

Valproic acid (sodium valproate)
Essential medicine status
General description

INN

Valproic acid

ATC codes

[N03AG01](#)

Medicine type

Chemical agent

EML status history

First added in 1979 ([TRS 641](#)) for [Epilepsy or seizures](#)

Added in 1997 ([TRS 882](#)) for [Bipolar or related disorders](#)

Added in 2015 ([TRS 994](#)) for [Status epilepticus](#)

Wikipedia

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Recommendations

Section

Antiseizure medicines

- Oral > Liquid: 200 mg per 5 mL
- Oral > Solid: 200 mg tablet (enteric-coated); 500 mg tablet (enteric-coated); 100 mg tablet (crushable)
- Parenteral > General injections > IV: 100 mg per mL in 4 mL ampoule; 100 mg per mL in 10 mL ampoule; 100 mg per mL in 3 mL ampoule

Indications

[Epilepsy or seizures](#) [Status epilepticus](#)

Section

Medicines for bipolar disorders

- Oral > Solid: 200 mg tablet (enteric-coated); 500 mg tablet (enteric-coated)

Indications

[Bipolar or related disorders](#)