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		EMLc	ATC codes: P01CX01
Indication	African trypanosomiasis	ICD11 code: 1F51	
INN	Pentamidine		
Medicine type	Chemical agent		
List type	Core		
Additional notes	To be used for the treatment of <i>Trypanosoma brucei gambiense</i> infection.		
Formulations	Parenteral > General injections > IM: 200 mg (as isetionate) powder for injection		
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 1987 (TRS 770) Changed in 1997 (TRS 882) Changed in 2003 (TRS 920) Changed in 2007 (TRS 946) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950)		
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	Pentamidine 		
DrugBank	Pentamidine 		

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

The EMLc Subcommittee recommended that pentamidine be endorsed for the EMLc for treatment of first-stage African trypanosomiasis disease due to *Trypanosoma brucei gambiense*.

