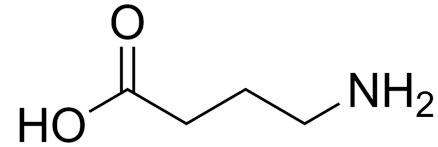


Anxiolytics

major inhibitory neurotransmitter

GABA

gamma amino
butyric acid



made from
glutamic
acid

Low [GABA] is associated with anxiety disorders

- Benzodiazepines

enhance effects of GABA

- Alcohol + Barbiturates

also interact with GABA
receptors

low levels of GABA associated
with epilepsy

GABA Receptors

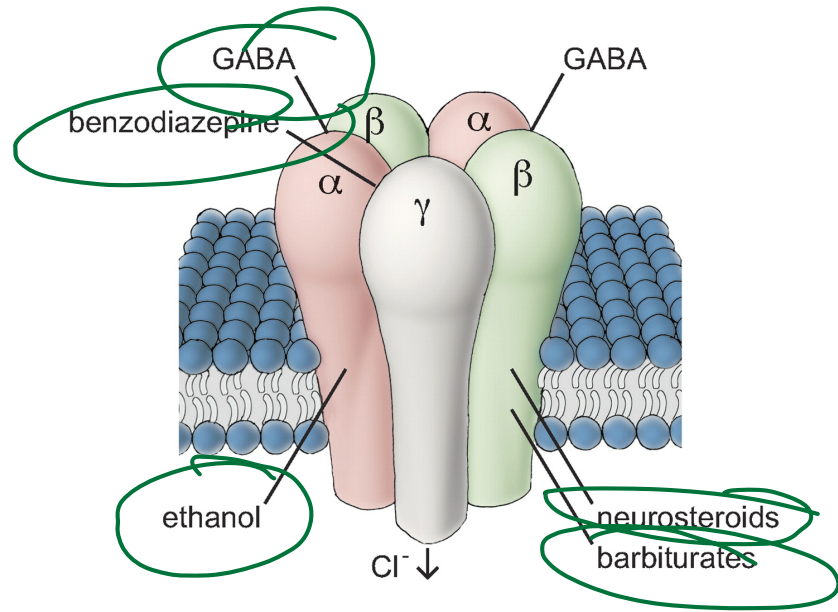
Binding of GABA opens a Cl⁻ channel

- Cl⁻ moves in
- hyperpolarization
- destimulatory

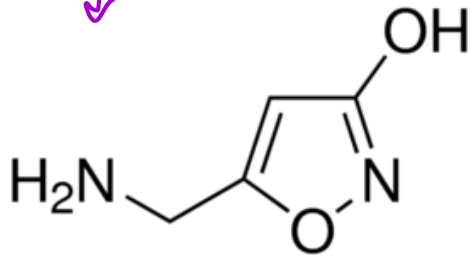
Drugs that open these are

Sedatives - decrease anxiety

Hypnotics - cause sleepiness



Agonist = muscimol
(amanita mushrooms)



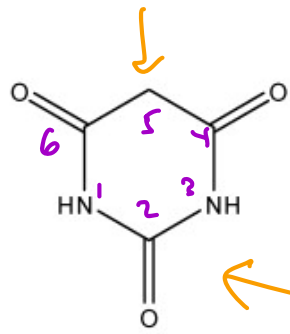
different binding sites

major classes

Barbiturates

Benzodiazepines

Barbiturates



Based on barbituric acid

Put R groups in 5 position

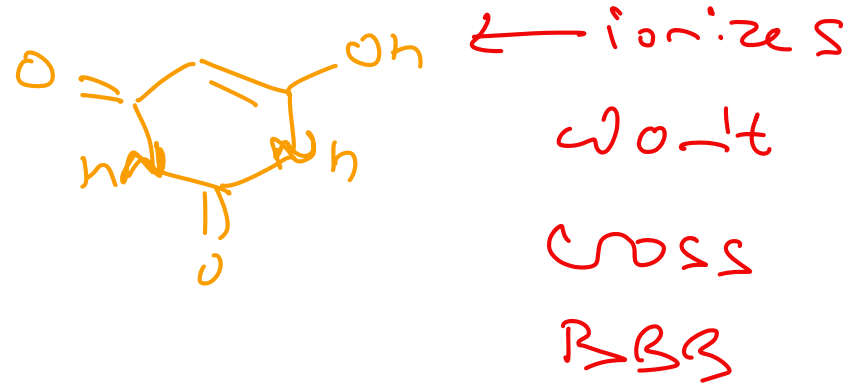
Barbituric acid not active

will tautomerize

- can cause physical dependence

- low TI

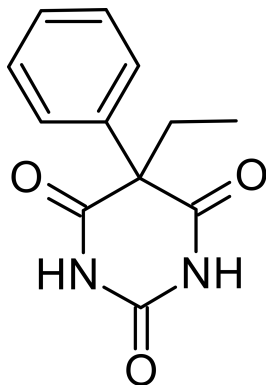
- suppresses REM sleep



wont cross BBB

Long Lasting Barbiturates

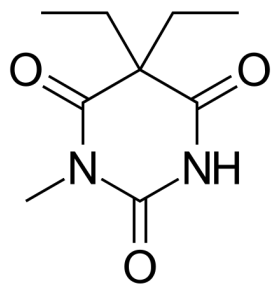
— 6 or more hours



Phenobarbital (Luminal)

— anticonvulsant

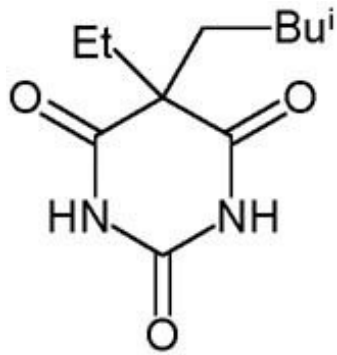
— epilepsy



methbarbital

— epilepsy

Intermediate Acting ~6 ish hours



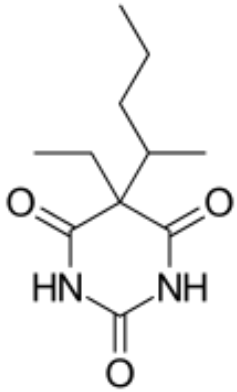
Amytal

- used for insomnia

- sedative

Short Acting < 3 hrs

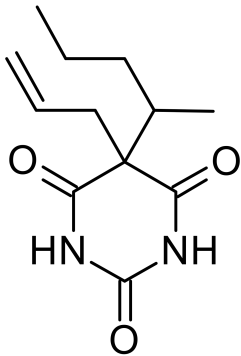
3ish
hours



Pentobarbital

- insomnia

- vet use euthanasia

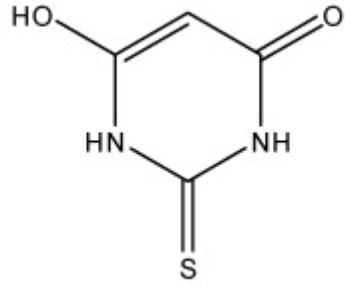


Secobarbital (Seconal)

- pre surgery sedative

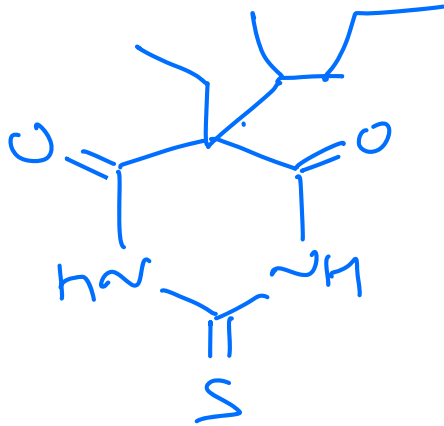
- insomnia

Thiobarbiturates



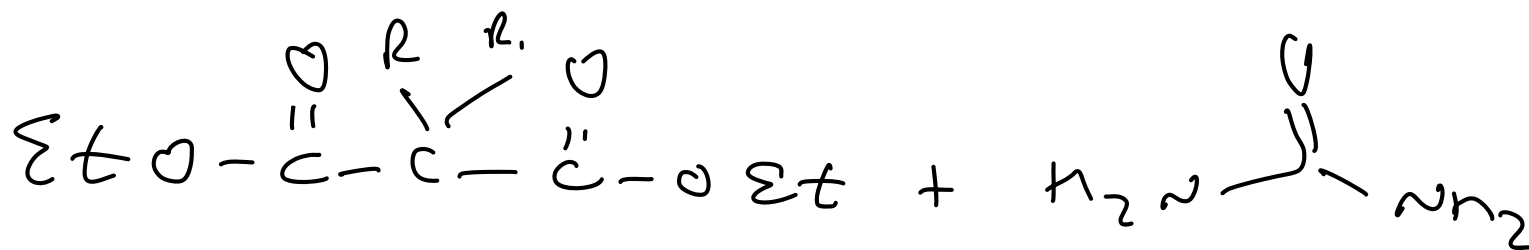
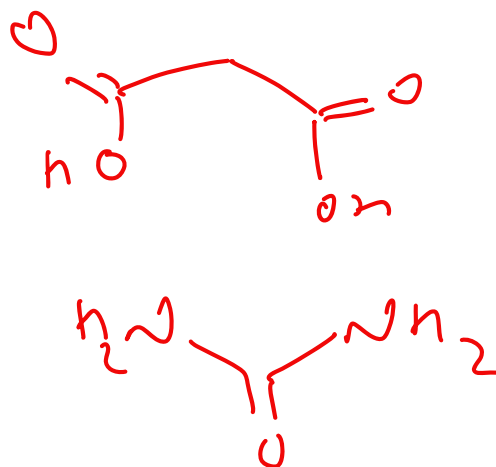
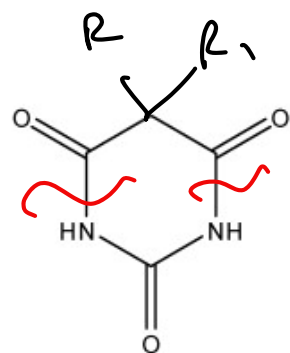
thiobarbituric acid

very short acting



thiopental (Sodium Pentathol)

Barbiturate Synthesis (Grimaux's Synthesis)



Product

Benzodiazepines

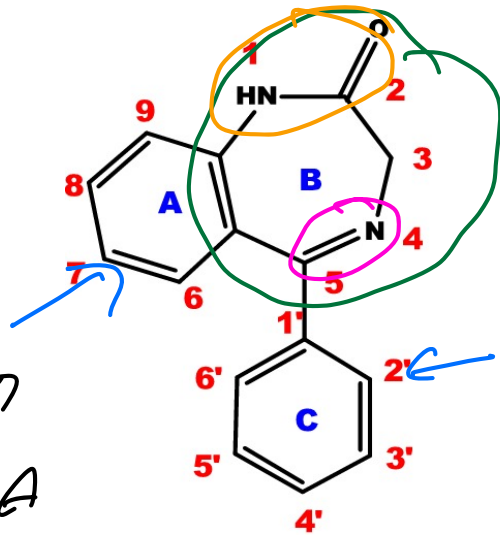
Safer than barbiturates

Anxiolytic

Induce Sleep

Anesthetic

Anticonvulsants



7 membered

imino lactam ring

Substitution

1, 3, 7, 2'

OH
here
slows
rate of absorption

EW stuff
here

of the CI

Rings A must be aromatic or heteroaromatic

Benzodiazepine Mode of Action

Primary site of action = GABA_A receptor

Secondarily inhibits reuptake of

adenosine



has a role in ACh release

At high levels binds Ca^{2+} + Na^{+} channels

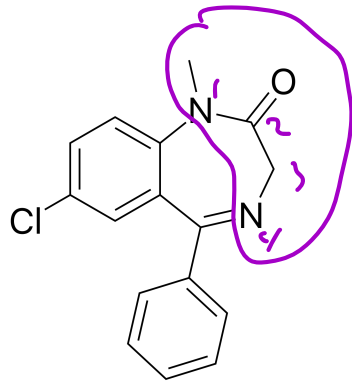
Lipophilic - deposits in fat

deposited drug gets slowly released

can have residual next day

effects

Diazepam (Valium)



a 1,4
Benzodiazepines

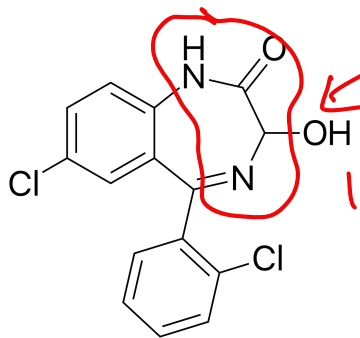
non-polar

anxiety

anticonvulsant

surgery premedication

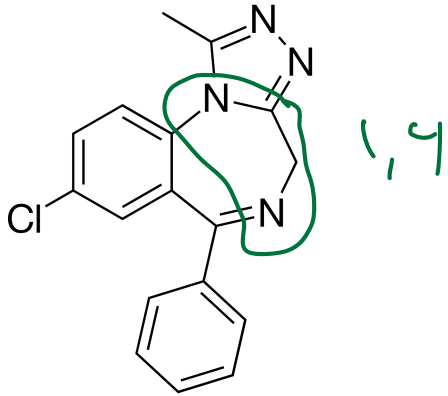
Lorazepam (Ativan)



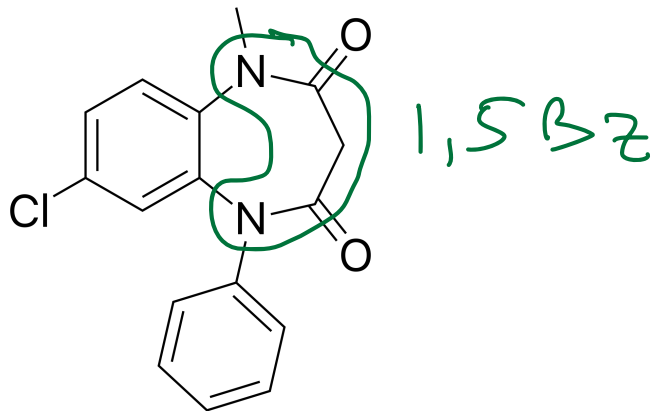
1,4BZ

hydroxyl makes more
quickly metabolized

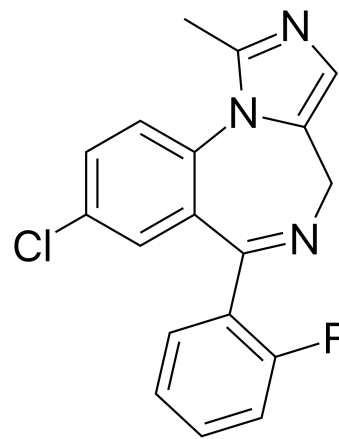
Alprazolam (Xanax)



Clobazam

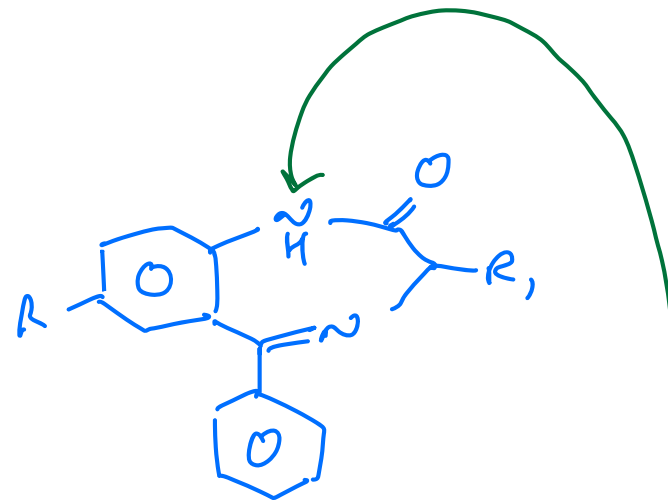
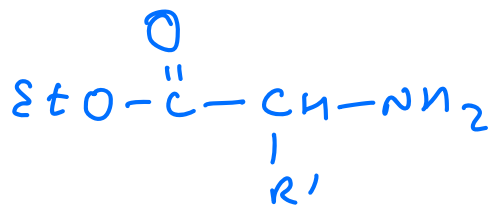
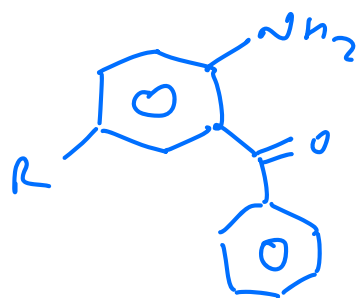
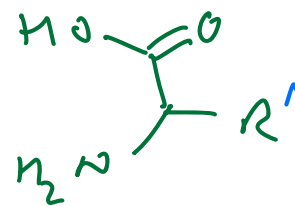
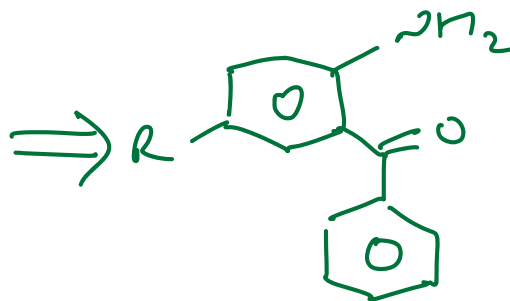
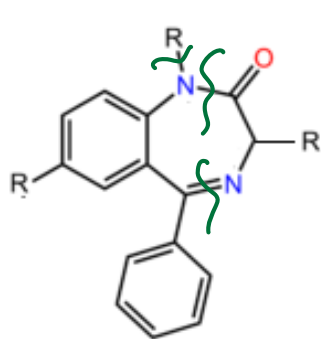


Midazolam (versed)

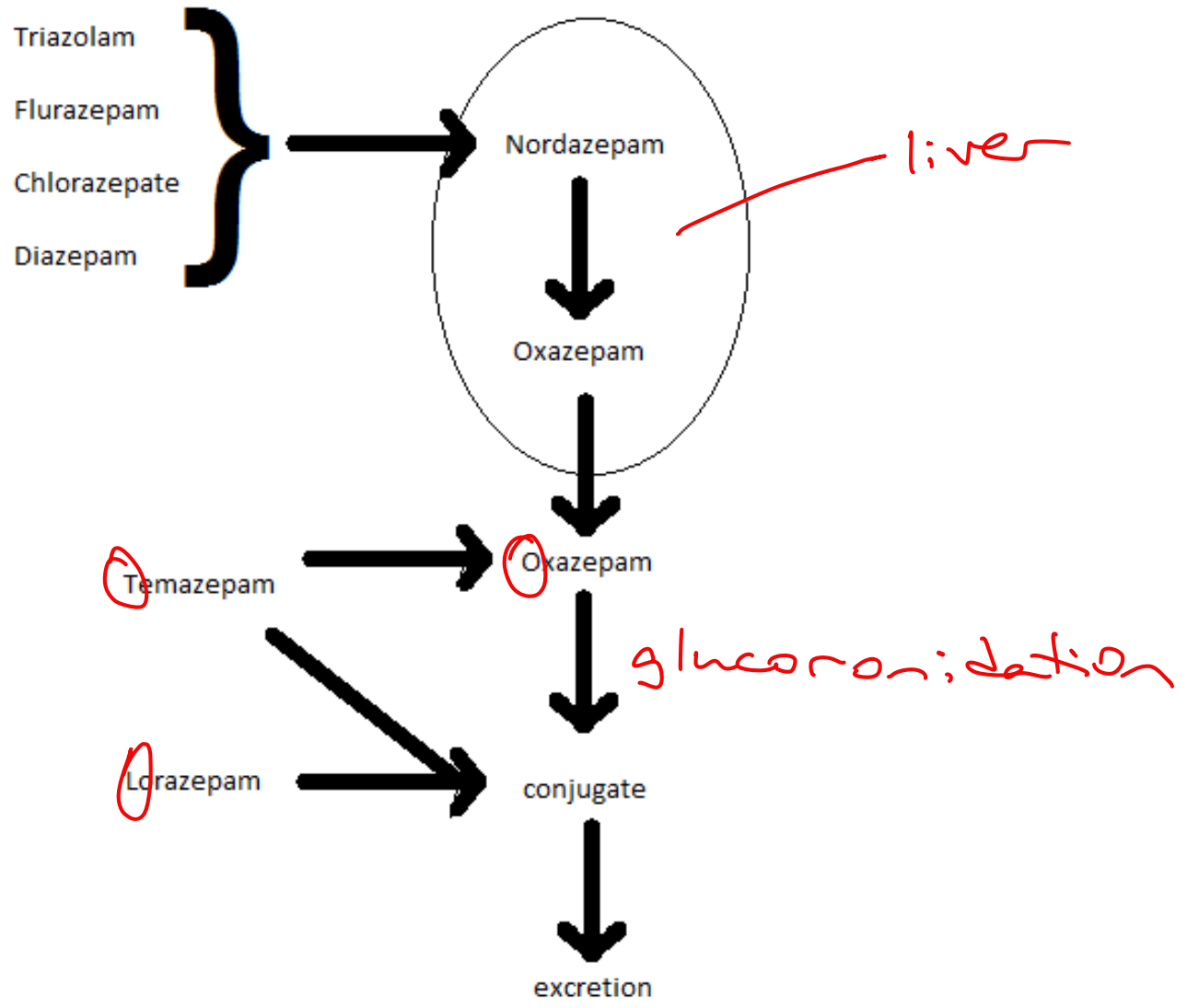


used
before
surgery

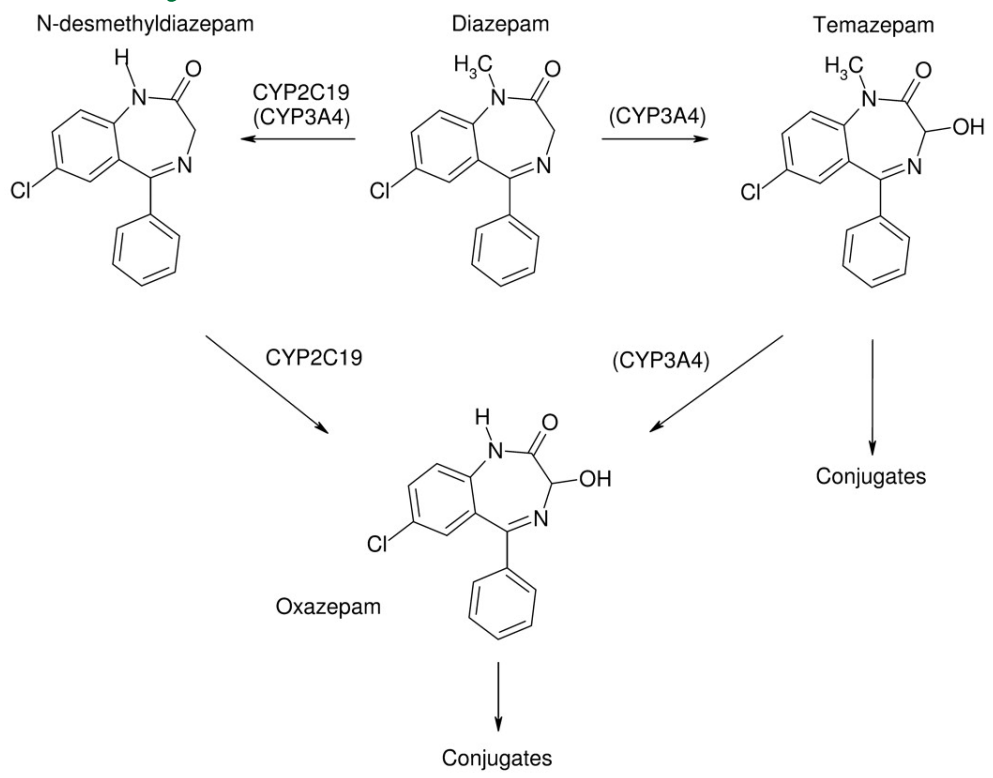
Benzodiazepine Synthesis



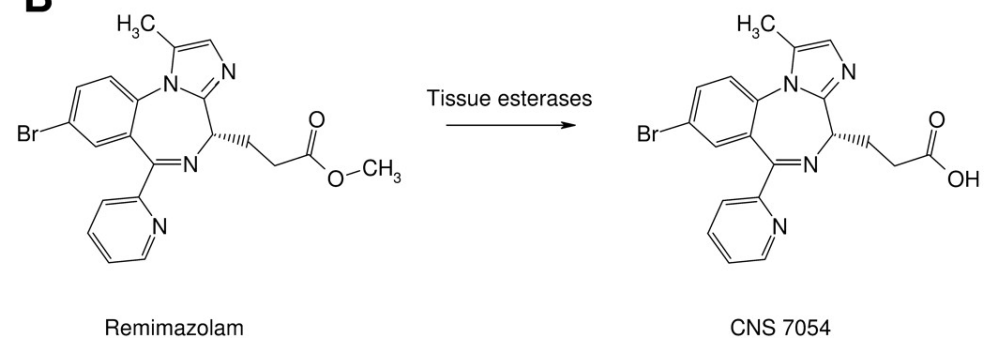
Add R group here



A



B

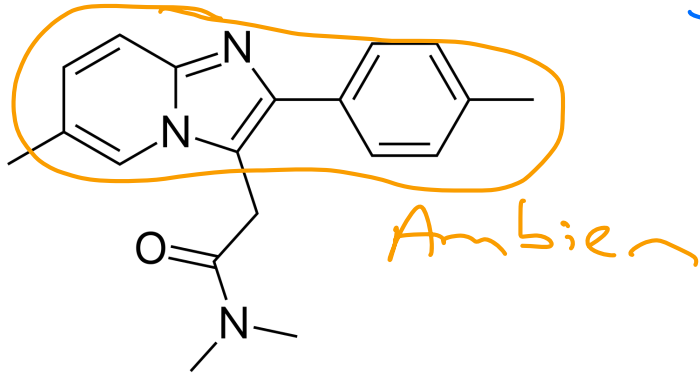


Nonbenzodiazepine GABA_A agonists

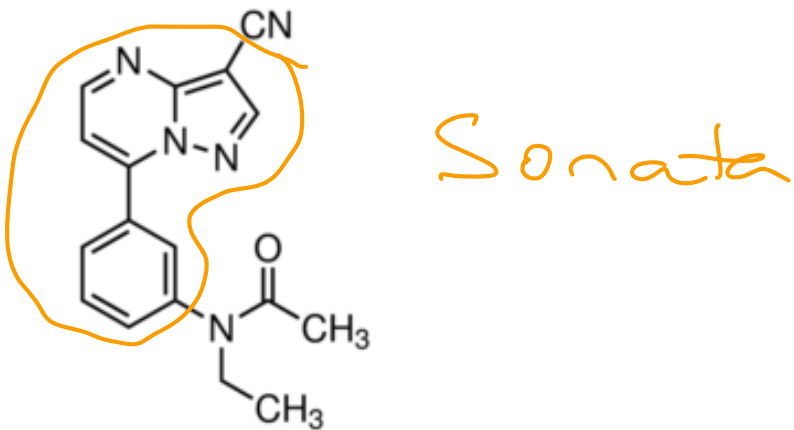
lipophilic
easily absorbed

Short acting sedative
hypnotics

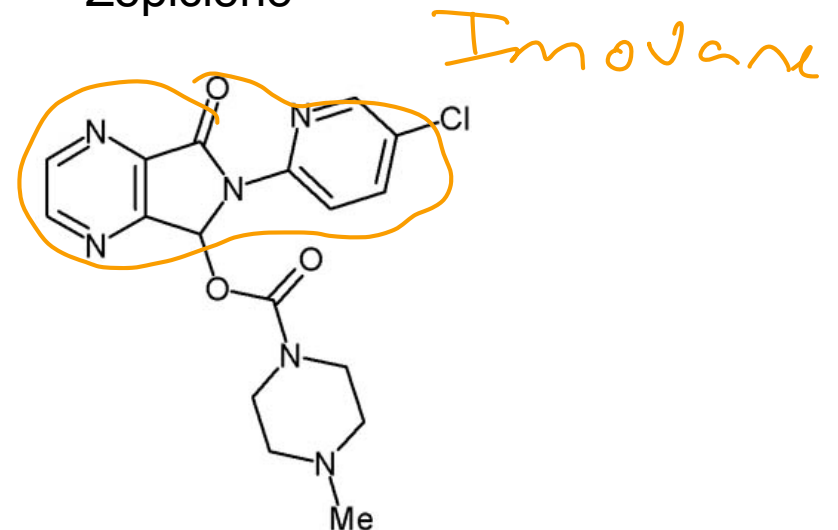
Zolpidem



Zaleplon

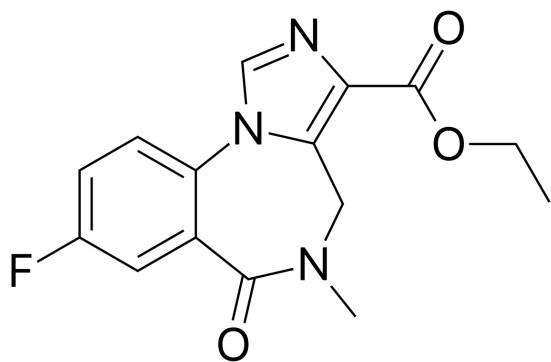


Zopiclone



GABA Antagonist

Flumazenil



used for
barbiturate
overdose