

## **WHO Prequalification Programme WHO PUBLIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (WHOPAR)**

### **Relenza 5mg/dose, inhalation powder, pre-dispensed <sup>1</sup>**

#### **Zanamivir Powder for Inhalation 5mg/dose**

Relenza 5mg/dose was submitted in 2009 by GlaxoSmithKline AB, to be considered for prequalification and subsequently accepted for the WHO list of prequalified products for the treatment and prevention of influenza on 22 September 2009

Information on the site(s) involved in the manufacture of the product and the API is available at the products listing information <https://extranet.who.int/prequal/medicines/in007>

The “Procedure for prequalification of pharmaceutical products<sup>2</sup>” defines specific evaluation mechanisms for products approved by regulatory authorities, which apply similar stringent standards for quality, safety and efficacy as those required by WHO.

The prequalification of this product by the WHO Prequalification Team: Medicines (PQTm), is based on the approval by the Swedish Medical Products Agency “lakemedelsverket” (<https://www.lakemedelsverket.se/en>), in line with the “Guidelines on submission of documentation for prequalification of finished pharmaceutical products approved by stringent regulatory authorities” <sup>3</sup>.

Hence, no assessment of the data underlying this approval has been undertaken within the WHO Prequalification Programme.

However, according to the SRA guideline WHO may request additional data when considered necessary for the safe use of the product in regions relevant for prequalified products and such information may be included in the WHOPAR as a separate piece of information. In order to safeguard product quality throughout its entire intended shelf-life in hot and very humid areas, stability studies under the conditions defined for Climatic Zones IVb have been requested from the Applicant<sup>4</sup>.

Based on the submitted stability data WHO PQTm considers the following storage condition appropriate for the product when distributed in regions with zone III, IVa and IVb climatic conditions, based on available stability information:

- Do not store above 30°C.
- The shelf-life at this storage condition is 10 years

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<sup>1</sup> Trade names are not prequalified by WHO. This is the National Medicines Regulatory Authority’s responsibility. Throughout this WHOPAR the proprietary name is given as an example only.

<sup>2</sup> [https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/medicines/norms-and-standards/guidelines/prequalification/trs961-annex10-who-procedure-prequalification.pdf?sfvrsn=85029f47\\_2](https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/medicines/norms-and-standards/guidelines/prequalification/trs961-annex10-who-procedure-prequalification.pdf?sfvrsn=85029f47_2)

<sup>3</sup> [https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/medicines/norms-and-standards/guidelines/prequalification/trs986-annex5.pdf?sfvrsn=8aac767d\\_2](https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/medicines/norms-and-standards/guidelines/prequalification/trs986-annex5.pdf?sfvrsn=8aac767d_2)

<sup>4</sup> [https://extranet.who.int/prequal/sites/default/files/document\\_files/48%20Stability%20data%20SRA%20FPPs\\_March2016\\_nwtempl.pdf](https://extranet.who.int/prequal/sites/default/files/document_files/48%20Stability%20data%20SRA%20FPPs_March2016_nwtempl.pdf)

This WHOPAR refers to the information available at the approving stringent regulatory authority's website resulting from the assessment of the quality, efficacy and safety as well as steps taken after approval.

<https://www.lakemedelsverket.se/sv/sok-lakemedelsfakta?medProdName=Relenza&activeTab=1>

For details on the uses of this product, for relevant efficacy and safety information see the summary of product characteristics and the patient information leaflet as approved by the Swedish Medical Products Agency

<https://www.lakemedelsverket.se/sv/sok-lakemedelsfakta/lakemedel?id=19990209000018>

Nationellt Produktregister för Läkemedel: 19990209000018)

This WHOPAR for Relenza is comprised of parts 2, 5 and 7.

Relenza 5mg/dose contains zanamivir. Its WHO recommended use is for the treatment and prevention of influenza.

**Summary of Prequalification Status for  
Relenza 5mg/dose, inhalation powder, pre-dispensed**

	Initial Acceptance		Requalification		Requalification	
	Date	Outcome	Date	Outcome	Date	Outcome
Status on PQ list	22 Sept 2009	listed	11 Jan 2018	listed	25 Feb 2025	listed
Dossier Evaluation	Aug 2009	MR	Dec 2017	requalified	Feb 2025	requalified
PQ: prequalification MR: meets requirements						

The table represents the status of relevant completed activities only.