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Essential medicine status

Section:

[22. Medicines for reproductive health and perinatal care 22.3. Uterotonics](#)

ATC codes: [H01BB02](#)

Indication

Postpartum haemorrhage ICD11 code: [JA43.Z](#)

INN

Oxytocin

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Formulations

**Parenteral > General injections > unspecified:** 10 IU per mL

EML status history

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

Sex

Female

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

Oxytocin was added to the core list of the first EML in 1977 as an oxytocic medicine.