

Calcium folinate (leucovorin calcium)

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN

ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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EMLc

ATC codes: V03AF03

Indication	Unspecified malignant neoplasms of ill-defined or unspecified sites	ICD11 code: 2D9Z
INN	Calcium folinate	
Medicine type	Chemical agent	
List type	Complementary (EML) (EMLc)	
Formulations	Oral > Solid: 15 mg tablet Parenteral > General injections > unspecified: 3 mg per mL in 10 mL ampoule	
EML status history	First added in 1979 (TRS 641) Changed in 2002 (TRS 914) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Removed in 2015 (TRS 994)	
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	Calcium folinate (leucovorin calcium)	
DrugBank	Calcium folinate (Leucovorin)	

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

As part of the comprehensive review of cancer medicines undertaken by the Expert Committee in 2015, listing of calcium folinate was reviewed and specific indications for its use were recommended. Refer to the 2015 recommendation(s) for calcium folinate for more information.

