

Vaccine ID:

Name:

HepB

Pathogen:

Hepatitis B virus

Class:

Subunit

Produced from:

Baker's yeast

Inactivation:

Formaldehyde

Adjuvants:

250-500 micrograms of aluminum salt

Schedule:

Immunization at birth. Boosts at 2 & 6 months

Contains:

5-10 micrograms of hepatitis B virus surface antigen (HepBsAg), adjuvants and residual formaldehyde.



Approval date:

The first generation hepatitis B vaccine became available to the public in 1982.

This vaccine was made by extracting and concentrating the hepatitis B surface antigen from the plasma of carriers of the disease.

The second generation vaccine, a recombinant DNA vaccine, became available in 1986 and is still used today.