### Pilocarpine

**Indication**: Ocular hypertension  
**ICD11 code**: 9C61.01

**Medicine type**: Chemical agent

**List type**: Core

**Formulations**: Local > Ophthalmological > Solution (eye drops): 2% (hydrochloride or nitrate); 4% (hydrochloride or nitrate)

**EML status history**
- First added in 1977 (TRS 615)
- Changed in 1979 (TRS 641)
- Changed in 1984 (TRS 722)
- Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)

**Sex**: All

**Age**: Adolescents and adults

**Therapeutic alternatives**: carbachol (ATC codes: S01EB02)

**Patent information**: Patents have expired in most jurisdictions  
Read more about patents.

**Wikipedia**: Pilocarpine

**DrugBank**: Pilocarpine

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**Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations**

Following the review of square box listings on the EML and EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended carbachol be specified as a therapeutic alternative under the square box listing for pilocarpine on the EML.