

Fate of NE & epinephrine

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A-Reuptake (80%)			B-Metabolism (15%)		C- Excretion in urine unchanged (5%)
Neuronal reuptake uptake I (65-70%)	Vesicular reuptake uptake III	Tissue reuptake uptake II (7-13%)	MAO (mono-amine oxidase)	COMT (catechol-ortho-methyl transferase)	
Active reuptake by membrane monoamine transporter (MAT)	Fallow uptake I to protects NE from MAO	NE is taken by the target tissue where it is inactivated by MAO or COMT	site		Cytoplasm of extra neuronal tissues only.
<i>Inhibited by</i>			Mitochondria of nerve ending and tissues		
			<i>MAO-A</i>	<i>MAO-B</i>	
			In peripheral nerves	In CNS	
			metabolizes		
cocaine tricyclic antidepressants guanidril, guanethidine chlorpromazine phenoxybenzamine	reserpine	Corticosteroids phenoxybenzamine	NE, serotonin dopamine, histamine	dopamine	
The end result of metabolism is Vanillylmandelic Acid (VMA)					

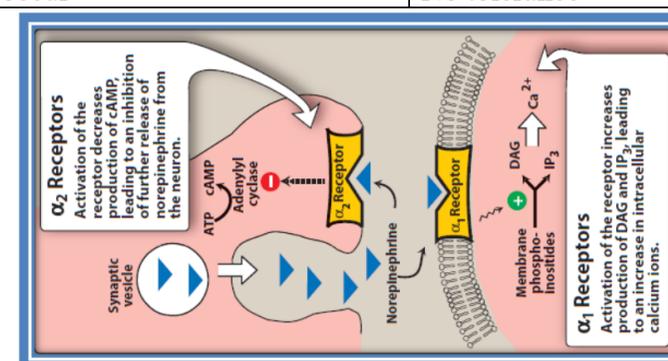
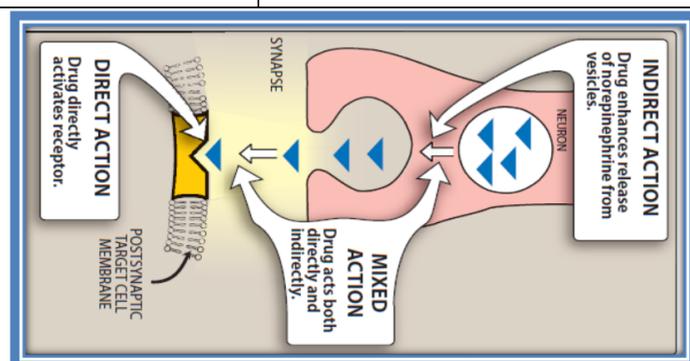
Adrenergic receptor

<i>α-receptors</i>				<i>β-receptors</i>				Dopaminergic	
α ₁	α ₂		central	β ₁	β ₂		β ₃	D ₁	
Mainly post-synaptic smooth muscle	Pre-synaptic	post-synaptic	central	Post-synaptic Mainly cardiac	Pre-synaptic	post-synaptic	central	post-synaptic	
-V.C of Peripheral blood vessels → ↑ peripheral resistance → hypertension -GIT & UB → contraction of sphincter -D.P.M → Active mydriasis	- ↓ NE Release - ↓ Ach Release	- ↓ renin release - ↓ Insulin release	↓ sympathetic outflow.	- ↑ all cardiac properties - ↑ renin release	↑ NE Release	- V.D of skeletal muscle & coronary Bl. vessels - relax wall of GIT, UB & uterus - bronchodilatation - facilitate NM transmission → tremors - hypokalemia - ↑ glycogenolysis - ↑ Insulin release	↑ sympathetic outflow	↑ lipolysis	- located on renal vascular smooth muscle are supplied with sympathetic dopaminergic fiber → VD & ↑ RBF.
Gq → ↑ intracellular Ca ⁺⁺ .	Gi → ↓ cAMP			Gs → ↑ cAMP				Gs-coupled receptors.	

Sympathomimetics

Classification

A- According to mechanism of action			B- According to Chemistry	
1- Direct	2- Indirect	3- Dual (mixed)	1-Non-catecholamines	2-Catecholamines
Catecholamines (Sympathectomy → ↑ effect. "Supersensitivity")	- amphetamine & tyramine (by ++ release of (NE)) - cocaine & TCA (by -- reuptake). (Sympathectomy → ↓ effect) -Tolerance & tachyphylaxis are usually occurs	ephedrine	Not metabolized by MAO&COMT Slow onset Longer duration Well absorbed orally Pass BBB Acidification of urine → excretion. Weaker Tolerance can occur	Rapid metabolism by MAO&COMT Rapid onset Short duration Not absorbed orally Not pass BBB PH changes of urine → Not affect excretion Potent No tolerance



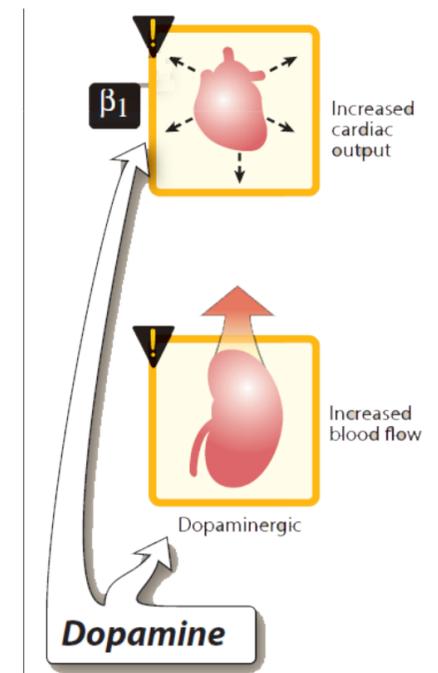
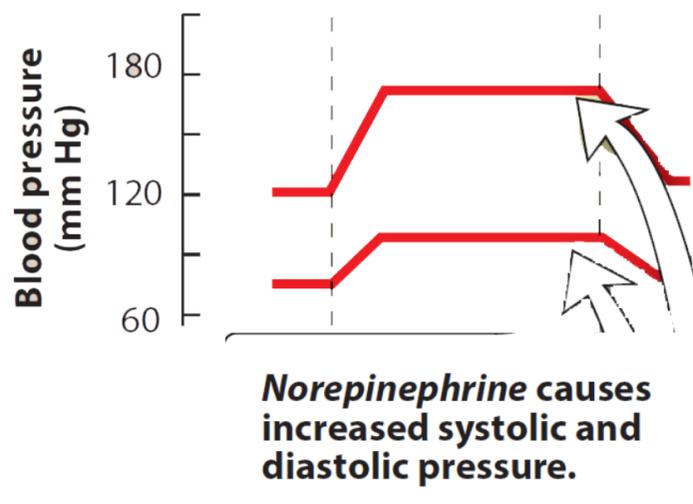
Endogenous catecholamine

	Epinephrine “Adrenaline”	Norepinephrine “Noradrenaline”	Dopamine
P/K	-Unstable in alkaline solution., it is oxidized by light to adrenochrome (hallucinogenic),so kept in dark bottles with ascorbic acid “reducing agent” -preferred route I.M may be given S.C, or by endotracheal tube or inhalation	-Not orally due to its intense V.C So, given only by I.V infusion	- I.V infusion very short $t_{1/2}$ “2 min” -M: by MAO & COMT → Homovalinic a. → in urine
P/D	Broad spectrum ($\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$)	Directly on ($\alpha_1 > \alpha_2 > \beta_1$)	Directly on (D_1, β_1, α_1)

systemic actions

Heart	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↑ all cardiac properties (Net result is ↑ COP) - ↑ contractility (COP) → +ve inotropic. - ↑ HR (tachycardia) → +ve chronotropic. - ↑ A-V conduction → +ve dromotropic. - ↑ automaticity & excitability → ↑ risk of arrhythmia. - ↑ oxygen demand of myocardium → angina. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reflex bradycardia due to V.C of blood vessels → ↑ blood pressure → (+) baroreceptor → vagal stimulation. “blocked by atropine” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) slow rate of infusion: (2-5 µg/kg/min) → (+) D_1 - V.D of cerebral, coronary, renal & splanchnic - V. D of renal vasculature → ↑ urine output b) moderate rate of infusion: (5-10 µg/kg/min) → (+) β_1 - (+ve) inotropic - (+ve) chronotropic. This leads to → ↑ COP c) high rate of infusion: (>10 µg/kg/min) → (+) α_1 - V.C → ↑ blood pressure - Dopamine (+) presynaptic D_2 receptor → ↓ NE release
Blood vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - V.D of skeletal muscle, and coronary blood vessels. (β_2) - V.C of skin, mucous membrane & splanchnic blood vessels. (α_1) - In kidney, ↑ rennin (β_1) → ↑ angiotensin → V.C. 	Severe V.C (α_1) of skin, mucous membrane blood vessels → ↑ PR	
Blood pressure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ↑ systolic blood pressure (by ↑ COP) - diastolic bl.pr slight ↑ or ↓ depend on type of receptor stimulated - ↓ diastolic Bl.Pr. in therapeutic dose & ↑ diastolic Bl.Pr. In L.D - hypertensive effect reversed by adding α blockers → Hypotension 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ↑ systolic blood pressure - ↑ diastolic blood pressure 	

Respiratory system	Bronchodilatation (β_2) & Decongestion of bronchial mucosa (α_1) Inhibits release of allergic mediators e.g. histamine from mast cells
GIT & UB	- Relax wall (β_2) & Contract sphincters (α_1)
Uterus	relaxation of the pregnant uterus (β_2).
Sweat gland	↑ secretion from apocrine glands of palm “non-thermoregulatory”
Skeletal muscles	facilitates NM transmission & V.D. of BL.V (anti-fatigue).
Metabolic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. ↑ glycogenolysis β_2 in liver Hyperglycemia b. ↑ lipolysis β_3 ↑ fatty acids in blood. c. ↓ K^+: hypokalemia (due to ↑ uptake by skeletal muscle)
blood	Hypercoagulability of the blood (due to ↑ factor V)
Anti-allergic	Physiological antidote to histamine
eye	decongestion, ↓ IOP & active mydriasis



local actions	
eye	-No effect on pupil size as it is destroyed by alkalinity of the tears -Mydriasis occurs only with supersensitivity → “STAD” 1- Sympathectomy of the eye. 2- Thyrotoxicosis 3- Acute Hemorrhagic pancreatitis 3- Diabetic ketoacidosis
skin & mucous membranes Bl. v	V.C. of (skin & mucous membranes) → decongestion & hemostasis. So, it delays absorption of local anesthetics.
bronchi	Inhalation → bronchodilatation (β_2) so, used in bronchial asthma
Therapeutic uses	-Anaphylactic shock, allergy (I.M) - Bronchial asthma (inhalation) -Cardiac arrest (I.V. or intracardiac) - Delay absorption of local anesthesia -Epistaxis (local nasal pack) - Open angle glaucoma (dipivefrin = prodrug)
Side effect	α_1 Hypertension → cerebral hemorrhage Gangrene → if injected around finger or toe (end arteries).
	β_1 Tachycardia, palpitation, arrhythmia & angina
	β_2 Skeletal muscle tremors
	CNS Anxiety, headache & restlessness

Severe hypotension: -after sympathectomy. -during spinal anesthesia “spinal shock” -overdose of ganglion blockers.	Shock: - cardiogenic Shock - hypovolemic Shock
-If extravasation → necrosis & gangrene → (ttt: local phentolamine) -Hypertension	Hypertension
Bradycardia “reflex”	arrhythmia
	Nausea +”See CNS”

Contraindications	1- Hypertension 2-Peripheral vascular disease. 3- Arrhythmia. 4-Thyrotoxicosis → supersensitivity 5- Coronary heart disease (angina). 5- Around finger & toe.	Precautions
Drug interactions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. With halothane, cyclopropane, thyroxin & digoxin → Arrhythmia ”supersensitivity b. With cocaine (cocaine → # uptake 1) & MAO inhibitors → Severe V.C. c. With non-selective β-blockers → unmask α Severe V.C. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Frequent measure of blood pressure - gradual stop of NA
		I.V infusion with monitoring by Bl.Pr, HR & Urine output.

Synthetic sympathomimetics

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Direct acting sympathomimetics									
P/K	Catecholamine		Non- Catecholamine	Catecholamine	Non- Catecholamine				
P/D	Non-Selective beta	Selective Beta ₁		Selective Beta ₂		Selective Beta ₃			
	Isoprenaline (Isoproterenol)	Dobutamine (IVI)	Prenalterol (oral)	Isoetarine	salbutamol, terbutaline "short" salmeterol, formoterol "long" Ritodrine	Mirabegron	Selective Alpha ₁ Phenylephrine Methoxamine	Selective D ₁ Fenoldopam	
Heart	↑ all cardiac properties (β ₁)	- ↑ contractility - ↑ COP				-Directly relax detrusor muscle → ↑ bladder capacity -May increase B.P → Not used in uncontrolled hypertension	Used as -mydriatic -decongestant -ttd of hypotension.	V.D of arterioles → ↓ Total peripheral resistance → ↓ B.P	
Bl.v	V.D of sk.m, & coronary bl.v (β ₂)	- Minimal ↑ HR		- V.D of skeletal muscle, bl.v (β ₂)					
Blood pressure	- ↑ systolic blood pressure - ↓ diastolic blood pressure	- Not ↑ oxygen demand							
Respiratory	Bronchodilatation (β ₂).			Bronchodilatation (β ₂)					
Uterus	Uterine relaxation (β ₂).			uterine relaxation (β ₂)					
Metabolic	-Hyperglycemia(β ₂) -lipolysis β ₃			Hyperglycemia (β ₂)			Midodrine		
Therapeutic uses	Bronchial Asthma(Inhalation) Heart block (I.V infusion)	- Cardiogenic Shock - Acute heart failure		- Bronchial asthma - preterm labor → Ritodrine		Overactive bladder.	-Used as nasal decongestants -L.D. of oxymetazoline may cause hypotension (clonidine like effect)	Used in: hypertensive emergencies. (I.V.I)	
S.E	β ₁	Tachycardia, palpitation, arrhythmia & angina			"in large dose (+)β ₁			S.E: headache, flushing, tachycardia.	
	β ₂	Skeletal muscle tremors		-Skeletal muscle tremors -hypokalemia					
Mixed acting sympathomimetics				Indirect acting sympathomimetics					
P/D	Direct on (α ₁ ,β ₁ ,β ₂) & indirect "mainly"			Drugs that ↑ release of stored catecholamine			Reuptake inhibitors		
	<i>Ephedrine</i>			<i>Amphetamine</i>			<i>Tyramine</i>	<i>Atomoxetine</i>	
P/K	-Orally & parenteral -pass BBB -Poorly metabolized by MAO&COMT - excreted in urine - Acidification of urine byNH ₄ Cl ↑ excretion								
CNS	- (+) Cortex → insomnia, anxiety, tremors, convulsion - (+) CTZ - (+) VMC - (+) R.C - (+) Spinal reflexes - Sedation in ADHD in children			- (+) Cortex, - (+) RAS → euphoria ↑ mental activity, alertness & anti-fatigue - (+) R.C → Analeptic - (+) spinal cord → facilitates mono & polysynaptic transmission. - (+) satiety center → Anorexigenic "↓ Appetite"			-Normal byproduct of tyrosine metabolism -Found in fermented food as cheese, beer, red wine, chocolate & smoked fish - metabolized by MAO in liver & intestine during first pass metabolism (So normally inactivated if taken orally). -it ↑ release of stored catecholamine Cheese reaction: Tyramine containing food with MAOIs → ↑ NE Release → V.C. → sever hypertension	selective inhibitor for NE reuptake transporter .Used in ADHD .	
Heart	↑ all cardiac properties			The same as ephedrine in local & systemic actions (but less on bronchi).				<i>Duloxetine</i>	
Bl.v	- V.C of skin, mucous membrane blood vessels. (α ₁)							-Inhibit serotonin & NE reuptake. -Used as: anti-depressant	
Blood pressure	- ↑ systolic blood pressure. - ↑ diastolic blood pressure - α blockers can abolish its effect - <i>Tachyphylaxis</i> (acute tolerance).							<i>Cocaine</i>	
Respiratory	Bronchodilatation β ₂ & V.C mucous membrane bl.v							-Local anesthetic drug - ↓ NE reuptake "uptake1" - (-) MAO -It passes CNS → amphetamine like action	
GIT & UB	- Relax wall β ₂ & Contract sphincters (α ₁)								
Sk.m	Stimulant more than adrenaline								
Local actions	-Skin and mucus membrane → irritant and V.C -Eye → active madrasas -Nose → decongestion of mucosa but, rebound congestion								
Therapeutic uses	1-ADHD in children. 2-Analeptic in toxicity with CNS depressant 3-Before spinal anesthesia" 4-Prophylaxis of BA 5.Myasthenia gravis (adjuvant). 6.Mydriatic eye drop 7-Nasal decongestant. 8-Nocturnal enuresis 9-Heart block.			- ADHD "Attention Deficit Hyperkinetic Disorder" - Narcolepsy (hypersomnia). - Obesity					
Side effect	CNS	- (+) Cortex → insomnia, anxiety, tremors, convulsion - (+) CTZ → vomiting			- insomnia, anxiety, convulsion, coma, - hallucination, psychosis - Tolerance: occurs to anorexigenic & psychic effects. - Addiction with prolonged use			- (+) 5-HT & glutamate receptors - It used in narcolepsy & ADHD .	
	β ₁	Tachycardia, palpitation, arrhythmia & angina							
	β ₂	Skeletal muscle tremors							
	α	-Hypertension -Urine retention in old with prostatic enlargement			Hypertension, Mydriasis				
CI				Like epinephrine + -insomnia -Prostatic hypertrophy -with MAOIs					
							<i>Amphetamine Derivative</i>		
							1)Phenmetrazine, Diphenmetrazine		
							Used in obesity		
							2)Fenfluramine, Dexfenfluramine		
							Anorexigenic drugs (+) 5-HT receptors in CNS -in L.D. → arrhythmia		
							<i>3-Modafinil</i>		
							- (+) 5-HT & glutamate receptors - It used in narcolepsy & ADHD .		
							4- Methamphetamine		
							- More CNS effects -less peripheral actions		
							5- Methylphenidate		
							Used in ADHD		

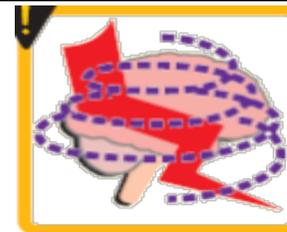
Sympathetic depressant "1st table"

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		Adrenergic neurone blockers			Centrally acting Sympatholytic Drugs		
		Guanethidine	Reserpine	α -methyl tyrosine (Metyrosine)	α -Methyl dope (Aldomet)		Clonidine Guanfacine Guanabenz
Mechanism		-Guanethidine enter the peripheral adrenergic nerve via uptake I \rightarrow stored in granules to be released instead of NE \rightarrow Depletes stores of NE	- Inhibits irreversibly vesicular reuptake III of monoamines - Expose NE, dopamine & 5-HT to MAO enzyme \rightarrow Depletes their stores centrally & peripherally.	1) Competitive inhibitor to tyrosine hydroxylase (rate limiting step in biosynthesis of catecholamines) 2) Depletes NE, dopamine in CNS, adrenal medulla & peripheral nerves	α Methyl dope $\xrightarrow{\text{dopa decarboxylase}}$ α methyl dopamine $\xrightarrow{\text{dopamine hydroxylase}}$ α methyl NE - α -methyl NE stored in adrenergic vesicle and released instead of normal NE. SO, the effect is delayed for 5-8 hrs (even if given i.v.) - α -methyl NE is α_2 agonist \rightarrow a. Central α_2 agonist (main action) \rightarrow \downarrow sympathetic outflow. b. Presynaptic α_2 agonist \rightarrow \downarrow release of NE. - Also \downarrow synthesis of dopamine & serotonin in CNS.		Selective α_2 agonist: 1) Central α_2 agonist \rightarrow \downarrow sympathetic outflow 2) presynaptic α_2 agonist \rightarrow \downarrow release of NE. Both effect \rightarrow \downarrow BP & \downarrow HR
action	CNS	Not pass BBB, No CNS actions.	\downarrow (NE, 5-HT, dopamine) \rightarrow Sedation, depression, \downarrow dopamine \rightarrow extrapyramidal symptoms "parkinsonism"				Sedation
	CVS	-bradycardia -orthostatic Hypotension	Hypotension, bradycardia				
	GIT	\uparrow motility (diarrhea) & \uparrow secretion (peptic ulcer). Due to unopposed parasympathetic tone			\downarrow motility(constipation) & \downarrow secretions (dry mouth) Due to (+) presynaptic α_2 in cholinergic nerves \rightarrow \downarrow A.Ch. release		
Uses	1) hypertension Moderate to Severe degree 2) Hypertensive crisis	Hypertension (Mild to moderate degree)	inhibits synthesis of catecholamines in pheochromocytoma : 1- Preoperative Preparation of surgical resection of the tumor (1 week before operation) 2- Patients with inoperable or metastatic pheochromocytoma. 3- Hypertensive crises of pheochromocytoma (in combination with α & β blockers)	1- hypertension with pregnancy . "DOC" 2- Renal hypertension as does not impair renal blood flow. 3- Moderate to severe hypertension (in combination with other drugs)		1) Hypertensive urgency. 2) Migraine prophylaxis in postmenopausal flushing 3) Alleviating opiates (morphine) & Alcohol withdrawal symptoms.	
Side effects	- orthostatic Hypotension - bradycardia - nasal stuffiness. - Salt & water retention,	- hypotension - bradycardia - nasal stuffiness. - Sedation, depression, ' - extrapyramidal symptoms (must be stop suddenly at first sign of depression)	- Sedation, depression, ' - extrapyramidal symptoms - Crystalluria due to deposition of drug crystals in kidney (avoided by \uparrow water intake)	I- Type-A - hypotension -bradycardia - Sedation, depression - extrapyramidal symptoms - nasal stuffiness - salt and water retention	II- Type-B Interaction with patient's immune system \rightarrow auto-antibodies \rightarrow - haemolytic anemia - aplastic anemia - leukopenia - thrombocytopenic purpura - hepatitis	-Sedation - Sudden withdrawal \rightarrow Rebound severe Hypertensive overshoot ttt by: - re-using of clonidine or α + β blockers	
GIT S.E	Diarrhea & peptic ulcer.			dry mouth & constipation.			
DI	Anti-hypertensive effect of guanethidine antagonized by: 1- Cocaine & TCA 2- amphetamine, ephedrine						

α-Adrenoceptor Antagonists

		Nonselective α-blocker			Selective α ₁	Selective α ₂		
		<i>Irreversible</i>	<i>Competitive</i>		<i>Prazosin</i> (t _{1/2} = 3 h)	<i>Competitive</i> <i>Yohimbine</i>		
		Phenoxybenzamine	Phentolamine	Tolazoline				
Action		- # α ₁ → sever V.D → ↓ Peripheral resistance → reflex tachycardia - # Presynaptic α ₂ → ↑ NE release → tachycardia due to (+) β ₁ in heart - # muscarinic receptor - # serotonin receptor - # histamine receptor	- ↑ GIT motility & ↑ gastric HCL. - # serotonin “5-HT” receptors - ↑ release of histamine from mast cell		1- Direct vasoconstrictor “partial agonist on α & 5-HT” 2- α-blocking. 3- Uterine stimulant (oxytocic) 4- Dopaminergic stimulant: - CTZ → nausea & vomiting - Basal ganglia → anti-parkinsonian - Hypothalamus → ↓ prolactin & ↓ GH	- # α ₁ → V.D → ↓ BP → reflex tachycardia -(+) presynaptic α ₂ → ↓ sympathetic → no tachycardia result → no tachycardia - Inhibition phosphodiesterase → ↑ cAMP → V.D. + tachycardia ↑ cGMP → V.D. + bradycardia result → V.D. without tachycardia	- CNS → ↑ sympathetic outflow to the periphery.	
uses		pheochromocytoma: 1- Preoperative Preparation 2- Life-long management of the disease in inoperable patients 3- Hypertensive emergency of pheochromocytoma	1) Control hypertensive crises in: - Pheochromocytoma. - sudden stop of clonidine. - cheese reaction 2) Inhibits tissue necrosis caused by extravasation of α-agonists “NE”	1) Pulmonary hypertension in newborn. 2) arteriography to Visualize distal peripheral vessels	Ergotamine Vasoconstrictor (oral) moderate → α-blocking & oxytocic Used in Acute attack of Migraine better taken during the aura alone or combined with caffeine	Dihydroergotamine Vasoconstrictor (i.v & i.m) minimal → α-blocking & dopaminergic	1. Essential Hypertension (especially with BPH). 2. Hypertensive urgency	- sexual stimulant - erectile dysfunction. However , it’s not recommended
Side effect		1) Postural hypotension → reflex tachycardia & arrhythmia. 2) Nasal stuffiness. 3) Failure of ejaculation (inhibits α ₁ in vas deferens & ejaculatory duct  Orthostatic hypotension	1- Hypotension. 2- ↑ HR, arrhythmia, ischemic as MI 3- GIT: abdominal pain, nausea, peptic ulcer.		Ergotamine Marked α-blocking moderate → VC & oxytocic Used in Senile dementia (as it ↑ cerebral blood flow)	Dihydroergotamine Very potent α-blocking	1) 1 st dose phenomenon: - postural hypotension 30-90min To avoid: - start with small dose (1mg) at bed time then ↑ dose gradually - Use other anti-hypertensive drugs cautiously 2) Nonspecific adverse effects: headache, dizziness & drowsiness	
Contraindication		 Tachycardia  Sexual dysfunction	Phentolamine used cautiously in - Coronary artery disease - History of peptic ulcer.		Ergometrine Potent oxytocic moderate → VC & α-blocking Used in Post-partum haemorrhage.	Methylethergometrine more potent oxytocic - NO dopaminergic effect	Terazosin (t _{1/2} 9-12h). used in ttt of HTN & relieves urinary symptoms of BPH	
					Bromocriptine used in 1- Parkinsonism 2- ↓ (prolactin (suppress lactation) & GH secretions)		Doxazosin (t _{1/2} 22h). used in ttt of HTN with BPH longest t _{1/2} .	
					- During pregnancy (except bromocriptine) - Hypertension - coronary artery disease - PVD		Tamsulosin - Selective α _{1A} blocker → relax sphincter of bladder & prostatic tissue - no effect on Bl.v → α _{1B} . used in BPH if not associated with HTN	



headache, dizziness



1st dose phenomenon

Beta-adrenoceptor blockers (BBs)

Classification	First generation (Non-selective BBs)	Second generation (Selective β ₁ blockers)	Third generation (β blockers + V.D)	BBs + I.S.A	BBs + M.S.A	Lipophilic BBs	Hydrophilic BBs
		-Propranolol - Pindolol “ISA” -Timolol - Nadolol "تامر وندی" -Sotalol	-Atenolol -Acebutolol“ISA” -Bisoprolol -Betaxolol -Metoprolo -Esmolol "متولي وأسماء"	-#α ₁ receptor: Carvedilol, Labetalol -#Ca Channel: Carvedilol, Betaxolol - Anti-oxidant: Carvedilol. -(+)β ₂ receptor: Celiprolol -↑Nitric oxide Carateolol, Nebivolol -K ⁺ channel opener: Tilisolol	-Acebutolol "اسيبولوا قلمين" -Pindolol -Penbutolol -Oxprenolol -Labetalol ISA → intrinsic sympathetic activity = partial agonist effect (Initial stimulation then inhibition)	Propranolol Sotalol M.S.A →membrane stabilizing activity #Na Channel (Anti-arrhythmic)	Well abs GIT & IV Pass BBB Metabolized in liver by CYP ₄₅₀ 2D6 Not preferred in liver disease
p/k	Absorption → ALL BBs are well absorbed orally except Esmolol “I. V.I” elimination. → Most BBs have t _{1/2} = 3-10 hrs. except Esmolol which has ultrashort (due to rapid metabolism by RBC esterase, t _{1/2} = 10 min → So used by I. V.I)					Propranolol Metoprolol	Atenolol Nadolol (long t _{1/2} = 24h)
	Pharmacological actions		Therapeutic uses		Side effect	Individual BBs	
Heart	#β ₁ → ↓ all cardiac properties -↓ contractility → -ve inotropic. -↓ HR (bradycardia) → -ve chronotropic. -↓ A-V conduction → -ve dromotropic. -↓ automaticity & ↓ excitability → Anti-arrhythmic -↓ oxygen demand & ↓ cardiac work → anti-anginal		-Hypertension → Alone in mild & combined with other drugs in moderate and sever HTN -Angina pectoris (prophylaxis of angina of atherosclerosis) But, BBs worsen vasospastic angina. - Acute myocardial infraction → prevent recurrence - Supraventricular Arrhythmia -Chronic Heart failure: (small dose Metoprolol, Bisoprolol & Carvedilol) → Prevent myocardial remodeling → ↓ risk of death. - HOCM “Hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy” → BBs slow ventricular ejection & ↓ outflow resistance -Acute Dissecting aortic aneurysm → (↓systolic blood pressure) -Esophageal varices → prevent bleeding from varices in portal HTN.		- Heart failure - Bradycardia & heart block. - Worsen symptoms of P.V.D. - Sudden stop →Rebound tachycardia, angina, arrhythmia Due to Upregulation of receptors) avoided by tapering the dose over several weeks before discontinuation	Esmolol used in ttt of: -Supraventricular Arrhythmia - arrhythmia of thyrotoxicosis - perioperative HTN -hypertensive emergency -myocardial ischemia in acutely ill patients, -Carvedilol,Labetalol →#(α&β) → peripheral V.D → used in hypertensive patients with PVD - Labetalol used in Hypertension with pregnancy instead of α-methyl dopa -Carvedilol → ↓lipid peroxidation & vascular wall thickening → benefit in heart failure	
Blood vessels	-# β ₂ → V.D. → unmask α ₁ → V.C. → ↓ blood supply to periphery and liver -with prolonged use peripheral resistance returns to normal						
Blood pressure	-BBs have anti-hypertensive effect but not ↓ BP Mechanism of anti-hypertensive action: “written” 1. # β ₁ in heart → ↓ COP. 2. # β ₁ in kidney → ↓ renin secretion. 3. # β ₂ in CNS → ↓ sympathetic outflow. 4. # presynaptic β ₂ → ↓ NE release. 5. Reset Baroreceptor. 6. ↑ Prostaglandins (PGI ₂) → V.D.						
Resp	-Non-selective BBs → -little effect on normal individual -bronchospasm in susceptible patients (asthma & COPD) → life threatening		Selective B ₁ blockers & BBs with ISA used in (asthma & COPD) with caution.		bronchospasm in COPD & asthmatic patients.	Atenolol, Metoprolol (# β ₁) → -Safer in patients with bronchospasm in respond to propranolol -better in diabetes & PVD	
Metabolic	1. # β ₂ in liver → ↓ glycogenolysis → hypoglycemia. 3. # β ₂ in skeletal muscle → inhibit K ⁺ influx → ↑ hyperkalemia 2. # β ₃ → ↓ lipolysis → ↓ FFA, ↓ HDL & ↑ TGs.		Hyperthyroidism → -#β ₁ in heart → “protect heart in thyroid storm” - propranolol ↓ peripheral conversion of T ₄ → more potent T ₃ inhibit deiodinase		- Hypoglycemia and mask its symptom → coma - Atherosclerosis → ↓ HDL & ↑ TGs		
Eye	-↓ IOP in glaucomatous patient due to ↓ aqueous formation -BBs have no effect on size (pupil or ciliary muscle)		Glaucoma(topical)			Timolol, levobunolol, Betaxolol → ttt of open angle glaucoma	
CNS	-↓ anxiety (# sympathetic outflow) -↓ tremors (# β ₂ in NMJ). -Prophylaxis of migraine		-Anxiety -Tremors -Prophylaxis of migraine headache (not useful in acute attack)		lipophilic BBs → Depression, fatigue & sleep disturbances (insomnia, nightmares).		
DRUG INTERACTION	Pharmacokinetic interactions			Pharmacodynamic interactions			
	1- Aluminum salts, cholestyramine, and colestipol → decrease absorption 2- enzyme inducers (phenytoin, rifampicin, phenobarbital) → ↑ rate of metabolism (↓ plasma conc) 3-enzyme inhibitors (Cimetidine and hydralazine) → ↓ rate of metabolism (↑ plasma conc) 4- β-blockers decrease the portal blood flow → impair the clearance of lidocaine.			1-β-blockers + Ca ²⁺ channel blockers (e.g. verapamil) → heart failure and heart block 2- β-blockers + anti-hypertensive agent → Sever hypotension 3- NSAIDs “indomethacin” → ↓ (PGI ₂) → Antagonize The hypotensive effects of BBs			
Over dose	Hypotension, bradycardia and seizures may occur. Treatment by : 1- atropine antagonize Bradycardia 2- Glucagon → +ve chronotropic & +ve inotropic						