

Potential side effects associated with pregabalin (Lyrica®)

Incidence of adverse events in studies of pregabalin 75-600 mg/day in persons with neuropathic pain associated with diabetic peripheral neuropathy

Common side effects*	Drug-placebo difference	Percentage of patients on pregabalin who reported it	Percentage of patients on placebo who reported it
Dizziness	16%	21%	5%
Somnolence (Sleepiness)	9%	12%	3%
Peripheral edema	7%	9%	2%
Other side effects**			
Dry mouth	4%	5%	1%
Weight gain	4%	4%	0%
Asthenia (Weakness)	3%	5%	2%
Blurry vision	2%	4%	2%
Constipation	2%	4%	2%
Ataxia (Loss of balance or coordination)	2%	3%	1%
Vertigo	2%	3%	1%
Back pain	2%	2%	0%
Edema	2%	2%	0%
Euphoria	2%	2%	0%
Incoordination	2%	2%	0%
Thinking abnormal	2%	2%	0%

Chest pain	1%	2%	1%
Confusion	1%	2%	1%
Dyspnea (Shortness of breath)	1%	2%	1%
Flatulence (gas)	1%	2%	1%
Hypoglycemia (Low blood sugar)	1%	2%	1%
Abnormal gait (Walking abnormality)	1%	1%	0%
Abnormal vision	1%	1%	0%
Amnesia (Forgetfulness)	1%	1%	0%
Face edema	1%	1%	0%
Nervousness	1%	1%	0%
Tremor	1%	1%	0%

Adverse (undesirable) events that occurred during treatment with pregabalin are considered here to be side effects if they occurred *at least* twice as often as on placebo. A side effect is considered here to be “common” if the difference between its incidence on the drug and on placebo is at least 5%. Other side effects included in this handout are those for which the difference between its incidence on the drug and on placebo is at least 1%.

For important information, including about potentially serious side effects of this medication, please make sure to also review the information at:

<https://medlineplus.gov/druginfo/meds/a605045.html>