

Peripheral Nervous System

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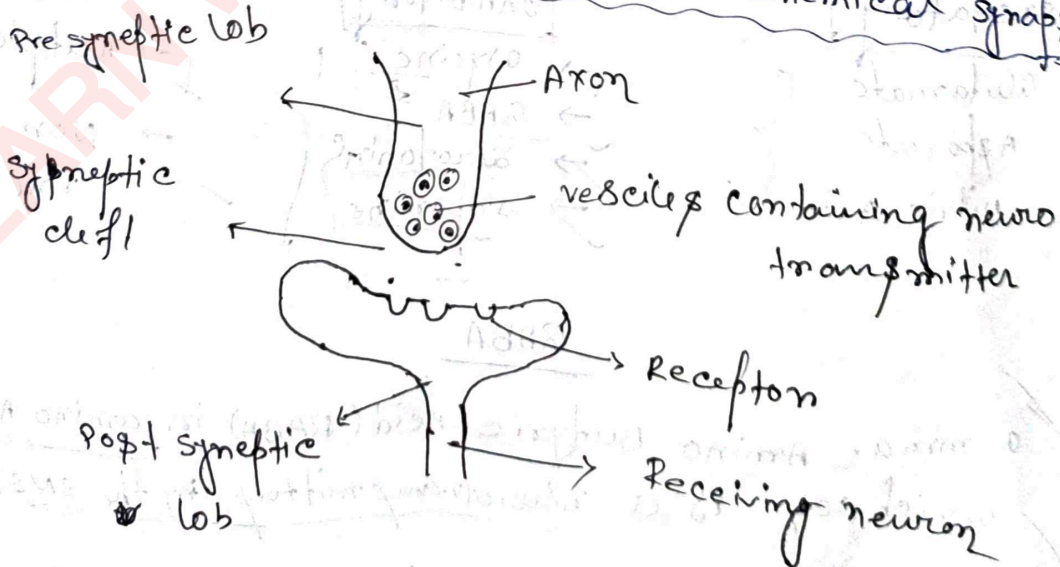
Neurotransmitter & their Mode of Action

Neurotransmitters are chemical messengers that transmit signals from a neuron to a target cell across a synapse.

Target cell may be a neuron or some other kind of cell like a muscle or gland cell.

Necessary for rapid communication in synapse.

A schematic representation of a chemical synapse:-



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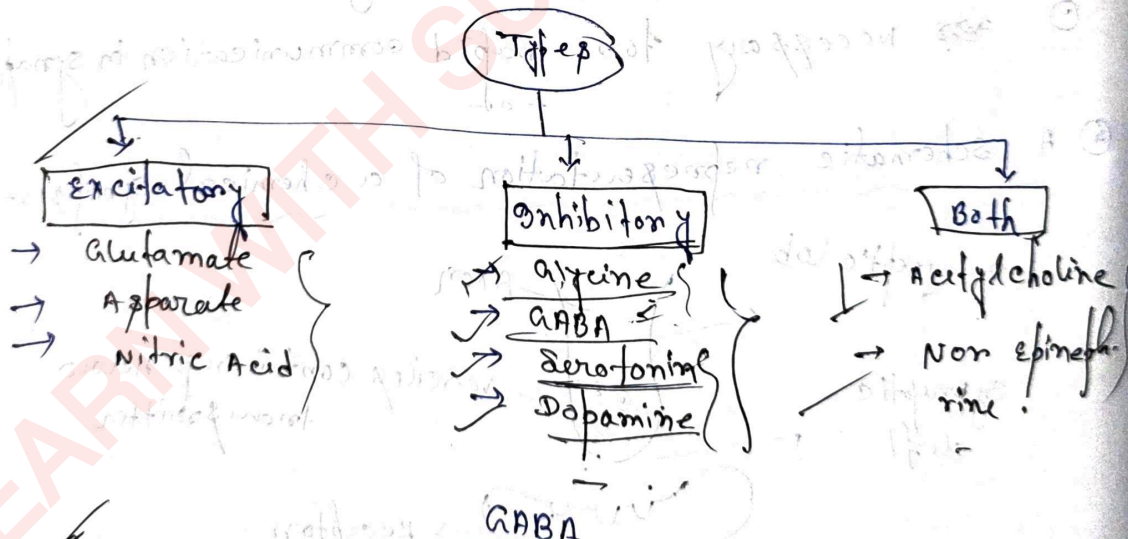
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## Properties of neurotransmitters

- ① Synthesized in the Pre synaptic lob.
- ② Localized to vesicles in the Pre synaptic Neuron.
- ③ Release from the Pre synaptic neuron under physiological condition.
- ④ Rapidly removed from the synaptic cleft by uptake or degradation.
- ⑤ Presence of Receptor on the Post synaptic Neuron.
- ⑥ Binding to the Receptor and give biological response.

## Types of neurotransmitters



→ gamma-Amino Butyric Acid (GABA) is amino acid which acts as a neurotransmitter in the CNS.

→ It inhibits nerve transmission in the Brain containing nervous activity.

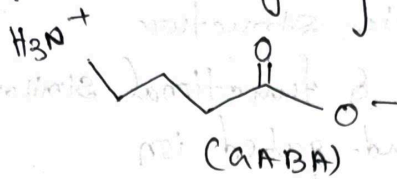
→ chemical formula →  $C_4H_9NO_2$ .

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→ GABA is zwitter with deprotonated carboxyl group and protonated amino group.

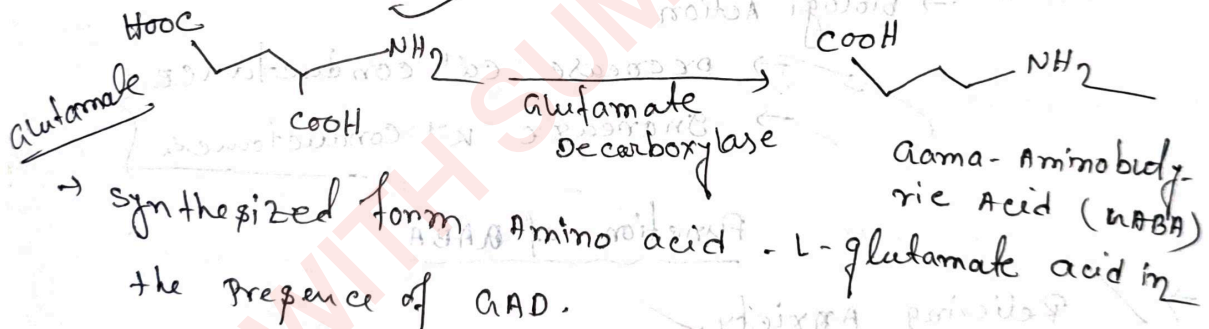


## Discovery

→ In 19<sup>th</sup> century → was known as metabolic of plant & microorganism.

→ In 1950 Robert & Frankel discovered that GABA acts as inhibitory neurotransmitter in human brain.

## Synthesis



→ GAD is present in neurons, Pancreatic cells & in body fluid.

→ GAD act as a catalyst that removes carboxyl group from glutamate & produce GABA.

## Classes of GABA Receptor

→ GABA Receptor is of two types -

(a) GABA<sub>A</sub> Receptor

(b) GABA<sub>B</sub> Receptor.

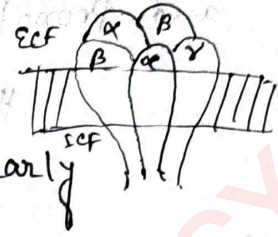
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## GABA<sub>A</sub> Receptor

- It has Pentameric Structure
- It has structural & functional similarity with ligand-gated ion
- Each GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor contains two alpha two beta & one gamma subunit.



## GABA<sub>B</sub> Receptor

- They are hetero dimers
- GABA<sub>B</sub> has been cloned to B<sub>1</sub> & B<sub>2</sub> Receptor.
- B<sub>1</sub> subunit has GABA binding site while B<sub>2</sub> subunit interact with G-protein.

→ biological action

- decrease Ca<sup>2+</sup> conductance
- increase K<sup>+</sup> conductance

## Function of GABA

- Relieving Anxiety ✓
- Relieving Pain ✓
- Regulating Sex hormones ✓
- Decrease blood sugar level in diabetics ✓

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## Glutamic acid or glutamate

- Acidic, <sup>non</sup> essential amino acid.
- As a neurotransmitter in CNS.
- called king of neurotransmitter.
- Also called master switch of Brain.
- Major excitatory of neurotransmitter.

## Synthesis of glutamate

- Given the excitatory effect of glutamate, it is excluded from the brain by BBB that is blood brain barrier is impermeable to glutamate.
- Thus glutamate in the brain must be synthesized de novo from glucose.
- TCA → Alpha ketoglutarate → glutamic acid (via transamination)

## Receptors of glutamic acid

### Ionotropic Receptor

① NMDA Receptor (N-methyl-D-Aspartate)

7 Subunits (GluN<sub>1</sub>, GluN<sub>2</sub>A, GluN<sub>2</sub>B, GluN<sub>2</sub>C, GluN<sub>3</sub>A, GluN<sub>3</sub>B)

② AMPA Receptor: (α-Amino-3-hydroxy-5-Methyl-4-isoxazole Propionic acid)

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4 subunits are present such as

(GluA<sub>1</sub>, GluA<sub>2</sub>, GluA<sub>3</sub>, GluA<sub>4</sub>)

(iii)

Kinase Receptor :-

→ There are 5 subunits are present such as - (~~GluA<sub>1</sub>, GluA<sub>2</sub>, GluA<sub>3</sub>, GluA<sub>4</sub>~~)

GluA<sub>5</sub>  
GluK<sub>1</sub>, GluK<sub>2</sub>, GluK<sub>3</sub>, GluK<sub>4</sub>,  
GluK<sub>5</sub>

Metabotropic (mGluR)

Group-I

mGluR<sub>1</sub>  
mGluR<sub>5</sub>

Group-II

mGluR<sub>2</sub>  
mGluR<sub>3</sub>

Group-III

mGluR<sub>4</sub>  
mGluR<sub>6</sub>  
mGluR<sub>7</sub>  
mGluR<sub>8</sub>

Glycine

→ Glycine is a simplest amino acid which is semiessential amino acid and it should be taken as a nutritional supplement.

○ Glycine is also major inhibitory neurotransmitter in the adult vertebrate central nervous system.

○ Glycine receptor (GlyR) is a member of the nicotinic acid Receptor superfamily.

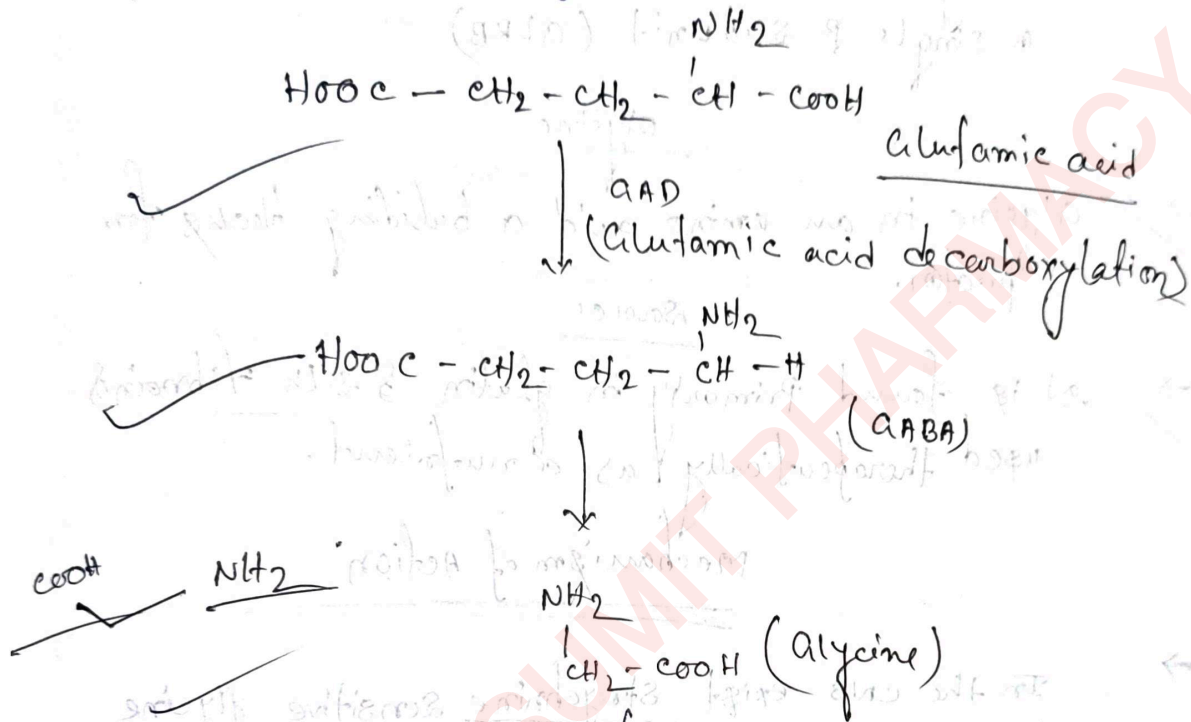
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→ It is also known as inhibitory chloride channel protein

## Synthesis



## Structure

→ Glycine receptors exist as pentameric proteins, homo-oligomers of the  $\alpha$  isoforms ( $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5$ ) or hetero-oligomers which also contain the  $\beta$ -subtype variant which is essential for targeting the receptor to the synapse.

⊙ Receptors are arranged as five subunits surrounding a central pore, each with each subunit composed of four  $\alpha$  helical transmembrane segments.

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→ There are Presently four known isoforms of the  $\alpha$  subunit ( $\alpha 1-4$ ) of GlyR that are essential to bind ligands ( $\alpha 1RA_1, \alpha 1RA_2, \alpha 1RA_3, \alpha 1RA_4$ ) & a single  $\beta$  subunit ( $\alpha 1RB$ )

glycine

→ glycine is an amino acid a building block for protein.

source

→ It is found primarily in gelatin & silk fibroin & used therapeutically as a muscle relaxant.

Mechanism of Action

→ In the CNS exist strychnine sensitive glycine binding sites as well as strychnine insensitive glycine binding sites. The strychnine-insensitive glycine-binding site is located on the NMDA Receptor complex. The ~~glycine~~ strychnine-sensitive glycine Receptor complex is comprised of a chloride channel and is member of the ligand-gated ion channel superfamily.

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## Pharmacokinetic

→ It is absorbed from small intestine via an active transport mechanism and it is metabolized in liver.

## use

- ① alycine is used for treating schizophrenia, stroke, benign prostatic hyperplasia.
- ② sometimes it can also be used to treat leg ulcers and heal other wounds by applying on the skin.

D-Tubocurarine

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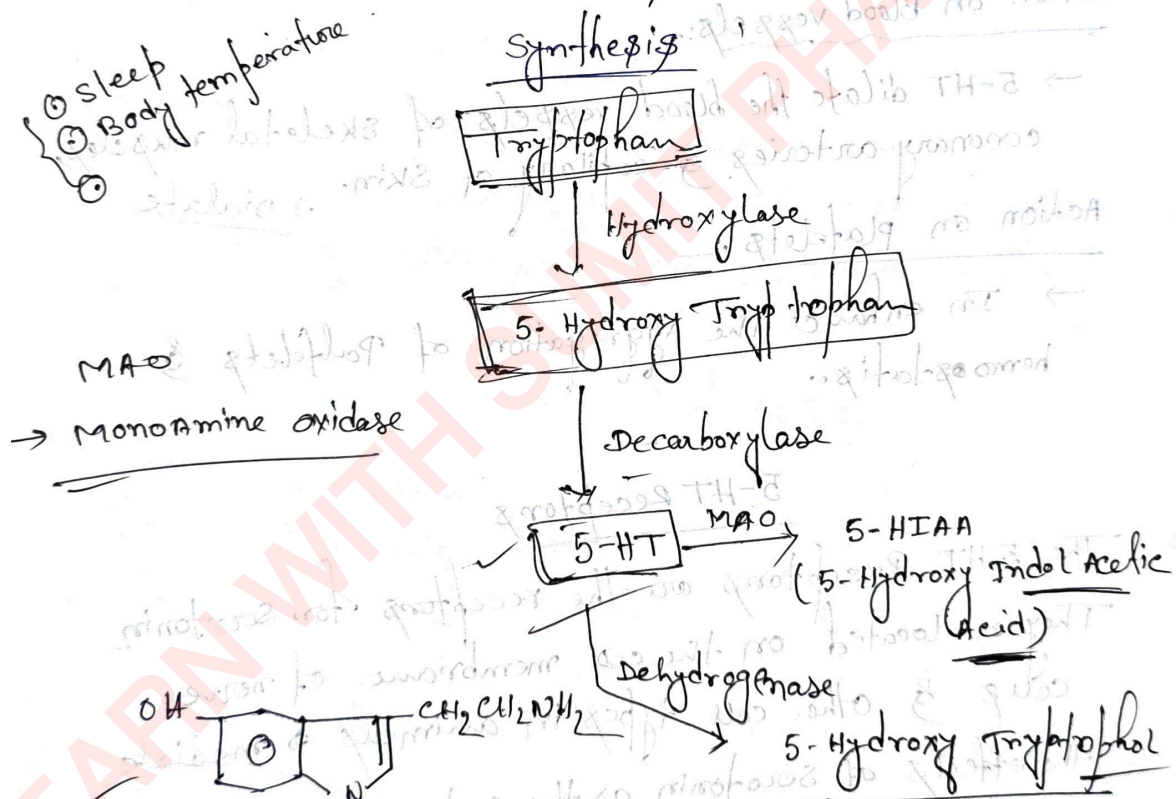
## Serotonin

→ Serotonin is a naturally occurring amine synthesized from the tryptophan & commonly found in plants, some fruits, animal tissue & insect venoms. It is found in enterochromaffin cells in g.i.t & CNS.

→ This Regulate sleep, body temperature & mood.

→ A hormone melatonin is derived from Serotonin.

⊙ sleep  
⊙ Body temperature



## Pharmacological Action of Serotonin

→ Action on GIT:-

⊙ 5-HT act as a local hormone & to regulate Peristalsis movement.

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⊙ Action on CNS:-

→ It act as neurotransmitter in CNS.

⊙ Action on CVS:-

→ 5-HT produces positive inotropic effect & chronotropic effect in myocardium.

⊙ Action on Smooth muscle:-

→ 5-HT constrict the smooth muscles of bronchia & GIT.

⊙ Action on Blood vessels:-

→ 5-HT dilate the blood vessels of skeletal muscles, coronary arteries & capillary of skin. ∴ dilate

⊙ Action on platelets:-

→ It enhance the aggregation of platelets & hemostatis.

## 5-HT receptors

→ The 5-HT receptors are the receptors for serotonin. They are located on the cell membrane of nerve cells & other cell types in animals & mediate the effects of serotonin as the endogenous ligand.

→ Basically 5-HT are four types-

5-HT<sub>1</sub>,

5-HT<sub>2</sub>

⊙ 5-HT<sub>1</sub> Receptor occur mainly in CNS & some blood vessels.

→ effect are neural inhibition & vasoconstriction.

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## 5-HT<sub>2</sub>

→ This Receptor occurs mainly in CNS & many peripheral sites (especially blood vessels, platelets, autonomic neurons)

## 5-HT<sub>3</sub>

→ This Receptor occurs mainly in peripheral nervous system. effects are excitatory, mediated via direct receptor-coupled ion channel.

## 5-HT<sub>4</sub>

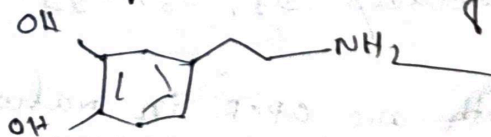
→ This Receptors occur mainly in the enteric nervous system (also in CNS). effects are excitatory causing increased gastrointestinal motility.

## Pharmacological Action

- Neurotransmitter
- Hypertension
- Precursor of melatonin
- Nausea & vomiting
- migraine

## Dopamine

→ Dopamine belongs to the family of catecholamines.



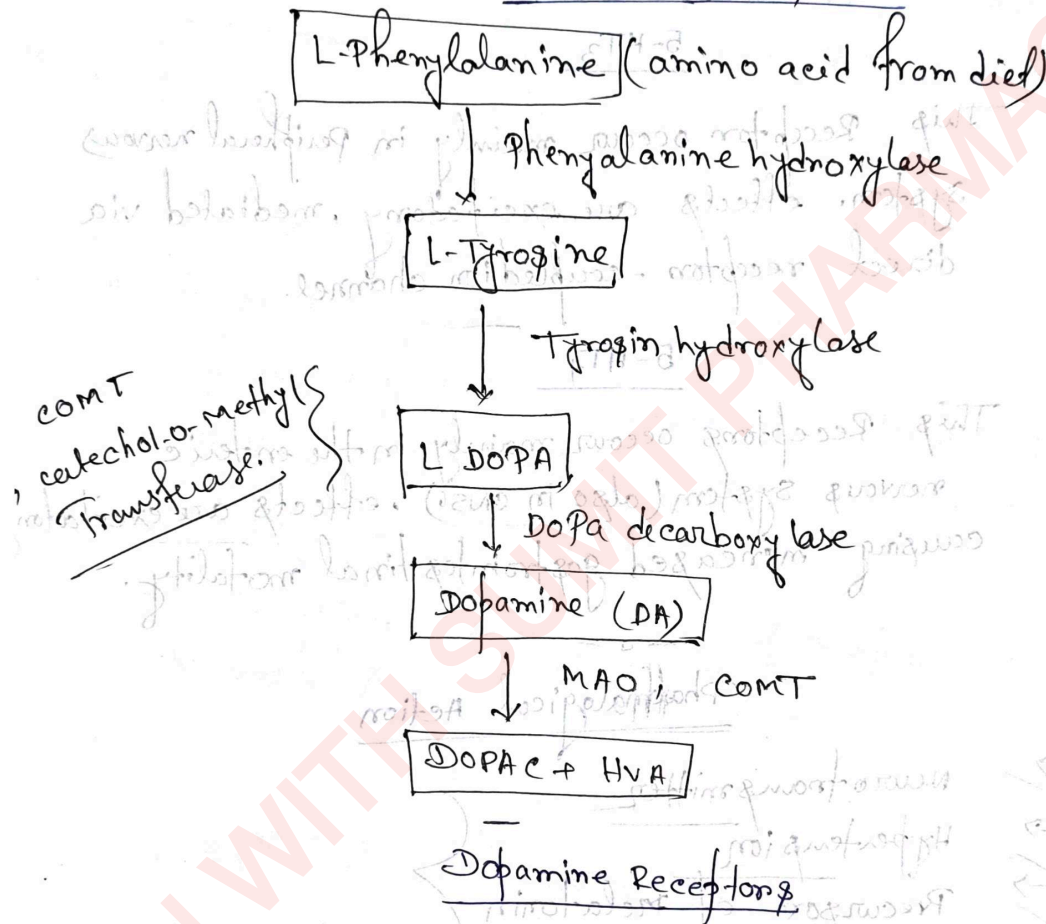
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→ Hormones, epinephrine & non-epinephrine are derived from dopamine.

Dopamine synthesis & Metabolism



→ Metabotropic G-protein coupled Receptors  
D<sub>1</sub>-like family

→ Includes subtype D<sub>1</sub> & D<sub>5</sub>

D<sub>2</sub> like family

→ Includes D<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>3</sub>, D<sub>4</sub>.

(Both are GPCR in nature.)

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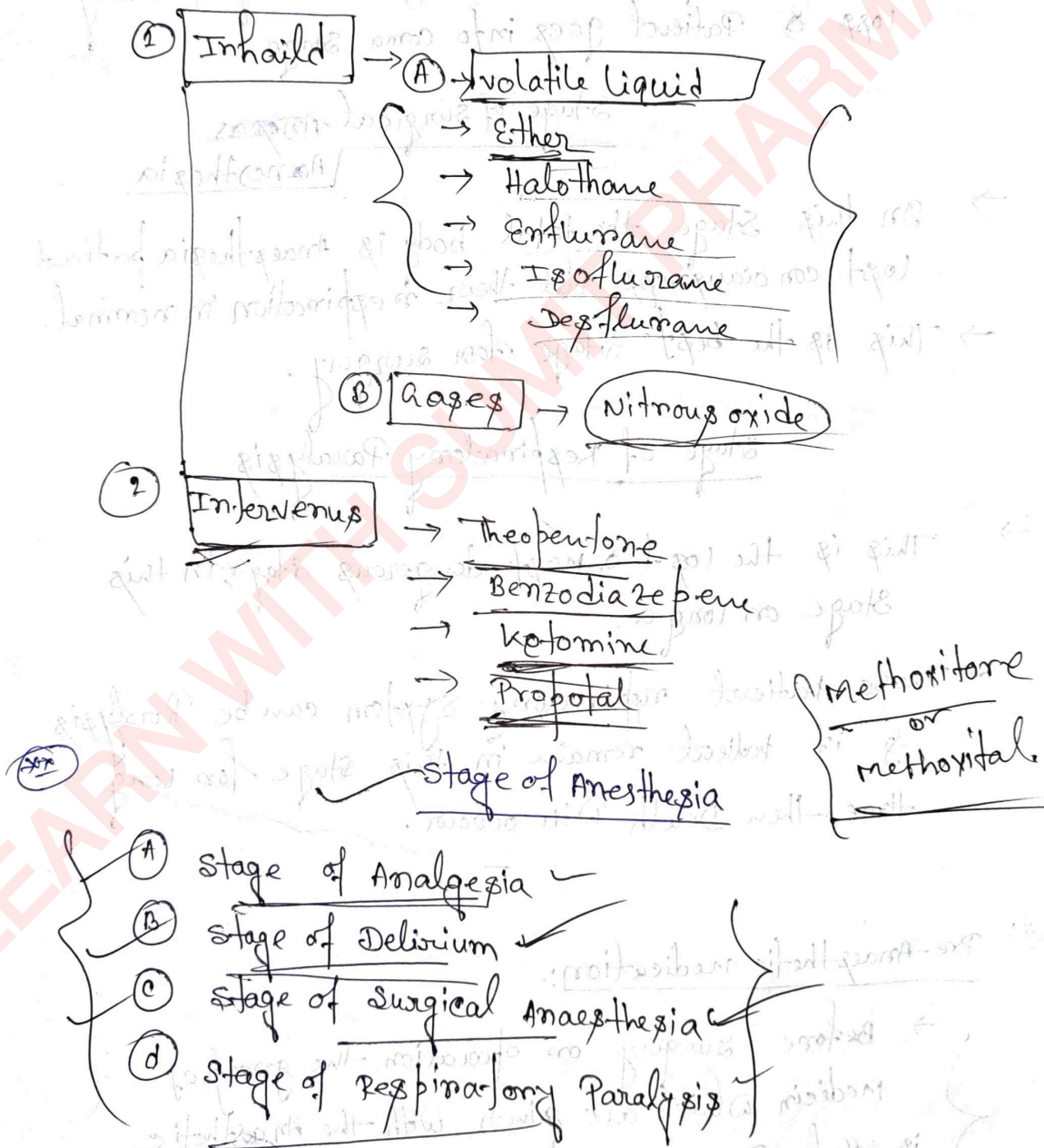
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## General Anaesthetic

→ General Anaesthetics are those agents which cause a reversible loss of consciousness. This is used before the surgery.

## Classification of General Anaesthetic



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## Stage of Analgesia

→ This is the first stage of Anaesthesia. In this stage the sensation Pain & touch loss.

## Stage of Delirium

→ In this stage the consciousness of Body is slowly loss & Patient goes into coma stage.

## Stage of surgical ~~Anaesthesia~~ Anaesthesia

→ In this stage the total body is Anaesthesia patient lost consciousness but their respiration is normal.  
→ This is the best stage for surgery.

## Stage of Respiratory Paralysis

→ This is the last & most dangerous stage, in this stage on longer.

→ Those patient respiratory system can be Paralysis & if patient remain in this stage for long time then Death will occur.

## ⑤ Pre-Anaesthetic medication:

→ Before surgery or operation the group of medicine which are given with the Anaesthetic is called Pre-Anaesthetic medicine & the process is known as Pre-Anaesthetic medication.





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## ether (Diethyl ether)

- Ether is a potent Anaesthetic, produce good analgesia & marked muscle relaxation by reducing Ach output from motor nerve endings.
- It is highly soluble in blood.
- The dose of competitive neuromuscular blockers should be reduced to about  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

## Sedative & Hypnotics

### ③ Pharmacological Action of Barbiturates:-

#### ① Sedation & Hypnotics Action:-

→ When the Barbiturates drug given in small dose then it shows sedative action & when it given in large dose it shows hypnotics action.

→ And when barbiturates drugs give regularly for sedation then it may cause addiction.

#### ② Anaesthetic effect:-

→ some barbiturates drugs like 'Thiopental Sodium' when it given iv form then it cause anaesthetic effect.

→ And these drugs is generally given in free anaesthetic medication.

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## ③ Anticonvulsant:-

→ Some category of barbiturate drug is given for the treatment of epilepsy like phenobarbitone, metho-barbitone.

## ④ Effect on Respiration:-

→ Barbiturate drugs basically reduce the hypoxic & chemoreceptor response & it cause the respiratory depression.

→ And the rate of Respiration becomes slow.

→ But when it is given in large dose they cause respiratory paralysis or death.

## ⑤ effect on CVS:-

→ In general dose there are no effect on CVS.

→ But after a long dose it may cause decrease in the heart rate & decrease output & blood pressure may also be reduce. cardiac

## ⑥ Effect on peripheral nervous system:->

→ When barbiturate drug is given then it effect the neurohumoral transmission in ganglia of Peripheral nervous system.

→ It reduce the both the action of sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous system. basically it blocks the nicotinic Receptor & reduce cholinergic response.

## ⑦ effect on kidney:-

→ When barbiturate drug is given it shows effect on kidney it reduce the glomerular filtration rate so the urine output

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it Reduce.



⑨ effect on spinal cord:-

→ When barbiturate drug is given it Reduce the Reflex action of spinal cord.

## Pharmacokinetics

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- It is well absorb orally from stomach & GIT
- It is available in tablet form.
- Ad And also available in injection form.
- Barbiturate are available in two form ionic & non ionic form.
- ionic form is distributed slowly & unionic form drug can easily distributed and pass through the brain into.
- It Metabolize in to the liver
- And secrete through urine.

## Adverse effect

- Intolerance
- Anemia
- Allergy
- Addiction

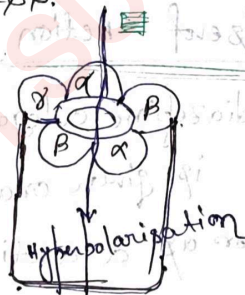
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## Pharmacological Action of Benzodiazepines

- Benzodiazepine drug is a sedative & Hypnotics category drugs.
- Basically benzodiazepines drug bind with GABA Receptor
- GABA inhibit the Action of Brain or it depresses the Brain
- When Benzodiazepine drugs binds with the GABA Receptor then GABA Receptor contain five subunit form two  $\alpha$ , two  $\beta$  & one  $\gamma$ .
- And after binding with the drug Benzodiazepine with GABA Receptor the chloride channel is open and  $Cl^-$  ion goes inside from ECF to ICF.
- And due to hyperpolarisation of  $Cl^-$  ion the CNS becomes depress.



### Pharmacological Action

#### ① Sedative & Hypnotics Action:

→ Benzodiazepines drugs are used to treatment of Insomnia. It is given for Sedative & Hypnotics action.

→ When Benzodiazepine drugs are given in small dose then it causes or Sedative Action.

→ And when it is given in large dose it produce Hypnotics Action.

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→ And when they are used more than four weeks, then it may produce Addiction effect.

(2)

## Reduction of Anxiety & Aggression

→ Basically Benzodiazepine drugs are ~~given~~ also use in Anxiety & Reduction Aggression.

→ And it is given before the minery surgery & dental surgery for reducing the Aggression.

→ It is never be given after four week because it can cause Addiction & tolerance.

(3)

## Reduce muscle tone

→ It is also given in the case of muscle tone.

(4)

## Anticonvulsant Action

→ Some drugs are benzodiazepine category like Diazepam & Medazepam which is given orally for the treatment of epilepsy or as a anti convulsant drug.

(5)

## Anetroamnesia

→ It is also used in the case of Amnesia.

→ This drug delete the old memories & create new memory.

## Pharmacokinetics

→ It is given orally

→ It is well absorbed in stomach and intestine.

→ They are lipophilic in nature, so they can pass

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BBB and effective in the CNS & distributed in the CNS.

→ It is metabolized in liver in the form of glucuronic acid & oxidation reaction.

→ It is secreted from the urine.

Adverse effect

→ Drowsiness

→ Dizziness

→ Reduce concentration

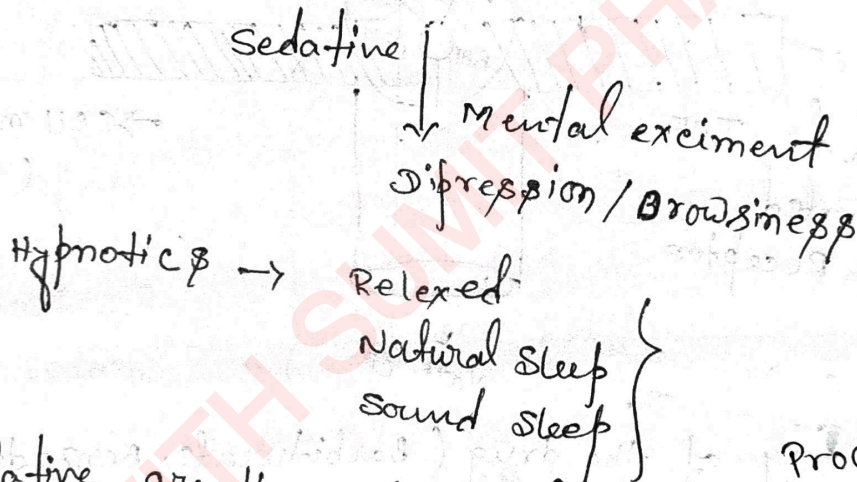
MOA (Sedative & Hypnotic drugs)

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disease

⊗ Sedative & Hypnotics:-

→ Sedative & Hypnotics are those drugs which act on the CNS and they reduce the mental excitement & mental depression & produce the natural sleep and sound sleep.



→ Sedative are those drug which don't sleep but they reduce the excitement of brain & depression & produce drowsiness.

→ Hypnotics are those drug which have higher concentration than sedative & they basically relax brain on complete relax the brain & produce natural sleep on sound sleep.

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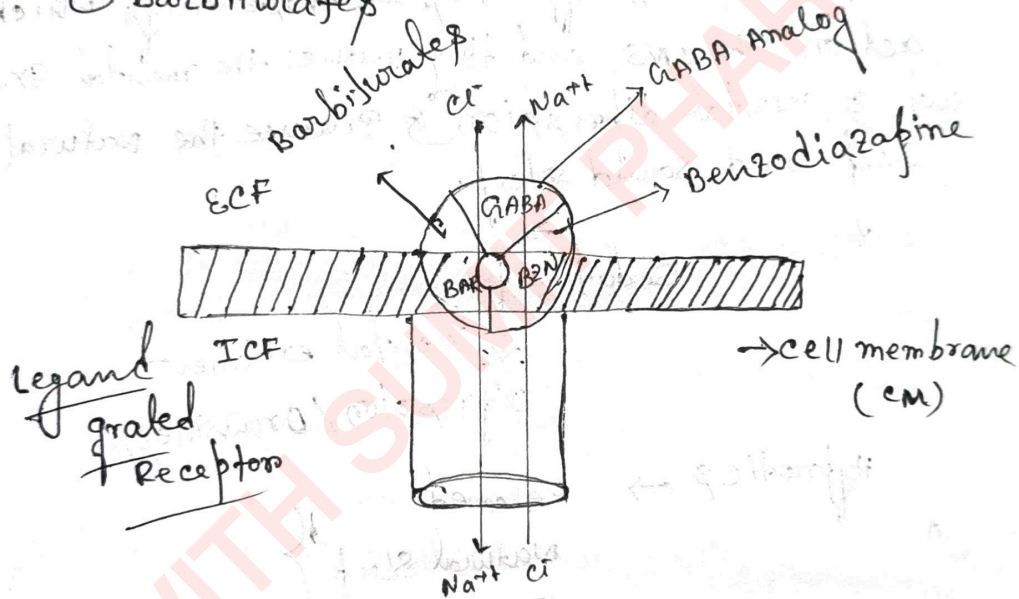
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## Mode of Action of Sedative & Hypnotics

→ Basically Sedative & hypnotics drugs are in of 3 category -

- ⊙ GABA (Gamma-Aminobutyric Acid) Analog
- ⊙ Benzodiazepine
- ⊙ Barbiturates



→ When any of the drug (Barbiturate, Benzodiazepine, GABA Analog) bind their selective Receptor, like Benzodiazepine bind with Benzodiazepine Receptor, Barbiturate bind with the Barbiturate Receptor & these drug bind with the Receptor then channels are open and chloride ions moves then channel Receptor becomes high polarized the transmission of Na<sup>+</sup> is completely stoped in that case brain becomes relax and the excitement of Brain is Reduced & sedative & hypnotics action produce in our CNS.

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## ① Classification of Sedative & Hypnotics Drugs:-

### ① Barbiturates:-

- ① Long Acting → Phenobarbitone
- ① Short Acting → Butobarbitone
- ① Ultra-short Acting → Thiopentone, Methohexitone

#### Trick

→ Agar Barbi ko sukhai to Fen butaw Thapki do mathe aur Mast (tone) Ma lori gaw

### ① Benzodiazepines - Hypnotics

- ① Diazepam
- ① Flurazepam
- ① Nitrazepam
- ① Triazolam
- ① Temazepam
- ① Alprazolam

#### Trick

→ Diya ko flu ho gaya tha night main Par Tripathi ko tarneez nehi rak var Benzo Par Alap ga tha Raha.

### ① Newer Non benzodiazepine:-

- ① zolpidem ✓
- ① Zaleplon ✓
- ① zopiclone ✓

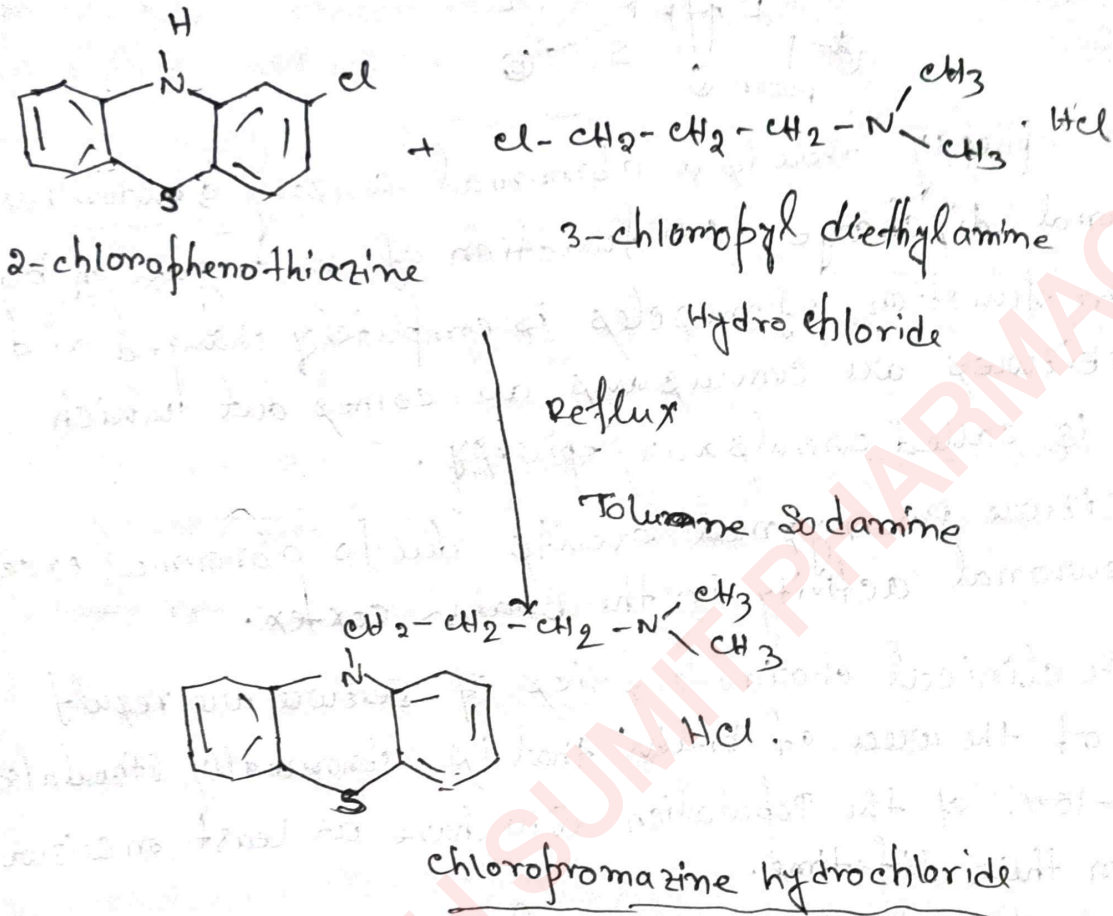
#### Trick

→ Naya log @ Jal Bichake hai Pind main Plan ke sath clone Banake hai.

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Anticonvulsant - Epilepsy / seizure

1) Most commonly seizure is also known as epilepsy.

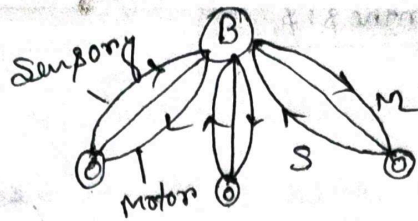
2) It is derived from Greek word, Epilambes which means To Seize.

3) It is a neurological disorder, in which the neurohormonal transmission of the brain is commonly affected. completely

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→ In epilepsy there is an abnormal sensory & motor neuronal discharge so function of an organ in body or function of muscles is completely changed and seizures are convulsions, are comes out which is called convulsant/epilepsy.

→ Seizure Paroxysmal events due to abnormal excessive neuronal activity in the Brain cortex.

→ The clinical characteristics of seizure are result of the area of brain that is abnormally stimulated.

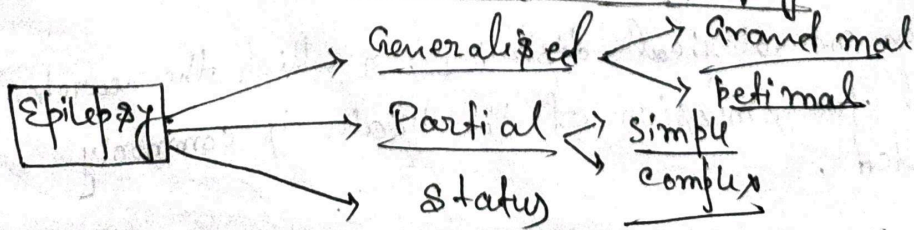
→ 5-10% of the Population will have at least one seizure in their lifetime.

→ Highest incidence is in childhood and late adulthood.

## Symptoms

- ⊙ Chronic Recurrent Proximal changes
- ⊙ Loss of consciousness.
- ⊙ Abnormal sensation
- ⊙ duration sec- minute.

## Classification of epilepsy



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## ① Generalized

Entire Brain involve in seizure, it is not arrived from any single part of the It is of 2 types-

### Grandmal / Tonic clonic seizure:-

- It is also called tonic clonic seizure.
- In the seizure beginning is start from oera, then after bilateral muscular jerk.
- In this seizure the loss of consciousness completely involve and muscle spasm.
- It remain for 2-5 minutes.

### Partial / (Absence seizure)

- ✓ It is also called absence seizure. It is basically appear in children.
- ✓ In this seizure also the completely loss of consciousness & loss of ~~seen~~ speech generally seen.
- ✗ It remain for 1-30 second.

## ② Partial / Focal

This type of seizure is generally seen any part of Brain basically temporal lobes.

It not cover in full brain, and its symptoms start beginning from local body organ.

∴ It is of two types-

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(A)

Simple :-

→ This is also called Jacksonian motor epilepsy.

- It is basically certain part of brain complex,
- Some muscle, thumb, toe.
- Don't loss of consciousness and time duration 1-2 minute.

(B)

Complex :-

→ It is also called Psychomotor.

→ uncommon (patient found in rare case)

→ Extensive, swallowing, chewing.

→ Time duration 1-2 minutes.

(C)

Stupor :-

→ In this type of seizure, the brain damage of patient.

→ The time duration of seizure 30 min.

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(1) (2) (3)

Classification of Anticonvulsant drugs

1. Barbiturate → Phenobarbitone

2. Deoxy barbiturate → Primidone

3. Hydantoin → Phenytoin, Fosphenytoin

4. Imino stibene → Carbamazepine, Oxcarbazepine

5. Succinimide → Ethosuximide.

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⑤ Aliphatic carboxylic → valproic Acid, Sodium valproate, Divalproex.

⑥ Benzodiazepines → clonazepam, Diazepam, Lorazepam, clobazam.

⑦ Phenyl triazine → Lamotrigine.

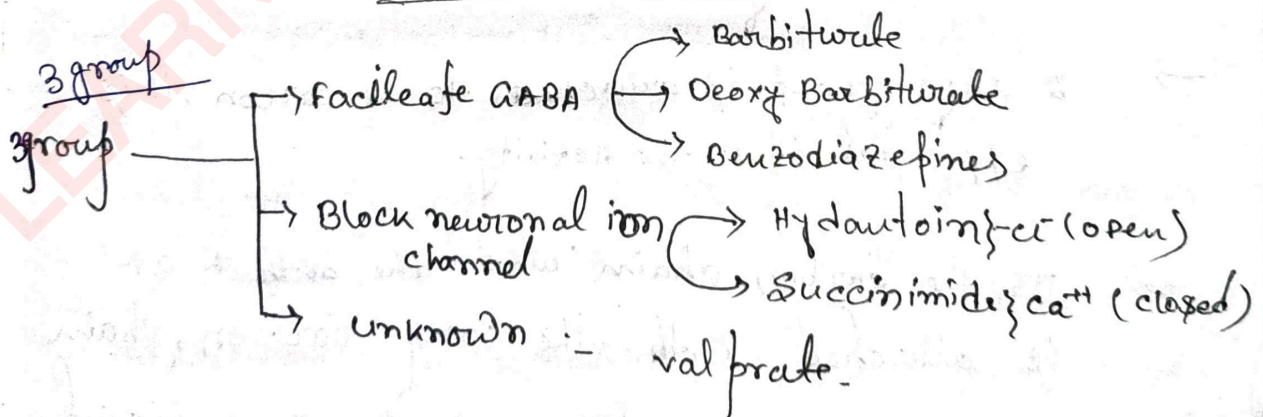
⑧ Cyclic GABA → Gabapentin, Pregabalin.

⑨ Newer drugs → Topiramate, Zonisamide, Lacosamide, vigabatrin, Tiagabine, Levetiracetam.

Trick

Hai Babar dev ali inme success pa na ho jo  
Ban Jaw Sonmasi in neye chokore main Na Pade.

## MODE OF ACTION



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\* short note :-

Valproic  
Valproic Acid

→ MOA :-

- ⊙ Exact mechanism unknown. Possible mechanism proposed.
- ⊙ It Inhibits Metabolism of GABA via down regulation of GAT-1 & GABA-3 transport proteins & depressed CNS.
- ⊙ Some time it blocks (T type) calcium currents.

\* Clinical indications :- (Broad-spectrum AED)

→ Absence seizure, tonic-clonic seizure, myoclonic seizure, Partial seizure.

\* Pharmacokinetics :-

- ⊙ It is absorbed by orally.
- ⊙ 70-90% protein binding
- ⊙ Metabolized to glucuronide conjugate in the liver.

$T_{1/2} = 15 \text{ hr.}$

\* Adverse effect :->

- Nausea, vomiting
- Hepatotoxicity.
- It produce teratogenicity into new born baby during pregnancy.

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## Phenytoin

→ Limits the development of spontaneous seizure activity & reduced the spread of the seizure.

→

### MOA

Basically Phenytoin drugs blocks the voltage-gated sodium channel & stop the transfer of  $Na^+$  ion & the muscle contraction is stop.

### Clinical indication (Broad-spectrum AED)

→ used for generalized tonic/clonic seizure, partial seizure, status epilepticus.

### Pharmacokinetics

- It is taken from orally.
- Phenytoin is highly fat soluble.
- Readily absorbed from the GI tract.
- It is metabolized in the liver by the help of enzyme CYP2C9/10.
- The elimination of Phenytoin follows zero-order kinetics.
- $T_{1/2} = 29$  hr.
- The excretion is slow because it lipophilic in nature & protein bounding.

### Adverse effect

- skin rash
- mental confusion
- dizziness

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contraindications:- sinus bradycardia and SA Block.

## Alcohol & Dipulfinam

### Ethyl Alcohol (Ethanol)

- Alcohols are hydroxy derivative of aliphatic hydrocarbons.
- Alcohol is manufactured by fermentation of sugars.
- Fermentation proceeds till alcohol content reached 15%.
- Starch  $\xrightarrow{\text{conversion}}$  maltose.
- which can be fermented by yeast to produce Alcohol.

### MOA

- Alcohol has been shown to enhance GABA ~~release~~ release of GABA sites in the brain.
- It also inhibits NMDA receptors.
- Action of 5-HT on 5-HT inhibitory autoreceptor.
- It also blocks Na<sup>+</sup> channel.

### Pharmacological Action

① Local Actions:-

- Ethanol is a mild rubefacient & counterirritant when rubbed on the skin. By evaporation it produces cooling.

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- Applied on delicate skin or mucous membranes if produce irritation & burning sensation
- concentrated alcohol should not be applied in the mouth, nose.

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## CNS

- Alcohol is neuronal depressant.
- These are primarily inhibitory - apparent excitation & euphoria & experienced at lower plasma concentration.
- Mood & feelings are altered.
- Alcohol can produce anaesthesia.

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## CVS

- Small dose :- Produce only cutaneous & gastric vasodilation
- skin is warm & BP is not affected.
- Moderate dose :- when it gives moderate dose it increase BP.
- Large dose :- cause direct myocardial as well as vasomotor center & there BP is fall.

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## \* Blood

- Regular intake of small to moderate amounts of alcohol has been found to raise HDL cholesterol levels & decrease LDL oxidation.
- mild anaemia is common in chronic alcoholics.

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## Body temperature

- Alcohol is reputed to combat cold.
- High dose depress temperature regulating center.

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## Respiration

- In small dose it don't produce any effect but in large dose it produce respiratory depression.

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## GIT

- Dilute alcohol put in the stomach by pyl's tube is a strong stimulant of gastric secretion.
- Higher concentration inhibit gastric secretion cause vomiting, ~~and~~ mucosal congestion.

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## Kidney

- Diuresis is often noticed after alcohol intake.
- This is due to water ingested along with drinks as well as alcohol induced inhibition of ADH secretion.

## Pharmacokinetics

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- Absorption from intestines is very fast.

→ Peak levels are attained after - 30 min.

- Absorption of alcohol from skin of adults is

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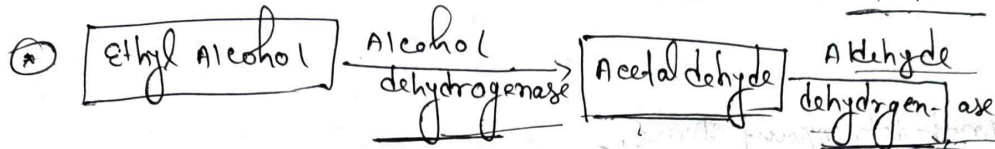
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is minimal but may be significant in infants.

→ Alcohol gets distributed widely in the body.

→ Alcohol is oxidized in liver to the extent of 98%.



→ Excretion of alcohol occurs through kidney and lungs.  $\text{Acetate} + \text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

## Contraindications

→ Intake of alcohol should be avoided by

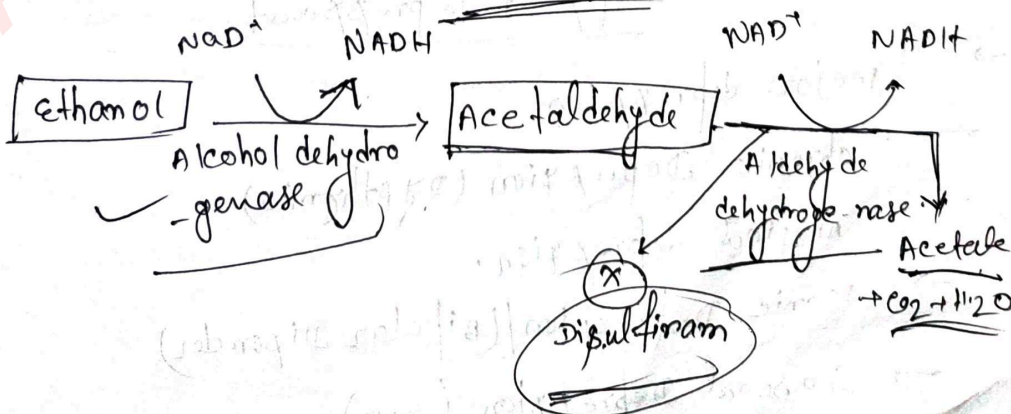
- ① Peptic ulcer
- ② Hyperacidity
- ③ gastroesophageal reflux patients.

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## Disulfiram

→ Disulfiram is an aldehyde dehydrogenase inhibitor. It prohibits the activity of aldehyde dehydrogenase enzyme found in the liver.

→ In the united states disulfiram is sold under brand name "Antabuse"



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