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A drug interaction is a reaction between two (or more) drugs or between a drug and a food, beverage, or supplement.

- The Drug whose Activity is effected by such an Interaction is called as a "Object drug."
- The agent which precipitates such an interaction is referred to as the "Precipitant".

Types of drug Interactions

- 1.Drug-drug interactions.
- 2.Drug-food interactions.
- 3. Chemical-drug interactions.
- 4. Drug-laboratory test interactions.
- 5.Drug-disease interactions

Consequences | Results of Drug Interactions.

(A) Desirable Effects:

1. Increased therapeutic Activity:

eg. Sulfamethoxazole & trimethoprim to treat bacterial infection.

2. Reduced Side effect:

eg. furosemide & amiloride to prevent hypokalemia.

(B) Undesirable Effects:

1. Loss of therapeutic Activity:

eg. Chlorpromazine blocks antiparkinsonian action of Levodopa.

2. Adverse drug reaction:

eg. Propranolol in digitalized patient can produce bradycardia.

3. Fatal Event:

eg. Concurrent use of Chopidogreh & warfarin can cause hemorrhage.

Mechanism of Drug Interactions:

1. Pharmacokinetic

2. Pharmaco dynamic.

Others: 3. Pharmaceutical Incompatibilities (in Vitro)

4. Food drug interactions.

1. Pharmacokinetic Drug Interactions are classified as:

A) Absorption interactions

(B) Distribution interactions

(c) Metabolism interactions

(D) Excretion interactions.

(A) Absorption interactions:

(a) Tetracycline forms insoluble poorly absorbed complexes with calcium/iron Salts.

(b) Absorption of Ketoconezole is reduced by H2 blockers & proton pump inhibitors.

(c) Co-administration of Aspirin & prokinetic metoclopramide causes rapid absorption of aspirin.

