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Principles of Clinical Pharmacology

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COURSE MODULES

MODULE 1: Pharmacokinetics

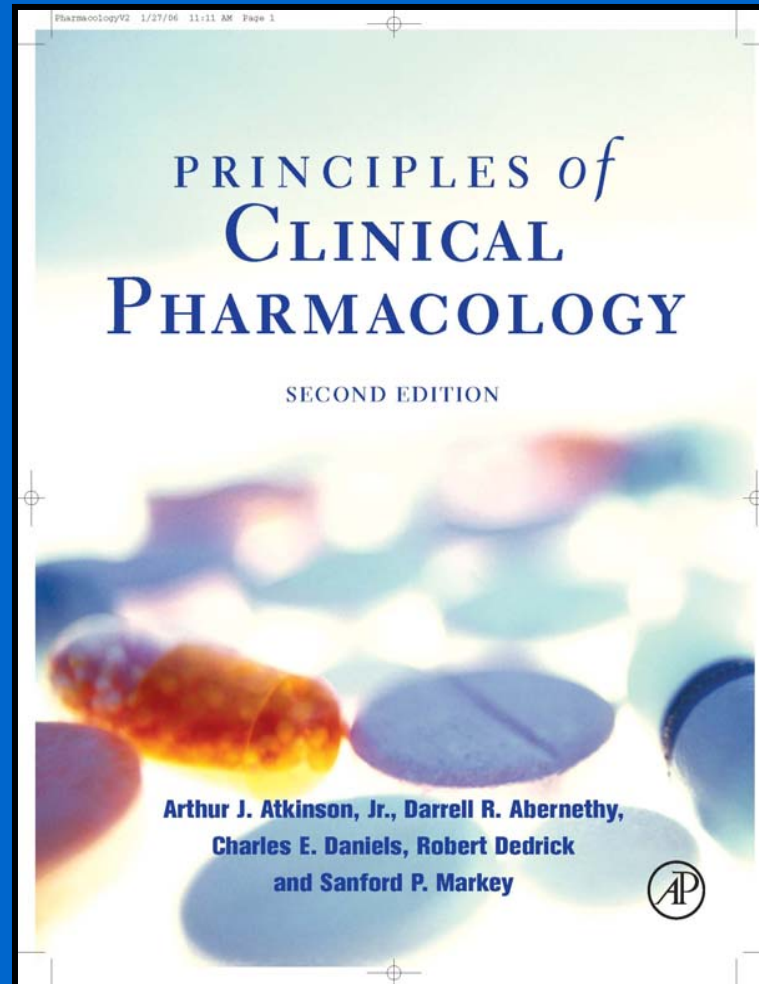
MODULE 2: Drug metabolism and Transport

MODULE 3: Assessment of Drug Effects

MODULE 4: Optimizing and Evaluating Therapy

MODULE 5: Drug Discovery and Development

RECOMMENDED TEXT



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PHARMACOLOGY

The study of *drugs* (chemicals, “small molecules”) and *biologics* (peptides, antibodies, “large molecules”) and their actions in *living organisms* (intact animals, isolated organs, tissue cultures).



CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

*THE STUDY OF DRUGS IN
HUMANS*



COURSE FOCUS

- Scientific basis of drug use, development and evaluation
- *Not* Therapeutics
- Emphasis is on *General Principles* for both “old” and “new” drugs

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CAREER GOALS OF CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGISTS

- **Optimize understanding and use of existing medicines**
- **Develop and evaluate new medicines**

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“Introduction” Lecture Outline

- **Historical overview**
- **The problem of adverse drug reactions (ADRs)**
- **Drug discovery and development**
- **Introduction to pharmacokinetics**
- **The concept of clearance**

Historical Overview

The establishment of *experimental pharmacology* as a discipline in Europe and the USA in the 19th and 20th centuries.

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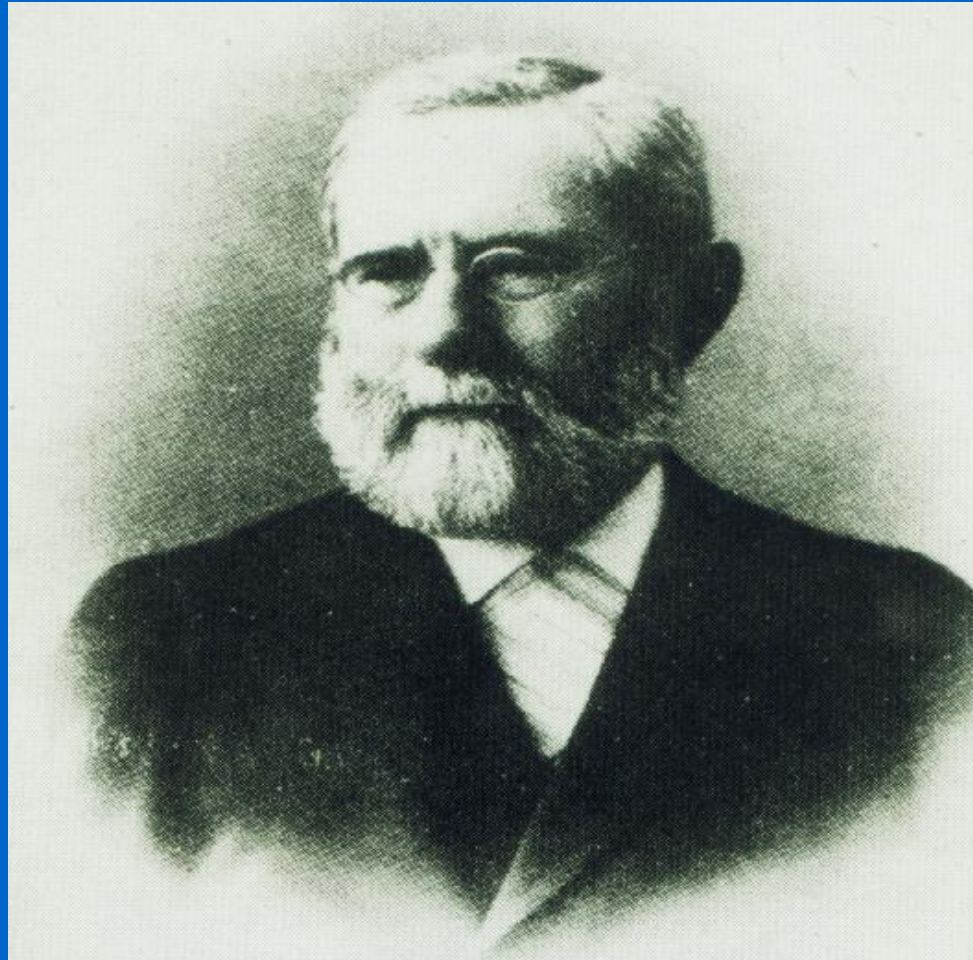
1857 - 1938



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OSWALD SCHMIEDEBERG

1838 - 1921



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RUDOLPH BUCHEIM

1820 - 1879



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LACK OF IMPORTANCE ATTACHED TO DRUG THERAPY

“Fortunately a surgeon who uses the wrong side of the scalpel cuts his own fingers and not the patient; if the same applied to drugs they would have been investigated very carefully a long time ago.”

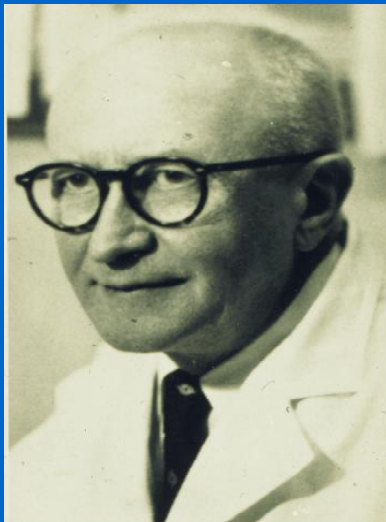
Placing emphasis on therapeutic technique and rational prescribing

Rudolph Bucheim

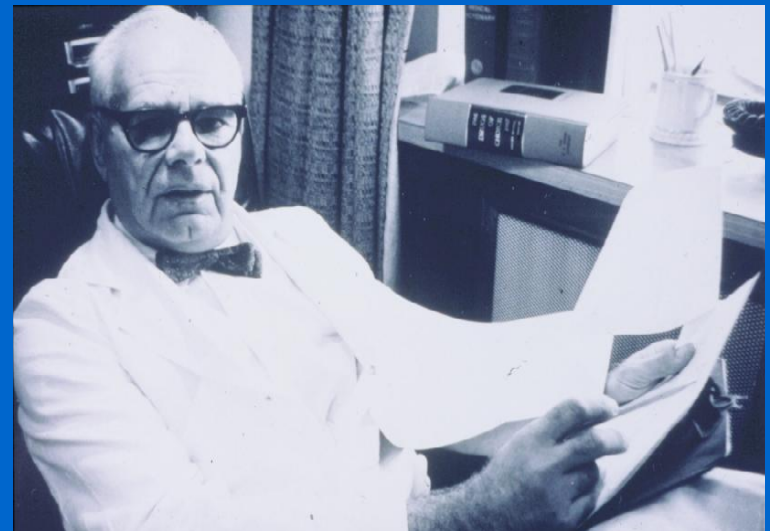
Beitrage zur Arzneimittellehre, 1849

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FOUNDERS OF AMERICAN CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY



HARRY GOLD



WALTER MODELL

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Partial List of GOLD and MODELL Accomplishments

1937 – Introduced Double-Blind Clinical Trial Design *

1939 – Initiated *Cornell Conference on Therapy*

1953 – Analyzed Digoxin Effect Kinetics to Estimate Absolute Bioavailability as well as Time-Course of Chronotropic Effects†

1960 - Founded *Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics*

* Gold H, Kwit NT, Otto H. JAMA 1937;108:2173-2179.

† Gold H, Cattell McK, Greiner T, Hanlon LW, Kwit NT, Modell W, Cotlove E, Benton J, Otto HL. J Pharmacol Exp Ther 1953;109:45-57.

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LINEAGE of Modern Clinical Pharmacology

PATER FAMILIAS

RUDOLPH BUCHEIM

FOUNDING FATHERS

US

HARRY GOLD

WALTER MODELL

EUROPE

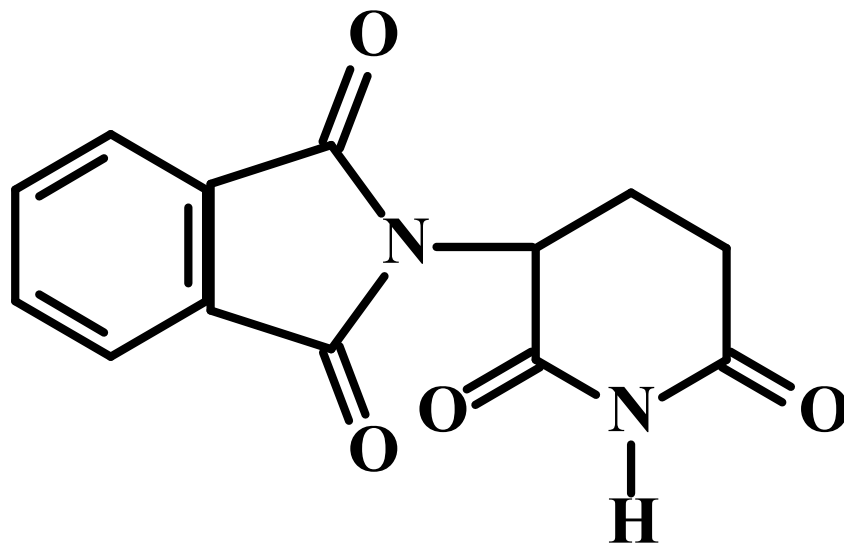
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Drug Toxicity

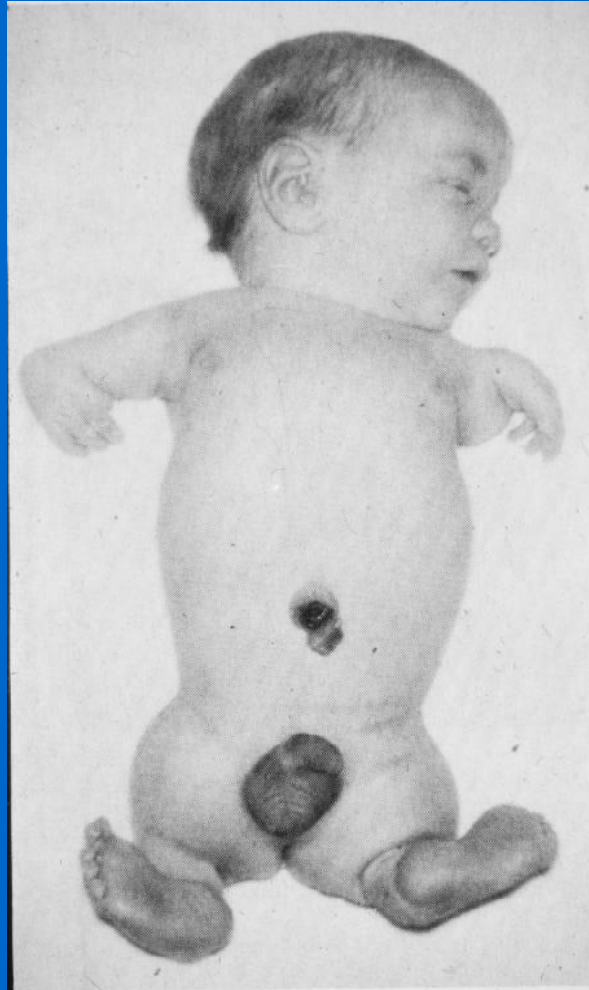
Adverse Drug Reactions

- We need to develop drugs that are both **effective** and **safe** for use in patients.
- While some toxicities can be managed and *may* be acceptable (*risk/benefit* ratio) others are by their nature and severity *unacceptable*.
- Covered in *Modules 2* and *4* in our course.

THALIDOMIDE



PHOCOMELIA



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Drug Exposure “in utero”

- The problem of
“Drug Therapy in Pregnant and
Nursing Women”
Covered in *Module 4* in our course.

Thalidomide: Therapeutic Uses

- *Erythema Nodosum Leprosum*
- Multiple Myeloma

These are *FDA-approved* indications
(immunomodulatory agent)

Marketing done under a special restricted
distribution program:

*System for Thalidomide Education and Prescribing
Safety (S.T.E.P.S.)*

Used with *extreme caution* in females of
childbearing potential. Contraceptive measures
are mandatory.

SERIOUS ADR

*A **SERIOUS ADVERSE DRUG REACTION** is an adverse drug reaction (ADR) that *requires or prolongs hospitalization, is permanently disabling or results in death.**

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CONSEQUENCES OF THALIDOMIDE CRISIS

- **New FDA Regulations**
(KEFAUVER-HARRIS 1962 AMENDMENTS)
 - **Institute of Medicine-National Academy of Sciences** *review of Therapeutic Claims*
 - **More Research on Causes of ADRs**
 - **NIGMS created Clinical Pharmacology Centers in the USA**
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**JOHN OATES
DAN AZARNOFF
LOU LASAGNA**

EUROPE

**FOLKE SJÓQVIST
COLLIN DOLLERY**

FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO ADR'S

1. Inappropriate *polypharmacy* resulting in adverse *drug interactions*
2. *Lack of clear therapeutic goals*
3. *Failure to attribute* new symptoms or abnormal laboratory test results *to drugs prescribed*
4. *Low priority* given to studying ADR's
5. *Insufficient knowledge* of pharmacology

ADVERSE DRUG REACTIONS

WHO:

Any untoward reaction to a drug

CONTEMPORARY VIEW:

Unpredictable Adverse Drug Events

A recent example – Cytokine Storm

“**Six healthy young male volunteers** at a contract research organization were enrolled in the *first phase I clinical trial* of **TGN1412**, a novel superagonist anti-CD28 monoclonal antibody that directly stimulates T cells.

*Within 90 minutes after receiving a single intravenous dose...all six volunteers had a **systemic inflammatory response**...rapid induction of proinflammatory cytokines...headache, myalgias, nausea, diarrhea, erythema, vasodilatation, and hypotension. Within 12 to 16 hours they **became critically ill**...*

All six patients survived.”

N Engl J Med 2006;355:1018-1028

Preclinical models did not predict the risk of this reaction!

The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

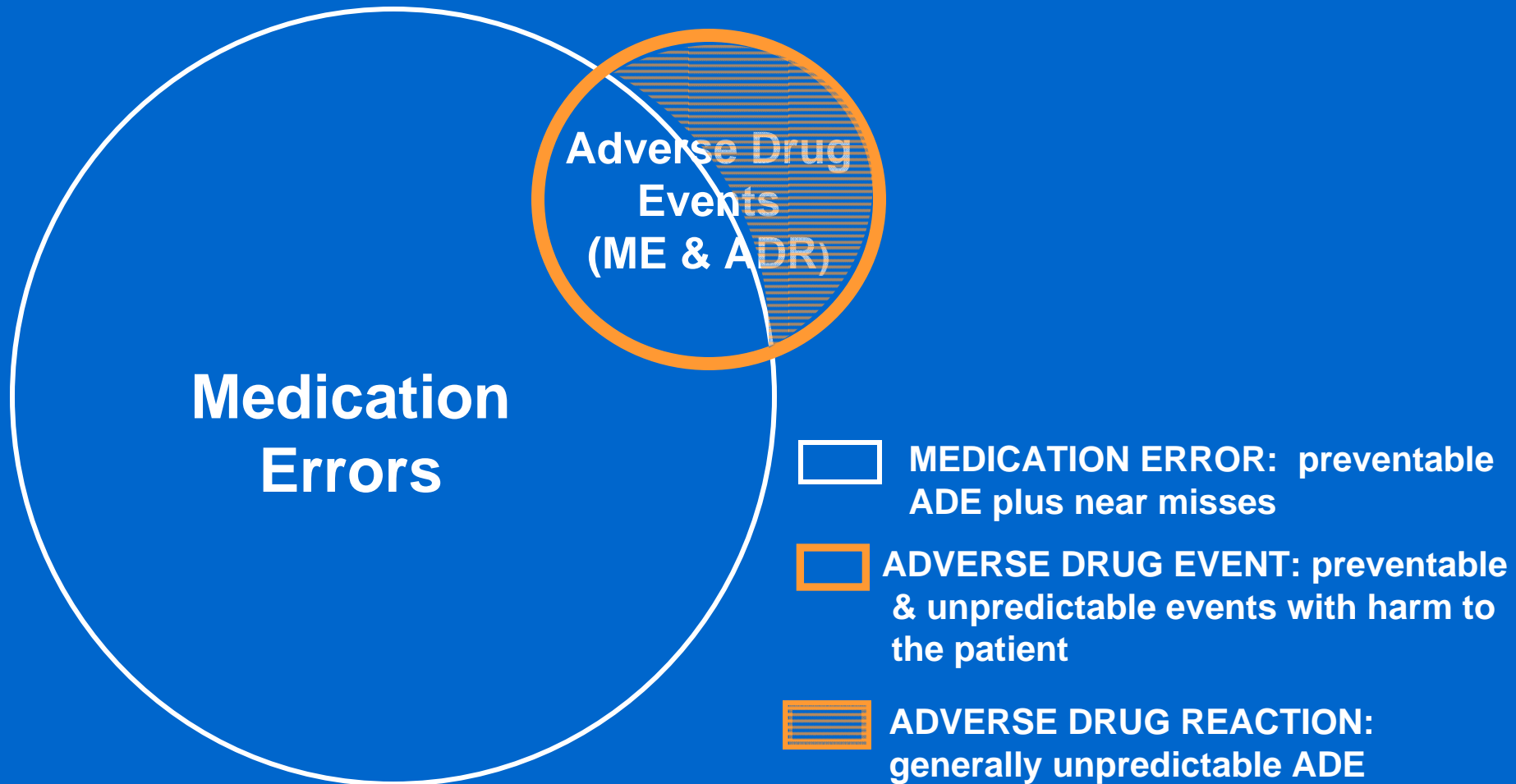
BRIEF REPORT

Cytokine Storm in a Phase 1 Trial of the Anti-CD28 Monoclonal Antibody TGN1412

Ganesh Suntharalingam, F.R.C.A., Meghan R. Perry, M.R.C.P.,
Stephen Ward, F.R.C.A., Stephen J. Brett, M.D., Andrew Castello-Cortes, F.R.C.A.,
Michael D. Brunner, F.R.C.A., and Nicki Panoskaltsis, M.D., Ph.D.

N Engl J Med 2006;355:1018-28

ADVERSE DRUG EVENTS*



* From Bates DW, et al. J Gen Intern Med 1995;10:199-205.

CHARACTERISTICS OF MOST ADRs*

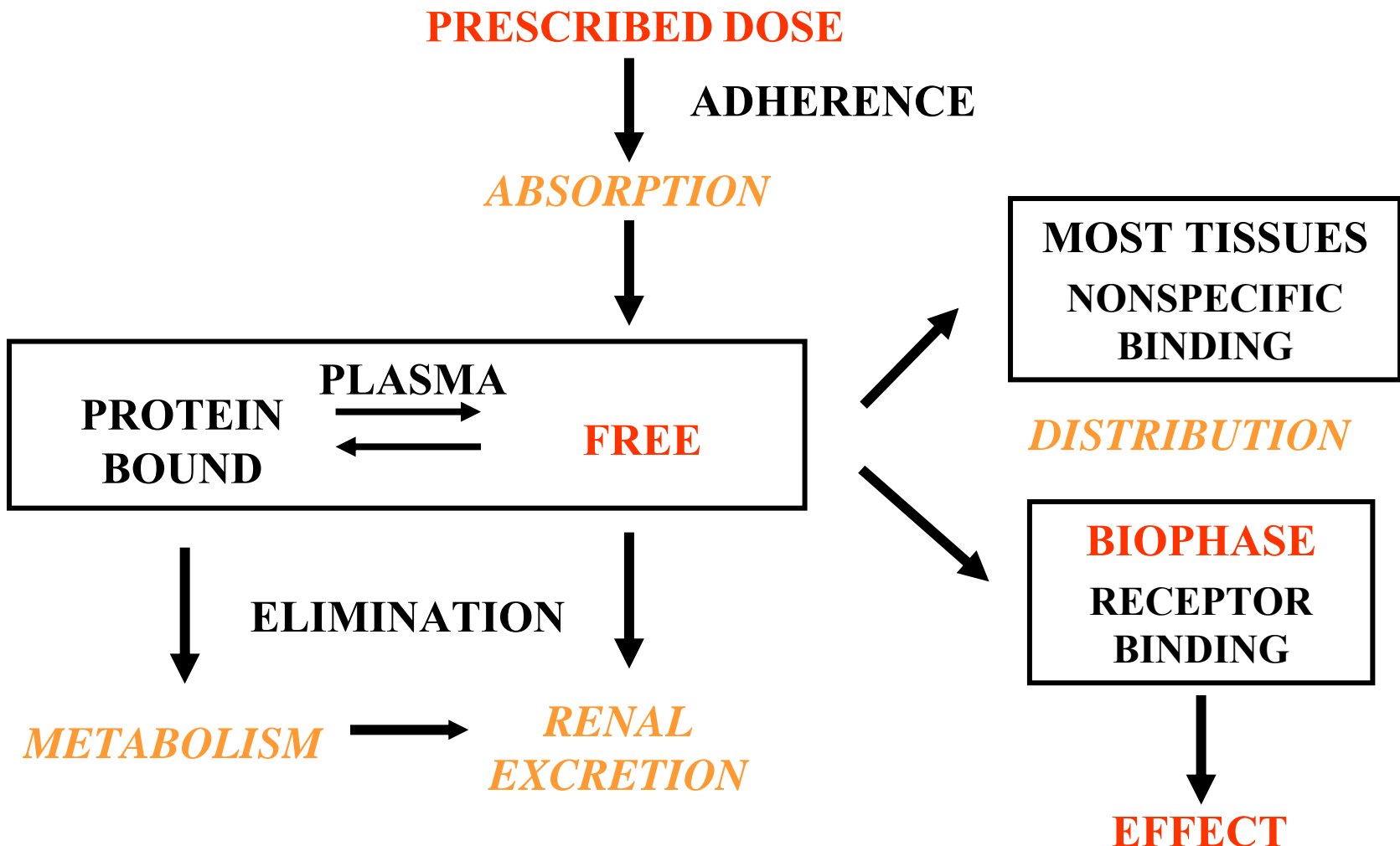
- MOST NOT CAUSED BY NEW DRUGS
- MOST NOT IDIOSYNCRATIC REACTIONS
- ~ 80% ARE RELATED TO DRUG DOSE

* Melmon KL. N Engl J Med 1971;284:1361-8.

“Target concentration” strategy

- Based on observed *individual variation in drug exposure (AUC)* when “standard” doses are prescribed.
- Attempts to “*individualize*” therapy when therapeutic and toxic ranges of drug concentrations in plasma have been established.

RATIONALE FOR PLASMA LEVEL MONITORING



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*NONCANCER DRUGS CAUSING ADR'S**

PHENYTOIN**

PREDNISONE

DIGOXIN**

AMIODARONE

ASPIRIN**

CO-TRIMOXAZOLE

PENTAMIDINE

CARBAMAZEPINE**

CODEINE

LITHIUM**

THEOPHYLLINE**

DESIPRAMINE**

DEXAMETHASONE

GENTAMICIN**

* 1988 NMH Data (*Clin Pharmacol Ther* 1996;60:363-7)

** **DRUGS FOR WHICH *PLASMA LEVELS ARE AVAILABLE***

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Interindividual Variation in Drug Exposure (AUC)

Karim A et al, 2007

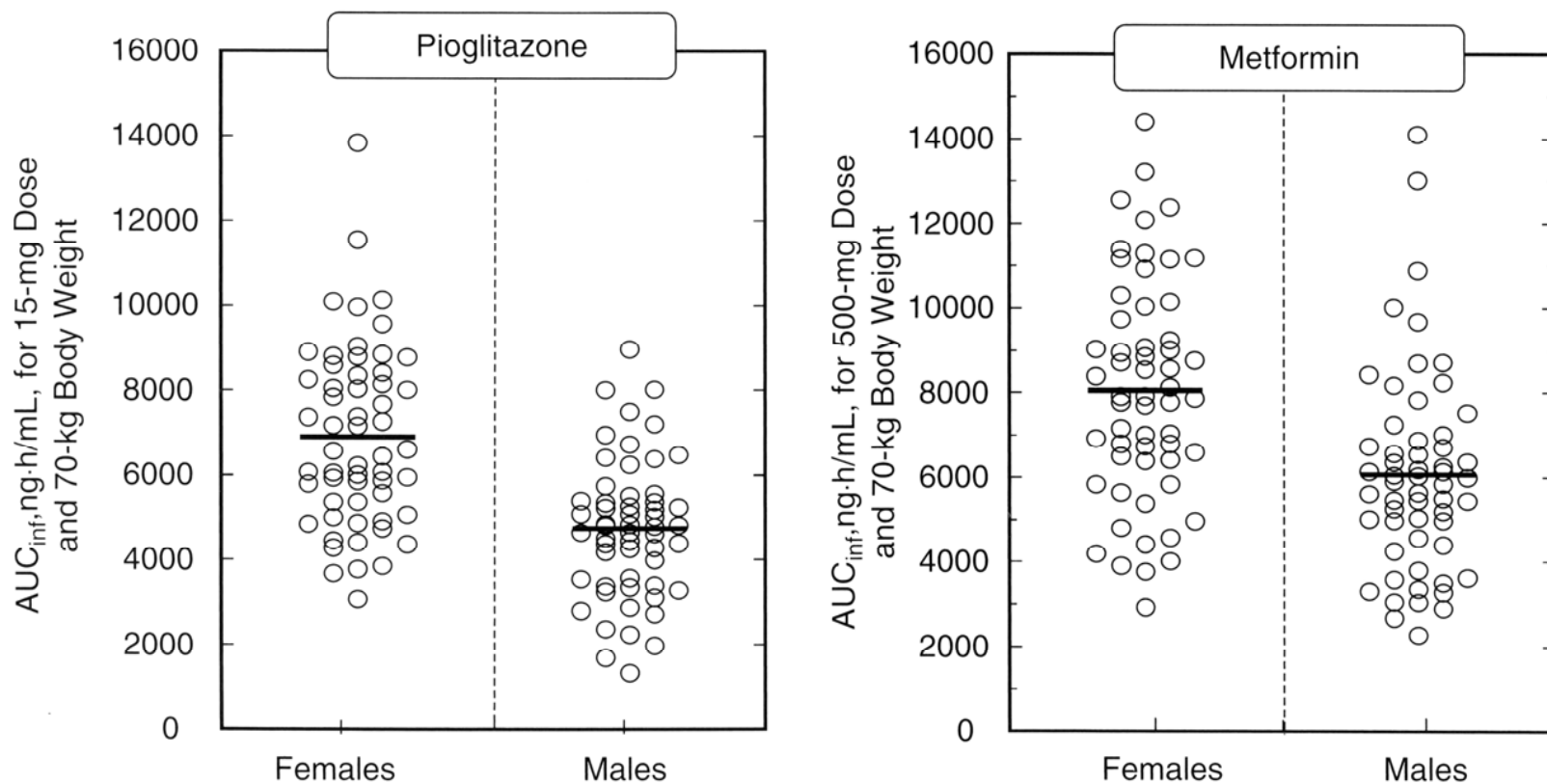


Figure 3. Body weight- and dose-adjusted arithmetic mean (—) and individual values for pioglitazone (left panel) and metformin (right panel) AUC_{∞} in females and males following single oral doses of commercial pioglitazone (15 mg) and metformin (500 mg or 850 mg) tablets given together to young healthy subjects.

INCIDENCE OF ADRs*

IN HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS

All severities 10.9 %

Serious 2.1 %

Fatal 0.2 %

AS CAUSE OF HOSPITAL ADMISSION

Serious 4.7 %

Fatal 0.13 %

* Lazarou J, et al. JAMA 1998;279:1200-05.

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ATTENTION FOCUSED ON MEDICAL ERRORS

*“TO ERR IS HUMAN:
BUILDING A SAFER HEALTH SYSTEM”*

Committee on Quality of Health Care in America
Institute of Medicine

www.nap.edu/reading room (2000).

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Development and Evaluation of New Drugs

- Drug discovery
- Pre-clinical and clinical evaluation
- Subjects of *Module 5* in our course

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MEDICINES “DISCOVERED” BY CLINICAL INVESTIGATORS

NEW INDICATION:

ALLOPURINOL (Gout) - *RW Rundles*

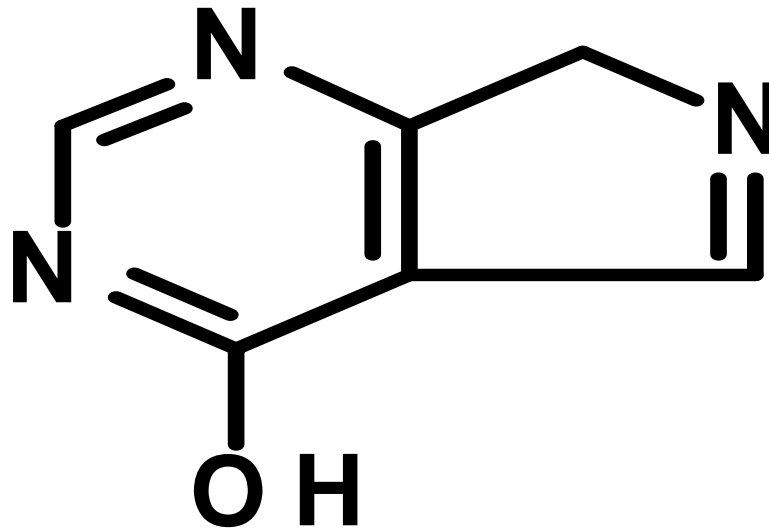
ENDOGENOUS COMPOUND:

DOPAMINE (Shock) - *LI Goldberg*

DRUG METABOLITE:

FEXOFENADINE (Antihistamine) -
RL Woosley at al.

ALLOPURINOL*



* Rundles RW, Metz EN, Silberman HR. Ann Intern Med 1966;64:229-57.

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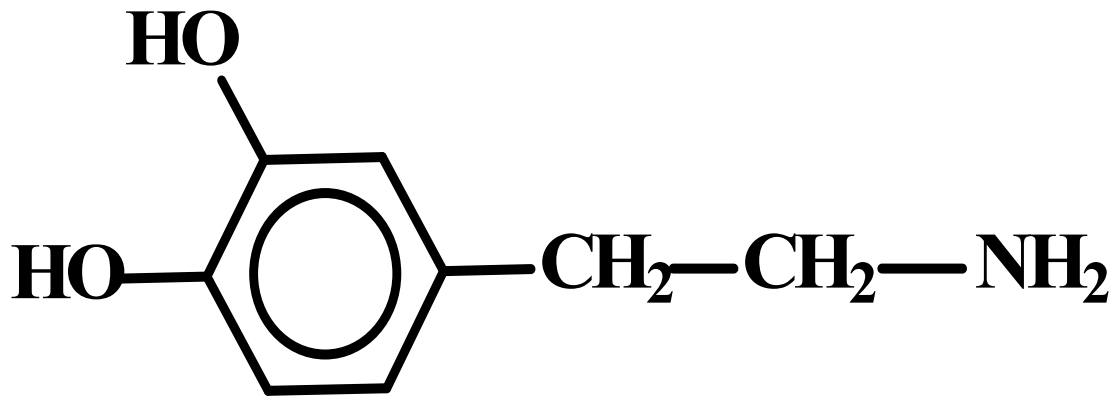
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*Goldberg LI. Pharmacol Rev 1972;24:1-29.

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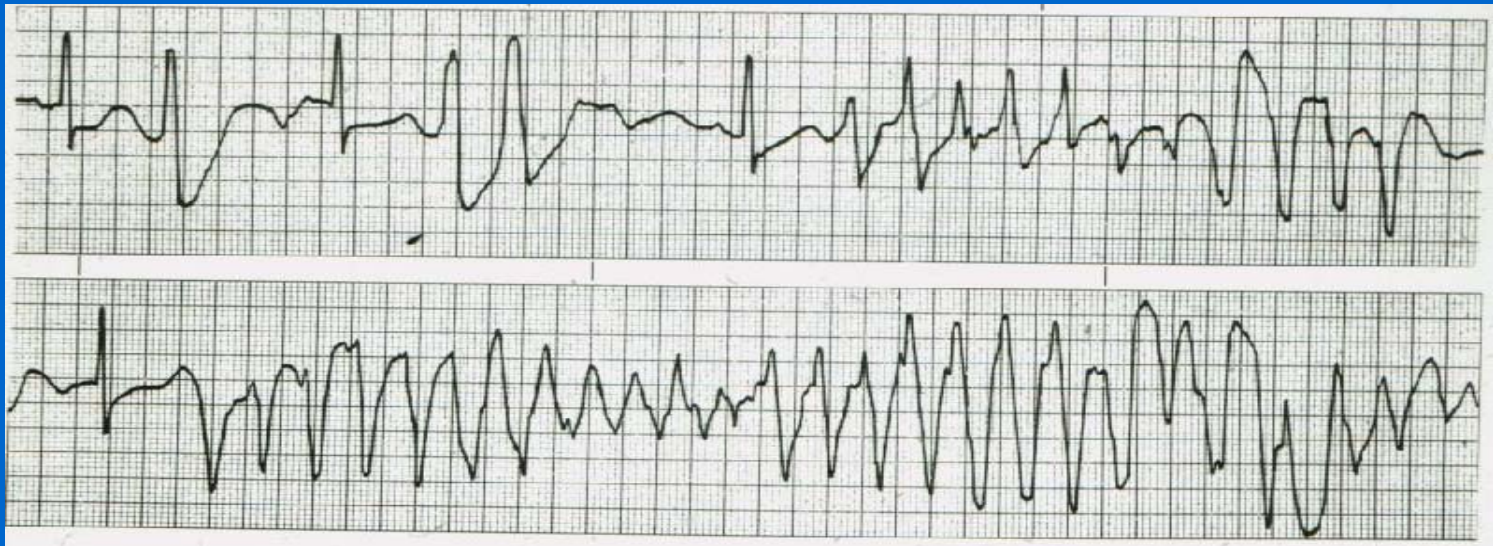
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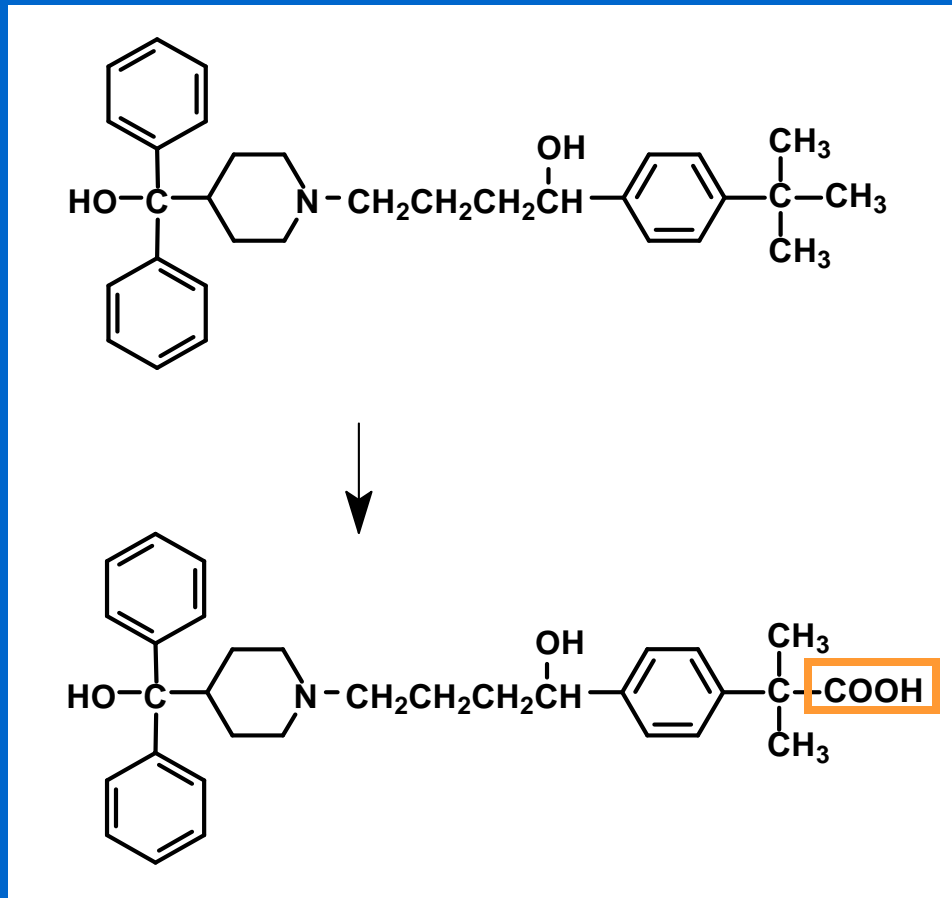
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TORSADES DE POINTES



TERFENADINE METABOLISM*



**TERFENADINE
(SELDANE)**

**TERFENADINE
CARBOXYLATE
(ALLEGRA)**

* From Woosley RL, et al. JAMA 1993;269:1532-6.

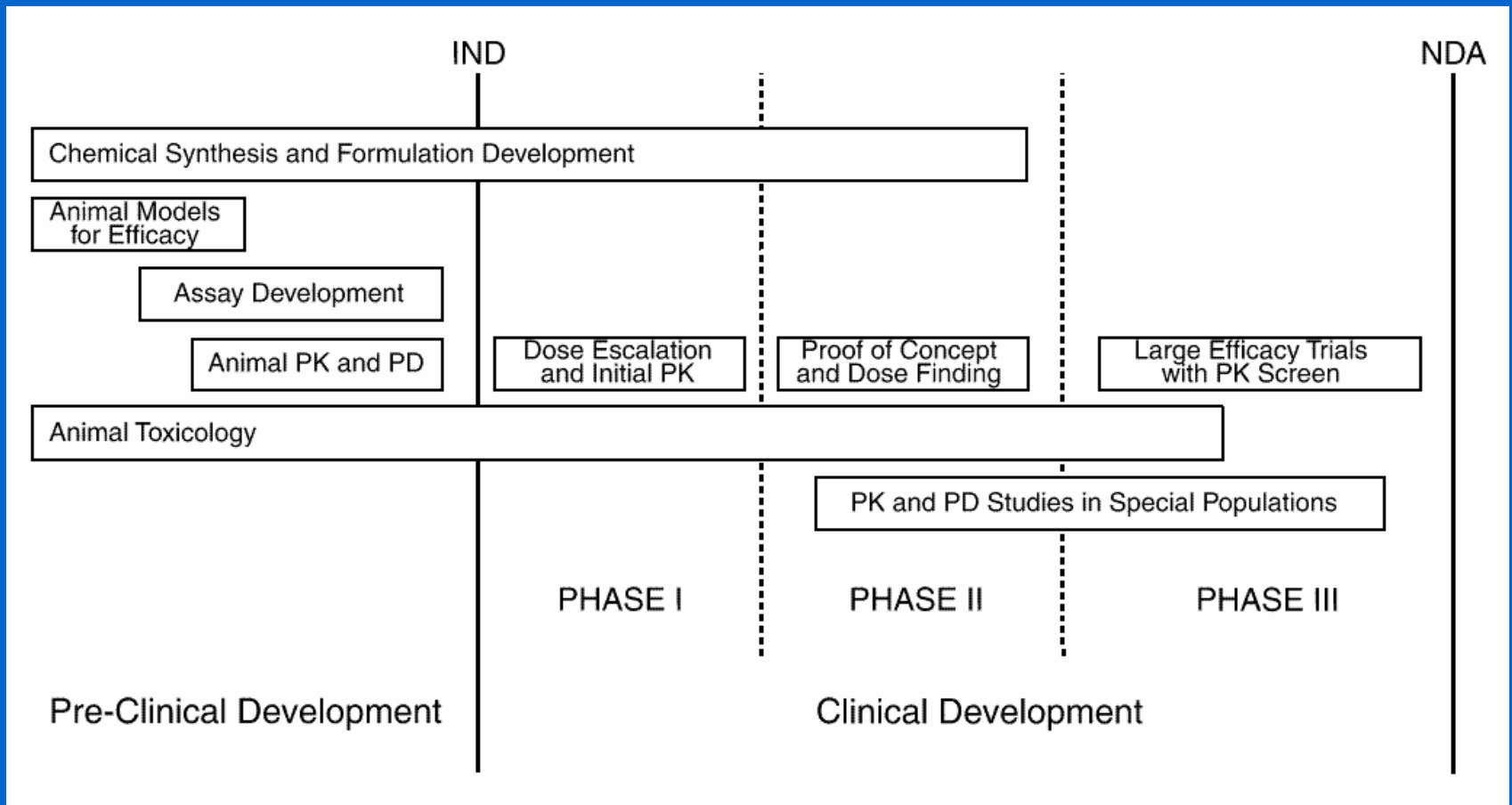
DRUG DEVELOPMENT COST PER APPROVED DRUG*

	COST (\$ x 10 ⁶) [†]	
	OUT-OF-POCKET	CAPITALIZED
TOTAL COSTS	403	802
CLINICAL COSTS (% TOTAL)	274 (68%)	453 (56%)

[†] BASED ON 21.5% SUCCESS RATE

* DiMasi JA, et al. J Health Econ 2003;22:151-85.

PHASES OF PRE-MARKETING DRUG DEVELOPMENT



Introduction to Pharmacokinetics

- This will be the subject of *Module 1* in our course.
- *Essential* for integration of material in subsequent course modules.

PHARMACOKINETICS

The *QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS* of the
TIME COURSE of DRUG

ABSORPTION,
DISTRIBUTION,
MMETABOLISM, and
EXCRETION

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PHARMACOKINETICS

Because it is *quantitative*,
pharmacokinetics is of necessity
mathematical

DRUG DOSE SELECTION

TRADITIONAL:

Look up “usual” dose in PDR

Memorize “usual” dose

IMPROVED:

Individualize dosing

Apply pharmacokinetics and the “*target concentration strategy*”

Introduction to Clearance

- ***Clearance*** is a “primary” parameter in the pharmacokinetic analysis of drug distribution and elimination.
- Understanding the concept of clearance is ***essential*** for drug evaluation and use in clinical medicine.

CREATININE CLEARANCE EQUATION

$$CL_{Cr} = \frac{U \times V}{P}$$

U = URINE CONCENTRATION

V = URINE VOLUME

P = PLASMA CONCENTRATION

CREATININE CLEARANCE REVISITED

RATE OF APPEARANCE OF Cr IN URINE (dE/dt):

$$dE/dt = CL_{Cr} \times P$$

RATE OF CHANGE OF Cr IN BODY (dX/dt) :

$$dX/dt = I - CL_{Cr} \times P$$

AT STEADY STATE :

$$P = I / CL_{Cr}$$

I = RATE OF CREATININE SYNTHESIS

STEADY STATE CONCENTRATION

CONTINUOUS CREATININE SYNTHESIS:

$$C_{ss} = \frac{I}{CL_{cr}}$$

CONTINUOUS DRUG INFUSION:

$$C_{ss} = \frac{I}{CL_E}$$

COCKCROFT & GAULT EQUATION*

$$CL_{Cr} = \frac{(140 - \text{age}) (\text{weight in kg})}{72 (\text{serum Cr in mg/dL})}$$

[reduce estimate by 15% for women]

* Cockcroft DW, Gault MH: Nephron 1976;16:31-41.

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Terms in red estimate creatinine synthesis rate.

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RENAL FUNCTION IN PATIENTS *TOXIC FROM DIGOXIN**

SERUM Cr (mg %)	Cl _{Cr} (mL/min)		
	≥ 50	< 50	
≤ 1.7	4	19	52%
> 1.7	0	21	48%

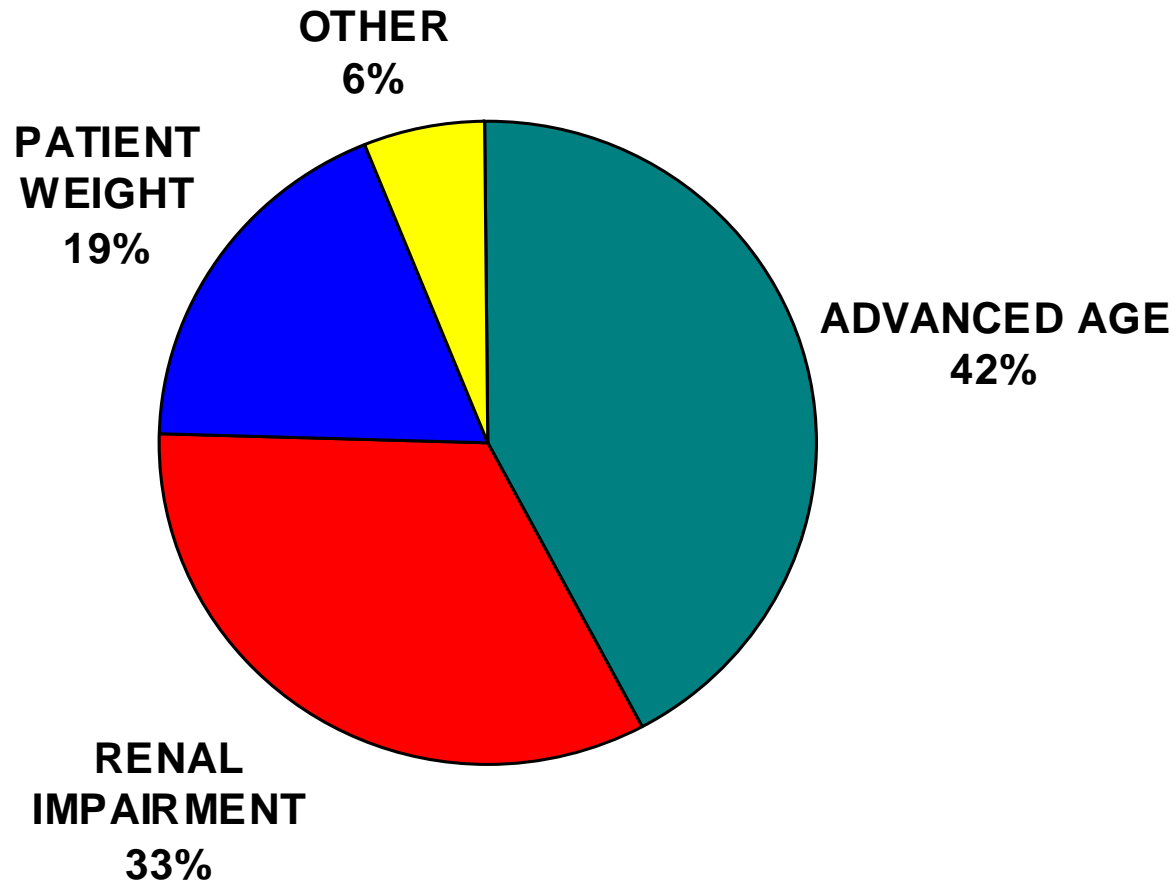
* From Piergies AA, et al. Clin Pharmacol Ther 1994;55:353-8.

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ESTIMATED Cl_{Cr}

- *ESSENTIAL* for safe and effective use of *renally* eliminated drugs
- Important *PREREQUISITE* for application of pharmacokinetic principles
- Need to automate - *BUT*:
 - Laboratory system often does not “talk” with patient database
 - Patients often not weighed

PATHOPHYSIOLOGIC FACTORS *NOT* ACCOUNTED FOR IN DRUG DOSING*



* Lesar TS, Briceland L, Stein DS. JAMA 1997;277:312-7.