

*ADRENERGIC
RECEPTOR
ANTAGONIST*

Adrenergic Receptor Antagonist

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α blockers

Non selective

(blocks both α_1 and α_2)

Reversible

Phentolamine

Irrversible

Phenoxyben-
zamine

β blockers

Selective

α_1 blocker

Prazosin

Terazosin

Doxazosin

Tamsulosin

$\alpha + \beta$ blockers

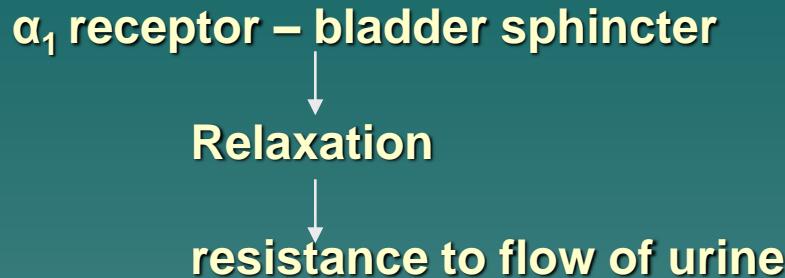
α_2 blocker

Yohimbine

Pharmacological actions

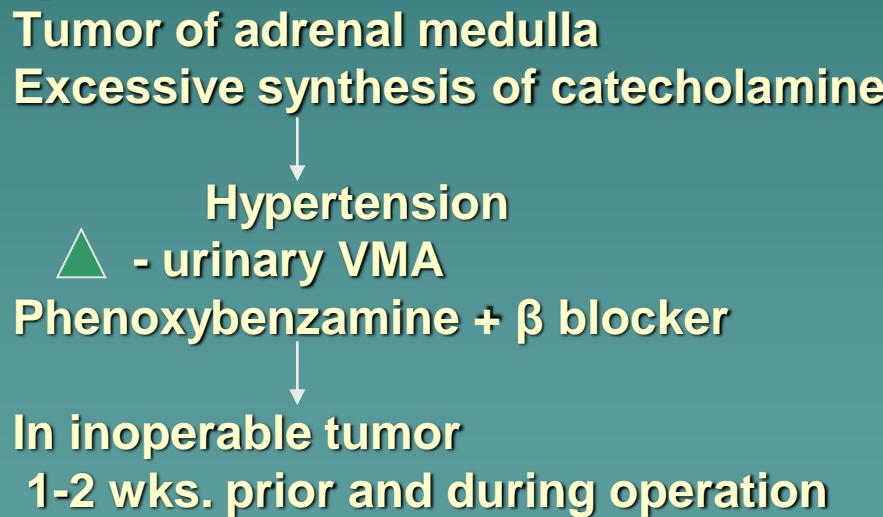
- CVS.
 - a) – Blockade of α_1 receptors on peripheral vasculature
 - Vasodilatation of arteries and veins
 - Decrease in P.R and venous return (preload) to the heart
 - Decrease in P.R → B.P
 - Decrease Afterload + Preload on heart
 - b) Tachycardia
 - Blockade of presynaptic α_2 A ®
 - Baroreceptor reflex –
 - ↑ Sympthetic discharge
 - Activation of β_1 receptors on heart
 - c) Postural Hypotension
 - d) Dale's vasomotor reversal

- ◆ EYE
- Miosis – blocks α_1 receptor
- Intestinal motility- ↓ ed
- Urinary outflow



Uses of α blockers

- Pheochromocytoma



◆ Hypertension –Selective α_1 blocker.

Prazosin

Terazosin – 12 hrs.

Doxazosin -20 hrs.

↓LDL con. ↑HDL

- Congestive cardiac failure
selective α_1 blocker

- Benign hypertrophy of prostate
urinary obstruction

size of prostate

↑ tone of smooth muscle of
bladder neck, triagone

Prostatic urethra

Blockade of α_1 ® - relaxation of bladder Sphincter- ↓ ing resistance
to urine outflow – Complete emptying of bladder

Tamsulosin-Selective α_1 A blockers



No CVS side effects

Adverse effects

- ◆ Postural hypotension – 1st dose effect
- ◆ Reflex tachycardia – less with selective α_1 blockers
- ◆ Nasal stuffiness
- ◆ Nat + H₂O retention