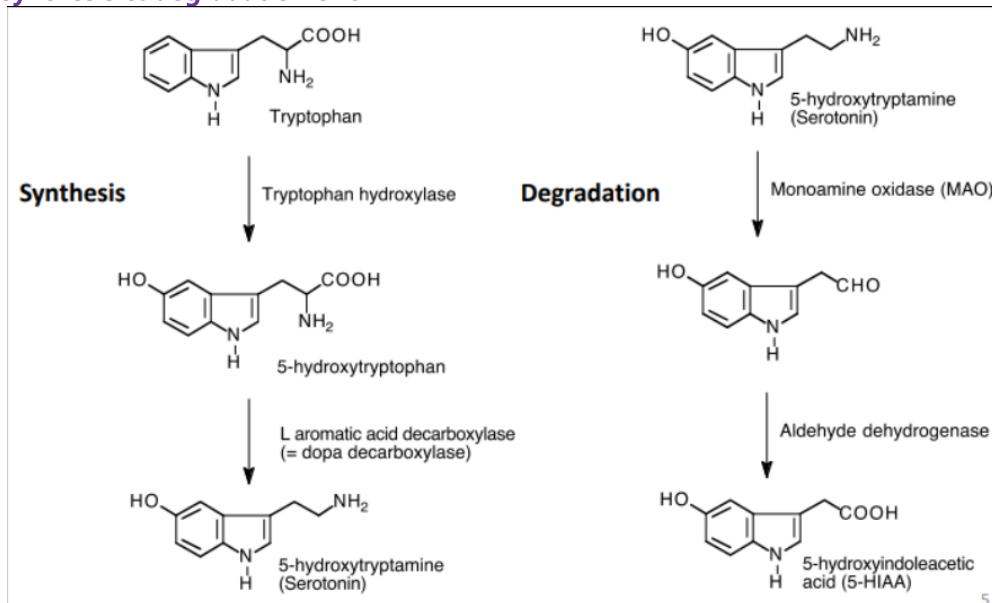


Serotonin - Migraine and Depression

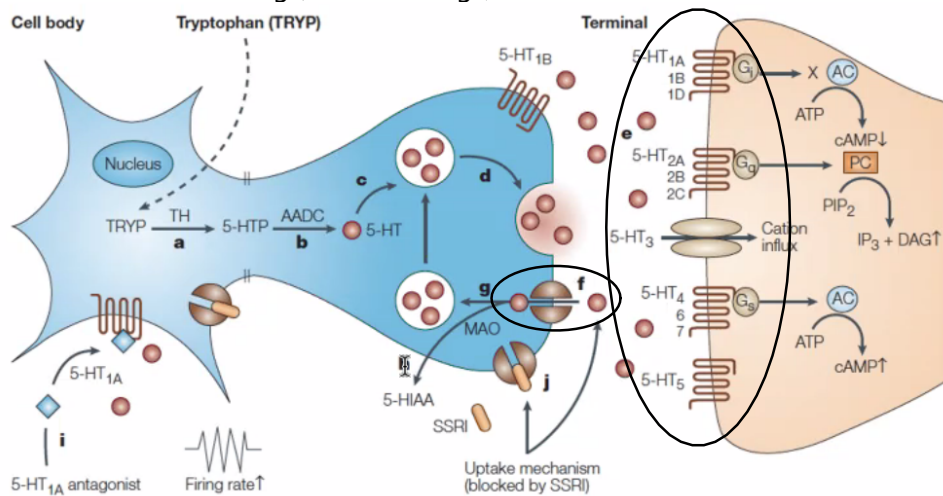
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To know about serotonin - how it is synthesised and degraded in cells and its receptors

Biosynthesis & degradation of 5-HT



- 5-HIAA excreted in urine, and is a good marker for high serotonin in CNS (serotonin syndrome/toxicity)
- Oxidation: C=O bonding \uparrow C-H bonding \downarrow



- 半圆形的是 serotonin reuptake receptor
- 5-HT \rightarrow serotonin receptor

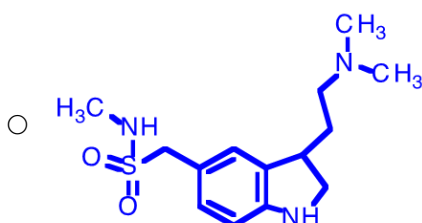
To know about antimigraine, anxiolytics and antidepressants and examples of each

Migraine

- Unilateral headache
- **Photophobia, phonophobia** 怕声音
- **Calcitonin gene related peptide (CGRP)** and **vasoactive intestinal peptide (VIP)** have shown to be changed during migraine headache

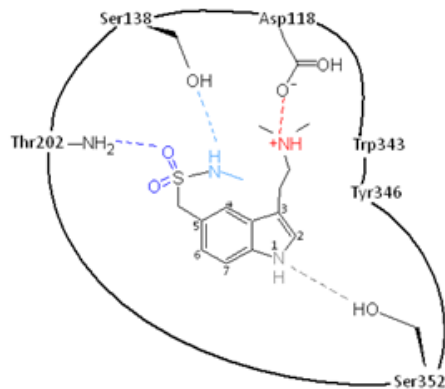
Antimigraine

- **Triptans 5-HT_{1B/D/F} agonists**



- **Sumatriptan**
- Bind to **5-HT_{1D}** on nerve terminals and **5-HT_{1B}** on blood vessels
 - **1D**: Prevent release of **Calcitonin gene related peptide (CGRP)**
 - **1B**: vasoconstriction

○ Structure Activity Relationships of Triptans

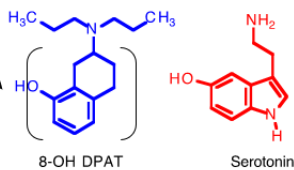


- An aromatic
- Protonated nitrogen (ionic bonds)
- Hydroxyl or amino groups; electro-negative group
- H-bonding potential
- Lipophilicity
- Large group on C2 position of indole ring converts agonist to antagonist
- Olcegepant
 - CGRP antagonist high efficacy in inhibiting neurogenic vasodilatation with no effect on basal blood pressure or heart rate

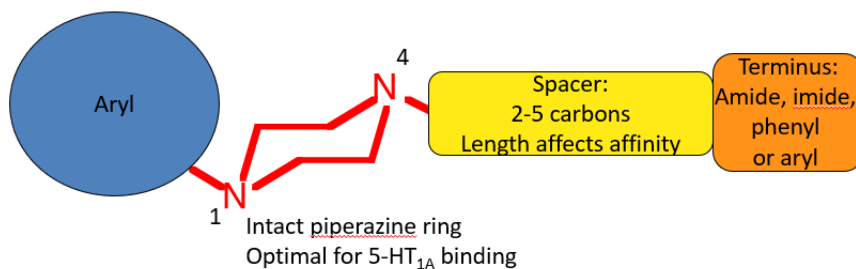
Depression

Anxiolytics and antidepressants – 5-HT_{1A} agents

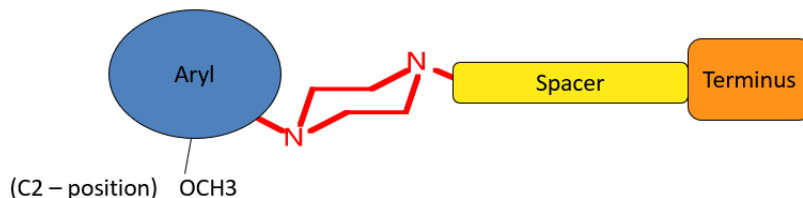
Tetralin nucleus



5-HT_{1A} Agonists: Long-chain arylpiperazines (LCAPS)



5-HT_{1A} "silent" antagonists or very weak partial agonists: LCAPS



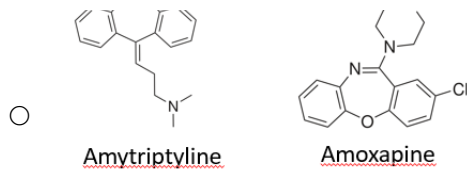
Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors as Antidepressants

- Tricyclic -- Amitriptyline
- Tetracyclic -- Mirtazapine
- SNRI -- Desvenlafexine
- SSRI -- Sertraline, Fluoxetine, Escitalopram

Structures of tricyclic antidepressants (TCA)

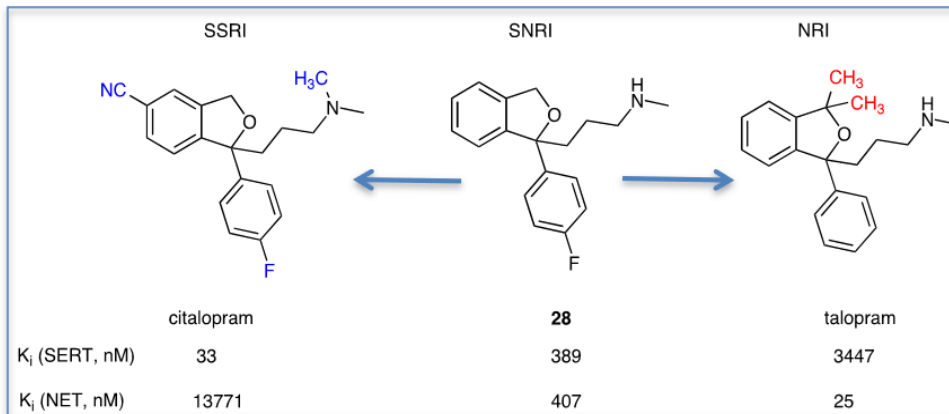
- Aromatic ring pockets
- Protonated distal nitrogen
- Bind to SERT, NET and monoaminergic receptors
- **Non-selective** inhibitor



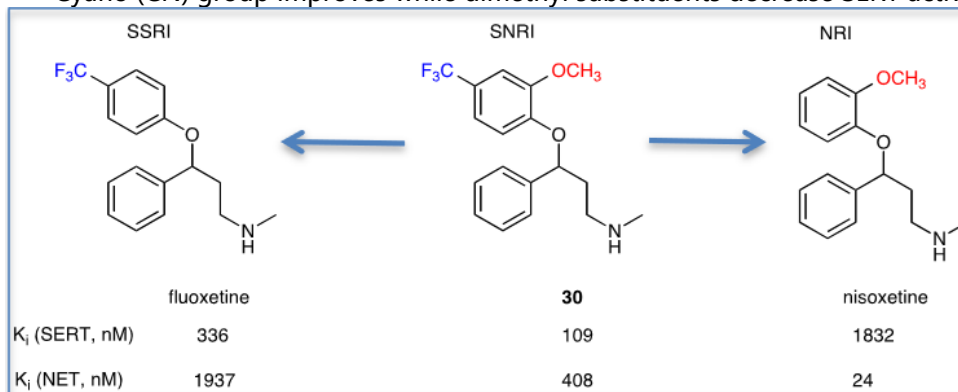


- 2-3 Carbon spacer before dimethylamino group "A-shape" or "butterfly shape"
- Distal protonated amine
- Metabolised in liver to N-desmethyl analogues and metabolites are active

Structure activity of citalopram



- Cyano (CN) group improves while dimethyl substituents decrease SERT activity



- CF₃ -- Necessary for SERT
- Introducing OMe in ortho position introduces NET activity
- Removal of CF₃ from para position eliminates SERT and retains NET
- Therefore phenoxy group determines selectivity

