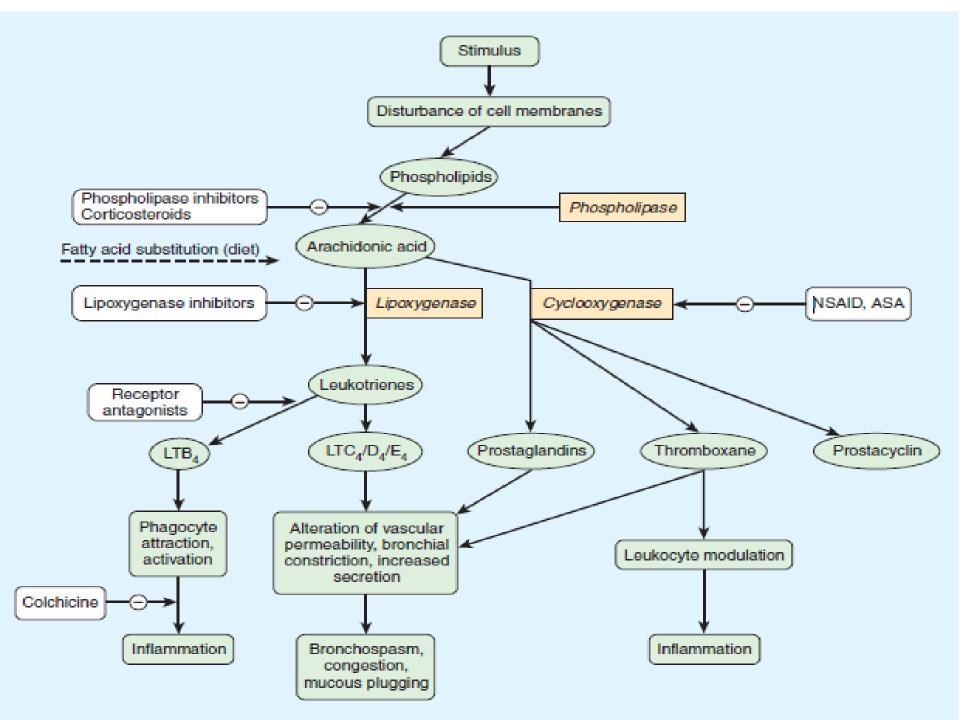
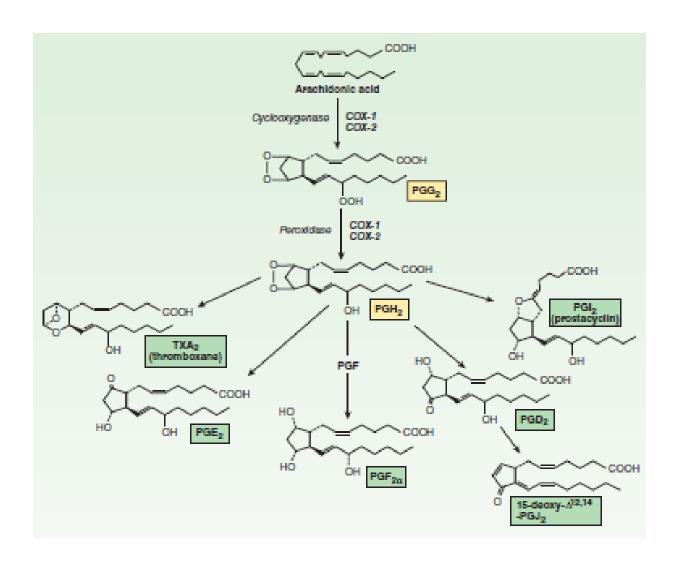
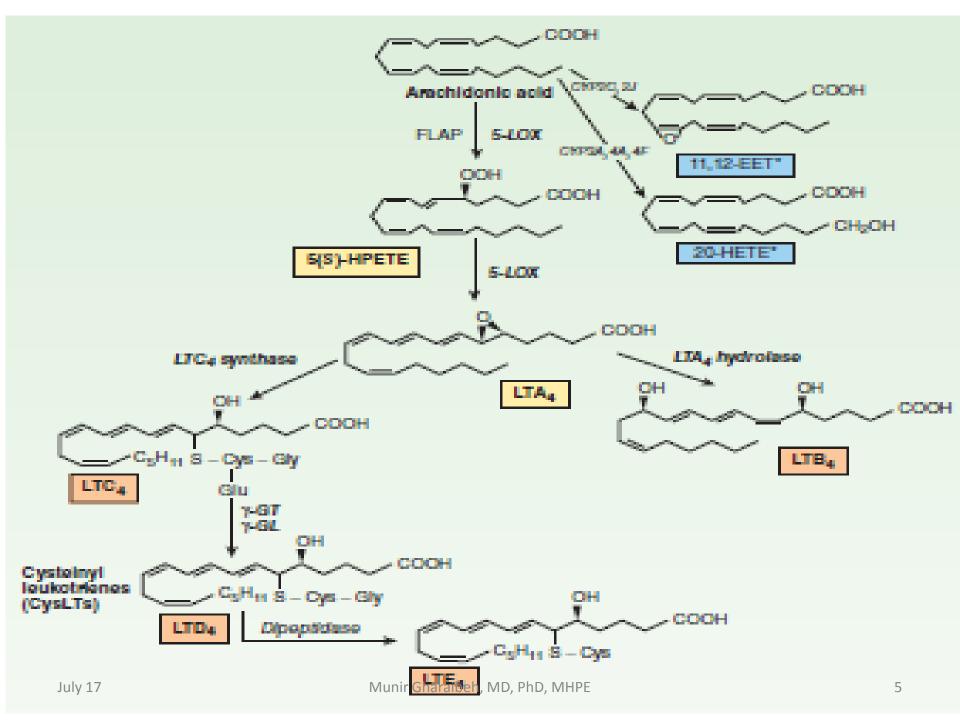
#### **Ecosanoid**s

- Prostaglandins.
- Thromboxanes.
- Leukotrienes.







# **Vasoactive Peptides**

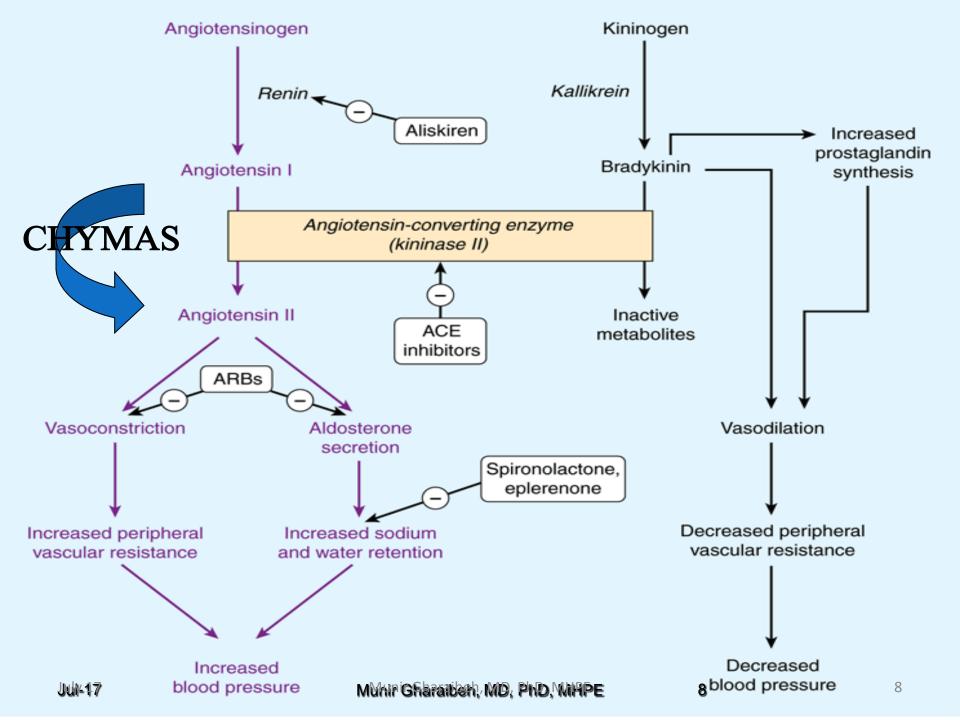
- Renin-Angiotensin- Aldosterone System(RAAS).
- Kinins.
- Vasopressin.
- Natriuretic Peptides.
- Endothelins.
- Vasoactive Intestinal Peptide.
- Subtance P.
- Neurotensin.
- Calcitonin Gene-Related Peptide.
- Adrenomedullin.
- Neuropeptide Y
- Urotensin.

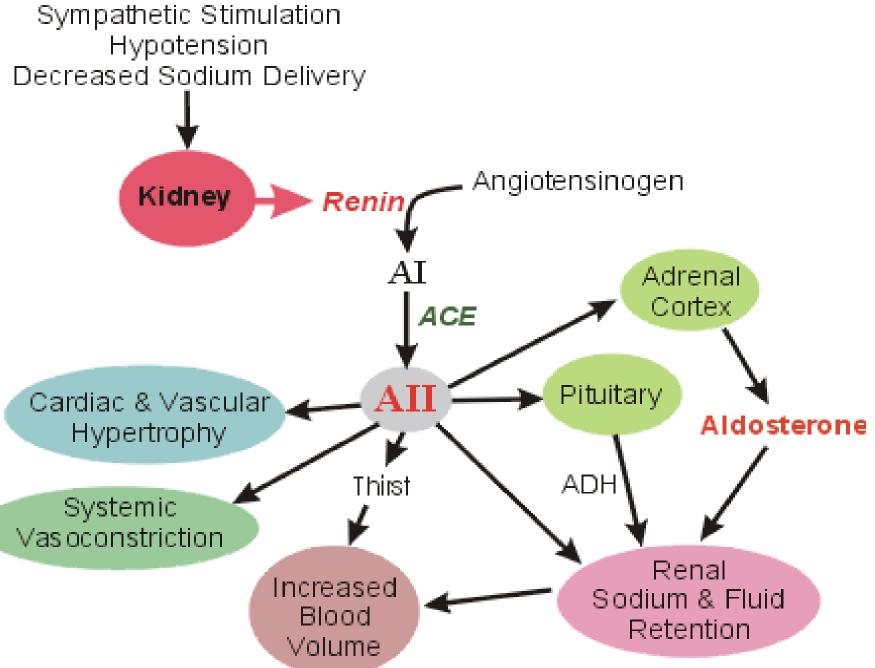
#### What is RAAS?

The renin-angiotensin aldosterone system (RAAS) is a hormonal cascade that functions to control arterial pressure, tissue perfusion, and extracellular volume.

Pathophysiologic processes might occur when components of the RAAS are **overexpressed or inhibited**, thus disturbing the balance of this regulatory system

Dysregulation of the RAAS plays an important role in the pathogenesis of cardiovascular and renal disorders.





## Local Renin-angiotensin Systems

- The renin-angiotensin system is a classic endocrine system.
- There are complete local renin-angiotensin systems existing entirely within organs and tissues.
- e.g in the vascular endothelium, volume depletion increases angiotensinogen levels in aortic smooth muscle.
- -Then either locally produced or systemic renin could initiate the sequential formation of angiotensin I and II.

### The Cardiac Renin-Angiotensin System

-Stretch directly increases:

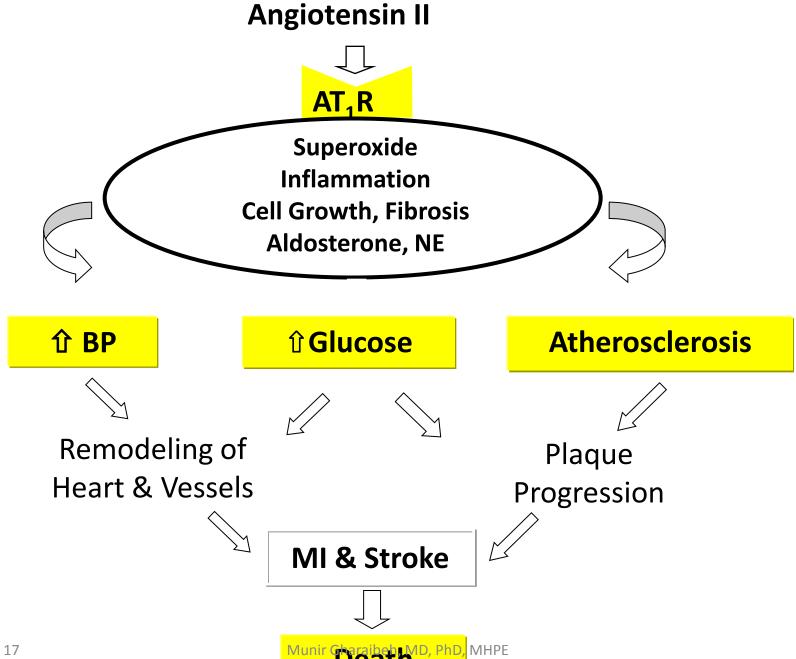
Release of angiotensin II from cardiac myocytes.

Expression of the angiotensinogen gene on the long-term.

-The apparent function of the cardiac RAAS is to maintain cellular balance of inhibition and cellular growth.

# Effect of the Angiotensin II on the heart

- 1- Inotropy.
- 2- Hypertrophy.
- 3- Ventricular remodeling
- 4- Electrical remodeling.
- 5- Pathogenesis of atherosclerosis

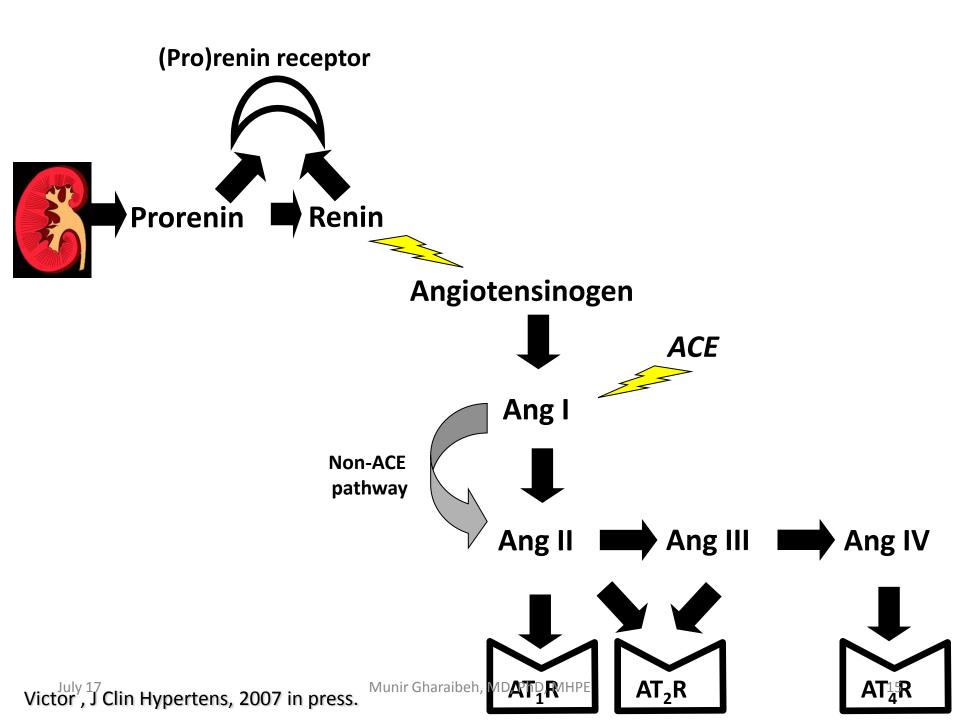


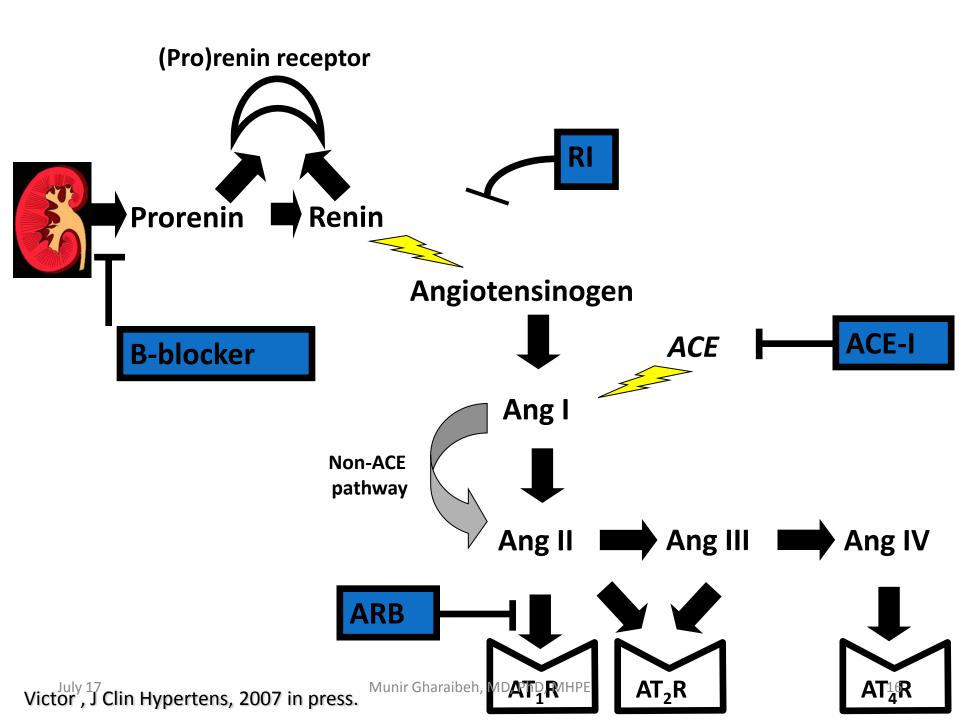
## Alternative Pathways Of The Renin

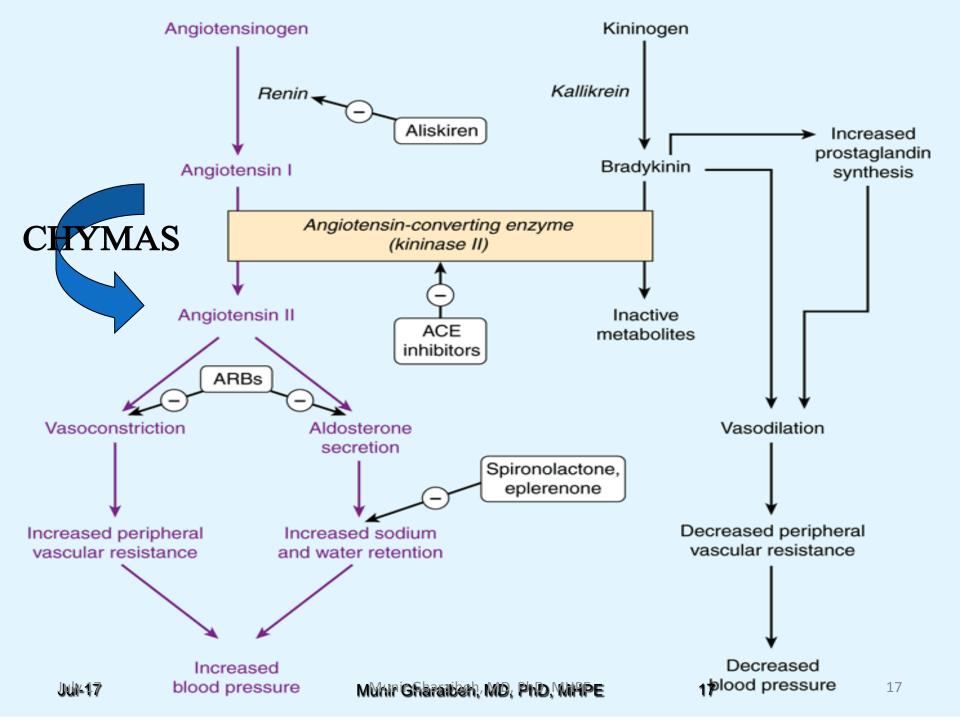
These are alternative enzymatic pathways which contribute to angiotensin II production but do not involve ACE

**Human heart chymase** appears to be the most important of these pathways, particularly in the ventricles.

The physiologic importance of chymase is uncertain because of the presence of natural protease inhibitors in the interstitial fluid which inhibit chymase-induced angiotensin II production.







#### **Direct Renin Inhibitors**

These are agents that block the RAAS by directly inhibiting renin receptors.

#### Aliskiren:

Recently approved for the treatment of hypertension.

This compound differs from the ACEIs and ARBs in that, by blocking the catalytic activity of renin at the point of activation of the RAAS.

Blocks the synthesis of all angiotensin peptides and prevents the compensatory increase in renin activity

# Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors (ACEI)

 ACEI lower systemic vascular resistance and venous pressure, and reduce levels of circulating catecholamines, thus improving myocardial performance.

#### **Cardiorenal Effects of ACE Inhibitors**

- Vasodilation (arterial & venous)
  - reduce arterial & venous pressure
  - reduce ventricular afterload & preload
- Decrease blood volume
  - natriuretic
  - diuretic
- Depress sympathetic activity
- Inhibit cardiac and vascular hypertrophy

# Angiotensin - Converting Enzyme Inhibitors (ACEI)

#### **Therapeutic Benefits:**

- High-rennin hypertension.
- HF and Ischemic Heart Disease.
- Do not increase HR.
- Diabetic Nephropathy, dilate efferent arterioles which reduces intraglomerular pressure and consequently protects against progressive glomerulosclerosis.
- No need for a diuretic but can be added.
- Can be easily combined with other treatments for HT.
- Have no metabolic effects

# Angiotensin - Converting Enzyme Inhibitors (ACEI)

#### **Side Effects:**

- Hypotension( First Dose Phenomena) especially with renovascular hypertension.
- K+ retention, especially in the presence of renal dysfunction or when combined with K+ sparing diuretics or ARBs.
- Cough(10% of patients).
- Angioedema.

# Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors ACEI

- Captopril
- Benazepril
- Enalapril
- Fosinopril
- Lisinopril
- Moexipril
- Quinapril
- Ramipril

#### Angiotensin Receptor Antagonists (ARBs)

Losartan.

Irbersartan.

Candesartan.

**Valsartan** 

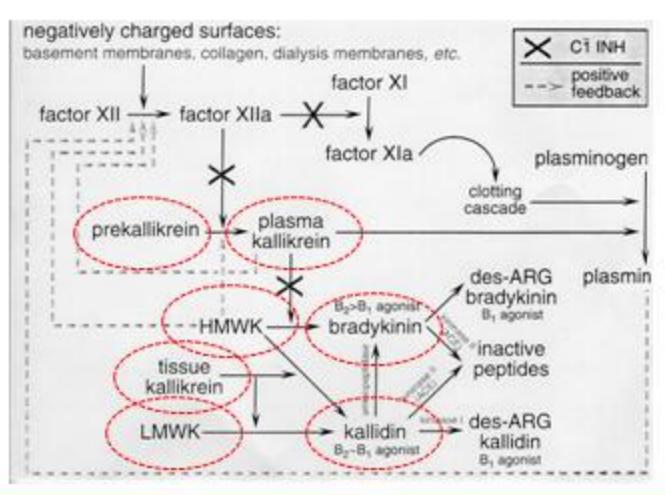
**Block the effect of Angiotensin II** generated from both pathways (chymase &ACE)

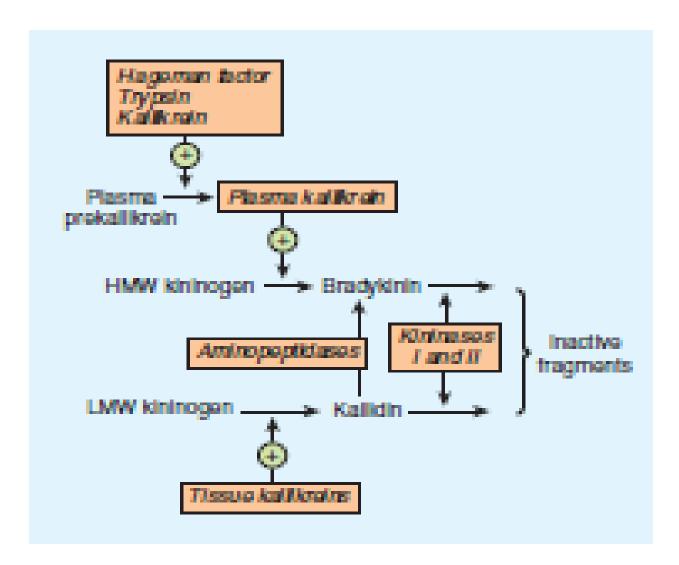
Have similar hemodynamic effects to ACEI Do not affect bradykinin metabolism.

Do not cause cough.

# Kallikrein Kinin System







#### Kinin Actions

#### Cardiovascular System:

- Arteriolar vasodilation: direct & endothelium-dependent via the release of NO and PGI<sub>2</sub>
- Venous constriction: direct and via  $PGF_{2\alpha}$
- Increased capillary permeability
- Response to iv bradykinin:
  - Transient decrease in BP: direct arteriolar dilation
  - Restoration of normal BP: reflex sympathetic discharge

#### **Kinin Actions**

#### Other Effects:

- Pro-inflammatory
- Algesic: via PGE<sub>2</sub>
- Constrict visceral smooth muscle

#### **Putative Effects:**

- Local modulators of blood flow
- Modulate tone of salivary and pancreatic ducts
- Regulate transport of H<sub>2</sub>O, electrolytes, AA in GIT

# **Kinin Receptors**

#### **B**<sub>1</sub>:

- Sensitive to des-Arg metabolites
- Kallidin is 10x more potent than BK
- limited tissue distribution
- VSM contraction, proliferation,
- Collagen synthesis, inflammation
- Induced by trauma

#### $B_2(B_{2A}, B_{2B})$ :

- Sensitive to intact peptides
- GPCR; wide tissue distribution
- Vasodilation, permeability, pain.
- Ca<sup>++</sup> mobilization, Cl<sup>-</sup> transport, NO, PLC, PLA<sub>2</sub>, AC

#### **B**<sub>3</sub>: Unknown function

### **Kinins**

Table 25-2 Structure of Kinin Agonists and Antagonists, Listed from Carboxyl Terminus

NAME	STRUCTURE*	FUNCTION
Bradykinin	Arg-Pro-Pro-Gly-Phe-Ser- Pro-Phe-Arg	Agonist, $B_2 > B_1$
Kallidin	Lys-Arg-Pro-Pro-Gly-Phe- Ser-Pro-Phe-Arg	Agonist, $B_2 \simeq B_1$
des-Arg <sup>9</sup> -bradykinin	Arg-Pro-Pro-Gly-Phe-Ser- Pro-Phe	Agonist, B <sub>1</sub>
des-Arg <sup>10</sup> -kallidin	Lys-Arg-Pro-Pro-Gly-Phe- Ser-Pro-Phe	Agonist, B <sub>1</sub>
des-Arg <sup>9</sup> -[Leu <sup>8</sup> ]-bradykinin	Arg-Pro-Pro-Gly-Phe-Ser- Pro-Leu	Antagonist, B <sub>1</sub>
[D-Phe <sup>7</sup> ]-bradykinin	Arg-Pro-Pro-Gly-Phe-Ser- [D-Phe]-Phe-Arg	Antagonist, B <sub>2</sub> (also B <sub>1</sub> to some extent)
HOE 140	[D-Arg]-Arg-Pro-Hyp-Gly- Thi-Ser-Tic-Oic-Arg*	Antagonist, B <sub>2</sub>
WIN 64338	Nonpeptide	Antagonist, B <sub>2</sub>

<sup>\*</sup>Hyp, trans-4-hydroxy-Pro; Thi,  $\beta$ -(2-thienyl)-Ala; Tic, [D]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolin-3-yl-carbonyl; Oic, (3as,7as)-octahydroindol-2-yl-carbonyl. Source: Modified from Trifilieff  $et\ al.$ , 1993.

#### **Kinins**

#### **Potential Clinical Uses of KKS Antagonists:**

- Allergic conditions
- Anti-inflammatory
- Anti-nociceptive