

Adrenergic agonist









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ADRENERGIC RECEPTORS AND THEIR ACTIONS.



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PHARMACOLOGICAL USES OF SYMPATHOMIMETIC AGENTS.

Sympathomimetic Drugs (Adrenergic Agonists)

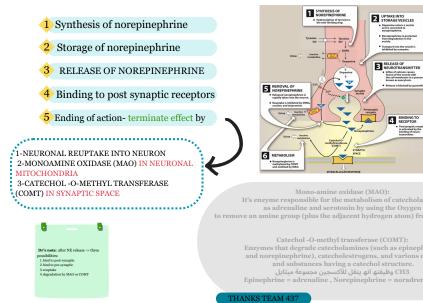


ARE DRUGS WHICH MIMIC THE EFFECTS OF ENDOGENOUS AGONISTS OF THE SYMPATHETIC NERVOUS SYSTEM.

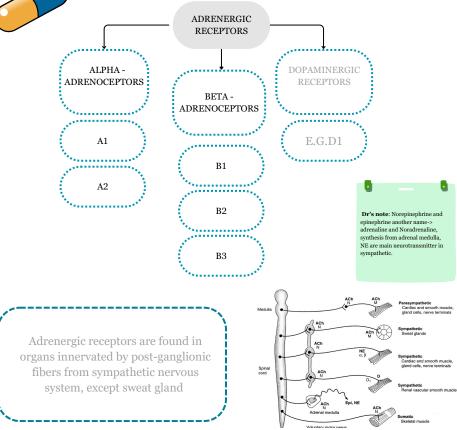
أدوية تحاكي أثر المواد الطبيعية الداخلية للجسم بتأثيرها على الجهاز العصبي السمبثاوي

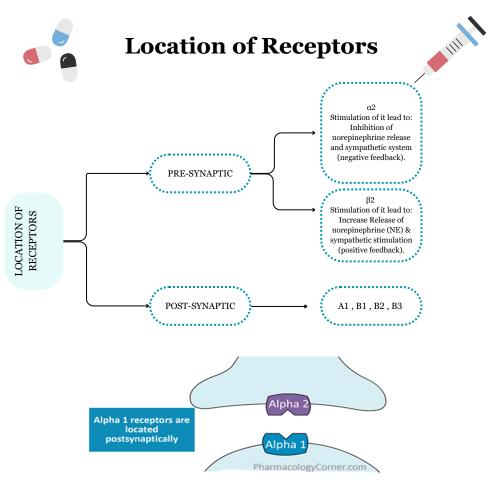
(NEXT SLIDES ARE IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE LECTURE)

Adrenergic Transmission



Adrenergic Receptors





Effects of Post-Synaptic Receptors

α1	β1	β2	β3
Excitatory in function except in GIT (inhibitory)	Excitatory in function	Inhibitory in function	
Present in smooth muscles	Present Mainly in heart and juxtaglomerular cells of the kidney	Present in smooth muscles	Present in adipose tissue
Contraction of radial Muscle of eye mydriasis. (Active mydriasis)	Increase heart rate Tachycardia (Chronotropic effect)	Relaxation of skeletal muscles and coronary blood vessels(vasodilation)	
Contraction of pregnant uterus (pre-mature delivery)	Increase force of contraction (Inotropic effect)	Relaxation of uterus (Delay premature labor)	
Vasoconstriction of skin & peripheral blood vessels which increases peripheral resistance then lead to hypertension	Increase conduction velocity (Dromotropic effect)	Relaxation of bronchial smoothmuscle	Increase
Contraction of sphincters in GIT & urinary bladder	Increase blood pressure	Relaxation of urinary bladder	lipolysis which lead to increase free
Relaxation of GIT muscles (constipation)		Relaxation of GIT muscles (constipation)	fatty acids
Increase blood glucose level by: glycogenolysis hyperglycemia	Increase renin release (this is an enzyme produced by the kidney in response to stretch receptors found in blood vessels, its function is increase BP to gover angiotension to angiotension it then ACE convert angiotension it to angiotension is in justiceleared are of the kidney) ACE inhibitions decrease BP	Increase blood glucose level by ↑ Glucagon release from Pancreas ↑ liver and muscle glycogenolysis Hyperglycemia	
		Tremor of skeletal muscle	

All Sympathetic Actions

Mydriasis (dilatation of eye pupil) $\alpha 1$

Increase heart rate $\beta 1$

Increased blood pressure

Bronchodilation $\beta 2$

Inhibit peristalsis of GIT and secretion $\alpha 1 \ \beta 2$

Relaxation of GIT muscles (constipation)

Relaxation of urinary bladder $\beta 2$

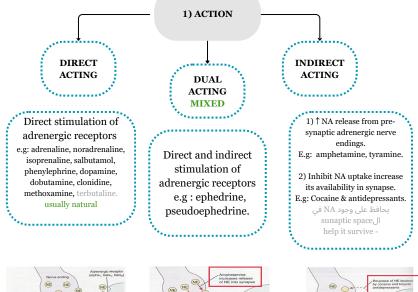
Relaxation of the uterus (Delay premature labor) $\beta 2$

Increase conversion of glycogen to glucose (hyperglycemia)

Classification of sympathomimetics

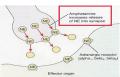


They are classified according to : Action & Chemistry & Selectivity

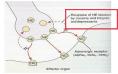




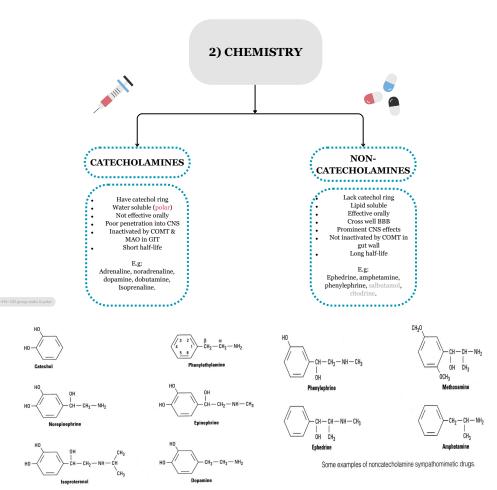
Direct Acting E.g. Noradrenaline

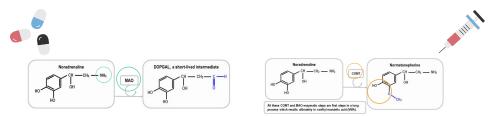


Indirect Acting E.g. Amphetamine

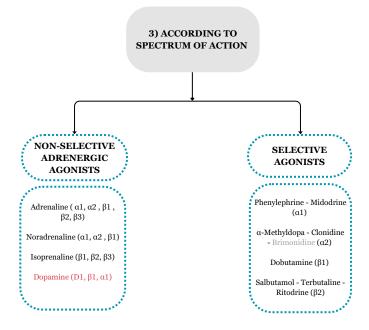


Indirect Acting E.g. Cocaine





MAO works on the amine and converts it, COMT works on the catechol ring and converts it (a catechol ring is the benzene ring with two OH attached).



Adrenaline ($\alpha 1 \alpha 2 \beta 1 \beta 2 \beta 3$)

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Overview	Natural, Catecholamine. Fast onset of action & Short duration of action. Direct Action/ Non-selective α1 α2 β1 β2 β3.		
Administration	Not effective orally (inactivated by intestinal enzymes). Given parenterally (I.V, S.C), inhalation.		
Action	Heart: Inotropic, chronotropic (increase HR), dromotropic (β1).Blood Pressure: ↑ Systolic (β1) (α1) ↓ Diastolic (β2).Blood vessels (Vascular smooth muscle cells):- Vasoconstriction of blood vessels in skin + peripheral (α1)- Vasodilation of blood vessels of skeletal muscles and coronaries (β2).Eye: Mydriasis (α1) → no effect on accommodation.Lung: Bronchodilation (β2).GIT: ↓ motility (β2) / contract sphincter (α1).Urinary bladder:- Relaxation of detrusor muscle (β2) Contraction of sphincter (α1).Pregnant Uterus: Relaxation (tocolytic) effect (β2) (Tocolytic action means relaxation of pregnant uterus).CNS: Little (Since it's a catecholamine, it has poor BBB penetration)headache, tremors (trembling or shaking because of vasodilation) & restlessness.Metabolism:↓ insulin (α2) ↑ glucagon (β2).↑ liver glycogenolysis + ↑ skeletal muscle glycolysis (β2)↑ Adipose lipolysis (β3).		

Use	 Locally: > Haemostatic (control bleeding) Nasal packing epistaxis (nasal bleeding) & in dental practice. > Combined with local anesthetic to: ↓ Absorption of the local anesthetic and toxicity & ↑ duration of action. ↓ Bleeding from the incision (vasoconstriction reduce blood flow also reduce diffusion of anesthetic to the tissue so it decrease the toxicity). Systemically: > In acute asthma S.C or inhalation as emergency bronchodilation (β2) + ↓ mucosal edema (α1).
	 See of minimation as emergency biolection autom (p2) + ↓ mintcosal etachia (ctr). (Selective β2 are better in asthma by inhalation), to reduce side effects > Anaphylactic shock (Hypersensitivity reactions) Is the drug of choice as it is the physiological antagonist of histamine ↑ BP & bronchodilation > Cardiac arrest (i.v.) Not Best choice, selective β1 are better.
ADR	 Tachycardia, palpitation, arrhythmias Headache, anxiety, restlessness, weakness and tremors. Hypertension → cerebral hemorrhage and pulmonary edema. Coldness of extremities → tissue necrosis (Vasoconstriction of skin vessels α1)
contraindication	 Arrhythmia, coronary heart diseases (CHD), Ischemic heart disease Hypertension, peripheral arterial disease. Hyperthyroidism (it increase thyroid hormone) Closed-angle glaucoma (ciliary relaxation decrease filtration angle) lead to increase Intraocular Pressure

Noradrenaline

Overview	It is naturally released from postganglionic adrenergic fibers. Catecholamine, non-selective agonist.		
Receptors	Mainly on α adrenoceptors (α 1, α 2, β 1) Weak action on β 2.		
Administration	ONLY administered by I.V may cause necrosis using IM or SC.		
Action	 Severe vasoconstriction (α1). Reflex bradycardia due to severe Vasoconstriction. Increase force of contraction (inotropic effect) but decrease heart rate. 		
Use	 Locally haemostatic with local anesthetic. Systemically hypotensive states (in septic shock "hypotension" if fluid replacement and inotropes fail). 		

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Overview	 Synthetic, direct acting catecholamine. Longer effect (no reuptake -no destruction by MAO-). 		
Receptors	Non-selective β agonist (β 1, β 2, β 3).		
Administration and use	Parenteral used mainly in cardiac arrest.Inhalation rarely in acute attack of asthma.		
Action	 Initiation farely in acute attack of astinia. β1: Inotropic effect Chronotropic effect Increase cardiac output β2: Vasodilation of blood vessels of skeletal muscles and coronaries Bronchodilation Relaxation of uterus Hyperglycemia β3: Lipolysis 		
Uses	 Used mainly in cardiac arrest (Parenteral). Rarely in acute attack of asthma (inhalation). 		
Contraindication	Contraindicated in hyperthyroidism & CHD (Congenital heart disease)		

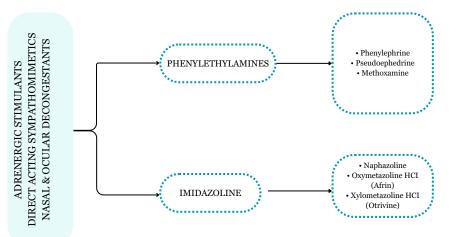
Dopamine

Overview	 It is a Natural CNS neurotransmitter, a precursor to norepinephrine in noradrenergic nerves. Direct acting catecholamine.		
Receptors	$D1 > \beta1 > \alpha1$ (in order, depending on dose)		
Administration	Given parenterally by infusion		
Action	• Low dose (Dopaminergic Receptor D1): Vasodilatation of mesenteric, coronary and renal blood vessels (Thus improves blood flow to viscera) Has diuretic action. • Intermediate dose (β 1): +ve inotropic (increase contractility). +ve chronotropic (increased heart rate). • High dose (α 1): Vasoconstriction On heart \rightarrow inotropic, chronotropic effect. On BP \rightarrow according to the dose: First \downarrow BP due to (D1) Then \uparrow increase BP due to (β 1) followed by (α 1) effect. $\alpha_{a} \rightarrow \alpha_{b} = \alpha_{a}$ $\alpha_{a} \rightarrow \alpha_{b} = \alpha_{a}$		
Use	 Cardiogenic shock: septic, hypovolemia or cardiogenic (I.V infusion) ↑ BP & CO (β1) without causing renal impairment (D1) Can be given in acute heart failure (HF) but better to use dobutamine 		

	Dobutamine	Phenylephrine
Overview	 Synthetic Direct acting catecholamine Metabolized by COMT, which gives it a short duration of action. 	Synthetic Direct acting NON-catecholamine Is NOT Metabolized by COMT, which gives it a longer duration of action.
Administr ation	IV infusion	Topically
Receptors	Selective β1–agonist	Selective α1–agonist
Action	 Positive (desirable) inotropic effect which increase heart contractility Increases cardiac output 	 Vasoconstriction Increases systolic & diastolic blood pressure (cause hypertension) due to vasoconstriction (α1) Reflex Bradycardia (In case of hypotensive patient we use Midodrine instead; as it has shorter duration)
Uses	 Short term management of Cardiac decompensation after cardiac surgeries. In Acute myocardial infarction (AMI) & heart failure. 	 Nasal decongestant (topically) Nasal drops : allergic rhinitis and cold Vasopressor agent: hypotension & terminate atrial tachycardia (reflex bradycardia). Local Hemostatic with local anesthesia Mydriatic : In ophthalmic solutions to facilitate eye examination. Adverse effect : Hypertension
Midodrine	peaks in 20 min, duration 30 min, used	l mainly In hypotensive states.







Focus on selective drug

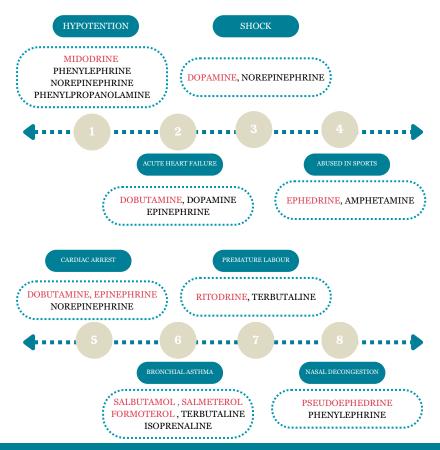
Selective β2 agonists

	Salbutamol	Ritodrine	Terbutaline
Overview	 non catecholamines Administration: orally or by inhalation or injection. 	 non catecholamines Administration: orally or by injection 	Direct acting
Action	Produce Bronchodilation	tocolytic drug (relaxation of uterus).	Bronchodilator and Tocolytic
Use	Acute attack of Asthma & COPD	premature labor	
Selective α2 Agonist (presynaptic)			
	Clonidine	Brimo	onidine
Overview	Synthetic, Direct acting. Administration: orally or patch		
Action	 Acts centrally (α2) at nucleus tractus solitarius to lower sympathetic outflow to heart & vessels. Inhibits sympathetic vasomotor centers*. Presynaptic (α2) agonists 	-	production by the ciliary dy).
Use	As antihypertensive in essential hypertension to lower BP.	Used in	glaucoma

	Indirect Acting Sympathomimetics	Dual Acting Sympathomimetics	
	Amphetamine	Ephedrine	Pseudoephedrine
Classificati on	Synthetic, Non-catecholamine. Exerted mostly unchanged (Increases with acidification of urine).	Plant alkaloid, synthetic, Non-catecholamine.	
Administr ation	Orally; since they're Non-catecholamines. Enzymes can't destroy them -> Longer duration.		
Action	Acts Indirectly, it depletes vesicles from stored NE leading to tachyphylaxis.	Directly on receptors. Indirectly by releasing NE from adrenergic endings → depletes stores. Tachyphylaxis.	

Effect	 CNS stimulant effects; mental alertness, wakefulness, concentration & self- confidence followed by depression & fatigue on continued use. Euphoria → Causes abusing. ↓ Weight by: ↓ appetite & ↑ energy expenditure. 	CNS stimulant effects (less than Amphetamine)	- Vasoconstriction, mainly Nasal vessels → reducing nasal congestion.
countUse	No more therapeutically used. (induces psychic & physical dependence and psychosis).	No more therapeutically used, but Athletes abuse (prohibited during games).	- As nasal & ocular decongestant. - In flu remedies.
Receptor	α & β	α & β	

Summary for uses of sympathomimetics



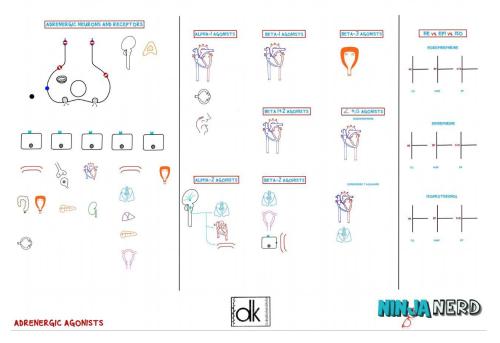
Summary

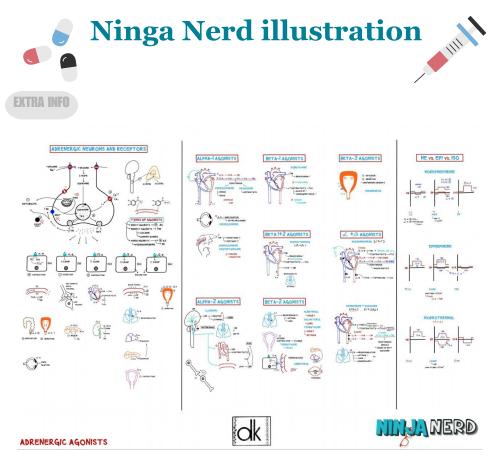
Drug	Receptor	Uses
Adrenaline	α1, α2, β1,β2, β3	-Combined with local anesthetic-Haemostatic (Stops bleeding)-In acute asthma-Anaphylactic shock-Cardiac arrest
Noradrenaline	α1, α2, β1,weak β2	-local haemostatic with local anesthetic to reducetachycardiain septic shock (after fluid replacement)
Isoprenaline	β1, β2, β3	-cardiac arrest (preferred)-Rarely in acute attack of asthma
Dopamine	D1 > β1 > α1(in order)	-Treatment of shocks: septic, Hypovolemic (after fluidreplacement), cardiogenic (I.V)
Dobutamine	β١	- Short term management of Cardiac decompensation Acute myocardial infarction(AMI) & heart failure.
Phenylephrine	α۱	- Vasopressor (anti-hypotensive)- Haemostatic with Local anesthesia Mydriatic- Nasal decongestant
Salbutamol	β2	- Acute attack of asthma & COPD.
Ritodrine	β2	-Treat premature labor.
Terbutaline	β2	_
Clonidine	α2	-Antihypertensive
Brimonidine	α2	-Glaucoma treatment
Amphetamine	_	No more used therapeutically
Ephedrine	_	No more therapeutically used but is abused by athletes
Pseudoephedrine	_	- Nasal & ocular decongestant- In flu remedies.

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A 62-YEAR-OLD MAN STARTED ON A NEW MEDICATION FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF HYPERTENSION. THE NEW DRUG ACTS AT PREJUNCTIONAL (A2)-AGONISTS RECEPTORS WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING MEDICATIONS WAS PRESCRIBED?



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