
Aspirin, Pain Relievers, Cold and Fever Remedies and Arthritis Medications when you have asthma, rhinitis or nasal polyps

For some people with asthma, rhinitis and nasal polyps, medications such as acetylsalicylic acid or ASA and some arthritis medications can trigger very severe asthma, rhinitis, hives, swelling and shock. If you react to one of these medications, you will probably react to all of the others as well. There are many medications and products that contain ASA. This handout names some.

- **Since new products are coming out all of the time, it is best to check with the pharmacist before using.**
- **Check the label yourself as well.**

If you react to these medications you must:

- **Avoid these medications and products at all times.**
- Let your doctor know right away if you have taken one of the medications and develop symptoms.
- Check the ingredients on the label yourself. Ask your pharmacist, doctor or other health care provider if you have questions.
- Get a medical alert bracelet or card that says you are allergic to ASA.
- Tell all of your health care providers that you are allergic to ASA.
- For pain control, **use acetaminophen**. Some products with acetaminophen are Atasol[®], Tempra[®], Tylenol[®] and Novo-Gesic[®]. Most people allergic to ASA can use acetaminophen.

Some Products that Contain ASA

217's, 217's Strong	D	P
222's	Doan's Backache Pills	Pepto-Bismol
282's, 282's Meps	Dodd's Tablets – All	Percodan
292's	Dolomine 37	Phenaphen with Codeine
692's	Dristan Extra Strength	PMS-Sulfasalazine
A	Dristan – All kinds	
AC&C		R
AC&C Extra Strength	E	Ratio-Oxycodan
Acetylsalicylic Acid	EC ASA	Relief ASA
Achrocidin	Ecotrin – All kinds	Robaxisal – All kinds
Aggrenox	Endodan	
Alka Seltzer – All kinds	Enteric coated ASA	S
Anacin – All kinds	Enteric coated aspirin	Salazopyrin
Antidol	Entrophen – All kinds	Salazopyrin Enema
Apo-ASA	Excedrin	Salofalk Enema
Apo-Asen		Sulfasalazine
Arco Pain Tablet	F	
Arthritis	Fiorinal	T
Artria SR	Fiorinal with Codeine	Tri-Buffered ASA
ASA, A.S.A.		
ASA Suppositories	H	
Asacol	Herbopyrine	
Asaphen, Asaphen EC	Instantine	
Asasantine		
Aspergum – All kinds	K	
Aspirin – All kinds – any product with word in it	Kalmex	
Aspirin Plus Stomach Guard – All kinds		
Astone	M	
B	Mesasal	
Bismed	Mesalamine	
Bismuth Subsalyclate	Midol – All kinds	
C	N	
Calamine	Norgesic	
Coated Aspirin – All kinds	Norgesic Forte	
Coricidin – All kinds	Novasen	
Coryphen – All kinds	Novo-Propoxyn	
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	Oxycodan	

Check with your pharmacist if you have questions about any other medications

Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Medications ~ NSAIDs ~

Chemical Name	Trade Names		
Celecoxib	Celebrex		
Diclofenac	Apo-Diclo Apo-Diclo SR ApodicloRapide Novo-Difenac Diclotec	PMS-Diclofenac PMS-Diclofenac S Novo-Difenac SR Nu-Diclo Nu-Diclo SR	Voltaren Voltaren Ophtha (eye drops) Voltaren Rapide
Diclofenac / Misoprostol	Arthrotec		
Diflunisal	Apo-Diflunisal	Novo-Diflunisal	Nu-Diflunisal
Fenoprofen	Nalfon		
Floctafenine	Idarac		
Flurbiprofen	Ansaid Apo-Flurbiprofen Alti-Flurbiprofen	Froben Froben-SR Novo-Flurbiprofen	Nu-Flubioprofen Ocuflen (eye drops)
Ibuprofen	Advil Advil Cold and Sinus	Apo-Ibuprofen Dristan Sinus Motrin, Motrin IB	Novo-Profen Nu-Ibuprofen Sudafed Sinus
Indomethacin	Apo- Indomethacin Indocid	Indocid (eye drops) Indocid PDA Indotec	Novo-Methacin Nu-Indo Rhodacine
Ketoprofen	Apo-Keto Apo-Keto-E Apo-Keto-SR Ketoprofen-E Novo-Keto Novo-Keto-EC	Nu-Ketoprofen-E Nu-Ketoprofen-SR Orafen Orudis Orudis E Orudis SR Oruvail	PMS-Ketoprofen PMS-Ketoprofen-E Rhodis Rhodis EC Rhodis SR Rhovail
Ketorolac	Acular (eye drops) Apo-Ketorolac	Ketorolac Tromethamine Novo-Ketorolac	Toradol Toradol IM
Mefenamic Acid	Apo-Mefenamic Nu-Mefenamic	PMS-Mefenamic Acid	Ponstan
Meloxicam	Mobicox		
Nabumetone	Apo- Nabumetone	Relafen	

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Naproxen	Apo-Naproxen Apo-Naproxen- SR	Gen-Naproxen Naprosyn Naprosyn E	Novo-Naprox Novo-Naprox E Nu-Naprox Naxen
Naproxen Sodium	Anaprox Anaprox DS Apo-Napro-Na	Apo-Napro-Na DS Novo-Naprox Sodium Novo-Naprox Sodium DS	Novo-Naprox SR Synflex Synflex DS
Phenylbutazone	Apo- Phenylbutazone	Novo-Butazone	
Piroxicam	Alti-Piroxicam Apo-Piroxicam Feldene	Fexicam Gen-Piroxicam Novo-Pirocam	Nu-Pirox PMS-Piroxicam
Sulindac	Apo-Sulin	Novo-Sundac	Nu-Sulindac
Tenoxicam	Apo-Tenoxicam	Novo-Tenoxicam	
Tiaprofenac Acid	Albert Tiafen Apo-Tiaprofenic	Novo-Tiaprofenic Nu-Tiaprofenic	PMS-Tiaprofenac Surgam Surgam SR