

[Levothyroxine](#)

Essential medicine status

Section:

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ATC codes: [H03AA01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Hypothyroidism ICD11 code: [5A00.Z](#)

INN

Levothyroxine sodium

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Formulations

Oral > Solid: 50 µg (sodium salt) ; 100 µg (sodium salt) ; 25 µg (sodium salt) (EMLc)

EML status history

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

Changed 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

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations



The EMLc Subcommittee endorsed the inclusion of levothyroxine in the EMLc and recommended the addition of 25 microgram strength formulation. The Subcommittee also identified the need for a form appropriate for neonates and young children.