Polymyxin B (injection)

**Indication**
- Carbapenem resistant Acinetobacter baumannii
  - ICD11 code: MG50.02

**INN**
- Polymyxin B

**Medicine type**
- Chemical agent

**Antibiotic groups**
- RESERVE

**List type**
- Complementary

**Formulations**
- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 500000 IU in vial powder for injection (equivalent to 50 mg polymyxin B base)

**EML status history**
- First added in 2019 (TRS 1021)
- Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049)

**Sex**
- All

**Age**
- Also recommended for children

**Therapeutic alternatives**
- The recommendation is for this specific medicine

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

**Wikipedia**
- Polymyxin B (injection)

**DrugBank**
- Polymyxin b (Polymyxin B Sulfate)

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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 listing for polymyxin B on the EML and EMLc be amended to include also the equivalent strength in mg of polymyxin B base.