Ampicillin

General description

INN	Ampicillin
ATC codes	J01CA01
Medicine type	Chemical agent
Antibiotic groups	A ACCESS
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) for Bacterial infection of unspecified site Removed in 1989 (TRS 796) for Bacterial infection of unspecified site Added in 2017 (TRS 1006) for Bacterial meningitis Changed in 2017 (TRS 1006) for Acute malnutrition in infants, children or adolescents Changed in 2017 (TRS 1006) for Bacterial pneumonia Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035) for Peritonitis Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035) for Peritoneal abscess Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049) for Sepsis without septic shock Changed in 2025 (TRS 1064) for Bacterial meningitis
Wikipedia	Ampicillin
DrugBank	Ampicillin

Recommendations

Section Access group antibiotics

- Oral > Liquid: 125 mg per 5 mL (anhydrous) powder for oral suspension
- Oral > Solid: 250 mg (anhydrous); 500 mg (anhydrous)
- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 500 mg in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection; 1 g in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection

Indications

First choice

Acute malnutrition in infants, children or adolescents (complicated) [children]

Bacterial pneumonia (Community-acquired pneumonia - severe) [children]

Peritonitis (mild-moderate) | Peritonitis (severe) | Peritoneal abscess (mild-moderate)

Peritoneal abscess (severe)

Second choice

Bacterial meningitis

Other indications

Bacterial infection of unspecified site

Section Medicines for bacterial central nervous system infections

- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 500 mg in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection; 1 g in vial (as sodium salt) powder for injection

Indications

Second choice

Bacterial meningitis