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Essential medicine status

Section:

[17. Gastrointestinal medicines 17.1. Antiulcer medicines](#)

ATC codes: [A02BC01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Peptic ulcer, site unspecified ICD11 code: [DA61](#)

INN

Omeprazole

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Formulations

Oral > Liquid: 1 mg per mL powder for oral liquid ; 4 mg per mL powder for oral liquid

Oral > Solid > dosage form: 10 mg ; 20 mg ; 40 mg

EML status history

First added in 2009 ([TRS 958](#))

Changed in 2021 ([TRS 1035](#))

Changed in 2025 ([TRS 1064](#))

Sex

All

Age

Also recommended for children

Therapeutic alternatives

Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used

Therapeutic alternatives limitations

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Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the deletion of omeprazole powder for oral liquid 20 mg and 40 mg sachets; - the addition of omeprazole powder for oral liquid 1 mg/mL and 4 mg/mL.