



This course will provide practice-oriented guidance and includes practical workshops and case studies

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# Contamination Control

Microbial Contamination Sources/Preventive Measures/  
Disinfection Management and Staff Hygiene  
Requirements

21 – 23 May 2014, Prague, Czech Republic

## SPEAKERS:

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## PROGRAMME:

- Regulatory Requirements
- Principles of Hygiene and Microbiology
- Disinfectants: Characteristics, Selection and Qualification
- Sources of Contamination and Preventive Measures
- Microbiological Monitoring and Trending
- Risk Management
- Handling of OOS Results
- Cleanroom Garment, Requirements, Laundering and Outsourcing
- Hygiene of Personnel and Training of Operators



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## Objectives

In most cases the implementation of appropriate hygiene programmes and measures have been implemented as an essential part for the manufacturing of pharmaceutical products. A series of regulations address the subject of microbiological facility control but GMP requirements are mostly described in more general terms. But how can they be introduced in pharmaceutical companies in a practice-oriented way? What is state-of-the-art? How should detergents and disinfectants be used?

The overall goal of such a system is to prevent microbiological contamination of the pharmaceutical product. But even if such a system has been established, it is of utmost importance that these programmes and measures are understood and followed by all operators who carry out quality-relevant work. Therefore, regulations demand intensive training in hygiene issues.

Against the background of these requirements, this ECA education course is designed to cover all important aspects of controlling microbiological contamination. It ranges from sources of contamination to validation of cleaning and disinfection processes and training of operators. A focus will be on those problems that occur frequently in pharmaceutical production; possible solutions to these challenges will be discussed.

## Background

The lack of control of microbiological contamination is

Between 1995 – 2005, the potential risk of microbiological contamination was the No 2 Critical GMP Deficiency and the No 1 Major GMP Deficiency observed during inspections requested by the CHMP/CVMP of EMA.

MHRA's review of the 2011/2012 deficiencies issued 57 deficiencies related to personnel as well as 75 contaminations by chemical/physical and microbial causes.

an outstanding integral part of inspection findings. This actual state clearly demonstrates the importance to concern oneself with this topic in detail. In pharmaceutical manufacture, cleaning and disinfection measures are important and decisive process steps for fulfilling the quality requirements on the medicinal product. To carry them out properly, personnel needs to be both qualified and motivated. All national and international pharmaceutical GMP regulations – especially those on sterile manufacturing – call for cleaning and hygiene programmes in the pharmaceutical companies.

## Target Group

People who are involved in

- Microbial monitoring
- Implementation of hygiene programmes
- Selection and qualification of disinfectants
- Handling of microbial deviations
- Training of operators for monitoring

## Moderator

Axel H. Schroeder, Concept Heidelberg

## Programme

### Module 1 Requirements and Background

#### Basic Principles of Hygiene and Microbiology

- Microorganisms
  - Microbial Growth
  - Characteristics
  - sources
- Basic hygienic actions
- Cleaning/disinfecting/Sterilization
- Way of Contamination

#### Regulatory Requirements

- General regulatory requirements and guidelines
- Prevention of contamination and cross contamination
- Requirements for validation
- ISO standards
- Quality Risk Management

#### Sources of Contamination and Preventive Measures

- Sources of contamination throughout the facility
- HVAC
- Water
- Raw materials and packaging components
- Personnel and clothing

#### Microbiological Monitoring

- Monitoring of non-sterile processes
- Aseptic manufacture:
  - developing a programme
  - interpreting data
  - regulatory requirements
- Monitoring methods; air, surface, people
- A complete programme for a sterile product

#### Trending of Environmental Monitoring Data

- How do you do it?
- What do the results really tell you?
- How should you react on the results?

#### Microbiological Control of Water Systems

- Water as raw material
- Contamination sources within the water system
- Technical aspects
- Control methods
- Microbiological testing of water

### Qualification of Disinfectants

- Different gassing systems
- Guidance documents, standards and regulatory requirements
- Basis for qualification
- Case study for qualification of disinfectants
- Efficacy – how to control?

### Cleaning and Disinfection of Surfaces

- Criteria of selection of disinfectants
- Rotation of antimicrobial substances
- Considering their chemical interaction
- Cleaning potential of disinfectants
- Users acceptance

During the second day, **parallel workshops** will be conducted in order to reinforce the content of the lectures and to discuss practical aspects in detail. Workshops will be offered on the following topics:

#### 1. Case Studies: Disinfections Issues

Practical examples of microbial deviations after cleaning and disinfection activities. Reasons, faults and corrective actions.

#### 2. Handling of OOS Results

Failure investigation, following corrective actions and preventive actions

## Module 2: Implementation and Issues in Real Life

### Case Study: Managing Disinfection Programmes

- Hygiene programme
- Cleanroom concept
- Demands on environment, equipment and personnel
- Cleaning and disinfection concept

### Hygiene of personnel – Cleanroom Behaviour

- Contamination from Personnel
- Classic Employee Deviance
- Gowning procedure
- Hand disinfection

### Validation of a Decontamination System for Production Equipment, Process Devices and Cleanrooms

- Technical requirements & Background
- Qualification of a fogging system
- Validation of a fogging process

### Quality Risk Management

- Risk Assessment:
  - Risk Identification
  - Risk Analysis
  - Risk Evaluation
- Risk Management

### Cleanroom Garment, Requirements, Selection and Laundering

- Different fabrics and their characteristics like filtration capacity and wearing comfort
- Garment systems oriented by the cleanroom class
- Requirements on decontamination and laundering
- Outsourcing

### Effective Training of Operators

- Regulatory requirements (EU-GMP, FDA Guidelines, experiences from inspections)
- Methods and tools
- Measurement and documentation of training success
- Practical approaches

## Speakers



**Werner Hofstetter**, Octapharma GmbH, Austria

After his studies of food- and biotechnology, he was engaged as head of laboratory of waste processing and as department manager at the pharmaceutical industry.

Since 2002 he is working at the pharmaceutical production of Octapharma Pharmazeutika GmbH, Vienna and is, among other things, responsible for validation of disinfectants and the cleanroom monitoring. Since 2006 he is head of aseptic production at Octapharma.



**Arjan Langen**, MSD, The Netherlands

Arjan Langen was manager of Microbiological Quality Control and Quality Assurance officer at Intervet International in The Netherlands before he joined Nobilon International. At Nobilon he was appointed Quality Assurance Manager, responsible for the cGMP-approval of the new multi-purpose vaccine production facility in Boxmeer, The Netherlands. In 2008 Arjan became Director Compliance at DSM Pharmaceutical products and in 2009 he founded his own company for training and consulting in the field of pharmaceutical microbiology. In 2011 he became Pharmaceutical Specialist at MSD in The Netherlands, being responsible for sterile manufacturing of new products in Oss. He is a member of the PDA and a member of the Dutch Society of Pharmaceutical Microbiology.



**Robert Schwarz**, Baxter AG, Austria

After his apprenticeship as medical/technical analyst Robert Schwarz joined at IMCL / Labor Hernals, Vienna. From 2001 to 2005 he stays as coordinator of environmental monitoring at Baxter, Vienna. Since 2005 he is validation specialist for equipment qualification. He is responsible for the validation of decontamination systems.



**Markus Schäd**, *decontam GmbH, Germany*

After working for several years in risk control in the bank sector, Markus Schäd started in 2004 in laundry business at the Schlee GmbH (Germany) with focus on cleanroom services. Since 2006 he is managing director of decontam - specialised on full-service concepts for cleanroom garments and training.



**Axel H. Schroeder**, *Concept Heidelberg*

Axel Schroeder got his degree in Biology at Ruprecht-Karls University Heidelberg. From 1994 to 2000 he was Territory Manager for Hygiene and Medical Devices at HenkelEcolab GmbH. From 2000 to 2005 he was Key Account Manager for Industrial Hygiene and Contamination Control at Ecolab GmbH, Düsseldorf, and from 2003 to 2005, Member of the International Cleanroom Team of Ecolab. Between 2005 and 2008 he was engaged at Basan GmbH as Key Account Manager for Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology. Since 2008 he is operation director at Concept Heidelberg for microbiology and biotechnology.



**Dr Hans-Peter Volkland**, *gmp-experts GmbH, Germany*

Dr Volkland studied Chemistry at the University of Constance and graduated in microbiology (ETH Zürich). He worked for several years in R&D and in various quality positions (QA, QC, Validation, Qualification). In 2001 he joined PCS (Pharmaceutical Consultancy Services) as Senior Consultant and Senior Auditor. In 2006 he set up his own consultancy company, Pharma and API Consulting (PAAC). In 2009 he founded GMP Experts which provides GMP consulting, auditing and training for the pharma and API business.

## Social Event

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### Date

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Wednesday, 21 May 2014 09.30 h – 17.30 h  
(Registration and coffee 9.00 h – 09.30 h )  
Thursday, 22 May 2014, 08.30 h – 18.00 h  
Friday 23 May 2014, 08.30 h – 13.30 h

### Venue

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Corinthia Hotel Prague  
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### Fees

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ECA Members € 1,790.- per delegate plus VAT  
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Non-ECA Members € 1,990.- per delegate plus VAT  
EU GMP Inspectorates € 995.- per delegate plus VAT  
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### Conference language

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The official conference language will be English.

### Organisation and Contact

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### About CONCEPT HEIDELBERG

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- ECA Certified API Production Manager
- ECA Certified Quality Control Manager
- ECA Certified Technical Operations Manager
- ECA Certified Computer Validation Manager
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- ECA Certified Microbiological Laboratory Manager
- ECA Certified Sterile Production Manager
- ECA Certified Biotech Manager
- ECA Certified Pharmaceutical Development Manager

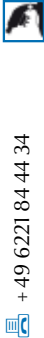
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