

## [Vancomycin](#)

Not recommended as an essential medicine

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ATC codes: [J01XA01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus ICD11 code: [MG51.00](#)

INN

Vancomycin

Medicine type

Chemical agent

Antibiotic groups

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List type

Complementary

Formulations

**Parenteral > General injections > IV:** 250 mg in vial (as hydrochloride) powder for injection

EML status history

First added in 1995 ([TRS 867](#))

Changed in 2002 ([TRS 914](#))

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

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

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

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