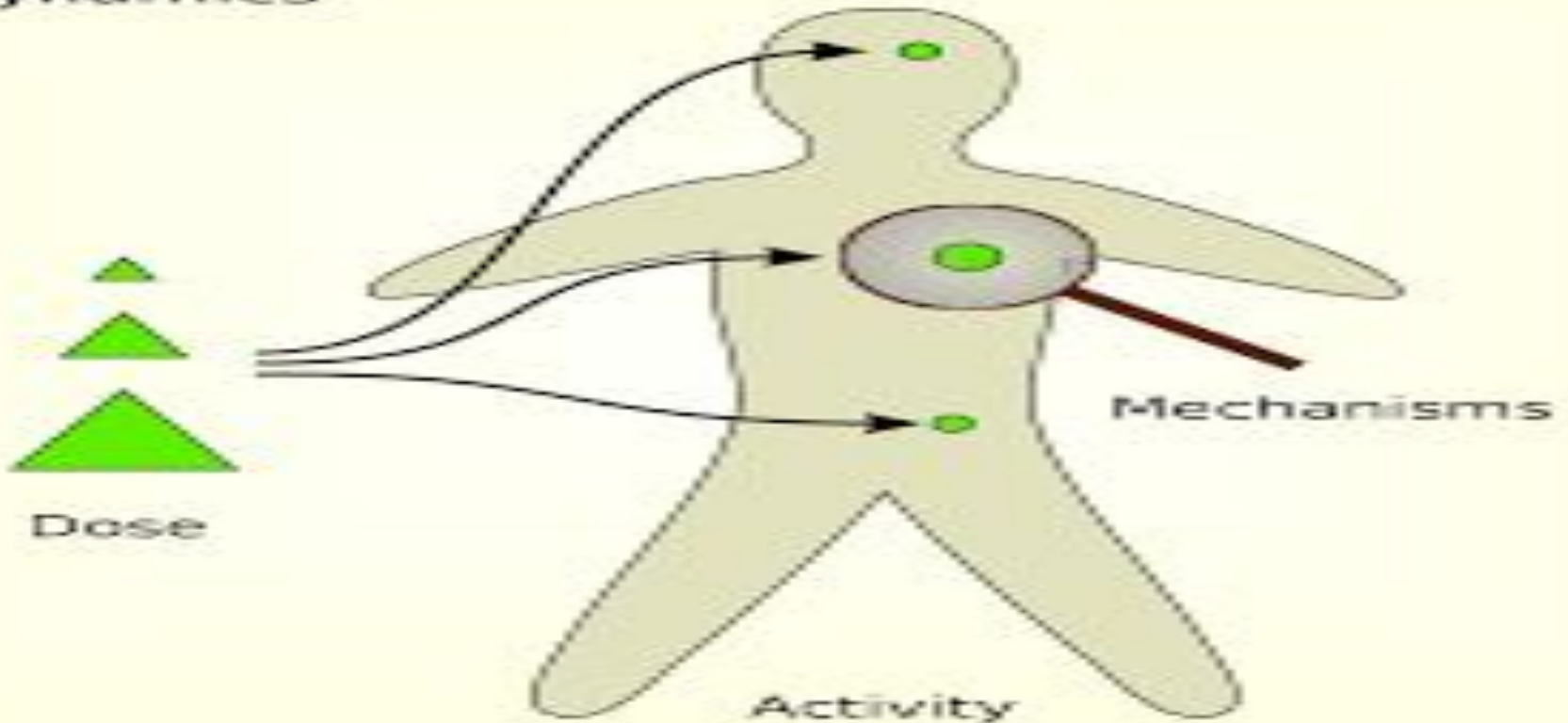


Pharmacodynamics L1

Pharmacodynamics



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objectives

- Know the meaning of pharmacodynamics, mechanism of action, pharmacological terms, types and location of receptors and its binding, dose response curve.
- Know possible duration of action and time of termination the effects of drug binding to each types of receptor
- Importance of methods and benefit of drug selectivity.



Pharmacodynamics

□ In Greek

Pharmacon = Drug Dynamics = Action/Power

Is the action of drugs upon the body regarding their biological effects and response (including mechanism of action)

Types of Drug Action (Type of effects or responses):-

1. Stimulation
2. Inhibition/Depression
3. Replacement
4. Irritation
5. Cytotoxic

Receptor: is a macromolecule, protein in chemical nature have specific **configuration** and specific **affinity** to a certain ligand (ligand = drug, hormone, toxin,...)

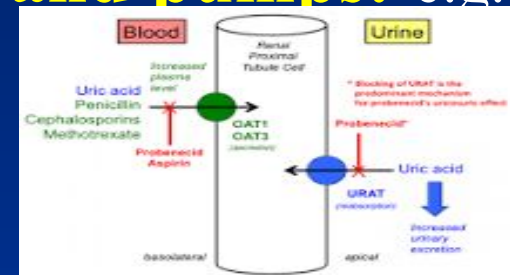
Principle mechanisms of drug actions:

1-Drugs acting on cell membrane:

a- On specific receptors: e.g. agonists on adrenoceptors.

b- Interference with selective passage of ions across membrane: e.g. Ca or Na channel blocker.

c- Inhibition of membrane-bound enzymes and pumps: e.g. digoxin (inhibits ATPase).

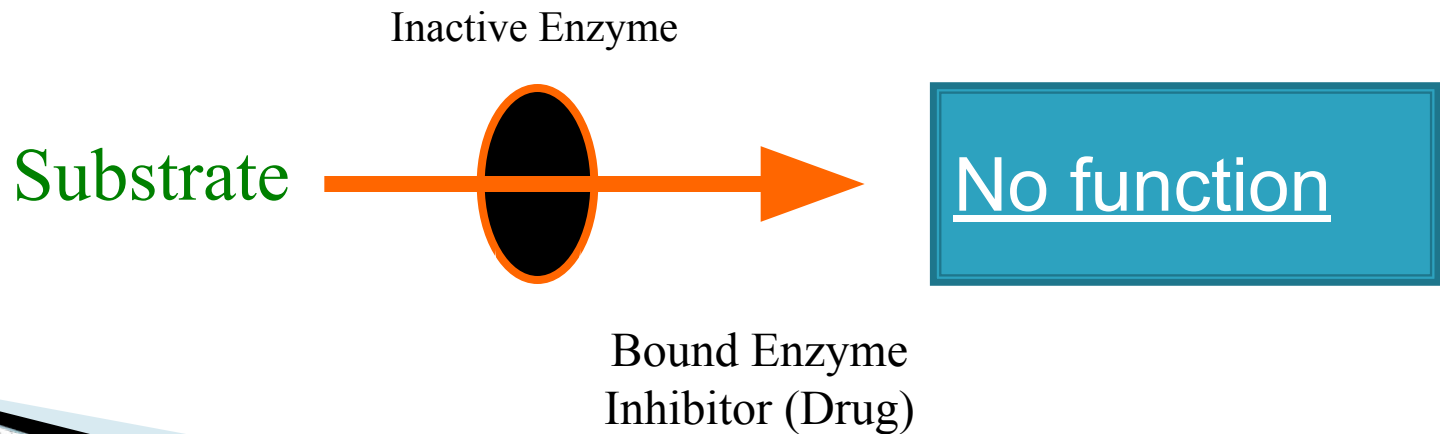
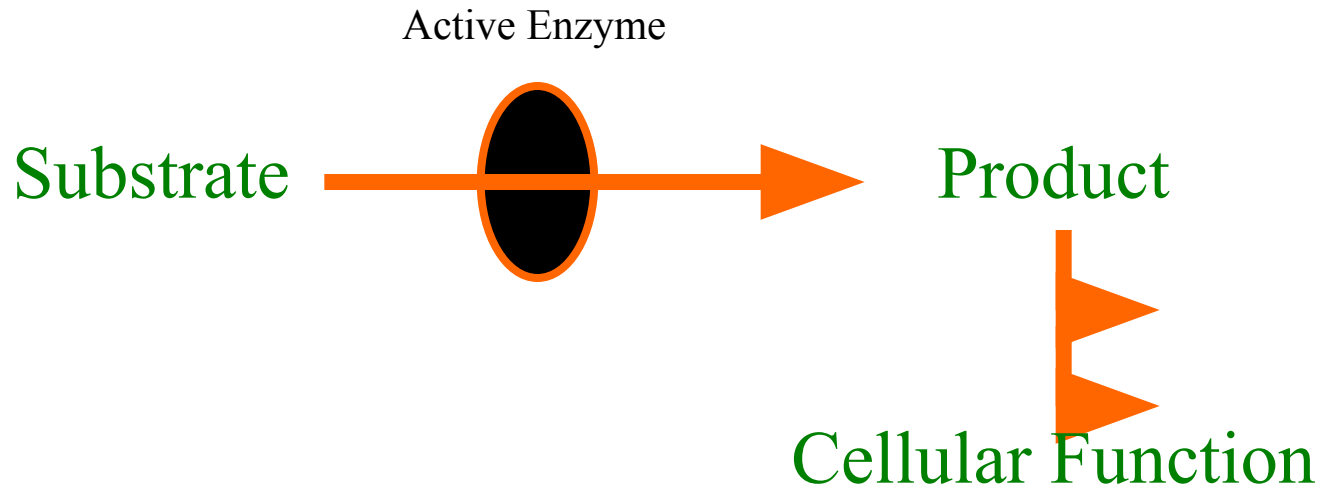


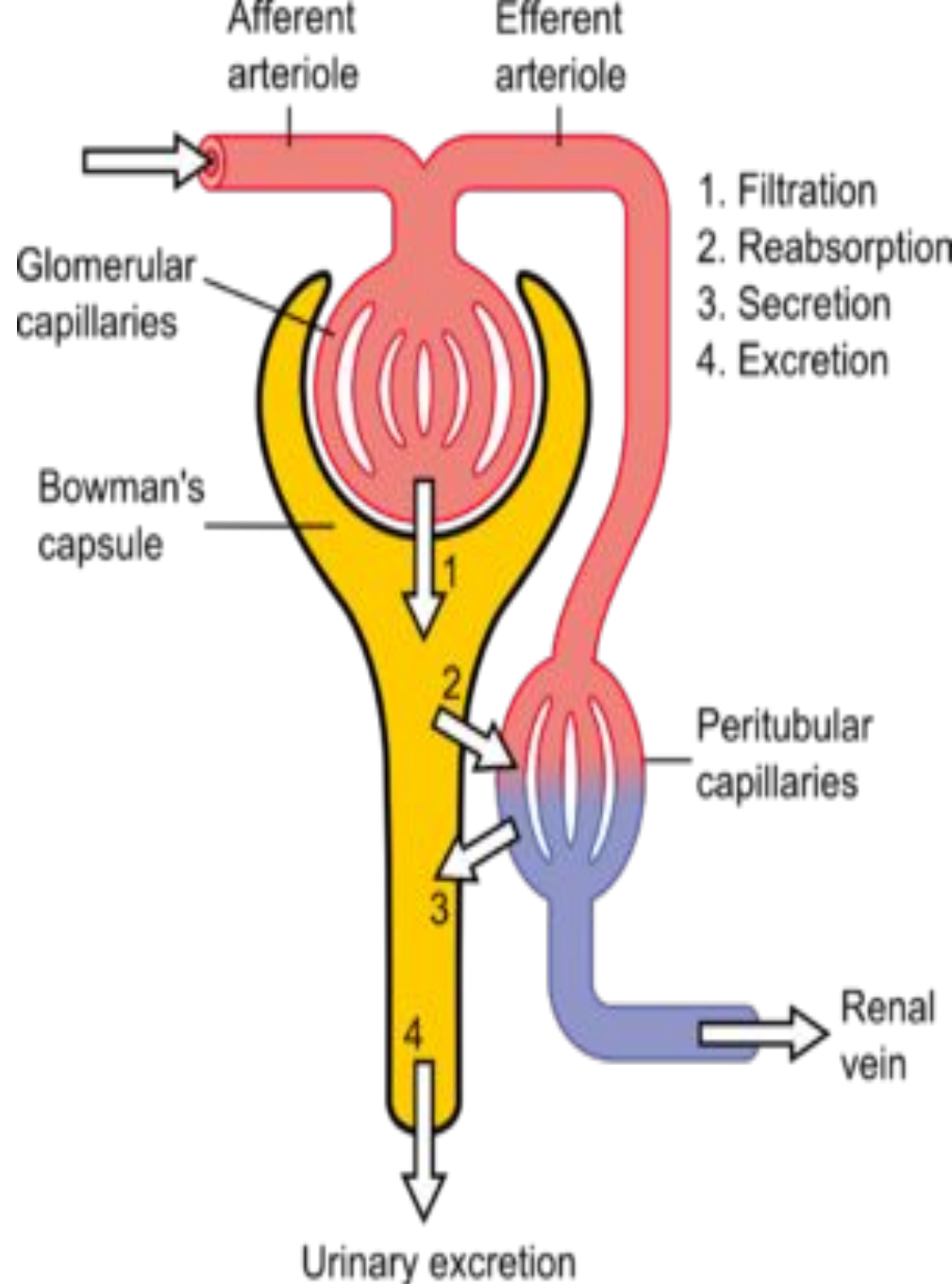
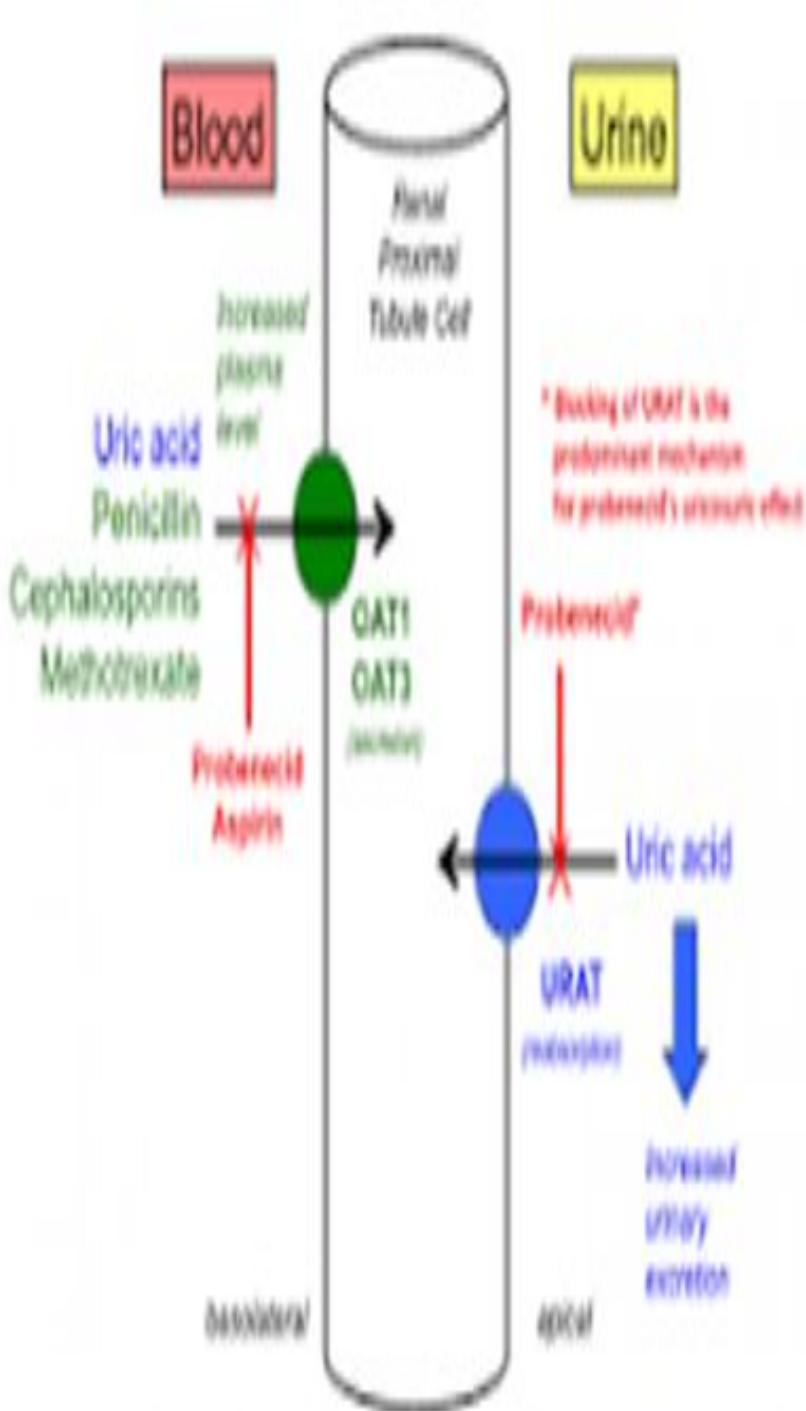
2- Drugs act on metabolic process within the cell.

Enzyme inhibition: e.g. paracetamol (COX enzyme inhibitor).

b. Inhibition of transport processes across cell: e.g. probenecid block renal tubular secretion transporter (thereby decreasing renal clearance and elevating their plasma concentrations)

HOW DO DRUGS WORK BY INHIBITING ENZYMES?





Excretion = Filtration - Reabsorption + Secretion

C .Incorporation into large molecules: e.g. 5 Flurouracil (an anticancer which is incorporated into mRNA in place of uracil).

D. Altering metabolic processes unique to microorganisms: e.g. penicillin interferes with the formation of peptidoglycans layers of the bacterial cell wall.

3-Drugs act out side the cell:

a- Direct chemical interaction: e.g. antacid (acid-base interaction).

b- Osmosis: e.g. diuretics and purgatives..... Ex: (manitol)



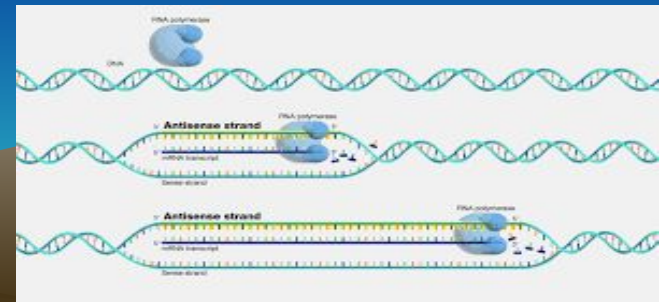
4- other drugs work by unconventional mechanism of action

- Being Nutrients
- e.g. vitamins, minerals

Being Enzymes
e.g. streptokinase for thrombolysis

- Binding Free Molecules or Atoms
- e.g. drugs for heavy metal poisoning, infliximab (anti-TNF)
- Working Via an Antisense Action

- Being Antigens
e.g. vaccines



:Location of receptor

Cell membrane (ex. Catecholamine receptors: alpha and -1 beta R)

.Cytoplasm (ex. Steroid receptor) -2

.Nuclear membrane(ex. Thyroid Receptor) -3

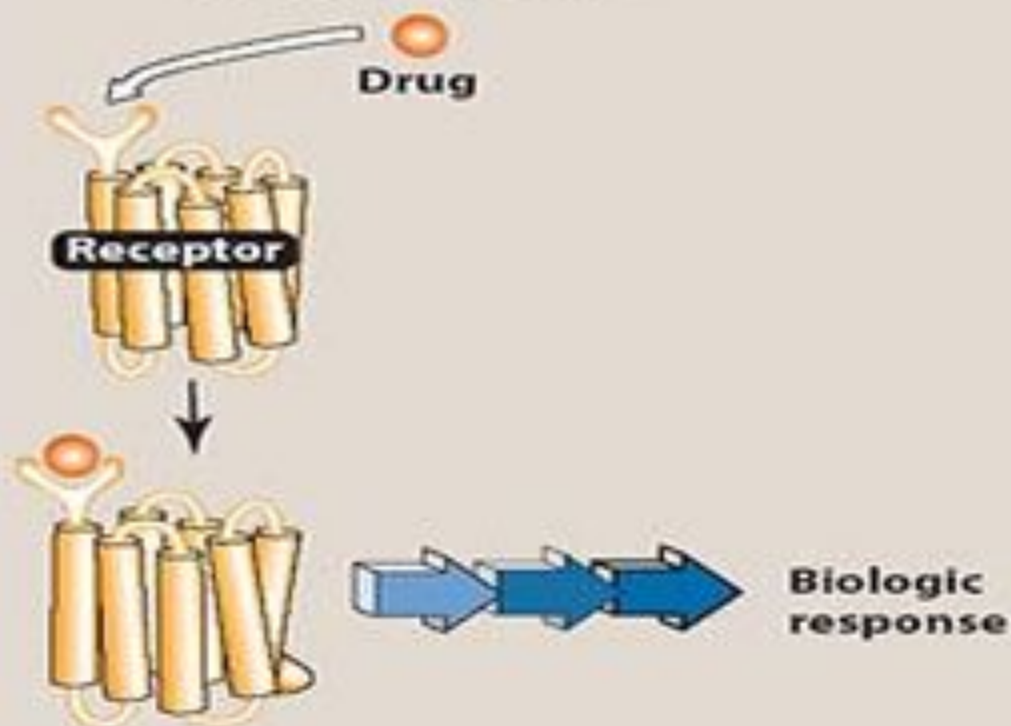


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Unoccupied receptor does not influence intracellular processes.

**2**

Occupied receptor changes physical and chemical properties, which leads to interaction with cellular molecules to cause a biologic response.



Drug- receptor interaction:

Interaction of the receptors with ligands involves the formation of chemical bonds, most commonly

1-electrostatic

2-hydrogen bonds

3- weak interactions involving van der waal forces.

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- The **bonds** are usually **reversible** except for some drugs that **covalently** bond to their targets (**irreversible**).
- **Successful binding** of a drug requires an **exact fit** of the ligand atoms with the complementary receptors atoms Which is determined by
 - Size
 - Shape
 - Charge distribution of the drug molecule

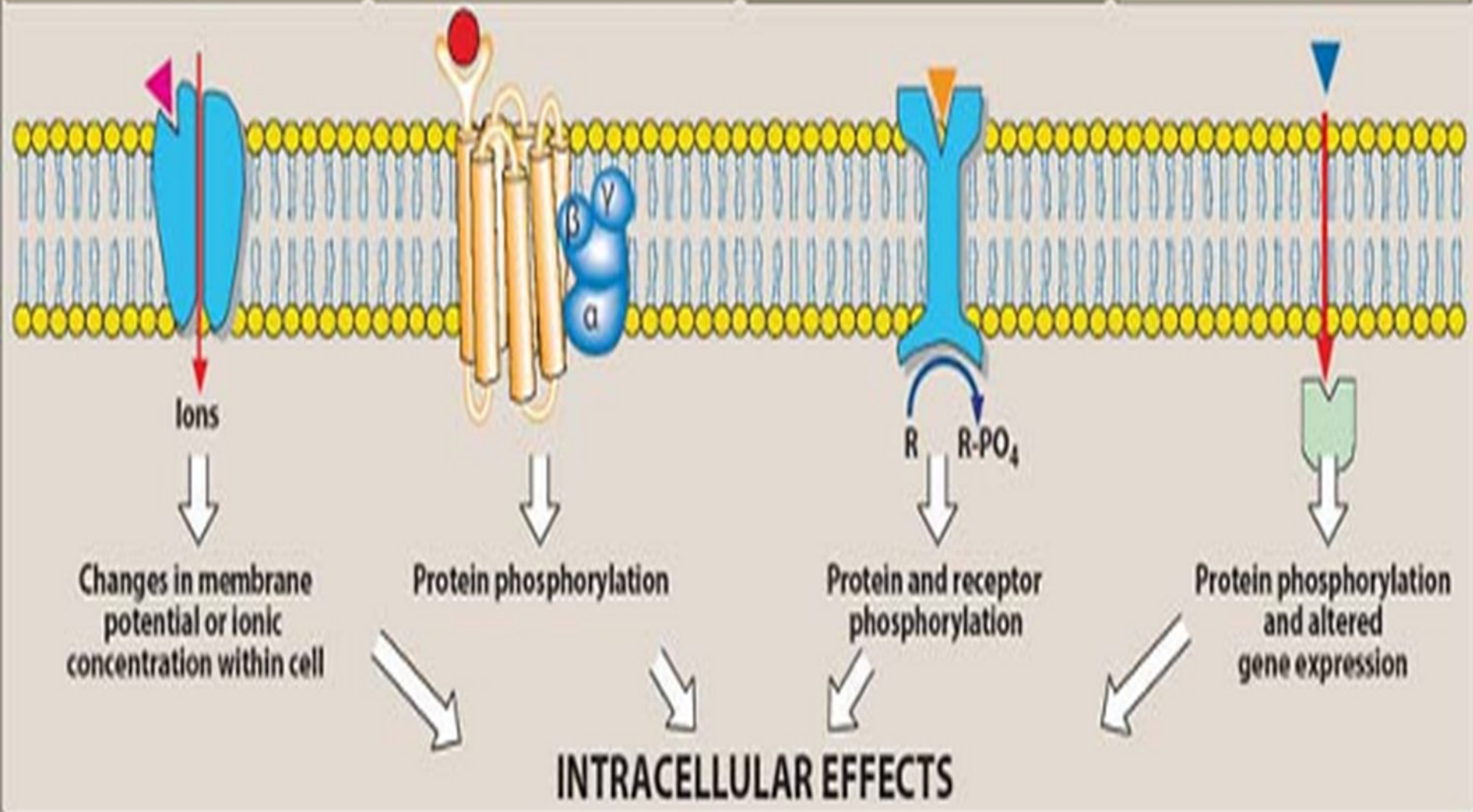


Transduction mechanisms of D-R interaction (Types of receptors):

A: ligand-gated ion channels: these are responsible for the regulation of the flow of ions across cell membrane **by** binding of a ligand to the channel. The **response** is very rapid with short duration of action e.g. nicotinic receptors .



<p>A Ligand-gated ion channels</p> <p><u>Example:</u> Cholinergic nicotinic receptors</p>	<p>B G protein-coupled receptors</p> <p><u>Example:</u> α and β adrenoceptors</p>	<p>C Enzyme-linked receptors</p> <p><u>Example:</u> Insulin receptors</p>	<p>D Intracellular receptors</p> <p><u>Example:</u> Steroid receptors</p>
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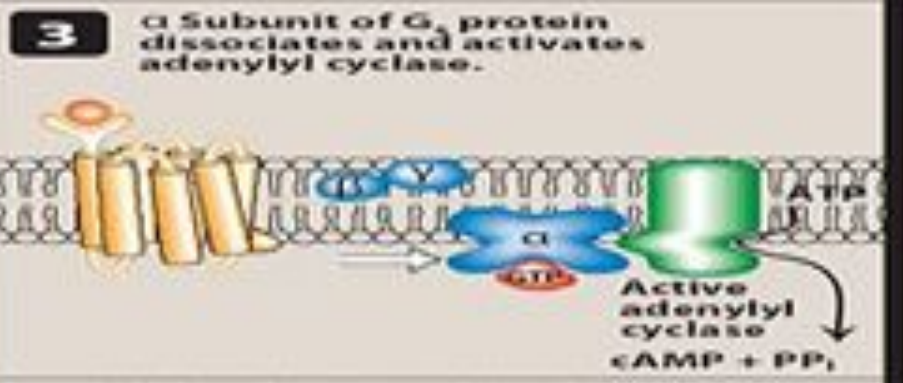
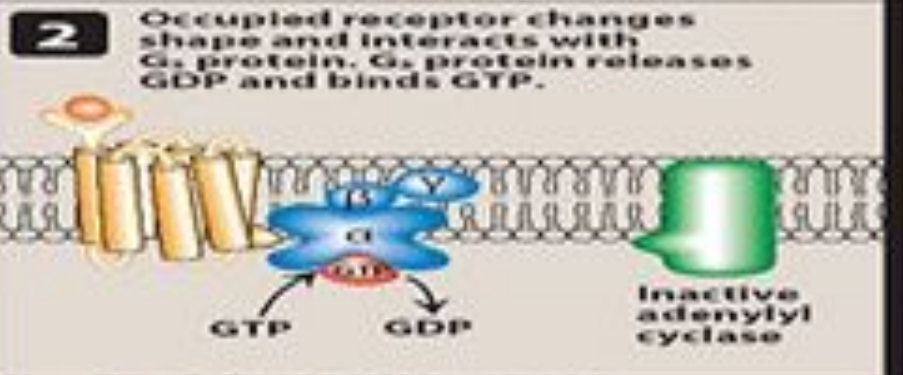
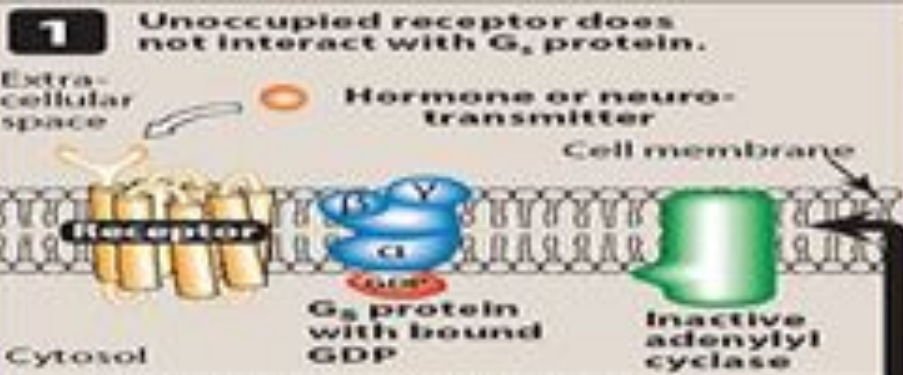


B: G protein-coupled receptors:

comprised of a single peptide that has seven membrane-spanning regions, these receptors are linked to a G protein(Gs) having 3 subunits an α subunit that binds guanosine triphosphate GTP and a $\beta \gamma$ subunit.

It lead lastly to activation of adenylyl cyclase and protein phosphorylation as in diagram.

G proteins also activate **phospholipase C** which is responsible for the generation of two other **second messengers**, namely inositol 1,4,5 triphosphate(**IP3**) and **diacylglycerol**. These effectors are responsible for the regulation of free calcium concentration within the cell.

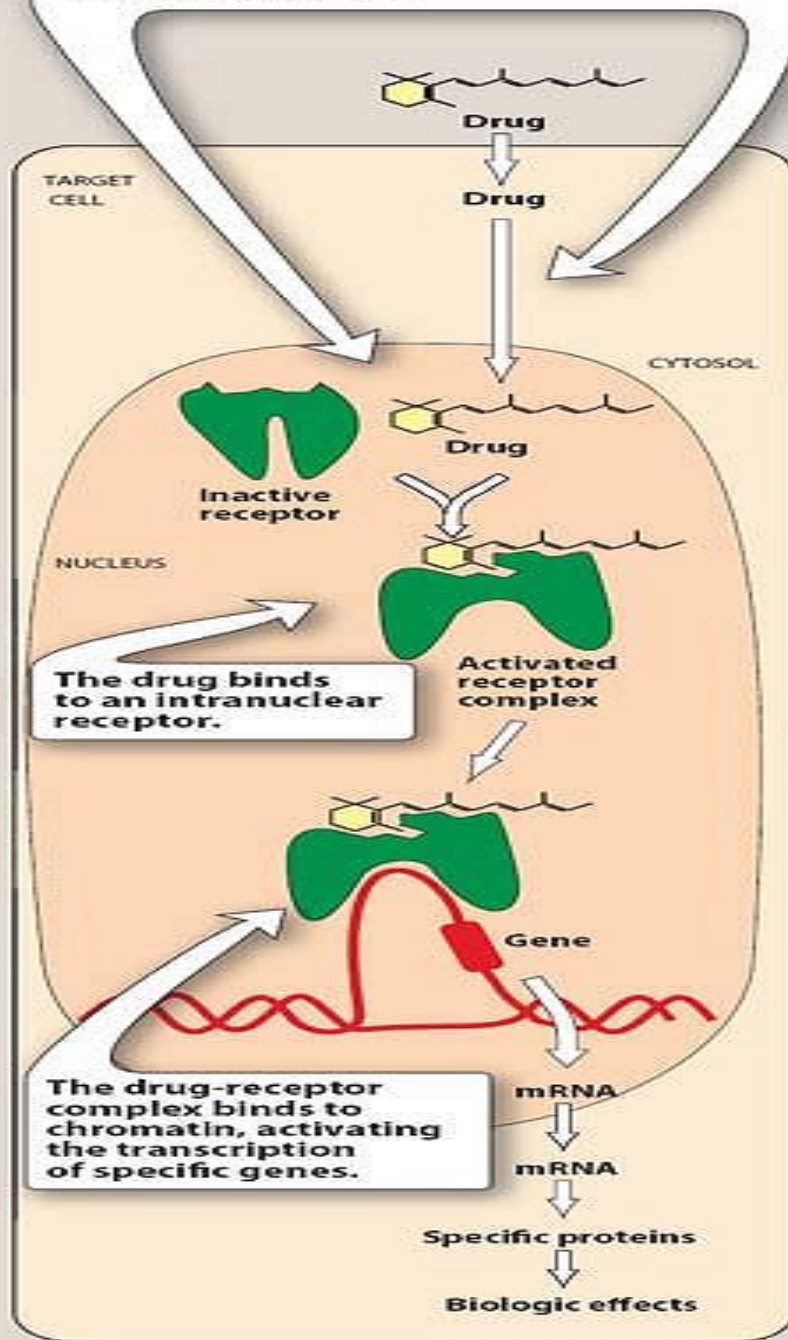


C: Enzyme-linked receptors: these receptors have cytosolic enzymatic activity as an integral component of their structure or function. Binding of a ligand to an extracellular domain activates or inhibits enzyme activity. Duration of responses is long. E.X: insulin receptors..

D : Intracellular receptors: ligand must diffuse into the cell to interact with the receptor (must be phospholipid drugs), it take longer time for action and response bs protein synthesis and gene expression are modified (see the following diagram)



A lipid-soluble drug diffuses across cell membrane and moves to the nucleus of the cell.



:Theories of response to drugs

Occupational theory -1

Response depends on **Number** of receptor occupied

Rate theory -2

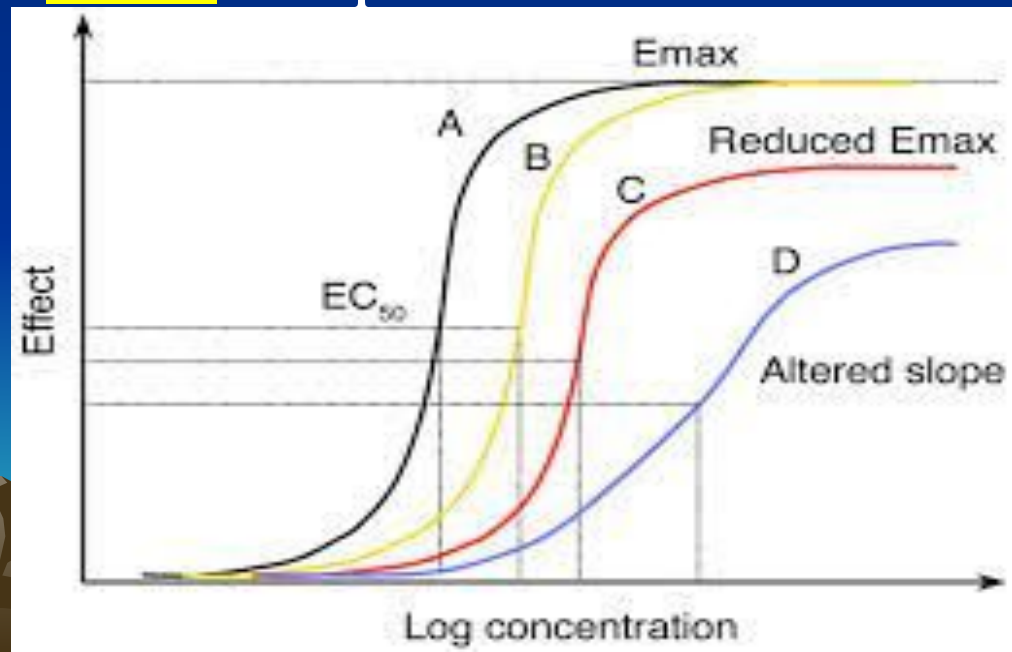
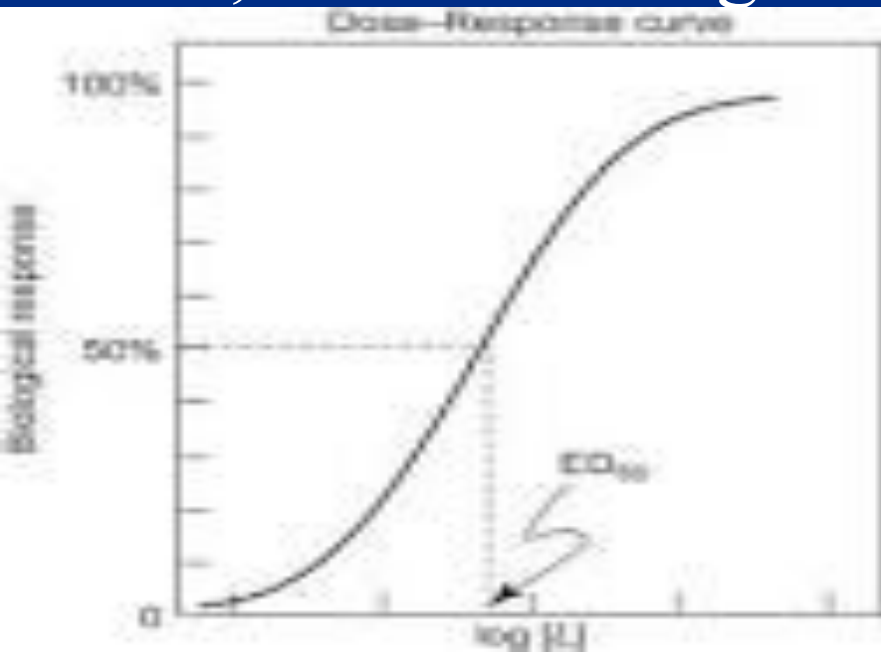
Response depends on **Rate** of association between drug and receptor



Quantal dose response curve

It represent the **relation** between **% of population responding** to a certain drug and the **dose** of this drug and it measure the variability of response with .different doses

The majority of drugs have **S shape** or sigmoid shape .curve, but some drugs has **liner** shape curve



Benefit of dose response curve

To **compare** the potencies of different drugs by -1
measuring ED50 (the dose of drug that give 50%
.response)

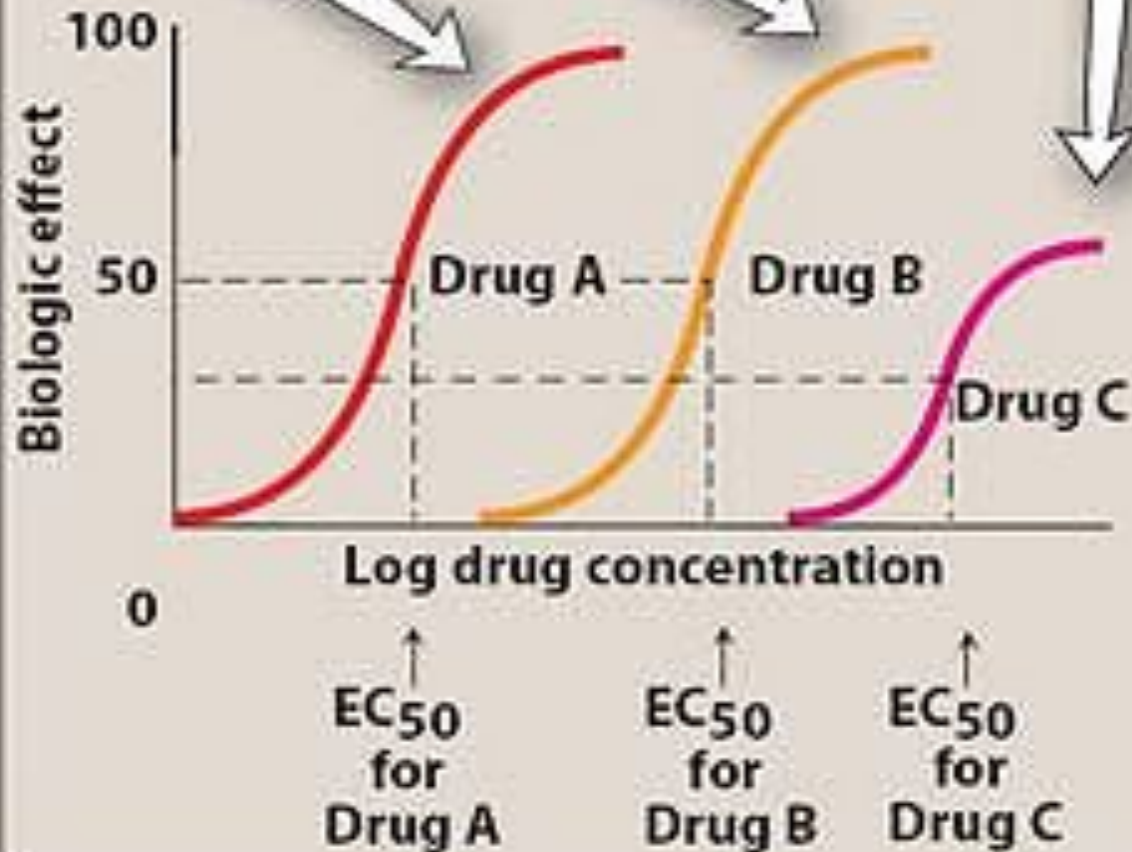
.**Doubling** of dose not mean doubling of response -2

The response may reach a **platue** phase, so any-3
further increase in dose not increase the response but
.cause **toxicity**

??Types of dose response curve**

Drug A is more potent than Drug B, but both show the same efficacy.

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Efficacy(intrinsic activity) : is the maximal response of drug **regardless** the dose

.Affinity : is the ability of drug to bind the receptor

Ligand: name given to a molecule that binds to a receptor.

Agonist :is a ligand which has affinity + intrinsic activity and give dose response curve, and give 100% response(100% .efficacy)

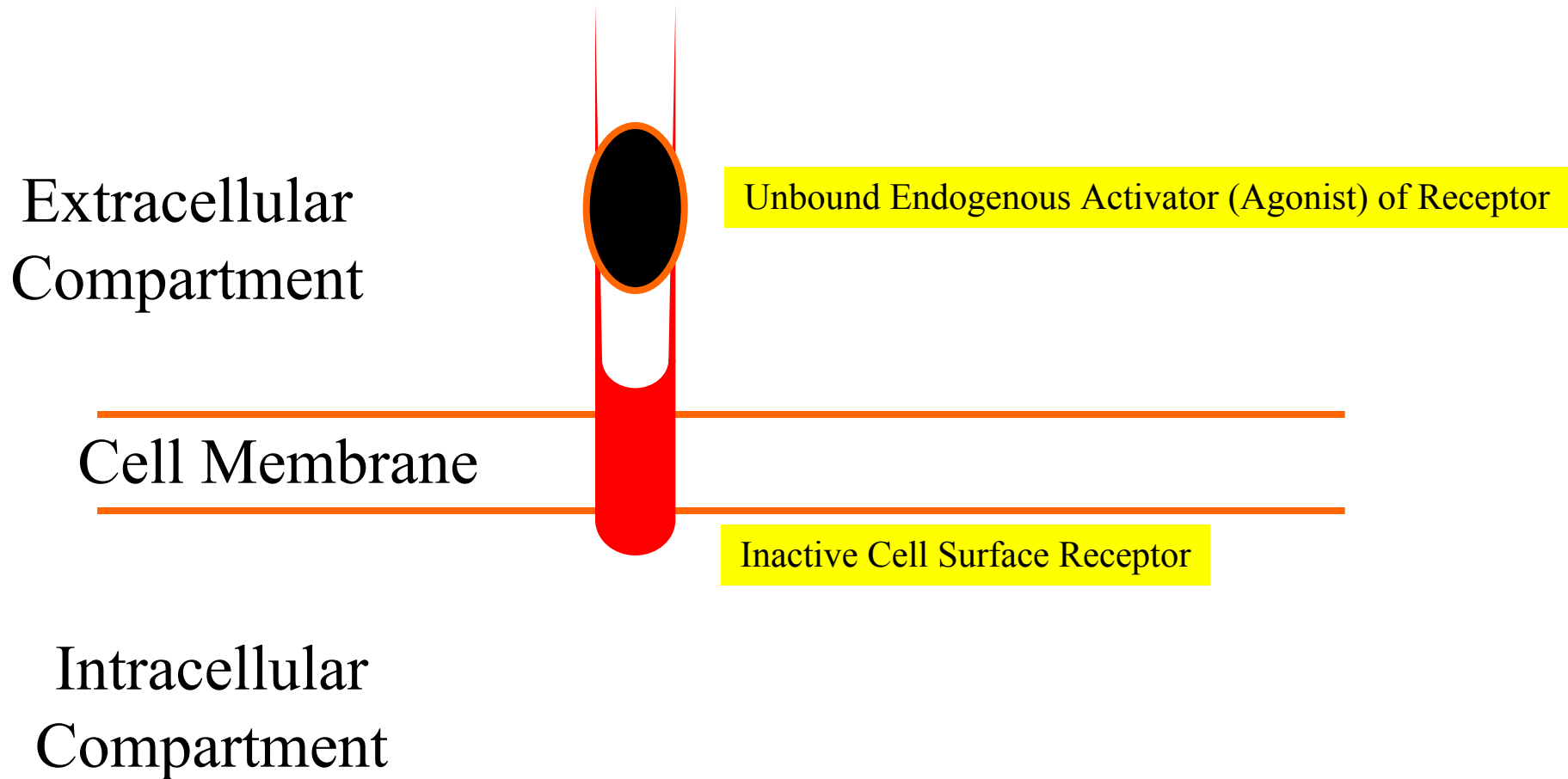
Antagonist :a ligand which has affinity but no intrinsic .activity

Partial agonist: a ligand which has affinity +little intrinsic activity and give 50 % response, and act as antagonist in presence of full agonist (e.x: nalorphine is a partial agonist, .act as antagonist to morphine(full agonist))

Superagonist: is a compound that is capable of producing a greater maximal response than the agonist for the target receptor, and thus has an efficacy of more than 100%.



HOW DO DRUGS WORK BY BEING AGONIST TO CELL SURFACE RECEPTORS?



Extracellular
Compartment

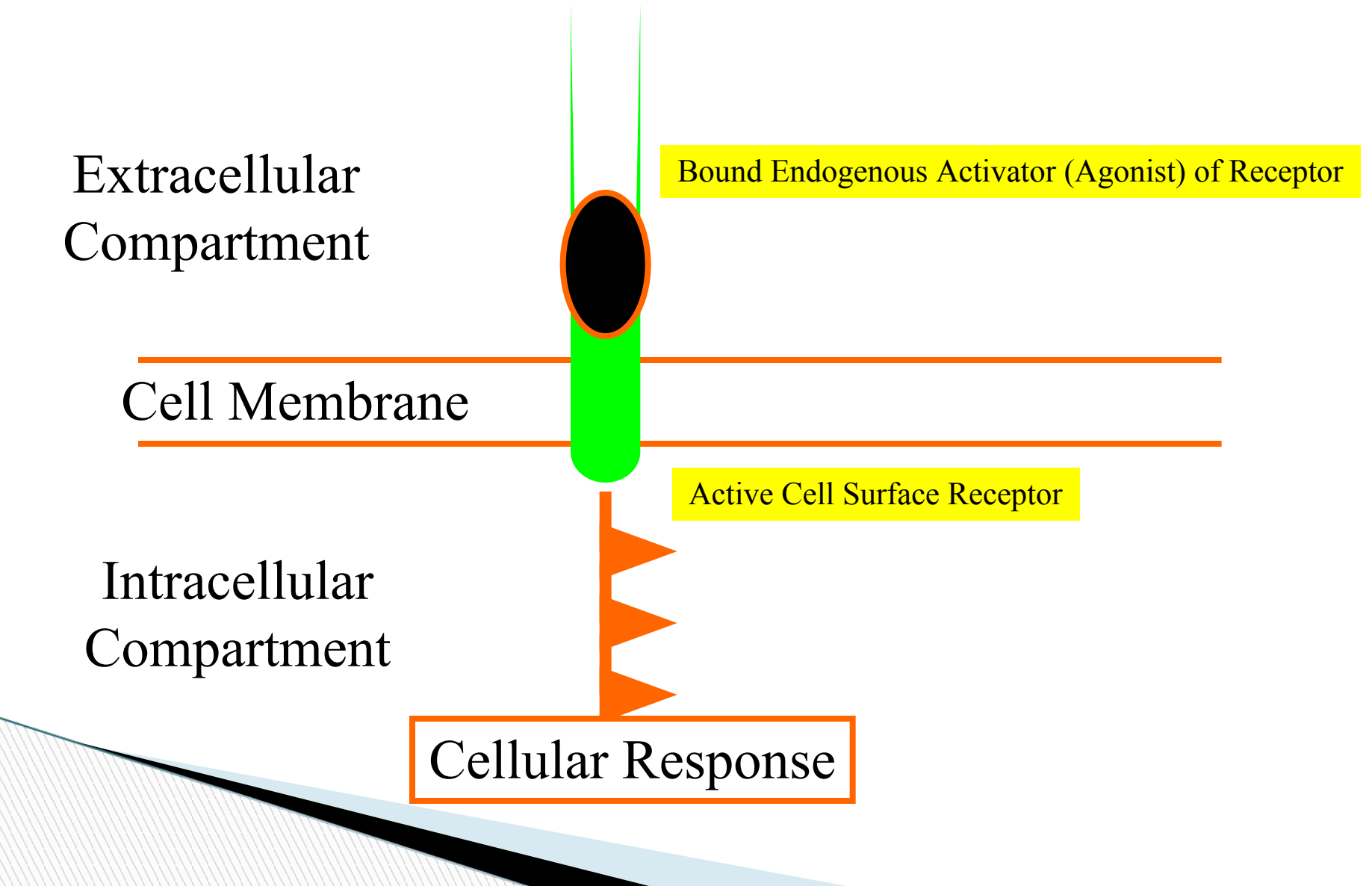
Bound Endogenous Activator (Agonist) of Receptor

Cell Membrane

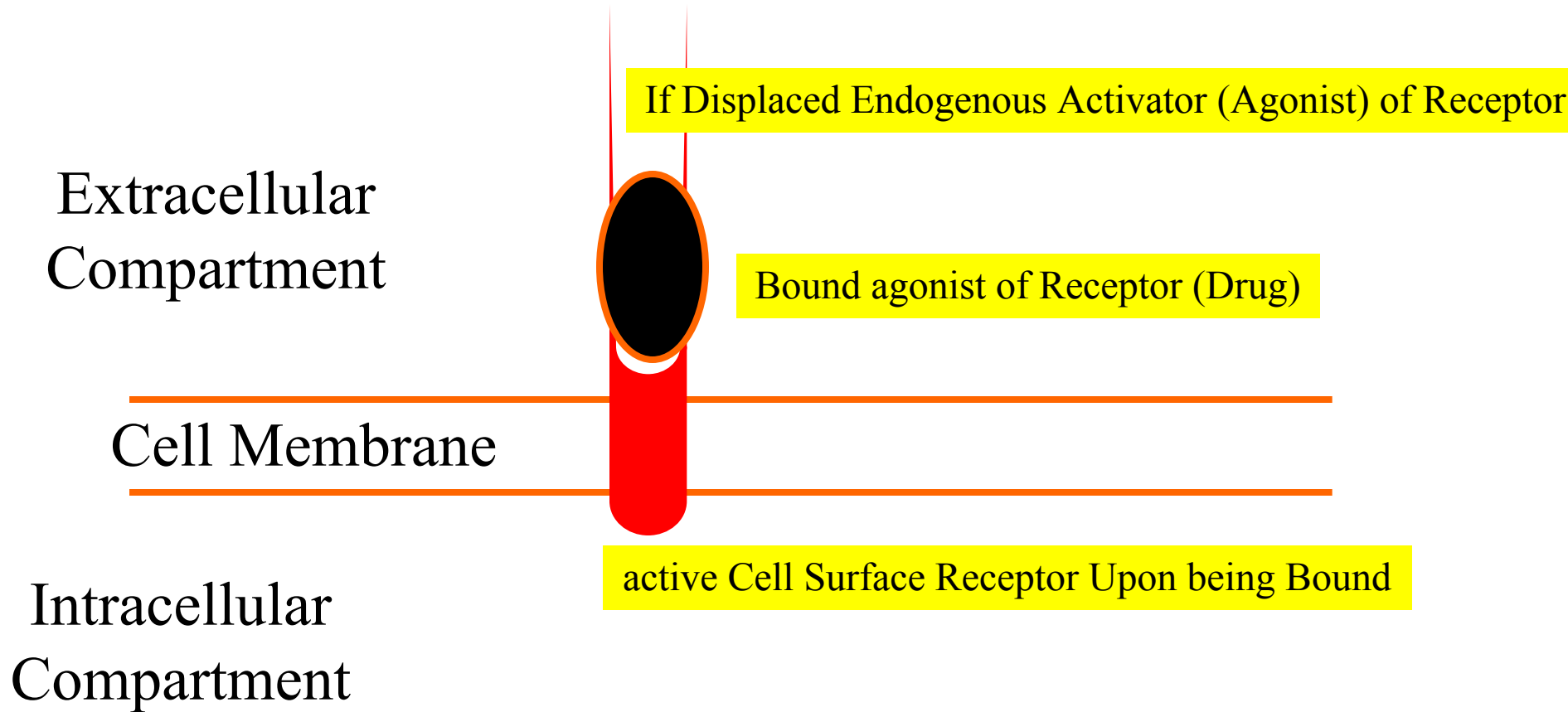
Active Cell Surface Receptor

Intracellular
Compartment

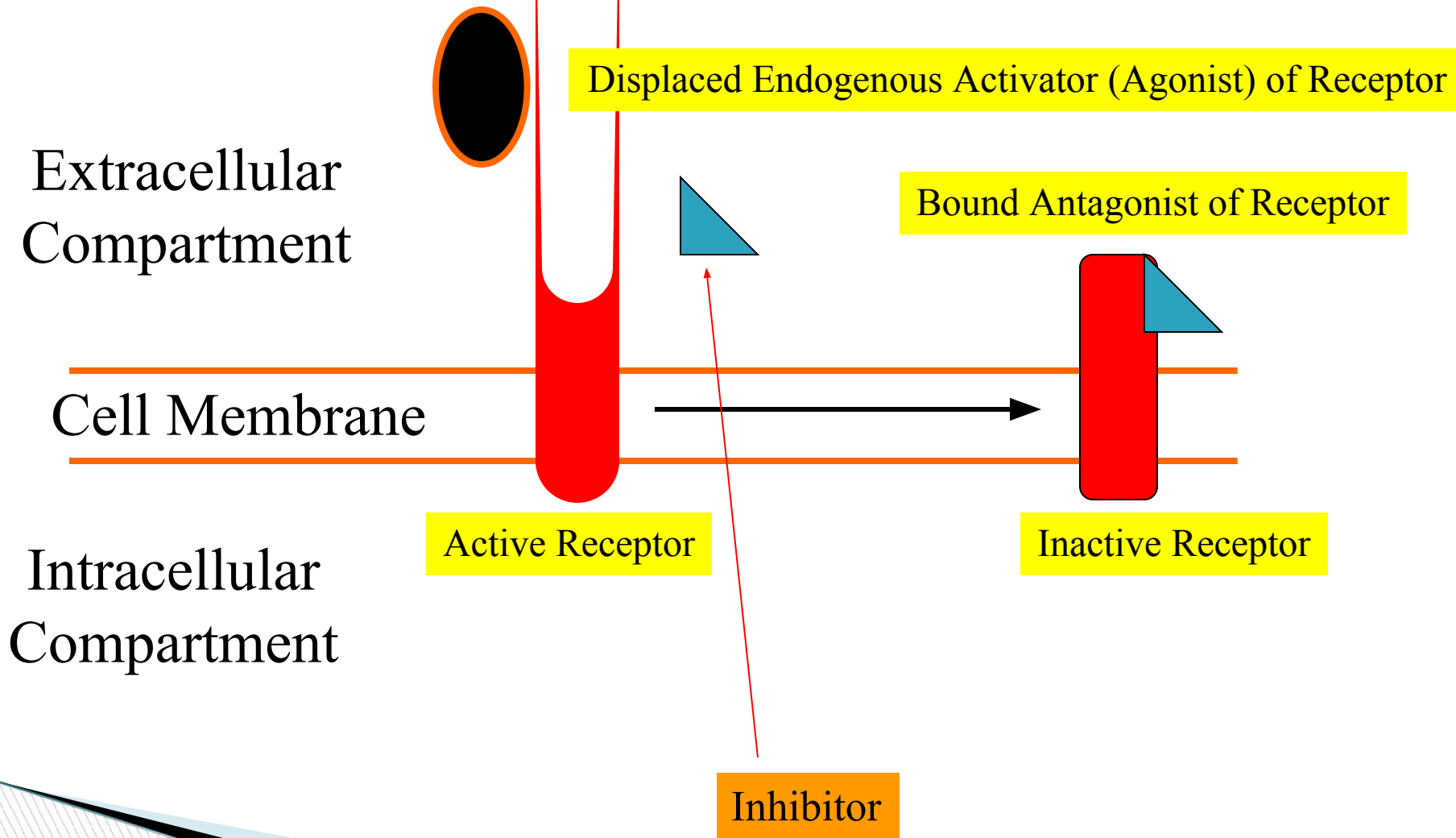
Cellular Response



HOW DO DRUGS WORK BY ANTAGONIZING CELL SURFACE RECEPTORS?



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Types of antagonist

Pharmacological: in which both agonist and antagonist act **-1** on the **same** receptor (if **same orthosteric** site named as **competitive** ex. Acetylcholine (act on cholinergic receptor) and atropine (acts on cholinergic receptor))

:Allosteric antagonists (non competitive) -2

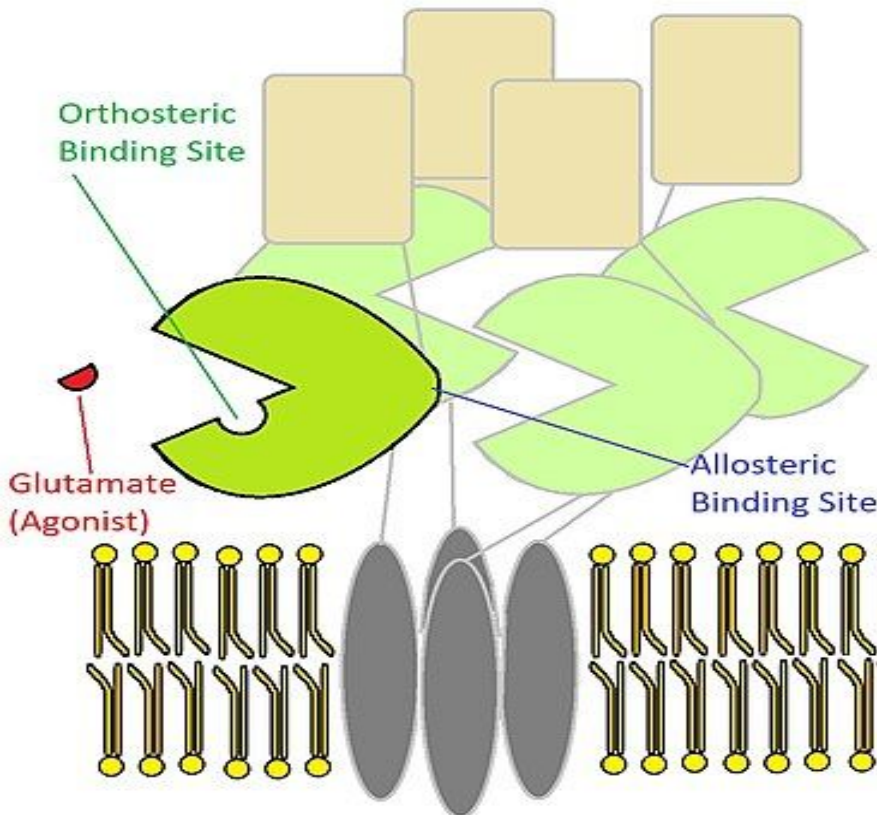
This type of antagonist binds to a site (“**allosteric site**”) other than the agonist-binding site on the **same** receptor and prevents the receptor from being activated by the agonist

Physiological(functional): in which both agonist and **-3** antagonist act on **different receptor** ex: histamine (act on histaminergic receptors and adrenaline (act on adrenergic receptor))

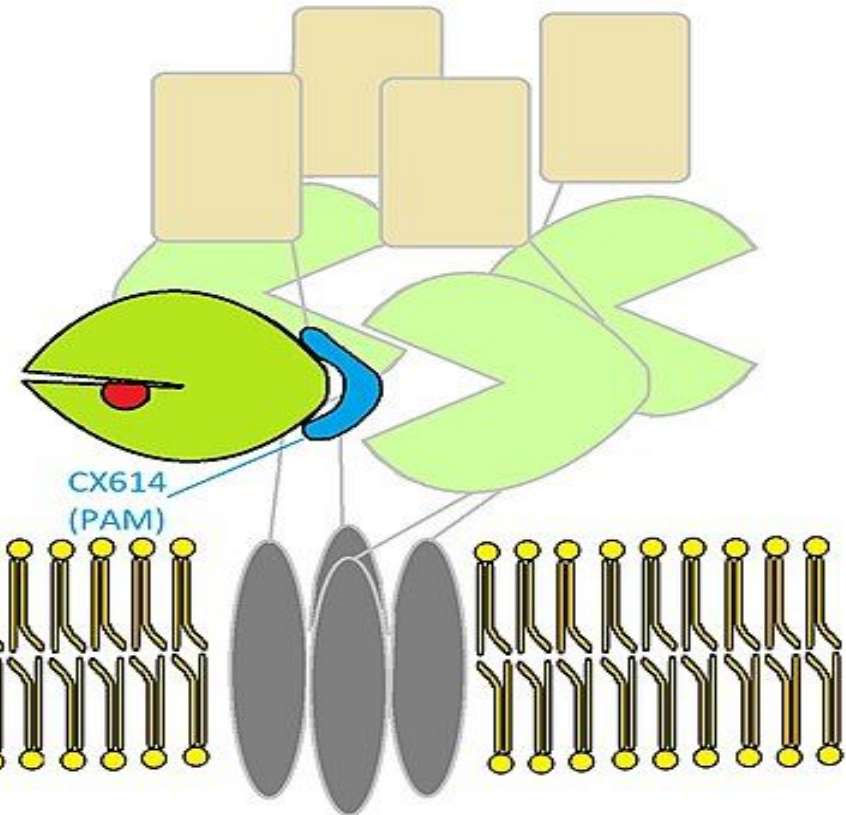
Chemical: act by **direct** local chemical interaction like antacid **-4**

Allosteric and orthosteric sites of receptor

Untreated AMPA Receptor



AMPA Receptor with Allosteric Modulator



:NOTE

The difference between competitive and noncompetitive antagonists is that

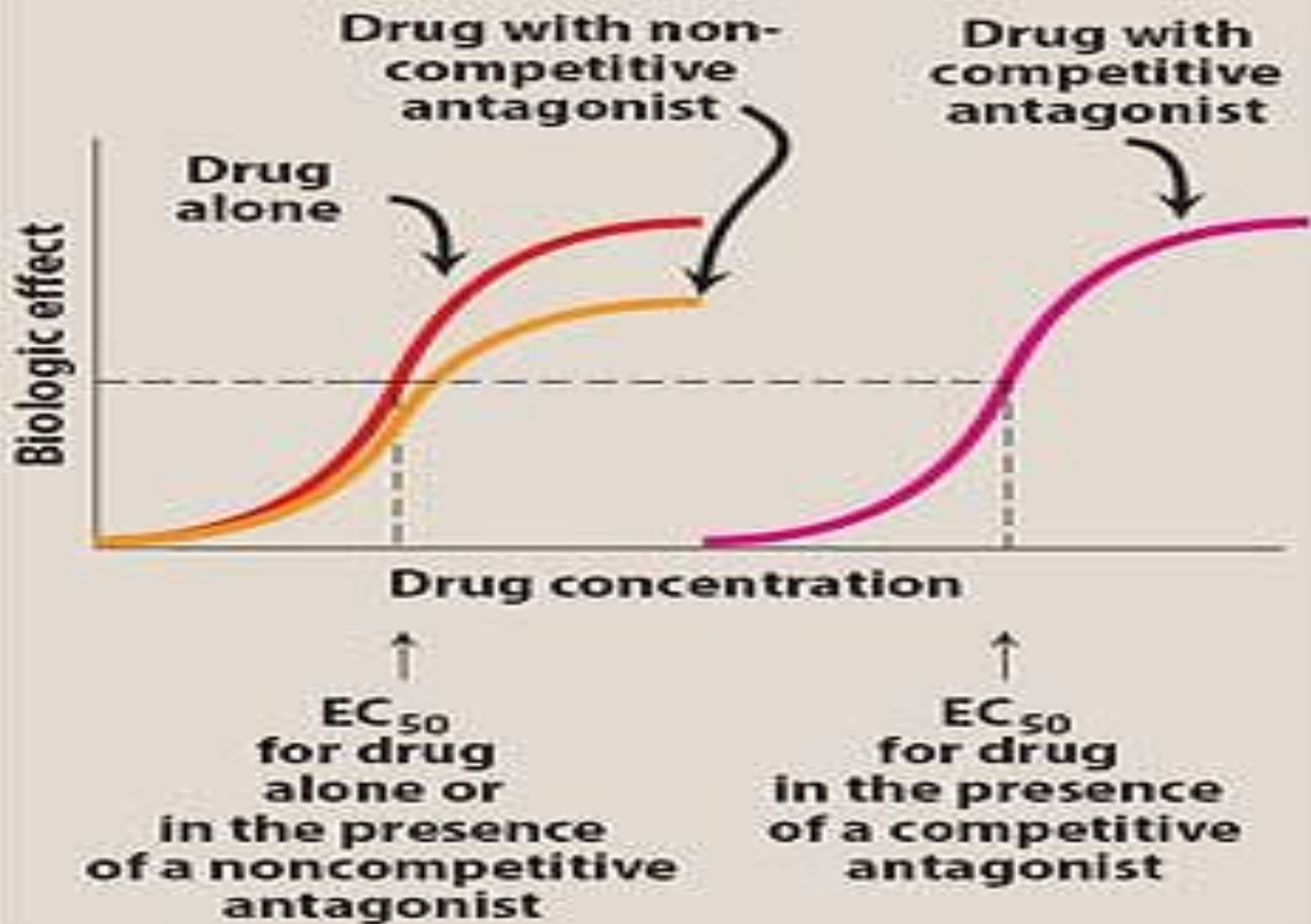
competitive antagonists reduce agonist potency (increase EC50)

noncompetitive antagonists reduce agonist efficacy (decrease .Emax)

Types of antagonism

Reversible: bind to receptor reversibly and can be over-**1**
come by increase the dose of agonist

Irreversible: bind to receptor irreversibly and cannot over-**2**
come by increase the dose of agonist till synthesis of new
receptors

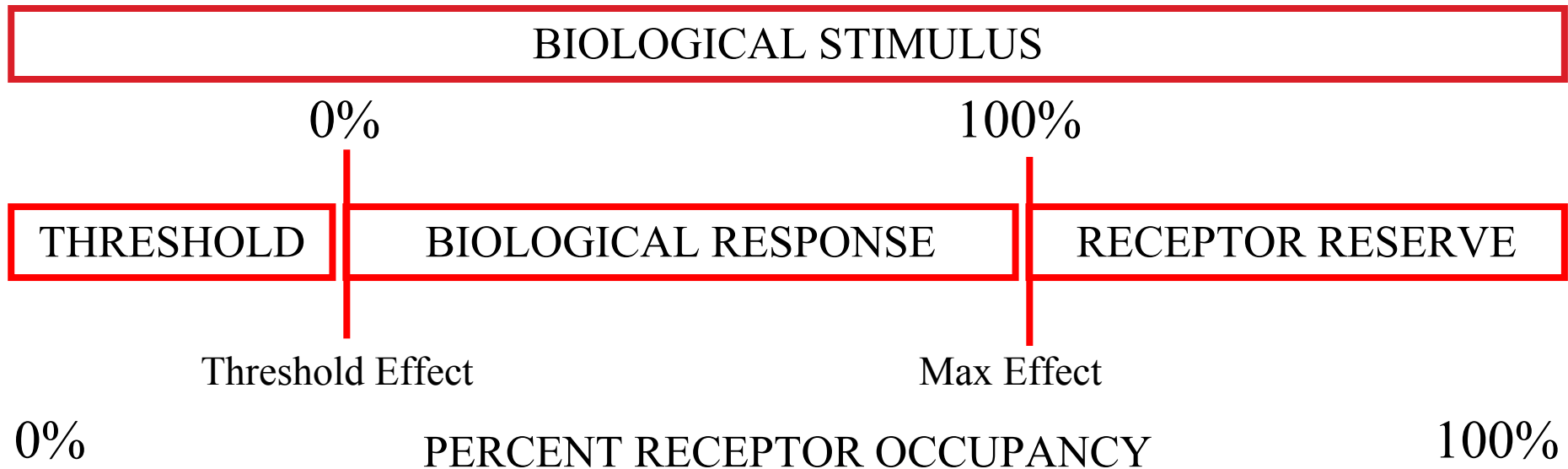


Spare Receptors

Response is a **FUNCTION** of occupancy

Maximum response can be produced **WITHOUT**
100% occupation,

i.e. tissues have *spare receptors*



Note: The receptor numbers do not remain constant.

*When tissues are continuously exposed to an **agonist**:

- 1- Decrease **number** of receptors
- 2- Decrease **sensitivity** of receptor.

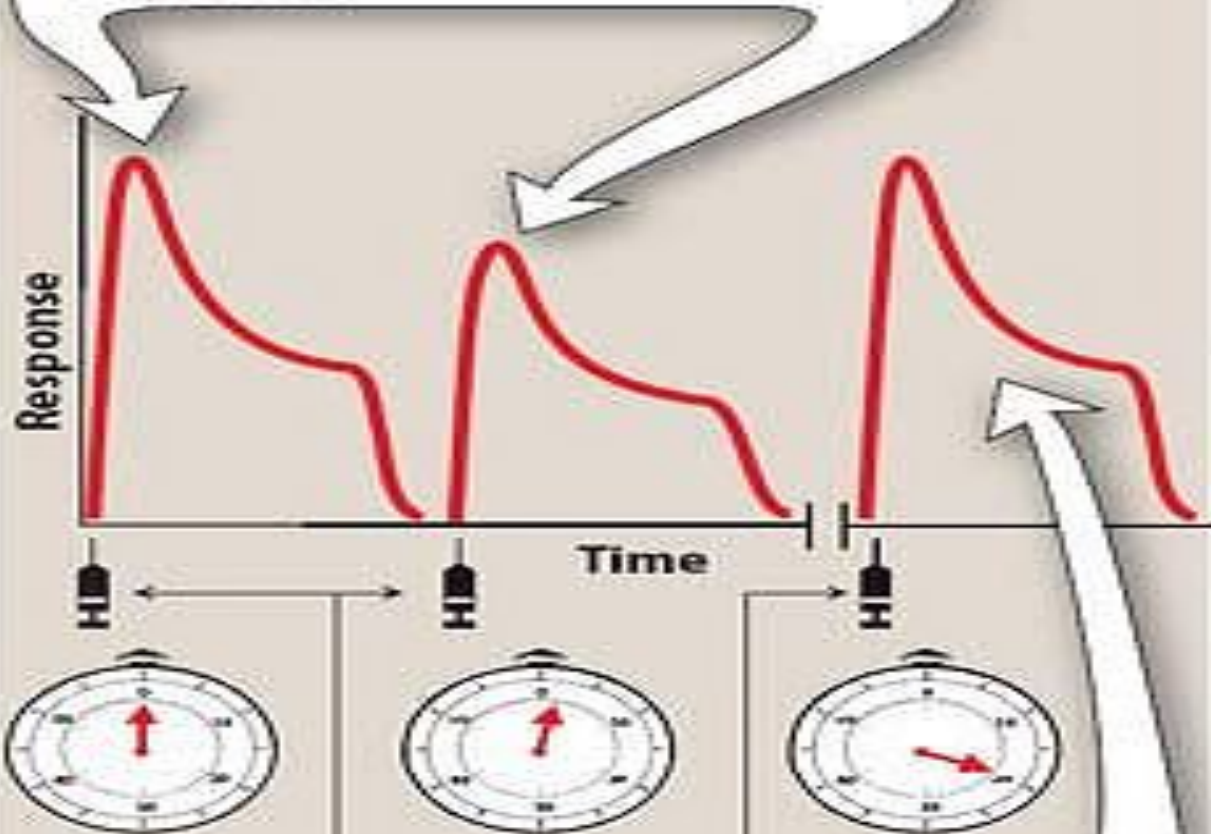
This means **desensitization** (**down-regulation**) and this may be a cause of **tachyphylaxis** (rapid loss of efficacy with frequently repeated doses) e.g. in asthmatics on adrenoceptor agonist bronchodilator.

*Prolonged contact with an **antagonist** leads to:

- 1- Formation of new receptors
- 2- Increase **sensitivity** of receptor

This mean (**up-regulation**) e.g. sudden withdrawal of long term use of **β -adrenoceptor blockers** in hypertensive patients may lead to ventricular arrhythmias.

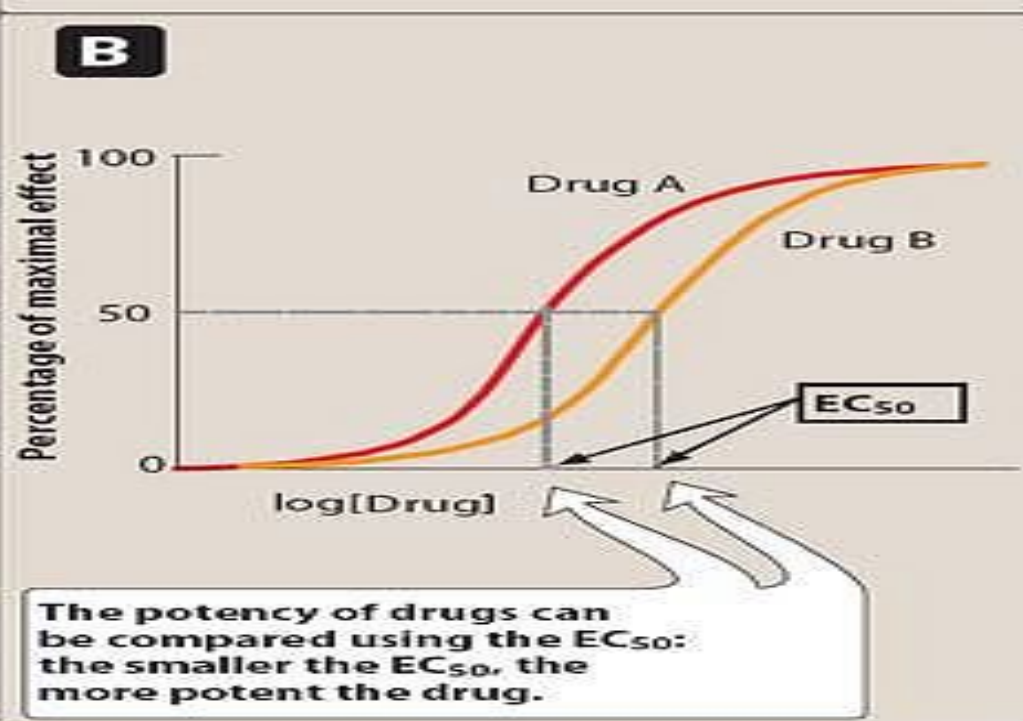
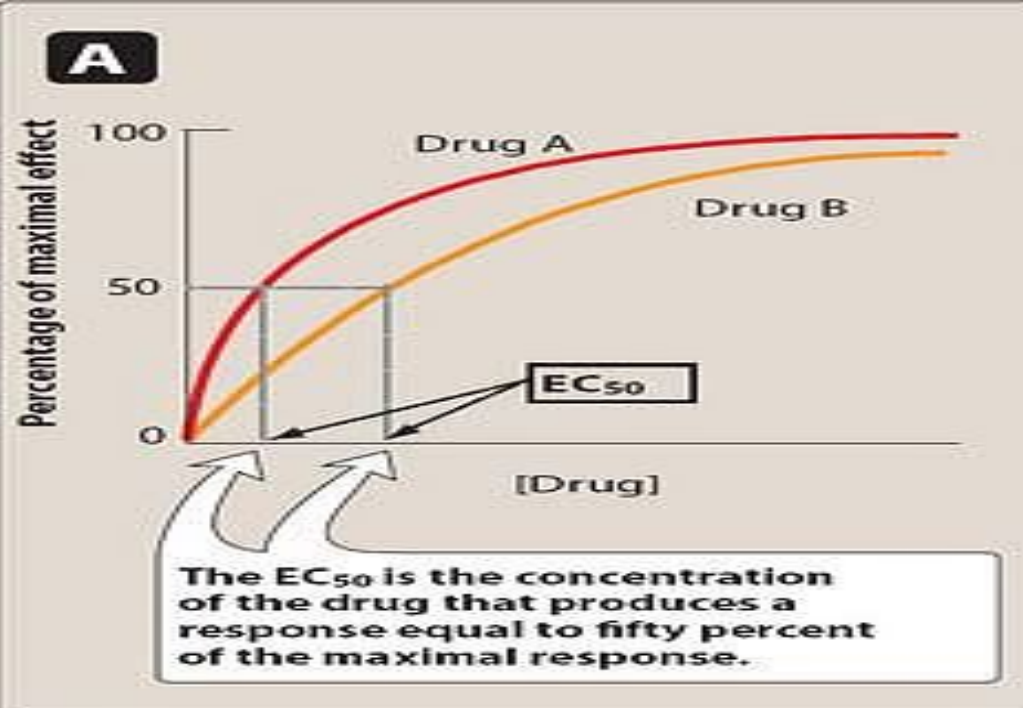
Repeated administration of an agonist (such as *epinephrine*) over a short time period results in diminished response of the cell.



Repeated injection of drug

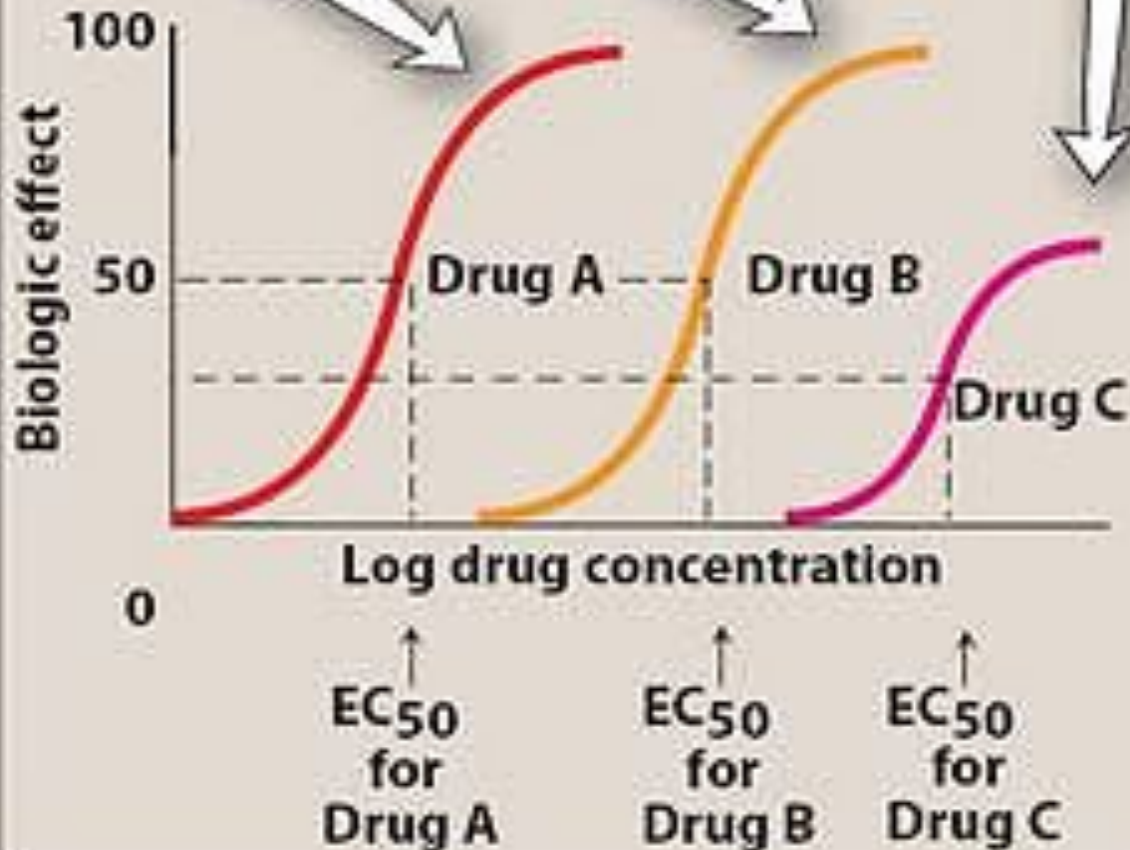
Following a period of rest, administration of the drug results in a response of the original magnitude.

Potency: is the amount (weight) of drug in relation to its effect e.g. if 10 mg of drug (A) produce the **same** response produces by 60 mg of drug (B), then drug (A) is more potent than drug (B), **although** the maximum therapeutic effect obtainable may be similar with both drugs



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Selectivity: mean deliver drug to the patient with :

- 1- Maximal efficacy.
- 2- Minimal unwanted effects.

This can be **achieved** by:

- **Modification** of drug structure.
- Selective **delivery system** (drug targeting) e.g. by topical application and certain delivery systems,.....





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