

PHARMACOLOGY

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Lecture 13

CHOLINERGIC ANTAGONISTS

ANTIMUSCARINIC AGENTS

- Atropine
- Cyclopentolate
- Ipratropium
- Scopolamine
- Tropicamide

GANGLIONIC BLOCKERS

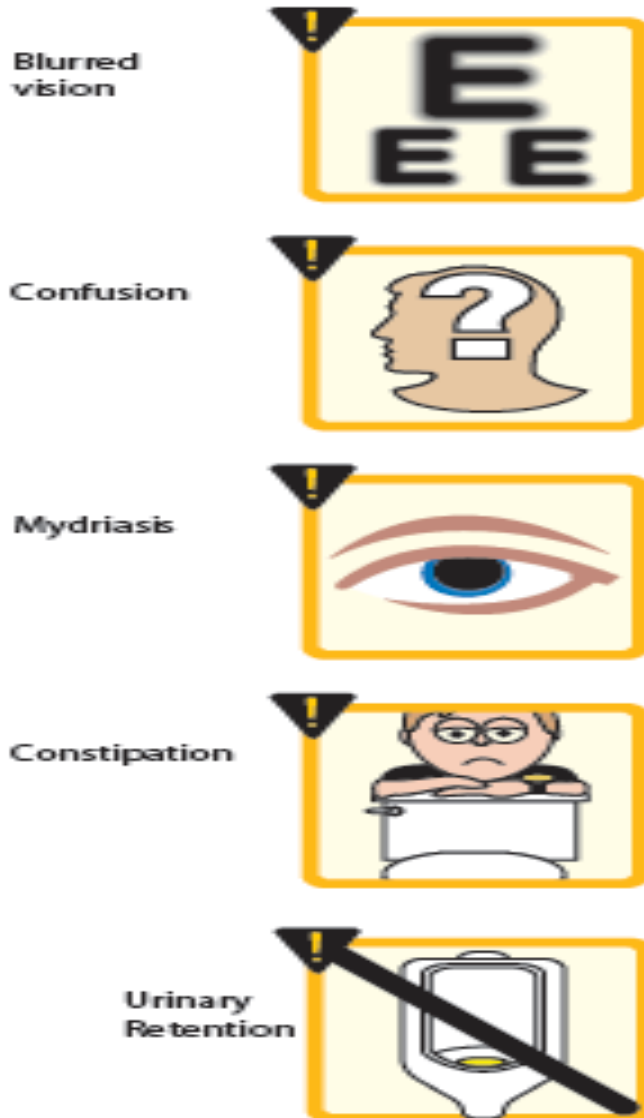
- Mecamylamine
- Nicotine

NEUROMUSCULAR BLOCKERS

- Atracurium
- Cisatracurium
- Doxacurium
- Metocurine
- Mivacurium
- Pancuronium
- Rocuronium
- Succinylcholine
- Tubocurarine
- Vecuronium

- Cholinergic agonist used mainly to treat glaucoma, post operative urinary retention (because after the operation, the urinary bladder and GIT block and we want to reactivate them).

Action of anticholinergic



1. mydriasis (dilation of the pupil)
2. antispasmodic (reduce motility of the GI tract)
3. Reduce Hypermotility states of the urinary bladder.
4. blocks the salivary glands secretion (cause xerostomia).

- General action of cholinergic antagonist:
 - 1) Eye → causes mydriasis
 - 2) GIT → decrease GIT motility
 - 3) Block salivary glands secretion
 - 4) Block GIT secretion

قبل أي عملية لازم نعمل تهيئة لبعض الأدوية سواء كانت على العضلات او ال GIT او ال salivary, لانه ممكن يعمل

aspiration pneumonia

لانه اذا ال saliva كانت عالية او ال GIT HCL كانت عالية رح تعمل reflex وهذا رح يرجع يدخل على ال lungs ويعمل

اشي اسمه pneumonia وممكن يعمل block respiration ويؤدي للاختناق, وهاي لازم نتذكرها بال Atropine

الذي يعتبر preanesthetic drug (دواء قبل التخدير)

I. Antimuscarinic Agents

- 1. Atropine:
- used as an antispasmodic to reduce activity of the GI tract
- used to reduce hypermotility states of the urinary bladder.
- Used as antidote for cholinergic agonist
- Antisecretory before surgery.
- **Contraindicated on narrow angle glaucoma**

Dose of atropine

>10.0 mg

Hallucinations and delirium; coma

5.0 mg

Rapid heart rate; palpitation; marked dryness of the mouth; dilation of pupil; some blurring of near vision

2.0 mg

0.5 mg

Slight cardiac slowing; some dryness of the mouth; inhibition of sweating

- Atropine: is a pre-anesthetic drug used to decrease salivation and GIT motility.

في أدوية تعطى قبل العملية وفي أدوية تعطى بعد العملية
the post operative drugs must reverse the action of the pre operative drugs.

مثال: قبل العملية بعطي المريض muscle relaxant ... بعد العملية أو خلالها بعطي المريض إبرة Antidote (neostigmine) هاي بتعمل

The reverse action of muscle relaxant

يعني كل اشئ بعطيه بالأول لازم أعمله reverse حتى يرجع للوظيفة الطبيعية

Atropine is known as Antidote more than as its therapeutic use.

Atropine is the major antidote for all cholinergic acting on muscarinic receptors, Ex: bethanochole is reversed by Atropine.

Atropine is an emergency drug... it is a pre-anesthetic drug used to decrease salivary and acid secretion, and it can be reversed after the surgery by other drugs.

it is also antispasmodic (مضاد للتشنج) but it has a high side effects and it is not selective (not safe), so I can use other drugs to be more selective to M_1 receptor in the gastric other than M_2 and M_3 (because atropine is generally muscarinic receptor).

- The problem with Atropine as antispasmodic that it's dose is related to response (this is not normally happen, usually we have maximum dose and it reaches after after certain concentration) but they found that the action of Atropine is changed related to the changing of the dose
- At low dose (5mg) —————> Atropine will act on the heart mostly, causes bradycardia (بطء في عمل القلب) and inhibit the GIT, saliva, and sweating.
- By increasing the dose, it will act on heart rate mostly —————> it will increase the heart rate and causes tachycardia (عدم انتظام دقات القلب)
- And at higher dose it will enter the brain (can cross the BBB because it's non polar) and causes Hallucination (هلوسة)

- This dose related response of Atropine prevents the usage of Atropine at higher doses, so we use Atropine at lower doses because we don't want to cause palpitation (زيادة في دقات القلب) or tachycardia, and I don't want to enter the brain, so it's very hard to deal with Atropine as a dose, because if we increase the dose we increase the action.

يعني باختصار ال Atropine مش رح يعطينا linear dose response curve

- We use Atropine for emergency and toxicity

يعني اذا واحد تسمم بمبيدات حشرية وزاد ال cholinergic بعطيه Atropine asantidote

I. Antimuscarinic Agents

- **2. Scopolamine**
 - used for motion sickness

- **3. Ipratropium**
 - as bronchodilators for maintenance treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)

- **4. Benztropine**
 - treatment of Parkinson disease

- The remaining drugs are synthetic compounds derivative from Atropine.
- Scopalmine or we call it hyoscine is one of the major drug used for spasmodic and it's OTC drug, and it's therapeutic window and index is very wide.
- Also, we use it for motion sickness (دوار الحركة)

يعني في ناس بصيبيهم دوار لما يسافروا أو حتى بمجرد انهم بركبوا بالسيارة هذول بنعطيهم scopolamine, ولكن بشرط ما يكون هو السائق لانه بسبب نعاس

- Scopalmine is very safe for pregnancy, even in the first few months.

- Ipratropium:
- Lung is innervated by muscarinic and adrenergic receptors.
- β_2 adrenergic receptor in the lung, so when we give β_2 agonist in sympathetic, it will cause bronchodilation.
- Bronchodilation of Ipratropium is very important, but not like β_2 agonist, they have different efficacy, β_2 agonist is more selective and more predominant.

يعني لقوا انه β_2 بالرئة عالي كثير، أكثر من M وبالتالي الفعالية اله أكثر، والدواء اللي يشتغل على β_2 اسمه **ventoline**

- When I use Ipratropium?

In chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (حالة بتشبه الأزمة)،

In this disease the problem is not in inhalation, it's in inspiration (air enters lung but can't get out), they use spirometer and then give the diagnosis.

- In pharmacology, when we say I use the first line, it means that I used the safest and the most effective drug, and this is agreed by many guide line.
- The first line drug=the first choice drug
- So, Ipratropium is the first choice drug for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, secondary to asthma (means it is second line for asthma or additive for asthma, but not only for asthma).
- Benztropine:
- Treatment for Parkinson disease.
- Parkinson means decrease of dopamine and increase in acetylcholine.
- dopamine is inhibitory neurotransmitter, so it prevents acetylcholine from releasing for along time.

يعني لما امشي اجري بتتقبض ويتنبطم والمسؤول عن هذه الحركة هو acetylcholine واللي مسؤول عنه هو ال dopamine

- Dopamine regulates secretion of acetyl choline in mental nigra of the brain

بالتالي ال dopamine بتحكم في ال acetylcholine متى يزيد ومتى يقل، واذا تعطل ال dopamine ال acetylcholine

رح يزداد ويعمل انقباض كثير ويصير عنده spasm shuffling movement لانه

All the muscles contracted for the maximum without inhibition

- Treatment: by giving him dopamine and decreasing acetylcholine, and the best is giving him dopamine as Levodopa, because dopamine can't pass BBB and then I will give him adjuvant by decreasing cholinergic (acetylcholine), one of them is benztropine.
- Benzotropine doesn't cause high anticholinergic, it has effectiveness at neuromuscular and muscarinic (cause block at both of them, mostly at nicotinic), so it's helpful

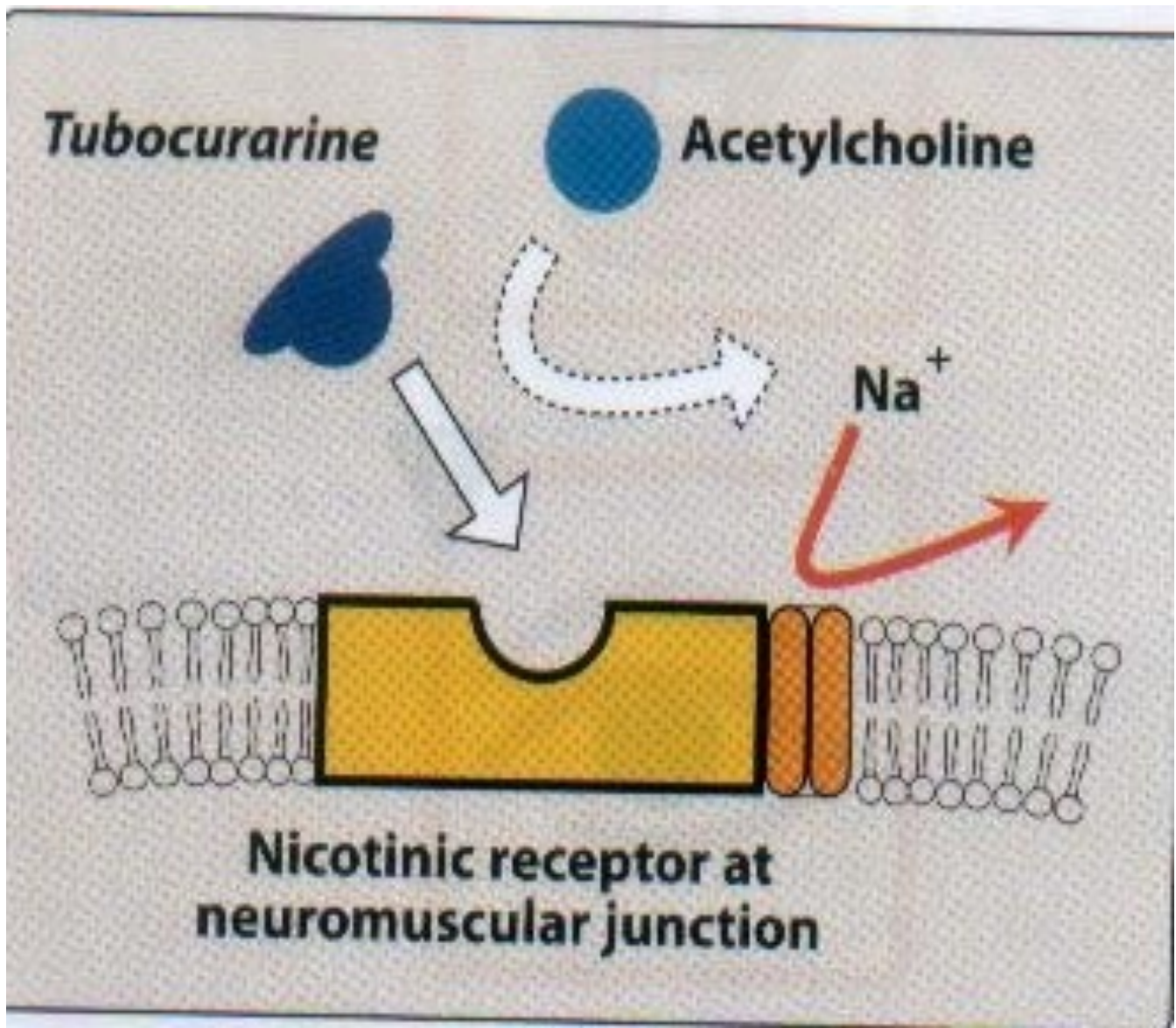
II. Neuromuscular-blocking drugs nicotinic receptors antagonist

1. A. Nondepolarizing blockers

- ***Tubocurarine*** is the prototype agent in this class
- interact with the nicotinic receptors to prevent the binding of Ach --- inhibit muscular contraction
- Therapeutic uses:
- as adjuvant drugs in anesthesia during surgery to relax skeletal muscle and to facilitate intubation

2. Depolarizing agents

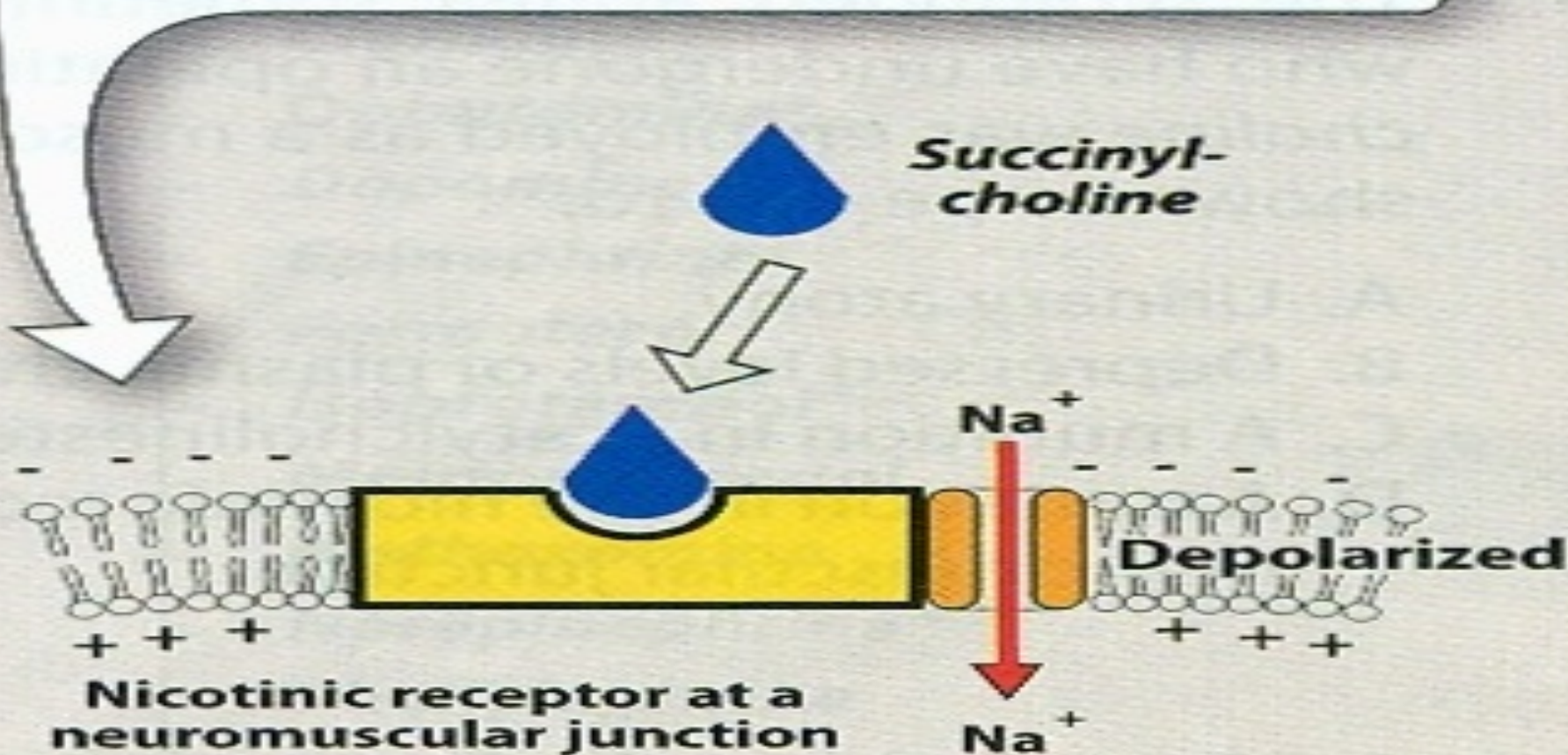
- ***Succinylcholine***
- rapid onset and short duration of action, *useful when rapid endotracheal intubation* is required



Nicotinic receptor at neuromuscular junction

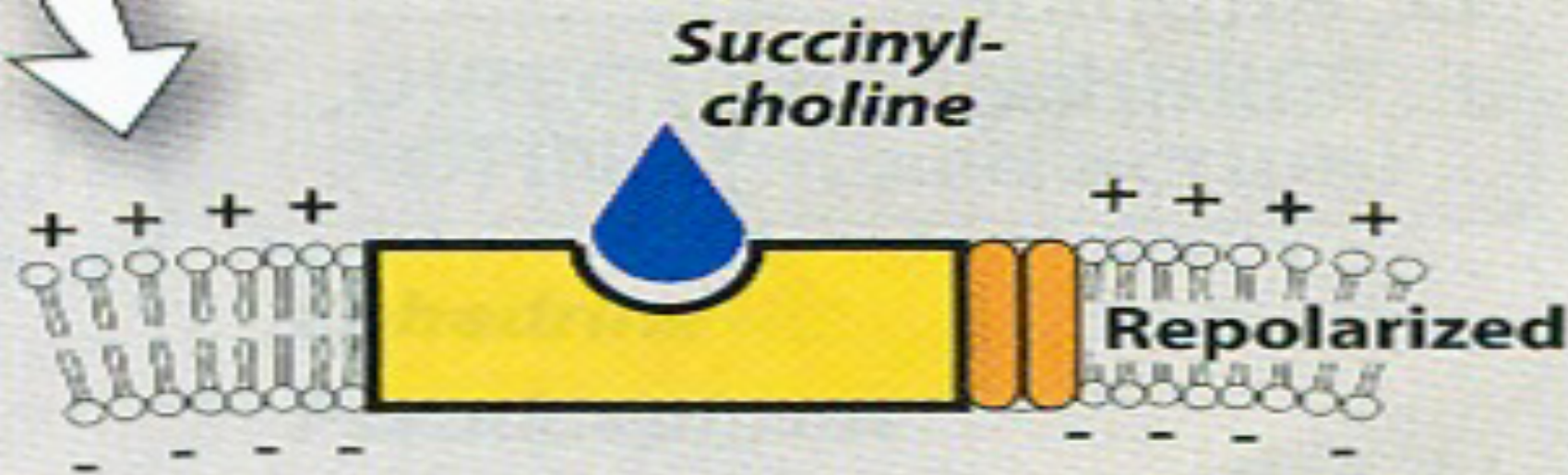
PHASE I

Membrane depolarizes, resulting in an initial discharge that produces transient fasciculations followed by flaccid paralysis.



PHASE II

Membrane repolarizes, but receptor is desensitized to the effect of acetylcholine.



- Adjuvant: دواء مساعد وغير أساسي

- Additives: 1+1=2

- Tropicamide similar to Atropine

- Cyclopentolate has few uses in clinically

- Neurotransmitter blocker, we call it muscle relaxant

- Tubocurarine:

هذا بطلنا نستخدمه ولكن بنحتاجه ك master drug يعني هو وعيلته

Ex: we use it as antipolarizing muscle relaxing, Now the use of Tubocurarine is few because it cause a kinetic problems, it's toxic and has problems with metabolism

عشان هيك رح استخدم اخوانه, واللي هم الأدوية يلي بتنتهي ب roonium:

1) Pancuronium

2) Mivacuronium

3) Rocuronium

هذول الأدوية يعتبروا بديل لل Tubocurarine, يعني لما أحكي عنه زي كأنني بحكي عنهم كلهم (the same action), ولكن بختلفوا من حيث ال metabolism

- Tubocurarine cause severe hepatotoxic (لهيك استخدامة قليل)
- It causes a muscle relaxant (so it must go to neuromuscular junction and nicotinic receptors and block them), and this is the opposite of Myasthenia gravis.

When I block it, that's mean there is no depolarizing or repolarizing, but they found that we have two groups of drugs: one can cause depolarizing and one without depolarizing, but the result is the same.

- The first and the best group is Tubocurarine that doesn't cause depolarizing.
- It is similar to acetylcholine and cause the blockage of the receptor, so there is no action, no depolarization... so it will cause muscle relaxant, by time. It will not receive any acetylcholine signals, no signals mean it will be relaxed >>>>

It will be continuous until I give the antidote, which is a neostigmine (not physostigmine)

- We give neostigmine after the operation to reverse the action, because it's **acetylcholine esterase** inhibitor
- Why not a physostigmine? Because the kinetic action of it is the same and distribution is also the same.

هذول الأدوية ما بعطيهم بالعمليات الطويلة بس (abdominal surgery), وأحيانا بعطيهم بال intubation, وبهاي بفضل ال short acting

- Succinylcholine:
- Has 3 side effects (read it from your book)
- Very rapid onset of action, and very short duration, so I can use it for rapid situations

مثلا بدي أدخل tube لل pharynx في ال ICU, أو بدي أعمل feeding أو
في حالة عمليات التنظير, فأنا بدي اياه شوي local
وأعمل relaxation للمنطقة هاي, مش anesthetic, لا هاي relaxation
وبالتالي ممكن أعطيه موضعي مثل subcutaneous
وبالتالي بعمل relaxation للمنطقة هاي, وممكن أعطيها بالوريد few drops

شكل ال succinylcholine يشبه ال acetylcholine فبالأول ال receptors
بفكره acetylcholine فلما يرتبط بعمل شوي sensitization
فبتعمل depolarization ولكن بعدها بصير oversensitize, فخلص عمل ال
depolarization وبعدها ما بقدر يستقبل اي اشارة, فهو بالتالي عمل شغلة
اسمها flaccid paralysis وهاي معناها انه العضلة انقبضت لحد الشلل ولكنه
شلل مش دائم يعني زي كأنها صارت over the threshold وارتخت, ونفس
الاشي بقدر أعكس ال action

Succinylcholine doesn't need antidote, because it's degraded by the same acetylcholine esterase enzyme (pseudocholinesterase enzyme), so it will not be longer, So we use it for procedures less than 10 minutes.

- It has some side effects for multi use

يعني لا يفضل استخدامه أكثر من مرة فبشوف ال history of the patient
إذا استخدمه قبل هاي المرة

DOPA is decarboxylated to form dopamine

Dopamine is hydroxylated to form norepinephrine

1 SYNTHESIS OF NOREPINEPHRINE

- Hydroxylation of tyrosine is the rate-limiting step.

2 UPTAKE INTO STORAGE VESICLES

- Dopamine enters a vesicle and is converted to norepinephrine.
- Norepinephrine is protected from degradation in the vesicle.
- Transport into the vesicle is inhibited by reserpine.

3 RELEASE OF NEUROTRANSMITTER

- Influx of calcium causes fusion of the vesicle with the cell membrane in a process known as exocytosis.
- Release is blocked by guanethidine and bretylium.

4 BINDING TO RECEPTOR

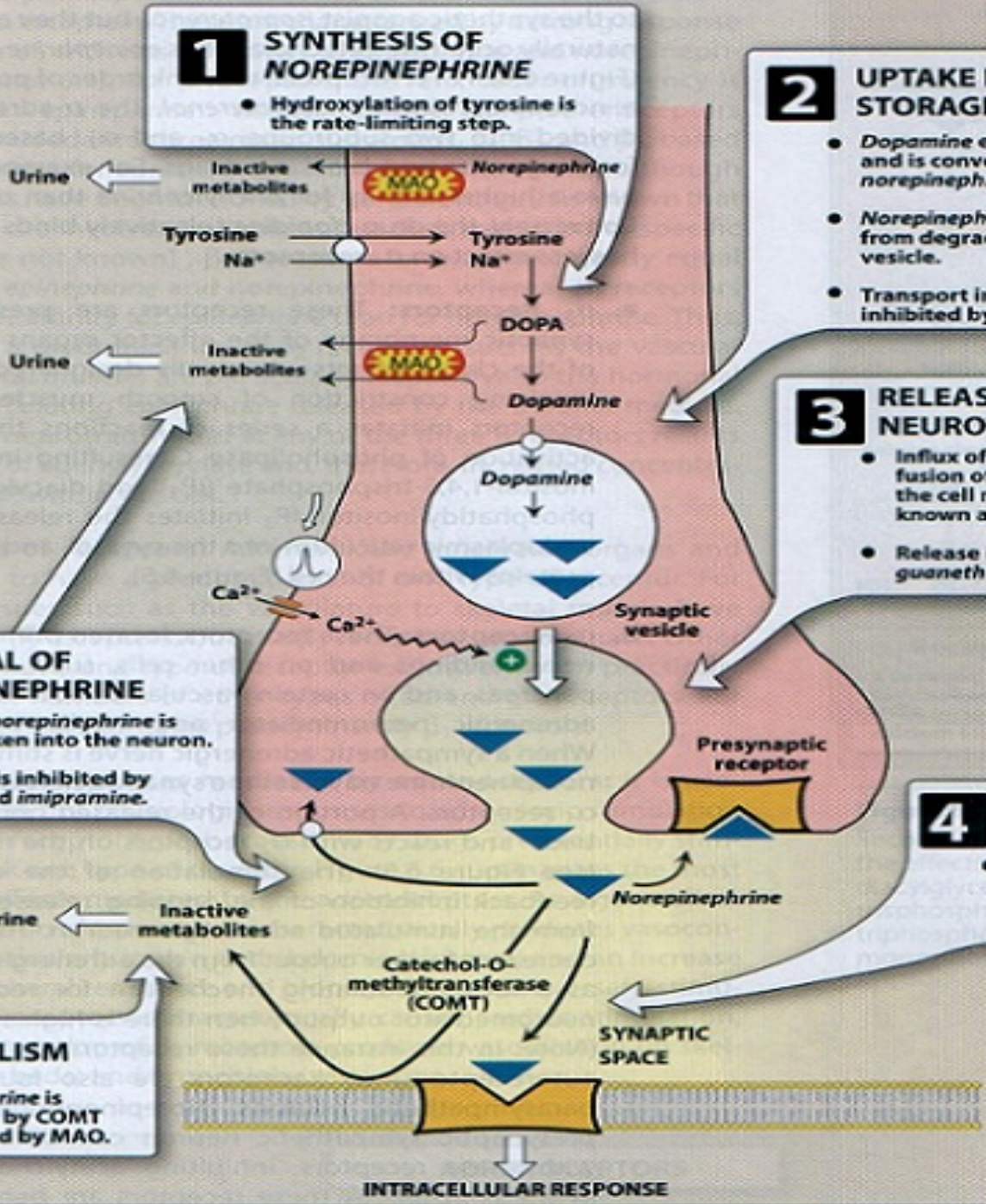
- Postsynaptic receptor is activated by the binding of neurotransmitter.

5 REMOVAL OF NOREPINEPHRINE

- Released norepinephrine is rapidly taken into the neuron.
- Reuptake is inhibited by cocaine and imipramine.

6 METABOLISM

- Norepinephrine is methylated by COMT and oxidized by MAO.



INTRACELLULAR RESPONSE

ال sympathetic يعتبر تقريبا زي ال anticholinergic ولكنه أشمل

- Sympathetic innervation is more predominant than cholinergic innervation
- Some organs are not innervated by cholinergic
- Synthesis of norepinephrine:
- The neurotransmitter of sympathetic is epinephrine and norepinephrine (the main and the most important one) and isoproterenol
- We synthesize norepinephrine, and when it reaches the blood, it can be metabolized to epinephrine, and epinephrine is mainly secreted by the adrenal medulla
- The precursor of acetylcholine is **Choline**, then we do acetylation
- The precursor of norepinephrine is **Tyrosine**:
the first step is hydroxylation of tyrosine, and it is the rate>>>

Limiting step, means no hydroxylation of tyrosine, no norepinephrine, then it will be converted to dopa (levodopa), that will be decarboxylated to synthesize dopamine, so dopamine is one of the neurotransmitter, also work on sympathetic, and dopamine will still present in the blood vessels, maybe levodopa synthesis dopamine only or maybe transmitted into norepinephrine, these steps of synthesis could be inhibited by drugs.

- Note: remember that levodopa we use it to enter the brain.
- Dopa=levodopa
- Levo or dextro = the mean of rotation
- Reserpine: is the drug for hypertension, it prevents the transportation of dopamine into the vesicles (prevent the storage of it), so it prevents the sympathetic, so it reduces the blood pressure.
- Bretylium: it prevents the releasing of norepinephrine.

- After releasing of the norepinephrine, what is the fate?

First, it will bind with postsynaptic receptor, and will make IPP and G protein, and do the action depending on it's target

In cardiac ———→ it will increase heart rate

In smooth muscles ———→ it will increase the contraction

- We have two enzymes:

1) COMT (catechol-o- methyltransferase)

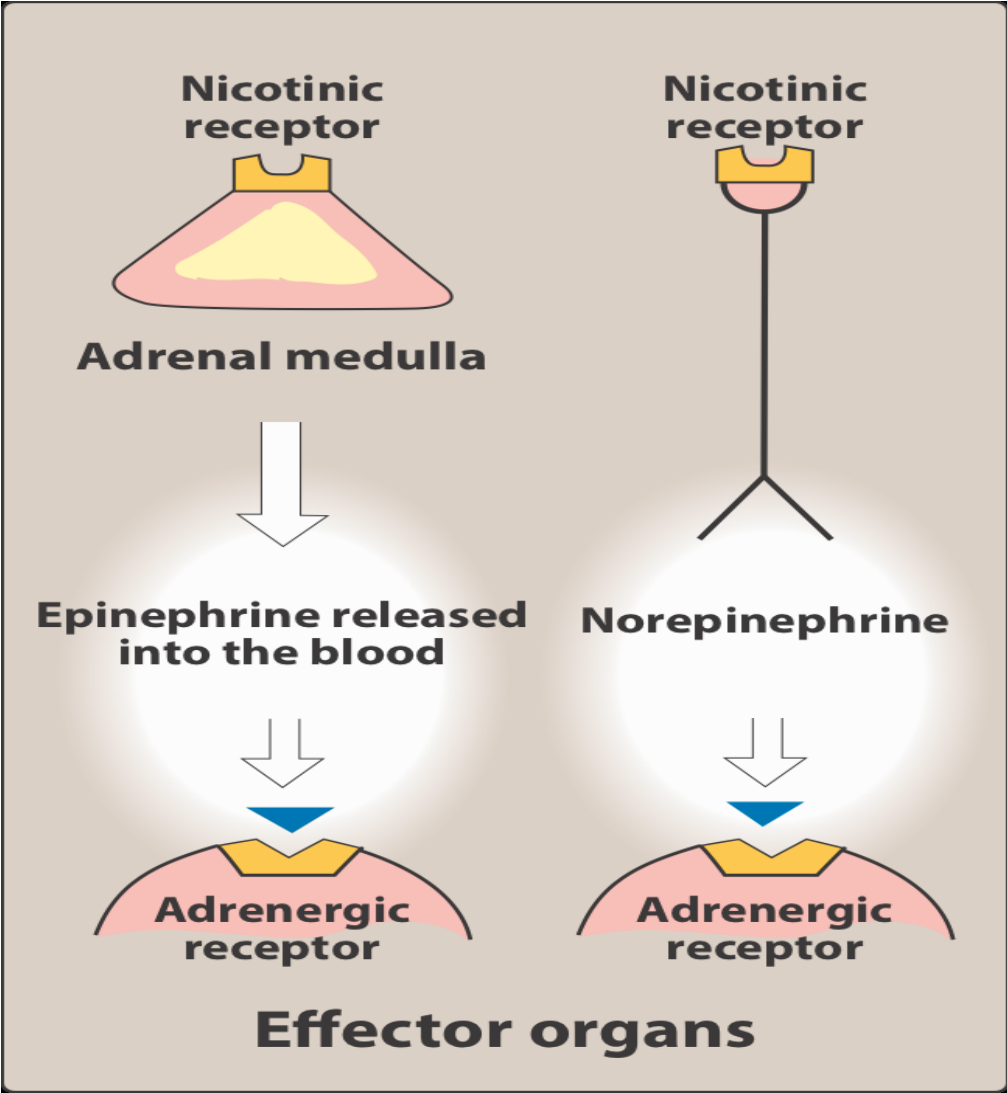
2) Mao (monoamineoxidase)

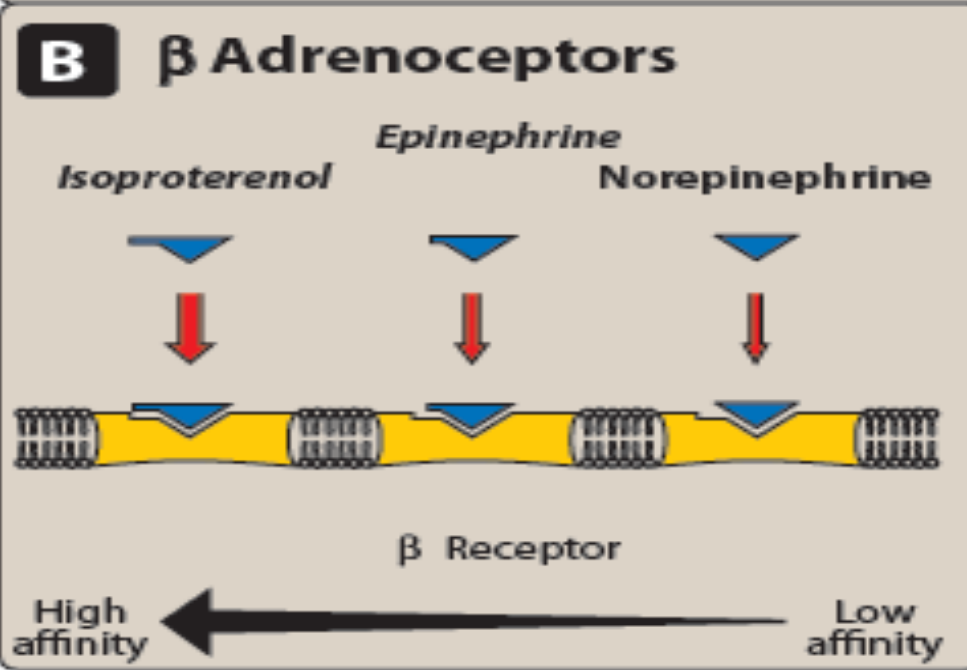
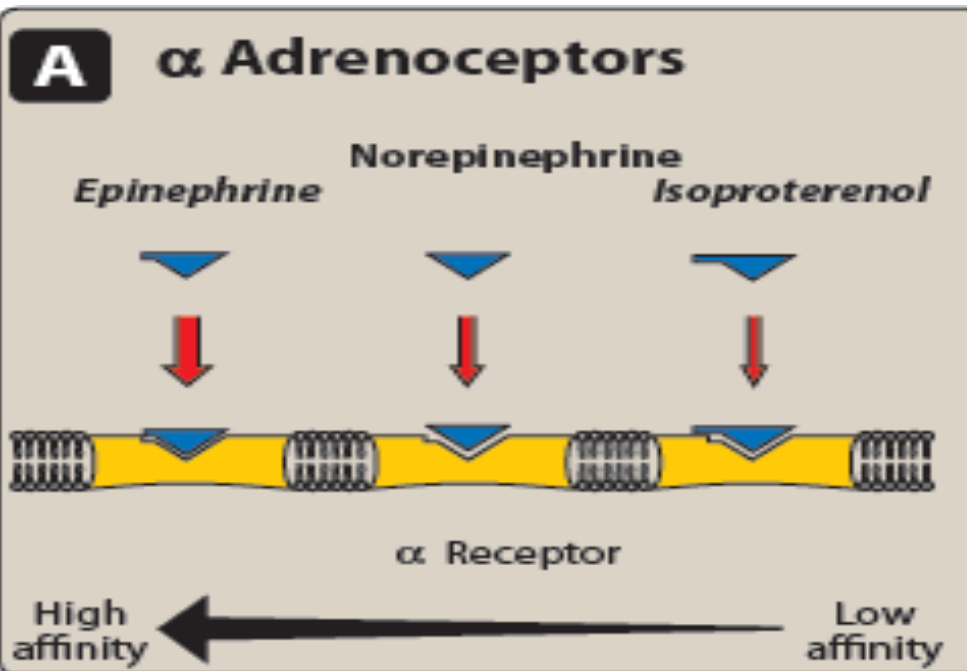
- Mao and COMT these abbreviation is international, these two enzymes can metabolize norepinephrine and terminate the action.

- So, we have Mao inhibitor drug (for depression) and COMT inhibitor drug.

- We must remember that norepinephrine and dopamine are degraded by COMT and Mao

- Mao inhibitor drug prevents the degradation of dopamine and norepinephrine and we know dopamine is secret for depression, so if I want to prevent depression, I must increase dopamine.





α -Adrenergic Receptors

	α_1	α_2
Location	Postsynaptic membrane of the effector organs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presynaptic neuron membrane: sympathetic and parasympathatic - Pancreas β cells - At certain vascular smooth muscle cells
Binding to agonist	Adrenergic effect	Feedback inhibition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- \downarrow sympathetic output -- \downarrow cholinergic output (minimal)
Effect	Classic adrenergic effect (e.g. Contraction of the smooth muscles)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Control adrenergic neuromediator - Control insulin output

ADRENOCEPTORS

α_1

Vasoconstriction

Increased peripheral resistance

Increased blood pressure

Mydriasis

Increased closure of internal sphincter of the bladder

α_2

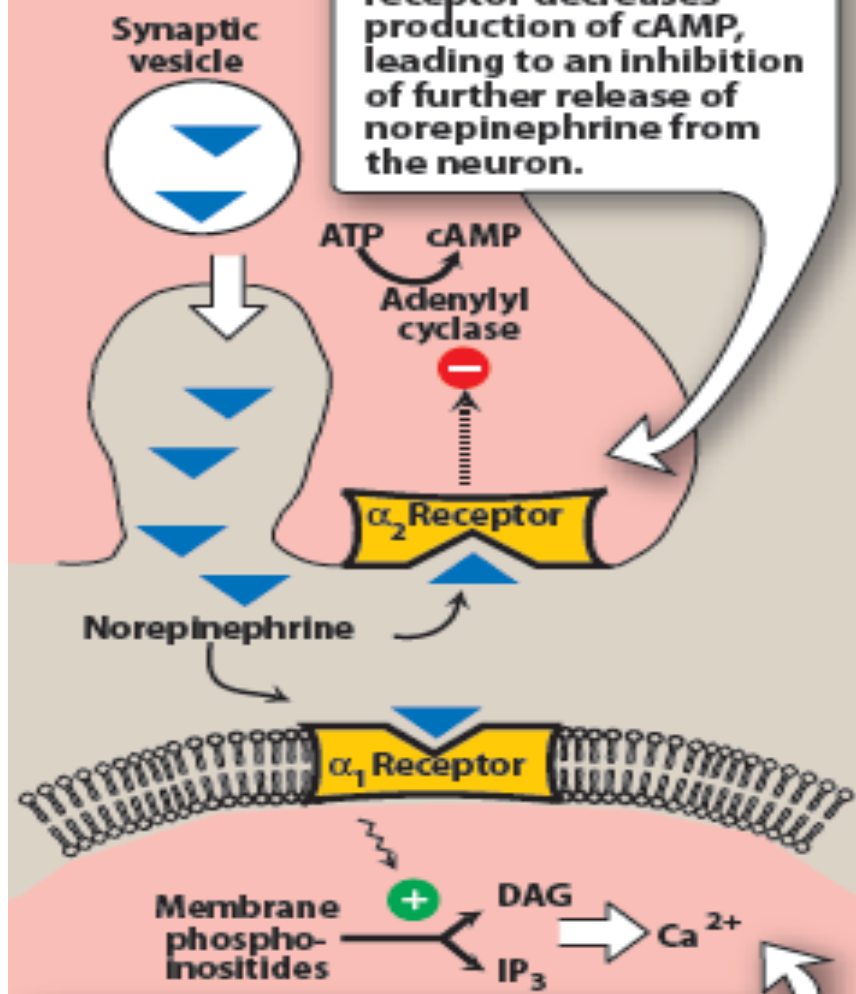
Inhibition of *norepinephrine* release

Inhibition of acetylcholine release

Inhibition of insulin release

α_2 Receptors

Activation of the receptor decreases production of cAMP, leading to an inhibition of further release of norepinephrine from the neuron.



α_1 Receptors

Activation of the receptor increases production of DAG and IP₃, leading to an increase in intracellular calcium ions.

- We have a site called a presynaptic receptor
- There is a rapid way for termination the action (not by Mao or COMT), this way is by presynaptic receptor α_2 receptor
- The reason of presence of α_2 receptor in our body is inhibition.
- So when it binds to this receptor, it will cause it to stop and it will not release
- α_2 inhibitory for cholinergic
- α_2 receptor present in presynaptic neuron for cholinergic
- α_2 receptor receive both acetylcholine and norepinephrine, so it cause the inhibition of both
- Mao and COMT will degrade norepinephrine and dopamin to tyrosine
- Nicotinic receptor in adrenal medulla mainly release epinephrine, but in adrenergic the main neurotransmitter is norepinephrine.

- But it has affinity for both epinephrine and norepinephrine
- We have 3 neurotransmitters, and all of them work at α and β receptors.
- Epinephrine has a higher affinity to α and β receptors than norepinephrine
- α_1 is mainly in postsynaptic in smooth muscles
- α_2 is mainly in presynaptic, so it is inhibitory action for both sympathetic and parasympathetic, it causes the termination of the action by stopping the release of neurotransmitter
- α_2 is very predominant in pancreas for insulin release
- In general the action of α_1 :
 - 1) α_1 stimulation cause vasoconstriction of smooth muscles
 - 2) The pressure will increase
 - 3) The peripheral resistance will increase

These 3 are important for cardiogenic shock.

- Cardiogenic shock= hypovolemic shock, that means the patient has hypotension, hypovolemia → so I have to increase it
- α_1 in urinary bladder causes closure of internal sphincter, it's important for urination.
- α_2 → inhibition for acetylcholine norepinephrine, and insulin release
- When the α_2 will work as insulin inhibitor?

When the glucose decreases, it will cause α_2 to stop release of insulin.

- There is nothing in common between α_1 and α_2
- α_1 is stimulator while α_2 is inhibitor
- α_1 at smooth muscle causes vasoconstriction, whereas α_2 doesn't involve in vasoconstriction.

β -Adrenergic Receptors

- β receptors: β_1 , β_2 and β_3
- Different locations, hence, functions
- β_1 : more predominant at Heart
- β_2 : more predominant smooth muscle (blood vessel and bronchi)
- β_3 and little β_1 are located in adipose tissue!lipolysis
- Drugs differ in affinity to β receptors
- β_1 receptors have approximately equal affinities for **epinephrine and norepinephrine**,
- β_2 receptors have a higher affinity for **epinephrine** than for norepinephrine

ADRENOCEPTORS

β_1

Tachycardia

Increased lipolysis

Increased myocardial contractility

Increased release of renin

β_2

Vasodilation

Slightly decreased peripheral resistance

Bronchodilation

Increased muscle and liver glycogenolysis

Increased release of glucagon

Relaxed uterine smooth muscle

TISSUE	RECEPTOR TYPE	ACTION	OPPOSING ACTIONS
Heart <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sinus and AV ● Conduction pathway ● Myofibrils 	β_1 β_1 β_1	↑ Automaticity ↑ Conduction velocity, automaticity ↑ Contractility, automaticity	Cholinergic receptors Cholinergic receptors
Vascular smooth muscle	β_2	Vasodilation	α -Adrenergic receptors
Bronchial smooth muscle	β_2	Bronchodilation	Cholinergic receptors
Kidneys	β_1	↑ Renin release	α_1 -Adrenergic receptors
Liver	β_2	↑ Glucose metabolism, lipolysis	α_1 -Adrenergic receptors
Adipose tissue	β_3	↑ Lipolysis	α_2 -Adrenergic receptors

Skeletal muscle	β_2	\uparrow Potassium uptake, glycogenolysis Dilates arteries to skeletal muscle	—
Eye-ciliary muscle	β_2	Relaxation	Cholinergic receptors
GI tract	β_2	\downarrow Motility	Cholinergic receptors
Gall bladder	β_2	Relaxation	Cholinergic receptors
Urinary bladder detrusor muscle	β_2	Relaxation	Cholinergic receptors
Uterus	β_2	Relaxation	Oxytocin

- β_1 is on the heart, by sympathetic stimulation it will cause increase the contraction (inotropic) and increase the heart rate (chronotropic)

إذا عندي مريض وبدي أزيد ال heart rate وأعطيه دواء يزيد شغل ال β_1 شو هذا المرض؟

Bradychardia= we call it cardiac arrest (not cardiogenic shock)

Shock means hypotension and hypovolemia

لما ييجي واحد ضغطه أقل من 60 بعطيه β_1

- β_2 is more predominant in the lung, when I give agonist it causes bronchodilation
- All asthma's drugs are β_2 agonist
- β_3 has a little action, but mainly in lipolysis and some insulin secretion

- β_1 agonist cause:

- 1) (+) chronotropic

- 2) (+) inotropic

- 3) (+) increase lipolysis, sometimes needed but in certain situations, maybe considered as side effect

- 4) (+) increase release of renin

هذا موجود عند α كمان, ولكن ما رح يشتغلوا مع بعض واحد بزيد افراز وواحد بقلل افراز حسب حاجتي

- All above are used in **bradycardia hypotension**

- β_2 actions:

- β_1 causes vasoconstriction, while β_2 causes vasodilation

- Glucagon: cause glycogenolysis= degradation of glycogen to glucose, so increase the glucose

- Glucagon is the opposite of insulin

Adrenergic Agonists (Sympathomimetic)

- They are classified according to their structure:

A. Catecholamines

- such as **epinephrine, norepinephrine, isoproterenol, and dopamine**
- show highest potency in activating α or β receptors.
- Rapid inactivation: metabolized by COMT and MAO
- Short $t_{1/2}$
- Poor penetration into the CNS: polar
- Only parenterally (not effective orally)

Adrenergic Agonists Sympathomimetic

- They are classified according to their structure:

B. Noncatecholamines

- include **phenylephrine, ephedrine, and amphetamine**
- Low potency
- have longer half-lives, because they are not inactivated by COMT.
- Greater access to the CNS.
- Oral and parenterally

- What is the neurotransmitter that act on sympathetic?

There is two types of neurotransmitters act on sympathetic, and can be divided according to their structure

- Epinephrine, norepinephrine, isoproterenol, and dopamine → have the same structure, they have catecholamine
- These 4 neurotransmitters are inside my body, and I can make drugs from them
- ولكن عندهم مساوي:

they have higher potency, because they are similar to my body, and they have similar activity, but they are inactivated by COMT and Mao, they are targets for these enzymes, so the terminate the action very fast, so short half life

- The half life of epinephrine is short, so there is no orally epinephrine, it's only parenteral, because I don't want it to last too much

لما عملوا non-catecholamine يلي بختلف من حيث التركيب, وجدوا انهم أفضل

Because they don't penetrate the CNS

- Non-catecholamine: have structure difference, and they have a longer onset of action
- Ex: Amphetamine(ceptagon)
- Increase stimulation of epinephrine

المريض لما يوخذه بتنبيه زيادة زي ال block , مثل العضلة لما تعمل انقباض
ويصيرلها paralysis

- Pseudoephedrine and phenylephrine are drugs for decongestant
- Ortivin:

ممنوع ينعطى لأكثر من ٣ أيام حتى لو كان decongestant asprey لل
nasal لانه بصير tolerance وبالتالي زيادة الجرعة ممكن تعمل rebound

كيف بتعمل rebound؟

معناها لما الواحد يوخذ دواء منوم ويوقف عنه فترة طويلة, اذا وقف فجأة بعمله rebound anxiety يعني يرجعه ال anxiety بزيادة

فإذا طول على ال decongestant بعمله reborn decongestant مرة ثانية وبطول عنده الحالة لحتى تشفى, فممنوع استخدمه لأكثر من ٣ أيام

- Non-catecholamine, they aren't metabolized by COMT and Mao, so have longer duration of action, but they are given orally, nasal, drop, or parentally

ما عندي مشكلة فيهم ولكن they can cross CNS ولهيك بنعسوا شوي

مركز ال amphetamine هو الدماغ, فكل هذول الأدوية can cross the BBB
So, they cause sedation or tolerance or addiction