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**What's new in drug therapy**

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S.NO	Drug & FDA Approval date	Drug class	Indication	Dosage form
1.	<b>Testosterone</b> March 28, 2022	Oral testosterone replacement therapy	Treatment of Male Hypogonadism	Capsules
2.	<b>Lutetium lu 177 vipivotide tetraxetan</b> March 23, 2022	Radioligand therapeutic agent	Treatment of prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSMA)-positive metastatic castration-resistant prostate cancer (mCRPC)	Injection
3.	<b>Gallium Ga 68 gozetotide</b> March 23, 2022	Radioactive diagnostic agent	Diagnostic agent for Positron emission tomography (PET) of prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSMA)-positive lesions	Injection
4.	<b>Dextroamphetamine</b> March 22, 2022	CNS stimulant	Treatment of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in adults and children 6 years of age and older.	Transdermal Patch
5	<b>Sirolimus</b> March 22, 2022	mTOR inhibitor	Treatment of facial angiofibroma associated with tuberous sclerosis in adults and children 6 years of age and older.	Topical Gel



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6.	<b>Ganaxolone</b> March 18, 2022	Neuroactive steroid gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA)	Treatment of seizures associated with cyclin-dependent kinase-like 5 (CDKL5) deficiency disorder (CDD)	Oral Suspension
7.	<b>Nivolumab and Relatlimab</b> March 18, 2022	Programmed death receptor-1 (PD-1) blocking antibody and lymphocyte activation gene-3 (LAG-3) blocking antibody combination	Treatment of unresectable or metastatic melanoma	Injection
8.	<b>Mometasone furoate monohydrate</b> March 17, 2022	Corticosteroid nasal spray	Treatment of Allergic rhinitis	Nasal Spray
9.	<b>Donepezil</b> March 11, 2022	Acetylcholinesterase inhibitor	Treatment of Alzheimer disease	Transdermal Patch



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1.	<b>Inosine pranobex</b> March 2, 2022	Immunomodulator and antiviral	As add on therapy for treatment of mild Covid-19 patients with comorbidities and moderate Covid-19 patients, in light of Covid 19 outbreak for restricted emergency use in the country	Oral tablet
2.	<b>Desidustat</b> March 3, 2022	Hypoxia-inducible factor prolyl hydroxylase inhibitor	Treatment of Anemia in adult patients with chronic kidney disease (CKD)	Oral tablet

### General drug therapy:

World Health Organization International Nonproprietary Names (INN) Programme has introduced four new suffixes to be used instead of "mab" for antibodies developed from 2022 onward

- Unmodified immunoglobulins will end in "tug"
- mAbs with an engineered constant region will end in "bart"
- bifunctional mAbs will end in "mig"
- monospecific immunoglobulin with variable region fragments

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