

# “Regulatory Outlook in Latin America”



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# AGENDA

- General regulatory landscape in LATAM
- Key current regulatory trends
- Ongoing Regulatory Challenges
- Reflections

# General Regulatory landscape in LATAM



## Regulatory Agencies in LATAM Recognized as Regional Reference Authorities by PAHO/WHO



# General Regulatory landscape in LATAM

“These agencies serve as examples of regulatory best practices and other innovations related to the region.

“They have achieved and advanced level of maturity in the regulation of medicines, GMP’s , Clinical studies, and pharmacovigilance.



“They are responsible for ensuring the availability of safe, effective, and high-quality medicines and technologies.





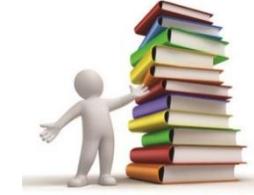
Administración Nacional de Medicamentos,  
Alimentos y Tecnología Médica

- National Administration of Drugs, Foods and Medical Technology (ANMAT) was created in 1992, is an agency decentralized from the National Public Administration

[www.argentina.gob.ar/anmat](http://www.argentina.gob.ar/anmat)



Regulatory Agency Activity  
Medium

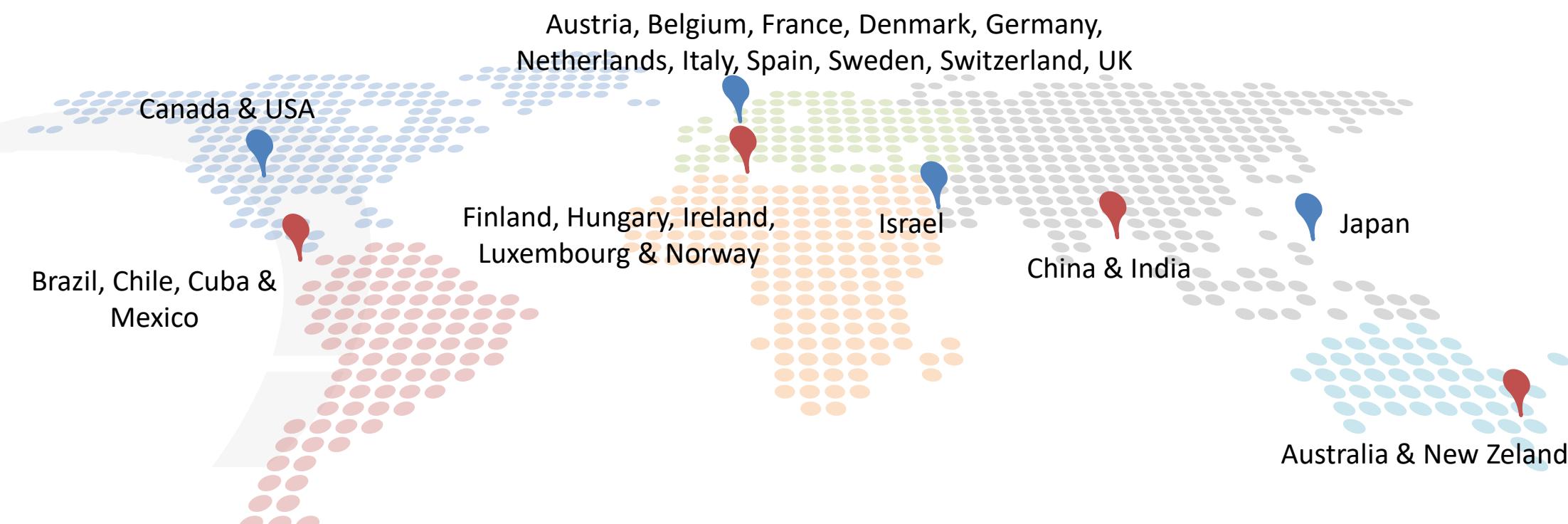


## Legal Framework

- Decree 1490/92 – ANMAT
- Decree 150/92 – Classification
- Decree 4620/19 – Requirements Art.3
- Decree 4621/19 – Requirements Art.4
- Decree 2089/2018 – Commercialization evidence
- Decree 7729/11 – Biosimilars
- Decree 9709/2019 – Batch release (Biologics)

## Recognized countries (MA)

*"High Sanitary Surveillance"*  
Annex I (Decree 150/1992)



Language: Spanish



## Fees

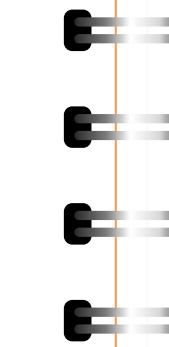
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Type of product

Categoría	Producto o asunto	Código	Trámite	Importe
Especialidades medicinales	Artículo 3º Decreto 150/1992 (TO 1993)	2000	Registro inicial - Artículo 3º Decreto 150/1992 (TO 1993)	\$ 513.000
Especialidades medicinales	Artículo 4º Decreto 150/1992 (TO 1993)	2001	Registro inicial - Artículo 4º Decreto 150/1992 (TO 1993)	\$ 664.800
Especialidades medicinales	Artículo 5º Decreto 150/1992 (TO 1993)	2002	Registro inicial - Artículo 5º Decreto 150/1992 (TO 1993)	\$ 1.497.000



## Batch Release

First batch release – Decree 9709/2019  
Biologics, vaccines and radiopharmaceuticals



## Stability

Biologics – Decree 7075/2011  
Generics – Decree 4620/19  
Aligned to ICH  
Zone - II

## Technical Guidelines

Biosimilars – Decree 7729/11  
Decree 7075/11  
Decree 3397/2012  
First batch release – Decree 9709/2019

## Price

Generics -50-70% cheaper than the reference  
Biosimilars – 15-30% cheaper than the reference

Validity of the MA: 5 years



ANMAT announces the appointment of its new head Luis Fontana has been appointed as the new head of ANMAT, with the aim of ensuring institutional continuity, strengthening technical leadership, and advancing toward more efficient and results-oriented management.

Submission of the Site Master File (AMS/SMF) to INAME This is done digitally via the TAD platform.

ANMAT updates the list of active pharmaceutical ingredients that must undergo bioequivalence/bioavailability studies



National Health Surveillance Agency (ANVISA) was created in 1999 it is an autonomous agency but reports to the Ministry of Health

[www.gov.br/anvisa/pt-br](http://www.gov.br/anvisa/pt-br)



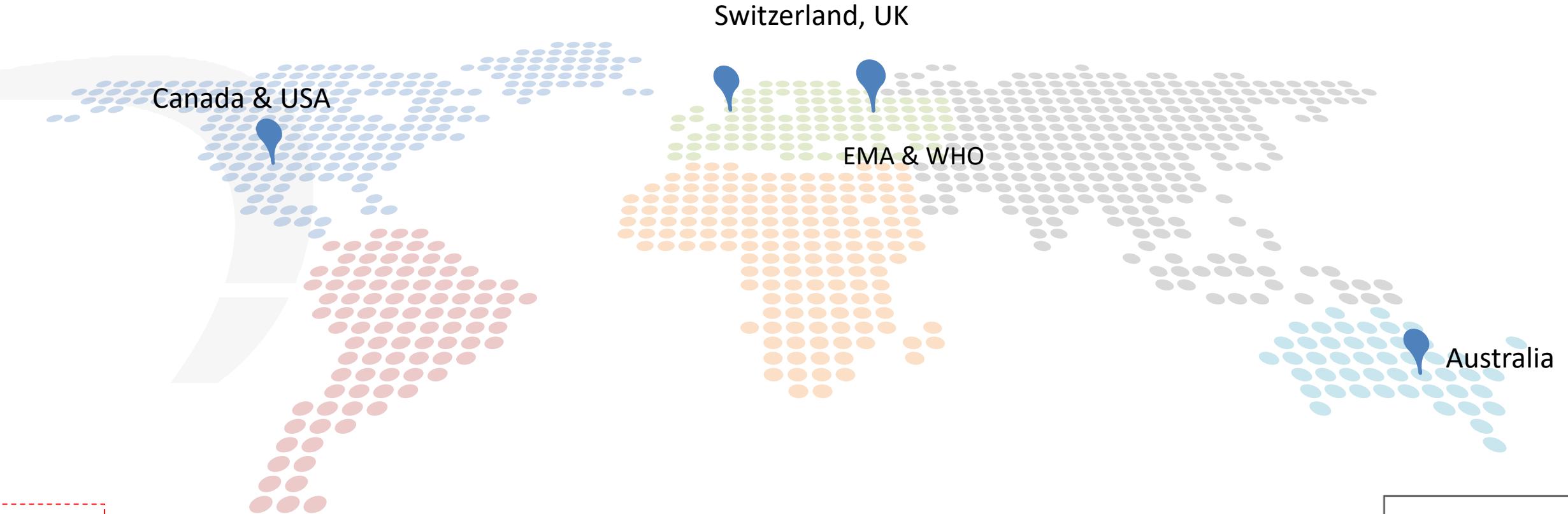
Regulatory Agency Activity  
High



## Legal Framework

- RDC 199/2017 – medicines, biologics
- RDC 753/2022 – Marketing Authorization Generics
- RDC 55/2010 – Biotechnological products
- IN 184/2022 – Clasification
- RDC 831/2023 – Prescribing information
- RDC 768/2022 – Labelling
- RDC 875/2024 - Extrapolation
- RDC 318/2019 – Stability (not biologics)
- IN 289/2024 – Reliance MA
- IN 292/2024 – Reliance GMP

## *Recognized countries (MA)*



Language: Spanish, English and Portuguese



## Fees

RDC 198 / 2017  
Size company, type of product

Fundamentação Legal	Lei 6360, de 23/09/1976, Decreto 79.094, de 5/01/1977, RDC 55, de 16/12/2010, RDC 47, de 08/09/2009, RDC 71, de 22/12/2009, RDC 68, de 28/03/2003, RDC 305, de 14/11/2002, RDC 222, de 28/12/2006, RDC 197, de 12/12/2017, RDC 187, de 08/11/2017											
Fato Gerador	4014											
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Agência Nacional  
de Vigilância Sanitária

## Cold Chain Validation

Guideline 2/2017 v.2

- Quality information from manufacturing site to final user
- Variable Conditions as weather, customs delays, mechanical failures.
- Temperature profile
- Worst case study

## Stability

Biologics – RDC 412/2020 aligned to ICH Q5C and complementary guidelines

Generics – 318/2019  
Guideline 28/2019 v1

Zone - IVb

## Technical Guidelines

Biosimilars – RDC 55/2010

Reference drug – IN 875/2024

Extrapolation – RDC 875/2024

Biowaver – RDC 749/2022

## Price

Generics – 35-50% cheaper than the reference

Biosimilars – 35% cheaper than the reference



Reliance		
Standard	IN 289/2024	IN 292/2024
Scope	<b>Marketing Authorization</b> API Medicines Biologics Vaccines	<b>Good Manufacturing Practices</b> API Cannabis Medicines Biologics
Levels	Optimized procedure Total application Parcial application	Total Parcial Mutual recognition
Agencies	EMA, Health Canada, OMS, Swissmedic, MHRA, US FDA, TGA	PIC/S, ICH, EMA
Mutual recognition	No	List of countries (Annex - IN 292/2024) Under Agreements between ANVISA and the Agency
Valid since	April 2024	June 2024

- **ANVISA participates in International simulated exercise for responding to health emergencies (100 days Mission)** The goal is to have a vaccine ready within 100 days if a new health problem appears.”
- **ANVISA launches new digital form for international users.** The new electronic form aims at providing a direct channel for citizens and businesses outside Brazil, to make it easier for users to clarify questions and request information.





Instituto Nacional de Vigilancia de Medicamentos y Alimentos.

National Institute for Food and Drug Surveillance (INVIMA) was established in 1992 and depends on the Ministry of Health

[www.invima.gov.co](http://www.invima.gov.co)



Regulatory Agency Activity Medium



## Legal Framework

Law 9/1979 – Marketing Authorization  
Decree 677/1995 – Marketing Authorization  
Decree 1782/2014 – Requirements  
Decree 1474/2023 – Renewal & Variations

### Recognized countries (MA)

Canada & USA

Brazil & Argentina

France, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, UK & Norway

EMA

Japan

**“Biologics” (Decree 1782/2014)**

Language: Spanish

**PHARMA**  
**SYNERGY**





## Fees

Annually updated



Nuevo buscador IA... 

Inicio | Transparencia y Acceso a la Información Pública | Atención al Ciudadano | Participa | El Instituto | Trámites y Servicios | Normatividad | Sala de Prensa

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**Tarifas** [acceder](#) [ver más](#)

Productos Vigilados

Alimentos y bebidas

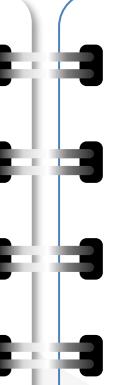
Medicamentos y Productos Biológicos

En esta sección podrás acceder al Manual Tarifario de la entidad, así como a las resoluciones por las cuales se actualiza y/o modifica.

Consulta aquí el documento de ayuda al usuario

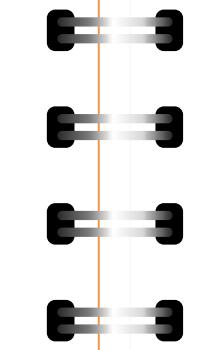
Manual Tarifario

Vigencia 2025



## Cold Chain Validation

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- Temperature profile



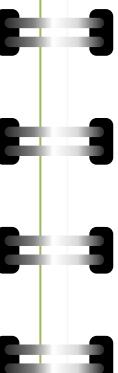
## Stability

Biologics – Decree 3690/2016  
Generics – Decree 3157/2018  
Zone - IV

## Technical Guidelines

Generics – BE – Decree 1124/2016, only applicable for the medicines listed

Biosimilars – Decree 1950/2019



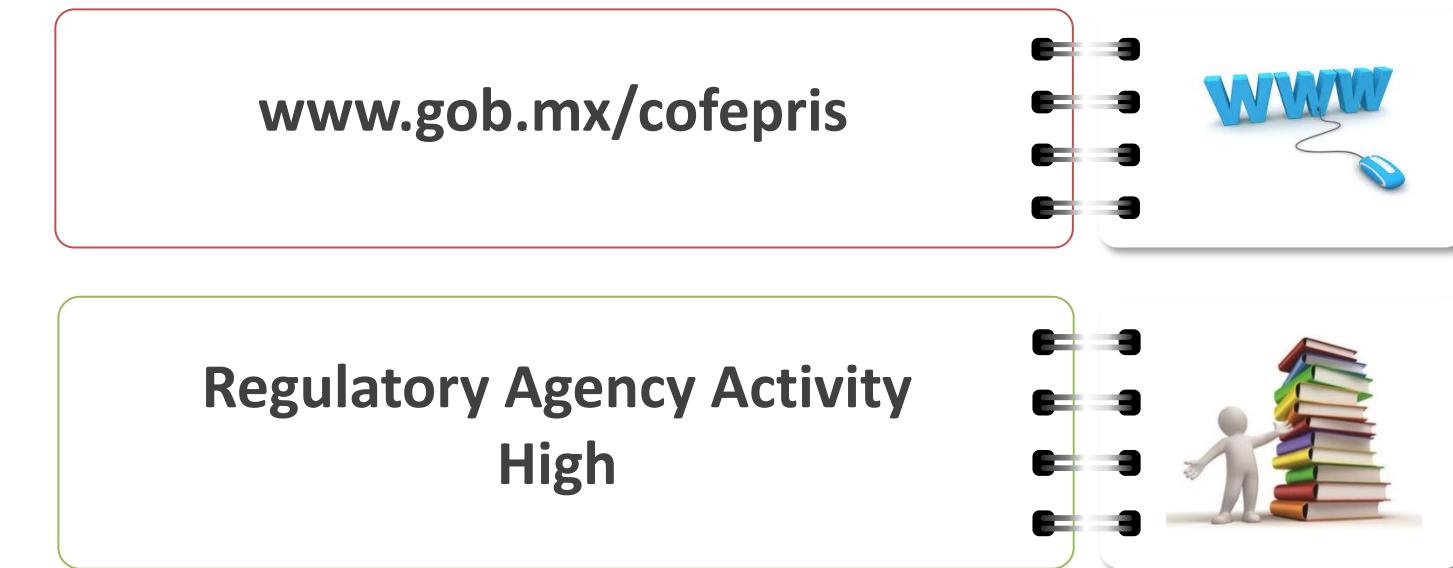
## Price

Generics – 30-80% cheaper than the reference  
Biosimilars – 30-60% cheaper than the reference





Federal Commission for the Protection against Sanitary Risks (COFEPRIS) was established in 2001 and is a decentralized organ of the Ministry of Health



## Legal Framework

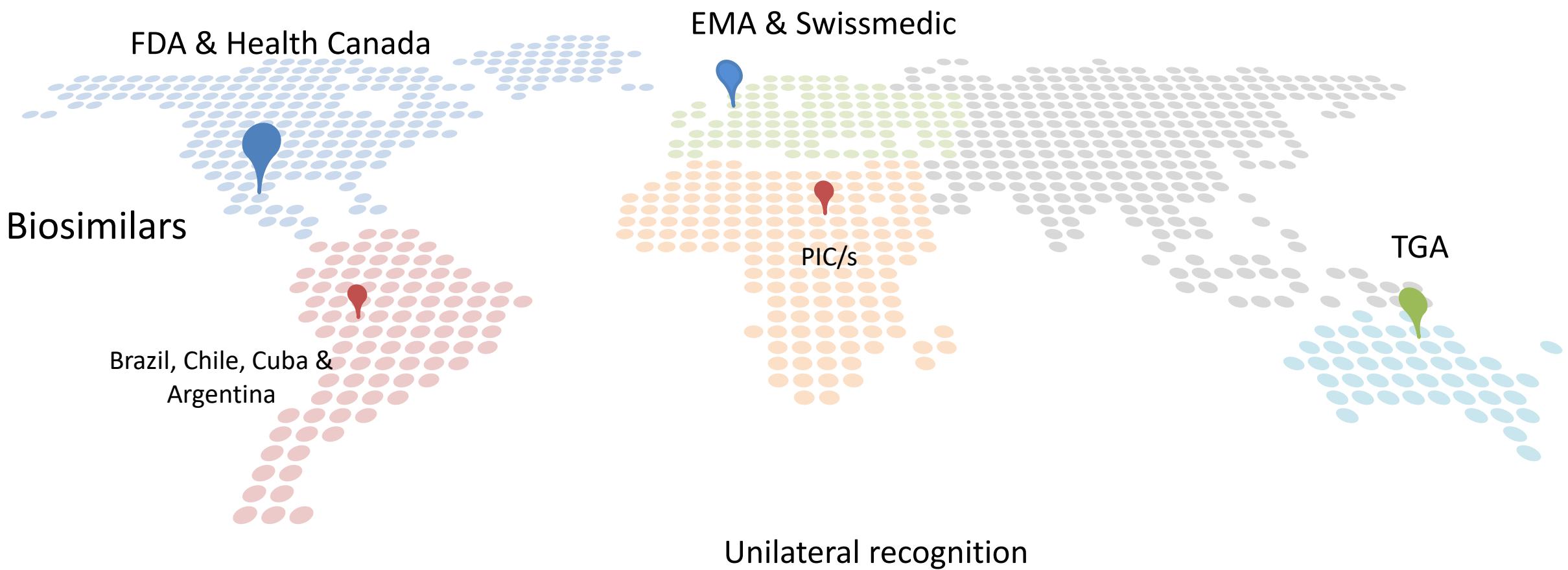
## *Recognized countries (MA)*

## General Health Law

# Regulation of Health Supplies

## Official Mexican Standards:

- NOM-073-SSA1-2015 – Stability
- NOM-177-SSA1-2013 and its variations – Generics
- NOM-059-SSA1-2015 and its variations – GMP
- NOM-072-SSA1-2012 - Labelling
- NOM-257-SSA1-2014 – Biotechnological products



## Language: Spanish and English

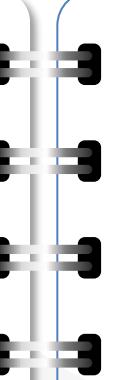


## Fees

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Type of product

Tarifa aplicable a partir del 01 de enero al 31 de diciembre de 2025, publicada en Diario Oficial de la Federación el 30 de diciembre de 2024

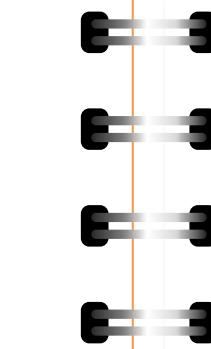
Descripción del servicio	Artículo L.F.D.	Clave de pago	Importe		Por modificación, renovación o prórroga a cada registro, pagará el 75 % del derecho que corresponda.	Por modificación de la Razón o Denominación Social del titular del registro o cualquier otro cambio respecto al titular pagará el 50 % de	
			Sin redondear	Redondeado		Sin redondear	Redondeado
<b>Por la solicitud y en su caso, el registro de Medicamentos Alopáticos, se pagará por cada uno, el derecho conforme a las siguientes cuotas:</b>							
Medicamento genérico	195-A-I-a	400107	\$106,958.50	\$106,958	\$80,218.87	\$80,219	\$53,479.25
Medicamento molécula nueva	195-A-I-b	400107	\$191,247.58	\$191,248	\$143,435.68	\$143,436	\$95,623.79
							\$95,624



## Cold Chain Validation

Official standard NOM-059

- Quality information from manufacturing site to final user
- Variable Conditions as weather, customs delays, mechanical failures.
- Temperature profile
- Worst case study



## Stability

Official standard NOM-073

Zone – II (Zone III & IV are accepted)

## Technical Guidelines

Biosimilars – NOM-257-SSA1-2014

Reference drug – COFEPRIS web page



## Price

Generics – up to 80% cheaper than the reference

Biosimilars – 20-40% cheaper than the reference



COFEPRIS  
COMISIÓN FEDERAL PARA LA PROTECCIÓN  
CONTRA RIESGOS SANITARIOS



**CAPITALIZE ON COFEPRIS RELIANCE**  
(ACUERDO OF 16JUL25)

**FAST-TRACK YOUR MARKET ENTRY IN MEXICO**

- 1 45 BUSINESS DAYS FOR MEDICINES,  
30 BUSINESS DAYS FOR MEDICAL DEVICES
- 2 MINIMIZED RISK THROUGH REFERENCE RECOGNITION
- 3 EARLIER MARKET POSITIONING

**RELIANCE ASSURANCE**  
Gap Analysis between ARR dossier (FDA, EMA, etc.) and COFEPRIS requirements to ensure eligibility.

**DOSSIER OPTIMIZATION**  
Perfect alignment of CTD modules with local requirements to avoid observations or rejections.

**STRATEGIC SUBMISSION**  
Fast-track filing and monitoring to secure first-round approval.

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**CONTACT US!**

COFEPRIS announces the appointment of its new head Dr. Victor Hugo Borja.

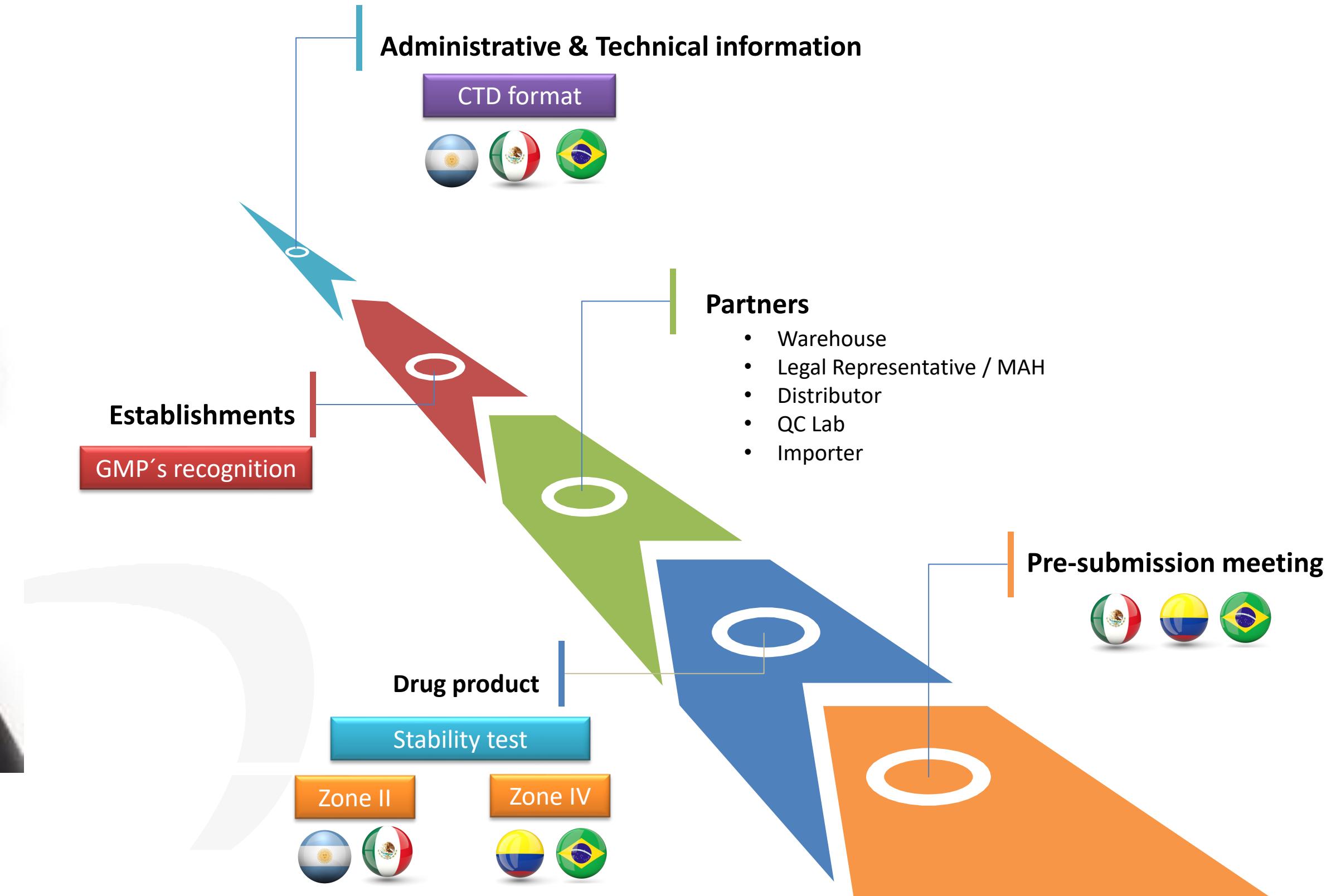
“COFEPRIS promotes regulatory improvement in the areas of medicines, herbal remedies and establishments”

“Health authorities advance actions for the implementation of NOM-262-SSA1-2024 on Good Clinical Practices. A pilot program is being promoted to authorize priority clinical research protocols in 45 days.

**Validity of the MA: 10 years**



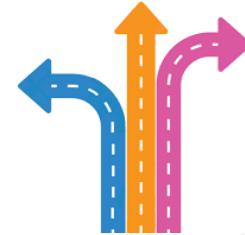
# COMMON POINTS





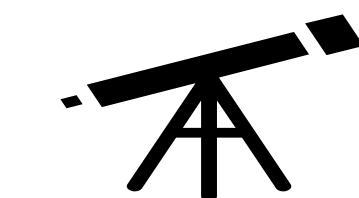
## Digitalization Initiatives

Introduction of electronic submission systems to streamline dossier evaluations



## Faster Access Pathways

Several countries offer expedited approval processes for priority medicines, orphan drugs, and innovative products; also, Simplified registration for products already approved in reference markets.



## Patent Expiry Opportunities

Many high-cost biologics and branded medicines are nearing patent expiration, creating opportunities for biosimilars to capture market share



## Alignment with International Standards



Many LATAM countries are aligning with global regulatory frameworks (e.g., ICH guidelines, WHO recommendations)



## Growing Market Demand

Increasing demand for innovative pharmaceuticals, generics, biologics, medical devices (ATMPs, Advanced Therapy Medicinal products)

# ONGOING REGULATORY CHALLENGES

## Regulatory Instability

Frequent policy changes driven by political shifts can impact regulatory timelines and market access strategies

Inconsistent availability of regulatory data and unclear communication channels with authorities

## Approval Delays

Prolonged review times in some countries due to limited resources or procedural inefficiencies.

## Documentation Requirements

Country-specific formats for technical dossiers and local language translations.

## Limited Regulatory Capacity

Under-resourced regulatory agencies may struggle to manage increasing submission volumes

## Why it is important to enter the LATAM market?



## 01 – Expansion into high-growth markets

Latin America is a high-growth pharmaceutical market, driven by a large population, a growing middle class, and rising demand in chronic diseases, oncology, mental health, and age-related therapies.

## 03 – Partnerships (public-private)

Latin American governments are looking for strategic partners to support:  
Vaccination programs, local production of essential medicines and clinical research initiatives.



## 02 – Technology and knowledge transfer

Enhancing healthcare systems while building scientific and industrial capacity across Latin America.



**Improved access to modern treatments for Latin American patients**

# “THANK YOU”

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