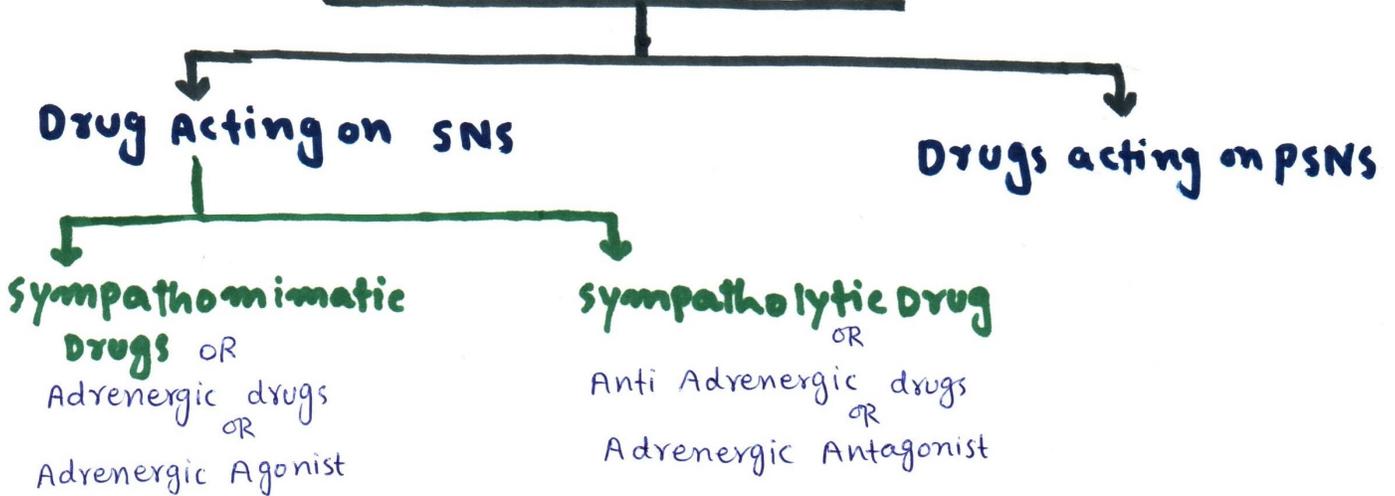


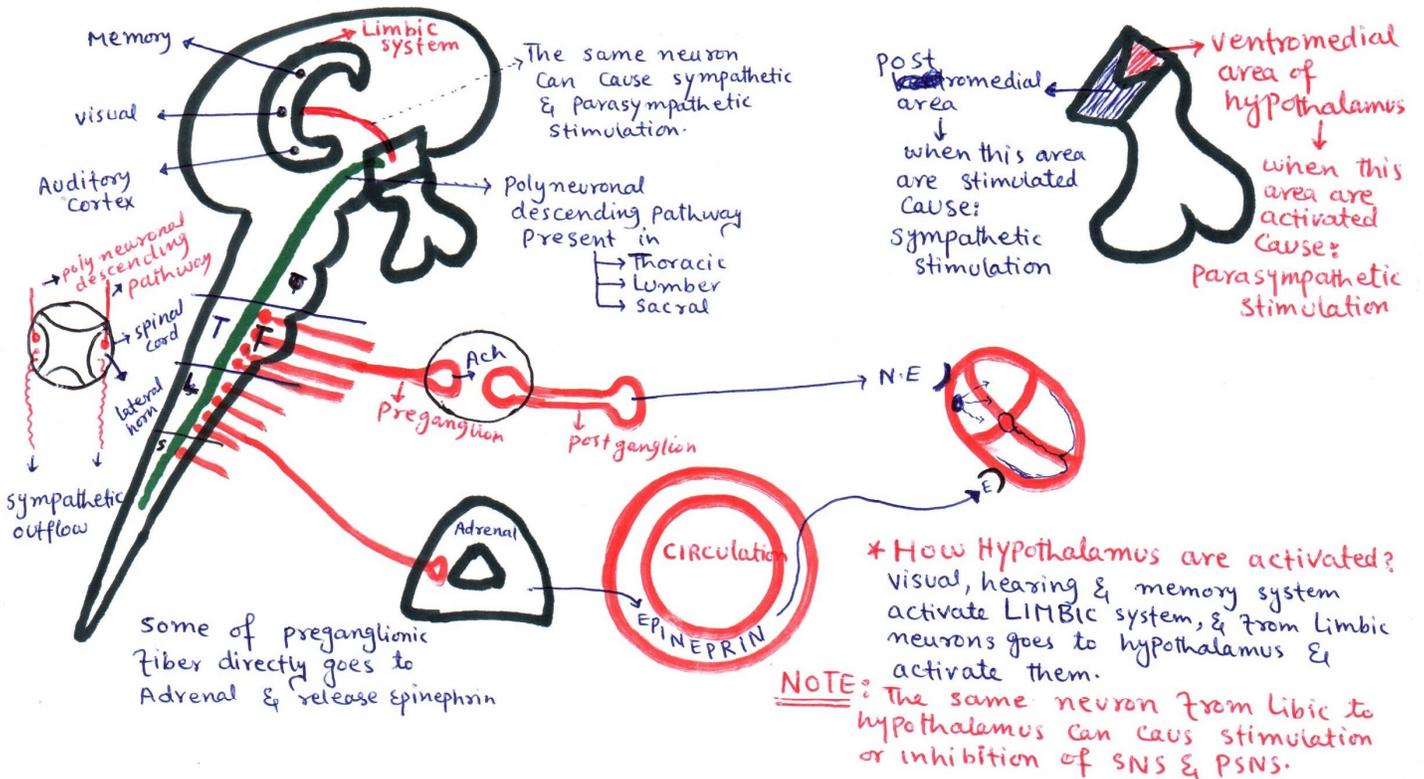
ADRENERGIC Agonist

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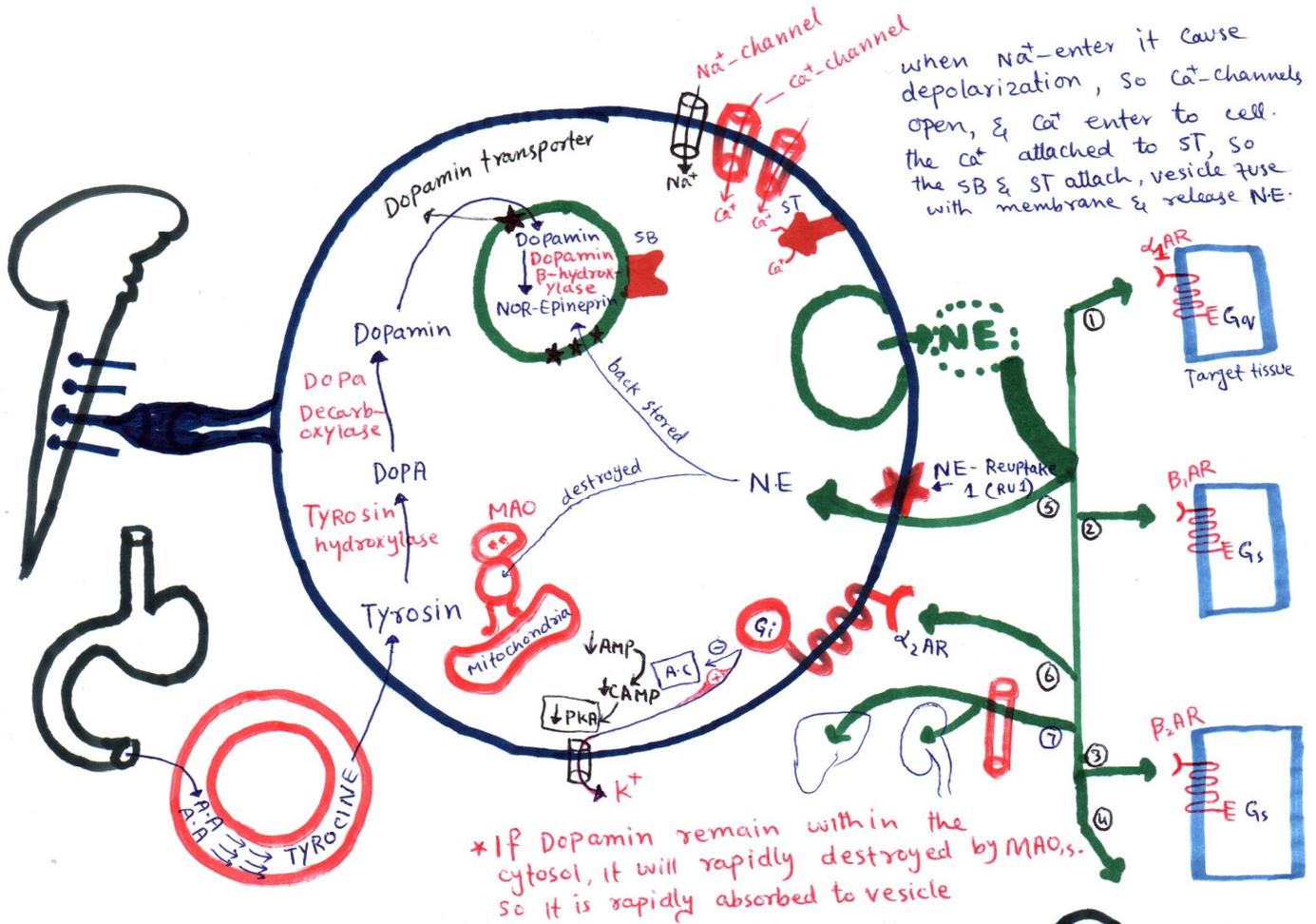


- * When there is suddenly increase in stress, sympathetic nervous system will fire, and prepare the body for fight & flight.
- * Normally sympathetic & parasympathetic opposing each other.



Preganglionic → Release Ach
 Postganglionic → Release Nor Epinephrine

All neurons from CNS come out (Release Ach) are cholinergic.



when Na⁺ enter it cause depolarization, so Ca²⁺ channels open, & Ca²⁺ enter to cell. the Ca²⁺ attached to SV, so the SV & ST attach, vesicle fuse with membrane & release NE.

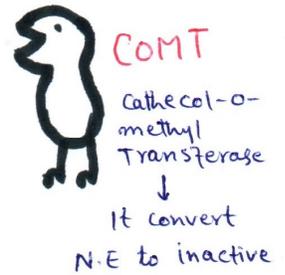
* If Dopamine remain within the cytosol, it will rapidly destroyed by MAOs. so it is rapidly absorbed to vesicle

When NE Released

- * 80% of NE are reabsorbed by NE-Reuptake-1 (RU1) when done its action.
- * (NE-RU1 is Na⁺/Cl⁻ dependant)

when α_2 AR of nerve ending are stimulated by NE, it bind with G_i , so inhibit $A.C$ as a result $CAMP \downarrow \rightarrow \downarrow P.K.A$, so K^+ channel open, cell become -ve, ~~release~~ release further NE are \downarrow ves.

NE-Reuptake-1 are inhibited by $\begin{cases} TCA (Imipramin) \\ SNRI (Duloxetine) \\ Cocain \end{cases}$



NOTE: Reuptake of NE into neuronal membrane is the primary mechanism for the termination of this effect

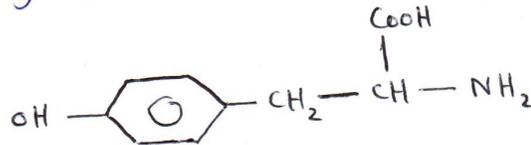
Removal of NE

- ① diffuse out & enter to circulation
- ② Inactivate by COMT
- ③ Back Reuptake (Main Mechanism)

Reuptaked NE

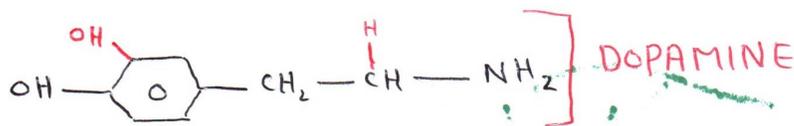
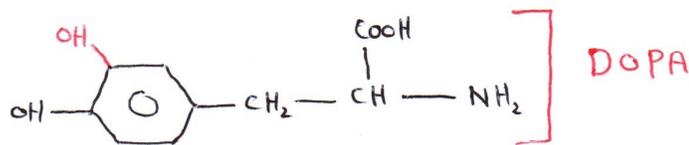
- ① back to vesicle
- ② destroyed by MAO

In Pharmacology The Biochemistry of only ANS Drugs are important



Any benzene ring with 3rd or 4th position have OH are called Catechol Ring

Catecholamine Compounds with amine group & catechol ring:



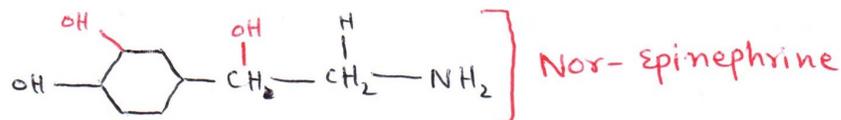
If dopamine remain in cytoplasm, it will be destroyed by MAO (Monoamine oxidase), so to save it, it is immediately transported into neuronal vesicle

* what are Monoamines:

Neurotransmitters which are derivative of single amino acid.

* Tyrosine make many monoamines like:

- ① Dopamine
- ② Epinephrine
- ③ Nor-epinephrine
- ④ Tryptophan → (serotonin)



* Ach is not monoamine

Nor-Epinephrine is bound with protein called **Chromogranin** OR with ATP or Ascorbic Acid, & all ~~are~~ bound nor epinephrine act as ~~a~~ osmotically as a single molecule.

How Nor-Epinephrine are Released?

Nerve ending have Depolarizing sensitive Ca^{2+} -channel
 So, when Depolarization occur Na^{+} move in, so Ca^{2+} channel are activated & Ca^{2+} move in and allow vesicle to fuse with neuronal membrane.

Vesicle have a protein called "**Synaptobravin**" and neuronal membrane have a protein called "**Syntaxin**", the syntaxin have an obstruct, when Ca^{2+} come and bind with obstruct, both Ca^{2+} will repell each other, so syntaxin will opens 
 so the synaptobravin come & fuse with syntaxine & the Nor-epinephrine release from the nerve ending by fusing vesicle with neuronal membrane
 this vesicle is pulled again by clathrin & ready for again use.

ADRENERGIC RECEPTORS



All Adrenergic receptors are 7pass protein

* α_2 A.R \longrightarrow presynaptic nerve membrane

* α_1 AR, β_1 AR, β_2 AR \longrightarrow postsynaptic membrane (tissue)

When N-Epinephrine are released, small amount of it acts on α_2 AR
 So, CAMP level \downarrow , G_i proteins also open the K^+ -channel & intracellular K^+ comes out.

& cell become hyperpolarized such cell is different to polarized, so nerve ending is inhibited; further release of nor-epinephrine is reduced, this mechanism is **AUTO** inhibitory.

↓ CAMP lead to reduce activity of protein kinase-A (P.K.A), so synthesis of neurotransmitter are reduced, so:

* α_2 AR act as an autoinhibitory molecule.

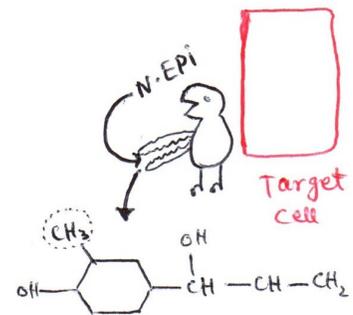
whatever nor-epinephrine is released 80% of it is restore to reuse. As N-Epinephrine is uptaken, small amount of it, which is still not taken to vesicle, are destroyed by MAO.

* N-Epi is taken back by Reuptake-1 mechanism.

N-Epi is also acted upon by another enzyme **COMT** present on post-membrane and remove OH group N-Epi & add **CH₃** group to it.

Due to methylation, this molecular become less polar

This enzyme is also present in the liver.



very small amount of N-Epi is diffuse into general circulation & destroyed by Liver & kidney.

Sympatholytic Drugs

1) METHYL TYROSINE: enter into nerve ending & capture Tyrosine hydroxylase, so enzyme can't work for normal pathway (CH₃-Tyrosine is structural analoge of Tyrosine)
Total N-Epi activity is ↓.
So this drug is sympatholytic drug.

(2) RESERPINE:

This drug inhibit Dopamin Transporter (*), so dopamin can't be enterd into vesicle, the vesicle remain Empty.

Dopamin is destriged by MAO.

* This drug also inhibit uptake of epi & N.Epi by vesicle.

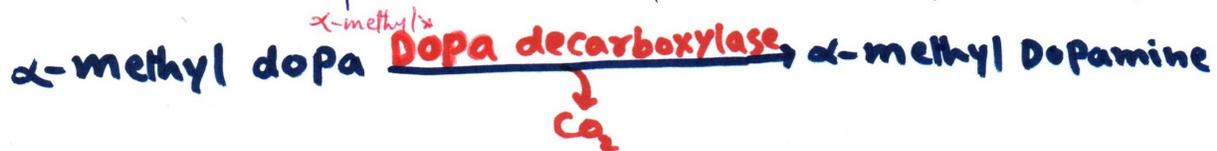
* Initially this drug is used as Antihypertensive, but now adays it is not used as antihypertensive.

(3) Guanadylil OR Bretylium:

this drug does not allow the fusion of vesicle with nerve membrane, so the neurotransmitter are not released.

(4) α -methyl Dopa: ^{Funny Example:} *Sometime we like a girl, when we know, she is not a girl but shemale.*

α -methyl dopa is taken by nerve ending membrane, & dopa decarboxylase act on it & make α -methyl Dopamin from it.



α -methyl dopamine enter into vesicle & converted into α -methyl N.Epi



So, when Action potential comes, α -methyl Nor-Epinephrine is Come out but real action is not there, so sympathetic activity goes down.

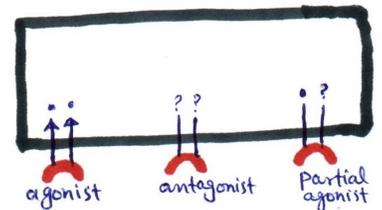
* Agonist: bind to receptor & stimulate it.

* Antagonist: bind to receptor but doesn't stimulate it.

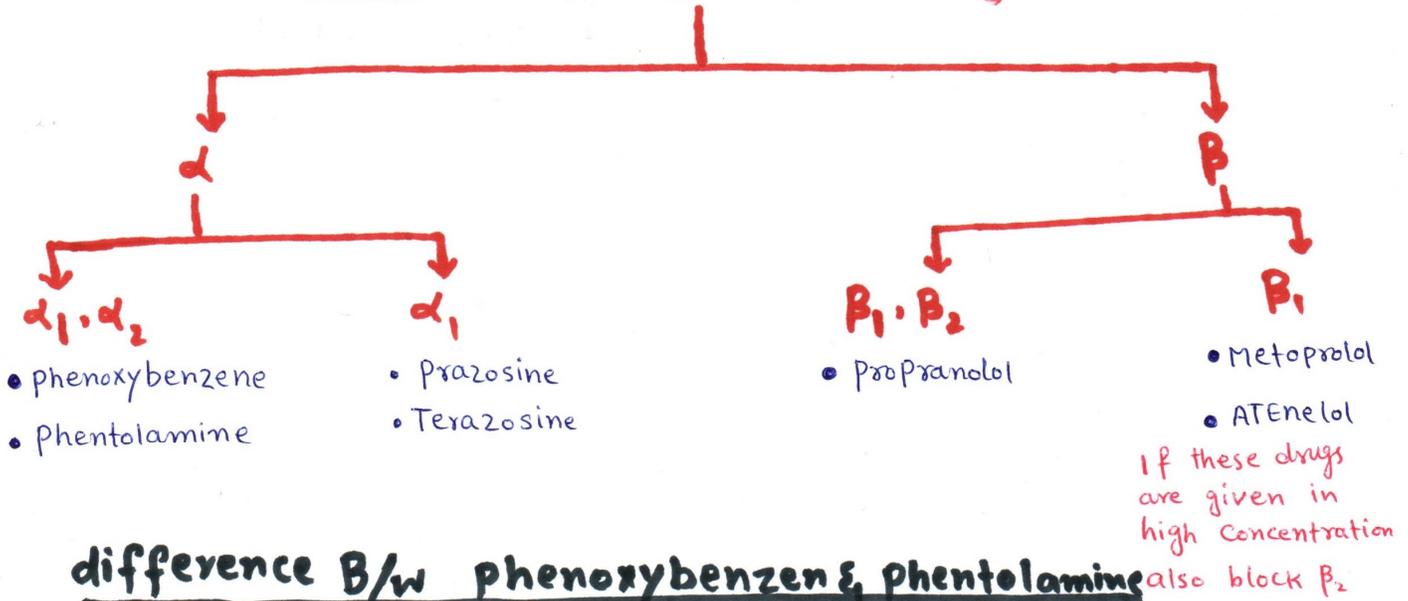
* Partial agonist: bind to receptor & stimulate Much.

* Partial antagonist: bind to receptor but doesn't ^{have} full action.

* Mixed agonist antagonist bind to one site & stimulate them, while bind to other side & can't cause stimulation



ADRENERGIC RECEPTOR AGONIST



difference B/w phenoxybenzen & phentolamine

- * Phenoxybenzene = Irreversible non competitive receptor blocker.
- * Phentolamine = Reversible competitive receptor blocker.

difference B/w Prazosine & Terazosine

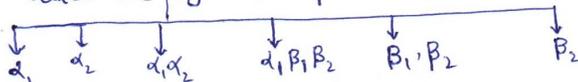
- * Prazosine = short half life.
- * Terazosine = long half life.

- * drug which reduce synthesis of neurotransmitter → Methyl tyrosine
- * drug which block storage of neurotransmitter → Reserpine
- * drug which block the release of neurotransmitter → Guanadril OR Bretylium

Sympathomimetic Drugs

Directly acting agonist

Drugs which directly stimulate the post synaptic receptors & alter the synthesis of ¹⁴C-Epinephrine

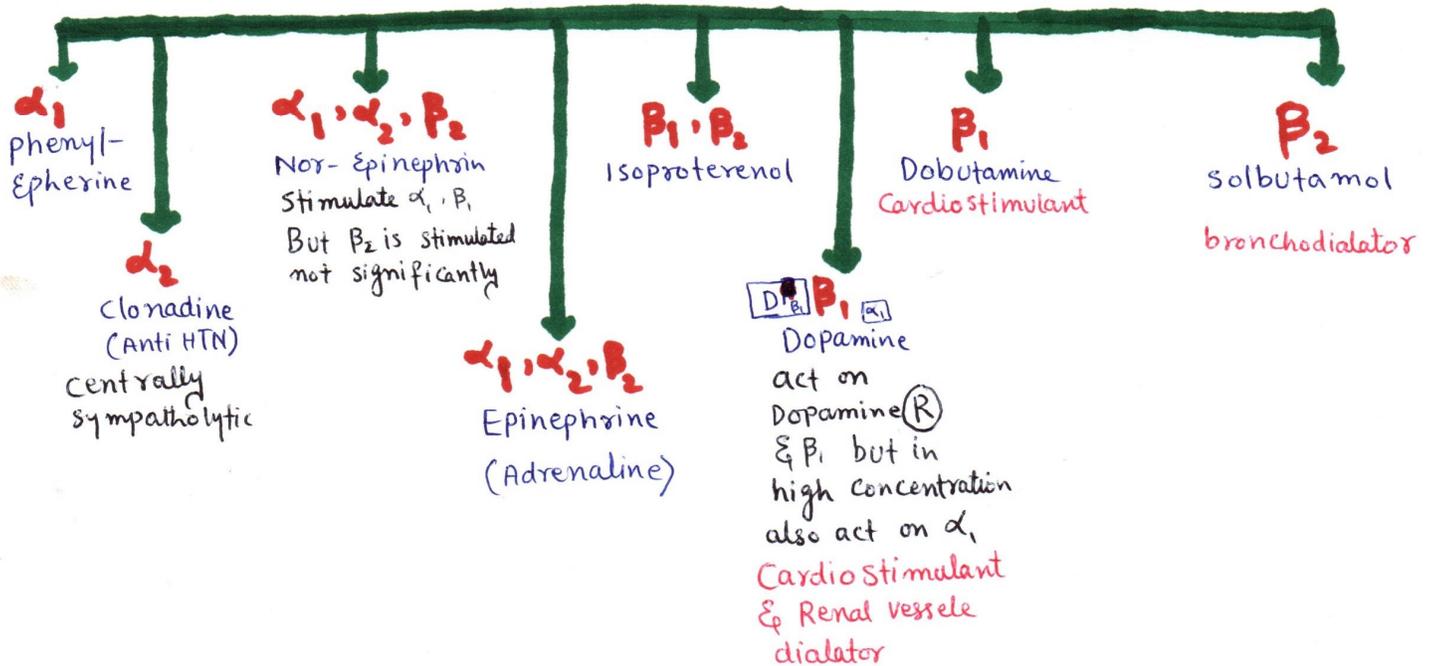


- * Drugs which stimulate α_2 receptor → ↓ the release of N-E
- * Drugs which block α_2 AR basically ↑ the release of N-E

Indirectly acting drugs

Drugs which act on sympathetic nerve ending & cause stimulation.

DIRECTLY ACTING DRUGS



INDIRECTLY ACTING DRUGS

1) Cocain: Act with reuptake-1, so Neurotransmitter are not reuptake by nerve ending.
* It remains in synaptic cleft for longer time, so act on receptor for longer time.

2) Tricyclic Anti depressant: Bind with reuptake-1 but not strongly & slightly reduce reuptake.

3) selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) e.g: Prozac

4) Pargyline, pencylpropamide: These are MAO's inhibitor used as an antidepressant.

5) Amphetamines, Tyramine: These drugs enhance fusion of vesicle with membrane & release neurotransmitters.

Biological Response to stress under sympathetic

Tissue & organs to be stimulated

- * α_1 Adrenergic Receptor
- * β_1 Adrenergic receptor

All the tissues to be stimulated have α_1 AR EXCEPT:

- ① β_1 Heart
- ② β_1 Juxta glomerular Apparatus
- ③ β_3 Adipocytes

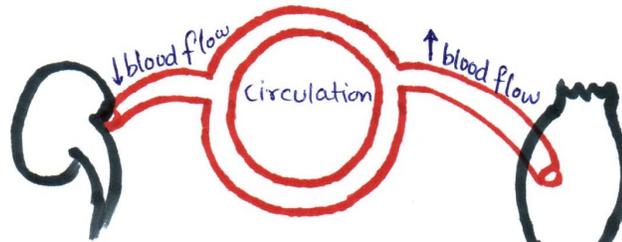
β_3 is modified β_1

Tissue & organ function inhibited

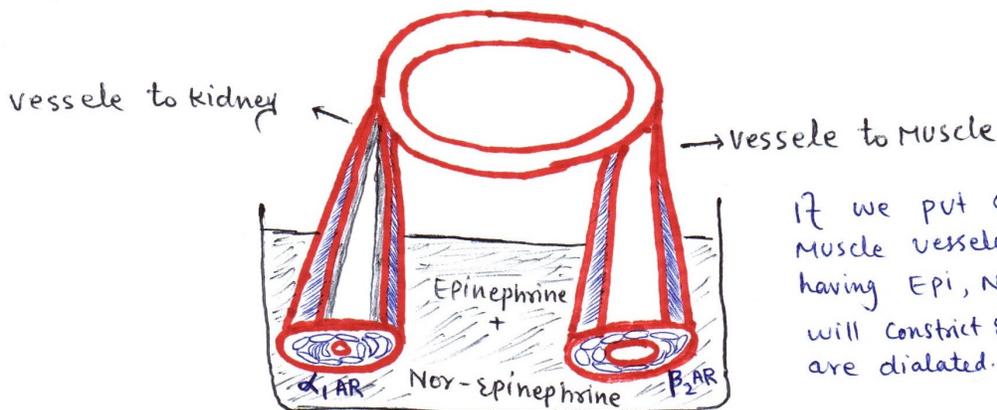
- α_2 Adrenergic receptor
- β_2 Adrenergic receptor

All the tissue to be inhibited having β_2 AR EXCEPT:

- ① Presynaptic nerve ending α_2 AR
- ② Platelet α_2 AR
- ③ Insuline producing cell β_2



when a person runs, blood flow to muscles ↑, and blood flow to kidney ↓ b/c kidney vessele have α_1 AR on smooth muscle, so stimulated & constricted, Muscle have α_2 AR, so inhibited & Relaxed.

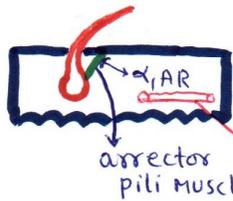


If we put a renal vessel & muscle vessele in a container having Epi, N.E, the renal vessele will constrict & muscle vessele are dilated.

- * All the tissue & organs which fight with stress have stimulatory receptor e.g: α_1 & β_1
- * Tissue, which does not fight with stress have inhibitory receptor e.g β_2 , α_2

what are changes in body under influence of Adrenergic system.

1) HAIR



Hair straight up b/c of stimulation of arrector pili muscle, which has α_1 AR
 Skin vessels constrict

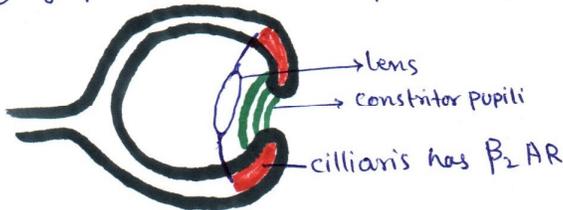
2) EYES



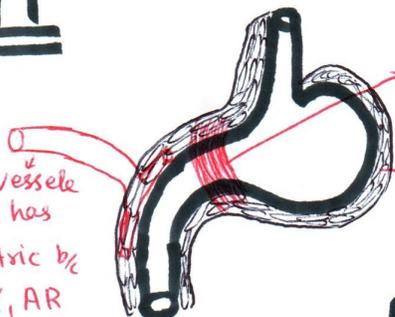
Dilator pupili are stimulated, cause Pupil Constriction.
 $\rightarrow \alpha_1$ AR

(a) Pupil \Rightarrow Constriction

(b) sympathetic Nervous system focus the eye for far vision.
 (lens become thin)



3) GIT

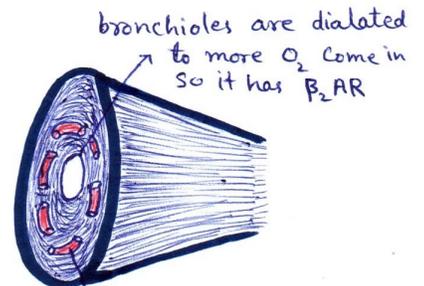
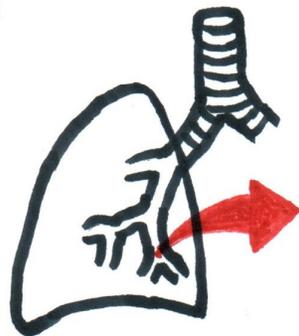


Circular Muscles
 * Sphincters has to constrict b/c has α_1 AR

Longitudinal Muscles
 * smooth muscle has to relax has β_2 AR, b/c in stress no need for peristalsis
 * secretions also decreased.

Blood vessels to GIT has to constrict b/c it has α_1 AR

4) Lungs



bronchioles are dilated to more O_2 come in so it has β_2 AR

blood vessels of lungs are constricted b/c has α_1 AR, this prevent lung edema.

5) CVS

SV \Rightarrow Vol of blood ejected by ventricles during one pump.

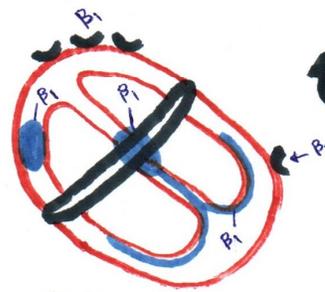
Heart have many β_1 receptors ie on SA-node, AV-node, Purkinji system, atrial & ventricular myocardium.

Automaticity \Rightarrow property of tissue to produce depolarization spontaneously
SA-node produce Automaticity

* SA-node have +ve chronotropic action on drug.

* AV-node have +ve Dromotropic action on drug.

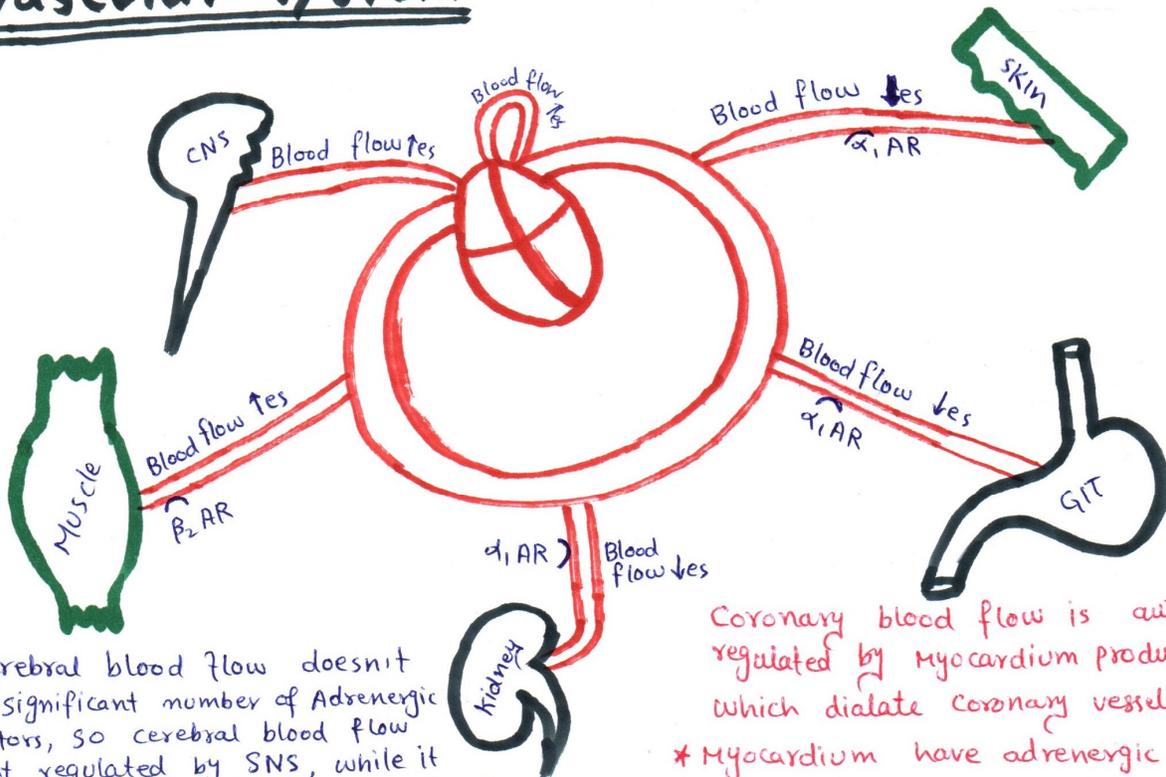
\uparrow Contractility is called +ve Inotropic action, SV is \uparrow ed by Inotropic action.
So sympathetic nervous system \uparrow es Cardiac output.



$$CO = SV \cdot HR$$

$$\uparrow CO = \uparrow SV \cdot \uparrow HR$$

6) Vasculay system



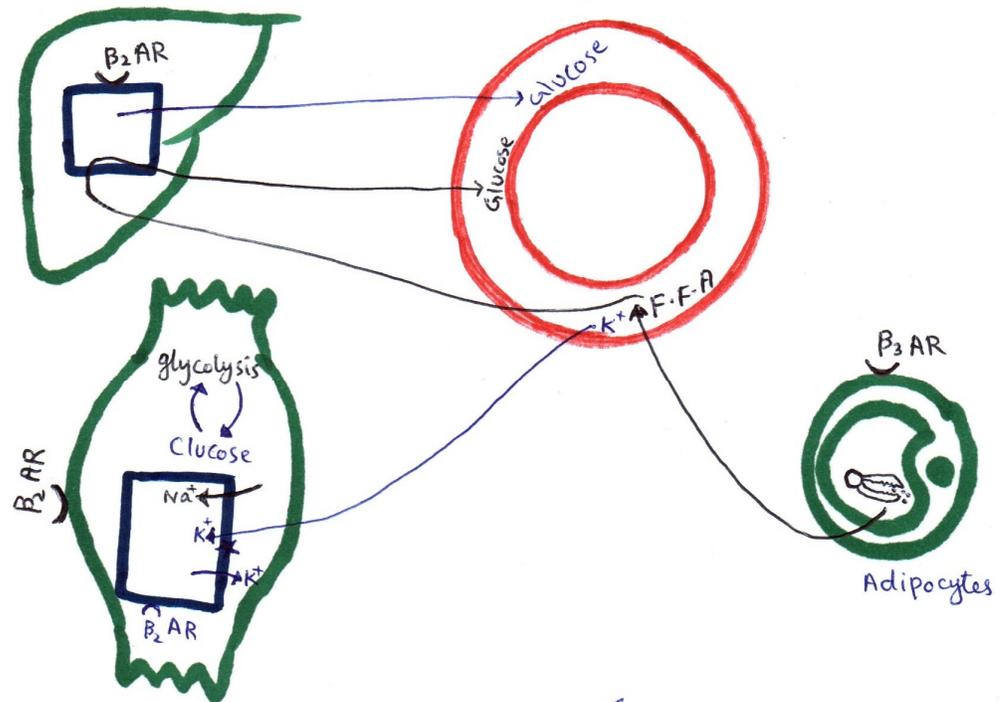
* Cerebral blood flow doesn't have significant number of Adrenergic receptors, so cerebral blood flow is not regulated by SNS, while it is regulated by metabolic product in CNS itself, when CNS stimulated more metabolite produced so \uparrow CNS blood flow.

Coronary blood flow is auto regulated by Myocardium products, which dilate coronary vessel.

* Myocardium have adrenergic receptor but α_1 & β_2 are present at the same rate, & these receptors are stimulated according to ventricle work.

7) METABOLIC changes

ONE of the most important function of the liver is to take Glucose & Convert it into glycogen.



- ① Liver release glucose to circulation (ie: glycogenolysis)
- ② Adipocytes \longrightarrow Lipolysis
- ③ Gluconeogenesis \longrightarrow F.F.A \longrightarrow Glucose
- ④ Na^+-K^+ ATPase is activated & cell start taking K^+ from blood.

β_2 receptor on muscle fiber is activated it will stimulate Na^+-K^+ ATPase
 * within the muscle glycogenolysis occur.

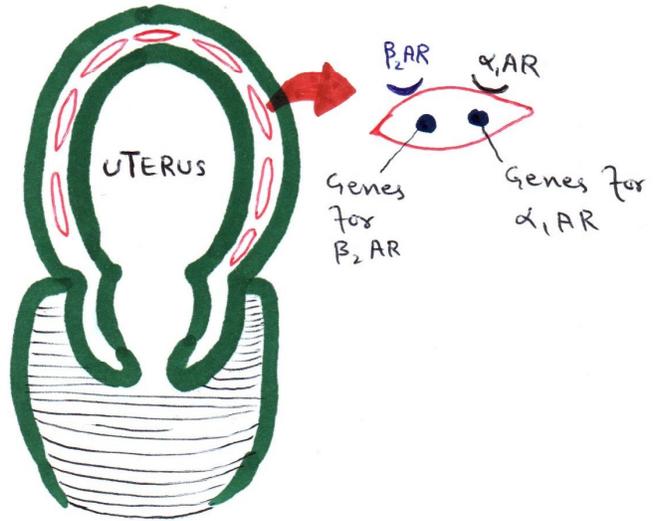
Muscle spindle also have β_2 receptor, so under increased sympathetic flow β_2 receptor are stimulated no proper extensor & flexor muscle tone is present, so muscle tremor occur. e.g during fear. b/c loss of equilibrium.

- * Glucose level in the blood \uparrow * K^+ level in the blood \downarrow .
- * FFA level in the blood \uparrow * Muscle glycogenolysis occur.

8) sympathetic action on urogenital system

Myocardium have Genes for β_2 & α_1 AR.

* when female is not pregnant, & is under the influence of Estrogen & progesterone during monthly sexual cycle, α_1 AR genes are expressed & increase the way for conception.



* when female become pregnant genes for β_2 will be expressed, so pregnant female have more β_2 receptor on uterus than α_1 AR.

Rightrodine will act on β_2 and prevent premature baby delivery.

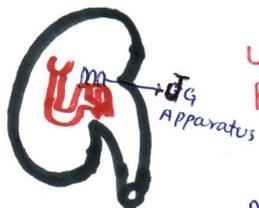
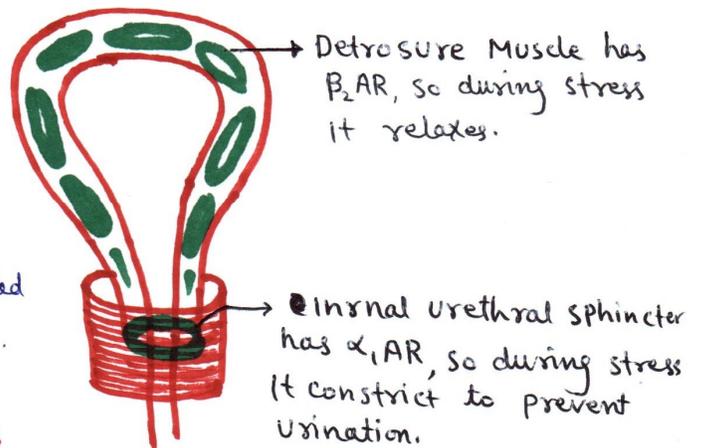
* female excretion & secretion are neurologically controlled by the same way. is parasympathetic nervous system.

* female ejaculation & orgasm are controlled by sympathetic nervous system.

Male

Ejaculation = sympathetic N.S.

ejaculatory duct, vas deference, prostate ----- etc are stimulated & controlled, so they have α_1 AR.



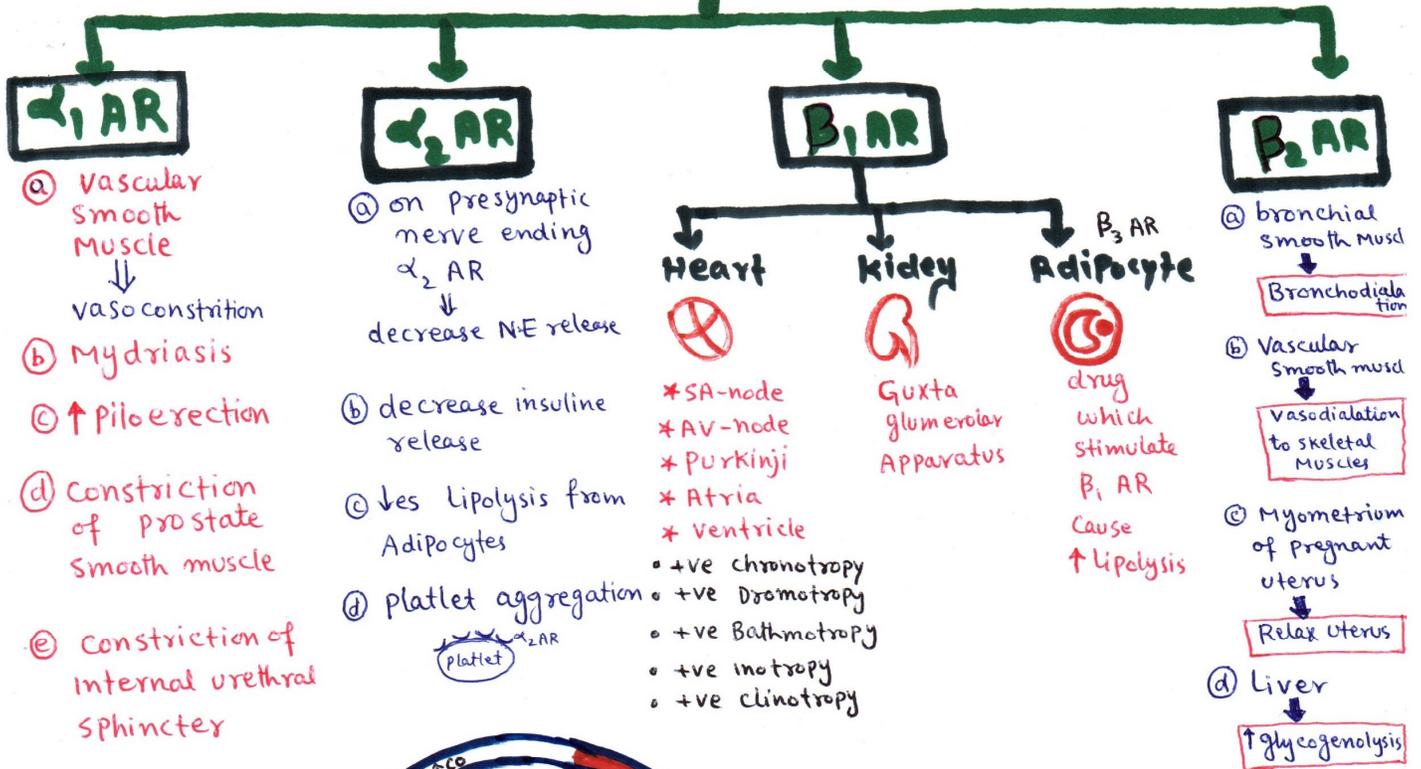
Under stressful conditions
Renin \uparrow es \rightarrow Ang II \uparrow es which cause:

* venoconstriction

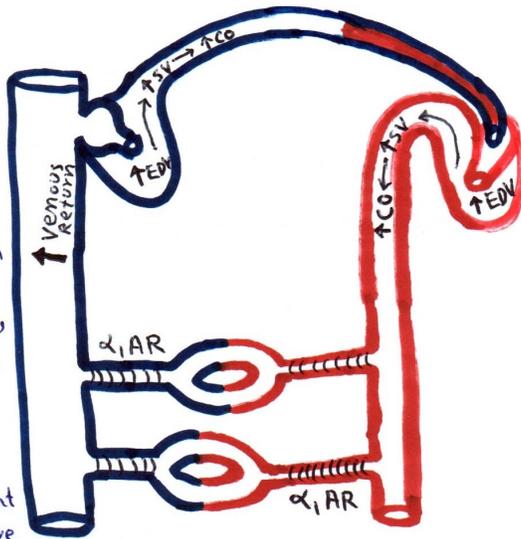
* Release of Aldosterone \rightarrow \uparrow Na^+ & H_2O retention.

Ang II is 1000 times more powerful vasoconstrictor than Epi/N.E
* Drugs which slightly reduce Ang II ~~are~~ are used to control BP.

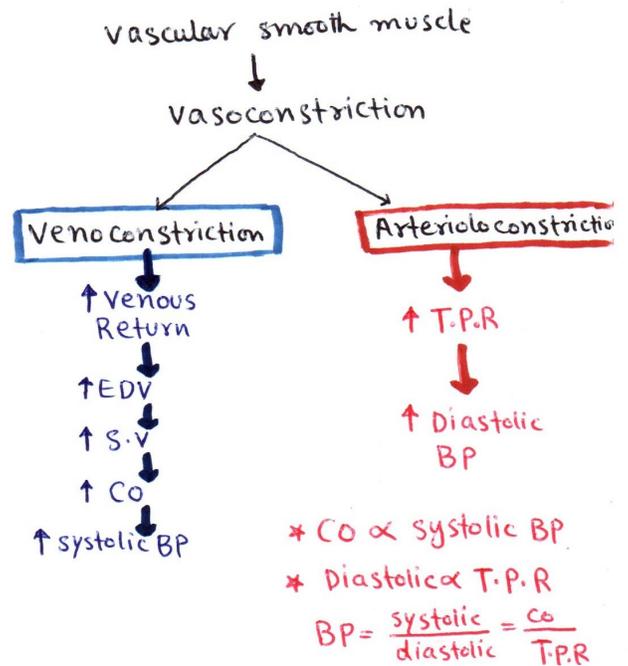
Characteristic Physiological & Pharmacological Action by stimulation of specific Adrenergic-R



Arteriole have α_1 AR, so by stimulation, arterioconstriction occurs. specially splenic, renal, cutaneous there is \uparrow total peripheral resistance, it become different for blood to move from arterial to venous side



- * Pressure in artery during diastole is totally depend on T.P.R
- * \uparrow T.P.R in arteriole \rightarrow \uparrow diastolic BP
- arteriole act as a tape, when tape is open pressure in pipe \downarrow es.
- * Why venous vessel are capacitance vessel?
- B/c 100% blood volume is present in venous side.

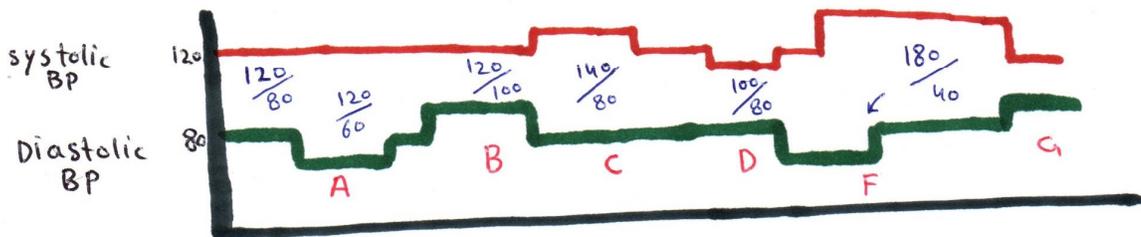


$$\text{Systemic BP} = \frac{\text{Systolic BP}}{\text{Diastolic BP}}$$

Systolic: Pressure in major systemic arteries when left ventricle is pumping.

Diastolic: Pressure in major systemic arteries when heart is relaxing.
ie: Aortic valve is closed.

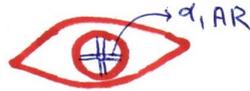
α_1 AR stimulated by on venules will cause flow of blood back to right heart, so there is \uparrow venous return.
 \uparrow End diastolic volume, \uparrow stroke volume & \uparrow CO; so during systole more blood comes to arteries, so systolic BP \uparrow .



- * When drug A is given systolic is normal & diastolic decrease, so the drug is \downarrow ing T.P.R (arteriolodilator)
- * when drug B is given systolic is normal & diastolic BP \uparrow es, the drug is \uparrow ing T.P.R (arterioloconstrictor)
- * when drug C is given diastolic is normal & systolic BP \uparrow es, the drug is \uparrow ing Cardiac output.
- * when drug D is given diastolic is normal & systolic BP \downarrow es, the drug is \downarrow ing Cardiac output.
- * When drug F is given systolic is increased, & diastolic is decreased so the drug is \downarrow ing T.P.R & \uparrow ing Cardiac output.
- * when drug G is given systolic \downarrow es & diastolic \uparrow es. so the drug is \downarrow ing Cardiac output & \uparrow es T.P.R

Pupillary dialation:

ie: Mydriasis



PROSTATE

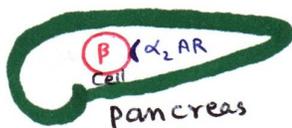
When prostate increase in size, it constrict urethra, & the male will develop Benign prostatic hypertrophy (BPH).

* To such patients we give drug which dialate prostatic smooth muscle, These drugs are α_1 Antagonist

* α_1 blockers are Excellent Anti HTN in BPH patient.

* Taken These drugs may experience ejaculatory problem

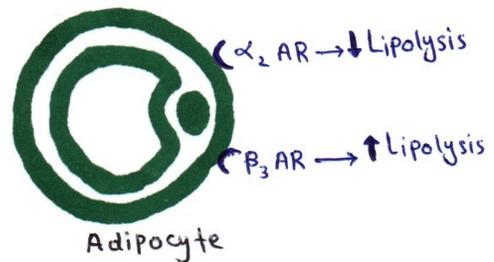
α_1 AR increase Tone of internal urethral sphincter.



β1 stimulant

- Dopamine
- Dobutamine

β1 stimulant are always Cardiostimulant



Bathmotropy: ↑ Excitibility of specilized conducting system

This ↑es in strength of contraction is +ve inotropy.

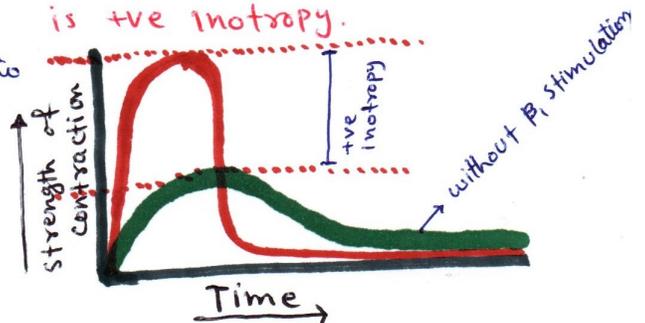
without β1 stimulate, it takes more time to reach to peak. with β1 stimulation velocity is increase, so less time is taken to reach to peak this is +ve clinotropy.

+ve clinotropy → ↑ed velocity of contraction.

* ↑HR → +ve Chronotropy

* ↑S.V. → $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow +ve \text{ inotropy} \\ \rightarrow +ve \text{ clinotropy} \end{array} \right.$

* $\uparrow H.R \times \uparrow S.V = \uparrow CO = \uparrow \text{ systolic BP}$



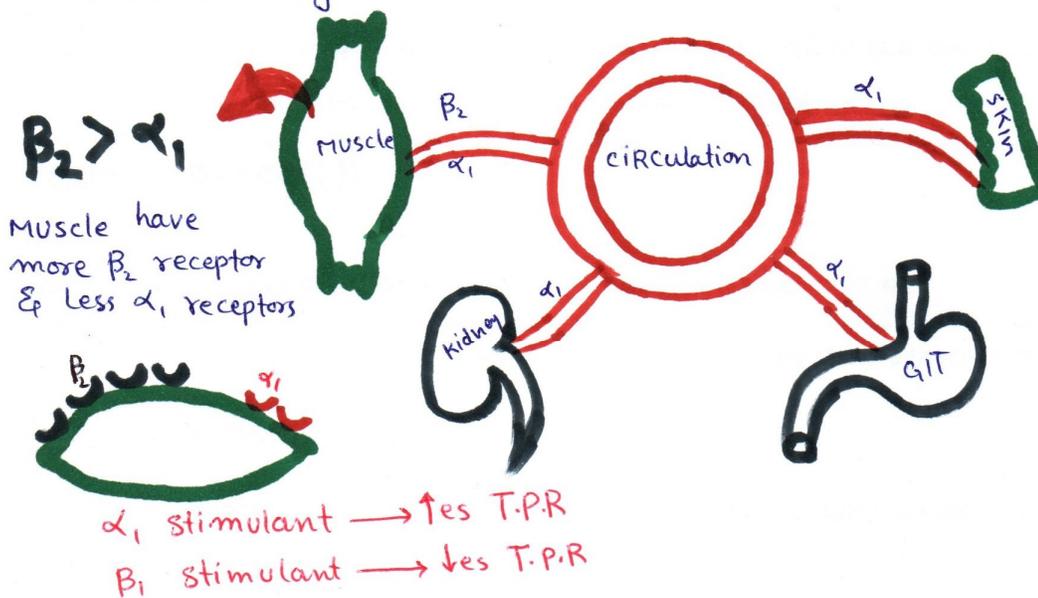
One of typical function of β_1 blocker is to Cardioinhibitor.

β_1 -blocker is not only Cardioinhibitor but also inhibit Juxta glomerular Apparatus (JGA) cells & Renin production in the body is decrease, so \downarrow Ang II.

* If Angiotensin II mediated vasoconstriction is low, than diastolic BP will be less; * Ang II mediated veno-constriction will also be less \rightarrow Venous return will be less \rightarrow End diastolic volume \downarrow \rightarrow \downarrow CO \rightarrow systolic BP \downarrow es,

* Aldosterone will also be less, so aldosterone mediated salt & water retention is less, so Blood volume is less \rightarrow venous return \downarrow es, \rightarrow CO \downarrow , so systolic BP is less.

So These drugs are used Antihypertensive drugs, so β_1 blockers \downarrow es BP by Cardioinhibition; & inhibition of renin Ang, Ald system.



Raynaud's disease: There is increased tendency of vasospasticity of distal blood vessels, when expose to cold, vessels constrict so severely, that person develop cyanosis, & even necrosis in severe Raynaud's disease.

- * so, Propranolol is contraindicated for patient with peripheral blood vessels disease.
- * propranolol should not be given in Asthma patient.

propranolol is contraindicated for patient with Insuline dependant Diabetes Melitus (I.D.DM) b/c they have more chance to develop hypoglycemic attack: They develop;

- ① Anxious look
- ② palpitation
- ③ sweating
- ④ Tremor

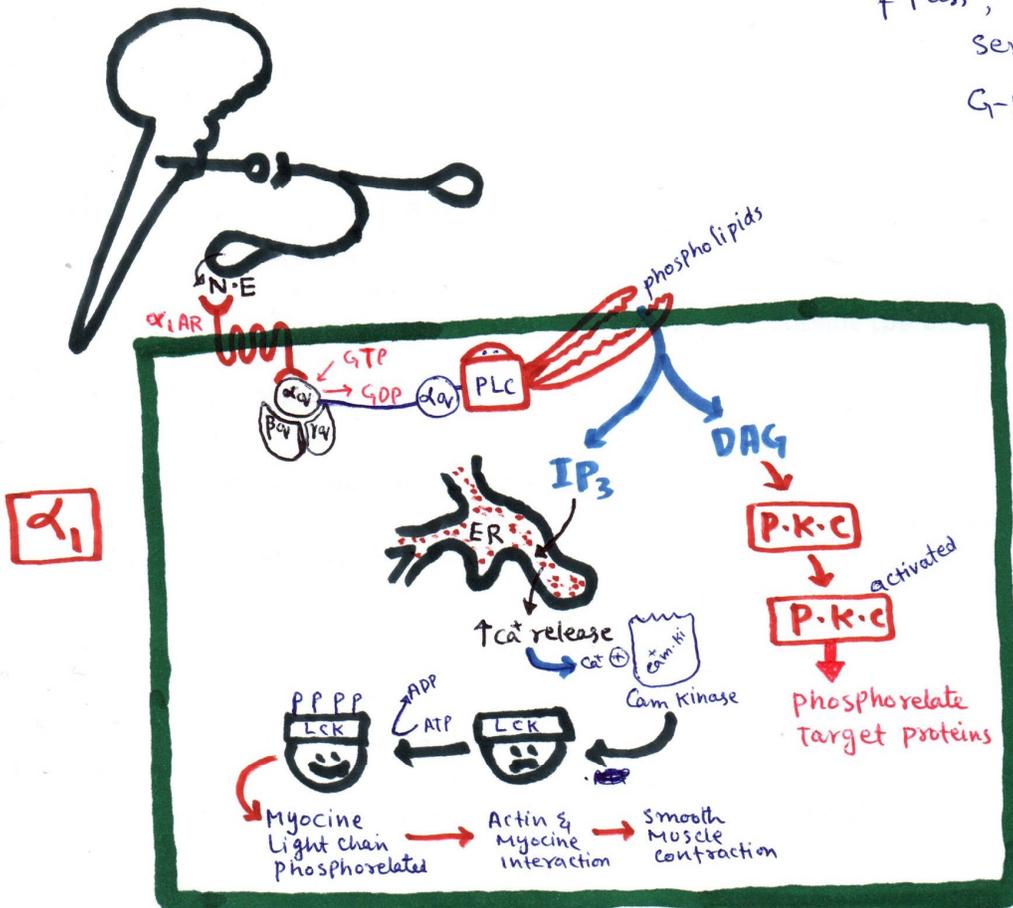
all of these are due to sympathetic overflow.
 → warning signs

If β_2 -blocker (e.g. Propranolol) is taken by insulin dependant DM patient & whenever he develop hypoglycemia, he will not develop warning symptoms, so such patient not taking sugar, & also liver will not cause glycogenolysis; so they have more chance to develop life threatening hypoglycemia.

* β_2 stimulant have Tokolytic effect on uterus.

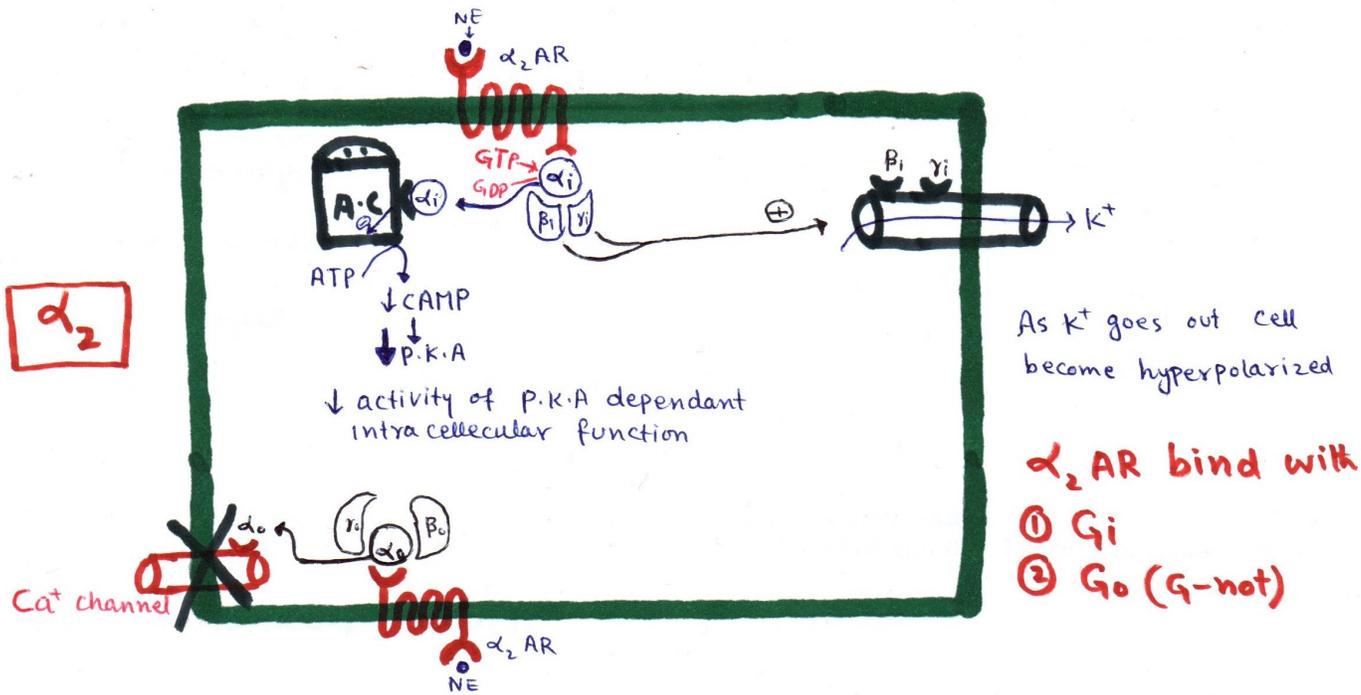
➔ Molecular Basis of Adrenergic Drugs & Intracellular Signaling Mechanism:

all adrenergic receptors are 7 Pass, also called Serpentine OR G-protein Coupled receptor.



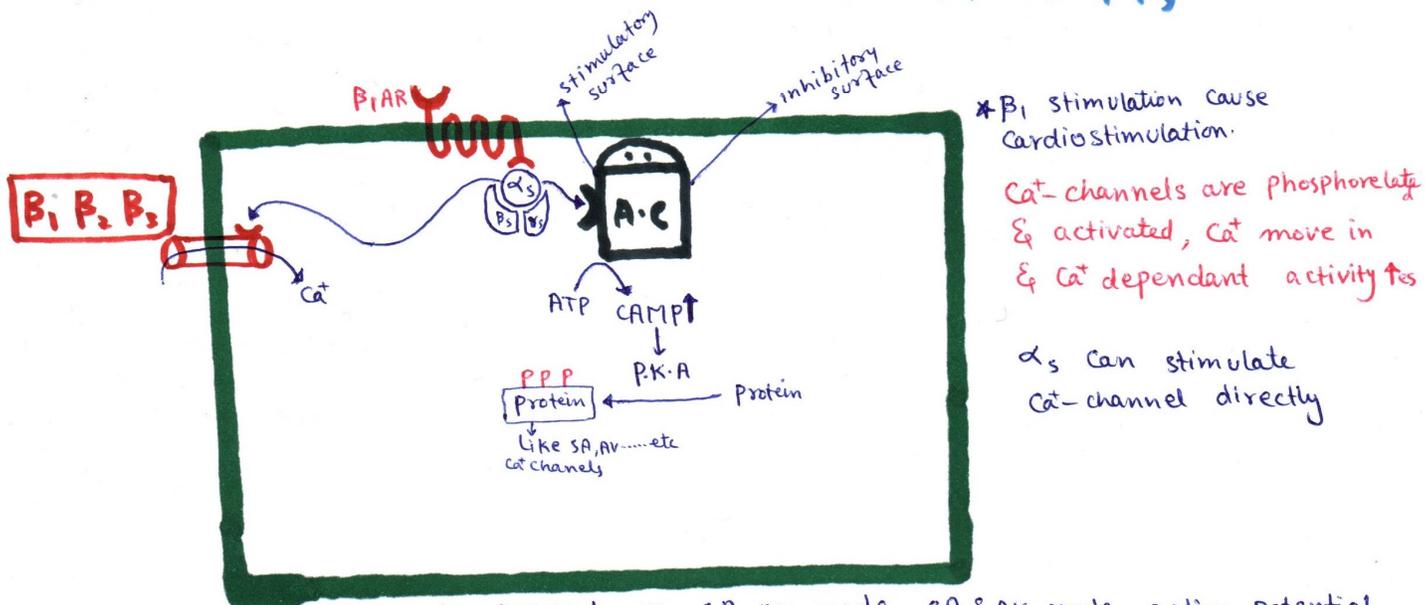
Light chain kinase

DAG act on PKC (protein kinase-c) & just activate them & not phosphorylate them.
 the activated P.K.C than phosphorylate the target proteins.



when α_2 AR bind to α_o , the α_o bind with Ca²⁺-channel & block them, so no Ca²⁺ influx occur, This is one way that how α_2 act in presynaptic membrane.

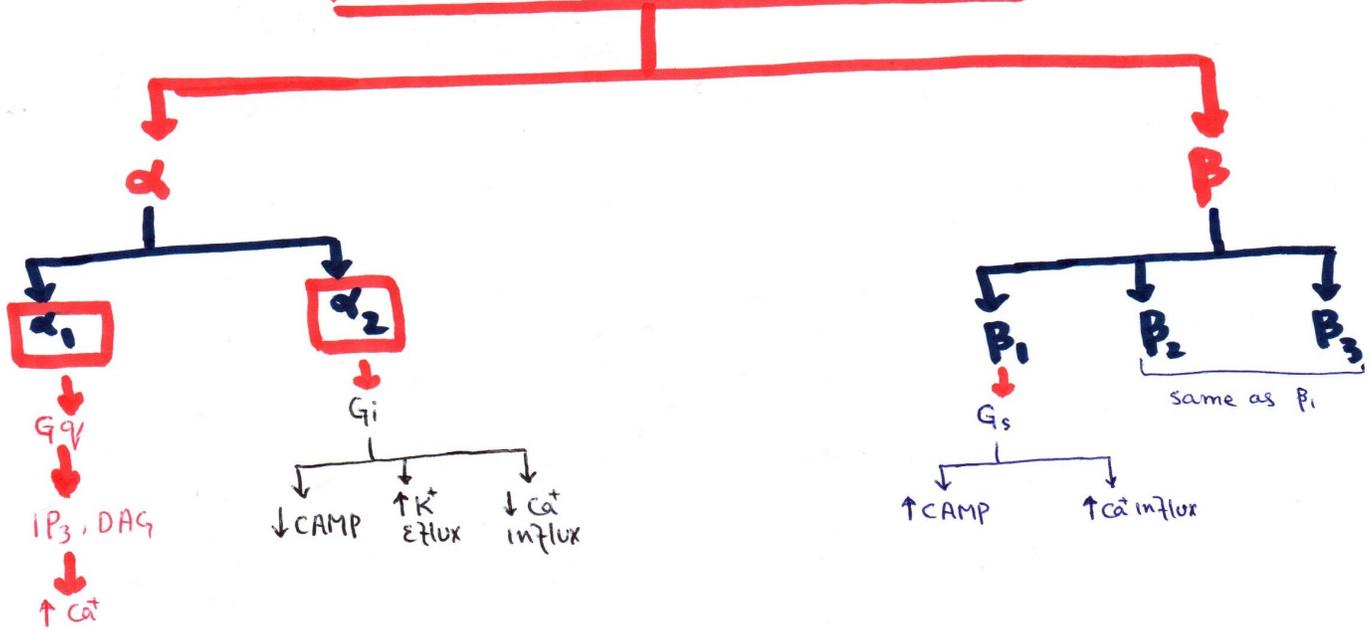
intracellular mechanism for β_1, β_2 & β_3 are same.



- * suppose Ca²⁺-channel is present on SA, AV-node, SA & AV-node action potential is Ca²⁺ dependant, so action potential ↑.
- * Atrial Myocardium activity also depend on Ca²⁺, so +ve inotropic action.

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ADRENERGIC RECEPTORS



DESENSITIZATION

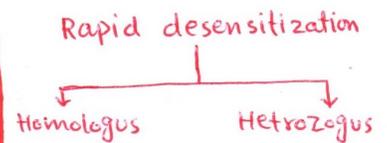
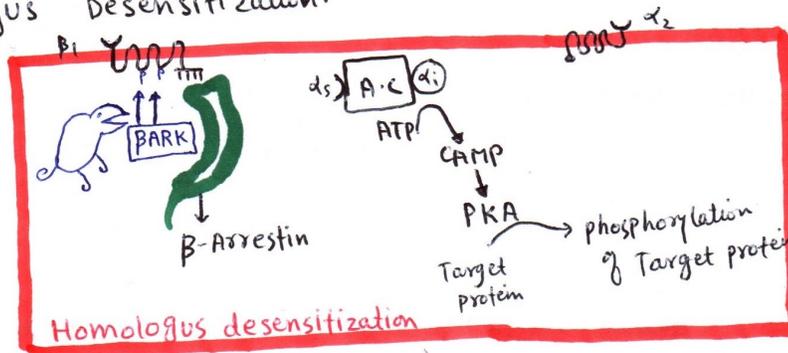
when agonist act on receptor and giving intracellular signaling, by time pass the receptor and signaling become less efficient and their response to agonist decrease.

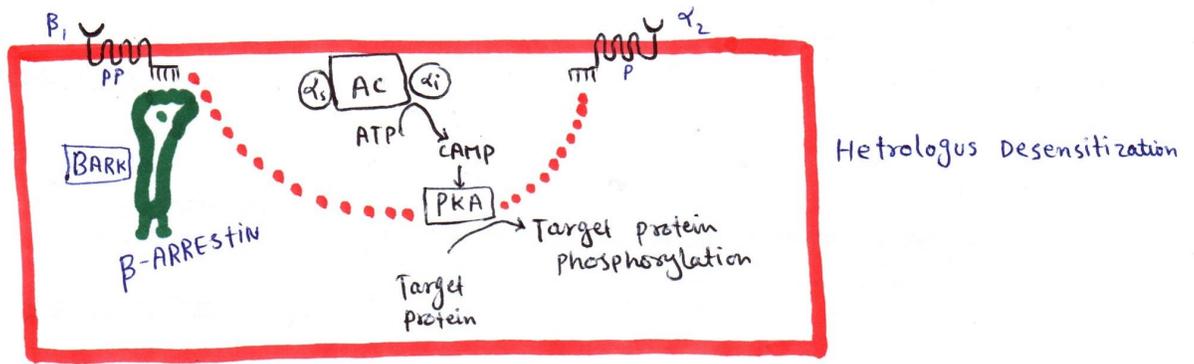
e.g. Epi → Receptor → α unit → AC → than action

Receptor has been phosphorylated, when this receptor is phosphorylated, than another protein come & bind with phosphorylated receptor, so α-component does not again bind with receptor, phosphorylation is caused by β-AR kinase (BARK)

In the presence of this protein β-Arrestin arrest the signaling mechanism, so tissue is desensitized this mechanism is called RAPID DESENSITIZATION, This is an example of

Homologous Desensitization.



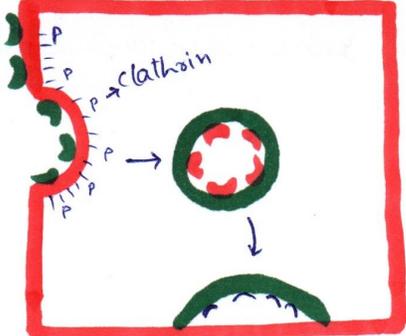


Heterologous Desensitization

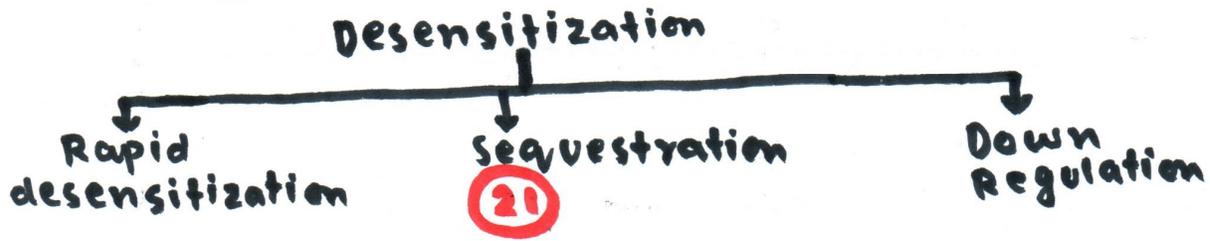
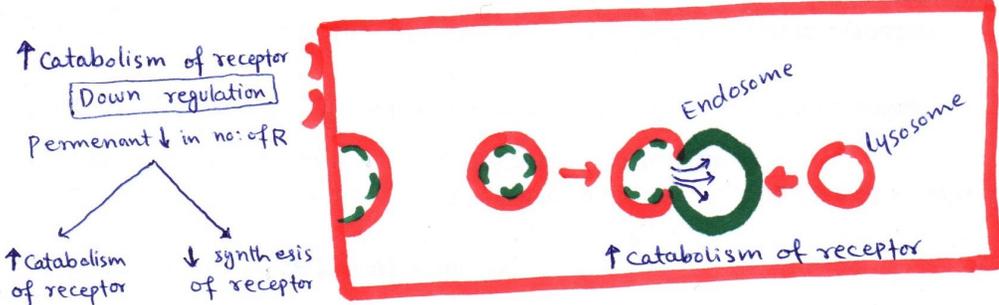
- * when agonist act on β_1 it will activate PKA, which cause phosphorylation of many proteins
- * if this phosphorylation is caused by α_2 AR, than response of α_2 to ligand also tes, this type is called Heterologous Desensitization.

Transient sequestration

if receptor are too much stimulated than phosphorylated receptor are internalized by clathrin, but after some time they again express on surface & ready for action again. But if stimulation occur too much than receptors will be catabolized by Endosome.

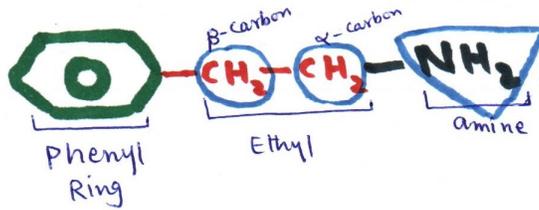


Down Regulation of Receptor



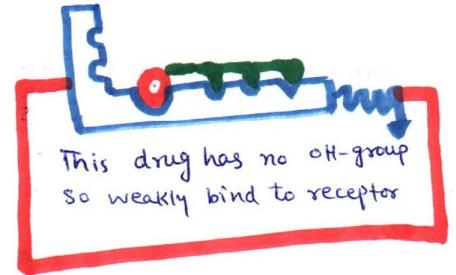
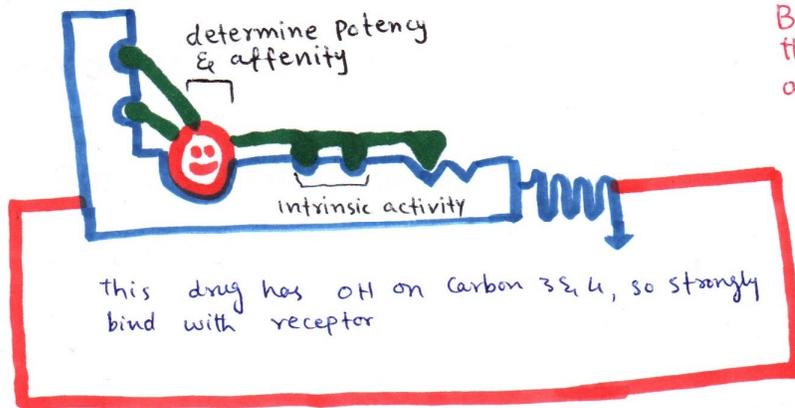
Structure activity of sympathomimetic Amines

β -Phenyl-Ethyl-Amine
(Parent Compound)

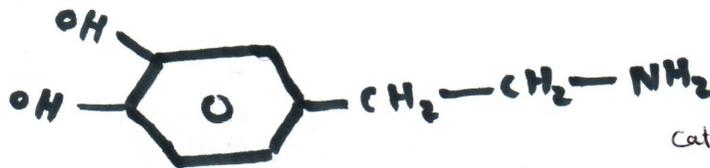


How this structure fit into receptor
For drug to bind with receptor tightly, the drug should be needed to have side chains. so it bind strongly & produce strong stimulation, what are these two side groups?

* Sympathomimetic drugs should have 2-carbon diffusion B/w Benzene ring & NH_2 group b/c this part determine intrinsic activity of receptor.

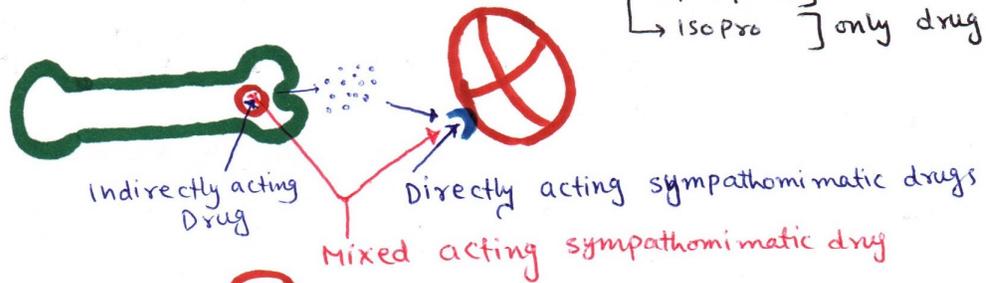


Di OH Benzene ring = catechol ring



Di OH benzene Ethyl amine = catecholamine

- NE
 - Dopamin
 - Epineprine
 - IsoPro
- natural + drug
- only drug



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- ① Directly acting drugs directly acts on receptor
- ② Indirectly drugs act on presynaptic membrane and increase the release of N.E, which than act on receptor.
- ③ Mixed action sympathomimatic drugs, slightly act on direct Adrenergic receptor & slightly act indirectly & ↑ the release of N.E.

All Catecholamine have high potency.

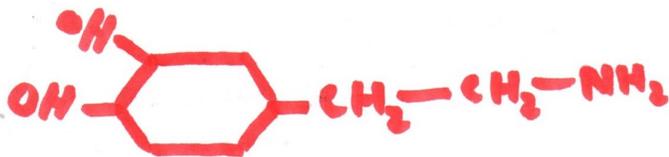
* Affinity: ability to bind strong with receptor.

* Potency: ability to bind strongly & activate the receptor.



when OH group are removed, the structure become more lipid soluble

When OH group are removed, now this structure easily enter into nerve ending b/c of lipid solubility & increase the release of N.E (Neurotransmitter), such drug are now converted into INDIRECTLY ACTING DRUGS



here on 3 & 4th carbon OH are present so it is called Catecholamine

Directly sympathomimatic drugs are:

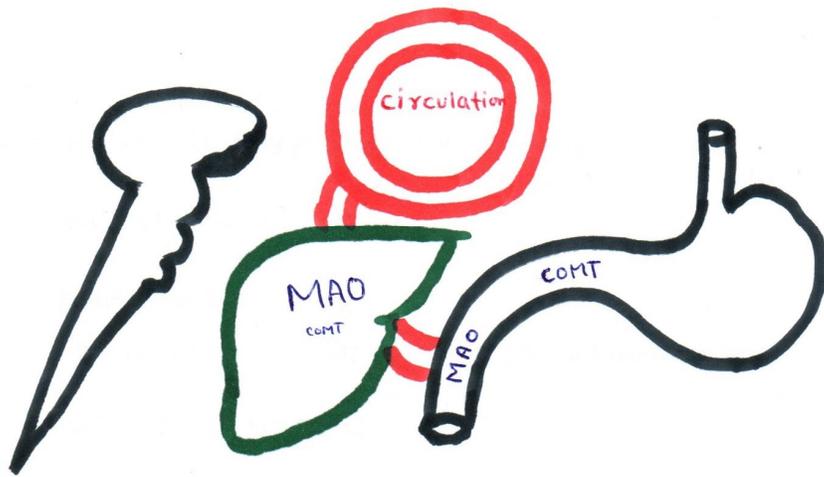
- High polar compound.
- They are given parentally
- has low duration of action.
- not cross BBB b/c of polarity



here on 3rd & 4th carbon, the OH is absent, this is called Noncatecholamine

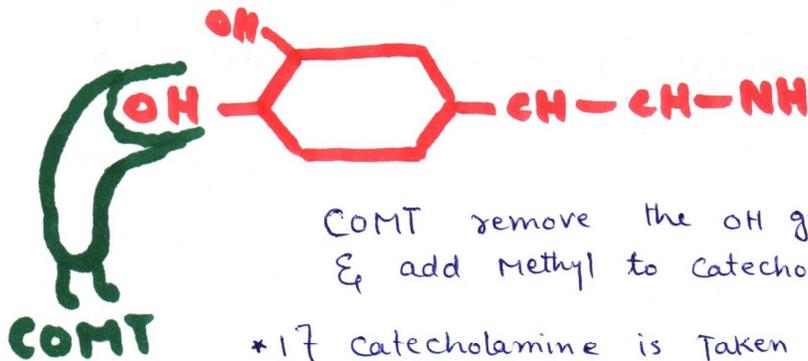
Indirectly sympathomimatic acting drugs are:

- Less polar compound
- they are given orally
- has high duration of action (test half life)



If catecholamine are taken orally, they are not absorbed well b/c they are polar, whatever small amount are absorbed & that is destroyed in GIT by COMT & MAO enzymes.

- * Also destroyed by MAO in the Liver
- * Liver also have small amount of COMT



COMT remove the OH group & add Methyl to catechol ring.

- * If catecholamine is taken orally its bioavailability is less, so they are taken parentally (by injection).

- ① Ephedrin
 - ② Amphetamine
- Non catecholamine

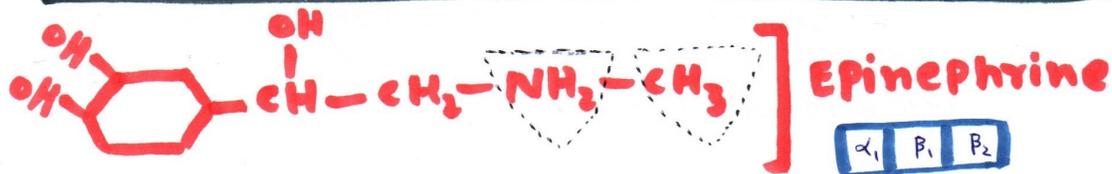
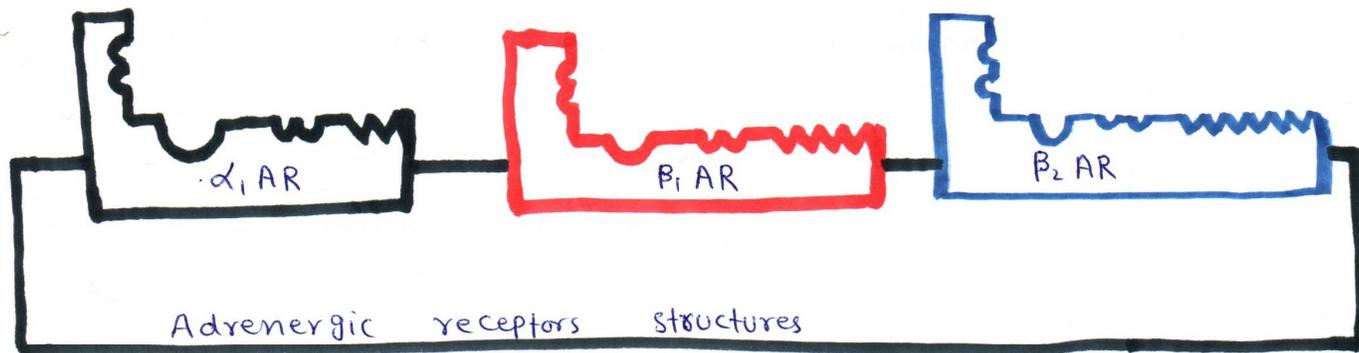
These are indirectly acting drug, so they are taken orally.

Non-catecholamine are having longer duration of action b/c they are not taken up by MAO & COMT.

- * When catecholamine are given parentally they can't cross BBB b/c of lipid solubility, so they don't have direct action on CNS.
- * Non-catecholamine are less polar, and more lipid soluble so they increase the release of N.Epi.
 - They cross BBB and produce effects and side effects on CNS.

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→ why different sympathomimetic drug produce different action on different Adrenergic receptor

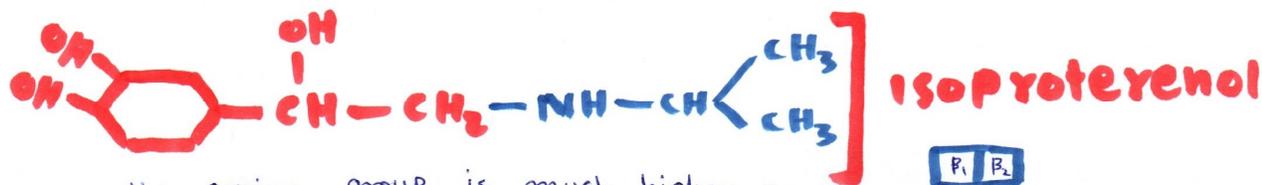


Epinephrine can bind to α_1 , β_1 , β_2 receptors, due to this action Epinephrine is called **Balanced sympathomimetic drug**.
 ie: it act on all adrenergic receptors with almost same affinity.

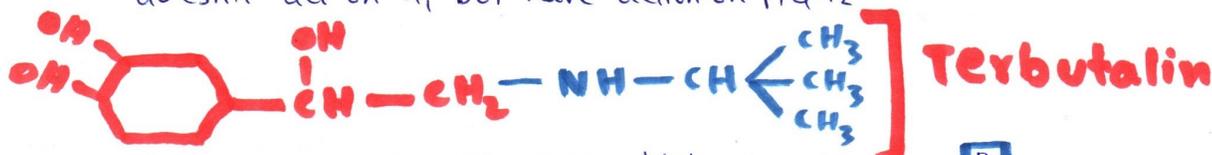


Norepinephrine has the ability to stimulate α_1 & β_1 Adrenergic receptors but not significantly stimulate the β_2 receptors.

As the amine group group increases the action toward right $\alpha_1, \beta_1, \beta_2 \rightarrow$ Yes.



Its amine group is much higher so doesn't act on α_1 , but have action on β_1 & β_2

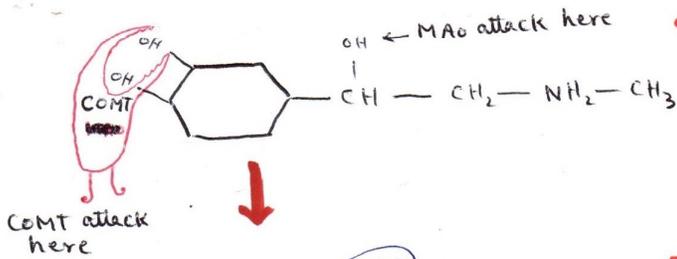


Its amine group are very high, so it can't act on α_1 & β_1 but act on β_2 , so best used in Asthma for bronchodilation.

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Alter the structure of catecholamine & make them non-catecholamine.

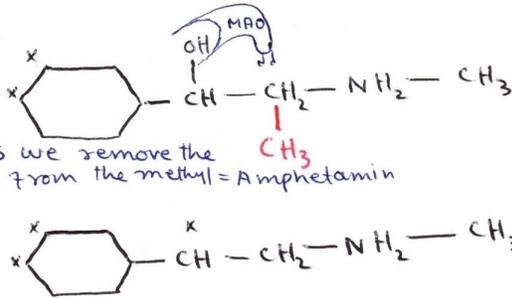
① Remove Hydroxyl group from Epinephrine & add Methyl group = Ephedrine



Epinephrine

- Better absorb orally
- oral bioavailability is more
- Indirectly acting
- Non catecholamine
- Cross BBB & act on CNS
- Due to adding of CH₃ it become more lipid soluble

② As we remove the OH from the methyl = Amphetamin



Ephedrine

Amphetamin
It is longer acting

- Become polar
- Cross BBB
- Indirectly acting
- good bioavailability
- Longer duration of action
- Non-catecholamine

End of Adrenergic Agonist
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DIRECT-ACTING AGENTS

Albuterol ACCUNEb, PROAIR, VENTOLIN
Arformoterol BROVANA
Clonidine CATAPRES, DURACLON
Dobutamine* GENERIC ONLY
Dopamine* GENERIC ONLY
Epinephrine* ADRENALIN, EPIPEN
Fenoldopam CORLOPAM
Formoterol FORADIL, PERFORMIST
Guanfacine INTUNIV, TENEX
Indacaterol ARCAPTA
Isoproterenol* ISUPREL
Metaproterenol GENERIC ONLY
Midodrine GENERIC ONLY
Mirabegron MYRBETRIQ
Norepinephrine* LEVOPHED
Oxymetazoline AFRIN, VISINE
Phenylephrine NEO-SYNEPHRINE, SUDAFED PE
Salmeterol SEREVENT
Terbutaline GENERIC ONLY

INDIRECT-ACTING AGENTS

Amphetamine ADDERALL
Cocaine GENERIC ONLY

DIRECT AND INDIRECT ACTING (mixed action) AGENTS

Ephedrine AKOVAZ
Pseudoephedrine SUDAFED

Summary of adrenergic agonists. Agents marked with an asterisk (*) are catecholamines