Tetracycline

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

ATC codes: J01AA07

Indication	Bacterial infection of unspecified site ICD11 code: 1C41
INN	Tetracycline
Medicine type	Chemical agent
Antibiotic groups	A ACCESS
List type	Core
Formulations	**Oral > Solid:** 250 mg (hydrochloride)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Removed in 1995 (TRS 867)
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Tetracycline
DrugBank	Tetracycline

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Tetracycline was deleted from the EML since doxycycline has a more favourable pharmacokinetic profile. A square box was added to the listing for doxycycline.