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Not recommended as an essential medicine

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ATC codes: [J01GB03](#)

EMLc

Indication

Bacterial infection of unspecified site ICD11 code: [1C81](#)

INN

Gentamicin

Medicine type

Chemical agent

Antibiotic groups

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List type

Core

Formulations

Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 10 mg per mL in 2 mL vial (as sulfate) ; 40 mg per mL in 2 mL vial (as sulfate)

EML status history

First added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#))

Changed in 1982 ([TRS 685](#))

Changed in 2007 ([TRS 950](#))

Removed in 2017 ([TRS 1006](#))

Sex

All

Age

Also recommended for children

Therapeutic alternatives

Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

As part of the comprehensive review of antibacterials undertaken by the Expert Committee in 2017, listing of gentamicin was reviewed and specific indications for its use were recommended. Refer to the 2017 recommendation(s) for gentamicin for more information.