

SNRI Side Effects

Medications in this category: DULOXETINE (Cymbalta) , DESVENLAFAXINE (Pristiq), LEVOMILNACIPRAN (Fetzima), VENLAFAXINE (Effexor XR)

Most common: nausea, dizziness, insomnia, excessive sweating, constipation, dry mouth, sleepiness, decreased appetite, anxiety, and sexual side effects.

Serious but rare: dose-related increases in blood pressure

Pregnancy: Venlafaxine and desvenlafaxine: earlier data regarding major birth defects reassuring, but one more recent study suggested a possible association with birth defects; additional studies needed. Increased maternal blood pressure may be a concern during pregnancy, particularly at higher doses. Duoxetine and levomilnacipran: little data.

This is a simplified list of side effects focusing on what is common or severe because complete lists of more rare and less serious side effects are often overwhelming. If desired, complete lists of potential side effects can be found on reputable web sites like Drugs.com.