Calcium folinate (leucovorin calcium)

Essential medicine status

Section: 8. Immunomodulators and antineoplastics > 8.2. Antineoplastics and supportive medicines > 8.2.1. Cytotoxic medicines

ATC codes: V03AF03

Indication	Malignant trophoblastic neoplasms of placenta ICD11 code: 2C75.0
INN	Calcium folinate
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Complementary
Formulations	**Parenteral > General injections > unspecified:** 3 mg per mL in 10 mL ampoule ; 7.5 mg per mL in 2 mL ampoule ; 10 mg per mL in 5 mL ampoule **Oral > Solid > tablet:** 15 mg ; 5 mg ; 25 mg
EML status history	First added in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 2015 (TRS 994) Changed in 2019 (TRS 1021) Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049)
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Tags	Cancer
Wikipedia	Calcium folinate (leucovorin calcium)
DrugBank	Calcium folinate (Leucovorin)

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 new strength formulations of calcium folinate (Injection: 7.5 mg/mL in 2 mL ampoule; 10 mg/mL in 5 mL ampoule) to the EML and EMLc.