

# Chemistry in Everyday life.

Drugs: chem. subs. of low molecular masses ( $\sim 100-500$ ) which interact with macromolecular targets and produce a biological response. It is habit forming & addiction.

Medicines: Drugs which are useful for biological response

Chemotherapy: use of chemicals for treatment of diseases.

Enzymes: Proteins which perform the role of biological catalyst in the body.

Function: 1) to hold substrate  
2) Provide functional group.

## Neurologically Active drugs

(a) Analgesic - Drug which reduce or abolish pain without impairment of consciousness, mental confusion, incoordination, are called Analgesic

(i) Non-Narcotic analgesics - Non-addictive, effective in relieving skeleton pain, reducing fever & preventing platelet coagulation. Eg: Aspirin & paracetamol.

(ii) Narcotic Analgesics

\* Relieve pain & produce sleep  
\* Used for relief of postoperative pain, cardiac pain, terminal cancer & child birth.  
Eg: Morphine, heroin, codein.

(b) Tranquilizers: Chemical comp. used for the treatment of stress, mild or mental diseases. Examples:

Iproniazid & phenelzine - Antidepressant

Barbiturates - Sleep producing agents.

Equanil - Controlling depression & hypertension.

Antihistamines: drugs which interfere with the natural action of histamine by competing where histamine exerts its effect

Eg: Brompheniramine,

chlorpheniramine, pheniramine maleate

Antimicrobial: <sup>(a) Antiseptic</sup> prevent growth of microorg. or kill them but are not harmful to the living human beings  
Eg: 0.2% Phenol, Dettol (mixt. of chloroxylenol & 1-tert pineol), tincture of Iodine 2-3% of Iodine in Alcohol-H<sub>2</sub>O.

(b) Disinfectants: Same as Antiseptic but harms to living tissues. Eg 1% of phenol, SO<sub>2</sub> in low conc.

(c) Antibiotic: Bactericidal - Eg: Penicillin  
Bacteriostatic - Eg: chloramphenicol.

Spectrum: full range of microorganism attacked by an antibiotic.

(i) Broad spectr. anti. - Kill or inhibit a wide range of gram +ve & gram -ve bacteria

(ii) Narrow: Kill or inhibit of gram +ve or gram -ve bacteria, if effective against a single organism or disease, they are referred to as limited spectrum antibiotics.  
Eg: Penicillin-G.

Anti-Fertility Drugs: Prevent unwanted pregnancies. Eg: Norethindrone & Ethynylestradiol

Artificial Sweetening agent: non-nutritive in nature & used as substitutes for sugar.

\* Saccharin: for diabetes & calorie intake  
\* Aspartame: Used - in cold food & soft drinks, unstable at cooking temperature.

\* Alitame - high potency sweetener

\* Sucralose: Trichloroderivative of sucrose. stable at cooking temp.

Anti-Oxidants - Retarding action of O<sub>2</sub>  
Eg: BHA & BHT

Antacid: remove & control acidity.

Eg: NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, Ranitidine, mixt of Al & Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>

Soap & Detergent - Cleansing agent.

Soap  $\rightarrow 2C_{17}H_{35}COONa + CaCl_2 \rightarrow 2NaCl + (C_{17}H_{35}COO)_2Ca$

Cationic detergent  
large part - cationic which are quaternary amm. salts of amines with acetates, Chloride as anion. These are expensive

Anionic detergent  
large part - anion, involved in cleansing action. Sodium salts of sulphonated long chain alcohols or hydrocarbons.