



36 years old female was diagnosed with hypertension for the last one year. she was initiated on treatment on nifedipine long acting 30 mg twice a day. She now presented for a follow –up with well controlled hypertension. Her oral examination revealed significant gingival hypertrophy. A diagnosis of calcium channel blocker associated gingival hyperplasia was made and her medication was switched to an ACE-inhibitor.

Ginigival hyperplasia or enlargement is the proper term and may be associated with other medications such as phenytoin sodium, cyclosporine.

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Contribution

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