

Importance of Anticancer drugs in pharmacology

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ABSTRACT

Anticancer medication, additionally called antineoplastic medication, any medication that is successful in the therapy of harmful, or carcinogenic, infection. There are a few significant classes of anticancer medications; these incorporate alkylating specialists, antimetabolites, regular items, and chemicals. Most patients with advanced solid tumors still die of their disease. For this reason, new effective drugs are needed and, in fact, new agents appear every few months. The last years have witnessed the looks of an excellent number of anticancer drugs many of which can't be included during a simple classification.

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INTRODUCTION

Classically, anticancer drugs were grouped as chemotherapy, hormonal therapy and immunotherapy. Chemotherapy included variety a families defined by both their chemical structure and mechanism of action: alkylating agents, antibiotics, antimetabolites, topoisomerase I and II inhibitors, mitosis inhibitors, platinum compounds and others However, the group “others” has expanded such a lot that this classification is not any longer useful.

Classification

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