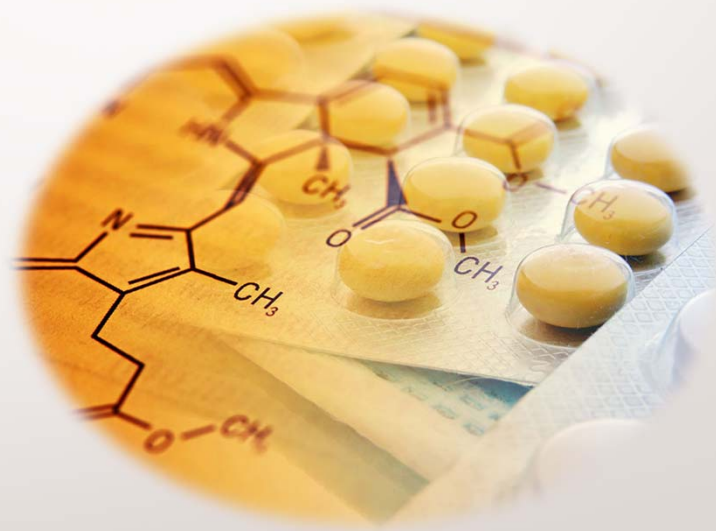


製程中管制(IPC)至最終產品放行(含製程確效) -
以固體劑型為例



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為什麼要對產品執行製程中管制及最終產品放行？

- 確保產品品質及用藥人的安全
- 法規規定 (最終產品)
 - 品質保證是一個廣泛的概念。...該適合於藥品製造的品質保證系統應確保下列事項：vi. 最終產品依界定的程序，正確地操作及核對。(PIC/S 1.1)
 - 品質管制是優良製造規範的一部分，涉及抽樣、規格及檢驗，且與組織、文件與放行程序有關，用以確保必要且相關的試驗已確實執行，...品質管制的基本要求是：vi. ...半製品/中間產品...及最終產品的檢查與檢驗結果均應予記錄，並對照其規格正式評估之。(PIC/S 1.3)
 - 最終產品規格應包括或提供下列項目：d) 抽樣及檢驗的指示；e) 具有合格標準範圍之定性及定量的要求。(PIC/S 4.16)
 - 品質管制與抽樣、規格與試驗以及組織、文件與放行程序有關，確保必要與相關的檢驗皆已執行，並確保在品質經判斷滿意前，無原物料會被放行供使用，無產品會被放行供銷售或供應。品質管制...應涉及可能與該產品品質有關的所有決定。(PIC/S Chapter 6 Quality Control)。
 - 最終產品的評價應包含所有相關的因素，包括生產條件、製程中檢驗的結果、製造(包括分/包裝)文件的檢討、符合最終產品規格及最終包裝產品的檢查。(PIC/S 6.3)

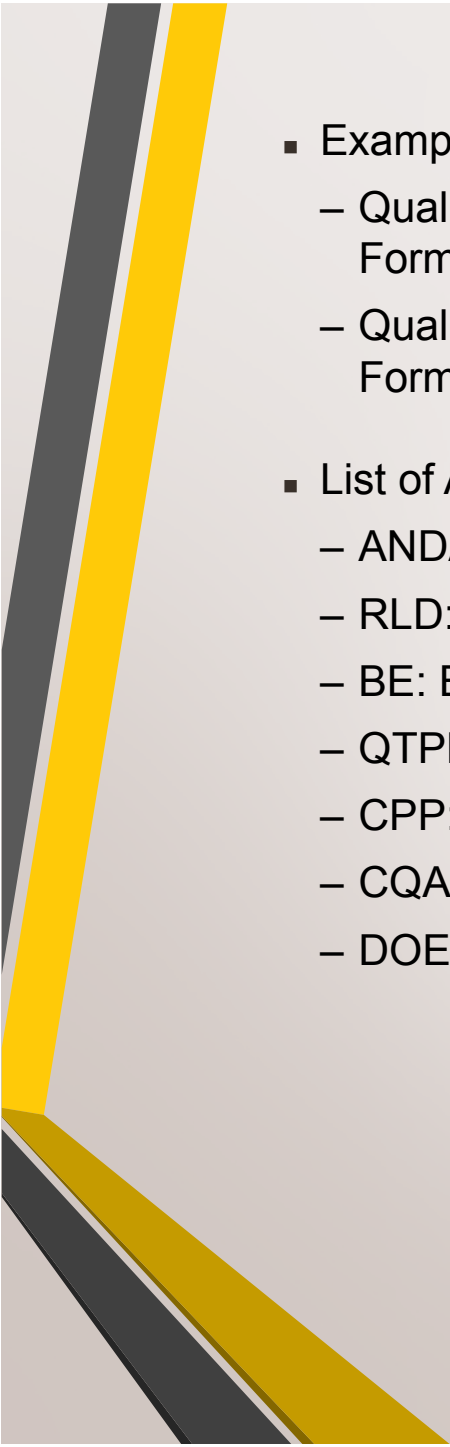
為什麼要對產品執行製程中管制及最終產品放行？

■ 法規規定 (製程中管制)

- 品質保證是一個廣泛的概念。...該適合於藥品製造的品質保證系統應確保下列事項：v. 半製品/中間產品的所有必要管制，以及任何其他製程中管制與確效均已執行。(PIC/S 1.1)
- 所有經許可的藥品，...其常規定期性或輪動式的品質檢討應以證實既有製程的一致性、現行規格對原料與最終產品的適當性為目標執行之，...通常應每年執行一次並加以文件化，且至少包含下列項目：ii. 關鍵之製程中管制及最終產品結果的檢討。(PIC/S 1.4)
- 製造配方、操作/加工、分/包裝與檢驗的指令：所要使用的製程中管制與製程分析技術，連同允收標準（合適時），應該加以規定。(PIC/S Chapter 4 Documentation)
- 操作指令應包括下列項目：e) 任何製程中管制的指令及其範圍。(PIC/S 4.18)
- Processing operations intermediate and bulk products任何必要的製程中管制及環境管制均應執行並予記錄。(PIC/S 5.38)
- 契約中應清楚載明何方負責採購、測試及放行原物料、承擔生產及品質管制，含製程中管制，以及何方負責抽樣及檢驗。(PIC/S 7.12)

如何設定製程中管制及產品放行的項目及規格？

- Pharmacopeia
- QbD (Quality by Design)
 - Quality, safety, and efficacy are designed or built into the product. Quality cannot be adequately assured merely by in-process and finished-product inspection or testing.
(US FDA Guidance for Industry, Process Validation: General Principles and Practices; II. A.)
 - Quality by Design (QbD): A systematic approach to development that begins with predefined objectives and emphasizes product and process understanding and process control, based on sound science and quality risk management. (ICH Pharmaceutical Development Q8(R2))

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- Examples of QbD (Quality by Design) from US FDA
 - Quality by Design for ANDAs: An Example for Immediate-Release Dosage Forms
 - Quality by Design for ANDAs: An Example for Modified Release Dosage Forms
 - List of Abbreviations about QbD
 - ANDA: Abbreviated New Drug Applications
 - RLD: Reference Listed Drug
 - BE: Bioequivalence
 - QTPP: Quality Target Product Profile
 - CPP: Critical Process Parameter
 - CQA: Critical Quality Attribute
 - DOE: Design of Experiments

Analysis of the RLD Product

- Clinical
- Pharmacokinetics
- Drug Release
- Physicochemical Characterization
- Composition

Product Release

QTPP for the ANDA Product

Identification of CQA from the QTPP

- Dissolution Method Development and Pilot Bioequivalence Studies

Formulation Development

DoE

- Drug Substance (Physical, Chemical & Biological Properties)
- Excipients (Excipient Compatibility Studies, Excipient Grade Selection)
- Initial Risk Assessment, Process Selection, Updated Risk Assessment ,

Manufacturing Process Development

- Initial Risk Assessment, Process Development, Scale-Up from Lab to Pilot Scale and Commercial, Updated Risk Assessment

Control Strategy

- Control Strategy for Raw Material Attributes & Manufacturing Process

IPC

QbD (Quality by Design)

- Analysis of the RLD Product (Development of Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg)
 - Clinical: Indications & Usage, Dosage & Administration, Adverse Reactions
 - Pharmacokinetics: Tmax, AUC and Cmax
 - Drug Release: Biopharmaceutics Classification System (BCS) Class II, Dissolution profile
 - Physicochemical Characterization

Table. Physicochemical characterization of Brand Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

| | |
|---|--|
| Description | White round tablet debossed with ACE |
| Batch No. | A6970R |
| Expiry date | November 2011 |
| Strength (mg) | 20 |
| Average weight (mg) | 201.2 |
| Score | No |
| Coating | Uncoated |
| Diameter (mm) | 8.02-8.05 |
| Thickness (mm) | 2.95-3.08 |
| Volume (mm ³) | 150.02 average measured using image analysis |
| Hardness (kP) | 7.4-10.1 |
| Disintegration time (min) | 1.4-1.6 |
| Disintegration observation | Rapidly disintegrates into fine powder |
| Assay (% w/w of label claim) | 99.7-100.2 |
| Related Compound 1 (RC1) (%) | ND |
| Related Compound 2 (RC2) identified as ACE12345 (%) | 0.41-0.44 |
| Related Compound 3 (RC3) (%) | ND |
| Related Compound 4 (RC4) (%) | ND |
| Highest individual unknown (%) | 0.07-0.09 |

Example of QbD

- Analysis of the RLD Product (Development of Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg)
 - Composition: Based on the RLD labeling, patent literature and reverse engineering

Table. Composition of Brand Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

| Component | Function | Unit (mg per tablet) | Unit (% w/w) |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Acetripitan, USP | Active | 20.0 | 10 |
| Lactose Monohydrate, NF | Filler | 64-86 | 32-43 |
| Microcrystalline Cellulose (MCC), NF | Filler | 72-92 | 36-46 |
| Croscarmellose Sodium (CCS), NF | Disintegrant | 2-10 | 1-5 |
| Magnesium Stearate, NF* | Lubricant | 2-6 | 1-3 |
| Talc, NF | Glidant/Lubricant | 1-10 | 0.5-5 |
| Total tablet weight | | 200 | 100 |

*Magnesium stearate level estimated by EDTA titration of magnesium.

- QTPP for the ANDA Product

Table. Quality Target Product Profile (QTPP) for Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

| QTPP Elements | | Target | Justification |
|--|----------------------|---|--|
| Dosage form | | Tablet | Pharmaceutical equivalence requirement: same dosage form |
| Dosage design | | Immediate release tablet without a score or coating | Immediate release design needed to meet label claims |
| Route of administration | | Oral | Pharmaceutical equivalence requirement: same route of administration |
| Dosage strength | | 20 mg | Pharmaceutical equivalence requirement: same strength |
| Pharmacokinetics | | Immediate release enabling T_{max} in 2.5 hours or less; Bioequivalent to RLD | Bioequivalence requirement Needed to ensure rapid onset and efficacy |
| Stability | | At least 24-month shelf-life at room temperature | Equivalent to or better than RLD shelf-life |
| Drug product quality attributes | Physical Attributes | Pharmaceutical equivalence requirement: Must meet the same compendial or other applicable (quality) standards (i.e., identity, assay, purity, and quality). | |
| | Identification | | |
| | Assay | | |
| | Content Uniformity | | |
| | Dissolution | | |
| | Degradation Products | | |
| | Residual Solvents | | |
| | Water Content | | |
| | Microbial Limits | | |
| Container closure system | | Container closure system qualified as suitable for this drug product | Needed to achieve the target shelf-life and to ensure tablet integrity during shipping |
| Administration/Concurrence with labeling | | Similar food effect as RLD | RLD labeling indicates that a high fat meal increases the AUC and C_{max} by 8-12%. The product can be taken without regard to food. |
| Alternative methods of administration | | None | None are listed in the RLD label. |

Example of QbD

■ CQA for the ANDA Product

Table. Critical Quality Attributes (CQAs) of Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

| Quality Attributes of the Drug Product | | Target | Is this a CQA? | Justification |
|--|---------------------|--|----------------|---|
| Physical Attributes | Appearance | Color and shape acceptable to the patient. No visual tablet defects observed. | No | Color, shape and appearance are not directly linked to safety and efficacy. Therefore, they are not critical. The target is set to ensure patient acceptability. |
| | Odor | No unpleasant odor | No | In general, a noticeable odor is not directly linked to safety and efficacy, but odor can affect patient acceptability. For this product, neither the drug substance nor the excipients have an unpleasant odor. No organic solvents will be used in the drug product manufacturing process. |
| | Size | Similar to RLD | No | For comparable ease of swallowing as well as patient acceptance and compliance with treatment regimens, the target for tablet dimensions is set similar to the RLD. |
| | Score configuration | Unscored | No | The RLD is an unscored tablet; therefore, the generic tablet will be unscored. Score configuration is not critical for the acetripitan tablet. |
| | Friability | NMT 1.0% w/w | No | Friability is a routine test per compendial requirements for tablets. A target of NMT 1.0% w/w of mean weight loss assures a low impact on patient safety and efficacy and minimizes customer complaints. |
| Identification | | Positive for acetripitan | Yes* | Though identification is critical for safety and efficacy, this CQA can be effectively controlled by the quality management system and will be monitored at drug product release. Formulation and process variables do not impact identity. Therefore, this CQA will not be discussed during formulation and process development. |
| Assay | | 100% w/w of label claim | Yes | Assay variability will affect safety and efficacy. Process variables may affect the assay of the drug product. Thus, assay will be evaluated throughout product and process development. |
| Content Uniformity (CU) | | Conforms to USP <905> Uniformity of Dosage Units | Yes | Variability in content uniformity will affect safety and efficacy. Both formulation and process variables impact content uniformity, so this CQA will be evaluated throughout product and process development. |
| Dissolution | | NLT 80% at 30 minutes in 900 mL of 0.1 N HCl with 1.0% w/v SLS using USP apparatus 2 at 75 rpm | Yes | Failure to meet the dissolution specification can impact bioavailability. Both formulation and process variables affect the dissolution profile. This CQA will be investigated throughout formulation and process development. |

Example of QbD

- CQA for the ANDA Product

Table. Critical Quality Attributes (CQAs) of Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

| of the Drug Product | Target | Is this a CQA? | Justification |
|----------------------|---|----------------|--|
| Degradation Products | ACE12345: NMT 0.5%, Any unknown impurity: NMT 0.2%, Total impurities: NMT 1.0% | Yes | Degradation products can impact safety and must be controlled based on compendial/ICH requirements or RLD characterization to limit patient exposure. ACE12345 is a common degradant of acetripitan and its target is based on the level found in near expiry RLD product. The limit for total impurities is also based on RLD analysis. The target for any unknown impurity is set according to the ICH identification threshold for this drug product. Formulation and process variables can impact degradation products. Therefore, degradation products will be assessed during product and process development. |
| Residual Solvents | USP <467> option 1 | Yes* | Residual solvents can impact safety. However, no solvent is used in the drug product manufacturing process and the drug product complies with USP <467> Option 1. Therefore, formulation and process variables are unlikely to impact this CQA. |
| Water Content | NMT 4.0% w/w | No | Generally, water content may affect degradation and microbial growth of the drug product and can be a potential CQA. However, in this case, acetripitan is not sensitive to hydrolysis and moisture will not impact stability. |
| Microbial Limits | Meets relevant pharmacopoeia criteria | Yes* | Non-compliance with microbial limits will impact patient safety. However, in this case, the risk of microbial growth is very low because roller compaction (dry granulation) is utilized for this product. Therefore, this CQA will not be discussed in detail during formulation and process development. |

*Formulation and process variables are unlikely to impact the CQA. Therefore, the CQA will not be investigated and discussed in detail in subsequent risk assessment and pharmaceutical development. However, the CQA remains a target element of the drug product profile and should be addressed accordingly.

- 一般來說，CQA的項目會是之後最終產品放行檢驗的項目

- Dissolution Method Development and Pilot Bioequivalence Studies
 - The dissolution method may differ from the FDA-recommended dissolution method and the quality control method used for release testing.

Table. Acetripitan solubility in different media

| Media | Solubility |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| -- | (mg/mL) |
| Biorelevant FaSSGF ² | 0.12 |
| Biorelevant FaSSIF-V2 ² | 0.18 |
| 0.1 N HCl with 0.5% SLS | 0.075 |
| 0.1 N HCl with 1.0% SLS | 0.15 |
| 0.1 N HCl with 2.0% SLS | 0.3 |

- For low solubility drugs, pilot bioequivalence (BE) studies are invaluable to demonstrate that the in vitro dissolution used is appropriate.

- Formulation Development
 - Drug Substance (Physical, Chemical & Biological Properties)

Table. Acetripitan Form III stability under stress conditions

| Stress Conditions | Assay | Degradation Products | | | | Solid State Form |
|--|---------|----------------------|-----|-----|------|----------------------|
| | (% w/w) | (% w/w) | | | | |
| | | RC1 | RC2 | RC3 | RC4 | |
| Untreated | 99.4 | ND | ND | ND | ND | Crystalline Form III |
| Saturated Solution | | | | | | |
| 0.1 N HCl (RT, 14 days) | 96.9 | ND | 2.3 | 1.1 | ND | N/A |
| 0.1 N NaOH (RT, 14 days) | 97.3 | ND | 2.1 | 0.9 | ND | N/A |
| 3% H ₂ O ₂ (RT, 7 days) | 86.7 | ND | 9.9 | 1.3 | ND | N/A |
| Purified water (RT, 14 days) | 96.8 | ND | 1.9 | 1.2 | ND | N/A |
| Photostability (ICH Q1B Option 1) | 90.6 | ND | 7.5 | 2.1 | ND | N/A |
| Heat (60 °C, 24 h) | 93.4 | ND | 5.2 | ND | 1.5 | N/A |
| Solid State Material | | | | | | |
| Humidity (open container, 90% RH, 25 °C, 7 days) | 99.4 | ND | 0.1 | 0.1 | ND | No change |
| Humidity and heat (open container, 90% RH, 40 °C, 7 days) | 99.9 | ND | 0.1 | 0.1 | ND | No change |
| Humidity and heat (open container, 90% RH, 60 °C, 7 days) | 95.9 | ND | 2.7 | 0.2 | 1.4 | No change |
| Photostability (ICH Q1B Option 1) | 95.5 | ND | 3.2 | 1.4 | ND | No change |
| Dry heat (60 °C, 7 days) | 95.8 | ND | 4.1 | ND | 0.9 | No change |
| Dry heat (105 °C, 96 h) | 82.5 | ND | 3.9 | ND | 13.7 | No change |
| Mechanical stress (Grinding and compression) | 99.2 | ND | 0.1 | 0.1 | ND | No change |

ND: Not Detected; N/A: Not Applicable

- Formulation Development
 - Drug Substance (Physical, Chemical & Biological Properties)

Table. Initial risk assessment of the drug substance attributes

| Drug Product CQAs | Drug Substance Attributes | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| | Solid State Form | Particle Size Distribution (PSD) | Hygroscopicity | Solubility | Moisture Content | Residual Solvents | Process Impurities | Chemical Stability | Flow Properties |
| Assay | Low | Medium | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | Medium |
| Content Uniformity | Low | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | High |
| Dissolution | High | High | Low | High | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Degradation Products | Medium | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low | High | Low |

Table. Justification for the initial risk assessment of the drug substance attributes

| Drug Substance Attributes | Drug Products CQAs | Justification |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Particle Size Distribution (PSD) | Assay | A small particle size and a wide PSD may adversely impact blend flowability. In extreme cases, poor flowability may cause an assay failure. The risk is medium. |
| | Content Uniformity | Particle size distribution has a direct impact on drug substance flowability and ultimately on CU. Due to the fact that the drug substance is milled, the risk is high. |
| | Dissolution | The drug substance is a BCS class II compound; therefore, PSD can affect dissolution. The risk is high. |
| | Degradation Products | The effect of particle size reduction on drug substance stability has been evaluated by the DMF holder. The milled drug substance exhibited similar stability as unmilled drug substance. The risk is low. |

- Formulation Development
 - Excipients (Excipient Compatibility Studies, Excipient Grade Selection)

Table. Excipient compatibility (binary mixtures)*

| Mixture | Assay | Degradants |
|---|---------|------------|
| | (% w/w) | (% w/w) |
| Lactose Monohydrate/DS (1:1) | 99.8% | ND |
| Lactose Anhydrous/DS (1:1) | 99.6% | ND |
| Microcrystalline Cellulose (MCC)/DS (1:1) | 98.4% | ND |
| Dibasic Calcium Phosphate/DS (1:1) | 99.3% | ND |
| Mannitol/DS (1:1) | 101.1% | ND |
| Pregelatinized Starch/DS (1:1) | 100.5% | ND |
| Croscarmellose Sodium (CCS)/DS (1:1) | 99.7% | ND |
| Crospovidone (1:1) | 99.3% | ND |
| Sodium Starch Glycolate (1:1) | 98.8% | ND |
| Talc/DS (1:1) | 99.5% | ND |
| Magnesium Stearate/DS (1:1) | 95.1% | AD1: 4.4% |

*Conditions: 40 °C/75 % RH, open container, 1 month

Table. Excipient compatibility (interaction study)*

| Mixture | Assay | Degradants |
|--|---------|------------|
| | (% w/w) | (% w/w) |
| All excipients | 99.4% | ND |
| All excipients except Lactose Monohydrate | 99.2% | ND |
| All excipients except Microcrystalline Cellulose (MCC) | 99.8% | ND |
| All excipients except Croscarmellose Sodium (CCS) | 99.9% | ND |
| All excipients except Talc | 99.3% | ND |
| All excipients except Magnesium Stearate | 99.6% | ND |

*Conditions: 40 °C/75 % RH, open container, 1 month

- Formulation Development
 - Initial Risk Assessment of the Formulation Variables

Table. Initial risk assessment of the formulation variables

| Drug Product CQA | Formulation Variables | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|
| | Drug Substance PSD | MCC/Lactose Ratio | CCS Level | Talc Level | Magnesium Stearate Level |
| Assay | Medium | Medium | Low | Low | Low |
| Content Uniformity | High | High | Low | Low | Low |
| Dissolution | High | Medium | High | Low | High |
| Degradation Products | Low | Low | Low | Low | Medium |

Table. Justification for the initial risk assessment of the formulation variables

| Formulation Variables | Drug Products CQAs | Justification |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--|
| MCC/Lactose Ratio | Assay | MCC/Lactose ratio can impact the flow properties of the blend. This, in turn, can impact tablet CU. The risk is high. Occasionally, poor CU can also adversely impact assay. The risk is medium. |
| | Content Uniformity | |
| | Dissolution | MCC/lactose ratio can impact dissolution via tablet hardness. However, hardness can be controlled during compression. The risk is medium. |
| | Degradation Products | Since both MCC and lactose are compatible with the drug substance and will not impact drug product degradation, the risk is low. |

- Formulation Development
 - DoE for the Formulation Variables

Table. Design of the 2³ full factorial DOE to study intragranular excipients and drug substance PSD

| Factors: Formulation Variables | | | Levels | | |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------|--|------|------|
| | | | -1 | 0 | +1 |
| A | Drug substance PSD (d ₉₀ , µm) | | 10 | 20 | 30 |
| B | Disintegrant (%) | | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| C | % MCC in MCC/Lactose combination | | 33.3 | 50.0 | 66.7 |
| Responses | | Goal | Acceptable Ranges | | |
| Y ₁ | Dissolution at 30 min (%) (with hardness of 12.0 kP) | Maximize | ≥ 80% | | |
| Y ₂ | Disintegration time (min) (with hardness of 12.0 kP) | Minimize | < 5 min | | |
| Y ₃ | Tablet content uniformity (% RSD) | Minimize % RSD | < 5% | | |
| Y ₄ | Assay (% w/w) | Target at 100% w/w | 95.0-105.0% w/w | | |
| Y ₅ | Powder blend flow function coefficient (ffc) | Maximize | > 6 | | |
| Y ₆ | Tablet hardness @ 5 kN (kP) | Maximize | > 5.0 kP | | |
| Y ₇ | Tablet hardness @ 10 kN (kP) | Maximize | > 9.0 kP | | |
| Y ₈ | Tablet hardness @ 15 kN (kP) | Maximize | > 12.0 kP | | |
| Y ₉ | Friability @ 5 kN (%) | Minimize | < 1.0% | | |
| Y ₁₀ | Friability @ 10 kN (%) | Minimize | < 1.0% | | |
| Y ₁₁ | Friability @ 15 kN (%) | Minimize | < 1.0% | | |
| Y ₁₂ | Degradation products (%) (observed at 3 months, 40 °C/75% RH) | Minimize | ACE12345: NMT 0.5% Any unknown impurity: NMT 0.2% Total impurities: NMT 1.0% | | |

- Formulation Development
 - DoE for the Formulation Variables

Table. Experimental results of the DOE to study intragranular excipients and drug substance PSD

| Batch No. | Factors: Formulation Variables | | | Responses | | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| | A: Drug substance PSD | B: Disintegrant level | C: % MCC in MCC/Lactose combination | Y ₁ : Dissolution at 30 min | Y ₃ : CU | Y ₅ : ffc value | Y ₇ : Tablet hardness @ 10 kN |
| | (d ₉₀ , µm) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (% RSD) | -- | (kP) |
| 1 | 30 | 1 | 66.7 | 76.0 | 3.8 | 7.56 | 12.5 |
| 2 | 30 | 5 | 66.7 | 84.0 | 4.0 | 7.25 | 13.2 |
| 3 | 20 | 3 | 50.0 | 91.0 | 4.0 | 6.62 | 10.6 |
| 4 | 20 | 3 | 50.0 | 89.4 | 3.9 | 6.66 | 10.9 |
| 5 | 30 | 1 | 33.3 | 77.0 | 2.9 | 8.46 | 8.3 |
| 6 | 10 | 5 | 66.7 | 99.0 | 5.1 | 4.77 | 12.9 |
| 7 | 10 | 1 | 66.7 | 99.0 | 5.0 | 4.97 | 13.5 |
| 8 | 20 | 3 | 50.0 | 92.0 | 4.1 | 6.46 | 11.3 |
| 9 | 30 | 5 | 33.3 | 86.0 | 3.2 | 8.46 | 8.6 |
| 10 | 10 | 1 | 33.3 | 99.5 | 4.1 | 6.16 | 9.1 |
| 11 | 10 | 5 | 33.3 | 98.7 | 4.0 | 6.09 | 9.1 |

- Formulation Development
 - DoE for the Formulation Variables

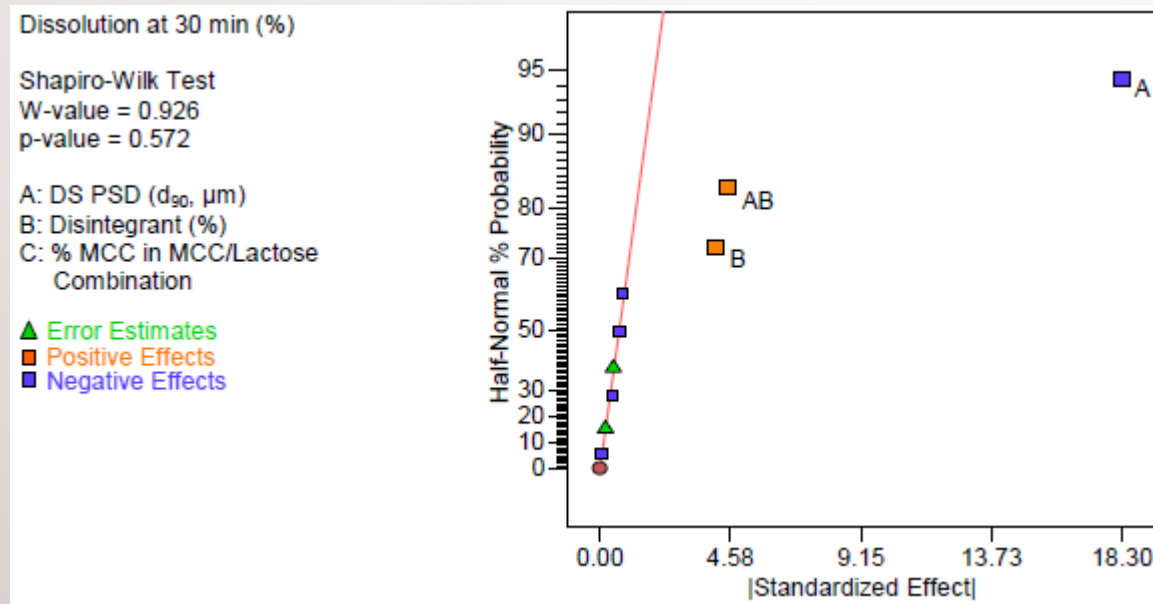


Figure. Half-normal plot of the formulation variable effects on dissolution at 30 min (tablet target hardness of 12.0 kP)

- Formulation Development
 - DoE for the Formulation Variables
 - Design space

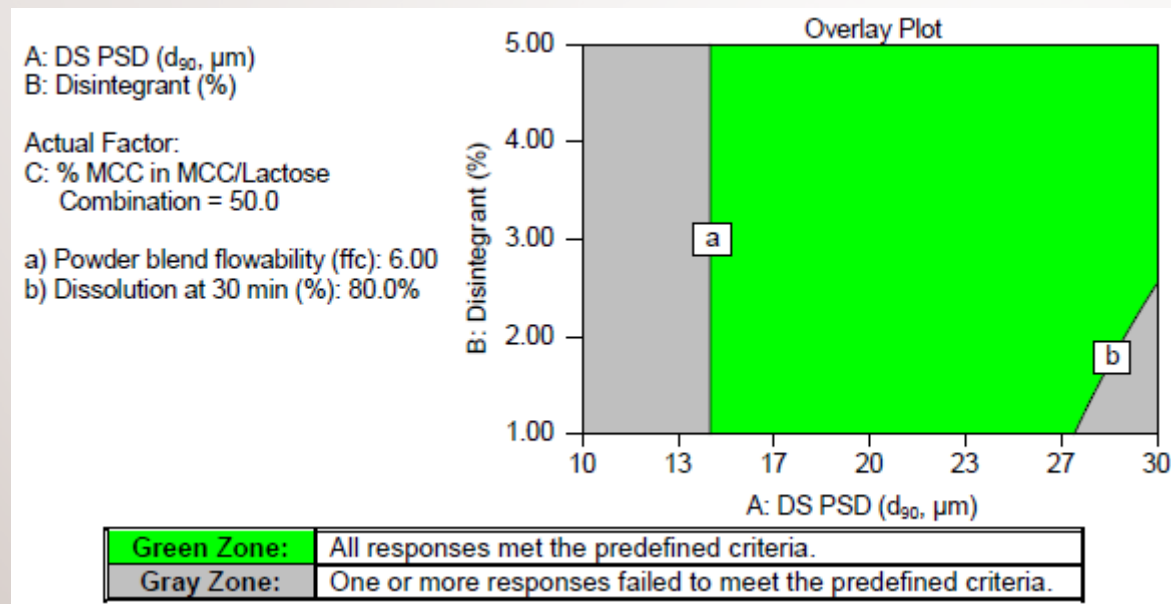


Figure. Overlay plot – effect of acetriptan formulation variables on responses

- Formulation Development
 - Updated Risk Assessment of the Formulation Variables

Table. Updated risk assessment of the formulation variables

| Drug Product CQAs | Formulation Attributes | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| | Drug Substance PSD | MCC/Lactose Ratio | CCS Level | Magnesium Stearate Level |
| Assay | Low | Low* | Low* | Low* |
| Content Uniformity | Low | Low | Low* | Low* |
| Dissolution | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Degradation Products | Low* | Low* | Low* | Low |

*The level of risk was not reduced from the initial risk assessment.

Table. Justification for the reduced risks of the formulation variables

| Formulation Variables | Drug Product CQAs | Justification |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|
| Drug Substance PSD | Assay | All tablets showed acceptable assay. The risk is reduced from medium to low. |
| | Content Uniformity | The poor flow of the drug substance is mitigated by using a roller compaction process, low drug load and fillers that have good flowability. The risk is reduced from high to low. |
| | Dissolution | The risk is reduced from high to low by controlling drug substance PSD and optimizing intragranular superdisintegrant. |

■ Manufacturing Process Development

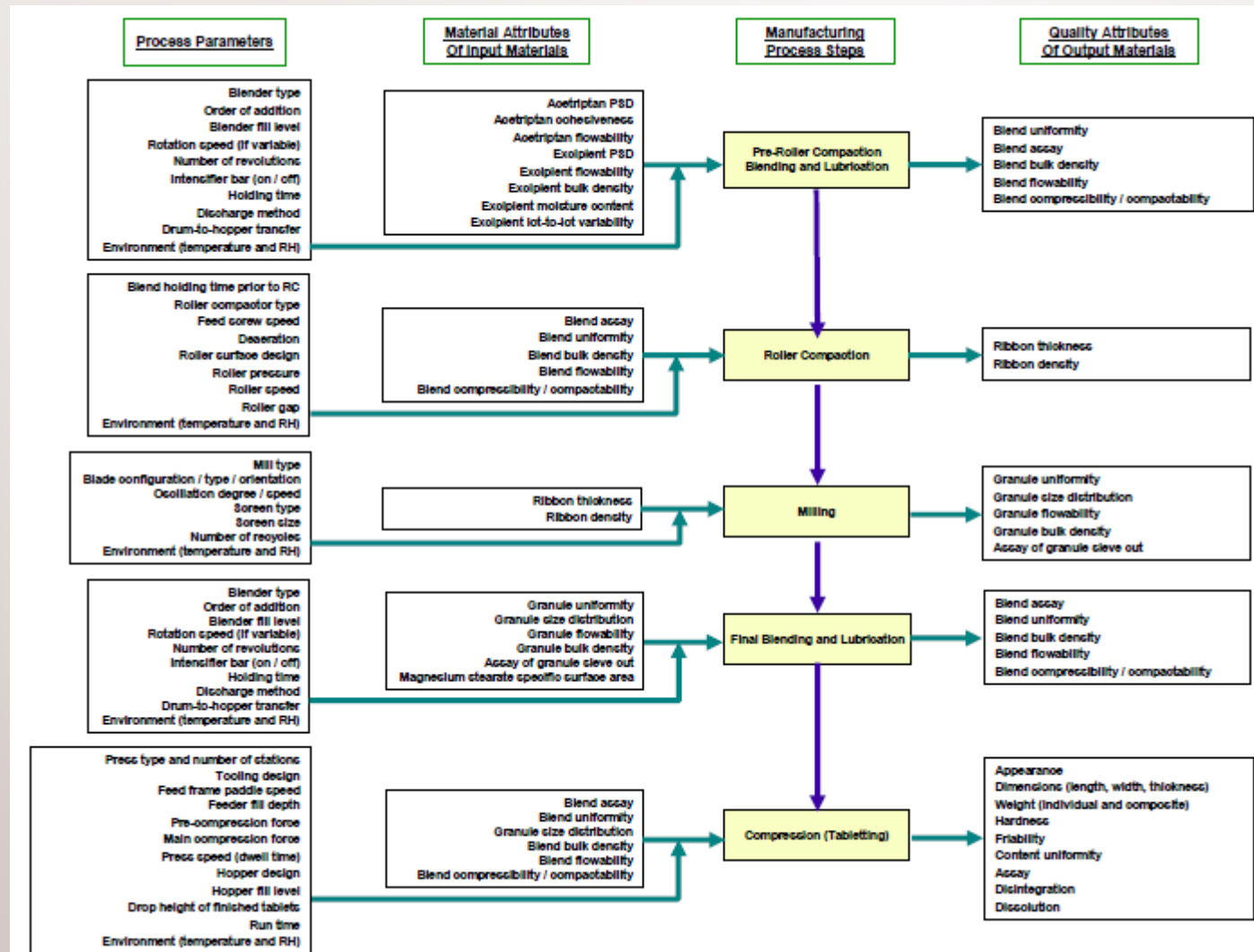


Figure. Process map for Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

Example of QbD

■ Manufacturing Process Development

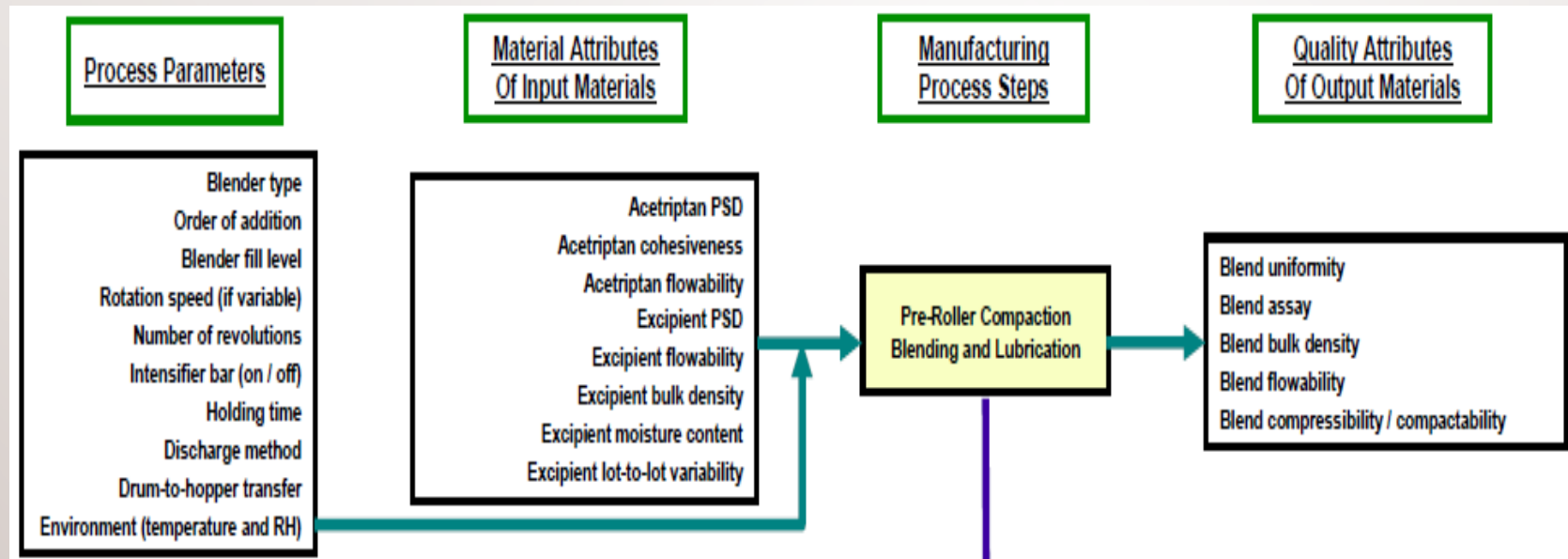


Figure. Process map for Generic Acetriptan Tablets, 20 mg

- Manufacturing Process Development
 - Initial Risk Assessment of the Drug Product Manufacturing Process

Table. Initial risk assessment of the manufacturing process for Generic Acetripitan Tablets, 20 mg

| Drug Product CQAs | Process Steps | | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| | Pre-RC* Blending and Lubrication | Roller Compaction | Milling | Final Blending and Lubrication | Compression |
| Assay | Medium | Low | Medium | Low | Medium |
| Content Uniformity | High | High | High | Low | High |
| Dissolution | Medium | High | Medium | High | High |
| Degradation Products | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |

*RC: roller compaction

Table. Justification for the initial risk assessment of the manufacturing process

| Process Steps | Drug Product CQAs | Justification |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Pre-Roller Compaction Blending and Lubrication | Assay | Suboptimal pre-roller compaction blending and lubrication may cause variable flowability of the blend. The risk is medium. |
| | Content Uniformity | The PSD and cohesiveness of the drug substance adversely impact its flowability which, in turn, affects CU. The risk is high. |
| | Dissolution | Blending process variables may impact the distribution of CCS in the blend which could impact disintegration of the granules and, ultimately, dissolution of the tablets. The risk is medium. |

Example of QbD

- Manufacturing Process Development
 - Initial Risk Assessment of the Drug Product Manufacturing Process

Table. Initial risk assessment of the process variables

| Process Step: Pre-Roller Compaction Blending and Lubrication | | |
|--|-----------------|---|
| Output Material CQA: Blend Uniformity | | |
| Variables | Risk Assessment | Justification and Initial Strategy |
| <i>Input Material Attributes</i> | | |
| Acetriptan PSD | High | The pilot BE study indicated that a $d_{90} \leq 30 \mu\text{m}$ is needed for bioequivalence. Based on several lots of acetriptan analyzed during preformulation, the drug substance meeting this d_{90} criterion has poor flowability ($\text{ffc} < 3.50$) which may impact BU. The risk is high. |
| Acetriptan cohesiveness | Medium | The specific energy of acetriptan Lot #1-4 indicated that acetriptan is moderately to highly cohesive which will make achieving BU more challenging. The risk is medium. |
| Acetriptan flowability | Medium | The ffc value of acetriptan Lot #1-4 suggested poor flow which could impact BU. The risk is medium. |
| Excipient flowability | Low | Filler comprises the majority (~ 80%) of the formulation. MCC grade B02 and lactose monohydrate grade A01 are used in a 1:1 ratio because this ratio demonstrated good flowability ($\text{ffc} \approx 7$). Glidant and lubricant are used in small quantities and are unlikely to impact BU. The risk is low. |

- Manufacturing Process Development
 - Initial Risk Assessment of the Drug Product Manufacturing Process

Table. Initial risk assessment of the process variables

| Process Step: Pre-Roller Compaction Blending and Lubrication | | |
|--|-----------------|---|
| Output Material CQA: Blend Uniformity | | |
| Variables | Risk Assessment | Justification and Initial Strategy |
| <i>Blending Variables</i> | | |
| Blender type | Low | Different blender types have different mixing dynamics. V-blender is selected based on equipment availability. The risk is low. However, if the blender type is changed during scale-up or commercialization, the risk should be re-evaluated. |
| Order of addition | Low | Order of addition may impact the ease of evenly dispersing ingredients charged in lower quantities. Materials are added in the following order: lactose monohydrate, CCS, acetriptan, talc, and MCC. The risk is low. |
| Rotation speed (rpm) | Medium | Rotation speed is often fixed by equipment constraint. Different size blenders have different rotation speeds. The rotation speed for the 16 qt blender is fixed at 20 rpm. The risk is medium. |
| Number of revolutions | High | Under- or over-blending will result in suboptimal BU. The risk is high. |

- Manufacturing Process Development
 - Process Development (DoE)

Table. Design of the 3^2 study to investigate pre-RC blending and lubrication process variables

| Factors: Process Variables | | | Levels | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|-----|-----|
| | | | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| A | Number of revolutions (N_{rev}) | | 100 | 200 | 300 |
| B | Acetriptan d_{90} (μm) | | 10 | 20 | 30 |
| Responses | | Goal | Acceptable Ranges | | |
| Y_1 | Blend Assay (% w/w) | Achieve 100% w/w | Assay mean of all locations: 95.0-105.0% w/w | | |
| Y_2 | Blend Uniformity (% RSD) | Minimize % RSD | % RSD of all locations: $\leq 5\%$ | | |

Table. Results of the pre-RC blending and lubrication optimization study

| Batch No. | Factors: Process Variables | | Response |
|-----------|----------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| | A: N_{rev} | B: Acetriptan d_{90} | Y_2 : BU |
| | -- | (μm) | (% RSD) |
| 21 | 100 | 10 | 8.9 |
| 22 | 100 | 30 | 5.4 |
| 23 | 300 | 20 | 2.5 |
| 24 | 100 | 20 | 6.8 |
| 25 | 200 | 20 | 3.0 |
| 26 | 300 | 10 | 3.2 |
| 27 | 300 | 30 | 2.3 |
| 28 | 200 | 30 | 2.8 |
| 29 | 200 | 10 | 4.3 |

- Manufacturing Process Development
 - Updated Risk Assessment of the Drug Product Manufacturing Process

Table. Updated risk assessment of the process variables

| Process Step: Pre-Roller Compaction Blending and Lubrication | | |
|--|-----------------|--|
| Output Material CQA: Blend Uniformity | | |
| Variables | Risk Assessment | Justification for the Reduced Risk |
| Acetriptan PSD | Low | In order for the blending process to be robust enough to accommodate different acetriptan PSD, an in-line NIR method was developed for blending endpoint determination. Blender fill levels from 35-75% had no impact on blending endpoint. The risk was reduced from high to low. |
| Number of revolutions | Low | |
| Blender fill level | Low | |

Table. Updated risk assessment of the manufacturing process for Generic Acetriptan Tablets, 20 mg

| Drug Product CQAs | Process Steps | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| | Pre-RC Blending and Lubrication | Roller Compaction | Milling | Final Blending and Lubrication | Compression |
| Assay | Low | Low* | Low | Low* | Low |
| Content Uniformity | Low | Low | Low | Low* | Low |
| Dissolution | Low | Low | Low | Low | Low |
| Degradation Products | Low* | Low* | Low* | Low* | Low* |

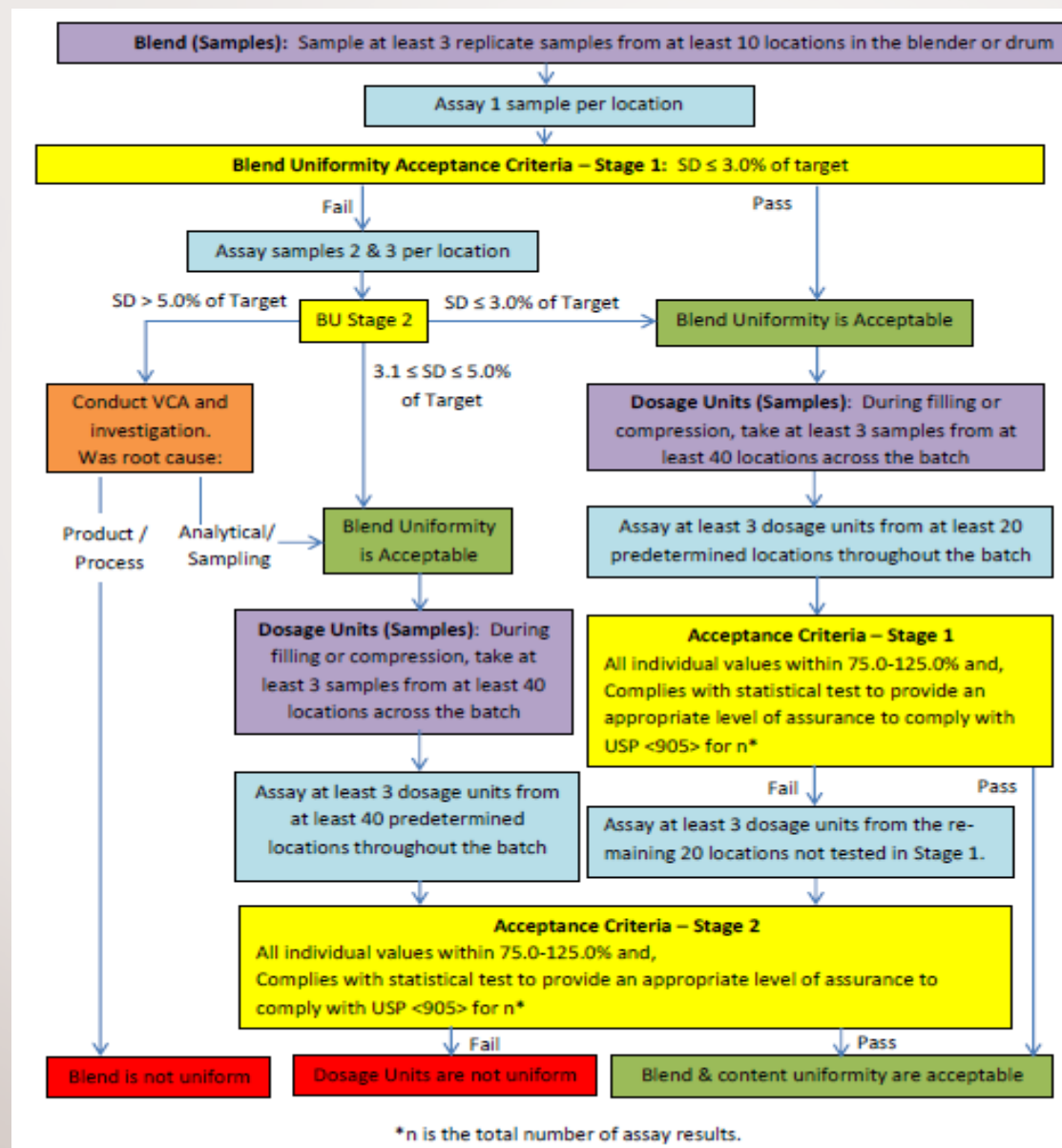
*The level of risk was not reduced from the initial risk assessment.

Example of QbD

- Approach to Process Validation
(US FDA Guidance for Industry, Process Validation: General Principles and Practices; II. B.)
 - Stage 1 – Process Design: The commercial manufacturing process is defined during this stage based on knowledge gained through development and scale-up activities.
 - Stage 2 – Process Qualification: During this stage, the process design is evaluated to determine if the process is capable of reproducible commercial manufacturing.
 - Stage 3 – Continued Process Verification: Ongoing assurance is gained during routine production that the process remains in a state of control.
- 由Process Design所定義出來之CPP在製程確效時必須被確認。(一般是Risk Assessment中，評估為中、高風險的項目或是DoE中確定會影響產品CQA的項目)。
- 由Process Design所定義出來之CQA在製程確效及市售批的生產時必須被確認。(一般是製程中管制或產品放行的項目)。
- 產品申請查驗登記前，需確定製程的CPP及產品的CQA，之後的製程確效及市售批的生產，CPP與CQA必須前後一致。

如何實際執行製程中管制及最終產品放行(如何抽樣？抽樣數目？)

- Pharmacopeia
- Guidance from Agency or related Association (ICH, WHO, ISPE...)
 - Recommended Changes to Withdrawn FDA Draft Stratified Sampling Guidance Document
(ISPE (International Society for Pharmaceutical Engineering) Blend and Content Uniformity Group December, 2014)
 - ANSI/ASQC Z1.4 Sampling Procedures and Tables Package (American National Standards Institute (ANSI))



From ISPE Blend and Content Uniformity Group December, 2014

Example of Sampling Plan

| 批量大小 | | | 特殊檢驗水準 | | | | 一般檢驗水準 | | |
|--------|----|--------|--------|-----|-----|-----|--------|----|-----|
| | | | S-1 | S-2 | S-3 | S-4 | I | II | III |
| 2 | to | 8 | A | A | A | A | A | A | B |
| 9 | to | 15 | A | A | A | A | A | B | C |
| 16 | to | 25 | A | A | B | B | B | C | D |
| 26 | to | 50 | A | B | B | C | C | D | E |
| 51 | to | 90 | B | B | C | C | C | E | F |
| 91 | to | 150 | B | B | C | D | D | F | G |
| 151 | to | 280 | B | C | D | E | E | G | H |
| 281 | to | 500 | B | C | D | E | F | H | J |
| 501 | to | 1200 | C | C | E | F | G | J | K |
| 1201 | to | 3200 | C | D | E | G | H | K | L |
| 3201 | to | 10000 | C | D | F | G | J | L | M |
| 10001 | to | 35000 | C | D | F | H | K | M | N |
| 35001 | to | 150000 | D | E | G | J | L | N | P |
| 150001 | to | 500000 | D | E | G | J | M | P | Q |
| 500001 | to | over | D | E | H | K | N | Q | R |

From ANSI/ASQC Z1.4

Example of Sampling Plan

| 樣本大小代碼 | 樣本大小 | AQL允收水準（正常檢驗） | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------|------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| | | .010 | .015 | .025 | .040 | .065 | .10 | .15 | .25 | .40 | .65 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 6.5 | 10 | 15 | 25 | 40 | 65 | 100 | 150 | 250 | 400 | 650 | 1000 | | |
| | | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | Ac Re | |
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| B | 3 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↕ | 0 1 | ↕ | 1 2 | 2 3 | 3 4 | 5 6 | 7 8 | 10 11 | 14 15 | 21 22 | 30 31 | 44 45 | | | |
| C | 5 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↕ | 0 1 | ↕ | 1 2 | 2 3 | 3 4 | 5 6 | 7 8 | 10 11 | 14 15 | 21 22 | 30 31 | 44 45 | | | | |
| D | 8 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↕ | 0 1 | ↕ | ↕ | 1 2 | 2 3 | 3 4 | 5 6 | 7 8 | 10 11 | 14 15 | 21 22 | 30 31 | 44 45 | | | | |
| E | 13 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | ↕ | 0 1 | ↕ | ↕ | 1 2 | 2 3 | 3 4 | 5 6 | 7 8 | 10 11 | 14 15 | 21 22 | 30 31 | 44 45 | ↑ | | | | |
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↕：採箭頭上第一個抽樣計畫。

Ac：允收數。


Re：拒收數。

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Example of Sampling Plan

執行製程中管制(IPC)至最終產品放行(含製程確效)時需注意的事項

- 管控點或項目的設定(CPP或CQA)
- CPP的範圍(range)與CQA的規格(specification)
- 查驗登記、製程確效及市售批的生產，CPP與CQA必須前後一致
- 抽樣的工具(如採樣棒、藥勺等)於實際取樣前，需明訂且固定下來。
- 取樣樣品的代表性(數量、位置、時間點)
- Blend Uniformity (BU)的樣品，無論在取樣或化驗時須避免分稱。一般取樣量為1~3倍的單位劑量。
- 可能的話，盡量從生產設備上直接抽取樣品。



Process Analytical Technology (PAT)

- A Framework for Innovative Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Quality Assurance
- A system for:
 - Designing, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing
 - Timely measurements (i.e., during processing)
 - Critical quality and performance attributes
 - Raw and in-process materials
 - Processes

(US FDA Guidance for Industry, PAT - A Framework for Innovative Pharmaceutical Development, Manufacturing, and Quality Assurance)

Process Analytical Technology (PAT)

| | | |
|----------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Off-line | Analysis performed in Laboratory | Days |
| At-line | Analysis performed on factory floor | Minutes |
| On-line | Automated sampling and analysis | Seconds |
| In-line | No sampling – instrument in process | < 1 second |

From US FDA Guidance for Industry, PAT - A Framework for Innovative Pharmaceutical Development, Manufacturing, and Quality Assurance

Development of In-line NIR for Blending Endpoint Determination

- To assess the homogeneity of the blend, % RSD was calculated for each moving block of ten consecutive spectra and plotted as a function of number of revolutions.

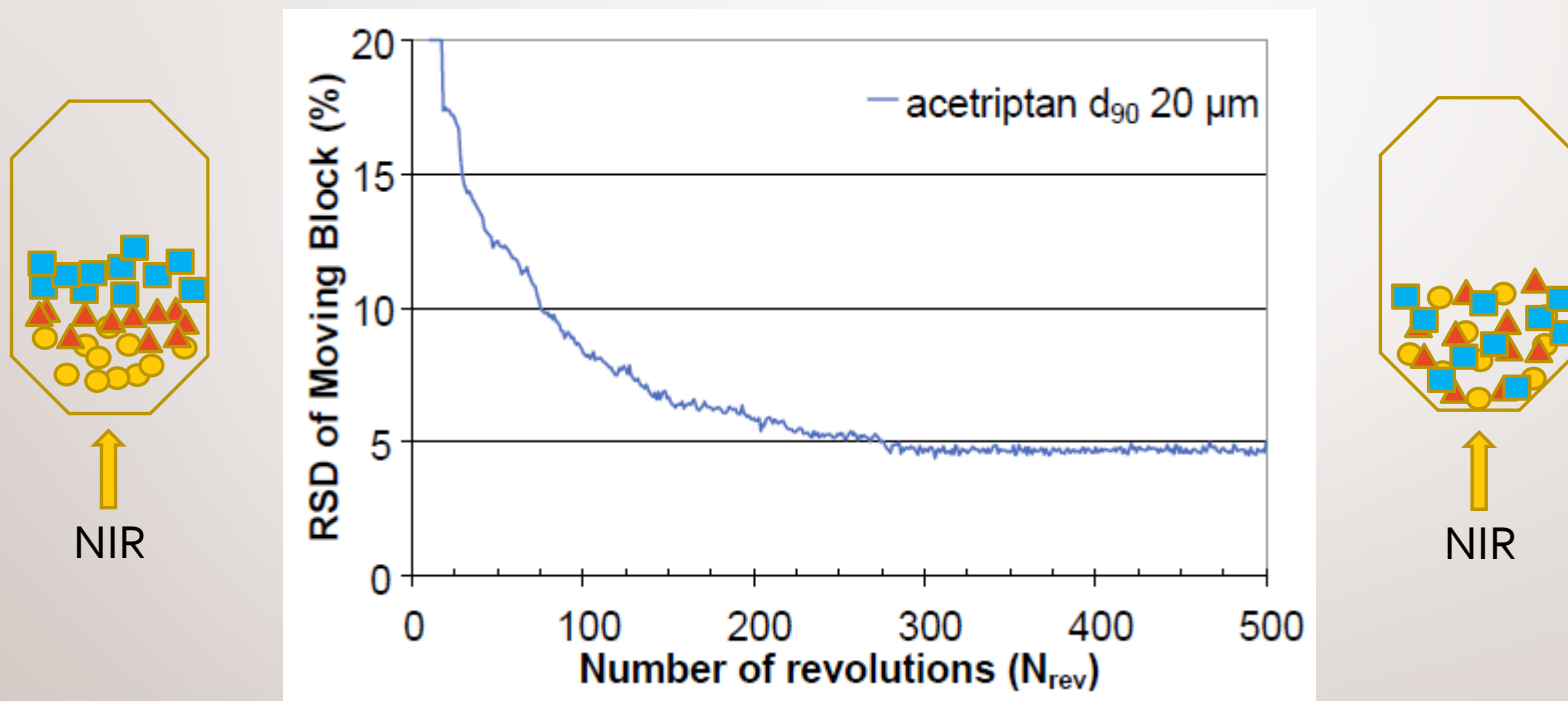


Figure. % RSD of the moving block of the NIR spectra for acetriptan d₉₀ of 20 µm blended for 500 revolutions

- 為什麼要對產品執行製程中管制及最終產品放行？
 - 確保產品品質及用藥人的安全
 - 法規規定
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 - DoE (Design of Experiment)
 - CPP, CQA
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