### Salicylic acid

**Indication**
- Seborrhoeic dermatitis

**ICD11 code:** EA81.Z

**ATC codes:** D01AE12

**Medicine type**
- Chemical agent

**List type**
- Core

**Formulations**
- Local > Topical > Solution: 5%

**EML status history**
- First added in 1979 (TRS 641)
- Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)

**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**
- Salicylic acid

**DrugBank**
- Salicylic acid

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**Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations**

The EMLc Subcommittee endorsed the inclusion of salicylic acid 5% topical solution on the core list of the EMLc. The risks of using salicylic acid in young children were noted.