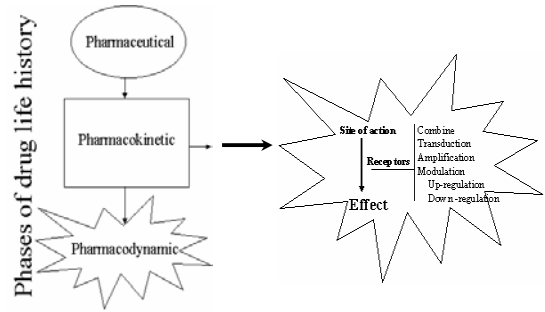


DRUG REPOSENSE RELATIONSHIP

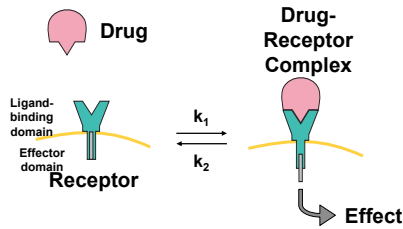
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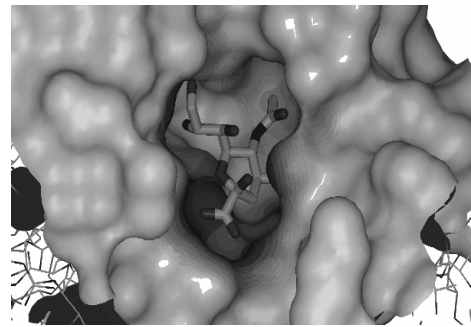
Life History of A Drug



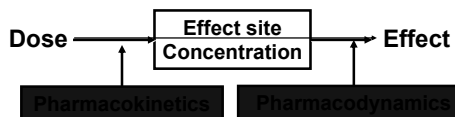
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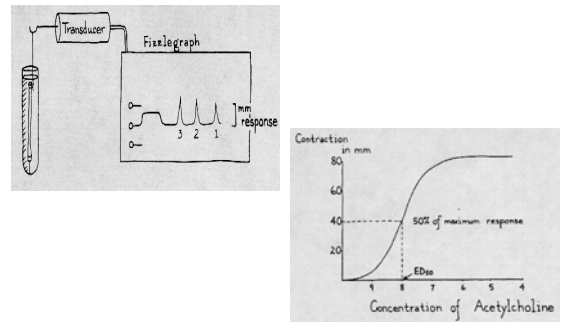
Hypothetical Drug in Receptor Site



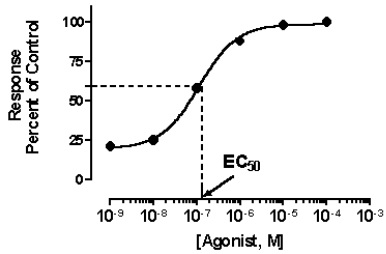
From Dose to Effect



DOSE EFFECT RELATIONSHIP



Dose-Response Curve



Type of Dose-Response Curves

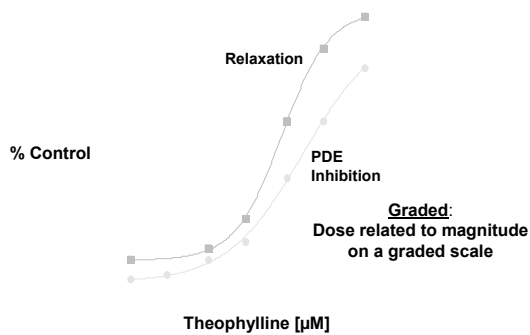
Graded

- Measured in a single biologic unit
- Continuous scale (\uparrow dose \rightarrow \uparrow effect)
- Relates dose to intensity of effect

Quantal

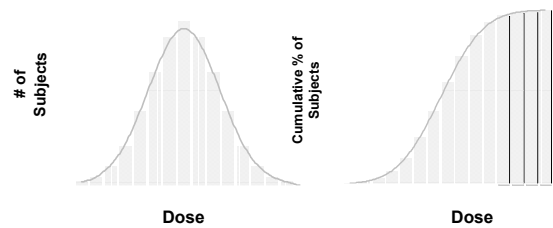
- Population studies
- All-or-none pharmacologic effect
- Relates dose to frequency of effect

Types of Dose-Response Curves: Graded

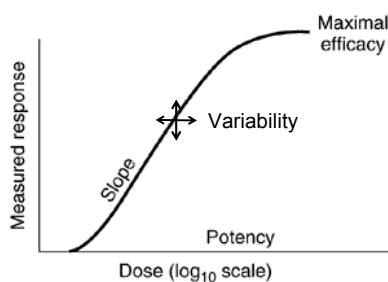


Types of Dose-Response Curves: Quantal

Dose related to % of subjects showing a specified "all-or-non" response



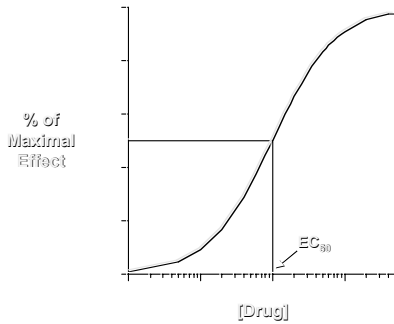
Characteristics of A Dose-Response Curve



POTENCY

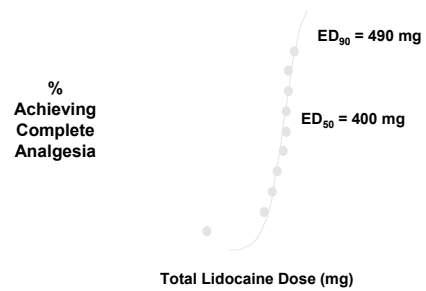
- Amount of a drug needed to produce a given effect
- Determined mainly by the affinity of the receptor for the drug
- Potency affects drug dosage
- Relatively unimportant in clinical use of drugs
- Are more potent drugs superior therapeutic agents?
- Expressed as EC50 (μ M) or ED50 (mg/kg)
 - Graded= 50% of the maximal effect
 - Quantal = 50% population studied (LD50, TD50)

Potency: Graded Responses



ED50 or EC50 = Dose needed to produce 50% of the maximal effect.

Potency: Quantal Responses



Ferrante et al. Anesth Analg 82:91-7, 1996

Potency: Quantal Responses

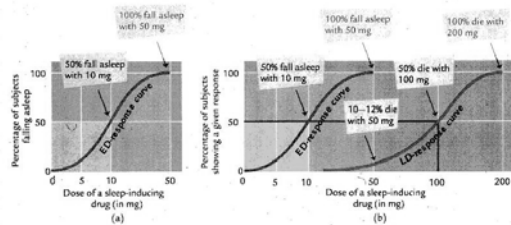
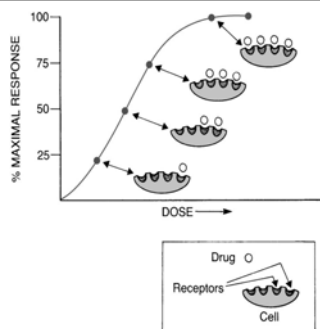


FIGURE 2.1
(a) An effective dose-response curve, and (b) an effective dose-response curve (left) and a lethal dose-response curve along side an effective dose-response curve (right).

EFFICACY

- The maximal effect that can be produced by a drug
- Determined mainly by the properties of the drug and its receptor-effector system
- Important clinical measure
- Partial agonist have lower maximal efficacy than full agonists

Dose-Response Curves and Efficacy



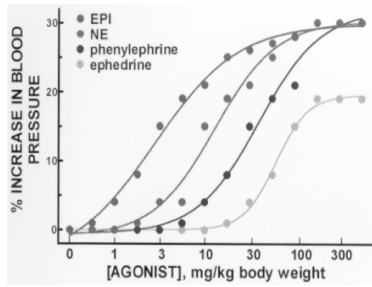
Dose-Response Curves and Partial Agonists



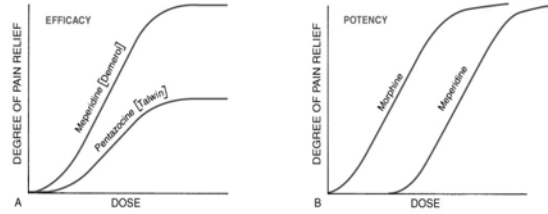
The full agonist can induce a conformational change in the receptor leading to a maximal effect. The ability to induce changes in receptor conformation leading to activation is a measure of the intrinsic activity.

Partial agonists can induce some degree of receptor activation but not of sufficient magnitude for a maximal response

Dose-Response Curves and Efficacy



Dose-Response Curves Showing Efficacy & Potency

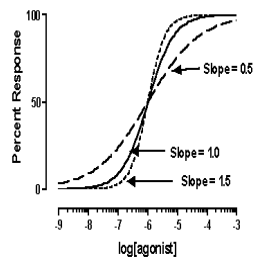


SLOPE

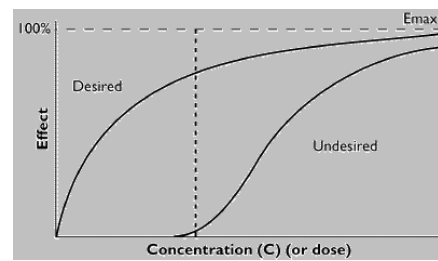
➤ The shape of the curve describe drug binding to receptors

➤ Indicator of useful dosage range (steepness of the curve)

➤ The slope have more theoretical than practical use



Slopes of Dose-Response Curves



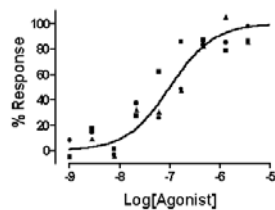
VARIABILITY

□ Curves usually represent the mean response of a sample of population

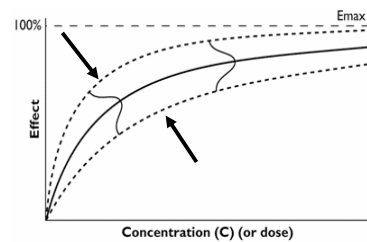
□ Effect may vary considerably

□ "Start Low, Go Slow"

□ Expressed as 95% Confidence limits



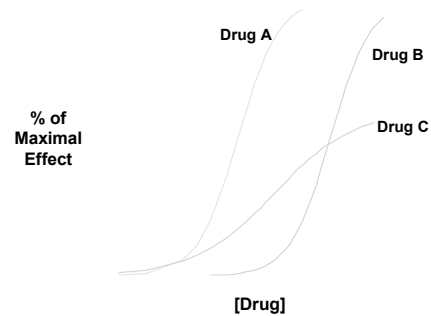
Confidence Limits of Dose-Response Curves



Value of Dose-Response Curves

- ⇒ Determining if a drug produces a certain desired effect
- ⇒ Determining potency or dose required in producing effect
- ⇒ Comparing one drug with others:
 1. *Efficacy*
 2. *Potency*
 3. *Safety*

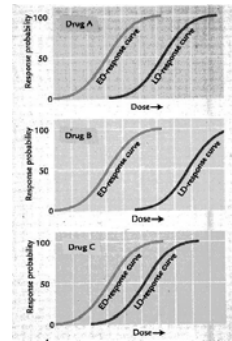
Comparing Dose-Response Curves



Relative Safety of A Drug

- Dose-response curves help estimating the safety of a drug
- Therapeutic Index: $TI = LD_{50}/ED_{50}$
 - * LD_{50} = the median lethal dose of a drug in animals
 - * Statement on selectivity of desired effects vs toxic
- More general concept: The Median Toxic Dose (TD_{50})
 - * No drug produce a single effect: example of Codeine
 - * Severity of the disease
 - * Concentration vs dose

Therapeutic Index



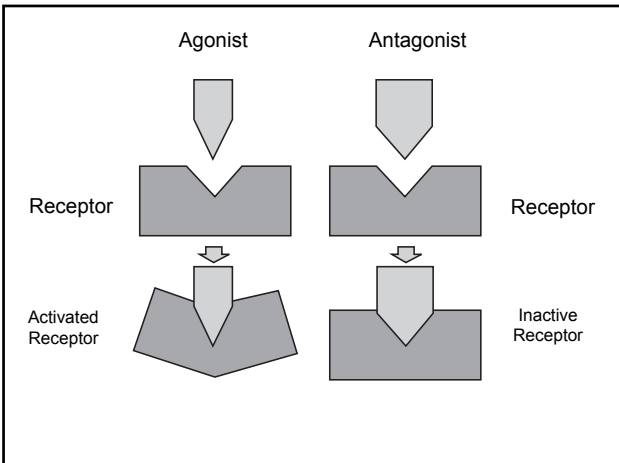
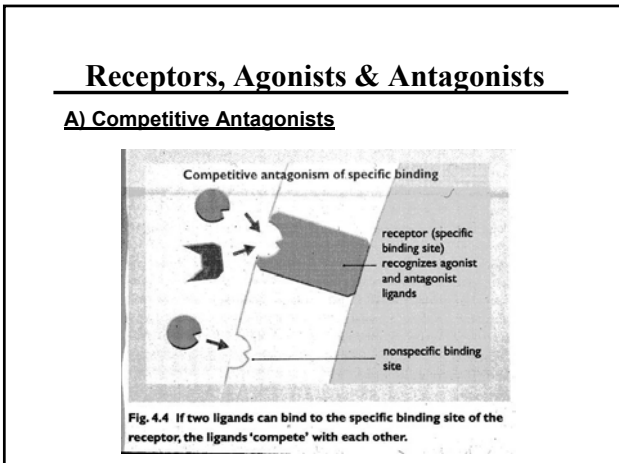
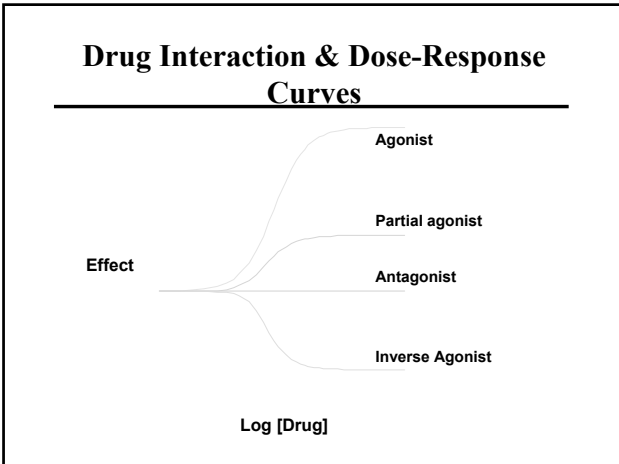
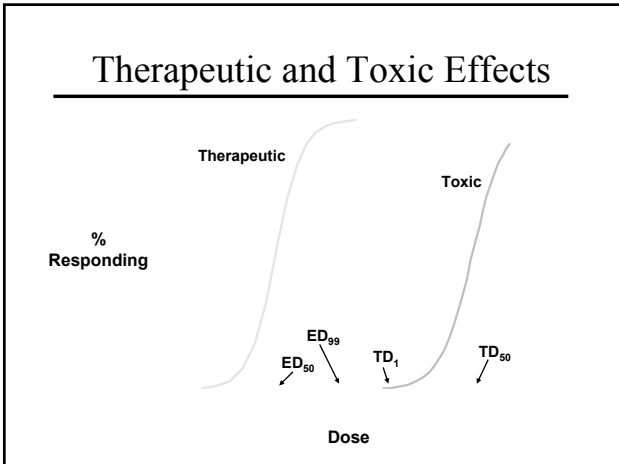
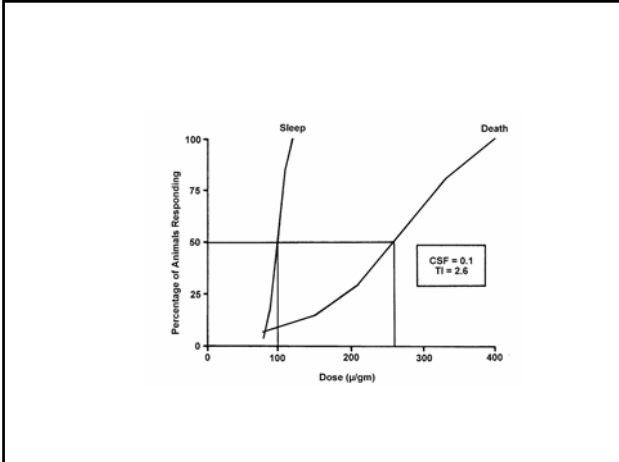
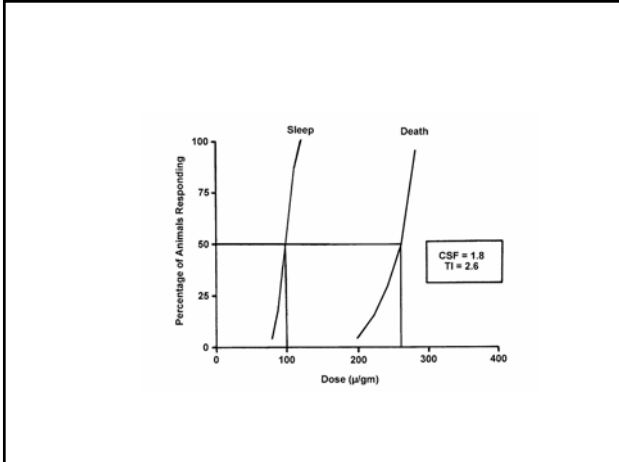
Examples of TI

<u>Substance</u>	<u>safety margin</u>
Alcohol	1:4 - 1:10
Aspirin	1:50
Caffeine	1:100
Marijuana	1:400-1:1800

Certain Safety Factor

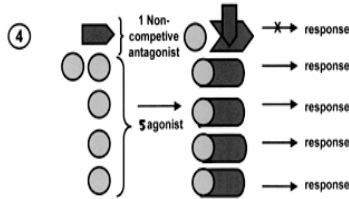
- Problems with TI:
 - Comparison of the mid-points of DRC
 - Overlap of DRC
- Determination of Certain Safety Factor:
 - Compare the extremes of the DRC
 - Important concept: used to determine a Therapeutic Window
 - 99% and 1% are not absolutes

Certain Safety Factor = $\frac{LD1}{ED99}$



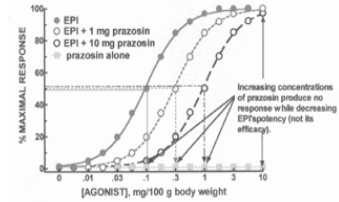
Receptors, Agonists & Antagonists

A) Non-Competitive Antagonists



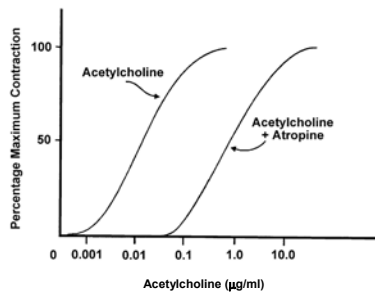
Antagonist Effects on Dose-Response Curves

A) Competitive Antagonists



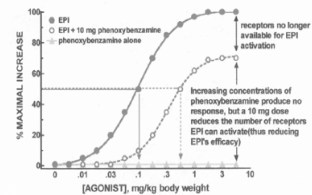
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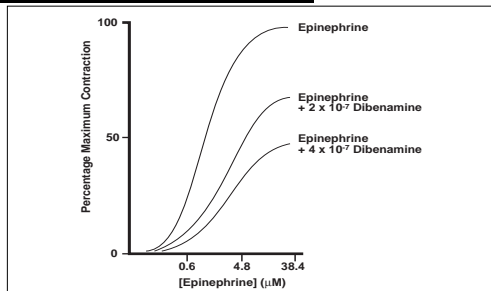
Antagonist Effects on Dose-Response Curves

C) Non-Competitive Antagonists



Antagonist Effects on Dose-Response Curves

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Non-Competitive Antagonist Effects on Dose-Response Curves

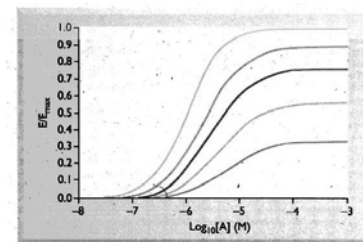


Fig. 4.14 Dose-response curves for an agonist (A) in the presence of different concentrations of a noncompetitive antagonist (D).

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