

daily. [Generic/Trade: Tabs 2, 4, 8 mg (8 mg trade scored). Oral soln 5 mg/5 mL. Controlled-release tabs (Exalgo): 8, 12, 16, 32 mg. Generic only: Suppository 3 mg.]

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LEVORPHANOL (Levo-Dromoran) 2 mg PO q 6 to 8 h prn. [Generic only: Tabs 2 mg, scored.] ▶L ♀D? ☉ll \$\$\$\$\$

MEPERIDINE (Demerol, pethidine) 1 to 1.8 mg/kg up to 150 mg IM/SC/PO or slow IV q 3 to 4 h. 75 mg meperidine IV/IM/SC is equivalent to 300 mg meperidine PO. [Generic/Trade: Tabs 50 (trade scored), 100 mg. Generic only: Syrup 50 mg/5 mL.]

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METHADONE (Diskets, Dolophine, Methadose, *Metadol) **Severe pain in opioid-tolerant patients:** Initial dose is 2.5 mg IM/SC/PO q 8 to 12 h prn. Titrate up by 2.5 mg per dose q 5 to 7 days as necessary to relieve cancer or nonmalignant pain where chronic opioids are necessary. May start as high as 10 mg per dose if opioid-dependent patient and dosing is managed by experienced practitioner using an opioid conversion formula. **Opioid dependence:** Typical dose to prevent withdrawal is 20 mg PO daily but must be managed by an experienced practitioner. Treatment longer than 3 weeks is maintenance and only permitted in approved treatment programs. **Opioid-naïve patients:** Not recommended in opioid-naïve patients as 1st-line treatment of acute pain, mild chronic pain, postoperative pain, or as a prn medication. [Generic/Trade: Tabs 5, 10 mg. Dispersible tabs 40 mg (for opioid dependence only). Oral concentrate (Intensol): 10 mg/mL. Generic only: Oral soln 5, 10 mg/5 mL.] ▶L ☉ ♀D? ☉ll \$\$\$■

MORPHINE (MS Contin, Kadian, Avinza, Roxanol, Oramorph SR, MSIR, DepoDur, Arymo ER, Morphabond ER, *Statex, M.O.S., Doloral, M-Eslon) Controlled-release tabs (MS Contin, Oramorph SR): Start at 30 mg PO q 8 to 12 h. Controlled-release caps (Kadian): 20 mg PO q 12 to 24 h. Extended-release caps (Avinza): Start at 30 mg PO daily. Controlled-release abuse-deterrent tabs (Arymo ER): Start at 15 mg q 8 to 12 h. Do not break, chew, or crush MS Contin or Oramorph SR. Kadian and Avinza caps may be opened and sprinkled in applesauce for easier administration; however, the pellets should not be crushed or chewed. Give 0.1 to 0.2 mg/kg up to 15 mg IM/SC or slow IV q 4 h. Titrate dose as high as necessary to relieve cancer or nonmalignant pain where chronic opioids are necessary. [Generic only: Tabs, immediate-release 15, 30 mg (\$). Extended-release caps (Avinza) 30, 45, 60, 75, 90, 120 mg. Oral soln 10 mg/5 mL, 20 mg/5 mL, 20 mg/mL (concentrate). Rectal supps 5, 10, 20, 30 mg. Generic/Trade: Controlled-release tabs (MS Contin) 15, 30, 60, 100, 200 mg (\$\$\$\$). Controlled-release caps (Kadian) 10, 20, 30, 50, 60, 80, 100 mg (\$\$\$\$\$). Trade only: Controlled-release caps (Kadian) 40, 200 mg. Controlled-release abuse-deterrent tabs (Arymo ER) 15, 30, 60 mg. Extended Release abuse-deterrent tabs (Morphabond ER) 15, 30, 60, 100mg] ▶LK ☉ ♀C D+ ☉ll varies by therapy■

OXYCODONE (Roxybond, Roxicodone, OxyContin, Percolone, OxyIR, OxyFAST, Oxaydo, Xtampza ER*Endocodone, Supeudol, OxyNEO) Immediate-release preparations: 5 mg PO q 4 to 6 h prn. Controlled-release (OxyContin): 10 to 40 mg PO q 12 h (no supporting data for shorter dosing intervals for controlled-release tabs). Titrate dose as high as necessary to relieve cancer or nonmalignant pain

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