



THERAPY OF GASTRIC ULCER

EPIDEMIOLOGY OF GASTROINTESTINAL BLEEDING

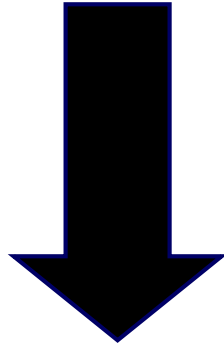
- Bleeding from upper gastrointestinal tract is life-threatening; the mortality is **5–20%**.
- The frequency of acute gastrointestinal bleeding in Western Europe and USA is **60-100/100 000 person/year** (In Hungary: 140/100 000 person/year).
- A stress ulcer can develop in patients in intensive care units. Mortality due to gastric bleeding associated with stress ulcer can reach, even exceed **50%**.

Stress ulcer in humans



ULCER - TYPE I.

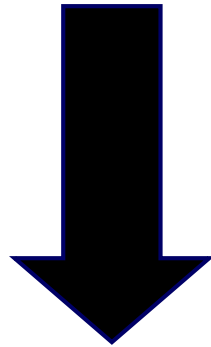
**In case of distal, antral and duodenal ulcers
hypersecretion is observed**



**DOMINANCY OF AGGRESSIVE
FACTORS**

ULCER - TYPE II.

**In case of upper gastric ulcers the acid
secretion is normal or decreased
(tends to malignant transformation!)**



**DECREASED DEFENSIVE
MECHANISMS**

WHY STOMACH DOES NOT DIGEST ITSELF?

Davenport, 1957

INTEGRITY OF GASTRIC MUCOSA DEPENDS

**Not on the luminal H^+ ion concentration,
but on the amount of back-diffused H^+ ions.**

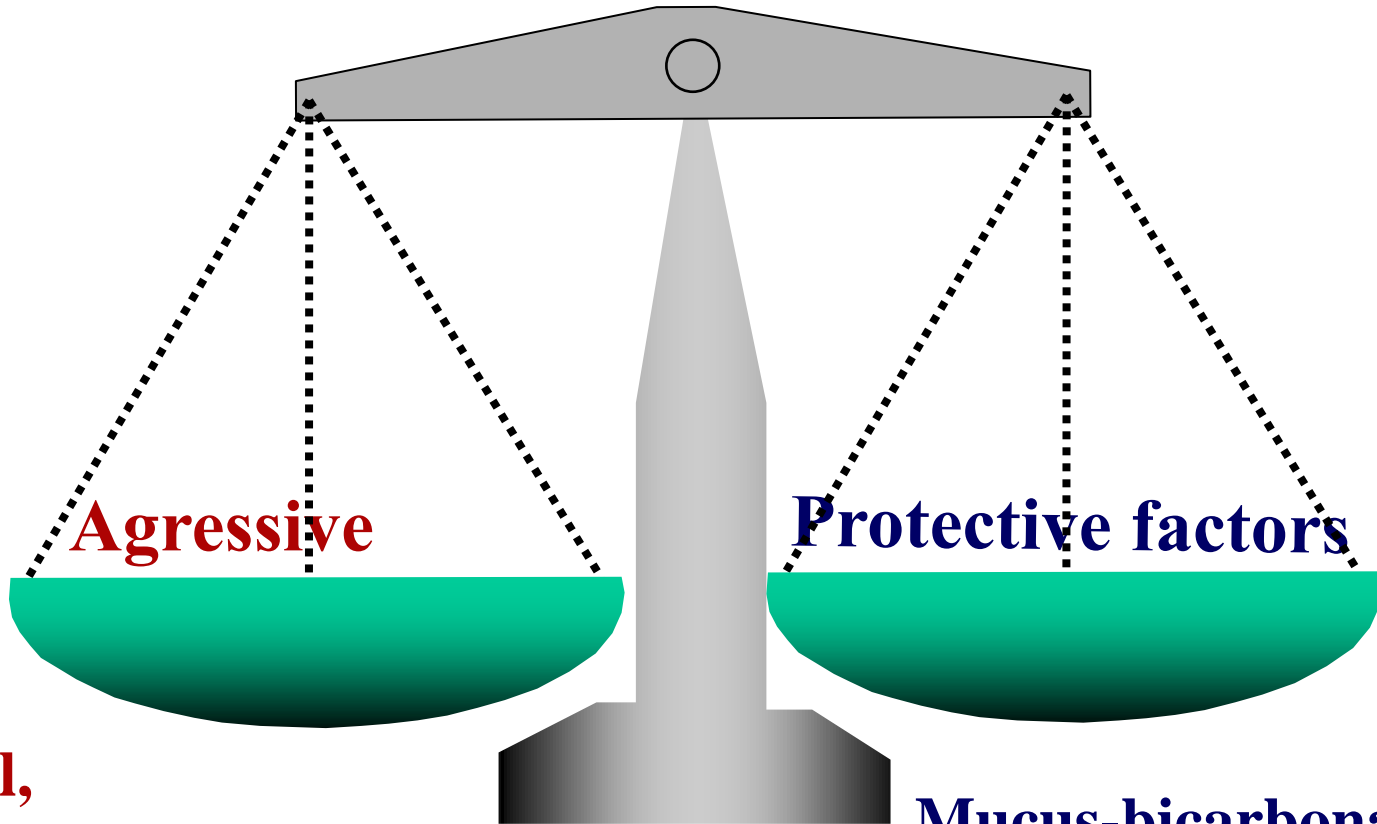
This is determined by

MUCOSAL BARRIER

MUCOSAL RESISTENCE

MUCOSAL MICROCIRCULATION

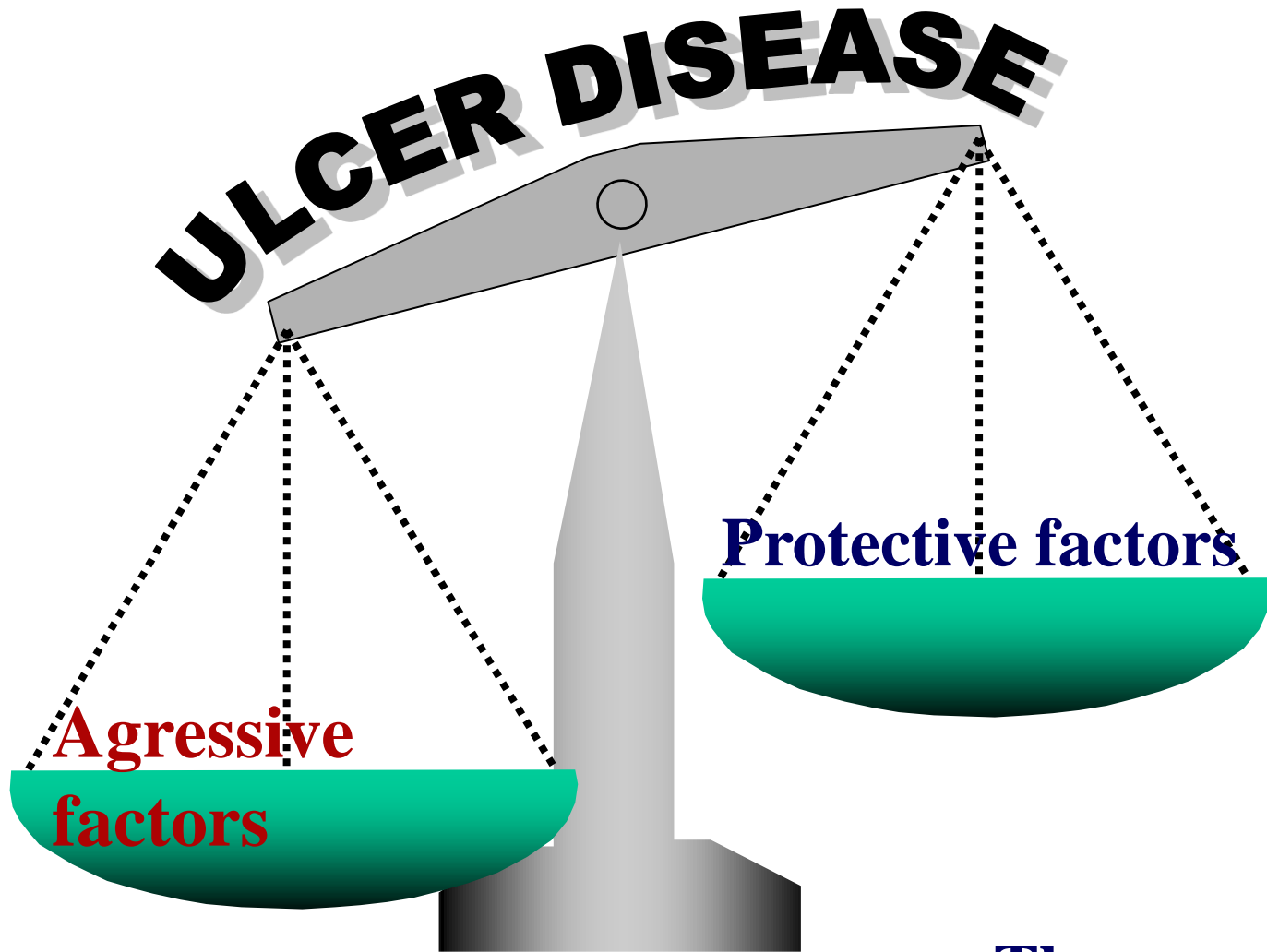
INTEGRITY OF GASTRIC MUCOSA



**HCl,
Pepsin,
H. pylori**

Mucus-bicarbonate layer

**PG, NO
CGRP?**

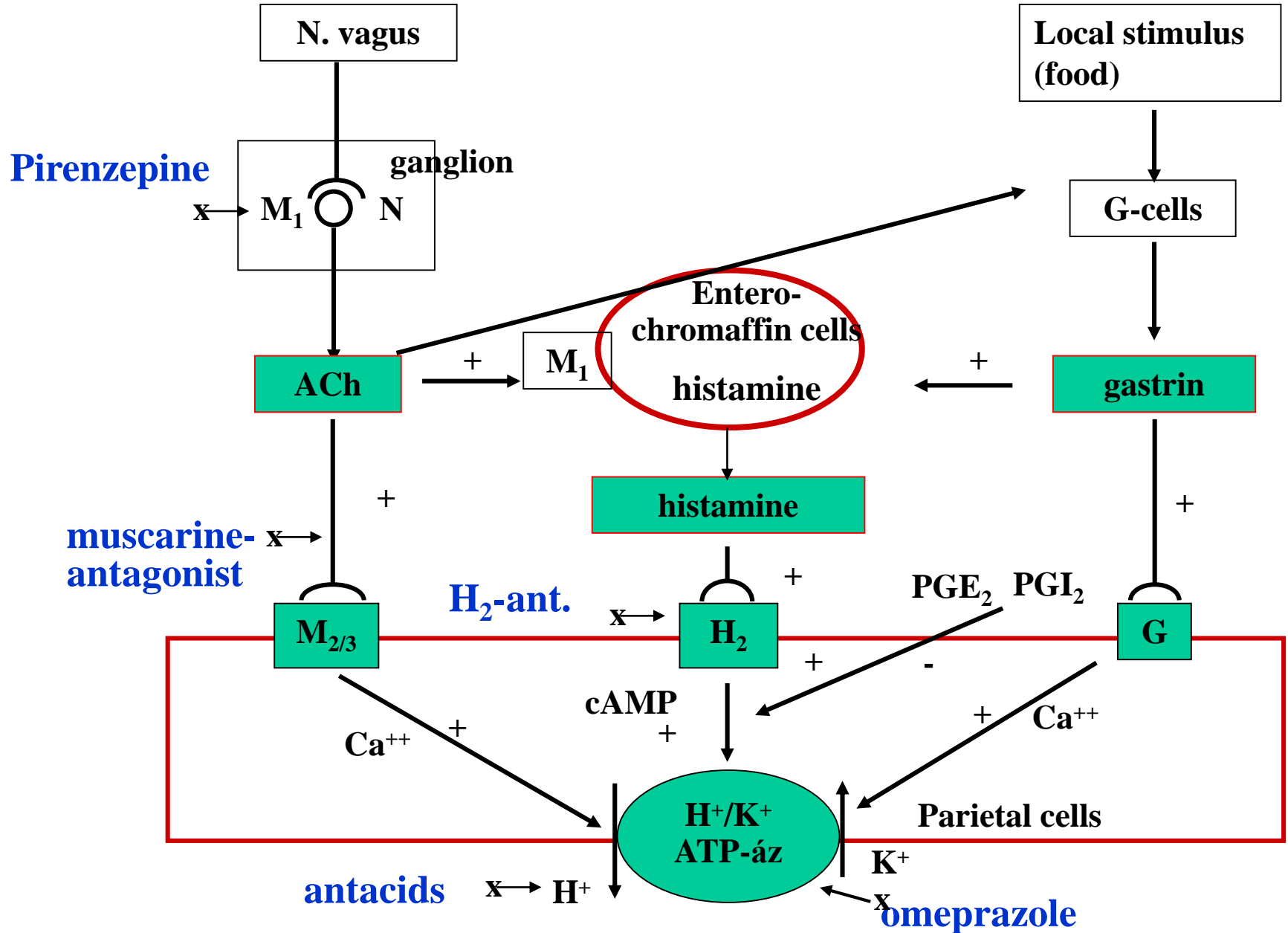


Therapy: inhibition of acid secretion, antibacterial agents

Therapy: sucralphate ??

I. AGRESSIVE FACTORS

GASTRIC ACID SECRETION

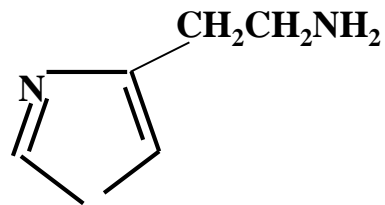


ULCER THERAPY

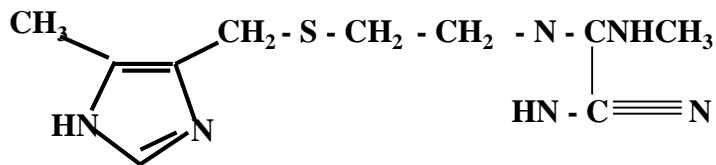
- **INHIBITION OF AGGRESSIVE FACTORS**
- **Anti-secretory agents**
 - H2 blocking drugs
 - Proton pump inhibitors
 - Anticholinergic drugs
 - Antacids
- **INCREASE OF MUCOSAL RESISTENCE**
 - Sucralfat
 - Prostaglandins
 - Bismuth salts
- **ERADICATION OF HELICOBACTER PYLORI**

I. ANTI-SECRETORY AGENTS

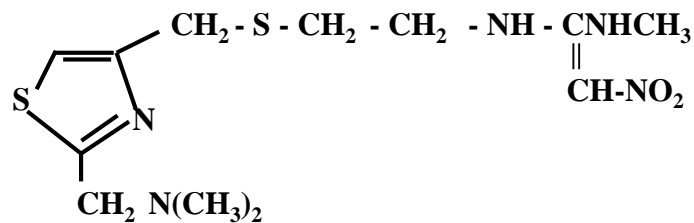
1. HISTAMINE H₂ RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS



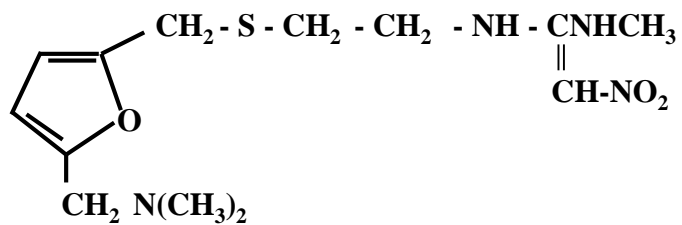
Histamine



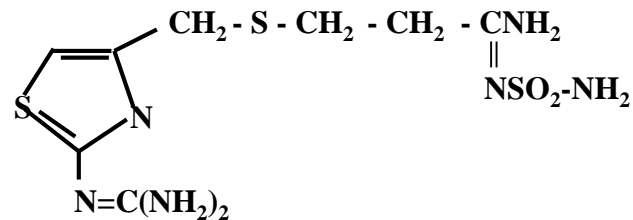
Cimetidine



Nizatidine



Ranitidine



Famotidine

EFFECTS

1. INHIBITION OF GASTRIC SECRETION

**Inhibits stimulated (muscarin agonist, gastrin) gastric acid secretion (both at ECL-cells and at parietal cells)
histamine final common mediator?**

pepsin, intrinsic factor secr.

2. OTHER:

enhanced immune response (?)

antagonism of certain effects of histamine on heart and vessels

ABSORPTION

good absorption from the stomach (but: food, antacids)

Indications

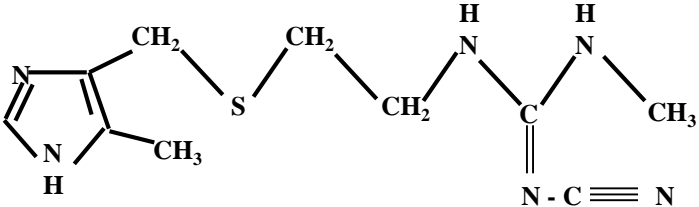
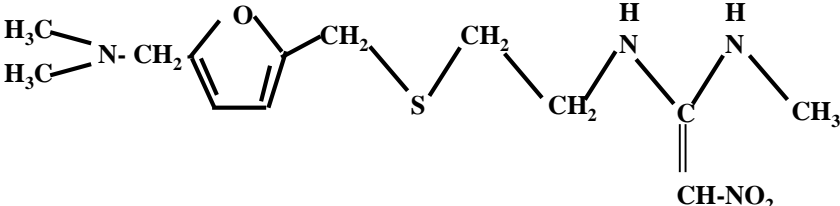
- GERD: twice/day less than 3 heartburn/ week
(erosive oesophagitis: PPI!!)
- Peptic ulcer disease: largely replaced by PPI
suppression of nocturnal acid secretion stimulates
healing of ulcer: bedtime administration results in 80-
90% healing in 6-8 weeks
- NSAID: with active ulcer: PPI
- H.Pylori associated acute ulcer: PPI
- Stress ulcer: without nasogastric tube, ileus: preferred over
PPI
- Perioperative medication in emergency

SIDE EFFECTS

- 1. headache, dizziness**
- 2. nausea, diarrhea, constipation, myalgia**
- 3. skin rashes, pruritus**
- 4. only cimetidine: loss of libido, gynecomastia, impotencia
(binds to androgen receptors)**
- 5. only cimetidine: binds to cytochrome P-450; inhibit the activity of hepatic microsomal**

- 6. CNS disturbance (in elderly people)**
- 7. Rare effects: thrombo-leukocytopenia
hepato-renal toxicity
i.v. inj.: bradycardia**
- 8. Hypochlorohydrria**
 - a) favours the survival of bacteria; candidal peritonitis**
 - b) growth of bacteria that form from ingested nitrates
carcinogen nitrosamines (??)**
- 9. Diagnosis of gastric cancer can be retarded in the presence
of H₂ blockers**

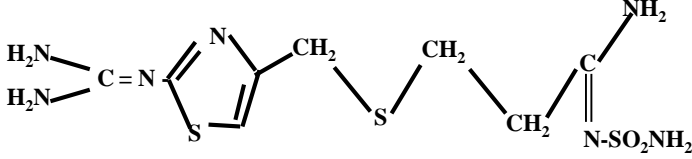
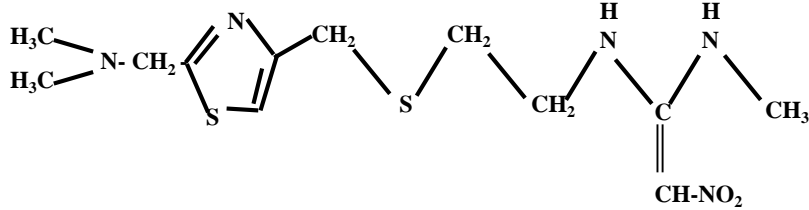
H₂ RECEPTOR BLOCKING DRUGS

Drugs	Bioavailability (Oral)	Vd	t _{1/2β}	Elimination
Cimetidine 	30-80 %	0.8-1.2 L/kg	1.5-2.3 hr, increased in severe renal failure	Mostly renal Major metabolite, S-oxide.
Ranitidine 	30-88 %	1.2-1.9 L/kg	1.6-2.4 hr, increased in severe renal failure	Mostly renal. Small amounts of S-oxide, N-oxide, and N-

desmethyl

metabolites.

H₂ RECEPTOR BLOCKING DRUGS (cont.)

Drugs	Bioavailability (Oral)	Vd	t _{1/2β}	Elimination
<p>Famotidine</p> 	37-45 %	1.1-1.4 L/kg	2.5- 4 hr, in- creased in severe renal failure	Mostly renal. Major metabolite, S-oxide.
<p>Nizatidine desmethyl</p> 	75-100 %	1..2-1.6 L/kg	1.1-1.6 hr, increased in severe renal fail- ure	Mostly renal. Small amounts of S-oxide, N-oxide N- metabolites.

Comparison of histamine H₂ receptor blocking drugs

Characteristics	Cimetidine	Ranitidine	Famotidine	Nizatidine
Bioavailability(%)	80	50	40	>90
Relative potency	1	5-10	32	5-10
Duration (h)	6	8	12	8
Relative potency on cytochrom P-450	1	0,1	0	0
Daily dose in peptic ulcer	800 mg or 2x400 mg	300 mg or 2x150 mg	40 mg or 2x 20 mg	300 mg evening or 2x150 mg
Daily dose in gastroesophageal reflux	2x800 mg	2x150 mg	2x20 mg	2x150 mg

DOSES:

cimetidine: 800 mg at bedtime
4 x 200 mg
2 x 400 mg

ranitidine: 300 mg at bedtime
2 x 150 mg

famotidine: 40 mg at bedtime
2 x 20 mg

nizatidine: 300 mg at bedtime
2 x 150 mg

2. PROTON-PUMP INHIBITORS

OMEPRAZOLE (pro-drug)

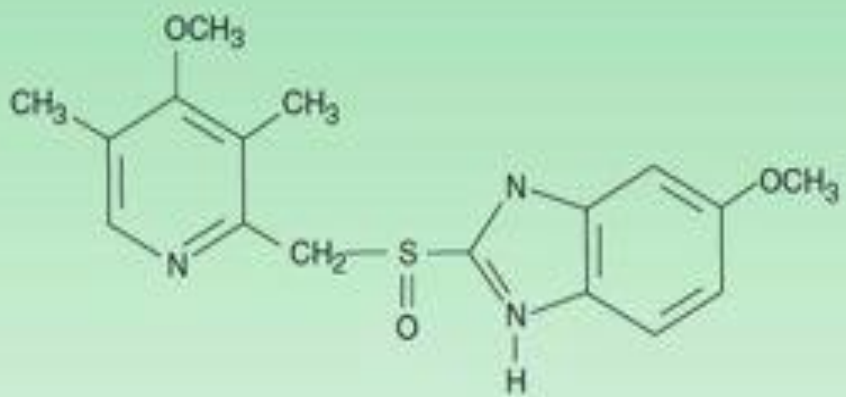
PANTOPRAZOLE

LANSOPRAZOLE

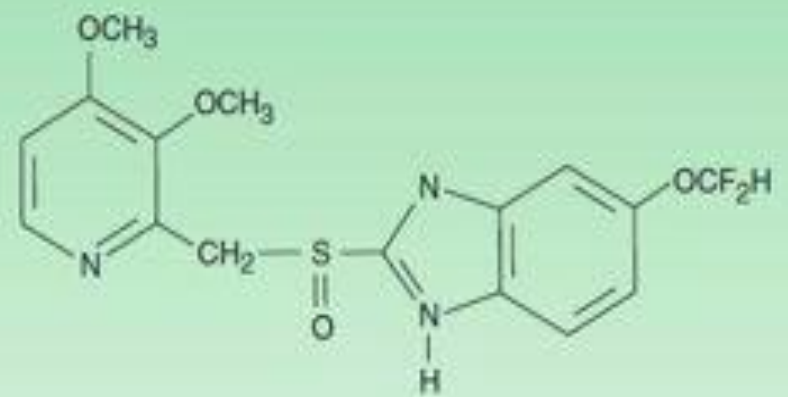
DEXLANSOPRAZOLE

ESOMEPRAZOLE

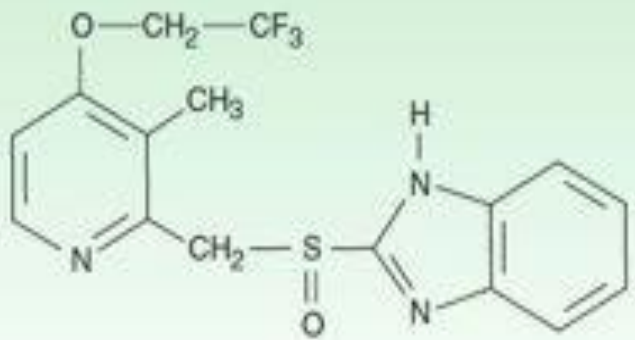
RABEPRAZOLE



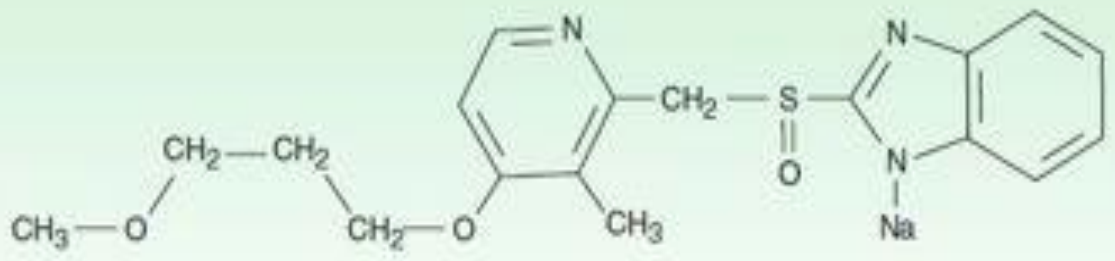
Omeprazole



Pantoprazole



Lansoprazole



Rabeprazole

MECHANISM:

H⁺-K⁺-ATP-ase: final step in gastric acid secretion inhibited by substituted benzimidazole: Omeprazole and derivatives

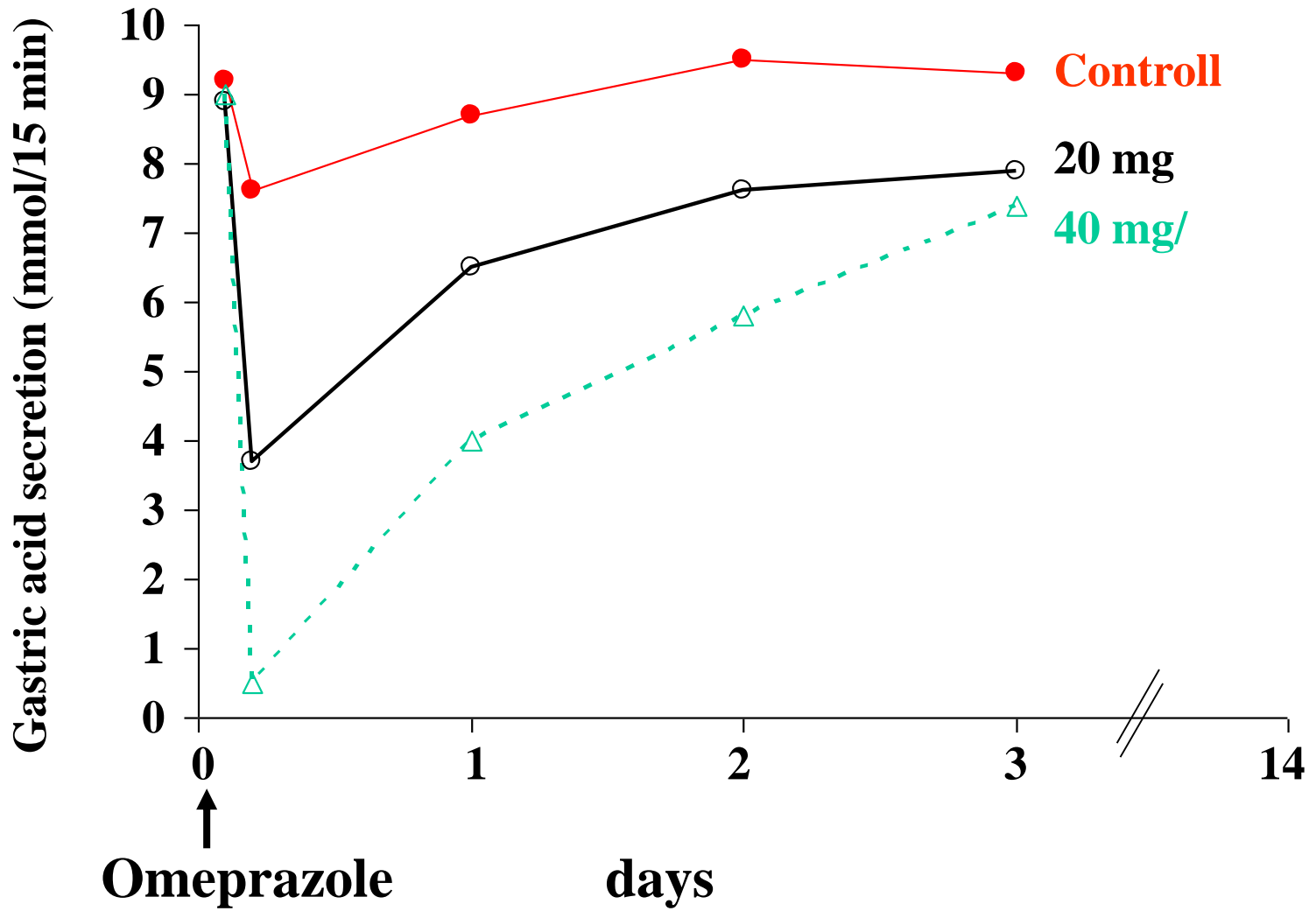
Lipophilic, weak bases, pro-drugs, formulated as delayed release, acid resistant enteric coated capsules – against acid.

Omeprazole: also as powder (with bicarbonate) , immediate release

After absorption in parietal cell in canaliculi are formed the active form, reactive thiazolopyridine, sulfenamide cation, forms a disulfide covalent bond with H⁺/K⁺ ATP-ase

EFFECTS

- Inhibits both basal and meal-stimulated acid secretion
- Inhibits acid secretion by 90-98+ for 24h



Indications

- GERD:

Non-erosive reflux: H2 blocking intermittent course of PPI

Erosive oesophagitis: PPI, once daily (healing: 80%),
twice daily (healing: 15%)

Extra-oesophageal reflux: twice daily

- Peptic ulcer disease

80-90% healing after 6-8 weeks gastric, after 4 week
treatment duodenal ulcer

- NSAID:

to stop with NSAID, NSAID with active ulcer PPI once or
twice

Prevention of ulcer formation, or complications: once daily
(10-20 % asymptomatic ulcer, 1-2 % bleeding perforation)

INDICATIONS

- Stress ulcer: PP by nasogastric tube, i.v. :
omeprazol – immediately release twice than
once/day)

COMPARISON OF PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS

	Bioavailability (%)	Half life (h)	Daily dose
Omeprazole	40-65	0.5-1	20 mg
Esomeprazole	50-89	1.2	20-40 mg
Lansoprazole	80-90	1.5	30 mg
Pantoprazole	77	1.9	40 mg
Rabeprazole	52	0.7-2.0	20 mg

SIDE EFFECTS

- **Hypergastrinaemia**
(hyperplasia of ECL-cells, carcinoid tumor in rats)
- **Potential risk:** bacterial overgrowth
Rarely: gastrointestinal disturbance
- **CNS:** headache, dizziness skin rash, leukopenia, acute interstitial nephritis

SIDE EFFECTS

- **Community acquired and nosocomial *pneumonia***
- **Diarrhoe induced by clostridium difficile and additional bacteria (Salmonella, Shigella, E coli, Campylobacter)**
- **Nutrition problem** with impaired absorption of vitamin B12 iron, calcium
- **Long term use: osteoporosis**, increased risk of hip, spine, wrist fracture

INTERACTION

Omeprazol inhibits the *clopidogrel-induced antiaggregation*

Mechanism: the active metabolite of clopidogrel and omeprazol is produced by the enzyme CYP (CYP2C19).

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3. M₁ MUSCARIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONIST

Pirenzepine

Telenzepine

gastric secretion is blocked in lower doses than other cholinergic functions

***Absorption:* poorly absorbed**

***Indication:* duodenal ulcer 2x 50 mg/day**

gastric ulcer 3x 50 mg/day

Side effects:

blurred vision less frequently dry mouth

constipation-diarrhoea frequently

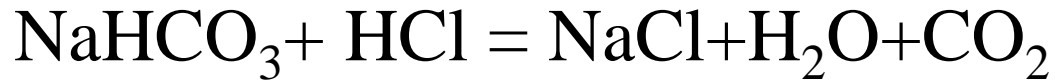
headache frequently

CNS frequently

ANTACIDS

1. Sodium compounds

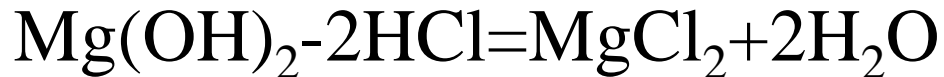
Sodium bicarbonate, sodium citrate



Systemic alkalosis!!!

Fluid retention (Na)

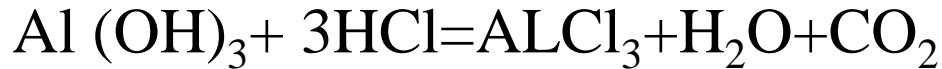
2. Magnesium hydroxyde



poor solubility, prolonged neutralizing effect
cathartic effect

3. Aluminium compounds

**Aluminium hydroxyde, Basic Al carbonate gel,
Al phosphate gel**



AlCl_3 : insoluble, slow action
constipation

binds e.g. to tetracyclins, phosphate

if absorbed: encephalopathy, Alzheimer?

4. Calcium carbonate



10% CaCl_2 is absorbed: hypercalcaemia

milk-alkali syndrome

only for short treatment

5. Combination: Magaldrate: $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2 + \text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$

II. ENHANCEMENT OF GASTRIC MUCOSAL DEFENSE

1. Bismuth chelate (De-Nol)

Mechanism: a. chelating with protein forms coating
b. antipeptic activity

Indication: gastric, duodenal ulcer
(= with H₂ blocking drugs, less relapse)

Dose: 4x120 mg (30' min before meals 2^h after last meal)

Adverse effect:- darkening of oral cavity
- encephalopathy, osteodistrophy: only: if
renal damage!!

2. Sucralfate

basic aluminium salt of sucrose octasulphate

Mechanism: a. the (-) sucrose octasulphate bind
to (+)protein molecules: gel
b. decrease the back-diffusion of H⁺
c. stimulation of PG synthesis

Indication: gastric
ulcer
duodenal

Dose: 4x1 g 1 h before meal

Adverse effect: obstipation

Interaction: antacids, H₂ antagonist should not be
taken simultaneously
(sucralfate is effective only in acidic environment)

3. Prostaglandins

misoprostol (2-3x0.1 mg)

Mechanism:

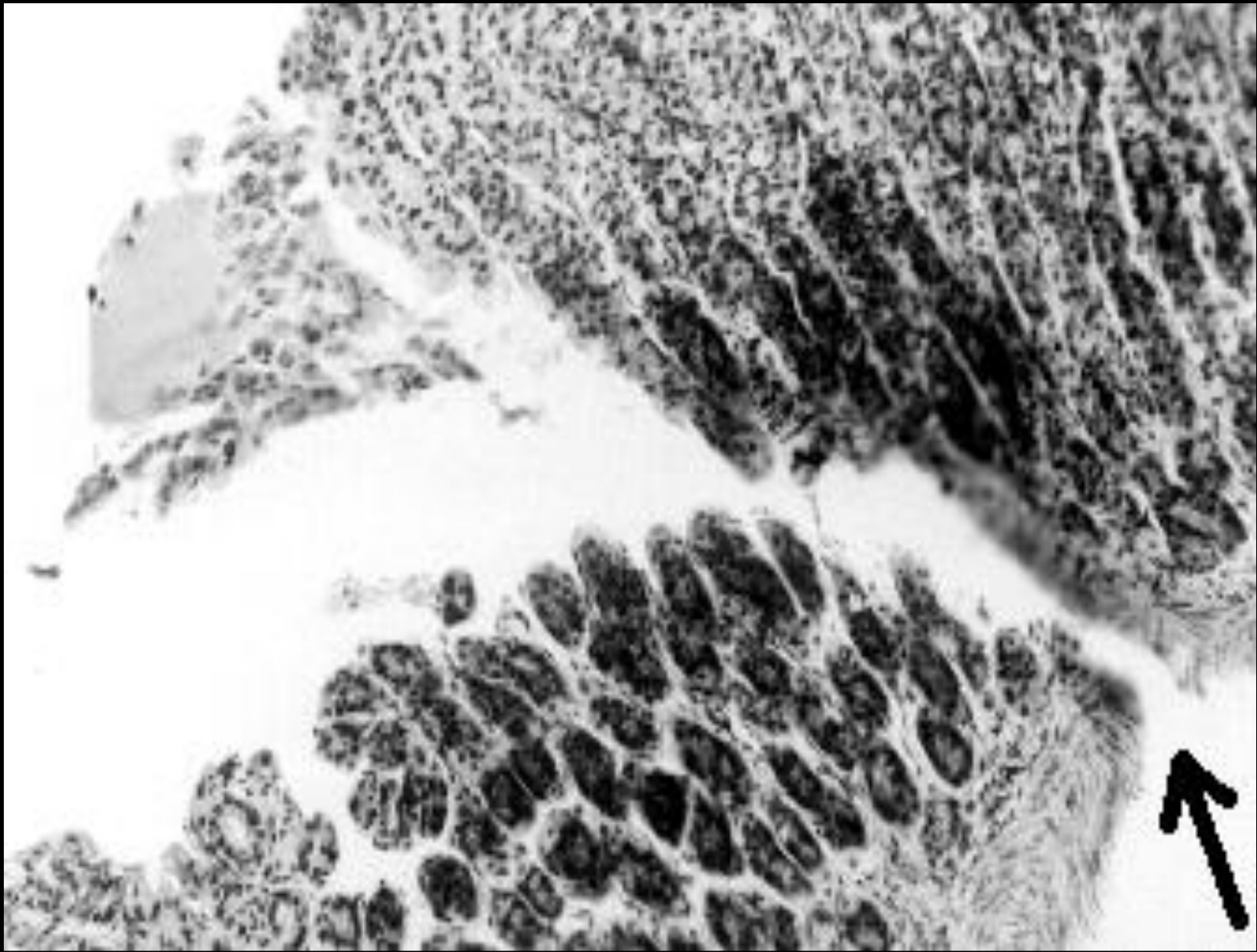
- a. stimulation of mucus secretion**
- b. enhanced mucosal blood flow**
- b. prevents H⁺ back-diffusion**
- c. enhanced cell replication**
- d. inhibition of acid secretion!**
(inhibition of cAMP)

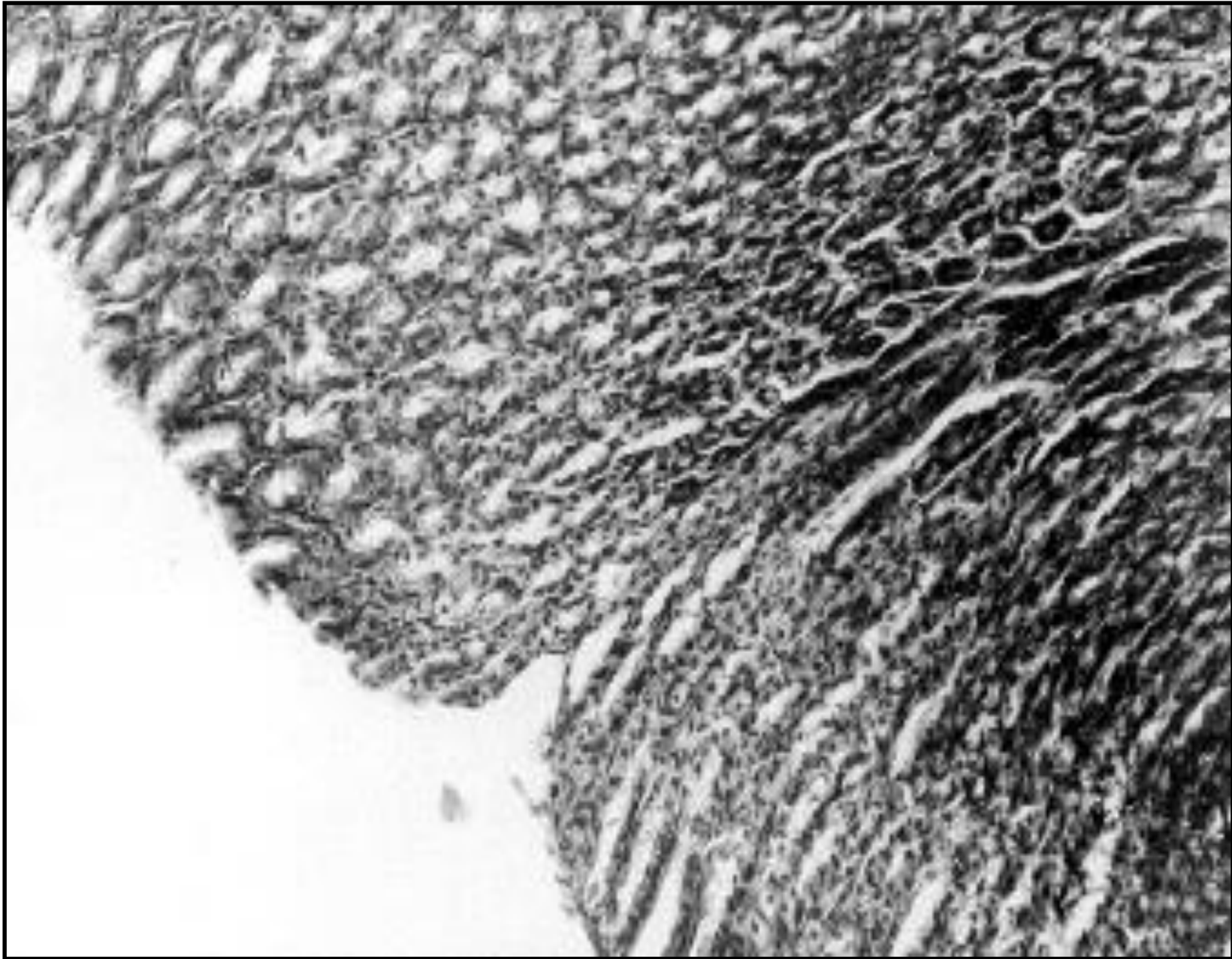
Indication: NSAID-induced GI mucosal damage

Adverse effect: diarrhea

uterus contraction (pregnancy!)







Profilaxis of NSAID-induced gastric mucosal damage

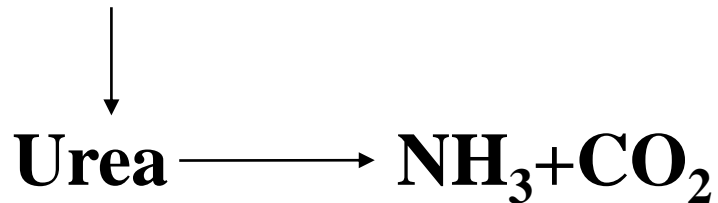
- Risk factors: GI ulcer!!, age, smoking
parallel steroid drugs
- Selective COX-2 inhibitors
- Misoprostol
- Proton pump inhibitors: for gastric but
not intestinal mucosal injury

HELICOBACTER PYLORI

- 1983: Marschall and Warren isolated from gastric mucosa of chronic gastritis.
- Later from epithelium of gastric ulcer and cancer.

A HELICOBACTER PYLORI

Urease production



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NH₄Cl: gastric acid neutralisation

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OPTIMAL MICROENVIRONMENT FOR BACTERIA

GASTRIC EPITHELIAL DAMAMGE

- **Cytotoxin**
- **Ammonia and derivatives
(urease)**
- **Phospholipase A₂ és C activity**
- **Leukotrien release**
- **PAF release**
- **Endotoxin-induced endothel damage**

ERADICATION OF HELICOBACTER PYLORI

1. TRIPLE THERAPY

Metronidazol (2-3 x 400-500 mg)

Bismuth salts (bismuth citrate, 4x 120 mg)

Tetracycline (4x500 mg)/ amoxicillin (3-4x500 mg)

Duration: 14 days

Side effect: 80 %

+ omeprazol

Duration: 7 days

- **2. MODIFIED TRIPLE THERAPY**

proton pump inhibitor

claritromycin (2x500 mg)

metronidazol (2-3x400-500 mg)

- *Duration: 7 days*

- *Side effect : 15 %*

- **3. ALTERNATIVE TRIPLE THERAPY**

proton pump inhibitor

claritromycin (2x500 mg)

amoxicillin(2x1000 mg)

- *Duration : 7 DAYS*

- *Side effect: 30%*

“Rescue” therapy

- PPI 2x
- Amoxicillin 2 x 1,0g
- Levofloxacin 500 mg / 10 nap

OR

- Rifabutin 300 mg

Or

- furazolidon 400 mg/10 nap