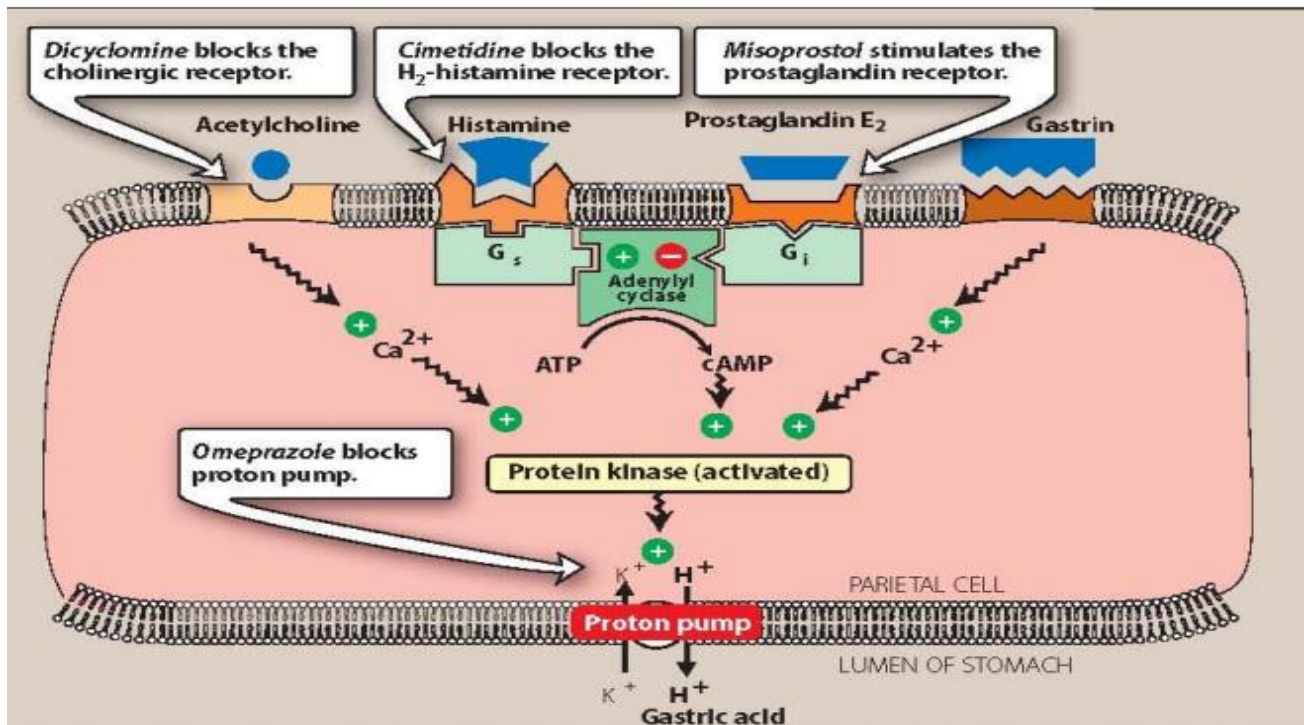


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GERD and peptic ulcer disease part 2

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# Mechanism of Hcl secretion



## Peptic ulcer treatment

### Eradicate underlying cause of acid/defenses imbalance:-

1. H. pylori eradication therapy → higher healing rates!!
2. Remove NSAID (if possible)

### Restore acid/defenses balance

#### Mucosal protectives (cytoprotectives):-

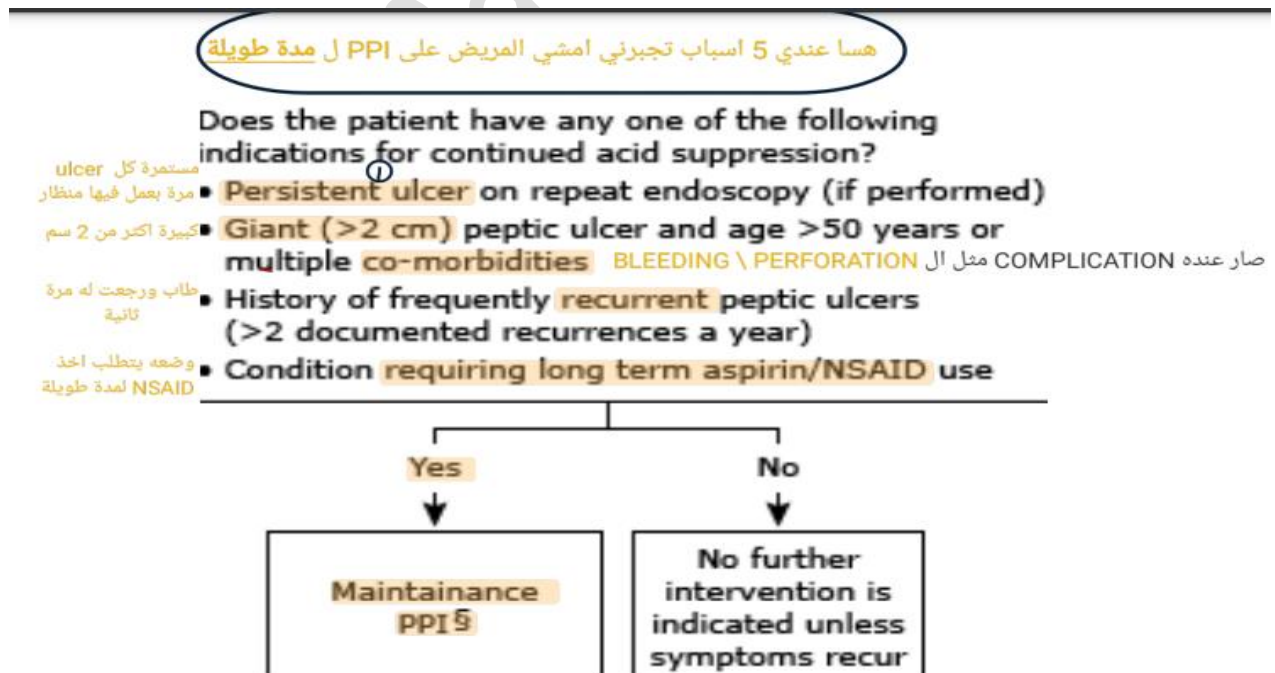
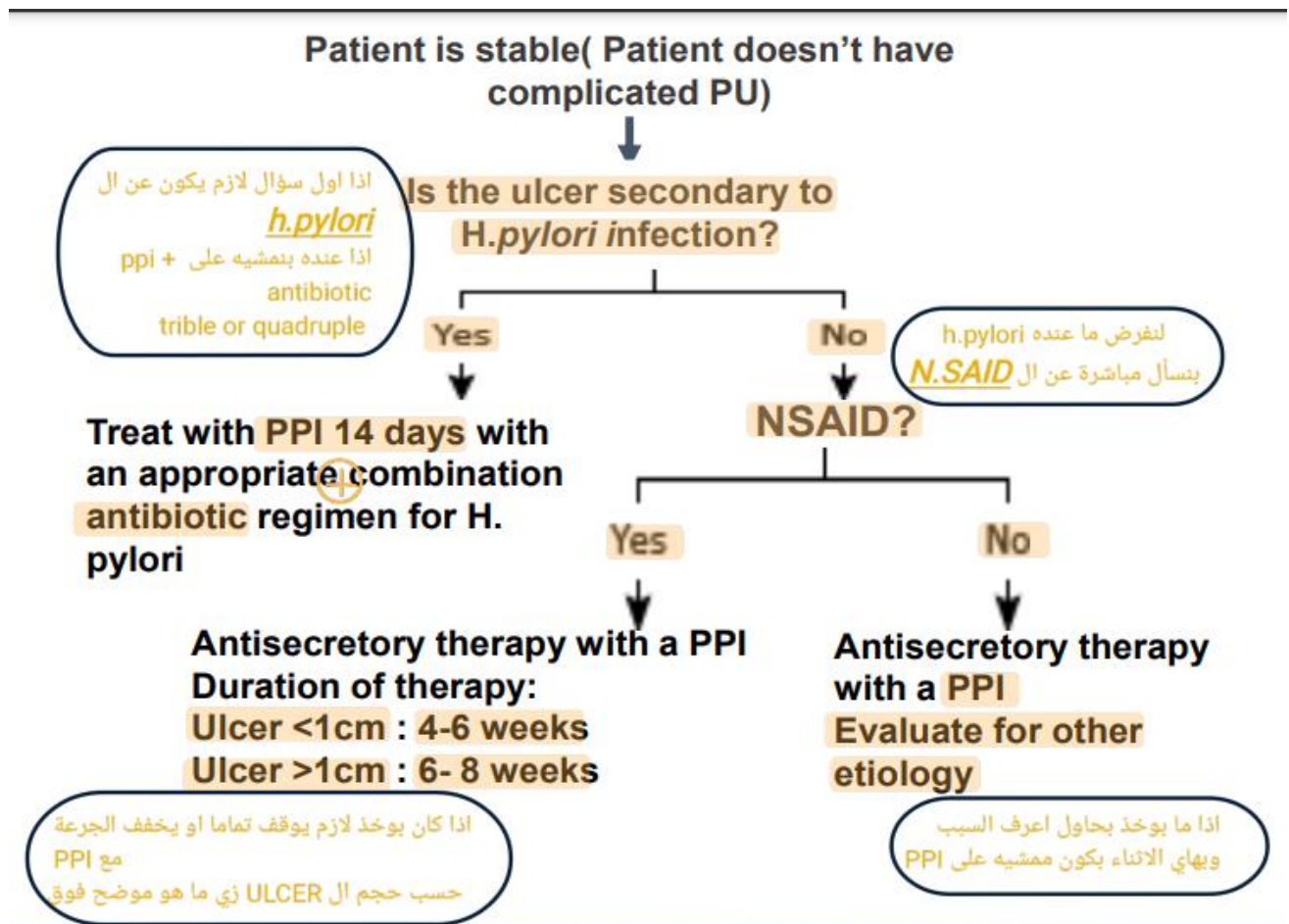
- 1- Sucralfate
- 2- Bismuth subsalicylate

#### Decrease acidity

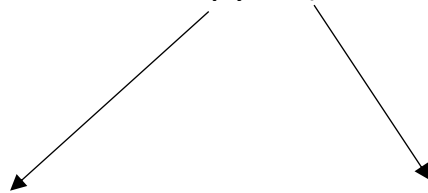
**Antacids:** symptomatic therapy  
Calcium carbonate, aluminum hydroxide, magnesium hydroxide.

#### Acid suppressive therapy:-

- 1- H<sub>2</sub> antagonists
- 2- Proton pump inhibitors (PPIs) → the strongest!!
- 3- PG analogues (e.g. misoprostol).
4. Antimuscarinic agent: Dicyclomine



## Eradication of Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori)



Acid suppressive therapy: **PPI**

**Antimicrobials**

### Antimicrobials:-

1. **Clarithromycin (macrolide): most potent.** Related to erythromycin but is **more acid stable, better absorbed and more effective against H pylori.**
2. Amoxicillin:
3. Tetracyclines
4. Levofloxacin
5. Metronidazole: High resistance rate.
6. Nitroimidazole: to avoid metronidazole resistance.
7. Tinidazole.

### Aim of antimicrobial combination strategies :

- Enhance H pylori cure.
- **Shorten duration of treatment (1- 4 weeks).** In one week therapy high doses of 3- 4 drugs are used.
- Decrease treatment failure and resistance
- Decrease recurrence rate.

## Eradication of Helicobacter pylori (H. pylori)

Category	Triple Therapy	Quadruple Therapy
Acid suppression	<b>PPI</b>	<b>PPI</b>
Antibiotic 1	Clarithromycin	Tetracycline
Antibiotic 2	Amoxicillin OR Metronidazole (if penicillin allergy)	Metronidazole
Additional agent	—	for mucosal protection Bismuth subsalicylate 525 mg QID
Duration	10–14 days	10–14 days

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### Acid - suppressive therapy : H2- histamine receptors blockers

H2- histamine receptors blockers **work by competitively blocking** the binding of histamine.

Four drugs:

- Cimetidine: **Has the most adverse effects → limited use**
- Famotidine: **most commonly used**
- Nizatidine: **recent withdrawal/ recall** انسحب من السوق by **FDA. → potential contamination with carcinogen N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)**
- Ranitidine: **recent withdrawal/ recall by FDA → potential contamination with carcinogen N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA)**
  - As these drugs work by **decreasing acid secretions** therefore **may not relieve symptoms of heartburn for up to 45 minutes. (compare that with antacids, which provide rapid relief)**

## • H2 blockers Mechanism of action:-

**inhibit acid secretion** by blocking H2 receptors on the parietal cell ( competitive inhibitors)

- Well absorbed after oral dosing. Distribute widely throughout the body including **across placenta and into breast milk**

- Peak serum concentrations occur within **one to three hours**.

- Absorption is reduced 10 to 20 **percent by concomitant antacid administration**, but not by food.

- **Eliminated by a combination of hepatic and renal metabolism**

- The dose of all the H2 antagonists is **generally reduced by 50 percent in patients with severe renal failure**

1. **DU:** Short term (acute therapy) leads to **healing rate of 70% ( on 4 weeks therapy,** compare with PPI which leads to same cure rate in **just 2 weeks )** and 90% (on 8 weeks therapy).
2. **GU:** Less effective and healing is delayed than DU by **2-4 weeks**.

**Less effective in healing NSAID induce ulcers.**

3. **Stress ulcer (ICU patients):** IV injection or infusion is preferred.

4. **GERD**

5. **Before anesthesia** in e.g. cesarean section to avoid aspiration pneumonia (Mendelson's syndrome)

H2 blockers can be given by slow IV injection or infusion in acute and severe cases.

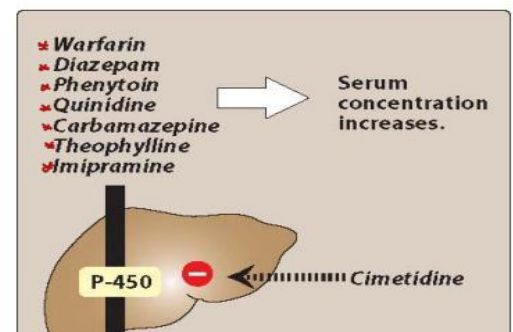
H2 antagonists **have less efficacy than proton pump inhibitors** **they are second choice in GERD and severe PU.** **PPI are first line**

## • Disadvantages/adverse effects of H2 antagonists:

1. Lack of day time reduction and meal –stimulated Hcl secretion.
2. Less potency in anti H pylori combination regimens.
3. Lower healing rates in GERD.
4. **Tolerance because of receptor upregulation**
5. **Rebound hyperacidity because of receptor upregulation!**(if you discontinue H2 antagonists histamine will bind to large number of receptors→ ulcers return back worse!!)
6. **Rapid IV injection** may **cause decrease cardiac output, arrhythmias or heart block**
7. **Cimetidine:→ CYP-450 Enzyme inhibition!-->drug interactions!**

CYP metabolizes estrogen in body, so **cimetidine** through CYP inhibition will cause hyperestrogenism with **gynecomastia** **تثدي** and **galactorrhea** **إدرار حليب**

ما بنعطيهم سوا **Cimetidine**



NDMA impurities were found to have been introduced during the **manufacturing processes** and as the **result of product degradation** during storage

لو في خيار famotidine على طول بنحطه  
ولا ننسى اذا شفتنا ppi كمان لازم نفكر فيه

## Acid - suppressive therapy : Proton pump inhibitors

**block acid secretion** by **irreversibly binding and inhibition of hydrogen-potassium ATPase pump (H<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup> ATPase)**

PPI use results in **faster control of peptic ulcer disease symptoms and higher ulcer healing rates**

PPIs are also **more effective in preventing and healing NSAID-induced gastroduodenal toxicity** than H<sub>2</sub> blockers

So if a question tells you that ulcer is NSAID induced, don't think about H<sub>2</sub> blockers, think about PPI

PPIs are a **component of H. pylori antibiotic regimens** and are **used in the treatment of hypersecretory states (eg, gastrinoma)**

Serum t<sub>1/2</sub> is 1 hour but **duration of action is more than 24 hours** due to prolonged inhibition of H<sup>+</sup> / K<sup>+</sup> ATPase. **1st line in PU disease.**

## Uses of PPI:-

1. DU: for **2-8 weeks**. Specially in severe and non responding mild or moderate cases...

2. GU: for **4-8 weeks**.

3. **Prevention of rebleeding from PU and stress bleeding** --> **High oral dose or IV infusion** increases intragastric pH > 6 and increases coagulation and platelet aggregation.

So if there is a question about **complicated ulcer that is bleeding**, it is preferable to give PPI as an infusion or high oral dose than regular oral doses

4. **Zollinger - Ellison syndrome (gastrinoma): Drugs of 1st choice**

5. GERD: **1<sup>st</sup> line: twice daily PPIs** is used to treat **extrasophageal complication** of reflux disease (asthma, noncardiac chest pain chronic cough and laryngitis)

## Adverse effects of PPI

Are **both duration and dose – dependent**, so short term use will have no symptoms:

2. **Long term PPIs (as well as H<sub>2</sub> antagonists) decrease absorption of vitamin B<sub>12</sub>, iron and calcium causing their deficiency** → This may cause **hip, wrist & spine fracture**. So, give calcium supplement.
3. **Diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea & vomiting. Headache, dizziness**
4. **Clostridium difficile colitis (pseudomembranous colitis) and pneumonia**

## Drug interactions of PPI (very important!):-

- **Omeprazole and esomeprazole inhibits CYP2C19** which prevents the conversion of clopidogrel to its active metabolites → **decreasing clopidogrel effectiveness**.
- So, the **concomitant use of Omeprazole and esomeprazole with clopidogrel is not recommended**.



## Prostaglandins

### • Mechanism :-

- **Misoprostol** : Prostaglandin **E** analogue
- **Potent selective cytoprotective**(everything that NSAIDS disturb, prostaglandins correct!!)
- 1. **↓ Hcl secretion.**
- 2. **↑ mucus secretion and bicarbonate**
- 3. **Stimulates tight junctions in epithelial mucosa in GIT inhibiting back diffusion of H<sup>+</sup>.**
- 4. **↑ blood flow to gastric mucosa.(increased healing)**

### Uses :-

**Prophylaxis for NSAID induce ulcer** → reduces serious GI complications in people dependent on NSAIDS like rheumatoid arthritis patients

**For healing of GU but not DU.**

Prostaglandins have **Preventive effect** but not totally protective The most effective is PPI

### Adverse effects:-

1. Severe **colicky pain** of stomach and intestine.
2. **Diarrhea** (treated by aspirin).
3. Severe **uterine contractions** → **may cause miscarriage in pregnant ladies(contraindicated)** .

women of childbearing potential **should have contraception or negative serum pregnancy test within two weeks before beginning of treatment.**

4. **Vaginal bleeding.**
5. **Decrease male and female fertility.** It is contraindicated in pregnancy as it stimulate uterine contraction and miscarriages.

## Mucosal protectives (cytoprotective compounds):

### Sucralfate and Bismuth subsalicylate

- Prevent mucosal injury
- Reduce inflammation
- Enhance the healing of existing ulcer
- **Can't be used alone to treat peptic ulcer**

### Sucralfate:-

- It is a **complex salt of sucrose containing sulfate and poly aluminum hydroxide.**

### • Mechanism :-

Causes healing of PU by:

1. The **negatively charged sulfate groups bind to the positively charged proteins in the ulcer base, forming a protective barrier against acid, bile and pepsin.**
2. **↑ mucus secretion.**
3. **↓ H<sup>+</sup> diffusion.**
4. **↑ Prostaglandin production.**
5. **Binds epidermal and fibroblast growth factors.-->promote healing**

### Uses(not alone!!) :-

1. GU. 2. With NSAID 3. Stress ulcer. 4. Smoker's ulcer.

## Adverse effects of sucralfate

1. **Low bioavailability: 5% absorption orally.**
2. **Active only in gastric acid medium** (forming aluminum and non-absorbable anion), **so if antacids or H2 blockers are given they should be at least 1 hour apart (after meals).**
3. Constipation (because of aluminum)
4. Dry mouth. (because of aluminum)
5. Nausea, vomiting, gastric discomfort and flatulence.
6. **In renal diseases: aluminum toxicity, osteomalacia and encephalopathy.**
7. **Aluminum binds some drugs leading to decrease absorption, so given at least 2 hours apart.**

**Sucralfate is Not commonly used because it has AE**

## Bismuth subsalicylate:-

- **Part of a quadruple antibiotic therapy regimen in H. pylori-positive ulcers.**
- Inhibits the activity of pepsin
- Increase secretion of mucus
- **Interact with glycoprotein in necrotic tissue to coat and protect the ulcer**

## Treatment of ulcers during pregnancy and lactation

- When peptic ulcer disease is **diagnosed in a pregnant woman** → give acid suppression with **a PPI.**
- **If H. pylori is present, antimicrobial treatment is typically deferred until after delivery**