

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION**

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DURING AN INSPECTION OF YOUR FIRM WE OBSERVED:

OBSERVATION 1

The ISO 5 classified aseptic processing areas had difficult to clean equipment or surface.

Specifically, rust-colored residues and discolorations were observed on your facility's ISO 5

(b) (4) laminar flow hoods and HEPA filter screens.

ISO 5 Hoods	Residue/Discoloration Locations	
(b) (4) Laminar Flow Hood	HEPA Filter Screens	Hoods

(b) (4)

On 10/31/17 during the processing of Enoxaparin Lot 10312017@1 for prescriptions (b) (6) and (b) (6), and Neupogen Lot 10312017@2 for prescriptions (b) (6), and (b) (6) in hood (b) (4), we observed rust-colored residues on the HEPA filter screen. We also observed difficult to clean, rust-colored residues embedded in the crevasses on the bottom left panel of hood (b) (4) specifically between the critical ISO 5 working surface and the side panel. The following drug products are routinely processed aseptically inside these ISO 5 hoods: Enoxaparin, Neupogen, and Procrit.

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OBSERVATION 2

Your firm released drug product in which the strength differs from, or its purity or quality falls below, that which it purports or is represented to possess.

Specifically,

On 10/25/17, your firm received out-of-specification (OOS) potency test results for Dexamethasone 40 MG CAP. lot 10052017@7 and 10 MG CAP. lot 10052017@5. The "formula worksheets" showed these two lots were produced at your facility on 10/5/17. The potency test performed on 10/19/17 by your contract laboratory for these two lots had OOS results of 153% and 143%, respectively for Dexamethasone 40 MG and 10 MG capsules (specification (b) (4) %). Additional samples were sent for retesting to the same contract laboratory and to a second contract laboratory on 10/25/17; both re-test sample results were within specification.

After receiving the OOS results, all remaining inventory of Dexamethasone 40 MG CAP. lot 10052017@7 and 10 MG CAP. lot 10052017@5 were removed from the dispensing center. However, prior to obtaining the OOS potency results, the following prescriptions had already been dispensed to patients for Dexamethasone lot 10052017@5 and 10052017@7:

Prescriptions dispensed to patients from 10/5/17 to 10/12/17:	
40 MG Dexamethasone Lot 10052017@7, Capsules (b) (6)	10 MG Dexamethasone Lot 10052017@5, Capsules (b) (6)

OBSERVATION 3

Inadequately protected product intended to be sterile was exposed to lower than ISO 5 classified aseptic processing area quality air.

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On 10/31/17, we observed the HEPA filter patch in hood (b)(4) to be greater than (b)(4) in size. The HEPA filter patch was measured by your firm to be 4.5" X 1.5"; however, your vendor's procedure states that (b)(4) should exceed or be greater than (b)(4) in size. Since this HEPA filter repair dated 11/18/16, your firm has continued to aseptically process drug products such as Enoxaparin, Neupogen, and Procrit for patients in hood (b)(4)

OBSERVATION 4

Disinfecting agents and cleaning wipes used in the ISO 5 classified aseptic processing areas were not sterile.

Specifically, the cleaning wipes used in the ISO 5 classified aseptic processing areas are not sterile.

Non-sterile low-linting wipes were observed to be used during aseptic processing on 10/31/17. Prior to and after each prescription filled in the hoods, non-sterile wipes were observed to be sprayed with sterile (b)(4) and used to sanitize the critical ISO 5 working surfaces in hood (b)(4) and in the (b)(4). In addition, prior to transferring materials into the hoods, the technician was observed wiping the materials with the non-sterile wipes sprayed with sterile (b)(4). For example, we observed the following drug products processed on 10/31/17:

- Enoxaparin Lot 10312017@1 for prescriptions (b)(6) in hood (b)(4)
- Neupogen Lot 10312017@2 for prescriptions (b)(6) and (b)(6) in hood (b)(4)
- Synribo Lot 10312017@3 for prescription (b)(6) in the (b)(4)

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