### Permethrin

**Indication**
- Scabies
  - ICD11 code: 1G74

**INN**
- Permethrin

**Medicine type**
- Chemical agent

**List type**
- Core (EML)
- (EMLc)

**Formulations**
- Local > Topical > Cream: 5%
- Local > Topical > Lotion: 1%

**EML status history**
- First added in 1989 ([TRS 796](https://www.who.int/healthinfo/trs/trs796/en/))
- Changed in 1993 ([TRS 850](https://www.who.int/healthinfo/trs/trs850/en/))
- Changed in 2007 ([TRS 950](https://www.who.int/healthinfo/trs/trs950/en/))

**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. [Link](#)

**Wikipedia**
- Permethrin [Link](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Permethrin)

**DrugBank**
- Permethrin [Link](https://www.drugbank.ca/substances/49854)

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**Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations**

The EMLc Subcommittee endorsed the inclusion of permethrin preparations on the core list of the EMLc.