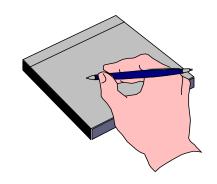
# **Odesa National Medical University Department of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy PHARMACOLOGY OF ANTIBIOTIC PREPARATIONS. SULFANILAMIDE PREPARATIONS AND OTHER SYNTHETIC PREPARATIONS.** BASIC PRINCIPLES OF CHEMOTHERAPY

# CLASSIFICATION OF CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC DRUGS

- Antibiotics
- Sulfonamides
- Different chemical structure derivatives of:
- naphthiridin. Quinolones (nalidixic acid, etc.).
  Fluoroquinolones (ciprofloxacin, etc.)
- imidazole (metronidazol, tinidazol)
- 8-oxyquinòline (chlorquinaldol, nitroxoline, etc.)
- nitrofurane (furasolidone, furadonine and etc.)
- quinoxaline (dioxidin, quinoxidin)
- By special indications:
- antituberculosis
- antisyphilytic
- antiprotozoal
- antimycotic
- antihélmintic
- antiviral
- antitumoural





- Rational choice of a drug (depending on the sensitivity of disease agent, concomitant diseases, anamnesis, etc.)
- Early beginning of treatment



- Way of introduction (depending on localization, severity of a pathological process, concomitant diseases)
- Choice of a dose for creation of therapeutic concentration (depending on weight, age, sex, concomitant pathology, etc.)
- Interval of introduction (depending on the pharmacokinetic properties of preparation)
- **Duration of treatment** ("train" principle continuation of treatment up to clinical and bacteriological recovery)
- Combined treatment
- Rise of immunological reactivity of an organism (probiotics, vitaminic drugs, immunomodulators)



# **ANTIBIOTICS** –

The substances of mainly biological origin (biosynthetic), their half-synthetic and synthetic analogs, causing damaging or destroying effect on the microorganisms which are sensitive to them

# according to origin:

- Mould fungi penicillins, cephalosporins, etc.
- Radiant fungi streptomycin, levomicetin (chloramphnicol),tetracycline
- Bacteria gramicidin
- Synthetic analogs and derivatives of natural antibiotics

## CLASSIFICATION OF ANTIBIOTICS ACCORDING TO ANTIMICROBIAL SPECTRUM

#### > With the main influence on Gr+ microbes

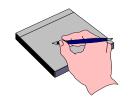
- **Beta-lactam antibiotics** (penicillins, cephalosporins & others beta-lactam agents)
- Macrolides & azalides
- Antibiotics with special indications

#### > With the main influence on Gr- microbes

- Aminoglycosides
- Polymyxins

#### Influencing both on Gr+ & Gr- microbes

- Tetracyclines
- Levomycetin
- Influencing both on Gr+ & Gr- microbes and used locally: Polymyxins, Neomycin, Monomycin
- Antifungal
- Anticancer



# **CLASSIFICATION OF ANTIBIOTICS**

## By chemical structure :

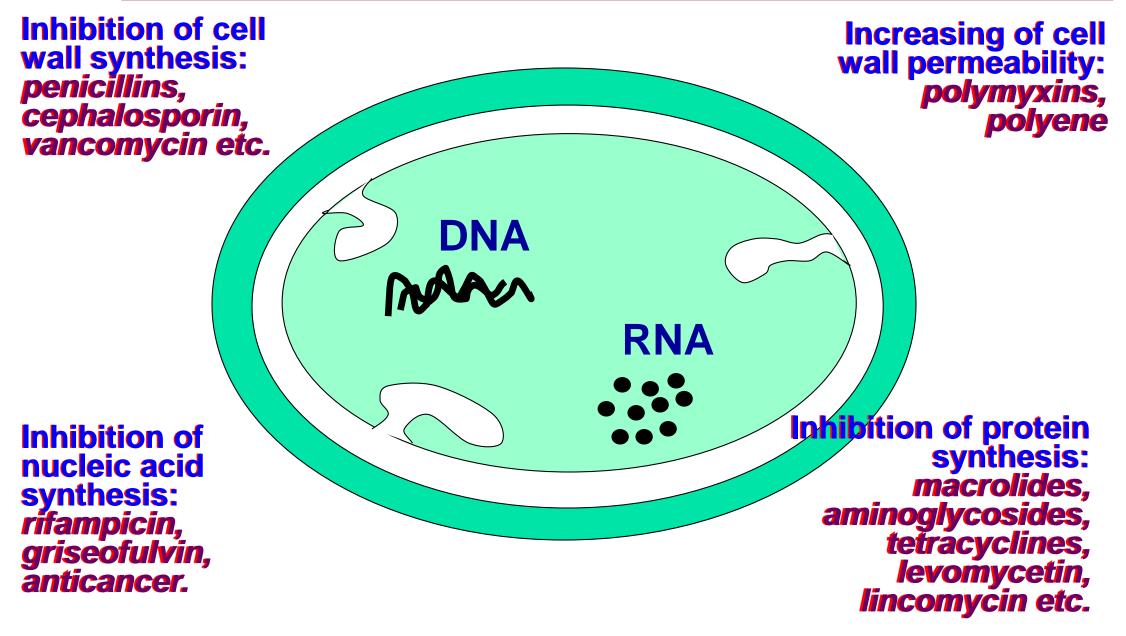
- Beta-lactam beta-lactam ring (penicillins, cephalosporins, carbepenemes, monobactams)
- Macrolides lactonic ring (erythromycin) and azalides (azithromycin)
- ✤ *Tetracyclines* 4 rings (tetracycline, doxycycline, etc.)
- Aminoglycosides containing aminosugars (streptomycin, gentamicin)
- Lincosamides (lincomycin, etc.)
- Derivatives of dioxyaminophenilpropan (levomycetin)
- Polymixins cyclic polypeptids (polymixin B)
- Polyenes (amphotericin B, nystatin, etc.) and others

## according to action:

- Predominantly bactericidic action penicillins, cephalosporins, aminoglycosides
- Predominantly bacteriostatic action tetracyclines, levomycetin, macrolides



## CLASSIFICATION OF ANTIBIOTICS ACCORDING TO MECHANISM OF ACTION

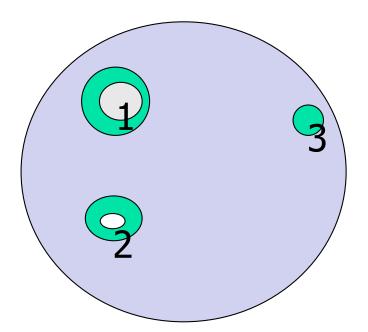




Rational choice of antibiotic (depending on disease causative agent sensitivity, concomitant diseases, allergologic, medicinal anamnesis, etc.)

## disk-diffuse method

A zone of microorganism growth depression around the disk with antibiotic (1 - the)microorganisms are resistant to antibiotic or 2 — the microorganisms are moderately resistant to antibiotic)



There is no zone of microorganism growth depression around the disk with antibiotic (3 microorganisms are resistant to antibiotic)



# Rational choice of antibiotic

Category of sensitivity	<b>Clinical characteristics</b>
Sensitive	Therapy is successful in usual doses
with intermediate	Therapy is successful with resistance maximal doses or localization of infection in antibiotic accumulated tissues
Resistant	Maximal doses are ineffective

- Early onset of treatment
- Way of introduction (depending on localization and severity of process, concomitant diseases)
- Choice of dose for creation of therapeutic concentration (depending on the body weight, age, concomitant diseases)
- Interval of introduction (depending on pharmacokinetic parameters)



#### • **Duration of treatment:**



In accordance with recommendations of the World Health Organization (WHO), 1 drug for no more than 5–7 days long; the "train" principle **Postantibiotic effect (PAE)** — depression of vital function of microorganisms, proceeding after stopping a contact with antibiotic (minutes, hours)

#### Combined treatment:

Makes sense with mixed infection, threat to life more frequent — bactericidal with bactericidal, bacteriostatic with bacteriostatic

• Rise of immunological reactivity of an organism (probiotics, vitaminic drugs, immunomodulators)



## **ADVERSE EFFECTS OF ANTIBIOTIC THERAPY**

Development of polyresistance in microorganisms (biological, specific, secondary, persistent, cross)

Development of allergic reactions (immediate type)

- betalactam, etc.; delayed type)

Direct organotoxic effects (neuro-, hepato-, myelo-,

nephrotoxicity, gastrointestinal disturbances, etc.)

Development of exacerbation reaction (endotoxic)

Development of superinfection (candidomycosis)

staphylococcosis, hypovitaminosis)

Mutagenic, teratogenic, embryo- and fetotoxic action



## GENERAL DEMANDS AND CRITERIA OF ANTIBIOTICS DISTINCTION

- Resistance to microorganisms, mutated during the process of antibacterial drugs application
- Range of antibacterial action spectrum
- The minimal toxicity for macroorganism
- Prolongation of action
- Acid stability
- If necessary penetration through the blood brain barrier



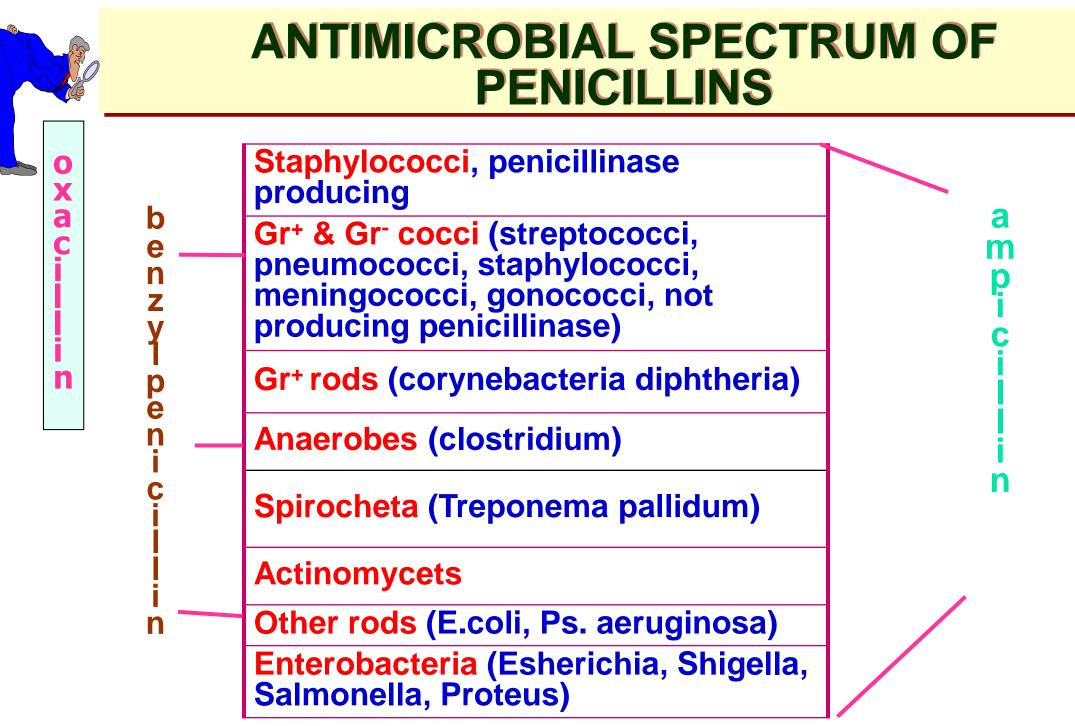
# КЛАССИФИКАЦИЯ ПЕНИЦИЛЛИНОВ

- Biosynthetic: short action benzylpenicillin sodium and potassium salts, phenoxymethylpenicillin; depopreparations — benzathine benzylpenicillin (extencillin), bicillin-1), bicillin-5
- Semi-synthetic:
- izoxazolilpenicillins oxacillin, cloxacillin, flucloxacillin
- aminopenicillins ampicillin, amoxicillin
- antipyocyanic carboxypenicillins (carbenicillin, ticarcillin) and ureidopenicillins (azlocillin, piperacillin)

combined and inhibitor-protected — ampiox, helicocide (amoxicillin + metronidazol), amoxiclav (amoxicillin + clavulanate), ampicillin + sulbactam, ticarcillin+ clavulanate, piperacillin + tazobactam, etc.

# PHARMACOKINETICS OF PENICILLINS

- Absorption: parenterally and per oral (on an empty stomach orin an hour after the meal!); bioavailability 30–50%
- Binding with proteins: different (biosynthetic about 80%,oxacillin — 90%, ampicillin — 20%)
- Distribution: high concentration in the liver, lungs, kidneys, reproductive organs, lower in tissues of the eyes, prostate gland, CNS, penetrate well to the mucous membranes, badly to the bone tissue
- Time of therapeutic concentration (ThC) is different: benzypenicillin — 3–4 hrs, depo preparations up to 2–4 weeks, semi-synthetic — 6–8 hrs
- Biotransformation: in the liver practically does not metabolize, except for oxacillin, etc.
- Excretion: excrete mainly by the kidneys, and also by the liver, saliva, breast milk



## CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC SPECTRUM OF PENICILLINS

- Benzyl penicillin sodium & potassium salts respiratory system infection, rheumatic fever, syphilis, endocarditis, meningitis, anthrax, gas gangrene, infection of female reproductive organs;
- Bicillin-5 rheumatic fever, syphilis, scarlet fever;
- Oxacillin sodium respiratory system infection, gas gangrene, purulent infection of skin and soft tissues;
- Ampicillin respiratory system infection, endocarditis, bacterial meningitis, gas gangrene, intestinal infection;
- Carbenicillin endocarditis, bacterial meningitis, infection of skin, joints and soft tissues, urinary tract infection, prostatitis

# **ADVERSE EFFECTS OF PENICILLINS**

- Allergic reactions (immediate! & delayed type). Cross-hypersensitivity with cephalosporins!
- Endotoxic reaction (reaction of aggravation) – benzyl penicillin at syphilis
- Superinfection
- Neurotoxicity
- Gastrointestinal upset (ampicillin, oxacillin)

# **CLASSIFICATION OF CEPHALOSPORINS**

### > first-generation:

- for parenteral administration cephaloridine, cefazolin, cephalothin;
- for oral intake cephalexin;

#### Second-generation :

- for parenteral administration- cefuroxime, cefoxitin, cefamandole;
- for oral intake-cefaclor; third generation :
- for parenteral administration- cefotaxime, ceftriaxone, cefoperazone;
- for oral intake-cefixime;
- fourth generation (parenteral administration only): cefepime, cefpirome

## ANTIMICROBIAL SPECTRUM OF CEPHALOSPORINS

- First-generation Gr<sup>+</sup> rods & cocci (N. gonorrhoeae, E.coli, Kl. pneumoniae, and Proteus mirabilis).
- Second-generation see first-generation plus extended Gr- coverage, e.g., Proteus vulgaris, Enterobacter, Haemophilus influenzae.
- Third-generation less active against grampositive cocci, active against Serratia, Enterobacter as well as β-lactamase-producing strains of Haemophilus and Neisseria.
- Fourth-generation similar to third-generation agents, but it is more resistant to hydrolysis by chromosomal beta-lactamases (e.g., those produced by Enterobacter).

# CEPHALOSPORINS

- Infection of respiratory system
- Infection of urinary tract,
- Infection of skin, bone and soft tissues;
- Infection of reproductive system (i.e., gonorrhea);
- Postoperation infection;
- >Endocarditis;
- ENT-pathology;
- ➢ Peritonitis.

# **ADVERSE EFFECTS OF CEPHALOSPORINS**

- Allergic reactions (including crosshypersensitivity with penicillins);
- Superinfection;
- Dyspepsia;
- Phlebitis;
- Hepatotoxicity;
- Leucopenia, agranulocytosis;
- Neurotoxicity.





#### MONOBACTAMS (Aztreonam)

- Spectrum activity Gr- rods (including Pseudomonas, Klebsiella, Serratia, and Proteus mirabilis), Gr+ rods, anaerobes.
- Uses bacterial pneumonia, skin and soft tissue infections, urinary tract infections, gynecologic and intra-abdominal infections, septicemia;
- Adverse effects allergic reactions, phlebitis, dyspepsia, diarrhea etc

#### **CARBAPENEMS (Tienam, Meropenem)**

- Spectrum activity Gr- rods (Pseudomonas, Enterobacter, Serratia), gram-positive organisms, and anaerobes .
- Uses the treatment of intra-abdominal infections, skin and soft tissue infections caused by susceptible organisms;
- Adverse effects nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, skin rashes, and reactions at the infusion sites.

## **MACROLIDES & AZALIDES**

	Erythromycin	Azithromycin
Anti- microbial spectrum activity	Cocci Gr+ & Gr-, spirocheta, Rickettsia sp., corynebacteria, Chlamidia, Mycoplasma, Legionella, Helicobacter species.	Slightly less active against staphylo- & streptococci and slightly more active against H.influenzae & Chlamydia.
Pharmaco kinetics	Badly absorbed in GIT; don't cross BBB; T <sub>1/2</sub> - 2-5 hrs	Badly absorbed in GIT; don't cross BBB; $T_{1/2}$ (tissue) – 2-5 hrs; store in tissues
Adverse effects	Hepatotoxicity, allergic reactions, superinfection	Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea



# AMINOGLYCOSIDES

Streptomycin, Kanamycin, Gentamicin, Amikacin, Sisomicin, Tobramycin.

Spectru m	Streptomycin	Gentamicin
Antimicr obial	Majority of Gr- rods like, E.coli, Kl. pneumonia, Shigella dysentery, brucella, Francisella tularensis, Yersinia pestis, M.tuberculosis.	Gr+ & Gr- bacteria; Proteus, E.coli, Salmonella.
Chemoth erapeutic	Tuberulosis, endocarditis, peritonitis, urinary tract and GI-tract infections, brucella, tularemia, plague	Pneumonia, pleuritis, empiema, peritonitis, meningitis, sepsis, urinary tract infection, prostatitis.

## ADVERSE EFFECTS OF AMINOGLYCOSIDES

- Ototoxicity;
- Allergic reactions;
- Superinfection;
- Nephrotoxicity;
- Neuroxicity;
- Curare-like effect;
- Fetotoxic and embryotoxic effect.



# **POLYMIXINS B and E**

Mechanism of action — bactericidal; disturb permeability of cellular wall and transport mechanisms, binding with the bacteria's cell membrane

Antimicrobial spectrum — Gr– microflora

Pharmacokinetics — do not absorb into the GIT, with parenteral introduction badly penetrate the tissues, do not get to alive cells; excretion by kidneys

Adverse effects — high nephro- and neurotoxicity (parestesia, dizziness, discoordination of movements), respiratory paralysis, etc.

The usage — locally (the skin, mucosa, in the pleura, joint cavity, etc.)



## **BROAD-SPECTRUM ANTIBIOTICS**

## **Tetracyclines:**

- 1) *biosynthetic* tetracycline, oxytetracycline;
- 2) semisynthetic methacycline, doxycycline);
- 3) combines oletetrine;
- Levomycetin levomycetin (chloramphenicol), synthomycin.



# TETRACYCLINES

- *Biosynthetic* tetracycline, oxytetracycline
- Semi-synthetic metacycline, doxycycline (vibramycin)
- Combined oletetrine, ericycline

<u>Mechanism of action</u> — bacteriostatic; disturbance of synthesis of bacterial cell's protein — binding with 30S-subunit of ribosomeses results in disturbance of peptide chain; the formation of the chelate compounds with metals causes depression of the enzymic systems

Antimicrobial spectrum — broad: Gr+ and Grmicroflora, causative agents of plague, cholera, dysenteries, brucellosis, tularemia, malarias, rickettsial infection, spirochetes, actinomycetes, some protozoa, etc.



# TETRACYCLINES

# **Chemotherapeutic spectrum**

#### Preparations of choice with infections caused by Mycoplasmae, Chlamydia, Ricketsia, some Spirochetes

• They are effective with dysentery, brucellosis, tularemia,plague, cholera, meningitis, malaria, intestinal infections and biliary ducts

## **Pharmacokinetics**

**Absorption** in the small intestine — from 30 to 100%; binding with proteins — 40–80%; **well penetrate** (except for the cerebrospinal fluid), **can deposit** in the osteal and dental tissues, easily penetrate through the placenta; T1/2 — 6–12 hrs and more, **excretion** by the kidneys, intestine, milk, saliva. The **enterohepatic cycle of metabolism** is peculiar to semi-synthetic ones

## **ADVERSE EFFECTS OF TETRACYCLINES**

### Superinfection

 Gastrointestinal disorders (glossitis, stomatitis, diarrhea, proctitis, etc.) Hepato- and nephrotoxicity Haematological deviations (trombocyto-, neutropenia, eosinophilia) Catabolic effect on macroorganism **Allergic reactions** Disturbance of the osteal and dental tissue formation (chelate compounds).

Contraindicated before 12 years old! •Teratogenicity •Photosensitization •Cross resistance

# LEVOMYCETINE (CHLORAMPHENICOL)

<u>Mechanism of action</u> — bacteriostatic; disturbance of bacterial cell's protein synthesis — binding with 50S-subunit of ribosomes and the blockade of peptidyltransferase results in peptide chain disturbance

<u>Antimicrobial spectrum</u> — broad: Gr+ and Gr microflora, rickettsia, spirochetes, large viruses, bacteroids, etc. Resistance arises seldom</u>

The usage — with the threat of life and severe conditions at salmonellosis infections (typhoid fever), meningitis, sepsis, microflora resistance to other antibiotics Pharmacokinetics — is well absorbed, binding with proteins — 30%, well penetrates all the tissues, T1/2 — 6–8 hrs; biotransformation — conjugation and reduction; excretion by kidneys

# **ADVERSE EFFECTS OF LEVOMYCETIN**

- **Myelotoxicity** (leukopenia, agranulocytosis, reticulocytopenia, aplastic anaemia up to the lethal outcome!).
- Control of blood on every 2nd day
- "Grey baby syndrome"
- Superinfection
- Gastrointestinal disorders
- (glossitis, stomatitis, diarrhea, etc.)
- Hepato- and nephrotoxicity
- **Reaction of exacerbation** (with typhoid fever)
- Allergic reactions
- Neurotoxicity (ophthalmic nerve neuritis)







# **Karer & Metz in 1932 year** in Germany it was synthesized and studied *in vitro* antibacterial activity of prontosile (red streptocidum)

# **G.** Domage in 1935 year

at first it was shown *in vivo* its activity against hemolytic streptococcus and other bacteria

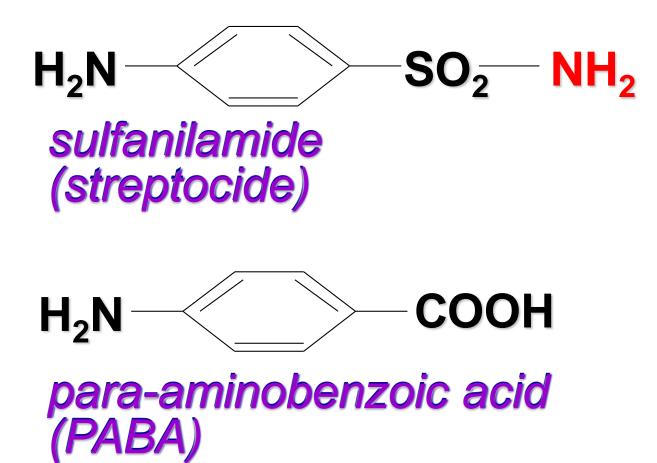


# **RINCLES OF RATIONAL CHEMOTHERAPY**

- Rational choice of agent (depending on sensitivity of infectional agent, concomitant diseases, anamnesis etc);
- Early onset of treatment;
- Route of administration;
- Choice of dose for achievement of therapeutic concentration (depending on weight, age, sex, concomitant diseases etc.);
- Intervel of administration (depending on pharmacokinetic properties of agent);
- Ouration of therapy (principle of train);
- Combined therapy;

# **CHEMICAL STRUCTURE**

# Derivetive of sulfanyl acid (usually, white, has no smell, bitter, weak acids, badly dissolved in water)



Modification of aminogroup leads to physical, chemical, pharmacological properties;

majority available as sodium salts

#### CLASSIFICATION OF SULFANILAMIDE AGENTS

- Well-absorbed in gastro-intestinal tract for resorptive action:
  - short-acting (T<sub>1/2</sub> < 10 hrs) streptocide, ethazole, norsulfazole, sulfadimezine;
  - long-acting (T<sub>1/2</sub>< 24-28 hrs) sulfapyridazine, sulfadimethoxine
  - ultralong (T<sub>1/2</sub> < 65 hrs) sulfalen</li>
- Badly absorbed in gastro-intestinal tract: phthalazole
- Combined:
  - with salicylic acid salazopyridazine, salazosulfapyridine;
  - with thimetháprim co-trimoxazole (bactrim, biseptol), sulfatone
- For local use streptocide, sulfacyl sodium & other sodium salts

## PHARMACOKINETICS

Absorption (well-absorbed agents): mainly, in small intestine.

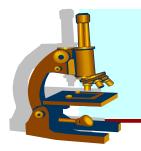
**Binding with plasma proteins: 20-90 %.** 

**Distribution:** highest concentration – in liver, kidn lungs, skin; less – in fat tissues. Readily cross in liquid compartments of organism, including BBB, placenta.

**Biotransformation:** Acetylation, oxidation, glucuronidation or unchanged. Acetylated forms (especially in acidic medium!) precipitate in urine, leads to crystalluria.

**Excretion:** via kidneys, mainly, through glomerular filtration. Long-acting agents undergo reabsorption.

In children and aged people can be changed!

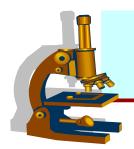


#### CONDITIONS, DETERMINING ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITY

#### The concentration of sulfonamides in 100-1000 times should overcome PABA concentration in substrate



#### Antibacterial activity drop at presence of pus, blood, products of tissue degradation, where PABA present in large amount



## Action is bacteriostatic

- Highly susceptible microorganisms: cocci (pneumococci, gonococci, meningococci, streptococci), intestinal (E.coli, Salmonella, Vibrio cholera), large viruses (trachoma), Protozoal (Plasmodium, Toxoplasma gondii), Chlamydia, Cl. perfringens, Corynebacteria etc
- Moderately susceptible: staphylococci, enterococci, KI. pneumonia, Mycobacterium, Yersinia pestis, Actinomycets.

In combination with trimethaprim - bactericidic, antibacterial spectrum is more wide







In result of often and unwise use of drugs staphylococci, meningococci, streptococci, gonococci, Enterobacter became resistant to sulfonamides



There is cross-resistance among sulfonamides.

# **GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF SULFONAMIDES THERAPY**

- Rational choice of sulfanilamide
- Early beginning of treatment
- Route of administration
- Principle of loading dose
- Intervals of administration
- Duration of treatment



- Combined therapy (sulfanilamides should not be combined with!), interaction with other agents (novocain, diphenin, NSAIDs, synthetic hypoglycemic agents, diuretics, anticoagulants etc.)
- Increasing of immune resistance of organism (vitamins, immunomodulators).



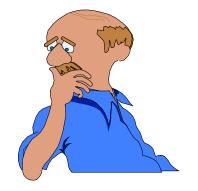
- Acute coccal infections (pneumonia, tonsillitis, bronchitis, sinusitis, otitis, cholecystitis, meningitis etc.) – resorptive long- and ultra-long-acting (sulfadimethoxine, sulfalen), co-trimoxazol;
- Acute infections of bile & urinary ducts (cystitis, pyelonephritis etc.) resorptive short acting (urosulfan), co-trimoxazol;
- Acute intestinal infections (dysentery, enterocolitis, colitis etc.) badly absorbed (phthalazol); nonspecific ulcerative colitis salazosulfanilamides;
- Ophthalmic infections (conjuctivitis) sulfacylsodium;
- For the treatment of trachoma, malaria, chlamydiasis, toxoplasmosis, actinomycosis, lepra etc.

# **ADVERSE EFFECTS**

- Renal damage : crystalluria, hematuria, urine retention
- Inhibition of bone marrow: leucopenia, agranulocytosis, anemias
- Hepatotoxicity: hepatitis, in children jaundice (insufficiency of glucuronyl transferase)
- Allergic reactions: dermatitis, синдром Stevens-Johnson syndrom etc
- **Dysbacteriosis (hypovitaminosis B, K)**.
- Neurotoxicity (dizziness, headache, mental depression)

#### **CONDITIONS OF RATIONAL SULFANILAMIDE THERAPY**

- Patient's anamnesis (did he/she take sulfanilamides before, disease)
- Loading dose!
- Alkaline drinking!
- Duration 6-8 days (at acute infections and especially in children and aged people)
- Control of urine and blood!
- For prevention of complications vitamins group B, probiotics, immuno-, biostimulators etc; πat complications – discontinuation of the drug, vitamins B, C.



#### MISCELLENOUS CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC AGENTS

- **Fluoroquinolones**
- A Naftiridine derivatives
- 4 8-oxyquinolines
- A Nitrofurane derivatives
- Imidazole derivatives
- **Quinoxolone derivatives**





#### **FLUOROQUINOLONES**

generation - ciprofloxacine, ofloxacine, pefloxacine, norfloxacine etc;
 generation - lomefloxacine, sparfloxacine;
 generation - flerofloxacine, trovafloxacine

**Mechanism of action: Bactericidic** – inhibit DNA-gyrase. Also possess immunomodulative activity.

Bacterial spectrum: Ultra-broad. Gr<sup>+</sup> & Gr<sup>-</sup> bacteria, Proteus, Pseudomonas, Chlamydia, Mycoplasma, Ureaplasma, Rickketsia, Legionella, Mycobacterium etc. Active against bacteria, resistant to other antimicrobial agents

**Uses:** infections of different localization

Adverse effects: in children – dysplasia of cartilage tissue (banned before 18 years and for pregnant!), dysbacteriosis and dyspepsia, allergic reactions, photosensibilization, hypercoagulation.

## **8-OXYQUINOLINES DERIVATIVES**

# Nitroxoline (5-NOK), chlorquinaldol, intetrix, oxolinic acid

Mechanism of action: Bactericidic – inhibit protein synthesis, chelate-formation, induction of oxidative process in protoplasma.

Bacterial spectrum activity: Broad. Gr<sup>+</sup> & Gr<sup>-</sup> bacteria (staphyloccoci, enterobacteria), Protozoal (amoeba, gardia), fungi.

**Uses: Effective at resistance to other antibacterial agents.** 

- intestinal infection and dysbacteriosis (chlorquinaldol, intetrix);
- urinary tract infection (nitroxoline).

Adverse effects: subacute myelo-optic neuropathy (SMON), allergic reactions, abdominal cramps, nausea.

# **NITROFURANE DERIVATIVE**

# Furadonine, furazolidone, furagin; locally – furacillin.

Mechanism of action: Bacteriostatic & bacteriocidic(depending on concentration). Nitrogroup reduce to aminogroup, that inhibit synthesis of DNA, tissue respiration, Creb's cycle. pH < 5,5 increases action!

Bacterial spectrum: Gr<sup>+</sup> & Gr<sup>-</sup> bacteria, Protozoal (Amoeba, Gardia, trichomonada), large viruses, fungi.

**Uses: Effective at resistance to antibiotics & sulfanilamides.** 

- intestinal infection (furazolidone);
- infection of urinary tract (furadonine, furagin).

Adverse effects: allergic reactions, neuritis, bleeding, methemoglobinemia, nephrotoxicity, dyspepsia, embryotoxicity.

### Dioxydinum, chinoxydinum

Mechanism of action: Bactericidic – block of DNA synthesis

**Bacterial spectrum:** Gr<sup>+</sup> & Gr<sup>-</sup> bacteria, Proteus vulgaris, Pseudomonas, anaerobs. Active against bacteria resistant to other chemotherapeutic agents

Uses: arthritis, severe purulent-visceral processes, sepsis etc.

Adverse effects: mutagenic, teratogenic, embryotoxic, seizures, allergic reactions, hyperthermia

Only for adults under restrict doctor supervision !