

MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY - III

UNIT 1 NOTES

ANTIBIOTICS

- BETA LACTAM ANTIBIOTICS
- AMINOGLYCOSIDES
- TETRACYCLINES



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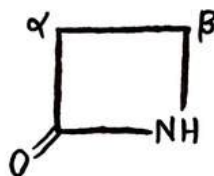
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BETA-LACTAM ANTIBIOTICS

- β -Lactam antibiotics are the antibiotics agents that contains a common chemical structure called β -Lactam ring.
- This ring is essential for their antibiotic activity.



β -LACTAM RING

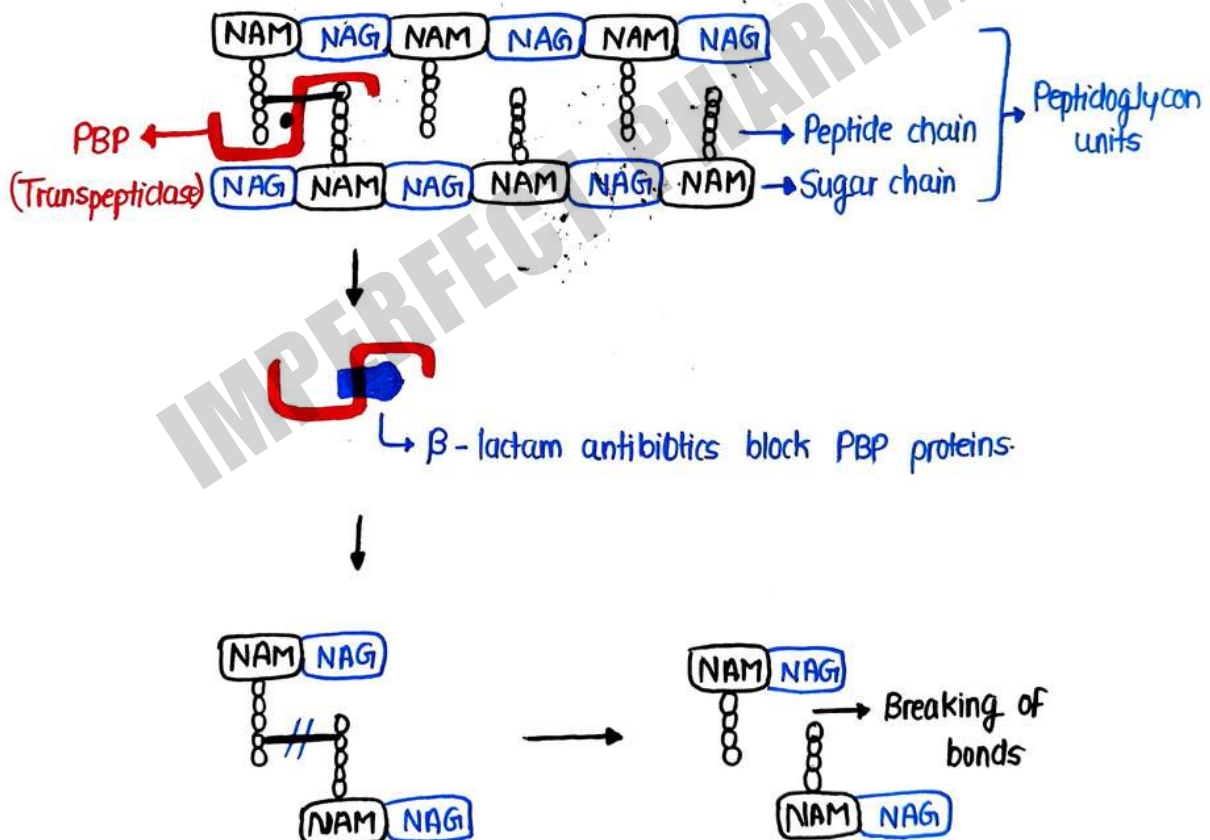
CLASSIFICATION OF β -LACTAM ANTIBIOTICS

According to our syllabus it is classified into 4 types :

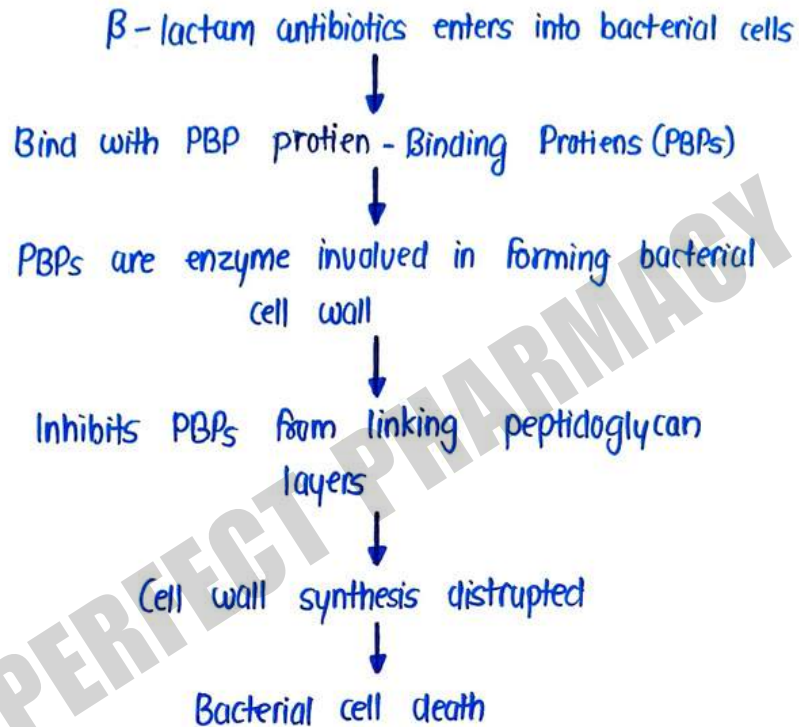
- ① Penicillin
- ② Cephalosporins
- ③ β -Lactamase Inhibitors
- ④ Monobactams

MECHANISM OF ACTION

- β -lactam antibiotics kill bacteria by inhibiting the synthesis of bacterial cell wall, which is essential for bacterial survival.
- Bacterial cell made of peptidoglycon units.
- Peptidoglycon has two main parts :
 - ① Sugar chains (NAG, NAM)
 - ② Peptide chains

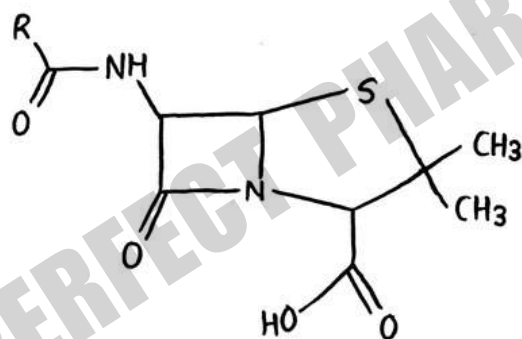


MECHANISM OF ACTION (As Flowchart)



PENICILLIN

- Penicillin was the first antibiotic to be used clinically in 1941.
- It is derived from the mold *Penicillium Notatum*.
- It is used to treat bacterial infections by killing or inhibiting the growth of bacteria.
- It was discovered by Alexander Fleming in 1928 & marked by beginning of modern antibiotics.



GENERAL STRUCTURE

MECHANISM OF ACTION

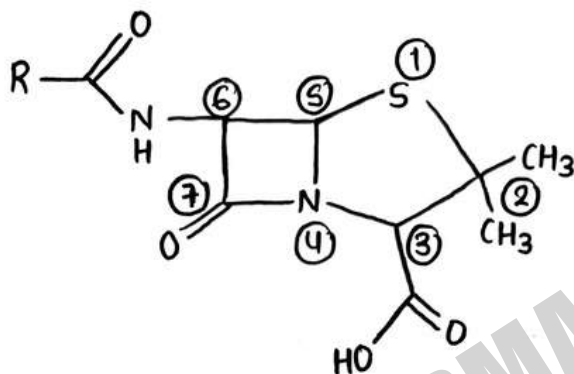
Same as mentioned in β -lactam Antibiotics

NOMENCLATURE

Nomenclature of penicillin is done by two types :

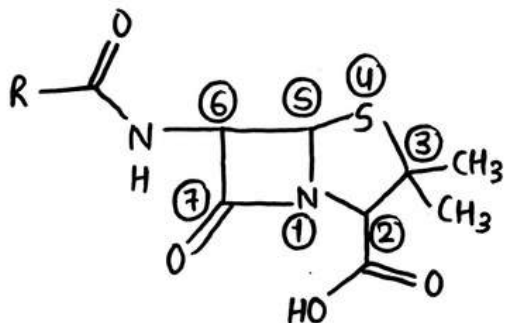
- ① Chemical Abstract System
- ② United State Pharmacopoeia (USP) System

① Chemical Abstract



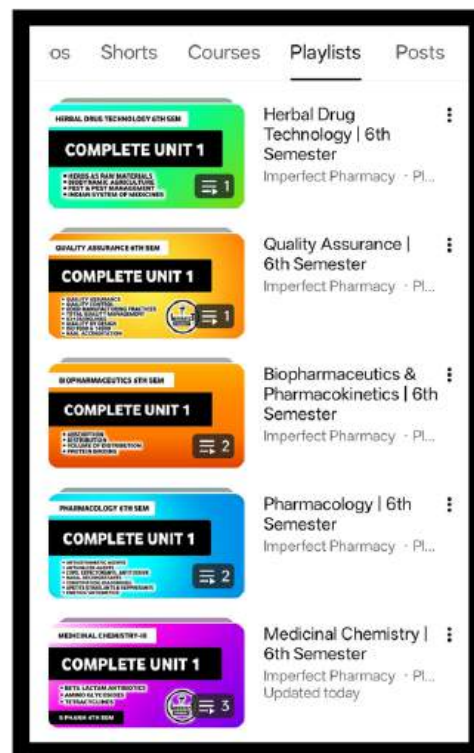
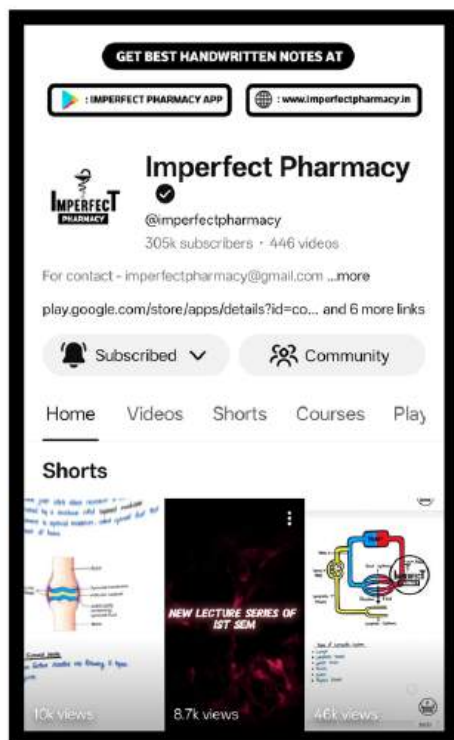
6-acylamino, 2,2-dimethyl-3-carboxylic acid

② United States Pharmacopoeia (USP) System

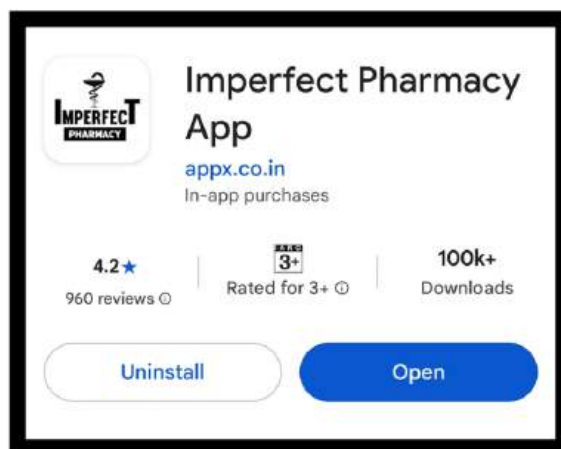


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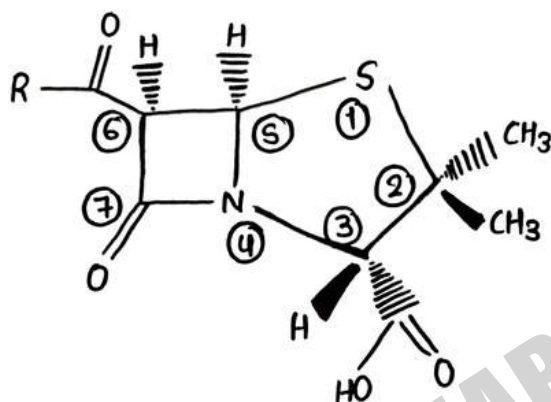
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STEREOCHEMISTRY OF PENICILLIN



① Core Structure

Penicillin contains :

- A β lactam ring
- A thiazolidine ring
- A side chain at 6th position.

② Chirality

Penicillin has 3 chiral centers at :

- C-3
- C-5
- C-6

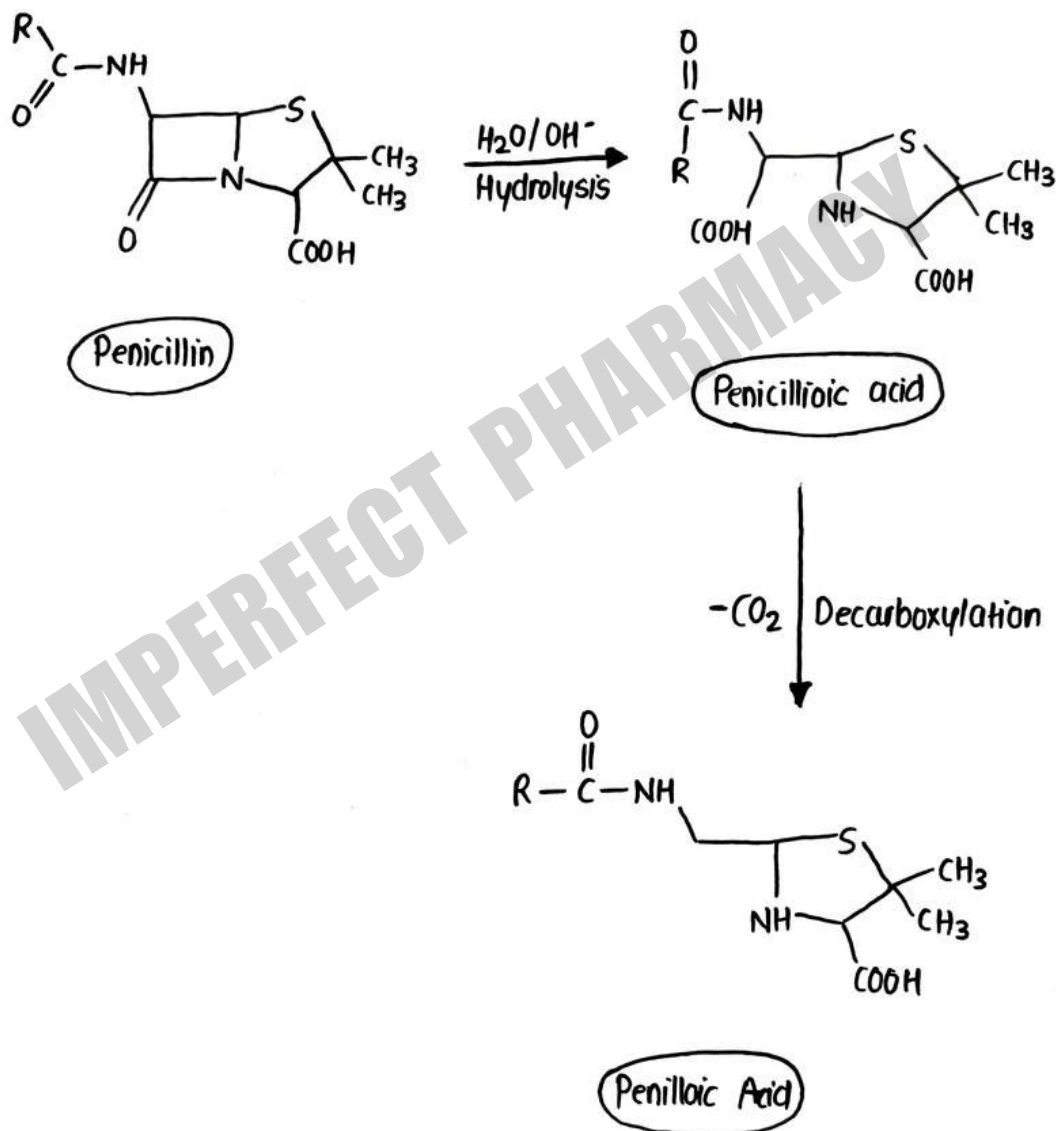
These centers have specific stereochemistry that must be preserved for antibiotic activity.

③ Configuration

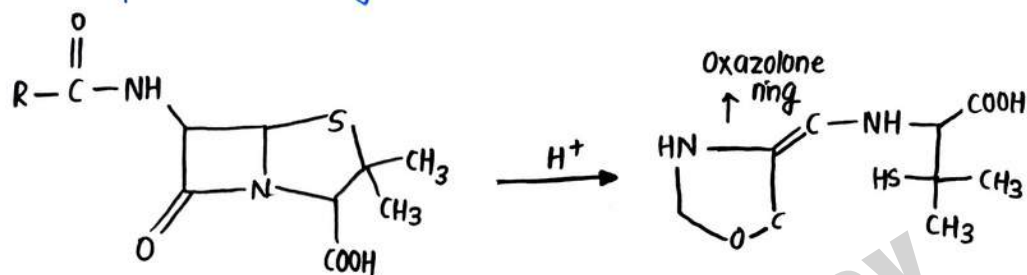
- C₃ : R configuration
- C₅ : S configuration
- C₆ : R configuration

CHEMICAL DEGRADATION OF PENICILLIN

① Via Hydrolysis & Decarboxylation

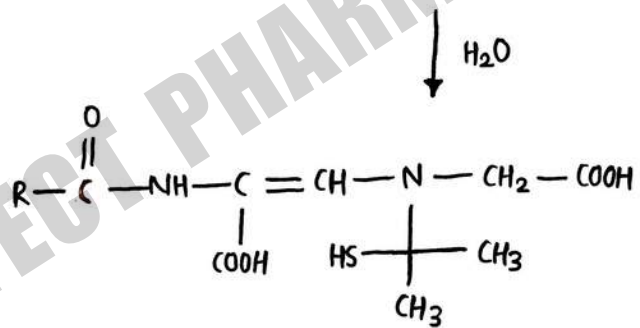


② In the presence of strong acidic solutions

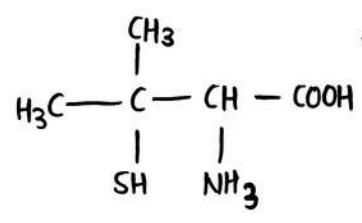


Penicillin

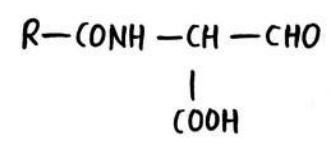
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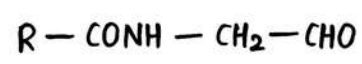
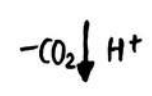
Penamaldic Acid



Penicillamine

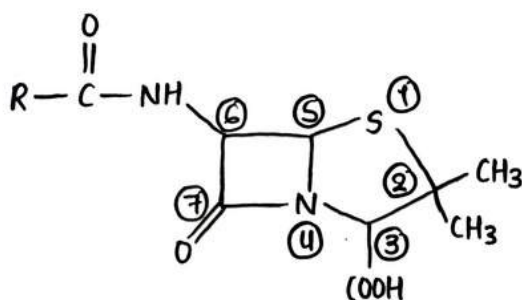


Penaldic Acid



Penicilloaldehyde

SAR OF PENICILLINS



① β -lactam ring

- The β -lactam ring is crucial for binding to bacterial penicillin-binding proteins.
- Opening or altering this ring destroys antibacterial activity.

② Thiazolidine Ring

- The 5-membered thiazolidine ring is fused to the β -lactam ring & helps maintain the correct shape for activity.

③ 6-Acyl side chain

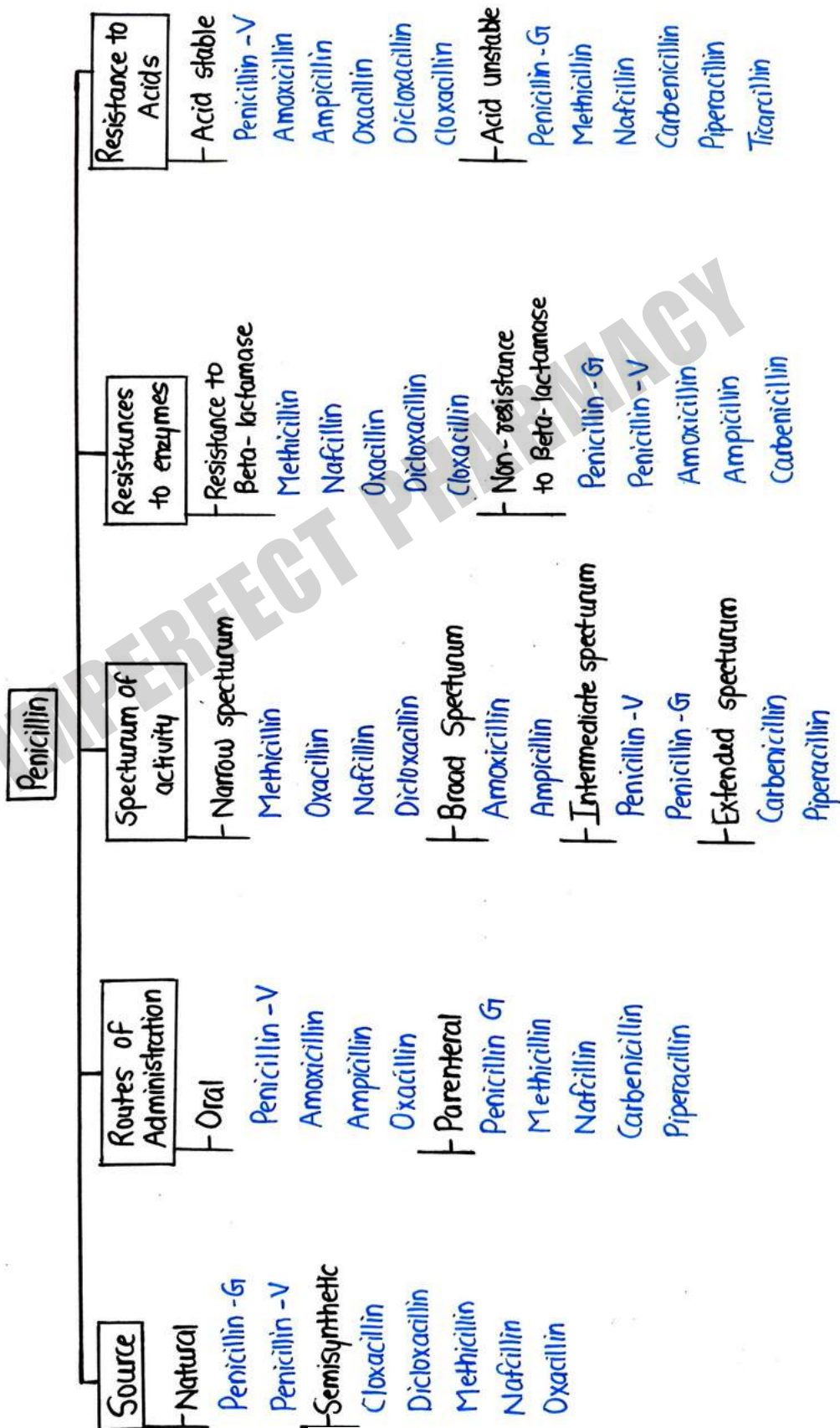
Modifying the side chain changes the spectrum of activity, stability & resistance to β -lactamase.

- Electron withdrawing groups can increase acid stability.
- Bulky groups near the β -lactam ring can protect against β -lactamase enzymes.
- Polar groups can increase gram-negative activity.

④ Carboxylic Acid Group at C-3

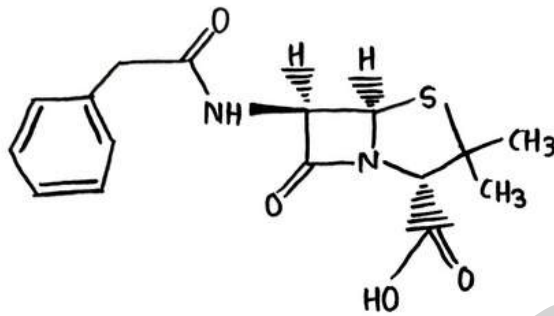
- This is important for binding to PBPs & cannot be removed.

CLASSIFICATION OF PENICILLIN



SOME IMPORTANT PENICILLINS

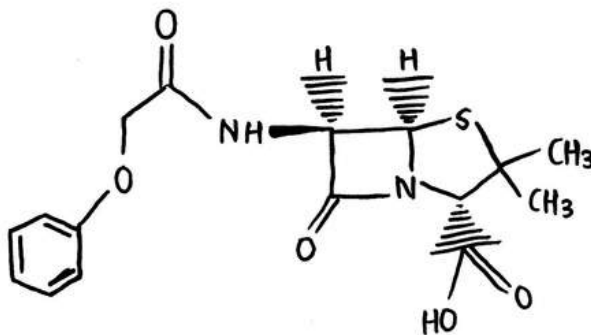
① Penicillin-G (Benzylpenicillin)



Uses

- Streptococcal infection
- Meningitis
- Syphilis

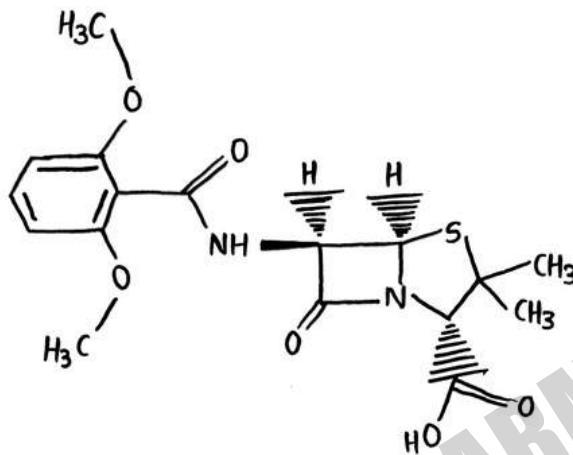
② Penicillin-V (Phenoxymethylpenicillin)



Uses

- Dental infection
- Streptococcal infection

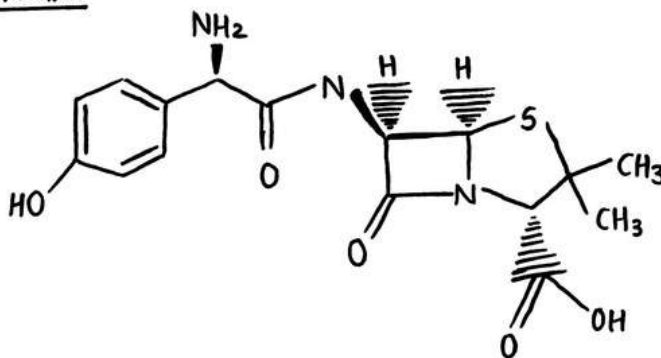
③ Methicillin



Uses

- Pneumonia
- Bone & Joint Infection
- Streptococcal Infection

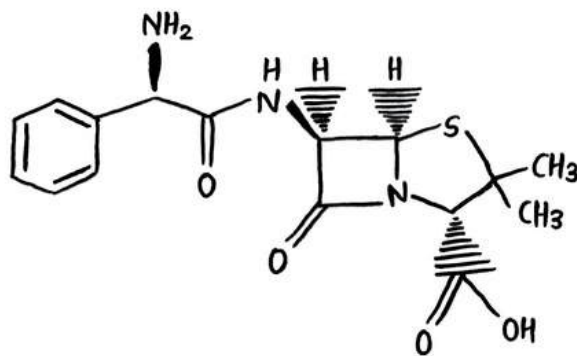
④ Amoxicillin



Uses

- Respiratory Tract Infection
- H. Pylori Infection
- Dental Infection

⑤ Ampicillin

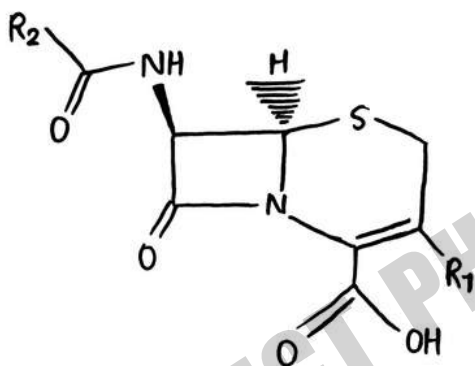


Uses

- Urinary Tract infection
- Gastrointestinal Infection
- Respiratory Tract Infection

CEPHALOSPORINS

- Cephalosporins belongs to group of β -lactam antibiotics that are structurally & functionally related to penicillins.
- They are derived from Cephalosporin-C, which was first isolated from the fungus *Cephalosporium acremonium*.
- Cephalosporin C is the prototype of Cephalosporins.



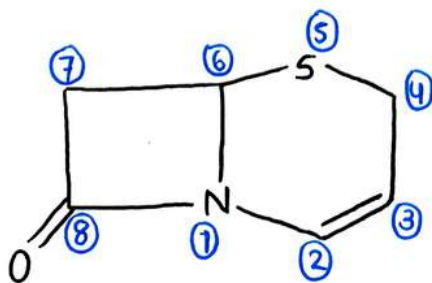
General structure of cephalosporins

MECHANISM OF ACTION

Same as mentioned in β -lactam antibiotics.

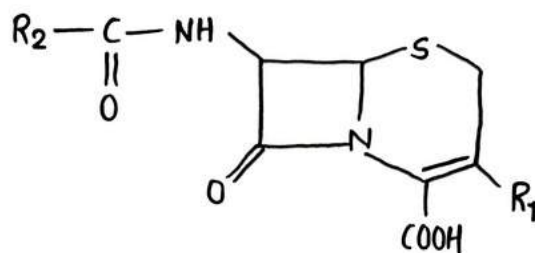
NOMENCLATURE

The general naming of Cephalosporins is 5-thia-1 azabicyclo octanes also referred as Cephem



Cephem

STRUCTURE ACTIVITY RELATIONSHIP (SAR)



① β -lactam ring

- It is essential for inhibitors penicillin-binding proteins (PBPs).
- Interference or opening the ring destroys antimicrobial activity.

② Dihydrothiazine ring

- It is fused with β -lactam ring to form the cephem nucleus.
- It provides more chemical stability than penicillin.

③ Acyl side chain on β -lactam ring

- It determines antibacterial spectrum & β -lactamase resistance.
- Electron-withdrawing groups increase resistance to β -lactamase.
- Modifications can expand activity to include Gram-negative bacteria.

④ Substituent on the dihydrothiazine ring

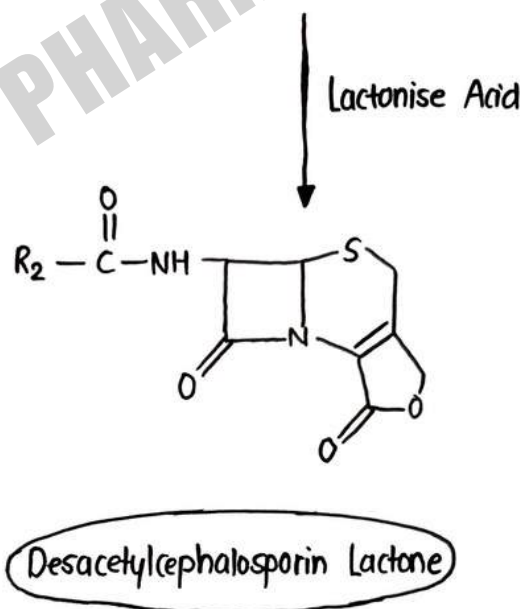
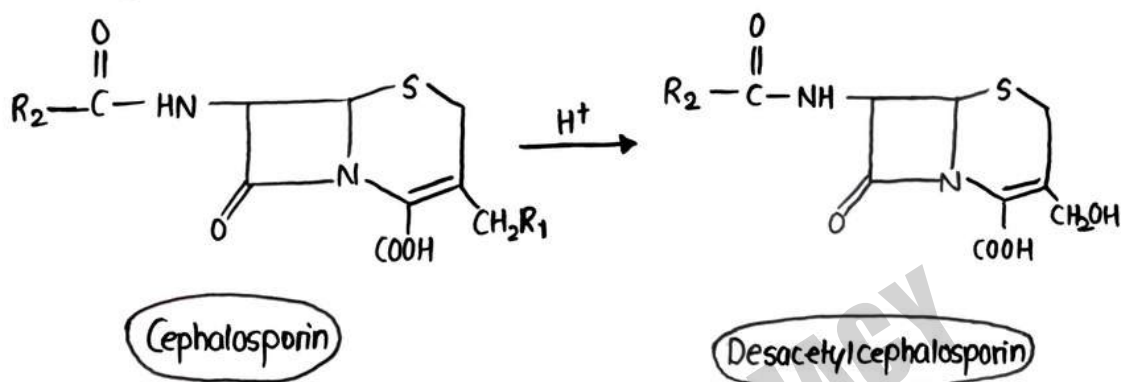
It affects pharmacokinetics, including:

- Oral absorption
- Metabolism
- Renal excretion

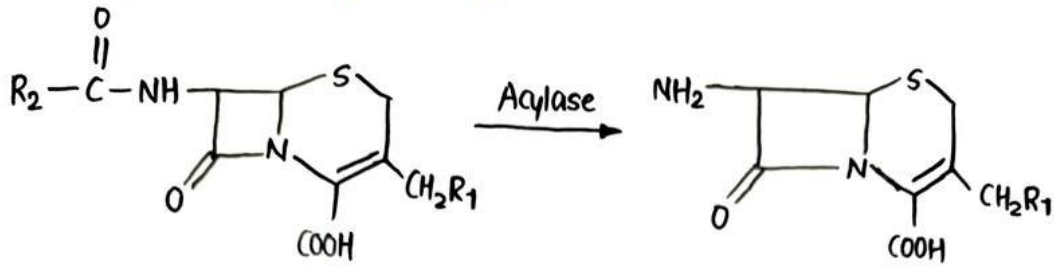
For example, an acetoxymethyl group at position 3 improves, Oral bioavailability.

CHEMICAL DEGRADATION OF CEPHALOSPORINS

① In strong acid solutions

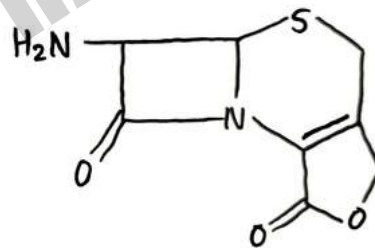
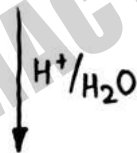


② In the presence of acylase enzyme.



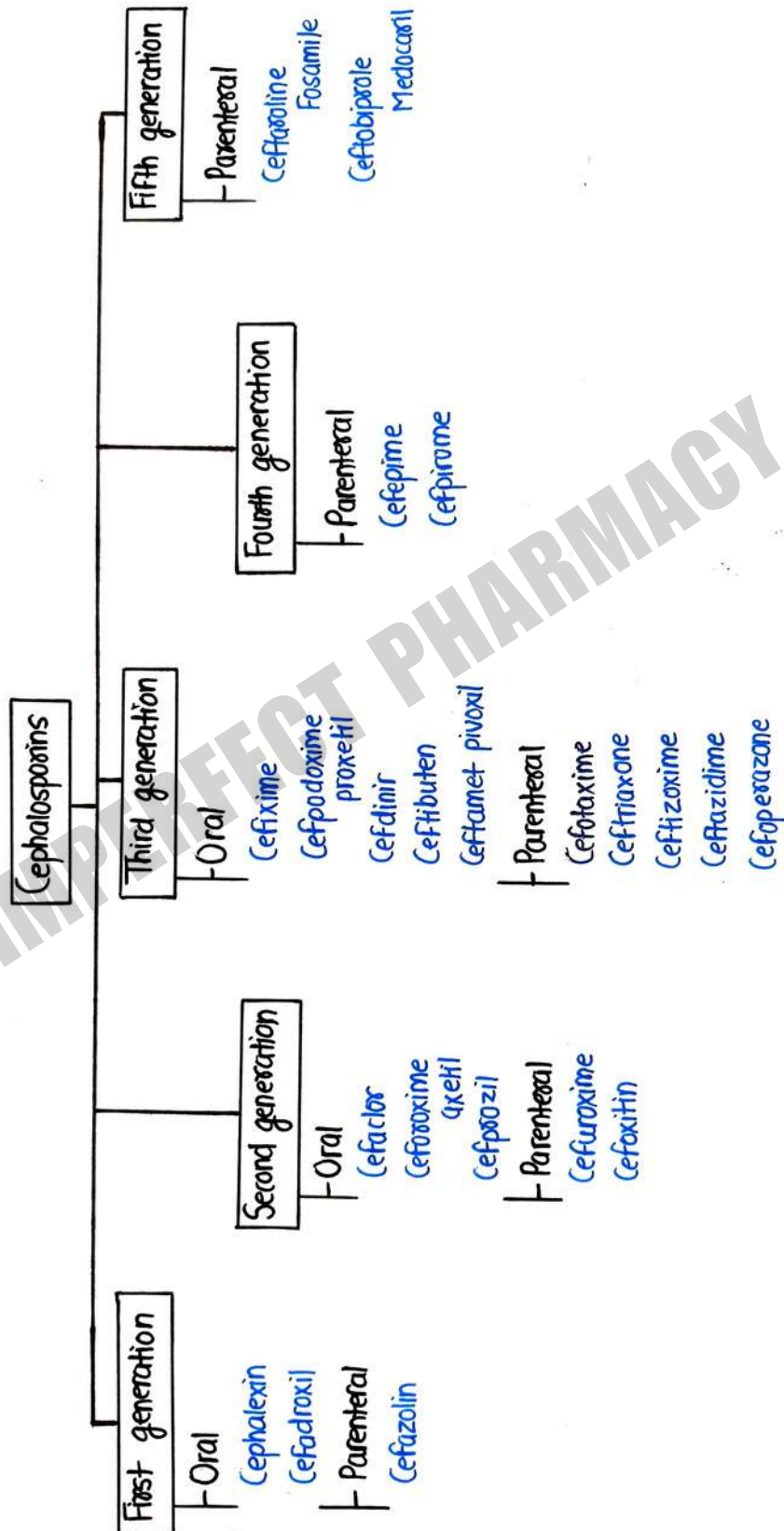
Cephalosporin

7-ACA
(Aminoccephalosporin Acid)



Desacetyl-7-ACA lactone

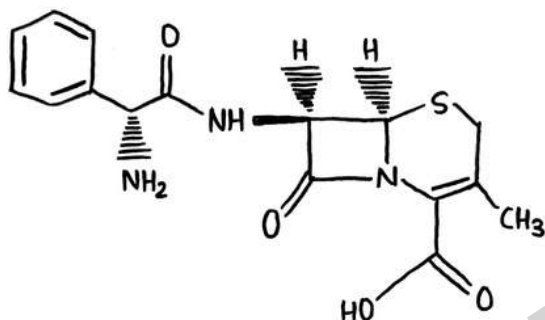
CLASSIFICATION OF CEPHALOSPORINS



SOME IMPORTANT CEPHALOSPORINS

① FIRST GEN CEPHALOSPORINS

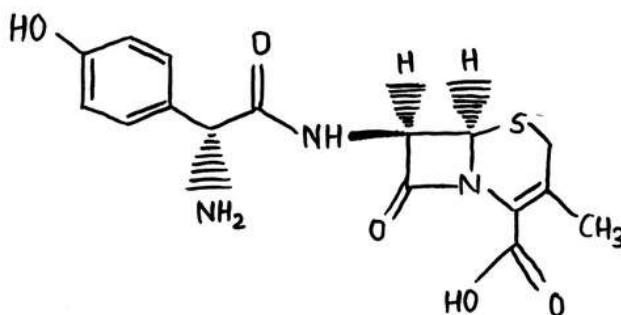
(a) Cephalexin



Uses

- Respiratory tract infections
- Urinary tract infections
- Dental infections

(b) Cefadroxil

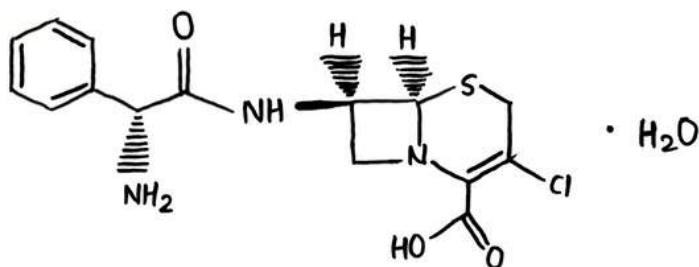


Uses

- Urinary tract infections
- Bone infections

② SECOND GEN CEPHALOSPORINS

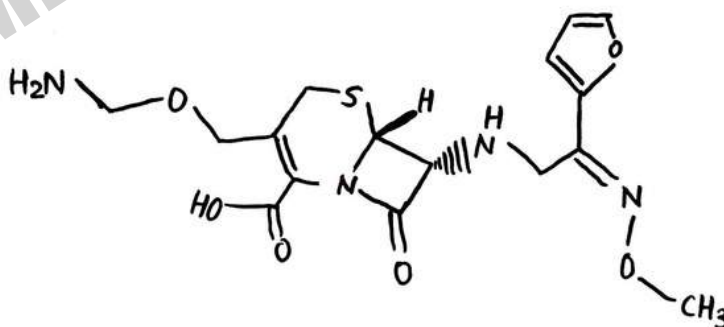
(a) Cefaclor



Uses

- Respiratory Tract Infections.
- Skin & soft tissue infections.
- Urinary tract infections.

(b) Cefuroxime

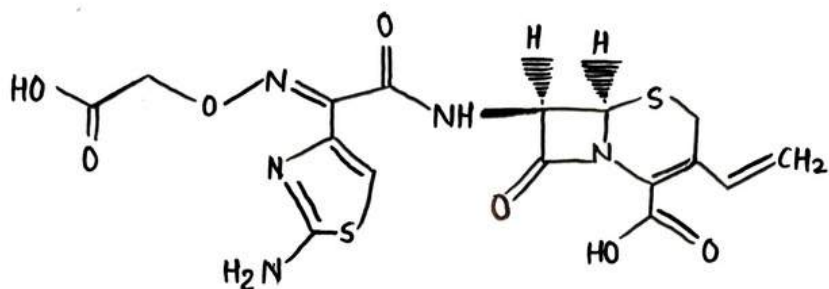


Uses

- Respiratory tract infections
- Ear infections
- Urinary Tract infections

③ THIRD GEN CEPHALOSPORINS

(a) Cefixime

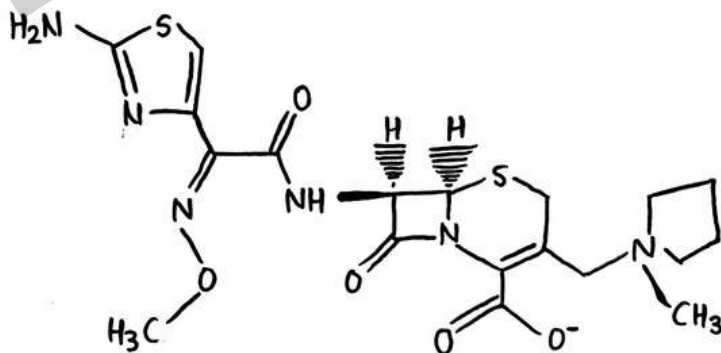


Uses

- Urinary tract infections
- Respiratory tract infections
- Sinusitis

④ FOURTH GEN CEPHALOSPORINS

(a) Cefepime



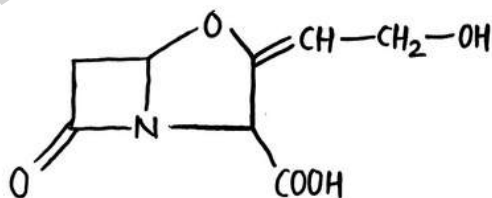
Uses

- Urinary tract infections
- Meningitis

β -LACTAMASE INHIBITORS

- Beta-lactamase inhibitors are medications that block the activity of Beta-lactamase enzymes (an enzymes produced by certain bacteria to break-down beta-lactam antibiotics like penicillins & cephalosporins)
- They aren't antibiotics by themselves, but when combined with beta-lactam antibiotics, they protect the antibiotic from degradation, thus restoring or enhancing its antibacterial activity.
- It includes:
 - ① Clavulanic Acid
 - ② Sulbactam
 - ③ Tazobactam

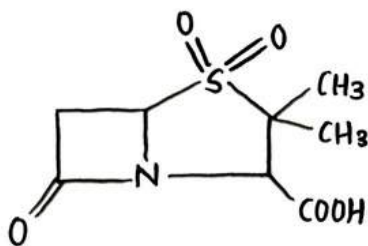
① CLAVULANIC ACID



Uses

- Pneumonia
- Sinusitis
- Urethritis

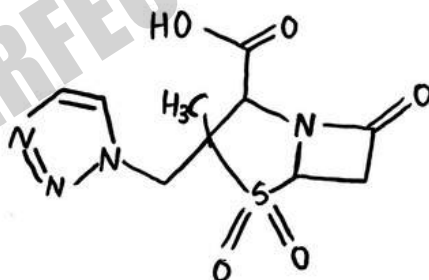
② SULBACTAM



Uses

- Urinary Tract infections
- Meningitis
- Sinusitis

③ TAZOBACTAM



Uses

- Pneumonia
- Sepsis
- Osteomyelitis

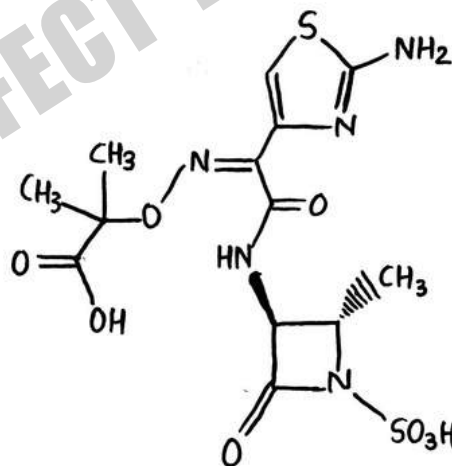
MONOBACTAMS

- Monobactams are class of beta-lactams antibiotics that contain a single beta-lactam ring, unlike penicillins & cephalosporins, which have fused ring structures.
- They work by against aerobic gram - negative bacteria.

MOA

Same as mentioned in Beta-lactam antibiotics.

① AZTREONAM



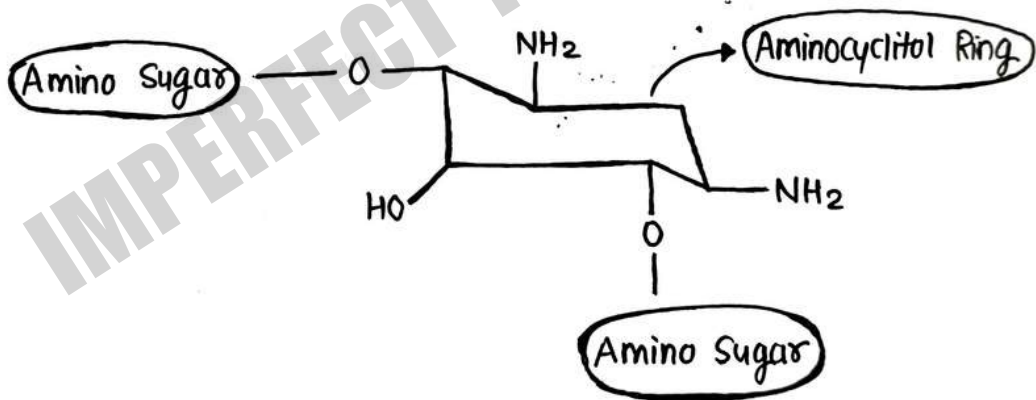
Uses

- UTIs
- Skin infections
- Lower Respiratory Tract Infections

AMINOGLYCOSIDES

- Aminoglycosides are a group of natural & semisynthetic antibiotics having aminocyclitol ring linked glycosidically to two or more aminosugar residues.
- They are primarily used to treat serious infections caused by Gram - negative bacteria.
- They are bactericidal in nature.
- These agents have broad antimicrobial activity but their use becomes limited because of its toxicity.

STRUCTURE & COMPOSITION



MECHANISM OF ACTION

They binds with 30s ribosomes subunit
of the bacterial ribosomes



Causing misreading of mRNA & leading
to the production of abnormal proteins

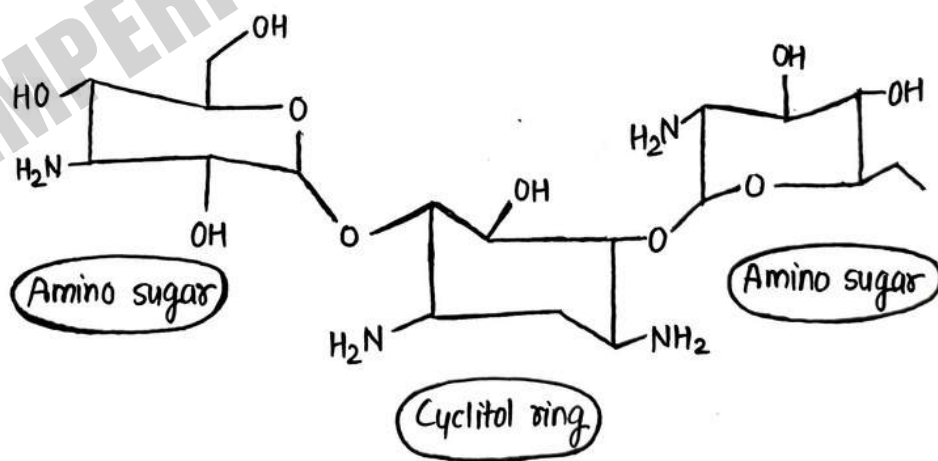


Inhibition of protein synthesis



Bactericidal effect/
Bacterial cell death

SAR OF AMINOGLYCOSIDES



The SAR of Aminoglycosides can be understanding into two major parts:

① CYCLOTOL RING

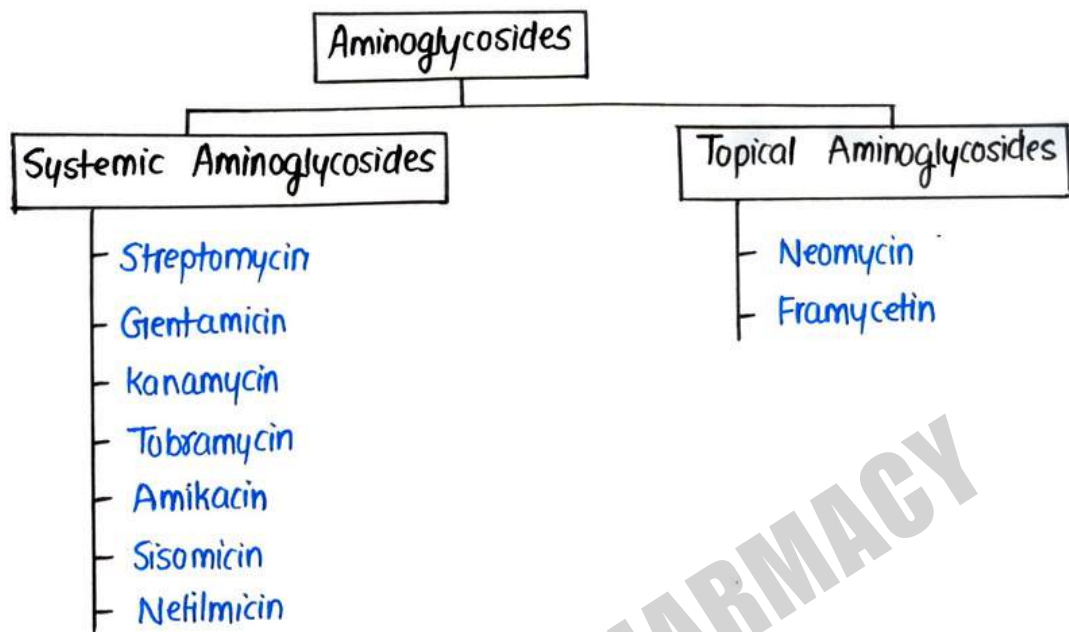
- This is the central ring present in most aminoglycosides (except streptomycin).
- This ring binds to the 30S units of ribosomes, which is essential for antimicrobial activity.
- Adding bulky or unnecessary groups can block ribosomes interaction and reduce activity.
- Amino sugars attach at position 1 & 3 of the ring - their position matters for proper binding.

② AMINO SUGAR GROUPS

- These are attached to the cyclitol ring via glycosidic bonds.
- They contain amino ($-NH_2$) & hydroxyl ($-OH$) groups.
- These groups:
 - Enhancing binding to the ribosomes.
 - Provide positive charge, helping drug entry into the bacterial cell.
- However these amino sugar groups are the main targets of resistance enzymes (like acetyltransferase, phosphotransferases).
- Modifying these groups can increase resistance to enzyme degradation.

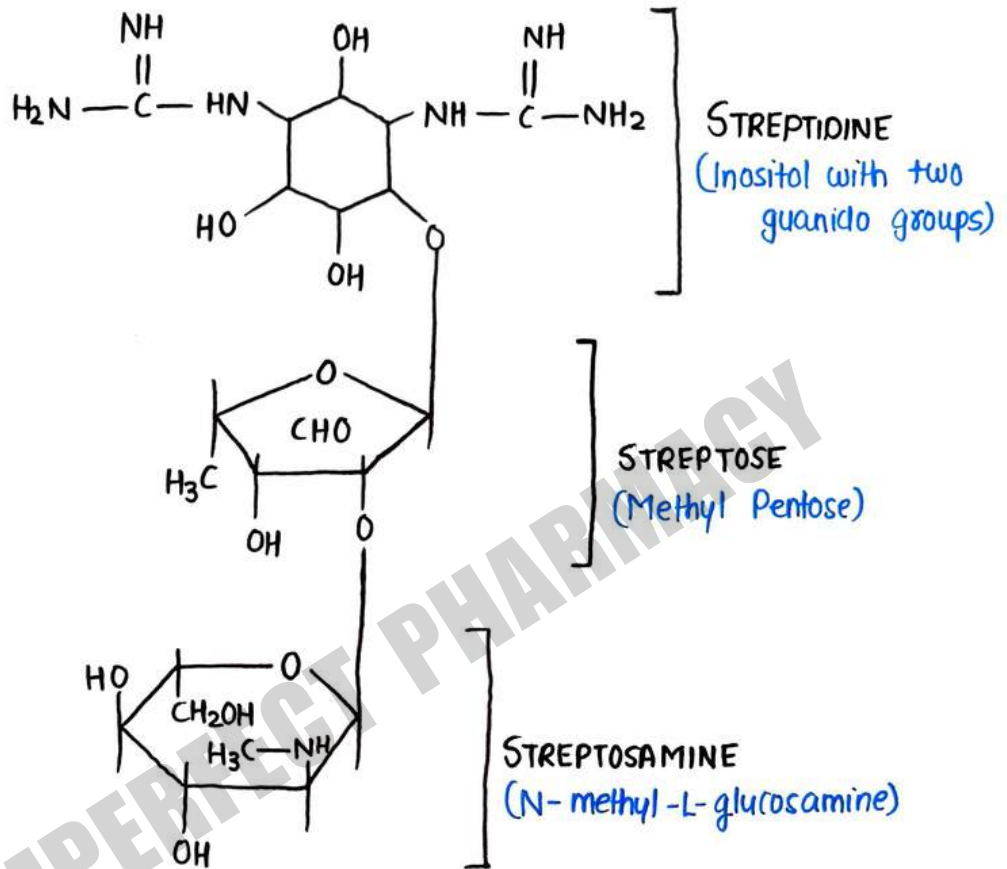
Example: Amikacin has a side chain that protects it from enzymes.

CLASSIFICATION



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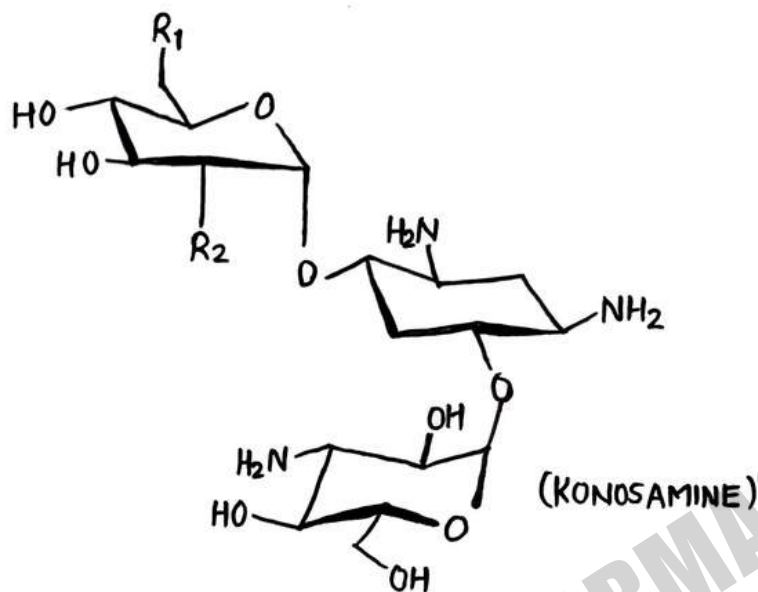
① STREPTOMYCIN



Uses

- Tuberculosis
- Cholera
- Meningitis

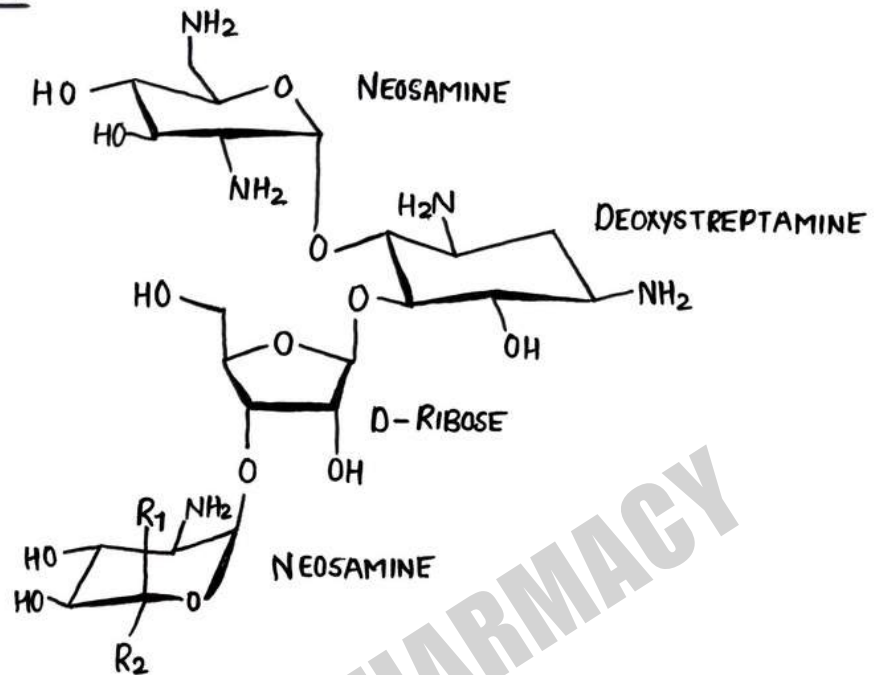
② KANAMYCIN



Uses

- Pneumonia
- UTIs
- Tuberculosis

③ NEOMYCIN



Uses

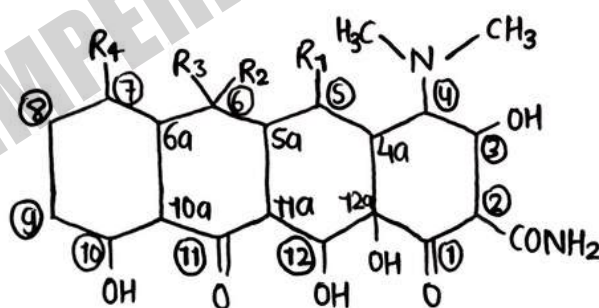
- Dermatitis
- Ulcers
- Burns & Wounds

TETRACYCLINES

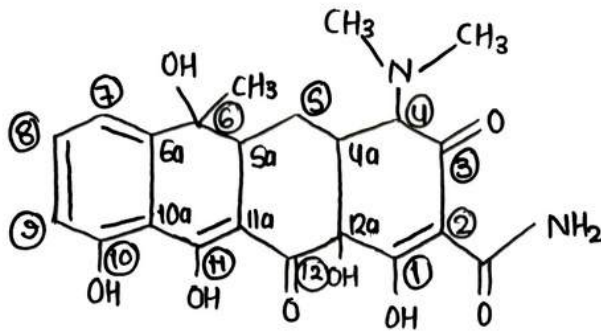
- They are potent broad spectrum antibacterial agents effective against gram-positive & gram-negative aerobic & anaerobic bacteria.
- They are widely used in both human & veterinary medicine due to their effectiveness against a diverse range of micro-organisms.
- In 1940s, a 71 years old Benjamin Minge Duggar head of the soil engineering department identified tetracycline as a therapeutic substance produced by soil micro-organisms.

CHEMICAL STRUCTURE

- Tetracyclines have four rings (tetracyclic) core structure & are characterized by a common octahydronaphthalenes skeleton.
- Variations in functional groups at different positions on the core lead to different tetracycline derivatives.



STEREOCHEMISTRY OF TETRACYCLINES



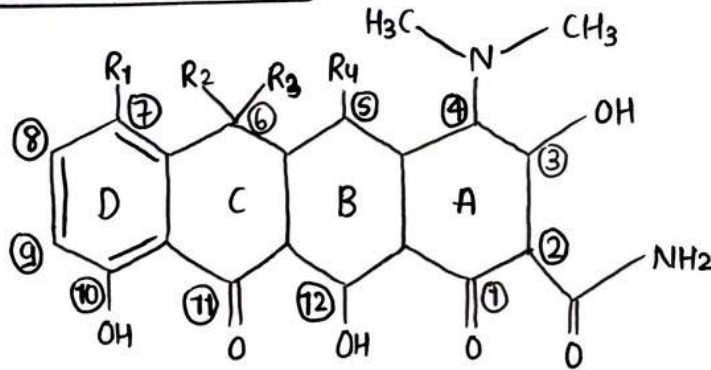
- Tetracyclines typically have 5 chiral centers located at C-4, C-4a, C-5a, C-6 & C-12a
- The C-4 position is especially important because:
- The 4s configuration is required for antibacterial activity
- Alteration in stereochemistry, especially at C-4 or C-6 can:
 - Reduce binding affinity
 - Impair antibacterial activity
 - Alter resistance profile

MOA

Here's is a step by step moa of tetracyclines:

- Entry into the bacterial cell via passive diffusion & active transport.
- Bind reversibly to the 30s ribosomes subunit.
- Prevent the attachment of aminoacyl-tRNA to the site of ribosome.
- This blocks the addition of new amino acids to the growing peptide chain.
- As a result, protein synthesis is halted.
- Since protein are essential for bacterial function & replication, this leads to bacteriostatic effect.

SAR OF TETRACYCLINES



① A - RING

- The ketone group at C₁ is essential for activity : involved in ribosomal activity.
- The hydroxyl group at C₃ is important for potency & solubility.
- Amide group at C₂ is also essential for activity.

② B & C RING

- Generally conserved for core structure integrity
- Maintain planarity, crucial for fitting into the ribosomal binding site.

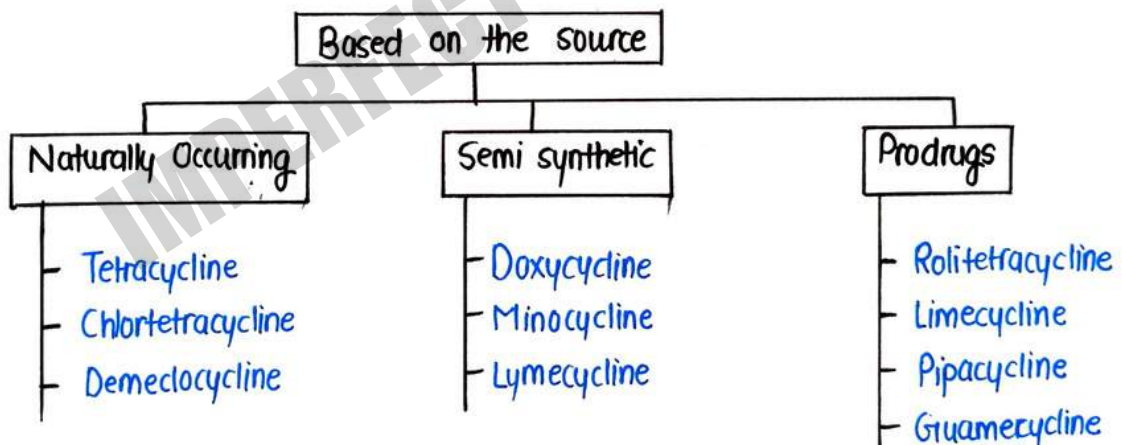
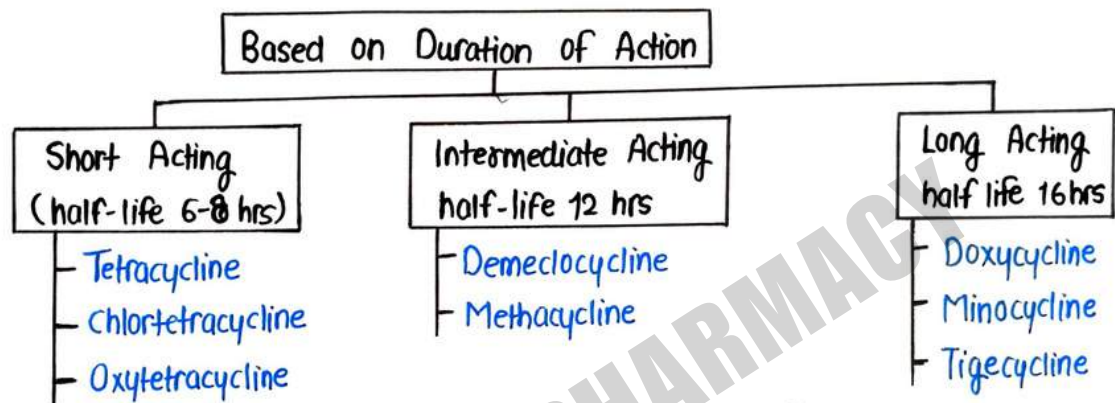
④ D - RING

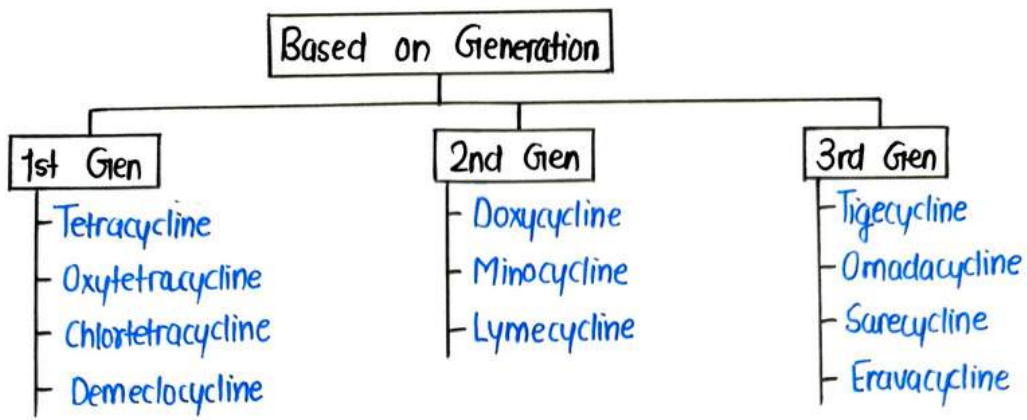
- C₅ - C₉ substitutions allowed for modifications without completely losing activity.
- These are the sites for structural changes to develop newer derivatives (e.g. Minocycline, doxycycline).
- Modification here leads to improved lipophilicity & oral absorption.

CLASSIFICATION

It can be classified on the basis of 3 types :

- Based on Duration of Action
- Based on Source
- Based on Generation

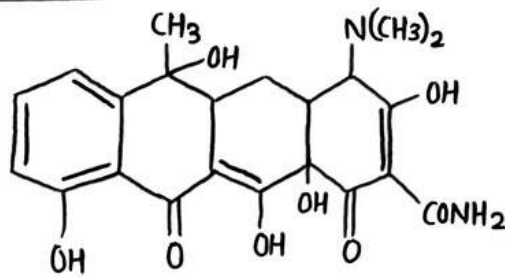




DRUGS IN OUR SYLLABUS

- Tetracycline
- Oxytetracycline
- chlortetracycline
- Minocycline
- Doxycycline

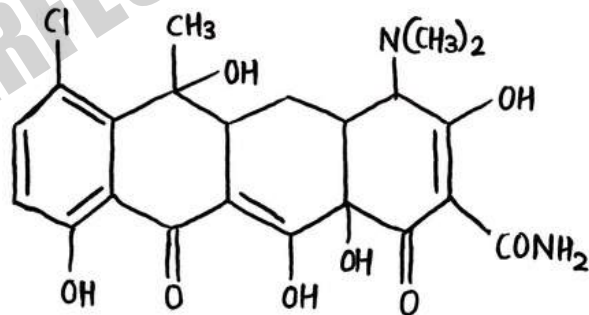
① TETRACYCLINE



Uses

- Syphilis
- Cholera
- Malaria

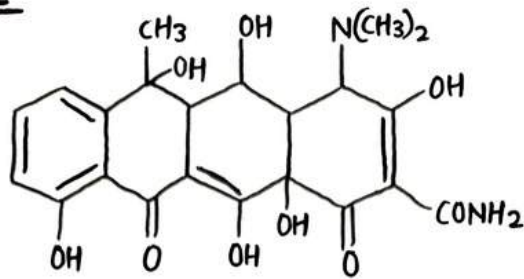
② CHLORTETRACYCLINE



Uses

- Pneumonia
- Chlamydia
- Urethritis

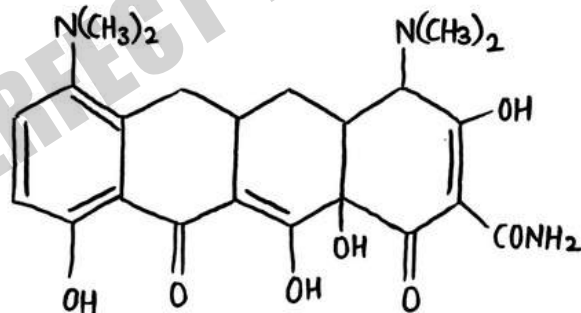
③ OXYTETRACYCLINE



Uses

- Malaria
- Chlamydia
- Pneumonia

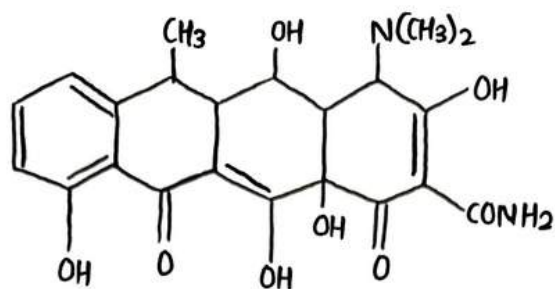
④ MINOCYCLINE



Uses

- Urinary tract infections
- Respiratory infections
- Skin diseases

⑤ DOXYCYCLINE



Uses

- Gonorrhoea
- Syphilis
- Malaria

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