### Sulfasalazine

**Indication**
Ulcerative colitis

**INN**
Sulfasalazine

**Medicine type**
Chemical agent

**List type**
Core

**Formulations**
- Oral > Solid: 500 mg
- Local > Rectal > Suppository: 500 mg
- Local > Rectal > Retention enema:

**EML status history**
- First added in 1977 (TRS 615)
- Changed in 1979 (TRS 641)
- Changed in 1987 (TRS 770)
- Changed in 1993 (TRS 850)
- Changed in 1997 (TRS 882)
- Changed in 2003 (TRS 920)
- Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)

**Sex**
All

**Age**
Adolescents and adults

**Therapeutic alternatives**
mesalazine (ATC codes: A07EC02)

**Patent information**
- Patents have expired in most jurisdictions
- Read more about patents.

**Wikipedia**
Sulfasalazine

**DrugBank**
Sulfasalazine

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**Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations**

Following the review of square box listings on the EML and EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended mesalazine be specified as a therapeutic alternative under the square box listing for sulfasalazine on the EML for this indication.