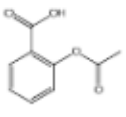
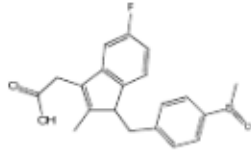
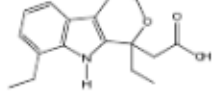
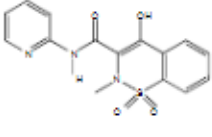
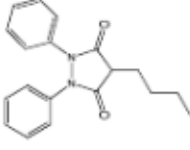
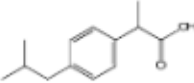
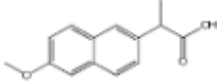
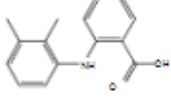
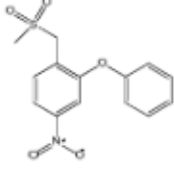
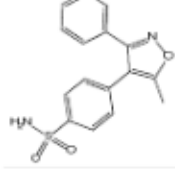


Table 1. Classification of NSAIDs [29].

Salicylates	Indoleacetic Acid Derivatives	Aryl Acetic Derivatives	Enolic Acids	
Acetylsalicylic acid Lysine clonixinate Benorilate Diflunisal Salicylamide Etersalate Salsalate or salicylic acid	Acemethacin Glucamethacin Indomethacin Proglumethacin Oxamethacin Sulindac Tolmetin Difenpiramide	Aceclofenac Diclofenac Etodolac Fentiazac Ketorolac Bufexamac Lonazolac Alclofenac Zomepirac	Oxicams: Droxicam Meloxicam Piroxicam Tenoxicam Oxaprozin Lornoxicam	Pyrazolones: Phenylbutazone Mofebutazone Oxyphenbutazone Kebuzone Metamizole (Dipyrone) Feprazone Nifenazone Suxibuzone Aminophenazone
				
Aspirin	Sulindac	Etodolac	Piroxicam	Phenylbutazone
Arylpropionic Derivatives		Phenemates	Others	
Butibufen Phenoprofen Phenobufen Flurbiprofen Benoxaprofen Suprofen Ibuprofen Ibuproxam	Ketoprofen Dexetoprofen Pyrophenone Indoprofen Naproxen Oxaprozin Tiaprofen Dexibuprofen Phenoprofen Flunoxaprofen Alminoprofen	Meclofenamic acid Mefenamic acid Flufenamic acid Tolipanic acid Niflumic acid Etofenamate	Nabumetone Glucosamine Diacerein Nimesulide Proquazone Azapropazone Benzidamine Orgotein Feprazone Morniflumato Tenidap Glucosaminoglycan	Coxibs: Celecoxib Rofecoxib Parecoxib Valdecoxib Etoricoxib 4-Aminophenol Paracetamol (Acetaminophen)
				
(S)-Ibuprofen	Naproxen	Mefenamic acid	Nimesulide	Valdecoxib

NSAID Comparison				
NSAID	COX-2 Selectivity	GI Risk	CV Risk	Average Wholesale Price (AWP) / Unit *
Salicylates				
Aspirin	Low	Moderate	Low	\$0.02 - \$0.10
Diflunisal	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	\$1.98 - \$2.06
Salsalate	Unknown	Low	Unknown	\$1.71 - \$2.75
Propionic acid derivatives				
Ibuprofen	Moderate	Low	Moderate - High	\$0.03 - \$0.80
Ketoprofen	Low	Moderate	Unknown	\$10.82
Naproxen	Low	Moderate	Low	\$0.06 - \$35.71
Oxaprozin	Low	High	Unknown	\$3.66 - \$7.73
Acetic acid derivatives				
Diclofenac	High	Moderate	High	\$0.80 - \$17.69
Etodolac	High	Low	Moderate	\$1.29 - \$3.34
Indomethacin	Low	Moderate - High	Moderate	\$0.36 - \$10.91
Ketorolac	Low	High	Unknown	\$2.15 - \$2.27
Nabumetone	Moderate	Low	Unknown	\$1.23 - \$58.44
Sulindac	Moderate	Moderate	Unknown	\$0.94 - \$1.21
Enolic acid derivatives				
Meloxicam	High	Low	Moderate	\$3.10 - \$31.05
Piroxicam	Moderate	High	Low	\$2.60 - \$4.49
Selective COX-2 inhibitor				
Celecoxib	High	Low	Moderate - High	\$4.62 - \$17.54

Table 2: A comparative table of cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, renal risks, pharmacokinetic, pharmacodynamics properties of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs in adults¹

NSAID	CV risk	GI risk	Renal risk	COX selectivity	Absorption	Distribution	Metabolism	Elimination
ASA ¹	=	++	=	Non-selective	Rapid absorption, <1 hour Bioavailability 50-75%	Vd: 10 L Most body fluids and tissues Protein binding 90-94%	Hydrolyzed to salicylate (active) by esterases Salicylate metabolism via hepatic conjugation	Via urine Half-life 3-10 hours depending on dose
Celecoxib	++	+	=	COX2	Absorption prolonged due to low solubility Bioavailability unknown	Vd: 400 L Protein binding 97%	Hepatic via CYP2C9 and CYP3A4 CYP2C9*2 associated with reduced metabolism and elevated drug concentrations Possibly increased exposure in CYP2C9*3 carriers Inhibits CYP2D6 (40% higher metoprolol AUC increase as compared with rofecoxib)	Feces (60%) Urine (30%) Half-life 11 hours
Diclofenac	+++	++	=	Non-selective	Bioavailability 55%	Vd: 1.3-1.4L/kg Protein binding >99%	Hepatic Undergoes first-pass metabolism Forms several metabolites, one with weak activity CYP2C8 and CYP2C9 (polymorphisms not clinically significant)	Urine (65%) Bile (35%) Half-life 2 hours
Diffunisal	=	/	=	Non-selective	Well absorbed, onset ~1 hour Bioavailability unknown	Vd 7.53 L Protein binding >99%	Extensive metabolism to glucuronide conjugates	Urine (90%) Feces (<5%) Half-life 8-12 hours
Etodolac	=	+	=	Non-selective	Rapid absorption, onset ~0.5 hour Bioavailability ≥80%	Vd 0.49 L/kg Protein binding >99%	Hepatic (hydroxylation and glucuronidation)	Urine (73%) Feces (16%) Half-life 6.4 hours
Flurbiprofen	=	+++	=	Non-selective (COX1 leaning)	Rapid absorption Bioavailability 96%	Vd 0.12 L/kg Protein binding >99%	Hepatic via CYP2C9 Increased CYP2C9*3 and *5 lead to a lower clearance as compared to the wild-type *1 allele	Urine Half-life 4.7-5.7 hours
Ibuprofen	++	++	=	Non-selective	Rapid absorption, onset 0.5-1 hour Bioavailability 80%	Vd 0.12 L/kg Protein binding >99%	Hepatic via CYP2C8, CYP2C9 and oxidation Compromised clearance in carriers of two CYP2C9*3 alleles (10-30% of the enzymatic activity of the wild type) CYP2C8*3/*3 is associated with significantly decreased clearance as compared to *1/*1	Urine (45-80%) Some feces Half-life 2 hours
Indomethacin	=	+++	=	Non-selective (COX1 leaning)	Rapid and extensive absorption, onset ~30 minutes Bioavailability 100%	Vd 0.34-1.57 L/kg Crosses blood-brain barrier Protein binding 99%	Hepatic via CYP2C9 and carboxylesterase (minor pathway), but polymorphisms not clinically significant	Urine (60%) Feces (33%) Half-life 2.6-11.2 hours (7.6 hours)
Ketoprofen	=	++	=	Non-selective (COX1 leaning)	Almost complete absorption, onset <30 minutes Bioavailability ~90%	Vd 0.1 L/kg Protein binding >99%, unbound fraction doubled in hepatic impairment	Hepatic (glucuronidation) Inactive metabolite may be converted back to parent compound	Urine (80%) Half-life 2-4 hours
Meloxicam	=	+++	=	Non-selective (COX2 leaning)	Bioavailability 89%	Vd 10 L Protein binding ~99% Free fraction higher in renal failure with chronic dialysis	Hepatic via CYP2C9 and CYP3A4 (minor), forms 4 inactive meta-bolites	Urine and feces Half-life 15-22 hours
Nabumetone	=	+	=	Non-selective	Good absorption, onset after several days Bioavailability unknown	Vd 29 to 82 L Diffusion occurs readily into synovial fluid Protein binding >99%	Hepatic Prodrug metabolized into active metabolite (6MNA) Extensive first-pass effect	Urine (80%) Feces (9%) Half-life ~24 hours, increased by 50% in patients with ClCr 30-49 ml/min
Naproxen	-	++	=	Non-selective	Absorption almost 100%, onset 0.5-1 hour Bioavailability 95%	Vd 0.16 L/kg Protein binding >99%, free fraction increased in elderly	Hepatic CYP2C9 minor role in clearance although CYP2C9*3 and *5 yield a lower clearance as compared to the wild-type *1	Urine (95%) Feces (≤3%) Half-life 12-17 hours
Piroxicam	=	+++	=	Non-selective (COX1 leaning)	Well absorbed, bioavailability unknown	Vd 0.14 L/kg Protein binding 99%	Hepatic predominantly via CYP2C9, yields inactive metabolites Substrate inhibition metabolism reported predominantly for CYP2C9*1 and *3 CYP2C9*5 metabolism profile is hyperbolic	Primarily urine and feces (small amounts) Half-life 50 hours
Sulindac	=	+	=	Non-selective	Onset within a week	Crosses blood-brain barrier (brain concentrations <4% of plasma concentrations) Protein binding: 97.9% for active metabolite concentrations	Hepatic Prodrug metabolised to sulfide metabolite (active) and sulfone metabolites (inactive) Parent and inactive metabolite undergo extensive enterohepatic recirculation	Urine (50%) Feces (25%) Half-life: Sulindac 7.8 hours, Sulfide metabolite 16.4 hours
Tenoxicam	=	/	=	Non-selective (COX1 leaning)	Rapid and complete absorption, delayed with food Bioavailability 100%	Vd ~9.7 L Protein binding 98-99%	Hepatic predominantly via CYP2C9	Urine mainly Feces Half-life 72 ± 28 hours
Tiaprofenic acid	=	/	=	Non-selective	Rapid absorption, delayed with food	Protein binding ~98%	Minimal (10%) to inactive metabolites	Urine (50% unchanged drug, <10% as metabolites) Half-life ~2 hours

Color code: **Green** signifies the safer NSAID for the specific risk; **red** signifies an increased risk for the highlighted NSAID; **yellow** highlights cytochrome metabolism that is significantly affected by genetic polymorphisms

¹ At NSAID doses (not doses for secondary CV protection); - Lower risk compared to most other NSAIDs; = Risk equal/equivalent to most other NSAIDs; + Risk is slightly higher than most other NSAIDs; ++ Risk is moderately higher than most other NSAIDs; +++ Risk is substantially higher than most other NSAIDs; / Relative risk unknown or unreported in literature.