



## Medications Approved for the Treatment of Parkinson's Disease in the USA



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Generic Name	Trade Name	Mode of Action	Common Side Effects*
Carbidopa-levodopa	<i>Sinemet</i>	DOPA decarboxylase inhibitor/DA precursor	Nausea, vomiting, dizziness, low blood pressure, anxiety, dyskinesia, confusion, hallucinations.
Carbidopa-levodopa (controlled release)	<i>Sinemet CR</i>	DOPA decarboxylase inhibitor/DA precursor	Nausea, vomiting, dizziness, low blood pressure, anxiety, dyskinesia, confusion, hallucinations.
Carbidopa-levodopa (orally disintegrating tablet)	<i>Parcopa</i>	DOPA decarboxylase inhibitor/DA precursor	Nausea, vomiting, dizziness, low blood pressure, anxiety, dyskinesia, confusion, hallucinations.
Carbidopa-levodopa-entacapone	<i>Stalevo</i>	DOPA decarboxylase inhibitor/DA precursor/COMT inhibitor	Darkened saliva and/or body fluids, diarrhea, fatigue, dizziness, abdominal pain, dyskinesia, pain, constipation, hallucinations
Bromocriptine	<i>Parlodel</i>	DA agonist	Nausea, dizziness, low blood pressure, swelling of ankles, dyskinesia, hallucinations, confusion, somnolence, sleep attacks.
Pramipexole	<i>Mirapex</i>	DA agonist	Nausea, dizziness, low blood pressure, swelling of ankles, dyskinesia, hallucinations, confusion, somnolence, sleep attacks.
Pramipexole (extended release)	<i>Mirapex ER</i>	DA agonist	Nausea, dizziness, low blood pressure, swelling of ankles, dyskinesia, hallucinations, confusion, somnolence, sleep attacks.
Ropinirole	<i>Requip</i>	DA agonist	Nausea, dizziness, low blood pressure, swelling of ankles, dyskinesia, hallucinations, confusion, somnolence, sleep attacks.
Ropinirole- (extended release tablets)	<i>Requip XL</i>	DA agonist	Nausea, dizziness, low blood pressure, swelling of ankles, dyskinesia, hallucinations, confusion, somnolence, sleep attacks.
Apomorphine (injection)	<i>Apokyn</i>	DA agonist	Nausea, vomiting, dizziness, low blood pressure, sedation, yawning, hallucinations, dyskinesia, runny nose, swelling of extremities, injection site reactions.

