Highlights

- Regulatory Requirements & Update of Compendial Standards:
  - EU
  - USA
- Glass Delamination
- Container Closure Integrity (CCI)
- Packaging and the Common Technical Document (CTD)
- Development of Specifications for Container Closure Systems
- Combination Products & Update on Medical Devices
- How to Define the Shelf-life for Packaging Components?
- Extractables/Leachables
- Application of AQL & Defect Evaluation Lists
- Risk-based QC System for Packaging Materials
- Control of Packaging Material
  - Primary
  - Secondary
- Supplier Management
- Dimensional Checks
Programme

Objective
The focus of these 2 GMP Education Courses is on the development and routine control of pharmaceutical packaging systems.

In Course 1 participants will learn how to develop pharmaceutical packaging materials systematically, and how to translate the requirements of the Common Technical Document (CTD) to regulatory documents for packaging materials. Topics to be addressed include compendial standards, container closure integrity, and combination products.

Course 2 will focus on the testing of a variety of different packaging materials, as carried out in every incoming-goods laboratory in quality control. This includes the setting of sound and scientific specifications and Acceptable Quality Levels (AQLs), the control of dimensions, and the control of primary and secondary packaging materials.

Background
There is a great number of regulatory requirements on pharmaceutical packaging materials, in the pharmacopoeias, the GMP regulations, in the FDA guidances, etc. Packaging materials also have to be described in the registration process of a drug product according to the requirements of the CTD.

The development of pharmaceutical packaging systems is an increasingly complex topic, which is reflected in the most recent requirements for combination products. To cover all relevant aspects a thorough target product profile needs to be set up. Not only regulatory requirements drive container closure system development, also current hot topics such as container closure integrity and glass delamination need to be considered as well.

Furthermore, the pharmaceutical manufacturer has to guarantee that only such packaging materials are used that are correctly printed on, in conformity with the specifications and in compliance with the regulatory requirements.

In order to determine the scope of the tests for the quality control of pharmaceutical packaging materials, the “Defect Evaluation Lists” have proved efficient. The responsibility for the tests lies now more and more with the manufacturers of packaging materials, while the pharmaceutical industry tries to reduce testing at the same time. However, as a precondition for this, additional QA measures, like supplier qualification, audits and supply agreements, have to be taken.

Target Audience
These GMP Education Courses are designed for employees working in pharmaceutical research and development, regulatory affairs, quality control, incoming goods control of packaging materials, and quality assurance departments. They are also directed at employees of suppliers of primary and secondary packaging materials for the pharmaceutical industry.

Programme

Part 1:
Pharmaceutical Packaging Systems - Development

Regulatory Requirements applicable to Pharmaceutical Packaging Materials
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)
- US Guidance for Industry: Container Closure Systems
- EC Guidance: Plastic Immediate Packaging Materials

Glass Delamination
- What is delamination
- What is the route cause
- Contribution to delamination
- How to avoid
- How to control

Container Closure Integrity (CCI)
- Definition (Leakage)
- Test methods
- USP <1207>

Update of Compendial Standards
- USP E&L <1663>, <1664>
- Glass delamination – USP, Ph.Eur.
- Rubber section JP, Elastomers USP <381>
- Ph.Eur. plastic materials, USP <661>, <665>

Packaging Related Topics of the Common Technical Document (CTD)
- CTD structure (packaging related)
- Translation of CTD requirements to Technical Regulatory Documents (TRD)
- Best practice (blister and infusion bottle)

Development of Specifications for Container Closure Systems
- Transforming a wish-list into a target profile
- Conversion of a target profile into a specification
- Critical parameters / acceptance criteria

Combination Products
- Definitions and regulations
- Development process
- Documentation

Update on Medical Devices and Drug-Device Combination Products/Medical Devices
- New EU regulation on Medical Devices and how to be prepared
- Other upcoming regulations and guidances for combination products
Shelf-life of Packaging Components

- Why is a defined shelf-life required?
- How to define the shelf-life for packaging components?
- Re-Testing of packaging components

Extractables/Leachables

- Regulatory background
- Principles of extractable and leachable testing
- Potential extractables of different container materials
- PQRI initiative on parenteral & ophthalmics
- ICH genotoxic impurities vs. leachables values

End of Course 1 / Registration for Course 2

Part 2:
Pharmaceutical Packaging Systems - Quality Control

Defect Evaluation Lists

- Manufacturing of moulded and tubular glass containers
- Application of AQL (Acceptable Quality Level) Concept
- Concept of Defect Evaluation List
- Special Defect Evaluation Lists: Containers made of moulded and tubular glass

Control of Printed Packaging Materials

- Legal requirements
- Level of certification
- Sample size & test procedures
- Reference samples vs. retention samples (Annex 19)

Workshop I
Examples of Defective Glass Packaging Materials

The aim of this workshop is to discuss in small discussion groups the evaluation of some defective packaging materials that are presented. Are the defects of these packaging materials critical or non-critical? Has the lot to be rejected or can it still be used? Participants will learn how to apply the general recommendations of accepted and published Defect Evaluation Lists for specific and individual packaging materials.

Moderator: Torsten Kneuss

Workshop II
Risk Management (Focus: FMEA)

The aim of this workshop is to define in small discussion groups the critical/major parameters to build up a suitable quality control system for your packaging materials. Focus will be on the practical application in a FMEA. The groups will evaluate

- What, why, and where to test
- Value of FMEA in the Quality Control concept for packaging materials
- Strategies for reduced testing

Moderator: Dr Gerald Kindermann

Dimensional Checks in Packaging Development and Quality Control

- Measurement equipment: overview
- Application ranges
- Practical examples

Technical Specifications

- Scope & content
- Concept (proposal)
- Template and practical example
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Jean-Francois Decoster holds a Master Degree in Chemical Engineering from the Brussels Industrial Superior School. After 5 years of experience with Eli Lilly & Co in Packaging Development, he joined UCB in 2005 where he took increasing responsibilities in Primary Packaging Development. Since 2010, he has been the Head of Primary Packaging Development for UCB. Currently he is Director & Head of Packaging Development & Industrialization.

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Torsten Kneuss studied Business Administration and Engineering. Since 1999 he has been working with pharmaceutical packaging materials, medical devices and combination products, including several years within the field of quality control, development, operations, and pharmacovigilance. Since November 2017 he is, as a Quality Manager Combination Products, responsible for devices and combination products within Bayer AG.

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Dates
Part 1:
Pharmaceutical Packaging Systems - Development
Tuesday, 18 February 2020, 10.00 h - 18.00 h
(Registration and coffee 09.30 h - 10.00 h)
Wednesday, 19 February 2020, 08.30 h - 12.30 h

Part 2:
Pharmaceutical Packaging Systems - Quality Control
Wednesday, 19 February 2020, 14.00 h - 18.30 h
(Registration and coffee 13.30 h - 14.00 h)
Thursday, 20 February 2020, 08.30 h – 16.00 h

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Non-ECA Members € 1,490
EU GMP Inspectorates € 745
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