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**M.O.A& S.A.R of Antihistamine drugs)**

#### **Academic Day starts with–**

- Greeting with saying ‘**Namaste**’ by joining Hands together following by 2-3 Minutes Happy session, Celebrating birthday of any student of respective class and **National Anthem**

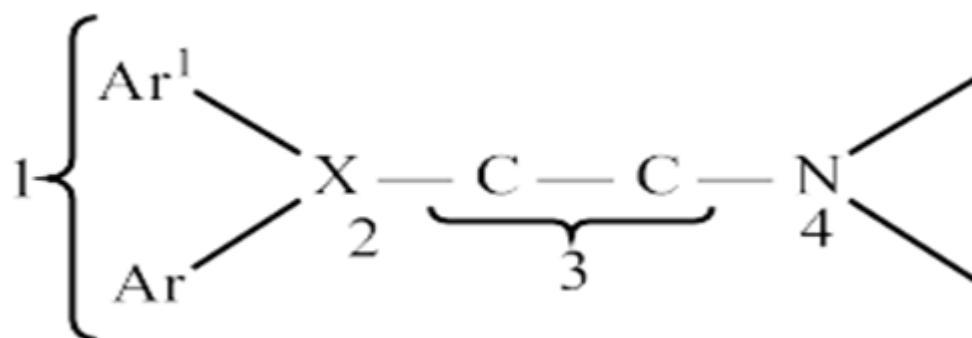
#### **Mechanism of action Antihistamine drugs**

After being released by the mast cells, histamine connects with the histaminergic receptors (H 1, H 2, and H 3). This binding initiates a cascade of activities that enable the typical responses of second messenger systems. G-protein coupled receptors make up histaminergic receptors. As a result, the H1-receptors are connected to phospholipase-C, and upon activation, they convert the phospholipids in the cell membrane into inositol phosphate (Ip 3) and diacylglycerol (DAG). Under the effect of Ip3, the endoplasmic reticulum quickly releases Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions. DAG causes protein kinase C to become active. Thus, the Ca<sup>2+</sup>/calmodulin dependent protein kinase and phospholipase A 2 are

stimulated by the turnover of Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions and protein kinase C. The H<sub>1</sub>-antagonist (anti-histaminergic) binds to the H<sub>1</sub>-receptors and lowers the synthesis of IP<sub>3</sub> and DAG are produced during activation of phospholipase-C. As a result, it prevents histamine's signature reaction. For a response to occur in the GIT, histamine generates cAMP-dependent protein kinase, commonly known as cyclic AMP or 3-5-cyclic adenosine monophosphate, on H<sub>2</sub>-receptors. Reversible binding between the H<sub>2</sub>-antagonist and the H<sub>2</sub>-receptors reduces cAMP synthesis. The proton pump is then turned on, which reduces the production of gastric acid in the GIT. Additionally, H<sub>3</sub> receptors are G-protein coupled receptors. They lessen the influx of Ca<sup>2+</sup> ions. Histamine and other neurotransmitters are inhibited by H<sub>3</sub>-receptors as a result of their ability to lower calcium influx into CNS cells, lessen gastrin release from the GIT, and down-regulate histamine through auto-regulatory actions. The H<sub>3</sub>-receptors are blocked to counteract these effects. Whereas the clinical extendibility is narrow for H<sub>3</sub>.

## Structure-Activity Relationship (SAR)

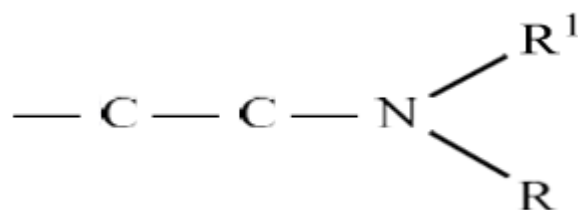
### H<sub>1</sub>-Receptor Antagonist



- (1) **Aryl Groups** : Diaryl substitution is required for H<sub>1</sub> affinity, and is found in first-generation and second-generation antihistamines. The co-planarity of two aryl substitutions influences the optimal antihistaminic activity. Active aryl substitutions are as follows:

- (i) Ar is phenyl and hetero aryl group (like 2-pyridyl).
  - (ii) Ar<sup>1</sup> is aryl or aryl methyl group.
- (2) **Nature of X** : Antihistamines with X = carbon (pheniramine series) signifies the stereo selective receptor binding to the receptors because of its chirality. The active substitutions of X are as follows:
- (iii) X= Oxygen (amino alkyl etheranalogue)
  - (iv) X= Nitrogen (ethylene-diamine derivative)
  - (v) X=Carbon (monoaminopropylanalogue)
- (3) **Alkyl Chain** : Mostly antihistamines have ethylene chain, the branching of which forms a less active compound.

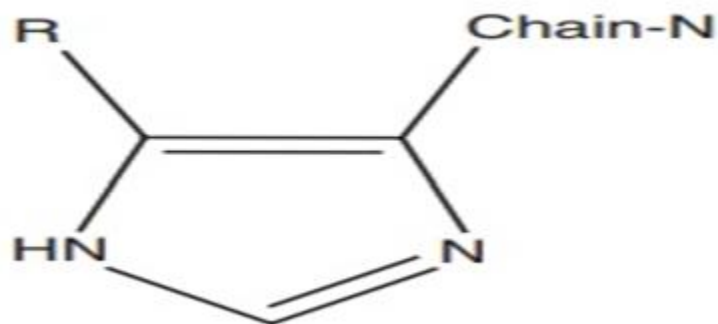
This general chain is present in all the antihistamines.



- (4) **Terminal Nitrogen Atom** : The nitrogen atom at the terminal should be tertiary for maximum activity. The terminal nitrogen can be the part of heterocyclic ring, **for example**, antazoline and chlorcyclizine have a high anti histaminic activity. The aminomoiety on interaction with H<sub>1</sub>-receptors undergoes protonation due to basicity with pKa 8.5-10.

### H<sub>2</sub>-receptor SAR

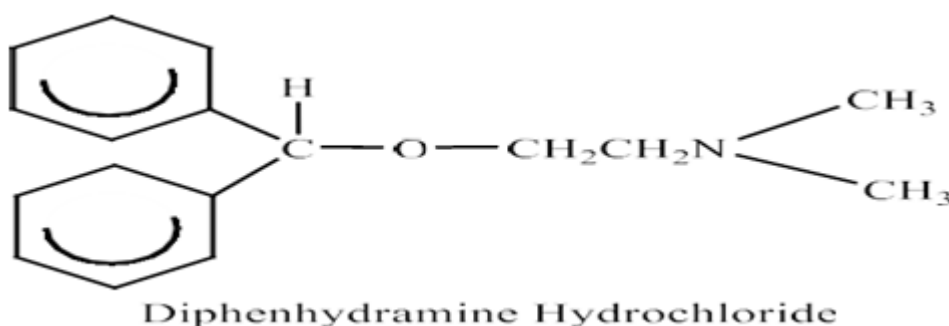
The international change of the histamine structure and the deliberate search for a chemically comparable molecule that would serve as a competitive inhibitor of the H<sub>2</sub>-receptors led to the development of the H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonists.



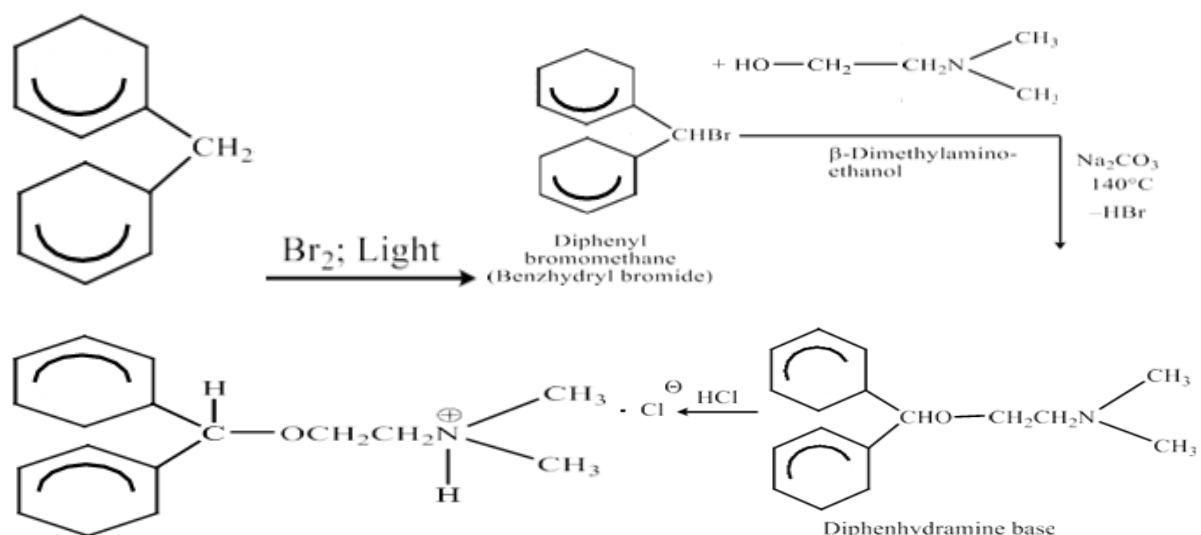
- Imidazole ring is not the sole necessary ring for histamine H<sub>2</sub> receptors to compete with one another.
- Furan, thiophene, thiazole, and other heterocyclic rings can be utilized to increase the potency and selectivity of H<sub>2</sub>-receptor antagonism.
- For the best antagonistic activity, the ring and terminal nitrogen should be separated by four carbon atoms.
- There are certain medications that also have the isosteric thioether bond. For maximum antagonist effect, the terminal nitrogen group should be substituted with polar, non basic compounds.

### Study of Some Individual Drugs

#### (i) Diphenhydramine hydrochloride



## Synthesis of diphenhydramine hydrochloride



Diphenhydramine hydrochloride

### Mechanism of action :

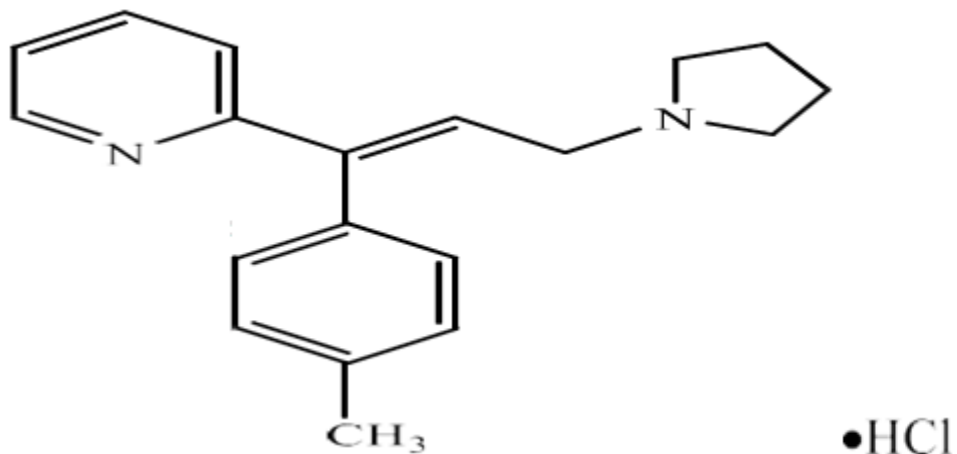
Diphenhydramine works through the antagonism of  $H_1$ -receptors found on the respiratory smooth muscles, vascular endothelial cells, GIT, cardiac tissue, immune cells, uterus, and CNS neurons. On stimulating the  $H_1$ -receptors in the set issues, they increase vascular permeability, stimulate vasodilation that leads to flushing, decrease the conduction time of atrioventricular (AV) node, stimulate the sensory nerves of airways that leads to coughing, contract the smooth muscles of bronchi and GIT, and cause eosinophilic chemotaxis that enhances the allergic immune response. Diphenhydramine functions as an inverse agonist at  $H_1$ -receptors, and therefore it reverses the histamine effects on capillaries, and decreases the symptoms of allergic reaction.

### Uses

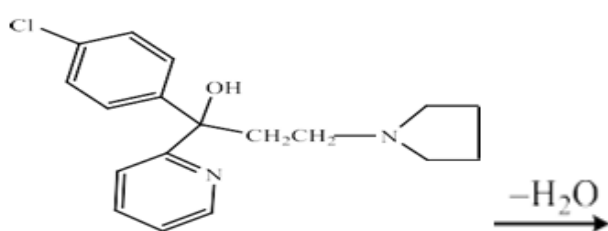
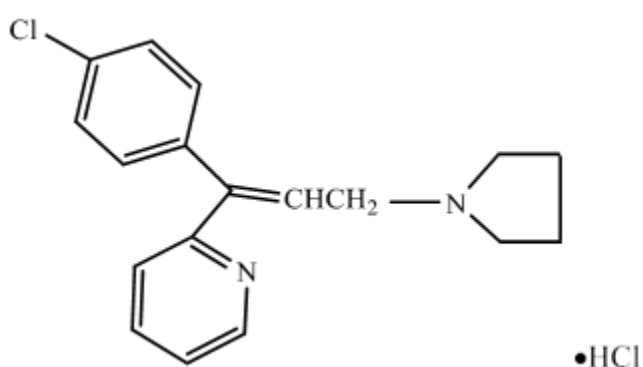
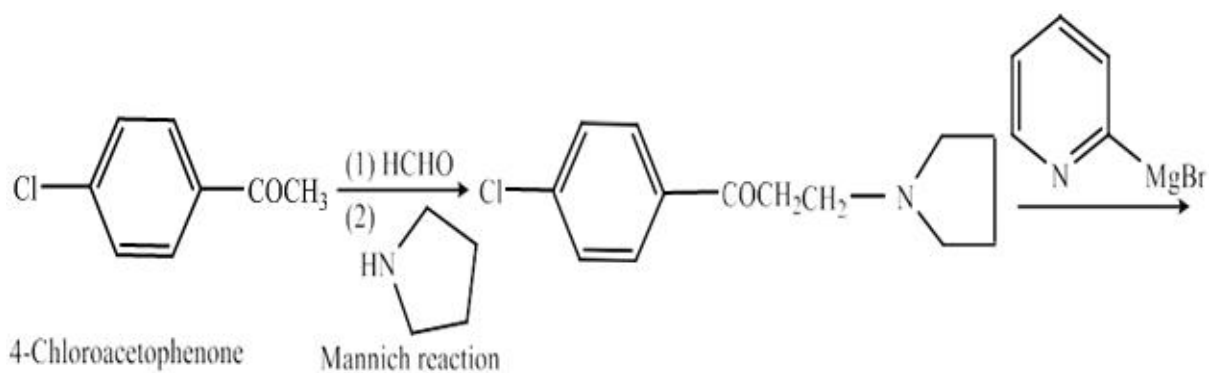
- (i) It is used for preventing and curing nausea, vomiting and dizziness caused by motion sickness.
- (ii) It is used to relax and fall asleep.
- (iii) It is used for relieving the symptoms of allergy, hay fever, common cold,

rashes, itching, watery eyes, itchy eyes/nose/throat, cough, runny nose, and sneezing.

**(ii) Triprolidine hydrochloride**



Triprolidine Hydrochloride



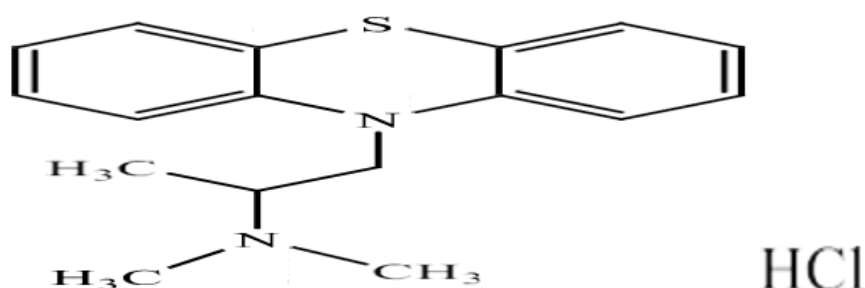
## Mechanism of action

Triprolidine hydrochloride binds to the H<sub>1</sub>-receptors and inhibits the action of histamine, thus temporarily relieving the negative symptoms of histamine

## Uses :

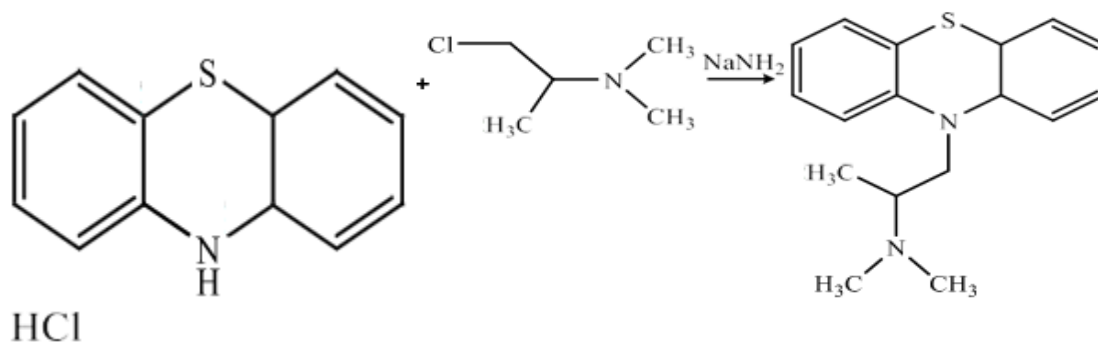
- (i) It is used for the symptomatic relief of seasonal or perennial allergic rhinitis or non-allergic rhinitis; allergic conjunctivitis; and mild, uncomplicated allergic skin conditions of urticaria and angioedema.
- (ii) It is used in combination with other agents for the symptomatic relief of symptoms related to common cold.

## (iii) Promethazine hydrochloride



Promethazine hydrochloride is the hydrochloride salt form of promethazine, which is a phenothiazine derivative having antihistaminic, sedative and antiemetic properties.

## Synthesis of promethazine hydrochloride



Phenothiazine      dimethylamino-2-chloropropane

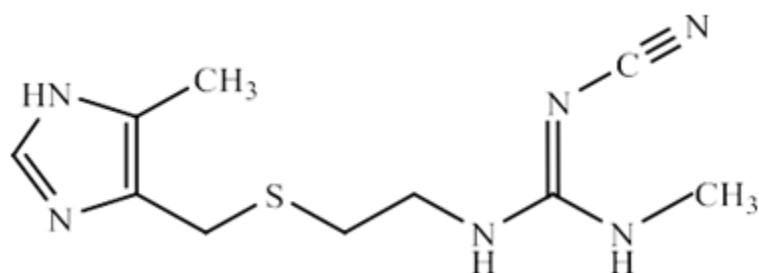
Promethazine Hydrochloride

## Mechanism of action

Promethazine hydrochloride selectively inhibits the peripheral H<sub>1</sub>-receptors, thus reduces the histamine effects on effect or cells. It also inhibits the central histaminergic receptors, thus depresses the reticular system that causes sedative and hypnosis effects. It also exhibits centrally acting anticholinergic properties. It may control nausea and vomiting by acting on the medullary chemoreceptive trigger zone.

## Uses

- (i) It is used for preventing and curing vertigo and motion sickness. However, it shows marked and long antihistaminic activity.
- (ii) Due to its antiemetic properties, it is added in postoperative nausea and vomiting tablets, elixirs, syrups, suppositories, and injections.
- (iii) It is also used for anaesthetic pre medication through intramuscular injection with atropine and meperidine.
- (iv) Cimetidine



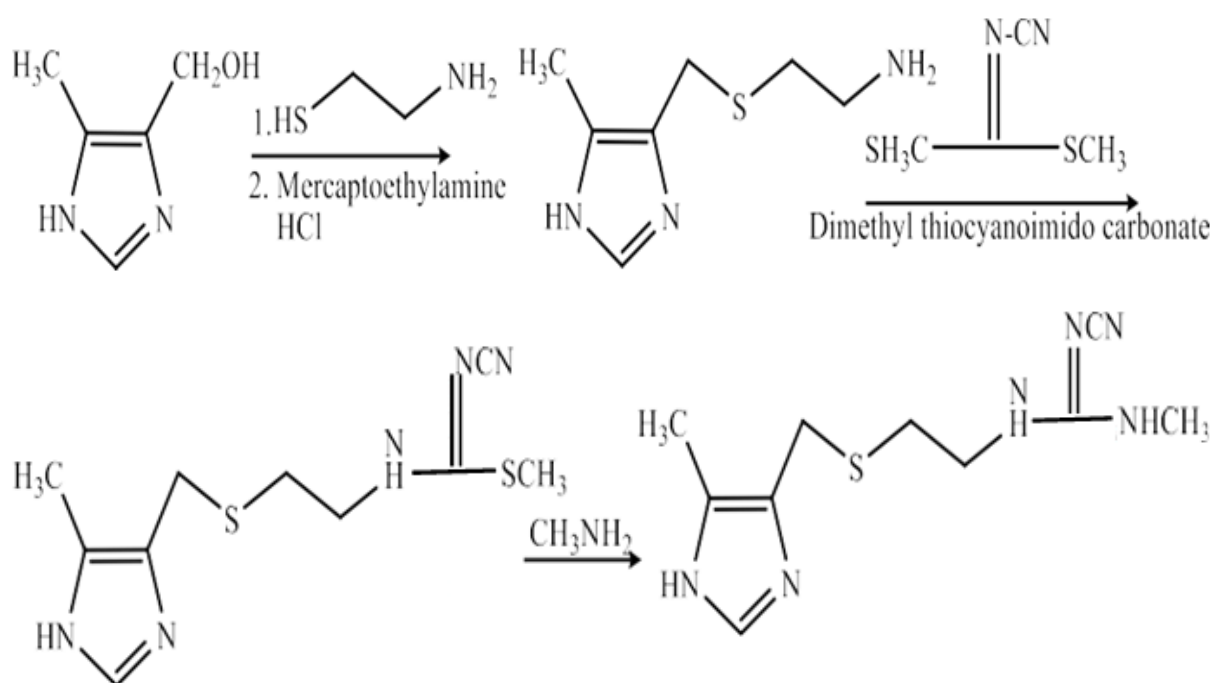
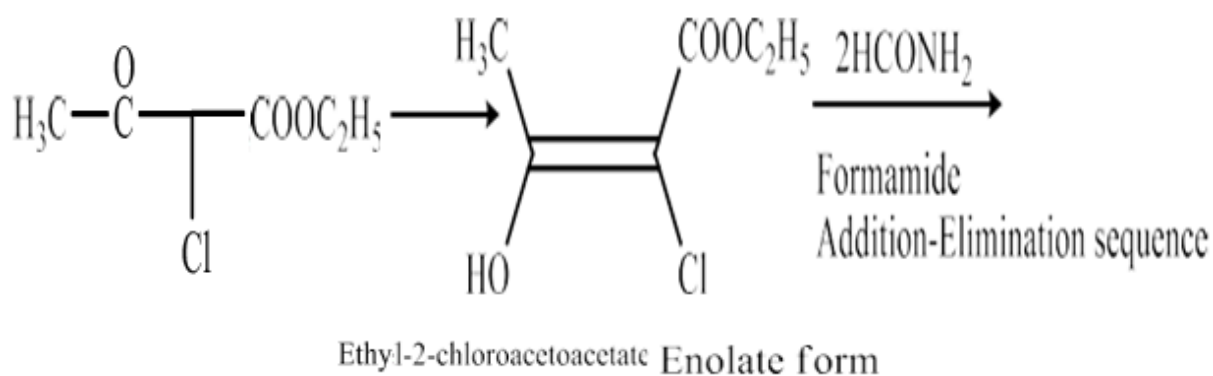
## Cimetidine

### Mechanism of action of cimetidine

Cimetidine blocks the histamine effects by binding to the H<sub>2</sub>-receptors found on the basolateral membrane of gastric parietal cells. Reduction in gastric acid secretion, gastric volume and acid output are the results of this competitive inhibition.



## Synthesis of Cimetidine



## Cimetidine

### Uses

- (i) It is used for treating certain types of ulcer.
- (ii) It is used for treating the conditions in which too much acid is secreted by the stomach.
- (iii) It is also used for treating acid-reflux disorders (like GERD), peptic ulcer disease, heart burn, and acid indigestion

### • Next Topic-

- Medicinal chemistry II – (Anti-neoplastic agent)

**Academic Day ends with-**  
National song 'VandeMataram'

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