



Major Receptor Families

G-protein coupled Receptors

Binding of a ligand on the extracellular part of the receptor, will activate the triple-subunit G protein associated. α -subunit will exchange GDP into GTP and that will cause its dissociation leading to series of activation processes, they're usually amplified responses.

* Many receptors such as:
a- Hormone peptide receptors
b- Neurotransmitter receptors

Muscarinic

Adrenergic

Enzyme-linked Receptors

Receptors that are associated with specific enzymatic activity, so that the binding of the ligand to the receptor will activate this enzyme to perform its function such phosphorylation.

eg: Receptors that are associated with tyrosine kinase activity, so binding of insulin in insulin receptors will activate the TK activity phosphorylating tyrosine residues in the protein leading to changing of 3D structure of protein + functional changes.

Note: Binding could either lead to activation or inhibition

Ligand-gated Ion channels

* the binding of a ligand activates the movement (influx/efflux) of ions across the membrane so that will lead to functional/structural ^{changes} so the flow of ions is regulated by the binding of the ligand.

Intracellular Receptors

A- Cytosolic Receptors
B- Nuclear Receptors

→ Should diffuse inside the cell, to do that they should cross the membrane and be lipophilic.

eg: Steroid hormones (ligands)

they cross the membrane bind with the receptor in the cytosol, then the receptor-ligand complex will migrate to the nucleus and that will lead to activation/inhibition of gene expression

MECHANISM OF DRUG WORK

Antagonism, Inhibition

- A- Cell-Surface Antagonists
- B- Nuclear Antagonists.
- C- Enzyme Inhibitors
- D- Transport Inhibitors
- E- Signal transduction inhibitors
- F- Ion channel Blockers

Other Non-conventional ways of drug action.

- Destruction of structural protein
- Binding to Macromolecules
- Interaction with small molecules
- Act as Enzymes
- Act as Nutrients
- Act as antigens
- Binding free atoms + molecules
- Having unknown mechanisms of actions.
- Exerting functions via physiological properties
- Work with antisense action

Agonism, Activation.

- A- Ion channel Openers
- B- Agonists for cell surface receptors
- C- Enzyme Activators.
- D- Agonist of Nuclear Receptors.

The binding of the chemical endogenous ligand which will activate the receptors and will induce cellular response.

Agonists (drug) mimic the endogenous chemical ligands.

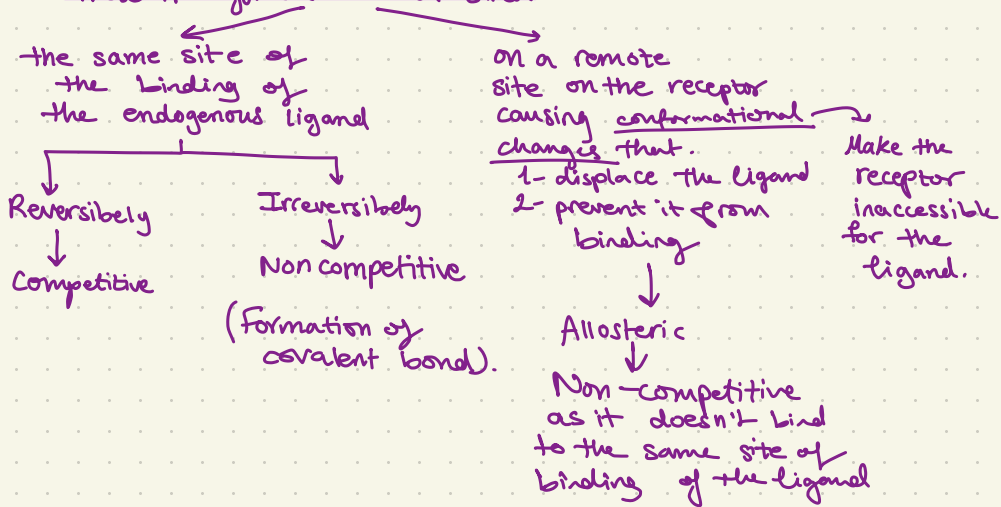
Cell Surface Antagonists

Binding of an antagonist to the receptor, which will prevent the binding of the endogenous chemical ligands thus preventing the activation of the receptor and the production of a cellular response. Meaning that the antagonist doesn't perform an opposite function to the endogenous ligand it just occupies its place preventing it from exerting function.

Neutral Antagonist.

* this drug is said to antagonize or block the receptor thus blocking the response.

those Antagonists could bind



Type of the Blocker	Important Examples	their uses
Cell - Surface Antagonists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Angiotensin Receptor Blockers ● Beta- Adrenoceptor Blockers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → -high blood pressure, heart failure, chronic renal insufficiency. → -heart failure, high blood pressure, myocardial infarction, angina, anxiety
Nuclear Antagonists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mineralocorticoid Receptor Antagonist ● Estrogen Receptor Antagonist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → edema → due to liver cirrhosis, heart failure → treatment + prevention of Breast cancer
Enzyme Inhibitor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cyclo oxygenase Inhibitors ● Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitor ● HMG - CoA Reductase Inhibitors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Pain relief especially in arthritis → high blood pressure, heart failure, chronic renal insufficiency → hypercholesterolemia
Ion channels Inhibitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Calcium channel Blockers ● Sodium Channel Blockers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → high blood pressure, angina → cardiac arrhythmias

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Transport Inhibitors	Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitor Inhibitors of Na-2Cl-K Symporter	Anti-depression. ↑out put of urine + sodium → ↓ edema.
Inhibitors of Signal Transduction Proteins	Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors Type 5 phosphodiesterase Inhibitors	myelocytic leukemia dysfunction.