Azithromycin

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### Indication

**Yaws**

**ICD11 code:** 1C5D

### INN

Azithromycin

### Medicine type

Chemical agent

### Antibiotic groups

WATCH

### List type

Core

### Formulations

- **Oral > Liquid:** 200 mg per 5 mL (anhydrous) powder for oral liquid (EMLc)
- **Oral > Solid > dosage form:** 250 mg (anhydrous) ; 500 mg (anhydrous)

### EML status history

- First added in 2017 (TRS 1006)
- Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049)

### 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

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**Expert Committee recommendation**

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended replacing the oral liquid formulation of azithromycin (200 mg/5 mL) with powder for oral liquid 200 mg/5 mL on the EML and EMLc.

**EML recommendations: Yaws**

**First choice**

azithromycin

**Second choice**

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