

MIGRAINE AND HEADACHE TREATMENTS (Part 1 of 2)

Generic	Strength	Brand	Form	Adult Dose
ANALGESIC + BARBITURATE				
acetaminophen	325mg	Esgic	℞ caps, tabs	1–2 tabs or caps every 4hrs as needed; max 6/day
butalbital	50mg			
caffeine	40mg			
acetaminophen	300mg	Fioricet	℞ caps	1–2 caps every 4hrs as needed; max 6/day
butalbital	50mg			
caffeine	40mg			
acetaminophen	325mg	Phrenilin	℞ tabs	1–2 tabs every 4hrs; max 6 tabs daily
butalbital	50mg			
ANALGESIC + BARBITURATE + OPIOID				
acetaminophen	300mg	Fioricet w. Codeine	CIII caps	1–2 caps every 4hrs as needed; max 6/day
butalbital	50mg			
caffeine	40mg			
codeine phosphate	30mg			
ANALGESIC + SALICYLATE				
acetaminophen	250mg	Bayer Migraine Formula	OTC caplets	≥18yrs: 2 caplets with a glass of water; max 2 caplets/24hrs
aspirin	250mg			
caffeine	65mg			
acetaminophen	250mg	Excedrin Migraine	OTC caplets	≥18yrs: 2 caplets with a glass of water; max 2 caplets/day
aspirin	250mg			
caffeine	65mg			
BARBITURATE + SALICYLATE				
aspirin	325mg	Fiorinal	CIII tabs, caps	1–2 tabs or caps every 4hrs as needed; max 6/day
butalbital	50mg			
caffeine	40mg			
BARBITURATE + SALICYLATE + OPIOID				
aspirin	325mg	Fiorinal w. Codeine	CIII caps	1–2 tabs or caps every 4hrs as needed; max 6/day
butalbital	50mg			
caffeine	40mg			
codeine phosphate	30mg			
ERGOT ALKALOID				
dihydroergotamine mesylate	1mg/mL	D.H.E. 45	℞ IM, IV, or SC inj	1mL IV at 1-hr intervals; max 2 doses/day. Or, 1mL IM or SC at 1-hr intervals; max 3 doses/day.
	4mg/mL	Migranal	℞ nasal spray†	1 spray in each nostril, repeat 15min later; max 6 sprays/24hrs and 8 sprays/wk
ergotamine tartrate	1mg	—	℞ tabs	2 tabs at onset of attack, then 1 tab every ½hr if needed; max 6 tabs/attack, 10 tabs/wk
caffeine	100mg			
ergotamine tartrate	2mg	—	℞ rectal supp	1 supp rectally at onset of attack, then 1 supp after 1hr if needed; max 2 supp/attack, 5 supp/wk
caffeine	100mg			
NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY (NSAID)				
diclofenac potassium	50mg	Cambia	℞ buffered pwd for oral soln*	≥18yrs: Mix 1 packet (50mg) with 30–60mL of water only and drink immediately
ibuprofen	200mg	Advil Migraine	OTC liquid-filled caps	≥18yrs: Usually 400mg once daily
	200mg	Motrin Migraine Pain	OTC caplets	≥18yrs: Usually 200–400mg once daily
SELECTIVE 5-HT_{1B/1D} RECEPTOR AGONIST				
almotriptan (as malate)	6.25mg, 12.5mg	Axert	℞ tabs	Children: Not established. Adults: 6.25–12.5mg single dose; may repeat once after 2hrs; max 25mg/24hrs. The safety of treating an average of more than 4 migraines over 30 days is not established.
eletriptan HBr	20mg, 40mg	Relpax	℞ tabs	≥18yrs: 20mg or 40mg once. Reevaluate if no response. May repeat once after 2hrs; max 80mg/day. The safety of treating an average of more than 3 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.

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Generic	Strength	Brand	Form	Adult Dose
SELECTIVE 5-HT_{1B/1D} RECEPTOR AGONIST (continued)				
frovatriptan (as succinate)	2.5mg	Frova	R: tabs	≥ 18yrs : 2.5mg with fluids; may repeat once after 2hrs; max 7.5mg/24hrs. Reevaluate if no response after 1st dose. The safety of treating an average of more than 4 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.
naratriptan HCl	1mg, 2.5mg	Amerge	R: tabs	≥ 18yrs : 1mg or 2.5mg with fluids; may repeat once after 4hrs; max 5mg/24hrs. The safety of treating, on average, more than 4 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.
rizatriptan (as benzoate)	5mg, 10mg	Maxalt	R: tabs	≥ 18yrs : Initially 5 or 10mg; may repeat after 2hrs; max 30mg/day. <i>Concomitant propranolol</i> : 5mg; max 3 doses/day. The safety of treating, on average, more than 4 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.
	5mg, 10mg	Maxalt-MLT	R: ODT*	
sumatriptan (as succinate)	6mg/0.5mL	Alsuma	R: soln for SC inj	≥ 18yrs : One (6mg) dose SC to the lateral thigh or upper arm only. Reevaluate if no response. May repeat after 1hr; max two doses in 24hrs.
	4mg/0.5mL, 6mg/0.5mL	Imitrex Injection	R: SC inj	≥ 18yrs : 6mg SC (may start at lower dose if 6mg not tolerated). Reevaluate if no response. May repeat after 1hr; max two 6mg doses in 24hrs.
	5mg/spray, 20mg/spray	Imitrex Nasal Spray	R: nasal spray	≥ 18yrs : 5mg, 10mg, or 20mg once. Reevaluate if no response. May repeat once after 2hrs; max 40mg/day. The safety of treating an average of more than 4 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.
	25mg, 50mg, 100mg	Imitrex Tablets	R: tabs	≥ 18yrs : 25–100mg once, swallow whole with fluids as soon as possible after migraine onset; may repeat dose at intervals of at least 2hrs, max 200mg/day; or single-dose tablets up to 100mg/day if injection has been used. The safety of treating an average of more than 4 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.
	6mg/0.5mL	Sumavel DosePro	R: soln for SC inj	≥ 18yrs : One DosePro (6mg) SC to the abdomen or thigh only. Reevaluate if no response. May repeat after 1hr; max two DosePro (6mg) doses in 24hrs.
zolmitriptan	2.5mg+, 5mg	Zomig	R: tabs	≥ 18yrs : Initially 1.25–2.5mg; max recommended single dose: 5mg. If headache returns, may repeat after 2hrs; max 10mg/day. Reevaluate if no response after 1st dose. The safety of treating an average of more than 3 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established. <i>Concomitant cimetidine</i> : max single dose: 2.5mg, not to exceed 5mg in 24-hr period.
	5mg/spray	Zomig Nasal Spray	R: nasal spray	≥ 18yrs : 5mg once. If headache returns, may repeat once after 2hrs; max 10mg/day. Reevaluate if no response after 1st dose. The safety of treating an average of more than 4 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established.
	2.5mg, 5mg	Zomig-ZMT	R: ODT*	≥ 18yrs : Initially 1.25–2.5mg; max recommended single dose: 5mg. If headache returns, may repeat after 2hrs; max 10mg/day. Reevaluate if no response after 1st dose. The safety of treating an average of more than 3 headaches in a 30-day period has not been established. <i>Concomitant cimetidine</i> : max single dose: 2.5mg, not to exceed 5mg in 24-hr period.
SELECTIVE 5-HT_{1B/1D} RECEPTOR AGONIST + NON-STEROIDAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY (NSAID)				
sumatriptan (as succinate)	85mg	Treximet	R: tabs	1 tab once; may repeat once after 2hrs; max 2 tabs/day. The safety of treating an average of more than 5 migraines in a 30-day period has not been established.
naproxen sodium	500mg			

NOTES

Key: ODT = orally disintegrating tablets; soln = solution; supp = suppositories; + = scored tablets

*contains phenylalanine; †contains caffeine

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