



Polymyxins

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN
ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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| | | EMLc | ATC codes: Pending |
| Indication | Other specified bacterial diseases | ICD11 code: 1C4Y | |
| Medicine type | Chemical agent | | |
| List type | Complementary (EML) (EMLc) | | |
| Formulations | . | | |
| EML status history | First added in 2017 (TRS 1006) Removed in 2019 (TRS 1021) | | |
| Sex | All | | |
| Age | Also recommended for children | | |
| Therapeutic alternatives | The recommendation is for this specific medicine | | |
| Patent information | Read more about patents .  | | |
| Wikipedia | Polymyxins  | | |

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

As part of the review of the AWaRe classification and EML listing of antibiotics, the Expert Committee recommended that colistin and polymyxin B be listed individually on the Model Lists as Reserve group antibiotics.

