

- These drugs simulate parasympathetic effects.
- Slow Heart rate, exocrine secretion (salivation etc)
- All bind M receptor subtypes

Uses of muscarinic antagonists

- Premedication in anaesthesia (inhibit bronchial and salivary secretions, and reflex bronchoconstriction)
- GI disorders (reduce gastric secretions in peptic ulcers) Pirenzepine is the most selective for this
- Ophthalmology exams (pupil dilation)
- Reduce motion sickness (hyoscine effective as it can get across blood-brain barrier to have CNS actions)

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