



# MedsPaL

THE MEDICINES PATENTS & LICENCES DATABASE

## About MedsPaL

MedsPaL provides information on the patent and licensing status of HIV, hepatitis C and tuberculosis medicines in low- and middle-income countries. Developed by the Medicines Patent Pool (MPP), it offers a comprehensive overview of the intellectual property status of priority medicines in developing countries.

## MedsPaL in Numbers



**Patent status data on more than 4,000 national patent applications** in more than 100 low- and middle-income countries



**Covering 35 priority medicines** (100+ formulations)



**For the treatment of three diseases** (HIV, hepatitis C and tuberculosis)



**With information on 30+ licences** for HIV and hepatitis C medicines



**And data exclusivity information from 11 countries**

## Key Features of MedsPaL

- Searchable by key words, pharmaceutical products and countries
- Regularly updated through automated data feeds, online searches, patent holder disclosures and collaboration with patent experts, national/regional patent offices and international organisations (e.g. World Health Organization)
- Patent cards with legal status, patent numbers, expected expiry dates and other patent information
- Links to patents available on Espacenet, the European Patent Office's public database
- Licence cards with publicly-available information on relevant licences, including links to further information and to full MPP licences
- E-mail sign-up to enable regular communications with users on updates and upcoming features
- Information on regulatory data exclusivity in countries where such exclusivity is provided under national law
- Possibility to export results for further analysis (under development)
- Possibility to download search reports with maps (under development)



The Medicines Patent Pool is a United Nations-backed public health organisation working to increase access to HIV, viral hepatitis C and tuberculosis treatments in low- and middle-income countries through voluntary licensing and patent sharing initiatives. The organisation was founded and remains fully funded by the innovative financing mechanism UNITAID.