



NONSTEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY DRUGS (NSAIDs)

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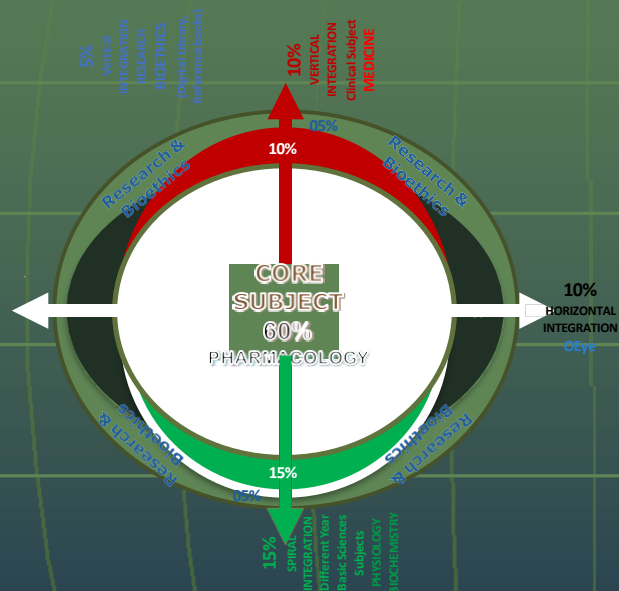




MOTTO AND VISION



- To impart evidence based research oriented medical education
- To provide best possible patient care
- To inculcate the values of mutual respect and ethical practice of medicine



4th Year Pharmacology LGIS

Core Subject – 60%

Pharmacology

Horizontal Integration – 10%

Same Year Subjects

- Eye
- Pathology

Vertical Integration – 10%

Clinical Subjects

- Medicine
- Surgery

Spiral Integration – 15%

Different Year Basic
Sciences Subjects

- Physiology (10%)
- Biochemistry (5%)

Research & Bioethics, Digital library – 05%





Learning Objectives



- ✓ At the end of the lecture, students should be able to:
 - Classify NSAIDs
 - Describe the mechanism of action of NSAIDs.
 - Describe the shared toxicities of NSAIDs.
 - Differentiate between non selective COX inhibitors and selective COX-2 inhibitors



Spiral Integration- Physiology





EICOSANOIDS

- PGs, TXA_2 LTs, prostacyclin, all derived from precursor fatty acid, arachidonic acid, are called eicosanoids (eikosi, Greek word, means twenty)
- Are short-lived, extremely potent & formed in almost every tissue of body

PROSTANOIDS

PGs, Prostacyclin, TXA_2 collectively called as prostanoids



CYCLOOXYGENASE (COX)



COX, found bound to endoplasmic reticulum, exists in 3 isoforms:

COX-1: expressed constitutively in most cells, is “House keeping” enzyme, regulates normal cellular processes such as gastric cytoprotection, vascular homeostasis, platelet aggregation & kidney function

COX-2: constitutively expressed in brain, kidney, bone & *induced during inflammation & cancers*

COX-3: (in brain)



Scheme for Prostaglandin Biosynthesis with inhibitors



Stimulus



Disturbance of cell membrane



Phospholipids

Corticosteroids inhibit



PLA2

Arachidonic Acid

Lipoxygenase

Cyclooxygenase



Aspirin & NSAIDs inhibit

Hydroperoxyeicosatetraenoic acid
(HPETEs)

PGG₂

Endoperoxides

PGH₂

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Leukotrienes

PGE₂

PGF_{2α}

PGD₂

TXA₂

Prostacyclin⁸



- Vasodilatation

- Affect hypothalamus temperature regulating system produces fever
- Increases water electrolytes & mucus secretion in GIT

- Produces contraction of uterine smooth muscles & bronchi

- Vasodilatation & inhibition of platelet aggregation

- Vasoconstriction & stimulates platelet aggregation

- Bronchoconstriction
- Increased capillary permeability



CORE SUBJECT





NSAIDs



Non – Narcotic Analgesics

Non-opioids, Aspirin like drugs

Compared to opioid analgesics:

- Weaker analgesics
- Do not depress CNS
- Do not produce physical dependence
- No abuse liability



CLASSIFICATION



A. NONSELECTIVE COX INHIBITORS (Traditional NSAIDs)

i. SALICYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES

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Aspirin (Acetyl salicylic Acid)

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Sodium Salicylate

Diflunisal

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ii. ACETIC ACID DERIVATIVES

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Diclofenac

Sulindac

Indomethacin

Etodolac

Tolmetin

Ketorolac

Nabumetone

iii. FENAMIC ACID DERIVATIVES (FENAMATES)

Meclofenamic Acid

Flufenamic Acid



CLASSIFICATION

iv. PROPIONIC ACID DERIVATIVES

Ibuprofen Ketoprofen Fenoprofen
Flurbiprofen Naproxen

v. PYRAZOLONE DERIVATIVES

Phenylbutazone Oxyphenbutazone

vi. OXICAMS (ENOLIC ACID DERIVATIVES)

Piroxicam Meloxicam



CLASSIFICATION



B. SELECTIVE COX-2 INHIBITORS

Celecoxib Valdecoxib Parecoxib
Rofecoxib Etoricoxib Lumiracoxib

C. PREFERENTIAL COX-2 INHIBITORS

Nimesulide Diclofenac
Meloxicam Etodolac

D. PREFERENTIAL COX-3 INHIBITOR

Acetaminophen (Paracetamol)



ASPIRIN



- Prototype drug
- Acetyl salicylic acid
- Obtained from willow bark & leaves but is now synthesized





NSAIDs/ASPIRIN- PHARMACOKINETICS

- All NSAIDs are weak acidic drugs except nabumetone
- All are well absorbed from GIT
- Can cross both the BBB & placenta
- Mostly NSAIDs have high PPB--- 98%
- Widely distributed, penetrate arthritic joints, cross BBB
- Half life varies among NSAIDs
- Aspirin----- $t_{1/2}$ 15 min
- Mostly metabolized in liver & have renal excretion
- Aspirin is hydrolyzed to salicylate & acetic acid by esterases in tissues & blood



MOA OF ASPIRIN / NSAIDs

- NSAIDs inhibits biosynthesis of PGs, by reversible inhibition of COX enzymes
- Aspirin is **non selective COX inhibitor, irreversibly inhibit cyclooxygenase activity**, inhibiting PGs synthesis
- While most of NSAIDs act as reversible competitive inhibitor of COX activity
- Do not inhibit lipoxigenase pathway of AA metabolism so not suppress LT formation



VERTICAL INTEGERATION- MEDICINE





THERAPEUTICS USES OF ASPIRIN & OTHER NSAIDs

- All NSAIDs, including selective COX-2 inhibitors, are antipyretic, analgesic & anti-inflammatory **EXCEPT** acetaminophen, which is antipyretic & analgesic but devoid of anti-inflammatory activity



ANALGESIC



- Aspirin & other NSAIDs used for relief of mild to moderate pain especially arising from integumental structures rather than from viscera
- Severe pain, not controlled by NSAIDs
- Used in pain like:

Toothache, Headache, Myalgia, Arthralgia Neuralgia,
Dysmenorrhea



ANALGESIC



- Nociceptors, that senses pain, activated by noxious stimuli, causing release of inflammatory mediators, which increase sensitivity of nociceptors & potentiate pain perception
- PGs reduce threshold to stimulation of nociceptors, causing ***peripheral sensitization***
- Aspirin & Other NSAIDs inhibit COX enzyme, reduce production of PGs → decrease sensation of pain
- A central subcortical action, raising threshold to pain perception also contributes
- ***No sedation, tolerance & dependence are produced***



Dysmenorrhoea - Menstrual Disorder

DYSMENORRHOEA



- Pain arising from hollow viscera not relieved by NSAIDs, exception to this is menstrual pain
- Release of PGs by endometrium during menstruation cause severe cramps
- NSAIDs are effective by decreasing PG release



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