



Contaminant Control

in the Manufacture of Drugs and Biologics

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Proper control of contaminants in healthcare products is of the utmost importance because of the detrimental effect contaminants can have on the well-being of patients. All regulatory authorities carefully audit products, processes and facilities for appropriate prevention and removal of contaminants.

This course teaches proven, state-of-the-art methodologies and technologies for entry prevention, removal, inactivation and detection of all contaminant classes. Participants will get a solid understanding how individual methods and technologies work, how to apply them in their facilities and what the expectations of regulatory authorities are.

Course Content:

Contaminant Sources

Product and Process Related Contaminants
Adventitious Contaminants

Contaminant Classes

Physical
Particles, Fibers
Chemical
Byproducts, Leachables, Process and Cleaning Residues
Biological
Contaminating Proteins, DNA, Microbes, Viruses, Pyrogens

Setting Specifications for Contaminants in Materials, Components, Equipment, Utilities and Product

Methods for Detecting Contaminants

Product and Process Related Contaminants
Analytical Chromatography Methods, Immunoassays, Electrophoretic Methods
Residues from Previously Manufactured Product
Sampling Techniques, Detection and Identification Methods
Microbes
Sampling Methods, Sterility Assays, Test-Laboratory Requirements, Species Determination
Viruses and Mycoplasma
Sampling, in vitro and in vivo Detection and Identification Methods
Pyrogens
Sampling, USP-Rabbit Test, LAL-Test, Cell Culture Assay
Particulates in Utilities, Environment and Product
Sampling Methods, Detection and Identification Methods

Strategies for the Manufacture of Contaminant-Free Product

Controlling Materials, Equipment, Utilities and Environment
Methods for Removing and Inactivating Contaminants
Product Purification
(Ion Exchange, HIC, Metal-Chelate, Affinity, SEC, and RP Chromatography; Filtration; "Open" Column Chromatography vs. HPLC)
Virus Inactivation

CIP, SIP and Depyrogenation of Equipment Prevention of Contaminant Entry into Product and Process

Qualification and Testing of Materials and Components
Design and Validation of Equipment
Design and Validation of Facility
Training and Qualification of Personnel
Routine Monitoring for Contaminants
QC Testing of Materials and Product Purity
Monitoring of Equipment Cleanliness
Environmental Monitoring
Monitoring the Cleanliness and Health of Personnel
Troubleshooting and Trend Analysis
Handling of Out-of-Specification Results

Course Faculty:

Frieder K. Hofmann, Ph.D. is Principal Consultant of ProCon International, an internationally operating consulting firm that provides comprehensive technical, regulatory and managerial advice in all areas associated with GMP-conforming pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical manufacturing, product and process development, process engineering, validation, and facility design. For the past nine years Frieder has worked as a technical, regulatory and quality systems consultant for both small start-up pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical companies and multinational pharmaceutical concerns in the U.S., Europe and Japan.

Until 1990 he was for seven years Technical Director for BioTechnetics, San Diego, CA where his responsibilities included molecular and cell biology, process development and GMP-conforming production scaleup of numerous cell-expressed proteins. Previous positions included European applications manager for a membrane manufacturer where he invented and developed a patented automated upstream integrity tester for filters and three years of work in applied physics for the German pharmaceutical concern Hoechst A.G.

Frieder earned his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in microbiology and biochemistry at J.W. Goethe University in Frankfurt, Germany. Among others, he is a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, the European Society for Animal Cell Technology, the American Society for Quality Control, the Regulatory Affairs Professional Society and the PDA. He was presented the Parenteral Science and Technology Journal Award 1985 by PDA and was awarded six patents.

His previous employer received the prestigious Kirkpatrick Chemical Engineering Achievement Honor Award in 1989 for Frieder's bioproduction technology. Frieder published numerous articles and authored two book chapters on biopharmaceutical development. He is a frequent speaker and chairperson at national and international pharmaceutical and biotechnology conferences.

Carl J. Wilson is an independent consultant working internationally and providing services in the areas of Quality Assurance, Quality Control and Validation. For the past three years Carl has assisted biotechnology, medical device and international pharmaceutical companies operating in the United States, Hong Kong, Japan and Europe to develop Quality Systems to satisfy GMP, QSR and ISO requirements.

Areas of expertise include development of raw material and product specifications and corresponding analytical and microbiological testing programs, stability programs, calibration and maintenance programs and monitoring programs for water systems, cleanrooms and utilities. He also has extensive experience auditing manufacturing/fill/finish facilities, product testing laboratories and distribution operations.

Prior to 1995, Carl managed Quality Control departments at Cytel Corporation and Invitrogen in San Diego. At Cytel, his responsibilities included development of programs for raw materials qualification, analytical methods transfer and validation and oversight of animal and microbiological safety testing for sterile injectable therapeutic antibodies, carbohydrates and peptides. At Invitrogen he was responsible for developing systems for qualification and stability testing of critical raw materials and kits developed to assist researchers in the field of molecular biology.

Carl received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in biology and microbiology at California State University. In 1984 his graduate research project placed first in the Southern California Graduate Student Colloquium sponsored by the American Society for Microbiology. He is currently a member of the American Society for Microbiology, PDA and ISPE.

You will profit from this course, if you belong to

Quality Assurance/Control, Process Development, Manufacturing; Facility Design or GMP Compliance or if you are involved in CMC submissions to regulatory authorities.

Venue:

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\$1,895 for payment received after closing date

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