HIGHLIGHTS:

- Fundamentals of Spray Drying
- Formulation development: Spray vs Freeze Drying
- Quality-by-Design for Spray Drying Processes
- Scale up of a pharmaceutical Spray Drying Processes
- Validation of Spray Drying Processes in an cGMP Environment
- Case Studies from Pharmaceutical Industry:
  - Increasing Bioavailability
  - Solid Dosage Forms
  - Inhalation Products

Spray Drying
Solutions for the Pharmaceutical Industry

7-9 June 2016, Lisbon, Portugal

Includes Guided Tour and Hands-On Spray Drying Session at the Hovione Site

This conference is recognised for the ECA GMP Certification Programme „Certified Technical Operations Manager“. Please find details at www.gmp-certification.eu
**Objectives**

Take advantage of the opportunity to focus on spray drying technology and process and get a first hand demonstration of solutions for diverse requirements. Further, benefit from the post-conference session where you can get a hands-on experience in spray drying yourself. You will learn in small groups how the spray drying result is affected by different equipment, parameter changes, solvents etc.

**Background**

Spray drying is presently one of the most exciting technologies for the pharmaceutical industry, being an ideal process where the end-product must comply with precise quality standards regarding particle size distribution, residual moisture/solvent content, bulk density and morphology.

One advantage of spray drying is the remarkable versatility of the technology, evident when analysing the multiple applications and the wide range of products that can be obtained. From very fine particles for pulmonary delivery to big agglomerated powders for oral dosages, from amorphous to crystalline products and the potential for one-step formulations, spray drying offers multiple opportunities that no other single drying technology can claim.

Benefits of Spray Drying

- High precision control over:
  - Particle size
  - Bulk density
  - Degree of crystallinity
  - OVIs and residual solvents
- Typical application in pre-formulated products
  - Microencapsulations
  - Solid solutions
  - Improved bioavailability and stability
- For products with unusual or difficult characteristics
  - Sticky or hygroscopic products
  - Slowly crystallizing products
  - Difficult to isolate products
- Rapid drying for temperature sensitive materials

**Target Audience**

This conference addresses specialists and executives working in the fields of pharmaceutical manufacture, research and development and quality control as well as technicians, planners and plant designers, especially those involved with the manufacture of powders and granules, as e.g. in the manufacture of solid dosage forms for oral or pulmonary administration.

**Moderator**

Dr Harald Stahl

**Programme**

**Fundamentals of Spray Drying**

- Identification of Critical Process Parameters
- Control of those Process Parameters
- Influence of these Process Parameters on Product Quality
- Example of setting up a Spray Drying Process

**Spray drying from a particle perspective**

- Gas temperature and humidity
- Drying at particle level
- Stickiness (time, temperature and humidity)
- CFD models and drying kinetic analysis

**Spray Drying vs Freeze Drying – How to choose the right technique?**

- Fundamentals of freeze drying
- Spray Drying of Pharmaceuticals
  - Formulation via spray drying
  - Scientific basics
  - Review of spray-dried pharmaceutical products
- How to conclude: Spray Drying or Freeze Drying
Development of Scaleable Spray Drying Processes for Solid Drug Product Manufacture

The presentation starts from the target properties of pharmaceutical intermediates and products for oral solid dosage forms and for dry powder inhalation, viewing SD as a particle design tool. Examples of various product types, such as amorphous drug substances, solid dispersions, granulates and inhalable powder, are given. SD is then compared to other drying/agglomeration processes more common in the pharma industry. A systematic approach for development of products/processes by means of spray drying is illustrated. A special focus is given to the scaleability of the SD processes.

Validation and the usage of QbD for Spray Drying
- Risk assessment in the context of qualification and validation
- Development of spray drying process using DoE
- Three stage DoE
  - Parameter screening (CCF design with 3 variables + extension)
  - Raw material variability
  - Process Validation
- PAT: Inline particle sizing and NIR used to monitor the spray drying process
- Special test during qualification and validation

Scale-up of a Spray Drying Process

The bench scale spray drying units can be found in most of the material characterisation and drug development teams, being also used as production units of high-value low-volume drugs. However, it is often underestimated the valuable information that lab experiments can give to help in a successful process scale-up. In this presentation a scale-up methodology will be presented where insight will be given on what and how lab scale data can be used, as well as, how scaling-up can be used to improve product properties.
- Usage of lab scale data
- Product improvement during scale up
- Methodology for scale up of SD processes

Trouble Shooting Session

In this interactive session, all the key elements of the preceding lectures are brought together.

What to do if:
- Particles are too fine/coarse
- Yield is too low
- Final product moisture content is too high
- Different product characteristics after scale up

Case study: Enhancing the bioavailability of poorly soluble drugs using spray drying: scaling up from lab scale to commercial scale
- Short introduction on amorphous solid dispersions
- Manufacturing technologies
- Case study of itraconazole (Sporanox®)
- Case study of etravirine (Intelence®)

Case study: Application of Spray Drying for oral dosage forms
- Case study 1 – Laboratory scale challenges
  - Focus on laboratory scale unit limitations
  - How to improve powder properties at laboratory scale
  - Strategies to formulate poor flowing SD powders
- Case study 2 – Commercial challenges
  - Focus on adjusting powder properties for locked formulations
  - How to develop a commercial process
  - Strategies to cope with challenging targets (e.g. density, PS)

Case study: Application of Spray Drying for Inhalation Products
- Critical quality attributes: an overview for composite formulations via spray drying
- Spray drying process: Thermodynamics aspects specific of Inhalation products
- Spray drying process: Atomization aspects (controlling particle size and morphology)
- Composite DPI formulations through spray drying
Site Visit at Hovione on Thursday, 9 June 2016
CGMP Spray Drying Equipment and Facility

Part of the programme on the third day of the conference is a guided tour at the Hovione site.

In line with the latest developments on spray drying technologies and with the increasing demand for highly defined particles properties in the pharmaceutical industry, Hovione has installed and commissioned a range of spray drying units able to operate under the most stringent cGMP conditions.

These laboratorial, pilot and industrial scale units allow Hovione to offer from a few grams to full scale commercial production. With FDA-inspected plants Hovione is capable to manufacture spray dried material under cGMP conditions.

The guided tour will include a visit of the spray dryer building where pilot, small and full commercial scale equipment can be seen. Moreover the production control room and the analytical labs will be part of the guided tour.

Hands-on Spray Drying Session
Thursday, 9 June 2016

On the third conference day you will have the opportunity to take advantage of an exclusive hands-on training. For that purpose several spray dryers will be available at Hovione. Experienced Trainers will lead you in small groups, providing an intensive experience and directly applicable know-how.

You will see how scale-up is done through mathematical modelling and how to take advantage of scale-up to significantly improve powder properties. You will have the chance to spray dry a material both at lab and commercial scale. You will learn how to develop a process under QbD, how to optimise production parameters and how to proceed a scale-up from laboratory to industrial scale. Furthermore, you will learn how to analyse and evaluate your product.

Target group of the Session
Process Engineers, Pharmaceutical Technologists, Pharmaceutical Formulation Scientists, Application Chemists, Drug Development Engineers, Particle Design Engineers

Experiments
- Definition of scale-up conditions with the aid of macroscopic heat and mass balance and Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Laboratory scale spray drying – how to set up a stable lab scale process. Tips and tricks
- Upscale to pilot/commercial-scale spray dryer. Details on system configuration and basic controls
- Comparison of powders in terms of flowability, particle size, morphology and other relevant powder/particle attributes

A shuttle bus will bring you back to the hotel with a prior stop at the airport. Airport arrival is scheduled for approximately 15.30 h.

The course is held in small groups, so number of participants is strongly limited. Early booking is recommended.

Social Event

On 7 June you are cordially invited to a social event. This is an excellent opportunity to share your experiences with colleagues from other companies in a relaxed atmosphere.
DR SUNE KLINT ANDERSEN, NOVO NORDISK A/S, DENMARK
Dr. Andersen studied at the Technical University of Denmark and gained his Ph.D. in Particle Technology. From 1999-2007 he worked for Niro A/S as Spray Drying specialist and is now working for Novo Nordisk A/S also in the position of a Spray Drying Specialist.

DR FILIPE GASPAR, HOVIONE FARMACIENCIA SA, PORTUGAL
Filipe has a degree and a PhD in Chemical Engineering. At Hovione he was involved in more than 120 pharmaceutical development projects involving advanced particle engineering technologies. He was the Lead Scientist of several projects that reached commercial stage, including the first project developed and submitted under QbD. He has published more than 20 papers and 5 patents. Currently he is Vice President of Research & Development.

DR FILIPA MAIA, HOVIONE FARMACIENCIA SA, PORTUGAL
Filipa Maia has a degree in chemical engineering. She works in the Inhalation Development Team of Hovione were she is working in particle design projects, applying spray drying and other techniques for the design of particles intended for inhalation.

DR ULRICH MEIER, NOVARTIS PHARMA AG, SWITZERLAND
Ulrich Meier is a Senior Process and Particle Engineer in Technical R&D at Novartis Pharma. His main interests include development of drug substance finishing processes, as well as the development of continuous spray drying processes for pharmaceutical intermediates and inhalable particles by means of conventional and fluidized bed spray-drying and supercritical fluid processes. He is also teaching at Novartis workshops and at the University of Applied Sciences in Luzern.

DR THOMAS QUINTEN
Janssen Pharmaceutica NV, Belgium
Thomas Quinten is a pharmacist with a PhD in Pharmaceutical Technology. He works a Senior Scientist for J&J in the Development of Oral Solid Dosage forms.

HENRIK SCHWARTZBACH, GEA, DENMARK
Henrik Schwartzbach has been working for GEA Niro since 1992 with R&D and process optimisation. The focus has been process optimisation within pharmaceutical spray drying. Henrik Schwartzbach has detailed and in-depth knowledge about cutting edge pharmaceutical spray drying. As the GEA Senior Process Technologist he is deeply involved in setting the industry standards for pharmaceutical spray drying.

DR HARALD STAHL, GEA, GERMANY
Dr. Harald Stahl worked in the Pharmaceutical Development of Schering AG in Germany. At that time his main interest was the aseptic production of pellets. Since 1995 he served within GEA Process Technology in various positions. Presently he owns the position of a Group Director Application & Strategy Management of GEA. He has published more than 20 papers on various aspects of pharmaceutical production.

DR JOAO VICENTE, HOVIONE FARMACIENCIA SA, PORTUGAL
João Vicente has an academic background in Chemical Engineering and Pharmaceutical Technology. His PhD thesis, entitled Modeling and Optimization of Spray Drying Processes under QbD Principles, was sponsored by Hovione and performed under industrial conditions. During the research João has developed predictive tools to support scale-up activities. Since then, João Vicente has been working at Hovione as Scientist in the Drug Product Development Group and has participated in the Development and Validation of several spray drying processes.
Easy Registration
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Date
Tuesday, 7 June 2016, 10.00 to approx 17.45 h, (Registration and coffee 09.30 – 10.00 h)
Wednesday 8 June 2016, 08.30 to approx 16.45 h, Thursday, 9 June 2016, 8.30-15.30/16.00-20.00 h
1 approx. airport arrival
2 approx. return to hotel

There will be a shuttle service after the guided tour for those participants who cannot take part in the workshop. This shuttle will leave at 12.30 h and arrive at the airport at approx. 13.00 h and approx. at 13.30 at the hotel.

Venue
Lisbon Marriott Hotel
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- ECA Members € 1,790
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The conference fee is payable in advance after receipt of invoice and includes conference documentation, dinner on 7 June, lunch on 7 and 8 June, a business lunch on 9 June and all refreshments.

There will be a bus transfer after the guided tour and after the hand-on session to the hotel via the airport.

In certain cases a participation in the workshop may not be possible due to competitive reasons.

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Organisation and Contact
ECA has entrusted Concept Heidelberg with the organisation of this event.

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