

The background features a collage of pharmaceutical-related images. On the left, a white pill bottle is tipped over, spilling a large quantity of white and blue pills. In the center, there is a brown glass medicine bottle with a white label. To the right, a blue pill character with a thumbs-up gesture is visible. The overall background is a gradient of light blue and yellow.

# PHARMACDYNAMICS IV

**TOLERANCE /  
DESENSITIZATION  
& ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS**

**Phocomelia**

**Thalidomide crisis**

Thalidomide was marketed in

**LATROGENIC DISEASE**

hypnotic & as for morning sickness during pregnancy

In 1961 a report of out break of **phocomelia** in the newborn babies(40000-100000 cases)



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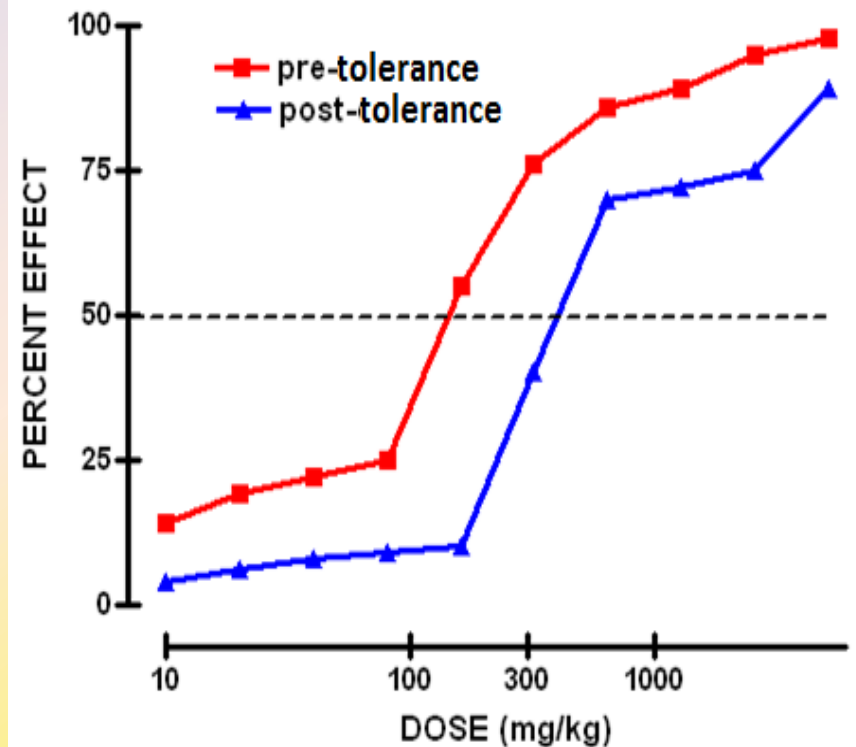
➤ Distinguish difference between tolerance and desensitization (tachyphylaxis) and reasons for their development

➤ Recognize patterns of adverse drug reactions (ADR)



# TOLERANCE AND DESENSITIZATION

Phenomenon of variation in drug response, whereby there is a gradual diminution of the response to the drug when given continuously or repeatedly



# DIMINUTION OF A RESPONSE

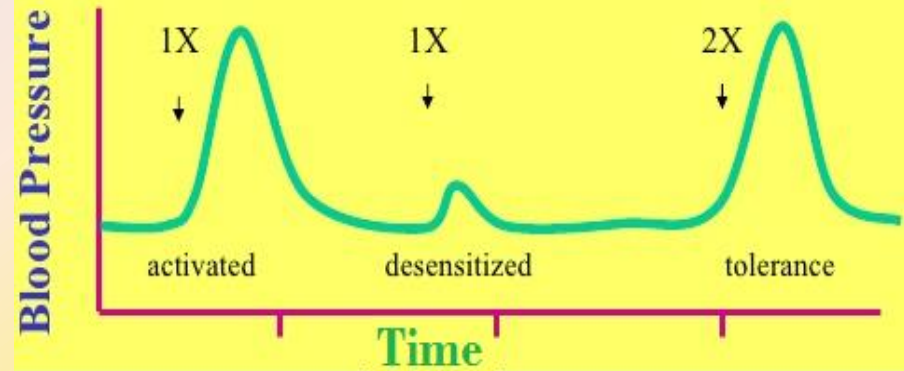
Rapid, in the course of few minutes

**TACHYPHYLAXIS /  
DESENSITIZATION**

Gradual in the course of few days to weeks

**TOLERANCE**

These SHOULD BE  
DISTINGUISHED FROM



Loss of effectiveness of  
antimicrobial agent

**Resistance**

# REASONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TOLERANCE



## PRE RECEPTOR EVENTS

↓ drug availability at the relevant receptors due to pharmacokinetic variables

Drug becomes:

- > metabolized or excreted
- < absorbed
- altered distribution to tissues

eg. Barbiturates ↑ metabolism of  
Contraceptive pills = ↓ it  
availability

## EVENTS AT RECEPTORS

## POST RECEPTOR EVENTS

Nullification of drug response by a physiological adaptive homeostatic response

Antihypertensive effects of ACE Is become nullified by activation of renin angiotensin system by NSAIDs

LOSS OF THERAPEUTIC EFFICACY

Refractoriness

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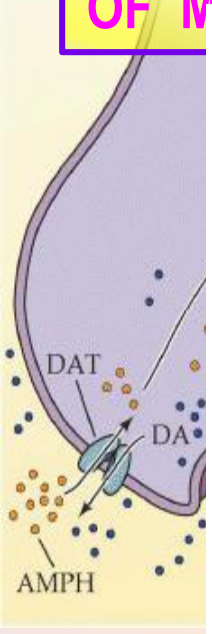
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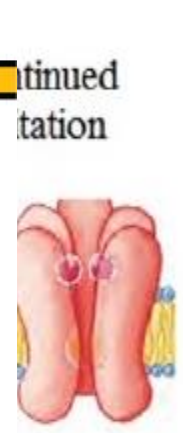
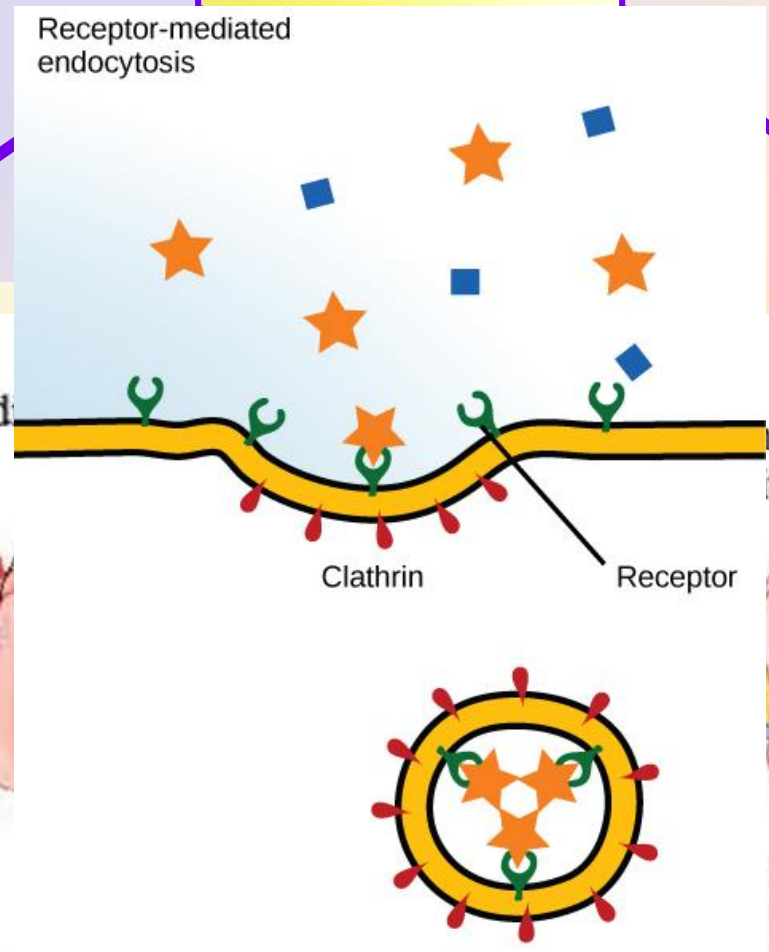
**POST RECEPTOR EVENTS**

**EXHAUSTION OF MEDIATORS**

**DOWN REGULATION**



(a) resting Gate closed




(c) Desensitized Gate closed

Number of receptors.  
Acetylcholine  
stimulation to  $\beta$  receptors  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  recycling  
endocytosis  
[genetic defect]

# ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS [ADRS]



 Harmful or seriously unpleasant effects occurring at doses intended for therapeutic effects.





# TYPES OF ADRS

A

Augmented

B

Bizarre

C

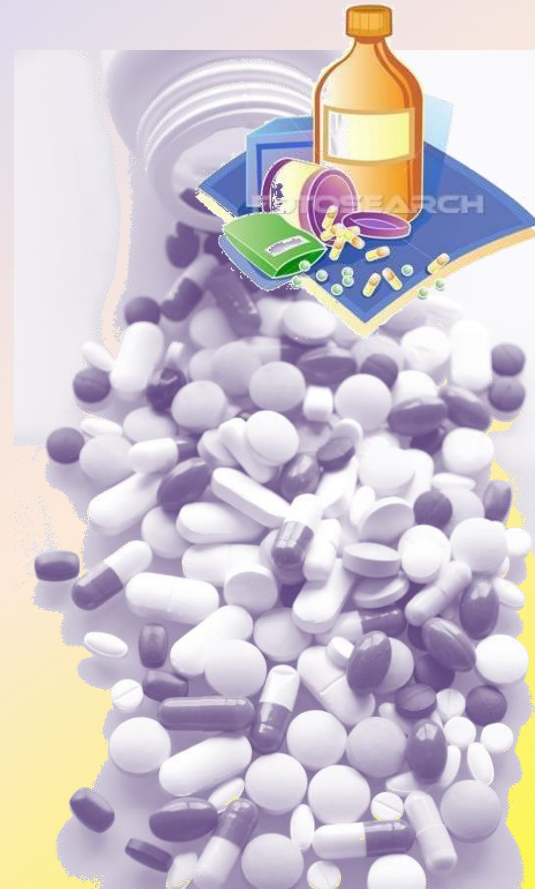
Chronic

D

Delayed

E

End of Use



# TYPE A

# AUGMENTED



80% of ADRs

Is it dose dependent?

low?

How is it treated?

primary effect?

drug

e.g. Hypoglycemia from hypoglycemic drugs

Bleeding from warfarin

Blood glucose concentration

Hyperglycemia

Normoglycemia

Hypoglycemia

# TYPE B

# BIZARRE

Occurs different to known drug pharmacological effect [Idiosyncrotic]

Is it predictable?

Idiosyncrotic reactions are drug reactions that are unpredictable and qualitatively different

How mortal is it?

How is it treated?

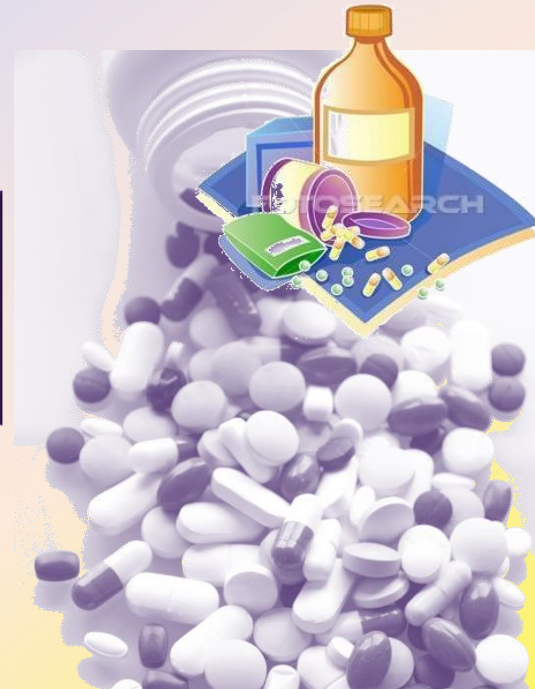
qualitatively different

Usually due to

[1] immunological response  
or [2] patient's genetic defect

Penicillin → Anaphylactic shock

Quinine → Thrombocytopenia



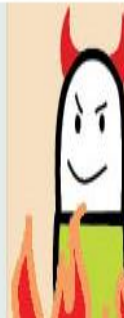
## DRUG ALLERGY

WHEN THE SOLUTION...



medication

BECOMES THE PROBLEM



urticaria  
anaphylaxis  
angioedema  
wheezing

# Comparison between type A & B -ADRs

	Type A Augmentation	Type B Idiosyncratic
Pharmacological predictability	Yes	No
Nature	Quantitative [ extension of pharmacology effect ]	Qualitative [ immune or genetic base]
Dose- dependent	Yes (dose response relationship present)	No (dose response relationship absent)
Onset of symptoms	Usually Rapid	Usually delayed
Mortality	Low	High
Treatment	Dose adjustment or Substitute by > selective + Antagonize unwanted effect of 1 <sup>st</sup> drug	Stop drug + Symptomatic treatment
Example	Bradycardia → $\beta$ - ADR Blockers Hemorrhage → Warfarin	Apnea → succinylcholine Thrombocytopenia → Quinine

**TYPE C**

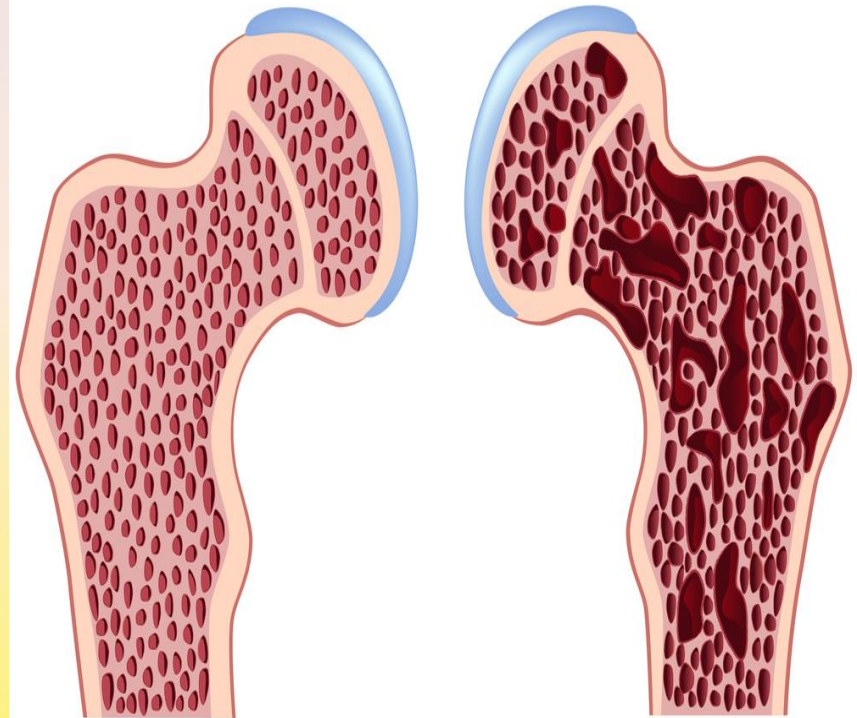
**CONTINUED**



Occurs during chronic drug administration

Osteoporosis → chronic corticosteroid intake

Osteoporosis



Healthy bone

Osteoporosis

## TYPE D

## DELAYED

Occurs after long period of time even after drug stoppage (delayed in onset)

Refers to carcinogenic and teratogenic effects

Teratogenicity → Retinoids  
Carcinogenicity → Tobacco smoking



**Retinoic acid  
malformations**

## **TYPE E**

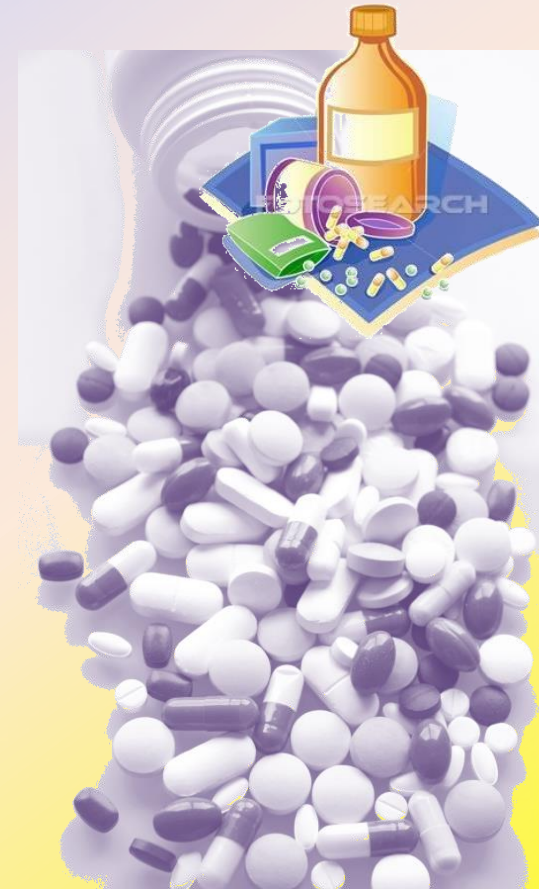
## **END OF USE**

Occurs after sudden stoppage of chronic drug use due to existing adaptive changes

**Morphine → Withdrawal syndrome**

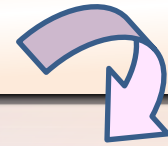
**↑ Body ache, insomnia, diarrhea, goose flesh, lacrimation**

**Withdrawal of diazepam → anxiety, insomnia**

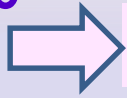


# TYPE B

[1] If due to immunological response

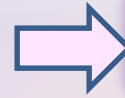


1<sup>st</sup> exposure to a drug



**Sensitization**

Repeated exposures



**HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTION**



**TYPE I**  
**Anaphylaxis**

**TYPE II**  
**Cytotoxic**

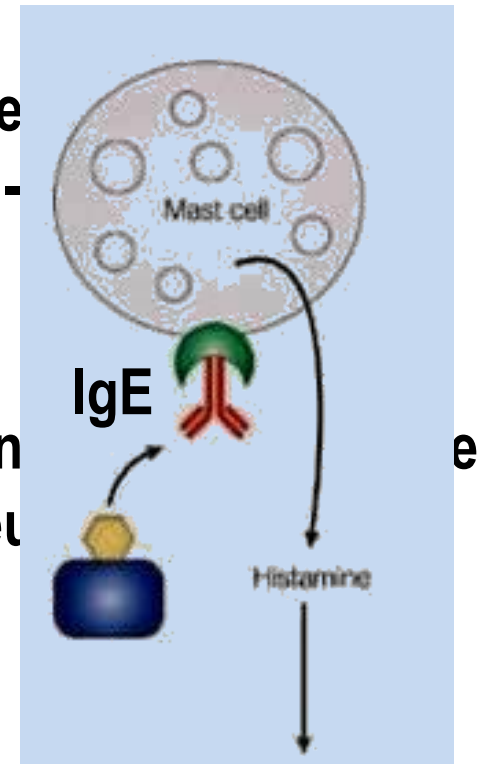
**TYPE III**  
**Immune complex**

**TYPE IV**  
**Cell mediated**



# Type I hypersensitivity: Anaphylactic

- Type I hypersensitivity is an allergic reaction provoked by re-exposure to a specific **antigen**
- Fast response which occurs in **minutes**, rather than hours or days. The reaction usually takes 15 - 30 minutes after the time of exposure to the antigen.
- The reaction is mediated by **IgE antibodies** and the immediate release of histamine, serotonin, leukotrienes, and prostaglandins from **tissue mast cells or blood basophils**



- The reaction may be either local or systemic. Symptoms vary from mild irritation to sudden death from anaphylactic shock.

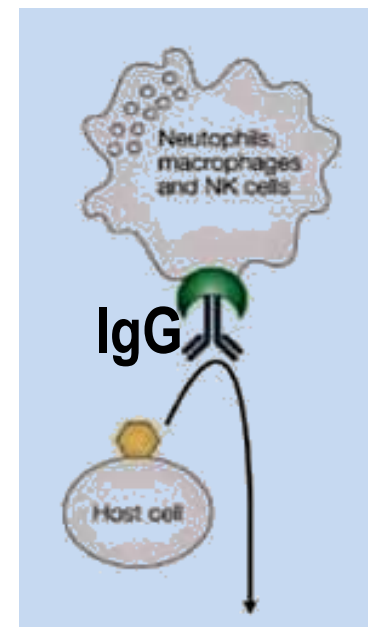
### Some examples:

- Allergic asthma
- Allergic conjunctivitis
- Allergic rhinitis "hay fever"
- Urticaria (hives)
- **Anaphylaxis**

- may be caused by Penicillin, Streptomycin

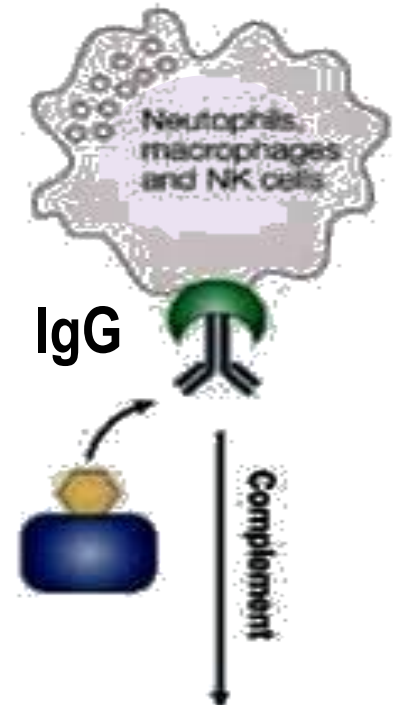
# Type II hypersensitivity : Cytotoxic

- Antibody-dependent
- The antigens may be **endogenous** or **exogenous** chemicals (haptens) which can attach to cell membranes
- The antibodies (**IgM** or **IgG**) produced by the immune response bind to **antigens** on the patient's own cell surfaces that is perceived by the immune system as foreign, leading to cellular destruction.
- The reaction takes hours to a day
- **Examples:** Drug-induced haemolytic anemia , thrombocytopenia by Penicillin, Quinidine



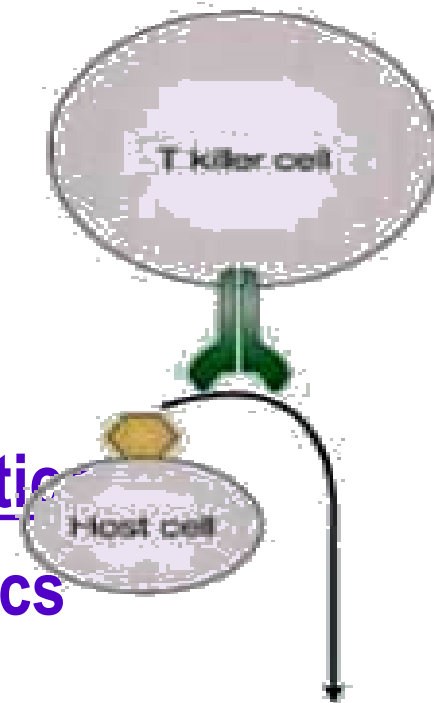
# Type III hypersensitivity : Immune complex

- Soluble immune complexes (aggregations of antigens and **IgG and IgM** antibodies) form in the blood, are not completely removed by macrophages and are deposited in various tissues (typically the skin, kidney and joints)
- The reaction takes hours to days to develop
- **Example:** Serum sickness (*fever, arthritis, enlarged lymph nodes, urticaria*)
- by Sulphonamides, Penicillin, Streptomycin



# Type IV Hypersensitivity: Cell-mediated

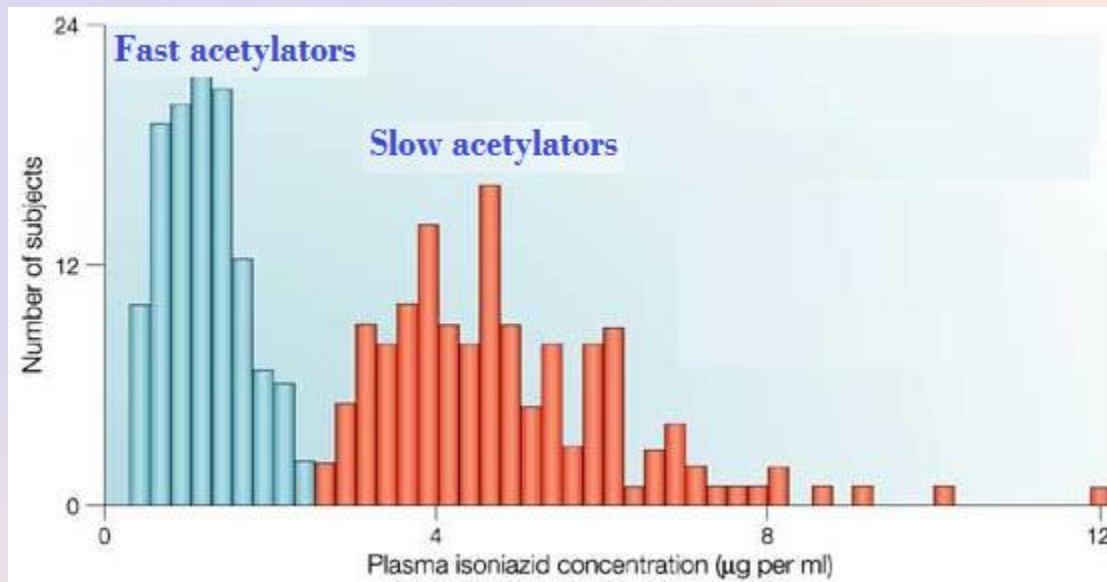
- also known as delayed type hypersensitivity as the reaction takes two to three days to develop.
- Unlike the other types, it is **not antibody-mediated** but rather is a type of cell-mediated response.
- **Cytotoxic T cells** cause direct damage whereas **helper T cells** secrete cytokines that attracts inflammatory cell infiltrate
- **Example** : Contact dermatitis by local anesthetic creams, anti-histamine creams, topical antibiotics



## TYPE B

## [2] IF DUE TO GENETIC DEFECT

When **isoniazid** is given in identical doses /kg, two distinct groups can be identified, a group with low blood level acetylate the drug more rapidly '**fast acetylators**' & '**slow acetylators**'



Isoniazid causes **peripheral neuropathy** in slow acetylators

**Relapse of infection & hepatitis** occur in rapid acetylators



**GOOD LUCK**