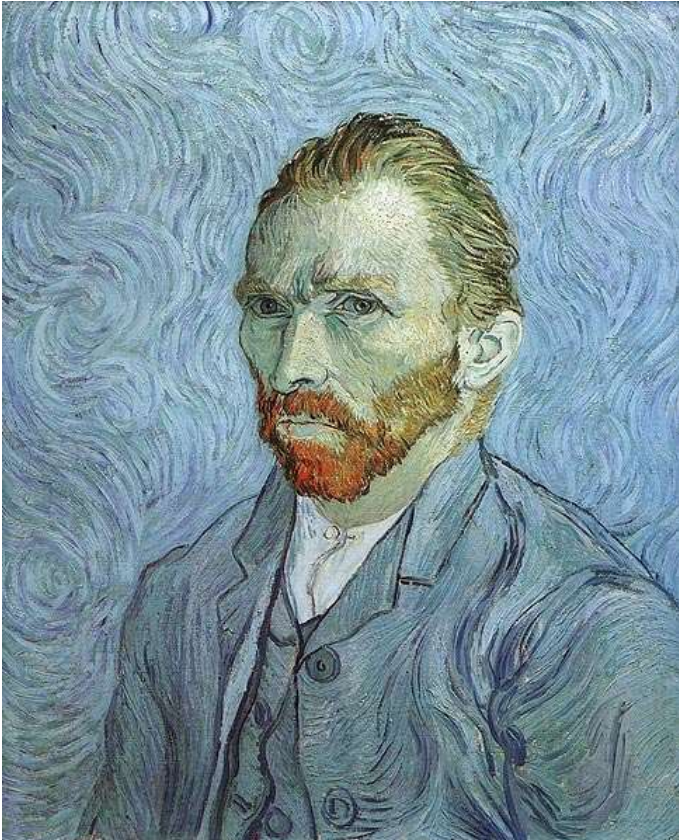


ANTIDEPRESSANT AND ANTIMANIC AGENTS



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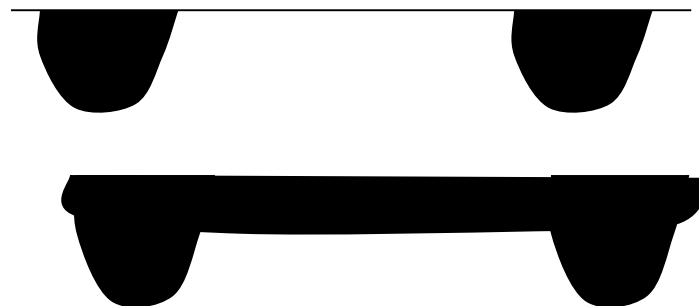
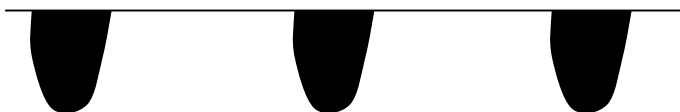
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- **The most common psychiatric disorder**
- **5-6% of the population is affected**

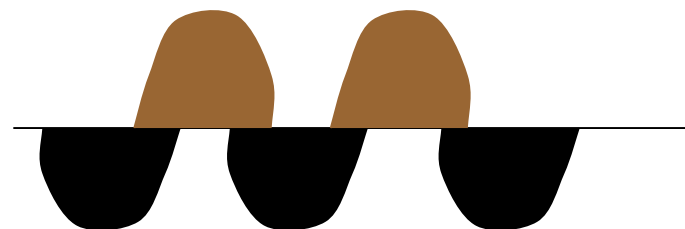
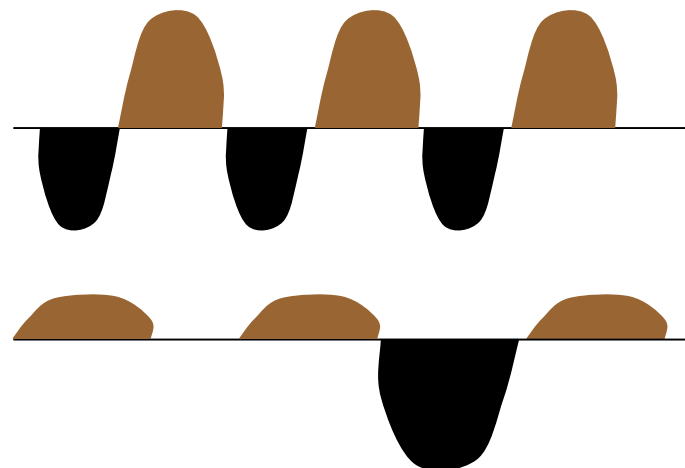
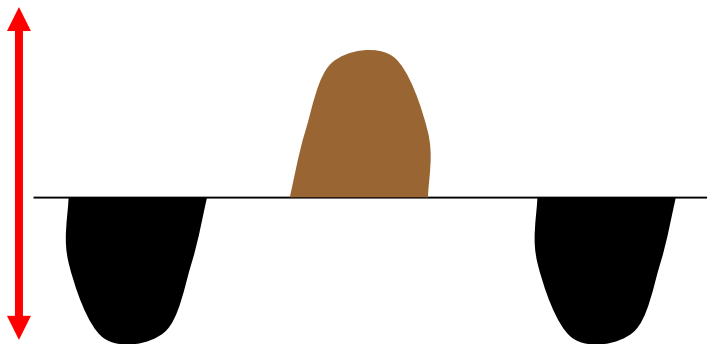


1). Unipolar - endogen - secunder



2). Bipolar

Mania
Hypomania
Euthymia
Dysthymia
Depression



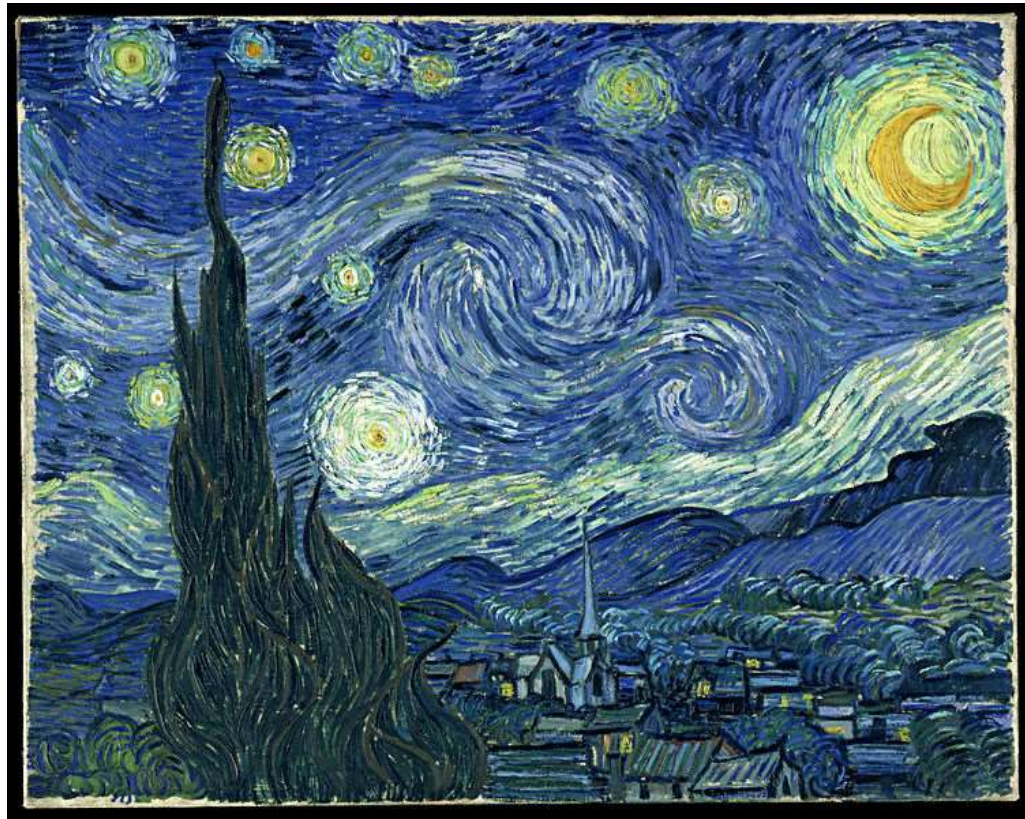
Symptoms of depression



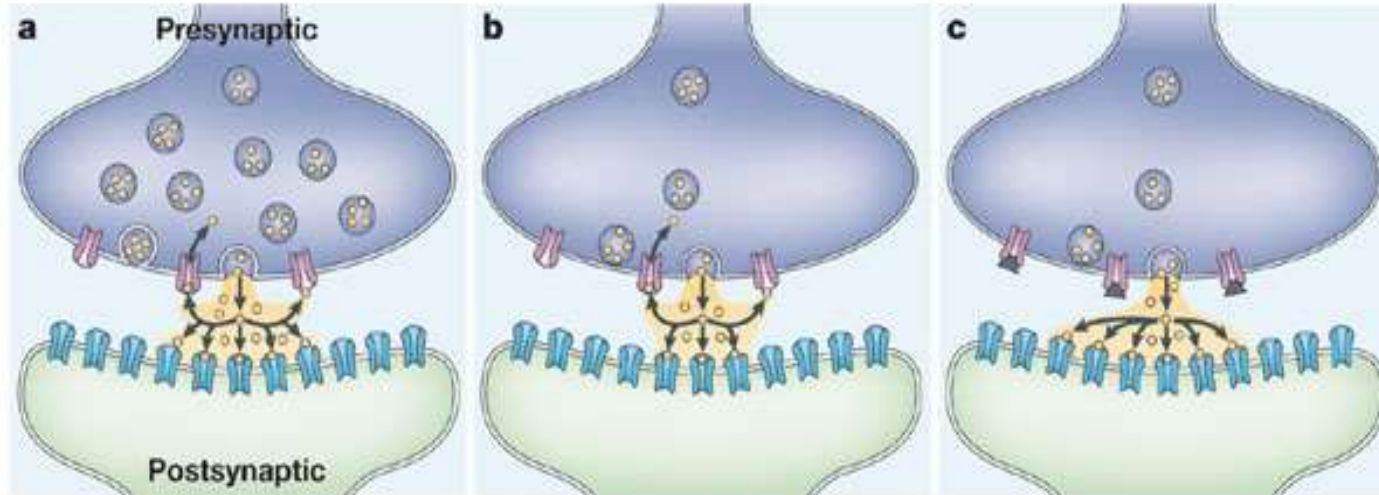
- **marked lack of feeling joy**
- **pessimism**
- **feeling of worthlessness or exaggerated consciousness of guilt**
- **decrease of ability to concentrate**
- **decision making problems**
- **insomnia or sleepiness, fatigue**
- **returning thoughts in relation to death and suicide**
- **loss of appetite**

Symptoms of mania

- hyperactivity
- increased self confidence
- excitement, impulsivity
- aggression, diminished need for sleep
- increased communicative competence
- grandiose ideas/plans



Pathophysiology



Nature Reviews | Neuroscience

Schildkraut: - depression-deficiency of monoamin transmission
(mania - overactivated)

- **RESERPIN** – blocks the uptake of biogenic amines into the storage vesicles (depression developed in 50% of the patients)

Pathophysiology

PRO

effective drugs

- MAO-inhibitors
 - increased monoamines (MAs) in storage vesicles
- TCA- inhibit the reuptake of MA → increased MAs in the synaptic cleft
- α_2 – antagonists → increase the release of MAs

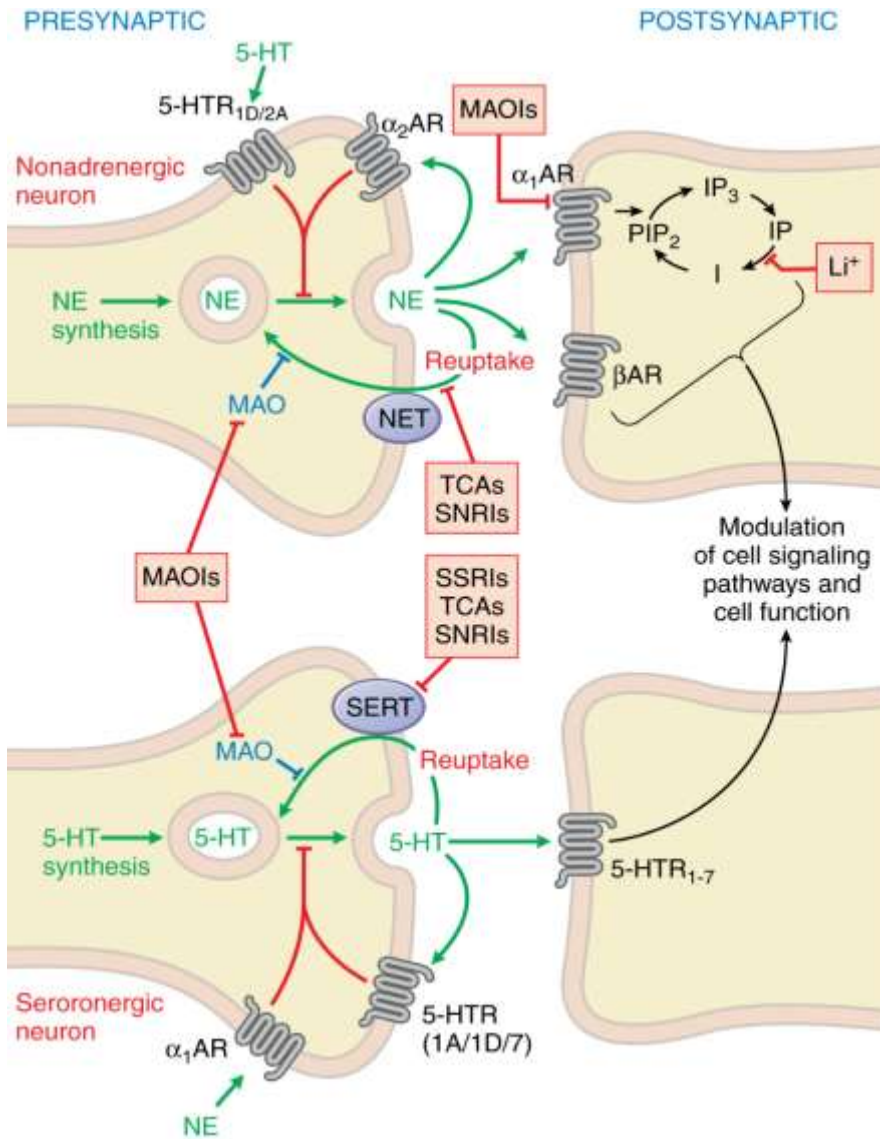
CONTRA

- pharmacologic effect develops immediately
- relief of symptoms takes min. 2-3 weeks

ADAPTIVE CHANGES

desensitization and decreased number of α_2 , β and 5-HT₂ receptors





Adaptive receptor sensitivity changes

(2-3 weeks)

Chronic antidepressant treatment



5-HT_{1A}, 5-HT₇, 5-HT_{1D},
5-HT_{2A}, α_2



Van Gogh

-Will Fan-

Classification:

1. NET-I / SERT-I /receptor antagonists

1.1. NET-I /SERT-I

1.1.1. tricyclics (TCA) – imipramine, amitriptyline, etc. (NET/SERT-I)

1.1.2. tetracyclics: maprotiline, amoxapine (NET-I)

1.2. SSRI – fluoxetine, paroxetine, fluvoxamine, citalopram, sertraline

1.3. (s)SNRI – venlafaxine, desvenlafaxine, duloxetine

1.4. (s)NRI – reboxetine, atomoxetine

1.5. NDAI – bupropion

2.1. SERT-I & 5HT-R antag.

2.1.1. trazodone – 5HT reuptake inhibitor, 5HT_{2A} antagonist

2.1.2. vilazodone – 5HT reuptake inhibitor, 5HT_{1A} partial agonist

2.2. Receptor antag. & NET-I – mirtazapine (α_2 & 5HT_{2A/C} & 5HT₃ & H₁ antag.)

3. MAOI

4. Tianeptine (AMPA receptor modulator)

5. 5HT_{2C} antag. & MT_{1/2} agon. – agomelatine

1.1. REUPTAKE INHIBITORS

1.1.1. Tricyclic antidepressants (TCA)

inhibit the reuptake of **NE** and **5-HT**

imipramine, amitriptyline, clomipramine

1.1.2. Tetracyclic antidepressants

inhibits mainly the **NE** reuptake

maprotiline

Adverse effects

- H₁ antagonism**
 - sedation, dizziness, confusion
 - weight gain
- α₁ blockade**
 - dizziness, orthostatic hypotension, reflex tachycardia,
- Anticholinergic**
 - dry mouth, constipation, urinary retention, blurred vision
 - confusion, impaired cognitive functions

***Ventricular arrhythmias:* blockade of HERG type K⁺ channels in the heart**

Pharmacokinetics

Long elimination half life, $t_{1/2}$ =25-35 óra

Interactions

- Potentiate the effect of alcohol – respiratory depression
- Together with MAO inhibitors → **Serotonin Syndrome** (hyperpyrexia, seizures, coma)

Indications

- depression
- panic disorders - **IMIPRAMINE, CLOMIPRAMINE**
- Nocturnal enuresis (nighttime urinary incontinance)
- neuropathic pain: **AMITRIPTYLINE,
CLOMIPRAMINE**
- migraine profilaxis: **AMITRIPTYLINE**



1.1. REUPTAKE INHIBITORS

1.2. **SSRI** (*selective serotonine reuptake inhibitors*)

selective inhibition of **5-HT** reuptake

*fluoxetine, fluvoxamine, paroxetine,
sertraline, citalopram*

Adverse effects

Lack of TCA like adverse effects!

5-HT₂ receptor stimulation

**anxiety (begin of the treatment), insomnia,
loss of libido, delayed orgasm**

5-HT₃ receptor stimulation

**nausea, vomit, GI problems, diarrhea,
headache**

SEROTONIN SYNDROME

- **SSRI + MAO- inhibitors → increased 5-HT level**
- **Symptoms:** muscle rigidity, cramps, hyperthermia, hypertension
- **Attention!** – when we switch the drug ***FLUOXETIN*** – elimination requires 4-6 weeks

Pharmacokinetics

- ***FLUOXETIN*** long duration of action (active metabolite: **NORFLUOXETINE**, $t_{1/2}=7-9$ days)
- ***PAROXETINE, SERTRALINE***, shorter duration of action ($t_{1/2}=25-35$ hours)

INDICATIONS

- **Depression (1st choice drugs)**
- **Anxiety disorders, OCD**
- **Eating disorders: bulimia nervosa, but not anorexia**
- **premenstrual dysphoric disorder**



ATYPICAL OR NEWER REUPTAKE INHIBITORS

1.3. SNRI (selective 5-HT and NE reuptake inhibitors)

venlafaxine – common use

- 2× day, $t_{1/2}$ =5-11 h

duloxetine

1.4. NRI (selective NE reuptake inhibitor)

reboxetine

ATYPICAL OR NEWER REUPTAKE INHIBITORS

1.5. DA and NE reuptake inhibitor

bupropion – contraindicated in epilepsy
(might cause seizures)

ATYPICAL OR NEWER REUPTAKE INHIBITORS

2.1.1. 5-HT reuptake inhibitor and 5-HT_{2A} receptor antagonist: *trazodone*

2.1.2. 5-HT reuptake inhibitors and 5-HT_{1A} receptor partial agonist: *vilazodone*

2.2. α_2 and 5-HT_{2,(3)} antagonist
mirtazapine

5-HT₂ inhibition: anxiolytic, sedative effect, better sleeping, does not modulate libido

5-HT₃ inhibition: antiemetic effect

4. Tianeptin

- **not fully known mechanism of action, it might modulate AMPA receptors, has significant *anxiolytic* effect**
- **Indication: to treat depression and anxiety during alcohol withdrawal syndrome**



3. MONOAMINO-OXIDASE INHIBITORS

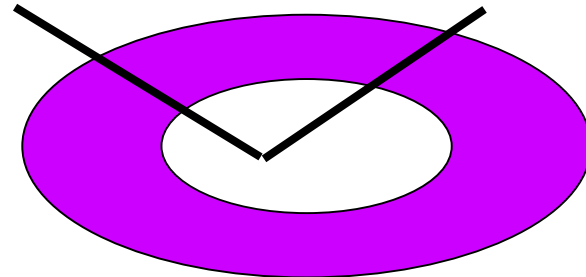
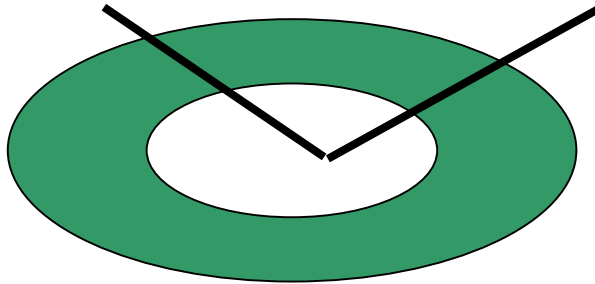
norepinephrine

dopamine

serotonin

tiramine

fenylethylamine



MAO-A

MAO-B

GI- tract
nerve endings

platelets
glial cells

CLORGYLIN

SELEGILIN

MOCLOBEMID

3. MONOAMINO-OXIDASE INHIBITORS

non- selective irreversible MAO inhibitors
depression (very severe cases)

phenelzine

selective reversible
MAO-A inhibitors (RIMA)

depression

moclobemid

selective irreversible
MAO-B inhibitors

Parkinson disease

selegiline

Adverse effects

- „cheese reaction" – dietary restrictions (primarily in case of irreversible MAOIs)
- insomnia, agitation
- sexual disturbances

- **INTERACTIONS:**

- 1) increase the effect of sympathomimetics;

- 2) *Serotonin Syndrome* given together with TCA or SSRI;

- 3) with Pethidin-respiratory depression, seizures

- **INDICATIONS:** depression, social phobias

- **THERAPY:** *MOCLOBEMID*, 2-3×/day, start with small dose and gradual increase

THERAPEUTICAL GIUDELINE

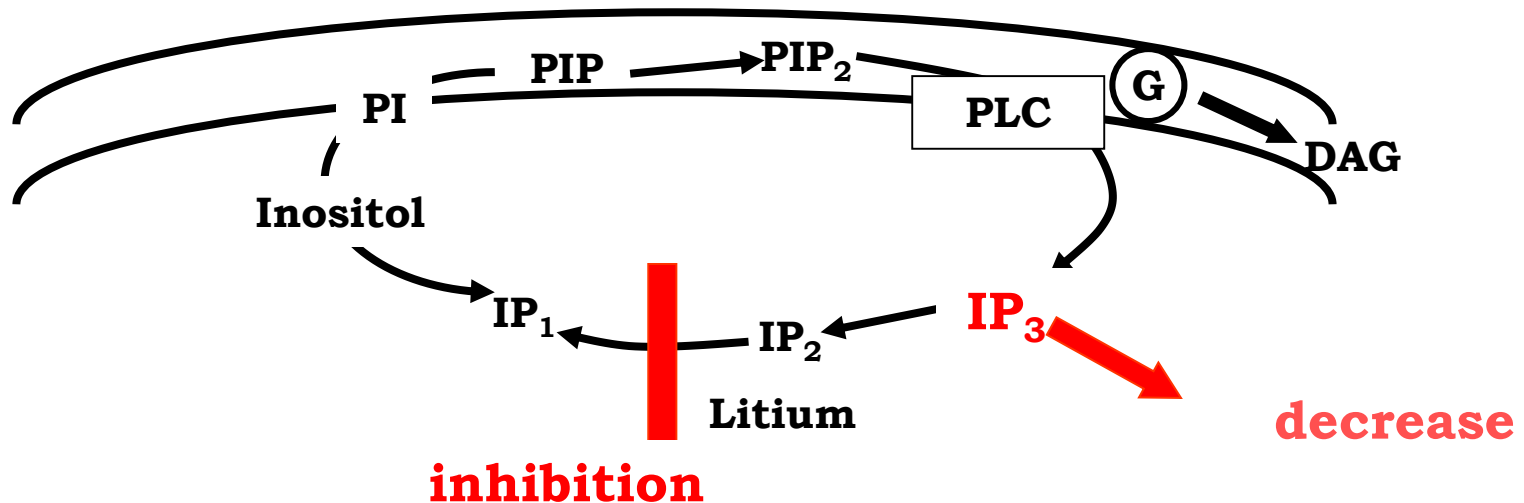
- **SSRI, 1st choice**
- **Monotherapy, if it is possible
(cumulating adverse effects)**
- **Therapeutical effect: min. 2-4 weeks**



MOOD STABILIZING, ANTIMANIAC DRUGS

- **Lithium**: mood stabilizer, prevents the maniac phase
- **Carbamazepine, Valproate, Lamotrigine** (antiepileptics)
- Antipsychotics (Quetiapine, Olanzapine, Aripiprazole)
- BZD, high potency drugs, ex. **Clonazepam**

Lithium carbonate



Other possible mechanism of actions:

- **Influence on the Na⁺ permeability**
- **inhibition of adenylate cyclase**
- **uncouple G proteins from their receptors**

PHARMACOKINETICS

- **excellent absorption from the gastrointestinal tract**
- **excreted unchanged by the urine**
- **half life is about 24 hours**

Serum level

prophylactic

0,6-1 mmol/l

acute maniac phase

1,0-1,2 mmol/l

toxic level

1,5-1,7 mmol/l

Adverse effects

- **Tremor, sedation, nausea, vomit**
- **Hypothyreosis**
- **Polyuria, polydipsia - nephrogenic
diabetes insipidus**
- **Terratogenic**
- **hyperactivity, seizures, coma (toxicity)**

INDICATIONS

- ***Bipolar affective disorder***

In severe maniac phase: **Li** is given together with an antipsychotic. After mania is controlled, the antipsychotic drug can be discontinued.

Li is administered prophylactically during the depressive phase of the bipolar disorder as well.

- ***Recurrent endogenous depression***

Li potentiates the effect of antidepressants