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Essential medicine status

Section:

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ATC codes: [J04BA01](#)

EMLc

Indication

Multi-drug resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis ICD11 code: [ML32.00](#)

INN

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Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Core

Additional notes

Reserve second-line drugs for the treatment of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB) should be used in specialized centres adhering to WHO standards for TB control.

Formulations

Oral > Solid > dosage form: 100 mg ; 50 mg

EML status history

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

Changed in 2019 ([TRS 1021](#))

Changed in 2025 ([TRS 1064](#))

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 Expert Committee recommended the transfer of listings for medicines for multi-drug resistant tuberculosis from the complementary to the core list of the EML and EMLc.