Warfarin

Essential medicine status

Section: 10. Medicines affecting the blood > 10.2. Medicines affecting coagulation

EMLc | ATC codes: B01AA03

Indication	Cerebral ischaemic stroke due to embolic occlusion ICD11 code: 8B11.2
INN	Warfarin
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Core (EML) Complementary (EMLc)
Formulations	**Oral > Solid > tablet:** 5 mg (scored) (sodium) ; 1 mg (scored) (sodium) ; 2 mg (scored) (sodium) ; 0.5 mg (scored) (sodium) (EMLc) ; 3 mg (scored) (sodium)
EML status history	First added in 1977 (TRS 615) Changed in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 1982 (TRS 685) Changed in 1987 (TRS 770) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Changed in 2021 (TRS 1035) Changed in 2025 (TRS 1064)
Sex	All
Age	Also recommended for children
Therapeutic alternatives	acenocoumarol (ATC codes: B01AA07)
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents.
Wikipedia	Warfarin
DrugBank	Warfarin

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

Following the review of the age-appropriateness of formulations on the EMLc, the Expert Committee recommended: - the addition of warfarin 3 mg scored tablets to the EML and EMLc; - to modify the formulation descriptions to better describe the available dosage forms; - to specify acenocoumarol as a therapeutic alternative to warfarin.