

MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY-II

UNIT 3 NOTES

- Anti Arrhythmic Drugs
- Anti Hyperlipidemic Drugs
- Coagulant & Anticoagulant
- Congestive Heart Failure



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ANTI - ARRHYTHMIC AGENTS

- Anti - Arrhythmic Agents are medications used to treat Arrhythmias. which are abnormal heart beats that can be too fast, too slow or irregular.
- These drugs work by modifying the electrical activity of the Heart to restore or maintain a normal rhythm.

ARRHYTHMIA

- Arrhythmia refers to an abnormality in the rhythm of heart's electrical activity, which can cause the heart to beat too fast, too slow or irregularly.
- Generally Arrhythmias are harmless, However long term may result into a weak or damaged heart.

CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY

- Deviation from normal pattern of cardiac rhythm of heart is known as Arrhythmia.
- The resting membrane potential of cardiac cell is about -90 mV .
- It is determined mainly by Sodium, Potassium, Calcium & Chloride Ions.
- Normally K^+ is more in intracellular fluid while Na^+ is more in extracellular fluid.

ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY OF HEART

- Electrophysiology of heart refers to the study of electrical processes that govern the function of the heart, particularly how the generates and conduct electrical impulses
- These electrical impulses coordinate the contraction of the heart muscles, ensuring proper blood flow.
- It consist of 5 Phases :
 - ① Phase 0
 - ② Phase 1
 - ③ Phase 2
 - ④ Phase 3
 - ⑤ Phase 4

Phase 0

- The phase is characterized by a rapid upstroke in membrane potential.
- It is caused by sudden opening of voltage gated sodium (Na^+) channels, leading to a large influx of Na^+ ions
- The cell membrane potential becomes more positive, moving around -90 mV to $+30 \text{ mV}$.
- This triggers muscle contraction.

Phase 1

- Na^+ channels closes, and there is a transient outward flow of potassium ions (K^+) through K^+ channels
- This creates a little, small dip in membrane potential.
- This phase is known as Initial or Partial Repolarization.

Phase 2

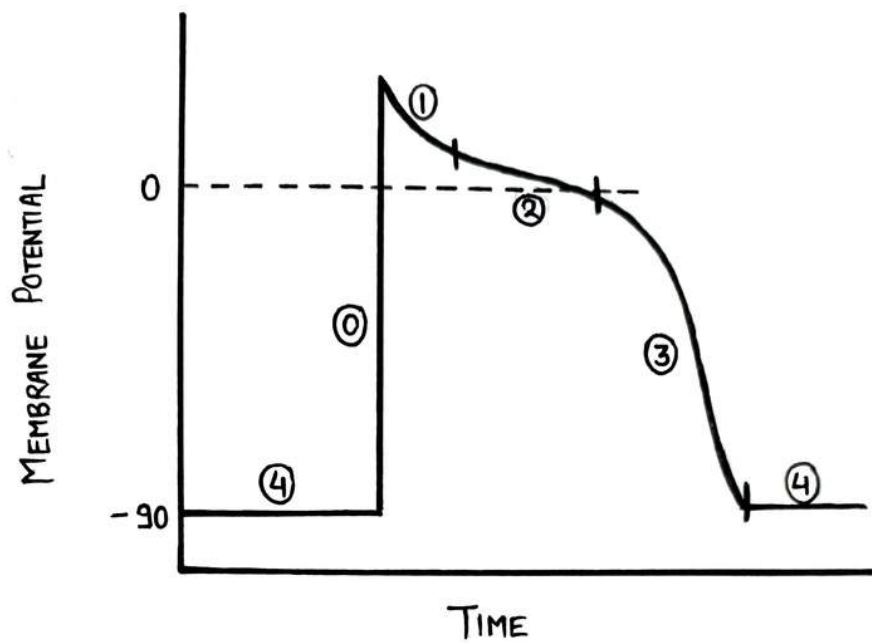
- It is known as Plateau Phase.
- Ca^{2+} channels, allowing Ca^{2+} to enter the cell slowly, while K^+ continues to exit.
- L-type Ca^{2+} channels open, while some K^+ channels remain open.
- The inflow of Ca^{2+} balances the outflow of K^+ , causing the membrane potential to remain relatively stable.
- This Plateau phase prolongs the action potential, ensuring sustained contraction of heart muscle necessary for effective pumping.

Phase 3

- Ca^{2+} channels close, while K^+ continues to leave the cell.
- K^+ channels dominate as Ca^{2+} channels close.
- The membrane potential returns to its resting state due to continued efflux of K^+ .
- The cell repolarizes, preparing for next cycle of depolarization.

Phase 4

- The cell remains at its resting membrane potential until it is depolarize again by a new stimulus.
- K^+ channels maintain the resting membrane potential by allowing K^+ to flow out, while (Na^+/K^+ ATPase) actively maintain ion gradients.
- The cell is in its resting state at round -90 mV , awaiting the next depolarization phase.



Phases Of Action Potential

TYPES

Generally it is of 4 types :

- Bradycardia
- Tachycardia
- Atrial Fibrillation
- Ventricular Fibrillation

CAUSES

- Electrolyte Imbalances (potassium, Calcium)
- Coronary Artery Disease
- High Blood Pressure
- Stress
- Thyroid Disorders.
- Medications

SYMPTOMS

- Palpitations (Feeling of Fast or Irregular Heartbeat)
- Dizziness
- Shortness of Breath
- Chest Pain
- Fatigue

CLASSIFICATION OF ANTIARRHYTHMIC AGENTS

Anti- Arrhythmic Agents can be classified as follows :

① Class I (Na⁺ Channel Blockers)

- IA (Moderate) : Quinidine Sulphate, Procainamide HCl, Disopyramide HCl *
- IB (Weak) : Lidocaine HCl, Phenytoin Sodium, Tocainide HCl, Mexiletine HCl
- IC (Strong) : Lorainide HCl

② Class II (β Blockers)

③ Class III (K⁺ Channel Blockers)

- Amiodarone
- Sotalol

④ Class IV (Ca²⁺ Blockers)

① CLASS I (SODIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS)

- Sodium Channel Blockers are a class of Antiarrhythmic Agents used to manage various cardiac arrhythmias.
- They work by inhibiting the influx of sodium ions during depolarization phase of cardiac action potential which stabilizes the cardiac membrane & reduces excitability.

Mechanism OF Action

They work by blocking Na^+ channels & slows down the rate of depolarization, which can prolong the refractory period & prevent abnormal electrical activity.

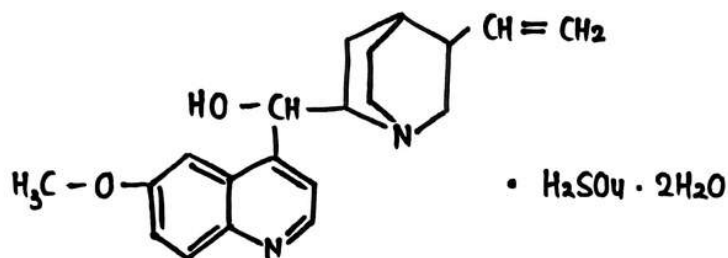
Classes

- ① Class IA :
- They are intermediate sodium channel blockers
 - They block Na^+ as well as K^+ channels & prolongs the action potential.
 - Example :
 - ① Quinidine Sulphate
 - ② Procainamide HCl
 - ③ Disopyramide Phosphate *
- ② Class IB :
- They are weak sodium channel blockers.
 - They shorten action potential duration.
 - Example :
 - ① Phenytoin Sodium
 - ② Lidocaine HCl
 - ③ Tocainide HCl
 - ④ Mexiletine HCl

- © Class IC :
- They are strong sodium channel blockers.
 - They slows conduction with minimal effect on action potential duration.
 - Example : Lorcainide HCl

DRUGS

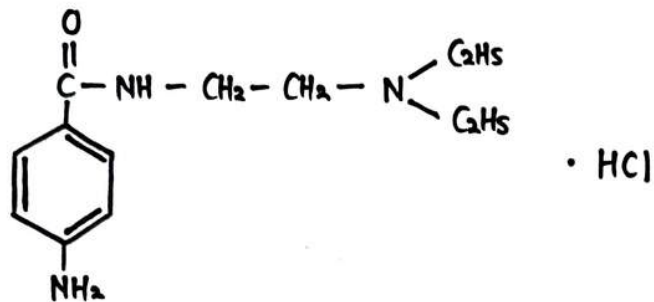
① QUINIDINE SULPHATE



Uses

- Atrial & Ventricular Arrhythmias.
- It is also used to treat malaria.

② PROCAINAMIDE HYDROCHLORIDE

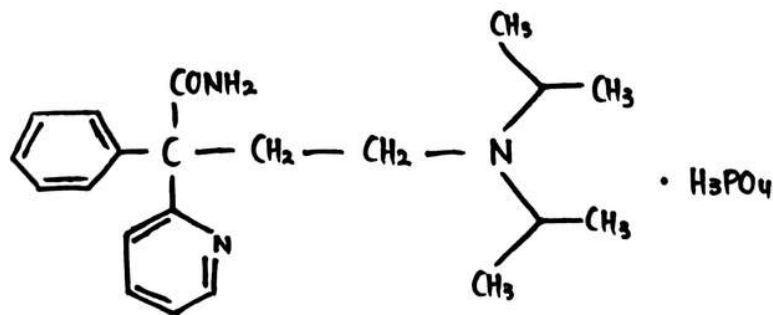


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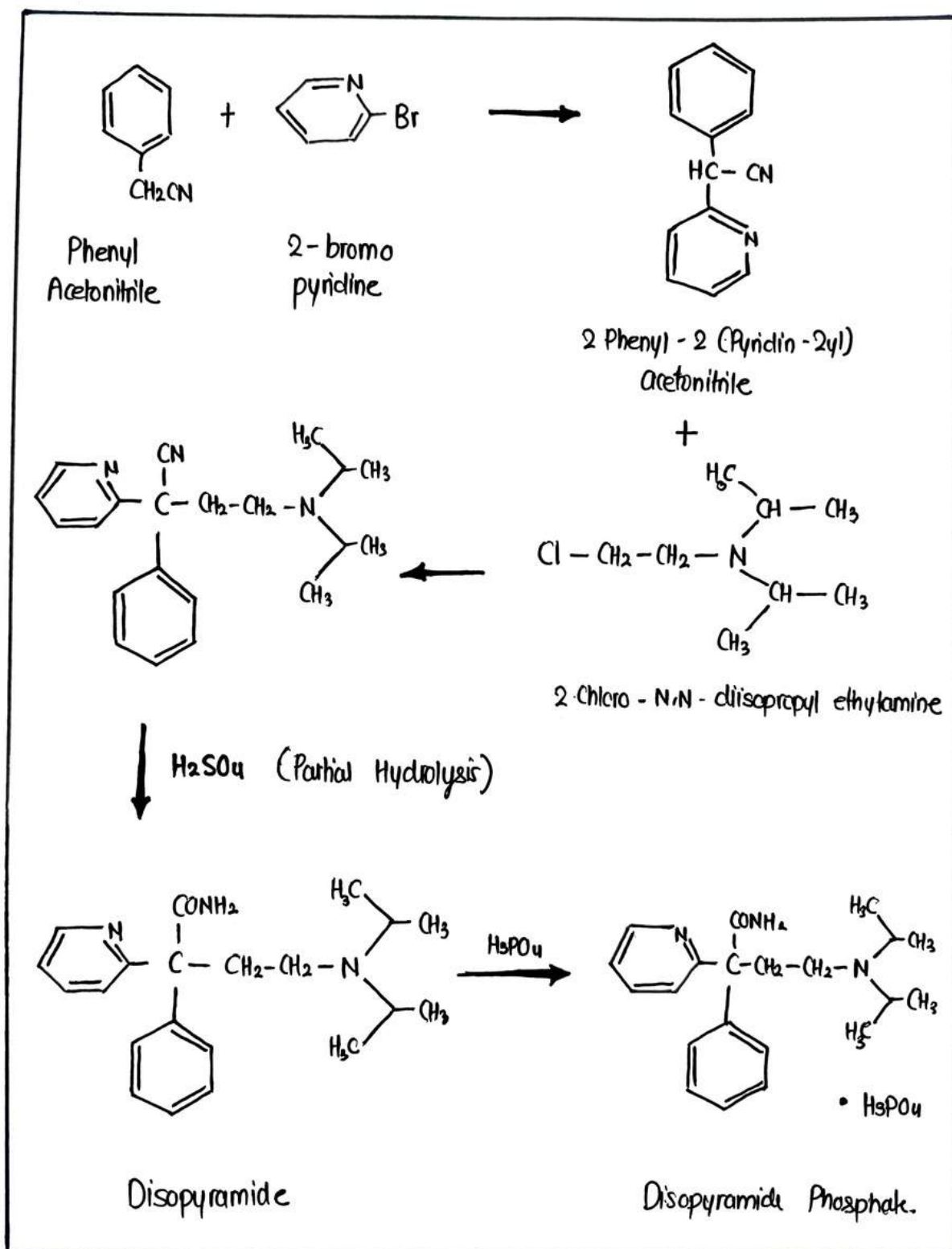
- Ventricular Arrhythmias.
- Atrial Fibrillation.

③ DISOPYRAMIDE PHOSPHATE *

Disopyramide phosphate is an antiarrhythmic agent primarily used to treat certain types of irregular heartbeat, particularly ventricular arrhythmias.



Synthesis



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They block sodium channels belonging to class IA drugs
↳ prolonging the action potential ↳ refractory period.

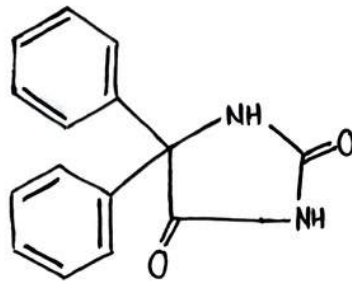
Chemical Properties

It is white or almost white powder, soluble in water, sparingly soluble in alcohol.

Uses

Ventricular Arrhythmia

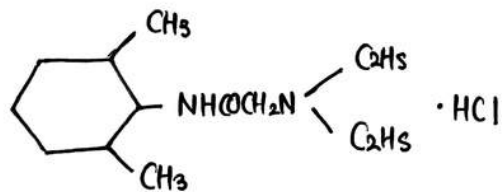
④ PHENYTOIN SODIUM



Uses

- Treatment of certain seizures
- Arrhythmia

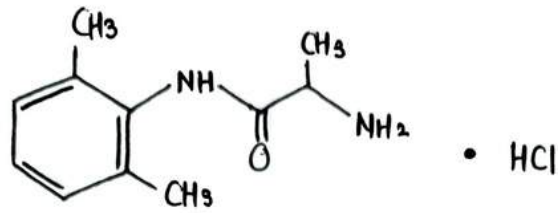
⑤ LIDOCAINE HCl



Uses

- Ventricular Arrhythmia
- Local Anaesthetic Agent

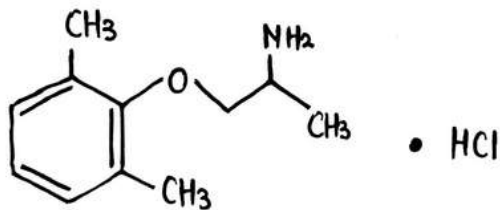
⑥ TOCAINIDE HCl



Uses

Treatment of Ventricular Arrhythmia

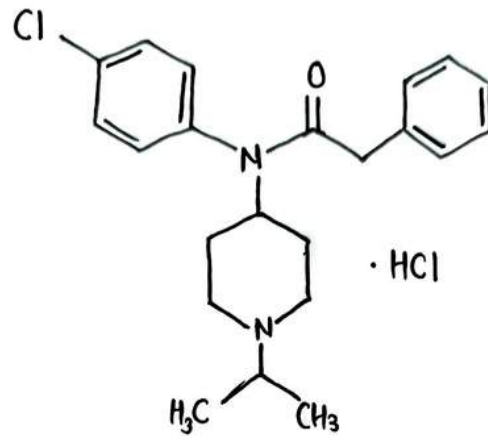
⑦ MEXILETIN HCl



Uses

Chronic Ventricular Arrhythmia

⑧ LORCAINIDE HCl



Uses

Life-threatening Ventricular Arrhythmias

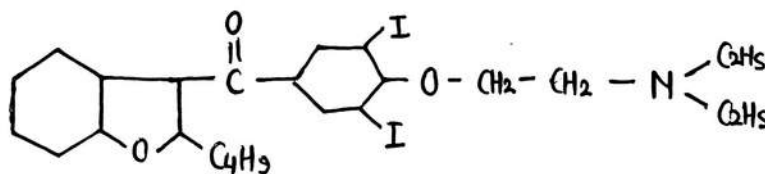
② CLASS - III (K⁺ CHANNEL BLOCKER)

Potassium Channel blockers are class of antiarrhythmic drugs that primarily work by prolonging repolarization phase of cardiac action potential.

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- Potassium Channel Blockers inhibits the outward potassium flow during repolarization phase of cardiac action potential.
- By blocking K⁺ channels, they delay repolarization, thereby prolonging action potential.

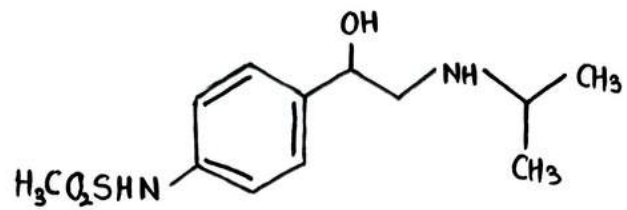
① AMIODARONE



Uses

- Life-threatening ventricular arrhythmia.

② SOTALOL



Uses

- Ventricular Arrhythmias
- Atrial Fibrillation

ANTI - HYPERLIPIDEMIC DRUGS

- Anti - Hyperlipidemic agents are medications designed to lower lipid levels in the blood, particularly Cholesterol & Triglycerides.
- They help manage conditions like, Hyperlipidemia, which is associated with an increased risk of cardiovascular disease

HYPERLIPIDEMIA

- Hyperlipidemia is a medical condition characterized by abnormally high levels of lipid in blood, which include cholesterol & triglycerides.
- These elevated lipid levels can increase the risk of developing cardiovascular diseases such as coronary artery disease, stroke & peripheral artery disease.

Types Of Lipid Involved

- Cholesterol
 - Low Density Lipoprotein
 - High Density Lipoprotein
- Triglycerides

Symptoms

It itself has no specific symptoms, However long term elevated lipid levels can lead to development of atherosclerosis which can cause :

- Chest Pain
- Heart Attack / Stroke etc.

CLASSIFICATION OF ANTI- HYPERLIPIDEMIC AGENTS

① HMG Co-A Reductase Inhibitors

- Lovastatin

② BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS (RESINS)

- Cholestamine
- Cholestipol

③ LIPOPROTEIN LIPASE ACTUATOR (FIBRATES)

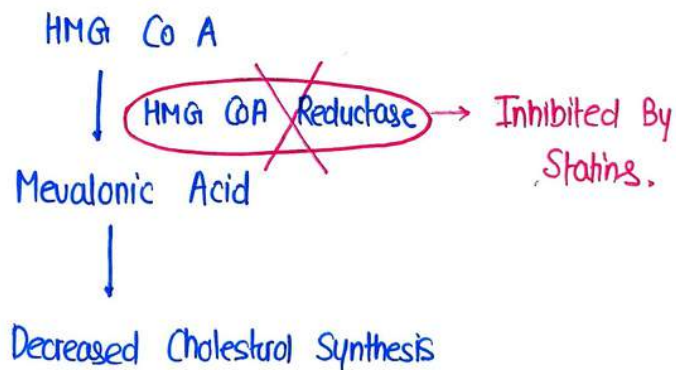
- Clofibrate

HMG CoA REDUCTASE INHIBITORS

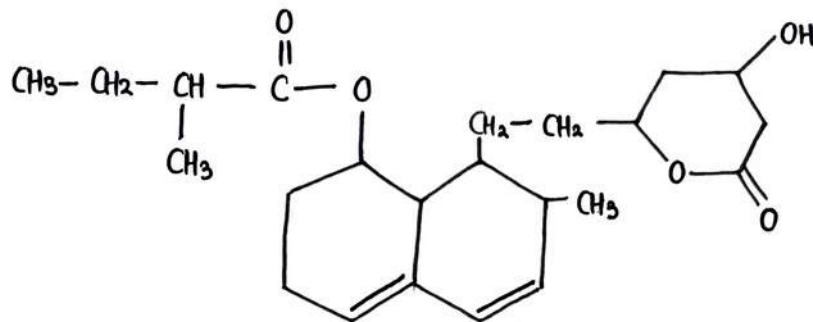
HMG Co-A reductase inhibitors, commonly known as statins, are class of drugs that reduce cholesterol levels by inhibiting HMG Co-A reductase enzyme.

Mechanism OF Action

- HMG - CoA reductase is an enzyme responsible for converting HMG - CoA into mevalonate, an early & essential precursors in cholesterol biosynthesis pathway.
- Statins act as competitive inhibitors of HMG Co-A reductase, effectively lowering production of cholesterol in liver.
- This inhibition leads to a decrease in intracellular cholesterol levels, which triggers an upregulation of LDL Receptors on hepatocyte surfaces.
- These receptors increase the uptake of LDL cholesterol from blood thereby reducing LDL levels.
- They shows maximum activity in midnight.



① LOVASTATIN



Chemical Properties

- It is a white or almost white crystalline powder
- It is soluble in water & sparingly soluble in alcohol.

Uses

- Coronary Artery disease
- Hypercholesterolemia.

BILE ACID SEQUESTRANTS

Bile Acid sequestrants are a class of medications that used to lower cholesterol levels.

Mechanism of Action

- They work by binding to bile acids in the intestine.
- This binding forms an insoluble complex that prevents the reabsorption of bile acids into blood stream.
- As a result, the liver must convert more cholesterol into bile acids to replace those lost, leading to decrease LDL levels.

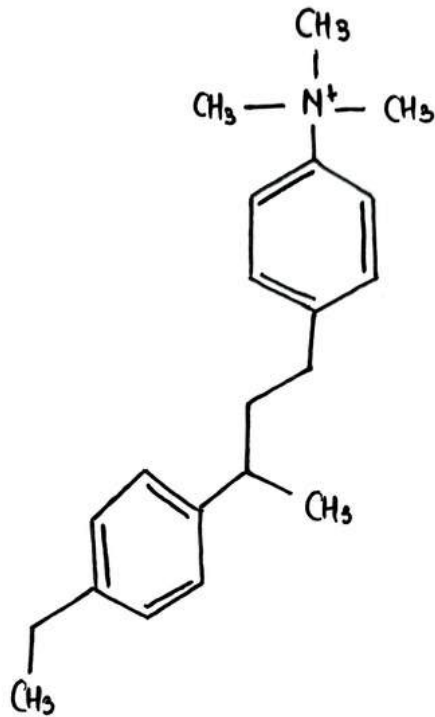
Common Drugs

- Cholestyramine
- Colestipol
- Colesevelam

SIDE EFFECTS

- Constipation
- Bloating
- Interference with absorption of fat soluble vitamins (A, D, E, K)

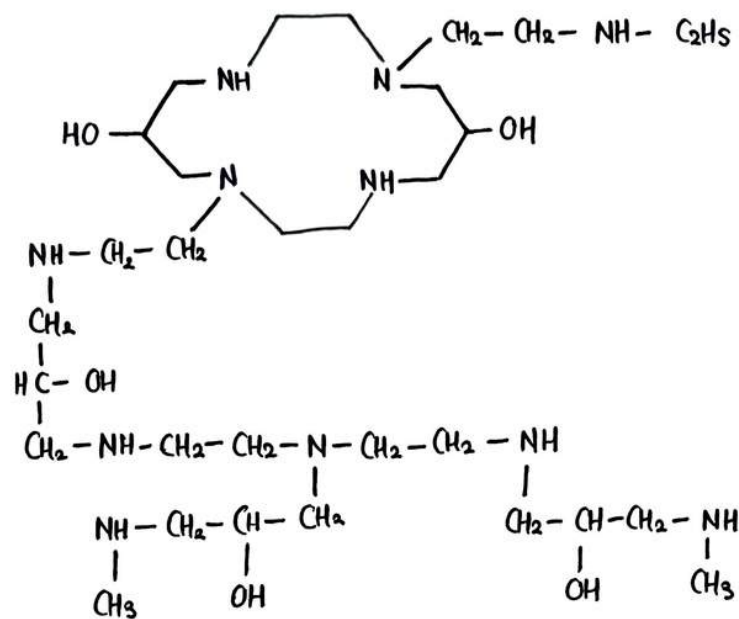
① CHOLESTYRAMINE



Uses

- Hypercholesterolemia
- Hypertriglyceridemia

② COLESTIPOL



Uses

- Hypercholesterolemia
- Hyperlipidemia

LIPOPROTEIN LIPASE ACTIVATOR

Lipoprotein Lipase Activators are a class of agents designed to enhance the activity of LPL, which plays a key role in lipid metabolism.

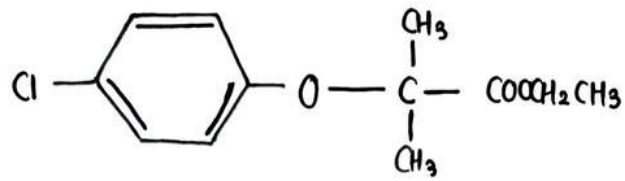
Mechanism of Action

- Lipoprotein Lipase Activators enhance the enzyme's activity, leading to increased hydrolysis of triglycerides in lipoproteins (like chylomicrons & VLDL) into free fatty acids & glycerol.
- By facilitating the breakdown of triglycerides, these agents promote the clearance of triglyceride-rich lipoproteins from the bloodstream, thereby reducing overall triglyceride levels.

SIDE EFFECTS

- Gastrointestinal Disturbances
- Allergic Reactions

① CLOFIBRATE



Uses

- Hypertlipidemia
- Hypertriglyceridemia

HAEMOSTASIS

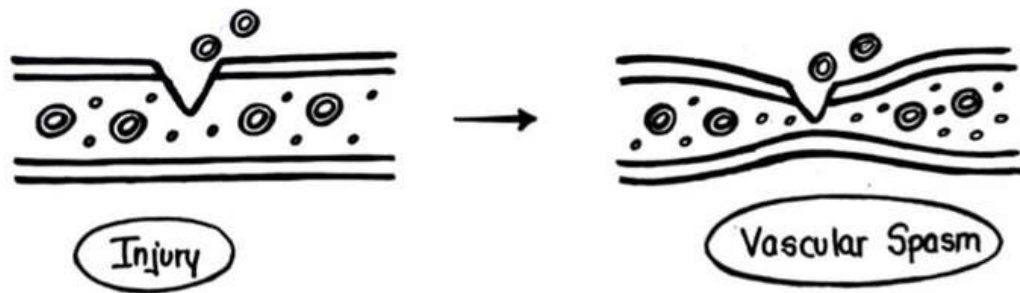
- Haemostasis is also known as 'Blood Clotting' or 'Blood Coagulation'
- It is a fast series of action for the body to stop bleeding & loss of blood.
- Haemostasis occurs when blood is present outside the blood vessel.
- Haemostasis simply stands for prevention of blood loss from a broken blood vessel.
- It requires various clotting factors and chemicals released by platelets and injured tissues.

Steps of Haemostasis

- Vascular Spasm / Vasoconstriction
- Platelets Plug formation
- Blood Clotting

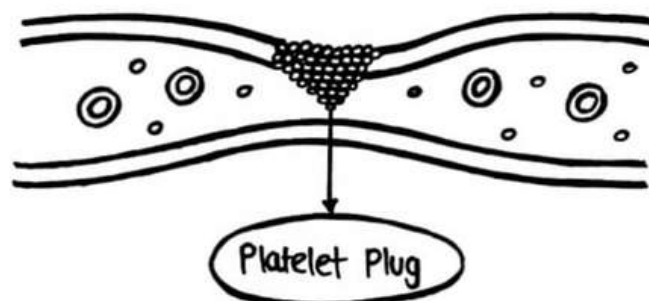
Vascular Spasm

- It is also known as vasoconstriction.
- It is the blood vessel's first response towards injury.
- As the name indicates in this step blood vessel gets contracted.
- The constriction of blood vessels reduces the amount of blood & limits the blood loss.
- It is a temporary response.
- It is most effective in smaller blood vessels.



Platelet Plug Formation

- Platelets play an important role in haemostasis process.
- In this step platelets stick together to form a plug that temporarily seals the breakage in the walls of the blood vessels.
- The platelet plug formation is activated by a factor called Von Willebrand Factor (vWF)
- Platelets in the blood vessels attached with collagen fibres $\leftarrow$ become much more stickier.
- After that they release some chemical messengers such as ADP, Serotonin, Thromboxane A_2 . This phase is called platelet release reaction.
- ADP cause more platelets to stick over vessels.
- Serotonin and thromboxane A_2 Enhances vascular spasm and platelet plug formation.



Blood Clotting

- It is the main and final process of blood clotting.
 - It is the process by which blood clot forms.
 - It is a complex procedure of enzymatic reactions in the presence of various clotting factors which results in the formation of clot over the injured blood vessels.
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- It can be divided into three pathways :
 - ① Intrinsic Pathway
 - ② Extrinsic Pathway
 - ③ Common Pathway

Clotting Factors

NUMBER	FACTOR NAME
I	Fibrinogen
II	Prothrombin
III	Tissue Factor (Thromboplastin)
IV	Calcium Ions
V	Proaccelerin / Labile Factor
VII	Proconvertin / Stable Factor
VIII	Antihæmophilic Factor A
IX	Christmas Factor / Antihæmophilic Factor B
X	Stuart Factor / Prower Factor
XI	Plasma Thromboplastin / Antihæmophilic Factor C
XII	Hageman Factor
XIII	Fibrin stabilizing Factor

- Clotting factors always written in roman numbers.
- Factor VI is not in the existence

Intrinsic Pathway

- This is a complex pathway & occurs slowly.
- This pathway occurs due to blood trauma.
- In this pathway when blood vessel gets injured, then endothelial tissue inside blood vessel also gets damaged and blood comes in direct contact with collagen fibres of connective tissue present around the endothelial tissue.
- Now damage to the endothelial tissue cause damage to platelets which results in the release of phospholipids by platelets.
- Now all these events activates clotting factor XII which ultimately activates factor X in the presence of Ca^{2+} ions.
- Once factor X is activated, it combines with factor V & activate enzyme Prothrombinase.

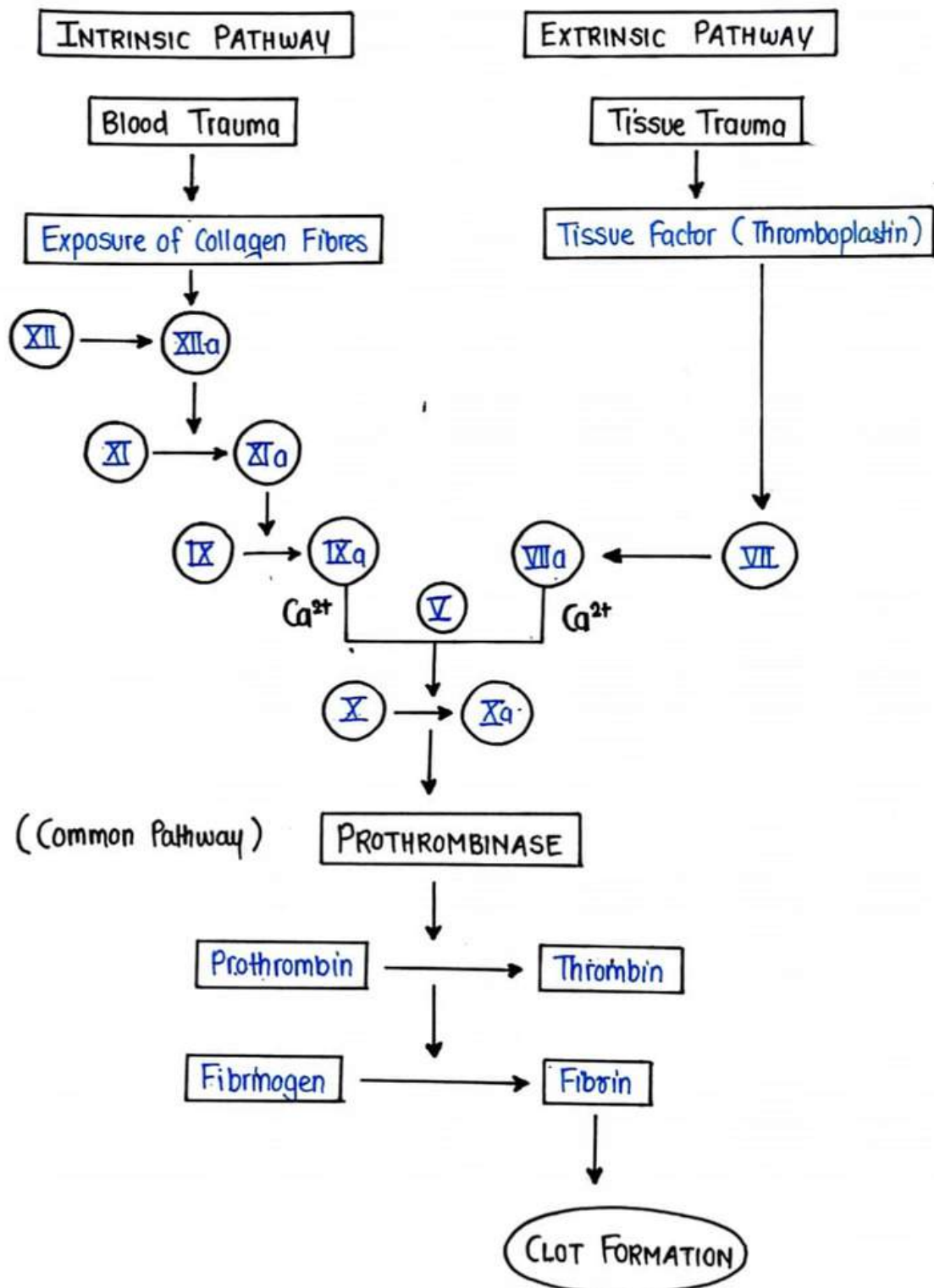
Extrinsic Pathway

- It is a simple pathway & occurs rapidly
- This pathway occurs due to tissue trauma.
- In this pathway tissue factor (Thromboplastin) activates factor VII which ultimately activates factor X in the presence of Ca^{2+} ions.
- Once factor X is activated, it combines with factor V & activates enzyme Prothrombinase.

Common Pathway

- In common pathway enzyme prothrombinase converts Prothrombin into Thrombin.
- In final stage thrombin converts Fibrinogen into Fibrins in the presence of Ca^{2+} that forms clot over the damaged blood vessels.





COAGULANTS

- Coagulants are pharmacological agents that promote the process of Blood Coagulation, which is essential for stopping bleeding.
- Coagulation is a complex physiological mechanism where liquid blood transforms into a solid clot to prevent excessive blood loss during injuries.
- Coagulants act by enhancing or initiating this process & they are used in clinical settings to manage bleeding disorders & conditions where blood clotting is impaired.

Classification Of Coagulants

They can be classified into two main categories :

① Vitamin K

- K₁ (from plants) - • Phytonadione (Phylloquinone)
- K₃ (Synthetic) - • Menadiol
 - Acetomenaphthone
 - Menadiol Sodium diphosphate

② Miscellaneous

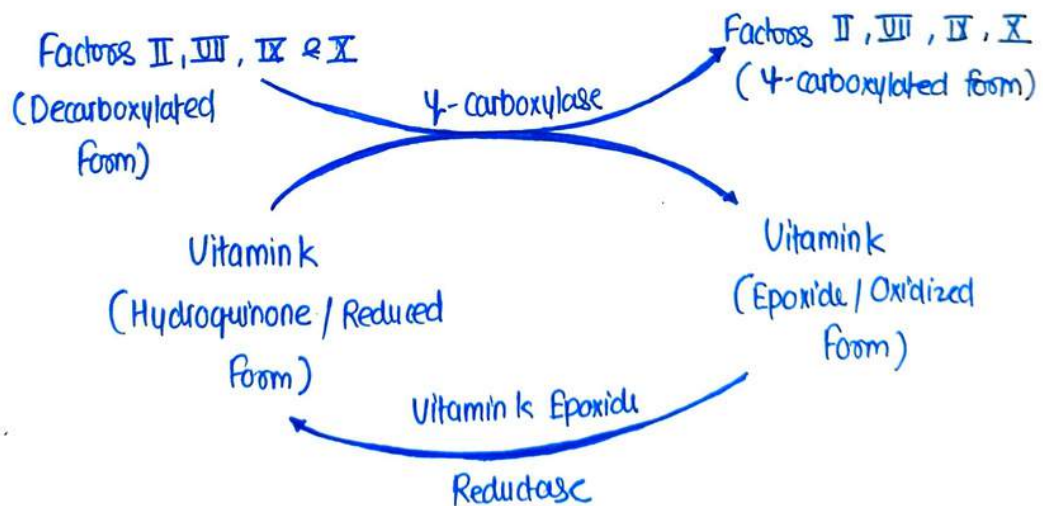
- Fibrinogen
- Antihemophilic factor
- Desmopressin
- Adrenochrome Monosemicarbazone
- Rutin
- Ethamsylate.

Vitamin k

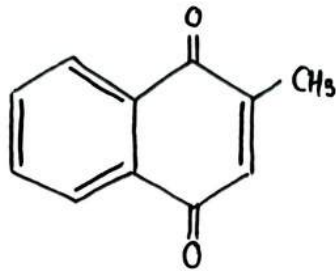
- Vitamin k plays a crucial role in pharmacology as a coagulant because it is essential for synthesis of certain proteins required for blood clotting.
- These proteins known as clotting factors, includes factors II, VII, IX & X as well as protein C & S which regulate clotting.

Mechanism of Action

- Vitamin k is absorbed from intestine & transported to liver
- Vitamin k is then converted to its reduced form by the enzyme Vitamin k epoxide reductase.
- Reduced vitamin k serves as a cofactor for gamma-glutamyl carboxylase which is essential for functionalization/activation of proteins like prothrombin (factor II) & factors VII, IX & X.



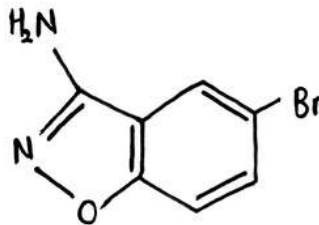
① MENADIONE



Uses

- Hypoprothrombinemia
- Vitamin K Deficiency

② ACETOMENADIONE



Uses

- Hypothrombinemia
- Vitamin K Deficiency

ANTICOAGULANTS

- Anticoagulants are drugs that inhibit blood coagulation, preventing the formation of harmful clots inside blood vessels.
- They are the agents that decrease coagulation ability of blood.
- They do not dissolve the already formed clots, but are used to prevent the formation of new clots.

CLASSIFICATION OF ANTICOAGULANTS

Anticoagulants can be mainly classified into two types

- ① Parenteral Anticoagulants
- ② Oral Anticoagulants.

Oral Anticoagulants

- Vitamin K Antagonist
 - Warfarin
 - Anisindione
- Factor Xa Inhibitor
- Direct Thrombin Inhibitor

② ORAL ANTICOAGULANTS

- These are anticoagulants taken orally & help prevent the formation of blood clots in the body.
- These drugs are often prescribed to individuals at risk of developing clots that could lead to serious conditions like
- Deep Vein Thrombosis, Pulmonary Embolism, Stroke or Heart Attacks
- They are mainly divided into 3 classes :
 - ① Vitamin k Antagonist
 - ② Direct Factor Xa Inhibitors
 - ③ Oral Direct Thrombin Inhibitors

① Vitamin k Antagonist

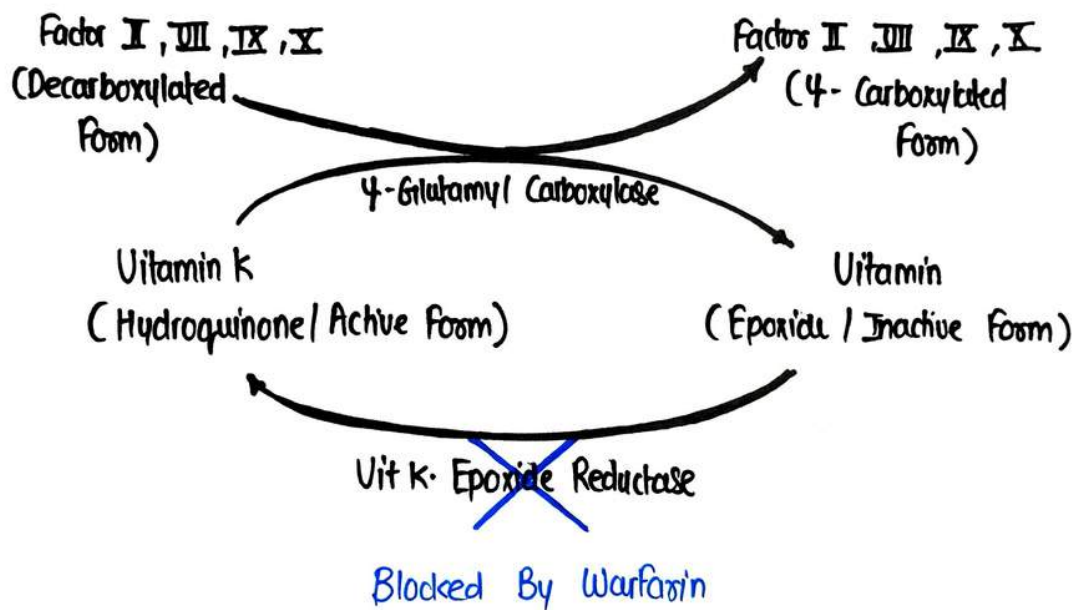
- Vitamin k antagonist is a type of medication that inhibits the action of vitamin k, which is essential for synthesis of certain blood clotting factors.
- Warfarin is most popular oral anticoagulant.

WARFARIN

- Warfarin is the most popular oral anticoagulant & used only in vivo.
- It contains 4 Hydroxycoumarine ring.
- It is a coumarin derivative & belongs to the class of Vitamin k Antagonist.

Mechanism Of Action

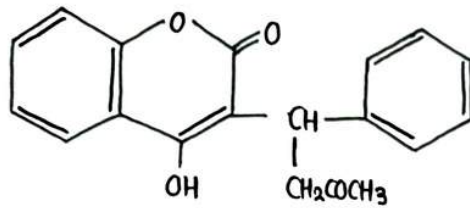
- Warfarin acts by inhibiting the enzyme vitamin K epoxide reductase which is necessary to recycle vitamin K into its active form.
- Active vitamin K is essential for synthesis of certain vitamin K dependent clotting factors such as
 - ① Factor II
 - ② Factor VII
 - ③ Factor IX
 - ④ Factor X



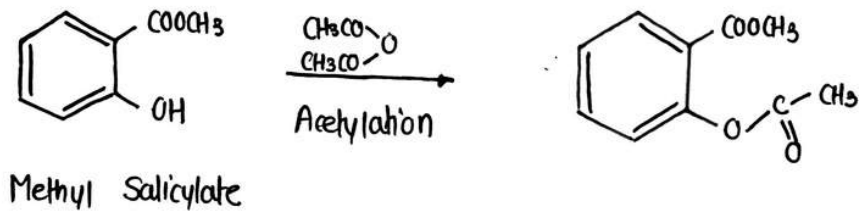
Pharmacokinetics

- **Absorption** : Warfarin is well absorbed from Gastrointestinal Tract.
- **Distribution** : Warfarin is highly bound to plasma proteins, hence its highly distributed in body.
- **Metabolism** : It is primarily metabolized by liver's cytochrome P450 enzyme system.
- **Half Life** : Half Life ranges from 20-60 hours.
- **Excretion** : Warfarin and its metabolites are excreted via urine.

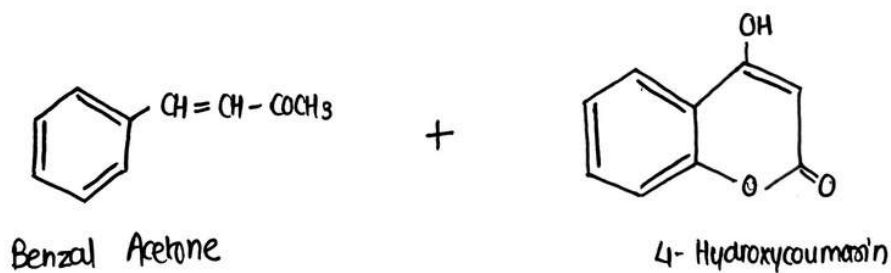
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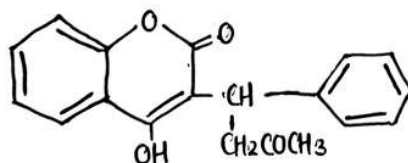
Synthesis



↓ Cyclization



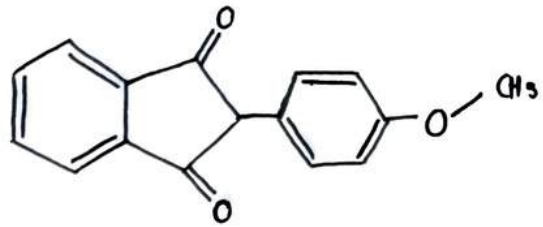
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Uses

- Prevention of Thrombosis & Thromboembolism
- Atrial Fibrillation, Venous Thromboembolism.

② ANISINDIONE



Uses

- Anticoagulant
- Venous Thrombosis
- Pulmonary Embolism

ANTIPLATELET DRUGS

- Antiplatelet Drugs are medications that inhibit platelet aggregation preventing the formation of blood clots.
- They work by interfering with various pathways involved in platelet activation and aggregation.
- These drugs are commonly used to reduce the risk of cardiovascular events, such as heart attacks and strokes etc.

Mechanism Of Platelet Aggregation

- Platelet aggregation is an important step in hemostasis.
- It involves clumping together of platelets ~~plug~~ to form a platelet plug, which helps in sealing wound & initiating blood clotting.
- It involves following steps:

① Vascular Injury & Endothelial Cell Disruption

- When blood vessels are injured, endothelial cells lining the blood vessels are damaged, exposing the underlying collagen and other extracellular matrix components like von Willebrand factor to the bloodstream.

② Platelet Adhesion

- Von Willebrand factor binds to exposed collagen at the site of injury.
- Platelet in the circulating blood binds to vWF via glycoprotein 1b receptors on their surface.
- This allows platelets to stick to damaged site.

③ Platelet Activation

- Once adhered, platelet gets activated & release granules containing substances like ADP, Thromboxane A₂, Serotonin etc.
- ADP binds to P₂U₁₂ receptors on platelets, enhancing aggregation.
- Thromboxane A₂ is a potent vasoconstrictor and platelet activator that promotes further platelet recruitment & activation.

④ Platelet Aggregation

- Platelet activation leads to conformational change in Glycoprotein IIb/IIIa receptors on surface of platelets, enabling them to bind fibrinogen.
- Fibrinogen acts as a bridge between GpIIb/IIIa receptors on adjacent platelets, allowing them to stick together, forming a platelet plug.

③ P2Y₁₂ Receptor Blocker

P2Y₁₂ receptor blockers are crucial antiplatelet medications used primarily in cardiovascular disease management.

Mechanism of Action

- P2Y₁₂ is a G-protein coupled receptor activated by ADP.
- P2Y₁₂ blockers prevent ADP from binding to the receptor, inhibiting platelet activation and aggregation, thus reducing the risk of thrombus formation.

Examples

- Clopidogrel
- Prasugrel
- Ticlopidine
- Ticagrelor

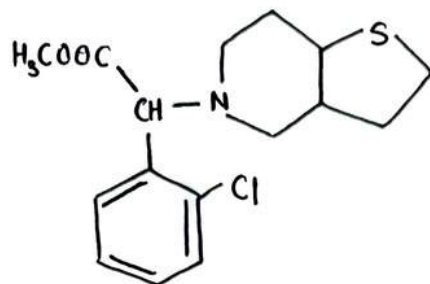
Clinical Uses

- Thromboembolic Prevention
- Dual Antiplatelet Therapy

Side Effects

- Bleeding Risks
- Gastrointestinal Disturbances

① CLOPIDOGREL



Uses

- Prevention of Thrombosis
- Atherosclerosis

CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE

- Congestive Heart Failure is defined as failure of heart capacity to pump sufficient blood that required for proper functioning of body.
- The term CHF used for chronic form of Heart Failure.
- Heart Failure leads the blood to move through body & heart at slower rate.
- CHF is the end result of various forms of serious heart disease.
- It can be further classified into 3 types :
 - ① Left Sided Heart Failure
 - ② Right Sided Heart Failure
 - ③ Both Sided Heart Failure

TYPES OF CHF

Congestive Heart Failure is of mainly two types :

- ① Systolic Heart Failure
- ② Diastolic Heart Failure

SYSTOLIC HEART FAILURE

- In systolic heart failure Heart muscles becomes too weak & enlarged & fails to contract properly.
- In systolic heart failure.
 - Stroke Volume ↓
 - Cardiac Output ↓
 - Ejection Factor ↓

DIASTOLIC HEART FAILURE

- In diastolic heart failure Heart muscles becomes stiff, thick & enlarged hence the ventricles fails to fill properly.
- In Diastolic Heart Failure :
 - Preload ↓
 - Cardiac Output ↓
 - Stroke Volume ↓

ETIOLOGY / CAUSES

- Ischemic Heart Disease / Coronary Artery Disease
- Hypertension
- High Sodium Diet
- Diabetes
- Overweight
- Smoking
- Alcohol
- Myocarditis
- Arrhythmia

PATHOGENESIS

Failure of Heart is frequently seen in elderly patients suffering from Hypertension, Angina pectoris etc. Following factors can be responsible for Heart Failure.

① Intrinsic Pump Failure

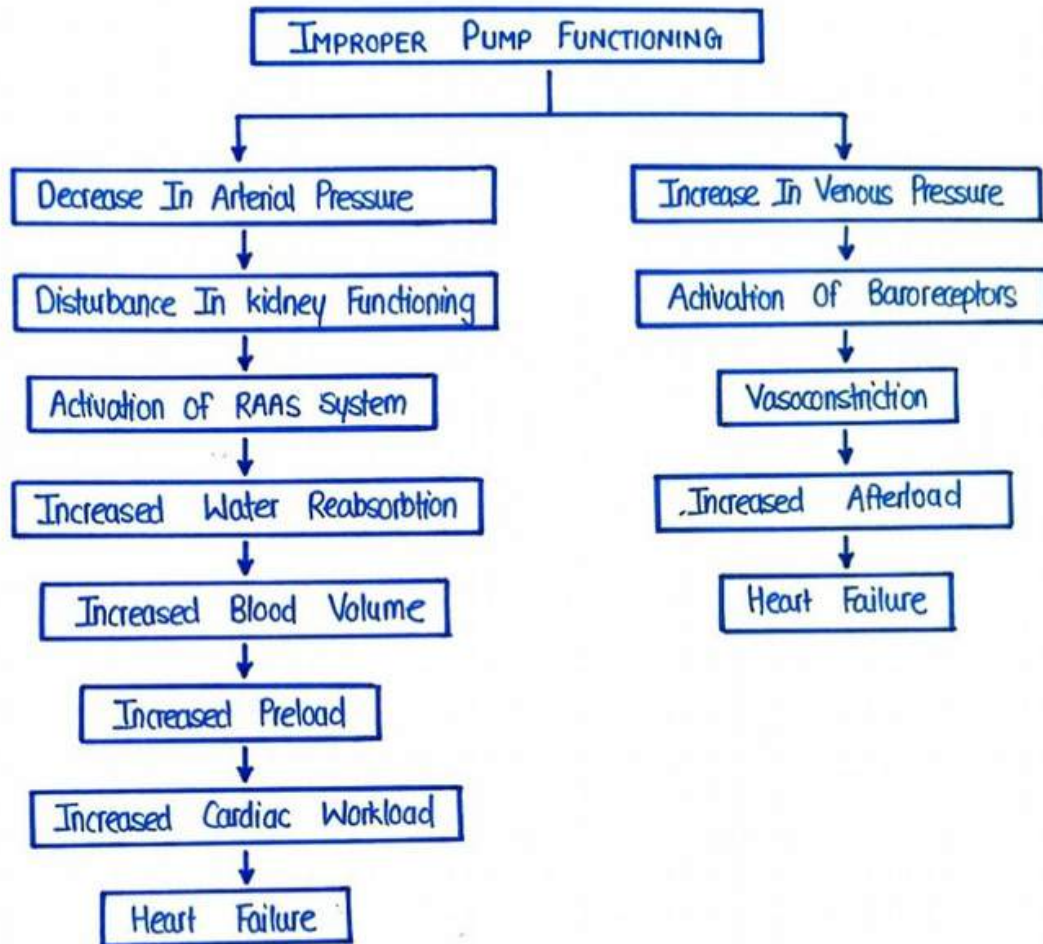
- The most common & most important cause of Heart Failure is weakening of ventricular muscle due to various diseases that leads to failure of efficient pumping of blood by heart.
- It can be occur due to :
 - Ischemic Heart Disease
 - Myocarditis
 - Beriberi Disorder
 - Various kidney Diseases

② Increased Workload On Heart

- An increase in the workload on Heart can also be a major cause of Heart Failure.
- It can be occur due to :
 - Increased Pressure Load
 - Increased Volume Load

③ Improper Pump Functioning

Improper pump functioning can lead to heart failure through the following mechanism.



SIGN & SYMPTOMS

- Chest Pain
- Fatigue
- Irregular Heartbeat
- Headache
- Blurred Vision
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Swelling

COMPLICATIONS

- Kidney Damage
- Lungs Disorders
- Heart Attack
- Liver Damage
- Heart Valve Problems

TREATMENT / MANAGEMENT

- ① Non Pharmacological :
 - Exercise
 - No Smoking
 - Healthy Diet / Proper Lifestyle
- ② Pharmacological :
 - β Blockers
 - ACE Inhibitors
 - Diuretics / Vasodilators

DRUGS USED IN TREATMENT OF CHF

Digoxin }→ Cardiac Glycosides

Digitoxin

Nesiritide

Bosentan }→ Endothelin Receptor Antagonist

Tezosentan

CARDIAC GLYCOSIDES

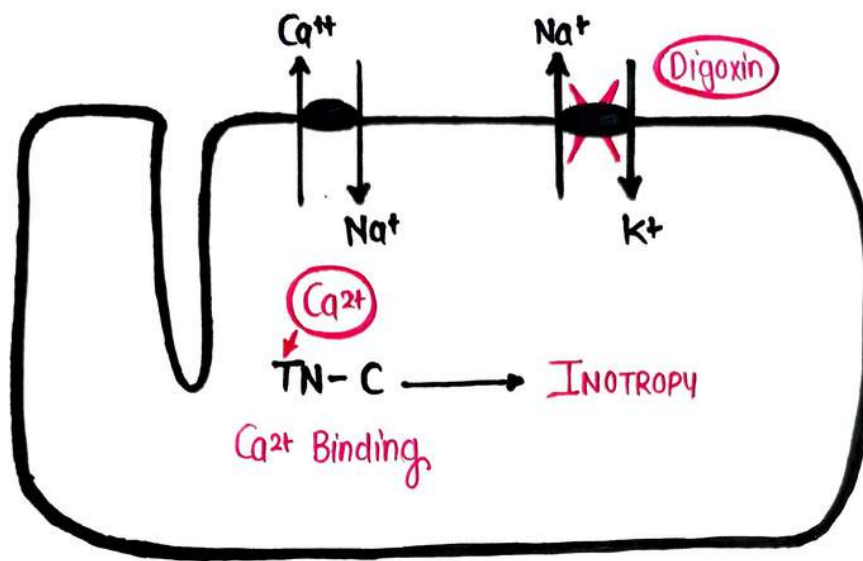
- Cardiac Glycosides are class of medications that are used to treat heart failure, particularly congestive heart failure (CHF).
- They work by increasing force of heart's contraction & slowing heart rate.
- This improves heart's efficiency and helps relieve symptoms of Heart Failure.
- Digoxin is most well known and effective Cardiac Glycoside.

DIGOXIN

- Digoxin is a cardiac glycoside commonly used in the treatment of congestive heart failure.
- Its mechanism of action in CHF primarily revolves around its positive inotropic effect, meaning it increases the force of heart contractions.

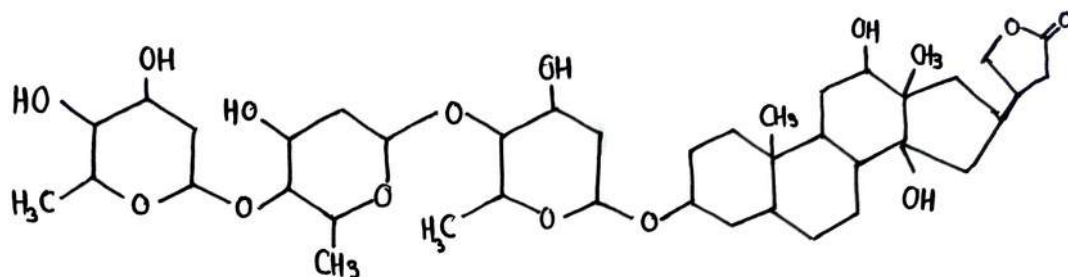
Mechanism Of Action

- Digoxin inhibits the Na^+/K^+ ATPase pump, which is located in the membranes of cardiac myocytes.
- By inhibiting this pump, digoxin increases the intracellular concentration of sodium.
- The increased intracellular sodium indirectly affects $\text{Na}^+/\text{Ca}^{2+}$ exchangers, which pumps calcium out in exchange for sodium.
- Due to inhibition of Na^+/K^+ ATPase pump, the $\text{Na}^+/\text{Ca}^{2+}$ exchangers become less effective, reducing calcium efflux.
- As a result more calcium remains inside the cell.



- The increased intracellular calcium allows for more calcium to be available during each heartbeat.
- During cardiac contraction, this extra calcium is released, leading to stronger contractions of the heart muscle.
- The increased contractility helps improve the heart's pumping efficiency.
- Digoxin also slows down conduction through AV node, which helps to control Heart Rate.

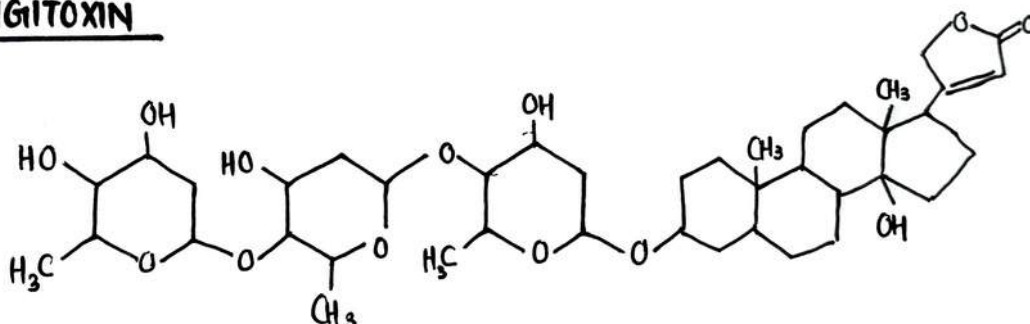
① DIGOXIN



Uses

- Heart failure
- Atrial fibrillation

② DIGITOXIN



Uses

- Heart Failure
- Atrial Fibrillation

③ NESIRITIDE

Nesiritide is a recombinant form of B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP), which is naturally produced by ventricles of heart in response to increased cardiac wall stress.

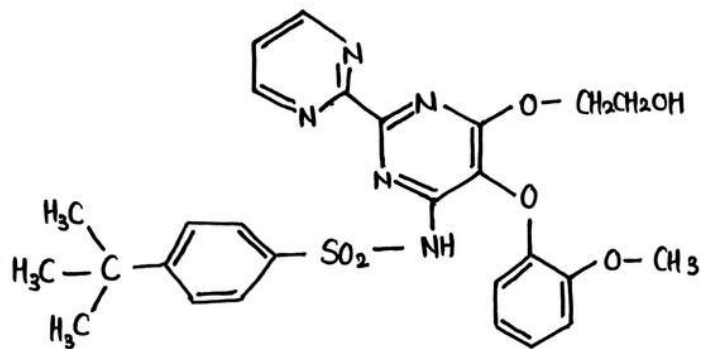
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- Nesiritide activates guanylate cyclase receptors on vascular smooth muscle, leading to an increase in cGMP. Elevated cGMP causes relaxation of smooth muscle, resulting in vasodilation of both arteries & veins, which reduces both preload & afterload on heart.
- It also promotes diuresis decreasing fluid overload.

Uses

- Congestive Heart Failure.

④ BOSENTAN



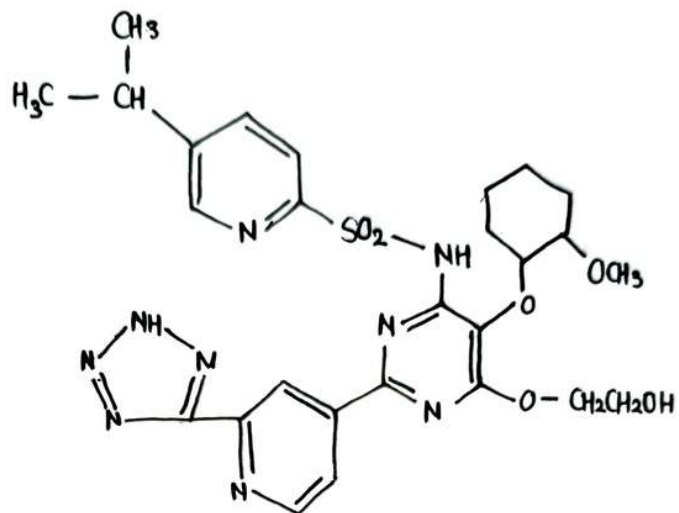
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- Bosentan is a dual endothelin receptor antagonists, which works by blocking the effect of Endothelin-1, a potent vasoconstrictor peptide.
- Endothelin-1 act by binding of ETA & ETB receptors.
- When Endothelin-1 binds to these receptors it causes vasoconstriction.
- Bosentan selectively blocks both ETA & ETB receptors $\Rightarrow$ inhibits vasoconstriction.

Uses

- CHF
- Hypertension.

⑤ TEZOSENTAN



MOA

Same as Bosentan

Uses

Acute heart failure.

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