

What's Health Canada **Saying About Biosimilars?**



What is a Biosimilar?

A biosimilar is a drug proven

to be highly similar to a reference biologic drug that has been already authorized for sale.

on the reference biologic drug has ended. 20-year patent

Biosimilars can only come to market

after the 20-year patent protection

1998

2000

Are Biosimilars the same as

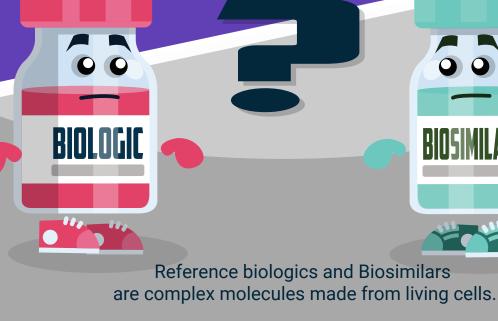
2010

2005

2015

2018

Reference Biologics?



highly similar to, but not identical versions of, their reference biologic drugs. However Biosimilars must meet Health Canada's

rigorous approval process

Due to this fact, Biosimilars are

before being approved for use



Data from structural, functional and human clinical studies are carefully analyzed to ensure that the quality, safety and efficacy of the biosimilar are highly similar to the reference biologic drug.

Health Canada



2) Healthcare professionals and patients Safety can have the same confidence in the Efficacy quality, efficacy and safety of a biosimilar

as any other biologoic drug

between the biosimilar and the reference

1) There are no clinically

meaningfull differences

biologic drug



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YES!

under well-controlled conditions



They offer additional treatment options

as well as cost savings for patients suffering

from a wide variety of diseases.

And there are over 15 other biosimilars currently under review.

Health Canada has already approved 30 biosimilars.

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