

Potassium ferric hexacyanoferrate (Prussian blue)



Essential medicine status ✓

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ATC codes: **V03AB31**

Indication	Harmful effects of or exposure to noxious substances, chiefly nonmedicinal as to source, not elsewhere classified ICD11 code: NE61
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	Oral > Solid: Powder for oral administration
EML status history	First added in 1989 (TRS 796) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)
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. ↗
Wikipedia	Potassium ferric hexacyanoferrate (Prussian blue) ↗
DrugBank	Potassium ferric hexacyanoferrate (Prussian blue) ↗

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

The relevance of the treatment of thallium poisoning as requiring an essential medicine was unclear when considered by the EMLC Subcommittee in 2007, therefore potassium ferric hexacyanoferrate was not included in the EMLC.

