Anti-obesity drugs

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Obesity

severe world-wide spread disease increases DM II, cardiovascular risk, osteoporosis

Body mass index (BMI) = body weight [kg] / (body height [m])²

Obesity definition (WHO):

- BMI 20-25 normal
- BMI 25-30 overweight
- BMI 30-40 obesity
- BMI >40 severe obesity

Visceral obesity: waistline > 80cm (F) or > 94cm (M)

Anti-obesity therapy

- □ low-energy diet
- □ aerobic exercise
- □ farmacotherapy

Anti-obesity drugs

Central (Anorectics)

- inhibits centre of appetite in brain
- increase sympathetic tonus

Peripheral

inhibits digestion and/or absorption of lipids and carbohydrates

- accelerates their metabolism

Central anorectics

- decreases appetite
- causes feeling full
- increases lipolysis

Mechanism of action:

- indirect central adrenergic stimulants
- indirect 5-HT mimetics
- cannabinoid receptor 1 antagonists

Amphetamine derivatives

- increases catecholamine synaptic release



Structure-activity relationships:

R1: -H, -OH or 3,4- -OCH $_2$ O-R2: methyl, ethyl

Amphetamine derivatives



-withdrawed from market due to severe cardiovascular side-effects

Amphetamine synthesis







Metamphetamine synthesis





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Amphetamine derivatives

Fentermine

used as resinate (complex with resine polymer)



Mazindole



Fentermine synthesis



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8.3.3

Mazindole synthesis



<u>Serotonine-Noradranaline Reuptake</u> Inhibitors (SNRIs)

Antidepressants with anorectic activity



Venlafaxine



Duloxetine

<u>Serotonine-Noradranaline Reuptake</u> Inhibitors (SNRIs)



Sibutramine

widely used in therapy, manifesting several cardiovascular side-effects

Sibutramine synthesis



<u>Selective Serotonine Reuptake</u> <u>Inhibitors (SSRIs)</u>

Antidepressants with anorectic activity



Fluoxetine



Sertraline

Cannabinoid receptor CB1 inhibitors



Rimonabant

Antagonism on the cerebral CB1 receptors decreases appetite and overall food income

Rimonabant synthesis



Peripheral anti-obesity drugs



Acarbose

 α -glucosidase inhibitor

- carbohydrates are not digested in the intestine

Peripheral anti-obesity drugs

Orlistat

both ventricular and pancreatic lipase inhibitor

- lipids are not digested in all digestive organs <u>Important side-effect:</u>

undigested lipids causes diarrhoea