

Primaquine

Essential medicine status

General description

Primaquine is an antiparasitic medicine used for the treatment of malaria due to *Plasmodium vivax* or *Plasmodium ovale*.

INN

Primaquine

ATC codes

[P01BA03](#)

Medicine type

Chemical agent

EML status history

First added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#)) for [Malaria due to Plasmodium vivax](#)

Added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#)) for [Malaria due to Plasmodium ovale](#)

Added in 2025 ([TRS 1064](#)) for [Malaria due to Plasmodium falciparum](#)

Wikipedia

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Recommendations

Section

Antimalarial medicines > Medicines for curative treatment

- Oral > Solid > tablet: 7.5 mg (as phosphate); 15 mg (as phosphate)

Indications

[Malaria due to Plasmodium vivax](#) [Malaria due to Plasmodium ovale](#) [Malaria due to Plasmodium falciparum](#)