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Extractables & Leachables

Challenges and Solutions for Packaging and Single Use Systems



Live Online Training on 7/8 May 2024



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Highlights

- Current Regulatory Requirements
- Practical Approaches for E&L Testing
- Evaluation of E&L Data
- Toxicological Assessment
- Leachable Studies for SUS
- How to use prior Knowledge and IT Solutions

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Objectives

Over the last years, the requirements on the assessment of substances that could leach into the drug product in the course of its life cycle have increased considerably.

The specific kind of extractable/leachable can vary from organic oligomers and catalyst residues to heavy metals – to name a few. Due to the resulting complexity, it is very important to consider the potential risk factors associated with leaching substances already at a very early stage in process development. Therefore, the ICH is currently working on a new ICH Q3E Guideline for Extractables and Leachables (E&L) to “assist both applicants and regulators by providing focus on critical aspects, and improving transparency in requirements for medicinal products including drug delivery device components”.

Packaging materials have been in the focus of such investigations for a long time as the contact time between drug product and packaging material is rather long.

But in addition, you have also to consider other possible sources of contamination. Recently, particular attention was paid to devices and equipment used in the production process itself, e.g. filters, bags, tubes. The trend towards single-use equipment might relieve the pressure on cleaning validation and the need to introduce control strategies along the supply chain to avoid unintentional added impurities in materials. At the same time E&L testing will become a topic of major concern.

Within the scope of this Live Online Training, all relevant aspects of Pharmacopoeia/GMP-compliant E&L testing will be addressed ranging from regulatory requirements to routine testing in quality control.

Experienced industry & authority speakers share their in-depth knowledge with you.

Target Audience

This Live Online Training is designed for personnel of pharmaceutical companies and their suppliers who

- are responsible for setting up E&L studies.
- perform E&L testing.
- work in quality control of packaging materials.
- specify and select polymeric, glass and rubber materials in process development.
- specify and select Single Use Equipment for manufacturing.
- develop material sourcing strategies.

Programme

Day 1

Introduction to Plastics used in Medical Applications

- Classification of plastics
- Physical and chemical characteristics
- Different types of additives in plastics

Regulatory Perspective (Authority View)

- Applicable Guidelines (EU)
- Update on ICH Q3E
- Experiences in regulatory submissions

Regulatory and Scientific Perspective (Industry View)

- Regulatory requirements of EMA and US-FDA
- Compendial requirements and foodstuff regulations
- PQRI recommendations and ICH Guidelines: Safety Thresholds and Permitted Daily Exposure
- USP <1663>, <1664>: Best Practices for E&L testing
- Scientific Aspects




Q&A Session 1


How to Prepare a Successful E&L Study

- E&L Study organization for finished packaging's, timely planning
- Extractables study designs as part of material qualification and selection
- Selection of extraction conditions and methods
- Identification categories, trustable identification,
- Semi-quantitation, analytical uncertainty
- Analytical methods, target analysis or screening or both
- Analytical sensitivity adjustment, correlation with analytical evaluation threshold
- Impact of sterilization methods on materials chemical composition

Strategies for Complex Formulated Drug Products

- Analytical method requirements, validation of Leachables analytical methods
- Development of Leachables strategies based on Extractable profile and toxicological report
- How to deal with trustable and poorly characterized chemical profiles
- How to establish the “chemical link” between Extractables & Leachables
- Leachables observed only in Leachables study but not in the Extractables Study: What to do?
- OOS case

 „The leachables profile should also be determined for compendial plastics and rubber container closure components.“
EMA Guideline on Pharmaceutical quality of inhalation and nasal products

 „For plastic material used for container closure systems for active substances or medicinal products, toxicological data should be provided for extractables and leachables, depending on their level and chemical structure.“
Eudralex Volume 3 Guideline on Plastic Immediate Packaging Materials

Suitability of Packaging Systems for Medicinal Products: Compendial Perspective

Rationale and current thinking around USP's packaging standards

- How Chemical Characterization is being integrated into USP packaging standards
- Update on USP plastic, glass and elastomeric standards
- Characterization of components used to manufacture drug products
- Proposals for SST Mixtures in support of chromatographic screening

Q&A Session 2

Day 2

Elastomeric Closures in E&L Assessment

- Composition of Elastomers used for Pharmaceutical Applications
- Discussion Material Composition and Extractables (Potential Extractable List)
- Approaches to minimize Extractables/ Leachables from Elastomeric Closures
- Case Study presentation

Extractables from Glass

- Glass composition
- Type of extractables from glass
- Risk evaluation of glass extractables
- Concepts to avoid extractables from glass


Control and Life Cycle Management of E&Ls


- Batch-to-batch consistency in composition and purity of packaging components
- Acceptance criteria for Extractables/Leachables
- Quality agreements with suppliers
- Change Management

Q&A Session 3

QSAR Tools in Toxicological Risk Assessment of E&Ls

- Endpoints required for a Toxicological Risk Assessment
- Which endpoints can be covered by QSAR tools?
- Free or commercial software?
- Acceptance by authorities
- Demonstration of assessments with QSAR tools
- In vitro studies as support of QSAR tools

 “All surfaces that come in contact with products shall be clean and free of surface solids, leachable contaminants, and other materials that will hasten the deterioration of the product or otherwise render it less suitable for the intended use.” CFR21, 600.11 (b)

 “All final containers and closures shall be clean and free of surface solids, leachable contaminants and other materials that will hasten the deterioration of the product or otherwise render it less suitable for the intended use.” 21CFR, 600.11 (h)

E&Ls for SUS as Elements of Process Qualification/ Validation and Safety Assessment

- Single-Use process equipment (e.g. filters, bags)
- Risk-based evaluation and testing strategies
- Influence of leachables on:
 - biopharmaceutical process performance
 - the stability of biopharmaceuticals
 - the analytics of biopharmaceuticals

Simplified E&L Assessment using prior Knowledge and IT Solutions

- Prediction of extractables profiles for SUS of different sizes and complex assemblies
- Calculation of exposure data, with a subsequent automated safety-assessment; including a discussion of deviations and propagation of deviations
- Equivalence study of extractables profiles from an SU assembly before and after a component change, including the evaluation of the impact on the safety assessment
- Using the system to extrapolate extractables data to USP <665> conditions for a safety assessment of a large volume injectable drug product

Q&A Session 4

Speakers



Dr Katrin Buss

Quality Assessor, Bonn, Germany (invited)

Katrin Buss is a pharmacist and worked from 2001-2004 as Scientific Project Manager at Memorec/Miltenyi Biotec. Since 2005 she is quality assessor in the department "Pharmaceutical Biotechnology" at the BfArM (since April 2023 Head of the department). She is member of the ICH Q3E EWG on Assessment and Control of Extractables and Leachables.



Lothar Fruth

Tox Expert GmbH, Germany

Lothar Fruth studied Pharmacy at the university of Regensburg and Hamburg. He received his degree as "Specialised Pharmacist for Toxicology and Ecology". He is lecturer for toxicology at the Chamber of Pharmacists in Lower Saxony as well as member of the examinations board for toxicologists.



Dr Armin Hauk

Sartorius Stedim Biotech GmbH, Germany

After his PhD in 1995, Armin joined the central analytical department of Ciba-Geigy Inc., amongst others with focus on E&L investigations. From 2010 on Armin was active as consultant mainly in the area of E&L for Intertek in Basel. Since June 2016 Armin has a position at Sartorius-Stedim Biotech as Principal Scientist E&L.



Dr Dennis Jenke

Triad Scientific Solutions, USA

Dennis got a PhD from Montana State University Bozeman in Analytical Chemistry. He worked over 33 years for Baxter. His primary responsibilities include the development, validation and application of diverse analytical strategies and methods for the discovery, identification and quantification of trace constituents in pharmaceutically relevant solutions and samples. Currently he is Chief Executive Scientist at Triad Scientific Solutions, Inc. which is his own consulting firm.



Dr Ana Marques Kuschel

West Pharmaceutical Deutschland GmbH & Co. KG, Germany

As Principal Scientific Affairs Europe, Ana is providing technical support relating to West's packaging components and delivery systems for injectable drugs and healthcare products, as well as bridging scientific information through industry outreach. This is complementing her previous role as Manager Material Development, where she worked on both existing and new rubber formulations. Ana holds a PhD in macromolecular chemistry and is an active member of the ISO TC 76.



Dr Andreas Nixdorf

SGS Institut Fresenius GmbH, Germany

Dr Nixdorf studied organic chemistry at the University of Bielefeld. 2007 to 2010 he joined SGS Institute Fresenius GmbH with focus on development of analytical methods, method transfer and validation. He introduced Extractables & Leachables services at SGS. He troubleshoots and directs the resolution of QC method issues by fostering effective interdepartmental and cross-functional partnerships with clients from pharmaceutical industry.

Speakers



Gaby Reckzügel
Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma
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Gaby Reckzügel is leading the Center of Expertise for Extractables & Leachables within Development at Boehringer. Here she is involved in the selection of materials and is responsible for chemical characterization of packaging, device, and process equipment components and for leachables studies. She is in charge of development and validation of routine quality control methods.



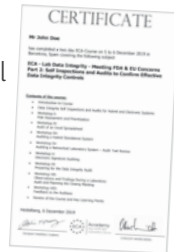
Dr Jörg Zürcher
Bayer AG, Germany

His responsibility is the development of containers for new products as well as for the market product in the course of life-cycle management with focus on packaging of liquid dosage forms. In addition, he is responsible for the development of application systems like pre-filled syringes or unique, product-specific devices.

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