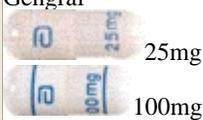


Medications – Transplant Patients

The following information refers to some of the more commonly prescribed medications for transplant patients.

Common Immunosuppressant Agents

MEDICATION	POTENTIAL ADVERSE EFFECTS (*denotes most commonly seen; often dose dependent)
<p>Tacrolimus (Prograf)</p>  <p>0.5 mg 1 mg 5 mg</p>	<p>*renal dysfunction, *HTN, headache, tremors, *decreased mg++, gallstone formation, *elevated cholesterol, glucose intolerance</p>
<p>Cyclosporine-Sandimmune and Neoral, Gengraf (or generic equivalent) not interchangeable</p> <p>Gengraf</p>  <p>25mg 100mg</p> <p>Neoral</p>  <p>25mg 100mg</p>	<p>*renal dysfunction, *HTN, headache, tremors, hirsutism, *decreased mg++, gallstone formation, *elevated cholesterol, gingival hyperplasia</p>
<p>Mycophenolate Mofetil (Cellcept)</p>  <p>250mg 500mg</p>	<p>* leukopenia, nausea and abdominal distress</p>
<p>Daclizumab (Zenapax)</p> 	<p>* Gastrointestinal toxicity, edema, glucose intolerance, tremor, headache, dizziness, fatigue. * Hypersensitivity reactions</p>
<p>Sirolimus (Rapamune, Rapamycin)</p>  <p>1mg</p>	<p>thrombocytopenia, leukopenia, anemia, *hyperlipidemia</p>

 2mg Methylprednisolone (Prednisone)	osteoporosis, hyperglycemia, *fluid retention, GI distress, *increased BP, cushingoid effect, *increased appetite
 1mg  2.5mg  5mg  10mg  20mg	

Other Common Post-Transplant Medications (treating the side effects of immunosuppressants)

MEDICATION	INDICATION
Acyclovir  200mg	Herpes Prophylaxis
Bactrim DS  160mg Bactrim SS  80mg	Prophylaxis for pneumocystis pneumonia in patients on higher doses of immunosuppression early post-transplant
Ciprofloxacin	Antibacterial prophylaxis given for biliary complications.
Fluconazole	Antifungal prophylaxis – given daily for candidates with high-risk of having biliary complications.
Calcium Channel Blocker – Norvasc/Procardia	New onset hypertension
Clonidine Tablets	Second-line therapy for hypertension
Beta Blockers – labetalol or propranolol	Third-line therapy for hypertension
Pravachol  20mg	Treatment of drug induced hyperlipidemia. Prescribed as a result of data showing reduction in 12-month rejection in transplant recipients. *Preferred statin choice due to reduced incidence of myositis and rhabdomyolysis when used in conjunction with cyclosporine or Prograf.
H2 blocker	GI protection from effects of steroids

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