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Treating Fibromyalgia and Autoimmune Diseases

Fibromyalgia - also known as fibrositis or fibromyositis - is a chronic pain disorder that causes lasting and sometimes debilitating muscle pain, fatigue, sleep disturbance and cognitive impairment.



No one knows exactly what causes it, but it may be triggered by injuries, emotional trauma, or viral infections. Although symptoms of fibromyalgia resemble those of some autoimmune diseases, fibromyalgia does not appear to be caused by autoimmune factors. Fibromyalgia can be difficult to diagnose. It can take 5 years for the average person with the condition to finally get a diagnosis. As many as three out of every four people with fibromyalgia remain undiagnosed. And, once diagnosed, a significant number of patients do not respond adequately to drugs that are currently FDA-approved for treatment of fibromyalgia.

Autoimmune diseases such as Rheumatoid Arthritis, Inflammatory Bowel Disease, Multiple Sclerosis and Hashimoto's Thyroiditis occur when a person's immune system begins producing antibodies that attack and damage the body's own tissues instead of fighting infection. Research is revealing new treatments that may reduce various inflammatory autoimmune processes and provide relief from symptoms of these conditions.

Our compounding pharmacists can help patients dealing with fibromyalgia and autoimmune disorders. **Talk to us today about customized medications to treat problems that have not responded to commercially available drugs.**

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