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Focus on Small-Molecule APIs and Drug Products



Live Online Training on 27/28 May 2025



Highlights

- Regulatory Requirements for Analytical Labs (EU and U.S.)
- Analytical Instrument Qualification
- Chromatographic Reference Standards
- Sampling
- Documentation
- Specifications, SOPs, Test Procedures
- Laboratory Data Integrity
- Lifecycle Approach
- Method Transfer and Equivalence Testing
- Managing OOS/OOT Results
- Presenting and Evaluating Stability Data
- QA Aspects Applicable for QC Compliance Managers
- Several Q&A sessions

Objective

This Live Online Training will give a comprehensive overview of the main GMP requirements for Quality Control Laboratories, from a European as well as from the U.S. (FDA) perspective. It is the aim of the training to address the challenges that QC Compliance Managers face today regarding the relevant regulatory requirements and how to successfully implement these requirements in the analytical lab.

Background

Due to changing regulatory requirements pharmaceutical Quality Control Compliance Managers are continuously facing new challenges. There are many regulatory requirements relevant for the pharmaceutical quality control, both in EU and in the U.S., for instance:

- EU GMP Guide (Part 1 / Part 2 / Annexes)
- 21 CFR Part 210/211 (USA)
- Guidances (EMA and FDA)
- ICH Guidelines
- WHO and PIC/S Recommendations
- Pharmacopoeias (Ph.Eur., USP)

QC Compliance Managers need to be familiar with all these GMP-related topics and need to be aware of the latest updates and the current interpretation of all these guidance documents.

In addition, analytical QC laboratories are increasingly in the focus of GMP inspections, both in Europe and in the U.S. For instance after FDA inspections, many laboratory-specific citations can be found in 483s and Warning Letters. And many findings related to the laboratory can also be found after inspections of European GMP supervisory authorities. Key compliance requirements include:

- Change control systems
- Calibration and qualification of analytical instrument
- Reference standards
- GMP compliant documentation
- Validation of analytical methods
- Stability program
- Laboratory Data Integrity
- Procedures for handling OOS results

All these key compliance issues will be addressed in this Live Online Training. A set of live Q&A sessions will give you the possibility to interact with the speakers and get answers to your questions.

Please note that the emphasis of this training is on small-molecule pharmaceuticals. The course will not focus on biotech products.

Target Audience

This Live Online Training will be of significant value to

- Laboratory managers
- Quality control managers
- Analytical scientists
- Senior laboratory staff

from Quality Control units in the pharmaceutical industry who are responsible for GMP Compliance in the Analytical Laboratory.

Programme

Regulatory Requirements for Analytical Labs and QC (EU and US)

- EU GMP Guide Part 1
- EU GMP Guide Part 2
- US 21 CFR Part 210/211
- FDA Guidances for Industry with relevance for labs
- Inspection of analytical labs (EMA, FDA, etc.)
- FDA Warning Letters relating to QC

Handling and Qualification of Primary and Secondary Chromatographic Reference Standards

- Procedure for qualification
- Pharmacopeial standards: handling and re-use
- Will the certified reference standards (CRM) come to the QC lab?
- Assigning purity values to reference standards
- Calculation examples of assigning purity

Analytical Instrument Qualification

- USP General Chapter <1058> Analytical Instrument Qualification
- Risk Analysis
- Qualification steps: DQ/IQ/OQ/PQ
- Practical Qualification of typical instruments such as
 - Balances
 - HPLC
 - UV
 - Dissolution

Lifecycle Approach to Analytical Procedures

- Developing robust, stability indicating methods
- Analytical Target Profile
- Implementation of QbD in development of analytical methods
- Life-cycle of an analytical method
- Are we estimating the real method precision?
- The concept of Assay Format

Transfer of Analytical Methods

- Definition and regulatory requirements
- How to perform a method transfer
- Case studies
- Typical and critical issues

Presenting and Evaluating Stability Data

- Overview of ICH storage programs for new drugs
- Generic drugs
- Presenting stability data
- Derivation of shelf life according to ICH Q1E

Sampling of Packaging Components, Devices and Finished Products / Sampling of Raw Materials

- What is acceptance sampling?
- Sampling attributes vs. sampling by variables
- ISO 2859-1 sampling standard
- Nonconforming items and non-conformities
- Risks of sampling
- Sampling of starting materials (WHO standard)
- Full testing vs. testing for identity

Workshop on Sampling with ISO 2859-1

Managing Out of Specification and Out of Trend Results

- OOS / OOE / OOT
- FDA and MHRA Guidance
- Reportable Value
- Case Study: Practical approach for handling OOS results
- Issues with OOT results and how to manage these

Documentation in QC Laboratories

- Regulatory requirements (EU/US)
- Specifications, Test Procedures, SOPs, etc.
- Handling of data (paper, electronic, hybrid)
- Laboratory Data Integrity
- Analytical results (Raw data, Raw data check, averaging, rounding of results)
- Case Studies
- Laboratory Data Integrity issues related to documentation - issues to be aware of

Analytical Aspects of Laboratory Data Integrity

- Overview of deficiencies in laboratory data integrity
- Structure of a typical assay in a QC laboratory
- When system suitability requirements are not met
- Is there a system suitability test based on samples?
- When sample variability criteria are not met
- QC samples for method validity check
- Integration of chromatographic peaks
- Reprocessing of raw data and re-integration
- Review of audit trail of an analytical run

QA Aspects in QC (relevant for QC Compliance Managers)

- Defining responsibilities for analysts, head of analytical lab, QPs (EU and US)
- Release of APIS, excipients, packaging materials, finished products, etc.
- Contract labs
- CAPA (Corrective Actions and Preventive Actions)
- Change Control (regulatory framework)
- PQR
- Training (GMP training / training on the job, training records)



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Dr Bar headed the Analytical R&D Laboratories at Teva Pharmaceuticals and the analytical QC laboratory at Pharmos. He served in the Scientific Advisory Board of global PDA (USA) and is presently a board member of Israel PDA Chapter as well as a member of the organizing committee of the Israel Society for Analytical Chemistry. For the last ten years, Raphael Bar has been a pharmaceutical consultant for the Pharma and bio-Pharma industries.



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Dr Bernd Renger started at Hoechst AG. Since then, he has held several quality management positions at Mundipharma, Byk Gulden (now Takeda) and Baxter BioScience in Vienna and Vetter Pharma-Fertigung. He was a member of the European Compliance Academy (ECA) Advisory Board and is Immediate Past Chair of the European QP Association.



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Tuesday, 27 May 2025, 09.00 h - approx. 17.45 h CEST

Wednesday, 28 May 2025, 08.30 h - approx. 17.15 h CEST

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The official conference language will be English.

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