

Biosimilars and Access to Treatment ^[1]

Biosimilars can expand patient access to life-changing biologic medicines¹, and may offer significant savings for patients, helping alleviate the overburdened healthcare system.^{2,3}

- As more biosimilars enter the US market, patients treated with biologic medicines will have access to a broader set of more affordable treatment options.⁴
- Annual cost savings from biosimilar medicines reached \$6.5 billion in 2020.⁵ These savings can be used to treat more patients and have the potential to save the US healthcare system \$100 billion over 5 years.⁶
- The potential savings created by biosimilars through increased competition would help healthcare systems reallocate resources to meet the challenge of caring for a growing aging population.^{7,8}
- An estimated 1.2 million US patients could gain access to biologics by 2025 as the result of increasing biosimilar availability.⁴

As a global leader in biosimilars and the first to bring a biosimilar medicine to the US, Sandoz is working to improve patient access to more affordable, high-quality, potentially life-changing biologic treatments.⁹

- Sandoz has contributed more than 530 million patient-experience days with our biosimilars in almost 100 countries.^{10,11}
- With four FDA-approved biosimilars and a strong pipeline, Sandoz is well-positioned to lead the US biosimilars industry in development, manufacturing and commercialization.
- Sandoz has the first proven biosimilar success story in the US with demonstrated cost savings and the potential to expand patient access.^{12,13} Sandoz is committed to working with all stakeholders to address barriers impacting biosimilar adoption and continues to pioneer access for patients.
- By actively investing in the future of biosimilars, Sandoz continues to lead the marketplace and deliver on our purpose to help millions of patients in immunology, oncology, endocrinology and other underserved therapy areas to access biologic medicines sustainably and affordably.

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