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		EMLc	ATC codes: J05AB01
Indication	Zoster	ICD11 code: 1E91.Z	
INN	Aciclovir		
Medicine type	Chemical agent		
List type	Core (EML) (EMLc)		
Additional notes	The square box does not apply to the listing of aciclovir on the EMLc		
Formulations	Parenteral > General injections > IV: 250 mg in vial powder for solution for infusion (as sodium dihydrate) ; 25 mg per mL in vial solution for infusion (as sodium) Oral > Liquid: 200 mg per 5 mL (EMLc) Oral > Solid: 200 mg tablet		
EML status history	First added in 2007 (TRS 950) Changed in 2025 (TRS 1064)		
Sex	All		
Age	Also recommended for children		
Therapeutic alternatives	valaciclovir (ATC codes: J05AB11)		
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents. 		
Wikipedia	Aciclovir 		
DrugBank	Aciclovir 		

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Listings for medicines for treatment of bacterial central nervous system infections are duplicated in this section from section 6.

