

2014 Look-alike, Sound-alike Medication List

Confusing Medication Names <i>BRAND names listed in UPPER case, generics are listed in lower case</i>	Most Common Reason for Use
amiodarone (CORDARONE®PACERONE®) amantadine (SYMMETREL®)	Ventricular Arrhythmia (Atrial Fibrillation – off label) Antiviral, Parkinson's
bupropion (WELLBUTRIN®, ZYBAN®) buspirone (BUSPAR®)	Depression, Smoking Cessation Anxiety
CARDURA® (doxazosin) COUMADIN® (warfarin)	HTN (hypertension); Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia Anticoagulant
CEFTIN® (cefuroxime) CEFZIL® (cefprozil)	Cephalosporin antibiotic/Infections Cephalosporin antibiotic/Infections
CELEBREX® (celecoxib) CELEXA® (citalopram hydrobromide)	COX-2 Analgesic, Pain Depression
Cyclophosphamide (CYTOXAN®) Cyclosporine (SANDIMMUNE®, GENGRAF®, RESTASIS®, NEORAL®)	Leukemia, Cancer, Mycosis fungoides Transplant rejection, psoriasis, xerophthalmia
FLONASE® Nasal Spray (fluticasone) FLOMAX® (tamsulosin)	Nasal Steroid Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia
furosemide solution oral (LASIX®) furosemide solution injection (LASIX®)	Diuretic Diuretic
glipizide (GLUCOTROL®) glyburide (DIABETA®, MICRONASE®)	Diabetes Diabetes
HALDOL® (haloperidol) nadolol (CORCARD®)	Psychotic Disorders HTN (hypertension), Angina, (Tachycardia-off label)
hydrocodone (with Acetaminophen)---LORTAB®, VICODIN® oxycodone (with Acetaminophen)---PERCOCET®, ENDOCET® oxycodone (OXYCONTIN®)	Pain/ Analgesic Pain/ Analgesic Pain/ Analgesic
hydromorphone various forms (DILAUDID®) morphine sulfate various forms (MS CONTIN®, ROXANOL®, MSIR®, ASTRAMORPH®, DURAMORPH®, INFUMORPH®)	Pain/ Analgesic Pain/ Analgesic
hydroxyzine (ATARAX®, VISTARIL®) hydralazine (APRESOLINE®)	Antihistamine, Anxiety HTN (hypertension)
IMDUR® (isosorbide mononitrate) IMURAN® (azathioprine)	Angina/ Chest Pain Immunosuppressant
insulin products (LANTUS®, HUMULIN®, HUMALOG®, NOVOLIN®, NOVOLOG®, NOVOLIN 70/30®, NOVOLOG MIX®, regular insulin 500 units)	Diabetes Mellitus / Multiple Products and Strengths
labetalol (TRANDATE®, NORMODYNE®) lamotrigine (LAMICTAL®)	HTN (hypertension) Seizure Disorders
levofloxacin (LEVAQUIN®) levetiracetam (KEPPRA®, KEPPRA XR®)	Infections/Fluoroquinolone Antibiotic Seizure Disorder
LEXAPRO® (escitalopram oxalate) ZYPREXA® (olanzapine)	Depression, Generalized Anxiety Disorder Psychotic Disorders

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lovastatin (MEVACOR®) LOTENSIN® (benazepril)	Cholesterol-lowering HTN (hypertension)
methadone (DOLOPHINE®, METHADOSE®) methylphenidate (RITALIN®)	Pain/ Analgesic, Detoxification CNS Stimulant
MS CONTIN® (morphine sulfate) OXYCONTIN® (oxycodone)	Pain/ Analgesic Pain/ Analgesic
omeprazole (Prilosec/Prilosec OTC®) olanzapine (Zyprexa®)	GERD/Heartburn Psychotic Disorders
oxycodone extended release (OXYCONTIN SR®) oxycodone immediate release (OXYCONTIN®, ROXICODONE®)	Pain/ Analgesic Pain/ Analgesic
PLAVIX® (clopidogrel) PRADAXA® (dabigatran)	Antiplatelet Anticoagulant
PROSCAR® (finasteride) PROZAC® (fluoxetine)	BPH (Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia) Depression
quinidine (QUINAGLUTE®, QUINIDEX®) quinine	Atrial Fibrillation Malaria, Leg Cramps
rifaximin (XIFAXAN®) rifampin (RIFADIN®)	Infections/ Antibiotic Infections/ Antibiotic
risperidone (RISPERDAL®) ropinirole (REQUIP®)	Psychotic Disorders Restless Leg Syndrome, Parkinson's
SALAGEN® (pilocarpine) selegiline (ELDEPRYL®, ZELAPAR®)	Dry Mouth (salivary gland hypofunction) Parkinson's
SEROQUEL® (quetiapine) sertraline (ZOLOFT®) SERZONE® (nefazodone) SINEMET® (levodopa-carbidopa)	Psychotic Disorders Depression Depression Parkinson's
sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim (SMX/TMP, BACTRIM®) sodium polystyrene sulfonate (SPS, KAYEXALATE®)	Infections/ Antibiotic Hyperkalemia
Tikosyn® (dofetilide) Tracleer® (bosentan)	Antiarrhythmic Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension
tramadol (ULTRAM®) trazodone (DESYREL®)	Pain/ Analgesic Depression, (Insomnia – off label)
WELLBUTRIN SR® (bupropion TWICE DAILY dosing) WELLBUTRIN XL® (bupropion ONCE DAILY dosing)	Depression Depression
ZAROXOLYN® (metolazone) ZYPREXA® (olanzapine) ZYRTEC® (cetirizine)	Diuretic Psychotic Disorders Antihistamine