

# Medications that Can Cause Hair Thinning or Loss

Some prescribed medications that treat specific illnesses, may also cause side effects. **Do not stop taking prescribed medications as it may be fatal to do so. Speak to your GP if you are suffering hair loss or thinning whilst on these medications.**

Medications that can cause hair thinning, include chemotherapy, beta-blockers, ACE inhibitors, some cholesterol-lowering drugs (statins), certain antidepressants, anticoagulants, hormone therapies, anticonvulsants, immunosuppressants, oral retinoids, and some birth control pills. These drugs may affect hair follicles through changes in blood flow, hormones, or the growth cycle.

Additionally, illegal substances like marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamine, and Adderall are also linked to hair loss.

**List of Medications that can cause hair thinning or loss.** *You may only experience a temporary loss whilst your body adjusts to the medication. However, some long-term drugs may cause permanent thinning or loss.* **EARLY INTERVENTION IS KEY**

Chemotherapy

Antidepressants

High blood pressure

Beta blocker

Anticoagulants

Anticonvulsants

Blood thinners

Cholesterol-lowering drugs (statins)

Antithyroid agent

Birth control

Mood stabilizer

Acne medications

Antifungals

Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug

Retinoid

Weight loss drugs

Anti-seizure medications

Immunosuppressive drug

Vitamin A

ACE Inhibitors

Isotretinoin

Steroid

Tamoxifen

Antibiotics

If you are experiencing hair thinning as a result of these medications, please contact **0868545483** to consult with a **trichologist or a hair replacement specialist** regarding your available options.

Remember: Early intervention is key in preventing permanent hair loss.

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