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Granulation & Tableting

Live Online Training
from 29 September – 01 October 2020

GMP Compliance and Technology for the Manufacture of Oral Solid Dosage Forms

Highlights

- Fundamentals & Scale-Up of granulation processes
  - Fluidbed-Granulation
  - High-Shear Granulation
  - Roller Compaction
- Fundamentals of commercial compression processes
- Global GMP requirements for the manufacture of oral solid dosage forms
- Set-up and features of modern tablet presses
- Excipients and their impact on compression
- Scale-Up of tableting processes
- Handling of highly active materials
- Validation of tableting processes according to EU & US requirements
- Continuous Manufacturing
- Trouble Shooting: how to solve tableting problems

How to solve sticking, capping & lamination problems

Objective

A thorough root cause analysis often reveals that compression issues such as **capping, sticking and weight variations** are related to the upstream granulating process. The objective of this intensive training is therefore to provide a deeper insight into functional relationships between granulation and tabletting in order to avoid such problems from the very beginning.

The training also conveys a deeper understanding for tableting and granulating processes, including Scale-Up, which helps in avoiding problems or solving them in practice. This also complies with the GMP principle of understanding and controlling the critical parameters of manufacturing processes. An introduction to the different GMP requirements for manufacturing solid dosage forms worldwide is therefore also subject of this course.

Background

Granulation and tableting are considered the most commonly used manufacturing processes in the pharmaceutical industry. Of course, a direct compression process is most preferred; in practice, however, an upstream granulation is usually required to obtain a favourable particle size distribution, flowability and compactibility. Different requirements for granulates call for different procedures or technologies. Nowadays, fluid bed, high-shear or dry granulation are the most commonly used processes. An important part of this course is therefore to introduce the different granulation methods, their basic principles and Scale-Up approaches. A deeper insight into process parameters and their influence on product properties is also part of the programme.

The holistic approach to granulation and tableting therefore aims at avoiding issues from the very beginning and to overcome problems at an industrial scale through in-depth process insights. A separate block of this seminar is dedicated to the issue of **Trouble Shooting**. Please bring your questions concerning manufacturing problems with you or send them in beforehand. These challenges are met by new excipients, new control algorithms for tablet presses, laminations as well as special punches and dies. Having the presses run slower should be a last resort after all other options have failed.

Further topics of this training are the tableting of highly active materials, the implementation of recent validation requirements based on the example of tablet manufacturing as well as continuous manufacturing.

Target Audience

This intensive course is designated for all professionals from Pharmaceutical Development, Production and QA/Regulatory Affairs, who are responsible for the development, the routine production or the Scale-Up and transfer of tableting processes.

Programme
Tuesday, 29 September 2020

09.00 – 10.00 h
Fundamentals of granulation – what is a good granulate?

- Reasons for granulation
- Overview of the different granulation processes
- Impact of the single processes on the granulate properties
- Understanding the mechanisms of agglomeration
- Characterisation of granulates
- Excipients for granulation and their impact on product properties

10.00 – 10.15 h Break

10.15 – 11.45 h
Fundamentals of Fluidbed-Granulation

- Design aspects and working principle of a modern fluidbed-dryer
- Basic principle and advantages of fluidbed-granulation
- Impact of process parameters on product properties
- Process insights: how to run, control and design the process

11.45 – 12.45 h Break

12.45 – 13.00 h Questions & Answers

13.00 – 14.15 h
Scale-Up of Fluidbed Granulation

- Fundamentals of Fluidbed Granulation (process & technology)
- Which process parameter influences which product quality attribute
- How to scale-up?
- Consequences for the quality critical attributes

14.15 – 14.30 h Break

14.30 – 15.30 h
High Shear Granulation: Fundamentals

- Plant-geometry and -design
- Process parameters (degree of filling, impeller speed, liquid saturation, process time)
- Methods of drying
- Special Case: Single-Pot-Granulation

15.30 – 15.45 h Break

15.45 – 16.45 h
High Shear Granulation: Scale-Up

- Influence of impeller speed, liquid addition rate and wet massing time
- Review of end point detection methods
- Scale up trouble shooting

16.45 – 17.15 h Questions & Answers

Wednesday, 30 September 2020

09.00 – 10.00 h
Fundamentals of Roller Compaction / Dry Granulation

Dry granulation is gaining more and popularity in the pharmaceutical industry as it may offer advantages like fast development and Scale-Up, usability in continuous manufacturing operations and improved process control

- Design aspects of a modern roller compactor
- Impact of process parameters like compaction force, gap, roll speed, roll surface, roll width and side seal system on ribbon properties
- Principles of densification: solid fraction as critical material attribute
- Scale-Up

10.00 – 10.15 h Break

10.15 – 11.10 h
Wrap-Up: Overview and comparison of the different granulation techniques - An Outlook

- Which technique for which kind of product: viewpoint of development
- Which technique for which product portfolio: viewpoint of production
- Comparison of direct and indirect cost: viewpoint of management
- Continuous Manufacturing
  - Factors for a 6-sigma granulation process
  - Which optimisation is possible by using continuous granulation
  - Control of continuous processes

11.10 – 11.20 h Break

11.20 – 12.50 h
Fundamentals of tableting/compression and tablet-presses

- Physical fundamental of powder adhesion
- Compressibility and compactibility of different materials
- How to quantify these properties?
- How to handle materials with unfavourable compression properties?
- Parts of tablet presses: their function and their impact on product properties
- Special cases: effervescent tablets
- Comparison of the different control philosophies

12.50 – 13.00 h Questions & Answers

13.00 – 14.00 h Break

14.00 – 15.15 h
Excipients for tableting: their selection corresponding to their mechanical compatibility

- Fundamentals of deformation and cohesion of tablets
- Measurement of the deformation behaviour by compression analysers
- Overview and characterisation of the most important excipients used for compression
- Practical task: selection of appropriate API and excipient combinations
- Case Studies

15.15 – 15.30 h Break

15.30 – 16.30 h
Scale-Up of tableting processes

- Compression issues during Scale-Up and Transfer Quality by Design helps to overcome Scale-Up issues
- Scale-Up and optimisation of compression processes
- Constant dwell time as Scale-Up approach: theory and practice
- Case studies

16.30 – 17.00 h Questions & Answers

Thursday, 1 October 2020

09.00 – 10.00 h
Global requirements for OSD operations

- OSD Quality Attributes: from homogeneity to dissolution
- Pharmacopoeias and OSD : main monographs
- Requirements from the main guides: US, EU/PICS & WHO
- Requirements from special chapters: US, UK and France

10.00 – 10.15 h Break

10.15 – 11.15 h
Handling of highly potent materials – containment for tableting processes

- How much containment is really needed
- Identification of critical operations (with regards to exposition)
- Comparison of different containment concepts
- Examples of existing equipment

11.15 – 11.30 h Break

11.30 – 13.00 h
Validation of a tabletting process

- Main Pharmacopoeial descriptions for tablets
- What are the main validation requirements
- Tablets Quality Attributes and Tabletting Critical Parameters
- Establishing a protocol not forgetting intermediate steps
- Running the process not neglecting secondary operations
- Writing a clear and trustful report
- Following tablets stability issues
- Conclusion

13.00 – 13.15 h Questions & Answers

13.15 – 14.15 h Break

14.15 – 15.15 h
Trouble shooting in tableting processes: Sticking, Capping & Lamination

- Reasons for tableting problems
- Possible changes in upstream processes
- How to improve compression properties
- Tips and tricks for production: possible changes within the existing equipment and registration environment

15.15 – 15.45 h Questions & Answers

Speakers

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Director Late Stage Drug Product Development

Dr Michael Braun studied Pharmacy and is Director Late Stage Drug Product Development at Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma in Biberach. He is responsible for process development, scale-up and products transfers for oral solid dosage forms, sterile and inhalation products. He is also experienced in formulation development, non-clinical development and R&D project management.

Dr Jean-Denis Mallet, Former Head of the French Pharmaceutical Inspection Dpt. AFSSAPS

Jean-Denis Mallet is a pharmacist. He was previously the Head of the Pharmaceutical and Cosmetics Inspection Department at the French Health Products Regulatory Agency (Afssaps=ANSM). He also used to work in or with the pharmaceutical industry during many years at various positions including Quality Assurance, Production Management, Engineering and GMP Consulting. He has also been auditor of the International Red Cross. Now he has been member of the ECA advisory board and works for Pharmaplan.

Dr Harald Stahl, GEA

Group Director Application & Strategy Management

Dr Harald Stahl worked in the Pharmaceutical Development of Schering AG in Germany. At that time his main interest was the aseptic production of pellets. Since 1995 he served within GEA Process Technology in various positions. Presently he owns the position of a Group Director Application & Strategy Management of GEA. He has published more than 20 papers on various aspects of pharmaceutical production.

Prof Dr Karl G. Wagner, University of Bonn

Professor for Pharmaceutical Technology at the University of Bonn

Karl G. Wagner studied pharmacy and gained his PhD in pharmaceutical technology. After an academic scholarship at the University of Texas he worked at the University of Tübingen at the institute for pharmaceutical technology. Later he joined Boehringer Ingelheim and became head of the laboratory for galenic research, modified release. Since 2013 he is professor for Pharmaceutical Technology at the University of Bonn.

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