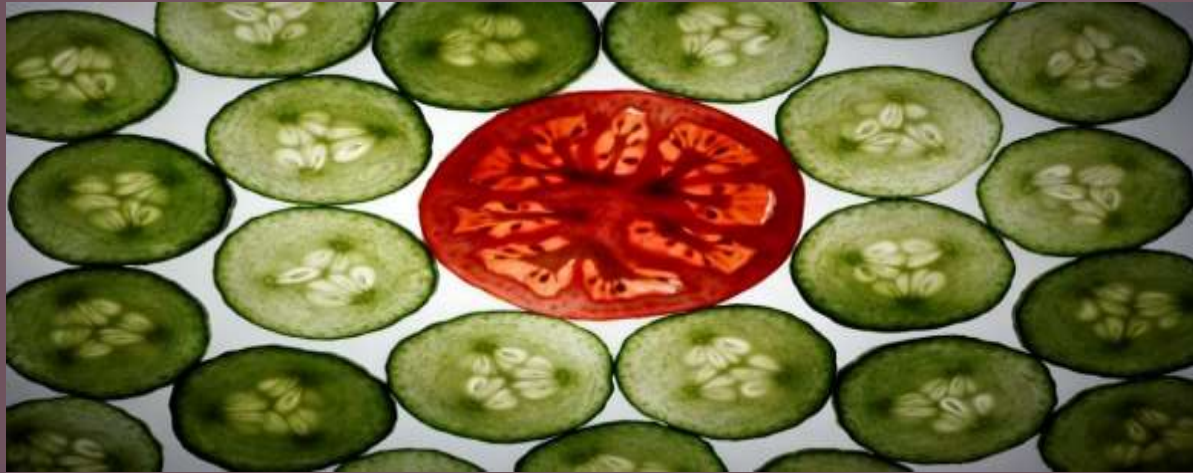


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Food Toxins

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Introduction

- ❖ Toxin is derived from Latin word 'Toxicum' means Poison
- ❖ **Definition:** Small molecule, peptide or protein which alters the normal metabolism of host cells with deleterious effect on the host
- ❖ The condition caused by this toxin when infected by the host is referred as toximia

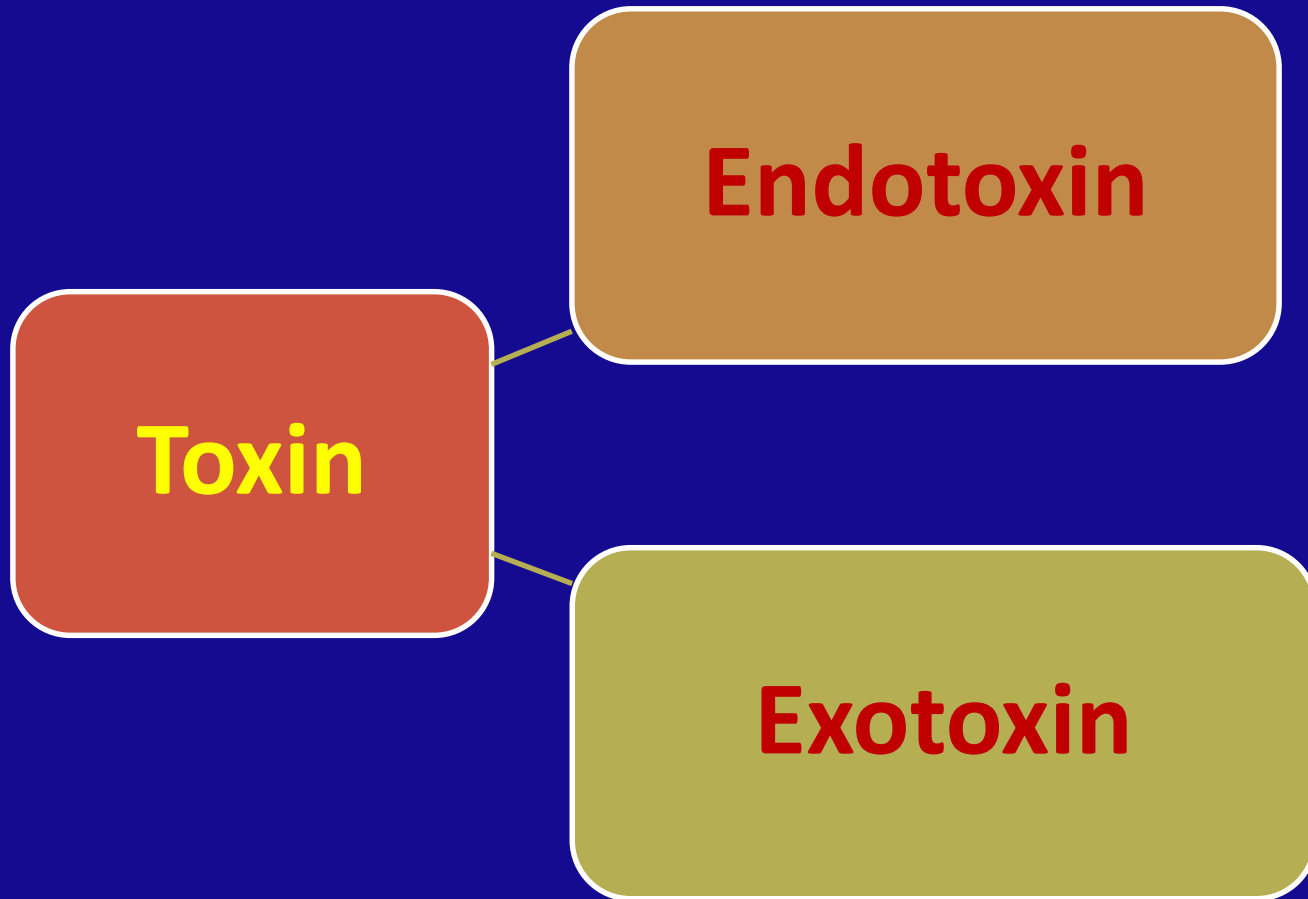
Defination

According to title 18 of United States code, the term “toxin” means toxic material or product of plants, animals, microorganisms or infectious substances, whatever their origin and method of production

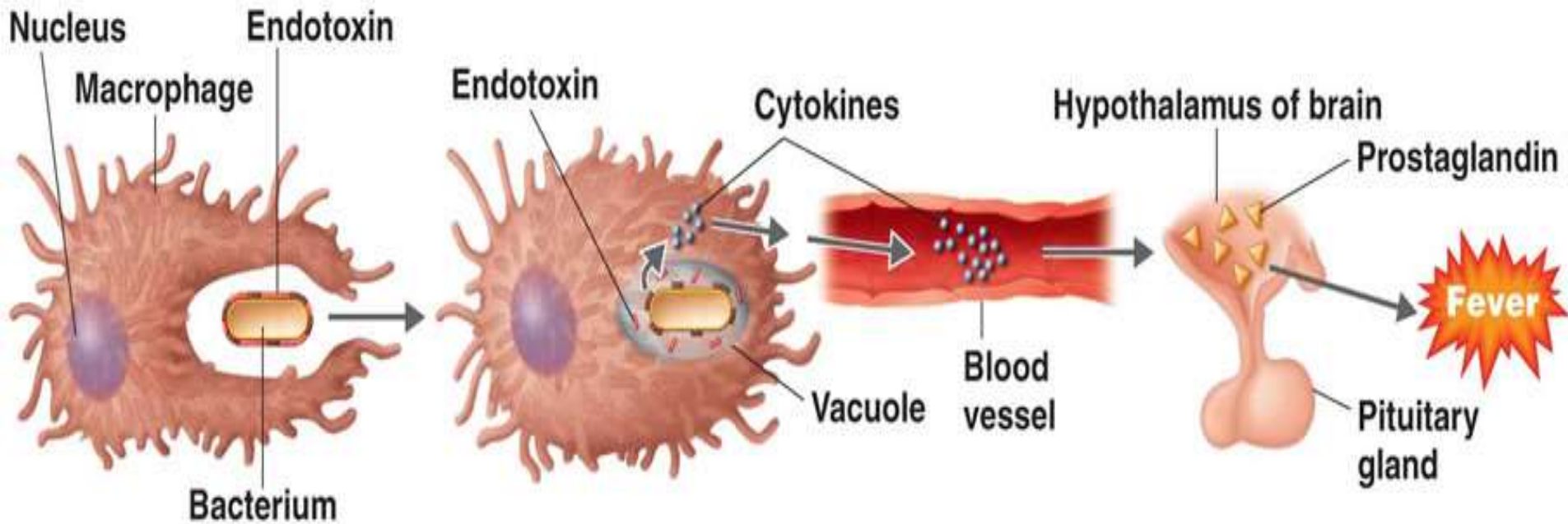
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Classification of Toxin



ENDOTOXIN MECHANISM



Endogenous Toxin in Plants



1. Lectins/Haemagglutinin
2. Saponins
3. Alkaloids
4. Glucosinolates
5. Coumarine
6. Toxic amino acids
7. Toxic lipids
8. Lathyrogens
9. Favism
10. Enzyme inhibitors

Lectins/Haemoagglutinins



- ✓ Phytoagglutinins
- ✓ Agglutinate the RBC

Saponins (saotoxins)

- ✓ Bitter taste
- ✓ Foam producing activity
- ✓ Causes nausea and vomiting



Alkaloids

- ✓ Heterocyclic compounds
- ✓ Pharmacological effect
- ✓ Glycoalkaloid: solanine and tomatine



Glucosinolates

- ✓ Brassiaceae
- ✓ Hydrolysis the enzyme
- ✓ Thiocyanate ion released



Coumarine



- ✓ Chemically 1,2 benzopyrone
- ✓ Cinnamom
- ✓ Hepatotoxicity
- ✓ EFSA TDI for coumarine as 0.1mg/kg body wt

Toxic amino acids

- ✓ non-proteinaceous amino acids
- ✓ Hypoglycin A – Hypoglycemia



Toxic lipids

- ✓ Erucic acid- MUFA (rape seed)
- ✓ PUFA oxidized by cooking & storage,

Protease inhibitors

- ✓ Cereals and potatoes
- ✓ Suppress the release of amino acids
- ✓ Pancreatic hyperplasia

Lathyrogens

- ✓ *Lathyrus sativus*
- ✓ It causes lathyrism
- ✓ β -OAA, free amino acid
- ✓ <300g/day



Favism

- ✓ Broad beans
- ✓ Inhaling the pollen of its flower
- ✓ Haemolytic anemia



Control measures

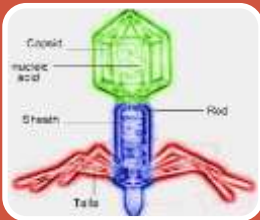
❖ Thermal treatment

❖ Soaking

❖ Fermentation

❖ Germination

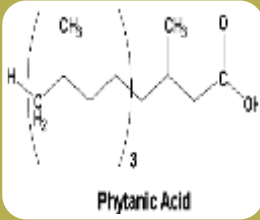
Endogenous Toxin in Animals



Prion



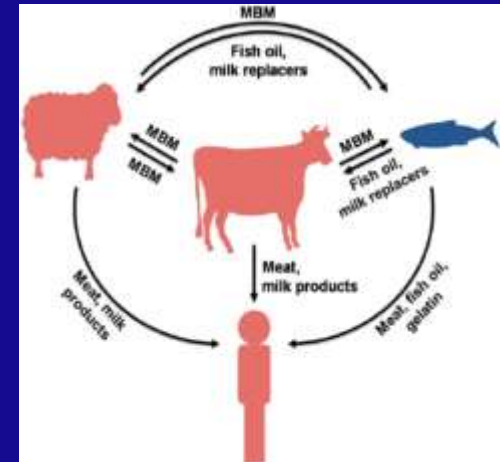
Avidin



Phytanic acid

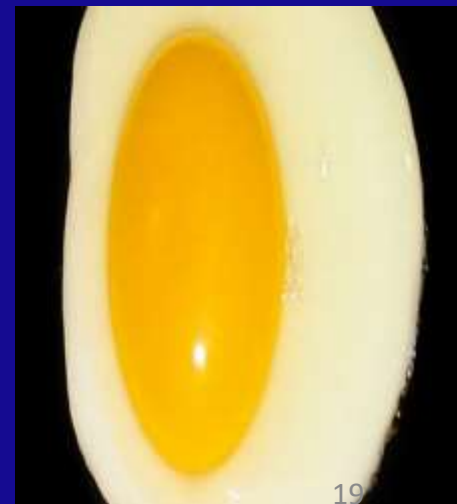
Prion

- ✓ Infectious particle
- ✓ Degeneration of CNS
- ✓ Crutzfelt Jacob's disease & BSE



Avidin

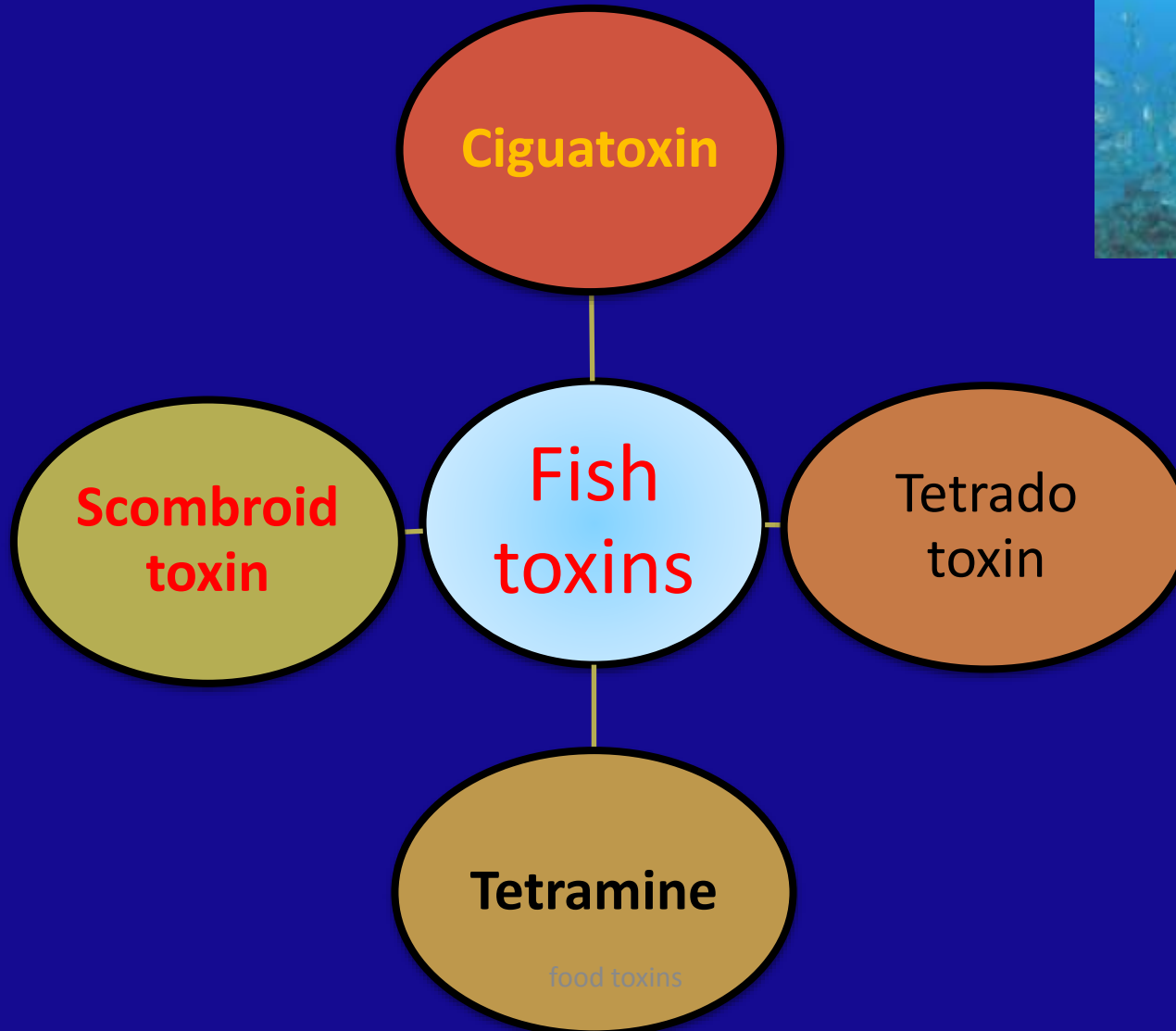
- ✓ Egg white
- ✓ Binds non-covalently to vitamin H



Phytanic acid

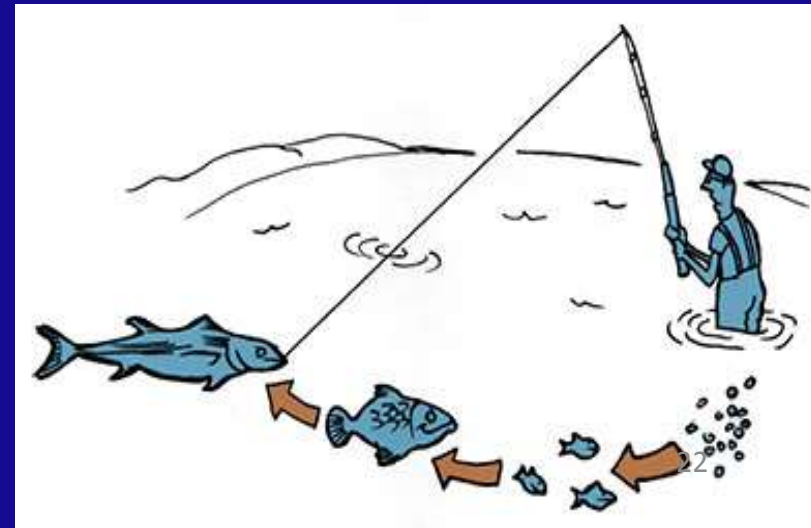
- ✓ Chlorophyll metabolism in the rumen of ruminants
- ✓ Neurological problem, blindness
- ✓ Refsum disease

Endogenous Fish Toxin



Ciguatoxin

- ✓ Ciguatera fish
- ✓ Toxin occurs from the ingestion of fish that feed on sea weed and reef fishes
- ✓ Dinoflagellates
- ✓ I.P 3-6hours



Tetrodo toxin

- ✓ Present in fugu or puffer fish
- ✓ Potent neurotoxin
- ✓ Blocks the Na channels



Scombroid toxin

- ✓ Bacterial action on Scombroid fish such as tuna or mackerel
- ✓ Histamine toxicity



Clostridium
botulinum

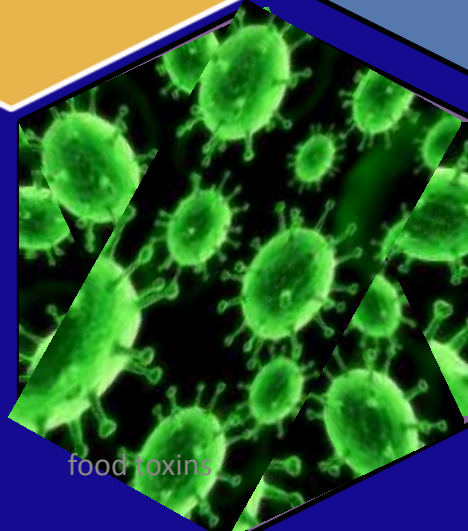
Staphylococ-
cus aureus

Clostridium
perfringens

**Bacterial
toxins**

Bacillus
cereus

Shigella



food toxins

Clostridium botulinum

- ✓ Botulin toxin
- ✓ Thermo liable
- ✓ Soils, fresh water and marine sediments and processed canned foods
- ✓ $<1\mu\text{g}$ of botulin is enough to kill an adult by oral administration
- ✓ There are 2 types of botulism
 - Food borne botulism
 - Infant botulism



Staphylococcus aureus

- Ingestion of food that contains enterotoxins
- Heat stable
- Meat, poultry, fish, mucous membrane of nose, throat and skin of the humans



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Clostridium perfringens

- Gas gangrene
- Heat stable
- Meat, poultry, canned foods



Bacillus cereus

- Types: type 1 and type 2
- Symptom: abdominal cramps, diarrhea and severe vomiting
- Emetic syndrome is also called Chinese restaurant syndrome



Shigella

- ✓ Shigellosis caused by *Shigella* sps.
- ✓ Causes dysentery in humans
- ✓ I.P 7 hr to 7 days
- ✓ Abdominal pain, vomiting and fever
- ✓ Traveler's diarrhea





Mycotoxins

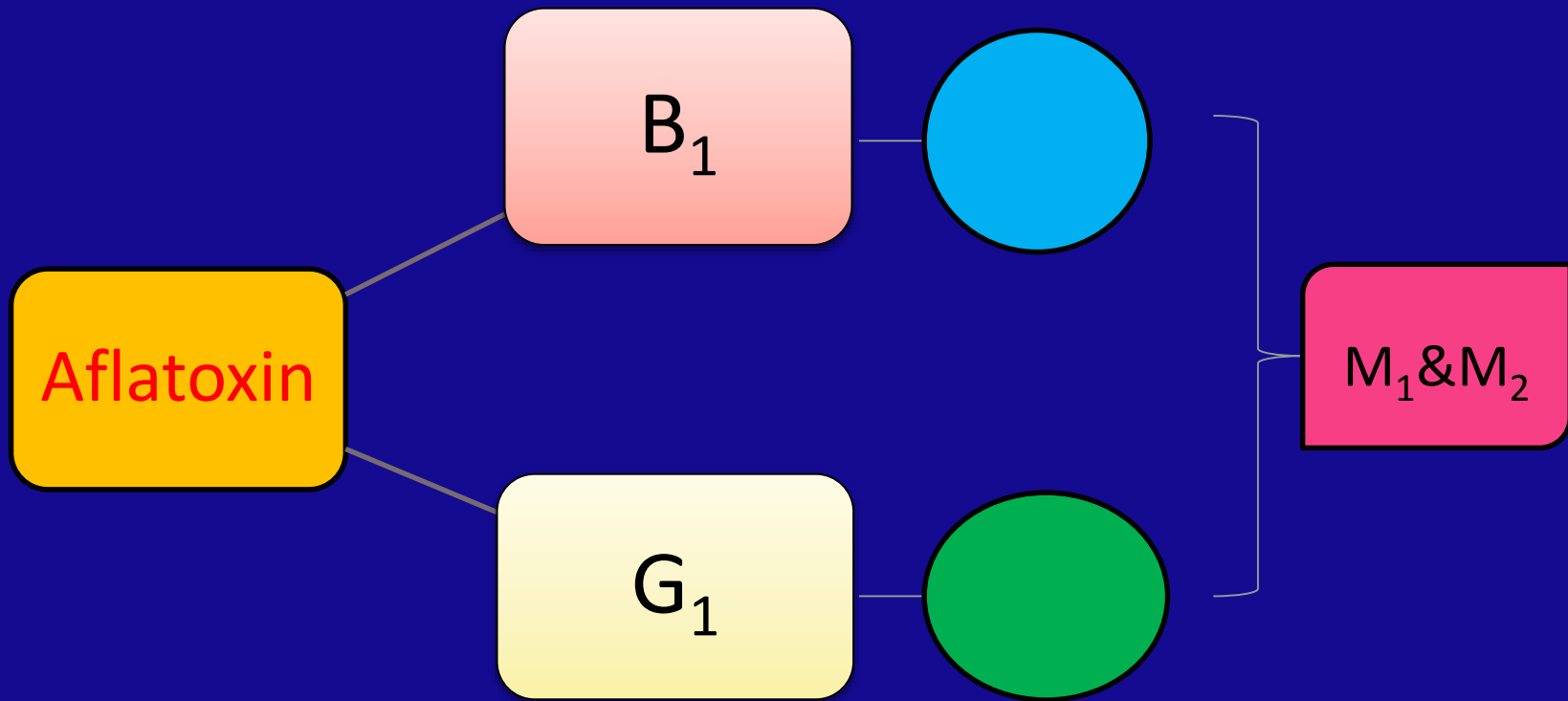
- Mycotoxins are produced as secondary metabolites of fungi
- Some Mycotoxins are mutagenic and carcinogenic
- 14 Mycotoxins are known to be carcinogens
- Secondary metabolites are formed during end of the exponential growth phase

Different Types of Mycotoxins

- Aflatoxins
- Patulin
- Ergotoxin
- Zearalenone
- Citrinin
- Ochratoxin
- Alternaria Toxins
- Mushroom Toxins

○ Aflotoxins

- *Aspergillus flavus*, *A. parasiticus*, *A. niger*
- High temperatures and humidity levels
- Carcinogenic substances
- peanuts, milk, corn



○ Patulin



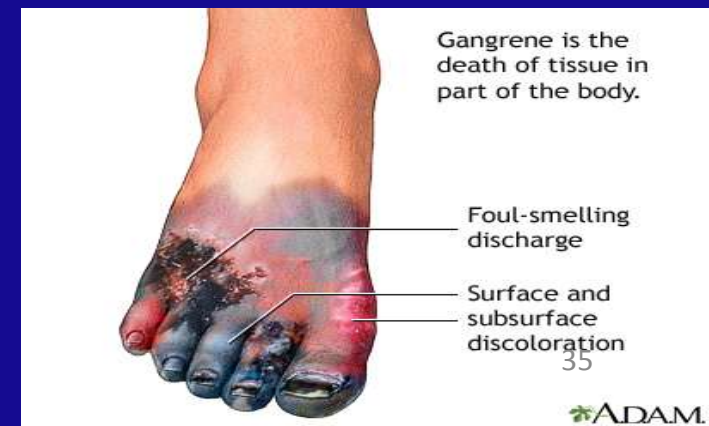
- *Penicillium claviforme*, *Penicillium expansum*, *Penicillium patulum*, *Aspergillus clavatus*
- Corn, beans, apple

○ Ergot



- It is an alkaloid
- Causes Ergotism
- *Caviceps purpurea* and *C. paspali*
- Rye, barley, wheat, oats and pearl millet

food toxins



○ Zeralenone

- *Fusarium graminearum* and *F. tricinctum*
- Field corn at the silking stage
- Most cereals are affected



○ Citrinin



- *Penicillium citrinum*, *Penicillium viridicatum*
- moldy bread, wheat, oats, rye and other similar products

○ Ochratoxin



- It comes in three secondary metabolite forms, A, B, and C
- *Penicillium* and *Aspergillus* species
- Potent nephrotoxin
- Cereals, barley

○ **Alternaria Toxins**



- Produced by *Alternaria citri*, *A.alternate*, *A.solani* and *A.tenuissima*
- Apples, tomatoes, blue berries , grains

○ Mushroom toxin



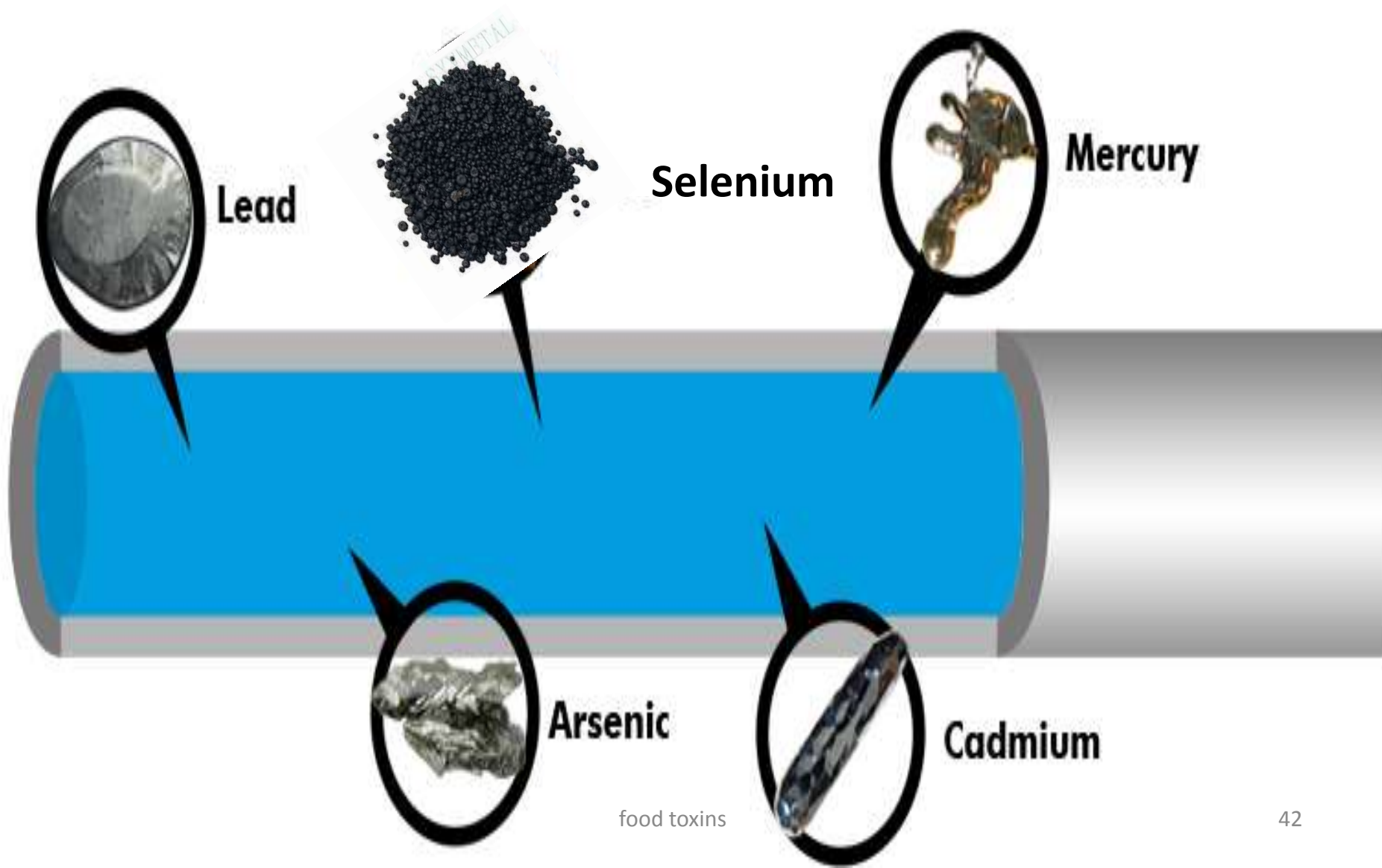
- Amanita phalloides, Amanita verna and Amanita muscar are highly toxic
- Cause serious illness, even death
- Paralysis of nervous system and degeneration of the liver



Control of Mycotoxin in Food and Feed

- ❖ Proper Cultural practices
- ❖ Post harvest storage
- ❖ Proper handling
- ❖ Resistance varieties

Heavy Metal Toxins



Mercury

- ✓ Fungicides as dimethylmercury
- ✓ Silver amalgam used for filling teeth
- ✓ Toxicity: Hg reacts with $-SH$ groups
- ✓ Causes tiredness, loss of appetite, weight loss and kidney failure



Lead

- ✓ Industrial emissions, air pollution from automobile, gas fire powerstation, paint's and anti-rust agent
- ✓ Binds with enzyme participating in Heme synthesis
- ✓ Damages CNS system and reproductive organs



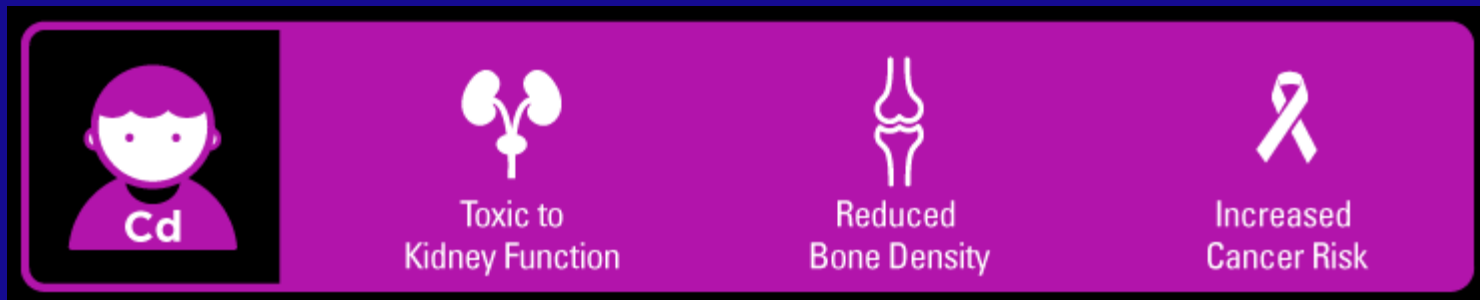
Arsenic

- ✓ Mining ores, various pesticide and ground water(main source).
- ✓ Causes pigmentation of skin, keretosis, goitre, cancer.
- ✓ Affect to CNS



Cadmium

- ✓ Mineral fertilizer & fungicides, from the water pipes.
- ✓ Causes severe pneumonitis caused by enzyme inhibition.
- ✓ It will lead to fragile bones as it affects the 'Ca' metabolism

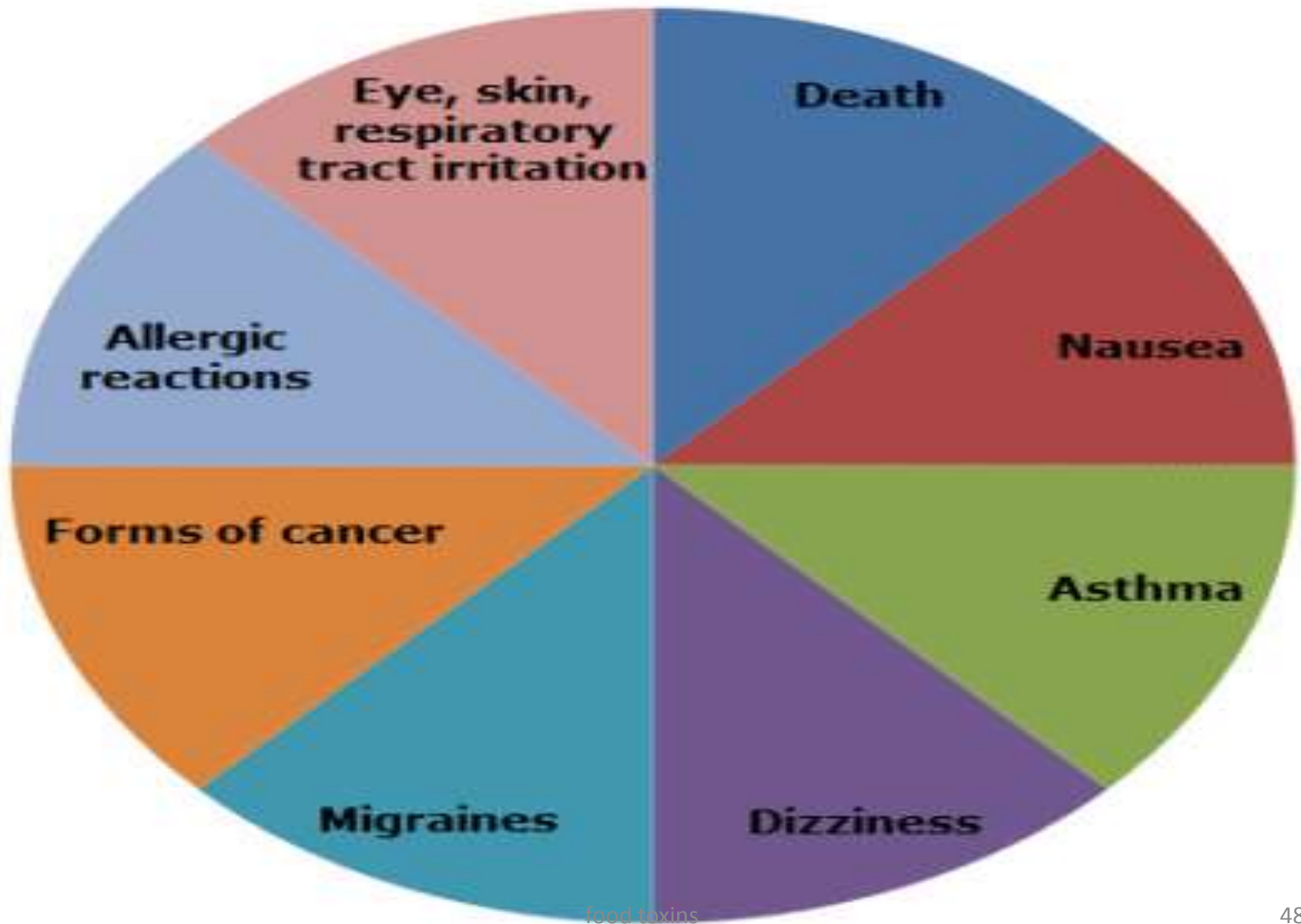


Selenium

- ✓ Fertilizers
- ✓ Daily dose of 50-200 μ g of selenium is recommended
- ✓ Causes fatigue, numbness of hands, digestive disorder, irritability and loss of hair.



Effect of Toxic Food



Preventive measures

- Thermal treatment
- Risk assesment
- Hyginic practice
- Refrigeration

Conclusion

- Awareness
- Varies of food
- Risk assesment
- Processing
- Visual examination
- Permissible limits

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