## Industrial and household toxicology

**Nitrates and nitrites** 



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قال تعالى (يَرْفَع اللّٰهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ دَرَجَاتٍ)

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معلوماته سهله حتى الي رح اكتبه رح يكون قليل لانه الدكتوره كانت تحكي نفس الي بالسلايد بالضبط

- A. Nitrates (organic): widely used as <a href="wasodilators">wasodilators</a> for the treatment of <a href="ischemic heart">ischemic heart</a> disease and heart failure
- ✓ glyceryl trinitrate, Isosorbide dinitrate, Isosorbide mononitrate
  - Rapidly absorbed from the GIT and skin
  - Undergo 1<sup>st</sup> pass effect which markedly reduces their activity
  - Orally at high conc.
  - Sublingual route of administration
  - Trans dermal patches

بقدر بعطیه orally ولکن رح یصیر اله orally بقدر بعطیه pass لما واحد تصیبه جلطه لاسمح الله بعطیه حبه تحت اللسان حتی ما یقل مفعولها و یکون مفعولها طبعا اسر ع

ننتبه انو هون يعتبر nitroglycerin ....organic صح نستخدمه للعلاج وكمان بستخدمه بالمتفجرات لانه بسرعه ينفجر هسا الي يصير انو بسرعه يتأكسد ولما يتاكسد يطلع غازات كثير سامه

#### A. Nitrates (organic):

- Organic nitrates such as nitroglycerin also are used in explosives....
- .....where the rapid oxidation of carbon compounds liberates large volumes of gases

#### A. Nitrates (inorganic):

- ✓ Potassium nitrate, sodium nitrate: (white crystalline salt, water soluble)
  مدول بالاکل موجودین
  - Food additive to preserve color
  - Fertilizers
  - Explosives
  - Occur naturally in root vegetables spinach, carrots, cabbage and in some well water
- Gunpowder: mixture of sulfur, charcoal, and
   potassium nitrate وهدول يدخلو بتركيب ابارود كمان
- Rapidly absorbed through gastric mucosa and excreted unchanged in urine

بسرعه يتم امتصاصهم ويتم افرازهم زي ما هم عن طريق urine

وبالاسمده والمتفجرات وموجود بالجز (الأطفال

عرضه لتسمم ب النايتريت لانه هاد الجزر نهرسه

للأطفال بكميات محترمه )ر والسبانخ

#### A. Nitrates (inorganic):

- Bismuth sub-nitrate: white powder insoluble in water
- Antidiarrheal, antacid
- ✓ Silver nitrate: white powder with metallic taste
- Used for its astringent and disinfectant properties
  - Paste form used to treat burns
- Both absorbed through the skin and the GIT
- Nitr<mark>a</mark>te is converted to nitr<mark>i</mark>te by intestinal 

  bact....denitrification 

  المحروق ولما تكون

بنستخدمه على الحروق ولما تكون مساحه الحرق كبيره رح يزييد امتصاصه وازيد السميه وكمان اذا اخذه عن طريق ثمه انو orally

Nitrites (organic): **B.** 

هو غاز وسميته من خلال الاشتنشاق

معناها الناس الى يضلو

لانو يعمل تسمم بكل

واضيح

يزيدو الدوز ونخاف منهم

- ✓ Amyl nitrite: yellow volatile flammable liquid
  - Used as antianginal
  - Used to treat cyanide poisoning
  - Used as drug of abuse ("poppers" induces a brief euphoric state)
- Absorbed most rapidly by the lungs
- Inactive when taken by mouth....rapidly hydrolyzed

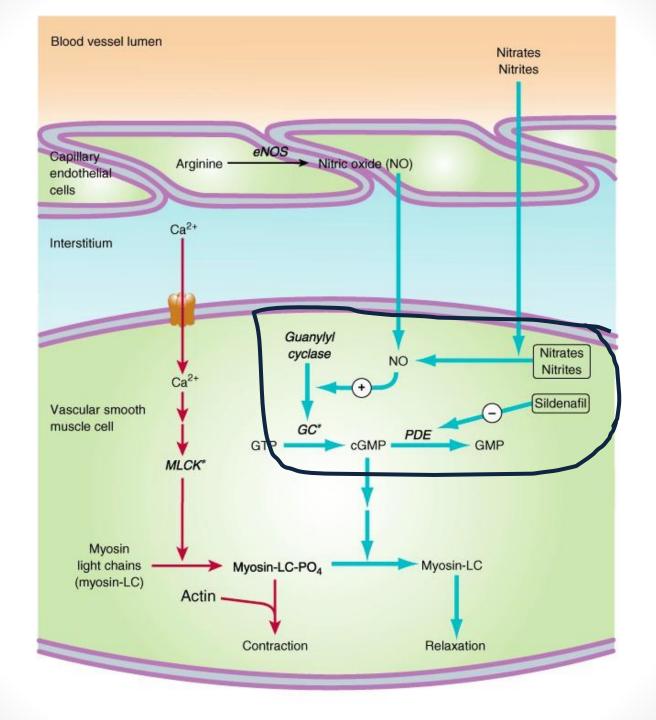
- B. Nitrites (organic or inorganic):
- ✓ Isobutyl nitrite:
  - Rapidly absorbed into circulation through mucous membrane and rapidly hydrolyzed
- Room deodorizer
  - Inhaled for abuse purposes
  - ✓ Sodium nitrite:
    - Used to treat cyanide poisoning
    - Reduce burn infection

Nitrate is converted to nitrite by intestinal bact....denitrification

NO3 Cooking, skin bact.

Intestinal bact. Amino acids nitrite الي يسمم عنا هو و هون الجسم يتخلص منه عن طریق بربطه مع A.A ويتكون NITROSAMINE و هاد للأسف **Nitrosamine** carcenogenic

- The major acute toxicities are <u>extensions of</u> therapeutic vasodilation
- Nitrates and nitrites activate guanylate cyclase and increase the synthesis of cGMP
- cGMP dephosphorylate the myosin light chain causing <u>smooth muscle relaxation</u>...all smooth muscle
- Relax veins at <u>lower doses</u> and arteries at <u>higher doses</u>



- Toxic dose produce intense vasodilatation and precipitate:
  - Orthostatic hypotension
  - Reflex tachycardia
  - Cardiogenic shock
  - Throbbing headache

لما يصير الهبوط بالضغط احسن اشي الواحد يعمله يتمدد ويرفع اجريه وبتةقع يصير كمان زياده بدقات القلب ولما يقل الاكسجين عن القلب رح يصير carcinogenic shock ويقل الاكسجين على الدماغ ويصير راسه به حعه

فهدول الناس خلال أسابيع يصير معهم stolerance يوم هاد المريض لازم يكون عنده اقل شي 12 ساعه ما يوخذهم مثلا اخذهم 12 الظهر تكون المره الثانيه على 6 المسا وهيك نعمل هيك حتى يروح

 Workers or patients regularly exposed to nitrates may develop tolerance:

نحكى عن الناس الى بالمصانع ف ممكن يتعرضو لسيانايد فتره طويله عن طریق inhelationو هیك يصير vasodilation معهم

- "Monday disease".....can occur chemical industry, the workers suffer for headache, dizziness that disappear the next day coz of tolerance
- May suffer angina or myocardial infarction owing to rebound coronary المشاكل vasoconstriction upon sudden withdrawal

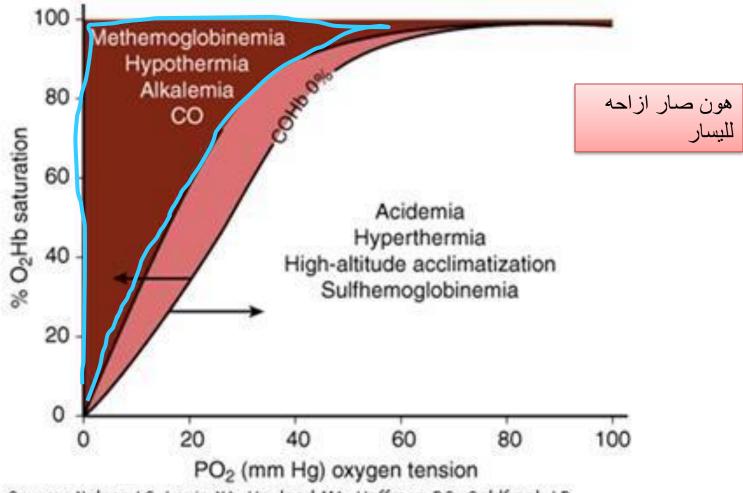
of the drug

هسا هدول العاملين لما صار معهم toleranceلما روحو عللي البیت راح ال toleranceلانه صار معهم walwithdra ولما يرجع المصنع رح يرجع يستنشقهم ويصير معه tolerance و هيو ط بالضغط

- 1- vasodilater
- 2- methehemoglbin

- Methemoglobinemia:
- Nitrites are potent oxidizing agents
- هون انا عندي جزء من ferricرح يتحول الىferricوهاد ما يربط مع الهيمو غلوبين اذا ما يرتبط يعنى فش اكسجين يربط
- Oxidation of the ferrous iron (Fe2+) into ferric (Fe3+) producing <u>methemoglobin</u>
- Iron in the ferric state is <u>incapable of binding</u>
   <u>oxygen</u>
- The conformity of methemoglobin causes the affinity of the remaining hemes to be increased....cause a shift to the left of the oxyhemoglobin curve (such CO) and consequently impairs unloading of oxygen to tissue

مش مطلوب حکت ما تجیب هیك



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Methemoglobinemia:

• The skin is **cyanotic** even at levels low enough for the individual to be otherwise asymptomatic (eg, 15%)

صار معه هبوط بلضغط طیب ممکن یزید وضعه سوء هاد و هاد یعمل vasodilationویزید اکثر من هبوط الضغط

> otherwise ممكن ما يبين الاعراض ولكن على 15%يبلش لون الجلد يصير ازرق وعلى 70 خلص ودع

 Use of selective phosphodiesterase inhibitors can prolong and intensify the vasodilating effects of nitrates, causing severe hypotension

## Methemoglobinemia

- Methemoglobinemia does not cause hemolysis directly
- However, hemolysis may occur in particular patients with low tolerance for oxidative stress
- Infants, pregnant women and persons with congenital NADH-methemoglobin reductase deficiency or G6PD deficiency have an impaired ability to regenerate normal hemoglobin and are therefore more likely to accumulate methemoglobin after oxidant exposure
  - Infants in particular:
  - 1. Hb fetal is more oxidizable
  - 2. Hepatic microsomal enz incompletely developed (diaphorase I is less active)

هسا هاد الميث يكون عالى عند الناس الى oxidation و ممکن بعمل hemolysisوبالا صل مالازم يعمل های تصیر عند enfant ولان الانزيم تبعت liverمش مکتمله وكمان الناس الي عندها تفول عرضه

وكمان NADH

#### **Clinical Presentation**

- 1. History:
- A. Oral ingestion:
- Unintentional vs Intentional

في عنا ناس تبلع النايتريت وهدولنو عين الي يكونو قاصدين وفي الي مش قاصدين الي مش قاصدين بالغالب هم الأطفال لانو حكينا يكون بالسبانخ بالجزر وهيك يصير معهم ميثهيمو غوبين

- Babies given concentrated vegetable juice (spinach, carrots).....convert nitrate to nitrite, metHb and their hemoglobin is more susceptible to oxidation than is that of adults
- Contaminated water (limit of nitrate ion is 45mg/L in drinking water)
- The estimated adult lethal oral dose of nitroglycerin is 200–1200 mg.....hypotension occurs at low doses, but massive doses are required to produce methemoglobinemia

على الجرعه القليله يعمل هبوط بالضغط على العاليه يعمل مبثهيمو غلوبين

#### **Clinical Presentation**

#### 1. History:

#### A. Oral ingestion:

- Unintentional vs Intentional
- Suicide attempts with oral antianginal drugs or ingestion of butyl nitrite...lethargic disoriented, comatose and cyanosis
- Ingestion of as little as 15 mL of butyl nitrite produced 40% methemoglobinemia in an adult
- The estimated adult lethal oral dose of Na nitrite is 1g
- Ingestion of 2 to 10 mg of silver nitrate may be fatal....associated with black vomitus

#### **Clinical Presentation**

- 1. History:
- A. Inhalation:
- Unintentional vs Intentional
- Workers bottling isobutyl nitrite
- Amyl nitrite and isobutyl nitrite abused for recreational purposes
- <u>Symptoms:</u> dizziness, lightheadedness, heart pounding, feeling warm, blurred vision

#### **DIAGNOSIS**

- Hypotension with reflex tachycardia
- Depending on % of total metHb, the clinical picture is that of oxygen deprivation
- Dizziness, and nausea,
- Cellular hypoxia including headache
- Progressing to dyspnea,
- May be agitated...confusion, seizures, and coma
- Even at low levels, skin discoloration ("blue/chocolate cyanosis"), especially of the nails, lips, and ears, and warm skin



Methemoglobin Concentration (%)	Clinical Findings
10–20	Central cyanosis of limbs/trunk; usually asymptomatic
20–45	Central nervous system depression (headache, dizziness, fatigue, lethargy, syncope), dyspnea
45–55 ————	Coma, arrhythmias, shock, convulsions
>70	High risk for mortality

- Normally meh Hb is about 1-2%
- Immediate treatment to relief symptoms; if untreated cardiopulmonary arrest due to asphyxiation

## **Laboratory analysis:**

يصير TACYوبعدينBradyوبعدين TACY السبب لانه تكيا بدها طاقه وانا حتى اقلل من الاجهاد والحاجه لطاقه بيصير بردي

- Arterial blood gases show an acidotic pH
- ECG reflects degree of hypoxemia, beginning with tachycardia, and advancing to bradycardia, and ultimately asystole
- Toxicology screen frequently show presence of cocaine, ethanol, marijuana.....abuse substances
- Serum metHb levels must be determined...need time
- Good, rapid & rough test...drop of blood on filter paper if remained brown....metHb of > 15%
- Comatose patients usually metHb > 30%

اهم شي بشوف الميثهيمو غلوبين كيف بجيب فلتر بيبير وبخط عليه نقطه دم اذا تحول لونها ل بني بيكون اكثر من 15 بالميه

## TREATMENT....ABC

- Maintain an <u>open airway and assist ventilation</u> if necessary. Administer <u>supplemental oxygen</u>
- 2. Cardiovascular support:
  - A. Keep warm
  - B. Treat **hypotension** with supine positioning (lying down)
  - C. i.v. saline to support B.P
  - D. low-dose pressors if needed (dopamine)
  - E. Atropine for **bradycardia**
  - F. Monitor vital signs and ECG for 4–6 hours
- 3. Seizures: diazepam, phenytoin
- **4. Hyperbaric Oxygen.** supply sufficient O2 independent of hemoglobin

#### **DECONTAMINATION**

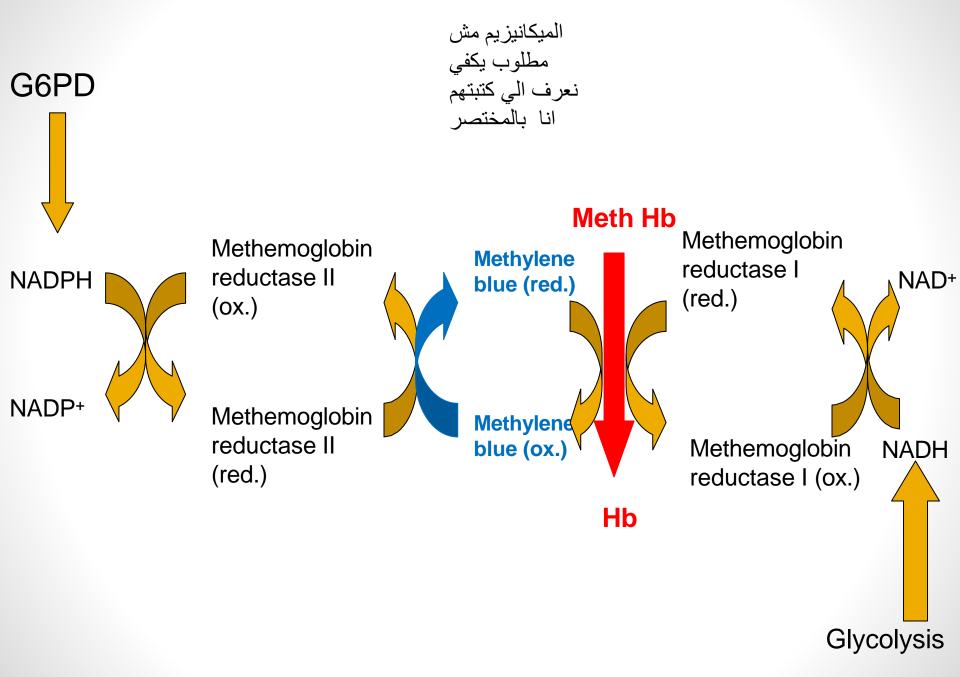
- 4. Inhalation.
- 5. Skin.
- 6. Eyes.
- 7. Ingestion. Administer activated charcoal orally if conditions are appropriate
- 8. Gastric lavage is not necessary after small to moderate ingestions
- **9. Enhanced elimination**. Hemodialysis and hemoperfusion are <u>not effective</u>

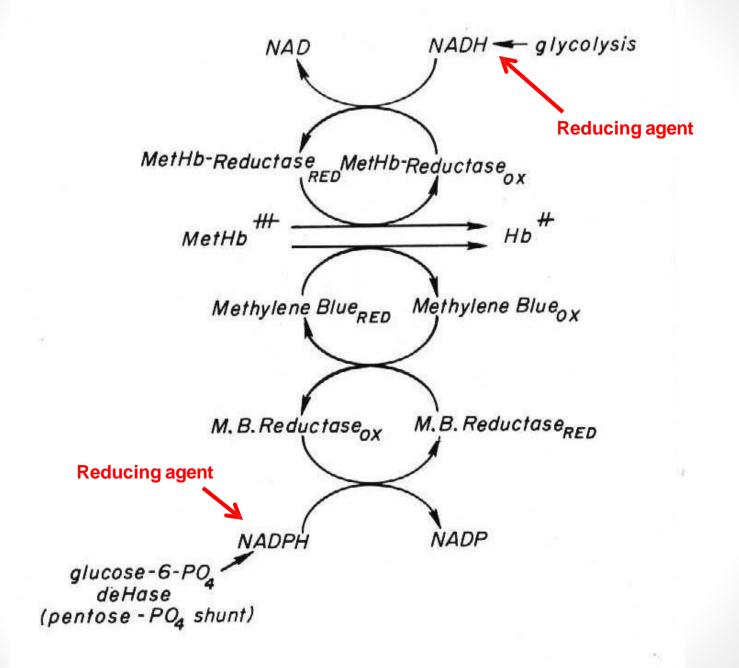
#### حتى اتخلص من الميثهيمو غلوبين Antidote من الميثهيمو غلوبين

حتى اتخلص من الميثهيمو غلوبين بعطيه ميثيلين بلو بس هاد ما بزبط لناس الى معهم تفول

- Methylene blue is a thiazine dye that increases the conversion of methemoglobin to hemoglobin
- a. Methylene blue is reduced via methemoglobin reductase and nicotinamide adenosine dinucleotide phosphate (NADPH) to leukomethylene blue,
- b. which in turn reduces methemoglobin
- Glucose-6-phospate dehydrogenase is essential for generation of NADPH and is thus essential for the function of methylene blue as an antidote

هاد المیثیلین بلو بدو NADHلیتحول وهای NADHختی یصیر لها reduction





#### **TREATMENT.....Antidote**

بعطي هاد اابلو لناس الي وصلت نسبه الميث بدهم اكثر من 20 بالميه

- a. If methemoglobin >20%.....inject **methylene blue** (1 to 2 mg/kg i.v infusion over 5min)...<u>repeat once</u>
  - Generally well tolerated
  - Patient needs to have normal G6PD
  - Excreted in bile and urine...feces and urine discoloration
  - Anemia
  - HTN
  - Therapeutic effect is seen within 30 minutes

#### **TREATMENT**

- Severe methemoglobinemia in infants not responsive to methylene blue therapy may
   require exchange transfusion
  - ✓ Also in patients....
    - Not responding to methylene blue within 30-60min

وبعمها لناس الى ما استجابو للبلو

هاد خلال ساعه

- G6PD deficient patients
   ....contraindicated, may cause hemolysis
- Severe renal failure
- If metHb higher than 70%

