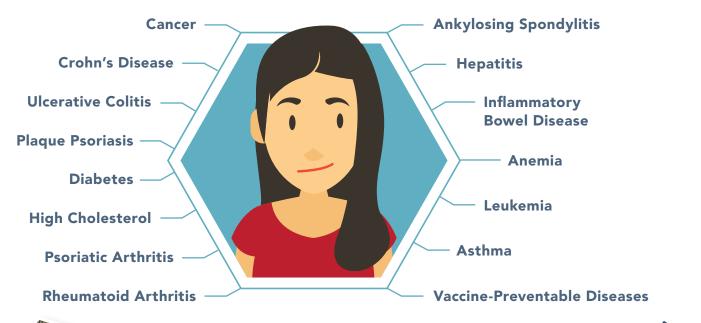
BIOLOGICS & BIOSIMILARS

Biological medicines are used to treat a range of conditions:





These drugs are made from living sources – such as animal and plant cells. They are large-molecule medications with a **complex manufacturing process**. You can think of biological medicines as one of two types:

ORIGINAL BIOLOGICS:

 First marketed in 1982

 Original innovator drugs **BIOSIMILARS:**

- First marketed in 2015
- Follow-on medicines
- Similar but not identical to original biologics
- Have no clinically meaningful difference from original biologics

Biological medicines, including biosimilars, are approved as **safe and effective** by the Food & Drug Administration.



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