

# Oncology Look Alike Sound Alike Medication List 2026

DRUG NAME	CONFUSED DRUG NAME	STRATEGY TO IMPROVE SAFETY
ado-trastuzumab emtansine (Kadcyla)	Trastuzumab (Herceptin)	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
Acyclovir	<b>GAN</b> cylovir	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
aza <b>CITID</b> ine	aza <b>THIO</b> prine	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
<b>CARBO</b> platin (Paraplatin)	<b>CIS</b> platin	Store carboplatin under brand-name (Paraplatin) with LASA warning labels.
<b>DACTIN</b> omycin (Cosmegen)	Dacogen, Daptomycin	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
<b>DAUNO</b> rubicin (Cerubidine)	<b>DOXO</b> rubicin (Adriamycin)	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
<b>DOXO</b> rubicin liposomal (Doxil)	<b>DOXO</b> rubicin Docetaxel	Lipid based formulation (Doxil) ordered by brand name. Located on shelf by brand name.
<b>EPI</b> rubicin	eri <b>BUL</b> in	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
Epoetin alfa (Retacrit)	<b>DAR</b> beoetin (Aranesp)	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
Etoposide (Toposar)	etoposide <b>PHOSPHATE</b> (Etopophos)	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
in <b>FLIX</b> imab (Remicade)	ri <b>TUX</b> imab in <b>FLIX</b> imab-dyyb (Infectra)	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
mito <b>MY</b> cin (Mutamycin)	mito <b>XAN</b> trone (Novantrone)	Store mito <b>XAN</b> trone by its brand name, Novantrone with LASA warning labels.
Neulasta ( <b>PEG</b> filgrastim)	Neupogen (filgrastim)	Stored separately in the pharmacy by generic name with LASA warning labels.
<b>PACLI</b> taxel	<b>PACLI</b> taxel PROTEIN-BOUND (Abraxane)	Identify and store the Lipid based formulation Abraxane® by the brand name.
<b>PEM</b> Etrexed (Alimta)	metho <b>TREX</b> ate	Stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
Taxol ( <b>PACLI</b> taxel)	Taxotere ( <b>DOCE</b> taxel)	Stored separately in the pharmacy by generic name with LASA warning labels.
val <b>ACY</b> clovir	val <b>GAN</b> cylovir	Tall man lettering and stored separately in the pharmacy with LASA warning labels.
vin <b>CRIS</b> tine (Oncovin)	vin <b>BLAS</b> tine (Velban)	Identify and separate the drugs by their brand names with LASA warning labels.