

Drug	Dosage	Form	Dose according to body weight				
			3-< 6 kg	6-< 10 kg	10-< 15 kg	15-< 20 kg	20-29 kg
Antituberculosis antibiotics (see p. 370)							
Artemether For severe malaria	Loading dose:	40 mg/1-ml ampoule	0.4 ml	0.8 ml	1.2 ml	1.6 ml	2.4 ml
	IM: 3.2 mg/kg	80 mg/1-ml ampoule	0.2 ml	0.4 ml	0.6 ml	0.8 ml	1.2 ml
	Maintenance dose:	40 mg/1-ml ampoule	0.2 ml	0.4 ml	0.6 ml	0.8 ml	1.2 ml
	IM: 1.6 mg/kg	80 mg/1-ml ampoule	0.1 ml	0.2 ml	0.3 ml	0.4 ml	0.6 ml
<i>Give the maintenance dose daily for a minimum of 24 h until the patient can take oral artemisinin-based combination therapy.</i>							
Artemether/ lumefantrine	Oral: 2 mg/kg artemether – 12 mg/kg lumefantrine twice per day	Tablet: 20 mg artemether–120 mg lumefantrine	1	1	1	2	2
Artesunate For severe malaria	IV or IM: 2.4 mg/kg	60 mg artesunic acid (already dissolved in 0.6 ml of saline and sodium bicarbonate) in 3.4 ml of saline and glucose	0.8 ml	1.4 ml	2.4 ml	3.0 ml	5.0 ml
<i>The IV solution should be prepared just before use. Dilute by dissolving 60 mg artesunic acid (which is already dissolved in 0.6 ml of 5% sodium bicarbonate) in 3.4 ml of 5% glucose. Give a dose at 0, 12 and 24 h and then daily until child is able to take it orally. If the patient is able to swallow, give the recommended full dose of artemisinin-based combination therapy.</i>							
Artesunate– mefloquine	Oral: 4 mg/kg artesunate–8.3 mg/kg mefloquine once a day	Tablet: 25 mg artesunate–55 mg mefloquine	–	1	2	2	3
<i>Not recommended for children < 5 months of age owing to limited information.</i>							
Aspirin	Oral: 10–20 mg/kg every 4–6 h	300 mg tablet	–	¼	½	¾	1
Note: Avoid in young children, if possible, because of the risk of Reye syndrome.							