



## Speakers



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# GMP for Beginners in Sterile Manufacturing

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## Highlights

- Clean rooms and Barrier Systems
- Microbiological basics
- Training requirements
- Cleaning and Disinfection
- Hygiene
- Sterilisation Processes
- Environmental Monitoring
- Media Fills
- Handling failures – CAPA
- Inspections – Audits - Observations

Incl. workshop: “Entering the clean area” and  
Case studies “Establishing an environmental  
monitoring program and handling of failures in  
microbiology”

## Objective

The course is designed for people working in sterile manufacturing to get basic knowledge of GMP.

- You get to know the most important pharmaceutical regulations for sterile manufacturing and their importance,
- You get a basic overview of general GMP requirements and specific requirements in sterile manufacturing and
- You become familiar with the most important basic processes in sterile pharmaceutical production.

## Background

Knowing and applying the GMP regulations is one of the key elements in the manufacture of medicinal products and medical devices. Particularly in the manufacture of sterile medicinal products, employees have to comply with extensive requirements. Against this background, employees have to know the GMP requirements and must know how to use them in practice.

The question is: how can employees implement in their daily work regulations which are usually formulated in a very general manner?

The aim of the course is to help answer this question and enable the concrete transfer of regulatory requirements into practice. Where are the main difficulties and how can they be solved pragmatically? The course will present elements and situations which employees are regularly confronted with, like for example:

- Correct cleaning / disinfection
- Behaviour in clean rooms
- Correctly passing into the clean rooms
- Environmental Monitoring
- Performance of Media Fills

## Target Audience

The course is directed to staff from the healthcare industry having no or little experience with the current GMP requirements for sterile manufacturing. This includes both employees who, after their vocational training, enter the pharmaceutical industry and experienced colleagues who work for the first time in sterile manufacturing areas. Suppliers who have to understand the quality requirements of their customers should also attend this course.

## Programme

### Introduction – What is specific for sterile manufacturing?

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- What does sterile actually mean?
- Controlling raw material supply
- Sterilisation
- Sterile Manufacturing Facilities
- Process simulations
- Microbiological control

### Regulations for sterile manufacturing

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- Overview of regulation hierarchy
- Regulations on Aseptic Processing
- Applicable ISO standards

### Microbiological basics

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- Characteristics of microorganisms
- Microbial growth
- Microbial identification techniques
- Detection methods and their limitations

### Clean rooms and Barrier Systems

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- Differences in the technology
- Decontamination vs. Disinfection
- Validation aspects
- Environmental monitoring
- Risk considerations

### Specific training requirements for sterile manufacturing

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- Basics of microbiology
- Contamination sources and -transfer
- Clean rooms
- Hygienic behaviour

### Cleaning and disinfection

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- Definitions
- Requirements - results – parameters
- Types of detergents and disinfectants
- Microbiological efficacy
- Compatibility of materials
- Types of application
- Surface wetting

### Hygiene

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- General definitions
- Purpose and function to pharmaceutical manufacturing with reference to personnel, surfaces, equipment
- Diversity of hazard – hazard analysis
- Clean room conception
- Gowning procedures
- Decontamination procedures



### Workshop: Entering the clean area

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- Requirements
- How to meet the criteria - practice

Entering a clean area is a very critical step to fulfil the GMP requirements. Employees must be trained and qualified and the gowning process must be validated. Attendees will learn different procedures and discuss the advantages and disadvantages.

## Sterilisation processes

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- Controlling bioburden / pyroburden
- Autoclaving
- Filtration
- Dry heat
- Gamma irradiation
- Ethylene Oxide

## Involvement of the microbiological lab

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- Counting micro-organisms
- Identifying micro-organisms
- Process validation
- Validating the sterility test
- Raw material testing strategy
- Trouble Shooting

## Environmental monitoring

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- Regulatory requirements
- Content and establishing of an environmental monitoring program
- Requirements concerning media and media suppliers
- Documentation and trending

## Media Fill

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- Regulatory requirements
- Microbiological media types
- Process simulation contamination
- Sample incubation
- Laboratory work
- Formal report

## Handling failures in sterile manufacturing

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- Historic background
- Regulatory Requirements
- Example for a Non-conformity System
- Case studies



### Case studies „Establishing an environmental monitoring program and handling of failures in microbiology“

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Some practical examples from a pharmaceutical company will be demonstrated and discussed with the attendees.

## Inspections / Audits / Observations

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- Preparing for a formal inspection
- Managing an FDA audit of sterile manufacturing
- Internal audit program
- Real world observations
- Your OOS and OOT process

## Speakers



**Michael Grosser**  
Novartis Pharma Stein AG, Schweiz

Mr Grosser studied Microbiology at the Albert Ludwig University in Freiburg im Breisgau. Then worked for 14 years as Head of Microbiology at UFAG Laboratorien AG, Eurofins Scientific AG and GP Grenzach Produktions GmbH (Bayer Health Care). Since 2009 he is working for Novartis Pharma Stein AG as Senior QA-Specialist, responsible for environmental monitoring in the sterile plant, QA-Oversight, validation of new cleanrooms or isolators, deviation-management and microbiological product release.



**Wolf-Dieter Wanner**  
Augsburg, Germany

Mr Wanner studied pharmacy at the University of Munich. He started working in a free pharmacy and later joined Henkel KGaA in Düsseldorf to establish a German decontamination business relating to the industry. At Ecolab Deutschland GmbH as a sales manager he integrated the German clean room business with Adams Healthcare and Shield Medicare into an international contamination control team focused upon pharmaceutical aseptic manufacturing. Since 2011 he works as a freelancer consultant.



**Dr Björn Wiese**  
Zimmer Biomet GmbH, Winterthur, Switzerland

From 1996 to 2000 Björn Wiese worked as project manager in R&D of Danisco Ingredients, Niebüll, Germany, and developed start up cultures. Since November 2000, he had been head of the microbiology department of Hameln Pharmaceuticals, Hameln, Germany. From 2005 - 2010 Björn worked at the pharmaceutical production site of Cilag in Schaffhausen, Switzerland. 2011 he joined Zimmer GmbH now as Director Sterilization Technology and Analytical Testing Testing.



**Dr Florian Witte**  
Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma GmbH & Co. KG, Ingelheim, Germany

Florian Witte is Chemist by education. He works in the pharmaceutical industry at Boehringer Ingelheim since 20 years in different positions. Since 2017 he is responsible for aseptic quality assurance of a factory filling aseptic inhalation solutions.

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In the evening of the first course day, 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.

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- GMP for Beginners in Sterile Manufacturing, 27/28 October 2020, Berlin, Germany
- Process Simulation / Media Fills, 29/30 October 2020, Berlin, Germany

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## Date

Tuesday, 27 October 2020, 09.30 h – 17.30 h

(Registration and coffee 09.00 h – 09.30 h)

Wednesday, 28 October 2020, 09.00 h – 16.15 h

## Venue

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## Fees (per delegate, plus VAT)

ECA Members € 1,490

APIC Members € 1,590

Non-ECA Members € 1,690

EU GMP Inspectorates € 845

The conference fee is payable in advance after receipt of invoice and includes conference documentation, dinner on the first day, lunch on both days and all refreshments. VAT is reclaimable.



## Would you like to save money?

If you register for the course GMP for Beginners in Sterile Manufacturing AND Process Simulation/Media Fills (on 29-30 October 2020) simultaneously, the fees reduce as follows:

ECA Members € 2,790

APIC Members € 2,890

Non-ECA Members € 2,990

EU GMP Inspectorates € 1,690

## Accommodation

CONCEPT HEIDELBERG has reserved a limited number of rooms in the conference hotel. You will receive a room reservation form/POG when you have registered for the course. Reservation should be made directly with the hotel. Early reservation is recommended.

## Registration

Via the attached reservation form, by e-mail or by fax message. Or you register online at [www.gmp-compliance.org](http://www.gmp-compliance.org).

## Conference language

The official conference language will be English.

## Organisation and Contact

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

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