

# DRUG FAMILY NAMES

## CNS / NEUROMUSCULAR

FAMILY NAME	TYPE OF DRUG	EXAMPLE
-chol	Muscarinic Agonist	Carbachol
-trop- Scop-	Muscarinic Blocker	Atropine Scopolamine
-stigmine	Achase Inhibitor	Neostigmine
-curium -curonium	Nondepolarizing Neuromuscular Blocker	Atracurium Mivacurium Pancuronium
-ane	Inhaled Anesthetic	Halothane
-caine	Local Anesthetic	Lidocaine
-pam or -lam	Benzodiazepine	Diazepam Lorazepam
-tal	Barbiturate	Phenobarbital Thiopental
Nal...-one	Opioid Antagonist	Naloxone Naltrexone
-zine	Typical Antipsychotic <i>or</i> Antihistamine	Chlorpromazine Thioridazine
-apine -idone	Atypical Antipsychotic	Clozapine Risperidone
-capone	COMT Inhibitor for Parkinson's Disease	Tolcapone Entacapone

## CARDIOVASCULAR AND RENAL

FAMILY NAME	TYPE OF DRUG	EXAMPLE
-olol	Beta Blocker	Propranolol
-alol -ilol	Beta Blocker + Something Else	Sotalol Carvedilol
-dipine	Vascular CCB	Nifedipine
-zosin	Alpha-1 blocker	Prazosin Doxazosin Terazosin
-pril	ACE-I	Captopril
-sartan	ARB	Losartan
-darone	Antiarrhythmic	Amiodarone
-statin	HMG CoA Reductase Inhibitor	Lovastatin
-zolamide	Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitor	Acetazolamide Dorzolamide
-semide	Loop Diuretic	Furosemide
-parin	Low Molecular Weight (LMW) Heparins	Enoxaparin
-rudin	Direct Thrombin Inhibitor	Bivalirudin Lepirudin

## ONCOLOGY

FAMILY NAME	TYPE OF DRUG	EXAMPLE
Vin-	Microtubule Inhibitors	Vincristine Vinblastine
-rubicin	Cancer Drug	Doxorubicin Daunorubicin
-mab	Monoclonal Antibody Drug	Rituximab Trastuzumab
-tinib	Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitor	Imatinib

## INFECTIOUS DISEASE

FAMILY NAME	TYPE OF DRUG	EXAMPLE
-penem	Cell wall inhibitor (very broad spectrum)	Imipenem Meropenem
-floxacin	Fluoroquinolone	Ciprofloxacin Levofloxacin
-conazole "azole" drugs	Antifungal	Ketoconazole Fluconazole Itraconazole
-quine	Antimalarial	Chloroquine Primaquine
-ovir	Antiviral (Herpes)DNA Polymerase Inhibitors	Acyclovir Ganciclovir Valacyclovir
-ivir	Antiviral (Influenza) Neuraminidase Inhibitor	Zanamivir Oseltamivir
-avir	Antiviral (AIDS/HIV) Protease Inhibitor	Indinavir Ritonavir

## GI SYSTEM

FAMILY NAME	TYPE OF DRUG	EXAMPLE
-tidine	H2 blocker	Cimetidine Ranitidine
-prazole	PPI	Omeprazole
-glitazone	PPAR Gamma Activators (Diabetes)	Pioglitazone
-gliptin	DPP-4 Inhibitors (Diabetes)	Sitagliptin
-setron	5HT3 Blocker (Antiemetic)	Ondansetron Granisetron

## MISCELLANEOUS

FAMILY NAME	TYPE OF DRUG	EXAMPLE
-lukasts	Leukotriene Receptor Antagonists	Zafirlukast Montelukast
-coxib	Selective COX2 Inhibitors	Celecoxib
-prost-	Prostaglandin drug	Misoprostol Alprostadil
-dronate	Bisphosphonate (Osteoporosis)	Alendronate Pamidronate
-fil	PDE 5 Inhibitor for Erectile Dysfunction	Sildenafil
-rinone	PDE 3 Inhibitor for CHF	Amrinone
-triptan	5HT1d Receptor Agonist	Sumatriptan

