# Medications That Need Dose Reductions (cont'd)

### Antiviral drugs

Cytovene®: ganciclovir Emptriva®: emtricitiabine Epivir®: iamvudine Rebetol®: ribavirin Retrovir®: zidovudine Symmetrel®: amantadine Tamiflu®: oseltamivir Valcyte: valganciclovir Valtrex®: valacyclovir Zovirax®: acyclovir

### **Diabetes drugs**

Amaryl®: glimepiride Glucotrol®: glipizide Januvia®: sitagliptin Nesina®: alogliptin Onglyza®: saxagliptin Tradjenta ®: linagliptin

#### Drugs used for GERD (acid reflux), ulcers or other gastrointestinal problems Pepcid®: famotidine Tagamet®: cimetidine

#### Other drugs

Actonel®: risedronate Atarax®: hydroxyzine Eliquis®: apixaban Fosamax®: alendronate Keppra ®: levetiracetam Lanoxin®: digoxin Lopid®: gemfibrozil Lovenox®: enoxaparin Neurontin®: gabapentin Tenormin®: atenolol Tricor®: fenofibrate Trilipix®: fenofibric acid Ultram®: tramadol Xarelto®: rivaroxaban

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Medication Precautions for Patients with

# Decreased Kidney Function



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#### Potential for Kidney Toxicity

The following medications <u>may be toxic</u> to the kidney and cause temporary or permanent worsening of kidney function.

Patients with kidney disease or decreased kidney function should speak with their doctor about possible damage to their kidney before taking the medicines listed here. There may be times that the benefit of the medicine outweighs the risk (for example, a cardiac catheterization is needed despite the risk that the lodine dye that is used may damage the kidney). In those cases, there may be ways to reduce the risk such as giving intravenous fluids or other medicines that protect the kidney from damage.

#### Non steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) including: Note: this is only a partial list

#### Aleve®/Anaprox®/Naprosyn®: naproxen and

prescription products containing naproxen Celebrex®: celecoxib Daypro®: oxaprozin Feldene®: piroxicam Indocin®: indomethacin Motrin®, Advil®, Nuprin®: ibuprofen and other over the counter and prescription products Skelaxin®: metaxalone Voltaren®: diclofenac

#### Other drugs:

**Chinese Herbs:** some herbal or homeopathic remedies can cause kidney damage. **Contrast/lodine dyes:** *used in cardiac* 

catheterization, CT scan, angiography Eskalith®/Lithobid®: lithium Visicol®/Osmoprep®: used as a bowel cleanser for certain tests

#### Potential to Form Kidney Stones

Some drugs have the potential to form stones in the kidney, these drugs should generally be avoided, but if used they should be taken with plenty of water. Methotrexate Sulfadiazine Topamax®: topiramate Triamterene: products containing triamterene include Maxzide®, Dyazide®, Dyrenium® Xenical®: orlistat

## Potential for Harmful Side Effects

The following medicines should be <u>used with caution</u> in patients with decreased kidney function because of an increased risk of serious side effects. If used, the dosage may also need adjustment by your doctor.

#### Note: this is only a partial list.

Avandia®: rosiglitazone Carafate®: sucralfate Colcyrs®: colchicine Diabeta® or Micronase®: glyburide Diamox®: acetazolamide Lovenox®: enoxaparin Mylanta® or Maalox®: magnesium and aluminum containing antacids, magnesium citrate Reglan®: metoclopramide Valium®: diazepam Xarelto®: rivaroxaban Zyloprim®: allopurinol

The following medications should not be used if kidney function is below specific levels. If used, be sure to discuss with your kidney doctor or pharmacist. Dose may need to be decreased. Note: this is only a partial list. Bvetta®: exenatide DiaBeta®: glyburide Farxiga®: dapagliflozin Glucophage®: Metformin, products containing metformin include Actoplus Met®, Avandamet®, Fortamet®, Glucophage®, Glucovance®, Glumetza®, Janumet®, Metaglip®, Prandimet®, Riomet® Invokana®: canagliflozin Jardiance®: empagliflozin Lioresal®: baclofen Lyrica®: pregabalin Pradaxa®: dabigatran Reclast®: zoledronic acid Savaysa®: edoxaban Viread®: tenofovir disoproxil fumarate

## Medications That Need Dose Reductions

The dosage of the following medications may need to be reduced in patients with decreased kidney function. If not dosed appropriately for your kidney function, you could experience more side effects or they could potentially be harmful. Note: this is only a partial list

Patients with decreased kidney function should ask both their doctor and pharmacist two questions when starting a new medication:

1. "I have kidney disease, is this the right dosage for me to take?"

2. "I have kidney disease, is this medication safe for me to take?"

### Antibiotics

Amoxil®: amoxicillin or trimox Ampicillin Augmentin®: amoxicillin/clavulanate Bactrim®/Septra®: trimethoprim with sulfamethoxazole Biaxin®: clarithromycin Ceftin®: cefuroxime Cefzil®: cefprozil Cipro®: ciprofloxacin Dynacin® or Minocin®: minocycline Floxin®: ofloxacin Keflex®: cephalexin Lamisil®: terbinafine Levaguin®: levofloxacin Macrodantin®: nitrofurantoin Omnicef®: cefdinir Penicillin Tetracycline

#### Antifungal drugs

**Diflucan®:** fluconazole **Sporanox®:** itraconazole