

[Suramin sodium](#)

Not recommended as an essential medicine

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ATC codes: [P01CX02](#)

Indication

Filariasis ICD11 code: [1G34.Z](#)

INN

Suramin sodium

Medicine type

Chemical agent

List type

Complementary

Formulations

**Parenteral > General injections > IV: 1 g in vial**

EML status history

First added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#))

Changed in 1979 ([TRS 641](#))

Changed in 1989 ([TRS 796](#))

Changed in 1993 ([TRS 850](#))

Changed in 2003 ([TRS 920](#))

Changed in 2009 ([TRS 958](#))

Removed in 2011 ([TRS 965](#))

Sex

All

Age

Adolescents and adults

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



Suramin was removed from the EML as it is no longer used as a filariasis treatment.