

Mefloquine

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN
ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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		EMLc	ATC codes: P01BC02
Indication	Malaria due to Plasmodium vivax	ICD11 code: 1F81	
INN	Mefloquine		
Medicine type	Chemical agent		
List type	Core (EML) (EMLc)		
Additional notes	To be used in combination with artesunate 50 mg		
Formulations	Oral > Solid: 250 mg tablet (hydrochloride)		
EML status history	First added in 1987 (TRS 770) Changed in 1993 (TRS 850) Changed in 2003 (TRS 920) Changed in 2007 (TRS 946) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Removed in 2025 (TRS 1064)		
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	Mefloquine ↗		
DrugBank	Mefloquine ↗		

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - to delete the listing of single agent mefloquine from the EML and EMLc, noting that fixed dose combinations of artesunate + mefloquine are available and preferred for the curative treatment of malaria.

