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Essential medicine status

Section:

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ATC codes: [N03AD01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Absence seizures, typical ICD11 code: [8A68.2](#)

INN

Ethosuximide

Medicine type

Device

List type

Complementary

Formulations

Oral > Liquid: 250 mg per 5 mL

Oral > Solid: 250 mg

EML status history

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

Changed in 1979 ([TRS 641](#))

Changed in 1987 ([TRS 770](#))

Changed in 2003 ([TRS 920](#))

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

Sex

All

Age

Also recommended for children

Therapeutic alternatives

The recommendation is for this specific medicine

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

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Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

The EMLc Subcommittee endorsed the inclusion of ethosuximide on the complementary list of the EMLc for treatment of absence seizures in children.