Bioequivalent allowed indicator code A

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 612340 |
| Registration status: | [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the way in which a medicinal product is considered to be [**bioequivalent**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/606099) with other medicinal products. |

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| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | A |
| Maximum character length: | 1 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | a | Able to be substituted with other 'a flagged' brands |
|   | b | Able to be substituted with other 'b flagged' brands |
| Supplementary values: | blank  | Not able to be substituted with other brands  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | The permissible values for this value domain should be reported in lowercase only.CODE a   Able to be substituted with other 'a flagged' brandsThis code is used to identify those medicinal products for which either:1. the sponsor of the brand has submitted evidence to the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) that the medicinal product has been demonstrated to be bioequivalent or therapeutically equivalent, or
2. justification for not needing bioequivalence or therapeutic equivalence data has been provided to and accepted by the TGA.

CODE b   Able to be substituted with other 'b flagged' brandsThis code is used to identify those brands of medicinal products that are considered to be bioequivalent or therapeutically equivalent, but for which it is not known if there is equivalence between brands marked 'a' and those marked 'b'.More information about brand equivalence is available from the relevant section of the 'Symbols used in the Schedule' page of the Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits - see the Reference documents section below. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health |
| Reference documents: | Department of Health 2015. Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits. Department of Health, Canberra. Viewed 18 September 2015,<http://www.pbs.gov.au/info/healthpro/explanatory-notes/section2/section-2-symbols> |

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| Relational attributes  |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—bioequivalent allowed indicator, code A](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/605962)       [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023 |