





# Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine

Essential medicine status 

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	<b>EMLc</b>	ATC codes: <b>P01BD51</b>
<b>Indication</b>	Malaria due to Plasmodium falciparum	ICD11 code: <b>1F40</b>
<b>INN</b>	Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine	
<b>Medicine type</b>	Chemical agent	
<b>List type</b>	Core (EML) (EMLc)	
<b>Additional notes</b>	Only in combination with artesunate 50 mg	
<b>Formulations</b>	Oral > Solid: 500 mg + 25 mg tablet	
<b>EML status history</b>	First added in 1979 ( <a href="#">TRS 641</a> ) Changed in 1987 ( <a href="#">TRS 770</a> ) Changed in 2003 ( <a href="#">TRS 920</a> ) Changed in 2007 ( <a href="#">TRS 946</a> ) Changed in 2007 ( <a href="#">TRS 950</a> )	
<b>Sex</b>	All	
<b>Age</b>	Also recommended for children	
<b>Therapeutic alternatives</b>	The recommendation is for this specific medicine	
<b>Patent information</b>	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more <a href="#">about patents</a> . 	
<b>Wikipedia</b>	<a href="#">Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine</a> 	
<b>DrugBank</b>	<a href="#">Sulfadoxine</a>  , <a href="#">Pyrimethamine</a> 	

## Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Sulfadoxine + pyrimethamine tablets 500 mg + 25 mg was added to the EMLc for the curative treatment of malaria.

