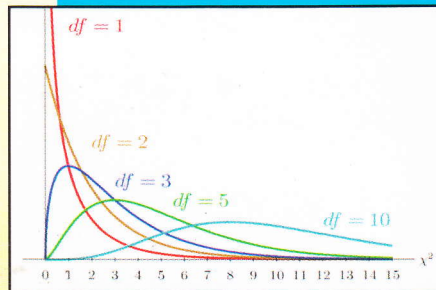
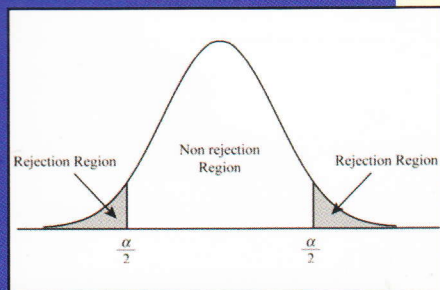
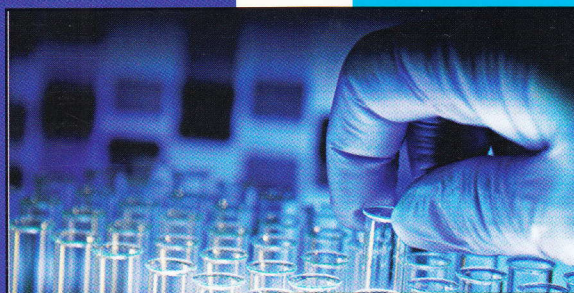


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EFFECT OF SALINE PURGATIVE ON FROG INTESTINE

(Chapter contributed by Dr. Ghanshyam Panigrahi and Dr. Arjun Patra)

Purpose:

At the end of practical class, the students shall be able to:

1. Know about the laxatives and purgatives.
2. Know about the mechanism of action, uses and adverse effects of laxatives and purgatives.
3. Know the effect of saline purgative on frog intestine.

Terminology:

Laxative or Aperitiant: These are drugs that promote evacuation of bowels by milder action and elimination of soft but formed stools.

Purgative or Cathartic: These are drugs that promote evacuation of bowels by stronger action and resulting in more fluid evacuation.

Description:

Laxative and purgative are drugs that promote evacuation of bowels and a distinction is sometimes made according to the intensity of action. Many drugs in low doses act as laxative and in larger doses as purgative. All purgatives increase the water content of faeces by: (a) A hydrophilic or osmotic action, retaining water and electrolytes in the intestinal lumen increases thereby increasing the volume of colonic content and make it easily propelled. (b) Acting on intestinal mucosa, decrease net absorption of water and electrolyte; intestinal transit is enhanced indirectly by the fluid bulk. (c) Increasing propulsive activity as primary action, allowing less time for absorption of salt and water as a secondary effect.