

LA Abuse Deterrent Opioid Formulations

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Drug	Abuse-Deterrent Mechanism	Cost for 30 days at opioid-naïve starting dose
Hydrocodone ER		
Hysingla ER	Resists crushing and breaking; tablets form a viscous gel when dissolved	\$215.80
Zohydro ER	Contains excipients that form a viscous gel when capsules are crushed or dissolved	\$404.90
Morphine ER/naltrexone		
Embeda	Contains sequestered opioid antagonist, which is released if capsules are crushed or dissolved	\$178.50
Oxycodone ER		
OxyContin	Resists crushing and breaking; tablets form a viscous gel when dissolved	\$188.80
Xtampza ER	Microspheres resist effects of crushing and chewing; melted or dissolved contents of capsules are difficult to inject	\$202.20

Resources:

- Medical Letter 2016;58(1497):77-78