



RESERVE ANTIMICROBIAL LIST (2024)

Classification of Reserve Antibiotics (WHO)

• This group includes antibiotics and antibiotic classes that should be reserved for treatment of confirmed or suspected infections due to multi-drug-resistant organisms. Reserve group antibiotics should be treated as "last resort" options.

Selected Reserve group antibiotics are listed as individual medicines on the WHO Model Lists of Essential Medicines when they have a favourable risk-benefit profile and proven activity against "Critical Priority" or "High Priority" pathogens identified by the WHO Priority Pathogens List, notably carbapenem resistant Enterobacteriaceae.

- These antibiotics should be accessible, but their use should be tailored to highly specific patients and settings, when all alternatives have failed or are not suitable. These medicines could be protected and prioritized as key targets of national and international stewardship programs involving monitoring and utilization reporting, to preserve their effectiveness.
- The HAHCH-Reserve Antimicrobial List was compiled based on the WHO Reserve Group of Antibiotics and the HAHCH-Annual Antibiogram by the Pharmacotherapeutics Committee.

| S.No | Antibiotic | Class | ATC code | Listed on EML 2023 |
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| | | | | |
| 1 | Aztreonam | Monobactams | J01DF01 | No |
| 2 | Ceftazidime/avibactam | 3 rd Gen cephalosporins | J01DD52 | Yes |
| 3 | Ceftolozane/tazobactam | 5 th Gen cephalosporins | J01DI54 | Yes |
| 4 | Colistin, IV | Polymyxins | J01XB01 | Yes |
| 5 | Colistin, Oral | Polymyxins | A07AA10 | No |
| 6 | Daptomycin | Lipopeptides | J01XX09 | No |
| 7 | Fosfomycin, IV | Phosphonics | J01XX01 | Yes |
| 8 | Linezolid, IV & Oral | Oxazolidinones | J01XX08 | Yes |
| 9 | Minocycline, IV | Tetracyclines | J01AA08 | No |
| 10 | Polymyxin-B, IV | Polymyxins | J01XB02 | Yes |
| 11 | Polymyxin-B, Oral | Polymyxins | A07AA05 | No |
| 12 | Tigecycline | Glycylcyclines | J01AA12 | No |
| 13 | Faropenem | Penems | J01DI03 | No |
| 14 | Meropenem/vaborbactam | Carbapenems | J01DH52 | Yes |
| 15 | Imipenem/cilastatin/relebactam | Carbapenems | J01DH56 | No |
| 16 | Amphotericin B | Polyenes | | |
| 17 | All Carbapenems | Carbapenems | | |
| 18 | All Echinocandins | Echinocandins | | |