



Osteoporosis

Appendix A – Examples of Medications That May Contribute to Bone Loss*

ANTICOAGULANTS - heparin, warfarin

ANTICONVULSANTS - carbamazepine, phenytoin

AROMATASE INHIBITORS - anastrozole, letrozole, exemestane

BARBITUATES - phenobarbital

CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC/CYTOTOXIC AGENTS - various

CYCLOSPORINE

DEPO-MEDROXYPROGESTERONE

GLUCOCORTICOIDS ** - various

GONADOTROPIN RELEASING HORMONE AGONISTS - buserelin, goserelin, leuprorelin acetate

LITHIUM

PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS

SELECTIVE SEROTONIN REUPTAKE INHIBITORS - various

TACROLIMUS

THIAZOLIDINEDIONES - pioglitazone, rosiglitazone

THYROID HORMONES IN EXCESS

*This is not a complete list of medications.

**Particularly chronic glucocorticoid use i.e., ≥ 3 months of consecutive therapy at a dose of prednisone ≥ 7.5mg per day or equivalent

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