

## Steps before prequalification

### I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE PROCEDURE

#### 1. Submission of the dossier

The company Guilin Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd submitted in 2020 an application for [MA168 trade name]\* (MA168) to be assessed with the aim of including [MA168 trade name] in the list of prequalified medicinal products for malaria treatment.

[MA168 trade name] was assessed according to the ‘*Procedure for Assessing the Acceptability, in Principle, of Pharmaceutical Products for Purchase by United Nations Agencies*’ by the team of WHO assessors. The assessors are senior experts, mainly from national authorities, invited by WHO to participate in the prequalification assessment process.

#### 2. Steps taken in the evaluation of the product

July 2020	During the meeting of the assessment team the safety and efficacy data and the quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
September 2020	The applicant’s response letter was received.
October 2020	The safety and efficacy data were reviewed and found to comply with the relevant WHO requirements.
November 2020	The applicant’s response letter was received.
December 2020	The additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
January 2021	The applicant’s response letter was received.
January 2021	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
March 2021	The applicant’s response letter was received.
March 2021	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
May 2021	The applicant’s response letter was received.
May 2021	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
June 2021	The applicant’s response letter was received.
July 2021	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
September 2021	The applicant’s response letter was received.
September 2021	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
September 2021	The manufacturer of the API was inspected for compliance with WHO requirements for GMP.

\* Trade names are not prequalified by WHO. This is the national medicines regulatory authority’s responsibility.

September 2021	The manufacturer of the FPP was inspected for compliance with WHO requirements for GMP.
December 2021	The applicant's response letter was received.
February 2022	The additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
March 2022	The applicant's response letter was received.
March 2022	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
April 2022	The applicant's response letter was received.
June 2022	The additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
June 2022	The applicant's response letter was received.
September 2022	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
November 2022	The applicant's response letter was received.
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March 2023	The applicant's response letter was received.
March 2023	During the meeting of the assessment team the additional quality data were reviewed and further information was requested.
June 2023	The applicant's response letter was received.
June 2023	The quality data were reviewed and found to comply with the relevant WHO requirements.
June 2023	Product dossier accepted (quality assurance)
27 June 2023	[MA168 trade name] was included in the list of prequalified medicinal products.

## II. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR THE PREQUALIFICATION

### 1. Manufacturer and Inspection status

#### Manufacturer of the finished product and responsible for batch release

Guilin Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd  
No. 43, Qilidian Road, Guilin 541004  
Guangxi, China.

#### Inspection status

The sites inspected were found to be in compliance with WHO requirements for GMP.

### 2. (Advice on) Conditions or restrictions regarding supply and use

Medicinal product subject to medical prescription.

Artesunate 60mg powder for solution for injection  
(with sodium bicarbonate 8.4mg/mL and arginine  
20mg/mL injection)  
(Guilin Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd), MA168

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Further information is available at:

<https://extranet.who.int/pqweb/medicines/prequalified-lists/finished-pharmaceutical-products>