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# Stability Studies to Support Shipping/ Distribution of Pharmaceuticals and Biopharmaceuticals



Live Online Training on 08 September 2022



## Highlights

- Stability programs and storage statements
- Mean Kinetic Temperature and world climatic zones
- Stress studies of pharmaceuticals
- Studies at different temperatures and conditions
- Investigation of excursions from storage label conditions
- Evaluation of the impact of temperature excursion

- Optimised as Online Event
- With 3 Q&A Sessions

## Objective

This Live Online Training will give an overview of tools that a Qualified Person (QP), Quality Assurance personnel or a Product Manager/ Manufacturer should have in order to evaluate the impact of excursions from the storage label instructions on the disposition of distributed shipments of pharmaceutical/biopharmaceutical products.

## Background

The formal stability studies of pharmaceuticals and biopharmaceuticals are a well established discipline and they are regularly conducted at precisely monitored conditions of temperature (within 2 °C) and of humidity (within 5% RH) under cGMP. However, the inevitable processes of shipping and distributing medicines from the manufacturer to wholesaler to warehouses to the end user via air, ship or car exposes often the shipments to temperatures and humidity different from the label storage conditions. For instance, how would you handle a shipment that was exposed to a varying temperature up to 61°C in the airport for an accumulated duration of several days? How would you evaluate the quality of a refrigerated injectable that was exposed to near zero or freezing temperatures for a few hours? Would you release or reject such a shipment which may cost hundreds of thousands of dollars?

Shipping/Distribution of a medicine is considered a “mobile storage”. However, a temperature excursion outside the label instructions may also be considered a “trauma” inflicted on the medicine and this may impact the quality of the newly arrived shipments. But, the big question remains: how would that “trauma” affect the quality at the end of the declared shelf life of any pharmaceutical and of a biopharmaceutical in particular? Will the long-term impact lead to a “hidden OOS”? This Live Online Training will address these aspects.

## Target Audience

This Live Online Training will be of significant value to

- Qualified Persons
- Quality Assurance personnel
- Pharmacists
- Project coordinators/product managers
- Stability testing personnel
- Stability program logistics personnel
- R&D personnel involved in product development

## Moderator

Dr Markus Funk

## Programme

### Overview of Stability Programs and Storage Statements

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- Stability studies and development phases
- Long-term and accelerated storage conditions of new drug substances and products (EU, USA)
- Stability storage programs for generic drugs (EU, USA)
- Specific storage statements (EU, WHO, USP)
- Labeling statements for various pharmaceuticals



*ICH Q1A(R2) - Stability Testing of new Drug Substances and Products:*

*“[...]Data from the accelerated storage condition and, if appropriate, from the intermediate storage condition can be used to evaluate the effect of short term excursions outside the label storage conditions (such as might occur during shipping). [...]”*

### Mean Kinetic Temperature (MKT) and World Climatic Zones

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- Mean Kinetic Temperature (MKT) and relative humidity
- Interpretation of MKT
- MKT from temperature loggers



*USP <1079>- Good Storage and Distribution Practices for Drug Products:*

*“Mean Kinetic Temperature (MKT): The single calculated temperature at which the total amount of degradation over a particular period is equal to the sum of the individual degradations that would occur at various temperatures.”g shipping). [...]”*

### Q&A Session I

### Stress Studies of Pharmaceuticals

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- Degradation reactions
- Stressing factors and conditions
- Stress studies in the pharmaceutical industry



**ICH Q5C - Quality of Biotechnological Products: Stability Testing of Biotechnological/Biological Products:**

*"[...] Studies under stress conditions may be useful in determining whether accidental exposures to conditions other than those proposed (e.g., during transportation) are deleterious to the product and also for evaluating which specific test parameters may be the best indicators of product stability. Studies of the exposure of the drug substance or drug product to extreme conditions may help to reveal patterns of degradation; if so, such changes should be monitored under proposed storage conditions. [...]"*

## Stability Studies to Support Shipping/Distribution of Pharmaceuticals and Biopharmaceuticals

- Stress testing vs Forced Degradations
- Studies at elevated extreme temperatures
- Studies at low extreme conditions
- When, how and what?
- Thermal Cyclic studies
- What attributes to test

## Q&A Session II

### Investigation of Excursions from Storage Label Conditions

- "Time-out-of-Storage" and stability budget" concept
- Handling an excursion
- What stability data are required to investigate temperature excursions
- Responsibilities of manufacturer, distributor and QP

### Evaluation of the Impact of Temperature Excursions

- Estimation of the impact by the excursion temperature on the quality attribute
- Estimation of the quality attribute at the end of shelf-life/retest date

## Q&A Session III



Three Q&A sessions ensure interaction and that your questions are answered.



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Dr Bar headed the Analytical R&D Laboratories at Teva Pharmaceuticals and the analytical QC laboratory at Pharmos. He served in the Scientific Advisory Board of global PDA (USA) and is presently a board member of Israel PDA Chapter as well as a member of the organizing committee of the Israel Society for Analytical Chemistry. For the last ten years, Raphael Bar has been a pharmaceutical consultant for the Pharma and bio-Pharma industries.



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Dr Fürst joined Schering in 1997 working in a production facility for oral dosage forms. In 2007 he joined Boehringer Ingelheim as a CMC expert. From 2013 – 2018 he was head of development of Consumer Healthcare at Boehringer (from 2017 SANOFI). Since 2018 Dr Fürst is again with Boehringer as head of laboratory of the development department.

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## Date of the Live Online Training

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