



TABLE 2. DENTAL-RELATED SIDE EFFECTS OF MEDICATIONS COMMONLY PERSCRIBED FOR CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME

Non-steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs			Low-dose Tricyclic Antidepressants		
Drug	Brand Names	Dental Side Effects	Drug	Brand Names	Dental Side Effects
naproxen	Aleve, Anaprox, Naprosen	erythema multiforme, stomatitis	doxepin	Adapin, Sinequan	xerostomia
ibuprofen	Advil, Bayer Select, Motrin, Nuprin	xerostomia	amitriptyline ⁸	Elavil, Etrafon, Limbitrol, Triavil	xerostomia, stomatitis, black tongue, parotid swelling
piroxicam	Feldene	xerostomia, increased bleeding time, glossitis	desipramine	Norpramin, Desipramine	xerostomia, tongue edema, black tongue, parotid swelling, sublingual adenitis
tramadol	Ultram, Ultracet	xerostomia	nortriptyline ⁸	Pamelor	xerostomia, sublingual adenitis, tongue edema, stomatitis, black tongue, parotid swelling
celecoxib	Celebrex	xerostomia, tooth disorder, fungal infection, bacterial infection			
rofecoxib	Vioxx*	xerostomia, dental caries, dental pain			
Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors			Anxiolytic Agents		
Drug	Brand Names	Dental Side Effects	Drug	Brand Names	Dental Side Effects
fluoxetine	Prozac	xerostomia, gum hemorrhage, increased salivation	alprazolam	Xanax	none reported
sertraline	Zoloft	xerostomia, increased salivation, aggravated caries, tongue edema and ulceration, gum hyperplasia	lorazepam ⁸	Ativan	none reported



TABLE 2. DENTAL-RELATED SIDE EFFECTS OF MEDICATIONS COMMONLY PERSCRIBED FOR CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME, cont'd.

Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors, cont'd.			Anxiolytic Agents, cont'd.		
paroxetine	Paxil	xerostomia, taste perversion, bruxism, gingivitis, glossitis, gum hyperplasia, increased salivation, gum hemorrhage, mouth ulceration, salivary gland enlargement, tongue discoloration, tongue edema, increased bleeding time	Clonazepam	Klonopin	xerostomia, coated tongue, sore gums
venlafaxine	Effexor	xerostomia, bruxism, tongue edema, gingivitis, glossitis, mouth ulceration, gum hemorrhage, increased bleeding time			
trazodone ⁹	Desyrel	none reported			
bupropion	Wellbutrin, Zyban	xerostomia, stomatitis, toothache, bruxism, gum irritation, oral edema, glossitis			

Adapted from National Center for Infectious Disease. Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/cfs/. Reported side-effects were taken from the 2004 Physician's Desk Reference,¹⁰ except where noted.⁹ Watson Pharmaceuticals: <http://www.watsonpharm.com/>.⁸ Rx List: The Internet Drug Index <http://www.rxlist.com>

* On Sept. 30, 2004, Merck & Co, Inc. voluntarily recalled Vioxx worldwide. <http://www.vioxx.com/>

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