Suramin sodium

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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ATC codes: P01CX02

Indication	Filariasis ICD11 code: 1F66.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 Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Suramin sodium
DrugBank	Suramin sodium (Suramin)

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

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

