

PHARMACOLOGY WORKSHEET

Combining Forms

Combining Form	Meaning
aer/o	
alges/o	
bronch/o	
chem./o	
cras/o	
cutane/o	
derm/o	
erg/o	
esthes/o	
hist/o	
hypn/o	
iatr/o	
lingu/o	
myc/o	
narc/o	
or/o	
pharmacy/o	
prurit/o	
thec/o	
pyret/o	
tox/o	
toxic/o	
vas/o	
ven/o	
vit/o	

Prefixes

Prefix	Meaning
Ana-	
Anti-	

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Meaning
a.c., ac	
ACE	
ad lib	
APAP	
ARB	
b.i.d., bid	
c	
Caps	
Cc	
FDA	

gm, g	
gtt	
h	
h.s., hs	
H₂ blocker	
HRT	
IM	
INH	
IV	
MAOI	
mg	
mil, ml	
NPO	
NASID	
p̄	
p.c., pc	
PCA	
PDR	
PO, p.o., po	
p.r.n., prn	
Pt	
q	
q.h., qh	
q2h	
q.i.d., qid	
q.s., qs	
qAM	
qPM	
Rx	
s̄	
SERM	
Sig.	
SL	
s.o.s.	
SSRI	
SQ	
tab	
TCA	
t.i.d., tid	

Pharmacology-Classes of Drugs and Related Terms

Term	Meaning
ACE inhibitor	
amphetamine	
analgesic	
androgen	
anesthetic	
angiotensin II receptor blocker	
antacid	
antiandrogen	
antiarrhythmic	
antibiotic	
anticoagulant	
anticonvulsant	
antidepressant	
antidiabetic	
antidiarrheal	
antiemetic	
antihistamine	
antinauseant	
antiplatelet	
antiulcer	
antiviral	
aromatase inhibitor	
bactericidal	
bacteriostatic	
beta-blocker	
bisphosphonate	
caffeine	

calcium channel blocker	
cardiac glycoside	
cardiovascular drug	
cathartic	
cholesterol-binding drug	
cholesterol-lowering drug	
diuretic	
emetic	
endocrine drug	
gastrointestinal drug	
glucocorticoid	
hypnotic	
laxative	
narcotic	
progestin	
purgative	
respiratory drug	
sedative	
stimulant	
thyroid hormone	
tranquilizer	