

### - Quantal dose-response relationships

the influence of the magnitude of the dose on the proportion of a population that responds

the desired response is:-

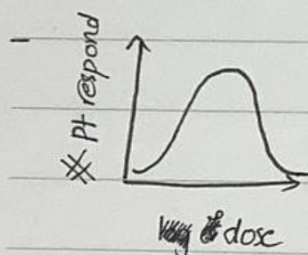
#### 1. Specified in amount or magnitude

positive response: record response  $\rightarrow$  amount

negative response: ...

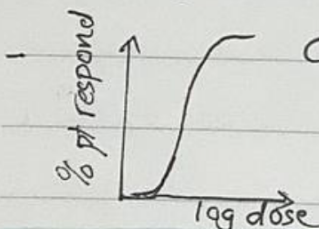
#### 2. All or none response

eg: death, prevent epileptic seizures, prevent cardiac arrhythmias



Frequency distribution

Gaussian normal curve of variation



Cumulative frequency distribution

- quantal dose-effect curve is characterized by

ED50

TD50

LD50

median effective dose

median toxic dose

median lethal dose

- Important jargon:-

- **Summation** :- two drugs **similar mechanism** are given together they produce **additive effects**.

- **Potentiation / synergism** :- two drugs **exceed sum of their individual effects** + act at different receptors or effector systems.  
to treat AIDS : AZT + protease inhibitor

\* **Prediction of drug safety** :- obtained by **Therapeutic Index TI**

- **TI** :- ratio of dose that produces toxicity to the dose that produces a clinically desired or effective response in a population of individuals

$TI = \frac{TD_{50}}{ED_{50}}$ , the higher of TI magnitude is better

- **Therapeutic window** :- the concentration range over which a drug produces its therapeutic effect

- therapeutic index  $\downarrow$   $\rightarrow$  narrow therapeutic window  $\rightarrow$  effective + toxic R overlap  $\rightarrow$  bioavailability alter therapeutic effect

- therapeutic index  $\uparrow$   $\rightarrow$  wide therapeutic window  $\rightarrow$  safe  $\rightarrow$  bioavailability does **not** alter therapeutic effect

- **specificity** :- drug has 1 effect and only 1 effect on all biological systems. خاصية

- **Selectivity** :- drug act on more than 1 receptor site once they reach an appropriately high  $[ ]$ , انتقائية

\* **ADVERSE Effects of Drugs** → Unwanted / harmful effects

predictable dose related type A	Unpredictable Type B	Special toxicity	Others
→ side effects	↳ Allergy 1. Immediate type IgE & mast cell / basophils	↳ Genotoxicity ↳ Mutagenicity alkylating agents	→ Delayed Toxicity
→ Toxic effects	2. Cyto-toxic reaction IgG, IgM → tissue damage	↳ Teratogenicity in pregnancy	"chlor-amphe-nicol" → anemia
→ functional	3. Immune complex mediate e.g. Serum sickness		→ chronic toxicity
→ structural	4. Delayed cell mediated activate T lymphocyte...	↳ Carcinogenicity may take for 2 years	long term steroids (cushing)
* more susceptible to adverse effects - foetus - elderly - polypharmacy - pre-exist disease - genetic defect	↳ Idiosyncrasy abnormal drug reaction ; genetic factors affect tissue / enzymes / receptors like Hemolysis by sulfonamides antimalarial primaquin Resistance to Vitamin D oral anti-coagulant warfarin	↳ Reproductive Toxicity ↓ pregnancy rate ...	Dependence CNS depressants سکولر عنبرانی

## Adverse effects causing :-

① Over extension of same mechanism of action in same tissue

anti-coagulants

② Effect on same receptor type but in another tissue

anti-muscarinic

③ Effect on different receptor / different mechanism