

[Suxamethonium](#)

Essential medicine status

Section:

[20. Muscle relaxants \(peripherally-acting\) and cholinesterase inhibitors](#)

ATC codes: [M03AB01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Muscle relaxants ICD11 code: [XM1638330014](#)

INN

Suxamethonium chloride

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Formulations

Parenteral > General injections > IV: 50 mg per mL in 2 mL ampoule (chloride)

EML status history

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

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

Changed in 2007 ([TRS 950](#))

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

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



Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the deletion of suxamethonium powder for injection from the EML and EMLc since this formulation does not appear to have market availability.