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Schizophrenia

- Pathogenesis is unknown.
- Onset of schizophrenia is in the late teens early '20s.
- Genetic predisposition -- Familial incidence.
- Hereditary Influences may account for 10% of schizophrenia cases
- Multiple genes are involved.
- Afflicts 1% of the population worldwide.
- A thought disorder

Schizophrenia - symptoms

Positive Symptoms

Hallucinations

Delusions (bizarre, persecutory)

Disorganized Thought

Perception disturbances

Inappropriate emotions

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Cognition

New Learning Memory

Negative Symptoms

Blunted emotions Anhedonia Lack of feeling

Mood Symptoms

Loss of motivation Social withdrawal Insight Demoralization Suicide

Schizophrenia

Drugs currently used in the prevention of psychosis.

** These drugs are not a cure **

 Schizophrenics must be treated with medications indefinitely, in as much as the disease in lifelong and it is preferable to prevent the psychotic episodes than to treat them.

SCHIZOPHRENIA IS FOR LIFE

There is no remission

Dopamine Theory of Schizophrenia

Many lines of evidence point to the aberrant increased activity of the dopaminergic system as being critical in the symptomatology of schizophrenia.

There is a greater occupancy of D2 receptors by dopamine => greater dopaminergic stimulation

Schizophrenia Pathophysiology

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Pharmacologic Profile of APDs

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Excess dopaminergic activity

Dopamine antagonists

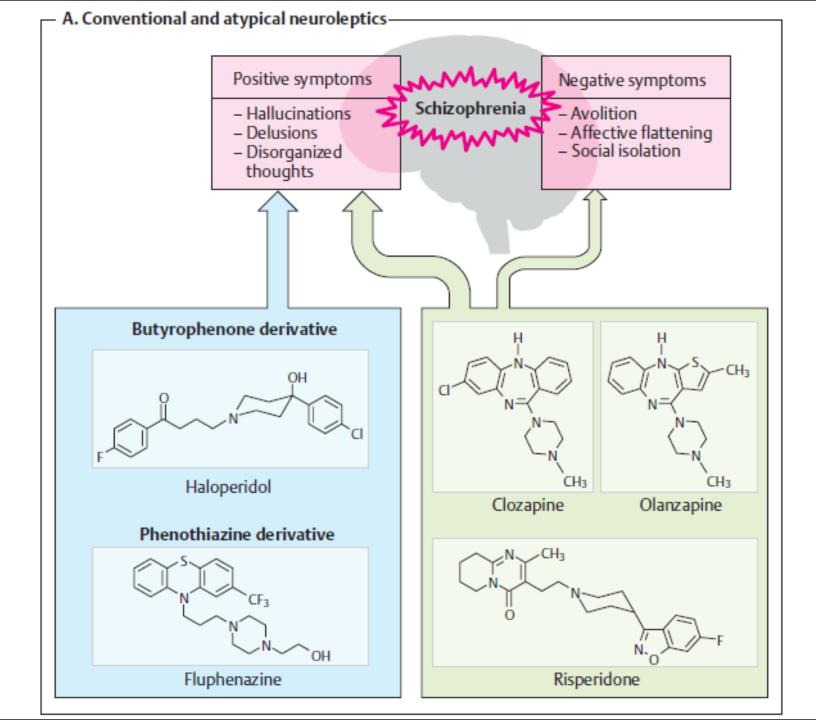
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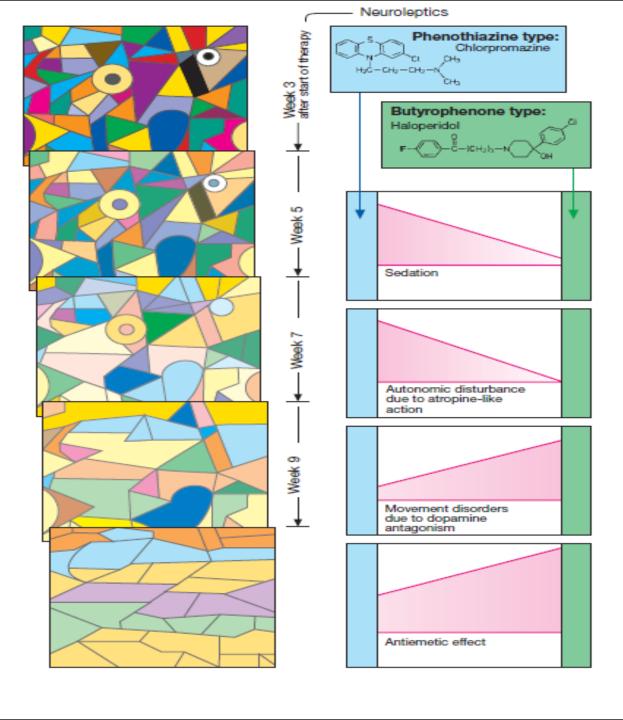
Present

Renewed interest in the role of serotonin (5-HT)

Combined antagonists

5-HT₂/D₂





Tolerance and dependence to antipsychotic drugs

- Not addicting
- Relapse in psychosis if discontinued abruptly

- Tolerance develops to sedative effects
- No tolerance to antipsychotic effect

Withdrawal-like syndrome

- 1. Symptoms: nausea, vomiting, insomnia, and headache
- 2. Symptoms may persist for up to 2 weeks.
- 3. Symptoms can be minimized with a tapered reduction of drug dosage.

Classification of Antipsychotic drugs

- Main categories are:
 - Typical antipsychotics

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Phenothiazines (chlorpromazine, perphenazine, fluphenazine, thioridazine et al)
Thioxanthenes (flupenthixol, clopenthixol)
Butyrophenones (haloperidol, droperidol)
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Atypical antipsychotics (e.g. clozapine, risperidone, sulpiride, olanzapine)

Classification of Antipsychotic drugs

- Distinction between 'typical' and 'atypical' groups is not clearly defined, but rests on:
 - Incidence of extrapyramidal side-effects (less in 'atypical' group)
 - Efficacy in treatment-resistant group of patients
 - Efficacy against negative symptoms.

First Generation Antipsychotic Drugs					
Compound			Seda- tion	Hypo- tension	Motor (EP) Effects
Phenothiazin	es				
Chlorpromazine			+++	++	++
Fluphenazine			+	+	++++

Haloperidol

Neurological Side Effects of antipsychotics

REACTION	FEATURES	TIME OF MAXIMAL RISK	PROPOSED MECHANIS M	TREATMENT
Acute dystonia	Spasm of muscles of tongue, face, neck, back; may mimic seizures; <i>not</i> hysteria	1 to 5 days	Unknown	Antiparkinsonian agents are diagnostic and curative
Akathisia	Motor restlessness; <i>not</i> anxiety or "agitation"	5 to 60 days	Unknown	Reduce dose or change drug: antiparkinsonian agents,b benzodiazepines or propranololc may help
Parkinsonism	Bradykinesia, rigidity, variable tremor, mask facies, shuffling gait	5 to 30 days	Antagonism of dopamine	Antiparkinsonian agents helpful
Tardive dyskinesia	Oral-facial dyskinesia; widespread choreoathetosis or dystonia	After months or years of treatment (worse on withdrawal)	Excess function of dopamine hypothesized	Prevention crucial; treatment unsatisfactory

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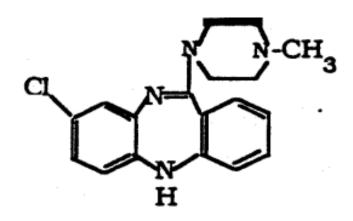
Second Generation Antipsychotic Drugs			
Compound	Sedation	Hypo- tension	Motor effects
Risperidone	++	+++	+/++ Dose dependent

Clozapine

Aripiprazole

Clozapine and olanzapine

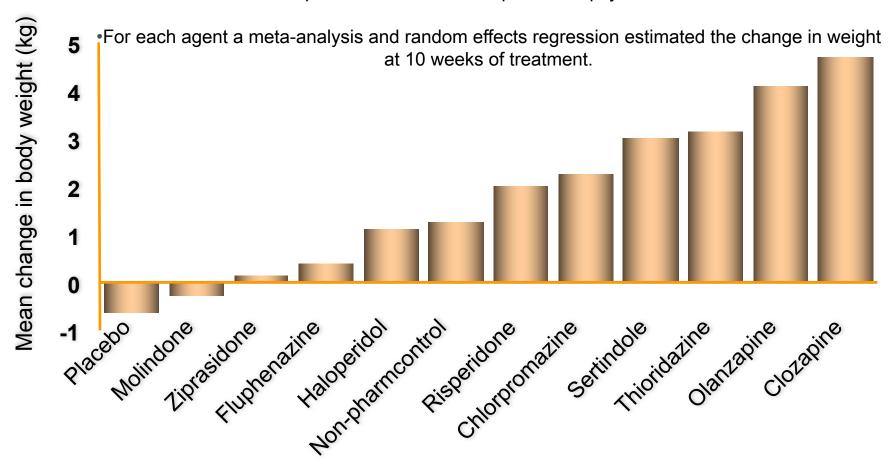
- VERY low EPS
- Blocks D1, D2, D4, αadrenergic, 5HT2, muscarinic, and histamine H1 receptors
- May show greater efficacy against negative symptoms than other antipsychotic drugs
- Agranulocytosis is a potentially fatal side effect for clozapine



Both drugs have high efficacy, but cause significant weight gain and diabetes

ESTIMATED MEAN WEIGHT GAIN AT 10 WEEKS

•A comprehensive literature search identified 78 studies that included data on weight change in patients treated with a specific antipsychotic.



Allison DB, Mentore JL, Heo M, et al: Weight gain associated with conventional and newer antipsychotics: a meta Analysis. AJP, 1999.

RisperidoneEndocrine effect

- One of the most prescribed drugs in Jordan.
- * In women, these disturbances include:
 - galactorrhea
 - loss of libido
 - delayed ovulation and menstruation or amenorrhea.
- * In men, these disturbances include:
 - gynecomastia
 - impotence.

Quetiapine

No increased risks for extrapyramidal symptoms

Shares sedation, orthostatic hypotension, weight gain

Does cause anticholinergic side effects
 – dry mouth, constipation

Does not elevate prolactin

Ziprasidone - 2001

 Similar to advantages of others, but argued not to cause weight gain

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Clozapine – 1.7 kg/month Risperidone – 1 kg/month
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Olanzipine – 2.3 kg/month Ziprasidone – 0.8 kg/month

Quetiapine - 1.8 kg/month

Aripiprazole

Partial agonist at D2 receptor

• Affinity for muscarinic, α_1 -adrenergic, serotonin and histamine receptors

• Few extrapyramidal side effects

Weight gain

feeling dizzy

Dosage adjustments - interactions

	Adjusted Dose
CYP2D6 Poor Metabolizers	
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CYP2D6 Poor Metabolizers taking concomitant CYP3A4 inhibitors	200 mg
Patients Taking 400 mg of ABILIFY MAINTENA	•
Strong CYP2D6 or CYP3A4 inhibitors	300 mg
CYP2D6 and CYP3A4 inhibitors	200 mg
CYP3A4 inducers	Avoid use
Patients Taking 300 mg of ABILIFY MAINTENA	
Strong CYP2D6 or CYP3A4 inhibitors	200 mg
CYP2D6 and CYP3A4 inhibitors	160 mg
CYP3A4 inducers	Avoid use

Atypical Antipsychotics In Vivo Binding Affinities

