

SI Pharmacology

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Introduction

Sedatives

Paralytics

Adjunctive medication



Why RSI?

Indications?

Who should do RSI?

What are the dangers?

What are the alternatives?

SI - Process

Rapid Sequence Induction”

Induction

Paralytic

Intubation

Ongoing sedation

SI - Contraindications

Uncorrectable hypoxia

Difficult airway on exam

Profound instability

SI - Considerations

awareness

hemodynamics

Ease of intubation

Physiologic effects

Adverse reactions

SI Pharmacology

Induction & Sedation

Paralytics

Induction/Sedation

Render unconsciousness

Reduce response to laryngoscopy

Reduce metabolic demand

gents

Etomidate

Propofol

Benzodizepines

Opiates

Ketamine

Barbiturates

tomidate

Unique anesthetic

Rapid acting

Hemodynamically stable

tomidate

mg/cc

0 and 40 cc vials

Abbojet (?availability)

in USA 1 year half life

Pregnancy Risk "C"

tomidate

Commonly used

Predictable & seemingly safe

Falling into disfavor

Good: Hemodynamic stability

Bad: Adrenal suppression

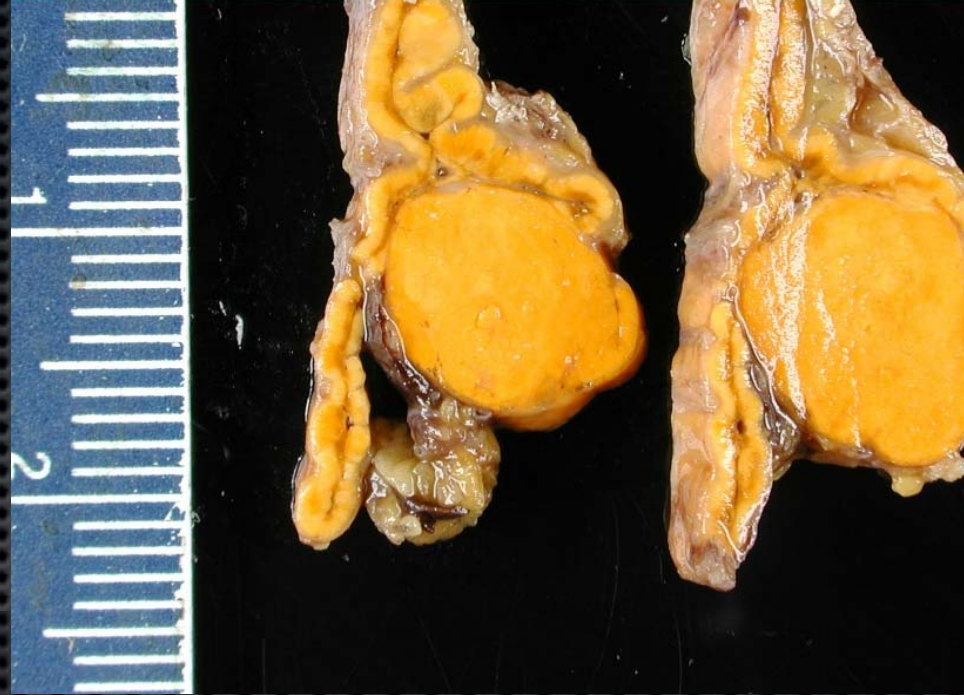
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Adrenal suppression:

Sepsis

Trauma

? any significant stressor



Single-Dose Etomidate for Rapid Sequence Intubation May Impact Outcome After Severe Injury

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Background: Etomidate is an induction agent used for the rapid sequence intubation (RSI) of trauma patients because of its favorable hemodynamic and rapid onset. However, recent studies have shown etomidate to be elevating cortisol concentrations, potentially influencing inflammation. We hypothesized that etomidate may alter the occurrence of acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) in injury victims.

Methods: We analyzed data culled from a prospective, Phase II clinical trial of digital hypothermia using adrenergic infusion. Post hoc, patients were prompted to whether they did or did not receive etomidate for preoxygenation/management. The incidence of ARDS was compared between the two by Fisher's exact test. Logistic regression was used to adjust for the effect of other known risk factors for ARDS.

Results: Over a 1-year period, 91 study patients underwent RSI, of which 35 used etomidate (37%). There were no significant differences in demographics, physiology, extrinsic injury scores, or use of hypothermia induction between the groups. After adjusting for physiology, injury type, and transfusion, etomidate use remained associated with ARDS (OR 3.9, 95% CI 1.1-14.1).

Conclusion: Single-dose etomidate for RSI in severely injured trauma patients is associated with increased ARDS and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome, in part, because of an effect of etomidate on the inflammatory response.

Keywords: Etomidate; Acute respiratory distress syndrome; Intubation; Multiple organ dysfunction syndrome.

their intensive care unit (ICU) stay.¹ The clinical significance of these findings is uncertain.

Elevated circulating cortisol concentrations in traumatic injury.² The effect of altering this response may be evident as an increase in the risk for inflammation-related complications, such as the acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). The biological effects of cortisol are numerous and include maintenance of vascular tone and endothelial integrity, phospholipases A2 suppression, and leukocyte apoptosis. Cortisol has been shown to decrease L-selectin/CD 11b expression on neutrophils and monocytes, receptors that are involved in rolling and margination in tissues.³ The inhibition of cortisol synthesis by etomidate may allow for an increase in their expression, thereby increasing neutrophil margination potentially contributing to the development of ARDS and multiple organ dysfunction syndrome (MODS).⁴⁻⁷ We therefore sought to determine whether a single dose of etomidate, used for emergency intubation in severely injured patients, was associated with development of posttraumatic ARDS.

PATIENTS AND METHODS

Study Design

/arner, et. al. 2009

End point => ARDS

40% in etomidate vs. 20% in others

- $p=.02$ OR=3.86 [1.24-12]

Longer stay $p=.02$

Fewer Days on Vent $p=.04$

tomidate

What to expect

- Very rapid take down

- last 3-5 min

- Be ready with second sedative

- n/v common if used without paralytic

appropriate role??

gents

Etomidate

Propofol

Benzodizepines

Opiates

Ketamine

Barbiturates

propofol

Not a common EMS drug

Frequently used in OR's, ICU's & ER's

Can cause hypotension

- Particularly in volume depletion

Excellent sedative and induction agent

propofol

Milk of Anesthesia

Mechanism of Action Unclear

"Hypnotic"

Michael Jackson

Role in EMS



propofol

ideal uses

Seizures

Agitated delirium

Eclampsia

Isolated TBI and Head Bleeds

gents

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enzodiazepines

Diazepam (Valium)

Clonazepam (ativan)

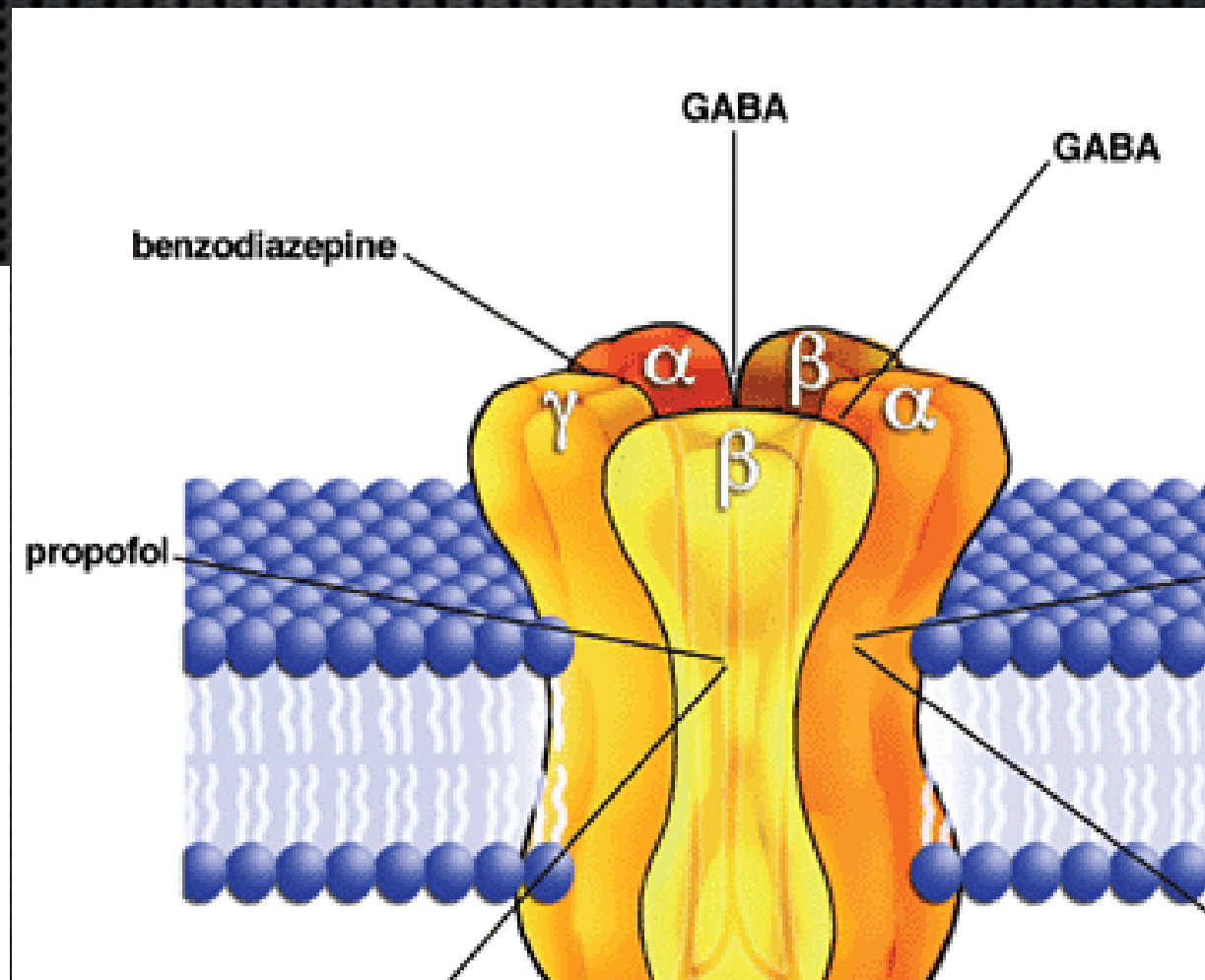
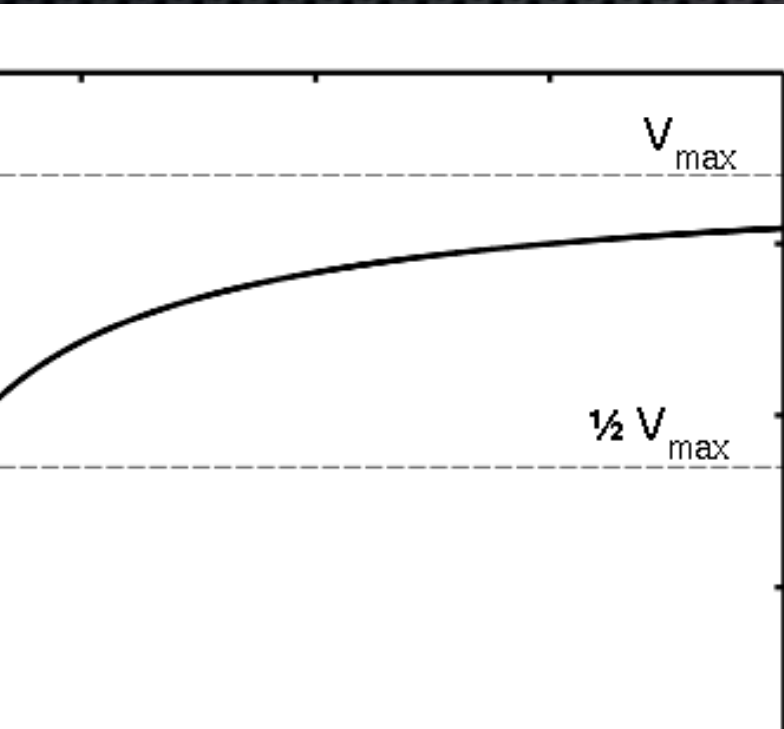
Midazolam (Versed)

...and others

benzodiazepines

Receptor mediated

GABA receptor



Midazolam

Uses:

- › Anti-convulsant
- › Sedation and hypnosis
- › Anxiolysis
- › Antegrade amnesia
- › Muscle Relaxation

Midazolam

Most suited for critically ill

V, IM, IN, etc

rapid predictable onset

(not fast enough for Induction)

Sedation (45 min - 1 hr)

Midazolam

Water soluble

One compartment model

Highly protein bound

$t_{1/2} = 3-6$ hrs

Metabolized by liver

Midazolam

Provides safe sedation

Doses for sedation:

.0.1 - 0.2 mg/kg

Very frequently underdosed

NOT a good induction agent

ONLY provides sedation/amnesia

.No analgesia

Lidazolam / Fentanyl

frequently combined

very dangerous in hypovolemic pts

Causes Hypotension

VERY DANGEROUS IN HEAD INJURED
PATIENTS!!!!!!

THERE ARE BETTER OPTIONS

he Equation:

$$\cdot \text{cbf} = \text{map} - \text{icp}$$

gents

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Opiates

Ketamine

Barbiturates

piates

Morphine

Opium

Hydromorphone

Fentanyl

Sufentanyl



Opiates

Very important class

Pain medication

Anesthetic

Antitussives, antidepressants

Opiates

“Discovered” in 1552

Popularized in 1804

Heroin in 1900

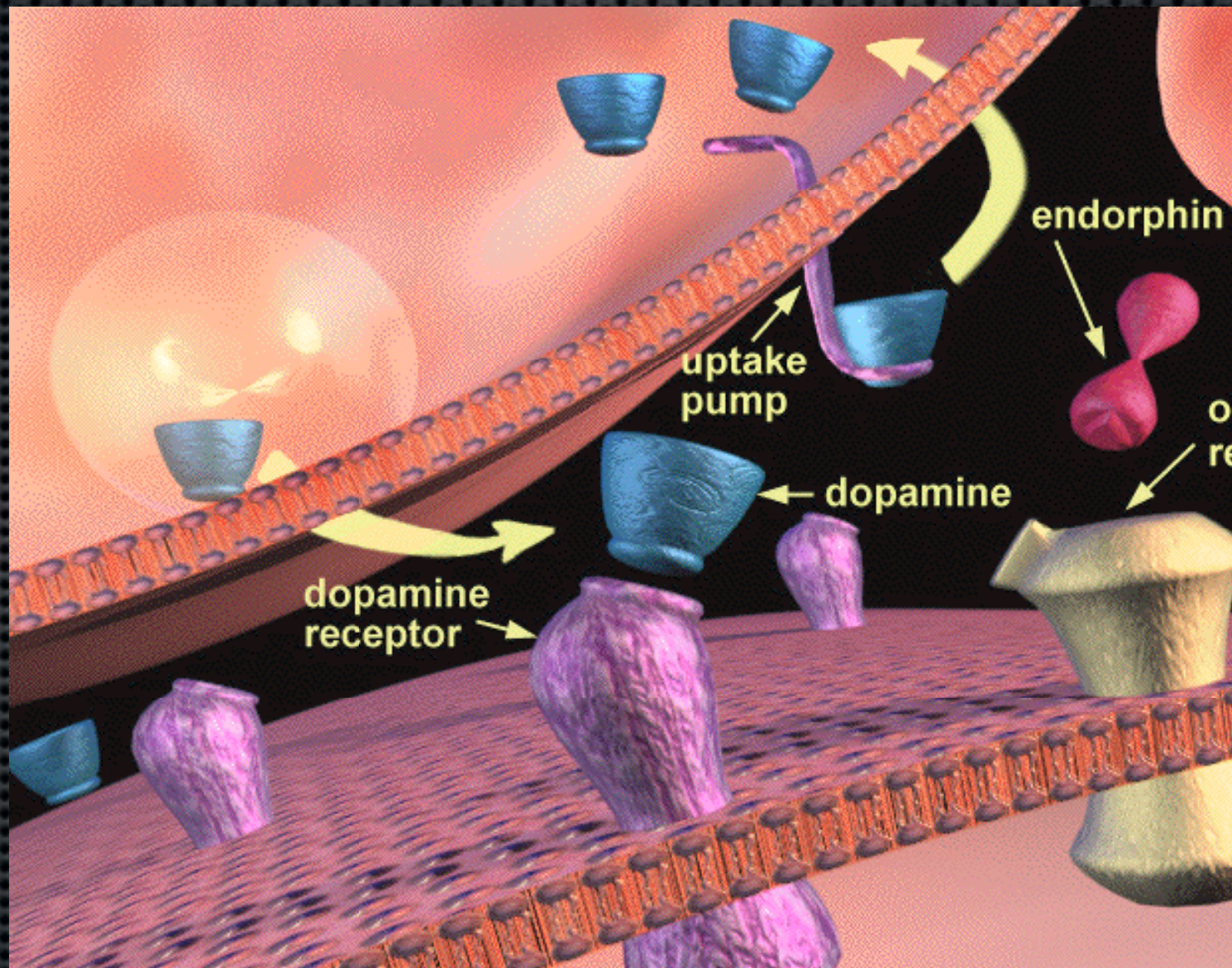
Criminalized in 1914



c. 1910

piates

Receptor
mediated
drugs"



piates

delta - receptors

peripheral neurons

analgesia

antidepressant

dependency

piates

appa - recpetors

brain

spinal cord

sedaiton

miosis

dysphoria

piates

mu - Receptors

brain

spinal cord

peripheral neruons

intestinal tract

analgesia

dependance

euphoria

piates

lociceptin - Receptor

Brain

spinal cord

anxiety

depression

appetite

tolerance

entanyl

Sublimaze

Very Lipophilic

first pass effect in lungs

entanyl

Blood pressure may decline

Hemodynamically stable Agent

Dangerous in combination w/ Benzodiazepines

TBI, Volume depleted, etoh

THE EQUATION

entanyl

Pain 0.5 - 1.5 mcg/kg

Can cause apnea in some people

Sedation 5-7 mcg/kg

Anesthesia 10-40 mcg/kg

Summary

Can be used for sedation

Not rapid enough For RSI

Large role in pain

Caution w/ other sedative

Except ketamine

gents

Etomidate

Propofol

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Barbiturates

Ketamine

Class: Phencyclidine

Conger: Ketamine

Developed in Mid 60's

Used in Vietnam

Popular in 70's

Sometimes sold as Ecstasy

Special K"

etamine

MDA Receptor Antagonist (dissociates brain from spinal cord)
Hallucinogenic Dissociative
anesthesia
Binds to μ receptors (higher doses)
hyperdynamic effects

Ketamine

How does it work?

- Separates the mid-brain from the cortex
- Disorganizes the brain
- Lower brain controls vital functions and is stimulated by Ketamine => excitation
- Occupies opiate receptor

etamine

Pharmacokinetics:

- IV/PO/IM
- Lipid soluble (two compartments)
- Hepatic Metabolism
- 3 hour half life (20-40min duration of action)
- Two compartment model
- Hepatic clearance

etamine

Induction:

- 2-4 mg/kg IV (quickly)
- 4 mg/kg IM

Sedation

- 2mg/kg IV (slowly) or IM

etamine

Dosing: Pain adjunct

0.1 mg/kg IV increments to effect

etamine

Physiologic effects

- Increased CBF out of proportion to CNS metabolic needs
- Sympathetic tone
- Respiratory drive is reduced but ventilation persists (descriptions of apnea at higher doses)
- Betsy's case

etamine

Physiologic Effects

Smooth muscle relaxant => bronchodilation

↓ peak pressures

↑ HR, MAP, Contractility ∴ MVO₂ (1st dose)

Subsequent doses do not further ↑
sympathetic tone

etamine

Advantages

No hypotension

Continues to ventilate (usually)

Can combine benzo's or opiates (dose sparing)

Anesthesia, Sedation and/or analgesia

IM/IV/PO/PR

etamine

Emergence Reaction

- Vivid dreams (stronger w/ PCP)
- More common in adults
- Benzo's reduce frequency and severity

Hypersalivation / Laryngospasm

Resp sedation in higher doses (rapidly given)

etamine - cautions

Caution with Cardiac disease

Caution with Psychiatrically Ill

Pregnancy

Early in pregnancy can increase uterine pressures and cause contractions

Does not have FDA pregnancy classification

Laryngospasm

etamine - ideal uses

Induction for trauma or sepsis

Post intubation Sedation

Smoother transition from induction to sedation

Head Injury – particularly multi-trauma

Procedural sedation

Acute bronchospasm

Pain out of control

Agitated delirium (maybe)

gents

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Pentobarbital

Thiopental

Methohexital

arbiturates

lipid soluble

Open chloride channels

Can produce “flat eeg”

.(propofol, etomidate)

arbiturates

Prone to cause hypotension

limited or No EMS role

SI Pharmacology

Induction & Sedation

Paralytics

neuromuscular Blockers

Succinyl Choline

Rocuronium

Vecuronium

Atracurium

Curarie

The poison arrow

South american hunters

Sir Walter Raleigh

very important to science

Artificial ventilation





neuromuscular Blockers

Blocks the neuromuscular junction

at the muscle cell itself

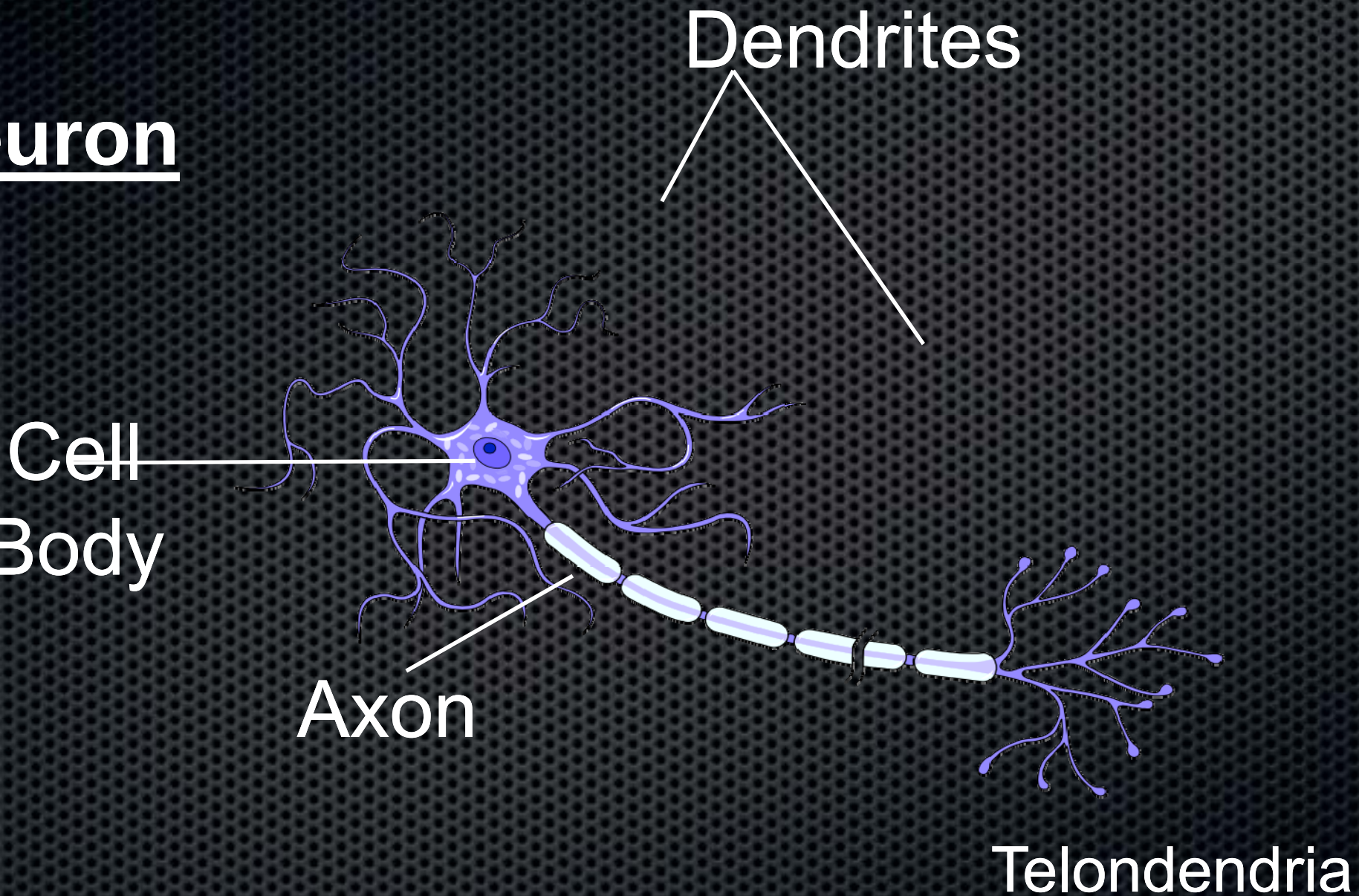
Acetylcholine is the transmitter

Acetylcholinesterase breaks down Ach

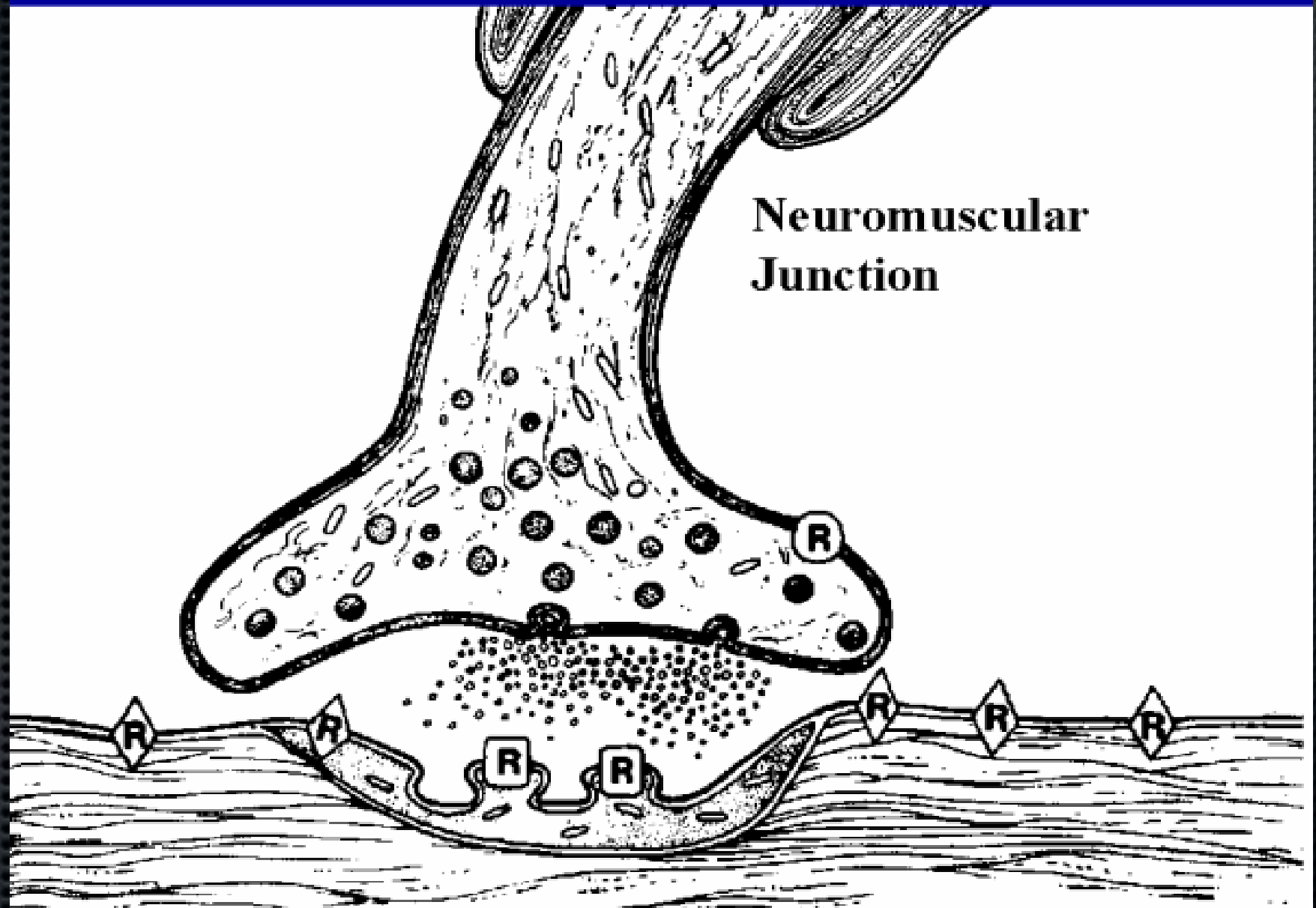
.Neostigmine & Organophosphates

neuromuscular Blockers

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neuromuscular Junction



Succinylcholine

Drug for short

Depolarizing agent

Causes stimulation at the ACh receptor

2 phase action

- Stimulation
- Relaxation

Very fast onset

Succinylcholine

Dose: 1 - 1.5 mg/ kg

Onset 30 seconds

Push quickly, precede with anesthetic

Succinylcholine

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Hyperkalemia (K⁺)

neuromuscular disease

Paralysed

subacute burns

Rhabdomyolysis

Acute Kidney Injury

Succinylcholine

Advantages:

- Fast onset

- Short duration of action

Disadvantages:

- Risk of hyperkalemia and death

Non-Depolarizing Agents

Rocuronium

Vecuronium

Atracurium

ocuronium

fastest of the ndpa's

5 second onset

.5 -1.5 mg/kg (higher for RSI)

intubating conditions in 60 sec

sux is faster

ocuronium

Pharmacokinetics

- Two Compartment Model

- Hepatic metabolism

- Biliary and renal clearance

- 20-40 min duration 1st dose

- 20 min (0.5mg/kg) subsequent dose

ocuronium

Cautions:

Pregnancy Category C

Liver and renal disease

ecuronium

-4 min onset

hepatic/renal/hoffman

10 min with typical dose

tracurium

Similar to Vecuronium

Hoffman

Questions? Comments?