

Learning unit: Hypnosedatives

Important terms

benzodiazepines

- midazolam
- diazepam

"Z" substances

- zopiclone
- zolpidem
- eszopiclone

antidepressant drugs used for treatment of insomnia

- trazodone
- agomelatine
- mirtazapine
- dosulepine

drugs affecting circadian rhythms

melatonin

H₁ antihistamines (I. generation)

- promethazine
- moxastin
- bisulepine

medicinal herbs as hypnosedatives

dependency on hypnosedatives

Learning outcomes

Student can describe substances of the individual groups and mechanisms of their action. Student knows indications of hypnosedatives.

Student knows risks of long-term use of hypnosedatives.

Recommended study materials:

Rang & Dale's Pharmacology, 9th edition, 2020-chaspter 45: Anxiolytic and hypnotic drugs, pp. 569-578.

Study materials of the course aVLFA0822c and aVLFA0822p

Exam questions

Special pharmacology: 29. Hypnosedatives, anxiolytics

"Essential" drugs: 113. zolpidem, 22. diazepam