

# Anti Tubercular & Anti Leprosy Drugs



## ANTI-TUBERCULAR DRUGS

- # Tuberculosis (TB) is a chronic granulomatous Disease (CGD), that infected with "Mycobact. tuberculosis"
- # WHO, 2014 - 9.6 M TB Cases globally, 2.2 M Cases - India
- # RNTCP was launched in 1997, & treatment guidelines was revised 2016.
- # TB infection is highly prevalence in HIV patients (MAC - Mycobact. avium Complex, infection among this patients)

## Biology of Tuberculosis :-

- # It is a Aerobic Bacteria, first discovered in 1882 by Robert Koch
- # Growth of TB bacteria within patient depends on cond?
  - (a) Rapid Growing with high bacillary load - as in the wall of cavity lesion where  $\rightarrow \uparrow O_2$  &  $pH$ . Neutral  $H >> R, E, S$
  - (b) Slow Growing :- locate inside the macrophages & inflamed site where  $pH$  is low (Acidic  $pH$ )  $Z >> H, R, E$
  - (c) Sputters - Within the Caseous material where  $O_2$  is low &  $pH$ . Neutral "R"
  - d) Dormant  $\rightarrow$  Inactivated for prolong time - bedaquiline

## Therapeutic Goal

- (A) Kill dividing bacilli  $\rightarrow$  Early Bactericidal  $\rightarrow H + R$
- (B) Kill Persisting bacilli - Prevent Relapse - R
- (C) Prevent Emergence of Resistance - E

## Drug classification & MOA

### A) First line Drug

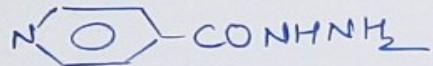
- Isoniazid (INH) - H  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  mycolic acid Synthesis
- Rifampicin - R  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  RNA Polymerase
- Pyrazinamide - Z  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  mycolic acid Synthesis
- Ethambutol - E  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  Arabinogalacton & mycolic acid
- Streptomycin - S  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  protein Synthesis

### B) Second line of Drugs -

- Fluoroquinolones  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  DNA Gyrase Enz
- P-amino Salicylate  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  DHFR
- Ethionamide, Prothionamide  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  mycolic acid
- Cycloserine  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  bac. cell wall Synthesis
- Kanamycin, Amikacin -  $\downarrow$  protein Synthesis
- Tazidone -  $\downarrow$  bac. cell wall Synthesis
- Rifabutin  $\rightarrow \downarrow$  RNA Polymerase

## ISONIAZID (INH)

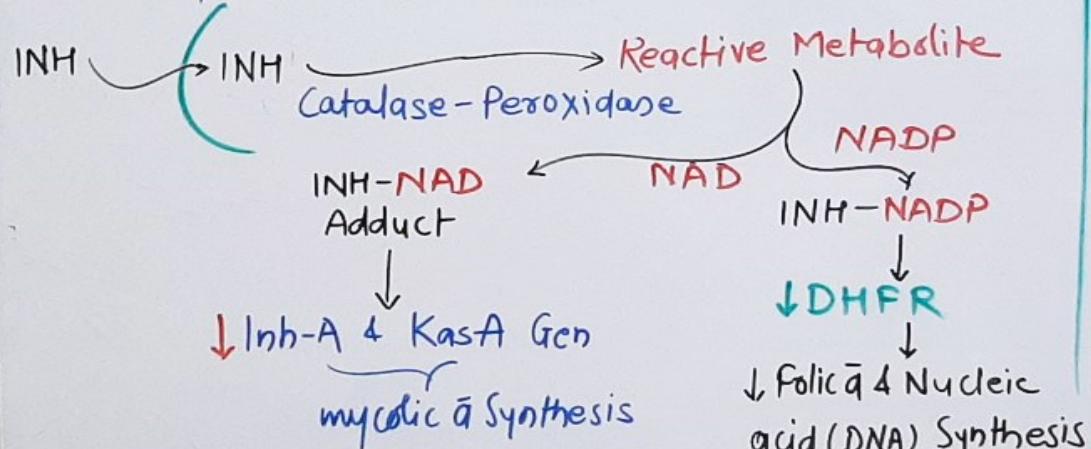
→ Isonicotinic acid hydrazide



# Bactericidal - Rapid growing cells are killed rapidly but quiescent one are only inhibited

# Kill both intracellular & extracellular both

MOA → ↓ Synthesis of mycolic acid (fatty acid), major components of Mycobact. Cell wall



# If INH is used alone → ↑ chance of Resistance

Resistance:-

- ① by mutation of CAT-peroxidase (KasG gene)
- ② by mutation of Inh-A & Kas-A gene
- ③ Development of Efflux system

P'Kinetic:— Completely absorbed orally & penetrates to all body tissues. Metabolised by N-Acetylation by NAT-2. Acetylated products are excreted by Urine

Fast Acetylator: 30-40% Indian -  $t_{1/2} = 1$  hour

Slow Acetylator: 60-70% Indian -  $t_{1/2} = 3$  hours

# Peripheral Neuropathy is common in Slow Acetylators

# Acetyl hydrazide  $\xrightarrow{\text{CYP2E1}}$  minor Metabolite

### Hepatotoxic Effects

ADR:— Neurological Disturbance — due to interfere with productn of active co-enz pyridoxal phosphate from pyridoxine, & if increased urine excret'n — Pyridoxine

10mg/day - prophylactic dose

100mg/day - for treatment

→ Hepatitis - ↑ older & Alcoholic patients

### DRUG INTERACTION -

① INH - metabolic Enz Inhibitor → ↓ metabolism of Phenytoin, Diazepam, warfarin, theophylline etc

② Al(OH)<sub>3</sub> - ↓ absorpt'n of INH

③ Rifampicin - Enz inducer - Counteract the inhibitory effect of INH

④ PAS - ↓ metabolism of INH

## RIFAMPICIN

# Semi synthetic derv. of Rifamycin-B, which is obtained from Streptomyces mediterranei

MOA - Rifampin binds with  $\beta$  subunit of mycobac. DNA-dependent RNA polymerase (encoded by  $rpoB$  gene) & blocking the polymerizing funct<sup>n</sup>  
 $\hookrightarrow \downarrow$  Mycobac. RNA Synthesis

Bacterial Act<sup>n</sup> - Bacteriocidal to Mycobac. & other g(+) & g(-) bac. like *Staph. aureus*, *N. meningitis*, *H. influenzae*, *E. coli*, *Klebsiella*, *Proteus* etc

# Anti-TB act<sup>n</sup> - R = INH > Others Z, E, S

# R - acts mainly on "Spurters" - TB bacilli

# R also acts on *M. leprae* (highly sensitive)

# R kills both Extra & Intracellular bacilli

Resistance - "Resistance due to mutation on  $rpoB$  gene"

- No cross resistance, with other anti-TB drugs

P'Kinetics - oral BA = 70%, \* Foods ↓ the Absorptn.

- It is widely distributed in the body, g+ penetrates intracellular, enters tubercular cavity, caseous masses & placenta.

It also crosses meninges, & largely pump out from CNS by P-glycoprotein

→ Metabolised in liver & active deacetylated product is mainly excreted by bile

→ R. & deacetylated R undergoes to enterohepatic circulat<sup>n</sup>

→  $t_{1/2} = 2-5\text{ h}$

uses - ① Tuberculosis (R dose - 150 to 600 mg)

Fixed dose Comb → INH 150mg + R 300mg

→ INH 50mg + R 120mg + Z 300mg

Alone - R - 600mg/day - Adult - before meal

R - 10 mg/day - children

For TB, Rifampin never used alone due to ↑ chance of Resistance

② Leprosy

③ Prophylaxis of Meningococcal & Influenzae

④ 2nd choice - Diphtheroids & legionella infect<sup>n</sup>

⑤ 1st line - "Brucellosis" - R + Doxycycline

ADR : - "Hepatitis", Flu like Symptoms,

→ Cutaneous - Flushing, pruritis, rash, redness

→ Abdominal Cramp, nausea, Diarrhoea,

→ Urin & Excretn - Orange-red

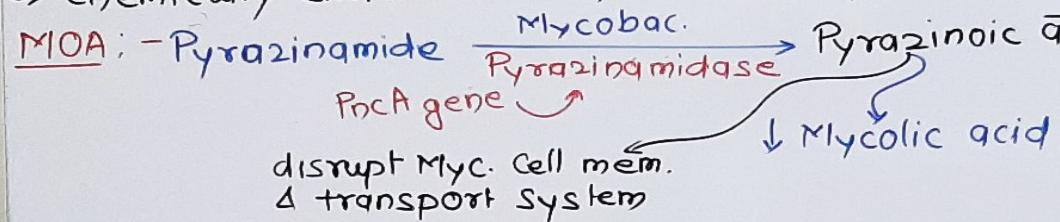
Drug Interact<sup>n</sup> -

# Rifampicin - CYP Enzyme inducer - ↑ metabolism of its own & others warfarin, contraceptives, corticosteroids, sulfonylurea, HIV protease inhibitor, theophylline etc

## ANTI-TB DRUGS

### PYRAZINAMIDE (Z)

↪ chemically similar to INH, was developed in 1952



Action:- # More active in acidic media, & more

lethal to intracellular bacilli

# gt is highly effective during first 2 months of therapy, by adding 'Z', duration & Relapse ( $\downarrow$ )

Resistance:- Due to "mutat" on Pnc A gene

P'kinetics - Oral active, widely distributed in tissue

$\Delta$  Fluids including CSF (useful in Meningeal TB), Metabolised by Liver & exc. through Urine,  $t_1/2 = 6-10h$

ADR - # Hepatotoxicity, more common in western countries

# Hyperuricaemia  $\leadsto$  Gout can occurs

### ETHAMBUTOL (E)

# highly active against fast multiplying TB.., also active against MAC & other Mycobac.

MOA:- gt inhibit arabinosyl transferase (encoded by embAB gene) that involve in arabinogalactan Synthesis thereby interfering with mycolic acid incorporation in mycobac. cell wall

Resistance - Mutation on embAB gene, No Cross Resistance

P'kinetics - Oral active (3/4 abs), widely distributed,

$\frac{1}{2} t_1/2$  in metabolised in liver & Excreted through urine (GF, TS)

Some partn excreted by faeces,  $t_1/2 = 4h$

ADR - # Loss of visual acuity, colour vision

(Ocular toxicity)

# Field defects due to retrobulbar neuritis

### Treatment Regimen

① Daily dose of 1<sup>st</sup> line drug (WHO, 2010 - guidelines)

INH - 5 mg/kg	E - 15 mg/kg
R - 10 mg/kg	S - 15 mg/kg
Z - 25 mg/kg	

② For New & Previously treated Pat. (RNTCP 2016 guideline)

NEW - 2 HRZE	4 HRE	total 6 months
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Prev. treated - 2HRZES	5 HRC	total 8 months
+ 1 HRZE		

## LEPROSY PATHOPHYSIOLOGY - HANSEN'S DISEASE

- # Leprosy, caused by "Mycobacterium leprae"
- # It is infective dis. that cause sever, disfiguring skin sores & nerve damage in the arms & legs
- # It has been considered incurable since ages & bears a social stigma. Now availability of drugs it is curable but deformities may not reversed

TYPES: → Based on Ridley-Jopling system, There are six categories (based on severity of symptoms)

1. Intermediate : - A few flat lesions that sometimes heal by themselves & may progress to more severe
2. Tuberculoid : - Some large lesions, nerve damage can be heal itself & may progressive (TR)
3. Borderline Tuberculoid : - lesions are similar to tuberculoid but smaller & numerous; less nerve enlargement; persist; revert to tuberculoid or advance to another form (BT)
4. Mid Borderline leprosy : - Redish plaques, moderate numbness, swollen lymph glands, may regress, persist, or progress to other forms. (BB)
5. Borderline lepromatous : - Several types of lesions, persist, regress or progressive. (BL)
6. Lepromatous leprosy - Many lesions with bacteria, hair loss, nerve involvement, limb weakness, disfigurements, doesn't regress (LL)

SYMPTOMS : - It is primarily a granulomatous disease of the peripheral nerves and mucosa of the upper respiratory tract.

- # Skin lesions - light & dark patches - External Sign
- # Progress → Permanent damage to Skin, Nerve Limbs, Eyes

# Secondary Infection → Tissue loss, shortened and deformed toes & fingers.

## CLINICAL SIGNS & FEATURES

- # Hypopigmented / Erythematous Skin Patches
- # Thickened Peripheral Nerve
- # Acid fast bacilli detected on Skin smear or biopsy material

TRANSMISSION : - # Skin, # Nasal mucosa (Resp. Tract)

INCUBATION PERIODS : - Variable (Weeks to Years)

- # Minimum → Few weeks
- # Maximum → 30 Years
- # Avg. → 3 - 10 years

RISK FACTORS : -

- # Inadequate Bedding
- # Contaminated Water & Foods
- # Insufficient Diet
- # Immuno compromised diseases (AIDS, TB)

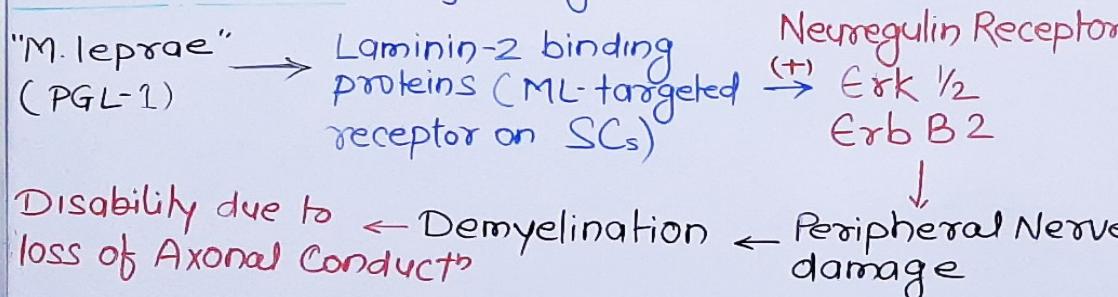
TARGET CELL → Schwann Cells & Macrophages

## LAPROSY / HANSEN'S DISEASE

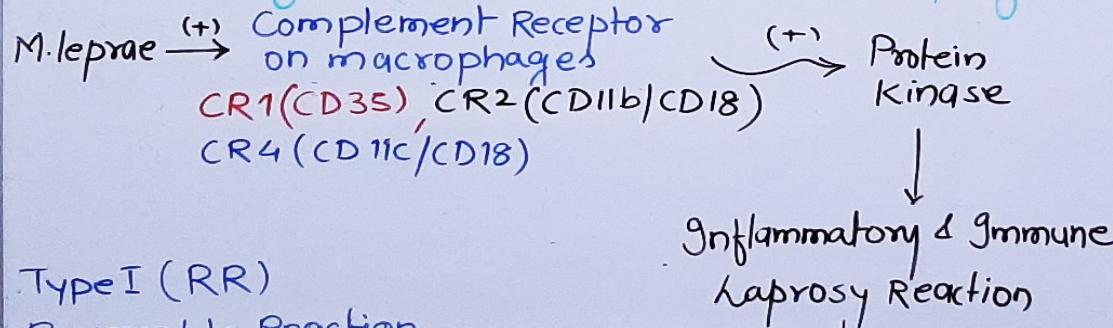
- ↳ Mycobacterium leprae, M. lepromatosis
- ↳ Tissue → Skin & Nerves
- ↳ G.H. Armaur Hansen - discovered M. leprae, 1873

### PATHOGENESIS :-

1. Schwan Cells → Major Target area



2. Macrophages (Monocyte derived macrophages)



Type I (RR)

Reversible Reaction

- ↳ Borderline Tuberculoid (BT)
- ↳ Borderline Lepromatous (BL)

- ↳ Type II (ENL)
- ↳ Erythema Nodosum Leprosum
- ↳ Borderline Lepromatous (BL)
- ↳ Lepromatous leprosy (LL)

Type I(RR) → Delayed type Hypersensitivity Reactn

→ CD4+ lymphocyte → inflammatory Reactn - skin, Nervous system, INFγ, TNF-β

Edema, Erythema, neuritis, sensory & motor loss, etc

Type II(ENL) → TNFα, IL-1, INFγ, C-reactive protein

↓  
Inflammatory Response  
↓

Appearance of tender, Erythematous, nodules on Skin,  
Systemic Symptoms - Fever, Enlarged lymph node, Edema,  
weight loss, anorexia

TREATMENT = MDT by NLEP (1982)

MBL

Rifampin - 600 mg/month, supervised

PBL

600 mg/month, Supervised

Dapsone 100 mg/day, Self 100 mg/day, Self

Clofazimine - 300 mg/month, Supervised + 50 mg/day, Self

Duration - 12 months 6 months

CHILD - Rifampin - 10 mg/kg/month

Dapsone - 2 mg/kg/day

Clofazimine - 1 mg/kg/day + 6 mg/kg/month

## CLOFAZIMINE (C10) - PHARMACOLOGY

↳ It is a dye with leprostatic & antiinflammatory properties.

MOA - ① Interfere with the template funct' of DNA

② Alteration of membrane function & transport system

③ Disruption of mitochondrial Electron Transport Chain

# It's clinical response is slower than Dapsone

# Resistance develops in 1-3 year

# It is a component of Multi drug therapy (Dapsone + Rifampin + Clofazimine) of leprosy, due to antiinflammatory property to ↓ Leprosy Reaction

P'Kinetic : - Oral active (40-70% absorbed)

# It accumulates in macrophages & get deposited as needle shaped crystal in subcutaneous fats.

#  $t_{1/2} = 70$  days

ADR - # Redish-black discolouration of skin

# discolouration of hair

# Dryness of skin, itching, Phototoxicity occurs

# Conjunctival pigmentation

# GI disturbance - Nausea, Anorexia, abdominal pain, weight loss, loss stn, etc

Contraindication - # Early Pregnancy

# Liver & kidney patient

## Rifampin -

# Leprocidal Action

# It prevents development of resistance of Dapsone

# approx 99.9% M. leprae are killed with 3-7 day at 600 mg/day dose

# Clinical Efficacy is rapid, it subsides nasal symptoms & Lepromatous leprosy within 2-3 weeks

MOA - DNA polymerase inhibitor

C.I. → Contraindicated in hepatic & Renal dysfunct' and during Type II (Erythema nodosum leprosum; ENL) & Type I (Reversible Reaction), because it releases large quantity of mycobac. Antigen by inducing rapid bacilli killing.

### MDT

Rifampin - 600 mg/month

Dapsone - 100 mg/day, self

Clofazimine - 300 mg/month  
+ 50 mg/day

### Child -

Rifampin - 10 mg/kg/month

Dapsone - 2 mg/kg/day

Clofazimine - 1 mg/kg/day + 6 mg/kg/month

### MBL -

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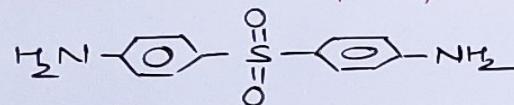
12 months

6 months

## ANTI LEPROTIC DRUGS :- DAPSONE

- Drugs :-  
 1. Sulfone → Dapsone  
 2. Phenazine → Clofazimine → X-DNA, membrane, ETC  
 3. Anti-TB drugs → Rifampin, Ethionamide  
 4. Antibiotics → Fluoroquinolones, Minocycline, clarithromycin

### DAPSONE - Diamino Diphenyl Sulfone (DDS)



Chemically relate to  
Sulfonamide

# This is the most active, commonly used member of its class. Other sulfones have become obsolete

MOA - Inhibit DHFS (Synthase) Enzyme & ↓ Folic acid

# PABA Antagonist, PABA → DHFA

# Highly sensitive to *M. leprae* DHFS, thus for other bacteria, required high concentration, & may lead to toxic action, hence not used for other.

# Dapsone is also active to protozoal infection along with pyrimethamine. Alternate to Sulfonamide-pyrimethamine for "*P. falciparum*" & "*Toxoplasma gondii*" & also in some Fungi (*Pneumocystis jirovecii*)

# It also shows anti-inflammatory activity

# At low conc. it shows Laprostatic Action

# It is drug of choice for - Dermatitis herpetiformis

Resistance - # ↓ affinity to DHFS enzyme.

Primary Resistance - untreated patient, that infected from "Resist Mycobacteria" from other patients

Secondary Resistance - during monotherapy

# MDT recommended for ↓ incidence of Resistance

Pharmacokinetic - Complete absorbed after oral administration,

↳ Widely distributed, ~70% Protein Binding

↳ Metabolized by Acetylation, Glucuronide & Sulfate Conjugation. Metabolite are excreted in bile &

reabsorbed from intestine. Mostly Excreted through urine

↳ The drug is cumulative due to tissue retention  
↳ Enterohepatic Circulation

ADR : -# Haemolytic Anaemia (↑ in G6PD deficient )

# Gastric Intolerance - Anorexia, Nausea

# Methaemoglobinemia, headache, fever, Mental

# Cutaneous Reactn- itching, allergy, phototoxicity

# Sulfone (DDS) Syndrome -(4-6 weeks after administration)  
↳ Fever, Malaise, lymph node enlargement, Anaemia, Jaundice, etc

### Contra-Indication -

# Anaemia Patients (Hb < 7 g/l.)

# G-6PD deficient Patients

# Allergic patients