



CYP450 Cascade: Pharmacodynamic implications for contemporary practice

Sally K. Miller,
PhD, ACNP-BC, ANP-BC, FNP-BC, GNP-BC, CNE, FAANP
Senior Lecturer
Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.
Clinical Professor
Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions
Nurse Practitioner
Nevada Health Centers

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

1



Objectives

- At the conclusion of this presentation the attendee will:
 - Compare and contrast mechanisms of drug interactions.
 - Describe the CYP450 metabolism cascade.
 - Analyze a clinical example of a CYP450-mediated prescribing error.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

2



Drug Interactions – Types

- Drug interactions occur in a variety of ways
 - Drug-food
 - Drug-herbal
 - Drug-disease
 - Drug-drug

– Source:
http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/DrugInteractionsLabeling/ucm110632.htm#Preventing_Drug_Interactions, accessed 3.14.13.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

3



Drug-food Interactions

- Mostly related to inhibition of absorption
- Risks related to decreased absorption of necessary therapeutic agents
 - Tetracycline and calcium products

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

4



Drug-herbal Interactions

- ASA, NSAIDs, platelet aggregate inhibitors, warfarin – Dong-quai and garlic, ginkgo
- St. John's wart – Antidepressants, indinavir, cyclosporine, digoxin

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

5



Drug-herbal Interactions (continued)

- Generally, patients should be cautious with herbal supplements if taking any of the following:
 - Blood pressure medications
 - Blood thinners (anticoagulants, anti-platelet agents, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs such as aspirin, ibuprofen or naproxen)

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

6



Drug-herbal Interactions (continued)

- Generally, patients should be cautious with herbal supplements if taking any of the following: (cont.)
 - Diabetes medications
 - Drugs that affect the liver
 - Cardiovascular medications

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

7



Drug-disease Interactions

- Liver disease- Decreased liver function may have significant impact on metabolism of drugs, producing both elevated or suppressed levels.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

8



© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

9



Drug-disease Interactions (continued)

- Renal disease often produces elevated levels of drugs requiring renal excretion of active metabolites.
- Therapeutic agents often exacerbate symptoms or progression of a co-morbid condition.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

10



Drug-disease Interactions (continued)

- Liver disease and cephalosporins
- Renal disease and NSAIDs
- Therapeutic agents exacerbate another condition.
 - Thiazide diuretics and T2DM
 - Beta agonists and HTN
 - Steroids and osteoporosis
 - CCB and CHF
 - Lithium and hypothyroidism

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

11



Drug-drug Interactions

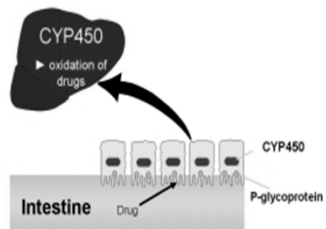
- Many drug-drug interactions related to the impact of one drug on the metabolism of another.
- CYP450 metabolism interactions implicated in a variety of well-known drug interactions.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

12



First-pass metabolism and hepatic clearance



© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

13



CYP450 Drug Metabolism

- Most drugs are produced in a vehicle that has some degree of lipophilia.
- In order for drugs to be effective, they must be able to enter target cells.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

14



CYP450 Drug Metabolism (continued)

- Most are designed to be lipophilic so that they can penetrate the cell membrane and proceed to site of action.
- When the body perceives the introduction of an exogenous drug, its protective mechanisms immediately begin steps to eliminate it from the body.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

15



CYP450 Drug Metabolism (continued)

- In many cases this requires converting the drug from its lipophilic form to a hydrophilic form that can be excreted by the kidney.
- While there are other physiologic mechanisms that can convert drugs from lipophilic to hydrophilic, the majority are converted by the CYP450 enzyme cascade.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

16



CYP450 Drug Metabolism (continued)

- The cascade is a series of oxidation-reduction reactions that result in a hydrophilic metabolite ready for excretion.

– Source- Katzung, B.G. (2011). Basic and Clinical Pharmacology, (11th ed.). NY: McGraw-Hill Medical

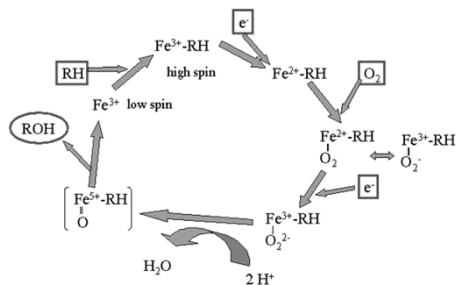
© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

17



CYP450 Cascade

Cycle réactionnel



© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

18



CYP450 as a Mechanism for Drug-drug Interactions

- Numerous therapeutic agents are substrates of the CYP450 oxidation, reduction system.
- A variety of other therapeutic agents are either inhibitors or inducers of a CYP450 pathway.
- When inhibitors and substrates are given together, metabolism of the substrates is impaired, and toxic levels can occur.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

19



Commonly Encountered CYP450 Inhibitors (3A4,5,7)

- | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| • Amiodarone | • Fluvoxamine |
| • Cimetidine | • Grapefruit juice |
| • Ciprofloxacin | • Itraconazole |
| • Clarithromycin | • Ketoconazole |
| • Diltiazem | • Mifepristone |
| • Erythromycin (E-mycin®) | • Norfloxacin |
| • Fluconazole | • Norfluoxetine |
| | • Verapamil |

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

20



Commonly Encountered CYP450 Substrates (3A4,5,7)

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| • Macrolide antibiotics | • Buspirone |
| • Benzodiazepines | • Caffeine and ergotamine (Cafergot®) |
| • HIV antivirals | • Morphine |
| • Prokinetics | • Propranolol |
| • Antihistamines | • Sildenafil |
| • CCB | • Zolpidem |
| • Statins | • Lidocaine |
| • Steroid compounds | |

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

21



Commonly Encountered CYP450 Inhibitors (2D6)

- Amiodarone
- Bupropion
- Chlorpromazine
- Cimetidine
- Citalopram
- Duloxetine
- Escitalopram
- Metoclopramide
- Paroxetine
- Quinidine
- Ranitidine
- Ritonavir
- Sertraline
- Terbinafine
- Ticlopidine
- H1RA

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

22



Commonly Encountered CYP450 Substrates (2D6)

- Beta blockers
- TCAs
- Antipsychotics
- Antidysrhythmics
- Dextromethorphan
- SNRIs
- SSRIs

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

23



Other CYP450 Subtypes

- CYP1A2
- CYP2C9
- CYP3C19
- CYP2E1
- Others exist
 - Known substrates, inhibitors and inducers not as commonly used

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

24



Early Case Report Healthy Young Adult

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

25



Syncopal in a 39 Year-old Female

- A 39 year-old female, essentially healthy, being managed with terfenadine for allergies
- Treated with a 10-day course of cefaclor 250 mg TID for infection of the respiratory tract
- Presents for evaluation of a two-day history of syncope

– Source- B. P. Monahan; C. L. Ferguson; E. S. Killeavy; B. K. Lloyd; J. Troy; L. R. Cantilena Jr. *JAMA*; 1990;2788-2900

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

26



Syncopal in a 39 Year-old Female (continued)

- The patient was having episodes of Torsades de Points.
- Serum analysis revealed elevated levels of terfenadine and proportionately low levels of its metabolite.
- Upon interview the patient admitted self-medicating with ketoconazole 200 mg BID for vaginal yeast.

– Source- B. P. Monahan; C. L. Ferguson; E. S. Killeavy; B. K. Lloyd; J. Troy; L. R. Cantilena Jr. *JAMA*; 1990;2788-2900



Syncope in a 39 Year-old Female (continued)

- This was the first case of terfenadine-related cardio toxicity when used in prescribed doses.
- Terfenadine was taken off the US market several years later.
- Similar occurrences resulted in the removal of cisapride from the US market in 2000.

– Source- B. P. Monahan; C. L. Ferguson; E. S. Killeavy; B. K. Lloyd;
J. Troy; L. R. Cantilena Jr. *JAMA*; 1990:2788-290

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

28



Typical Outpatient Scenario

Clinical Presentation of a 61 Year-old
Female with Dyslipidemia on Statin
Monotherapy

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

29



Patient History

- Chief complaints
 - Subtle shortness of breath, pleuritic chest pain, worsening muscle weakness over the last week
 - Management of pneumonia (outpatient treatment failure)

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

30



Patient History (continued)

- History
 - 61 year-old female
 - Multiple chronic conditions are well-controlled
 - Dx with CAP and treated with clarithromycin 500 mg BID x 14 days
 - Improved, then symptoms returned

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

31



Physical Exam

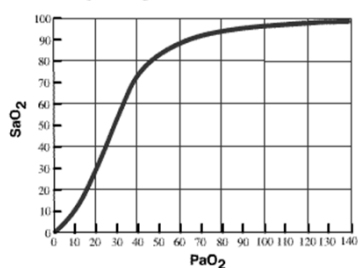
- Physical exam
 - 61 year-old female in mild respiratory distress at rest; Ht: 5'4" (164.6 cm); Wt: 187 lbs (84.8 kg)
 - BP: 129/67 mm Hg, Pulse: 91 bpm, RR: 32 bpm
 - Temp: 99.2°F (37.3°C); SaO₂ (2L O₂) 93%

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

32



OxyHemoglobin Dissociation Curve



© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

33



Medication History

- Lisinopril 40 mg QD
- Atorvastatin 80 mg QPM
- Levothyroxine 0.1 mg QD
- Beclomethasone nasal inhaler BID
- Doxazosin 4 mg QD
- Ibuprofen 400 mg PRN
- Clarithromycin 500 mg BID

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

34



Laboratory Values

- Past laboratory values (when dx'd with CAP)
 - Glucose: 85 mg/dL (4.7 mmol/L)
 - BUN: 23 mg/dL (8.2 mmol/L)
 - Cr: 1.2 mg/dL (106.1 µmol/L)
 - BUN/Cr: 19.2
 - Uric acid: 5.9 mg/dL (350.9 µmol/L)
 - Phos: 3.7 units/dL (1.2 mmol/L)
 - Calcium: 9.6 mg/dL (2.4 mmol/L)

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

35



Laboratory Values (continued)

- Past laboratory values (when dx'd with CAP) (cont.)
 - Total protein: 7.2 g/dL (72 g/L)
 - Albumin: 4.0 g/dL (40 g/L)
 - Globulin: 3.2 g/dL
 - Alk phos: 55 U/L
 - GGTP: 21 U/L
 - ALT/AST: 19/19 U/L
 - LDH: 125 U/L

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

36



Laboratory Values (continued)

- Past laboratory values (when dx'd with CAP) (cont.)
 - Na: 140 mg/dL
 - K: 4.0 mg/dL
 - Cl: 103 mg/dL
 - CO₂: 28 mg/dL A1c: 5.6% (.056 proportion)
 - TSH: 7.4 mIU/L

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

37



Laboratory Values (continued)

- Past laboratory values (when dx'd with CAP) (cont.)
 - WBC: 7.9 x 1000/cu mm
 - Hgb: 14.3 g/dL (143 g/L)
 - HCT: 42% (.42 proportion)
 - Plt: 304/mm³
 - B₁₂: 404 pg/mL (298 pmol/L)
 - Cholesterol: 215 mg/dL (5.6 mmol/L)

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

38



Laboratory Values (continued)

- Past laboratory values (when dx'd with CAP) (cont.)
 - Triglycerides: 166 mg/dL (1.9 mmol/L)
 - HDL-C: 41 mg/dL (1.06 mmol/L)
 - VLDL: 33 mg/dL (.85 mmol/L)
 - Chol/HDL-C: 5.24 mg/dL (.14 mmol/L)
 - LDL-C: 141 mg/dL (3.65 mmol/L)

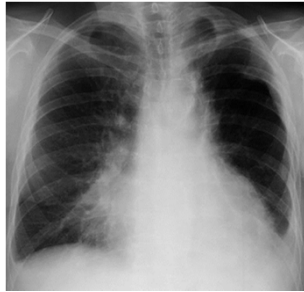
© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

39



Radiograph and Diagnosis

- Chest radiograph
 - Right lobar consolidation with effusion
- Diagnosis
 - Pneumonia, outpatient treatment failure
- Treatment
 - IV extended spectrum penicillin



© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

40



Laboratory Values (continued)

	Past	Current
ALT (7-56)	19 U/L	143 U/L
AST (5-40)	19 U/L	599 U/L
LDH (105-333)	125 U/L	961 U/L
CPK (22-198)	-	20,990 U/L
CR	1.2 mg/dL (106.1 µmol/L)	3.6 mg/dL (318.2 µmol/L)

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

41



Question

- The most significant finding in this patient is:
 - LDL-C of 141 mg/dL (3.65 mmol/L)
 - Low white count
 - Triglycerides of 166 mg/dL (1.9 mmol/L)
 - Muscle weakness

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

42



Question

- Risk factors for rhabdomyolysis in this patient include:
 - Combination of ibuprofen and atorvastatin.
 - Combination of clarithromycin and atorvastatin.
 - Combination of lisinopril and atorvastatin.
 - All of the above.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

43



Question

- Recommended treatment options for this patient include hydration and...
 - Treat elevated potassium.
 - Discontinue lovastatin.
 - Continue lovastatin in divided doses.
 - All of the above.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

44



Rhabdomyolysis in a 61 Year-old Female

- Case discussion
 - Presenting complaint: Muscle weakness
 - Initial LFTs: Normal
 - WBC: Low for pneumonia

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

45



Rhabdomyolysis in a 61 Year-old Female (continued)

- Risk factors for rhabdomyolysis in this patient
 - Tx with medications associated with myopathy
 - Macrolide/HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor interaction
 - Clarithromycin/atorvastatin

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

46



Rhabdomyolysis in a 61 Year-old Female (continued)

- Risk factors for rhabdomyolysis in this patient (cont.)
 - High doses of HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors
 - Recommended atorvastatin dose: 10 to 80 mg daily
 - This patient received 80 mg QPM.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

47



Where You'd Least Expect It

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

48



A 46 year-old male...

- ...is admitted to the step down unit for management of altered mental status and depressed respirations
- His history is significant only for long-term chronic back pain managed with methadone

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

49



A 46 year-old male... (continued)

- He was diagnosed with methadone toxicity
- The patient's methadone dose was stable and not recently changed
- It was determined that he did not purposefully or accidentally overdose

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

50



A 46 year-old male... (continued)

- There were no new additions to his medication regiment recently
- His methadone was held for 3 days and he improved significantly
- A post-morbid analysis revealed that the only change in his circumstances was an attempt to quit smoking

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

51



A 46 year-old male... (continued)

- Methadone is metabolized by both CYP3A4 and CYP1A2
- Certain hydrocarbons found in cigarette smoke are inducers of CYP1A2

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

52



A 46 year-old male... (continued)

- As the patient decreased his cigarette use he decreased induction of an isoenzyme that metabolizes methadone

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

53



Minimizing Drug Interactions

- Allergies
- Vitamins and herbs
- Old drugs and OTC
- Interactions
- Dependence
- Mendel (family history)

— Source: Centers for Research and Education on Therapeutics, USFDA,
http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/DrugInteractionsLabeling/ucm110632.htm#Preventing_Drug_Interactions, accessed 3.14.13.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

54



References

- Indiana University Department of Clinical Medicine. (2009). CYP450 Drug Interaction Table. Available at <http://medicine.iupui.edu/clinpharm/ddis/table.aspx>, accessed 3.14.13.
- Katzung, B.G. (2011). *Basic and Clinical Pharmacology*, (11th ed.). NY: McGraw-Hill Medical

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

55



References (continued)

- Lynch, T., & Price, A. (2007). The effect of cytochrome P450 on drug metabolism, response, interaction, and adverse effects. *American Family Physician*, 76(3), 391-396. Available at <http://www.aafp.org/afp/2007/0801/p391.html>, accessed 3.14.13.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

56



References (continued)

- USFDA (2009). Preventable adverse drug reactions. Available at <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DevelopmentApprovalProcess/DevelopmentResources/DrugInteractionsLabeling/ucm110632.htm#PreventingDrugInteractions>, accessed 3.14.13.

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

57



References (continued)

- Wahawisan, J., Kolluru, S., Nguyen, T., Molina, C., & Speake, J. (2011). Methadone toxicity due to smoking cessation – a case report on the drug-drug interaction involving cytochrome P450 isoenzyme 1A2. *Annals of Pharmacotherapeutics*, 45(6). Retrieved October 6, 2012 from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/21666091>

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

58



End of Presentation!

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sally K. Miller,
PhD, ACNP-BC, ANP-BC, FNP-BC, GNP-BC, CNE, FAANP
website: www.fhea.com email: sally@fhea.com

© Fitzgerald Health Education Associates, Inc.

59
