

**TABLE 2. Non-opioid analgesics**

| Medication  | Typical dosage   |
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| <b>Nonprostaglandin synthase inhibitor</b>  |  |
| Acetaminophen (APAP)  | Varies; do not exceed 4,000 mg/day   |
| <b>Carboxylic acids</b>   |  |
| Aspirin (inc. buffered and enteric)   | 2,400 to 4,000 mg per day, divided in 4 to 5 doses   |
| Salsalate (Disalcid)  | 750 to 1,500 mg, twice daily   |
| Diflunisal (Dolobid)  | 250 to 1,500 mg, twice daily   |
| Choline magnesium trisalicylate (Trilisate)   | 1,500 to 3,000 mg per day, in 2 to 3 doses   |
| <b>Propionic acids</b>  |  |
| Ibuprofen (Motrin, Rufen, OTC)  | Varies; do not exceed 3,200 mg per day   |
| Naproxen, enteric (Naprosyn, Anaprox) <i>(Preferred in this class for patients with risk of CV disease)</i> | 250, 375, or 500 mg, twice daily<br>Enteric: 225 mg, twice daily                           |
| Fenoprofen (Nalfon)   | 300 to 600 mg, 4 times per day   |
| Ketoprofen (Orudis, Oruvail)  | 75 mg, 3 times per day   |
| Flurbiprofen (Ansaid)   | 100 mg, 2 to 4 times per day   |
| Oxaprozin (Daypro)  | 600 mg, twice daily  |
| <b>Acetic acid derivatives</b>  |  |
| Indomethacin (Indocin, Indocin SR)  | 25 to 50 mg, 3 to 4 times per day;<br>SR: 75 mg, twice daily; do not exceed 150 mg per day |
| Diclofenac (Cataflam); diclofenac plus misoprostol (Arthrotec)  | Cataflam: 50 to 75 mg, twice daily<br>Arthrotec: 50 mg, twice daily                        |
| Etodolac (Lodine)   | 200 to 300 mg, 2 to 4 times a day;<br>do not exceed 1,200 mg per day                       |
| Tolmetin (Tolectin)   | 800 to 2400 mg per day   |
| Sulindac (Clinoril)   | 150 to 200 mg, 2 to 3 times per day  |
| <b>Fenamates</b>  |  |
| Meclofenamate (Meclomen)  | 50 to 100 mg, 3 to 4 times per day   |
| Mefenamic acid (Ponstel)  | 250 mg, 4 times per day  |
| <b>Enolic acids</b>   |  |
| Meloxicam (Mobic)   | 7.5 mg per day   |
| Piroxicam (Feldene)   | 10 to 20 mg per day  |
| Phenylbutazone (Butazolidin)  | 100 mg, 3 times per day, up to 600 mg/day  |
| <b>Naphthylkanone derivative</b>  |  |
| Nabumetone (Relafen)  | 500 mg, 2 times per day, up to 1500 mg/day   |
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| Celecoxib (Celebrex) - <i>Generic not avail.</i>  | 100 to 200 mg per day  |