

PHARMACOLOGY-III

UNIT 3 NOTES

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ANTITUBERCULAR DRUGS

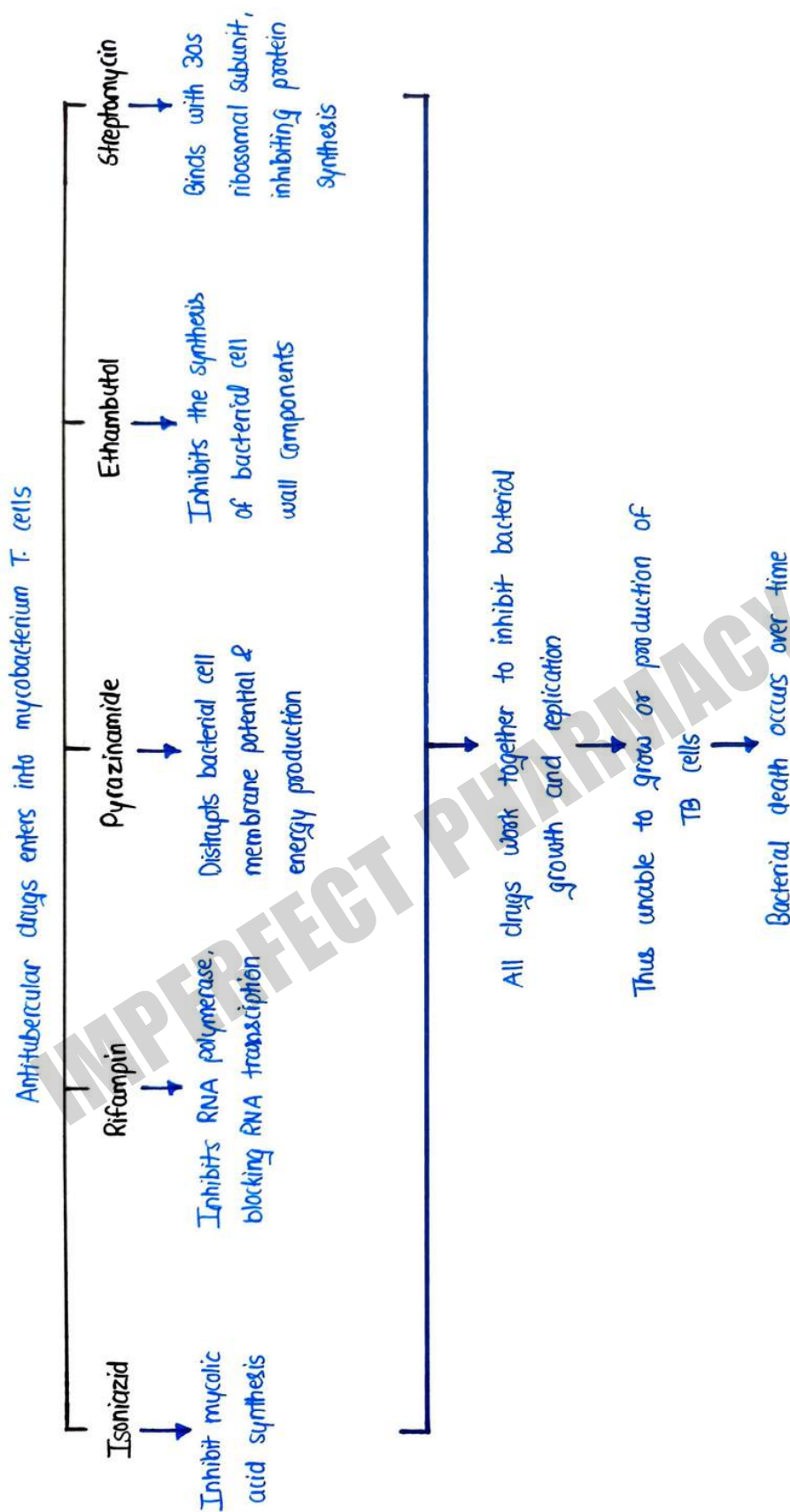
- They are class of drugs that treat Tuberculosis (TB), a bacterial infection caused by *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis*.
- T.B. primarily affects the lungs but can also involve other parts of the body including the brain, spine & kidneys.
- Treatment of TB involves a combination of drugs to ensure bacterial prevention and to prevent the development of drug resistance.

CLASSIFICATION

- First line drugs - Isoniazid, Rifampin, Pyrazinamide, Ethambutol, Streptomycin
- Second line drugs -
 - Fluoroquinolones - Ofloxacin, Levofloxacin, Moxifloxacin, Ciprofloxacin
 - Injectable drugs - Streptomycin, kanamycin, Amikacyin, Capreomycin
 - Other oral drugs - Ethionamide, Prothionamide, Rifabutin etc.
- Other drugs - Bedaquine, Clarithromycin, Clofazimine, Linezolid etc.

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PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption- Many drugs are Rapidly absorbed from GI tract (Streptomycin gives parenterally).
- Distribution- Widely distributed in tissues and crosses placenta & blood- brain barrier and enters macrophages.
- Metabolism- Primarily metabolized in liver (isoniazid, rifampin, pyrazinamide).
- Excretion- Renal, hepatic and fecal excretion.
- Half time - 1-4 hours (isoniazid), 3-5 hours (rifampin), 9-10 hours (pyrazinamide), 15-20 hours (ethambutol).

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Hepatotoxicity
- Neurotoxicity
- Rash
- Vomiting & Nausea
- Anemia
- Arthralgia etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Tuberculosis
- Meningitis
- Osteomyelitis
- UTIs
- HIV - associated etc.

ANTILEPROTIC DRUGS

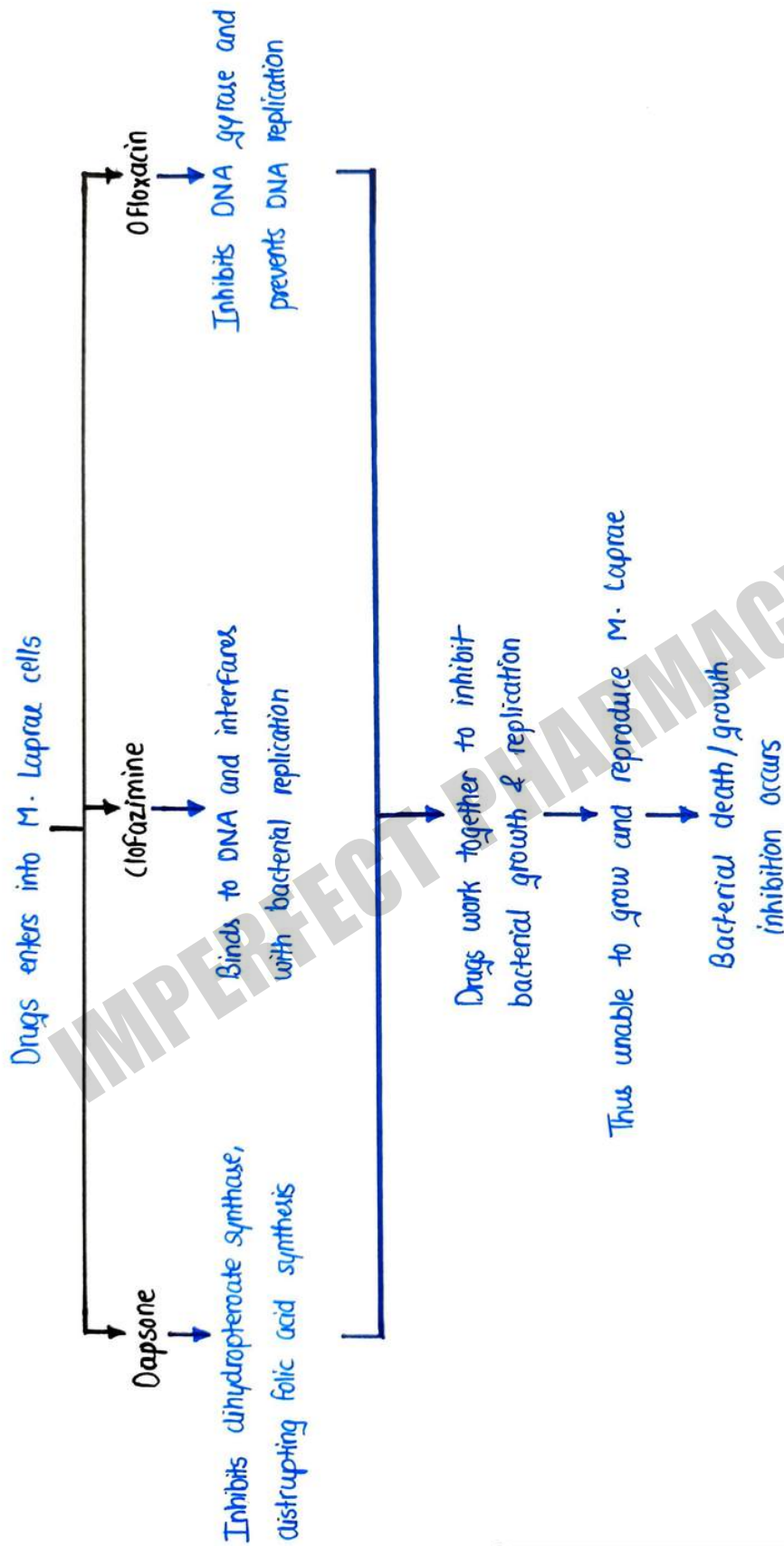
- They are medications specifically used to treat leprosy, a chronic infectious disease caused by *Mycobacterium Lepae*.
- Leprosy is characterized by the formation of skin lesions, nerve damage and muscle weakness.
- The treatment of leprosy generally involves a combination of drugs to effectively end the bacteria, prevent disease progress and minimize the complications.

CLASSIFICATION

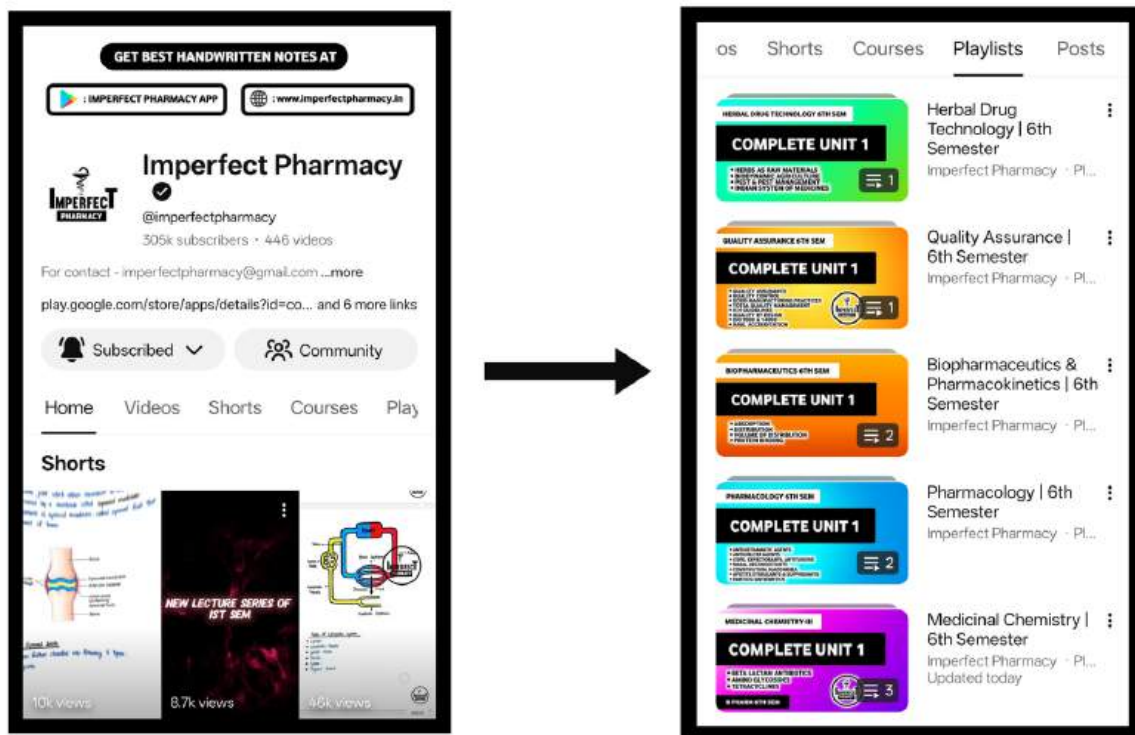
- Sulfone - Dapsone
- Phenazine derivatives - Clofazimine
- Antitubercular drugs - Rifampin Ethionamide
- Other antibiotics - Ofloxacin, Moxifloxacin, Minocycline, Clarithromycin

MECHANISM OF ACTION

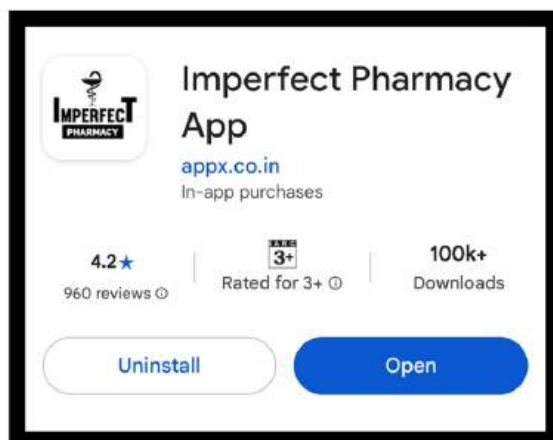
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PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption - Well absorbed from GI Tract
- Distribution - Widely distributed in tissues and crosses placenta & enters macrophages.
- Metabolism - Primarily metabolized in liver.
- Excretion - Renal and biliary excretion.
- Half time - 10-20 hours (dapsone), 70-120 days (clofazimine), 2-3 hours (rifampin).

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Neurotoxicity
- Hepatotoxicity
- Anemia
- Rash
- Depigmentation
- Fever etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Leprosy
- Neuropathy
- HIV
- Multibacillary
- Lepromatous etc.

ANTIFUNGAL AGENTS

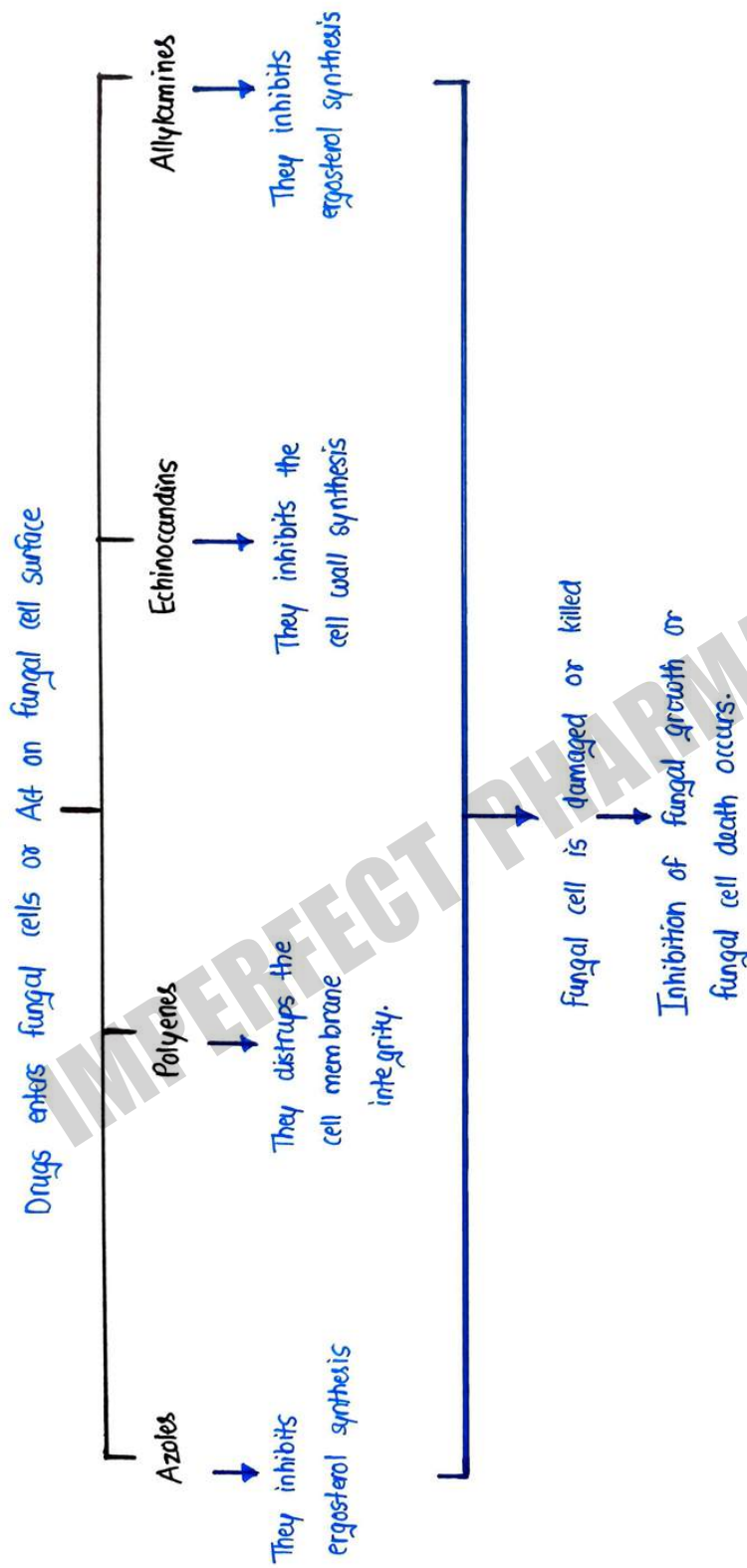
- They are medications used to treat fungal infections caused by variety of fungi, including yeasts, molds and dermatophytes.
- These infections can affect various parts of the body, including the skin, nails and internal organs.
- They work by targeting the cell membrane or cell wall of fungi, disrupting their growth and reproduction.

CLASSIFICATION

- ① Antibiotics
 - └ Polyenes - Amphotericin B, Nystatin, Hamycin, Natamycin (Pimaricin)
 - └ Heterocyclic benzofuran - Griseofulvin
- ② Antimetabolite - Flucytosine
- ③ Azoles
 - └ Imidazoles
 - └ Topical - Clotrimazole, Econazole, Miconazole, Oxiconazole
 - └ Systemic - ketoconazole
 - └ Triazoles - Fluconazole, Itraconazole, Voriconazole
- ④ Allylamine - Terbinafine
- ⑤ Other topical agents - Tolnaftate, Benzoic Acid, Butenafine, Sodium thiosulfate etc.

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PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption- Some drugs like Amphotericin B poorly absorbed orally, others like Fluconazole well absorbed orally.
- Distribution- Widely distributed but crosses blood - brain barrier (especially voriconazole, Fluconazole).
- Metabolism- Mainly metabolized in liver.
- Excretion- Renal and fecal excretion.
- Half time- fluconazole - 30 hours, Amphotericin B IV - 15 days, etc.

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Hepatotoxicity
- Nephrotoxicity
- Rash
- Fever
- Headache
- Anemia
- Neurotoxicity etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Fungal meningitis
- Candidiasis
- Aspergillosis
- Dermatophytosis
- Histoplasmosis
- Mucormycosis
- Onychomycosis etc.

ANTIVIRAL DRUGS

- They are medications used to treat viral infections by inhibiting the replication of viruses or preventing viral infections.
- Viruses are not living organisms and requires a host cell to replicate.
- Antiviral drugs work by inhibiting /targeting specific stages of the viral life cycle, and inhibiting the replication and spread of virus within the host.
- These drugs are classified into two categories :
 - i) Non- Retroviral Drugs
 - ii) Retroviral Drugs

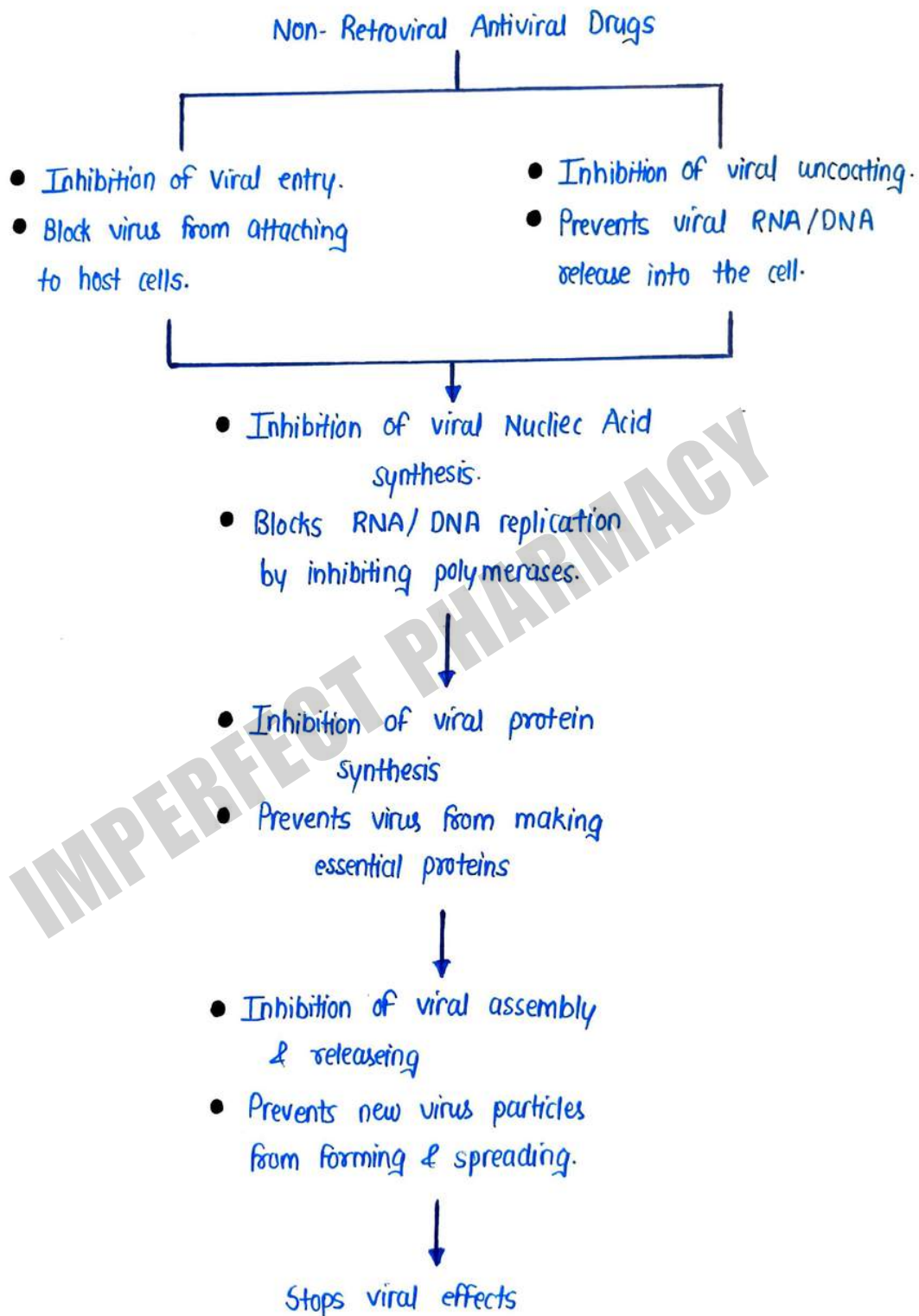
① NON - RETROVIRAL ANTIVIRAL DRUGS

- They are drugs that are used to treat viral infections caused by non - retroviruses.

CLASSIFICATION

- ① Anti Herpes virus drugs - Idoxuridine, Trifluridine, Acyclovir, Valacyclovir, Fanciclovir, Ganciclovir, Valganciclovir etc.
- ② Anti-Influenza virus drugs- Amantadine, Rimantadine, Osettamivir, Zanamivir, Peramivir etc.
- ③ Anti - Hepatitis virus drugs
 - For Hepatitis B - Lamivudine, Entecavir, Tenofovir, Telbivudine etc.
 - For Hepatitis C - Ribavirin, Interferon α , Sofosbuvir, Simeprevir, Ledipasvir, Velpatasvir etc.

MECHANISM OF ACTION



PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption - Some drugs have poor oral bioavailability (like acyclovir, Ganciclovir) and other (like valacyclovir) well absorbed orally.
- Distribution - Widely distributed and crosses placenta & blood-brain barrier (especially for herpes drugs).
- Metabolism - Primarily metabolized in kidney (urine).
- Excretion - Mainly excreted in urine.
- Half life - Acyclovir (2-3 hours), Oseltamivir (6-10 hours), etc.

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Rash
- Nephrotoxicity
- Dizziness
- Fatigue etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Herpes
- Influenza
- Hepatitis B and C
- Cold sores
- Measles
- Shingles etc.

② RETROVIRAL ANTIVIRAL DRUGS

- They are also known as Antiretroviral Drugs, are medications used to treat infections caused by retroviruses, mainly Human Immunodeficiency virus (HIV).
- These drugs work by targeting different stages of the retroviral life-cycle, preventing the virus from replicating and damaging the immune system.

CLASSIFICATION

- ① Nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors (NRTIs) - Zidovudine, Didanosine, Stavudine, Lamivudine, Abacavir, Tenofovir etc.
- ② Non - nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors (NNRTIs) - Nevirapine, Efavirenz, Delavirdine, Etravirine etc.
- ③ Protease Inhibitors (PIs) - Ritonavir, Atazanavir, Indinavir, Nelfinavir etc.
- ④ Entry Inhibitors - Enfuvirtide
- ⑤ CCR-5 receptor Inhibitors - Maraviroc
- ⑥ Integrase inhibitors - Raltegravir, Dolutegravir etc.

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Retroviral antiviral drugs (ARVs)

- Inhibition of viral entry
- Block virus from attaching & entering host cells.
- Inhibition of reverse transcription
- Prevents viral RNA from being converted to DNA by reverse transcriptase.

- Inhibition of viral integration
- Block viral DNA from integrating into host genome by inhibiting integrase.

- Inhibition of viral protein processing
- Prevents virus from making functional proteins by inhibiting protease enzyme.

- Inhibition of viral assembly & Release
- Prevents virus from maturing and being released from the host cell, stopping spread.

Stops virus effects on body

PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption - Oral bioavailability varies on types of drugs and food can affect absorption.
- Distribution - Widely distributed, crosses placenta and blood-brain barrier.
- Metabolism - Primarily metabolized in liver (hepatic metabolism).
- Excretion - Renal and hepatic routes.
- Half time - varies by drugs, range from hours to days, affecting dosing frequency.

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Lactic acidosis
- Rash
- Hyperlipidemia
- Insomnia
- Diarrhoea etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- HIV
- AIDS
- Infection
- Prophylaxis etc.

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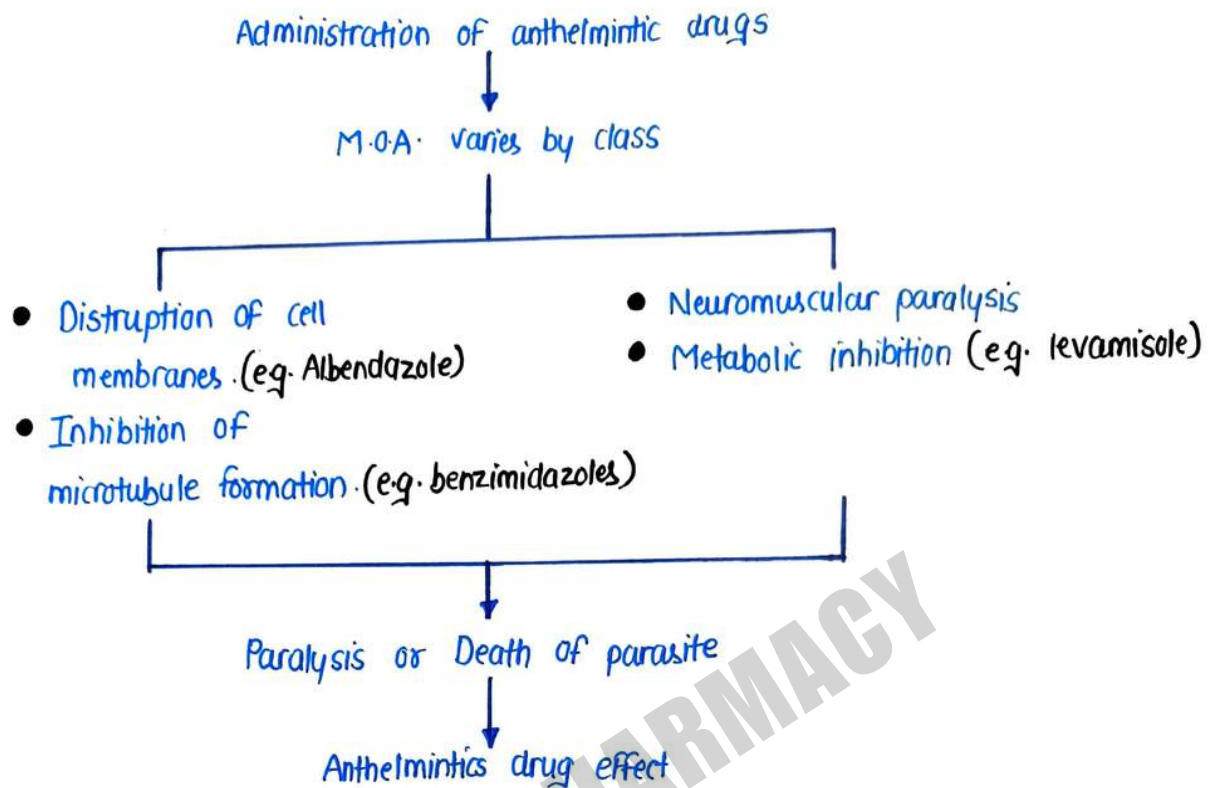
- They are drugs used to treat infections caused by parasitic worms.
- They work by killing or paralyzing the worms, preventing them from growing, reproducing or attaching to the host.
- They are killed roundworms, tapeworms, flukes and hookworms etc.
Example- Albendazole, Mebendazole, Ivermectin etc.

CLASSIFICATION

- ① For Roundworm, Hookworm, Pinworm - Albendazole, Mebendazole, Piperazine, Pyrantel pamoate, Levamisole
- ② For whipworm, *Trichinella spiralis* - Albendazole, Mebendazole etc.
- ③ For Threadworm - Ivermectin, Albendazole
- ④ For Filariasis - Diethylcarbamazine, Ivermectin, Albendazole
- ⑤ For Tapeworms - Praziquantel, Niclosamide, Albendazole
- ⑥ For Hydatid disease - Albendazole, Mebendazole etc.

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PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption - Some are well-absorbed (eg. Albendazole), other poorly (eg. Mebendazole).
- Distribution - Widely distributed, with high affinity for fat tissues.
- Metabolism - Primarily metabolized in liver (hepatic metabolism) and some are prodrugs (eg. Albendazole sulfoxide).
- Excretion - Mainly renal and biliary excretion.
- Half time - Ranges from hours - days (like pyrantel - ivermectin).

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Nausea
- Vomitting
- Rash
- Diarrhoea
- Dizziness
- Hepatotoxicity etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Paralysis
- Metabolism Distruption
- Glucose Distruption
- Immune Activation
- Tissue Damage etc

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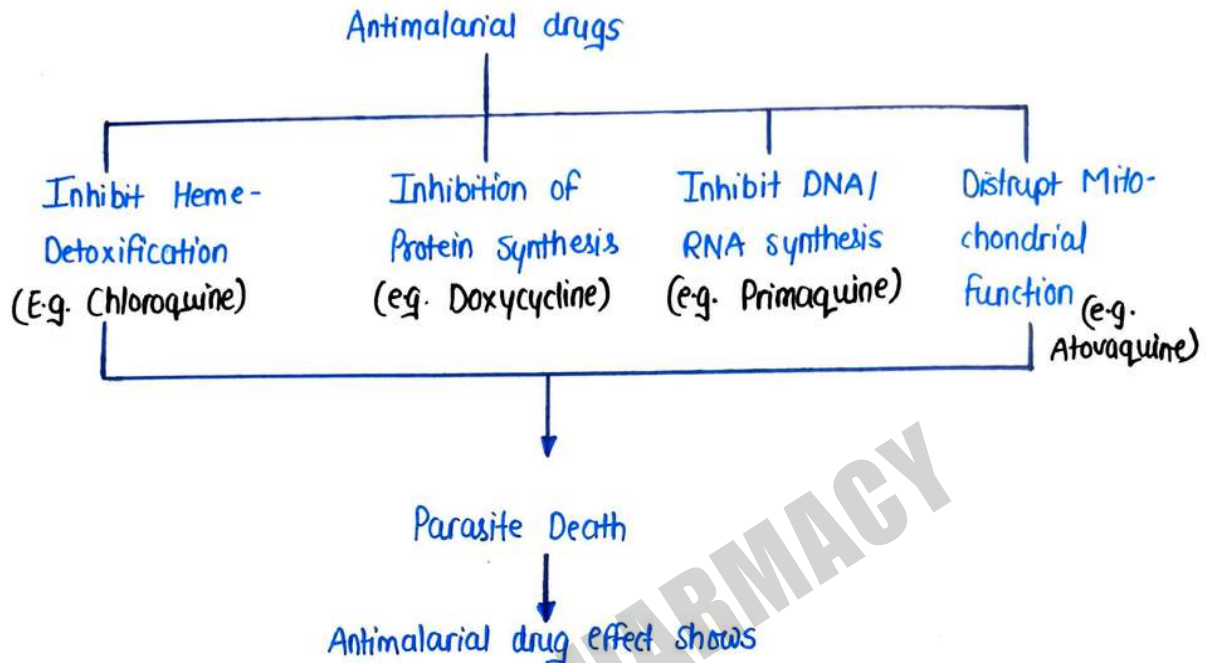
ANTIMALARIAL DRUGS

- They are the class of drugs specifically designed to prevent or treat malaria, a life-threatening disease caused by *Plasmodium* parasites transmitted to human through bites of infected female *Anopheles* Mosquito.
- Malaria remains a major public health concern in the world.
- Antimalarial drugs are crucial for managing the disease, reducing its transmission and preventing its spread in endemic areas.
- Malaria is caused by four *plasmodium* species :
 - i) *Plasmodium falciparum*
 - ii) *Plasmodium vivax*
 - iii) *Plasmodium ovale*
 - iv) *Plasmodium malariae*

CLASSIFICATION

- i) 4- aminoquinolines - Chloroquine, Amodiaquine, Piperaquine
- ii) Quinoline - methanol - Mefloquine
- iii) Cinchona Alkaloid - Quinine, Quinidine
- iv) Biguanide - Proguanil (Chloroguanide)
- v) Diaminopyrimidine - Pyramethamine
- vi) 8- aminoquinolines - Primaquine, Tafenoquine
- vii) Sulfonamide/ Sulfone - Sulfadoxine, Dapsone, Sulfamethopyrazine
- viii) Antibiotics - Doxycycline, Clindamycin
- ix) Sesquiterpine - lactones - Artesunate, Artemether, Arteether, Dihydroartemisinin etc.
- x) Amino - alcohols - Halofantrine, Lumefantrine
- xi) Naphthoquinone - Atovaquone
- xii) Naphthylidine - Pyronaridine

MECHANISM OF ACTION (GENERAL M.O.A.)



PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption - Well absorbed through GI Tract, with varying bioavailability.
- Distribution - Distributed widely in body, including to erythrocytes and tissues like the liver.
- Metabolism - Mainly metabolized in liver, with some having active metabolites.
- Excretion - Excreted mainly through urine or feces.
- Half life - Range from hours (e.g. artemisinin) to weeks (e.g. mefloquine).

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Retinopathy
- Tinnitus
- Nausea
- Diarrhea
- Photosensitivity
- Hemolysis etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Malaria
- COVID - 19
- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Autoimmune diseases
- Filariasis
- Dermatomyositis etc.

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ANTIAMOEBIIC AGENTS

- They are medications specifically designed to target and eliminate *Entamoeba Histolytica*, the protozoan parasite responsible for amoebiasis.
- It can cause conditions like intestinal amoebiasis, amoebic dysentery and amoebic liver abscess.
- Amoebic infections typically occur through the ingestion of cysts in contaminated food, water or through poor sanitation practices.
- They work by targeting and eliminating their parasites from the body.

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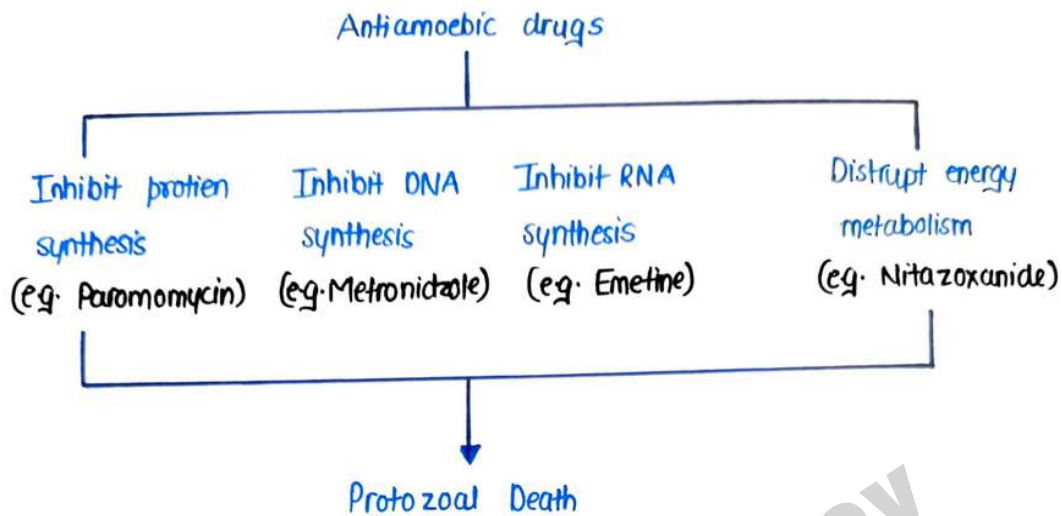
i) Tissue Amoebicides

- For intestinal + extraintestinal amoebiasis
 - Nitroimidazoles - Metronidazole, Tinidazole, Ornidazole, Secnidazole etc.
 - Alkaloids - Emetine, Dehydroemetine
- For extraintestinal amoebiasis only - Chloroquine

ii) Luminal amoebicides

- Amides - Diloxanide furoate, Nitazoxanide
- 8-Hydroxyquinolines - Quiniodochlor, Diiodohydroxyquin
- Antibiotics - Tetracycline, Paromomycin

MECHANISM OF ACTION



PHARMACOKINETICS

- Absorption - Many drugs are absorbed from GIT (like metronidazole).
- Distribution - Distributed widely in body fluid and tissues, including liver, GIT, cerebrospinal fluid.
- Metabolism - Primarily metabolized in liver by liver enzymes.
- Excretion - Excreted mainly in urine (eg. metronidazole) or feces (eg. paromomycin).
- Half time - Varies depending on drugs, from hours to days.

ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Diarrhea
- Flatulence
- Headache
- Liver toxicity
- Anorexia
- Dizziness etc.

THERAPEUTIC USES

- Amebiasis
- Giardiasis
- Liver abscess
- Dysentery
- Reducals
- Trichomoniasis etc.

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