Snake antivenom

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

Section: 19. Immunologicals > 19.2. Immunologicals > Sera, immunoglobulins and monoclonal antibodies

ATC codes: J06AA03

Indication	Harmful effects of or exposure to noxious substances, chiefly nonmedicinal as to source, not elsewhere classified ICD11 code: NE61
Medicine type	Biological agent
List type	Core
Formulations	.
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Removed in 1979 (TRS 641)
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Snake antivenom

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Snake antivenom was replaced on the core list of the EML with 'antivenom sera' to indicate that the selection of antivenins (snake, scorpion, fish), either specific or polyvalent, should be determined on the basis of local needs.