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ATC codes: R03AC02

Indication	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease ICD11 code: CA22
INN	Salbutamol
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	Parenteral > General injections > IV: 50 µg per mL in 5 mL ampoule (as sulfate) Respiratory > Inhalation > aerosol: 100 µg per dose (as sulfate) ; 100 µg per dose (as sulfate) metered-dose inhaler Respiratory > Inhalation > solution: 5 mg per mL (as sulfate) for use in nebulizers
EML status history	First added in 2003 (TRS 920) Changed in 2009 (TRS 958) Changed in 2011 (TRS 965) Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	terbutaline (ATC codes: R03CC03)
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents . 
Wikipedia	Salbutamol 
DrugBank	Salbutamol 

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

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

