General description

Codeine is an opioid analgesic for the treatment of mild to moderate pain. It also has antitussive and antidiarrhoeal activity.

**ATC codes**
- R05DA04

**Medicine type**
- Chemical agent

**EML status history**
- First added in 1977 (TRS 615) for Cough
- Added in 1977 (TRS 615) for Diarrhoea
- Added in 1984 (TRS 722) for Pain
- Removed in 1997 (TRS 882) for Cough
- Removed in 2011 (TRS 965) for Diarrhoea

**Recommendations**

**Section**
- Opioid analgesics

**Indications**
- Oral > Solid: 30 mg tablet (codeine phosphate)

**Section**
- Medicines for diarrhoea

**Indications**
- Oral > Solid: 30 mg tablet (codeine phosphate)
Section | Antitussives

Oral > Solid: 10 mg tablet (codeine phosphate)

Indications

- Cough