



# QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR

## Biosimilars

**Biosimilars** are drugs that are highly similar to a biologic drug already approved by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) and are just as safe and effective. Biosimilars are used to treat many conditions and diseases. Trastuzumab (Herceptin®) is used to treat HER2-positive breast cancer. There are FDA-approved biosimilars to trastuzumab.

You may feel overwhelmed or unsure of what to ask your doctor. Here are some questions to help start the conversation about biosimilars.

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**Q:** What is a biosimilar?

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Q:** How are biosimilars tested for safety and effectiveness?

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Q:** Do biosimilars work in the same way as the original biologic drug?

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Q:** Who will make the decision about whether I get a biosimilar or the original drug?

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Q:** Will I be getting a biosimilar as part of my treatment?

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