

UNIT - IV

Drug Acting on CNS

Sedatives "CNS Depressant Drugs"

that reduce Excitement, tension and produce relaxation.

Hypnotic "CNS Depressant Drugs"

Induces drowsiness and produce sleep similar to natural sleep

Small dose Cause Sedation

Medium dose Cause Hypnosis

Large dose Cause Surgical Anesthesia

Classification

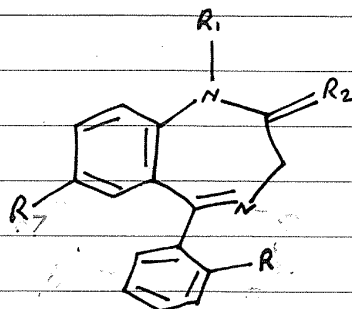
Benzodiazepines, e.g. Oxazepam, Diazepam, Alprazolam

Barbiturates e.g. Amobarbital, phenobarbital, pentobarbital

Miscellaneous e.g. Meprobamate, paraldehyde

1. Benzodiazepines

Chemically they are a fusion of Benzene ring and a Diazepine ring



Benzodiazepines enhance the effect of the GABA at the GABAA receptor, resulting in sedative, hypnotic, anxiolytic, anticonvulsant and muscle relaxant properties.

Types of Benzodiazepines.

Based on Drug Elimination, there are 3 types.

Long Acting >24 h Diazepam, Nitrazepam

Intermediate Acting 12-24 h Alprazolam, Lorazepam

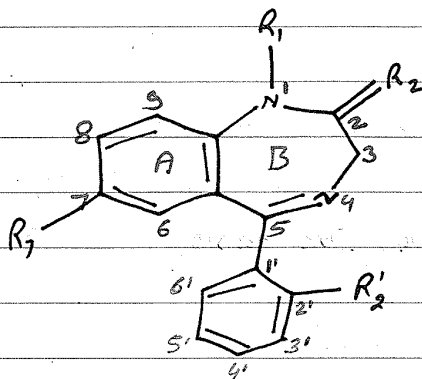
Short Acting 1-12 h Midazolam, Triazolam.

Mode of Action: (MOA)

They are positive allosteric effect at GABA receptor and stimulate the pharmacologic action of GABA which is the principal inhibitory neurotransmitter in the CNS.

Attach to and directly block the Acetylcholine (ACh) receptors in the hippocampus thus causing amnesia

SAR of Benzodiazepines



1. At Electronegative substituent at position 7 is required for Activity. More the Electronegativity, higher will be the Activity.
2. A phenyl at position 5 promotes Activity. If this phenyl gp is 2' or 6' substituted, Activity increases.
3. Alkyl substitution at position 3 decreases Activity Except -OH group.

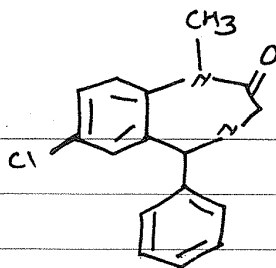
≠ Compounds without 3-hydroxyl gp are nonpolar and usually have long half-life.

≠ Compounds with 3-hydroxyl gp have short half-life because of rapid conjugation with glucuronic Acid.

Other compounds

Name	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₇	R' ₂
Diazepam	-CH ₃	=O	-H	-Cl	-H
Oxazepam	-H	=O	-OH	-Cl	-H
Lorazepam	-H	=O	-OH	-Cl	-Cl
Chlorthalidate	-H	=O	-COOH	-Cl	-H

Diazepam

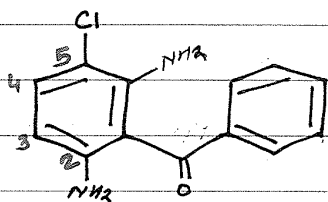


It is a sedative and hypnotic drug under the benzodiazepine.

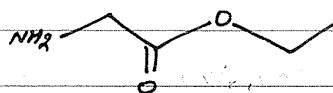
It acts by increasing the effect of the neurotransmitter GABA. It enhances GABA_A receptor activity leading to CNS Depression.

It is used for management of Epilepsy, anxiety, trouble sleeping.

Synthesis

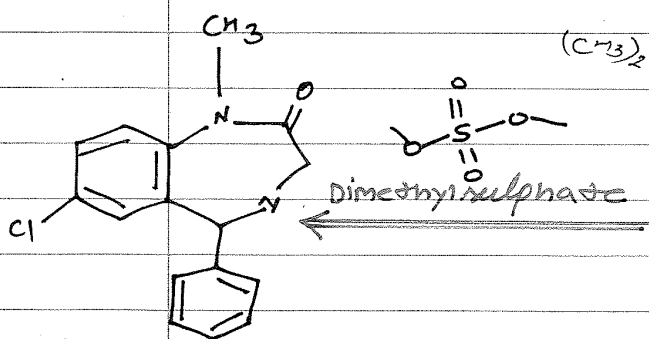
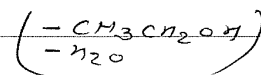


2-amino-5-chlorobenzophenone



Ethyl-2-aminoacetate

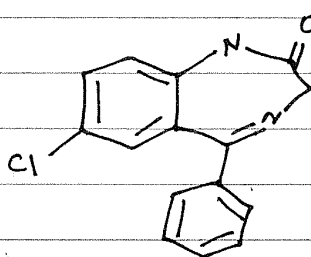
pyridine



Diazepam

(CH₃)₂SO₄

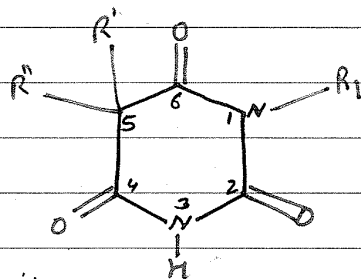
Dimethylsulphate



7-chloro, 1,3-dihydro-5-phenyl

2-H 1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one

2. Barbiturates



All derivatives of Barbituric Acid

They are CNS depressants. They are effective as anxiolytics, hypnotics, anticonvulsants and Analgesics.

They have addiction potential, both physical and psychological

Benzodiazepines have largely replaced them in form of Sedative - Hypnotic.

Types of Barbiturates

Name	R ₁	R ₅	R _{5'}
Barbital	-H	-C ₂ H ₅	-C ₂ H ₅
Phenobarbital	-H	-C ₂ H ₅	-C ₆ H ₅
Mephobarbital	-CH ₃	-C ₂ H ₅	-C ₆ H ₅
Amobarbital	-H	-C ₂ H ₅	-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₃
Butobarbital	-H	-C ₂ H ₅	-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₂ -CH ₃
Pentobarbital	-H	-C ₂ H ₅	$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ \\ -\text{CH}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3 \end{array}$
Secobarbital	-H	-CH ₂ -CH=CH ₂	$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ \\ -\text{CH}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3 \end{array}$

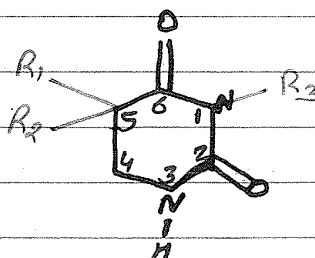
MOA of Barbiturates

These drugs increased the lifetime of Cl^- -channel opening induced by GABA.

At very high conc., barbiturates depress voltage sensitive sodium & potassium channel.

They also block excitatory glutamate receptor.

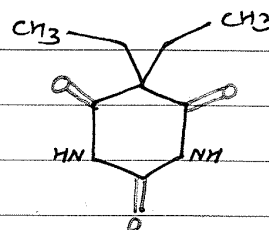
SAR



- 1 Substituents at position -5 is increased by 5-6 carbon atoms.
- 2 If length of an alkyl chain at position -5 is increased by 5-6 carbon atoms, potency is enhanced. but Depressant Action Decreases.
- 3 If one hydrogen atom at position 5 is replaced with phenyl group, the drug attains anticonvulsant properties.
- 4 If one imide hydrogen atom at position 1 or 3 is replaced with alkyl groups, compound give quick Action and ↓ Duration of Action.
- 5 If oxygen at position 2 is replaced with a sulphur atom ↓ Duration of Action, but increased lipid solubility, that rapid Action on CNS.

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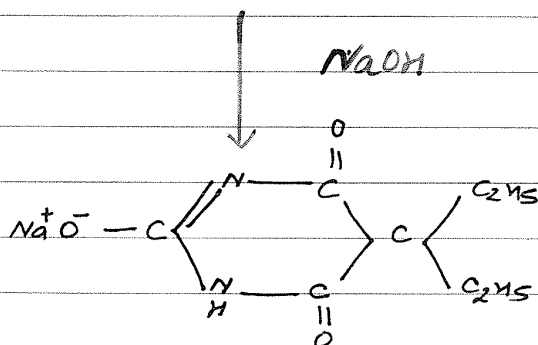
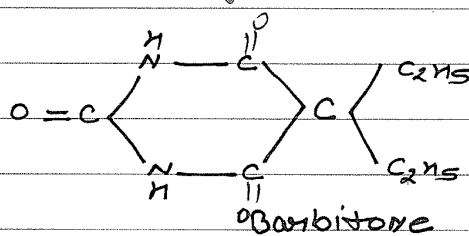
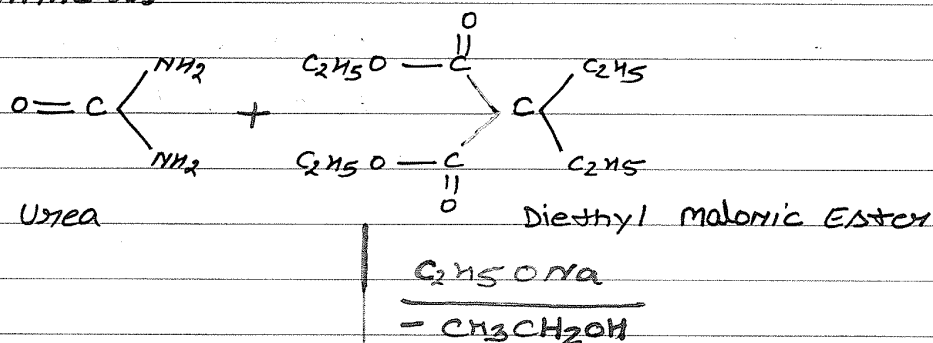


Barbital is a long-acting drug

It is used as a sedative and hypnotic

Also used as Veterinary Medicine.

Synthesis



Barbitone sodium

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3. Miscellaneous

1. Imides & imides : Glutathione
2. Alcohol & their Carbamate derivatives Ethchlorvynol
meprobamate
3. Aldehyde & their Derivatives Trichlorfon sodium
Paraldehyde

Part - B

Antipsychotics

Antipsychotic drugs (also called neuroleptics or major tranquilizers) are used primarily to treat schizophrenia and effective in other psychotic states, including mania, grandiosity, paranoia, hallucinations and delusions.

Schizophrenia is for life

These drugs decrease the intensity of hallucinations and delusions and permit the person with schizophrenia to function in a supportive environment.

MOA of Antipsychotic Agents

Dopamine antagonism; All antipsychotic agents (except clozapine) possess dopamine (D₂) receptor blocking action in the brain and the periphery.

Antipsychotic Drug

Dopamine receptor blocking

Decreased Intracellular Response

Classification

Phenothiazines Promazine, chlorpromazine, Clozapine

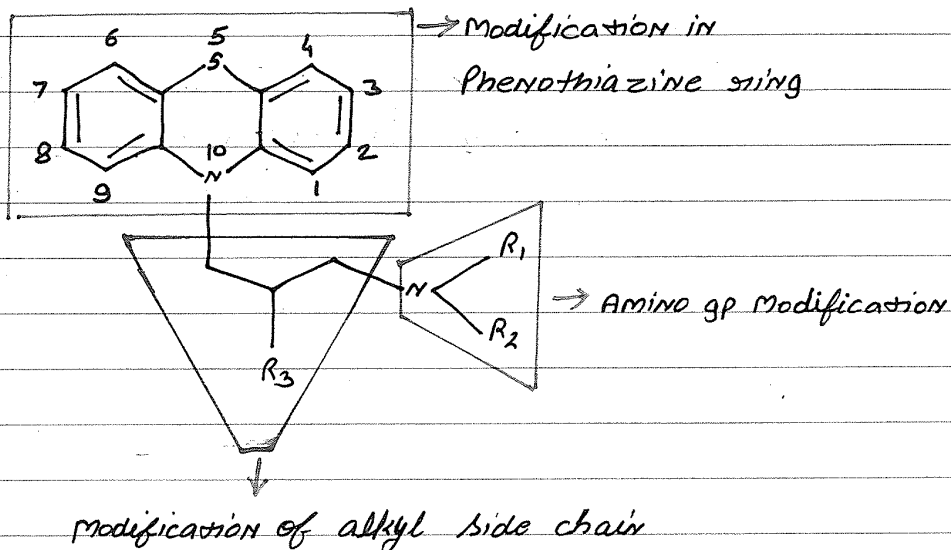
Flurobutyrophenones Haloperidol, Droperidol.

Beta-amino ketones Molindone, Hydrochloride

Benzamide Sulpiride

Miscellaneous Olanzapine, Oxypertine

SAR of Phenothiazine



Nature of Alkyl Side Chain

Potency is maximum, when there is three carbon b/w two N atom

Introduction of Methyl group on cyclopropyl ring at C-1 decreases antipsychotic Activity and produces imipramine-like Activity.

When oxygen is introduced into C-1 results in potent antidepressant Effect.

Addition of $-CH_2$ at C-2 or C-3 has very little Effect on Activity.

Amino group of Side chain.

3° nitrogen shows maximum potency and 2° or 1° nitrogen shows reduced or abolished Activity.

Activity Decreased when Dimethylamino group is replaced by pyrrolidiny, morpholinyl or thiomorpholinyl groups.

Substituents on Aromatic ring

Substitution at C-2 position is optimal for neuroleptic Activity. In general, potency at different positions increases in the following order $1 < 4 < 3 < 2$.

Potency of the various groups increase in the following order $OH < H < CN < CH_3 < Cl < CF_3$

1 Chlorpromazine Hydrochloride

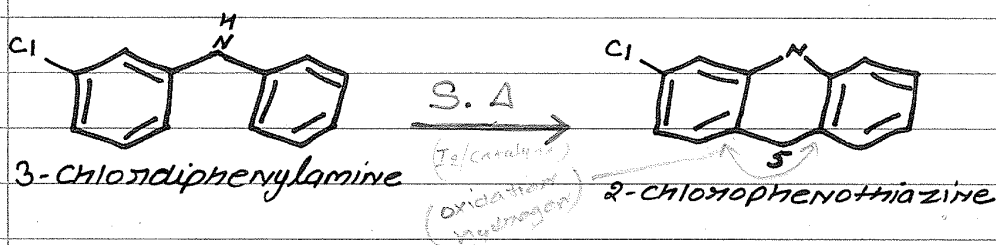
It shows antipsychotic effect, by blocking postsynaptic dopamine receptors in brain. Thus preventing excess dopamine in brain.

Used to treat hallucination and delusions.

It also has significant sedative and hypotensive properties.

Synthesis

Step - I



Step - II

