



ANTICHOLINERGIC DRUGS

\land Objectives:

- Identify the classification of anticholinergic drugs
- Describe pharmacokinetics and dynamics of muscarinic antagonists
- Identify the effects of atropine on the major organ systems.
- list the clinical uses of muscarinic antagonists.
- know adverse effects & contraindications of anticholinergic
- ✤ drugs.

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- Identify at least one antimuscarinic agent for each of the
- following special uses: mydriasis, cyclopedia, peptic ulcer & parkinsonism.

> Important

- \oslash In male and female slides
- \oslash Only in male slides
- s 🖉 Only in female slides
- s 🖉 Extra information







Mechanism of action:

Reversible competitive blockade of muscarinic receptors, some like atropine block nicotinic receptors in toxic doses (reverses muscarinic effects of cholinergic drugs).

- Salivary, bronchial, and sweat glands are most sensitive
- Gastric glands and gastric smooth muscles are the least sensitive.
- Smooth muscle and heart are intermediate.

 Atropine & hyoscine can block all muscarinic receptors (M1,M2,M3,M4,M5) because they are (not selective).

only in female slide :

| System or organ | Cholinergic actions (Parasympathetic) | Anticholinergic actions (Sympathetic) | | | |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Eye | Circular muscle of iris Contraction (miosis). Ciliary muscle Contraction. Result in: 1/ Accommodation for near vision 2/↓Intraocular pressure | Circular muscle of iris Relaxation (mydriasis). "Dilatation of eye pupil" Ciliary muscles Relaxation (cycloplegia). Result in: 1/ Loss of accommodation for near vision. 2/ Loss of light reflex. 3/ ↑ Intraocular pressure(I.O.P), thus contraindicated in glaucoma | | | |
| CVS | Bradycardia (↓H.R.) | 1/ Tachycardia (†H.R.) 2/†Conduction speed in AV node of the heart | | | |
| Urinary bladder | Contraction of smooth muscles, Relaxation of sphincter. (Urination). | Relaxation of smooth muscle, Contraction of sphincter (Urinary retention) | | | |
| Exocrine glands | Increase of: sweat, saliva, lacrimal, bronchial and intestinal secretions. | ↓ all secretions. | | | |
| GIT | ↑ peristalsis, ↑ secretion, Relaxation of sphincter (Diarrhea) | ↓ peristalsis, ↓ secretion, Contraction of sphincter (constipation) إمساك | | | |
| Respiratory system | 1/ Bronchoconstriction2/ ↑ bronchial secretion | 1/ Bronchodilatation2/↓ bronchial secretion | | | |



| system | Drugs | Clinical Uses | Pharmacodynamic Actions | | |
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| CNS | <u>Benz</u> tropine and Benzhexol | Parkinsonism *Mnemonic: To <u>park</u> your car you'll need <u>Benz</u> ene to move it | -Antiparkinsonian effect (block basal ganglia | | |
| | <u>Hy</u> oscine (preventative, taken before symptoms) | Motion sickness (vomiting) "antiemetic effect" Pre-anesthetic + an Amnesia effect (شعور الفندان بالذاكرة عشان المريض ما يتذكر شيء من العلية) Antispasmodic *Mnemonic: people feel motion sickness as the plane goes Higher (<u>Hy</u>oscine) | -Hyoscine → (sedative effect) -Antiemetic effect (block vomiting center) | | |
| | | Pre-anesthetic, Antispasmodic | -Atropine at clinical doses, initial stimulation followed by depression (sedative effect) High doses of atropine cause cortical excitation, restlessness, disorientation, hallucination(محيان) and delirium(confusion) followed by respiratory depression and coma. | | |
| CVS | Atropine (I.V/ I.M) | Sinus Bradycardia. Used to increase heart rate through vagolytic effects (inhibits action of Vagus nerve to the heart), causing increase in cardiac output. Pain of myocardial infarction → depression of SA, AV node | Atropine cause initial bradycardia followed by tachycardia due to blockade of M2-receptors on SA node. ↑ AV conduction (+ ve dromotropic effect). ↓ vasodilation induced by cholinergic agonists. Toxic dose: Cutaneous vasodilation will cause → (atropine flush). Atropine shortens the refractory period of AV conduction. Atropine does not influence Blood pressure . | | |
| Eye | Ophthalmic Disorders: Ophthalmic examination of Retina (fundus examination) حتاج البؤبؤ يتوسع عشان نقدر نشوف قاع العين (الشبكية) بالفحص Tropicamide, Homatropine * Mnemonic: - We have an ophthalmologist in our home - You should visit the ophthalmologist after returning from a tropical country | | Passive mydriasis due to paralysis of circular muscle. Cycloplegia (loss of near accommodation) due to paralysis of ciliary muscle Loss of light reflex. ↑Intraocular pressure (I.O.P) contraindicated to Glaucoma. ↓ in lacrimal secretion it will cause Dry and sandy eye The reason for Glaucoma is that mydriasis, unlike miosis, blocks drainage of intraocular fluid which leads to increase in IO pressure | | |
| Respiratory system | lpratropium (inhalation) | Bronchial asthma & chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Pre-operative medication when anaesthetic → ↓secretion & laryngospasm Hyoscine → amnesia (ققدان الذاكر؟) | Relaxation of bronchial muscles (Bronchodilators) - Can not cross BBB - No systemic side effects. - nonselective muscarinic Antagonist ↓Bronchial secretion →↑ Viscosity | | |

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| | Glycopyrrolate, Hyocine butyl bromide | - Intestinal Spasm (antispasmolytic) - Biliary and renal colics (مغص) - Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) - Antispasmodics in Hypermotility | Dryness of mouth ↓ Gastric acid secretion Relaxation of smooth muscles ↓ GIT Motility → Antispasmolytic effect | | | |
| GIT | Pirenzepine | Peptic Ulcer | - ↑ Sphincter contraction | | | |
| | dicyclomine | Irritable bowel syndrome, colonic diverticular disease | - Constipation | | | |
| | Atropine + Diphenoxylate (Not important) | Used for treatment of Traveler's diarrhea with opioid (Not important) | | | | |
| Genitourinary tract (GUT) | Oxybutynin, Darifenacin | Urinary incontinence & Urinary urgency caused by minor inflammatory bladder disorders | Relaxation of smooth muscles of urinary bladder Sphincter contraction Urinary Retention Contraindicated in old men (+60 y.o) with prostatic hypertrophy | | | |
| Secretions | - | Hyperhydrosis | ↓ Salivary Secretion → Dry mouth ↓ Sweating (M3 blockage) → dry skin Contraindicated In Children: modest dose → "Atropine Fever" (Bizarre effect) ↓ Bronchial secretion → ↑ Viscosity ↓ Lacrimal secretion → sandy eye | | | |

Cholinergic Poisoning

- <u>Cause:</u> Cholinesterase inhibitors "insecticides", Mushroom poisoning
- <u>Treatment</u>: **Atropine** reverses muscarinic effects of cholinergic poisoning



Adverse Effects



Contraindications



Summary (Female Slides)

• Antimuscarinics reverse action of cholinomimetics on muscarinic receptors.

• Are useful in many applications including intestinal spasm, urinary urgency, vomiting, parkinsonism, asthma and peptic ulcer.

• Are contraindicated in constipation, Prostate hypertrophy, tachycardia and glaucoma.

Uses of antimuscarinic drugs ★

| Drugs | organ | uses | | |
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| Atropine | CNS | Pre-anesthetic medication, Antispasmodic | | |
| Hyoscine | CNS | Pre-anesthetic medication, Motion sickness, antispasmodic | | |
| Benztropine | CNS | Parkinson's disease | | |
| Homatropine Tropicamide | Eye | Fundus examination | | |
| Ipratropium | Respiratory | asthma, COPD, inhalation | | |
| Pirenzepine | Stomach | Peptic ulcer | | |
| Glycopyrrolate | GIT | Antispasmodics in hypermotility | | |
| Oxybutynin Darifenacin | UT | Urinary urgency, Urinary incontinence | | |



✤ A short story to remember the names of the drugs:

Oxy the buty (Oxybutynin) wanted a trophy (Atropine) so he went to benzene (Benztropine) and told him (Trophy ابغا) (Ipratropium) but he was too busy looking for his zipper and said (فين الزبر) (Pirenzepine) he made a big scene (Hyoscine), he got angry and tolled him why don't you go copy Rolate (Glycopyrrolate) and study for once if you really want it that bad. when he did, he told him (the tropi camaide) (Tropicamaide) its at home (Homatropine), and that made him happy.



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| | | | • | | | | | Quizlet |
| 1- Which ONE of the | e following o | drugs is used | l in ophthalmo | oscopic exa | mination? | | | |
| A- Homatropine | E | 8- Hyoscine | | C- Atropine D- Ipratropium | | | | |
| 2- In preanesthetic, tachycardia, hot skir | a 6 years ol 1 and his pu | d boy takes pil dilated w | anticholinergi hich drug did l | c but after he use? | taking it he t | ecame fe | everish and e | xhibited |
| A- Acetylcholine | E | 8- Hyoscine | | C- Atro | C- Atropine | | | pine |
| 3- Which one of the following is a contraindication to the use of antimuscarinic drugs? | | | | | | | | |
| A- Asthma B- Intestinal spasm C- Peptic ulcer D- Urinary retention | | | | | retention | | | |
| 4- Which of these drugs is used for motion sickness? | | | | | | | | |
| A- Benztropine | A- Benztropine B- Scopolamine C-Ipratropium D- Piphenoxylate | | | | | xylate | | |
| 5- Your 23 year-old albuterol (a beta-2 a antimuscarinic, and | patient rece Igonist bror prescribe: | ently diagnos nchodilator). | ed with asthr As an alternat | na cannot t ive, you re | colerate the (commend he | CNS side e try an inl | effects of his haled quater | inhaled nary |
| A- Atropine | E | 8- Tropicami | le | C- Ipratropium | | | D- Darifenacin | |
| 6- Which of these d | rugs is best | used to trea | t Irritable bow | vel syndron | ne? | | | |
| A- Hyoscine | | B- Atropine | | C- Pirer | C- Pirenzepine | | D- Glycopyrrolate | |
| 7- DR'S SLIDES: A pa rapid pulse, no bowe his skin is dry. He is has been 'poisoned'. | atient is bro el sounds ar confused, d Which of th | ught into the nd dilated pu lisorientated ne following, | e emergency r pils that do no and reports 's is the MOST o | oom. Upon ot respond seeing mor obvious cau | examinatior to light. His l sters'. Basec ise of poison | n you find ungs are I on these ing? | the followin clear. His fac symptoms, | g: a high fever, e is flushed and you suspect he |
| A- Neostigmine | | B- Physostigmine | | C- Atro | C- Atropine Sulfate | | D- Acetylcholine | |
| 8- DR'S SLIDES: You from surgery and yo statements/observa | are workin u are monit ations is UN | g in the post oring his sta EXPECTED? | anesthesia ca tus. Knowing | that the pa | i hospital. Yo tient has rec | u have jus eived atro | st received a opine, which | patient back of the following |
| A- The patient is complaining of extreme thirst. | | B- The patient complains he is unable to clearly see the clock located just across from him. | | C- The is eleva | C- The patient's heart rate is elevated. | | D- The patient reports he has cramping and diarrhea | |
| Answers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
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Q1) Give 3 antimuscarinic drugs and their clinical uses.

Q2) What are the differences between natural and synthetic/semi-synthetic antimuscarinic

Q3) What is the common clinical use between natural antimuscarinic drugs?

Q4) What are the best drugs used to treat Urinary Incontinence? What is its M.O.A and when is it contraindicated?

Q5) Atropine fever happens in which dose? And who does it affect?

Q6) What causes mushroom poisoning and how does Atropine treat it?

Q7) DR'S SLIDES: Can antimuscarinic drugs reverse the action of neostigmine on skeletal muscles?

Q8) DR'S SLIDES: What is the antidote that can be used in atropine toxicity?

Answers

A1) Benztropine/Parkinsonism . Hyoscine/Motion sickness Ipratropium/Bronchial asthma.
A2) Natural drugs are non-selective to muscarinic receptors and can cross Blood brain barrier, thus it cause CNS
effects, Synthetic/semi-synthetic drugs are selective to muscarinic receptors and cannot cross the blood brain barrier.
A3) Pre-anesthetic.
A4) Oxybutynin or Darifenacin. It works by relaxing smooth muscles of urinary bladder and contracting the sphincter
which causes Urinary Retention, Contraindicated in old men with prostatic hyperplasia.
A5) modest dose, affects children so it's contraindicated for them.
A6) Cholinesterase inhibitors "insecticides", Atropine reverses muscarinic effects of cholinergic poisoning.
A7) No, because skeletal muscles doesn't contain muscarinic receptors, only nicotinic.
A8) Physostigmine.



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