

Supplementary material 1. ATC codes used to identify antihypertensive drug categories

<b>Drug categories</b>	<b>ATC Codes</b>
Angiotensin-converting-enzyme inhibitors (ACE inhibitors)	C09A: ACE inhibitors, plain C09B: ACE inhibitors, combinations
Beta-blockers	C07: Beta blocking agents
Angiotensin II receptor blockers (ARBs)	C09C: ARBs, plain C09D: ARBs, combinations
Calcium channel blockers (CCBs)	C08: Calcium channel blockers C09BB: ACE inhibitors and calcium channel blockers C09DB: ARBs and calcium channel blockers C10BX03: Atorvastatin and amlodipine
Thiazide	C03A: low-ceiling diuretics, thiazides C03B: Low-ceiling diuretics, excluding thiazides C02LA01: Reserpine and diuretics C03EA: Low-ceiling diuretics and potassium-sparing agents C07B: Beta blocking agents and thiazides C07C: Beta blocking agents and other diuretics C07D: Beta blocking agents, thiazides and other diuretics C08G: Calcium channel blockers and diuretics C09BA: ACE inhibitors and diuretics C09DA: ARBs and diuretics C09DX01: valsartan, amlodipine and hydrochlorothiazide C09XA52: aliskiren and hydrochlorothiazide
Other antihypertensive drugs	C03D: Aldosterone antagonists and other potassium-sparing agents C03E: Diuretics and potassium-sparing agents in combination C03C: High-ceiling diuretics C03EB: High-ceiling diuretics and potassium-sparing agents C02A: Antiadrenergic agents, centrally acting C02CA: Alpha-adrenoreceptor antagonists C02DC01: minoxidil