

Quick Reference For Pharmaceutical Drugs

QUICK REFERENCE TO PSYCHIATRIC MEDICATIONS®

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To the best of our knowledge recommended doses and side effects listed below are accurate. However, this is meant as a general reference only, and should not serve as a guideline for prescribing of medications. Please check the manufacturer's product information sheet or the P.D.R. for any changes in dosage schedule or contraindications. (Brand names are registered trademarks.)

ANTIDEPRESSANTS

Generic	NAMES Brand	Usual Daily Dosage Range	Sedation	ACh ¹	NE	Selective Action On Neurotransmitters ²	
						5-HT	DA
imipramine	Tofranil	150-300 mg	mid	mid	++	+++	0
desipramine	Norpramin	150-300 mg	low	low	++++	0	0
amitriptyline	Elavil	150-300 mg	high	high	++	+++	0
nortriptyline	Aventyl, Pamelor	75-125 mg	mid	mid	+++	+	0
clomipramine	Anafranil	150-250 mg	high	high	0	++++	0
trazodone	Olepro	150-400 mg	mid	none	0	+++	0
nefazodone	Generic Only	100-300 mg	mid	none	0	+++	0
fluoxetine	Prozac ³ , Sarafem	20-80 mg	low	none	0	++++	0
bupropion	Wellbutrin ⁴	150-400 mg	low	none	++	0	++
sertraline	Zoloft	50-200 mg	low	none	0	++++	+
paroxetine	Paxil	20-50 mg	low	low	+	++++	0
venlafaxine	Effexor ⁴	75-350 mg	low	none	+++	+++	+
desvenlafaxine	Pristiq	50-400 mg	low	none	+++	+++	+
fluvoxamine	Luvax	50-300 mg	low	low	0	++++	0
mirtazapine	Remeron	15-45 mg	mid	mid	+++	+++	0
citalopram	Celexa	10-40 mg	low	none	0	++++	0
escitalopram	Lexapro	5-20 mg	low	none	0	++++	0
duloxetine	Cymbalta	20-80 mg	low	none	+++	+++	0
vilazodone	Viibryd	10-40 mg	low	low	0	++++	0
atomoxetine	Strattera	60-120 mg	low	low	++++	0	0
vorloxetine	Trintellix	10-20 mg	mid	none	0	++++	+
levomilnacipran	Fetzima	40-120 mg	low	none	+++	++	0

¹ACh: Anticholinergic Side Effects

²NE: Norepinephrine, 5-HT: Serotonin, DA: Dopamine (0 = no effect, + = minimal effect, ++ = moderate effect, +++ = high effect)

³fluoxetine, but likely effects

⁴Available in standard formulation and time release (XR, XL or CR). Prozac available in 90mg time release/weekly formulation

BIPOLAR DISORDER MEDICATIONS

Generic	NAMES Brand	Daily Dosage Range	Serum ¹ Level	Generic	NAMES Brand	Daily Dosage Range	Serum ¹ Level
lithium carbonate	Eskalith, Lithonate	600-2400	0.6-1.5	divalproex	Depakote	750-1500	50-100
olanzapine/ fluoxetine	Symbyax	6/25-12/50mg ²	(2)	lamotrigine	Lamictal	50-500	(2)
carbamazepine	Tegretol, Equetro	600-1600	4-10+	oxcarbazepine	Trileptal	1200-2400	(2)

¹Lithium levels are expressed in mEq/L, carbamazepine and valproic acid levels express in mg/dL

²Serum monitoring may not be necessary. ³Not yet established. ⁴Available in: 6/25, 6/50, 12/25, and 12/50mg formulations

ANTI-OBSESSIONAL

Generic	NAMES Brand	Dose Range ¹
clomipramine	Anafranil	150-300 mg
fluoxetine	Prozac ¹	20-80 mg
sertraline	Zoloft ¹	50-200 mg
paroxetine	Paxil ¹	20-60 mg
fluvoxamine	Luvax ¹	50-300 mg
citalopram	Celexa ¹	10-40 mg
escitalopram	Lexapro ¹	5-30 mg
vilazodone	Viibryd ¹	10-40 mg
vorloxetine	Trintellix	10-20 mg

¹Often higher doses are required to control obsessive-compulsive symptoms than the doses generally used to treat depression.

PSYCHO-STIMULANTS

Generic	NAMES Brand	Daily Dosage ¹
methylphenidate ²	Ritalin	5-50 mg
methylphenidate ²	Concerta ²	18-54 mg
methylphenidate ²	Mefedate	5-40 mg
methylphenidate ²	Methylin	10-60 mg
methylphenidate ²	Daytrana (patch)	15-30 mg
methylphenidate ²	Quilivert XR (liquid) ²	10-60 mg
dexamfetamine	Focalin	5-40 mg
dextroamphetamine	Desoxine	5-40 mg
lisdexamfetamine	Vyvanse	30-70 mg
d- and l-amphetamine	Adderall	5-40 mg
modafinil	Provigil, Sparlon	100-400 mg
armodafinil	Nuvigil	150-250 mg

¹Note: Adult Doses. ²Sustained release ³Note: Many generic brands have emerged recently. Included here are the most common.

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The Importance of Quick References in the Pharmaceutical Industry

In the fast-paced world of pharmaceuticals, having quick and easy access to information about various drugs is essential. Healthcare professionals, researchers, and pharmacists often require a concise reference guide that provides comprehensive details about pharmaceutical drugs. This article serves

as a quick reference for an extensive range of drugs, outlining their uses, side effects, dosage, and more.

Understanding the Role of Pharmaceutical Drugs

Pharmaceutical drugs play a critical role in treating and managing various medical conditions. From over-the-counter pain relievers to prescription medications, these drugs are designed to alleviate symptoms, cure diseases, or improve overall well-being. However, understanding each drug's specifics and implications is crucial to provide accurate medical advice and ensure patient safety.



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An Extensive Quick Reference Guide

Here, we present a comprehensive quick reference guide that covers a wide range of pharmaceutical drugs commonly encountered in the healthcare industry:

Drug A:

Details about Drug A with long descriptive keyword: Drug A is a powerful pain reliever that is most commonly prescribed for chronic pain management. It belongs to the class of nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and can be

taken orally or applied topically. The recommended dosage for most adults is X mg every X hours. Common side effects may include nausea, dizziness, and headache. Consult with a healthcare professional for more information.

Drug B:

Details about Drug B with long descriptive keyword: Drug B is a widely used antibiotic prescribed for various types of bacterial infections. It works by inhibiting the growth of bacteria, allowing the body's immune system to fight off the infection effectively. The recommended dosage may vary depending on the specific condition being treated. Side effects can include digestive issues, allergic reactions, and skin rashes.

Drug C:

Details about Drug C with long descriptive keyword: Drug C is a medication commonly used to regulate blood pressure in individuals diagnosed with hypertension. It belongs to the class of angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs) and helps relax blood vessels, reducing strain on the heart. The standard starting dosage for adults is X mg per day, but it may need adjustments based on individual response and blood pressure levels. Potential side effects include dizziness, fatigue, and dry cough.

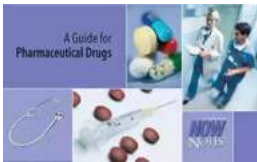
Advantages of Using a Quick Reference Guide

Having a quick reference guide for pharmaceutical drugs offers numerous advantages:

- Instant access to vital drug information
- Efficient decision-making for healthcare professionals
- Improved patient care and safety

- Reduced medication errors
- Enhanced communication between healthcare providers
- Quick identification of drug interactions and contraindications

With the ever-growing number of pharmaceutical drugs available on the market, having a quick reference guide is essential for healthcare professionals and pharmacists. This article aimed to provide a comprehensive overview of several commonly prescribed drugs, highlighting their uses, dosage, side effects, and more. By having easy access to accurate and up-to-date information, medical professionals can ensure optimal patient care and enhance their decision-making processes.



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