

Branches of median nerve

Flexor tendons

Carpal tunnel

Normal median nerve

Cross section of normal wrist



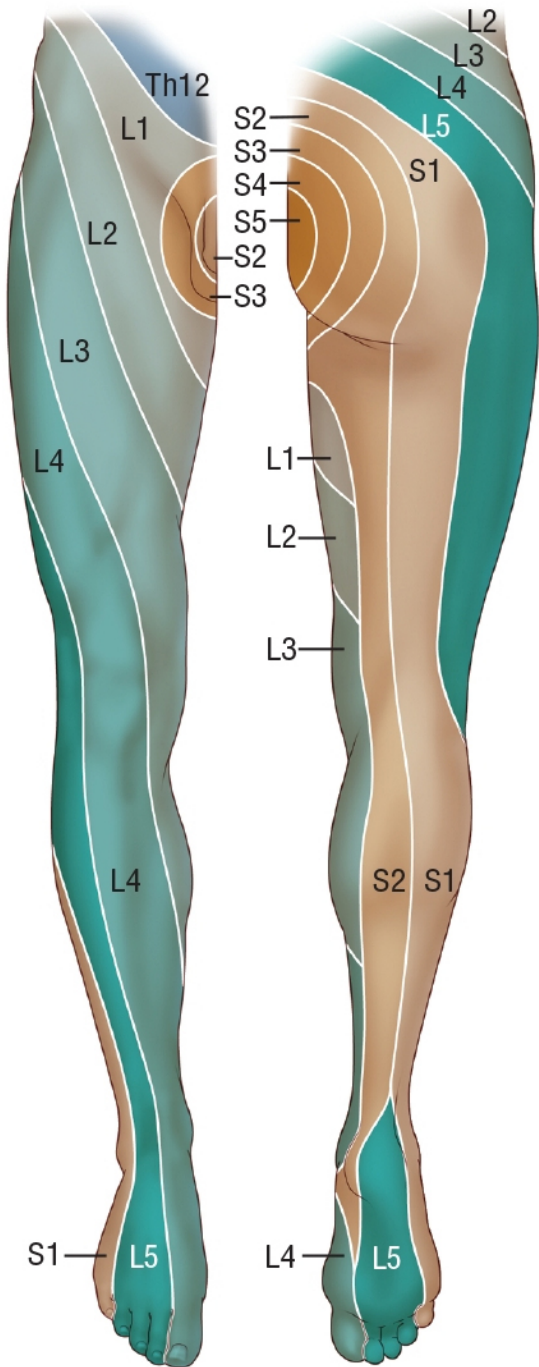






TABLE A.1 The Top 25 Medicines by Prescriptions Dispensed in 2013

	Main Ingredient	Common Name Brands	Location in Appendix A
1	Acetaminophen/hydrocodone	Vicodin, Lortab	Anti-inflammatory and analgesic drugs —Narcotics and mixed narcotics
2	Levothyroxine	Synthroid	Thyroid supplement drugs —Levothyroxine sodium
3	Lisinopril	Zestril, Prinivil	Cardiovascular drugs —ACE inhibitors
4	Metoprolol	Lopressor	Cardiovascular drugs —Beta blockers
5	Simvastatin	Zocor	Cardiovascular drugs —Antilipemic drugs
6	Amlodipine	Norvasc	Cardiovascular drugs —Calcium channel blockers
7	Metformin	Glucophage	Diabetes management drugs —Oral glucose management drugs
8	Omeprazole	Prilosec	Other common drugs —Omeprazole
9	Atorvastatin	Lipitor	Cardiovascular drugs —Antilipemic drugs
10	Albuterol	Proventil	Autonomic nervous system drugs —Adrenergic drugs
11	Amoxicillin	Amoxil	Other common drugs —Antibiotics
12	Hydrochlorothiazide	Microzide	Cardiovascular drugs —Diuretics
13	Alprazolam	Xanax	Antianxiety drugs —Benzodiazepines
14	Azithromycin	Zithromax	Other common drugs —Antibiotics
15	Fluticasone	Flonase, Flovent HFA	Anti-inflammatory and analgesic drugs —Steroidal anti-inflammatories
16	Furosemide	Lasix	Cardiovascular drugs —Diuretics
17	Gabapentin	Neurontin	Other common drugs —Gabapentin
18	Sertraline	Zoloft	Antianxiety drugs —SSRIs
19	Zolpidem	Ambien	Muscle relaxant drugs —Centrally acting skeletal muscle relaxants
20	Tramadol	Ultram	Anti-inflammatory and analgesic drugs —Narcotics and mixed narcotics
21	Citalopram	Celexa	Antianxiety drugs —SSRIs
22	Prednisone	Deltasone	Anti-inflammatory and analgesic drugs —Steroidal anti-inflammatories
23	Acetaminophen/oxycodone	Percocet	Anti-inflammatory and analgesic drugs —Narcotics and mixed narcotics
24	Ibuprofen	Advil, Motrin, Nuprin	Anti-inflammatory and analgesic drugs —NSAIDs
25	Pravastatin	Pravachol	Cardiovascular drugs —Antilipemic drugs

Source: IMS Health, National Prescription Audit, December 2013.