




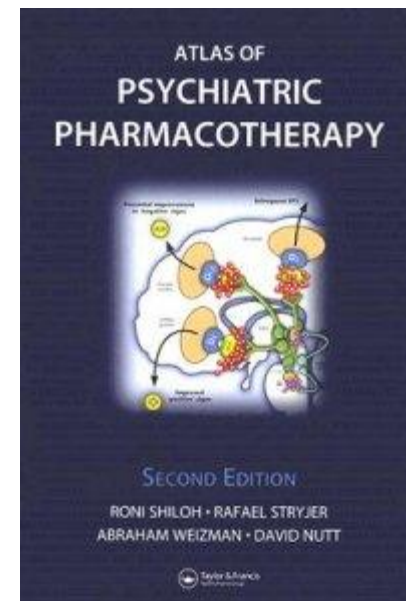
How to Choose the Best Antidepressant



Legend

| | |
|---|-------------------------|
|  | Inhibition |
|  | Inhibits |
|  | Enhanced secretion |
| 5-HT | Serotonin |
| AD | Antidepressant drug |
| IAR | Inhibitory autoreceptor |

| | |
|---------------|--|
| MAO | Monamine oxidase |
| MAOI | MAO inhibitor |
| NARI | Selective noradrenaline (norepinephrine) inhibitor |
| NE | Norepinephrine |
| PMT | Plasma membrane transporter |
| RIMA | Reversible inhibitor of MAO type A |
| SNRI | Serotonin–norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor |
| SSRI | Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor |
| T/TeCA | Tri/tetracyclic antidepressant |



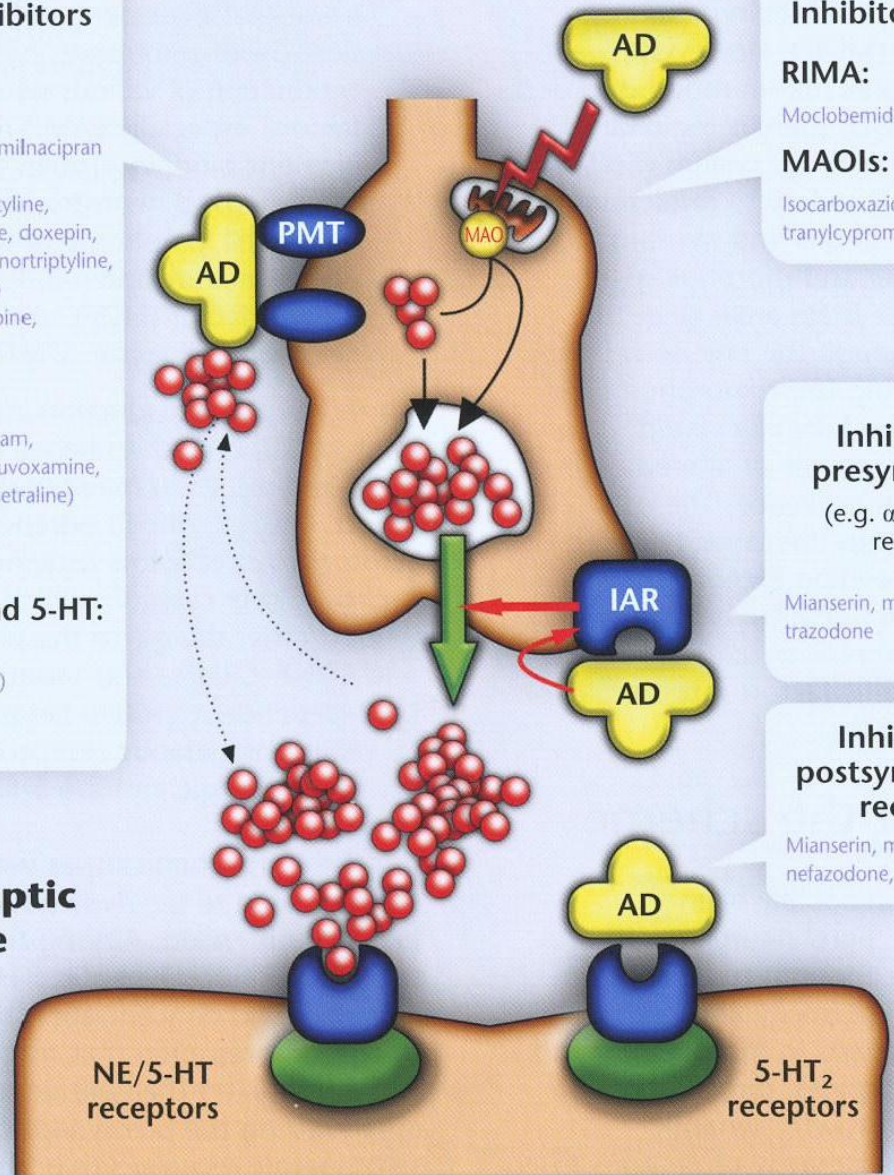
Presynaptic nerve terminal

- Reuptake inhibitors**
- of NE:**
- NARI (reboxetine)
 - SNRIs (duloxetine, milnacipran, venlafaxine)
 - TCAs (e.g. amitriptyline, clomipramine, doxepin, imipramine, nortriptyline, desipramine)
 - TeCAs (e.g. amoxapine, maprotiline)
- of 5-HT:**
- SSRIs (e.g. citalopram, fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, paroxetine, setraline)
 - SNRIs
 - TCAs
- of both NE and 5-HT:**
- SNRIs
 - Others (nefazodone)

- Inhibitors of MAO**
- RIMA:**
- Moclobemide
- MAOIs:**
- Isocarboxazid, phenelzine, tranylcypromine

- Inhibitors of presynaptic IAR**
- (e.g. α_2 -adrenergic receptors)
- Mianserin, mirtazapine, trazodone

- Inhibitors of postsynaptic 5-HT receptors**
- Mianserin, mirtazapine, nefazodone, trazodone



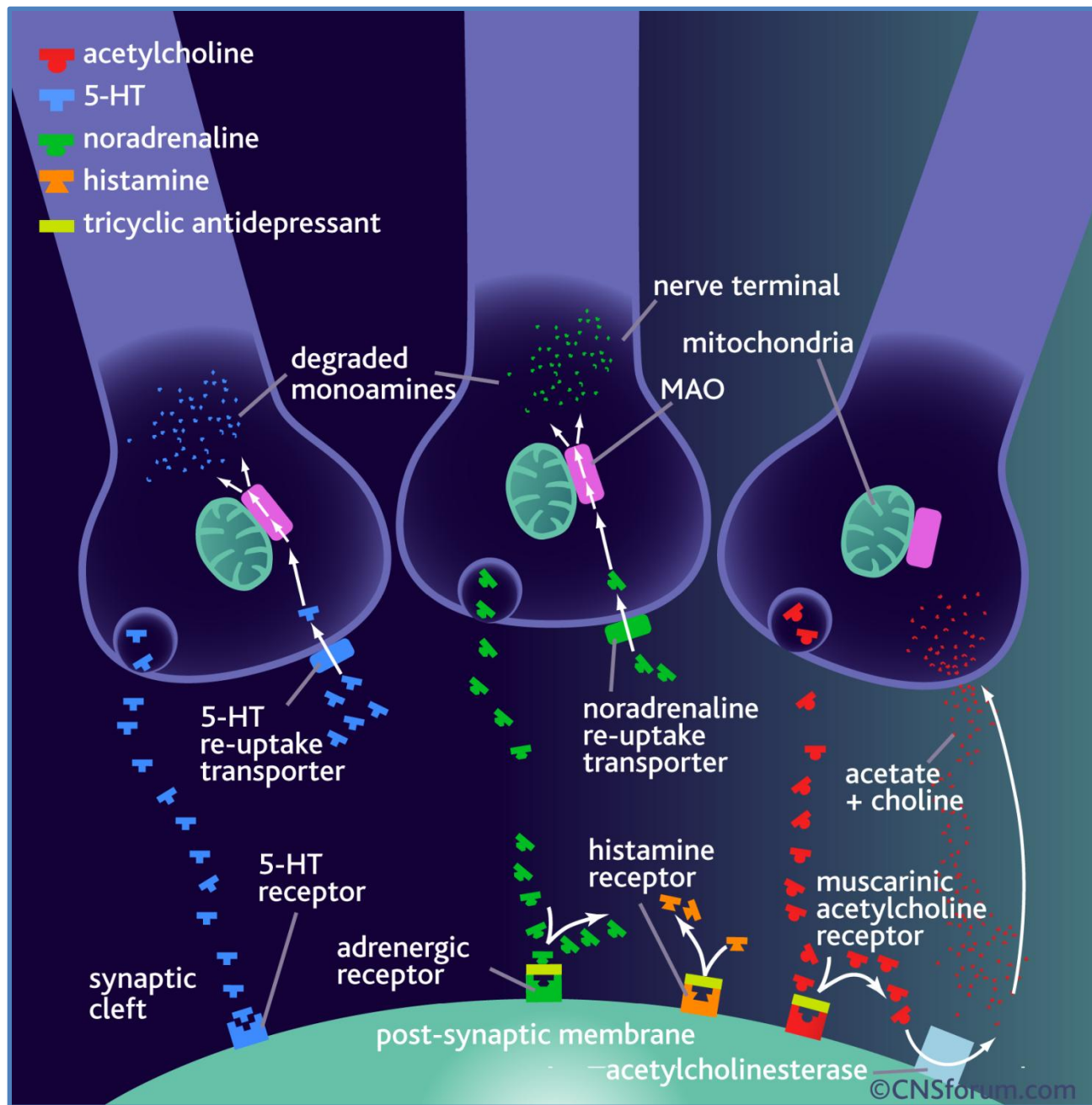
Postsynaptic nerve

NE/5-HT receptors

5-HT₂ receptors

Tricyclic Antidepressants & Related Compounds

| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Amitriptyline | H | M | H | 4+ | 4+ | 3+ | 3+ | 1+ | 4+ |
| Amoxapine | H | M | L | 2+ | 2+ | 2+ | 2+ | 0 | 2+ |
| Clomipramine | Very H | M | Very H | 4+ | 4+ | 2+ | 3+ | 1+ | 4+ |
| Desipramine | H | H | M | 1+ | 2+ | 2+ | 2+ | 0 | 1+ |
| Doxepin | H | M | L | 3+ | 4+ | 2+ | 2+ | 0 | 4+ |
| Imipramine | H | M | H | 3+ | 3+ | 4+ | 3+ | 1+ | 4+ |
| Maprotiline | M | M | L | 2+ | 3+ | 2+ | 2+ | 0 | 2+ |
| Nortriptyline | H | M | L | 2+ | 2+ | 1+ | 2+ | 0 | 1+ |
| Protriptyline | H | H | L | 2+ | 1+ | 2+ | 3+ | 1+ | 1+ |
| Trimipramine | H | L | L | 4+ | 4+ | 3+ | 3+ | 0 | 4+ |



Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors

| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Citalopram | Very H | Very L | Very H | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3+ | 1+ |
| Escitalopram | Very H | Very L | Very H | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3+ | 1+ |
| Fluoxetine | Very H | L | Very H | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3+ | 1+ |
| Fluvoxamine | Very H | Very L | Very H | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3+ | 1+ |
| Paroxetine | Very H | M | Very H | 1+ | 1+ | 0 | 0 | 3+ | 2+ |
| Sertraline | Very H | L | Very H | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3+ | 1+ |

NDRI (norepinephrine dopamine reuptake inhibitor)

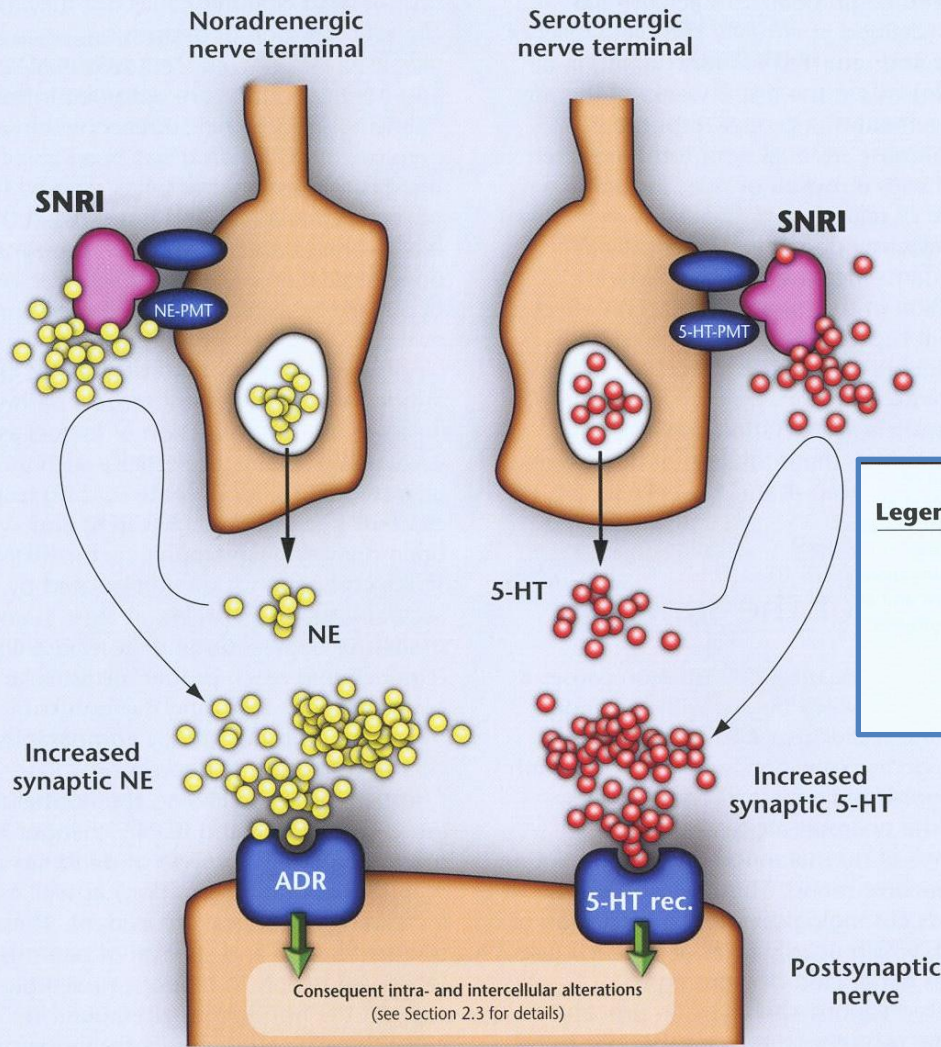
Dopamine-Reuptake Blocking Compounds

| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Bupropion | L | Very L | Very L | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1+/0 | 1+ | 0 |

Serotonin / Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitors

| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Duloxetine | H | NA | NA | 1+ | 1+ | 0 | 1+ | 3+ | 0 |
| Desvenlafaxine | H | Yes | Yes | 1+ | 1+ | 0 | 1+ | 3+ | 0 |
| Venlafaxine | H | L-H dose dependent | H | 1+ | 1+ | 0 | 1+ | 3+ | 0 |

SNRI



Legend

- 5-HT
- ↓ Induces
- NE
- 👤 SNRI

| | |
|-------------|---|
| 5-HT | Serotonin |
| ADR | Adrenergic receptor |
| NE | Norepinephrine |
| PMT | Plasma membrane transporter |
| rec. | Receptor |
| SNRI | Serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor |

Consequent intra- and intercellular alterations
(see Section 2.3 for details)

Postsynaptic nerve

5-HT₂ Receptor Antagonist Properties

| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Nefazodone | L | L | L | 1+ | 1+ | 2+ | 1+ | 1+ | 0 |
| Trazodone | L | Very L | L | 0 | 4+ | 3+ | 1+ | 1+ | 2+ |

突觸前 抑制 5-HT回收

突觸後 拮抗 5-HT₂

代謝物 M- CPP 突觸後促進 5-HT

弱突觸前 α_2 Agonist

突觸後 α_1 antagonist

Noradrenergic Antagonist

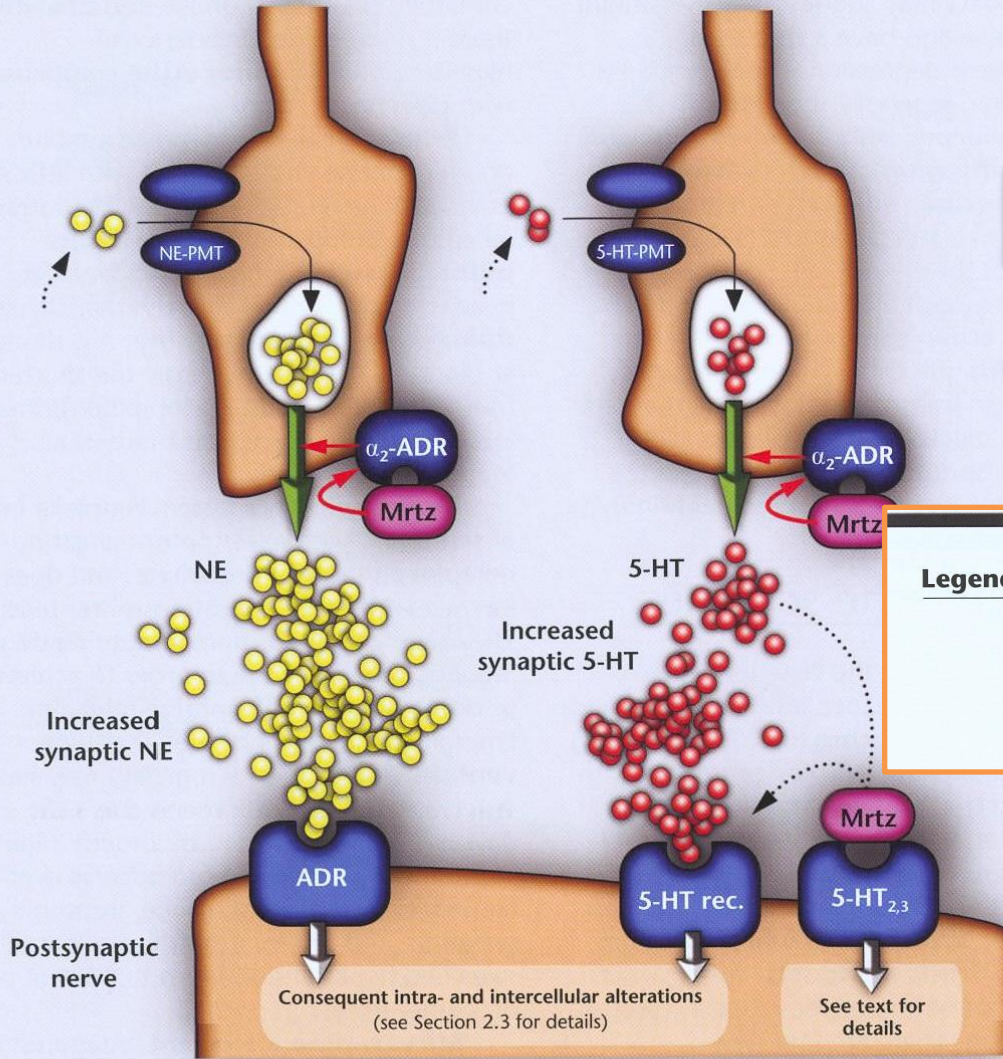
| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Mirtazapine | L | Very L | Very L | 1+ | 3+ | 1+ | 1+ | 0 | 3+ |

NaSSA

Noradrenergic nerve terminal

Serotonergic nerve terminal

Mirtazapine



Legend

- Inhibition
- 5-HT
- Enhanced secretion of neurotransmitter
- Mirtazapine
- NE

| | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 5-HT | Serotonin |
| 5-HT_{2,3} | Serotonergic receptor subtypes |
| ADR | Adrenergic receptor |
| α_2-ADR | α_2 -adrenergic inhibitory receptor |
| NE | Norepinephrine |
| PMT | Plasma membrane transporter |
| rec. | Receptor |

5-HT_{2A} 性功能
 5-HT_{2C} 食慾、睡眠
 5-HT₃ 噁心、嘔吐

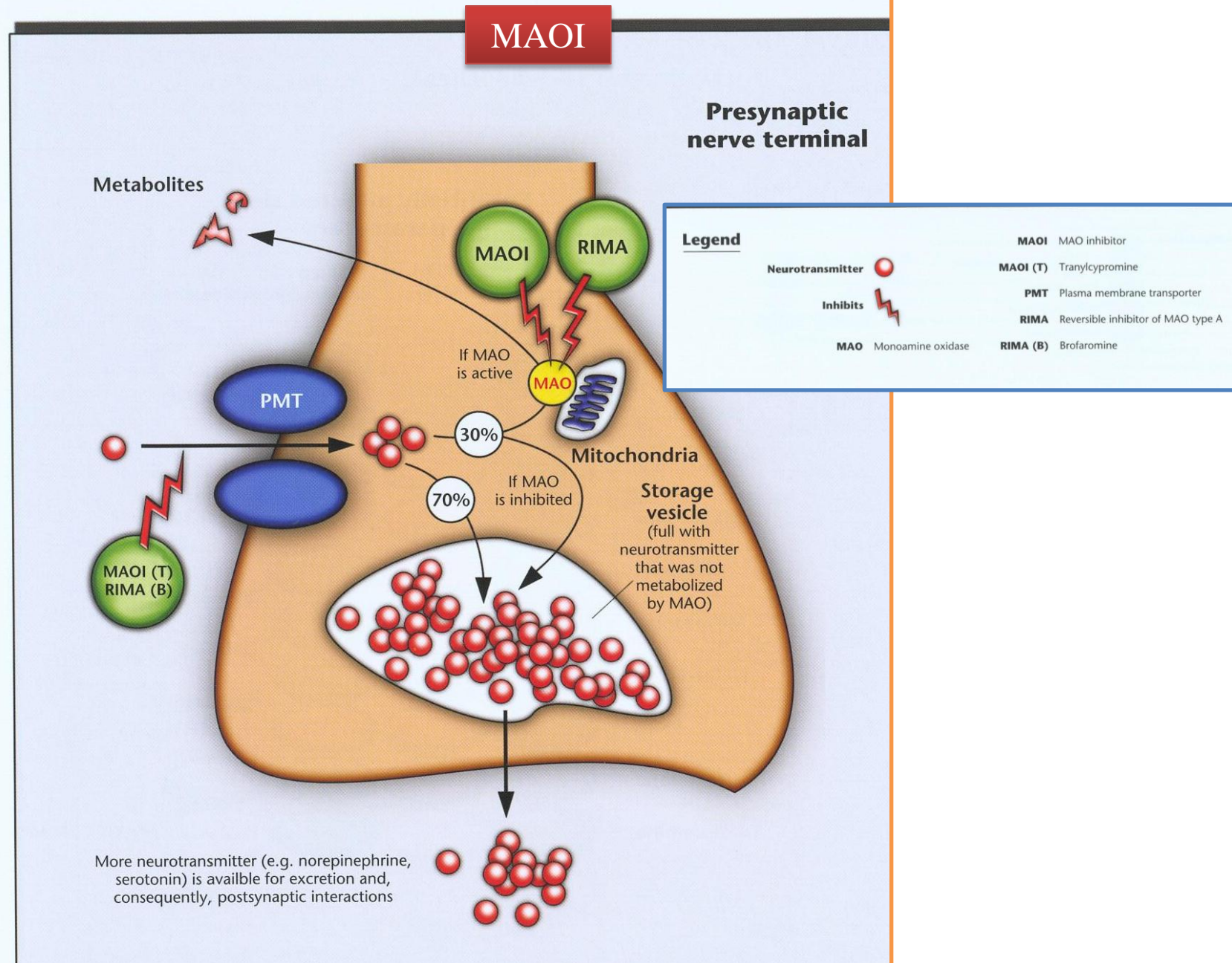
MAOI

Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors

| Drug | Sexual Dysfunction | Reuptake Inhibition | | Adverse Effects | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | N | S | ACH | Drowsiness | Orthostatic Hypotension | Conduction Abnormalities | GI Distress | Weight Gain |
| Isocarboxazid | Very H | — | — | 2+ | 2+ | 2+ | 1+ | 1+ | 2+ |
| Phenelzine | Very H | — | — | 2+ | 2+ | 2+ | 0 | 1+ | 3+ |
| Tranylepromine | H | — | — | 2+ | 1+ | 2+ | 1+ | 1+ | 2+ |

2.14 Antidepressant drugs

Monoamine oxidase inhibitors

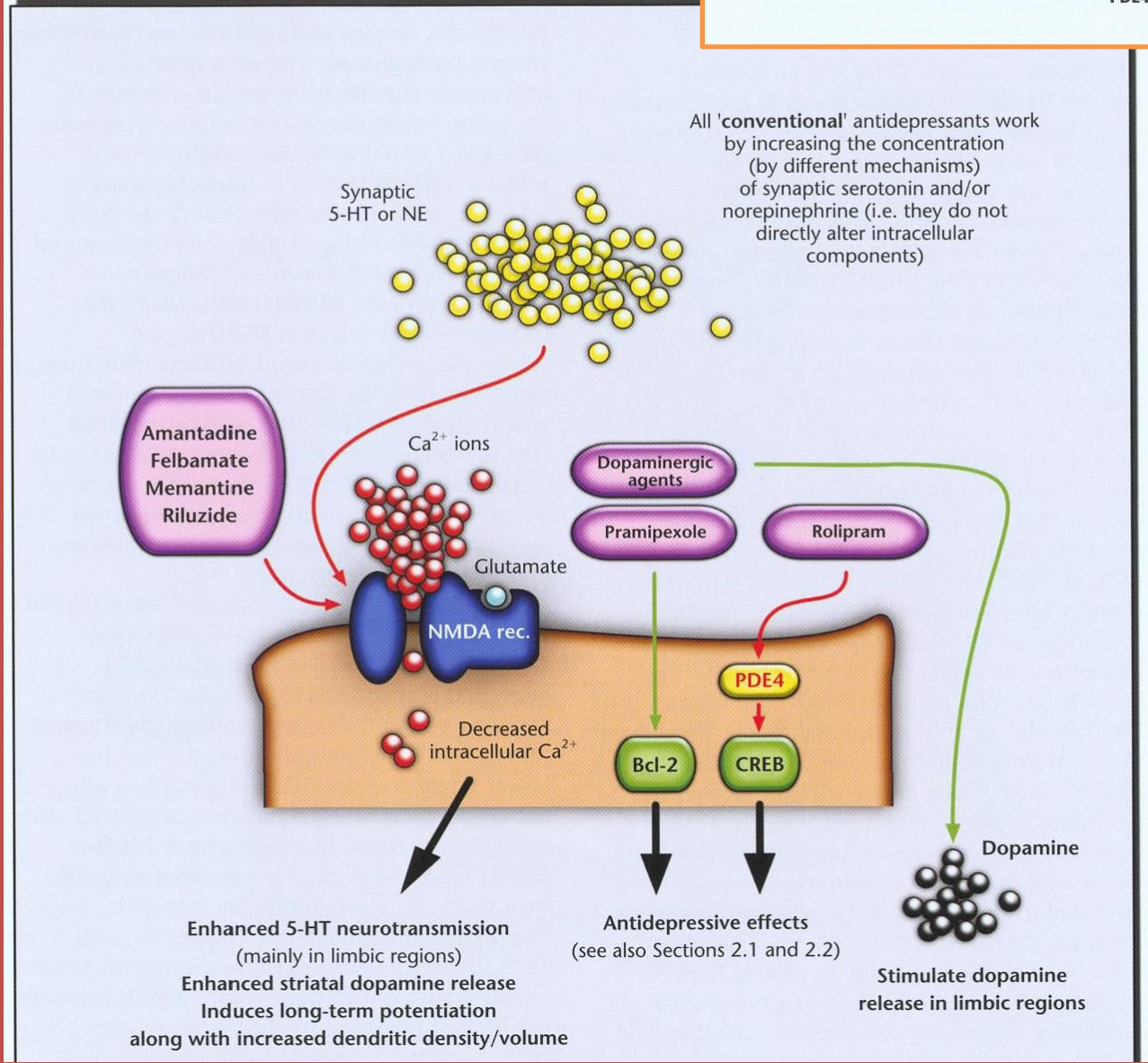


2.15 Antidepressant drugs

Potential future developments

Legend

- Stimulates
- Inhibits
- 5-HT** Serotonin
- Bcl-2** B-cell lymphoma protein 2
- CREB** Cyclic adenosine monophosphate (cAMP)-response element-binding protein
- NE** Norepinephrine
- NMDA rec.** N-Methyl-D-aspartate receptor (subtype of glutamatergic receptor)
- PDE4** Phosphodiesterase-4 (metabolizes CREB)



Comparison of Selected Antidepressants

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| <i>Drug</i> | <i>Availability</i> | <i>Cost (generic)*</i> | <i>Indications†</i> |
|----------------------------|---|---|--|
| SSRIs | | | |
| Fluoxetine (Prozac) | Capsules, 10, 20, 40 mg Tablets, 10 mg‡ Oral solution, 20 mg/5 mL | \$ 91 (78 to 80) (26 to 78)§ 138 per 120 mL | Depression; OCD; bulimia nervosa |
| (Prozac Weekly) | Capsules, 90 mg | 76 | Depression; OCD; bulimia nervosa |
| (Sarafem) | Capsules, 10, 20 mg | 91 | PMDD |
| <u>Sertraline (Zoloft)</u> | Tablets, 25,‡ 50,‡ 100 mg‡ Oral concentrate, 20 mg/mL | 75 60 per 60 mL | Depression; OCD; panic disorder; PTSD; PMDD |
| Paroxetine (Paxil) | Tablets, 10,‡ 20,‡ 30, 40 mg Oral suspension, 10 mg/5 mL | 81 131 per 250 mL | Depression; OCD; panic disorder; social phobia; GAD; PTSD |
| (Paxil CR) | Tablets, 12.5, 25, 37.5 mg | 83 | Depression; panic disorder |
| Fluvoxamine (Luvox) | Tablets, 25, 50, 100 mg Tablets, 25, 50,‡ 100 mg‡ | 88 70 to 81 | OCD |
| Citalopram (Celexa) | Tablets, 10, 20,‡ 40 mg‡ Oral solution, 10 mg/5 mL | 65 106 per 240 mL | Depression |
| Escitalopram (Lexapro) | Tablets, 5, 10,‡ 20 mg‡ | 63 | Depression |
| Venlafaxine (Effexor) | Tablets, 25,‡ 37.5,‡ 75,‡ 100 mg‡ | 41 | Depression; GAD |
| (Effexor XR) | Capsules, 37.5, 75, 150 mg | 78 | Depression; GAD |
| Mirtazapine (Remeron) | Tablets, 15,‡ 30,‡ 45 mg | 83 | Depression |

SSRIs = selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors; OCD = obsessive-compulsive disorder; PMDD = premenstrual dysphoric disorder; PTSD = post-traumatic stress disorder; GAD = generalized anxiety disorder.

Factors to Consider in Selecting an Antidepressant

- History of prior response (personal or family member)
- Safety in overdose
- Adverse effect profiles
- Patient age
- Concurrent medical/psychiatric conditions
- Concurrent medications (e.g., potential for drug interactions)
- Convenience (e.g., minimal titration, once-daily dosing)
- Cost
- Patient preference



Seven Things That Everyone Should Know About Depression

- **Depression is NOT a personality flaw or a weakness of character.**

Depression has been associated with a chemical imbalance in the nervous system, which can be easily corrected with antidepressant medications and associated counseling.

- **All antidepressants are equally effective.**

Approximately 65% of patients receiving a therapeutic trial of any antidepressant medication will have a beneficial response.

- **Most patients receiving antidepressants will experience some side effect(s) initially.**

Identify an accessible health professional who can answer your questions.

- **Antidepressants should be taken at the same time daily.**

This will make it easier for you to remember to take the medication and may also minimize side effects.

Seven Things That Everyone Should Know About Depression

- **The response to antidepressants is delayed.**

Several weeks may pass before you begin to feel better, and it may take 4 to 6 weeks before maximal benefits are evident.

- **Antidepressants must be taken for at least 6 to 9 months.**

Even if you are feeling completely better, studies have shown that people who stop their medication during the first 6 months are much more likely to become depressed again.

- **Antidepressants are NOT addictive substances.**

Antidepressants may elevate the moods of depressed individuals, but they do not act as stimulants and are not associated with craving or other abuse patterns. However, if certain antidepressants are discontinued abruptly, mild withdrawal reactions may occur.

Discontinuation of Antidepressants

Withdrawal syndrome

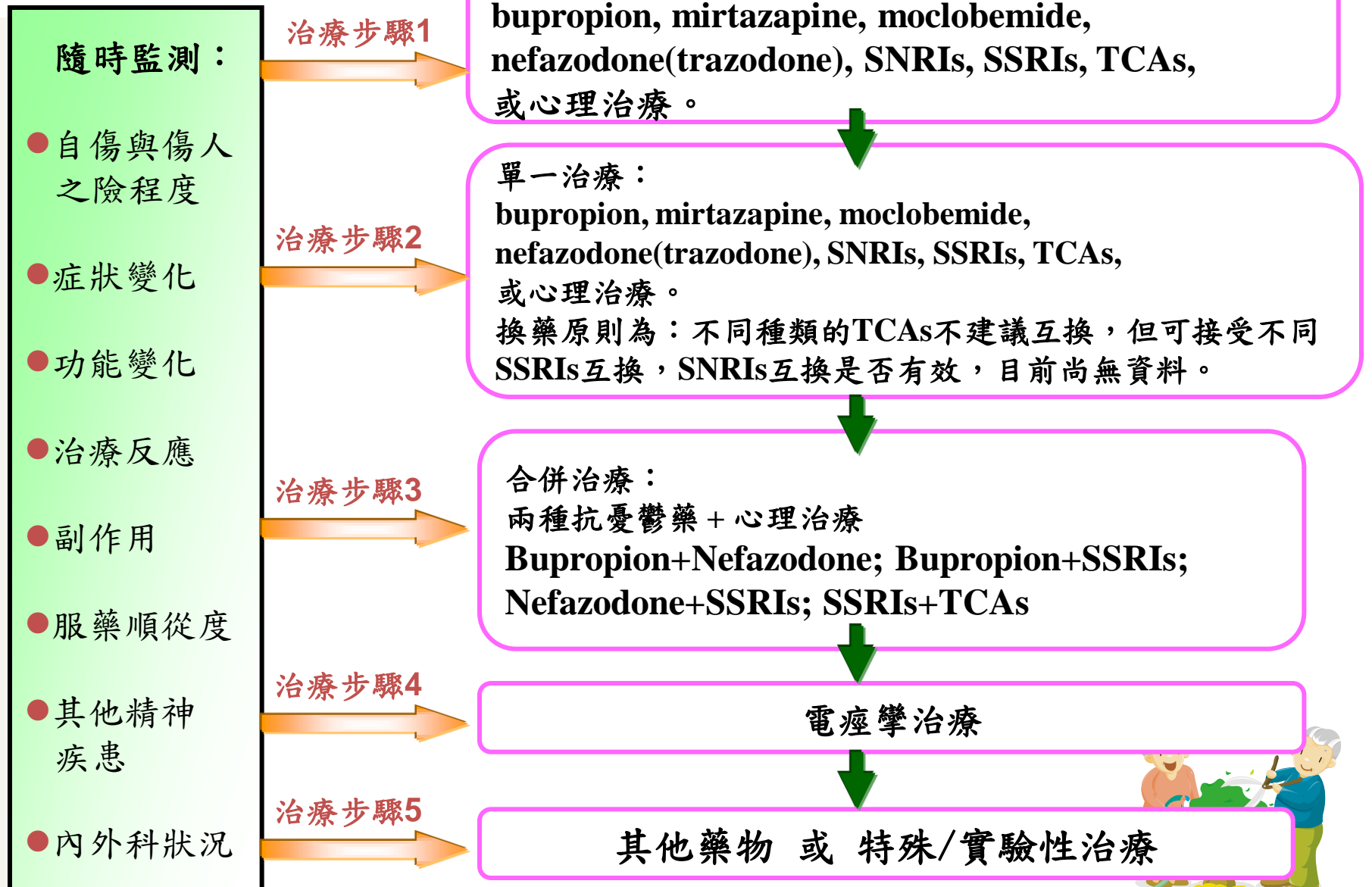
- Worse with paroxetine, venlafaxine
- Symptoms: dizziness, nausea, paresthesias, anxiety/insomnia, flulike symptoms
- Onset: 36–72 hr
- Duration: 3–7 days

Taper schedule (for patients receiving long-term treatment)

- Fluoxetine: generally unnecessary
- Sertraline: decrease by 25–50 mg every 1–2 wk
- Paroxetine: decrease by 5–10 mg every 1–2 wk
- Citalopram: decrease by 5–10 mg every 1–2 wk
- Escitalopram: decrease by 5 mg every 1–2 wk
- Venlafaxine: decrease by 25–50 mg every 1–2 wk
- Nefazodone: decrease by 50–100 mg every 1–2 wk
- Bupropion: generally unnecessary
- Tricyclics: decrease by 10%–25% every 1–2 wk

Note: Risk of relapse greatest 1 to 6 months after discontinuation.

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Management of SSRI-Induced Sexual Dysfunction

- Patience (may improve after 2-4 weeks)
- Reduced dosage (if possible)
- Drug holidays (sertraline, paroxetine, citalopram, escitalopram *only*)
- Antidotes
 - Bupropion SR 150 mg QD–BID
 - Sildenafil 50–100 mg QD PRN
 - Mirtazapine 7.5–15 mg HS
 - Cyproheptadine 4–12 mg PRN (1 hour prior)
 - Methylphenidate 2.5–5.0 mg QD
 - Others: yohimbine, amantadine, buspirone, ginkgo
- Change of antidepressants (e.g., bupropion, mirtazapine)



Partial Response to Antidepressant Treatment Augmentation Strategies (With SSRIs)

- Ensure completion of full therapeutic trial (4–6 wk).
- Ensure optimal dose of antidepressant.
- Consider augmentation therapies:
 - Bupropion
 - Lithium
 - Thyroid supplements
 - Buspirone
 - Atypical antipsychotics
 - Modafinil
 - Lamotrigine





Q & A in Depression treatment

painful neuropathy

Anxiety disorders



Treatment options for painful neuropathy

| Antidepressants | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Duloxetine 60 mg once a day | Painful Neuropathy |
| Amitriptyline 50 to 150 mg at night | |
| Nortriptyline 50 to 150 mg at night | |
| Imipramine 100 mg once a day | |
| Desipramine 100 mg once a day | |
| Paroxetine 40 mg o | |
| Trazodone 50 to 150 | Others |
| Anticonvulsants | Capsaicin topical cream 0.075% |
| Pregabalin 50 to 100 | Mexiletine 150 to 450 mg once a day |
| Gabapentin 600 to 1200 | Alpha-lipoic acid 600 mg once a day |
| Carbamazepine 200 to 400 | Controlled release (CR) oxycodone 10 to 30 mg twice a day |
| | Tramadol 50 to 100 mg twice a day |
| | Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS) |
| | Acupuncture |

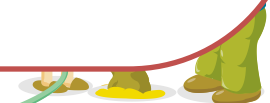
Treatment Options for Anxiety Disorders

| Disorder | First-Line Treatments | Second-Line Treatments |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Generalized anxiety disorder | Venlafaxine XR Bupirone Benzodiazepines Paroxetine Escitalopram Duloxetine | Sertraline Citalopram |
| Panic disorder | Paroxetine Sertraline Fluoxetine Alprazolam Clonazepam | Fluvoxamine Citalopram Clomipramine Lorazepam Escitalopram |
| Social anxiety disorder | Paroxetine Sertraline Venlafaxine XR Fluvoxamine CR | Citalopram Clonazepam Alprazolam Escitalopram |
| Posttraumatic stress disorder | Sertraline Paroxetine | Fluoxetine Fluvoxamine Venlafaxine Nefazodone Citalopram Escitalopram |
| Obsessive-compulsive | Paroxetine Fluoxetine Sertraline Fluvoxamine CR Fluvoxamine | Clomipramine ^b Venlafaxine Citalopram Escitalopram |



Generalized anxiety disorder

- **Benzodiazepines** provide a **rapid** symptomatic relief from acute anxiety states
- Due to potential for abuse, dependence, and resultant withdrawal symptoms, benzodiazepines should be used at the minimum effective dose and for the shortest time period possible (maximum of **4** weeks)
- Use is applicable in emergency treatment of **acute anxiety**



Duloxetine

- A **S**erotonin- **N**orepinephrine-**R**euptake **I**nhibitor
- FDA-Labeled Indications
 - Diabetic peripheral neuropathy - **Pain**
 - Fibromyalgia
 - **G**eneralized **A**nxiety **D**isorder
 - **M**ajor **d**epressive **d**isorder
- Non-FDA Labeled Indications
 - Urinary incontinence





Late-life depression

Risk factors

- Female sex
- Social isolation
- Widowed, divorced, or separated marital status
- Lower socioeconomic status
- Comorbid medical conditions
- Uncontrolled pain
- Insomnia
- Functional impairment
- Cognitive impairment



Late-life depression

The risk of depression in physically ill elderly increases with:

- Recent onset of physical illness
- Greater severity of physical illness
- Functional disability and limited mobility
- Poorly treated pain
- Multiple illnesses





Late-life depression

- Medications typically take up to four to six weeks to show efficacy. In elderly patients a full antidepressant response may not occur until **8 to 12 or even 16 weeks** of therapy
- **Monotherapy is preferred** in the elderly in order to minimize drug side effects and drug-drug interactions
- **Initial medication dosage should be adjusted** for the older adult, typically cutting the usual starting dose for younger patients in half.
- Patients should be contacted or seen **within two weeks** of initiating medication to discuss tolerance, address concerns, and adjust dose as indicated.



Late-life depression

- **SSRI** medications are considered first line treatment because of safety and tolerability.
- **Mirtazapine** may be useful for patients with insomnia, agitation, restlessness, or anorexia and weight loss.
- **Venlafaxine** and **duloxetine** are frequently used as second line agents and may be particularly helpful in patients with depression and neuropathic pain
- Tricyclic antidepressants are third- or fourth-line therapy in the elderly due to significant arrhythmic side effects, as well as anticholinergic effects causing urinary retention, orthostasis, and possible exacerbation of dementia.



Late-life depression

- **MAO inhibitors** can be used for depression that is resistant to other agents. This class of drugs has not been well studied in the elderly.
- **ECT** is used **more frequently** in the elderly than in younger patients, and may be effective for the older patient who is intolerant of medications or not responding to adequate medication trials.
 - ECT is generally well **tolerated in the older** patient, although it causes transient memory loss.



Conclusion

- 了解antidepressants之差異
- 了解antidepressants在臨床使用之多樣化
- 回答患者問題時，需了解患者所有診斷，否則概括回答
 - 治療精神不適狀態、症狀
 - 治療神經性疼痛、慢性疼痛



藥事照護

- 了解疾病與藥物
- 是否有藥物問題
- 如何與醫師溝通
- 還需要什么病患資料
- 需追蹤什麼(治療目標)
- 藥物衛教
 - 注意事項、藥囑執行正確性
- 其他衛教(預防疾病、確保治療)

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