

I BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE PROCEDURE

1. Submission of the dossier

The company Sandoz submitted in 2002 an application for Rimstar tablets¹ (TB090) to be assessed with the aim of including Rimstar in the list of prequalified medicinal products for the treatment of tuberculosis.

Rimstar 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.

Based on the data submitted the team of assessors advised that Rimstar is included in the list of prequalified medicinal products. Rimstar was listed on 14 September 2004.

Rimstar ‘s conformance to the requirements of the current SRA guideline was re-evaluated by the team of WHO assessors.

2. Steps taken in the re-evaluation of the product

August 2024	WHO letter of request for requalification was sent to the applicant.
October 2024	The application letter was received.
January 2025	The assessment team reviewed the submitted data and further information was requested
February 2025	The applicant’s response letter was received.
March 2025	The assessment team reviewed the submitted data and further information was requested
April 2025	The applicant’s response letter was received.
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May 2025	The applicant’s response letter was received.
September 2025	The submitted data were reviewed and found to comply with the relevant WHO requirements.
22 September 2025	Requirements of requalification were met. Rimstar tablets remained on the list of prequalified medicinal products.

II GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR THE PREQUALIFICATION

Further information is available at:

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

¹ 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.