

## [Loratadine](#)

Essential medicine status

Section:

### [3. Antiallergics and medicines used in anaphylaxis](#)

ATC codes: [R06AX13](#)

EMLc

Indication

Allergic or hypersensitivity conditions of unspecified type ICD11 code: [4A8Z](#)

INN

Loratadine

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Additional notes

There may be a role for sedating antihistamines for limited indications (EMLc)

Formulations

**Oral > Liquid:** 1 mg per mL

**Oral > Solid > tablet:** 10 mg ; 5 mg (chewable) (EMLc) ; 10 mg (chewable) (EMLc)

EML status history

First added in 2013 ([TRS 985](#))

Changed in 2021 ([TRS 1035](#))

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

Sex

All

Age

Also recommended for children

Therapeutic alternatives

[cetirizine](#) (ATC codes: [R06AE07](#))

[fexofenadine](#) (ATC codes: [R06AX26](#))

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 addition of loratadine chewable tablets 5 mg and 10 mg to the EMLc.