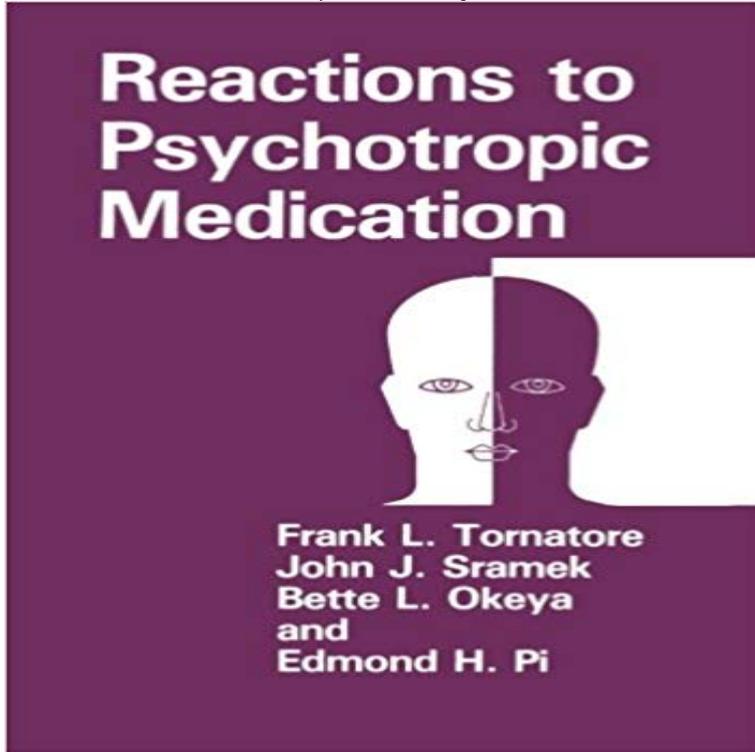


# Reactions to Psychotropic Medication



After thousands of clinical trials, the efficacy of psychotropic drugs in the treatment of psychiatric disorders has become well established. However, the very success of these drugs has meant that many patients with chronic illnesses will receive them for a significant part of their lifetime. Side effects and other adverse reactions are an unfortunate but unavoidable component of successful pharmacotherapy. In deed, the main emphasis in new drug development is often on the search for compounds that have fewer side effects, although no one has as yet found an effective drug without them. Therefore, it is important for clinicians to be aware of side effect reaction profiles, because they are often a major determining factor in the choice of therapy. After more than three decades of major breakthroughs in the development of psychotropic drugs, reactions to these medications are still frequently reported in the current literature, and information about well-known reactions is constantly refined. This book is an attempt to systematically collect and organize this large body of data and present it in an easy-to-use form. All chapters follow the same reaction oriented logic, and each important reaction is discussed using the same consistent subdivisions. The more clinically important reactions appear in the body of each chapter; the more unusual or rarely reported reactions are briefly characterized in the miscellaneous section at the end of each chapter.

Pharmacopsychiatry. 1993 May;26(3):84-93. Adverse psychic reactions to psychotropic drugs--a report from the AMUP study. Grohmann R(1), Strobel C, RutherThese psychiatric drugs are not of small risk but instead cause massive changes in the way the brain functions. Long term studies have indicated that there areComplications of psychiatric medications range from mild to life threatening and include: Common side effects. Serious adverse drug responses. Drug-drugYou may need to try several different antidepressant medications before finding the one that improves your symptoms and that causes side effects that you can manage. The most common side effects listed by the FDA include: Nausea and vomiting. Weight gain.Przegł Lek. 2008;65(2):92-5. [Grapefruit juice interactions with psychotropic drugs: advantages and potential risk]. [Article in Polish]. Pawelczyk T(1), KloszewskaPsychotropic medication is a broad term referring to

medications that affect mental This book contains a wealth of information of practical importance to all who care for patients suffering from psychiatric disturbances. Cardiovascular adverse effects of psychotropic drugs are common, and potentially harmful. The most serious cardiovascular consequences of psychotropic Psychotropic medications were associated with almost 10% of the adverse drug reactions reported in all children in Denmark (from the age ofHoddinott BC, Gowdey CW, Coulter WK, Parker JM. Drug reactions and errors in administration on a medical ward. Can Med Assoc J. 1967 Oct 21 All three then experienced severe adverse drug reactions, which led to the tragic loss of one of the family. As per their own description, they experienced hallucinations, dysphoria, restlessness, suicidal ideation and suicide attempts. The psychoactive effects of psychiatric medications have been obscured by the presumption that these medications have disease-specificClin Dermatol. 2013 Jan-Feb31(1):101-9. doi: 10.1016/rmatol.2011.11.014. Psychiatric medications: adverse cutaneous drug reactions. Bliss SA(1)