How to write the Quality Part of an IMPD

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Highlights

- Drug substance and drug product quality data – what has to be considered
- Substantial amendments and notification obligations
- Stability Considerations
- Quality information of comparator products and placebos
- IMPD for biotech products
- Manufacture of clinical trial formulations
- Planning of an IMPD
- Quality information required for global clinical trials

Requirements to chemical and pharmaceutical quality documentation for an IMP dossier
Objectives

This education course highlights the key principles of the Quality Part of an IMPD for Investigational Medicinal Products, both of chemical and biotechnological origin. You will get to know the essential aspects relevant for compiling the IMPD Quality Part and you will learn:

- How to prepare and process the quality related information for drug substance and drug product
- How to manage and document changes concerning quality data
- How to consider quality parameters of drug substance and drug product with potential clinical relevance
- How to describe the manufacturing process development for a biotech IMP
- How to process and document stability data for an IMPD of a biotech product

Background

An IMPD is required for every Investigational Medicinal Product (IMP) to be used in a clinical study, regardless of whether it is the test product itself, a reference product already authorised or a placebo. The IMPD includes summaries of information related to the quality, manufacture and control of the IMP as well as data from non-clinical and clinical studies. Furthermore, it contains an overall risk-benefit assessment and critical analyses of the non-clinical and clinical data related to the potential risks and benefits of the proposed study.

In March 2006 the CHMP “Guideline on the Requirements to the Chemical and Pharmaceutical Quality Documentation concerning Investigational Medicinal Products in Clinical Trials” was published in Chapter III of Volume 10 of EudraLex.

Another CHMP Guidance for Biologicals entitled “Guideline on the Requirements for Quality Documentation concerning Biological Investigational Medicinal Products in Clinical Trials” was adopted in March 2012 and became effective in April 2012.

Target Audience

This education course is designed for all persons involved in the compilation of IMPDs who want to become familiar with the requirements for the quality documentation of investigational medicinal products. The course will be of interest in particular for personnel from Regulatory Affairs as well as for personnel from Quality Assurance, Quality Control and Production.

Programme

Why do we need an IMPD?

Legal framework and regulatory requirements

- Regulatory Requirements
- Challenges
- Practical Hints
- Sources of Information

General requirements to an IMPD

- Structure and Content
- Planning
- Preparation
- Submission

Quality Documentation for a Biotech IMPD – manufacturing process and analytical characterisation

- Description of the manufacturing process, control of critical steps
- Manufacturing process development
- Characterisation and control of the active substance

Quality Documentation for a Biotech IMPD – product control and stability studies

- Control of excipients
- Specifications, batch analysis
- Stability data
- Substantial amendments

Drug Substance – Description of the Manufacturing Process

- Control of critical steps and intermediates
- Control of Impurities
- Analytical Procedures and validation requirements
- Justification of specifications and stability data

Writing of the drug product section of an IMPD

- Key aspects
- Practical examples
Quality information of authorised modified and non-modified comparator products

- Description and Composition
- Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC)
- Additional information for Phase II and Phase III clinical trials
- Quality information on existing active substances in bio-equivalence studies
- Quality information on placebo products

Case Study: Planning of an IMPD

This workshop will focus on the essentials of clinical trials. The participants will get practical advice on how to successfully plan and prepare IMPDs.

How to manage and document changes to IMP quality data – Substantial amendments

- Changes that need to be notified
- Amendments that are to be regarded as "substantial"
- When have changes to be notified?
- Some examples

Quality information required for global clinical trials

- Role of Investigators Brochure
- IMPD vs IND?
- Other countries e.g. Canada, Japan, China etc. – one dossier for all?

Social Event

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.

Speakers

Dr Wolfram Eisenreich, Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma GmbH & Co. KG, Germany

Dr Eisenreich is a pharmacist by training and received his PhD at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich in 2002. He worked for one year as a Postdoctoral Scientist at GlaxoSmithKline at three different departments and locations in the USA. In 2003, he joined Boehringer Ingelheim and headed formulation development groups in Biberach, Germany and Ridgefield, USA. Since 2010 he is heading the Central Clinical Trial Bulk Manufacture Solids group at Boehringer Ingelheim. Amongst other things, he is now responsible for blinding of comparator products, development of matching placebo products and authoring of the respective IMP documents.

Dr Jörg Engelbergs, Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI), Germany

Federal Agency for Vaccines and Biomedicines
Dr Engelbergs studied biology at the university of Düsseldorf and Duisburg-Essen. After his PhD he worked in different positions at the German Cancer Center before he joined the PEI in 2006 as Scientific-Regulatory Expert Biomedicines (Quality, Non-Clinic, Pers. Medicines - Biomarker/CDx).

Dr Hiltrud Horn, Horn Pharmaceutical Consulting, Germany

Dr Horn is managing director of HORN PHARMACEUTICAL CONSULTING with focus on CMC, GMP and Regulatory Affairs. She started in pharma industry in 1990 and held several managerial positions within Hoffmann-La Roche in Basel and Knoll (Abbott) with global responsibility within QC / QA / Regulatory Affairs / Project Management / Medical Writing.

Dr Claus-Dieter Schiller, F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Switzerland

Dr Schiller has studied Chemistry at the University in Regensburg. He received his PhD at the Institute of Pharmaceutical Chemistry in Regensburg. Since 1995 he is working in Global Technical Registration of F. Hoffmann La Roche. Dr Schiller has held different positions within Technical Registration dealing with different aspects of filings of synthetic products ranging from clinical trials, NDAs to post-approval changes. In his present position he is group manager of Documentation & Training.
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