



Antitubercular Agents

Tuberculosis often called TB, is chronic bacterial infection caused by *Mycobacterium Tuberculosis*. It is a chronic disease.

The bacteria contain unusual cell wall which contain high lipid contents so highly hydrophobic in nature & resistant to alcohol, Acids, Alkalies.

The bacteria mainly infects lungs and almost other tissues ~~also~~ also such as brain, circulatory system, genitourinary system bones by formation of nodular bodies or tubercles that's why the ~~diseases~~ disease called tuberculosis.

The person affected with TB, when sneeze & cough the droplet in air can infects other healthy person.

The other strain of TB bacteria is *M. bovis* mainly found in Cattles. (cow, buffalos, etc)

Mode of transmission: Inhalation, Ingestion, Innoculation & Transplacental

Classification - Based on treatment Clinical Antitubercular Drug



Ist line drugs

High efficacy
Low toxicity
routinely used

→ Isoniazid
→ Rifampin
Pyrazinamide
Ethambutol

these 4 drugs
are
essential drugs
for TB

[Streptomycin (Antibiotic)
~~Essential~~ drug for TB)
supplementary]

IInd Line drugs

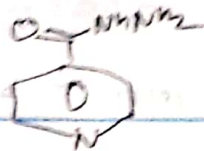
Low efficacy
High Toxicity
→ Paraaminosalicylic Acid

Antibiotics
→ Cycloserin
Kanamycin
Amikacin
Ciprofloxacin
Ofloxacin
Clarithromycin
Azithromycin
Capreomycin
→ Ethionamide

Third line drug in special Clinical situation: such as
resistant to ~~the~~ any candidate of
first or second line drugs.

ex Amoxicillin/Clavulanate, Meropenem, Imipenem
Linezolid

Isoniazid:



Isonicotinic acid hydrazide

5mg/kg/d - OD - 6 months



Most active drug
freely water soluble

Act against actively growing tubercle bacilli

Penetrate in to macrophage & active against
both intracellular & extracellular organism

= MoA → inhibit synthesis of mycolic acid which is essential
component of mycobacterium cell wall

→ It is prodrug - activated by Catalase-peroxidase

⇒ Mutation causes inhibition of this enzyme - Drug resistance

Always given in combination

10mg/kg/d - OD for 6 months

Category - Aminoglycosides

Also called Rifampicin



⇒ Rifampin : Semi synthetic derivative of rifamycin

produced by *Streptomyces mediterranei*

active against G^+ & G^-

Must be used in combination

MOA :- ~~bind~~ ~~inhibit~~ DNA dependent RNA polymerase (Bind to β subunit of DNA/RNA channel) away from active site
↓
inhibit RNA synthesis (mRNA, tRNA, rRNA)
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No protein → No bacterial growth

Resistance → Mutation reduce binding to DNA depend RNA Polym

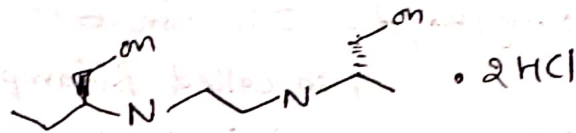
Uses → TB
Leprosy
Meningococcal infection
H. influenza type B

Rifabutin :- Category - Aminoglycosides

MOA :- ^{Also} Inhibit DNA dependent RNA polymerase (bacterial enzyme)

15-25 mg/kg/d — OD

Ethambutol:-



- water soluble, heat stable

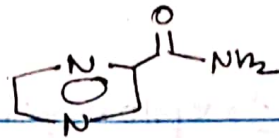
Given in combination with Isoniazid, Rifampin & Pyrazinamide

MoA:- Inhibit mycobacterial Arabinosyl transferase enzyme
↓
essential component of cell wall

Resistance:- → due to mutation in gene for enzyme

→ due to monotherapy, so always use in combination

Pyrazinamide:-



40-50 mg/kg - ~~3~~ Thrice weekly  6 months

Stable & Slightly Soluble in H_2O

Inactive at 7 pH

active at pH 5.5

Taken by macrophages & exert activity

→ Highly effective at 2 months of therapy

MOA:-

pyrazinamide $\xrightarrow{\text{Converted to}}$ pyrazinoic Acid

↓ active
by Mycobacterial
pyrazinamidase enzyme

Resistance:-

↓ uptake of drug
mutation of enzyme

Streptomycin

Aminoglycoside antibiotics

Act only on extracellular bacilli,
poor penetration in cell

MOA :- Irreversible inhibitor of protein synthesis

binds to bacterial 30S subunit of ~~pro~~ ribosome
loss of bacterial protein required for growth ←

IV - ~~30-60~~ 20-40 mg/kg/d for several weeks



IInd line



PAS = D (para amino salicylic Acid)



Structural Analog of PABA

Given with Isoniazid

Interfere insertion of PABA into folic Acid

↓ hepatic acylation of Isoniazid

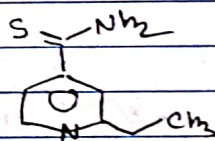
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Inhibit folic Acid synthesis in bacteria

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So ↑ Isoniazid level also

→ Also inhibit synthesis of DNA precursor required for bacterial nucleic acid formation

Limited to MDR tuberculosis

Ethionamide;



15 mg/kg/d

MAA : Related to ~~isoniazid~~ Isoniazid —

Block mycolic Acid synthesis (cell wall synthesis)

Chemical Class: Cyclic peptides

Capriomycin :- used when resistance to Streptomycin & ~~Rifampin~~ ^{Amikacin}

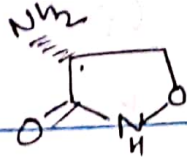
Used in injection (15 mg/kg/day) IM

Inhibit protein synthesis

Obtained from *S. capreolus*

active against drug resistant TB
It is nephrotoxic & ototoxic

Cycloserine

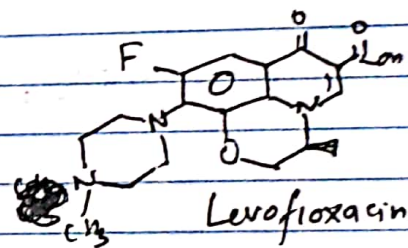
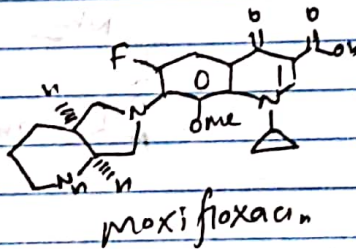
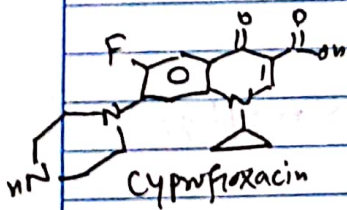


0.5-1 gm/d two divided dose

Inhibit cell wall synthesis of *M. Tuberculosis*

Fluoroquinolones:

Ciprofloxacin, Moxifloxacin, Levofloxacin

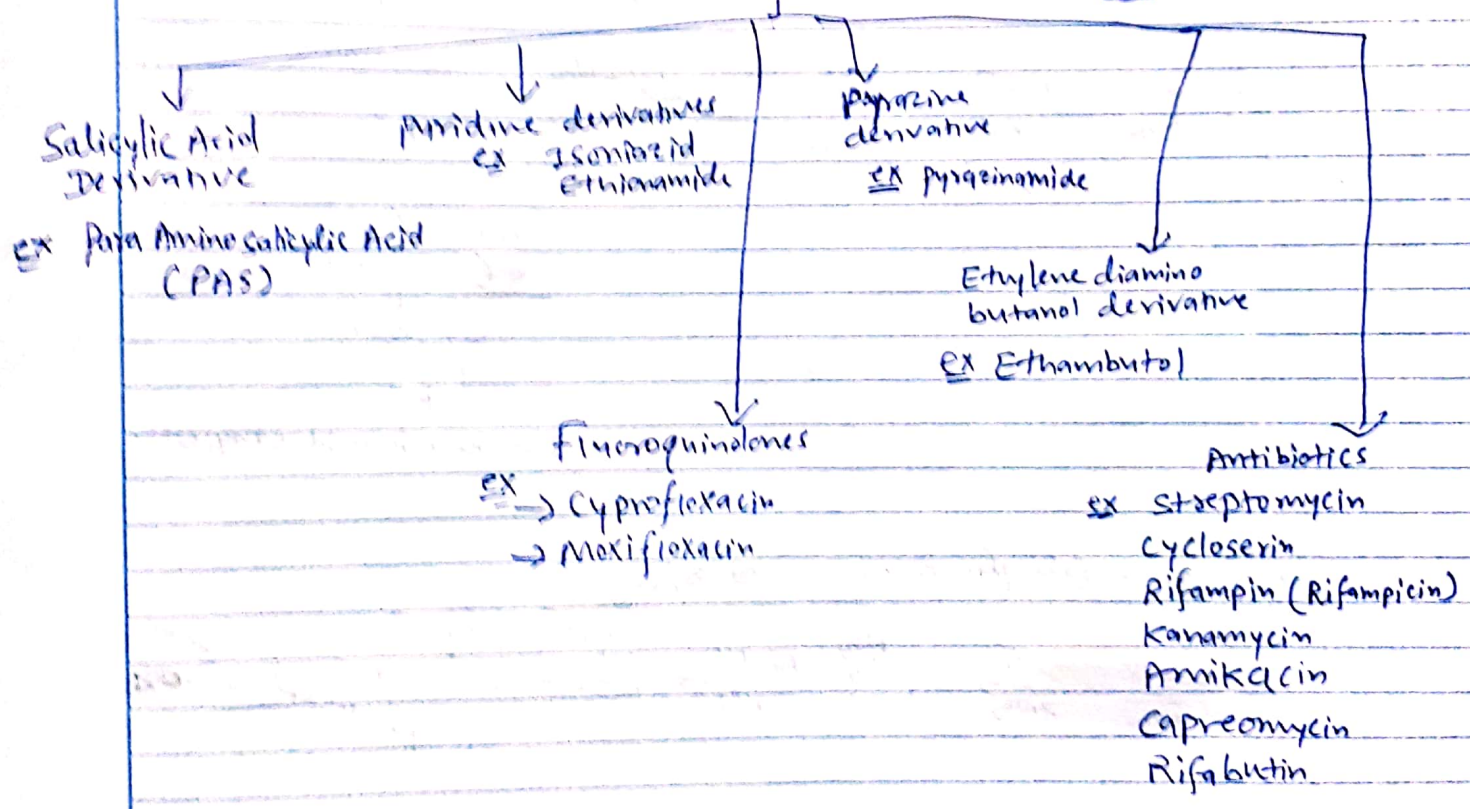


Mode of Action: Inhibit bacterial DNA gyrase (Topoisomerase-II) enzyme. They also inhibit Topoisomerase-IV enzyme. So

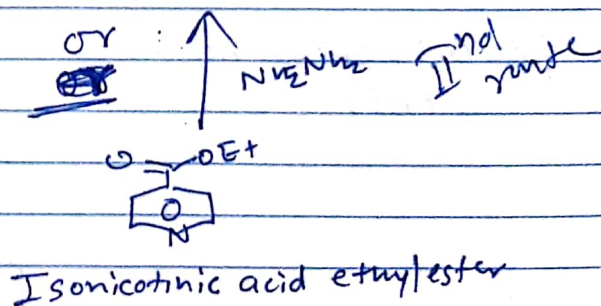
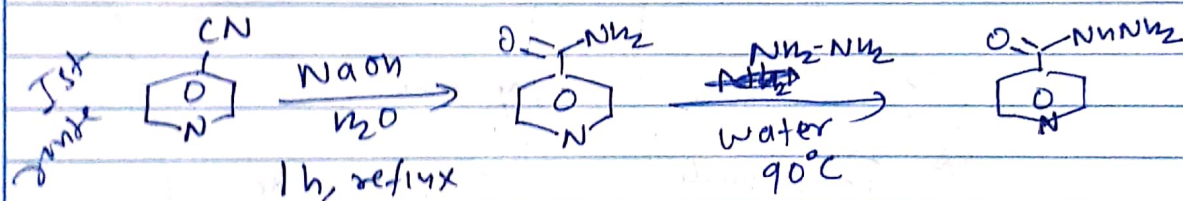
~~stop~~ In place of complete complete DNA formation, there are formation of DNA fragments. & also stop genetic material Segregation in to new bacterial cell.
daughter



Anti-TB Classification Based on Chemical Class



Synthesis $\Rightarrow$ Isoniazid



Synthesis : Para Amino Salicylic Acid

