Paper II: Technical Subject Section (A) - 45 Marks

1. General Pharmacology

- 1.1 History, Terminology, Sources and Routes of Drug.
- 1.2 Pharmacokinetics
 - 1.2.1 The Dynamics of drug absorption, distribution, metabolism and kinetics of elimination.
 - 1.2.2 Optimization of dosage regimen: loading dose, maintenance dose and steady state plasma concentration.
- 1.3 Pharmacodynamics:
 - 1.3.1 Action of drug and Receptor pharmacology.
 - 1.3.2 The quantitative affects of drug action.
- 1.4 Adverse Drug Reactions, Monitoring and Pharmacovigilance:
 - 1.4.1 Definition, types, clinical significance.
 - 1.4.2 Heavy metals antagonists
- 1.5 Drug Interactions (Food, Disease and Drugs)
- 1.6 Pharmacogenetics:
 - 1.6.1 Importance of Pharmacogenetics to variability in Drug Response
 - 1.6.2 Genomic Basis of Pharmacogenetics.
- 1.7 Evaluation of New Drugs:
 - 1.7.1 Introduction of a New Drug
 - 1.7.2 Drug Discovery
 - 1.7.3 Preclinical Evaluation (Animal Studies)
 - 1.7.4 Clinical Trials, Official Regulations and Drug Advertisement.
 - 1.8 Concepts of Essential Medicines and Rational Use of Medicines
 - 1.8.1 National and State Level EDL
 - 1.9 Law Governing Drugs (Drug Schedules)

2. Neuropharmacology

2.1 Drugs Acting at Synaptic and Neuroeffector Junctional Sites

- 2.1.1 Neurotransmission: the autonomic and somatic nervous system
- 2.1.2 Muscarinic Receptor Agonists and Antagonists:
 - 2.1.2.1 Classifications, pharmacological basis for their actions, uses, contraindications and adverse effects.
- 2.1.3 Neuromuscular Blocker and Ganglion Blocker:
 - 2.1.3.1 Classifications, mechanism of actions, uses, contraindications and adverse effects.

- 2.1.4 Adrenergic Receptor Agonists and Antagonists:
 - 2.1.4.1 Classifications, pharmacological basis for their actions, uses, contraindications and adverse effects.
- 2.1.5 Serotonin Receptor Agonists and Antagonists:
 - 2.1.5.1 Classifications, pharmacological basis for their actions, uses and adverse effects.

2.2 Central nervous system and special senses

- 2.2.1 Aliphatic alcohols
 - 2.2.1.1 Pharmacological properties and its effect of physiological system.
 - 2.2.1.2 Etiology of alcohol use disorders and the role of gene.
 - 2.2.1.3 Ethanol and methanol intoxication and its management, tolerance, dependence.
- 2.2.2 General anaesthetics and Therapeutic Gases:
 - 2.2.2.1 Classifications, mechanism of action, uses, contraindications and adverse effects.
- 2.2.3 Local anaesthetics
 - 2.2.3.1 Types of local anaesthesia, classification, mechanism, uses and adverse effects.
- 2.2.4 Therapy of epilepsies
 - 2.2.4.1 Classification of antiepileptic drugs, mechanism of action, indication, adverse effects, drug interactions and contraindications.
- 2.2.5 Treatment of Central Nervous System Degenerative Disorders
 - 2.2.5.1 Therapy of Parkinsonism
 - 2.2.5.1.1 Classification of antiparkinsonian drugs, mechanism of action and adverse effects.
 - 2.2.5.2 Therapy of Alzheimer's disease
 - 2.2.5.3 Therapy of Huntington's Disease
- 2.2.6 Opioid analgesics and antagonists
 - 2.2.6.1 Classification of opioid analgesics and antagonists, pharmacological actions, uses, contraindications, adverse effects and drug dependence-management.
- 2.2.7 Sedatives and hypnotics
 - 2.2.7.1 Classification of sedatives and hypnotics, pharmacological actions, uses and adverse effects.
- 2.2.8 CNS stimulants- classification, uses and adverse effects.
- 2.2.9 Drug abuse
 - 2.2.9.1 Types and management

- 2.2.10 Psychopharmacology
 - 2.2.10.1 Antipsychotic, antidepressants and mood stabilizers
 - 2.2.10.1.1 Classification, mechanism of action, uses, adverse effects and drug interactions of it.

3. Drugs used to treat disease of Inflammation and Related Autocoids

- 3.1 Histamine and bradykinin
 - 3.1.1 Its analogues, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects.
- 3.2 Prostaglandins, leukotrines and platelet activating factors
 - 3.2.1 Its preparations, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects.
- 3.3 Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAIDS)
 - 3.3.1 Classification of NSAIDs, salient features of various groups, mechanism of action, uses, adverse effects and drug interactions of it.
- 3.4 Disease modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARDs)
 - 3.4.1 Classification of antirheumatic drugs, mechanism of action, uses, adverse effects and drug interactions.
- 3.5 Drugs for gout
 - 3.5.1 Classification of anti-gout drug, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects.

4. Blood, reticulo-endothelial and immune system:

- 4.1 Haematinic and Hematopoietic Agents: Growth factors, minerals, vitamins and antioxidents:
 - 4.1.1 Classification, their actions, indications and adverse effects.
- 4.2 Haemostatics
 - 4.2.1 Classification, their actions and uses.
- 4.3 Therapy of Thromboembolic disorders
 - 4.3.1 Anticoagulants
 - 4.3.1.1 Introduction
 - 4.3.1.2 General principles- Classification of anticoagulants, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses, adverse effects, contraindication and drug interactions.
 - 4.3.2 Thrombolytics
 - 4.3.2.1 Preparations, pharmacological basis for their actions, uses and adverse effects.
 - 4.3.3 Antiplatelet agents
 - 4.3.3.1 Classification of antiplatelet drugs, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses, adverse effects and contraindications.
- 4.4 Antileukaemic Drugs:

- 4.4.1 Classifications of anticancer drugs, mechanism of actions, uses, interactions, contraindications and adverse effects.
- 4.5 Immunomodulators and immunotherapy:
 - 4.5.1 Classifications, mechanism of actions, uses and adverse effects.

5. Drugs Affecting Renal and Cardiovascular System and Related Autocoids

- 5.1 Diuretics
 - 5.1.1 Classification of diuretics, mechanism of action, indications, adverse effects and contracindications.
- 5.2 Antidiuretics
 - 5.2.1 Vasopressin analogues and vasoactive peptides-mechanism of action, indications, adverse effects and contraindications.
- 5.3 Nitric oxide donors and inhibitors
- 5.4 Therapy of hypertension
 - 5.4.1 Antihypertensive drugs classification, mechanism of action, indications, adverse effects, contraindications and drug interactions.
- 5.5 Therapy of Myocardial ischaemia and Angina
 - 5.5.1 Drugs used in myocardial ischaemia
 - 5.5.2 Antianginal drugs classification, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses, adverse effects, contraindications and drug interactions
- 5.6 Therapy of Congestive Heart Failure
 - 5.6.1 Classification of drugs used in Heart Failure, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses, adverse effects and drug interactions of it.
- 5.7 Therapy of Arrhythmia
 - 5.7.1 Antiarrhythmic drugs classification, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses, adverse effects, contraindications and drug interactions.
- 5.8 Therapy of hypercholesterolemia and Dyslipidemia
 - 5.8.1 Classification, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses and adverse effects of it.

6. **Respiratory system**

- 6.1 Therapy of Bronchial asthma
 - 6.1.1 Classification of drugs used in Bronchial Asthma, mechanism of action, pharmacological basis for the us, adverse effects, drugs interactions, contraindications and special features.
- 6.2 Therapy of allergic rhinitis- antihistaminics
 - 6.2.1 Classification of antihistamines, therapeutic uses and adverse effect.

- 6.3 Therapy of cough
 - 6.3.1 Antitussives and mucolytics: classifications, mechanism of action, adverse reactions and cautions.

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7. Chemotherapy

- 7.1 Classification, mechanism of action, therapeutic uses, adverse effects, contraindications and drug interactions of:
 - 7.1.1 Cotrimoxazole, sulphonamides
 - 7.1.2 Fluoroquinolones
 - 7.1.3 Lactam antibiotics: penicillins, cephalosporin etc...
 - 7.1.4 Lactamase inhibitors
 - 7.1.5 Aminoglycosides
 - 7.1.6 Tetracyclines, chloramphenicol
 - 7.1.7 Macrolides: Erythromycin: prototype
 - 7.1.8 Miscellaneous groups of antibiotics e.g. lincosamide and Glycopeptidr and other antibacterial antibiotics.
- 7.2 Chemotherapy of Sexually transmitted diseases
- 7.3 Chemotherapy of Urinary Tract Infection- urinary antiseptics
- 7.4 Chemotherapy of leprosy
 - 7.4.1 Classification of antileprotic drugs, uses and adverse effects of it.
- 7.5 Antiviral drugs
 - 7.5.1 General principles- classification, mechanism of action, indications, adverse effects, contraindications, therapeutic uses and drug interactions.
 - 7.5.2 Regimens and prophylaxis of HIV
- 7.6 Chemotherapy of fungal infection
 - 7.6.1 Classification of anti-fungal drugs, uses and adverse effects of it.
- 7.7 Chemotherapy of Parasitic Infections:
 - 7.7.1 Malaria
 - 7.7.1.1 Classification of anti-malarial drugs according to parasitic stage, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects.
 - 7.7.1.2 Regimens and prophylaxis
 - 7.7.2 Kalaazar- classification of drugs, uses and adverse effects of it.
 - 7.7.3 Filariasis: classification of drugs, uses and adverse effects of it.
- 7.8 Chemotherapy of worm infestation
 - 7.8.1 Anthelminthics list the drugs, mechanism of action, adverse effects, drug interactions and contraindications.

- 7.9 Chemotherapy of amoebiasis and giardiasis
 - 7.9.1 Antiprotozoal drugs classification, mechanism of action, uses, adverse effects and drug interactions.
- 7.10 Chemotherapy of Tuberculosis-
 - 7.10.1 Classification of antitubercular drugs, mechanism of actions, adverse effects, contraindication and drug interaction.
 - 7.10.2 Regimens and prophylaxis

8. Drugs used in disorder of Gastrointestinal system

- 8.1 Drug therapy for gastric acidity, peptic ulcer and gastro esophageal disorder
 - 8.1.1 Introduction, pathogenesis, list of drugs- classification, mechanism of action, uses, adverse effects and drug interactions
 - 8.1.2 Drug regimen for H.pylori eradication
- 8.2 Therapy of nausea and vomiting-Emetics and anti-emetic agents
 - 8.2.1 Classification of emetics, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects.
 - 8.2.2 Classification of antiemetics, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects of it.
- 8.3 Therapy of diarrhea
 - 8.3.1 Oral rehydration solution- constituents, indications
 - 8.3.2 Antidiarrhoeals agents and antispasmodic agents- Classification, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects of it
- 8.4 Therapy of constipation
 - 8.4.1 Commonly used drugs in constipation, clinical importance and adverse actions.
- 8.5 Pharmacotherapy of Inflammatory Bowel Disease

9. Endocrine and metabolism system

- 9.1 Anterior pituitary hormones and analogues
 - 9.1.1 Growth Hormone and its analogues, Growth hormone inhibitors-uses and adverse effects.
 - 9.1.2 Prolactin analogues and inhibitors- preparations, uses, adverse effects.
 - 9.1.3 Gonadotropins preparations, uses, advderse effects.
 - 9.1.4 GnRH agonist and antagonist- preparations, uses, adverse effects.
- 9.2 Thyroid and antithyroid drugs
 - 9.2.1 Consequences of excess and deficiency of thyroid hormones
 - 9.2.2 Drugs for treating hypo and hyperthyroidism- classification, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects.
- 9.3 Insulin, Oral Hypoglycaemic drugs and Glucagon

- 9.3.1 Classifications of drugs used in treatment of diabetes mellitus, pharmacological basis for their actions, uses, interactions, contraindications and adverse effects.
- 9.3.2 Glucagon- uses and the rationale
- 9.4 Adrenocorticosteroids and synthetic analogues and antagonist
 - 9.4.1 Classification of adrenocorticosteroids, mechanism of action, indications, adverse effects, contraindications of it.
- 9.5 Drugs affecting calcium balance and bone turnover
 - 9.5.1 Integrated physiological role, therapeutic implications of parathormone, calcitonin and vitamin –D
 - 9.5.2 Bisphosphonates- classification, mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects

10. **Reproductive system**

- 10.1 Gonadal hormones and antagonists:
 - 10.1.1 Androgens and Antiandrogens- Classifications, mechanism of actions, uses, interactions, contraindications and adverse effects.
 - 10.1.2 Estrogens, Antiestrogens and Selective Estrogen Receptor Modulators (SERMs)- Classifications, mechanism of actions, uses, interactions, contraindications and adverse effects.
- 10.2 Hormonal contraceptives
 - 10.2.1 Types, mechanism of action, pharmacological actions, uses, choice of preparation, adverse effects, contraindications.
- 10.3 Drugs acting on uterus
 - 10.3.1 Classifications of oxytocics and tocolytics, mechanism of actions, uses, contraindications and adverse effects of it.
- 10.4 Medication during pregnancy and lactation
 - 10.4.1 Drugs causing tratogenecity and its categories.

11. Special Systems Pharmacology

- 11.10cular Pharmacology
- 11.2 Dermatological Pharmacology
- 11.3 Environmental Toxicology: Carcinogens and heavy metals
- 11.4 Enzymes in therapy
- 11.5 Vaccines and Sera

12. Recent advances in Pharmacology

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