

QUICK ACCESS TABLE FOR COMBINING FORMS
(Combining Form to Definition)

<u>COMBINING FORM</u>	<u>DEFINITION</u>
abdomin/o	abdomen
acetabul/o	acetabulum
acid/o	sour; bitter
acous/o	hearing
acr/o	extremity
aden/o	gland
adip/o	pertaining to fat
adren/o	adrenal glands
adrenal/o	adrenal glands
agglutin/o	to clump
albin/o	white
albumin/o	albumin; protein
alges/o	pain
alveol/o	alveolus
ambly/o	dull, dim
amni/o	amnion
amyl/o	starch
an/o	anus
andr/o	man; male; masculine
aneurysm/o	aneurysm

angi/o	vessel
anis/o	unequal
ankyl/o	stiff
anter/o	front
anthrac/o	coal
aort/o	aorta
append/o	appendix
appendic/o	appendix
aque/o	watery
arrhythm/o	rhythm
arter/o	artery
arteri/o	artery
arteriol/o	arteriole
arthr/o	joint
articul/o	joint
astr/o	star-shaped
ather/o	fatty
audi/o	hearing
aur/o	ear
auricul/o	ear
azot/o	nitrogen
bacteri/o	bacteria
balan/o	glans penis; glans clitoridis

bar/o	pressure
bas/o	base
bil/l	bile
blast/o	embryonic stage of development
blephar/o	eyelid
bronch/o	bronchus; airway
bronchiol/o	bronchus
bucc/o	cheek
burs/o	bursa
calc/i	calcium
calc/o	calcium
calcane/o	heel bone
cali/o	calyx; calyces
calic/o	calyx; calyces
capit/o	head
carcin/o	cancer
card/o	heart
cardi/o	heart
carp/o	wrist
caud/o	tail
caus/o	burn
caut/o	burn
cec/o	cecum

celi/o	pertaining to the abdomen
cephal/o	head
cerebell/o	cerebellum
cerebr/o	brain; cerebrum
cervic/o	neck
cervic/o	cervix
cheil/o	lips
chem/o	chemical reaction
chlor/o	green
chol/e	bile
cholecyst/o	gallbladder
chord/o	string; cord
chrom/o	color
chromat/o	color
chondr/i	cartilage
cirr/h/o	yellow; tawny
clavicul/o	collarbone
coagul/o	clotting
coccyg/o	coccyx
col/o	colon
colon/o	colon
colp/o (kolp/o)	vagina
conjunctiv/o	conjunctiva

cor/o	pupil
corne/o	cornea
coron/o	heart
corpor/o	body
cortic/o	cortex
cost/o	ribs
crani/o	skull; cranium
crin/o	secrete
crur/o	leg; thigh
cry/o	cold
crypt/o	hidden
culd/o	cul-de-sac
cutane/o	skin
cyan/o	blue
cycl/o	circular; ciliary body
cyst/o	bladder; sac; cyst
cyt/o	cell
dacry/o	tears
dacryocyst/o	tear sac
dendr/o	tree; branches
dent/o	tooth
derm/o	skin
dermat/o	skin

dipl/o	double
dips/o	thirst
dist/o	away from
dors/i	back
dors/o	back
drom/o	running
duoden/o	duodenum
dur/o	dura mater
ect/o	out of place
electr/o	electrical; electricity
embol/i	to throw
encephal/o	brain
enter/o	intestine
eosin/o	red; rosy
epididym/o	epididymis
epiglott/o	epiglottis
episi/o	vulva
erythr/o	red
es/o	within
esophag/o	esophagus
esthesi/o	feeling; sensation
ex/o	outward
fasci/o	band of fibrous tissue

femor/o	femur
fet/o	fetus
fibr/o	fiber
fibul/o	fibula
fluor/o	luminous
fung/o	fungus
ganglion/o	ganglion
gastr/o	stomach
gen/o	to produce
gingiv/o	gums
glauc/o	gray; silver
gli/o	neuroglia; gluey substance
glomerul/o	glomerulus
gloss/o	tongue
gluc/o	sugar; sweet
glyc/o	sugar; sweet
gnos/o	to know
gonad/o	sex glands
granul/o	granules
graph/o	record
gravid/o	pregnancy
gynec/o	woman
hem/o	blood

hemat/o	blood
hepat/o	liver
hidr/o	sweat
hist/o	tissue
humer/o	humerus
hydr/o	water
hyster/o	uterus
iatr/o	pertaining to a physician or treatment
ichthy/o	fish-like; scaly
ile/o	ileum
ili/o	ilium
immun/o	immune; protection
inguin/o	groin
ir/o	iris
irid/o	iris
is/o	equal
ischi/o	ischium
jejun/o	jejunum
kal/i	potassium
kary/o	nucleus
kel/o	fibrous growth
kerat/o	cornea of the eye
kerat/o	hard; horny

ket/o	ketone bodies
kinesi/o	movement
kyph/o	humpback; pertaining to a hump
labyrinth/o	inner ear
lacrim/o	tears
lact/o	milk
lamin/o	lamina
lapar/o	abdominal wall
laryng/o	larynx
later/o	side
lei/o	smooth
leiomy/o	smooth muscle
leuk/o	white
ligament/o	ligament
lingu/o	tongue
lip/o	fat
lith/o	stone; calculus
lord/o	swayback
lumb/o	loins; lower back
lymph/o	lymph
lymphaden/o	lymph gland
lys/o	breakdown
macr/o	large

malac/o	softening
mamm/o	breast
mandibul/o	mandible (jaw bone)
mast/o	breast
mastoid/o	mastoid process
maxill/o	upper jaw
meat/o	meatus
medi/o	middle
megal/o	enlarged
melan/o	black
men/o	menstruation
mening/o	meninges
ment/o	mind
metacarp/o	hand bones
metatars/o	foot bones
metr/o	measure
metr/o	uterus
metri/o	uterus
mi/o (mei/o)	smaller
micr/o	small
mon/o	one; single
morph/o	form; shape
muc/o	mucus

muscul/o	muscle
my/o	muscle
myc/o	fungus
mydr/o	widen
myel/o	spinal cord; bone marrow
myring/o	eardrum
myx/o	relating to mucus
narc/o	sleep
nas/o	nose
nat/i	pertaining to birth
nat/o	birth
natr/i	sodium
natr/o	sodium
ne/o	new; recent
nephr/o	kidney
neur/o	nerve
noct/i	night
noct/o	night
nom/o	of or relating to usage
nucle/o	nucleus
nyct/o	night; darkness
o/o	egg; ovum
obstetr/o	midwife

ocul/o	eye
odont/o	teeth
olecran/o	elbow
olig/o	few; little; scanty
omphal/o	navel
onc/o	swelling; mass; tumor
onych/o	nail (finger or toe)
oophor/o	ovary
ophthalm/o	eye
opt/o	eye; vision
optic/o	eye; vision
or/o	mouth
orch/o	testicle
orchi/o	testicle
orchid/o	testicle
orth/o	straight; correct; normal
oste/o	bones
ot/o	ear
ov/o	ovum, egg
ovari/o	ovary
ox/o	oxygen
palpebr/o	eyelid
pancreat/o	pancreas

papill/o	resembling a nipple
par/a	beside; beyond; abnormal
par/o	beside; near
parathyroid/o	parathyroid glands
patell/o, patell/a	kneecap
pector/o	chest
ped/o	foot
ped/o	child
pedi/a	child
pelv/i	pelvis
peps/o	digestion
perine/o	perineum
peritone/o	peritoneum
phac/o	lens of the eye
phag/o	to eat; ingestion
phak/o	lens
phalang/o	bones of the fingers and toes
pharmac/o	drug; medicine
pharyng/o	pharynx
phas/o	speech
phe/o	dusky
phil/o	attraction to; tendency toward
phleb/o	vein

phon/o	sound; voice
phor/o	bearing
phot/o	light
phren/o	diaphragm
phren/o	mind
pil/o	hair
plas/o	formation; development
plast/o	formation; development
pleg/o	paralysis; stroke
pleur/o	pleura
pne/o	breathing
pneum/o	air
pneum/o	lungs; air
pneumon/o	lungs; air
poikil/o	varied, irregular
poli/o	gray matter of the nervous system
polyp/o	polyps
poster/o	back
presby/o	old age
proct/o	anus; rectum
prostat/o	prostate gland
proxim/o	near
pseud/o	false

psych/o	mind
pub/o	pubis
pulmon/o	lungs
pupill/o	pupil
purpur/o	purple
py/o	pus
pyel/o	renal pelvis
pyr/o	fire; heat
rach/i	spine
radi/o	radiation
radicul/o	root
rect/o	rectum; straight
ren/o	kidney
retin/o	retina
rhabdomy/o	striated muscle; skeletal muscle
rhin/o	nose
rhiz/o	root
rhythm/o	rhythm
rose/o	rose-colored
sacr/o	sacrum
salping/o	eustachian tube
salping/o	fallopian tube
sarc/o	flesh

scapul/o	shoulder
schiz/o	split; division
scirrh/o	hard; hard tumor
scler/o	hard
scler/o	relating to the sclera
scoli/o	crooked bent
scop/o	to view
scot/o	darkness
seb/o	sebum
semin/i	semen
sept/o	infection
ser/o	blood serum
sial/o	saliva; salivary gland
sider/o	iron; steel
sigmoid/o	sigmoid colon
sinus/o	sinus
skelet/o	skeleton
somat/o	body
son/o	sound
sperm/o	sperm
spermat/o	sperm
spher/o	round; sphere
spin/o	spine

splen/o	spleen
spondyl/o	spine; vertebra
squam/o	scales
staped/o	stapes
steat/o	fat
stern/o	sternum
stomat/o	mouth
tars/o	ankle bones; flat of the foot
tax/o	order
tel/e	distance; end
tempor/o	temples of the head
tend/o	tendon
tendin/o	tendon
test/o	testis, testes
tetr/a	four
thec/o	sheath; case; receptacle
thorac/o	chest
thromb/o	blood clot
thym/o	thymus gland
thyr/o	thyroid gland
thyroid/o	thyroid gland
toc/o	childbirth
tom/o	to cut; section; layer

ton/o	tension; tone
tonsill/o	tonsils
tox/o	poison; toxin
toxic/o	poison; toxin
trache/o	trachea; windpipe
trich/o	hair
troph/o	development; nourishment
tympan/o	eardrum
umbilic/o	navel
ungu/o	nail
ur/o	urine
ureter/o	ureter
urethr/o	urethra
urin/o	urine
uter/o	uterus
vagin/o	vagina
vas/o	vessel
vas/o	vas deferens
ven/o	vein
ventricul/o	ventricle of the brain
ventricul/o	ventricle of the heart
ventr/o	abdomen; front side
vertebr/o	vertebra

vesic/o	urinary bladder
viscer/o	internal organs
vitre/o	glassy
vulv/o	vulva; covering
xanth/o	yellow
xer/o	dry
zo/o	animal (man)