Metronidazole

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EMLc ATC codes: P01AB01

Indication	Amoebiasis ICD11 code: 1A36.Z
INN	Metronidazole
Medicine type	Chemical agent
Antibiotic groups	A ACCESS
List type	Core
Formulations	**Oral > Liquid:** 200 mg per 5 mL (as benzoate) **Parenteral > General injections > unspecified:** 500 mg in 100 mL vial **Oral > Solid > tablet:** 200 mg ; 250 mg ; 400 mg ; 500 mg
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 1982 (TRS 685) Changed in 1987 (TRS 770) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035) Changed in 2023 (TRS 1049)
Sex	All
Age	Also recommended for children
Therapeutic alternatives	tinidazole (ATC codes: P01AB02 J01XD02)
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Metronidazole
DrugBank	Metronidazole

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

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.