

UNIT-IIIrd PHARMACOLOGY

Pharmacology of drugs acting on

Peripheral Nervous System

- Nervous System → It control and co-ordinate the human body and it gives the quick response to our body.

Nervous System

Central Nervous System (CNS)

↓
+
Brain
+
Spinal cord

Peripheral Nervous System (PNS)

- Somatic Nervous System → In this system, voluntary movement happens (which we can control). e.g. Hand movement, walking etc.
- Autonomic Nervous System → In this system, involuntary movement happens (which we can't control). e.g. Breathing, Digestion, Heart rate etc..

* Now, we have to study ^{about} the action of drugs which act on PNS.

Sympathetic Nervous System

Parasympathetic Nervous System

- CNS → It is a main system of our body which consist of brain and spinal cord. It coordinates the body.

- PNS → It consist all nerves of our body which transmit information from body to brain or brain to body. It consist the somatic and autonomic nervous system.

Somatic Nervous System → In this system,

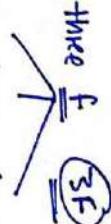
Syllabus :-

- Organization and function of ANS.
- Neurohumoral transmission, co-transmission and classification of neurotransmitter.
- Parasympathomimetics, Parasympatholytics, Sympathomimetics, Sympatholytics.
- Neuromuscular blocking agent and skeletal muscle relaxants (peripheral).
- local anaesthetic agents
- Drugs used in myasthenia gravis and glaucoma.

Organisation and function of ANS

- ANS - Autonomic Nervous System
- It involves involuntary responses (movement) of our body
 - It further divided into two parts :-
 - i) Sympathetic N.S.
 - ii) Parasympathetic N.S.

i) Sympathetic Nervous System :-

- fight / flight situation [Abnormal]
 - Activate in condition of three f 
 - fear fight flight
- Those system which active in abnormal condition of body and maintain the body
 - example → increases heart rate, decrease digestion rate etc.

ii) Parasympathetic Nervous System :-

- Rest and Digest condition

- In this, our body come back to normal condition after any abnormal situation.

- Also help to maintain the homeostasis of body.
 - example → increase digestion rate and normal heart rate etc...

- # Both system are motor function of body
- # Both system are important to maintain the homeostasis and work of our body.

- Different b/w Sympathetic & Parasympathetic system

Sympathetic Nervous System	Parasympathetic Nervous System
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involved in the <u>fight or flight response</u> prepare the body for <u>any potential danger</u>. increase heartbeat, muscle tense up. \cong pupil dilate saliva secretion is inhibited 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involved in maintaining homeostasis and also permits the <u>rest and digest response</u> to bring the body to a state of calm. reduces heartbeat, muscle relaxes. pupil contract saliva secretion increases, digestion increases

NEUROHUMORAL TRANSMISSION

Neurohumoral \rightarrow Neuro \rightarrow Nerve / Neuron

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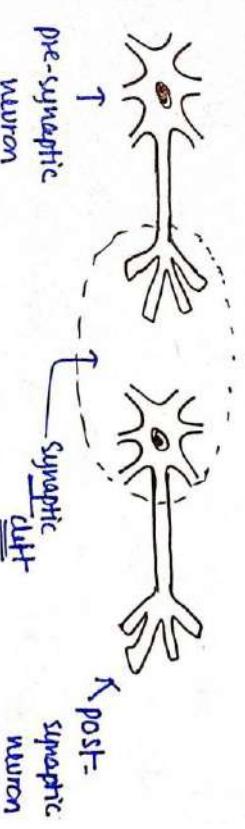
Humoral \rightarrow chemical messenger

- It is the process of transfer of

any message or signal from one neuron

to another neuron with the help of

any chemical messenger (neurotransmitter, hormone)



pre-synaptic neuron

post-synaptic neuron

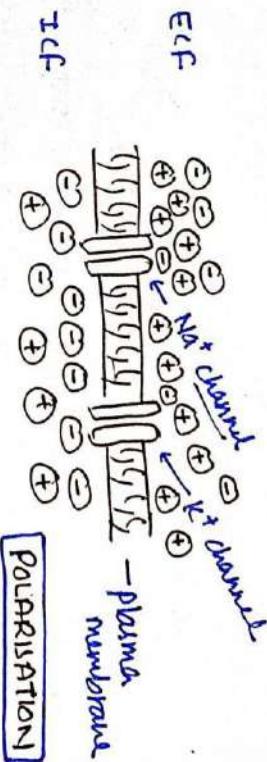
Adrenaline and nor-adrenaline

Acetylcholine.

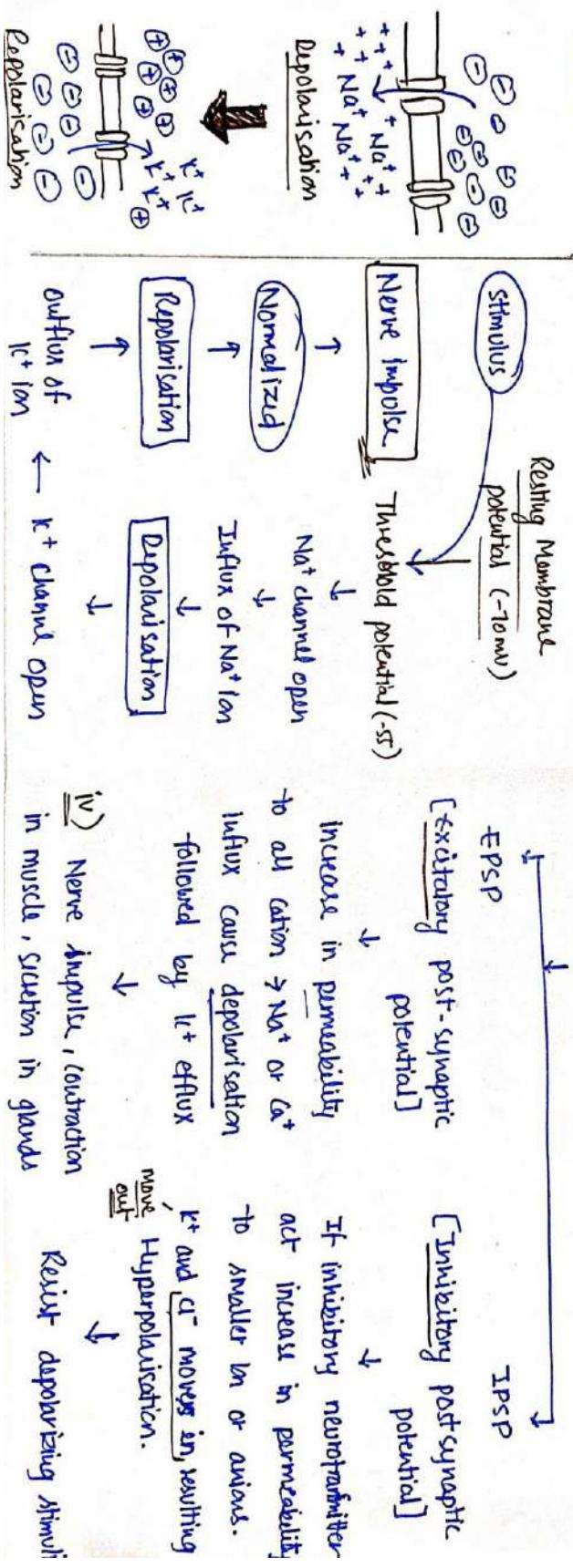


Receptor \rightarrow Post

- for this purpose, firstly neurotransmitter is synthesized and stored in vesicles in nerve terminals.
- Now, Neurohumoral transmission involves following steps :—
 - i) Impulse conduction
 - ii) Transmitter release
 - iii) Transmitter action on post functional membrane
 - iv) Post functional activity
 - v) Termination of transmitter action.
- i) Impulse conduction :—
 In this step, firstly impulse is generated by the process of "action potential".
 At resting state [when nerve impulse is not transmitted from neuron], Resting transmembrane potential is -70 mV .
 • Na^+ ion have high concentration at outside the cell and more (-)ve charge at inside the plasma membrane.
- K^+ ion have high concentration at inside the cell and more (+)ve charge at inside the plasma membrane.
- Depolarisation :— When any kind of stimulus detected, then it changes the Resting membrane potential to less potential. (increases).
 - If stimulus change resting potential (-70 mV) to (-55 mV) then it is called threshold potential.
 - Threshold potential open Na^+ ion channel. So Na^+ ion enters inside the cell and (+)ve charge produce inside the cell and (-)ve at outside the cell and it is called depolarisation.



- Re-polarisation :- stimulus continues increase the potential, now when potential reaches at (+20 mV to +30 mV) it open K⁺ ion channel and K⁺ ion move outside the cell.
- The ionic distribution is normalized during the refractory period by the activation of Na⁺ K⁺ pump.
- # The cycle of depolarisation and repolarisation is called action potential.
- These action potential works 1000 times in our second.



- i) Transmitter release \rightarrow Nerve impulse promotes fusion of vascular and axonal membrane, through Ca²⁺ entry which fluidized membranes.
- ii) Transmitter action on postjunctional membrane :- with specific receptor on postjunctional membrane and depending on nature it induce two types of action
 - The transmitter release and attached to receptor.
 - Induce two types of action
- iii) Transmitter action on postjunctional membrane :- with specific receptor on postjunctional membrane and depending on nature it induce two types of action

v) Termination of transmitter action →

Neurotransmitter is degraded locally or any other mechanism.

- It can also be degraded by enzymatic action.

e.g. Acetylcholine degraded by cholinesterase

Co-transmission :-

Peripherial and central nervous system release more than one active substance when stimulated.

Definition:- Co-transmission is the release of several types of neurotransmitter from a single nerve terminal.

Co-transmitter - It is a chemical substance that is released along with primary neurotransmitter.

example - In autonomic nervous system

• Primary neurotransmitter → Ach, NA

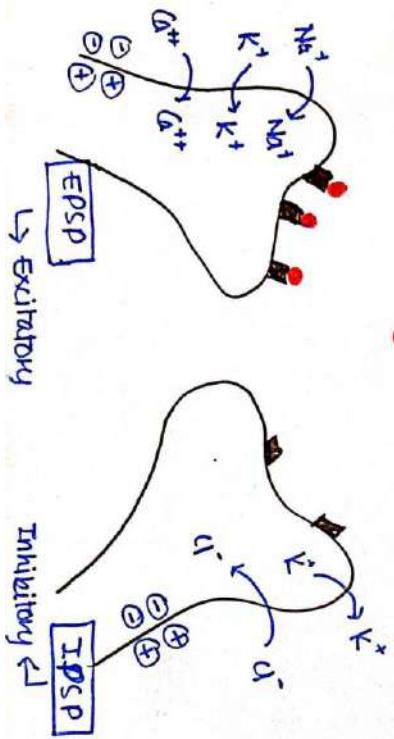
• Co-transmitter are → Purines! - ATP, Adenosine

Peptides :- Vaso intestinal peptide (VIP)

Nitric oxide

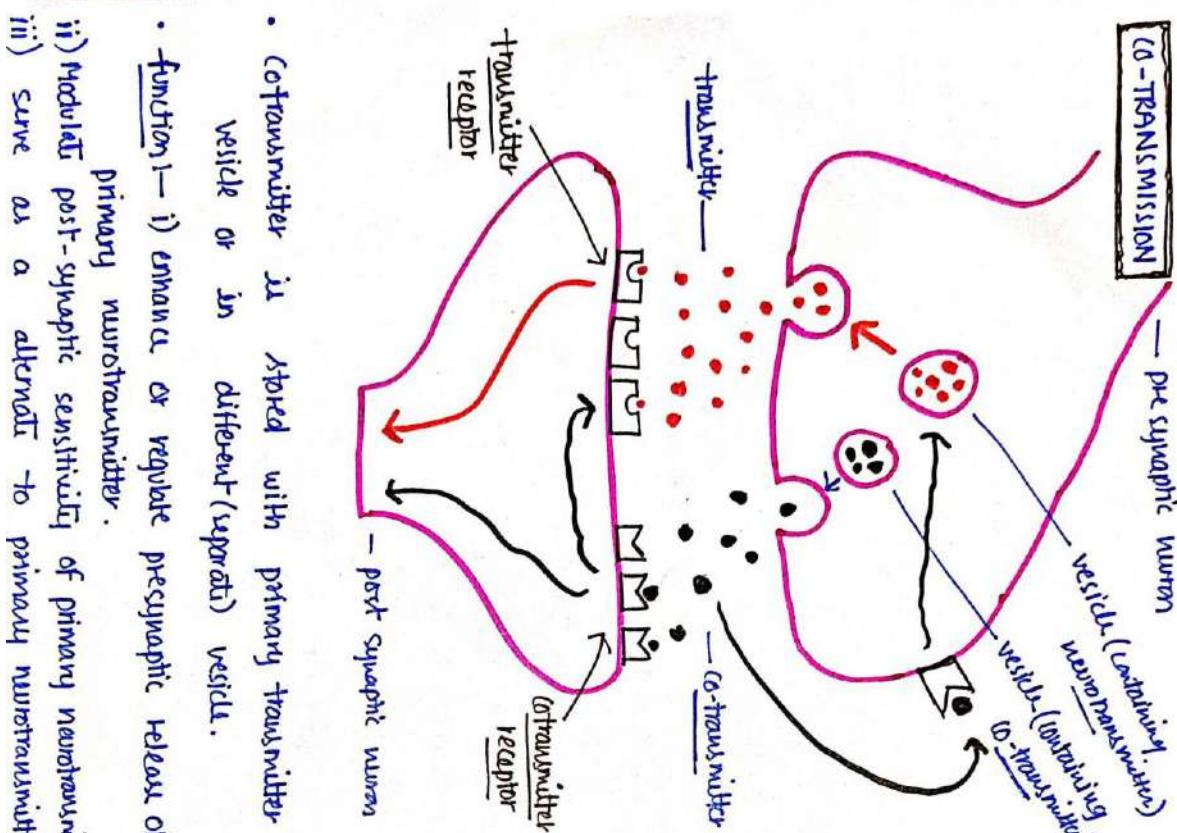
Prostaglandins (PG)

On release of Acetylcholine (ACh), Glutamate, vasoactive intestinal peptide (VIP) co-transmitter release



Classification of Neurotransmitters :-

- Neurotransmitter :- These are chemical messenger that transmit signal from a neuron to a target cell across a synapse.
- Target cells may be a other neuron or some other kind of cell such as muscle or glands.
- Thus are stored into synaptic vesicle in pre-synaptic neurons.



- Co-transmitter is stored with primary transmitter vesicle or in different (upright) vesicle.
- function— i) enhance or regulate presynaptic release of primary neurotransmitter.
- ii) modulate post-synaptic sensitivity of primary neurotransmitter.
- iii) serve as an alternate to primary neurotransmitter.
- They can be classified as either excitatory or inhibitory.
- Excitatory → Activate receptor on post-synaptic membrane and enhance the effect of the action potential (increase activity).
- Inhibitory → decrease the activity of transmitter or receptor. (decrease the effect of the action potential).
- Some neurotransmitter allows both type of activity.

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 Excitatory --> AC[Acetylcholine]
 Excitatory --> ADR[Adrenaline]
 Excitatory --> NADR[Nor-adrenaline]
 Excitatory --> DOP[Dopamine]
 Excitatory --> HIST[Histamine]
 Excitatory --> GLU[Glutamate]
 Inhibitory --> GABA[GABA]
 Inhibitory --> SER[Serotonin]
 Inhibitory --> AC2[Acetylcholine]
 Both --> GABA2[GABA]
 Both --> DOP2[Dopamine]
 Both --> AC3[Acetylcholine]

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- Nor-adrenaline → [concentration] → It improves attention and responding actions in the brain.
  - contracts blood vessels, increasing blood vessels.
  - Dopamine :- [pleasure] → feeling of pleasure, also addiction, movement and motivational.
  - people's repeat behaviours lead to dopamine release
  - Serotonin → [mood] → contributes to well-being and happiness.
  - helps sleep cycle and digestive system regulation.
  - GABA → [calming] → calm firing nerves in the CNS.
  - high level → improve focus
  - low level → cause anxiety.
  - Histamine → released by mast cells.
  - involved in local immune responses
  - contraction of smooth muscle tissue of the lungs, uterus and stomach
  - Glutamate → [memory] → involved in learning and memory. It regulates development and creation of nerve contacts.
  - leading to physical boost and aware heightened awareness.

### c. Parasympathomimetics, Parasympatholytics,

Sympathomimetics, Sympatholytics.

Drugs acting on Autonomic Nervous System

These all are those drugs which act on Autonomic Nervous system and produce effect on it.

- Adrenergic drugs [sympathomimetics]
- Antidiuretic drugs [Sympatholytics]
- Cholinergic drugs [Parasympathomimetics]
- Anti-cholinergic drugs [Parasympatholytics]

Parasympathetic Nervous System

**Cholinergic System**

Also known as Parasympathomimetics system.

Parasympathomimetics → Parasympathetic mimetic (mimic)  $\rightarrow$  copy the action.

Parasympathetic  $\rightarrow$  Nervous system

- These are those chemical agents or drugs which copy the action of parasympathetic Nervous System.
- These drugs bind with cholinergic receptors [Muscarinic & Nicotinic] and give their action.

Why??

- Introduction / Definition
- Synthesis, storage, release, Degradation
- Receptor and Mechanism
- Classification — Drugs
  - Name
  - examples
    - MoA (mechanism of action)
    - Uses
- Blocking Agents and Pharmacological action: e.g.: Acetylcholine, Carbachol, Physostigmine, Neostigmine

Pharmacological action of parasympathomimetics.

(Acetylcholine)

i) Cardiovascular system :- ( $M_2$  receptor)

- depress auricular muscles
- $\downarrow$  contraction of bundle of His AV node
- BP  $\downarrow$  due to vaso dilation.

ii) Eye:-

- Constrict the pupil and cause pupil.
- Intracocular pressure decreases.
- used in Glaucoma

iii) Skeletal muscle:-

- contraction of skeletal muscle
- useful in myasthenia gravis

iv) Respiratory system:-

- Bronchodilatation

- Induce asthma.

for more details notes on this topic, check MEDICAL CHEMISTRY UNIT-2 & 3 notes.

v) Gastrointestinal system -

- contract smooth muscle of GIT.
- increase tone, motility and peristalsis movement.

constipation & Hiccups

- increase salivary, pancreatic, liver, gall bladder and intestinal secretions.

therapeutic uses :-

- Glaucoma (physostigmine, pilocarpine)
- Myasthenia gravis (Neostigmine)
- Paralytic ileus and Post-operative urine retention (Bethanecol, carbachol)
- Atropine poisoning (physostigmine)
- Curare poisoning — neuromuscular junction block (Neostigmine)
- Alzheimer's disease (cholinesterase inhibitor)

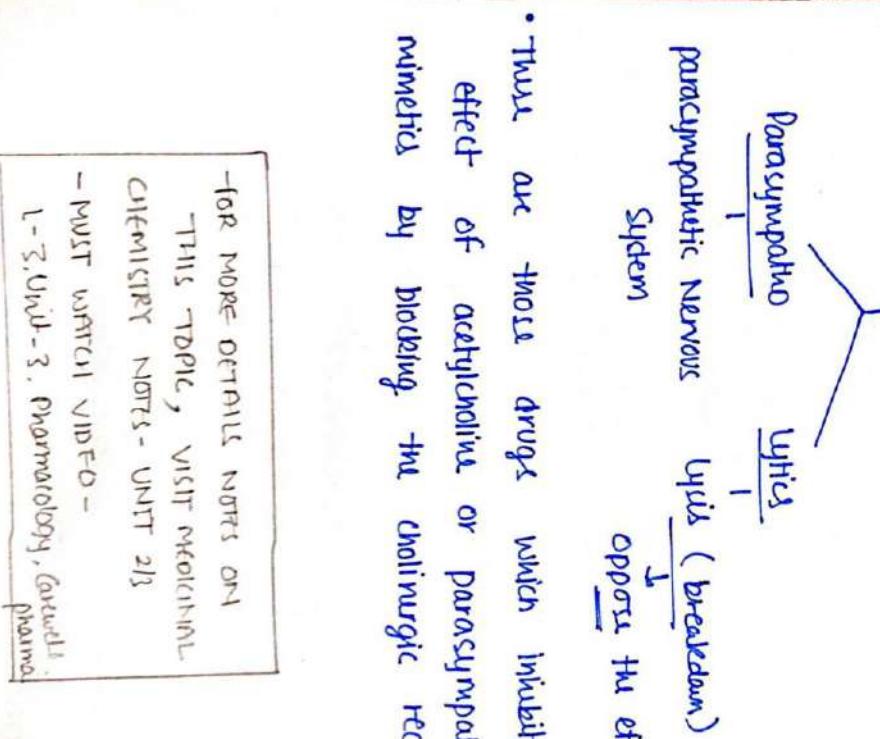
adverse effects :-

Parasympathomimetics may cause -

- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Bradycardia / hypotension (higher doses)
- cause asthma.

## Parasympatholytics

Pharmacological action of Parasympatholytics  
(Atropine).



- There are those drugs which inhibit the effect of acetylcholine or parasympatholytics by blocking the cholinergic receptors.
- It cause respiratory depression
- cause drowsiness and sedative effects.
- ii) Cardiovascular system :- It block M receptors and cause :-
  - increase the heart rate
  - increase the conduction from SA node

### iii) EYE :-

- cause mydriasis

### iv) EXOCRIN GLAND :-

- decrease secretion of Salivary, bronchial, gastric, pancreatic, lacrimal and sweat-gland.
- rise in body temp.

- for more details notes on  
this topic, visit molecular  
clerical notes - UNIT 2/3

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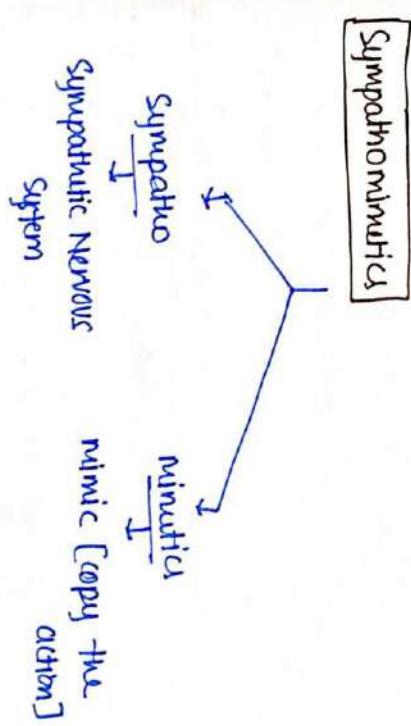
### v) GIT :-

- Reduce motility of GIT.
- Gastric juice secretion reduced
- used to treat peptic ulcer.

### • therapeutic uses :-

- Mydriasis
- Anti-parkinsonism agent
- Pre-anesthetic medication
- Motion sickness
- Peptic ulcer
- Bronchial asthma [Ipratropium]
- Anti-cold tablets.

- Adverse effects :- may cause
  - can cause glaucoma in some patients
  - Tachycardia



### ADRENERGIC SYSTEM

- It involves Sympathomimetic drugs

### Sympathomimetics

- eg. Adrenaline [epinephrine]
- Nor-adrenaline [Nor-epinephrine]
- Dopamine etc...

### Pharmacological action of sympathomimetic [Adrenaline]

- i) Cardiovascular system :-
    - increase force of contraction
    - increase in Heart rate
    - increase in cardiac output

- Blood vessels

    - on skeleton muscles — vasodilation
    - on smooth muscles — vaso constriction

ii) Respiratory system :-

    - on  $\beta_2$  receptor  $\rightarrow$  bronchodilation
    - $\alpha_1$  receptor present in the blood vessels of nasal mucosa.

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cause vasoconstriction of nasal mucosa

iii) Eye ( $\alpha_1$  receptor) :-

    - contraction of radial muscle of iris

$\downarrow$

cause mydriasis dilation of pupil of the eye.
- iv) GIT (Gastro-intestinal tract) :-
    - relaxation of GI smooth muscle.  - v) Urinary tract :-
    - relaxation of urinary bladder ( $\beta_2$ ) and closure of sphincter ( $\alpha_1$ ).
    - urinary retention.  - therapeutic effects :-
    - Bronchial asthma (Salbutamol)
    - Nasal decongestant
    - as a cardiac stimulant in case of sudden cardiac arrest.  - adverse effects :- may cause
    - Restlessness
    - Anxiety
    - Insomnia
    - Blood pressure ↑
    - Contra-indicated in
      - Hypertension
      - Diabetes
      - Arteriosclerosis.

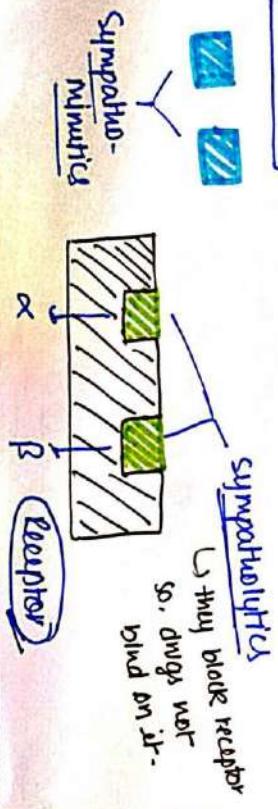
### Sympatholytic

Sympathetic Nervous System  
oppose (breakdown)

These are those drug which inhibit the effects of sympathomimetic drug by blocking the receptor.

- also known as:-
- anti-adrenergic drugs
- adrenergic antagonists
- Adrenergic blocker

### Mechanism



### pharmacological action of sympatholytics

- $\alpha_1$  blockers  $\rightarrow$  vasodilation and  $\downarrow$  BP.
- $\alpha_2$  blockers  $\rightarrow$  stimulates release of nor-adrenaline  $\downarrow$  tachycardia

- Non-selective  $\alpha$ -blockers  $\rightarrow$  produce hypotension, tachycardia, increased cardiac output.

- $\beta_1$  blockers  $\rightarrow$  decrease heart rate
- $\beta_2$  blockers  $\rightarrow$  block lipolysis + glycogenolysis

### therapeutic uses:-

- |                                     |                                     |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| i) $\alpha$ -blockers $\rightarrow$ | ii) $\beta$ -blockers $\rightarrow$ |
| • Hypertension                      | • Angina pectoris                   |
| • Congestive heart-failure          | • Myocardial infarction             |
| • Peripheral vascular disease       | • Cardiac arrhythmias               |
|                                     | • Glaucoma.                         |

## NEUROMUSCULAR BLOCKING AGENTS

### SKELETAL MUSCLE RELAXANTS (peripheral)

#### • Neuromuscular blocking agents :-

These are those agents or drugs

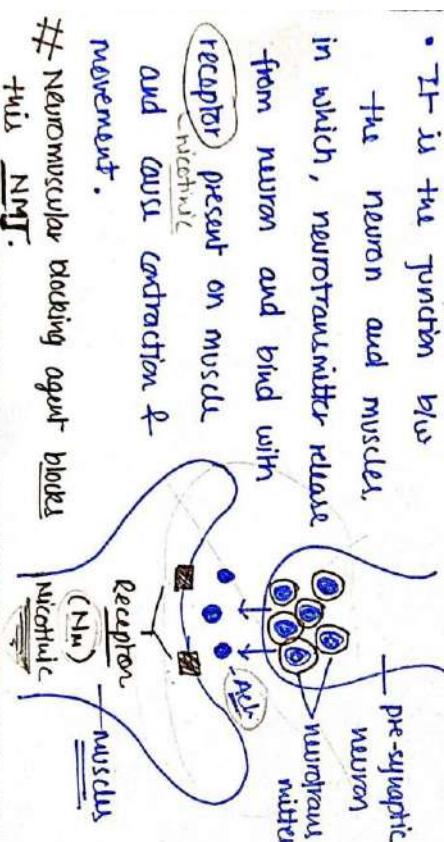
which are used to block the Neuromuscular Function (NMJ) and inhibit the contraction of muscle and cause relaxation of muscles.

• They are also known as skeletal muscle relaxants.

#### relaxants

#### — Neuromuscular Junction (NMJ)

• It is the junction b/w the neuron and muscle, in which, neurotransmitter release from neuron and bind with receptor present on muscle and cause contraction & movement.



Uses:-

• generally used by Doctor for relaxation of muscle during operation

• used to improve symptoms such as muscle spasm, pain and hyperreflexia

• used as a curare — for hunting animals, Skeletal muscle relaxants.

• used as a alternative of anaesthesia.

#### • General procedure of muscle contraction (mechanism)

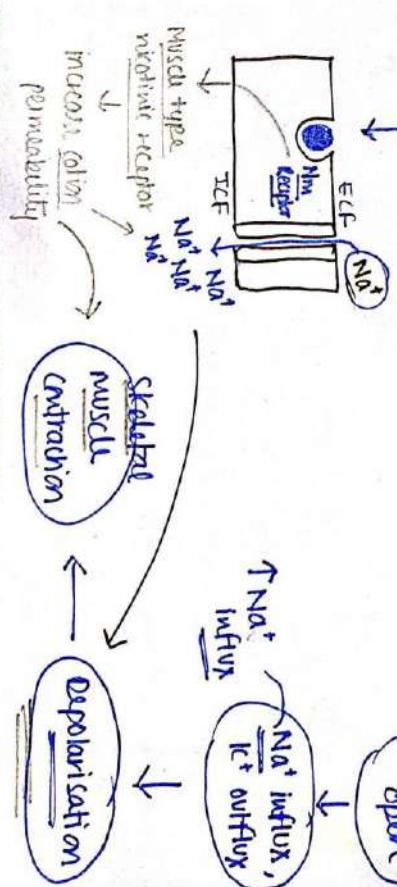
Aetylcholine → bind with Nicotinic Receptor

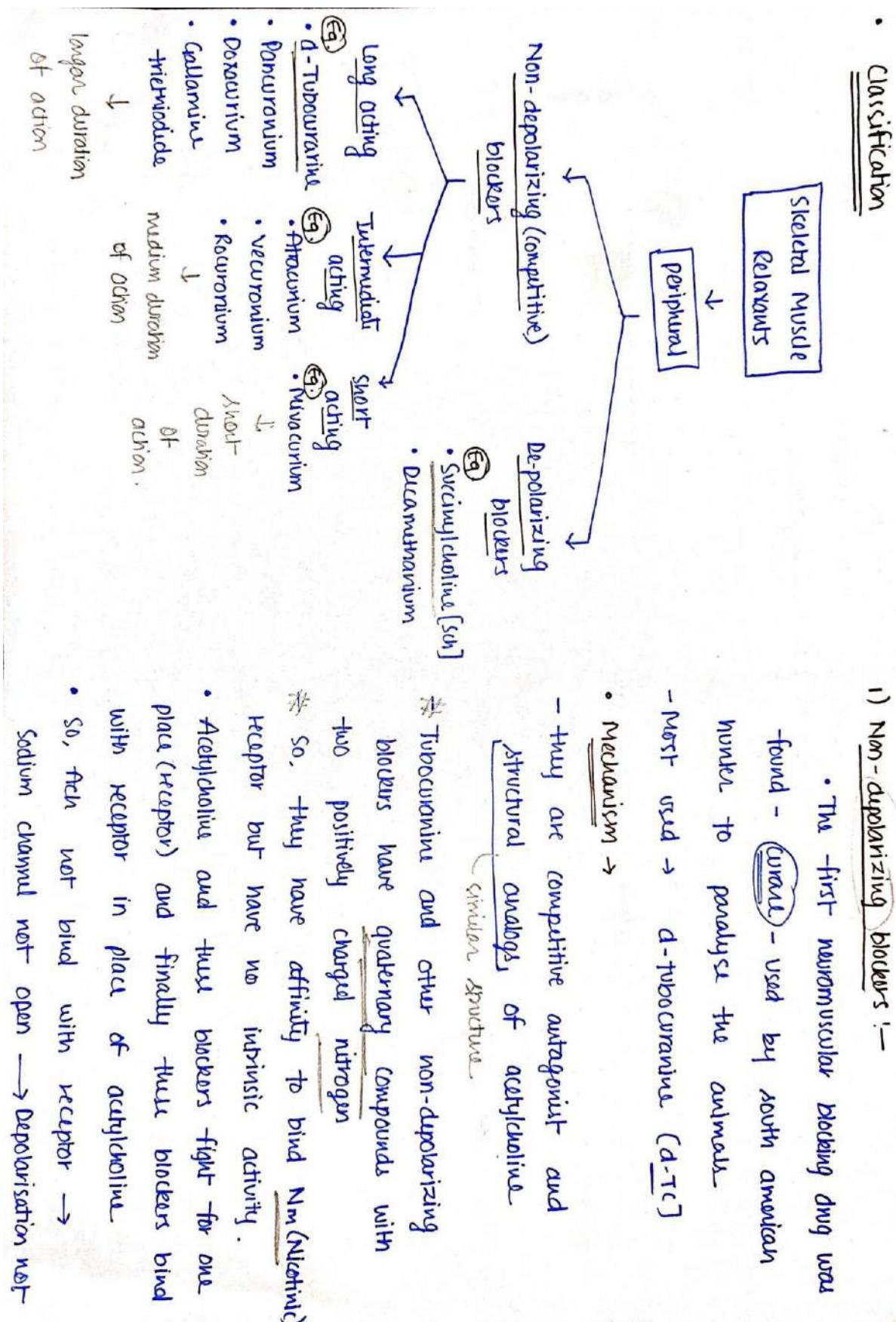
relax and bind with Nicotinic Receptor

Nicotinic Receptor →  $\text{Na}^+$  channel open

$\text{Na}^+$  influx,  $\text{K}^+$  outflux

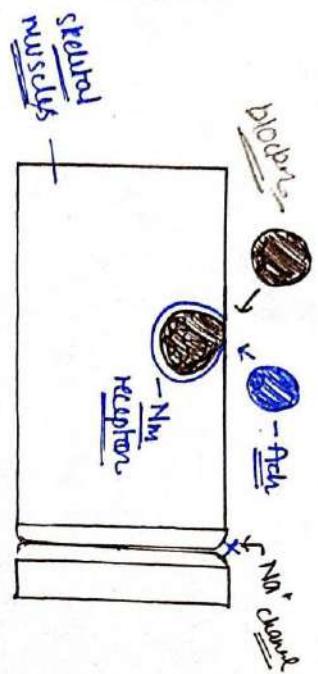
Depolarisation





occur

- therefore, the motor nerve impulse cannot transmit and contraction is stopped (prevent).
- finally, skeletal muscle relaxation occurs



• Pharmacological action :-

- skeletal muscle :-
- induced flaccid paralysis
- Paralyse act to this order -  
muscle of face  $\rightarrow$  eye  $\rightarrow$  finger  $\rightarrow$  limb  $\rightarrow$  neck
- recovery occurs in reverse order.
- Histamine release :-  
d-Tc has a greater tendency to liberate histamine from mast cells

iii) cardiovascular system :-

- d-Tc produce hypotension due to histamine release.
- Gallamine cause tachycardia.

- Respiratory effect :-
- Bronchospasm

v) Autonomic ganglia :-

- produce some degree of ganglionic blockade.
- # It can overcome or reverse by use of Neostigmine and Pyridostigmine which increase the availability of Ach (increased concentration) by inhibiting Acetylcholinesterase (enzyme).

## 2) Dop polarizing blockers :-

- These are non-competitive antagonist.

- mostly used  $\rightarrow$  succinylcholine (SCH) as general clinical use

- Succinyl choline does not hydrolyzed by

Acetylcholinesterase

### Mechanism :-

- They have similar action as acetylcholine.

- # In case, when Ach bind on receptor, it cause depolarization but after some time Ach hydrolysed by Cholinesterase enzyme.

$\downarrow$   
normal sufficient response (contraction)

- # SCH bind in place of Ach with Nm receptor.

$\downarrow$

Na<sup>+</sup> channel  $\rightarrow$  Na<sup>+</sup> ion  $\rightarrow$  Depolarization  $\rightarrow$  skeletal muscle contraction

open

Influx

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- But SCH does not hydrolyzed or terminate so cause continuous depolarization.

Desensitization of  $\leftarrow$  Repetitive excitation receptor due to excessive impulse

$\downarrow$   
Nerve conduction  $\rightarrow$  Relaxed (fatigue)

terminal

SCH  $\rightarrow$  -Ach

Nm

Receptor

No<sup>+</sup>

No<sup>+</sup>

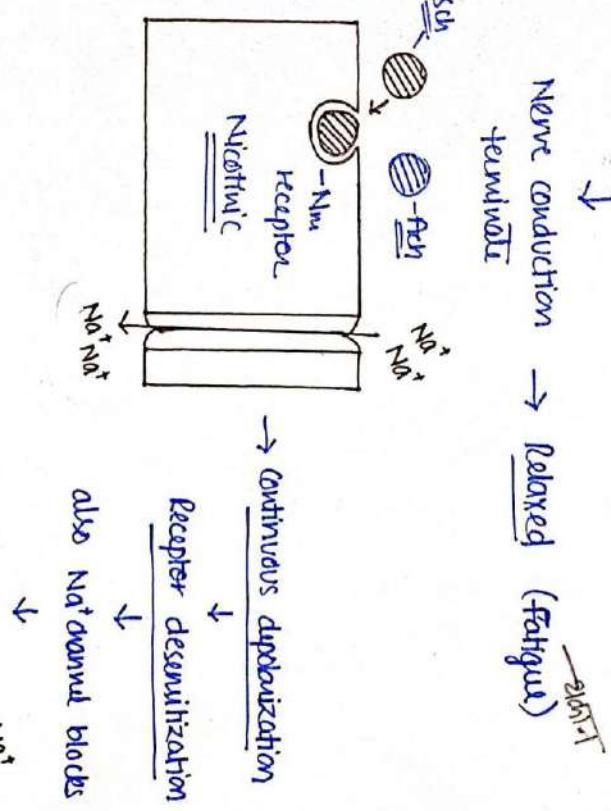
Nicotinic

$\rightarrow$  Continuous depolarization

Receptor desensitization

$\downarrow$

also Na<sup>+</sup> channel blocks



- pharmacological action —
  - muscle twitching — small muscle contraction
  - muscle soreness → pain
  - Apnoea

— muscle and tissue in the throat relax  
(total blockade of airway that last for 10 sec).

- therapeutic uses —
  - adjuvants<sup>initial ingredient</sup> to general anaesthesia

- prevent trauma during electroconvulsive therapy

- to control ventilation.

Therapy  
Used in status epilepticus.

- Adverse effects —
- muscle rigidity
- prolonged apnoea
- Nausea + Vomiting.
- muscle soreness

Example! — succinylcholine (su), it can degrade by butyrylcholinesterase

LOCAL ANAESTHETICS - LA

Anaesthetic

Basic terms:-

- Pain → A symptom of being hurt or sick.

[OR]

+ An unpleasant sensation.

- It can be mild, discomfort but sometime it is out of control.

- Sensation → It is a feeling which you feel

when you come in contact with anything. [hot, cold, soft, hard].

- Analgesic → those drugs which reduce used as a painkiller pain and produce analgesia effect.

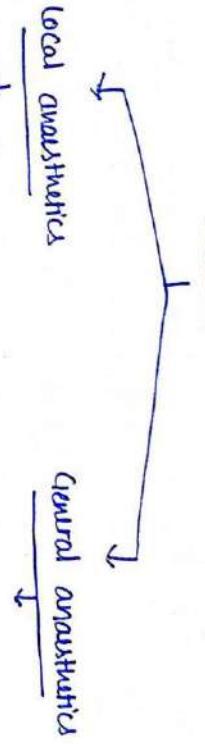
- Anaesthetic → those drugs which reduce sensation which further reduce pain.

- Reversible loss of sensation. (sensation back after some time / work).

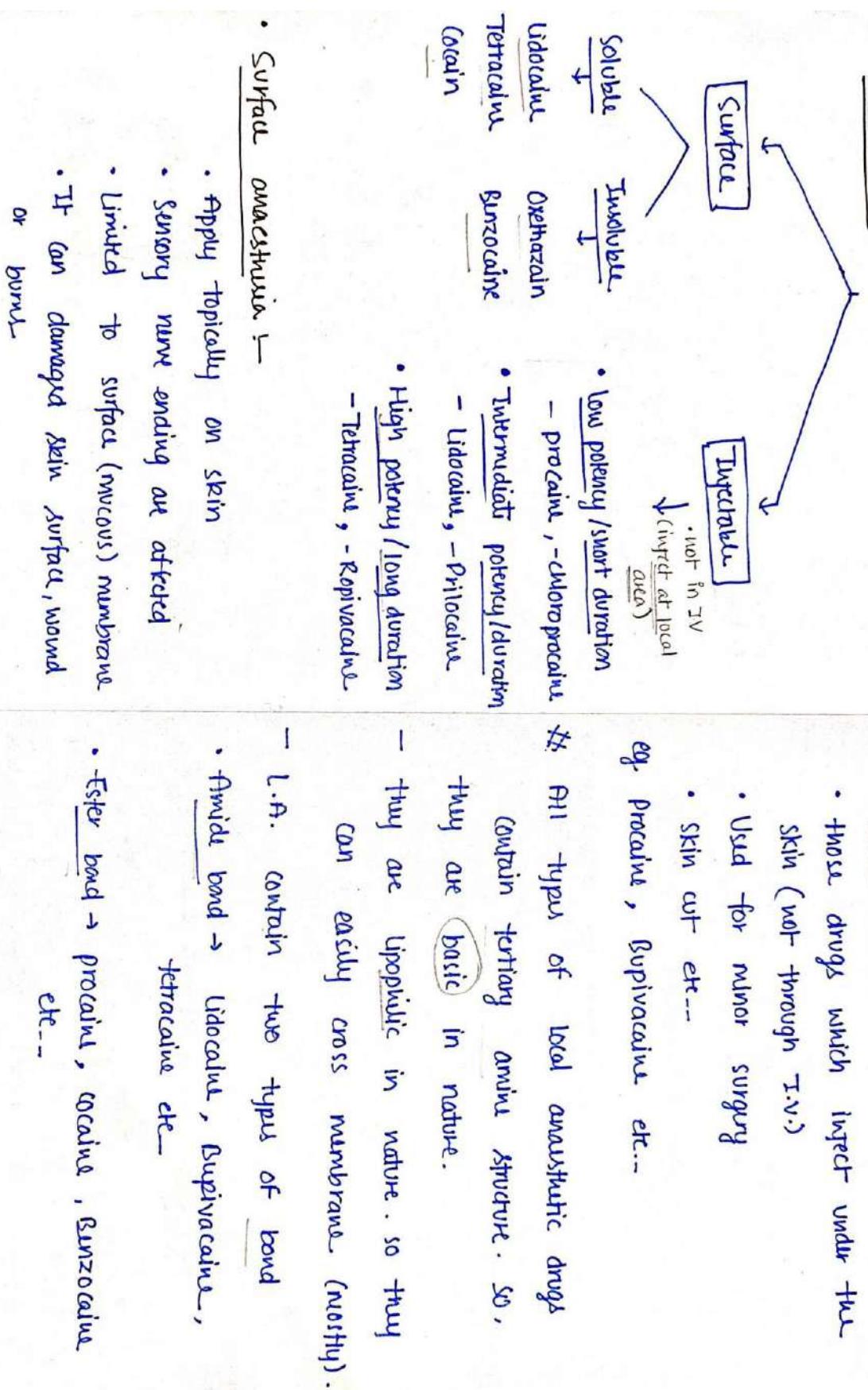
Definition:-

These are those drugs which blocks the neuronal conduction at any particular area in body.

- may produce reversible loss of sensation.
- also cause muscular paralysis.



### Classification :-



e.g. Benzocaine, Lidocaine etc..

### • Injectables anaesthesia :-

- those drugs which inject under the skin (not through I.V.)

- Used for minor surgery
- skin cut etc...

e.g. Procaine, Bupivacaine etc...

All types of local anaesthetic drugs

contain tertiary amino structure. So,

they are **basic** in nature.

- High potency / long duration**
  - Tetracaine, -Ropivacaine
  - they are **lipophilic** in nature. so they can easily cross membrane (mostly).

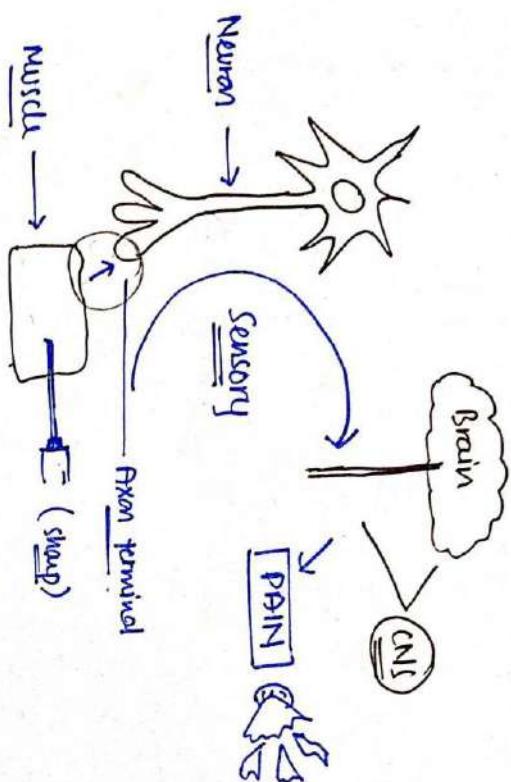
- L.A. contain two types of bond

- Amide bond** → Lidocaine, Bupivacaine, Tetracaine etc..

- Ester bond** → Procaine, cocaine, Benzocaine etc..
- It can damage skin surface, wound or burns

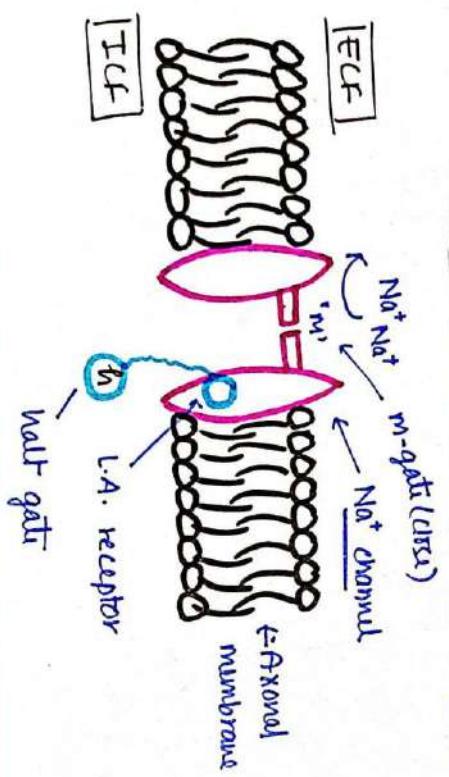
• Mechanism of action

② Activated →  
Any signal (impulse) generate → m-gat open  
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stimulating → Depolarisation →  $\text{Na}^+$  ion influx ←  $\text{Na}^+$  channel open  
 Response.



① Normal (Resting condition) →

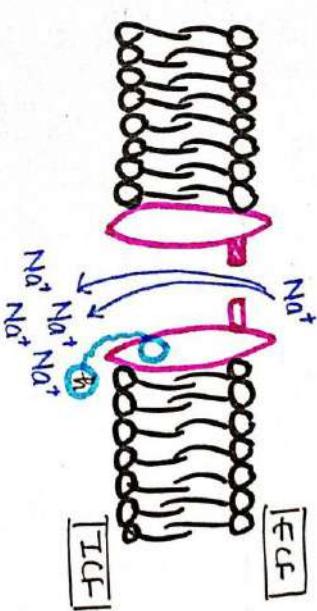
When no impulse generate → summation.  
 no



③ Inactivated → (Blocked state).

Now, L.A. drugs introduced into body. ( $\text{BH}$ )  
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which can easily cross membrane (axonal)



Now in intracellular it dissociate into  
 ionized form →  $\text{BH} \rightleftharpoons \text{B}^- + \text{H}^+$

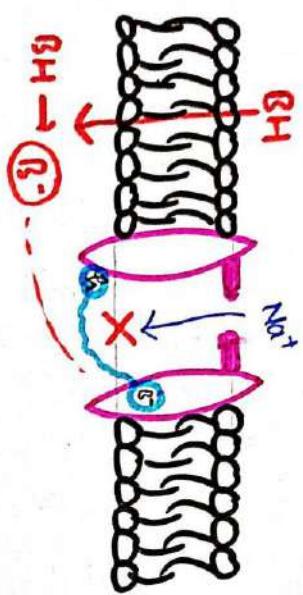
Now,  $\text{B}^-$  bind with LA receptor which  
 close (block) the  $\text{Na}^+$  channel with the help of

half( $\infty$ ) gat.



Depolarisation stop → Loss of sensation

Reversibly



- Adverse effects :-
- Tongue numbness
  - Muscle twitching
  - Hypotension
  - Redness of skin
  - Asthma

\* You can write about some drugs in details.

e.g. lignocaine, procaine, lidocaine, Benzocaine etc.

Uses :-

- loss of sensation (reduce pain).
- nerve block (block voltage gated  $\text{Na}^+$  channel).
- used as ointment, injection etc.

### DRUGS USED IN MYASTHENIA GRAVIS

- Myasthenia Gravis :- A weakness and rapid fatigue of muscle
- It is an auto-immune disorder, in which our immune system produce antibodies that block or destroy muscle's receptor.
- Breakdown in communication b/w nerves and muscle.

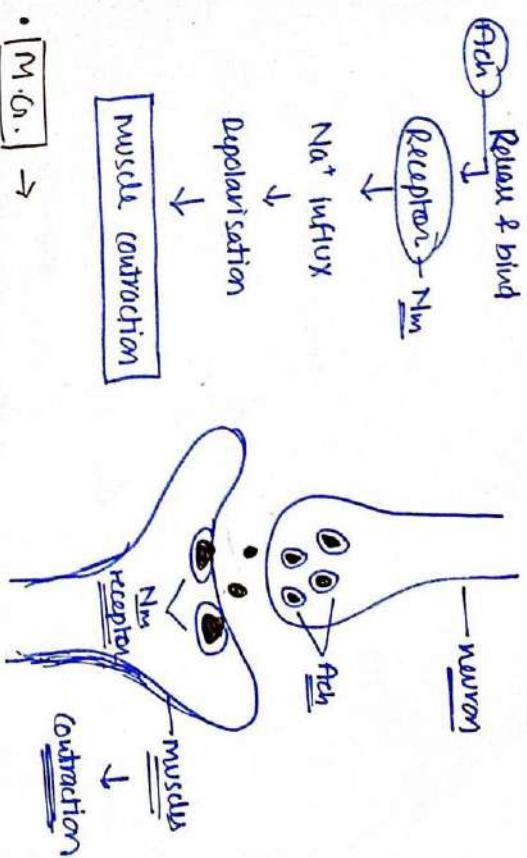
- Symptoms :-

- weakness in the arms and leg muscles.

- Double vision
- Difficulties with speech and chewing
- fatigue, shortness of breath.

- Mechanism :-

- Normal :- When myasthenia gravis not occurred our body behave normal and contraction and relaxation happened normally in muscles.



[M.G.] →

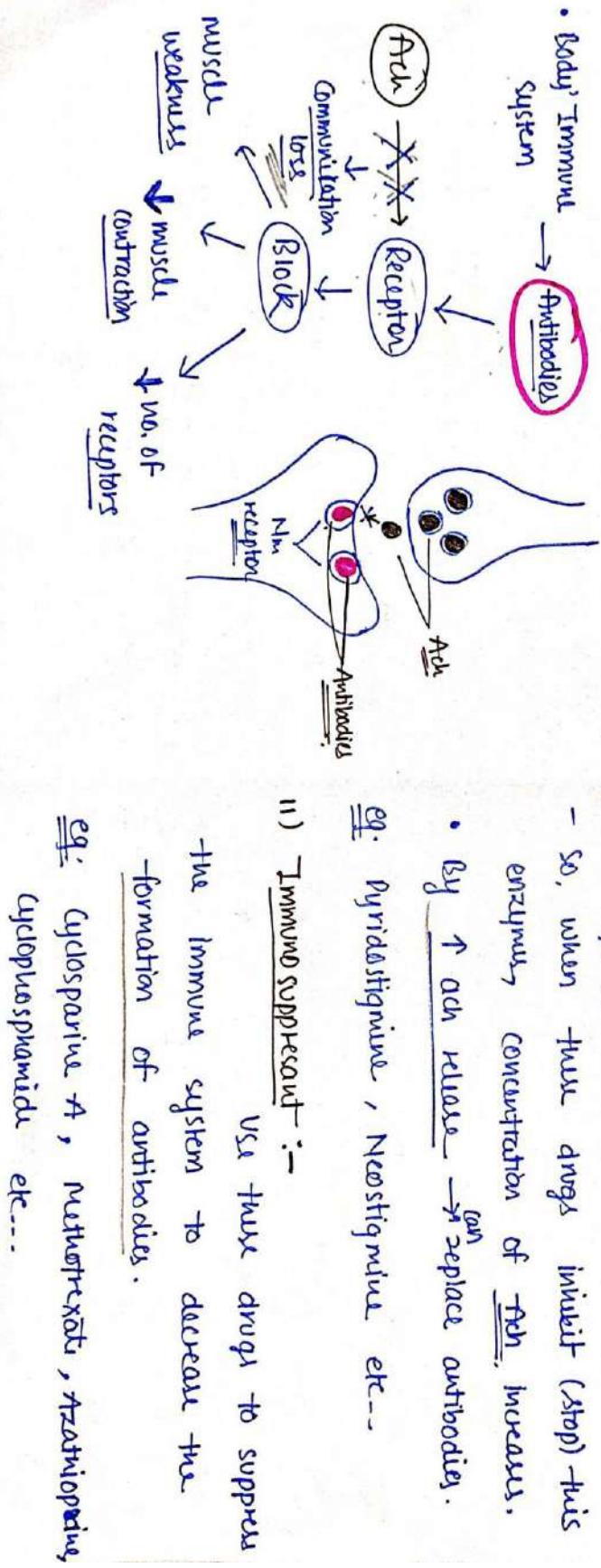
It is an auto-immune disorder.

In this disorder, our immune system produce antibodies to block/destroy the Nicotinic receptor.

Because, due to immune system thus receptors are harmful for body.

- So, these antibodies bind with these receptor and block them.
- Now due to blockage of receptor, ~~thus~~ acetylcholine (ACh) does not bind on receptor.

- Due to this, there are loss of communication b/w nerves (ach) and muscle
- which further decrease the contraction of muscles.
- Also muscle become weak & fatigue
- These antibodies also destroy or kill the receptor. Due to this there are also decrease in the no. of receptors.



- TREATMENT** - Drugs used.
- i) **Anticholinesterase** :- Use these drug to prevent myasthenia gravis.
- Acetylcholinesterase  $\xrightarrow{\text{inhibit}}$  Cholinesterase enzyme
- ii) **Immuno suppressant** :- Use these drugs to suppress the immune system to decrease the formation of antibodies.
- eg: Cyclosporine A, Methotrexate, Azathioprine, Cyclosporinamide etc...

### iii) Corticosteroids :-

- Decrease Antibodies.
- Increase synthesis of nicotinic receptor.

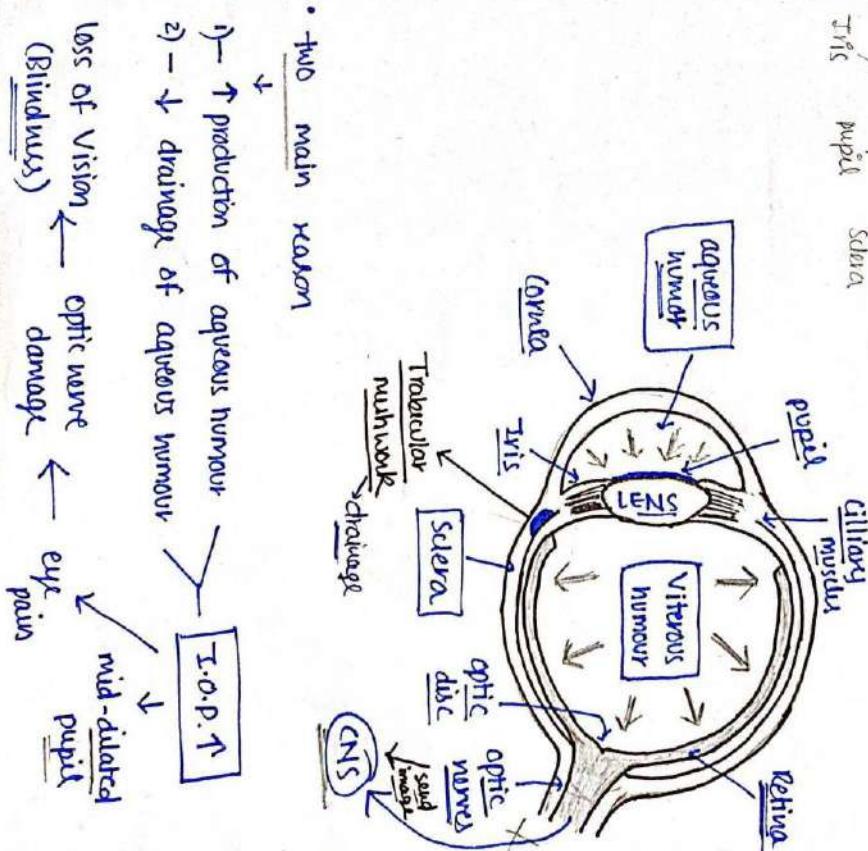
### • mechanism :-

#### iv) Plasmapheresis :- (plasma exchange)

- It is a technique used to treat myasthenia gravis.
- the plasma of the blood is exchange with substitute plasma, so Antibodies (Ab) remove from body and immune system does not attack the body's own tissue.

#### DRUG USED IN ~~GLAUCOMA~~ GLAUCOMA

- Glaucoma :- A group of eye condition that (प्रियुतात्त्व) can cause blindness (loss of vision).
- In this, the nerve connecting the eye to the brain (optic nerve) is damaged due to high eye pressure (intraocular pressure).
- Extra-ocular pressure is more than  $\uparrow$  21 mmHg



- Symptoms :—
    - eye pain
    - mid - dilated pupil
    - redness of the eye
    - Vision loss , blurred vision
  - Risk factor :—
    - increased pressure in the eye
    - due to genetic factor [family history]
    - High blood pressure
    - excessive use of liquid diets (such as alcohol).
    - excessive use of steroids.
    - Dilated eye examination.
  - Diagnosis :—
    - flow of aqueous humor blocked → drainage ↓
    - Severe
      - Quick
      - Painful increase in pressure
    - It is an emergency condition
  - Symptoms → . severe pain , Nausea , Blurred vision.
  - Types :—
    - i) Open angle glaucoma
    - ii) Closed angle glaucoma
  - i) Open angle glaucoma
    - also known as chronic and wide angle
    - glaucoma
- Treatment** →
- By ↓ I.O.P (Intraocular pressure)
- ↓ production of aq. humor ↑ drainage of aq. humor

i)  $\alpha$ -agonist  $\Rightarrow \downarrow I.O.P$  by increasing the

uveoscleral

outflow.  
 $\uparrow$  drainage of aq. humor.

e.g. Brimonidine, Apraclonidine, Dipivefrin etc..

ii)  $\beta$ -blocker  $\Rightarrow \downarrow I.O.P$  by decreasing the

formation of aq. humor.

e.g. Timolol, Betaxolol, Levobunolol etc...

iii) Prostaglandin (PG) analogues  $\Rightarrow$  same as  $\alpha$ -agonist

$\downarrow I.O.P$  by  $\uparrow$  uveoscleral outflow.

e.g. Latanoprost, Travoprost, Bimatoprost etc...

iv) Carbonic anhydrase inhibitors  $\Rightarrow$  used orally

$\downarrow$  aqueous formation by  $\downarrow$  bicarbonate ion  
in ciliary epithelium.

e.g. Acetazolamide, Dorzolamide etc...

v) Miotic agent  $\Rightarrow \downarrow I.O.P$  by increasing ciliary muscle tone. (used rarely for glaucoma).

e.g. Pilocarpine etc..

THANK YOU

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