**Indication** | Pediculosis capitis | **ICD11 code:** 1G00.0
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**INN** | Benzyl alcohol
**Medicine type** | Chemical agent
**List type** | Core (EML) (EMLc)
**Formulations** | Local > Topical > Lotion: 25%
**EML status history** | First added in 1977 (TRS 615)
| Changed in 1979 (TRS 641)
| Changed in 1997 (TRS 882)
| Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)
| Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)
**Sex** | All
**Age** | Also recommended for children
**Age restriction** | > 2 years
**Therapeutic alternatives** | precipitated sulfur
| Local > Topical > Ointment:
**Patent information** | Patents have expired in most jurisdictions
| Read more about patents.
**Wikipedia** | Benzyl benzoate
**DrugBank** | Benzyl benzoate

### Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations
Following the review of square box listings on the EML and EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended precipitated sulfur topical ointment be specified as a therapeutic alternative under the square box listing for benzyl benzoate on the EML and EMLc.