

Sandoz Biosimilars ^[1]

Sandoz, a Novartis division, is the pioneer and global leader in biosimilars. We invest in research and development to improve the lives of patients and liberate healthcare resources through increased access to high-quality, affordable biologics.

Biosimilars have contributed significantly to increasing patient access across Europe and beyond, both by freeing up funds for healthcare systems through much-needed competition and by driving increases in overall biologic usage.

Carol Lynch, Global Head Biopharmaceuticals, Sandoz

Sandoz was the first pharmaceutical company to receive approval of a biosimilar in Europe, Japan and the United States.

Our biosimilars have been used in clinical practice for over 10 years, are available in over 75 countries and have over 250 million patient-days of experience.

Sandoz biosimilar medicines

Therapy area

Omnitrope[®] (somatropin)

Endocrinology

Binocrit[®] (epoetin alfa)

Hematology

Zarzio[®] / Zarxio[®] (filgrastim)

Supportive cancer care

A human Granulocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor (G-CSF) used in neutropenia after chemotherapy

In addition to our marketed biosimilars, we also have a leading [biosimilar pipeline](#) ^[2] with several molecules in various stages of development.

The history of Sandoz biosimilars

Sandoz has over 20 years of experience in biosimilar development. This has equipped the company with extensive knowledge and world-class expertise in the development, manufacture and delivery of biosimilar medicines to the healthcare community and patients.

We have a unique heritage in pharmaceutical biotechnology that dates back to the 1940s, with the development of penicillin. In 1980, Sandoz produced one of the first recombinant proteins, an interferon alfa.

After initiating the world's first biosimilar development program in 1996, we went on to receive

the world's first approval of a biosimilar – Omnitrope[®] (somatropin) – in Europe a decade ago. Then, in 2015, Zarxio[®] (filgrastim) was the first biosimilar to be granted marketing authorization in the US.

We have an unparalleled heritage in advancing biologic care – longer than any other company.

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