



ATC codes: J01FA10

<b>Indication</b>	Gonococcal infection	ICD11 code: <a href="#">1B0Z</a>
<b>INN</b>	Azithromycin	
<b>Medicine type</b>	Chemical agent	
<b>Antibiotic groups</b>	<b>WATCH</b>	
<b>List type</b>	Core	
<b>Formulations</b>	Oral > Liquid: 200 mg per 5 mL oral liquid Oral > Solid: 250 mg (anhydrous) capsule ; 500 mg (anhydrous) capsule	
<b>EML status history</b>	First added in 2017 (TRS 1006) Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049)	
<b>Sex</b>	All	
<b>Age</b>	Adolescents and adults	
<b>Therapeutic alternatives</b>	The recommendation is for this specific medicine	
<b>Patent information</b>	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions <a href="#">Read more about patents.</a>	
<b>Wikipedia</b>	<a href="#">Azithromycin</a>	
<b>DrugBank</b>	<a href="#">Azithromycin</a>	

### Expert Committee recommendation

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the addition of a new strength formulation of ceftriaxone (powder for injection: 500 mg (as sodium) in vial) to the EML and EMLc. - 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: Gonococcal infection

#### First choice

ceftriaxone

co-prescribed with [azithromycin](#)

#### Second choice

cefixime

co-prescribed with [azithromycin](#)

spectinomycin

gentamicin

