

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.

