



		EMLc	ATC codes: N02BA01
Indication	Acute rheumatic fever without mention of heart involvement	ICD11 code: 1B70.Z	
Medicine type	Chemical agent		
List type	Complementary (EML) (EMLc)		
Additional notes	Acute or chronic use for rheumatic fever, juvenile arthritis , Kawasaki disease		
Formulations	Local > Rectal > Suppository: 150 mg ; 300 mg Oral > Solid > dispersible tablet: 75 mg ; 300 mg ; 500 mg Oral > Solid > tablet: 75 to 500 mg		
EML status history	First added in 2007 (TRS 950) Changed in 2013 (TRS 985) 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 Read more about patents. ↗		
Wikipedia	Acetylsalicylic acid ↗		
DrugBank	Acetylsalicylic acid ↗		

### Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations of essential medicines for children, the Expert Committee recommended the following changes to the listing of acetylsalicylic acid: - the lower strength of the range of strengths for acetylsalicylic acid tablets be changed from 100 mg to 75 mg; - removal of the 50 mg strength of suppositories, and addition of 300 mg strength of suppositories; - addition of dispersible tablets (75 g, 300 mg and 500 mg) to facilitate dosing in children unable to swallow solid tablets.

