Sun Pharma – South African trademarks

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Sun Pharma is an Indian pharmaceutical company and one of the world's largest makers of generic medicines, with specialty and consumer health products as well.

How Sun Pharma has built and protected its brands in South Africa – its trademark portfolio, where it expanded, how quickly its marks are registered, and who it competes with.

#133
largest trademark owner in South Africa (of 121,626)

414
trademarks filed

6
different logos published since 2020

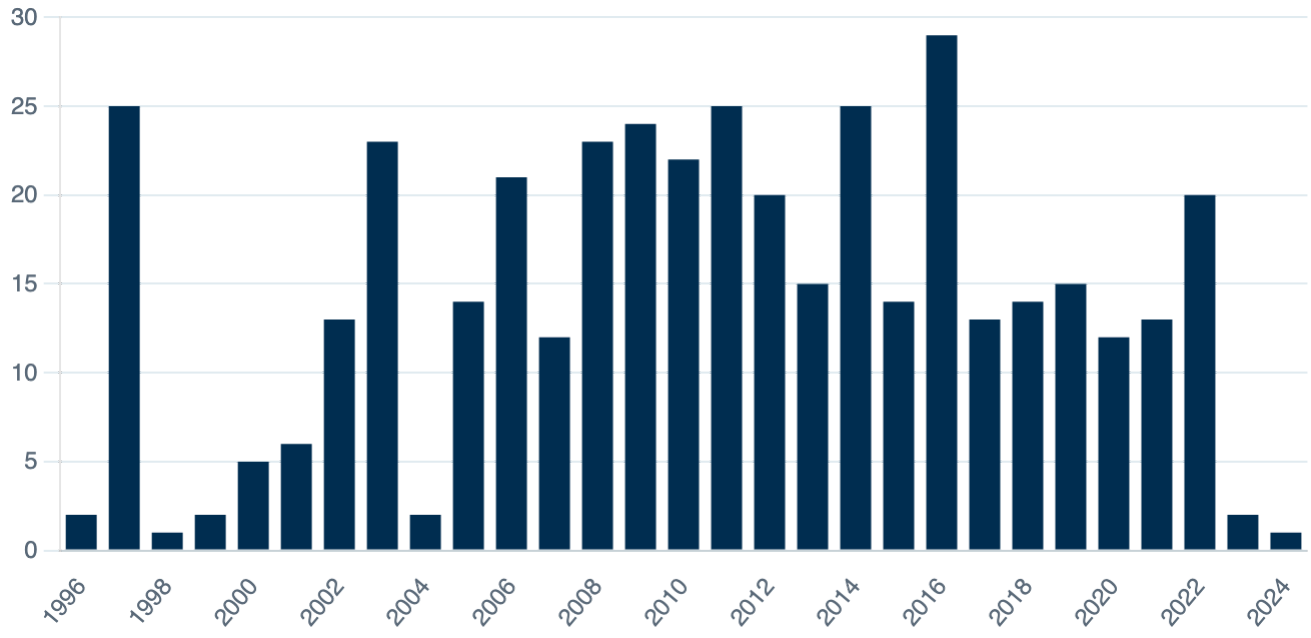
5
of 45 classes used

1996
first trademark filed

120
filed in the last 10 years

A portfolio built over time

Sun Pharma filed its first South African trademark in 1996 and has filed 414 since; its busiest year was 2016, with 29 new filings. The chart shows its filings per year from 1970.



Trademarks by filing year, up to 2024; applications still pending are not included.

The names behind the portfolio

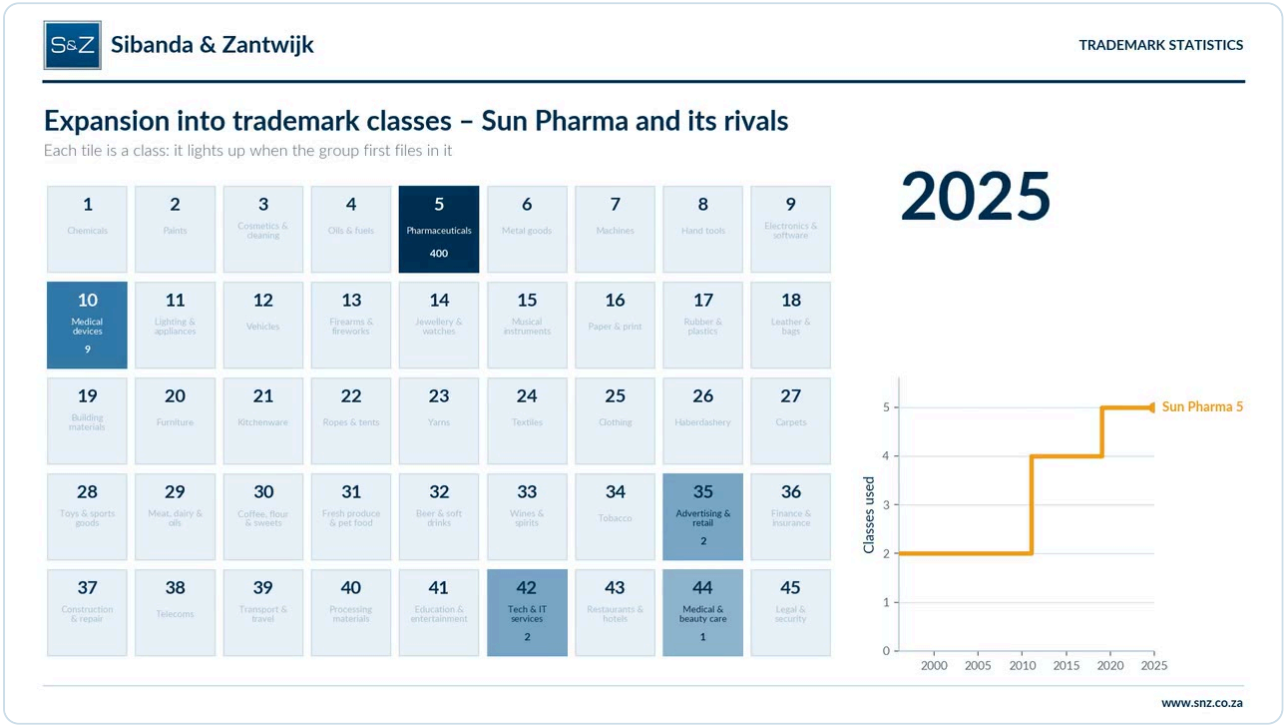
Over the years the group has filed under several names – earlier company names, holding companies and subsidiaries. We count them together.

NAME	MARKS	FILING YEARS
Sun Pharma	310	1996–2025
Ranbaxy Laboratories	225	1997–2015
Sun Pharmaceutical	1	2005–2005

Where Sun Pharma expanded its business

Trademark classes show what a business sells. Sun Pharma's portfolio is concentrated in pharmaceuticals (class 5), medical devices (class 10), advertising & retail (class 35). Its most recent moves were into advertising & retail (2019), medical devices (2011), medical & beauty care (2011).

Sun Pharma trademarks: expansion into trademark classes, 1970–2025



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Each tile is a class; it lights up when the group first files in it and darkens with more filings; the dots show how many of its closest rivals also file in that class. The chart compares the number of classes used with its rivals. The video runs from 1970; classes entered earlier are lit from the start.

CLASS		MARKS	SHARE	SINCE
5	Pharmaceuticals	400	96.6%	1996
10	Medical devices	9	2.2%	2011
35	Advertising & retail	2	0.5%	2019
42	Tech & IT services	2	0.5%	1996
44	Medical & beauty care	1	0.2%	2011

The brands Sun Pharma protects most

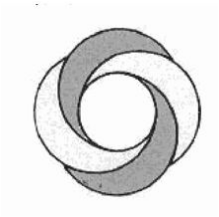
The word marks and logo names Sun Pharma has filed most often – the same brand filed in more classes, in more versions or again over the years.

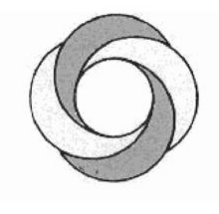
#	BRAND	TRADEMARKS	CLASSES	FILED
1	SUN PHARMA	6	5	2011–2019
2	INFUGEM	2	2	2018–2018
3	RANBAXY	2	2	1996–1996
4	RAZTROL	2	1	2021–2021
5	ABARINE	1	1	2016–2016
6	ABISKIT	1	1	2010–2010
7	ABITIG	1	1	2016–2016
8	ABIZOLE	1	1	2010–2010
9	ACTOBONE	1	1	2008–2008
10	ADANIF XL	1	1	2010–2010
11	ADDWISE	1	1	2018–2018
12	ADOSINE	1	1	2007–2007
13	ALAPREN	1	1	2005–2005
14	AMLOVAL	1	1	2011–2011
15	AMONAIL	1	1	2018–2018

Logos filed most often (since 2020)



1 filing · 1 class


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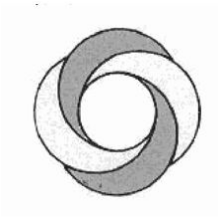
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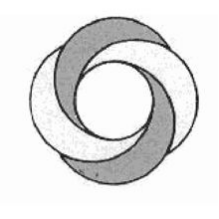
Sun Pharma's logos

The 6 different logos Sun Pharma has had published since 2020 – each logo shown once, however many classes or versions it was filed in. Logos protected in more classes come first.



1 class


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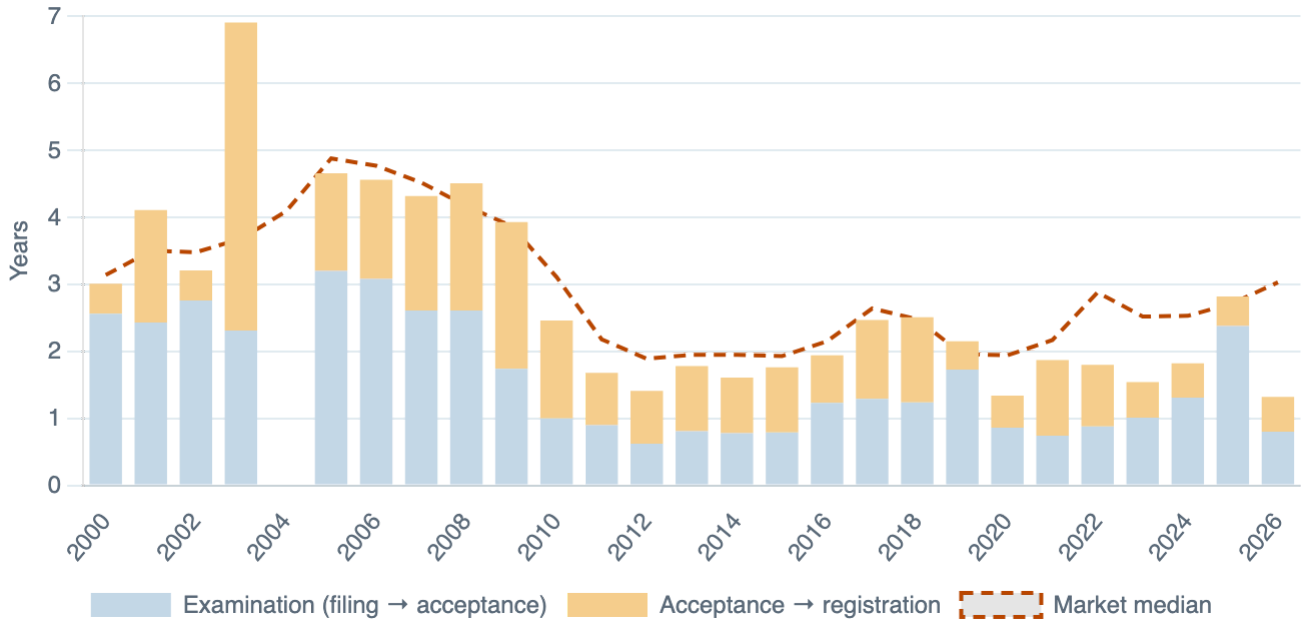


1 class

Full logo list on the online version of this page.

How quickly its trademarks are registered

Over the last five years, Sun Pharma's marks took a median of **1.9 years** from filing to registration, faster than the market's 2.7 years. Most of that time is examination: 1.0 years from filing to acceptance (market: 1.9). Registration itself follows about half a year after acceptance.



Median years from filing to registration per registration year, split into examination (filing → acceptance) and acceptance → registration; the dashed line is the market median. A high recent value means older applications came through that year.

Who files the most in Sun Pharma's classes

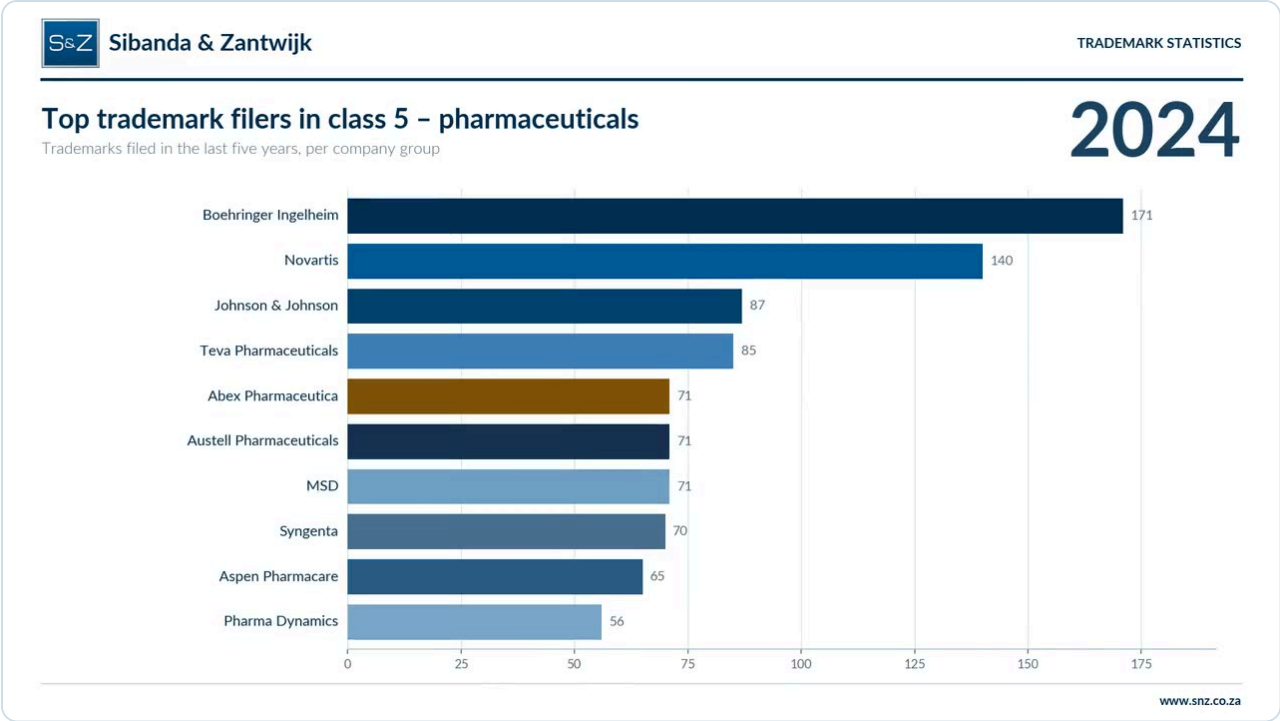
> Ranked by **number of trademarks filed in Sun Pharma's main classes** – any company that files there, whatever else it does (including retailers' own brands). This shows Sun Pharma's market position, not who is most like it.

In the last five years, Sun Pharma was **#13** of 2,050 filers in class 5 (pharmaceuticals), with 48 of 6,111 trademarks.



Sun Pharma's share of all trademarks filed in each of its main classes, per filing year.

Top trademark filers in class 5 (pharmaceuticals), South Africa 1975–2024: Sun Pharma

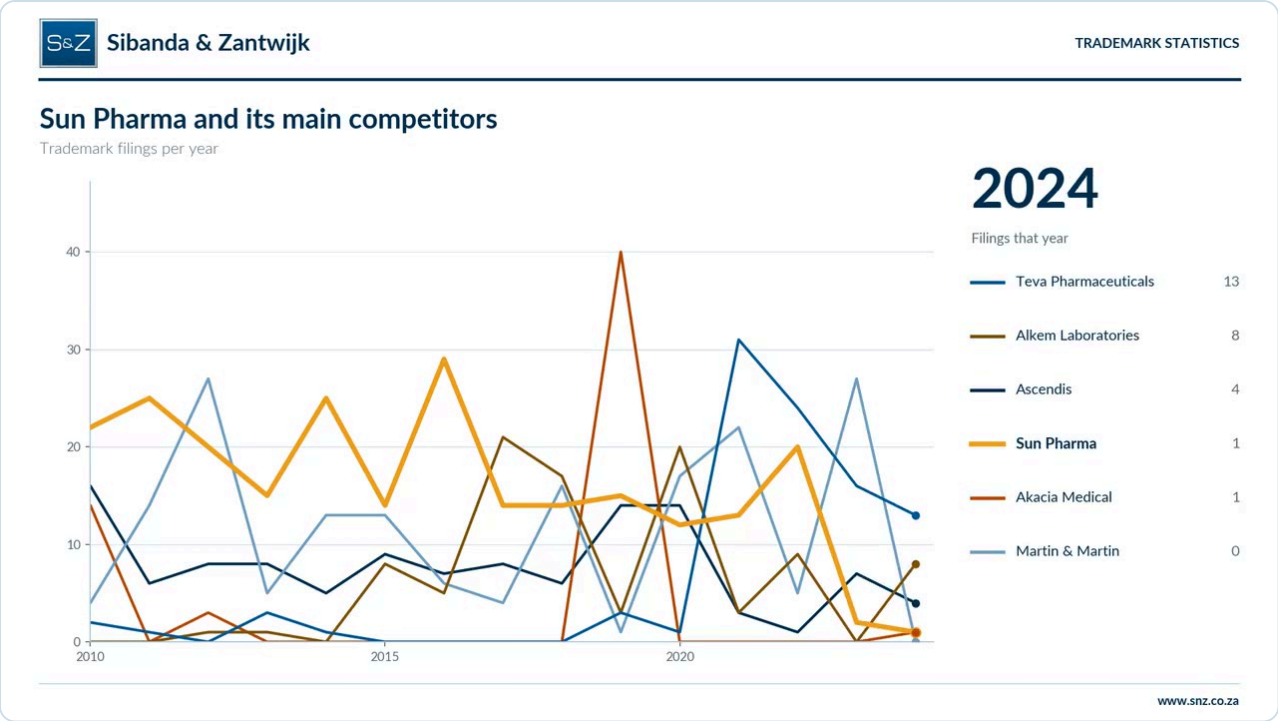


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Main competitors – the companies most like Sun Pharma

> Ranked by **how similar their whole trademark portfolio is to Sun Pharma's** – the same mix of classes and the same words in their marks – **not by size**. Large filers in its classes that do something different rank lower here.

Sun Pharma trademarks vs competitors: filings per year, 2010–2024



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Trademark filings per year: Sun Pharma (orange) and its five closest competitors.

#	COMPANY	RELATIONSHIP	SIMILARITY
1	Ascendis	–	100%
2	Akacia Medical	–	100%
3	Martin & Martin	–	100%
4	Alkem Laboratories	–	70%
5	Teva Pharmaceuticals	–	70%
6	Austell Pharmaceuticals	–	70%
7	Sandoz	–	70%
8	Acino Pharma	–	70%
9	Forrester Pharma	–	70%
10	Abex Pharmaceutica	–	70%

Similarity of trademark activity since 2015 (classes and words used in marks). Retailers appear where their own brands compete on the shelf.

Sun Pharma – relevant export countries

South Africa exported **US$729 m** of the goods Sun Pharma's main classes cover in the last year – medicinal; preparations and substances; pharmaceutical preparations; dietary supplements (class 5); medical devices; suture materials; medical apparatus and instruments (class 10). Combining where these goods are exported, imported, growing and made (and copied), and what protection costs, these are the markets where Sun Pharma's trademarks matter most.

Worldwide

#	MARKET	SCORE	SA EXPORTS	IMPORT GROWTH / YR	ROUTE	COST, 2 CLASSES
1	United States of America	73	US$20 m	+1%	National	US$1,400
2	European Union	72	US$39 m	+3%	National	US$1,594
3	China	66	US$1.7 m	+0%	National	US$505
4	United Kingdom	61	US$12 m	-2%	National	US$833
5	Japan	60	US$722 k	-3%	National	US$893
6	Australia	60	US$24 m	-4%	National	US$1,300
7	Namibia	57	US$113 m	+12%	ARIPO	US$290
8	Canada	56	US$1.8 m	+1%	National	US$1,338
9	Türkiye	53	US$2.5 m	+5%	National	US$841
10	Hong Kong SAR	53	US$1.3 m	+2%	National	US$807

Africa

#	MARKET	SCORE	SA EXPORTS	IMPORT GROWTH / YR	ROUTE	COST, 2 CLASSES
1	Namibia	57	US$113 m	+12%	ARIPO	US$290 S&Z
2	Zimbabwe	53	US$76 m	+12%	ARIPO	US$290 S&Z
3	Nigeria	52	US$15 m	-4%	National	US$406 S&Z
4	Botswana	52	US$93 m	-2%	ARIPO	US$290 S&Z
5	Mozambique	48	US$47 m	+4%	ARIPO	US$290 S&Z
6	Egypt	48	US$300 k	+1%	National	US$950
7	OAPI (17 states)	48	US$13 m	+4%	National	US$1,009 S&Z
8	Malawi	47	US$15 m	+16%	ARIPO	US$290 S&Z
9	Morocco	45	US$406 k	+12%	National	US$856
10	Tanzania	45	US$7.0 m	-8%	ARIPO	US$290 S&Z

SA exports = South Africa's exports of these goods to the market in the last year. Ranked with the default weightings. Score 0–100 from South Africa's exports of the goods to the market, net imports, import growth, foreign trademark filings, where the goods are made, market size and the cost of protection. Costs are total fees (official and professional) to file in 2 classes; ARIPO costs are per country, plus US$269 once per ARIPO application; S&Z = S&Z's own all-in price. Goods are taken from the classes and specifications, so the ranking is indicative.

Trade data: CEPII BACI (version 202601, trade flows 2022–2024), Licence Etalab 2.0; aggregated and combined with other data by S&Z.

Protecting its top brands in Nigeria and OAPI with S&Z

BRAND	CLASSES	NIGERIA	OAPI (17 STATES)
SUN PHARMA	5	US$1,015	US$1,563
INFUGEM	2	US$406	US$1,009
RANBAXY	2	US$406	US$1,009
RAZTROL	1	US$203	US$824
ABARINE	1	US$203	US$824

S&Z all-in prices per brand in its number of classes, filing to registration.

Rank the countries for your own goods and get the quotes.

Word marks you may have considered opposing

> For Sun Pharma's five most-filed brands: word marks of **other companies** (not Sun Pharma's own group) that our similar word mark search, SimTM, found in the brand's own classes, and that we consider **confusingly similar** – from the earliest match found to today.

Similar to SUN PHARMA (classes 5, 10, 35, 42, 44; searched 2018-02-28 to 2026-11-08)

No confusingly similar marks of other companies found in this period.

Similar to INFUGEM (classes 5, 10; searched 2020-06-24 to 2026-11-08)

No confusingly similar marks of other companies found in this period.

Similar to RANBAXY (classes 5, 42; no close matches in the search)

No confusingly similar marks of other companies found.

Similar to RAZTROL (class 5; searched 2019-02-27 to 2026-11-08)

No confusingly similar marks of other companies found in this period.

Similar to ABARINE (class 5; searched 2018-04-25 to 2026-11-08)

No confusingly similar marks of other companies found in this period.

Similarity of the words only. Whether a mark could have been opposed depends on the goods and services, the reputation of the brand and the facts – S&Z can advise. New marks like these are what SimTM watch reports as they are published.

How S&Z can help you

> S&Z does not just file trademarks. We are a **technology-first firm that manages trademarks** – analysing your data, monitoring competitors and making sure your trademark assets remain protected.

We manage your trademarks – not just file them

Analysing your data, monitoring competitors and making sure your trademark assets remain protected:

Renewal management
Every renewal date in your portfolio tracked and paid online.

Competitor watch
Get real-time competitor analysis.

Similar-mark watch
New word marks that come close to yours, found as they are published using SimTM.

Expansion into Africa
Lowest-cost trademark expansion into Africa - Nigeria, OAPI.

Filing and renewal at fixed, all-inclusive prices

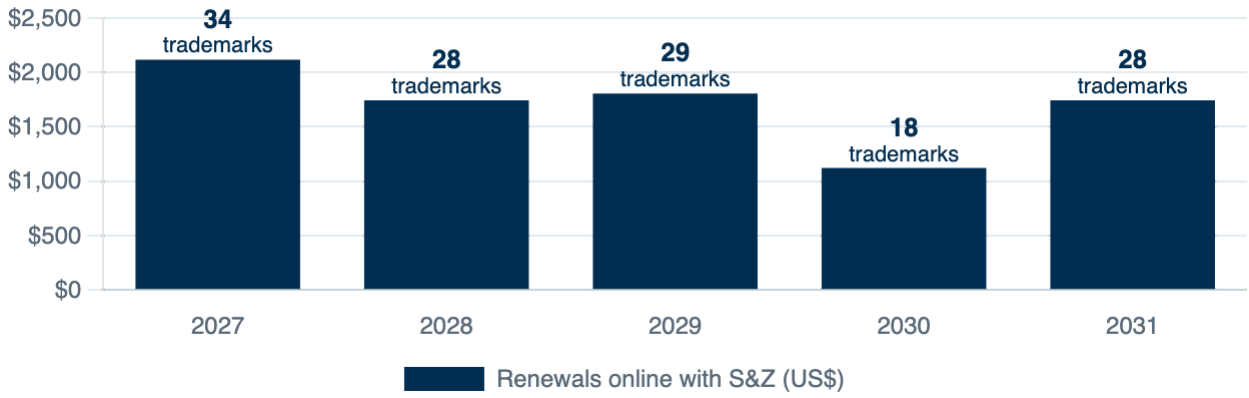
S&Z prices – South African trademarks

Filing, first class – incl. official fee, examination report, routine office action, acceptance, publication, registration and e-certificate	US$240
Each additional class of the same mark, filed at the same time	US$225
Renewal online, per class (every 10 years from filing)	R1,027 ≈ US$62.29

Renewal in rand; US$ at R16.49 per US$.

Sun Pharma's next five years of renewals

137 of Sun Pharma's registered marks reach their ten-year renewal date in 2027–2031. Renewed online with S&Z, that costs about **US$8,533** over the five years.



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