

Dangerous sound-alike drug names

Drug they should have got	Drug they got	Adverse Event
Ephedrine (decongestant and bronchodilator)	Epinephrine (anaphylactic shock)	A woman in labour suffered a subendocardial MI
Lamisil (fungal infection)	Lamictal (epilepsy and seizures)	A hospitalized geriatric patient suffered a full-body rash and swollen face
Taxol (chemotherapy)	Taxotere (chemotherapy)	A patient died five days after the error, though there's a debate about cause of death
Serzone (antidepressant)	Seroquel (atypical antipsychotic)	A 25-year-old woman died; again, there's debate about causality