Hydroxychloroquine

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EMLc | ATC codes: P01BA02

Indication	Systemic lupus erythematosus ICD11 code: 4A40.0Z
INN	Hydroxychloroquine
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Complementary
Formulations	**Oral > Solid:** 200 mg (as sulfate)
EML status history	First added in 2011 (TRS 965) Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035)
Sex	All
Age	Also recommended for children
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Hydroxychloroquine
DrugBank	Hydroxychloroquine

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

The Expert Committee recommended inclusion of hydroxychloroquine on the complementary list of the EML for the treatment of adults with systemic lupus erythematosus, given its beneficial effects in this condition. (Refer to the 2021 recommendation for hydroxychloroquine for the treatment of cutaneous lupus erythematosus).