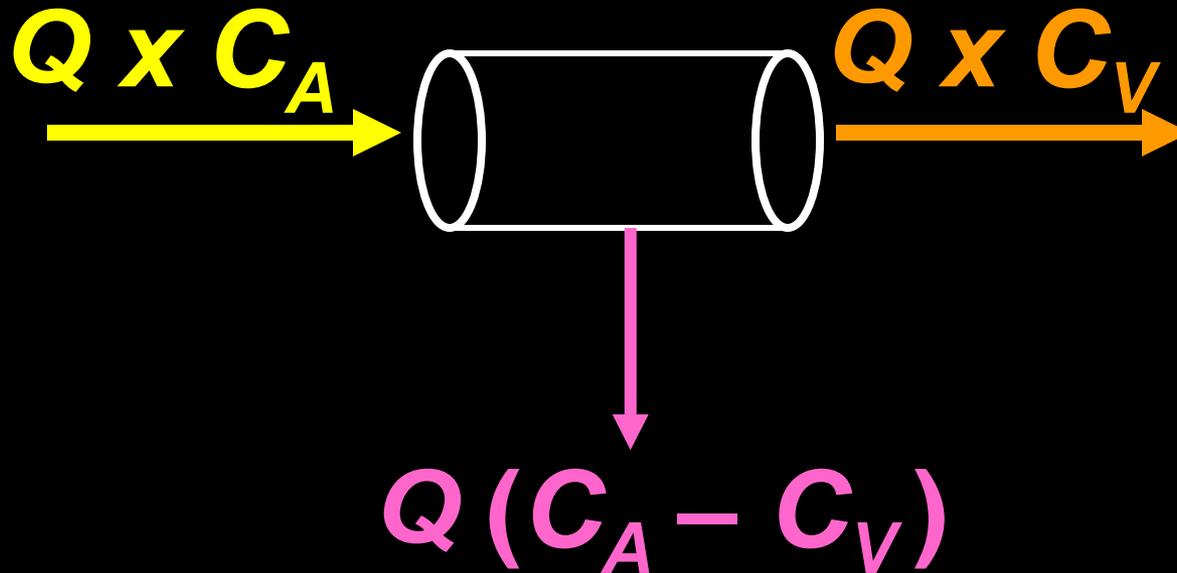


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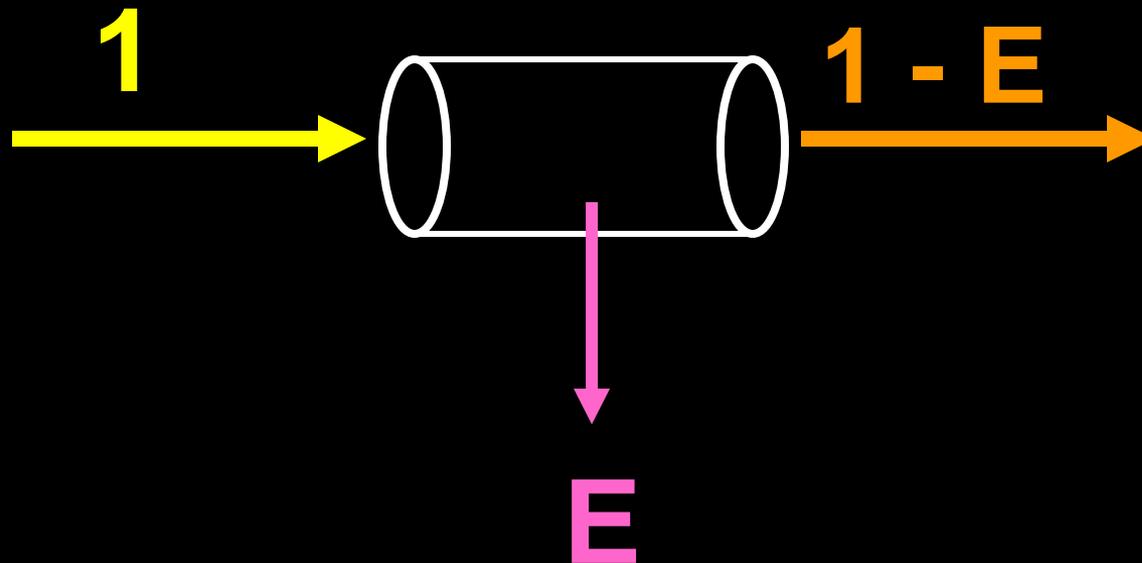
## 1. Mass Balance



Rate of Extraction

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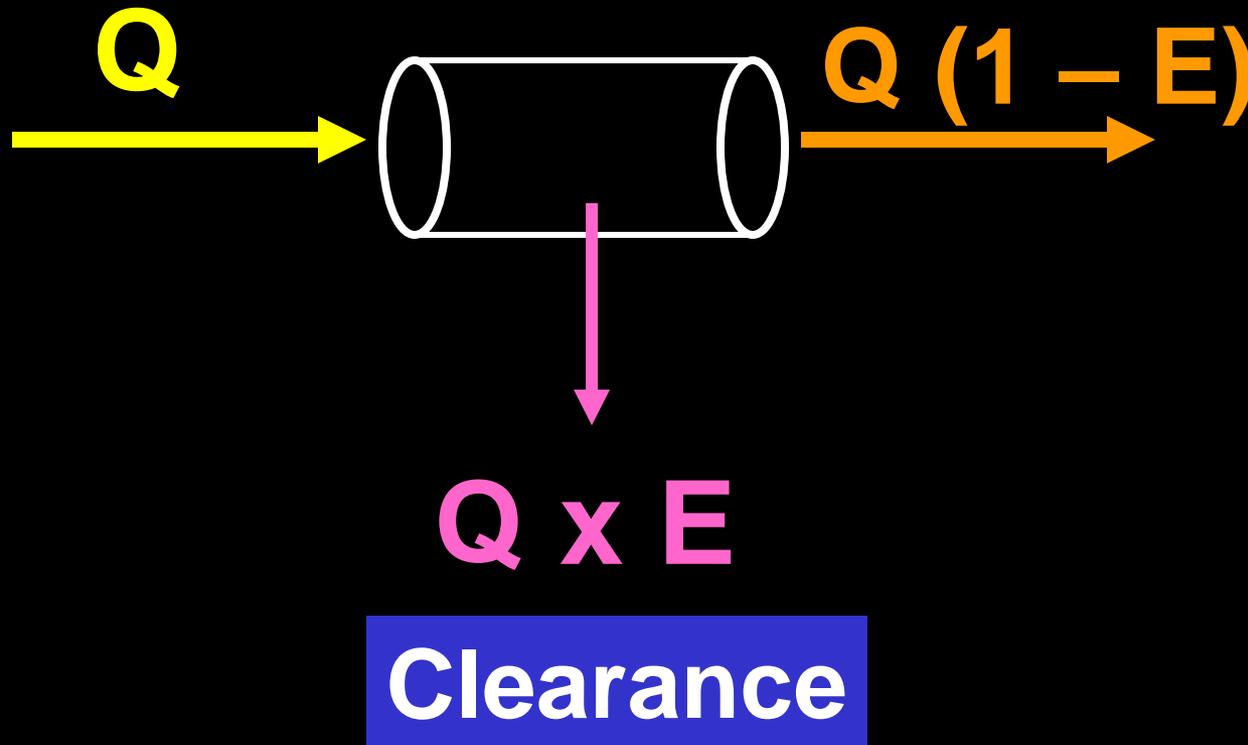
## 2. Mass Balance Normalized to Rate of Entry



Extraction Ratio

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## 3. Mass Balance Normalized to $C_A$



### III. ALTERATIONS IN DRUG METABOLISM

#### A. Induction

$$E_H = \frac{f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}{Q_H + f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

$$CL_H = \frac{Q_H f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}{Q_H + f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

$$AUC = \frac{F \times Dose}{f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

$$F = \frac{Q_H}{Q_H + f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

$$CL_H = Q_H E$$

Suggests that

$$CL_H \sim Q_H$$

Actually

$$\uparrow Q_H = \downarrow E$$

# HEPATIC EXTRACTION RATIO OF REPRESENTATIVE DRUGS

## Low (<0.3)

Antipyrine  
Diazepam  
Phenylbutazone  
Theophylline  
Tolbutamide  
Warfarin

## High (>0.7)

Lidocaine  
Meperidine  
Propoxyphene  
Propranolol  
Verapamil

**Intermediate: Quinidine**

$$CL_H = \frac{Q_H \times f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}{Q_H + f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

When  $Q_H \gg f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}$ , then  $CL_H \cong f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}$

When  $Q_H \ll f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}$ , then  $CL_H \cong Q_H$

# Consider a low clearance drug iv:

$$CL_{uint} = 0.25 \text{ L/min}$$

$$f_{ub} = 0.1$$

$$Q_H = 1.5 \text{ L/min}$$

$$R_0 = 0.25 \text{ mg/min}$$

$$CL_H = \frac{Q_H \times f_{ub} CL_{uint}}{Q_H + f_{ub} CL_{uint}}$$

$$CL_H = \frac{1.5 \text{ L/min} \times 0.1 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min}}{1.5 \text{ L/min} + (0.1 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min})}$$

$$CL_H = 0.0246 \text{ L/min}$$

What if  $f_{ub} = 0.2$ ?

$$CL_H^* = \frac{Q_H \times f_{ub}^* CL_{u\text{int}}}{Q_H + f_{ub}^* CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

$$CL_H^* = \frac{1.5 \text{ L/min} \times 0.2 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min}}{1.5 \text{ L/min} + (0.2 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min})}$$

$$CL_H^* = 0.0484 \text{ L/min}$$

# What about oral administration?

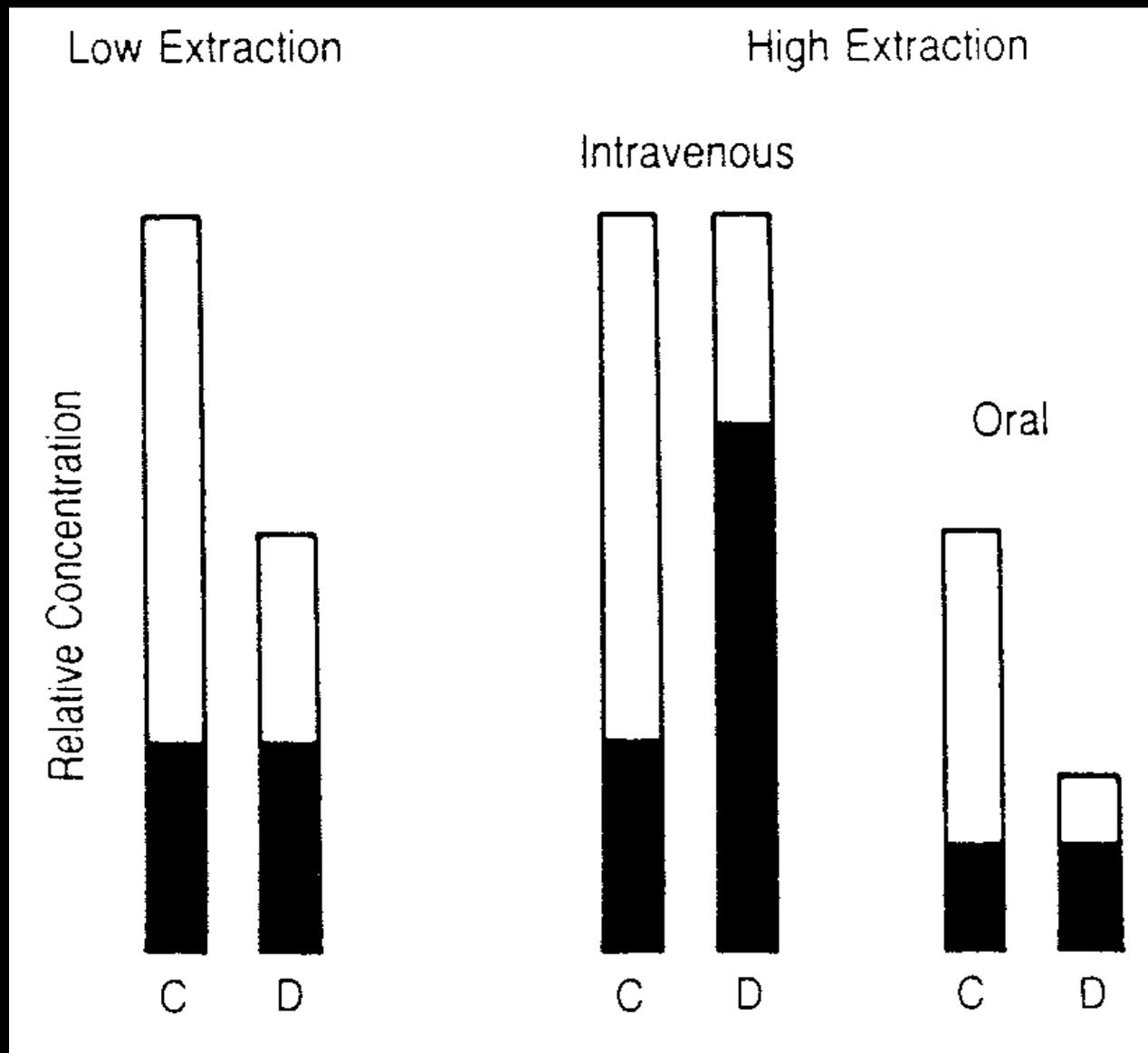
$$F = 1 - \frac{f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}{Q_H + f_{ub} CL_{u\text{int}}}$$

$$F = 1 - \frac{0.1 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min}}{1.5 \text{ L/min} + (0.1 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min})}$$

$$F = 0.98$$

$$F^* = 1 - \frac{0.2 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min}}{1.5 \text{ L/min} + (0.2 \times 0.25 \text{ L/min})}$$

$$F^* = 0.97$$



From: Rowland M, Tozer TN. *Clinical Pharmacokinetics – Concepts and Applications*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition

**$E$     $Q_H$     $f_{ub}$     $f_{ut}$     $CL_T$     $V_{ss}$     $t_{1/2}$     $F$**

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**High**    $\uparrow$     $\leftrightarrow$     $\leftrightarrow$

**Low**    $\uparrow$     $\leftrightarrow$     $\leftrightarrow$

***CL = 420 ml/in, Fu = 0.5, Fe = 0.7***

***Administration with competitive inhibitor renal secretion***

***Cl = V = T1/2 =***

***Fe = F =***