Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

EMLc ATC codes: P01BD51

Indication	Malaria due to Plasmodium falciparum ICD11 code: 1F40
INN	Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Additional notes	Only in combination with artesunate 50 mg
Formulations	**Oral > Solid:** 500 mg + 25 mg tablet
EML status history	First added in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 1987 (TRS 770) Changed in 2003 (TRS 920) Changed in 2007 (TRS 946) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Removed 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 Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine
DrugBank	Sulfadoxine, Pyrimethamine

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended the deletion of sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine tablets from the EML and EMLc for the curative treatment of malaria, given the recommendation to add co-packaged artesunate and sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine to the EML and EMLc for this indication.

