

## \* Pharmacology L.2 :-

Pharmacodynamics

\* Pharmacodynamics :- The effect of the drug on the body.

mechanism  
of  
action

drug-receptor  
interactions

pharmacological  
effect

side  
effect

التي تسببها الدواء

risk > benefit

benefit > risk

⇒ This study is needed to predict the effects of a drug at:-

a. different doses.

b. different patients.

\* Ex: The synthesis of adrenaline/nor-adrenaline in inhalers for patients with asthma. mimicking fight or flight reactions. activating  $\beta$ -receptors  $\uparrow$  (agonist.)

\* Atherosclerosis :- The vessels lose their elasticity so the person can't take  $\beta$ -blockers opp. to adrenaline/nor-adrenaline (antagonist) so the pumping pressure wouldn't explode the heart.

\* For people with problems in the liver/kidney we need to adjust the doses.

## \* Drug-Receptor Interactions:

- The interaction of the drug on or in the cell.
- Receptor: A protein that binds to the drug to exert its effect
- Affinity: The strength of binding.
- Efficacy: The ability of a drug to produce the effect when bound to a receptor.

- ## \* Receptors:
- A. Ion channel: GABA, nicotinic
  - B. G-protein: GPCR's, adrenergic.
  - C. Enzyme-linked: insulin receptors.
  - D. Intracellular: Steroid hormone receptors (cholesterols)

⇒ Ex: Binding of morphine to opioid receptors to relieve pain.

→ Agonist: A drug that binds and activates

→ Antagonist: A drug that binds and deactivates (blocks)

→ Partial Agonist: A drug that binds and partially activates receptors.

\* Our bodies develop tolerance against a drug causing the need for higher doses + desensitization to receptors.



\* Dose Response: Relation between the drug dose and its effect.

- Threshold dose: smallest dose to produce an effect

- Maximum efficacy: greatest effect regardless of dose

- Potency: amount of drug to cause an effect.

\* Therapeutic window: The range of drug doses that ~~not~~ produces a therapeutic response without bad effects

Therapeutic Index: Ratio of toxic effect to good effect

TI

Wide TI: Safe

Narrow TI: Narrow safety

\* Patient specific factors: Age, Genetics, Disease State, Tolerance

\* Drug interactions:

Synergistic: Drugs that enhance each other

Antagonistic: Drugs that oppose each other

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