

e-Table 1. Drug classification

| Category Name | Generic Name |
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| Antiplatelets | clopidogrel, cilostazol, ticlopidine ² , beraprost, beraprost–long acting, complavin |
| Anticoagulants ^{2,3} | dabigatran |
| Statins ^{1,2,3} | atorvastatin ² , simvastatin, pitavastatin, fluvastatin, pravastatin, rosuvastatin, amlodipine/atorvastatin |
| Sodium channel blockers ^{4,5†} | mexiletine, aprindine, cibenzoline |
| Beta blocker | acebutolol ² |
| Class III antiarrhythmic drugs | amiodarone ^{1–6} |
| Calcium channel blockers | bepidilil ¹ , amlodipine/atorvastatin, telmisartan/amlodipine, valsartan/amlodipine, valsartan/cilnidipine, candesartan/amlodipine |
| Angiotensin/convertng enzyme inhibitor ^{2‡} | enalapril |
| Thiazides | trichlormethiazide, hydrochlorothiazide ^{3,5} , benzyhydrochlorothiazide/reserpine/carbazochrome, mefruside, telmisartan/hydrochlorothiazide, valsartan/hydrochlorothiazide, candesartan/hydrochlorothiazide, candesartan/trichlormethiazide, losartan/hydrochlorothiazide |
| NSAIDs | diclofenac ² , celecoxib, loxoprofen, etodolac, nabumetone, pranoprofen |
| Anti-rheumatics | actarit, iguratimod, tofacitinib, penicillamine ^{2–5} , leflunomide ^{1,3} , sodium aurothiomalate ^{2–6#} , bucillamine |
| Leukotriene receptor antagonist ^{2*} | pranlukast |
| 5-ASA | mesalazine, salazosulfapyridine ⁵ |
| Tricyclic antidepressant | Imipramine ⁵ , cromipramine, maprotiline |
| Antiepileptics | valproate, phenytoin ^{2,3,5} , ethotoin, carbamazepine ^{2–5} , zonisamide |
| Interferon ^{1,2,3} | interferon/alpha/2b, interferon/alpha, interferon/beta/1a, interferon/beta, interferon/gamma/1a, PEG/interferon/alpha/2a, PEG/interferon/alpha/2b |
| Immunoglobulin ⁶ | thymoglobuline, zetbulin |
| Sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim | sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim ² |
| Quinolones | levofloxacin, garenoxacin, moxifloxacin, pazufloxacin, tosufloxacin, sitafloxacin, ofloxacin, ciprofloxacin ² , norfloxacin, prulifloxacin, lomefloxacin |
| Tetracyclines | minocycline ^{2,3} |
| Beta-lactams | penicillin ^{2,5} (augmentin, amoxicillin, sultamicillin, piperacillin/tazobactam, piperacillin); cephalosporin ² (cefoperazone/sulbactam, cefaclor, cefazolin, cefalexin, cefalotin, cefixime, cefepime, ceftazidime, cefotaxime, cefotiam, cefoperazone, cefcapene, ceftidoren, ceftinir, ceftazidime, ceftizoxime, ceftibuten, cefteteram, ceftriaxone, cefpirome, cefpodoxime, cefminox, cefmetazole, cefmenoxime, cefroxadine, cefuroxime, flomoxef, latamoxef); penem (imipenem/cilastatin, tebipenem, doripenem, panipenem/betamipron, biapenem, faropenem, meropenem) |
| Anti-tuberculosis drugs | streptomycin, rifampicin ² , isonicotinyl hydrazide methanesulfonate, isoniazid ^{2,3,5} , ethambutol |
| EGFR inhibitors | afatinib, erlotinib ^{1,3} , gefitinib ^{1–3,6} |
| Molecular targeted drugs | imatinib ^{1,3} , sunitinib ⁶ , sorafenib, vandetanib, pazopanib, bortezomib, lapatinib |
| Anti PD-1 antibody | nivolumab ¹ |
| Anti CTLA4 antibody | ipilimumab ¹ |
| mTOR inhibitor ¹ | everolimus |

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| Platinum | oxaliplatin ⁶ , carboplatin ⁶ , cisplatin ⁶ , nedaplatin, miliplatin |
| Topoisomerases | irinotecan ^{1,6} , nogitecan, etoposide ^{3,6} , sobuzoxane |
| Pyrimidine | capecitabine, gemcitabine ^{1-3,6} , cytarabine ocfosfate, cytarabine ^{2,3,6} , tegafur/gimeracil/oteracil, 5-fluorouracil ^{4,6} , trifluridine, doxifluridine |
| Anthracyclines | amrubicin, epirubicin, adriamycin ⁴ , doxorubicin ^{2,3,6} , pirarubicin, mitoxantrone |
| Biological products | infliximab ^{2,3,6} , adalimumab ^{2,3} , abatacept, ustekinumab, etanercept, golimumab, certolizumab, ofatumumab, gemtuzumab, trastuzumab ³ , trastuzumab emtansine, panitumumab ¹ , bevacizumab ³ , mogamulizumab, rituximab ^{1,3,6} , tocilizumab ¹ |
| Microtubule polymerisation inhibitors | eribulin, vinblastine ^{2-4,6} , docetaxel ^{1,3,6} , nab-paclitaxel, paclitaxel ^{2,3,6} , vinorelbine ⁶ , vindesine ^{4,6} |
| Purine metabolism antagonists | azathioprine ^{3,4,6} , mizoribine, cladribine, fludarabine ^{3,6} |
| Folic acid antagonists | methotrexate ¹⁻⁶ , pemetrexed ¹ |
| DNA synthesis inhibitors | bleomycin ¹⁻⁶ , peplomycin, mitomycin ^{2-4,6} |
| Hormone therapy drugs | goserelin, degarelix, leuprorelin ⁶ , danazol, bicalutamide, flutamide ³ , anastrozole, tamoxifen |
| Alkylators | ifosfamide, cyclophosphamide ^{1-4,6} , temozolomide, nimustine, busulfan ^{3,4,6} , procarbazine ^{3,4,5} , bendamustine, melphalan ^{3,4,6} , ranimustine |
| Cytokine ^{6**} | celmoleukin |
| Thalidomide | thalidomide ³ |
| Retinoid | tretinoin ^{2,6} |
| BCG ³ | immucyst |

NSAIDs: non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs; 5-ASA: 5-aminosalicylic acid; G-CSF: granulocyte-colony stimulating factor; EGFR: epidermal growth factor receptor; ALK: anaplastic lymphoma kinase; PD-1: programmed cell death 1; CTLA4: cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated antigen 4; DNA: deoxyribonucleic acid; BCG: Bacille Calmette Guerin

†, referred to lidocaine; ‡, referred to captopril; #, referred to as gold or gold salts; *, referred to zafirleukast; **, referred to IL-2 and Tumor necrosis factor

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e-Tables 2. Population of patients prescribed drugs with potential risk during hospitalisation

| Drug category with potential risk | Prescribed during hospitalisation | | | | Prescribed before corticosteroids during hospitalisation | | | |
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| | Cases | | Controls | | Cases | | Controls | |
| | (n = 1,541) | | (n = 5,677) | | (n = 1,541) | | (n = 5,677) | |
| | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Antiplatelets | 111 | 7.2 | 353 | 6.2 | 44 | 2.9 | 150 | 2.6 |
| Anticoagulants | 14 | 0.9 | 34 | 0.6 | 7 | 0.5 | 11 | 0.2 |
| Statins | 200 | 13 | 763 | 13 | 60 | 3.9 | 294 | 5.2 |
| Sodium channel blockers | 27 | 1.8 | 67 | 1.2 | 10 | 0.6 | 30 | 0.5 |
| Beta blocker | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.01 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.02 |
| Class III antiarrhythmic drugs | 70 | 4.5 | 72 | 1.3 | 45 | 2.9 | 36 | 0.6 |
| Calcium channel blockers | 19 | 1.2 | 49 | 0.9 | 5 | 0.3 | 17 | 0.3 |
| Angiotensin/converting enzyme inhibitor | 46 | 3.0 | 173 | 3.0 | 16 | 1.0 | 73 | 1.3 |
| Thiazides | 43 | 2.8 | 159 | 2.8 | 11 | 0.7 | 67 | 1.2 |
| NSAIDs | 791 | 51 | 2159 | 38 | 360 | 23 | 952 | 17 |
| Anti-rheumatics | 5 | 0.3 | 27 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.06 | 6 | 0.1 |
| Leukotriene receptor antagonist | 5 | 0.3 | 33 | 0.6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.1 |
| 5-ASA | 20 | 1.2 | 47 | 0.8 | 3 | 0.2 | 10 | 0.2 |
| Tricyclic antidepressant | 5 | 0.3 | 16 | 0.3 | 1 | 0.06 | 8 | 0.1 |
| Antiepileptics | 42 | 2.7 | 170 | 3.0 | 16 | 1.0 | 53 | 0.9 |
| Interferon | 2 | 0.1 | 12 | 0.2 | 2 | 0.1 | 8 | 0.1 |
| Immunoglobulin | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.02 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sulfamethoxazole/trimethoprim | 921 | 60 | 433 | 7.6 | 30 | 1.9 | 47 | 0.8 |
| Quinolones | 662 | 43 | 1106 | 19 | 175 | 11 | 246 | 4.3 |
| Tetracyclines | 117 | 7.6 | 167 | 2.9 | 41 | 2.7 | 71 | 1.3 |
| Beta-lactams | 1274 | 83 | 3460 | 61 | 639 | 41 | 1942 | 34 |
| Anti-tuberculosis drugs | 53 | 3.4 | 67 | 1.2 | 14 | 0.9 | 28 | 0.5 |
| EGFR inhibitors | 109 | 7.1 | 226 | 4.0 | 76 | 4.9 | 109 | 1.9 |
| Molecular targeted drugs | 23 | 1.5 | 55 | 1.0 | 3 | 0.2 | 7 | 0.1 |
| Anti PD-1 antibody | 1 | 0.06 | 2 | 0.03 | 1 | 0.06 | 1 | 0.02 |
| Anti CTLA4 antibody | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| mTOR inhibitor | 3 | 0.2 | 7 | 0.1 | 2 | 0.1 | 5 | 0.09 |
| Platinum | 114 | 7.4 | 663 | 12 | 4 | 0.3 | 11 | 0.2 |
| Topoisomerases | 51 | 3.3 | 221 | 3.9 | 3 | 0.2 | 5 | 0.09 |
| Pyrimidine | 121 | 7.9 | 338 | 6.0 | 16 | 1.0 | 54 | 1.0 |
| Anthracyclines | 51 | 3.3 | 132 | 2.3 | 9 | 0.6 | 12 | 0.2 |
| Biological products | 45 | 2.9 | 198 | 3.5 | 3 | 0.2 | 5 | |
| Microtubule polymerisation inhibitors | 147 | 9.5 | 378 | 6.7 | 4 | 0.3 | 11 | 0.09 |
| Purine metabolism antagonists | 6 | 0.4 | 21 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.04 |
| Folic acid antagonists | 59 | 3.8 | 249 | 4.4 | 3 | 0.2 | 4 | 0.07 |
| DNA synthesis inhibitors | 4 | 0.3 | 5 | 0.09 | 1 | 0.06 | 3 | 0.05 |
| Hormone therapy drugs | 18 | 1.2 | 34 | 0.6 | 8 | 0.5 | 10 | 0.17 |
| Alkylators | 69 | 4.5 | 118 | 2.1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.07 |
| Cytokine | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Thalidomide | 1 | 0.06 | 5 | 0.09 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.02 |
| Retinoid | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.04 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| BCG | 1 | 0.06 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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