

US FDA approves Amgen's biosimilar to AstraZeneca's rare blood disorder treatment

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London: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved on Tuesday Amgen's Bkemy, the first biosimilar to AstraZeneca's rare blood disorder treatment Soliris.

Amgen's drug will be marketed under the name

Bkemy. Biosimilars are close copies of complex biological drugs.

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In 2022, the company said that Bkemy met the main goal of a late stage Bkemy is approved to treat a rare blood disorder caused when the immune system attacks and damages red blood cells and platelets.

AstraZeneca acquired the intravenous injection, Soliris, through a \$39 billion buyout of Alexion Pharmaceuticals in 2020.

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