

Table 7: Summary of Recommendations in Included Guidelines

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Strength of Evidence and Recommendations

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Evidence-based guideline regarding the management of patients with pediculosis pubis.

Oral ivermectin was recommended as a second-line therapy for the treatment of patients with pediculosis pubis:

"Ivermectin was reported as efficient but different dosages are used. In a series of pediculus pubis cases, the dosage used was 250 μg/kg orally, repeated after 1 week [level of evidence IV; grade C]. A randomized clinical trial demonstrated that in difficult-to-treat head lice the effective dosage of Ivermectin was 400 μg/kg orally, repeated after 1 week. Ivermectin should not be used in children weighing <15 kg." 16 (p1427)

Oral ivermection was also recommended for the treatment of lice in the eyelashes:

The levels of evidence were categorized as follows:16

- la Evidence obtained from meta-analysis of RCTs.
- Ib Evidence obtained from at least one RCT.
- IIa Evidence obtained from at least one well-designed study without randomization.
- IIb Evidence obtained from at least one other type of welldesigned quasi-experimental study.
- III Evidence obtained from well-designed non-experimental descriptive studies such as comparative studies, correlation studies, and case control studies.
- V Evidence obtained from expert committee reports or opinions and/or clinical experience of respected authorities.

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A Requires at least one RCT as part of the body of literature of overall good quality and consistency addressing the



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 "Ivermectin oral 200 µg/kg as two doses 1 week apart [level of evidence IV; grade C recommendation]."¹⁶ (p1427) 	specific recommendation. B Requires availability of well conducted clinical studies but no RCTs on the topic of recommendation.
Topical ivermectin was not mentioned as a first- or second-line therapy; however, it was mentioned under other therapies for the treatment of patients with pediculosis pubis: • "Ivermectin topical was reported as effective and generally well-tolerated for pediculosis pubis [level of evidence IV; grade C recommendation]." 16 (p1427)	C Requires evidence from expert committee reports or opinions and/or clinical experience of respected authorities. Indicates absence of directly applicable studies of good quality.

RCT = randomized controlled trial