

# Pharmacology / L-1

→ it is the Science that deals with interaction of drugs with Living Systems

Drugs: These are chemical substances that Shows biological activity (treatment or diagnosis)

## Divisions of pharmacology

Pharmacodynamics  
(what the drug does to the Body)

→ this deals with the action of drugs on living tissues:

- type or quality of action
- quantitative aspect
- mechanism of action
- adverse effects and safety
- The main organ or tissue on which the drug acts, and for which it is used

therapeutically is called target organ or tissue of drug action.

pharmacokinetics  
(what the Body does to drug)

- This includes
- ① administration & absorption
  - ② distribution inside Body
  - ③ elimination by metabolism or excretion.

## OTHER

## Topics LINKED WITH PHARMACOLOGY

Pharmacotherapy

- Concerned with the proper use of drugs in treatment of diseases in man.

## Chemo therapy

- it is used to imply the use of drugs to inhibit growth or kill either.

- a. microbes (anti-microbial agents)
- b. cancer cell (cyto-toxic anti-cancer drugs).

## Toxicology

- it is the science that deals with the harmful effects of chemicals (including drugs).

## Pharmacy

- it is the science and profession that is concerned with the preparation ① storing  
② dispensing  
③ proper utilization of drug products.

- Drug pharmacology  
clinical evaluation of drug in treating diseases in man. Done by
  - a. clinical trials
  - b. surveillance studies

## Clinical pharmacology

# DRUG SOURCES

## Synthetic

(Common at present)

- these drugs are prepared by the Labs. or Factories of greatly assist in discovery of New drug.

## Semi-synthetic

## Natural

→ these are obtained from natural sources but are modified by

Pharmaceutical industry in order to improve their physical or chemical properties, or pharmacological activity.

## Natural Sources (Less used now)

### organic

#### Plants

- any part of plant.
- pharmaceuticals (Drug come from plant and animal)

ex: alkaloids, tannins, gums

#### Animals

- these may include either proteins, oils enzymes from exocrine gland hormone.

Vaccines, ant-sea and some vitamins

#### microbes

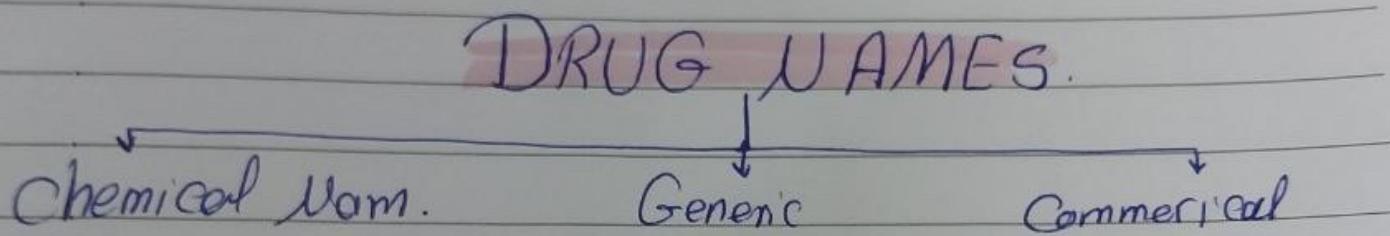
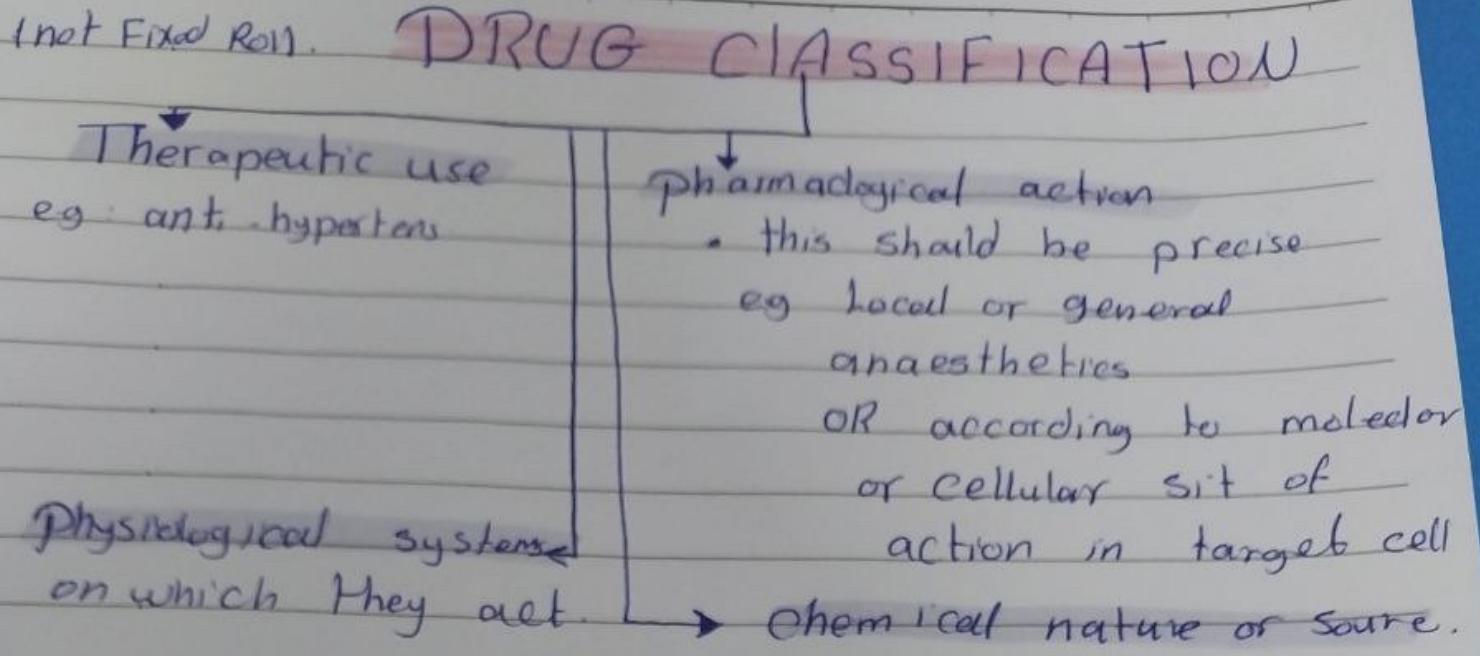
like: Fungi & Bacteria which are sources of antibiotics.

### Non-organic

- metals (platinum, zinc)
- non-metals (sodium chloride and magnesium sulfate)

of

Alkaloids: are small organic molecules contain N e.g. atropine, morphine, caffeine, theophylline, quinine



### Types of drug dose Forms.

- oral
- Inhalational
- parenteral
- Topical
- Suppository

Thank you.