

The History of ADHD Medication

1887	Amphetamine synthesized by German chemist, L. Edeleano (phenylisoprophylamine)
1919	Methamphetamine, more potent, discovered in Japan
1937	Benzedrine (amphetamine) Over-the-counter inhaler for congestion. Distributed widely during WWII to keep soldiers awake, becomes available in table form
1942	Desoxyn (methamphetamine), dextroamphetamine commonly available
1955	Ritalin (methylphenidate)
1955	Biphetamine (mixed amphetamine/dextroamphetamine resin)
1970	Amphetamines illegal with U.S. Drug Abuse Regulation and Control Act
1975	Cylert (pemoline)
1976	Dextrostat , Dexedrine (dextroamphetamine)
1982	Ritalin SR (methylphenidate)
1996	Adderall (mixed amphetamine salts)
1999	Metadate ER (methylphenidate)
2000	Concerta (methylphenidate)
2000	Methylin ER (methylphenidate)
2001	Metadate CD (methylphenidate)
2001	Focalin (dexmethylphenidate)
2001	Adderall XR (mixed amphetamine salts)
2002	Ritalin LA (methylphenidate)
2002	Methylin (methylphenidate oral solution and chewable tablet)
2002	Strattera (atomoxetine)
2005	Focalin XR (dexmethylphenidate)
2006	Daytrana (methylphenidate patch)
2007	Vyvanse (Lisdexamfetamine dimesylate)
2008	Procentra (liquid dextroamphetamine)
2009	Intuniv (guanfacine)
2010	Kapvay (clonidine)
2011	Zenzedi (dextroamphetamine sulfate)
2012	Quillivant XR (liquid methylphenidate)
2014	Evekeo (amphetamine)
2015	Aptensio XR (methylphenidate)
2015	Dyanavel XR (liquid amphetamine)
2015	Quillichew ER (chewable methylphenidate)
2016	Adzenys XR-ODT (amphetamine orally disintegrating tablet)
2017	Cotempla XR-ODT (methylphenidate orally disintegrating tablet)
2017	Mydayis (mixed amphetamine salts)
2018	Jornay PM (methylphenidate)
2019	Adhansia XR (methylphenidate)
2019	Evekeo ODT (amphetamine orally disintegrating tablet)
2021	Azstarys (methylphenidate)
2021	Qelbree (methylphenidate)
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FDA Approved ADHD Medication

Stimulants

Methyphenidates:

- Ritalin
- Focalin
- Concerta
- Daytrana

Amphetamines:

- Dexedrine
- Adderall
- Vyvanse

Non-Stimulants

norepinephrine re-uptake inhibitor

- Strattera
- Wellbutrin
- Effexor
- Qelbree (S.NE)

alpha 2A-adrenergic receptor agonist

- Clonidine (Kapvay)
- Intunive (Guanfacine, Tenex)