

# ANDA SUBMISSION: RISK-BASED EXTRACTABLE AND LEACHABLE QUALITY INFORMATION

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# Presentation Outline

- Introduction
- Safety Concern Thresholds
- Extractables and leachables from manufacturing equipment
- Extractables and leachables from container closure systems

# Introduction

- Extractables –
  - Chemical entities released from a manufacturing equipment or CCS into an extraction solvent under laboratory conditions.
- Leachables –
  - Chemical entities released from a manufacturing equipment or CCS leached into a drug product during manufacturing and storage.
- USP<1663> / <1664>
- FDA guidances
- Technical references - PQRI publications

# Safety Concern Thresholds (SCT)

| Route of Administration                  | Duration of Treatment >10 years   | Duration of Treatment ≤ 10 years |
|--|---|----------------------------------|
| Most routes <sup>1</sup>                 | 1.5 µg/day  | 5 µg/day                         |
| Topical ophthalmic products <sup>2</sup> | Reporting Threshold: 1 ppm<br>Identification Threshold: 10 ppm<br>Qualification Threshold: 20 ppm |                                  |

1. Some very high-risk administration routes (e.g., epidural) may require lower SCT (e.g., 0.15 µg/day). Consult FDA/OGD via Controlled Correspondence as needed.
2. FDA Guidance for Industry: Quality Considerations for Topical Ophthalmic Drug Products (12/2023). PPM is used due to the risk of local toxicity to the eye.

# Information Assessed in the ANDA Submissions: Manufacturing Equipment

- **Study protocols**
  - Relevant polymeric surfaces, extraction conditions, worst case scenarios
- **Analytical procedures**
  - Fit for purpose, Details, Reference Standards, Method qualifications
- **Data**
  - Identification and quantification of individual extractables
  - Identification and quantification of individual leachables if leachable studies performed
- **Mitigation** of extractables above AET
  - Engineering controls and/ or leachable studies
- **Mitigation** of leachables found above AET
  - Engineering controls/ Safety assessment

# Structured E/L Summary to Assist E/L Information Assessment

- Current ANDA submissions: E/L information from manufacturing equipment submitted in multiple sections of eCTD
- Structured Summary is recommended in addition to manufacturing equipment E/L information:
  - Summary can be submitted in a structured format
  - E/L information summarized alongside product and process variables
  - Conducive to analysis using attributes in summary
    - Formulation parameters
    - Process design and parameters
    - Safety and analytical thresholds

# Structured E/L Summary – Overview Tab



Column for labels and column for data

|    | A   | B                                   |
|----|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1  | <b>Application ID</b>   | A222444                             |
| 2  | <b>Reference Product ID, if applicable</b>                        | N022333                             |
| 3  | <b>Drug substance name(s)</b>                                     | Drug Substance                      |
| 4  | <b>Route of administration</b>                                    | Injection                           |
| 5  | <b>Lowest strength</b>  | 1.0 mg/mL                           |
| 6  | <b>Commercial batch size for lowest strength (L)</b>              | 50                                  |
| 7  | <b>Maximum daily dose (MDD) mg/day</b>                            | 5.0                                 |
| 8  | <b>Maximum daily volume for lowest strength (mL)</b>              | 5.0                                 |
| 9  | <b>Bulk product minimum pH</b>                                    | 3.2                                 |
| 10 | <b>Bulk product maximum pH</b>                                    | 4.0                                 |
| 11 | <b>Bulk product organic solvent concentration (%)</b>             | 50.0                                |
| 12 | <b>Bulk product surfactant concentration (%)</b>                  | 0.0                                 |
| 13 | <b>For each organic solvent or surfactant: name and amount</b>    | Ethanol 450 mg/mL; Glycerin 5 mg/mL |
| 14 | <b>Maximum treatment duration</b>                                 | Chronic                             |
| 15 | <b>Safety Concern Threshold (SCT) mcg/day</b>                     | 1.5                                 |
| 16 | <b>Any process equipment-related leachable present above SCT?</b> | Yes                                 |
| 17 |   |                                     |
| 18 |   |                                     |
| 19 |   |                                     |

Multiple tabs

Overview Equipment Leachables



# Structured E/L Summary – Equipment Tab



Column for each distinct brand name & contact material combination.

|    | A   | B                                    | C   | D                                    |
|----|---|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1  | Item description  | Filter                               | Tubing                                    | Bag                                  |
| 2  | Manufacturer  | FilterCo                             | TubingCo                                  | BagCo                                |
| 3  | Brand name  | FilterBrand                          | TubingBrand                               | BagBrand                             |
| 4  | Primary contact material  | PVDF                                 | Silicone                                  | LDPE                                 |
| 5  | Catalog numbers   | DFG789012CC1; DFG789012TT1           | ABC123456; XYZ336699                      | BAG271828                            |
| 6  | Pre-treatment sterilization methods   | Irradiation; Moist Heat              | Moist Heat                                | Moist Heat                           |
| 7  | Pre-treatment sterilization conditions  | Gamma, 25 kGy; 121°C, 20 min         | 121°C, 20 min                             | 121°C, 20 min                        |
| 8  | Contact area used for compounding step (cm <sup>2</sup> )                                   | 0                                    | 0   | 0                                    |
| 9  | Contact area used for offline filtration (cm <sup>2</sup> )                                 | 1900                                 | 1140                                      | 0                                    |
| 10 | Contact area used for intermediate bags (cm <sup>2</sup> )                                  | 0                                    | 0   | 20000                                |
| 11 | Contact area used for inline filtration / filling (cm <sup>2</sup> )                        | 1900                                 | 2850                                      | 0                                    |
| 12 | Maximum contact duration (h)  | 12                                   | 12  | 16                                   |
| 13 | Maximum contact temperature (°C)  | 25                                   | 25  | 25                                   |
| 14 | Flushing volume for inline filtration / filling (L)   | 1.25                                 | 1.25                                      | 0                                    |
| 15 | Flushing volume after pause (L)   | 1.25                                 | 1.25                                      | 1.25                                 |
| 16 | <b>EXTRACTABLE STUDY REPORTS</b>  |                                      |   |                                      |
| 17 | Sample used in extraction study has same brand (row 3) and primary contact material (row 4) | Yes                                  | Yes                                       | Yes                                  |
| 18 | Was the LOQ of the analytical methods sufficient to detect impurities at the SCT?           | Yes                                  | Yes                                       | Yes                                  |
| 19 | Largest extractable (mcg/cm <sup>2</sup> )  | 2.63                                 | 15.20                                     | 0.475                                |
| 20 | Largest extractable name/description  | Irgafos 168                          | Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane              | Stearic acid                         |
| 21 | Solvent system & study conditions   | 50% ethanol/water, 30°C, static, 48h | 50% ethanol/water, 30°C, circulation, 12h | 50% ethanol/water, 30°C, static, 24h |
| 22 | eCTD location and name of study report  | 3.2.P.2 "Filter extractables report" | 3.2.P.2 "Tubing extractables report"      | 3.2.P.2 "Bag extractables report"    |
| 23 |   |                                      |   |                                      |
| 24 |   |                                      |   |                                      |
| 25 |   |                                      |   |                                      |

# Structured E/L Summary– Leachables Tab



|    | A  | B                                 |
|----|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1  | Manufacturing Batch ID(s)  | EB12345                           |
| 2  | Did the study design enable detection of process equipment-related leachables (PERLs)?               | Yes                               |
| 3  | Did the study represent worst-case manufacturing conditions including minimum commercial batch size? | Yes                               |
| 4  | Was the LOQ of the analytical methods sufficient to detect impurities at the SCT?                    | Yes                               |
| 5  | Were process equipment-related leachables (PERLs) indentified in the leachables analysis?            | Yes                               |
| 6  | Largest process equipment-related leachable level (mcg/mL)   | 0.60                              |
| 7  | Name/description of largest process equipment-related leachable                                      | Benzo[a]pyrene                    |
| 8  | eCTD location and name of study report   | 3.2.P.2 "Leachables study report" |
| 9  | Are there leachables that may present safety issues?   | Yes                               |
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Overview Equipment **Leachables** +

# Uses for Structured E/L Data

- Increase review efficiency and consistency
  - Rapid identification of deficiencies
  - Reduction in information requests
  - Data-driven evaluation
  
- OPQ/OPMA can receive structured E/L data in 3.2.R in .xlsx format

# Question



In what module of the application the E/L structured data should be submitted?

- a. 3.2.P.2 Pharmaceutical Development
- b. 3.2.P.3 Manufacture
- c. 3.2.R Regional Information

## Extractables and Leachables from CCS

- Design of extractable studies –
  - Data from CCS manufacturers, literatures, applicants' internal prior knowledge
  - Solvents and extraction conditions
  - Analytical method for the identification and quantitation of extractables
- Design of leachable studies –
  - Study conditions (e.g., on 3 formal stability batches) and test frequency to inform trending of leachables
  - Analytical method for the identification and quantitation of leachables
    - e.g., LOQ should be validated below Analytical Evaluation Threshold (AET)

# Extractables and Leachables from CCS

- AET calculation –
  - Derived from MDD and SCT (USP<1664>)
  - Inclusion of an Uncertainty Factor (e.g., x0.5)
- Toxicological assessment –
  - Any leachables towards end of shelf life at levels > AET
    - Identification of chemical structures
- Extractable – leachable correlation
  - Allows for the control of leachables upstream at the QC stage of CCS or manufacturing equipment, if needed.
  - Informs post-approvable changes

# Risk-based Approach to E/L Data Submission

- Prior knowledge –
  - Applicants' internal knowledge and open literature
  - Comparison of leaching propensity, route of administration and maximum daily dose of different products
- Route of administration and dosage form –
  - Reference to 21 CFR 174-186 (indirect food additives regulations) may be sufficient without E/L studies for oral drugs, if –
    - Materials of construction, use conditions, specification and test results comply with the regulations
    - Comparison of leaching propensities – drug vs. food

# Question



FDA published Guidance for Industry – “Container Closure System for Packaging Human Drugs and Biologics” in

- a) 1989
- b) 1999
- c) 2009
- d) 2019



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