ANALYTICAL METHOD VALIDATION FOR BIOLOGICS, BIOPHARMACEUTICALS AND OTHER THERAPEUTIC PRODUCTS

Complex processes yielding complex products such as biologics and biopharmaceuticals demand numerous, non-compendial, and sometimes complex QC test methods to confirm manufacturing consistency and product quality. This course provides a comprehensive overview of the international regulatory authority requirements and expectations for test method validation of these assays. This course will prepare attendees with the knowledge and tools to plan and execute test method validation packages for the NDA, BLA and MAA market application dossiers, covering in-process, release and stability assays commonly used by QC in biologic and biopharmaceutical companies. The course will cover validation of QC analytical test methods (e.g., electrophoretic, HPLC, peptide mapping, etc.), cell-based potency bioassays, immunochemical binding impurity assays and adventitious agent assays.

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HOW TO REGISTER

1. Go to http://www.cfpie.com
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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This two-day course is designed for those who perform, supervise, manage, audit, or oversee the validation of test methods for the quality control of biologic and biopharmaceutical products. This includes, but is not limited to, professionals in Analytical Development, Quality Control, Quality Assurance, and Validation groups. The course will also benefit those in other departments who need to test method validation among their responsibilities.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

2019
July 17 & 18 - Boston, MA
November 6 & 7 - Malvern, PA

PAYMENT

$2150.00 PER PERSON (INCLUDES BREAKFAST & LUNCH)

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

If you register at least thirty days in advance you will receive a $200 discount on the course.

ADDITIONAL DISCOUNTS

Contact us at 610-648-7550 or info@cfpie.com for information regarding partnership discounts or how your organization can become a partner with CfPIE.

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INSTRUCTOR CREDENTIALS

Judy Carmody, Ph.D., is the founder and Principal Consultant of Carmody Quality Solutions, LLC. a dynamic, innovative consulting agency that provides Quality services to the pharmaceutical, biologics and medical device industries.

Dr. Carmody is the former president of Avatar Pharmaceutical Services, a GMP CRO which she founded and led for over 8 years, prior to selling it in 2010. Since then she has held senior level positions in small and large pharma and has strengthened her knowledge of robust quality systems. With each custom-crafted solution she fulfills her vision of connecting everyday quality processes and procedures with the strategic needs of her client’s business.

Prior to founding Avatar, Dr. Carmody spent 10 years in the (bio)pharmaceutical industry, developing methods for small molecules and oligonucleotides, managing QC, Analytical, and Validation groups. In addition to this solid grounding in pharmaceuticals, she worked at Waters Corporation’s Applied Technology and Marketing groups where she developed novel separations methods with colleagues and (bio)pharmaceutical customers. At Waters, Dr. Carmody brought numerous new technologies to market through published papers and technical presentations both at world-wide conferences and leading (bio)pharmaceutical companies.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, attendees will have a clear understanding of international regulatory authority regulations, and expectations and will have gained the background knowledge necessary to effectively plan and execute QC test method validation programs. Participants will have gained expertise in writing test method validation protocols and reports and in setting acceptance limits for validation. Additionally, attendees will have acquired insight into how to avoid common validation pitfalls and be able to quickly discriminate compliant from non-compliant test method validation activities.

FIRST DAY

Regulatory Requirements/Guidance on Analytical Method Validation
- Terminology defined: scientifically sound and appropriate, qualification, validation, revalidation and verification
- FDA, EMA, ICH and WHO requirements and guidance
- Validation lifecycle for analytical methods
- When during clinical development is analytical method validation required?

Analytical Method Validation Building Blocks
- ICH Q8, Q9 and Q10 adherence
- Validation Master Plan link
- QC instrumentation qualification
- Critical assay reagent qualification

Analytical Method Validation Characteristics
- Specificity, accuracy, linearity, precision
- LOD and LOQ
- Robustness and stability-indicating
- Value of system suitability controls

Validation Exercise: Quantitative Impurity ELISA (Host Cell Proteins)
- Detecting trace amounts of contaminating protein in a protein product
- Acceptability of generic critical reagents
- Preparation and characterization of process-specific critical reagents
- LOQ determination for multi-component ELISAs

Test Method Validation Protocol
- Basic elements of a validation protocol
- Pre-planning and planning steps
- Identification and documentation of assay characteristics needing to be validated
- Critical importance of assigning pre-defined acceptance criteria

SECOND DAY

Validation Exercise: Quantitative Potency Bioassay (Cell Lysis)
- Adequate bioassay development and optimization precedes validation
- Impact of physics, biology, chemistry and mathematics on bioassay performance
- Dilutional linearity
- Regression line analysis

Test Method Validation Report
- 11 basic elements of the validation report
- Relationship of the validation protocol to the validation report
- Meeting the pre-defined acceptance criteria
- Handling deviations, when (not if) they happen

Validation Exercise: Enzymatic/HPLC Protein Identity Assay (Peptide Mapping)
- Achieving consistent peptides chromatographic fingerprints
- Comparison to the fingerprint of a well-characterized reference material
- Appropriate system suitability controls for the chemical modification, enzymatic digestion and chromatographic performance
- Specific assay characteristics to validate

Regulatory Authority Concerns About Test Method Validations
- Report card from the regulatory authorities on test method validation
- Validation issues identified during the review of the submitted market dossier
- Validation issues identified during regulatory inspections
- Test method validation “continuous improvement” – ICH Q10

Validation Exercise: Nucleic Acid Amplification (Mycoplasma PCR)
- Inclusion specificity for rapid detection of adventitious agents
- LOD determination of mycoplasma contamination in bioreactors
- Universal DNA primer selection
- System suitability control selection

HOTEL INFORMATION

The Hilton LAX, Los Angeles, CA (CFPIE room rate of $167/night if booked 3 weeks in advance of the course date)
The Desmond Hotel & Conference Center, Malvern, PA (CFPIE room rate of $141/night if booked 3 weeks in advance)
Club Quarters Hotels, Boston, MA (CFPIE room rate of $255/night if booked 4 weeks in advance)
DoubleTree by Hilton London - Victoria (CFPIE room rate of £199.00/night if booked 4 weeks in advance)