Propranolol

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

Section: 12. Cardiovascular medicines > 12.3. Antihypertensive medicines

ATC codes: C07AA05

Indication	Essential hypertension ICD11 code: BA00.Z
INN	Propranolol
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core
Formulations	**Oral > Solid:** 80 mg tablet (hydrochloride) ; 40 mg tablet (hydrochloride)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 1982 (TRS 685) Removed in 1997 (TRS 882)
Sex	All
Age	Adolescents and adults
Therapeutic alternatives	Medicines within the same pharmacological class can be used
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Propranolol
DrugBank	Propranolol

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Propranolol was deleted from the EML for the treatment of hypertension. Atenolol was transferred to the main list since it acts specifically on the heart and is longer acting and better tolerated than propranolol.