# PHARMA- RS

### Lec 1

#### ▼ Sinusitis

- Acute sinusitis
  - Nasal decongestants: Ephedrine, Xylometazoline
  - Amoxicillin, Co-amoxiclav, Doxycycline
- · Chronic sinusitis
  - Correct anatomical abnormalities
  - · Antibiotics according to culture and sensitivity

#### ▼ Otitis media

- Mild viral cases
  - Analgesia
- Bacterial cases
  - Amoxicillin or Co-amoxiclav
- ▼ Pharyngitis and tonsillitis
  - Serious cases due to S. pyogenes
    - · Benzylpenicillin
  - Bacterial (with fever, sore throat, difficulty swallowing)
    - Benzylpenicillin, Phenoxymethylpenicillin, erythromycin, clarithromycin, cephalexin
  - · Continue for 10 days (to prevent rheumatic fever)

#### ▼ Bronchitis

- Acute bacterial cases (S. pneumoniae, H. influenzae)
  - o Amoxicillin, tetracycline, co-trimoxazole
- Chronic cases: same as acute + suppressive chemotherapy (colder months)
- ▼ Community acquired pneumonia
  - Usually S. pneumoniae (high fever, pleuritic chest pain, cough)
    - Drugs of choice: Benzylpenicillin IV or amoxicillin oral
    - Penicillin allergy: Erythromycin, clarithromycin, or azithromycin
    - Seriously ill (H. influenzae & atypical):
       Benzylpenicillin and ciprofloxacin
    - o Penicillin-resistant: Cefotaxime (claforan) IV

### ▼ Atypical pneumonia

- By atypical pathogens, in young adults, fever and respiratory manifestations
  - Tetracycline, Erythromycin or clarithromycin (3 weeks)

- ▼ Hospital-acquired (nosocomial)
- Usually Staph. aureus, pseudomonas and H. influenzae
  - 3rd gen cephalosporin + aminoglycoside (cefotaxime + gentamicin)
  - Methicillin resistant MRSA: Ciprofloxacin or vancomycin
- ▼ Pneumonia following influenza
  - Usually by Staph. aureus
    - o Best guess therapy: Flucloxacillin
- ▼ Patients with chronic lung disease
  - Mixed infection by H. influenzae and S. pneumoniae
    - Amoxicillin, trimethoprim, ciprofloxacin
- ▼ Immunocompromised patients (AIDS or after immunosuppressive therapy)
  - · By S. aureus, S. pneumoniae
    - Aminoglycoside with cefotaxime
    - o In Pseudomonas: Piperacillin
    - o In Pneumocystis carinii (with AIDS): Co-trimoxazole

#### ▼ Anti-TB

- ▼ Isoniazid (INAH)
  - Interferes with Mycolic acid synthesis → acts only on mycobacteria
  - · passes freely, effective intracellularly
  - Resting → bacteriostatic, multiplying → bactericidal
  - Pharmacokinetics
    - Good GI absorption, but food may reduce its absorption (fatty acids, Al-containing)
    - 20% CSF penetration (non-inflamed meninges)
    - Penetrate to caseous material
    - · Renal excretion
  - Metabolism
    - Acetylation so Slow acetylators→ better response
  - Adverse effects
    - Hepatotoxicity (more in elderly and slow acetylators)
    - Polyneuropathy (Prevented by adding pyridoxine)
    - Rashes and acne
    - Hemolytic anemia (G6PD deficit)

## ▼ Rifampicin

- Inhibits bacterial DNA-dependant RNA polymerase (Bacteria develop resistance when they modify this enzyme)
- Work on gram positive and negative and can kill intracellularly
- Bactericidal
- · Pharmacokinetics:
  - Good GI absorption
  - 10-40% CSF penetration (non-inflamed)
  - · Hepatic and renal elimination
- Adverse effects
  - Rashes
  - Hepatoxicity
  - o Thrombocytopenia
  - Mild elevation of liver enzymes
  - Orange discoloration of urine, sweat and tears
  - CYP-P450 inducer (reduce serum level of warfarin and estrogen)

▼ First generation anti-histamines

#### Uses:

- Alone: Antiallergy (for allergic rhinitis, allergic dermatoses, contact dermatoses)
- With H2 antagonist and epinephrine: Anaphylaxis
- Diphenhydramine: Sedative, Local anesthetic and antitussive
- Meclizine: Prevent motion sickness (+ cyclizine and promethazine) and Antivertigo, safe
  in pregnancy
- Promethazine: Antiemetic

## Adverse effects

- · Sedation (excitation in children)
- Dizziness
- Fatigue
- Tachyrhythmias
- · Allergic reaction in topical zone
- Antimuscarinic effects
  - o Dry mouth, blurred vision, constipation, urinary retention

## Drug interactions

- · Additive: antimuscarinics
- Potentiate: CNS depressants (opiods, sedatives, analgesics, alcohol)

#### Half-life from 4-12h

- ▼ Second generation antihistamine
- + ∷ Less side effects than 1st gen
  - Terfenadine and astemizole removed due to causing fatal arrythmias
    - o Fexofenadine: active ingredient of terfenadine
    - Cetrizine is more sedative than Fexofenadien and lorantidine (not used by pilots)
    - · Pharmacokinetics (Cetrizine, Ioratadine, fexofenadine)
      - Well absorbed, excreted unmetabolized
      - o less lipid soluble than 1st gen
      - o half-life 12-24
      - o Induce Cyt-P450
  - ▼ H2 Antihistamines

Prototype: Cimetidine (Ranitidine, famotidine, nizatidine have fewer adverse effects)

Orally active, half life 1-3h

Available over the counter

Uses

- · Acid peptic disease (duodenal, nocturnal)
- · Zollinger ellison: Gastrinoma (acid hypersecretion, peptic ulcer, gi bleeding, diarrhea)
  - o PPI better
- GERD
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