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# Validation in Pharmaceutical Analysis



ICH Q2 Revision, Lifecycle Concept, Precision, and Accuracy,  
Live Online Training on 13 March 2024



Specificity/Selectivity, Response (Calibration Model), Impurities and  
Quantitation Limit, Live Online Training on 14 March 2024



## Highlights

### ICH Q2 Revision, Lifecycle Concept, Precision, and Accuracy

- Important adjustments and complementations in Q2 revision 2 – Mission accomplished?
- The Analytical Procedure Lifecycle – USP General Information Chapter <1220>, ICH Q14 / Q2(R2)
- Analytical Target Profile – Performance requirements (acceptance criteria for suitability)
- Performance characteristics and error types
- Aspects of an efficient validation
- Design of precision studies, calculation and optimisation of precision
- Accuracy by comparison, recovery, combined with precision
- Appropriate application of significance and equivalence tests
- How to avoid mistakes in validation

### Specificity/Selectivity, Response (Calibration Model), Impurities and Quantitation Limit

- Specificity – peak purity investigations, samples for investigation of specificity
- "Response" instead of "Linearity" – requirements to calibration models, statistical calculations
- Validation of impurities
- Quantitation limit (blank procedures, from linear response, from precision)
- How to avoid mistakes in validation

## Objectives

Besides regulatory expectations, in particular the new ones in Q2(R2), this Live Online Training provides practical recommendations and orientation for demonstration of the on-going suitability of analytical procedures. A rational and efficient validation approach is ultimately based on the respective routine application, which should be reflected in the validation design. This includes the identification of the relevant performance parameters, the selection of appropriate tests and calculations and, in particular, the establishment of acceptance criteria for the evaluation.

Both trainings focus on the relevant performance characteristics, taking the - long-awaited - revision of the ICH Q2 guideline as well as the new Q14 guideline Analytical Procedure Development from November 2023 into consideration. Lifecycle aspects will be included in the discussion.

## Background

According to EU GMP Guide Part 1, Chapter 6, Quality Control (6.15) and US 21 CFR 211.194, analytical procedures must be suitable for their intended purpose. The regulatory requirements to validation of analytical procedures utilised for release and stability studies of drug substances and drug products are described in the ICH guideline Q2(R2). However, its degree of detail is rather low, and the examples provided in Annex 2 often lack orientation beyond the guideline text. The lifecycle aspect of validation is treated in Q2(R2) rather as the "poor stepchild", but covered better in the new ICH Guideline Q14 Analytical Procedure Development, and - in a true holistic way - in the USP General Information Chapter <1220> The Analytical Procedure Lifecycle.

## Target Audience

These Live Online Training Courses are aimed at executives and employees from Quality Control, Quality Assurance, and regulatory who want to gain a better understanding of the GMP requirements for validation of analytical procedures, in particular the new aspects and requirements of the revised ICH guideline Q2(R2), and who are interested in practical recommendations for an efficient design, execution, and evaluation of a successful analytical validation.



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## Programme "ICH Q2 Revision, Lifecycle Concept, and Precision, and Accuracy"

### Lifecycle Concept, ICH Q2 Revision and Q14

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- The Analytical Procedure Lifecycle – USP General Information Chapter <1220> and ICH Q14
- Overview on important adjustments and complementations in ICH Q2(R2)
- Reportable range

### Analytical Target Profile

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- Requirements to the analytical performance
- Error types
- ATP in Q2(R2) and Q14
- Evaluation of performance parameters (simple, statistical)
- Aspects of an efficient validation

### Precision

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- Precision levels (system precision, repeatability, intermediate precision, reproducibility)
- Precision in ICH Q2(R2)
- Acceptance limits for assay
  - Derivation from probability, measurement uncertainty, tolerance factors
- Design of precision studies and calculations
  - Uncertainty of precisions: point estimators and confidence intervals
- Optimisation of precision by averaging (replication strategy)
  - Precision of the reportable value (small molecules, bioassay)
  - Assay for small molecules, bioassay

### Accuracy

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- ICH Q2(R2): Comparison, recovery, and technology-inherent justification, combined evaluation of accuracy and precision
- Statistical significance and equivalence tests
- Variability and expected difference between means
- Acceptance criteria for assay



Workshop:  
Multiple Choice Questions  
(from Publications)

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- How to avoid mistakes in validation

## Programme

### "Specificity/Selectivity, Response (Calibration Model), Impurities and Quantitation Limit"

#### Specificity/Selectivity

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- Adjustments in ICH Q2(R2)
- Comparison and (chromatographic) separation
- Samples for investigation of specificity
- Peak purity investigations

#### Response (Calibration Model)

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- Changes in the revised ICH Q2 guideline
- Requirements to calibration models
  - linear single-point and multiple-point calibration,
  - weighted linear regression
  - non-linear calibration
- Statistical calculations (regression, suitable parameters)
- Acceptance criteria for calibration function
  - residual and sensitivity plot
  - ordinate intercept
- Non-linear response functions

#### Validation of Impurities

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- Concentration dependency of precision (Horwitz function)
- Acceptance limits for accuracy and precision of impurities
- Recovery
- UV-response factors

#### Lower Range Limit Verification

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- ICH Q2(R2): Quantitation limit and reporting threshold
- Capability and requirement-based quantitation limits
- Determination of the quantitation limit (blank procedures, from response (calibration model), from precision)
- Consideration of practical relevance (samples, concentration range for linearity approaches)



#### Workshop: Multiple Choice Questions (from Publications)

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- How to avoid mistakes in validation

## Speaker of both Training Courses



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Following study of biochemistry and PhD thesis in enzyme kinetics at the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, and a post-doc scholarship in Cambridge, UK, Dr. Ermer worked for almost 30 years in various positions in industrial Quality Control. His responsibilities included head of laboratory within the analytical drug development at Hoechst AG, Frankfurt, Germany, a global function as Director of Analytical Processes and Technology at Aventis, head of Quality Control and head of QC Lifecycle Management Frankfurt Chemistry, Sanofi, Germany, and Sanofi Global Reference Standard Coordinator. Since December 2020, he serves as consultant for topics of pharmaceutical analytics and Quality Control. Dr. Ermer is member of the Focus Group "Analytics and Quality Assurance", International Association of Pharmaceutical Technology (APV), of the Ph.Eur. Working Group "Chromatographic Separation Techniques" and of the USP Expert Committee "Measurement and Data Quality". He authored more than 50 publications on analytical topics and is editor and author of the two editions of the book "Method Validation in Pharmaceutical Analysis. A Guide to Best Practice" (Wiley-VCH, 2005 and 2015). The third edition is in preparation and scheduled for publication mid-2024.



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## Date of the Live Online Training ICH Q2 Revision, Lifecycle Concept, Precision, and Accuracy

Wednesday, 13 March 2024, 14.00 h – 18.00 h CET



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Thursday, 14 March 2024, 14.00 h – 18.00 h CET

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