Hydroxycarbamide (hydroxyurea)

NOT RECOMMENDED AS AN

ESSENTIAL MEDICINE

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	ATC codes: L01XX05
Indication	Squamous cell carcinoma of oropharynx ICD11 code: 2C3A.0
INN	Hydroxycarbamide
Medicine type	Chemical agent
List type	Complementary
Formulations	Oral > Solid: 200 mg; 250 mg; 300 mg; 400 mg; 500 mg; 1 g
EML status history	First added in 2009 (TRS 958) Removed in 2015 (TRS 994)
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.
Tags	Cancer
Wikipedia	Hydroxycarbamide (hydroxyurea)
DrugBank	Hydroxycarbamide (Hydroxyurea)

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 hydroxycarbamide was reviewed and specific indications for its use were recommended. Refer to the 2015 recommendation(s) for hydroxycarbamide for more information.

