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Essential medicine status

Section:

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ATC codes: [P01AB01](#)

Indication

Trichomoniasis ICD11 code: [1A92](#)

INN

Metronidazole

Medicine type

Chemical agent

Antibiotic groups

[ACCESS](#)

List type

Core

Formulations

Oral > Liquid: 200 mg per 5 mL (as benzoate)

Local > Rectal > Suppository: 500 mg ; 1 g

Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 500 mg per 100 mL in vial

Oral > Solid > tablet: 200 mg ; 250 mg ; 400 mg ; 500 mg

EML status history

First added in 2017 ([TRS 1006](#))

Changed in 2023 ([TRS 1049](#))

Sex

All

Age

Adolescents and adults

Therapeutic alternatives

The recommendation is for this specific medicine

Patent information

Patents have expired in most jurisdictions

Read more [about patents](#).

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Expert Committee recommendation

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended that the range of strengths of metronidazole tablets be replaced with reference to specific strengths on the EML and EMLc.

EML recommendations: Trichomoniasis

First choice

Second choice

First choice

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