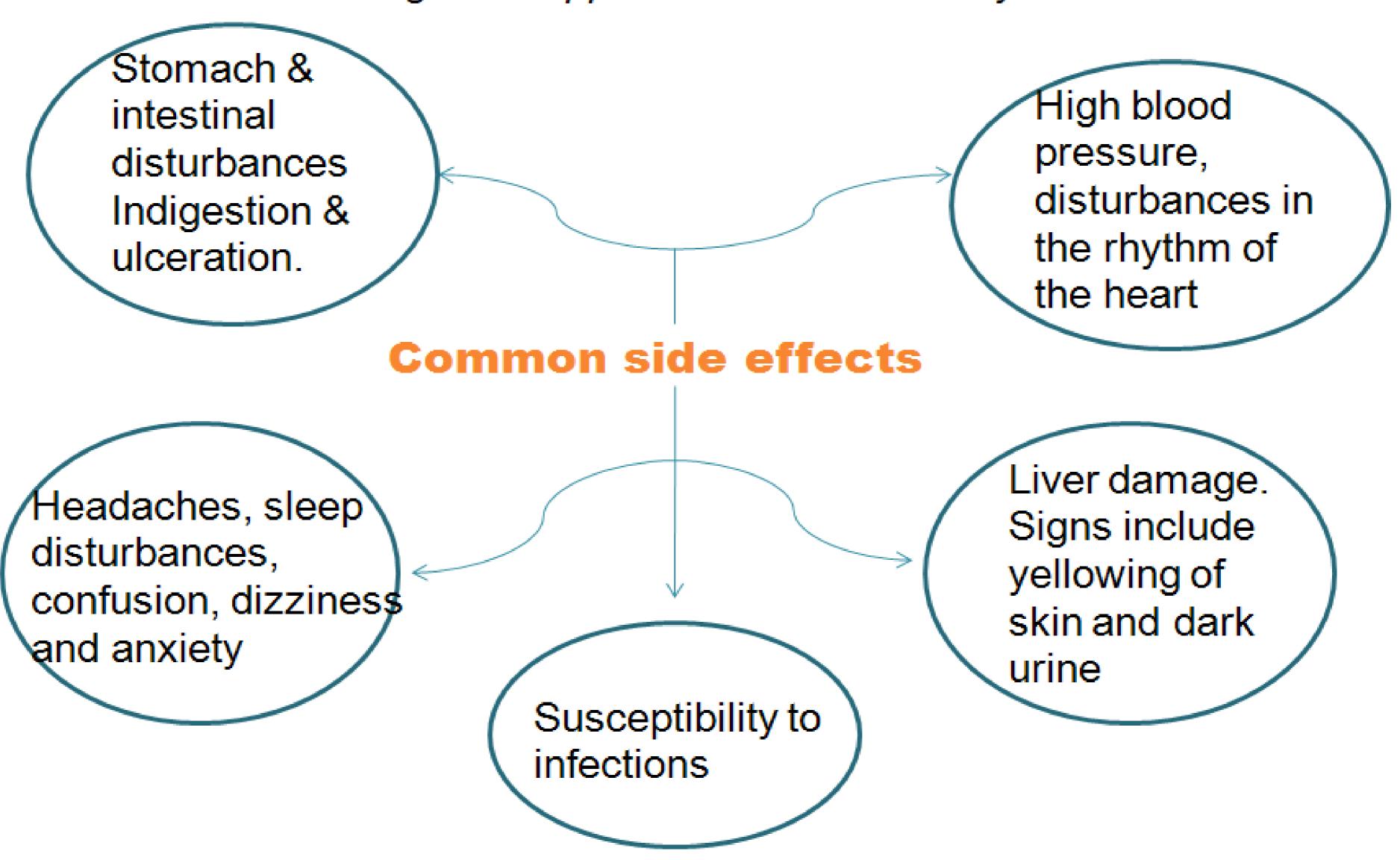
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Patients must have regular blood tests

Note that benefits of treatment are usually greater than the risks; consult your doctor

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Common Interactions with other medicines

+ Ibuprofen and similar drugs = increased risk of toxicity to
the kidneys

+ Grapefruit juice = raises the levels of tacrolimus in the blood

+ Nifedipine or diltiazem = raises levels of tacrolimus

+ Antibacterials like erythromycin and Antifungals like fluconazole = raises the levels of tacrolimus

+ Some types of diuretics ('water tablets'): potassium-sparing diuretics and aldosterone antagonists = increases potassium levels in body.

+ Rifampicin= lowers the levels of tacrolimus

Tell your doctor and pharmacist if you are taking these or any other medicines

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