Asparaginase

Essential medicine status

General description

Asparaginase is an antineoplastic enzyme, used in the treatment of acute lymphoblastic leukaemia.

ATC codes	L01XX02
Medicine type	Biological agent
EML status history	First added in 1993 (TRS 850) for Unspecified malignant neoplasms of unspecified sites Removed in 2015 (TRS 994) for Unspecified malignant neoplasms of unspecified sites Added in 2015 (TRS 994) for Lymphoid leukaemia, not elsewhere classified
Wikipedia	Asparaginase
DrugBank	Asparaginase

Recommendations

Section Cytotoxic medicines

- Powder for injection: 10 000 IU in vial.
- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 10000 IU in vial powder for injection

Indications

Unspecified malignant neoplasms of unspecified sites

Lymphoid leukaemia, not elsewhere classified