**Azithromycin**

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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

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**Indication**

- **Yaws**

**INN**

- Azithromycin

**Medicine type**

- Chemical agent

**Antibiotic groups**

- WATCH

**List type**

- Core (EML) (EMLc)

**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**

- Azithromycin

**DrugBank**

- Azithromycin