

MIDTERM MADE EASY

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PHARMACOKINETICS

1. What does pharmacokinetics study?

- A) The therapeutic effects of drugs
- B) The body's effect on drugs, including absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion
- C) Drug toxicity and adverse effects
- D) Drug development and manufacturing

Correct Answer: B) The body's effect on drugs, including absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion

2. Which process describes the movement of drugs from the circulation to tissues?

- A) Absorption
- B) Distribution
- C) Biotransformation
- D) Excretion

Correct Answer: B) Distribution

3. Which property increases a drug's ability to permeate lipid membranes?

- A) High hydrophilicity
- B) High lipid solubility
- C) High molecular weight
- D) Binding to plasma proteins

Correct Answer: B) High lipid solubility

4. What is the primary determinant of passive diffusion according to Fick's Law?

- A) The type of receptor the drug binds to
- B) The permeability coefficient of the membrane
- C) The drug's molecular weight
- D) The rate of renal clearance

Correct Answer: B) The permeability coefficient of the membrane

5. What happens to weak acids in an acidic environment?

- A) They become ionized and water-soluble
- B) They remain unionized and lipid-soluble
- C) They are metabolized by enzymes
- D) Their pKa increases

Correct Answer: B) They remain unionized and lipid-soluble

6. Which equation relates pKa, pH, and the ratio of ionized to unionized drug?

- A) Michaelis-Menten equation
- B) Fick's Law
- C) Henderson-Hasselbalch equation
- D) First-order elimination equation

Correct Answer: C) Henderson-Hasselbalch equation

7. What happens during the first-pass effect?

- A) Drugs are eliminated unchanged in the bile
- B) Drugs are metabolized in the liver before reaching systemic circulation
- C) Drugs bypass the liver entirely

- D) Drugs are distributed into tissues directly from the gut

Correct Answer: B) Drugs are metabolized in the liver before reaching systemic circulation

8. How can the first-pass effect impact oral drug administration?

- A) It increases bioavailability
- B) It decreases the dose required
- C) It may necessitate a larger oral dose
- D) It prolongs the drug's half-life

Correct Answer: C) It may necessitate a larger oral dose

9. What is bioavailability?

- A) The fraction of the drug absorbed from the gut
- B) The extent and rate of drug reaching systemic circulation
- C) The degree of drug binding to plasma proteins
- D) The drug's elimination rate from the liver

Correct Answer: B) The extent and rate of drug reaching systemic circulation

10. Which factor does NOT affect oral drug bioavailability?

- A) First-pass metabolism
- B) Incomplete absorption
- C) Low plasma protein binding
- D) Destruction of the drug in the GI tract

Correct Answer: C) Low plasma protein binding

11. Which type of elimination removes a constant fraction of the drug per unit time?

- A) First-order elimination
- B) Zero-order elimination
- C) Saturable elimination
- D) Flow-dependent elimination

Correct Answer: A) First-order elimination

12. What is the half-life of a drug?

- A) The time required for the drug to reach peak concentration
- B) The time required for 50% of the drug to be eliminated from the body
- C) The time needed for a drug to bind plasma proteins
- D) The time taken to eliminate all traces of the drug

Correct Answer: B) The time required for 50% of the drug to be eliminated from the body

13. What does a high volume of distribution (VD) indicate about a drug?

- A) It is restricted to plasma
- B) It is distributed extensively into tissues
- C) It is highly protein-bound
- D) It has a high rate of renal clearance

Correct Answer: B) It is distributed extensively into tissues

14. Which equation relates volume of distribution (VD) to plasma concentration?

- A) $VD = Ab / Cp$
- B) $CL = Cu / Cp$

- C) $F = (f)(1 - ER)$
- D) $k = 0.693 / t_{1/2}$

Correct Answer: A) $VD = Ab / C_p$

15. Which mechanism is responsible for the transport of glucose and amino acids across membranes?

- A) Lipid diffusion
- B) Carrier-mediated transport
- C) Aqueous diffusion
- D) Endocytosis

Correct Answer: B) Carrier-mediated transport

16. What characteristic is NOT true about special carriers?

- A) They are selective
- B) They are saturable
- C) They bind ATP for energy in all cases
- D) They can be inhibited

Correct Answer: C) They bind ATP for energy in all cases

17. What is an example of endocytosis in drug transport?

- A) Passive diffusion of small drugs
- B) Transport of vitamin B12 complexed with intrinsic factor
- C) Diffusion of weak acids across membranes
- D) Excretion of drugs into bile

Correct Answer: B) Transport of vitamin B12 complexed with intrinsic factor

18. What happens to a drug with a high extraction ratio during first-pass metabolism?

- A) It undergoes minimal hepatic metabolism
- B) Most of the drug is eliminated on its first passage through the liver
- C) The drug is directly excreted into bile
- D) The drug's systemic concentration increases significantly

Correct Answer: B) Most of the drug is eliminated on its first passage through the liver

19. Which factor can increase a drug's bioavailability?

- A) High first-pass effect
- B) Alkalinization of gastric pH
- C) Inhibition of P-glycoprotein
- D) High plasma protein binding

Correct Answer: C) Inhibition of P-glycoprotein

20. What is a consequence of enterohepatic cycling?

- A) Increased renal clearance of drugs
- B) Prolonged half-life of elimination
- C) Decreased volume of distribution
- D) Reduced plasma protein binding

Correct Answer: B) Prolonged half-life of elimination

21. What is the role of activated charcoal in cases of drug overdose?

- A) It enhances lipid solubility of the drug

- B) It prevents enterohepatic reabsorption of drugs excreted into bile
- C) It increases the rate of drug metabolism in the liver
- D) It reduces renal clearance of drugs

Correct Answer: B) It prevents enterohepatic reabsorption of drugs excreted into bile

Drug Clearance

22. What is the formula for calculating drug clearance (CL)?

- A) $CL = \text{rate of elimination} / C_p$
- B) $CL = A_b / C_p$
- C) $CL = F \times \text{dose} / V_d$
- D) $CL = t_{1/2} \times 0.693$

Correct Answer: A) $CL = \text{rate of elimination} / C_p$

23. What does renal clearance depend on?

- A) Plasma protein binding
- B) Volume of distribution
- C) Concentration of drug in urine (C_u) and urine flow rate (V)
- D) Ionization state of the drug in plasma

Correct Answer: C) Concentration of drug in urine (C_u) and urine flow rate (V)

24. Which statement about zero-order drug elimination is TRUE?

- A) A constant fraction of the drug is eliminated per unit time
- B) The rate of elimination is directly proportional to plasma concentration

- C) Saturation of the elimination process occurs at high concentrations
- D) It is the most common elimination process for therapeutic drugs

Correct Answer: C) Saturation of the elimination process occurs at high concentrations

25. What is the elimination rate constant (k) in first-order elimination?

- A) It is constant and unrelated to the dose
- B) It varies with drug concentration
- C) It is dependent on renal clearance alone
- D) It increases over time as the drug concentration decreases

Correct Answer: A) It is constant and unrelated to the dose

26. How many half-lives are required to eliminate approximately 93.75% of a drug from the body?

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 4
- D) 5

Correct Answer: C) 4

27. When is steady-state achieved during repeated drug administration?

- A) After 1 half-life
- B) After 2 half-lives
- C) After 4 half-lives
- D) After 8 half-lives

Correct Answer: C) After 4 half-lives

28. What is the purpose of a loading dose?

- A) To reduce the half-life of the drug
- B) To maintain steady-state drug concentration
- C) To achieve the desired therapeutic concentration rapidly
- D) To increase the rate of drug metabolism

Correct Answer: C) To achieve the desired therapeutic concentration rapidly

29. What is the formula for calculating a maintenance dose (MD)?

- A) $MD = VD \times C_{ssdesired}$
- B) $MD = CL \times C_{ssdesired}$
- C) $MD = k \times t_{1/2} \times C_{ssdesired}$
- D) $MD = AUC / C_{ssdesired}$

Correct Answer: B) $MD = CL \times C_{ssdesired}$

30. Which family of transporters is responsible for drug resistance in some tumors?

- A) Solute carrier families (SLC)
- B) ATP-binding cassette (ABC) family
- C) Carrier-mediated transporters
- D) Ion channel transporters

Correct Answer: B) ATP-binding cassette (ABC) family

31. What is a key characteristic of the solute carrier families (SLC)?

- A) They use ATP for energy
- B) They mediate active transport only
- C) They rely on ion gradients for transport energy

- D) They are specialized for lipid-soluble drugs

Correct Answer: C) They rely on ion gradients for transport energy

Barriers Against Drug Permeation

32. What is one factor that creates a barrier against drug permeation?

- A) Drug's high lipid solubility
- B) Presence of tight junctions between endothelial cells
- C) Absence of carrier proteins in the cell membrane
- D) High pKa of the drug molecule

Correct Answer: B) Presence of tight junctions between endothelial cells

33. Which structure in the brain contributes to its barrier against drug permeation?

- A) Absence of tight junctions
- B) Connective tissue cells like astrocytes
- C) High plasma protein concentration
- D) High hepatic blood flow

Correct Answer: B) Connective tissue cells like astrocytes

34. What is a potential consequence of liver cirrhosis on first-pass metabolism?

- A) Reduced systemic drug concentration
- B) Increased drug excretion through bile
- C) Increased risk of drug toxicity due to reduced metabolism
- D) Decreased drug absorption from the gut

Correct Answer: C) Increased risk of drug toxicity due to reduced metabolism

35. Which factor does NOT reduce the bioavailability of an orally administered drug?

- A) Faulty manufacturing of the dosage form
- B) Gastric acid destruction of the drug
- C) Enterohepatic cycling
- D) Presence of food in the stomach

Correct Answer: D) Presence of food in the stomach

36. Which type of drug is most likely to have a small volume of distribution (VD)?

- A) A drug highly bound to plasma proteins
- B) A drug with high lipid solubility
- C) A drug that distributes into fat tissues
- D) A drug with rapid renal clearance

Correct Answer: A) A drug highly bound to plasma proteins

37. What does a very high volume of distribution, such as 13,000 L for chloroquine, indicate?

- A) The drug is confined to the plasma
- B) The drug distributes extensively into tissues
- C) The drug is poorly absorbed from the gut
- D) The drug undergoes rapid first-pass metabolism

Correct Answer: B) The drug distributes extensively into tissues

38. What is the significance of plasma protein binding for a drug?

- A) It reduces the drug's therapeutic effects
- B) It acts as a reservoir, releasing the drug slowly

- C) It accelerates the drug's renal clearance
- D) It increases the drug's volume of distribution

Correct Answer: B) It acts as a reservoir, releasing the drug slowly

39. What is the likely effect of a drug being displaced from plasma proteins by another drug?

- A) Increased free drug concentration and potential toxicity
- B) Decreased free drug concentration
- C) No effect on drug concentration or activity
- D) Reduced elimination rate of the displaced drug

Correct Answer: A) Increased free drug concentration and potential toxicity

40. Which parameter affects hepatic clearance of a drug?

- A) Concentration of drug in the urine
- B) Hepatic blood flow and extraction ratio
- C) Drug's volume of distribution
- D) Protein binding of the drug in plasma

Correct Answer: B) Hepatic blood flow and extraction ratio

41. What happens to the clearance of a drug with a high hepatic extraction ratio when liver blood flow decreases?

- A) Clearance increases
- B) Clearance decreases
- C) Clearance remains unchanged
- D) Clearance depends on renal function

Correct Answer: B) Clearance decreases

42. What happens to steady-state concentration (C_{ss}) when the dosing rate increases?

- A) C_{ss} decreases
- B) C_{ss} increases
- C) C_{ss} remains the same
- D) C_{ss} becomes unpredictable

Correct Answer: B) C_{ss} increases

43. If a drug's half-life is prolonged due to impaired renal function, what adjustment is needed to the dosing regimen?

- A) Increase the maintenance dose
- B) Increase the loading dose
- C) Decrease the dosing interval
- D) Decrease the dosing frequency

Correct Answer: D) Decrease the dosing frequency

44. What influences the ionization of weak acids and bases?

- A) The drug's molecular weight
- B) The pH of the medium and the drug's pK_a
- C) The presence of plasma proteins
- D) The lipid solubility of the drug

Correct Answer: B) The pH of the medium and the drug's pK_a

45. What happens to weak bases in an acidic environment?

- A) They become unionized and lipid-soluble
- B) They become protonated and water-soluble
- C) They are metabolized into weak acids

- D) They remain unaffected

Correct Answer: B) They become protonated and water-soluble

46. Which of the following drugs is excreted faster in alkaline urine?

- A) Weak acids
- B) Weak bases
- C) Neutral drugs
- D) Lipid-soluble drugs

Correct Answer: A) Weak acids

47. How can urine alkalinization be achieved to enhance drug excretion?

- A) Administer ascorbic acid
- B) Administer ammonium chloride
- C) Administer sodium bicarbonate
- D) Administer activated charcoal

Correct Answer: C) Administer sodium bicarbonate

48. What term is used to describe the incomplete delivery of a drug to systemic circulation due to metabolism in the liver and gut wall?

- A) Bioavailability
- B) Hepatic elimination
- C) First-pass effect
- D) Plasma protein binding

Correct Answer: C) First-pass effect

49. Why are oral drug doses usually higher than intravenous doses?

- A) To compensate for reduced absorption in the GI tract

- B) To overcome the first-pass metabolism effect
- C) To prevent drug excretion through bile
- D) To reduce the risk of toxicity

Correct Answer: B) To overcome the first-pass metabolism effect

50. Which drug is eliminated via zero-order kinetics?

- A) Morphine
- B) Aspirin at high doses
- C) Atenolol
- D) Phenobarbital

Correct Answer: B) Aspirin at high doses

51. What is the elimination rate constant (k) used for in pharmacokinetics?

- A) Calculating bioavailability
- B) Determining drug clearance
- C) Predicting the rate of first-order elimination
- D) Measuring the drug's therapeutic effect

Correct Answer: C) Predicting the rate of first-order elimination

52. What does bioequivalence assess between two formulations of the same drug?

- A) The therapeutic effects of the drug
- B) The rate and extent of drug absorption
- C) The plasma protein binding of the drug
- D) The volume of distribution of the drug

Correct Answer: B) The rate and extent of drug absorption

53. Which parameter is used to compare the rate of absorption in bioequivalence studies?

- A) Volume of distribution (VD)
- B) Peak plasma concentration (C_{max})
- C) Clearance (CL)
- D) Half-life (t_{1/2})

Correct Answer: B) Peak plasma concentration (C_{max})

54. What proportion of unionized to ionized drug is present in the blood (pH = 7.4) for pyrimethamine (a weak base with pK_a = 7.0)?

- A) 1:1
- B) 0.4:1
- C) 10:1
- D) 25:1

Correct Answer: B) 0.4:1

55. How can the proportion of ionized and unionized drug in a medium be determined?

- A) Using Fick's Law
- B) Using the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation
- C) By measuring the drug's elimination rate constant
- D) By calculating drug clearance

Correct Answer: B) Using the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation

56. What is the result of altering a drug's ionization in the renal tubules?

- A) Increased plasma protein binding
- B) Reduced drug excretion
- C) Increased reabsorption into the systemic circulation

- D) Enhanced excretion from the body

Correct Answer: D) Enhanced excretion from the body

ROUTES OF DRUG ADMINISTRATION

1. What are the main categories of drug administration routes?

- A) Oral, parenteral, and rectal
- B) Enteral, parenteral, and other routes
- C) Topical, transdermal, and sublingual
- D) Inhalational, rectal, and intravenous

Correct Answer: B) Enteral, parenteral, and other routes

2. What is the most commonly used route of drug administration?

- A) Intravenous
- B) Oral
- C) Sublingual
- D) Rectal

Correct Answer: B) Oral

3. Where is the major site of drug absorption in the oral route?

- A) Stomach
- B) Duodenum
- C) Ileum
- D) Colon

Correct Answer: B) Duodenum

4. **Which is NOT a disadvantage of the oral route?**

- A) Absorption variability
- B) Risk of first-pass effect
- C) Requires aseptic technique
- D) Possible destruction by gastric acid

Correct Answer: C) Requires aseptic technique

5. **Which enteral route is commonly used to avoid the first-pass effect?**

- A) Oral
- B) Sublingual
- C) Rectal
- D) Intramuscular

Correct Answer: B) Sublingual

6. **Why does the rectal route avoid only 50% of the first-pass effect?**

- A) It bypasses the stomach
- B) The upper rectum drains into the portal circulation
- C) The drug dissolves in intestinal flora
- D) The drug is absorbed too rapidly

Correct Answer: B) The upper rectum drains into the portal circulation

Parenteral Routes

7. **Which parenteral route is best for a rapid onset of action?**

- A) Intramuscular
- B) Subcutaneous
- C) Intravenous

- D) Transdermal

Correct Answer: C) Intravenous

8. Which of the following can NOT be administered via the intravenous route?

- A) Aqueous solutions
- B) Oily suspensions
- C) Drugs for rapid action
- D) Water-soluble drugs

Correct Answer: B) Oily suspensions

9. What is a disadvantage of the intravenous route?

- A) Requires patient compliance
- B) Slow onset of action
- C) Produces high initial drug concentrations
- D) Risk of first-pass metabolism

Correct Answer: C) Produces high initial drug concentrations

10. Which parenteral route can be used for depot preparations for sustained drug release?

- A) Intravenous
- B) Intramuscular
- C) Sublingual
- D) Topical

Correct Answer: B) Intramuscular

11. What is a characteristic of subcutaneous drug administration?

- A) Accommodates large volumes of drugs

- B) Rapid absorption compared to intramuscular injections
- C) Suitable for solid pellets for sustained effects
- D) Risk of first-pass effect

Correct Answer: C) Suitable for solid pellets for sustained effects

12. Which route is used for gaseous or volatile drugs like general anesthetics?

- A) Intravenous
- B) Inhalational
- C) Sublingual
- D) Transdermal

Correct Answer: B) Inhalational

13. What is a key advantage of the transdermal route?

- A) Avoids systemic absorption
- B) Ensures rapid onset of action
- C) Avoids first-pass metabolism
- D) Is suitable for local effects only

Correct Answer: C) Avoids first-pass metabolism

14. What happens when a drug is applied topically to inflamed or abraded skin?

- A) It is not absorbed
- B) It undergoes systemic absorption
- C) It is metabolized in the epidermis
- D) It causes localized toxicity

Correct Answer: B) It undergoes systemic absorption

15. Which route is ideal for sustained drug effects over weeks or months?

- A) Intramuscular
- B) Subcutaneous with solid pellets
- C) Intravenous infusion
- D) Oral slow-release formulations

Correct Answer: B) Subcutaneous with solid pellets

16. Which route is most economical and convenient for patients?

- A) Intramuscular
- B) Oral
- C) Rectal
- D) Transdermal

Correct Answer: B) Oral

17. Which route provides the fastest absorption?

- A) Oral
- B) Intramuscular
- C) Sublingual
- D) Inhalational

Correct Answer: D) Inhalational

18. What is a disadvantage of the rectal route of drug administration?

- A) Risk of gastric acid destruction
- B) Requires cooperative patients
- C) Irregular and unpredictable absorption

- D) Limited to unconscious patients

Correct Answer: C) Irregular and unpredictable absorption

19. Which route requires the drug to be highly lipid-soluble for systemic absorption through the skin?

- A) Transdermal
- B) Intramuscular
- C) Sublingual
- D) Oral

Correct Answer: A) Transdermal

20. Which route is particularly suitable for unconscious or vomiting patients?

- A) Oral
- B) Rectal
- C) Intravenous
- D) Inhalational

Correct Answer: B) Rectal

DRUG BIOTRANSFORMATION

1. What are xenobiotics?

- A) Substances naturally produced in the body
- B) Foreign compounds like drugs and toxins introduced into the body
- C) Proteins that bind drugs in plasma
- D) Enzymes that metabolize drugs in the liver

Correct Answer: B) Foreign compounds like drugs and toxins introduced into the body

2. Why are lipophilic drugs metabolized in the liver?

- A) They are highly reactive and need detoxification
- B) They cannot be directly excreted by the kidney
- C) They are toxic to plasma proteins
- D) They bypass glomerular filtration

Correct Answer: B) They cannot be directly excreted by the kidney

3. Which of the following is NOT a typical outcome of drug metabolism?

- A) Drug inactivation
- B) Conversion of a drug into a prodrug
- C) Increased lipophilicity of the drug
- D) Formation of toxic metabolites

Correct Answer: C) Increased lipophilicity of the drug

4. What is the main goal of Phase I biotransformation reactions?

- A) To conjugate drugs with endogenous molecules
- B) To introduce or unmask polar functional groups
- C) To increase drug stability in the plasma
- D) To increase the molecular size of drugs

Correct Answer: B) To introduce or unmask polar functional groups

5. Which enzyme system is most commonly involved in oxidation reactions during Phase I?

- A) N-acetyltransferases
- B) Cytochrome P450 enzymes

- C) Sulfotransferases
- D) Glutathione transferases

Correct Answer: B) Cytochrome P450 enzymes

6. Which of the following is an example of a Phase I reaction?

- A) Glucuronidation
- B) Hydrolysis of esters
- C) Acetylation
- D) Sulfation

Correct Answer: B) Hydrolysis of esters

7. What is a key characteristic of Phase II reactions?

- A) They produce non-polar metabolites
- B) They conjugate drugs with endogenous substrates
- C) They are catalyzed by cytochrome P450 enzymes
- D) They are limited to oxidation and hydrolysis

Correct Answer: B) They conjugate drugs with endogenous substrates

8. Which enzyme is most dominant in glucuronidation during Phase II metabolism?

- A) UDP-glucuronosyl transferase (UGT)
- B) Cytochrome P450
- C) N-acetyltransferase (NAT)
- D) Glutathione transferase (GST)

Correct Answer: A) UDP-glucuronosyl transferase (UGT)

9. What is the source of sulfate in sulfation reactions?

- A) Dietary fats
- B) Sulfur-containing amino acids
- C) Glutathione
- D) N-acetylcysteine

Correct Answer: B) Sulfur-containing amino acids

10. What conjugation pathway detoxifies electrophiles using glutathione?

- A) Sulfation
- B) Glucuronidation
- C) Glutathione conjugation
- D) Acetylation

Correct Answer: C) Glutathione conjugation

11. What is the major cause of hepatotoxicity in acetaminophen overdose?

- A) Inhibition of sulfation
- B) Accumulation of a toxic P450-dependent metabolite
- C) Overproduction of glucuronide conjugates
- D) Impaired glutathione synthesis

Correct Answer: B) Accumulation of a toxic P450-dependent metabolite

12. Which antidote is used to prevent hepatotoxicity in acetaminophen overdose?

- A) N-acetylcysteine
- B) Sulfate supplements
- C) Vitamin C
- D) Glutathione injections

Correct Answer: A) N-acetylcysteine

13. What is a likely result of enzyme induction?

- A) Accumulation of the drug in plasma
- B) Decreased pharmacological action of the drug
- C) Slower metabolism of the drug
- D) Reduced formation of toxic metabolites

Correct Answer: B) Decreased pharmacological action of the drug

14. Which of the following is an enzyme inducer?

- A) Grapefruit juice
- B) Phenytoin
- C) Erythromycin
- D) N-acetylcysteine

Correct Answer: B) Phenytoin

15. What is the term for a drug inducing its own metabolism?

- A) Autoinduction
- B) Enzyme inhibition
- C) Phase II metabolism
- D) Competitive binding

Correct Answer: A) Autoinduction

16. Which of the following is an example of enzyme inhibition?

- A) Accelerated metabolism of prodrugs
- B) Reduced drug metabolism due to grapefruit juice
- C) Increased protein binding of drugs
- D) Tolerance to drug action

Correct Answer: B) Reduced drug metabolism due to grapefruit juice

17. What happens to prodrugs in the case of enzyme inhibition?

- A) Enhanced pharmacological effects
- B) Failure of drug activation
- C) Increased risk of toxicity
- D) Acceleration of drug metabolism

Correct Answer: B) Failure of drug activation

18. Which cytochrome P450 isoenzyme is responsible for metabolizing >50% of prescription drugs?

- A) CYP2D6
- B) CYP3A4
- C) CYP1A2
- D) CYP2C9

Correct Answer: B) CYP3A4

19. What conjugation reaction is more active in infants than adults?

- A) Glucuronidation
- B) Sulfation
- C) Methylation
- D) Acetylation

Correct Answer: B) Sulfation

20. What are the outcomes of Phase I and Phase II reactions combined?

- A) Activation of all drugs
- B) Formation of highly lipophilic metabolites
- C) Conversion of drugs to polar, excretable forms

- D) Production of reactive intermediates only

Correct Answer: C) Conversion of drugs to polar, excretable forms

1. Which endogenous reactant is involved in glucuronidation?

- A) Acetyl-CoA
- B) UDP glucuronic acid
- C) Glutathione
- D) Phosphoadenosyl phosphosulfate

Correct Answer: B) UDP glucuronic acid

2. What enzyme catalyzes the glucuronidation reaction?

- A) GSH-S-transferase
- B) Sulfotransferase
- C) UDP glucuronosyltransferase
- D) Transmethylase

Correct Answer: C) UDP glucuronosyltransferase

3. Where does glucuronidation occur?

- A) Mitochondria
- B) Cytosol
- C) Microsomes
- D) Plasma membrane

Correct Answer: C) Microsomes

4. What types of substrates undergo glucuronidation?

- A) Catecholamines and phenols
- B) Phenols, alcohols, carboxylic acids, hydroxyamines, sulfonamides

- C) Amines only
- D) Epoxides and nitro groups

Correct Answer: B) Phenols, alcohols, carboxylic acids, hydroxyamines, sulfonamides

5. What is the endogenous reactant for acetylation?

- A) UDP glucuronic acid
- B) Glutathione
- C) Acetyl-CoA
- D) S-Adenosylmethionine

Correct Answer: C) Acetyl-CoA

6. Which enzyme is responsible for acetylation?

- A) Sulfotransferase
- B) GSH-S-transferase
- C) N-Acetyltransferase
- D) UDP glucuronosyltransferase

Correct Answer: C) N-Acetyltransferase

7. What types of substrates are acetylated?

- A) Aromatic amines
- B) Amines
- C) Hydroxyamines
- D) Phenols

Correct Answer: B) Amines

8. What is the endogenous reactant in glutathione conjugation?

- A) UDP glucuronic acid
- B) Glutathione (GSH)
- C) Acetyl-CoA
- D) Phosphoadenosyl phosphosulfate

Correct Answer: B) Glutathione (GSH)

9. Which enzyme catalyzes glutathione conjugation?

- A) UDP glucuronosyltransferase
- B) N-Acetyltransferase
- C) GSH-S-transferase
- D) Transmethylase

Correct Answer: C) GSH-S-transferase

10. What types of substrates undergo glutathione conjugation?

- A) Phenols and amines
- B) Aromatic amines and alcohols
- C) Epoxides, arene oxides, nitro groups, hydroxyamines
- D) Catecholamines and sulfonamides

Correct Answer: C) Epoxides, arene oxides, nitro groups, hydroxyamines

11. Which reactant is required for sulfation?

- A) Glutathione (GSH)
- B) Acetyl-CoA
- C) Phosphoadenosyl phosphosulfate

- D) UDP glucuronic acid

Correct Answer: C) Phosphoadenosyl phosphosulfate

12. What enzyme catalyzes sulfation?

- A) GSH-S-transferase
- B) N-Acetyltransferase
- C) Sulfotransferase
- D) UDP glucuronosyltransferase

Correct Answer: C) Sulfotransferase

13. What types of substrates undergo sulfation?

- A) Catecholamines and alcohols
- B) Phenols, alcohols, aromatic amines
- C) Epoxides and nitro groups
- D) Carboxylic acids and sulfonamides

Correct Answer: B) Phenols, alcohols, aromatic amines

14. Which reactant is required for methylation?

- A) S-Adenosylmethionine
- B) UDP glucuronic acid
- C) Acetyl-CoA
- D) Glutathione (GSH)

Correct Answer: A) S-Adenosylmethionine

15. What enzyme is involved in methylation reactions?

- A) UDP glucuronosyltransferase
- B) Transmethylases

- C) N-Acetyltransferase
- D) Sulfotransferase

Correct Answer: B) Transmethylases

16. Which types of substrates are methylated?

- A) Catecholamines, phenols, amines
- B) Aromatic amines and nitro groups
- C) Alcohols and carboxylic acids
- D) Hydroxyamines and sulfates

Correct Answer: A) Catecholamines, phenols, amines

PHARMACODYNAMICS

1. What is pharmacodynamics?

- A) The study of how the body affects drugs
- B) The study of how drugs exert their effects on the body
- C) The study of drug absorption and distribution
- D) The process of drug excretion from the body

Correct Answer: B) The study of how drugs exert their effects on the body

2. Which of the following is a goal of pharmacodynamics?

- A) Predicting how drugs interact with other drugs
- B) Understanding how drugs are metabolized in the liver
- C) Predicting drug effects at different doses and in different patients
- D) Determining the solubility of drugs in plasma

Correct Answer: C) Predicting drug effects at different doses and in different patients

3. What is a receptor in pharmacodynamics?

- A) A protein that binds to a drug to initiate a biological response
- B) A lipid that facilitates drug absorption in cells
- C) A molecule responsible for drug metabolism
- D) A structure that stores drugs in tissues

Correct Answer: A) A protein that binds to a drug to initiate a biological response

4. What does “efficacy” mean in drug-receptor interactions?

- A) The strength of the drug-receptor binding
- B) The ability of a drug to produce a desired effect once bound to a receptor
- C) The concentration of a drug required to bind to 50% of receptors
- D) The rate at which a drug is metabolized

Correct Answer: B) The ability of a drug to produce a desired effect once bound to a receptor

5. Which of the following is an example of a G-protein coupled receptor (GPCR)?

- A) GABA receptor
- B) Nicotinic receptor
- C) Adrenergic receptor
- D) Steroid hormone receptor

Correct Answer: C) Adrenergic receptor

6. Where are intracellular receptors located?

- A) On the cell membrane
- B) Inside the nucleus or cytoplasm of a cell

- C) In the blood plasma
- D) In extracellular fluid

Correct Answer: B) Inside the nucleus or cytoplasm of a cell

7. Which of the following best describes an agonist?

- A) A drug that binds to a receptor and blocks its activation
- B) A drug that binds to a receptor and activates it
- C) A drug that inhibits the metabolism of another drug
- D) A drug that increases drug excretion

Correct Answer: B) A drug that binds to a receptor and activates it

8. What is an example of a partial agonist?

- A) Adrenaline
- B) Buprenorphine
- C) Beta-blockers
- D) Warfarin

Correct Answer: B) Buprenorphine

9. Which drug type binds to a receptor but does not activate it?

- A) Agonist
- B) Partial agonist
- C) Antagonist
- D) Synergist

Correct Answer: C) Antagonist

10. What does the dose-response relationship describe?

- A) The rate of drug absorption and elimination
- B) The relationship between drug dose and the magnitude of effect
- C) The binding affinity of drugs to their receptors
- D) The onset of drug side effects

Correct Answer: B) The relationship between drug dose and the magnitude of effect

11. What is the threshold dose?

- A) The dose required to produce the maximum effect
- B) The dose above which toxic effects occur
- C) The smallest dose that produces an effect
- D) The average dose needed for therapeutic response

Correct Answer: C) The smallest dose that produces an effect

12. What is the therapeutic window?

- A) The range of drug doses that produces a therapeutic response without significant adverse effects
- B) The time it takes for a drug to reach therapeutic levels
- C) The ratio between toxic and therapeutic doses of a drug
- D) The dose required to achieve 50% of the maximum effect

Correct Answer: A) The range of drug doses that produces a therapeutic response without significant adverse effects

13. Which drug is an example of having a narrow therapeutic index (TI)?

- A) Penicillin
- B) Warfarin
- C) Paracetamol

- D) Ibuprofen

Correct Answer: B) Warfarin

14. Which factor does NOT contribute to pharmacodynamic variability?

- A) Age
- B) Disease state
- C) Plasma protein binding
- D) Genetics

Correct Answer: C) Plasma protein binding

15. What is the result of synergistic drug interaction?

- A) Enhanced effects of each drug
- B) Opposing effects of two drugs
- C) Decreased therapeutic effect of the drugs
- D) Increased rate of drug metabolism

Correct Answer: A) Enhanced effects of each drug

16. How do beta-blockers decrease blood pressure?

- A) By increasing heart rate
- B) By blocking adrenergic receptors
- C) By binding to intracellular receptors
- D) By inhibiting vitamin K-dependent clotting factors

Correct Answer: B) By blocking adrenergic receptors

17. What is the mechanism of action for insulin?

- A) It inhibits glucose production in the liver
- B) It binds to receptors on muscle and fat cells to facilitate glucose uptake

- C) It activates adrenergic receptors to increase glucose metabolism
- D) It binds to intracellular receptors to promote protein synthesis

Correct Answer: B) It binds to receptors on muscle and fat cells to facilitate glucose uptake

18. What is the primary focus of pharmacodynamics?

- A) Optimizing drug absorption in the gut
- B) Explaining how drugs exert their effects through receptor binding, efficacy, and potency
- C) Predicting how drugs are metabolized in the liver
- D) Determining the excretion rate of drugs

Correct Answer: B) Explaining how drugs exert their effects through receptor binding, efficacy, and potency

19. Which receptor type does morphine bind to in its role as a pain reliever?

- A) Ion channel receptor
- B) Enzyme-linked receptor
- C) G-protein coupled receptor
- D) Intracellular receptor

Correct Answer: C) G-protein coupled receptor

20. How does warfarin exert its anticoagulant effect?

- A) By activating platelet aggregation
- B) By binding to adrenergic receptors
- C) By inhibiting vitamin K-dependent clotting factors
- D) By facilitating glucose uptake in cells

Correct Answer: C) By inhibiting vitamin K-dependent clotting factors

1. **What are the key elements of pharmacodynamics?**

- A) Bioavailability, clearance, and half-life
- B) Drug-receptor interaction, dose-response relationship, therapeutic window
- C) First-pass effect, plasma protein binding, renal clearance
- D) Drug formulation, distribution, and toxicity

Correct Answer: B) Drug-receptor interaction, dose-response relationship, therapeutic window

3. **Which of the following is NOT a type of drug effect?**

- A) Agonist
- B) Antagonist
- C) Partial agonist
- D) Prodrug

Correct Answer: D) Prodrug

4. **What is the mechanism of action of an agonist?**

- A) It binds to a receptor but prevents activation.
- B) It binds to a receptor and activates it, mimicking endogenous ligands.
- C) It competes with other drugs for metabolism.
- D) It partially activates a receptor but blocks other drugs.

Correct Answer: B) It binds to a receptor and activates it, mimicking endogenous ligands.

5. **Which of the following is an example of an antagonist?**

- A) Morphine
- B) Naloxone
- C) Buprenorphine

- D) Paracetamol

Correct Answer: B) Naloxone

6. What is the effect of a partial agonist in the presence of a full agonist?

- A) It enhances the effect of the full agonist.
- B) It acts as an antagonist by reducing the maximal response.
- C) It completely blocks the receptor.
- D) It prevents the full agonist from binding.

Correct Answer: B) It acts as an antagonist by reducing the maximal response.

7. What is an example of acute toxicity?

- A) Chronic liver disease from amiodarone
- B) Respiratory depression in opioid overdose
- C) Hepatotoxicity due to long-term NSAID use
- D) Tinnitus from aminoglycosides

Correct Answer: B) Respiratory depression in opioid overdose

8. Which drug can cause hepatotoxicity due to glutathione depletion?

- A) Methotrexate
- B) Paracetamol
- C) Amiodarone
- D) Aspirin

Correct Answer: B) Paracetamol

9. What is the mechanism of nephrotoxicity caused by aminoglycosides?

- A) Inhibition of prostaglandin synthesis

- B) Accumulation in renal tubules causing oxidative damage
- C) Suppression of bone marrow activity
- D) Cytotoxic effects on renal cells

Correct Answer: B) Accumulation in renal tubules causing oxidative damage

10. What is a synergistic effect?

- A) When one drug inhibits the effect of another
- B) When two drugs enhance each other's effects
- C) When one drug prevents the metabolism of another
- D) When a drug increases the toxicity of another

Correct Answer: B) When two drugs enhance each other's effects

11. What is an example of additive drug effects?

- A) Warfarin + Aspirin increasing bleeding risk
- B) Naloxone + Morphine reversing opioid overdose
- C) Alcohol + Benzodiazepines causing profound sedation
- D) Probenecid + Penicillin prolonging antibiotic effect

Correct Answer: A) Warfarin + Aspirin increasing bleeding risk

12. What happens when beta-blockers interact with beta-agonists like albuterol?

- A) The effect of beta-blockers is enhanced.
- B) The effect of albuterol is reduced.
- C) Both drugs lose their effects entirely.
- D) Albuterol causes bradycardia.

Correct Answer: B) The effect of albuterol is reduced.

13. Which drug causes cardiotoxicity by oxidative stress in cardiac myocytes?

- A) Cisplatin
- B) Doxorubicin
- C) Amiodarone
- D) Methotrexate

Correct Answer: B) Doxorubicin

14. What is a common pulmonary toxicity caused by amiodarone?

- A) Hypersensitivity pneumonitis
- B) Pulmonary fibrosis
- C) Asthma-like symptoms
- D) Alveolar inflammation

Correct Answer: B) Pulmonary fibrosis

15. Which drug is a teratogen that causes limb malformations?

- A) Isotretinoin
- B) Thalidomide
- C) Methotrexate
- D) Warfarin

Correct Answer: B) Thalidomide

16. Which of the following strategies can help prevent drug toxicity?

- A) Avoid using drugs with high therapeutic indexes
- B) Use drug interaction databases and tools
- C) Combine drugs with similar mechanisms of action
- D) Disregard patient-specific factors like age

Correct Answer: B) Use drug interaction databases and tools

17. What patient-specific factor is NOT typically associated with increased drug toxicity risk?

- A) Polypharmacy
- B) Genetics
- C) Age
- D) Dosage form of the drug

Correct Answer: D) Dosage form of the drug

18. What is a key goal of understanding pharmacodynamics?

- A) To design drugs that avoid liver metabolism
- B) To enhance therapeutic effects and manage drug interactions
- C) To increase the plasma concentration of drugs
- D) To reduce the absorption of toxic drugs

Correct Answer: B) To enhance therapeutic effects and manage drug interactions

19. What is an example of a drug-specific factor that increases the risk of toxicity?

- A) Age
- B) Comorbidities
- C) Narrow therapeutic index
- D) Genetics

Correct Answer: C) Narrow therapeutic index

20. Which strategy is NOT typically used to prevent drug toxicity?

- A) Avoiding unnecessary polypharmacy
- B) Adjusting doses for interactions

- C) Ignoring therapeutic drug levels
- D) Educating patients on proper drug use

Correct Answer: C) Ignoring therapeutic drug levels

21. Hyperkalemia Risk (ACE inhibitors + potassium-sparing diuretics): Not explicitly included.

New Question:

What is the risk of combining ACE inhibitors with potassium-sparing diuretics?

- A) Hypoglycemia
- B) Severe hyperkalemia
- C) Increased renal perfusion
- D) Enhanced CNS depression

Correct Answer: B) Severe hyperkalemia

22. Hypoglycemia Risk (Insulin + sulfonylureas): Not explicitly included.

New Question:

Why does combining insulin with sulfonylureas increase hypoglycemia risk?

- A) Both drugs inhibit glucose production in the liver
- B) Both lower blood glucose through different mechanisms
- C) Insulin increases the metabolism of sulfonylureas
- D) Sulfonylureas reduce insulin sensitivity

Correct Answer: B) Both lower blood glucose through different mechanisms

23. Which of the following is an example of a full agonist?

- A) Naloxone
- B) Morphine
- C) Buprenorphine
- D) Aspirin

Correct Answer: B) Morphine

24. What type of antagonist competes with an agonist for the same binding site on a receptor?

- A) Non-competitive antagonist
- B) Competitive antagonist
- C) Irreversible antagonist
- D) Partial agonist

Correct Answer: B) Competitive antagonist

25. What type of toxicity involves cumulative damage over time?

- A) Acute toxicity
- B) Chronic toxicity
- C) Reversible toxicity
- D) Dose-dependent toxicity

Correct Answer: B) Chronic toxicity

26. Which drug causes nephrotoxicity by inhibiting prostaglandin synthesis?

- A) Paracetamol
- B) Methotrexate
- C) NSAIDs
- D) Doxorubicin

Correct Answer: C) NSAIDs

27. What is the mechanism of ototoxicity caused by aminoglycosides?

- A) Mitochondrial dysfunction
- B) Oxidative damage to cochlear hair cells
- C) Reduced blood flow to the auditory nerve

- D) Blockade of ion channels in the ear

Correct Answer: B) Oxidative damage to cochlear hair cells

28. Which drug class is associated with causing Torsades de Pointes due to QT prolongation?

- A) Opioids
- B) Beta-blockers
- C) Anthracyclines
- D) QT-prolonging drugs (e.g., Amiodarone, Sotalol)

Correct Answer: D) QT-prolonging drugs (e.g., Amiodarone, Sotalol)

29. What is an example of pharmacokinetic interaction?

- A) Grapefruit juice inhibiting drug metabolism
- B) Warfarin and aspirin increasing bleeding risk
- C) Naloxone reversing opioid effects
- D) Alcohol and benzodiazepines causing sedation

Correct Answer: A) Grapefruit juice inhibiting drug metabolism

30. What is the result of combining alcohol and benzodiazepines?

- A) Enhanced CNS stimulation
- B) Increased respiratory depression
- C) Reduced therapeutic effects of both drugs
- D) Enhanced renal clearance of alcohol

Correct Answer: B) Increased respiratory depression

31. Why does combining loop diuretics and digoxin increase toxicity risk?

- A) Loop diuretics increase sodium reabsorption.
- B) Hypokalemia enhances digoxin binding to Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase.
- C) Loop diuretics reduce the clearance of digoxin.
- D) Both drugs inhibit potassium excretion.

Correct Answer: B) Hypokalemia enhances digoxin binding to Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase.

32. Which of the following drugs can cause bone marrow suppression leading to aplastic anemia?

- A) Methotrexate
- B) Chloramphenicol
- C) Cisplatin
- D) NSAIDs

Correct Answer: B) Chloramphenicol

33. What clinical condition is caused by methotrexate-induced pulmonary toxicity?

- A) Pulmonary fibrosis
- B) Hypersensitivity pneumonitis
- C) Acute respiratory distress syndrome
- D) Bronchospasm

Correct Answer: B) Hypersensitivity pneumonitis

34. What teratogenic effect is caused by isotretinoin?

- A) Neural tube defects
- B) Limb malformations
- C) Craniofacial abnormalities
- D) Organogenesis failure

Correct Answer: C) Craniofacial abnormalities

35. What strategy is crucial for managing drugs with a narrow therapeutic index?

- A) Using the lowest dose possible
- B) Avoiding polypharmacy entirely
- C) Frequent monitoring of drug levels
- D) Increasing doses to overcome interactions

Correct Answer: C) Frequent monitoring of drug levels

36. What is an important step in preventing severe drug interactions?

- A) Using combination drugs for complex diseases
- B) Educating patients on drug risks and proper use
- C) Avoiding all drugs with potential side effects
- D) Increasing the therapeutic index of drugs

Correct Answer: B) Educating patients on drug risks and proper use

37. What clinical effect results from the interaction between ACE inhibitors and potassium-sparing diuretics?

- A) Hypokalemia
- B) Hyperkalemia
- C) Hyponatremia
- D) Enhanced water excretion

Correct Answer: B) Hyperkalemia

38. How does probenecid potentiate the effect of penicillin?

- A) By enhancing renal clearance
- B) By reducing hepatic metabolism

- C) By inhibiting tubular excretion
- D) By increasing protein binding of penicillin

Correct Answer: C) By inhibiting tubular excretion

39. What is the mechanism of paracetamol-induced hepatotoxicity?

- A) Inhibition of mitochondrial enzymes
- B) Depletion of glutathione and accumulation of toxic metabolites
- C) Blockade of bile excretion
- D) Direct inhibition of liver enzymes

Correct Answer: B) Depletion of glutathione and accumulation of toxic metabolites

40. What liver-related toxicity can result from long-term amiodarone use?

- A) Acute hepatic necrosis
- B) Chronic liver disease
- C) Fatty liver disease
- D) Hepatic fibrosis

Correct Answer: B) Chronic liver disease

41. What is the mechanism of nephrotoxicity caused by aminoglycosides?

- A) Suppression of renal prostaglandin synthesis
- B) Accumulation in renal tubules causing oxidative damage
- C) Inhibition of renal ion channels
- D) Blockade of glomerular filtration

Correct Answer: B) Accumulation in renal tubules causing oxidative damage

42. What condition can result from NSAID-induced nephrotoxicity?

- A) Chronic renal failure
- B) Acute tubular necrosis
- C) Acute kidney injury due to reduced perfusion
- D) Kidney stones

Correct Answer: C) Acute kidney injury due to reduced perfusion

43. What arrhythmia is linked to QT-prolonging drugs?

- A) Atrial fibrillation
- B) Torsades de Pointes
- C) Ventricular fibrillation
- D) Sinus bradycardia

Correct Answer: B) Torsades de Pointes

44. What is a clinical example of opioid-induced neurotoxicity?

- A) Peripheral neuropathy
- B) Respiratory depression
- C) Cognitive impairment
- D) Seizures

Correct Answer: B) Respiratory depression

45. What type of neurotoxicity is caused by cisplatin?

- A) Optic neuritis
- B) Peripheral neuropathy
- C) Tinnitus
- D) Spinal cord injury

Correct Answer: B) Peripheral neuropathy

46. Which drug is associated with aplastic anemia?

- A) NSAIDs
- B) Chloramphenicol
- C) Cisplatin
- D) Doxorubicin

Correct Answer: B) Chloramphenicol

47. What is the mechanism of hematotoxicity caused by methotrexate?

- A) Suppression of red blood cell formation
- B) Cytotoxic effects on rapidly dividing cells
- C) Inhibition of DNA synthesis
- D) Activation of bone marrow enzymes

Correct Answer: B) Cytotoxic effects on rapidly dividing cells

48. What lung condition can result from amiodarone toxicity?

- A) Pulmonary embolism
- B) Pulmonary fibrosis
- C) Bronchospasm
- D) Asthma

Correct Answer: B) Pulmonary fibrosis

49. What is a clinical example of methotrexate-induced pulmonary toxicity?

- A) Alveolar hemorrhage
- B) Hypersensitivity pneumonitis
- C) Pulmonary hypertension

- D) Pleural effusion

Correct Answer: B) Hypersensitivity pneumonitis

50. What is a gastrointestinal toxicity caused by NSAIDs?

- A) Diarrhea
- B) Peptic ulcers
- C) Crohn's disease
- D) Malabsorption syndrome

Correct Answer: B) Peptic ulcers