Section: 22. Medicines for reproductive health and perinatal care  ➤  22.3. Uterotonics

**Ergometrine**

**Indication**
- Postpartum haemorrhage

**INN**
- Ergometrine

**Medicine type**
- Chemical agent

**List type**
- Core

**Formulations**
- Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 200 µg in 1 mL ampoule (hydrogen maleate)

**EML status history**
- First added in 1977 (TRS 615)
- Changed in 1979 (TRS 641)
- Changed in 2005 (TRS 933)
- Changed in 2021

**Sex**
- Female

**Age**
- Adolescents and adults

**Therapeutic alternatives**
- Metylergometrine (ATC codes: G02AB01)

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

**Wikipedia**
- Ergometrine

**DrugBank**
- Ergometrine (Ergonovine)

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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 metylergometrine be specified as a therapeutic alternative under the square box listing for ergometrine on the EML.