Process Systems Engineering in Pharmaceutical Development & Manufacture

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NSF ERC FOR STRUCTURED ORGANIC PARTICULATE SYSTEMS





Outline

- Pharmaceutical Industry
 - Economics
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- PSE Opportunity areas
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 NIPTE case study
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Total Unaudited and Audited Global Pharmaceutical Market By Region

		2009		2008	2004-2009	2010	2009-2014
						Forecast %	
	Mkt Size	Mkt Size	% Growth	% Growth	CAGR %	Growth	CAGR %
	*US\$bn	**Const. US\$	**Const. US\$	**Const US\$	**Const US\$	**Const US\$	**Const US\$
Total unaudited and audited global market							
	\$ 808.3	\$ 837.3	7.0%	5.5%	6.7%	4 - 6%	5 - 8%

Total unaudited and audited global market by region									
North America	\$	322.1	\$	323.8	5.5%	1.9%	5.2%	3 - 5%	3 - 6%
Europe	\$	247.6	\$	263.9	4.8%	7.0%	6.6%	3 - 5%	3 - 6%
Asia/Atrica/									
Australia	\$	102.6	\$	106.6	15.9%	15.0%	13.9%	13 - 15%	12 - 15%
Japan	\$	90.3	8	95.0	7.6%	2.1%	3.9%	0 - 2%	2 - 5%
Latin America	\$	45.8	\$	47.9	10.6%	12.7%	10.9%	10 - 12%	12 - 15%

\$800+ Billion/y Global Business!

North America	39.80%
Europe	30.60%
Asia, Africa, Australia	12.70%
Japan	11.20%
Latin America	5.70%

Source: IMS Health Market Prognosis, March 2010

New Drug Development Costs Annual Pharma Sector R&D ~\$60 Billion Total Cost of New Drug \$0.8 Billion to \$2 Billion

Cost Component Distribut	ion
Discovery	20-25%
Safety & Toxicology	15–20%
Product Development API process design Product formulation & process design Clinical supply	30–35%
Clinical Trials (Phase I-III)	35-40%

Suresh & Babu, J Pharm Innov, **3**, 175-187 (2008)

Cost of Pharmaceuticals



 $COGS (U.S) = \sim \$90 B$

U.E. Reinhardt, Health Affairs, Page 136, September/October 2001

Pharmaceutical Development & Manufacturing Domains

- Active ingredient production
 - Small molecule synthesis
 - Organic chemical synthesis
 - Large molecule synthesis (bioprocesses)
 - Production via microorganisms or mammalian cells
- Drug Product Manufacture
 - Tablets, capsules, aerosols, inhalables, topicals, injectables
 - Solids processing steps
 - Sterile operations
 - Suspensions/emulsions
- Generally batch oriented processes









Solid Oral Drug Product Manufacture



Changes in Regulatory Approach

- Traditional Approach: Tightly Regulated Product & Process Design & Manufacture
 - FDA approval requires documentation of product critical attributes & specification of manufacturing details (recipe)
 - Formulation & recipe are rigidly maintained during manufacture
 - Changes in formulation, recipe and even equipment types require FDA approval
 - Quality is assured by final product testing prior to batch release

• New Proposed Approach: Quality by Design

- Developer documents Design Space for new product
- Changes within design space require no prior approval
- QbD using on-line process measurement of Critical Quality Attributes of intermediate & final materials allow real time release of product batches

PSE Opportunity Areas

- Product & Process Design
 - API process synthesis
 - Product formulation & process design
 - Design space methodology
- Process Operations
 - Real Time Process Management
 - Integrated Batch Operations
 - Continuous processing
- Enterprise wide Decisions problems
 - Product Development Pipeline Management
 (Varma et al CACE 2008; Zapata et al CACE 2008)
 - Clinical Trials Supply Chain Management (496a)
 - Commercial Product Supply Chain Management (Lainez et al , CACE 2009,2010)

Design Space

The established range of process parameters that has been demonstrated to provide assurance of quality....

Quantitative definition

For selected set of equipment design parameters

- Probability distributions of feed material properties
- Probability distributions of internal process variables
- Required probability of meeting product critical quality attributes

Design space:

Multidimensional region defined by ranges of operating variables containing all variable adjustments necessary to achieve desired probability of meeting product CQA



Design Challenges

- Predictive models of unit operations
- Understanding of physical and chemical changes: desired & undesired
 - E.g., Formation of degradents, polymorphs
- Process Analytical Technology
 - On-line sensing (composition, particle size distributions, powder properties)
 - Control strategies (control system design, expected range of manipulated variables)
- Quantification of uncertainties
- Quantification of risk of product failure to meet CQA for specific design space

See Topical Conference I: *Comprehensive Quality by Design in Pharmaceutical Development & Manufacture*

Drug Product & Process Design Impact on Product Performance



Impact of Product Stability on Manufacturing Design Space



Degradent formation depends on processing stresses Degradent level depends on stress history & storage conditions



QbD Case study: Gabapentin

June 2011 FDA/NIPTE workshop

OH API subject to degradation High dosage formulation (70%): HPC, MCC, Crospovidone, Mg Stearate gabapentin lactam Excipients Lubricants Binder O + PAT API-(on-line Sensing) Wet Fluid Bed Blending Tabletting Granulation Drying

Goal: Demonstrate Approach to Model-based Design Space Development under scale-up and stability constraints

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NSF ERC for Structured Organic Particulate Systems



C-SOPS Objectives

- Develop scientific foundation for optimal design of structured organic composite products for pharmaceutical, nutraceutical & agrochemical industries
- Develop science and engineering methods for designing, scaling, optimizing and controlling relevant manufacturing processes.
- Demonstrate developed fundamentals on novel test beds.
- Establish effective educational and technology transfer vehicles.



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Engineer better medicines !

Personalized medicine

Thrust D: Integrated Systems Science

Model predictive design and operation of integrated particulate processes

Thrust Leader: Venkat Venkatasubramanian (PU)

	Thrust D projects
D-1	Sensing Methodologies
D-2	Hardware and Software Integration
D-3	Ontological Informatics Infrastructure
D-4	Real-time Process Management
D-5	Integrated Design and Optimization



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Demonstration on Test Beds

Data, Information, Models

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BALANC

Continuous Granulation Line

1. Feeder

- Screw Speed (rpm)
- Vibration (if present)
- Powder Flow
- Powder Level in Hopper

2. Continuous Blender

- Tilt
- Speed (rpm)
- Load (mass/level)
- Inlet Powder Flow
- Content Uniformity (NIR)
- Density (X-ray/Microwave /NIR)
- Outlet Powder Flow



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3. Feed Hopper / Screw

- Screw Speed (rpm)
- Vacuum Pressure

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- Powder Level in Hopper
- Density at RC Entrance

- 4. Roll Compactor
 - Roll Speed
 - Hydraulic Pressure
 - Feed rate
 - Roll Gap
 - Ribbon Content Uniformity
 - Ribbon Density (NIR)

5. Mill

- Milling Speed
- Particle Size



- Monitor mass over time
- 7. Pneumatic Transfer
- 8. Tablet Press
 - Fill weight
 - Pressure
 - RPM
 - Feed Frame RPM
 - Feed Frame Blade
 Speed
 - Punch Distance
 - Inlet Powder Flow
 - Content Uniformity
 - Density (NIR)
 - Tablet Weight
 - Tablet Density
 - Feed Frame Outlet Flow
 - Powder Density
 - Powder Segregation
- 9. Tablets
 - Weight
 - Tensile strength
 - Density





Information Ontology Architecture



Real Time Process Management



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Process Faults & Disturbances



Roller Compaction Model Management in POPE

Johanson's rolling model with time variation of roll gap included $\frac{a\left[\rho_{ix}\cos\theta_{ix}\left(\frac{u_{ix}}{\omega R}\right)\left(\frac{h_{0}}{R}+1-\cos\theta_{ix}\right)-\rho_{min}\left(\frac{h_{0}}{R}\right)\right]}{\int_{0}^{\frac{d_{min}}{2}}\rho(\theta)\cos\theta d\theta}$ $\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{h_{\rm s}}{R}\right) =$ $\vec{F} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{min}}R}{1+\sin\delta} \int_{\mathbf{n}} \left[\frac{h_{\text{h}}/R}{(1+h_{\text{h}}/R-\cos\theta)\cos\theta} \right]^{K} \cos\theta d\theta$ POPE Dynamic Math Model of Roller Compaction Information **Roller Compaction Roller Compaction Model Roller Compaction Operation** hasIndepVars hasModelParms hasRollDiameter hasRol Speed hasEgns hasAssumptions hasDepVcrs Integro Curistant Censity t (time) 8, x, R, K ... ρ[1],s_[1],h_[1] in slip region Differential R OntoMODEL Model and Operation **JAVA Engine and** Ontology GUI Interface UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO AT MAYAGUEZ

Model Predictive Control



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EEM: Alexanderwerk Roller Compactor





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Exceptional Events Management





AIChE 2010 Mtg Presentations

- **383e,** Giridhar et at, "Facilitating Continuous Production in the Pharma Industry with Real-Time Process Management and Ontological Informatics"
- 444b, Hamdan et al," Exceptional Events Management for Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing: Feeder, Blender, & Roller Compactor in Series"
- **456b**, Lainez et al," A Cyber-Infrastructure for Research Collaboration and Knowledge Sharing in the Pharmaceutical Domain: The pharmaHUB "
- **456d**, Joglekar et al," TOPS: Ontological Informatics in Pharmaceutical Manufacturing "
- **596b**, Giridhar et al," Continuous Production in Pharmaceutical Manufacturing: The Informatics View "
- **697f,** Luque et al, "Modelling and Informatics Challenges IN Film-BASED Drug Formulations and Manufacture"
- **444a,** Kyonov et al, "QbD of Continuous Pharmaceutical Tablet Manufacturing" (Rutgers)
- Several more

Summary

- Changes in business environment have opened exiting opportunities for development and application of PSE methodology.
- Product /process design challenges: linking input material properties & manufacturing conditions to both product shelf life & therapeutic performance
- Key process operations challenges: predicting & optimizing performance of particulate and/or heterogeneous multicomponent systems
- Risk management is critical: opportunity for exploitation of quantitative Bayesian based estimation and analysis methods



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