

Cholinergic drug

Defination - These are the drugs which produce action similar to that of acetylcholine (ACh) either by directly interacting with cholinergic receptors or by increasing availability of ACh at those site.

- often called parasympathomimetic drug, because their action mimics the action of P_SN_S ~~parasympathomimetic~~ ^{para Sympathetic Nervous} system

Cholinergic agonists are two types —

- ① Direct acting
- ② Indirect acting

Classification of cholinergic drug

Cholinergic drug are classified main two classes are as follows —

Cholinergic drug

cholinergic agonists

Anticholinesterase

① Cholinesterase

- ┆ Acetylcholine
- ┆ Methacoline
- ┆ Carbachol

② Reversible

① Carbamates

- physostigmine
- Neostigmine
- Edrophonium

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P.T.O

② Alkaloids

- Muscarine

- Pilocarpine

- Arecoline

- Rivastigmine

- Donepezil

- Galantamine

- Carbachol

- Carbamyl

- Organophosphate

- Dithion

- Malathion

- Diazinon

Pharmacological action

The action of acetylcholine are generally classify in to 2 types —

① Muscarinic Receptor —

② Nicotinic Receptor —

① Muscarinic receptor — The receptors are selectively stimulated by muscarine and blocked by atropine. They are located primarily on autonomic effector cells in heart, blood vessels, eyes, smooth muscles and gland of G.I.T, sweat gland etc.

Heart — The effect of acetylcholine on heart is similar to that produced by stimulation of the vagal stimulation.

Smooth muscles — Smooth muscles is a most organ is contract.

Tone and peristalsis in the G.I.T that is tense and sphincters muscles relax abdominal cramps and eff evacuation bowl.

Blood vessels — All blood vessels are dilated through only few receive cholinergic innervation.

fall in B.P. and flushing specially in the flush area occur.

Gland — Secretion from all para-sympathetically innervated glands is increase via M_3 and some M_2 receptors sweating, salivary and gastric secretion.

Eyes — Contraction of circular muscles of iris.
→ miosis

Contraction of ciliary muscles → spasm of accommodation, increase out flow facility, reduction in intraocular tension.

② **Nicotinic receptors** — These receptors are selectively activated by nicotine and blocked by tubocurarine.

Nicotinic receptors is of 2 types -

(1) Nm

(2) Nn

Autonomic ganglia

Both sympathetic and parasympathetic ganglia are stimulated. These effect is masking fight or flight on high dose. High dose of "ACh" given after atropin produces tachycardia and rise in B.P. due to stimulation of sympathetic ganglia.

Skeletal muscles - Application of "ACh" muscle end plate causes contraction of the fibers.

Intraarterial injection of high dose can cause twitching and fasciculation, but I.V. injection is generally without any effect due to rapid hydrolysis of ACh.

Dosage indication

Generic Name

Indication

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| (1) Methacholine | → paroxysmal atrial tachycardia and peripheral vascular disease |
| (2) Carbachol | → Glioma → post operative paralytic ileus
→ post operative retention of urine |

- (3) Pilocarpine → Glaucoma
- (4) Physostigmine → Glaucoma
→ Anti cholinergic poisoning.
- (5) Neostigmine →
- Myasthenia gravis
 - Reversal of non-muscular blockers
 - Urinary retention

Contra-Indication

- Bronchial asthma
- Peptic ulcer
- Coronary Insufficiency
- Thyrotoxicosis
- Mechanical obstruction of the G.I.T. and urinary bladder

Anti cholinergic drugs

Are those which antagonise the effect of neurotransmitter "ACh" on autonomic effects and in the CNS exert through "muscarinic receptors" through nicotinic antagonists also block certain action of "ACh" they are referred as "ganglionic blockers" & "neuromuscular blockers".

Muscarinic receptor site -

- ① Heart
- ② Salivary Gland
- ③ Smooth muscle of H.K.E. G.I.T.
- ④ Urinary bladder

Nicotinic ACh receptor site -

- ACh is also the neurotransmitter at post ganglionic nicotinic receptors located at the N.M.J. (Neuromuscular junction) and autonomic ganglia.
- effect of anticholinergic drug at nicotinic "ACh" receptors is little as compared at muscarinic receptors.

Pharmacological action —

① CNS (Central nervous system) —

Atropine has CNS stimulant action. However, these effects are not appreciable at low dosage.

Atropine stimulates mainly medullary centers vagal, respiratory, vasomotor.

② (C.V.S) Cardiovascular system —

Most prominent effect is to cause tachycardia due to blocked of M_2 receptor and S.A. Node (Sinoarterial node).

③ Eyes —

Topical installation of atropine causes mydriasis, abolition of light reflexes and cycloplegia resulting in photophobia blurring of near vision.

④ Smooth muscles —

All visceral muscles that receive parasympathetic motor innervation are relaxed by atropine due to M_3 blocked.

⑤ Glands —

Atropine markedly decreases sweat, salivary tracheobronchial lacrimal secretion by M_3 blocked.

⑥ Body Temperature — Rise in body temperature occurs at high dose due to both inhibition of temperature resulting center in the hypothalamus.

⑦ Local anesthetic — Atropine has mild anesthetic action on the cornea.

Dosage indication

<u>Anticholinergic Drug</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Dosage</u>
Dicyclomine	Smooth muscles relaxant anti-spasmodic	20 mg oral
Oxybutynin	Smooth muscles relaxant anti-spasmodic Specific to urinary bladder and salivary gland	Oxybutynin 5 mg BD / TDS oral flavoxate 200 mg TDS oral
Propriverine	Antispasmodic muscles relaxant	40/80 mg TDS

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Classification of anticholinergic drug

Anticholinergic drug are mainly classified in to 3 classes are as follows

(i) Natural Alkaloid

Atropine

Hyosin (Scopolamin)

(d) Antiparkinsonian

Benzhexol

Biperiden

(ii) Semi Synthetic Derivatives

Homatropine

Atropine methenizate

(iii) Synthetic Compound

(a) Mydriatics

Cyclopentamide Tropicamide

Cyclopentolate

(b) Anti secretory

(i) Quaternary Compound

penebuteline

Isopropamide

(ii) Tertiary Amines

Dicyclomine

Valethamate

(c) Vasoselective

Oxybutynin

Ofloxate

Contra Indications - Contra indications are usually due to the drug pharmacologic and adverse effect

They include -

- ⇒ Glaucoma
- ⇒ parietal hypertrophy
- ⇒ Intestinal or urinary obstruction
- ⇒ Cardio vascular disease
- ⇒ Tachy arrhythmias
- ⇒ Angina
- ⇒ pregnancy
- ⇒ Urinary tract obstruction

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Adrenergic Drug or Sympathomimetic drugs

Adrenergic drugs which block response by Adrenergic nervous system (ANS) by producing antagonistic effect are called as Sympatholytic and Adrenergic drugs.

eg- Proprenal

Adrenergic drug can be classify howid direct indirect or mixed action.

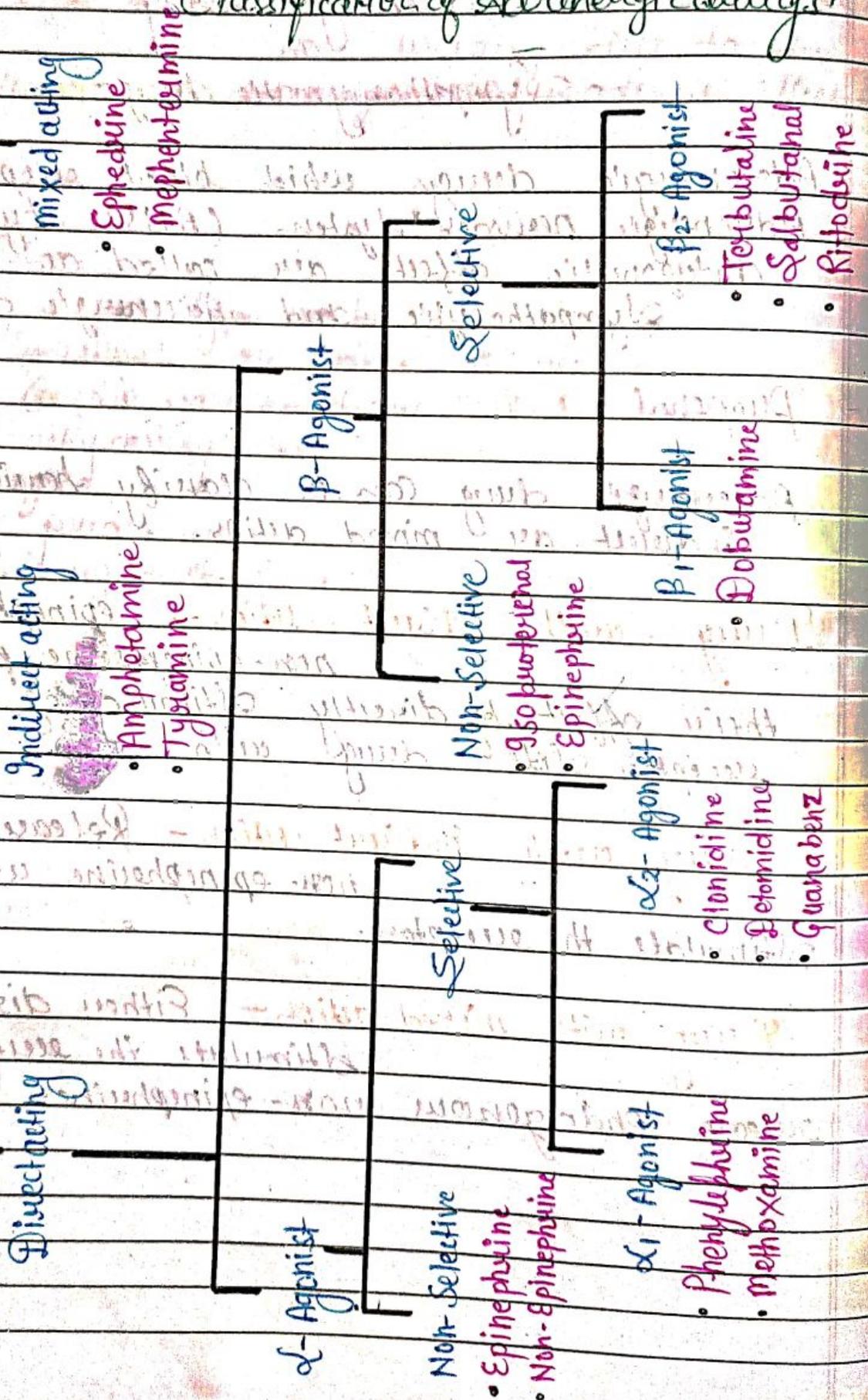
Drug with direct action - epinephrine non-epinephrine produce their effect by directly stimulating the receptor site - drug with

Drug with indirect action - Release endogenous non-epinephrine which then stimulate the receptors.

Drug with mixed action - Either directly stimulates the receptors or release endogenous non-epinephrine.

Classification of Adrenergic drugs

Adrenergic Drug



Pharmacological action —

Heart —

- β_1 receptors are present on heart.
- Adrenaline or non-adrenaline increase heart rate
- Increase force of contraction
- Increase cardiac output
- Increase blood pressure

* Effect on blood vessels —

- Both vasoconstriction due to stimulation of α -receptors
- vasodilation due to stimulation of β_2 receptors.

* Effect on B.P —

- The effect depends on the amine, its dosage and state of administration.

(NA) non-adrenaline cause rise in systolic, diastolic and mean B.P. its does not cause vasodilation peripheral resistance increased consistently due to α action.

* Effect on respiration —

- β_2 receptors are present on bronchial muscles only adrenaline and isoprenaline cause broncho-dilation.
- Non-toxic dosages pulmonary 'oedema' effect on eye.

* Effect on eye:-

Mydriasis — occur due to contraction of radial muscles but this is minimal after topical application because Adren penetrates cornea poorly.

* Effect of Gastrointestinal tract (G.I.T)

In isolated preparations of gut relaxation occurs through activation of both α & β receptors.

Effect on bladder —

Urine receptor occur α and β receptors are present.

Effects on Uterus —

(Adr) Adrenaline can both contract and relax uterine muscles, respectively through α and β receptors.

Effect on Skeletal muscles —

Neuromuscular transmission is facilitated in contrast to action on autonomic nervous ending. α -receptor activation on motor nerve ending adjustment of 'ACh' release (prolaxing) because it is of —

α_1, α_2 Subtypes.

Metabolic effects -

Adrenaline induced leukoagglutination

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Hyperglycemia; Hypokalaemia

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 β_2 lipolysis

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Rise

Dosage indication of Adrenergic drugs -

- Adrenaline Injection - 0.2 to 0.5 ml
- Heart block
- Treatment of asthma - Salbutamol
- Hypertension, cardiogenic shock
- Used for prolongation of local anesthetic action by vasoconstriction - Adrenaline
- To control local bleeding - Adrenaline
- As Nasal decongestant - Oxymetazoline
- Inhibition of uterine constriction - Nylidrine

Contra Indication - Adrenergic

- Angina pectoris
- Hypertension
- Cardiac dysrhythmia
- Distal areas with a single blood supply such as finger toes, nose and ear.
- Renal impairment

Anti adrenergic drugs

These are the drugs which antagonised the receptor action of adrenaline and related drugs.

They are competitive antagonist at α_1 & β - are both α and β adrenergic receptors.

They have opposite effect of adrenergic agents also known as adrenergic antagonist or adrenergic blocking agent.

Classification of antiadrenergic drugs

(1) Alpha receptor blocking agent

(a) Non-Selective α blocking agents

- phenoxybenzamine
- phentolamine
- Tolazoline

(2) Selective α_1 blocking agent

(b) Selective α_1 blockers

- prazosin
- Terazosin

(c) Selective α_2 blockers

- yohimbine

③ β -receptor blocking Agents

Non-Selective β -blocking agent (first generation)

- Propranolol
- Timolol
- Nadolol
- Sotalol

④ Selective β_1 -blockers (Second generation)

- Atenolol
- Bisoprolol
- Metoprolol

⑤ Mixed (α - and β) Adrenergic blockers (Third generation)

- Carvedilol
- Labetalol

General effect of β -blockers -

Vasodilator - Reduce peripheral resistance
Decrease cardiac output
↓ fall in B.P

Reflex tachycardia - Due to fall in mean arterial pressure

This is peripheral action exert directly on the muscles of fiber (through β_2 receptors)

Eyes-

propranolol and some other β -blocker reduced secretion of aqueous-humor.

There is no constrant effect on pupil size or accommodation.

Uterus -

Relaxation of uterus in response to isoprenaline and selective β_2 -agonist is blocked by propranolol.

However normal uterine activity is not significantly affected.

Dosage Indication -

Decrease renal blood flow.

G.R.F. (Glomerular renal filtration) -

Decrease, increase Na , H_2O \rightarrow reabsorption \rightarrow Na
retention \rightarrow increase blood vessels.

Intestinal motility -

Increase/lower motions may occur
phenoxybenzamine gives to treat pheochromocytoma

pharmacological action

* C.V.S

Heart

propranolol decrease heart rate, force of
contraction and cardiac output

It prolongs systole by retarding conduction so
that synergy (improvement of flow) of contraction
ventricular fiber is distributed.

Blood vessels

propranolol blocker vasodilation and fall in B.P
evoked by isoprenaline and hence
the rise in B.P. caused by adrenaline there
is reversible of vasomotor. Reversal that is
seen after (alpha) α -blocker.