Pharmacognosy alkaloids LEC4

Indole alkaloids

Reserpine from *Rauavolfia serpentina*, Apocynaceae It has been used as a panacea in the Ayurvedic system of medicine

Reservine was used as antihypertensive agent, but due to side effects it is now not the drug of choice

Physostigmine, Neostigmine and Pyridostigmeine

The alkloids from *Physostigma venenosum*, Fabaceae Physositgmine is an inhibitor of acetylcholineesterase resulting in an enhancement of the acetyl choline activity, Used in Alzheimer's disease (low acetylcholine)

Physostigmine

Semisynthetic physostigmine

Based on <u>physostigmine</u>. Which are used to treat myasthenia gravis, a disease characterized by Severe muscle weakness

Neostigmine

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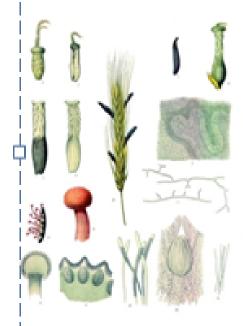
Pyridostigmine

Ergot alkaloids



Contamination of rye grain by the fungi <u>Claviseps purpurea</u> caused poisoning

The fungus is called ergot



Sclerotia of the fungus

Ergometrine is ued as an oxytocic (induce labour)

ERGOTAMINE



Ergotamine

Is used to relief migraine and is still used today
It reduces vasodilatation, side effects include gangrene

- * The ergot alkaloid were used as a template for the semi-synthetic of bromocriptine, pergolide and cabergolide, which have use in neurological disorder such as Parkinson's disease.
- Ergot can cause hallucination and the hallucinogenic drug of abuse LSD(lysergic acid diethylamide) is structurally relatted to them.

PSILOCYBIN

* Mushrooms of the genera *Psilocybe*, *Panaeolus*, *Conocybe and Stropharia* are known to produce psychoactive substance such as psilocybin, which is salt in the fungi and is converted into psilocin in vivo.

Vinca rosa



most important group of indole group are the anticancer agents from the Madagascar periwinkle <u>Catharanthus roseus</u>, <u>Apocvanaceae</u>. These <u>dimeric indole</u> is difficult to synthesizes and found in low quantities in the plant, so it is very expensive. Treat <u>leukaemia</u> and solid <u>tumours</u>

Vincrestine

Vinblastine

Vindesine (semisynthetic)

Strychnine and Brucine (dimethoxy strychnine)

Are the bitter <u>indole</u> alkaloids from the seeds of <u>Nux vomica</u>.

These CNS stimulant alkaloids are highly toxic. Now it is used as <u>rodenticides</u>

Harmine and harmaline

Are structurally related to <u>tryptamine</u> an alkaloids from .

Peganum harmala

Flourescent under UV



Theses alkaloids are psychoactive used to treat heroine addiction

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