

[Insulin \(human, short-acting\)](#)

Essential medicine status

Section:

[18. Medicines for endocrine disorders](#) [18.5. Medicines for diabetes](#) [18.5.1. Insulins](#)

ATC codes: [A10AC01](#)

Indication

Type 2 diabetes mellitus ICD11 code: [5A11](#)

INN

Neutral insulin injection

Medicine type

Biological agent

List type

Core

Additional notes

including quality-assured biosimilars

Formulations

Parenteral > General injections > SC: 40 IU per mL in 10 mL vial solution ; 100 IU per mL in 10 mL vial solution ; 100 IU per mL in 3 mL cartridge solution ; 100 IU per mL in 3 mL pre-filled pen solution

EML status history

First added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#))

Changed in 1979 ([TRS 641](#))

Changed in 1987 ([TRS 770](#))

Changed in 1997 ([TRS 882](#))

Changed in 2023 ([TRS 1049](#))

Changed in 2025 ([TRS 1064](#))

Sex

All

Age

Adolescents and adults

Therapeutic alternatives

The recommendation is for this specific medicine

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations



Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLC, the Expert Committee recommended: - the medicine description be updated to replace 'Insulin injection (soluble)' with 'Insulin (human, short-acting); - to modify the formulation description to better describe the available dosage forms.