



Pharmacology Hints

Generic names ending in “lam” or “pam”

Benzodiazepines (antianxiety; sedatives)

- Diazepam (Valium)
- Alprazolam (Xanax)
- Temazepam (Restoril)

Generic names ending in “erol”

Bronchodilators (COPD; Asthma)

- Albuterol (Proventil)
- Levabuterol (xopenex)
- Salmeterol (Serevent)

Generic names ending in “sone”

Corticosteroids

- Prednisone (Deltasone)
- Dexamethasone (Decadron)
- Hydrocortisone (Cortef) – oral
- Hydrocortisone (Solu-Cortef) IV

Generic names ending in “zole”

Antifungal medications

- Miconazole (Monistat)
- Flucanazole (Diflucan)
- Clotrimazole (Gyne-Lotrimin)

Generic names ending in “oxacin” or “acin”

Fluoroquinolones

- Norfloxacin (Noroxin)
- Ciprofloxacin (Cipro)
- Ofloxacin (Floxin)

Generic names ending in “vir”

Antivirals

- Acyclovir (Zovirax)
- Famciclovir (Famvir)
- Valacyclovir (Valtrex)

Generic names beginning with “cef”

Cephalosporins

- Cefactor (Ceclor)
- Cefoxitin (Mefoxin)
- Cefotaxime (Claforan)

Generic names ending in “statin”

Anti-cholesterol

- Atorvastatin (Lipitor)
- Lovastatin (Mevacor)
- Simvastatin (Zocor)

Generic names ending in “ipine”

Calcium Channel Blockers

- Nifedipine (Procardia)
- Amlodipine (Norvasc)
- Nicardipine (Cardene)

Generic names ending in “pril”

ACE Inhibitors

- Captopril (capoten)
- Enalapril (Vasotec)
- Lisinopril (Prinivil)

Generic names ending in “tan”

Angiotensin Receptor II Blockers

- Losartan (Cozaar)
- Valsartan (Diovan)
- Candesartan (Benicar)

Generic names ending in “olol”

Beta Blockers

- Propranolol (Inderal)
- Acebutolol (Sectral)
- Esmolol (Brevibloc)