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VIRUSES

- Are small infective agents consisting of nucleic acid (RNA or DNA) enclosed in a protein coat
- They are not proper cells and no metabolic machinery of their own
- They use the metabolic process of the host cell, which they enter and infect









VIRAL GENOMES









INCUBATION PERIOD







HOST CELL

DNA VIRUSES

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A. INFECTION

Adsorption of virion to host cell

Entry of virion into host cell (akin

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Uncoating of virion (i.e., removal of

protein capsid, exposure of viral nucleic acids to initiate replication).

plasma membrane receptors.

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to phagocytosis).

B. REPLICATION

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Viral DNA-dependent RNA polymerases (DNA viruses) and RNAdependent RNA polymerases (RNA viruses) catalyse the synthesis of mRNAs for production of viral structural and non-structural proteins.

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Viral genome may integrate into host chromosome.

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Modification of viral proteins by glycosylation and cleavage.

C. RELEASE

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Assembly of virions.

1. A.

Slow leakage from host cell (budding). or

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Cell rupture.







Recent research has focused on the Identification of Agents with: •greater selectivity, higher potency, stability in vivo, and reduced toxicity



INFLUENZA A AND B

- amantadine rimantadine
- zanamivir oseltamivir

INFLUNZA H_5N_1 (BIRD FLUE):

tamiflue























DRUG TREATMENT OF INFLUENZA A AND B

Immunization is preferred approach

- amantadine , rimantadine (viral uncoating)
- zanamivir , oseltamivir (neuraminidase inhibitors)

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tamiflue



AMANTADINE

Pharmacokinetics

- Given orally well absorbed from the gut
- Reaches high levels in secretions
- It also crosses the BBB (Ramintidine doesn't)
- t¹/₂ is 3 hrs
- It is eliminated almost unchanged in urine







AMANTADINE

Mechanism of Action:-

- A viral membrane protein M2 functions as an ion channel at the Time of entry into the cell
- Amantadine specifically blocks this ion channel
- Entry of virions from host cells



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CLINICAL USES

1.For prophylaxis during influenza A virus

(Good alternative to vaccine for)

- Elderly
 - Immunocompromized
 - Allergic
 - Where causative strain not the vaccine
 - strain
 - Supplement to vaccine

2.Parkinson's disease

It potentiates the dopaminergic function



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ADVERSE EFFECTS & CONTRAINDICATIONS

Unwanted effects are relatively infrequent occurring in 5-10% of patients

- 1) Dizziness, insomnia & slurred speech
- 2) Teratogenic

Contraindications are

Patients with history of seizures

Pregnancy



ZANAMIVIR & OSELTAMIVIR:

M.O.A

Inhibit neuraminidases of influenza A & B that prevent clumping of

virions.

Oseltamivir is orally active prodrug.

CLINICAL USES:

Prophylaxis mainly, also decreases duration symptoms

both type A&B

ADVERSE EFFECTS:

GI upset, nasal and throat irritation(Zanamivir)



TREATMENT OF HEPATITIS B &



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Hepatitis

- Hepatitis is a general term referring to inflammation of the liver
- Causes:
 - Infectious
 - Viral
 - Bacterial
 - Fungal
 - Parasitic
 - Non infectious
 - Alcohol
 - Drugs
 - Autoimmune
 - Metabolic diseases





CHARACTERISTIC	HEPATITIS A VIRUS	HEPATITIS B VIRUS	HEPATITIS C VIRUS
Type of virus	Picornavirus (RNA)	Hepadnavirus (DNA)	Flavivirus (RNA)
Mode of transmission	Fecal–oral (in some cases, parenteral)	Parenteral	Parenteral
Route of transmission	Person-to-person contact Sexual Food	Sexual Injection-drug use Perinatal (common, if mother is positive for hepatitis B early antigen)	Injection-drug use Blood products (before 1990) Sexual? Perinatal (infrequent)
Frequency of acute icteric disease	Common in adults Infrequent in children	Common in adults Infrequent in children	Uncommon
Frequency of evolution to chronic infection	Never	Infrequent in adults (<10%) Common in young children and infants	Frequent (>70%)
Estimated no. of acute infections/yr in the United States	179,000	185,000	38,000
Estimated no. of chronically infected persons in the United States	_	1,250,000	2,700,000
Estimated no. of chronically infected persons in the world	—	350,000,000	170,000,000
Treatment	None	Interferon alfa Lamivudine	Interferon alfa in combination with ribavirin
Prophylaxis	Recombinant vaccine Immune globulin (post- exposure)	Recombinant vaccine Hepatitis B immune globulin (postexposure)	None







ANTI HEPATITIS DRUGS



Antiviral therapy

- Suppress viral DNA
- Reduce inflammation
- Reverse fibrosis
- Prevent decompensation
- Reduce the risk of HCC



ANTIVIRALS FOR HBV

- Interferon alpha-2b
- lamivudine, telbivudine
- adefovir, tenofovir, entecavir



Therapy for Chronic Hepatitis B: 2020











LAMIVUDINE

Pharmacokinetics:

oral 80% available, excreted unchanged

I/C Half life... longer

Clinical Use:

HBV, decrease HBV DNA level by 97% in 2 weeks. Replication recur in 80% after discontinuation.



MECHANISM OF ACTION

- Must be activated to triphosphate form
- Inhibits HBV DNA polymerase
- Inhibits HIV reverse transcriptase







LAMIVUDINE

•20% seroconversion, (HBAg negative), decrease liver fibrosis; ALT level decreases

- Lamivudine resistant.. IFN/ adefovir
- Adverse Effects:
 - headache, dizziness



ADEFOVIR

- Lamivudine resistant
- MOA same
- Nephrotoxic
- Lactic acidosis
- Hepatomegaly



- Tenofovir..antiretroviral drug
- Lamivudine n entecavir resistant



IMMUNOMODULATORS

Interferon

These are a family of inducible proteins synthesised by the mammalian cells and now produced by recombinant DNA technology

There are at least three types α,β,γ constituting a family of hormones involved in cell growth, regulation & modulation of immune reactions



INTERFERON

Pharmacokinetics

- Given I/V, $t\frac{1}{2}$ 2-4 hours
- With I.M injection peak plasma concentration in 5-8 hours
- Do not cross the BBB
- Pegylated IFN?



Mechanism of Action:

- Produce cellular enzymes that inhibit the translation of viral mRNA into viral proteins
- Activate host cell ribonucleases degrades mRNA (receptor JAK/STAT)
- Increase NK cells that destroy infected liver cells.



A/E

- Flu like symptoms
- Bone marrow suppression
- Neurotoxicity
- Autoimmune disorder (thyroid)
- Arrhythmias
- Hearing loss, alopecia



CLINICAL USES

IFN α -2a is used for treatment of

Hepatitis B infection

AIDs related Kaposi sarcoma

IFN α -2b is used for treatment of

Hepatitis C

Hairy cell leukemia

Interferons can prevent

Activation of herpes simplex after trigeminal root section Spread of herpes –zooster in cancer patients



DDI

- Theophylline
- Zidovudine (bone marrow suppression)



Advantages of nucleoside/nucleotide analogs (NA) therapy of hepatitis over interferons (IFN)

- fewer adverse effects
- one-pill-a-day oral administration.

Advantages of IFN over NAs

- absence of resistance
- achievement of higher rates of viral agglutinin reduction.



Disadvantages of IFN

- less than 50% of persons treated will respond
- high cost
- administration by injection
- common adverse effects, which preclude its use in many persons and its contraindications



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TABLE 49-6 Drugs used to treat chronic hepatitis B virus infection.

Agent	Recommended Adult Dosage	Potential Adverse Effects
Nucleoside/nucleotide	analogs	
Entecavir ¹	500 or 1000 mg qd orally	Headache, fatigue, upper abdominal pain; lactic acidosis
Tenofovir alafenamide fumarate	25 mg qd orally	Nausea, abdominal pain, diarrhea, dizziness, fatigue, nephropathy, lactic acidosis
Tenofovir disoproxil ¹	300 mg qd orally	Nausea, abdominal pain, diarrhea, dizziness, fatigue, nephropathy, lactic acidosis
Adefovir dipivoxil ¹	10 mg qd orally	Renal dysfunction, lactic acidosis
Lamivudine ¹	100 mg qd orally	Headache, nausea, diarrhea, dizziness, myalgia, and malaise, lactic acidosis
Telbivudine ¹	600 mg qd orally	Fatigue, headache, cough, nausea, diarrhea, myopathy, peripheral neuropathy, lactic acidosis
Interferon alfa-2b	5 million IU/d or 10 million IU three times weekly subcutaneously or intramuscularly	Flu-like symptoms, fatigue, mood disturbances, cytopenias, autoimmune disorders
Pegylated interferon alfa-2a ¹	180 mcg once weekly subcutaneously	Flu-like symptoms, fatigue, mood disturbances, cytopenias, autoimmune disorders

¹Dose must be reduced in patients with renal insufficiency.

HEPATITIS (







PRIMARY GOAL FOR TREATMENT-VIRAL ERADICATION

<u>HCV</u>

Chronic:

- interferon alpha 2, pegylated interferon 2a
- ribavirin
- DAA (direct acting antiviral)











HEPATITIS C TREATMENT

Advent of the first-generation direct-acting antiviral agents (DAAs)
 boceprevir and telaprevir dramatically altered the landscape for the optimal treatment of chronic HCV infection, which was previously treated with the combination of interferon- alfa (replaced by pegylated interferon-alfa) and ribavirin.

 Main targets of the DAAs are the HCV-encoded proteins that are vital to the replication of the virus.



1. <u>NS5A Inhibitors</u>

Daclatasvir is used in combination with sofosbuvir for treatment of HCV genotypes 1, 2, and 3.

MOA

• The NS5A protein plays a role in both **viral replication and the assembly of HCV**; however, the exact mechanism of action of the HCV NS5A inhibitors remains unclear.

Adverse effects

• headache and fatigue, usually mild or moderate in severity.



NS5B RNA POLYMERASE INHIBITORS

Mechanism of action

- NS5B is an RNA- dependent RNA polymerase involved in post-translational processing that is necessary for replication of HCV.
- Nucleoside/nucleotide analogs (**eg, sofosbuvir**) target the catalytic site of NS5B, and are activated within the hepatocyte through phosphorylation to nucleoside triphosphate, which competes with nucleotides, resulting in chain termination.
- Non-nucle- oside analogs (eg, dasabuvir) act as allosteric inhibitors of NS5B.

Side effects with elbasvir/grazoprevir

• fatigue, headache, and nausea. Elevations in serum aminotransferases may occur.



TABLE 49-7 Direct-acting antiviral combination regimens for the treatment of chronic hepatitis C infection in adult patients without cirrhosis.¹

Regimen	Class of Agent(s)	HCV Genotype(s)
Velpatasvir 100 mg /sofosbuvir 400 mg once daily × 12 weeks	NS5A inhibitor/NS5B polymerase inhibitor	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
Elbasvir 50 mg/grazoprevir 100 mg once daily \times 12 weeks ²	NS5A inhibitor/NS 3/4A protease inhibitor	1a, 1b, 4
Ledipasvir 90 mg/sofosbuvir 400 mg once daily \times 12 weeks	NS5A inhibitor/NS5B polymerase inhibitor	1a, 1b, 4, 5, 6
Paritaprevir 150/ritonavir 100/ombitasvir 25 once daily plus dasabuvir 250 mg bid plus weight-based ribavirin × 12 weeks	NS 3/4A protease inhibitor/ NS5A inhibitor plus NS5B polymerase inhibitor plus guanosine analog	1a, 1b
Paritaprevir 150/ritonavir 100/ombitasvir 25 once daily plus weight-based ribavirin \times 12 weeks	NS 3/4A protease inhibitor/ NS5A inhibitor plus guanosine analog	4
Simeprevir 150 mg plus sofosbuvir 400 mg once daily \times 12 weeks	NS3/4A protease inhibitor plus NS5B polymerase inhibitor	1a, 1b
Daclatasvir 60 mg 3 plus sofosbuvir 400 mg once daily \times 12 weeks	NS5A inhibitor plus NS5B polymerase inhibitor	1a, 1b, 2, 3
Sofosbuvir 400 mg once daily plus weight-based ribavirin \times 12 weeks	NS5B polymerase inhibitor plus guanosine analog	2, 3

¹ Regimens may differ in the presence of cirrhosis.

² As an alternative regimen, elbasvir 50 mg/grazoprevir 100 mg once daily may be given in combination with weight-based ribavirin for 16 weeks.

³ Dose adjustment may be required if co-administered with a CYP 3A substrate.



RIBAVARIN (RHINO, ENTEROVIRUSES ARE RESISTANT)

MOA

phosphorylated-form inhibits GTP

viral RNA polymerase

end capping of viral RNA.

P/K

Oral, IV, aerosol, absorption increased with fatty meals





EFFECTIVE ONLY IN COMBO WITH IFN

Clinical Uses:

RSV, influenza A & B, lassa fever, adjunct to alpha interferon in hepatitis C.

Adverse Effects:

 Heamatotoxicity, upper airway irritation, teratogenic.





