

# Protein Synthesis Inhibitors:

- Exert antimicrobial specific effects by targeting bacterial cytoplasmic ribosome

\* High levels may cause toxicity due to resemblance between mitochondrial & bacterial mitochondria.

## 30S Ribosomal subunit

- tetracyclines: end in -cycline
- aminoglycosides: gentamicin, neomycin, amikacin, tobramycin, streptomycin



## Tetracyclines: ~cycline

- Bacteriostatic
- Blocks attachment to aminoacyl tRNA = no translation (A site)
- G<sup>+</sup>, G<sup>-</sup>, spirochetes, amoeba
- absorption impaired by:
  1. Dairy products
  2. antacids
  3. Fe salts
  4. Bismuth subsalicylate
- crosses placenta, no to preg patients.
- minocycline can cross blood-brain barrier.
- Adverse effects:
  1. GI upset: superinfections w/ Staph or C. Diff  
↳ control w/ foods
  2. Tooth pigmentation & enamel hypoplasia  
↳ no for little kids
  3. minocycline - vestibular disturbances
  4. Phototoxicity: tetra, doxy, deme -
  5. Pseudotumor cerebri - Intracranial HTN
  6. Fatal hepatotoxicity in pregnant women
  7. Fanconi if expired

## 50S ribosomal subunit

- macrolides: end in mycin
- chloramphenicol, clindamycin, lincomycin, linezolid, quinupristan / dalopristin



## macrolides: ~mycin

- Bacteriostatic
- MOA: bind reversibly to a site (23S) on 50S subunit of bacterial ribosome → inhibiting translocation step of protein syn.  
↳ close of identical for: lincomycin, clindamycin, chloramphenicol
- Erythromycin
  - G<sup>+</sup> cocci & bacilli
  - ↳ not active w/ G<sup>-</sup> bac
- Clarithromycin:
  - Good against intracellular pathogens
  - H. Influenzae
- azithromycin:
  - H. Influenzae, moraxella catarrhalis
- DOC:
  1. mycoplasma pneumoniae
  2. Legionnaires' disease
  3. community acquired pneumonia from atypical pathogens.
- distributes everywhere but CNS  
↳ concentrates in neutrophils, macrophages, fibroblast
- Erythro & clarithro -:  
↳ interact w/ CYP450, inhibiting ox of
  - 1. Theophylline

## - Contraindications

1. Doxy - only w/ renal insufficiency
- omadacycline - extremely broad spectrum.
    - ↳ N/V so fasting required before (4H) & after (2H) taking oral tablets
  - Demeclocycline:
    - induces nephrogenic diabetes insipidus
    - t(x): syndrome of inappropriate ADH (SIADH)

## aminoglycosides: GNATS

- 3 linked sugars
- Bacteriocidal
- Irreversible 30S binders
  1. Inhibit initiation complex form
  2. Premature mRNA translation termination
  3. misread of genetic code
- G<sup>-</sup> aerobes
- IM/IV: poor absorption
- High accumulation in renal cortex
  - ↳ can lead to ototoxicity & nephro-
- cross placenta
- therapeutic concentrations are close to toxic concentration
  - ↳ once daily dosing
- 8th cranial nerve ototoxicity
  - ↳ monitor closely for
    - risk ↑ w/ concurrent loop-diuretic usage
- Neomycin: topical & bowel usage only
- neuromuscular paralysis:
  - ↳ results from ↓ Ach release & ↓ postsynaptic sensitivity to transmitter
    - ↳ administer Ca<sup>2+</sup> gluconate or neostigmine to reverse
- streptomycin: tuberculosis + penicillin or vanc (endocarditis)
- gentamicin, tobramycin, amikacin

2. warfarin

3. carbamazepine

4. cyclosporine

- Azithro doesn't undergo metabolism
  - ↳ concentrated in bile w/ erythro.

## - Adverse effects:

1. Epigastric distress
2. cholestatic jaundice esp w/ estolate form of erythromycin
3. QT prolongation & cardiac arrhythmias w/ azithro.
4. Clarithro: ↑ risk of mortality & morbidity in patients w/ ♥ disease.

- Fidaxomicin: t(x) of C. Diff associated diarrhea 718.

↳ bacteriocidal against

- narrow spectrum
- adverse: N/V, abdominal pain, GI hemorrhage, anemia & neutropenia.

## - Chloramphenicol

- toxicity restricts to only life threatening infections.
- static or cidal
- Broad spectrum
- very active against anaerobes.
- MOA: binds 50S & prevents peptide bond formation.
  1. inhibits peptidyl transferase
  2. prevents tRNA bind
- also inhibits mammalian protein synthesis.
- therapeutic uses:
  1. meningococcal meningitis
  2. Pneumococcus
  3. H. influenzae
  4. vibrio cholera
- converted to glucuronide

- ↳ serious infections of unknown etiology (G-)
- amikacin for serious resistant nosocomial infections

### combination therapy

- Beta lactam + aminoglycoside
- Diseases
  1. Enterococcal endocarditis
  2. Staphylococcal endocarditis
- MOA:
  - CW inhibitor disrupts integrity
  - ↑ aminoglycoside access

In liver

- adverse:
  1. Bone marrow ↓
  2. Gray baby syndrome: poor feeding, depressed breathing, CV collapse, cyanosis & death
  3. GI disturbances
  4. Superinfections

### - Clindamycin: bacteriostatic

- MOA: inhibits aminoacyl translocation step
- narrow spectrum
  - ↳ aerobic bacteroides fragilis - abdominal trauma infections

### • adverse effects

1. diarrhea
2. Potentially fatal pseudomembranous colitis (PMC) caused by toxin sec by C. diff resistant strains

### - Quinupristin/dalfopristin:

- Bacteriocidal
- MOA: 50S - inhibits chain elongation, promotes release
- use: MRSA, VRE
- adverse
  1. Phlebitis
  2. Hyperbilirubinemia
  3. arthralgia, myalgia
  4. inhibit CYP3A4

### - Linezolid

- Bacteriostatic
- MOA: prevents form of ribosome initiation complex
- reserved for resistant bac
- adverse effects
  1. Reversible thrombocytopenia
  2. Bone marrow suppression
  3. ocular & peripheral neuritis

### - Pleuromutlins

- t(x) of CAP
- PO/IV
- MOA: binds @ different

molecular site than different  
than antibiotic classes

- G<sup>+</sup> & fastidious org

- adverse:

1. Headache, nausea, diarrhea

2. QT- prolongation

3. IV pain, erythema,  
phlebitis

4. PO: GI disorders