Efficient Supplier Qualification

With an optional pre-course Session on 06 May:
What you need to know about Suppliers in China and India

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Highlights
- Regulatory Background and Expectations of the Agencies
- How to increase Efficiency in Supplier Qualification
  - Quality Risk Management
  - Third Party Audits
  - Reduced Testing
- Integration of Suppliers, Logistic Providers, Contract Manufacturers and Laboratories in the Quality System
  - Selection
  - Contracts
  - Change Control
  - Complaints
  - Roles and Responsibilities
- The Role of Purchasing
- International Trade Law
  - Applicable commercial legislation
  - Jurisdiction

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Optional pre-course Session on Suppliers from China and India on 06 May
Objectives

During this course, you will learn all relevant aspects to implement and/or improve a comprehensive and integrated Supplier Qualification System which fulfills regulatory GMP requirements. Furthermore, you will get to know possibilities and tools to increase efficiency and decrease costs at your company.

Background

Qualification and audits of suppliers, contract manufacturers and laboratories and other service providers are an important part of each Quality System. But what is required and which steps are really necessary? And is it possible to even decrease audit activities?

Starting materials should only be purchased from approved suppliers. EU Directive 2004/27/EC states that the manufacturer shall only use active substances, which have been manufactured in accordance with the detailed guidelines on GMP for starting materials. But also in contract manufacture and analysis, the contract giver is responsible for assessing the legality, suitability and the competence of the contract acceptor to follow GMP (EU Guide to GMP [7.5]).

The requirements and efforts to qualify suppliers should therefore not be underestimated. However, it seems that a downright ‘audit tourism’ has grown and suppliers and service providers are audited on site frequently and sometimes too often. In the globalising world more and more supplies are coming from countries like India and China. And qualifying these suppliers brings new challenges. This adds up to significant expenses for both the audited and the auditing company.

But supplier qualification is not limited to auditing. The whole process of supplier qualification and co-operation should be integrated in the existing Quality System of a company.

Target Audience

This course and its pre-course session are designed for all personnel involved in supplier qualification activities at their company and decision makers who want to improve the existing process. It is addressed to persons from Quality Assurance and Control, Procurement, Business Development, Manufacturing, Project Management and R&D.

Moderator

Wolfgang Schmitt, Concept Heidelberg (on behalf of ECA)
Case Studies:

When things go wrong
- Quality Risk Management to avoid delivery bottlenecks and drug shortage

A modular System for qualifying and maintaining Suppliers
- Integrating supplier qualification in the pharmaceutical quality system
- Interfaces with other departments
- Examples

Reduced Testing of supplied APIs and Excipients
- What guidance is available on reduced QC testing?
- EU and FDA expectations
- Information required before you start reducing
- Can APIs and excipients be covered within the same approach?
- Practical execution

Workshop on Risk Management in the Supply Chain: A risk based Approach to Supplier Qualification

An interactive session to establish where to best concentrate your resources to maximise the assurance of a reliable supply chain:
- Frequency of Supplier Audits based on Risk Assessment
- Defining risk in the audit program
- Compliance risk assessment

Programme pre-course Session:
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Sourcing from Asia: what Procurement and QA should know
- Trading company or manufacturer – how do I know?
- Different manufacturing sites – was the right one audited?
- Transport Qualification
- Typical GMP issues of Chinese plants
- What to consider when auditing a plant

India and China: cultural Aspects to consider when doing Business
- Meeting people for the first time - what to do and what not to do
- Guanxi - Chinese word for "relationship" - relationship vs. contract
- Decision making inside companies
- How to find out who is really in charge
- The Translator - chances and limits

The Indian and Chinese Pharma Market: an overview (legal structures, authorities)
- Overview about size and number of companies
- What documents make a company legal
- What different form of companies do exist
- CFDA - what are their powers, what are their limits
- The Chinese Tax and VAT system and its effect on purchases from China

Workshops:
A) Supply Chain Risk Assessment for China
B) Auditing in India
- Challenges and pitfalls
- What to look for
- Infrastructure and Transportation issues
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form. AbbVie GmbH & CoKG, Germany
Petra Barth has more than 20 years experience in global pharmaceutical business as QC and QA Manager, was acting as Head of QA Systems and front person for international inspections.

Prabjeet Dulai
GDP & Quality Matters Ltd., U.K
Prabjeet Dulai is a Consultant Responsible Person at GDP & Quality Matters Ltd. Before that she was the RP and Senior Supply Chain Pharmacist for the UK Ministry of Defence, and prior to this worked as a Pharmacist within the NHS/private hospital sector, retail and pharmaceutical industry.

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J.A.Moeller GmbH & Co. KG, Germany and China
York Moeller supports European and US companies in China to deal with government authorities, plants and distributors. He worked for various trading companies in Hong Kong, the U.S. and Germany, as Plant Manager of a German API producer in China and country head of China for a German pharmaceutical company.

Philipp Reusch
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Philipp Reusch is a lawyer focussing on contract and product liability. He is also an assistant lecturer at the University for Applied Sciences Cologne.

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Mukesh Patel is Managing Director of CommQP consultancy services. He has held posts in R&D, Procurement, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance in pharmaceutical industry.

Dr Franz Schönfeld,
District Government of Upper Franconia, Germany
Dr Franz Schönfeld is a GMP inspector at the centralised inspectorate for medicinal products of the government of Upper Bavaria. He is head of the expert working group for APIs at the Central Authority of the Federal States for Health Protection.

Dr Reto Theiß
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Dr Reto Theiß is Qualified Person. He also worked as Deputy Head of the Quality Control and Quality Assurance Department for Temmler Pharma.
Date
Pre-course Session: Suppliers from China and India
Wednesday, 06 May 2020, 9.00 – 17.30 h
(Registration and coffee 8.30 – 9.00 h)

GMP Education Course:
Efficient Supplier Qualification
Thursday, 07 May 2020, 9.00 – 17.45 h
(Registration and coffee 8.30 – 9.00 h)
Friday, 08 May 2020, 8.00 – 15.00 h

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Pre-course Session:
What you need to know about suppliers in China and India
ECA Members € 890
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EU GMP Inspectorates € 495

GMP Education Course: Efficient Supplier Qualification
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APIC Members € 1,590
Non-ECA Members € 1,690
EU GMP Inspectorates € 845

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Via the attached reservation form, by e-mail or by fax message. Or you register online at www.gmp-compliance.org.

Conference language
The official conference language will be English.

Organisation and Contact
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☐ Efficient Supplier Qualification, 07/08 May 2020, Vienna, Austria

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