




		EMLc	ATC codes: J01CA04
Indication	Bacterial meningitis	ICD11 code: 8E71.0Z	
INN	Amoxicillin		
Medicine type	Chemical agent		
Antibiotic groups	<b>A</b> ACCESS		
List type	Core (EML) (EMLc)		
Formulations	Oral > Liquid: 125 mg per 5 mL (as trihydrate) powder for oral liquid (EMLc) ; 250 mg per 5 mL (as trihydrate) powder for oral liquid (EMLc) Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 250 mg in vial (as sodium) powder for injection ; 500 mg in vial (as sodium) powder for injection ; 1 g in vial (as sodium) powder for injection Oral > Solid > dispersible tablet: 250 mg (scored) (as trihydrate) (EMLc) ; 500 mg (scored) (as trihydrate) (EMLc) Oral > Solid > dosage form: 250 mg (as trihydrate) ; 500 mg (as trihydrate)		
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 <a href="#">about patents</a> . 		
Wikipedia	<a href="#">Amoxicillin</a> 		
DrugBank	<a href="#">Amoxicillin</a> 		

### Expert Committee recommendation

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the addition of new strength formulations of cefotaxime (powder for injection: 500 mg; 1 g; 2 g (as sodium) in vial) to the EML and EMLc. - the addition of a new strength formulation of ceftriaxone (powder for injection: 500 mg (as sodium) in vial) to the EML and EMLc. - the addition of new formulations of amoxicillin (dispersible, scored tablet, 250 mg and 500 mg) to the EMLc. - the deletion of oral formulations of chloramphenicol (capsule 250 mg and oral liquid 150 mg/5 mL (as palmitate)) from the EML and EMLc.

### EML recommendations: Bacterial meningitis

**First choice**

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**Second choice**

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cefotaxime

ampicillin

ceftriaxone

benzylpenicillin

amoxicillin

chloramphenicol

