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Post by Art on Feb 22, 2010 at 7:49pm Drugs To Avoid When Taking Low Dose Naltrexone

Low Dose Naltrexone (LDN) should not be taken along with opioidcontaining drugs, with immunomodulator drugs, or with any drug that depends for its successful action on suppressing the immune system. For a discussion of chemotherapy and LDN, visit

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Art Moderator

Do not take Naltrexone with any of the following without first consulting your doctor:

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disulfiram (Antabuse®);



- thioridazine (Mellaril®);
- buprenorphine (Buprenex®, Subutrex®);

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- codeine (Tylenol with Codeine®, and other brand names);
- hydrocodone (Lorcet®, Lortab®, Vicodin®, Vicoprofen®, and other brand names);
- hydromorphone (Dilaudid®):
- levorphanol (Levo-Dromoran®);
- meperidine (Demerol®);
- methadone (Dolophine®, Methadose®);
- morphine (Kadian®, MS Contin®, MSIR®, OMS®, Roxanol®,

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- oxycodone (M-Oxy®, OxyContin®, OxyIR®, Roxicodone®, Percocet®, Percodan®, and other brand names);
- oxymorphone (Numorphan®);
- propoxyphene (Darvon®, and other brand names).

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Cautionary warnings

Because LDN blocks opioid receptors throughout the body for three or four hours, people using medicine that is an opioid agonist, i.e., a narcotic (such as morphine, Percocet®, Duragesic Patch® or codeine-containing medication) should not take LDN until such medicine is completely out of one's system. Patients who have become dependant on daily use of narcotic-containing pain medication may require 10 days to 2 weeks of slowly weaning off of such drugs entirely (while first substituting full doses of non-narcotic pain medications) before being able to begin LDN safely.

In regards to the use of steroids, chemotherapeutic agents, and other immunosuppressants to treat multiple sclerosis and other autoimmune diseases, Dr. M.R. Lawrence, an English physician with MS who treats his condition with LDN, has this to say:

Because LDN stimulates the immune system and many of the drugs routinely used by the NHS in the treatment of MS [and other autoimmune conditions] further suppress the immune system, LDN cannot be used in company with steroids, beta interferon, methotrexate, azathioprine or mitozantrone or any other immune suppressant drug. If there is any doubt, please submit [to your doctor] a full list of the drugs you are presently taking so that their compatibility may be assessed.

Dr. Lawrence has suggested a non-steroidal protocol for treating MS exacerbations. For more information, visit

preview.tinyurl.com/cfr7um

Prednisone in daily doses for adults of 10 mg or less is not considered immunosuppressive.

The only clinical trial of LDN that did not have positive results was conducted in Akron, Ohio, in 2007 with a group of MS patients. The

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lead investigator explained the unfortunate outcome of the study as follows:

We did not exclude patients on existing immunosuppressants...The existing immunosuppressants may have inhibited the LDN effects in this population.

Copaxone is the only MS "disease modifying" drug deemed compatible with LDN.

Painkillers approved for use with LDN include Moxxor, aspirin, Tylenol®, Advil®, Motrin®, Aleve®, Naprosyn®, Ansaid®, Dolobid®, Orudis®, Voltaren®, Feldene®, Mobic®, and the food supplement, DL-Phenylalanine (DLPA). DLPA, which is also said to enhance the effectiveness of LDN, should be taken twice a day on an empty stomach in doses of 500 mg. It should not, however, be used by people with high blood pressure. For additional precautions, visit

preview.tinyurl.com/6jqk3b

Regarding alcohol consumption while taking LDN, Dr. Skip Lenz, a Florida pharmacist, has this to say:

One of the uses of LDN is to help alcoholics get off the juice. You should never use alcohol and LDN at the same time. Now, there will be folks who say they always have had a drink with no problems; on the other side of the coin, I know of several dozen cases where the patient has had projectile vomiting.

Drugs That May Interact With Low Dose Naltrexone - Generic Name (Brand Name*)
Mixed Opiate Agonists/Antagonists

Buprenorphine (Buprenex®, Suboxone®, Subutex®)

Butorphanol (Dorolex®, Stadol®)

Nalbuphine (Nubain®)

Pentazocine (Naloxone®, Talwin®)

Opiate Agonists

Alfentinil (Alfenta®)

Clonidine (Catapres®)

Codeine (N/A)

Dronabinol THC (Marinol®)

Fentanyl (Duragesic®, Agtic®, Sublimaze®, Fentora®)

Hydrocodone (Lorcet®, Lortab®, Vicodin®)

Hydromorphone (Dilaudid®

Levorphanol (Levo-Dromoran®

Meperidine (Demerol®, Meperitab®)

Methadone (Dolophine®, Methodose®)

Morphine (Kadian®, MSContin®)

Oxycodone (Percocet®, Endocet®, Roxicodone®, Endocodone®)

Oxymorphone (Opana®, Numorphone®)

Propoxyphene (Darvocet®, Darvon®)

Remifentinil (Ultiva®)

Sufentinil (Sufenta®)

Tramadol (Ultram®) Other Medications Disulfuram (Antabuse®)

Nabilone (Cesamet®)

Thioridazine (Mellaril®)

Clonidine (Catapres®)
* May not include each brand name available on the market in the United States

If you still have unanswered questions about what drugs can be take along with LDN, please contact Dr. Skip Lenz, a Florida pharmacist knowledgeable about LDN.

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