 1^{st} pass effect and fat onset. Redistribute coronary blood flow to ischemic regions and \downarrow myocardial O ₂ demand.
Synthesis of glyceryl trinitrate: CH ₂ -OH CH-OH	$3 \text{ HNO}_{3} \xrightarrow[]{} CH_{2}-ONO_{2} \\ \\ CH-ONO_{2} \\ \\ CH_{2}-ONO_{2} \\ \\ CH_{2}-ONO_{$

[b] Slow Acting Drugs:

[Used in **chronic** cases for prophylaxis and treatment]

Pentaerythritol tetranitrate	Isosorbide dinitrate [Dinitra [®]]
0 ₂ NO ONO ₂ 0 ₂ NO ONO ₂ 2,2-bis(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propandiol tetranitrate	0 NO_2 $1 \text{ J}_2 \text{ J}_3 \text{ O}$ $1,4: 3,6 - dianhydro-D-glucitol-2,5-dinitrate$
With 15 min. onset and 3 hours duration	By metabolism it gives Isosrobide-2- mononitrate and Isosorbide-5-mononitrate [which is active] [5-nitro is used as a drug (Monomack [®])]

Synthesis of Isosorbide dinitrate:





N.B: Isosorbide mononitrtae unlike isosorbide dinitrate, it does not undergo first pass hepatic metabolism, and therefore the bioavailability of isosorbide mononitrate is very high.

Assay:



2] Calcium Channel Blockers [CCBS]

- Ca Channel blocker [cardio-selective] and β -blockers \rightarrow used also as anti-anginal drugs <u>They may act on:</u>
 - 1. B.V \rightarrow anti-hypertensive.
 - 2. Heart \rightarrow anti-anginal or anti-arrhythmia.

Chemical classes:

- a) 1,4-Dihydropyridines (dipines e.g nifedipine).
- b) Phenylalkylamines: verapamil.
- c) Benzothiazepines: diltiazem.
- d) Diaminopropanol ethers: bepridil.

[A] 1,4-Dihydropyridine Derivatives



<u>N.B</u>: If R_3 isn't like R_5 ; the compound will be chiral [S>R]

Uses: Used for hypertension [act on B.V. not on heart due to their lipophilicity].

Nifedipine [Epilat [®]]	Amlodipine [Norvasc [®]]	
$H_{3}C \xrightarrow{NO_{2}} H_{3}C \xrightarrow{OOC} CH_{3} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C OOC} H_{3}C \xrightarrow{NO} CH_{3}$ $H_{3}C \xrightarrow{N} CH_{3} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C OOC} CH_{3} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C OOC} CH_{3}$ $H_{3}C \xrightarrow{N} CH_{3} \xrightarrow{H_{3}C OOC} CH_{3}$ $Dimethyl-1, 4-dihydro-2, 6-dimethyl-4-(2-nitrophenyl)-pyridine-3, 5-dicarboxylate$	$H_{3}C - OOC$ $H_{3}C - OOC$ $H_{3}C$	
 The PROTOTYPE. The main disadvantage is photodecomposition (aromatization and reduction) 	 Cl instead of NO₂ → NO photodecomposition. Ethyl ester instead of methyl → ↑ lipophilicity and ↑ steric hinderance. Amino methoxy methyl group ↑ lipophilicity [taken once daily] and ↑ absorption. 	
Chirality leads to marked enhancement of potency.		



Synthesis of Nifedipine: (Hansch pyridine synthesis)



Assay:

Solution in isobutanol, acidified with perchloric acid, is titrated with **cerric amm. sulfate** using **ferroin** as indicator until the **pink color is discharged.**



[2] MISCELLANEOUS VASODILATORS





M.O.A of Dipyridamole:

1) Depending on structural similarity between dipyridamol and adenosine (a natural vasodilator) so it competes to the enzyme adenosine deaminase and prevent reuptake of adenosine by vascular system $\rightarrow \uparrow$ level of adenosine \rightarrow coronary vasodilatation



2) Inhibits phosphodiesterase $\rightarrow \uparrow cAMP \rightarrow anti-platelet$ effect

Dipyridamole is the drug of choice for prophylaxis from unstable angina \rightarrow vasodilator + anti-platelet effect

[3] Cardio-Selective CCBs

Pharmacological effects of CCBs:

- 1) Negative inotropic effect.
- 2) Vasodilation (vascular smooth muscle).

<u>Result:</u> \downarrow heart workload and after load.

[b] Phenyl alkyl amines	[c] Benzothiazepines
Verapamil [Isoptin®]	Deltiazem [Altiazem®]
 MeO → ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓	D is the active form $\begin{array}{c} \hline \text{[trans is inactive]} & H \\ \hline & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ & & \\ \hline & & & \\ & & \\ \hline & & \\ \hline & & \\ & & \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline & & \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline \\$
Selective to cardiac muscles \rightarrow used mainly	Long acting drug with high affinity to
as anti-arrhythmic agent.	cardiac myocardial cells.

[III] Anti-Arrhythmic drugs

- Cardiac arrhythmia is an abnormality of the cardiacrhythm. Arrhythmias may cause sudden death, syncope, heart failure, dizziness, palpitations or no symptoms at all. There are two main types of arrhythmia:
 - 1. Bradycardia: the heart rate is slow (< 60 b.p.m.)
 - 2. Tachycardia: the heart rate is fast (> 100 b.p.m.).

Classification:

According to pharmacologic critect.		
Class I	Na^+ channel blockers \rightarrow E.g. Quinidine	
Class II	β -Blockers [indirect ↓ in Ca ⁺⁺ influx] → E.g. Propranolol	
Class III K ⁺ channel blockers (prolongs the action potenti		
Class IV	Ca^{++} channel blockers \rightarrow E.g. Verapamil	

> According to **pharmacologic effect**:

[I] Class I [Na⁺ channel blockers] [Membrane stabilizing drugs]

<u>M.O.A:</u>

- By blocking sodium channels $\rightarrow \downarrow$ maximal rate of depolarization $\rightarrow \uparrow$ duration of action potential \rightarrow anti-arrhythmic action.
- With membrane stabilizing effect → may be used as L.A which inhibits the first phase of action potential.

Class Ia [Moderate dissociation \rightarrow moderate activity]		
1) Quinidine	2) Procainamide	
OH [a] (H ₃ CO) (H ₃	$H_2N \xrightarrow{O}_{\underline{\mathbb{C}}-NH} CH_2 \cdot CH_2 \cdot N_{\underline{\mathbb{C}}}^{H_2}$ <i>4-Amino-N-(2-diethyl amino ethyl) benzamide</i>	
 The prototype drug. Present as D(+) isomer, if L(-) it's called quinine [anti-malarial]. Gives 2 active metabolites [a & b]. Cinchonane derivative. 	 O₂N → CH₃ Oxid. O₂N → COOH SOCI₂ O₂N → COCI H₂NCH₂CH₂N(Et)₂ O₂N → CONHCH₂CH₂N(Et)₂ Red. Drug > It's the amide of procaine [local anesthetic]. > Short acting drug [hydrolyzed by amidase]. > By metabolism: N-acetylation giving N-acetyl procainamide [Acecainide] which is class III anti-arrhythmic agent [K⁺ channel blocker] H₃C - C - HN → C - NH - CH₂ CH₂N → Et Assayed by Non aq. titration, or by diazotization (primary aromatic amine). 	
3) Disopyramide phospha	ate 4) Encainide	



Class Ib [with rapid dissociation \rightarrow least potent]		
Lidocaine [Xylocaine]	Mexiletine	
2-(diethyl amino)-N-(2,6-dimethyl phenyl) acetamide	1-(2,6-dimethyl phenoxy)-2-propanamine	
 > Used I.V. [NOT orally] due to first pass effect; see below] > Used as L.A [as procainamide]. > 2-ortho methyl groups: essential that they make steric hinderance to ↓ hydrolysis of amide. > By metabolism: → CH₃ O = CH₂ O = CH	 It can be taken orally due to: 1. Ether linkage is more stable than amide linkage to hydrolysis. 2. Presence of 1ry amine → no N-dealkylation → no toxic metabolites. 3. Presence of α-methyl group which make steric hindrance that ↓ hydrolysis of 1ry amine by MAO and also ↑ lipophilicity. 	



Synthesis of Mexiletine:



[IV] Class IV [Calcium channel blockers]

- 1) Diltiazem HCl.
- 2) Verapamil HCl.

[IV] Anti-Hypertensive drugs

> Initial Agents:

- 1) Diuretics.
- 2) Calcium channel blockers.
- 3) Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitors. (ACEI)

[3] Angiotensin Antagonists



[A] ACE Inhibitors [PRILS]

<u>Major side effects</u>: dry cough [due to \uparrow bradykinins] \rightarrow so, contraindicated in asthmatic patients.

This class is effective for diabetic patients [with nephropathy] (NO β -blocker $\rightarrow \downarrow$ insulin release)

SAR:



So, the requirements for the ACE inhibitor drug is:

- 1. Contain anionic site [COO⁻]
- 2. Contain H-bond forming group [C=O]
- 3. Contain SH, COO⁻ or phosphinate group to react with Zn^{++} .
- 4. Contain hydrophobic moiety [if methyl as in captopril \rightarrow S isomer is more active > R]

1st Generation

Captopril [Capoten[®]]

The prototype of ACE I \rightarrow used for severe essential and reno-vascular hypertension.



1'-[(2S)-3-mercapto-2-methyl-1-oxopropyl]-L-proline

Disadvantages:

- 1. Due to SH group \rightarrow Rash and loss of taste.
- 2. It's rapidly inactivated by formation of disulfide bridge \rightarrow short acting.
- 3. dry cough



HSH₂C

Assay: Captopril + KI then titrated by KIO₃ using starch as indicator

Thiol 2 RSH I_2 R-S-S-R Disulfide

Synthesis of Enalapril:



[B] Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists [AT₁ Blockers, Sartans] Advantage over ACE I: NO dry cough.





2. Isosteric replacement.

> Alternatives:

- 1) Antiadrenergic:
 - a) *β*-blockers
 - i) cardio selective (Atenolol, acebutolol).
 - ii) Nonselective (propranolol, timolol).
 - **b**) α -blockers.
 - c) Centrally acting.
 - d) Peripheral antagonists.
- 2) Direct vasodilators.
- 3) Ganglionic blocking agents.

[1] Antiadrenergic agents [b] Alpha adrenergic antagonists

[a] <u>Non-selective α-blockers</u>:

They are used in pheochromocytoma NOT in hypertension due to their $\uparrow\uparrow$ side effects. **[b] Selective** α_1 -blockers: Cause vasodilatation without \uparrow in H.R. or cardiac output [by α_2 -blockage].

Quinazolines Derivatives		
Prazosin [Minipress [®]]	Terazosin [Itrin [®]]	
H ₃ CO H ₃ CO H ₃ CO H_3 CO H_2 I-(4-amino-6, 7-dimethoxy quinazolin-2-yl)-4-(2-furanyl carbonyl) piperazine	$H_{3}CO$ N N N N C O	
Disadvantage: \downarrow lipid solubility and \downarrow	Contain tetrahydrofuran moiety \rightarrow 1 lipid	
bioavailability.	solubility \rightarrow improve bioavailability and	
	duration [taken once daily].	



Side effects:

<u>SYNCOPE</u>: [postural hypotension] especially after 1st dose [*used at bedtime*], palpitation, dizziness.

SAR:

Acyl moeity has great activity greatly affect pharmacokinetic of the drug



4-Amino is Essential for alpha-1 affinity


[i]Centrally Acting Sympatholytics [Centrally Acting α₂-Agonists] M.O.A:

Stimulation of α_2 -receptors $\rightarrow \downarrow$ sympathetic flow of NE, Ep from the brain $\rightarrow \downarrow$ B.P. **SAR:**

At least one ortho lipophilic substituent:

1. Increase lipophilicity and activity---> increase CNS penetration.

2. Make the two rings non-coplanner.





1. Acts as **false neurotransmitter** with weak adrenergic activity.

2. Acts as $\underline{\alpha_2}$ -agonist $\rightarrow \downarrow$ NE and E release [currently accepted hypothesis]. Uses:

- Used orally for moderate hypertension but it's sparingly soluble in water [as it presents in zwitter ion form] → safe for pregnancy.
- So, to be used by injection [if hypertensive crisis], we make α -methyl ethyl dopate prodrug which is with free amino to from water soluble HCl salt \rightarrow which is hydrolyzed in body to give α -methyl dopa.



[d] Peripheral Antagonists [ii] Peripherally Acting Sympatholytics [1] Ganglionic Blockers

- They block nicotinic receptors at postsynaptic membrane of ganglia and prevent Ach induced depolarization \rightarrow act on sympathetic and para-sympathetic systems.
- Was used in neurosurgical operation to maintain low B.P. and in hypertensive crisis.
- They are obselet now as they are non-selective with $\uparrow\uparrow$ side effects.



[2] Amine Depletors and Adrenergic Neuron Blockers

- <u>M.O.A:</u>
 - peripheral α₂-agonist and block reuptake and deplete NE stores.
 - With restricted use \rightarrow orthostatic hypotension.
 - Examples: Reserpine → natural amine depletor but acting centrally [cause depression by ↓ amines centrally] → not used for depressed patients.

[1] Reserpine	[2] Guanithidine	
H_3CO H_3C H_3C O O O O O O O O O O	N-CH ₂ CH ₂ NH-C ^{''} NH ₂ SO ₄ <u>1-(2-Guanidoethyl)azacyclooctane</u>	
Depletes postganglionic sympathetic nerves from catecholamines	Deplete the neural granules	
Both are of slow onset and very long duration		

[2] Direct vasodilators

- They are drugs act directly on arterial smooth muscles [without interference with autonomic innervation]
- They are potent drugs used in emergency but with side effects as:
 - 1. **Reflex tachycardia:** so, used with β -blocker [as anti-arrhythmic agent].
 - 2. Na⁺ and water retention [stimulate rennin release from kidney]: so, used with diuretics.
- 1. <u>Arterial Vasodilators</u>: [acts by opening of K⁺ channels].



Assay of Hydralazine:

Depending on its reducing properties \rightarrow titration with oxidizing agent as KIO₃ [Andrew's method]

 $\text{R-NH-NH}_2 + \text{KIO}_3 + 2 \text{ HCl} \rightarrow \text{R-OH} + \text{ICl} + \text{KCl} + 2 \text{ H}_2\text{O} + \text{N}_2$



• Orally active drug, long acting.

NEW DRUG

Ranolazine (Ranexa[®])

I		
	$\begin{array}{c} CH_3 \\ H \\ N \\ O \\ CH_3 \end{array} \\ O \\ O \\ CH_3 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} OH \\ OCH_3 \\ OH \\ OCH_3 \\ OH \\ $	N-(2,6-Dimethylphenyl)- methoxyphenoxy piperazineace

4-[2-hydroxy-3-(2-)propyl]-1tamide

- Used as **antianginal** and anti-ischemic. •
- Partial inhibitor of fatty acid oxidation.
- Ranolazine inhibits persistent or late inward sodium current (INa) in heart muscle in a • variety of voltage-gated sodium channels. Inhibiting that current leads to reductions in intracellular calcium levels.

[V] Anti-Hyperlipidemic Drugs

- Lipids transported in blood stream as **lipoproteins**; VLDL, LDL, IDL, HDL.
- Plasma cholesterol & its transporter $LDL \rightarrow Atherogenic potential.$
- IpCa [specific lipoprotein] $\rightarrow \downarrow$ fibrinolytic activity \rightarrow thrombosis.

[I] Drugs Affect Lipoprotein Catabolism

[i] Bile acid sequestrants [Anion Exchange Resin]

<u>M.O.A:</u>

- > They exchange their anion with bile acid \rightarrow binding with bile acid forming insoluble resin that is rapidly eliminated $\rightarrow \downarrow \downarrow$ bile acid in body.
- > To compensate \rightarrow body stimulate cholesterol catabolism in liver [\uparrow uptake of cholesterol in blood by \uparrow LDL receptors].
- > NOT absorbed \rightarrow safe drugs.

Disadvantages: can't be taken in patients with **Homozygous Familial Lipoproteinemia [HFL]** \rightarrow -ve LDL receptor patients.



[ii] D(+) Thyroxin

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O-(4-hydroxy-2,4-diiodo phenoxy)-3,5-diiodo-D-tyrosine

M.O.A: by stimulation of 17α -cholesterol hydroxylase which hydrolyzed cholesterol to bile acids.

Side effects: cardiovascular disorders.

[II] <u>Drugs affect lipoprotein synthesis</u> [i] <u>Nicotinic acid & its derivatives</u>

<u>M.O.A</u> : Inhibit lipolysis $\rightarrow \downarrow$ release	of free fatty acids &	triglycerides from fa	tty tissues $\rightarrow \downarrow$
synthesis of VLDL & LDL.			

Nicotinic acid [Niacin]	Acipimox		
COOH	5-methyl pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid-4- oxide		
 ➤ Taken in ↑↑ dose [4 gm / day] → with short duration. ➤ If taken in small doses → act as vit.B₃. 	 Nicotinic acid analogue [isosteric replacement of pyridine ring with piperazine]. With higher duration, less side effects. 		
Cause flushing, pruritis, arrhythmia.	Lower potency.		
[ii] Fibrates			
[α-aryl oxy isobutyric acid derivatives] [Clofibric acid derivatives]			

<u>M.O.A:</u>

 $[1] \uparrow VLDL$ catabolism $[\uparrow heptic lipase activity] \rightarrow \downarrow plasma triglycerides. [main effect].$

[2] Inhibit incorporation of acetyl CoA into early step of cholesterol synthesis $\rightarrow \downarrow$ cholesterol.

SAR:





alpha-aryl oxy isobutyric acid is Essential

Bulky gp to increase lipophilicity & bioavailability

acid is the active form; but with low bioavailability;so,

Ester prodrug

separation from phenyl by 3C

Clofibrate	Etofibrate [Lipo-Merz [®]]
O_{C} COO - Et $H_{3}C$ CH ₃ 2-(4-Chlorophenoxy)-2-methyl propionic acid ethyl ester	$Cl \longrightarrow Clofibrate O = C + C + C + C + C + C + C + C + C + C$
 ≻ The Prototype of fibrates. ≻ Prodrug of clofibric acid to ↑ bioavailability. 	 Di-ester prodrug; by hydrolysis it gives Clofibric acid [↓ VLDL & LDL] + Nicotinic acid [↓ VLDL] Used ≠ all types of hyperlipidemia.

Bezafibrate [Bezalip [®]]	Gemfibrozil [Lopid [®]]
CI CI CI CI CI CI CI CI CI CI	CH ₃ ^{3 C} spacer CH ₃ ^{3 C} spacer COOH H ₃ C 5-(2,5-dimethylphenoxy)-2,2-dimethyl pentanoic acid (3 rd Generation)
 NOT a Prodrug. With bulky lipophilic group to ↑ potency and ↑ duration > clofibric acid. 	 Atypical fibrate [3 C spacer]. Not a prodrug. Congener for clofibrate ↑ HDL also [advantage].



M.O.A: Statins Θ H₃C H_3C COOH HMG CoA reductase НΟ COOH Acetyl CoA Cholesterol OН 3-Hydroxy-3-Methyl-Glutaryl CoA [HMG CoA] 5 Mevalonic acid CoA [3,5-dihydroxy acid]

[III] Statins [HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitors]

- > By inhibition of **HMG-CoA reductase** enzyme \rightarrow inhibit synthesis of cholesterol.
- Statins should contain 3,5-dihydroxy acid moiety to be active which is present either as; lactone ring [prodrug] or free.

1 st Generation				
Lovastatin	Simvastatin [Zocor [®]]	Pravastatin [Lipostat [®]]		
Prototype O O O C H ₃ C C H ₃ C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	$ \begin{array}{c} $	$\begin{pmatrix} HOOC & OH \\ HO & O \\ HO & O \\ H_{3}C & O \\ H_{3}C & CH_{3} \\ C$		
 Natural drug isolated from Asperigillus fungi. Prodrug. 	 Semi-synthetic drug. Prodrug. 3 times more potent Homolog of Lovastatin. 	 ➢ Semi-synthetic drug. ➢ NOT a prodrug. ➢ OH: ↑ hydrophilicity & ↓ toxicity. 		

N.B. on SAR:

- > 3,5-dihydroxy acid moiety is ESSENTIAL.
- > Hexahydronaphthalene $\rightarrow \uparrow$ lipophilicity & \uparrow binding to enzyme.
- > It should be separated from active moiety by 2 C [if more \rightarrow inactive].

Side effects: Liver dysfunction and Myopathy [muscle weakness]



Synthetic, with heterocycle + F + Isopropyl group; they are not prodrugs.



Semi-synthesis of Simvastatin:



- > Natural anti-coagulant; composed of mucopolysaccharide polysulfonic acid esters its sugar units are linked together by α -1,4-glycosidic linkage.
- Not used orally [highly ionic (-ve charge acidic) + it's sugar] & not taken I.M. [irritant make edema & hematoma].
- > Only used I.V. or S.C. [rapid onset drug].

M.O.A:



- > So, it inhibits thrombin formation.
- Antidote for Heparin [acidic] is Protamine Sulphate [which is basic in nature due to its basic arginine amino acid].
- \blacktriangleright Heparinoids \rightarrow obtained from heparing through chemical reaction.

[ii] Oral anti-coagulants [Indirect acting Vit. K antagonists] M.O.A: Role of vitamin K:



- > By inhibition of activation of vitamin $K \rightarrow$ anti-coagulant effect.
- ➤ They inhibit epoxide reductase and naphthaquinone reductase → making vitamin K always in inactive form:



N.B:

- ➤ They are with slow onset due to presence of preformed coagulation factors → not used in emergency.
- Their effect last for > one week after stopping till liver can resynthesize active prothrombin.
- ➤ In emergency start treatment with heparin + oral anti-coagulant; when effect of oral drug starts to appear → stop heparin.



Synthesis of Warfarin:





- [a] COX-Inhibitors: Aspirin [TX synthesis]
- Drugs that inhibit platelets aggregation are useful in reducing the risk of **myocardial** infarction.
- <u>Aspirin</u> acts as antiplatelet drug by irreversibly inhibiting platelets aggregation by **acetylation of cyclooxygenase** which in turn inhibits the synthesis of **thromboxane** A₂, a powerful vasoconstrictor and inducer of platelet aggregation.
- <u>**160 mg**</u> aspirin every other day or <u>**80 mg each day**</u> is effective for preventing myocardial infarction.





[c] Platelet Specific Receptor Antagonists [Adenosine Diphosphate Receptor \rightarrow ADP-Antagonists]

M.O.A: By inhibition of this receptor \rightarrow which form fibrinogen bridges between platelets \rightarrow anti-platelet effect.





Trans-4-(amino methyl) cyclohexane carboxylic aid

✓ Used orally & I.V. <u>M.O.A:</u>



6-Amino Caproid acid (6-Amino Hexanoic acid)



Similar in action but less potent



DIURETICS

<u>Definition</u>: Substances that \uparrow urine excretion through \uparrow excretion of electrolytes [as Na⁺, K⁺, Cl⁻ and HCO₃⁻] by interfering with their reabsorption from nephron [functional unit of the kidney].

Efficiency depends on:

Chemical structure.
 Site of action.
 Patient sodium intake. 4. Amount of exracellular fluid.

Uses:

- 1. Treatment of <u>edema</u> resulting from:
 - Congestive heart failure.
 - Nephritic syndrome.
 - Chronic liver diseases.
- 2. <u>Hypertension</u> and <u>glaucoma</u>.

Site of action of diuretics on the nephron:

[I] OSMOTIC DIURETICS

<u>M.O.A:</u> they \uparrow tubular fluid osmolarity $\rightarrow \downarrow$ reabsorption of fluids $\rightarrow \uparrow$ excretion of water.

Properties:

- > Of mild potency; used in $\uparrow \uparrow$ doses only I.V. [of \uparrow water solubility].
- > Compounds of \downarrow molecular weight.
- Pharmacologically inert.
- > With limited or no renal reabsorption or metabolism.
- Act within 10 minutes and used <u>mainly for prophylaxis \neq renal dysfunction</u>.

Mannitol	Glycerol	Urea
	НО ОН ОН	H ₂ N NH ₂

[II] CARBONIC ANHYDRASE INHIBITORS

Carbonic anhydrase [CA]: catalyze hydration of CO₂ and dehydration of carbonic acid in tubular cells.

$$H^{+} + HCO_{3}^{-} \longrightarrow H_{2}CO_{3} \xrightarrow{CA} CO_{2} + H_{2}O$$

excreted form [by exchange of $\mathbf{H}^{\!+}$ with $\mathbf{K}^{\!+}$ or $\mathbf{Na}^{\!+}$



- By inhibition of CA enzyme → ↓ exchange of Na⁺ in kidney tubules → Na⁺ and HCO₃⁻ will be more excreted.
- This class of limited use due to:
 - 1. They are weak diuretics and tolerance rapidly developed.
 - By <u>prolonged use</u> → urine become more alkaline [↑ Na⁺ excretion] → blood become more acidic → acidosis → CA inhibitors lose their activity.

S	4]	R:
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For heterocyclic sulfonamides		For m-disulfamoyl benzene
	\succ	Two sulfamoyl groups should be meta to each
		other. [but 1,3-disulfamoyl benzene with no
Free unsubstituted sulfamoyl is		diuretic activity].
essential.	\succ	One of sulfamoyl group should be
Introduction of methyl group to		unsubstituted.
the ring [Methazolamide] ↓	\succ	Replacing one sulfamoyl group with similar
polarity and <i>†</i> penetration to		electrophilic group as; carboxyl or
ocular tissues [100-300		carbamoyl Will ↑ diuretic activity but ↓ CA
mg/day dose instead of 250-		inhibition activity [see mefruside and
1000 mg/day dose].		indapamide].
Derivatives with highest	\succ	Cl, Br, CF ₃ or NO ₂ substituents in ortho
lipid/water partition coefficient		position to one of sulfamoyl groups \rightarrow
and with the lowest pKa \rightarrow		maximum diuretic activity [if add another Cl
greater activity.		next to ortho Cl; this † activity].
	\succ	Amino substituent; ↑ saluretic activity [but ↓
		CA inhibition activity].

Acetazolamide	Methazolamide	Dorozolamide [Trusopt [®]]	Ethoxyzolamide	Dichlorphenamide
H ₂ NO ₂ S N -NH O S N -[5- (aminosulfonyl)- 1,3,4-thiadiazol-2- yl] acetamide	$H_{3}C O C CH_{3}$ $H_{2}NO_{2}S S = N$	$H_{2}NO_{2}S \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} H_{2}NO_{2}S \xrightarrow{CH_{3}} O^{-S}O^{-T}CH_{3}$	C ₂ H ₅ O 6-ethoxy-1,3- benzohtiazole-2- sulfonamide	SO ₂ NH ₂ H ₂ NO ₂ S CI CI CI CI CI CI CI A,5-dichloro benzene-1,3- disulfonamide

Uses:

1. Glaucoma [by inhibition of CA in eyes → inhibit formation of aqueous humor]

2. Convulsion [by inhibition of CA in CNS].

3. Acetazolamide also used in altitude sickness [for mountains climbers].

Synthesis of Acetazolamide:



Synthesis of Dichlorphenamide:



Assay:

Acetazolamide	Dichlorphenamide
By dissolution in DMF \rightarrow titrate \neq	By HPLC; compare area under the peak of
ethanolic NaOH. Determine end point	the sample relative to a standard at the
potentiometrically.	same retention time and with similar
	analytical conditions.

[Iii] High Ceiling or Loop Diuretics

- ➤ They work on loop of Henle [Loop diuretics], and with ↑↑ activity [High ceiling].
- > Side effects: \uparrow K⁺ depletion and \downarrow uric acid excretion \rightarrow Hypokalemia and Hyperuricemia.

[A] Phenoxy Acetic Acid Derivatives Ethacrynic Acid



2,3-dichloro-4-(2-methylene-1-oxobutyl) phenoxy acetic acid

SAR:

electron withdrawing group Cl⁻ is optimum



alpha,beta-unsaturated carbonyl moeity [alkylating moeity]

this acidic moeity ; direct the drug to the kidney

sulfhydryl reactive acryloyl moeity

if saturated ; inactive

M.O.A:



[B] OTHERS

Furosemide [Lasix®]Bumetanide [Burinex®]Torsemide $\downarrow^{COOH}_{H_2NO_2S}$ $\downarrow^{COOH}_{H_3C}$ $\downarrow^{H_3C}_{H_3C}$ $\downarrow^{H_3C}_{H_3C}$ $\downarrow^{+_2NO_2S}_{C}$ $\downarrow^{+_3C}_{1}$ $\downarrow^{+_3C}_{1}$ $\downarrow^{+_3C}_{1}$ $\downarrow^{+_2NO_2S}_{C}$ $\downarrow^{1}_{H_3C}$ $\downarrow^{+_3C}_{1}$ $\downarrow^{+_3C}_{1}$ \downarrow^{1}_{1} \downarrow^{1}_{1} \downarrow^{1}_{1} $\downarrow^{+_3C}_{1}$ \downarrow^{1}_{1} \downarrow^{-	Benzoic aci	Sulfonyl urea derivatives	
$\begin{array}{c} \overbrace{l}^{COOH} \\ 4-chloro-N-furfuryl-5-\\ sulfamoyl anthranilic acid \end{array} \qquad $	Furosemide [Lasix [®]]	Bumetanide [Burinex [®]]	Torsemide
Synthesis of Furosemide:	4-chloro-N-furfuryl-5- sulfamoyl anthranilic acid	H ₃ C H H ₃ C H H ₃ C H H ₃ C H H H C COOH So ₂ NH ₂ So ₂ NH ₂ S	H ₃ C H ₃ C H ₃ C H ₃ C H ₃ C H ₁ C CH ₃ O I -isopropyl-3-{[4-(3-(3-methyl phenyl amino-pyridine]-3-sulfonyl}] urea



<u>Assay</u>

Ethacrynic acid	Furosemide	Bumetanide
Dissolution in methanol, titration with NaOH [end point dteremined	Dissolution in DMF, titrate \neq NaOH using bromothymol blue as indicator [carry out blank]	Dissolution in alcohol, titrate \neq NaOH using phenol red as indicator.

[IV] Potassium Sparing Diuretics

- > They \uparrow sodium and chloride excretion and \downarrow potassium excretion [sparing].
- > Of <u>weak diuretic activity</u>; so, used as adjunct to thiazides and loop diuretics.

A] Aldosterone Antagonist





B] Inhibitors of Renal Na ion Channel (Direct Acting Diuretics)





[V] THIAZIDES AND RELATED DIURETICS

SAR:



Side effects:

1-Hypersensitivity reactions.

2-Gastric irritation.

3-Electrolyte imbalance \rightarrow <u>Hypokalemia</u> (\downarrow K) due to increased elimination of K ions as well as Na, Cl and Mg, so K and Mg supplement is given.

Synthesis of Chlorothiazide, Hydrochlorothiazide, Hydroflumethazide, Bendroflumethazide:



THIAZIDES LIKE DIURETICS

• They are not benzothiadiazine but their site of action, efficacy, electrolyte excretion pattern and adverse effects resemble thiazides

SAR:

- ▶ With two sulfamoyl moieties meta to each other.
- One of them is essential while the other is not [may be replaced with similar electrophilic group as amides].
- \triangleright Cl in ortho position to unsubstituted sulfamoyl \rightarrow maximum diuretic effect.





Synthesis of clopmaide:



[VI] ADH ANTAGONISTS

ADH [Anti-Diuretic Hormone]:

- \blacktriangleright \downarrow water free excretion and cause vasoconstriction in peripheral vessels
- ➢ By inhibition of ADH → ↑ water free excretion and cause vasodilatation in peripheral vessels.

Uses:

> CHF, Hyponatremia.

Conivaptan



VITAMINS

Properties:

- Naturally occurring organic molecule that is a normal constituent of a diet.
- They are unlike each other in chemical composition and function but alike only in that they can't be synthesized at all or at least not at adequate rate in tissues.
- Required by the body in small amounts for various metabolic processes.
- Name Vitamine [by Frank, 1912]: Vita = life and amine that it was believed that all those substances are amines [but this not true that some vitamins have no nitrogen] → so, change name Vitamine to Vitamin.
- They are effective in small amounts, not furnish energy, not used as building units for organism structure.

Functions:

- Regulate metabolism, help convert lipids and saccharides into energy.
- Hormones (vitamin D)
- Antioxidants (vitamin E and C)
- Regulators of cell and tissue growth and differentiation (vitamin A).
- Precursors for enzyme coenzymes (B-complex)

Causes of nutrient deficiencies:

- 1. <u>Inadequate ingestion</u> (poor diet) due to economic deprivation, disease or self-imposed reducing diets.
- 2. Inadequate absorption due to:
 - a. Intestinal tract disease [e.g. chronic inflammatory condition and parasites].
 - b. Using mineral oil laxatives \rightarrow may dissolve oil soluble vitamins.
 - c. Using ion-exchange resin [e.g. Colestipol, Colestyramine] \rightarrow form complex with bile acids \rightarrow interfere with absorption of fat-soluble vitamins.
 - d. Using Al antacids \rightarrow complex with some vitamins.
 - e. Cystic fibrosis \rightarrow fat mal absorption.
- 3. Inadequate utilization \rightarrow by genetic disease [due to abnormality in enzyme structure for which the vitamin provides a cofactor, so \checkmark affinity between enzyme and its cofactor]
- 4. \wedge requirements > Recommended Daily Allowances "RDA" due to:
 - a. Physical activity.
 - b. Medical needs [especially if debilitating illness as severe burns, major surgeries and malignancies]
- 5. <u>Alcoholism</u> "Chronic intake of alcohol" → ethanol interferes with uptake, processing or storage of vitamins especially folic acid and thiamine.

Classification:

	[i] Fat soluble vitamins		[ii] Water soluble vitamins
•	Can be extracted with fat solvents.	•	Water soluble. Act as cofactors for specific
•	Found in fat fractions of animal tissues.		enzymes.
•	$\uparrow\uparrow$ intake \rightarrow accumulation	•	$\uparrow \uparrow$ intake \rightarrow little effect due to rapid
	[dangerous]		excretion in urine.
•	E.g. D E K A	•	Liable to degradation in solution especially
			if exposed to light.
		•	E.g. Vitamin. C, Bs, Folic acid, Niacin

IIFAT SOLUBLEVITAMINS <u>1-VITAMIN As</u>



- ✓ Found in animal fats, fish [cod, tuna, shark], oil, liver, milk.
- ✓ Stored in liver of fish & mammals as esters of fatty acids as palmitic acid.
- ✓ Used for night blindness and some skin disorders as acne and psoriasis.







Stability:

- Retinol is rapidly broken by UV light, daylight and oxygen → so, should be covered or shading on the side nearest to light.
- Presence of amino acids, fat emulsion or antioxidant $\rightarrow \downarrow$ degradation.

Absorption:

- Most of dietary retinol in the form of esters (retinyl palmitate) → hydrolyzed in intestine by pancreatic enzymes before absorption.
- May be absorbed directly into circulation → bound to Retinol-Binding Protein (RBP) in plasma.

Metabolism:

- <u>Vitamin A esters</u> → hydrolysis by pancreatic enzyme to retinol → absorbed and reesterified.
- Some retinol stored in liver; other parts make glucuronide conjugation & then oxidation to Retinal & Retinoic acid.
- All metabolites excreted in urine & faces.

Interactions:

- \downarrow Absorption by neomycin or liquid paraffin.
- It ψ effect of corticosteroids.

SAR:

- Conjugated double bonds in vitamin A and β -carotene \rightarrow Essential [if partially or completely reduced \rightarrow loss activity]
- β-ionone ring [in Retinol] or dehydro-β-ionone ring [in vitamin A₂] → Essential [if saturation → loss activity]
- Esters and methyl ethers derivatives \rightarrow equal activity (converted in body to Vitamin A)

Biochemical functions:

- Chemistry of vision.
- Biosynthesis of glycogen and some steroids.
- Promotes mucous production by basal cells of epithelium [in its absence → keratin is formed]
- Retinoic acid [carboxylic acid derivative] → ↑ development of bone, soft tissues and sperms [NOT in vision]

Assay:

[i] <u>Carr-Price method</u> [colorimetry]:

- Due to polyene structure.
- Vitamin A + Antimony trichloride "SbCl₃" in chloroform \rightarrow blue color.
- [ii] Morton and Stubb's method [Spectrophotometric]
- [iii] HPLC.

2-VITAMIN D (Antirachitic Action)

VITAMIN D2 [ERGOCALCIFEROL]



Absorption:

- Absorbed from GIT \rightarrow stored mainly in liver especially in adipose tissue and muscles. Excretion:
- Excreted in bile and faces [small amount appears in urine].

Interactions:

• Co-administration with Thiazide diuretics and Ca $\rightarrow \uparrow$ risk of Hypercalcemia. SAR:



Epimerization or Conversion to Ketone ----> decrease activity Esters and Ethers that can't be cleaved in body ----> with NO activity

Inversion of 9-H in Ergosterol and other 7-dehydro sterols ---> prevent normal course of irradiation

Assay:

- Minimal amounts \rightarrow HPLC or UV spectrometry.
- For more concentrated solutions in alcohol [not in oil] \rightarrow Carr-Price method [give with Antimony trichloride yellow color determined colorimetry].

Metabolism:



• The active metabolites bound to specific plasma proteins.



Metabolism:

• Vitamin D_3 is termed now **Provitamin** \rightarrow because it requires hydroxylation in liver and kidney to be fully active.

• Cholecalciferol does not perform its role directly \rightarrow must be transformed in liver and kidney.



Amount of above two enzymes is controlled by:

1]-Parathyroid hormone. 2]- \uparrow Concentration of Ca & phosphate. 3]-Amount of 1,25-dihydroxy Vitamin D₃.

N.B:

Vitamin $D_2 \& D_3 \rightarrow$ with slow onset & long duration of action [require activation].

• Calcifediol & Calcitriol [active forms of Vitamin D₃] → with rapid onset & short duration [already active]

Biochemical functions:

- 1. Promote Ca & phosphate intestinal absorption.
- 2. \uparrow Renal reabsorption of Ca & phosphate.

Vitamin D Derivatives:

Calcifediol	Calcifediol Calcitriol		
H ₃ C CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃	H ₃ C CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃	H ₃ C CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃	
Used for patients receiving long-term renal dialysis.	 Most active form of Vitamin D₃. Not need activation → it ↑ Ca absorption within 2 hrs of administration. 	Used for prevention and treatment of 2ry hyperparathyroidism in patients undergoing chronic renal dialysis.	

VITAMIN E (TOCHOPHEROLS)

- Often called Anti-Sterility Factor [Tokos = Child and Phero = to bear].
- Used industrially as Antioxidants.
- They are 2,3-dihydro benzopyran derivatives [Chromanol Derivatives]
- Dietary sources: Legumes, cereals as rice and corn, eggs and butter.
- Absorbed from GIT through the mucosa.
- \wedge Dose \rightarrow \wedge bleeding tendency in vitamin K deficient patients.
- It appears in breast milk but poorly transferred across the placenta.



Metabolism:

• Mainly to Tocopheronic acid and γ -lactone derivative [Tocopheronolactone] \rightarrow then glucuronide conjugation.



Biochemical functions:

- 1. 1ry role is prevention of oxidation of polyunsaturated fatty acids → it reacts with free radicals without formation of other free radicals in the process. [free radicals are the cause of oxidative damage of cell membranes]
- 2. Role in regulation of protein synthesis [Postulation].
- 3. Ensure stability & integrity of cellular membranes especially on RBCs.

Resonance-stabilized tocopherol radicals:



<u>Chromanoxyl Rdaical</u>

Chromanol Methide Radical

Chromanone-8a Radical

SAR:

- 1. Optical isomerism \rightarrow d-form more active > l-form.
- 2. β -tocopherol with 1/2 activity of α -tocopherol / γ and δ with 1/100 activity of α .
- 3. Esters of tocopherol [acetate, propionate and butyrate] → more active > parent compound. While Ethers are inactive.
- 4. Oxidation to Quinones \rightarrow inactive.
- 5. Replacing Methyl with Ethyl $\rightarrow \psi$ activity.
- 6. Double bond inside chain OR \downarrow its size $\rightarrow \downarrow$ activity.
- 7. Double bond in 3,4-position of α -tocopherol $\rightarrow \psi$ activity to 2/3.

Synthesis:



Vitamin K₃ [Menadione]



- **In animals** \rightarrow Menaqauinone can be synthesized from vitamin precursor [Vitamin K₃].
- Synthesis of Menaquinones may occur in G+ve bacteria and bacteria of intestinal tract synthesize the large amount of vitamin K contained in human & animal feces.
- All Vitamins K_1, K_2 and $K_3 \rightarrow$ Redox substances stable in quinone form.

Absorption and storage:

- Vitamin K_1 and $K_2 \rightarrow$ require bile acid for absorption [NOT vitamin K_3].
- Vitamin K accumulates in liver mainly but stored in body for short period of time.

Interactions and Adverse effects:

- Vitamin K \downarrow effect of oral anti-coagulants.
- I.V. Phytomendaione → severe hypersensitivity reactions [flushing, sweating, chest constriction, pain and cyanosis]. This effect may be due to castor oil used as surfactant in some parenteral formulations.
- \wedge Doses of salicylate \rightarrow antagonized vitamin K.
- Vitamin K may be benefit for prevention of osteoporosis [so, patients on anti-coagulant therapy with ↑ risk of bone fracture] → some Ca supplements have both vitamin D and K added to their formulations.

Metabolism:

- Phytomenadione \rightarrow reduction of quinone to hydroquinone [active form].
- Glucuronide conjugation [major urinary metabolite] → occur at COOH derived from shortening of side chain to 5-7 Cs.

Biochemical functions:

- 1. Promote hepatic biosynthesis of Prothrombin (factor II), factor VII, factor IX and X [with very important role in blood clotting].
- 2. Hydroquinone (active form) in presence of O_2 , CO_2 and microsomal carboxylase enzyme \rightarrow converted to its 2,3-epoxide and at the same time γ -carboxylation occurs. Hydroquinone form regenerated from 2,3-epoxide by coumarin-sensitive epoxide reductase.



Naphthoquinone containing compounds ---> marked anti-hemorrhagic activity [converted in body to vitamin K₁_type compounds]

Assay:

- $1^{st} \rightarrow vitamin K$ excreted and separated from interfering substances.
- It reacts with Na ethylate \rightarrow blue color which changes to brown.

Dehydro Ascorbic acid

3,4-Dihydroxy-5-(1,2-dihydroxyethyl)furan-2(5H)-one Or 2,3,4,5,6-Pentahydroxy-hexa-2-enoic acid-4-lactone

Sources: fresh vegetables, fruits especially citrus, peppers, tomatoes.....

Ascorbic acid

- Necessary for prevention and cure of Scurvy [Deficiency disease].
- Anti-scorbutic activity is due to reversible oxidation-reduction reactions.

Stability:

- It's easily oxidized to dehydro form without loss of activity, but lactone ring hydrolyses easily producing inactive open-chain product.
- Aqueous solution easily oxidized especially if alkaline medium, metals as iron, copper, manganese presents.
- Oxidation accelerated by heat, light, alkalis, oxidative enzymes.
- Addition of sucrose $\rightarrow \uparrow$ viscosity and slow down rate of atmospheric oxidation.

Metabolism:

- Reversible oxidation to dehydro ascorbic acid.
- Excess ascorbic acid on our needs \rightarrow rapidly eliminated unchanged in urine.
- Vitamin C metabolized as oxalate which is the major urinary metabolite (44%), unchanged ascorbate (20%) and the intermediate metabolite 2,3-diketo-L-gulonic acid (20%).

Interactions:

- It cause crystalluria with high doses of acidic drugs (as sulfa drugs and amino salicylic acid) due to acidity of vit C.
- It's incompatible with oxidizing agents (as ferric salts), due to its reducing properties.
- Ascorbic acid injection → incompatible with aminophylline, nafcillin Na, nitrofurantoin Na, NaHCO₃
- \wedge Dose \rightarrow destroy large amounts of dietary cyanocobalamines.

Biological activity of Vit. C:

- □ Reducing agents (It helps in keeping iron in the reduced form which helps its absorption (iron absorbed only in ferrous state).
- □ It's a co-factor in hydroxylation and amidation reactions (essential in converting procollagen to collagen, a principle material in the connective tissue).
- □ It has Antioxidant effect (a free radical scavenger).

Vitamin C acidity

• It's acidic without having a COOH as a result of the Enol-enolate transformation

Enolate ion --> Stabilized by resonance --> negative group delocalization



Assay:

- Based on its powerful reducing properties \rightarrow Redox titration.
- Reagents used for titration are:
 - 1. Chloramine-T.
 - 2. 2,6-Dichloro phenol indo phenol.
 - 3. Iodine.
- In ampoules: Vit. C assayed by I₂ using starch as an indicator.
- <u>In tablets</u>: We cannot use I₂ (as they contain starch) so, it assayed by Ce(IV) ammonium sulfate using ferroin indicator.
- <u>In juices:</u> It assayed by 2,6-dichlorophenol indophenol (DCIP) an oxidizing agent and a redox indicator.
- Andrew's method → may be used for determination of reducing agents by iodate titration.





Reduced form (colorless)

- **Uses of Vitamin C:**
- Antioxidant (prooxidant)
- Cofactor of enzymes used in the synthesis of collagen.
- Adrenalin synthesis.
- Enhances iron absorption by keeping it in Fe⁺² state.
- Treatment of Common cold and viral influenza.
- Metabolism of bone minerals.



- Bile acids production.
- Carnitine synthesis.
- Treatment of Scurvy.
VITAMIN Bs

- Sources: yeast, cereals, seed embryos, eggs, meat and milk.
- <u>B vitamins include:</u>
- **(DVitamin B1 [Thiamine, Aneurine].**
- **② Vitamin B₂ [Riboflavin].**
- **③** Vitamin B₅ [Pantothenic acid].
- **⑤** Nicotinic acid [Niacin].

④ Vitamin B₆ [Pyridoxine].

- **6** Cobalamines [Vitamin B₁₂].
- **⑦** Folic acid [Vitamin B₉].

8 Biotin [Vitamin B₇].

VITAMIN B1 (Thiamine)(Aneurine)



3-[(4-Amino-2-methyl-5-pyrimidinyl) methyl]-5-(2-hydroxy ethyl)-4-methyl thiazolium monohydrochloride

• Vitamin B_1 is the first water soluble vitamin discovered.

• <u>Sources:</u> egg yolks, peas, bran, rice, beans, nuts, yeast extracts, vegetables.

Commercial salts:

- 1. Thiamine HCl:
 - Very water soluble, very hygroscobic.
 - Not used in dry formulations \rightarrow used in liquid and injectable formulations.
- 2. Thiamine Nitrate:
 - Sufficiently water soluble \rightarrow used in liquid formulations.
 - NON-hygroscobic \rightarrow can be used in dry formulations.

Stability:

- Stable in acid solutions, may be heated without decomposition.
- Unstable in neutral or alkaline solutions → splitting at methylene bridge [in presence of moisture, bisulfite ions].



• Oxidized in alkaline solution to Thiochrome → biologically inactive + highly fluorescent.



Thiochrome

Absorption:

- \downarrow Amounts are well absorbed [while large doses with limited absorption].
- Thiamine absorption is Na-dependent.
- It's widely distributed into tissues.

SAR:



Anti-vitamins used in the study of the deficiency state

Oxythiamine	Neopyrithyamine
$H_{3}C \xrightarrow{N} OH \xrightarrow{S} OH$	H_3C NH_2 H_2 $H_$
(amine group replaced by hydroxy group)	(thiazole ring replaced by pyridine)
Competitive inhibitor of thiamine pyrophosphate	Inhibit pyrophosphorylation of thiamine

Interactions:

- Thiamine incompatible with reducing agents [as sulfites]. It's cleaved into pyrimidine and thizole. Rate of hydrolysis \uparrow by \uparrow pH [rapid at pH=6].
- Atmosphere or oxidizing agents [as H_2O_2 , permanganate, alkaline K-ferricyanide] \rightarrow oxidation to Thiochrome.
- Chemically incompatible with acetates, carbonates, iodides, ferric sulfate and mercuric chloride [copper ions accelerate destruction of thiamine HCl in solution].
- Incompatible with phenobarbital, riboflavin in aqueous solution, penicillin G and dextrose injection containing metabisulfite.

Metabolism:

- Degradation \rightarrow pyrimidine.
- \uparrow Intake \rightarrow excess excreted unchanged.

Biological functions:

Thiamine pyrophosphate [the physiological active form of thiamine]

- Functions in CHO metabolism as coenzyme in decarboxylation of α-keto acids.
 Examples: [Pyruvate → acetyl Co-A] [α-keto glutarate → succinyl Co-A]
- Functions in metabolism of branched chain amino acids; valine, isoleucine, leucine and methionine.
- Important for synthesis of keto acids.

Assay:

Flourimetric method: Oxidation in alkaline medium → Thiochrome [highly fluorescent → vivid blue fluorescence] → this reaction is the basis of chemical method of estimating thiamine.

- Thiamine content determined gravimetrically as its silicotungstate.
- <u>Being an HCl salt of a weak base</u> → Titrated by NaOH → using phenolphthaline, or bromothymol blue as indicator.

Deficiency Syndrome (Beriberi)

• <u>**BERI-BERI**</u>-affecting the peripheral nervous system (polyneuritis) and/or the cardiovascular system, with fatal outcome.

Uses: used for treating beriberi.

• In treating alcohol induced neuritis or neuritis induced by other causes.

VITAMIN B2 (Riboflavin)

- ✓ **Riboflavin** is an N-glycoside of flavin, also known as lumichrome and the sugar ribitol.
- \checkmark It is precursor for the coenzymes FAD and FMN.



7,8-Diemthyl-10-(D-ribo-2,3,4,5-tetrahydroxy pentyl) isoalloxazine

<u>Sources:</u> milk, cheese, liver, kidney, meat, eggs, green leefy vegetables, fish, whole grain and enriched cereals and bread.

Stability:

- When dry \rightarrow not affected by diffused light [in solution \rightarrow affected by light].
- Deterioration is rapid in presence of **alkali** \rightarrow producing Lumiflavin.
- Upon irradiation [light] \rightarrow Lumichrome.



Absorption:

- Readily absorbed \rightarrow binding to plasma proteins \rightarrow widely distributed.
- Absorption occurs through active transport \rightarrow riboflavin is phosphorylated by intestinal mucosa during absorption.

Synthesis of vitamin B₂:



Metabolism:

• Conversion into coenzyme Flavin MonoNucleotide [FMN] (or Riboflavin-5'-phosphate) and then to another coenzyme Flavin Adenine Dinucleotide [FAD] → Two active metabolites.



- 60 % of FMN and FAD \rightarrow bound to plasma proteins.
- Riboflavin excreted in urine as metabolites $(9\%) \rightarrow$ as the dose \uparrow , high amount excreted unchanged.
- It crosses the placenta and distributed in breast milk.
- Riboflavin distributed to all tissues [little is stored].

Assay:

• **Fluorimetry:** Solution of riboflavin is with yellow-green fluorescence [with λ_{max} 565 nm in acidic pH] with addition of KMnO₄ and H₂O₂ to destroy interfering pigments (more sensitive).

• <u>Colourimetry</u> \rightarrow using Denige's reagent (solution of HgSO₄) \rightarrow gives an orange color. <u>SAR:</u>



Interactions:

- Riboflavin \downarrow anti-bacterial action of Erythromycin & Tetracycline.
- Boric acid [Common household chemical] → complex with riboflavin and promotes its urinary excretion. So, boric acid poisoning → vitamin B₂-deficiency.
- <u>Therapeutic uses</u>:
 - Treatment of Aribovlavonosis.

- ✓ Key role in energy metabolism-required for the metabolism of lipids, saccharides, and proteins.
- ✓ It is the central component of the cofactors FAD (flavin adenin dinucleotide) and FMN (flavin mononucleotide)

Aribovlavonosis: Is severe riboflavin deficiency. Symptoms in adults include seborrheic dermatitis, photophobia, peripheral neuropathy, anemia, angular stomatitis, glossitis, and cheilosis. In children, cessation of growth can also occur.

- Aribovlavonosis occurs in chronic alcoholism combined with other vit. deficiencies.
- Aribovlavonosis also resulted from phenothiazine, tricyclic antidepressent and probenecid therapy.

VITAMIN B₃ (Nicotinic (Niacin) & Nicotinamide)



Sources: poultry, meat, fish, pork, yeasts, wheat germ, peanut meal and green peas.

- Deficiency of Niacin or Tryptophan [potential precursor of niacin] \rightarrow Pellagra "Rough Skin". <u>Stability:</u>
 - Niacin is the most stable vitamin:
 - Not destroyed by heating in acid or alkaline solution.
 - With stand mild oxidation.
 - Retain activity during food processing.
 - Niacinamide \rightarrow hydrolyzed to acid by heating in acid or alkaline solution.

Metabolism:

- Nicotinic acid → N-methyl nicotinamide [florescent compound formed in liver] [Major].
- May form 2-pyridone and 4-pyridone or form Nicotinuric acid [glycine conjugate].
- If \uparrow dose \rightarrow may be found unchanged in urine.

Interactions and incompatibilities:

- Taken with caution with peptic ulcer, diabetes mellitus, gout or impaired liver function.
- Nicotinic acid has vasodilating effect → flushing side effect [so, Nicotinamide is preferred in this case].

Synthesis:



<u>Assay:</u>

- <u>Colorimetry:</u> Pyridine ring + cyanogens bromide \rightarrow then coupling of products with aromatic amine \rightarrow yellow dye \rightarrow measured at 436 nm.
- Nicotinic acid \rightarrow titration \neq NaOH [ph ph indicator].
- Nicotinamide → Non-aqueous titration as base with perchloric acid [crystal violet indicator].
 - **Deficiency of niacin or tryptophan:** [potential precursor of niacin] leads to **pellagra** "Dry Skin".

Uses:

Nicotinic acid posses hypolipidemic activity so it decreases LDL & cholesterol (in large dose).

Treatment of pellagra.

Physiological functions:

- Nicotinic acid → converted to NAD [Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide] or NADP [Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide Phosphate] → coneznymes I & II respectively.
- NAD & NADP \rightarrow oxidizing coenzymes for many dehydrogenases.





(+)-(R)-3(2,4-Dihydroxy-3,3-dimethyl butyramido) propionic acid

• May be used as D-pantothenyl alcohol [Panthenol] in liquid preparations.

Panthenol:



- Good emollient properties \rightarrow widely used in cosmetics [skin creams and shampoos].
- Reasonably stable.
- Freely soluble used in injectable and oral dosage forms.

If replaced by sulfonic acid (SO₃H) - - Pantoyl taurine



BOTH are ANTAGONISTS

 ω -methylation - - $ightarrow \omega$ -methyl pantothenic acid

Metabolism:

• Pantothenic acid \rightarrow not degraded in body [intake = excretion]

Assay:

- Acid or alkaline hydrolysis → cleavage of molecule into alanine + pantoic acid → determined by suitable color reactions.
- HPLC or GC.

Physiological functions:

- Pantothenic acid is of the highest biological importance → incorporated in CoA → involved in many vital enzymatic reactions [transfer 2Cs compounds as acetyl group] as:
- 1. Energy release from CHO.
- 2. Degradation & metabolism of fatty acids.
- 3. Synthesis of sterols, steroid hormones, porphyrins & acetylcholine.

Therapeutic uses

- 1. Treatment of paralytic ileus, Dexapanthenol in combination with choline used in gas retention.
- 2. An additive in multi-vitamin preparations.
- 3. Panthenol used in cosmetics as moisturizing agent.



" 4,5-Bis(hydroxymethyl)-2-methylpyridin-3-ol

Sources: liver, cereal brans, yeast, crude cane molasses & wheat germs.

• It's mixture of 3 compounds inter-converted in body:



Interactions:

- It ↓ effect of L-dopa [this effect does not occur if dopa-decarboxylase inhibitor is co-given with L-dopa].
- Many drugs \uparrow requirements of Vitamin B₆ [as Isoniazid, Hydralazine, Penicillamine, Oral contraceptives], due to hydrazone formation with aldehyde functional group.
- Pyridoxine is antidote for seizures in patients ingest overdose of I.N.H.

Absorption:

- By passive diffusion → transported into liver [main organ for storage, metabolism & interconversion between 3 forms].
- This interconversion requires NAD, FMN & FAD.
- Phosphorylated forms \rightarrow hydrolyzed in intestine by phosphatases before absorption.
- Pyridoxal \rightarrow the 1ry form that cross cell membranes [60 % of circulating vitamin B₆ is in the form of pyridoxal phosphate]

Metabolism:

• All 3 forms oxidized by hepatic aldehyde oxidase \rightarrow 4-pyridoxic acid [MAJOR]



SAR:

Any small change in structure \rightarrow inactivation.



Assay:

- Non-aqueous titration with perchloric acid.
- Scudi's method: titration \neq 2,6-dichloroquine chlorimide till light blue color.
- Spectrophotometric \rightarrow measuring the absorption at λ max 290 nm

<u>Uses</u>

- Combined treatment of any Vit. B deficiency.
- Treat vomiting of pregnant.
- Prophylactic with Isoniazid, Hydralazine and Procainamide toxicity

VITAMIN B7 (BIOTIN) (VITAMIN H)



Cis-hexahydro-2-oxothieno[3,4-d]imidazole-H-valeric acid

Sources: organ meats, egg yolk, liver, milk, fish, nuts, kidney & yeast.

- It's stable to cooking [less stable in alkali].
- Micro organisms synthesize biotin from oleic fatty acid.

Deficiency:

- Cause dermatitis, loss of appetite, sleeplessness.
- Eating raw egg white → induce biotin deficiency [why?] Raw egg contains <u>avidin</u> which make complex with biotin and decrease absorption from GIT causing dermatitis, loss of appetite, sleeplessness.

Uses

- Skin disorders as psoriasis, acne & alopecia.
- Diabetic neuropathy.
- For brittle nails & hair loss.

Metabolism:

- May appear unchanged in urine.
- Small amount metabolized to biotin sulfoxide & bis-norbiotin [appear in urine].

SAR:

- The d-isomer is the active form [l-form is inactive].
- Sulfur may be replaced with oxygen without reduction in activity.

VITAMIN B9 (FOLIC ACID)

One of vitamin B group.

Source: combined with several L(+) glutamic acid in liver, kidney, yeast, nuts, leafy green vegetables.

• Consist of 3 parts [Pteridine + PABA + Glutamic acid] → but separately, each one has no vitamin activity.



Uses:

- Treatment of megaloblastic anemia.
- Given during/before pregnancy to prevent <u>fetal neural development abnormalities</u> <u>Stability:</u> readily oxidized + easily destroyed by cooking.

Two biosynthetic pathways must occur 1st:

- 1. Reduction to Tetrahydro folate by dihydrofolate reductase enzyme "DHFR" [require Niacin].
- 2. Polyglutamate chain must be attached to γ-carboxyl of parent glutamic acid.



Causes of folic acid deficiency:

- 1. \downarrow Nutrition during period of increase requirements \rightarrow so, this is the main cause of megaloblastic anemia in pregnancy.
- 2. Alcoholism.
- 3. Chronic inflammation of intestinal mucosa.

Interactions:

- Anti-convulsant [Phenytoin] \rightarrow interfere with folic acid uptake or utilization.
- Other water-soluble vitamins, they are in descending order of effectiveness [Riboflavin, thiamine, ascorbic acid, niacinamide, pantothenic acid & pyridoxine] → this effect may be overcome by inclusion of 70% sugar in mixture.
- Methotrexate: closely related in structure [folic acid antagonist \rightarrow used as anti-cancer].

Absorption:

- It presents in diet as Pteroyl-polyglutamates → must be hydrolyzed first to monoglutamate before absorption.
- This hydrolysis catalyzed by pteroyl-γ-glutamyl carboxy-peptidase [called: Conjugate] which is commonly found in intestinal mucosa membrane.

Assay:

- Oxidative cleavage by making solution in NaOH and use Zn pd/HCl [give nascent H for cleavage] → 4-amino benzoyl glutamic acid.
- Diazotization & coupling with N-naphthyl ethylene diamine dil HCl \rightarrow colored compound \rightarrow spectrometric.
- Compare absorbance with non-reduced sample.

Synthesis:



Metabolism, Storage & Excretion:

- Naturally occurring form [folate polyglutamate] → deconjugated & reduced by DHFR in intestine → 5-methyl tetrahydrofolate → portal circulation & bind to plasma proteins.
- Externally administered folic acid → enter portal circulation unchanged [it's poor substrate for DHFR] → conversion into metabolically active form 5-methyl tetrahydrofolate in plasma & liver.
- N5-methyl derivative \rightarrow the main transport & storage form in the body, concentrated in CSF.
- Mainly eliminated via biliary excretion as N5-methyl derivative.
- Folates distributed in breast milk.

VITAMIN B12 (COBALAMINES)

• Most recently discovered of vitamin B group.

Sources: liver, meat, eggs, seafood, dairy products.

<u>Uses:</u> treatment of Addisonian Pernicious Anemia.

- Cobalt-containing compounds → Cyanocobalamine and Hydroxy cobalamine.
- <u>Storage:</u> in air-tight containers, protected from light.



- Cyanocobalamine \rightarrow Vitamin B₁₂ [because it's the first form discovered and it's the one occurring in nature]
- 5'-adenosyl form \rightarrow Coenzyme B₁₂.
- When ligand is methyl \rightarrow Methyl B₁₂.

Stability:

- Storage at R.T. in presence of ascorbic acid \rightarrow loss 1.5 % of activity per day.
- Niacinamide → stabilized aqueous solution of cyanocobalamin & folic acid at pH=6-6.5 [but unstable in –complex solution].
- Cyanocobalamin \rightarrow stable in solution of sorbitol & glycerin but unstable in dextrose or sucrose.

Interactions:

- Absorption of vitamin $B_{12} \downarrow$ by neomycin, amino salicylic acid, H₂-antagonists and chloramphenicol.
- \uparrow Intake of alcohol for long time $\rightarrow \downarrow$ absorption of vitamin B₁₂.

Physiological functions:

- It occurs in body mainly as Mecobalamin [Methylcobalamin], Cobamide [Adenosylcobalamin] & Hydroxycobalamin.
- Mecobalamin & Cobamide \rightarrow act as coenzymes in nucleic acid synthesis.
- Generally, \rightarrow vitamin B₁₂ is essential for normal functioning, growth and proliferation of all cells especially cells of bone marrow, nervous system and GIT.

It appears to:

- 1. Facilitate reduction reactions.
- 2. Participate in transfer of methyl groups [e.g. methylation of homocysteine to methionine]. Assay: Spectrophotometry

Theraputic Uses:

- 1. Prenicious anemia.
- 2. Hydroxycobalamine is used in the treatment of acute cyanide toxicity. It captures the C-N to harmless cyanocobalamine (by coordinate bond) & thiosulfate is also co-administered.



PROSTAGLANDINS

Occurrence:

1) Human seminal plasma 2) Reproductive tissue in both sex with except to genital tissues

Biosynthyesis:

- -The unsaturated fatty acids are the source for PGs
- -The number of **double bonds** in the naturally PGs indicating to the precursors fatty acids
- a)-PG₁ Type (contain 1 double bond) are derived from 8,11,14 eicosatrienoic acid (Dihomo γ-linoleic acid)
- b)- PG₂ Type (cnotain 2 double bond) are derived from 5,8,11,14 eicosatetaenoic acid (Arachidonic acid)
- c)- PG₃ Type are derived from 5,8,11,14,17 eicosapentenoic acid







- 5) Hydroxyl-bearing chain termed β Chan
- 6) Two side chains are trans stereochemistry

Classification:

- Prostaglandin (PG)s: are classified by capital letters as A,B,C,D,E,F e.g. PGE, PGF according to the nature and stereochemistry of oxygen substituent at C9 and C11. (see the clinically used PGs)
- Also the number of double bonds in the side chain determined by 1,2,3. when these numbers are subscripted reveal to additional cis double bond configuration.
 - The subscript 2 indicate an additional cis double bond at the C5=C6 position (see PGE₁ & PGE₂)

*The subscript 3 indicate a thirds cis double bond at the C17=C18 position







PGs	C9	C11	Other
PGD	α-OH	C=O	-
PGE	C=O	α-OH	-
PGF	α-OH	α-OH	-
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PGH			6

Metabolism:

- 1-Rapid oxidation of 15 a-OH to corresponding CO by 15 PG dehydrogenase
- 2-Reduction of C13=C14 by PG reductase to corresponding dihydroketones which represent the major metabolites of PGE₂
- 3-Enzymes which are involved in β and ω -oxidation of fatty acids more slowly cleave the α -chain and oxidize the C20 terminal CH₃ to COOH respectively, hence the dicarboxylic acid derivatives are the major metabolites of PGE₁ and PGE₂ which is excreted. The enzyme exhibit 2 type of activities and the substrate involved is stereospecific. The OH group at position C15 of the substrate must be *S* configuration. One type depend on NAD+ and the other are NADP+ as a cofactors.

Physiological roles:

- 1-As hormones: $PGP_2\alpha$ act as luteolytic hormone in horses and PGA and E play a role in lowering blood pressure
- 2-As intercellular messengers: The newly synthesized PGs could function inside the cells as regulators of calcium level. PGs stimulate the release of calcium from its binding sites. Calcium is essential component for of many biological functions of cyclic AMP.
- 3-As autocoids: PGs are antihypertensive agents, inhibitors of gastric secretion, bronchodilators, and are of use in labor induction

SARs

a) Variation in the a-chain

- 1-Replacement of COOH by isosters tetrazole moiety retain the activity, but with sulfonic moiety abolish the activity
- 2-Esters and amides act as prodrugs which improve stability and increase the duration of action
- 3- Substitution at C2: small as alkyl or halogen are less active except 2fluoro of PGE_1 was found more active, and cyano which has $\frac{1}{2}$ the activity
- 4-Substitution at C3 with 3-methyl, methoxy, or oxo PGE_1 were found inactive while 3-phenyl of methyl ester analogue was show selective active for platelets aggregation and weak small muscle relaxant
- 5-The 7-keto analogues in PGE is inactive while 7-oxa in PGE_1 , and $PGF_2\alpha$ show moderate activity
- 6-The distance separating COOH and the cyclopentane nucleus has been considered critical. Also changing the geometry, or the unsaturation resulting of loss of the activity.
- 7-Replacement of carbon by hetero atom not effect the geometry much more but diminish lipophilicity and affect the chain interaction.

b) Variation of the cyclopentane ring

- 1-There are great No. of variation in the cyclopentane ring can be carried out and almost lead to decrease the activity as removal or introduction of oxygen at C9 or C11, or replacement C9, C11 by hydroxymethyl
- 2-Also introduction of fluoro, methyl, ring expansion, and introduction of heteroatom in the cyclopentane ring as oxa, aza, or thia all inactive

c) Variation in the ß chain

1-Variation between C15-C20 offer analogues with narrow spectrum activity

2-Aetylenic analogues show enhanced hormonal activity

- 3- C14 chloro or phenyl of $PGF_{2\alpha}$ are inactive while C14 methyl has about 1/20 of the E_2 gastric activity
- 4- Shortening the β -chain by CH₂- group offer ω -norprostaglandin with equal activity to natural prostaglandin. While lengthening the β -chain by CH₂- group results $\frac{1}{2}$ of the activity. lengthening the β -chain by two CH₂- group results 1/20 of the activity. Further increase by three CH₂- groups results 1/200 from the activity. But incase of PGF_{2a} the addition of two CH₂- groups (ω -dihomo of PGF_{2a}) results an 20 times increase of antifertility activity and reduce in smooth muscle stimulating activity by 1/3.

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d) Alkoxy substituents

- 1-Introduction of 2-methoxy or replacement of C18 and C19 by oxygen to afford the their oxa analogues of $PGF_{2\alpha}$ are 4-5 times more hormonal activity than the natural prostaglandin.
- 2-The 16 phenoxy derivatives, especially with psubstituted phenyl with electron withdrawing groups showed grater hormonal activity. These analogues are metabolized by β -oxidation rather than 15-dehydrogenase enzyme



- 3-The 17 phenyl ω -trinorprostaglandin is 90 times more active as hormonal PG than PGF_{2a}.
- It was reported that the cyclopentano derivatives have vasodilatation action rather than smooth muscle relaxant effects.



(5Z)-7-((1R,2R,3R,5S)-3,5-dihydroxy-2-((S,E)-3-hydroxyoct-1-enyl) cyclopentyl)hept-5-enoic acid

Used for induction of labor or abortion

2-Carboprost

15(S)- Methyl PGF_{2a}



Used for induction of labor or abortion

3-Alprostadil (PGE₁)





Used in infants with congenital defects of pulmonary or systemic blood flow

4-Dinoprostone (PGE₂)



(5Z)-7-((1R,2R,3R)-3-hydroxy-2-((S,E)-3-hydroxyoct-1-enyl)-5oxocyclopentyl)hept-5-enoic acid

Used for induction of labor or abortion

5-Misoprostol



16-(R,S)-methyl-16-hydroxy-PGE₁

It prevent gastric acid ulceration caused by anti-inflammatory agents



It used as antiglaucoma, penetrated the cornea and slowly released into the anterior parts of the eye.



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Assay of Ascorbic acid (BP 2007)



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Action and use

Used in the treatment of vitamin C deficiency.

Preparations

Ascorbic Acid Injection Ascorbic Acid Tablets Pediatric Vitamins A, C and D Oral Drops Vitamins B and C Injection

DEFINITION

Ascorbic acid contains not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 100.5 per cent of (5R)-5-[(1S)-1,2-dihydroxyethyl]-3,4-dihydroxyfuran-2(5H)-one.

CHARACTERS

A white or almost white, crystalline powder or colorless crystals, becoming discolored on exposure to air and moisture, freely soluble in water, soluble in alcohol, practically insoluble in ether.

IDENTIFICATION

A) The pH of solution is 2.1 to 2.6.

B) Melting point : 190-192°.





D) To 1 ml of solution add 0.2 ml of dilute nitric acid and 0.2 ml of silver nitrate solution. A grey precipitate is formed.

STORAGE

Store in a non-metallic container, protected from light.

ASSAY

Principle of assay

Idodometeric titration by titration against standard iodine solution in presence of starch as indicator. Iodine oxidize ascorbic acid into dehydroascorbic acid.



Procedure

Mix the powder of 20 tablets and to quantity powder containing 0.100 g of ascorbic acid, add 50 ml of distilled water and 10 ml of dilute sulfuric acid, and 1 ml of starch solution. Titrate with 0.05 M iodine until a persistent blue color is obtained.

Each 1 ml of 0.05 M iodine is equivalent to 8.81 mg of $C_6H_8O_6$.

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Assay of Benzocaine Powder (BP 2007)





Action and use

Local anesthetic.

DEFINITION

Benzocaine contains not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **ethyl 4-aminobenzoate**

CHARACTERS

A white, crystalline powder or colorless crystals, very slightly soluble in water, freely soluble in alcohol.

IDENTIFICATION

- A) Melting point: 89 °C to 92 °C.
- B) Infrared absorption spectrophotometry

D. The solution of benzocaine gives the reaction of primary aromatic amines (diazotization).

STORAGE

Store protected from light.



Principle of assay

The assay depends on diazonium salt formation with NaNo₂ in presence of acid and starch potassium iodide paper as indicator.

Procedure

Mix the powder of 20 tablets and to a quantity of the powder containing 0.2 g of benzocaine in a stoppered flask add 10 ml of 6M hydrochloric acid and 50 ml water, shake for 15 minutes and titrate with 0.1M sodium nitrite VS, using starch potassium iodide paper as indicator. Each 1 ml of 0.1 M sodium nitrite is equivalent to 16.52 mg of $C_9H_{11}NO_2$.

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Section No.:

Assay of Captopril Tablet (BP 2007)



C₉H₁₅NO₃S 217.3

Action and use

Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor.

Preparation

Captopril Tablets

DEFINITION

It contains not less than 98.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.5 per cent of (2S)-1-[(2S)-2-Methyl-3-sulphanylpropanoyl] pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid.

CHARACTERS

White or almost white, crystalline powder. Freely soluble in water, in methylene chloride and in methanol. It dissolves in dilute solutions of alkali hydroxides.

IDENTIFICATION

A) Melting point: 103 °C to 104 °C
B) Specific optical rotation (in ethanol)
The specific rotation is - 127 to - 132.

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C) Infrared absorption spectroscopy.



STORAGE

In an airtight container.

ASSAY

Principle of assay

Iodometric titration by titration against standard iodine solution in presence of starch as indicator. The sulfhydryl group of captopril reduce iodine into iodide.



Procedure

Mix the powder of 20 tablets and dissolve powder equivalent to 0.150 g in a mixture of 10 ml of dilute sulfuric acid and 50 ml of carbon dioxide-free water. Add 1 ml of starch solution. Titrate with 0.05 M iodine until a persistent blue color is obtained.

Each 1 ml of 0.05 M iodine is equivalent to 21.73 mg of $C_9H_{15}NO_3S$.

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Section No.:

Assay of Carbimazole Tablet (BP 2007)



C₇H₁₀N₂O₂S 186.2

Action and use

Antithyroid.

Preparation

Carbimazole Tablets

DEFINITION

It contains not less than 98.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 102.0 percent of **Ethyl 3-methyl-2-thioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-imidazole-1-carboxylate.**

CHARACTERS

White or yellowish-white, crystalline powder. Slightly soluble in water, soluble in acetone and in alcohol.

IDENTIFICATION

A) Melting point: 122 °C to 125 °C.



- C) Thin-layer chromatography.
- D) To a small quantity of the powdered tablets add 0.05 ml of dilute potassium iodobismuthate solution. A scarlet color is produced.

ASSAY:

Principle of assay:

Spectrophotometric assay at λ_{max} 291 nm taking 557 as the value of $A^{1\%}_{1cm}$.

Procedure:

Mix the powder of 20 tablets and dissolve powder equivalent to 50.0 mg in 400 ml water and dilute to 500.0 ml with the same solvent. To 10.0 mL add 10 ml of dilute hydrochloric acid and dilute to 100.0 ml with water. Measure the absorbance at the maximum at 291 nm. Calculate the content of $C_7H_{10}N_2O_2S$ taking 557 as the value of $A^{1\%}_{1cm}$.

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Section No.:

Assay of Chloral hydrate solution (BP 2007)



C₂H₃Cl₃O₂ 165.4

Action and use

Hypnotic.

DEFINITION

Chloral hydrate contains not less than 98.5 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **2,2,2-trichloroethane-1,1-diol**.

CHARACTERS

Colorless, transparent crystals, very soluble in water, freely soluble in alcohol.

IDENTIFICATION

A) To 10 ml of solution (10%w/v), add 2 ml of dilute sodium hydroxide solution. The mixture becomes cloudy and, when heated, gives off an odour of chloroform.

B) To 1 ml of solution add 2 ml of sodium sulphide solution. A yellow color develops which quickly becomes reddish-brown. On standing for a short time, a red precipitate may be formed.





C) Infrared absorption spectrophotometry.



STORAGE

Store in an airtight container.

ASSAY

Principle of assay

Depends on the hydrolysis of the chloral hydrate with 1M NaOH

 $CCl_3CH(OH)_2 + xss NaOH \longrightarrow CHCl_3 + HCOO Na + H_2O$

The excess NaOH is back titrated with $0.5M H_2SO_4$ using ph.ph. as indicator. Due to the presence excess NaOH a small part of chloroform will be hydrolyzed to offered sodium chloride and sodium formate, this will use some NaOH that include to the consuming by the hydrolyses of chloral hydrate. So, correction should be making to overcome this problem. Correction will be done by determine the NaOH consumed by side reaction through determine the formed sodium chloride by Mohr's method using 0.1 M AgNO₃ as titrant and KCrO₄ as indicator.

$$CCl_{3}CH(OH)_{2} + xss NaOH \longrightarrow CHCl_{3} + HCOO Na + H_{2}O$$

$$3NaCl + 3AgNO_{3} \longrightarrow 3AgCl + 3NaNO_{3}$$

$$K_{2}CrO_{4} + xss AgNO_{3} \longrightarrow Ag_{2}CrO_{4} + KNO_{3}$$

Procedure

Dissolve 2.00 g of chloral hydrate in 10 ml of water and add 20.0 ml of 1 M sodium hydroxide. Allow to stand for exactly 2 min and titrate with 0.5 M sulfuric acid, using 0.1 ml of phenolphthalein solution as indicator. Titrate the neutralized solution with 0.1 M silver nitrate, using 0.2 ml of potassium chromate solution as indicator. Calculate the number of milliliters of 1 M sodium hydroxide used by deducting from the volume of 1 M sodium hydroxide, added at the beginning of the titration, the volume of 0.5 M sulfuric acid used in the first titration and two-fifteenths of the volume of 0.1 M silver nitrate used in the second titration.

Each 1 ml of 1 M sodium hydroxide is equivalent to 0.1654 g of $C_2H_3Cl_3O_2$.

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Section No.:

Assay of Chlorpromazine hydrochloride (BP 2007)



C₁₇H₁₉ClN₂S, HCl 355.3

Action and use

Antipsychotic; antiemetic.

Preparations

Chlorpromazine Injection

Chlorpromazine Oral Solution

Chlorpromazine Tablets

DEFINITION

Chlorpromazine hydrochloride contain not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **3-(2-Chloro-10H-**

phenothiazin-10-yl)-N,N-dimethylpropan-1-amine hydrochloride.

CHARACTERS

White crystalline powder. Very soluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol (96 per cent). It decomposes on exposure to air and light.

IDENTIFICATION

A) Melting point: About 196 °C.

B) Ultraviolet absorption spectrophotometry.



D) It gives reaction of chlorides ion with AgNO₃ solution.

STORAGE

In an airtight container, protected from light.

ASSAY

Principle of assay

Spectrophotometric assay at λ_{max} 254 nm taking 915 as the value of A^{1%}, _{1 cm}.

Procedure

Carry out the following procedure protected from light. Triturate the powder of 10 tablets with 10 ml of absolute ethanol, add about 300 ml of 0.1M hydrochloric acid and shake for 15 minutes. Add sufficient 0.1M hydrochloric acid to produce 500 ml, filter, dilute a volume of the filtrate containing 5 mg of chlorpromazine hydrochloride to 100 ml with 0.1M hydrochloric acid and further dilute 10 ml to 100 ml with the same solvent. Measure the absorbance of the resulting solution at λ_{max} 254 nm. Calculate the content of C₁₇H₁₉ClN₂S, HCl taking 915 as the value of A^{1%}, _{1 cm}.

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Section No.:

Assay of Chlorpropamide Tablet (BP 2007)



C₁₀H₁₃ClN₂O₃S 276.74

Action and use

Oral hypoglycemic.

Preparation

Chlorpropamide Tablets

DEFINITION

Chlorpropamide contains not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **1-[(4-chlorophenyl)sulphonyl]-3-propylurea.**

CHARACTERS

A white, crystalline powder, practically insoluble in water, freely soluble in acetone and in methylene chloride, soluble in alcohol.

IDENTIFICATION

- A) Melting point: 126 °C to 130 °C.
- B) Heat 0.1 g with 2 g of anhydrous sodium carbonate until a dull red color appears for 10 min. Allow to cool, extract the residue with about 5 ml of water, dilute to 10 ml with water and filter. The solution gives the reaction of chloride ion.

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STORAGE

Store protected from light.

ASSAY

Principle of Assay

Spectrophotometric assay at λ_{max} 232 nm taking 598 as the value of A^{1%}, _{1 cm}.

Procedure

Weigh and powder 20 tablets. Shake a quantity of the powder containing 0.25 g of Chlorpropamide with 40 ml of *methanol* for 20 minutes, add sufficient *methanol* to produce 50 ml, mix, and filter and dilute 5 ml of the filtrate to 100 ml with 0.1M hydrochloric *acid*. Dilute 10 ml of this solution to 250 ml with 0.1M *hydrochloric acid* and measure the *absorbance* of the resulting solution at $\lambda_{\text{max}} 232$ nm.

Calculate the content of $C_{10}H_{13}ClN_2O_3S$ taking 598 as the value of $A^{1\%}\!\!\!,_{1\mbox{ cm}}\!\!\!.$

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Section No.:

Assay of Epinephrine powder (USP 2007)



C₉H₁₃NO₃ 183.2

Action and use

 β -adrenoceptor agonist; used in treatment of glaucoma.

Preparations

Adrenaline Eye Drops (0.1% w/v of Adrenaline)

Dilute Adrenaline Injection (1 in 10,000)

DEFINITION

Adrenaline contains not less than 98.5% and not more than the equivalent of 101.0% of **(R)-1-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-2-methylaminoethanol**.

CHARACTERISTICS

A white or creamy white, sphero-crystalline powder. It darkens in color on exposure to air and light. Sparingly soluble in water, practically insoluble in ethanol (96%) and in ether. It dissolves in solutions of mineral acids, potassium hydroxide and sodium hydroxide, but not in solutions of ammonia or of the alkali carbonates.

It is not stable in neutral or alkaline solutions, which rapidly become red on exposure to air.

IDENTIFICATION

A) The infrared absorption spectrum

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B. Specific optical rotation (in 1M hydrochloric acid),

The specific rotation is -50 to -53, calculated with reference to the dried substance.

STORAGE

Wavenumber (cm⁻¹)

Adrenaline should be kept in a well-closed container, which is preferably filled with nitrogen, and protected from light.

ASSAY

Principle

Non-aqueous titration, using perchloric acid in glacial acetic acid as a titrant & crystal violet solution as indicator.

Procedure

Take 0.2 gm of epinephrine in about 10mL glacial acetic acid and titrate against 0.1M perchloric acid and using crystal violet solution as indicator. Each ml of 0.1M perchloric acid VS is equivalent to 18.32 mg of $C_9H_{13}NO_3$.

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Section No.:

Assay of Metformin hydrochloride Tablet (BP 2007)



C₄H₁₂ClN₅ 165.6

Action and use

Oral hypoglycemic.

Preparation

Metformin Tablets

DEFINITION

Metformin hydrochloride contain not less than 98.5 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **1,1-dimethylbiguanide hydrochloride**.

CHARACTERS

White crystals, freely soluble in water, slightly soluble in alcohol, practically insoluble in acetone and in methylene chloride.

IDENTIFICATION

- A) Melting point: 222 °C to 226 °C.
- B) Infrared absorption spectrophotometry.
- C. Thin-layer chromatography.
- D) The solution gives reaction with AgNo₃ solution for chloride ion.



ASSAY

Principle of assay

Spectrophotometric assay at λ_{max} 232 nm taking 798 as the value of A^{1%}, _{1 cm}.

Procedure

Weigh and powder 20 tablets. Shake a quantity of the powder containing 0.1 g of Metformin hydrochloride with 70 ml of *water* for 15 minutes, dilute to 100 ml with *water* and filter, discarding the first 20 ml. Dilute 10 ml of the filtrate to 100 ml with *water* and dilute 10 ml of the resulting solution to 100 ml with *water*. Measure the *absorbance* of the resulting solution at λ_{max} 232 nm. Calculate the content of the C₄H₁₁N₅, HCl taking 798 as the value of A^{1%}, 1cm.

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Section No.:

Assay of Phenylephrine injection (USP 2007)



C₉H₁₃NO₂, HCl 203.7

Action and use

Sympathomimetic.

Preparations

Phenylephrine Eye Drops

Phenylephrine Injection

DEFINITION

Phenylephrine hydrochloride contains not less than 98.5 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of (1*R*)-1-(3-hydroxyphenyl)

-2-(methylamino)ethanol hydrochloride.

CHARACTERS

A white or almost white, crystalline powder, freely soluble in water and in alcohol.

IDENTIFICATION

A) Melting point: 143 °C (free base 171 °C to 176 °C.)

B) Infrared absorption spectrophotometry

C) Dissolve about 10 mg in 1 ml of *water* and add 0.05 ml of a 125 g/l solution of *copper sulphate* and 1 ml of a 200 g/l solution of *sodium hydroxide*. A violet color is produced. Add 1 ml of *ether* and shake; the ether layer remains colorless.

D) It gives reaction of chloride ion with AgNO₃.

STORAGE

Phenylephrine Injection should be protected from light.

ASSAY

Principle of assay

Bromination of the phenolic moiety of the phenylephrine with standard bromine, and the excess bromine will liberate the iodine from 10% potassium iodide solution, that subsequently titrated against standard sodium thiosulfate in presence of starch as indicator

Procedure

In stoppered conical flask, talk a quantity solution containing 50 mg of Phenylephrine Hydrochloride. Add 25 ml 0.1N *bromine*, and 5ml *hydrochloric acid* and immediately insert the stoppered. Shake the flask and stand for 15 min. introduce quickly 10 ml of 10% potassium iodide solution and allow to stand for 5 min with thoroughly shake. Titrate the liberated iodine with 0.1 N sodium thiosulfate till straw yellow color. Add 3ml starch reagent and complete the titration till colorless. Each 1 ml of 0.1N *bromine* is equivalent to 3.395 mg $C_9H_{13}NO_2.HCl$

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Section No.:

Assay of Propranolol hydrochloride Tablet (BP 2007)



C₁₆H₂₁NO₂, HCl 295.8

Action and use

Beta-adrenoceptor antagonist.

Preparations

Prolonged-release Propranolol Capsules

Propranolol Injection

Propranolol Tablets

DEFINITION

Propranolol hydrochloride contains not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than 101.0 per cent the equivalent of (2RS)-1-[(1methylethyl)amino]-3-(naphthalen-1-yloxy)propan-2-ol hydrochloride.

CHARACTERS

A white or almost white powder, soluble in water and in ethanol (96 per cent).

IDENTIFICATION

A) Infrared absorption spectrophotometry.



B) Melting point: 163 °C to 166 °C (M.P. of Propranolol free base 94°).

C) Thin-layer chromatography.

d) It gives reaction of chloride with AgNO₃ solution.

ASSAY

Principle of assay:

Spectrophotometric assay at λ_{max} 290 nm taking 206 as the value of A^{1%}, _{1 cm}.

Procedure:

Weigh and powder 20 tablets. Shake a quantity of the powder containing 20 mg of Propranolol Hydrochloride with 20 ml of water for 10 minutes. Add 50 ml of methanol, shake for a further 10 minutes, add sufficient methanol to produce 100 ml and filter. Dilute 10 ml of the filtrate to 50 ml with methanol and measure the absorbance of the resulting solution at λ_{max} 290 nm. Calculate the content of C₁₆H₂₁NO₂, HCl taking 206 as the value of A^{1%}, _{1 cm}.

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Section No.:

Assay of Theophylline powder (BP 2007)



C₇H₈N₄O₂ 180.2

Action and use

Xanthine bronchodilator.

Preparations

Aminophylline Injection Prolonged-release Theophylline Tablets

DEFINITION

Theophylline contain not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **1,3-Dimethyl-3,7-dihydro-1H-purine-2,6-dione.**

CHARACTERS

White, crystalline powder. Slightly soluble in water, sparingly soluble in ethanol. It dissolves in solutions of alkali hydroxides, in ammonia and in mineral acids.

IDENTIFICATION

A. Melting point: 270 °C to 274 °C.

B. Infrared absorption spectrophotometry





D. It gives the reaction of xanthines.

To a few milligrams powder add 0.1 ml of strong hydrogen peroxide solution and 0.3 ml of dilute hydrochloric acid. Heat to dryness on a water-bath until a yellowish-red residue is obtained. Add 0.1 ml of dilute ammonia. The color of the residue changes to violet-red.

ASSAY

Principle of assay:

Depend on, theophylline reacts with silver nitrate solution to offered HNO_3 that can be titrated against 0.1 M NaOH in presence of bromothymol blue solution as indicator



Procedure

Dissolve 0.150 g in 100 ml of water, add 20 ml of 0.1 M silver nitrate and shake. Add 1 ml of bromothymol blue solution. Titrate with 0.1 M sodium hydroxide.

Each 1 ml of 0.1 M sodium hydroxide is equivalent to 18.02 mg of $C_7H_8N_4O_2$.

Assay of Aminophylline Injection

For Theophylline

To a volume containing the equivalent of 0.1 g of aminophylline add sufficient 0.01M sodium hydroxide to produce 250 ml, dilute 5 ml to 250 ml with 0.01M sodium hydroxide and measure the absorbance of the resulting solution at the maximum at 275 nm. Calculate the content of $C_7H_8N_4O_2$ taking 650 as the value of A (1%, 1 cm) at the maximum at 275 nm.

For ethylenediamine

To a volume containing the equivalent of 0.5 g of aminophylline add sufficient water to produce 20 ml and titrate with 0.05M sulphuric acid VS, using bromocresol green solution as indicator, until the color changes from blue to green. Each ml of 0.05M sulphuric acid VS is equivalent to 3.005 mg of $C_2H_8N_2$. Calculate the weight of $C_2H_8N_2$ present for each g of $C_7H_8N_4O_2$ found.

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Section No.:

Assay of Tolbutamide tablet (BP 2007)



C₁₂H₁₈N₂O₃S 270.3

Action and use

Oral hypoglycemic.

Preparation

Tolbutamide Tablets

DEFINITION

Tolbutamide contains not less than 99.0 per cent and not more than the equivalent of 101.0 per cent of **1-butyl-3-[(4-methylphenyl)** sulphonyl]urea.

CHARACTERS

A white, crystalline powder, practically insoluble in water, soluble in acetone and in alcohol. It dissolves in dilute solutions of alkali hydroxides.

IDENTIFICATION

A. Melting point (2.2.14): 126 °C to 130 °C.

B. Infrared absorption spectrophotometry.



C. To 0.2 g powder add 8 ml of a 50% aqueous sulfuric acid (W/V), heat under a reflux condenser for 30 min, and allow to cool. Crystals are formed which, after recrystallisation from hot water and drying at 100 °C to 105 °C, melt at 135 °C to 140 °C.

ASSAY

Principle of assay

Acid-base titration against standard alkali in presence of phenolphthalein as indicator, depend on the acidity of NH urea group adjacent to the 4toluenesulfonyl moiety.

Procedure:

Weigh and powder 20 tablets. To a quantity of the powder containing 0.5 g of tolbutamide add 50 ml of ethanol (96%) previously neutralized to phenolphthalein, warm to dissolve, add 25 ml of water and titrate with 0.1M sodium hydroxide VS using phenolphthalein solution as indicator. Each ml of 0.1M sodium hydroxide VS is equivalent to 27.03 mg of $C_{12}H_{18}N_2O_3S$.

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