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Navigating USP and Other Important Compounding Updates

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Pharmacist and Technician Learning Objectives

- 1.Review changes in state and federal oversight of compounding pharmacies, including USP 795, 797, and 800.
- 2.Summarize FDA guidance documents about insanitary conditions at compounding facilities.
- 3.Outline safety and quality considerations and strategies for reducing common compounding errors.







Elements USP Chapters









What is Quality?



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| AMY'S BREAD | 445 5TH AVE Manhattan 10016 | Bakery Products/Desserts | 50111561 | A |
| AMY'S BREAD | 1220 5 AVENUE Manhattan 10029 | Bakery Products/Desserts | 50070991 | A |
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| ANGELA'S CAKE | 2220-2222 AMSTERDAM AVE Manhattan 10032 | Bakery Products/Desserts | 50074297 | A |

Reference - Quick search of NY restaurant inspections for bakeries in Manhattan.



SAN ANTONIO – A southside bakery cited for multiple violations by health inspectors decided it was better to close the business than make all the necessary corrections.





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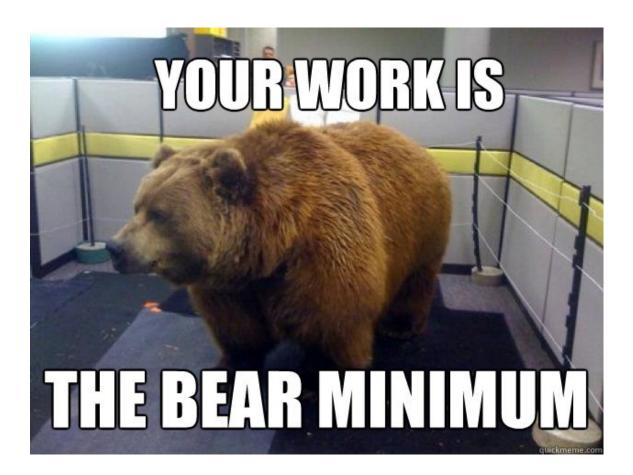
(795) Major Points

- Quality of environment
 - People
 - Cleaning
- Training and documentation
- Designated Person (DP)
- Water activity
- Beyond-use dates





(795) Introduction and Scope



Minimum standards to be followed for the preparation of compounded nonsterile preparations (CNSPs) for humans and animals.





(795) Introduction and Scope



Nonsterile compounding is defined as combining, admixing, diluting, pooling, reconstituting other than as provided in the manufacturer's labeling, or otherwise altering a drug product or bulk drug substance to create a nonsterile preparation.

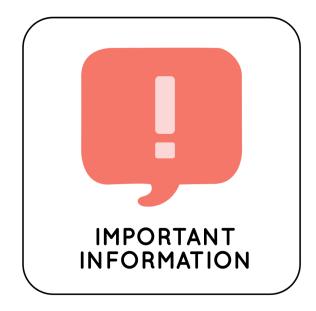




(795) Introduction and Scope

Requirements in this chapter must be followed to minimize harm, including death, to human and animal patients that could result from:

- Excessive microbial contamination,
- Variability from the intended strength of correct ingredients (e.g., ±10% of the labeled strength),
- Physical and chemical incompatibilities,
- Chemical and physical contaminants,
- Use of ingredients of inappropriate quality







Now You Matter

Handling of nonsterile hazardous drugs (HDs) must additionally comply with Hazardous Drugs—Handling in **Healthcare Settings** (800)



CNSPs that must comply with this chapter include, but are not limited to, the following dosage forms:

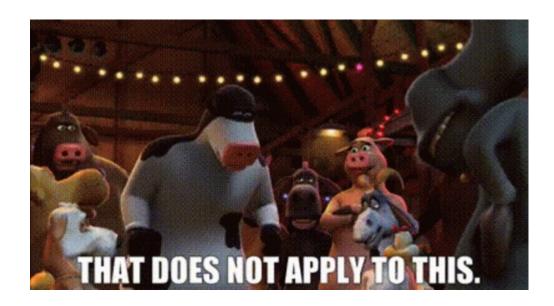
- Solid oral preparations
- Liquid oral preparations
- Rectal preparations
- Vaginal preparations
- Topical preparations (i.e., creams, gels and ointments)
- Nasal and sinus preparations intended for local application (i.e., nasal sprays and nasal irrigations)
- Otic preparations (excluding use in perforated eardrums)





(795) What Does Not Apply?

- Nonsterile radiopharmaceuticals (825)
- Reconstitution
- Repackaging (of manufactured products)
- Splitting tablets
- Administration (within 4 hours, single dose)







See Something, Say Something



The compounding facility's leadership and all personnel involved in preparing, storing, packaging, dispensing and transporting CNSPs are responsible for:

- Ensuring that the applicable practices and quality standards in this chapter are continually and consistently applied to their operations
- Proactively identifying and remedying potential problems within their operations.





Designated Person(s)

Designated person(s): One or more individuals assigned to be responsible and accountable for the performance and operation of the facility and personnel for the preparation of CNSPs

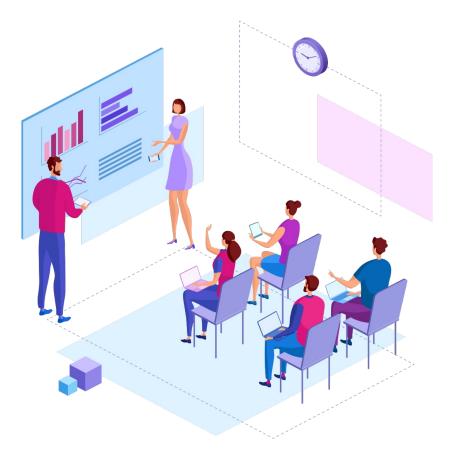


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Personnel Training and Evaluation

- Personnel who compound or have direct oversight of compounding personnel must complete training initially and at least every 12 months in appropriate compounding principles & practices
- This program must equip personnel with knowledge and training in the required skills necessary to perform their assigned tasks





Training and Documentation

- Hand hygiene
- Garbing
- Cleaning and sanitizing
- Handling and transporting components and CNSPs
- Measuring and mixing
- Proper use of equipment & devices selected to compound CNSPs

- Documentation of the compounding process
- Understand the requirements of (795)
- Understand and interpret SDS, and if applicable COA
- Read & understand procedures related to their compounding duties



Environmental Quality – Personnel

- Requirements closer to sterile compounding regarding details
- No "adornments" that can interfere with compounding activity
- No earbuds or headphones
- Accommodations can be made by DP







Give Me a Hand



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Garb and Glove Requirements

- Gloves are a <u>must</u>
- Other garb <u>must</u> be appropriate to activity
- Defined in SOPs (including hand washing)
- Changing when and where
- Re-use or not <u>must</u> be in SOPs
- For HDs, proper PPE MUST be worn (& disposed) in accordance to (800)







Compounding Area

- Area must be designated in SOPs
- Well lit and sanitary
- Neat and orderly
- Prevent cross-contamination

THE LAB WAS MESSY

I MAY HAVE INGESTED SOME CHEMICALS BUT I'M FINE

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Storage Area



- Must monitor/document temperature
- Must have SOPs to detect and reduce risk of excursions
- All CNSPs, components, equipment and containers **MUST** be off the floor



Cleaning, Sanitizing or Both

- Cleaning: The process of removing substances (e.g., organic and inorganic material) from objects and surfaces, normally accomplished by manually or mechanically using water with detergents or enzymatic products.
- Sanitizing agent: An agent for reducing, on inanimate surfaces, the number of microorganisms (e.g., 70% isopropyl alcohol).
- EPA registered agents? Combination products?







Minimum Frequency for Cleaning and Sanitizing in Nonsterile Compounding Area

| Site | Minimum Frequency | |
|------------------|--|--|
| Work Surfaces | At the beginning and end of each shift on days when compounding occurs, after spills, and when surface contamination (e.g., from splashes is known or suspected Between compounding CNSPs with different components | |
| Floors | Daily on days when compounding occurs, after spills, and when surface contamination (e.g., from splashes) is known or suspected | |
| Walls | When visibly soiled, after spills, and when surface contamination (e.g., from splashes) is known or suspected | |
| Ceilings | When visibly soiled and when surface contamination (e.g., from splashes) is known or suspected | |
| Storage Shelving | Every 3 months, after spills, and when surface contamination (e.g., from splashes) is known or suspected | |





Cleaning and Sanitizing of Equipment

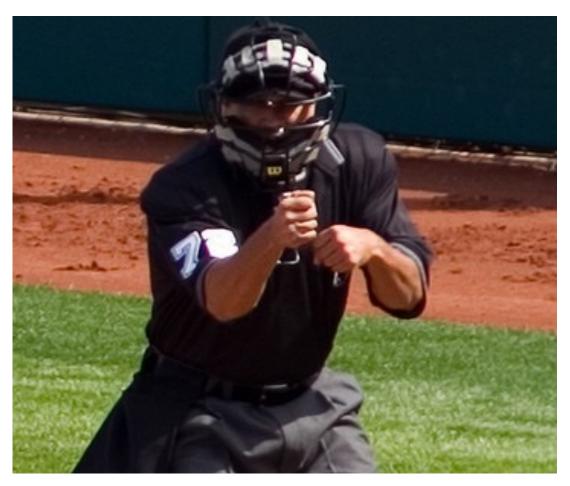
Table 2. Minimum Frequency for Cleaning and Sanitizing in Nonsterile Compounding Area(s)—Equipment

| Site | Minimum Frequency | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| CVE | At the beginning and end of each shift on days when compounding occurs, after spills, and when surface contamination (e.g., from splashes) is known or suspected Clean and sanitize the horizontal work surface of the CVE between compounding CNSPs with different components | | |
| BSC | At the beginning and end of each shift on days when compounding occurs, after spills, and when surface co tamination (e.g., from splashes) is known or suspected Clean and sanitize the horizontal work surface of the BSC between compounding CNSPs with different comp nents Clean and sanitize under the work surface at least monthly | | |
| Other devices and equipment used in compounding operations | Before first use and thereafter in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations If no recommendation is available, between compounding CNSPs with different components | | |



Component Selection (APIs)

- Must comply with the criteria in the USP–NF monograph, if one exists
- Must have a COA that includes specifications (e.g., compendial requirements for quality) & test results for the component that show the API meets expected quality
- In the United States, must be manufactured by an FDA-registered facility





Component Selection (Non-API)

- Water: Purified Water USP or better quality
 - e.g., Sterile Water for Irrigation USP can be used for compounding nonsterile drug preparations when formulations indicate the inclusion of water



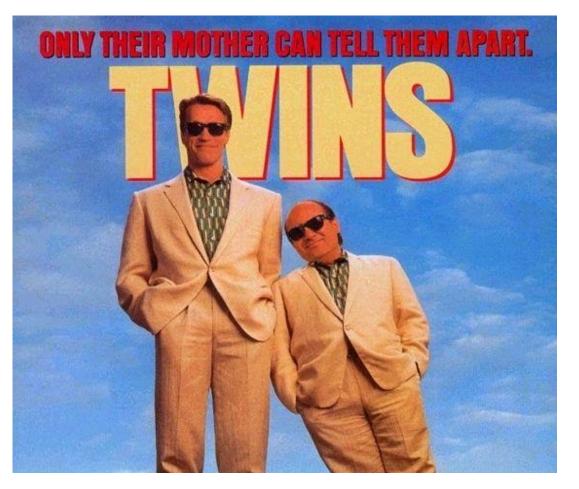
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Must Be the Same Thing, Right?

USP General Notices 4.1

• Because monographs may not provide standards for all relevant characteristics, some official substances may conform to the USP or NF standard but differ with regard to nonstandardized properties that are relevant to their use in specific preparations. To assure substitutability in such instances, users may wish to ascertain functional equivalence or determine such characteristics before use.







Compounding Components

- COA review on receiptComponent evaluation
 - •At receipt
 - Prior to use
 - Documentation









BUD Considerations

- Establish conservatively
- Parameters
 - Everyone getting along
 - Stability within final container
 - Potential for microbial growth
 - Changes in compounding procedure







USP (795) Beyond-Use Date (BUD) Changes

Section 10. Establishing Beyond-Use Dates

Table 4. BUD Limit by Type of Preparation in the Absence of a USP–NF Compounded Preparation Monograph or CNSP-Specific Stability Information

| Type of Preparation | BUDs (days) | Storage Temperature ^a | | | | |
|--|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Aqueous Dosage Forms (<i>a_w</i> ≥ 0.60) | | | | | | |
| Non-preserved aqueous dosage forms ^b | 14 | Refrigerator | | | | |
| Preserved aqueous dosage forms ^b | 35 | Controlled room temperature or refrigerator | | | | |
| Nonaqueous Dosage Forms (<i>a_w</i> < 0.60) | | | | | | |
| Oral liquids (nonaqueous) ^c | 90 | Controlled room temperature or refrigerator | | | | |
| Other nonaqueous dosage forms ^d | 180 | Controlled room temperature or refrigerator | | | | |

a See Packaging and Storage Requirements $\langle 659 \rangle.$

b An aqueous preparation is one that has an a_w of ≥ 0.6 (e.g., emulsions, gels, creams, solutions, sprays, or suspensions).

c A nonaqueous liquid is one that has an a_w of < 0.6.

d Capsules, tablets, granules, powders, nonaqueous topicals, suppositories, troches.





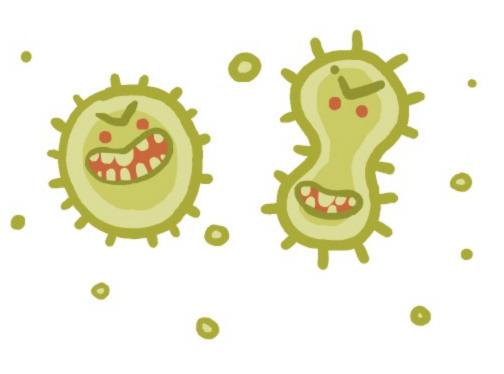
BUD Factors

- Microbial growth
- Aqueous vs non-aqueous
- Hydrolysis
- Raw materials & equipment can contribute to bioburden of CNSP
- Careful consideration of preservatives



USP (51) Antimicrobial Effectiveness Testing

- Antimicrobials added to inhibit the growth of microorganisms inadvertently introduced during the manufacturing or compounding process
- Preservatives cannot be a substitute for good processes
- All useful antimicrobial agents are toxic substances, therefore keep to minimum
- Antimicrobial effectiveness must be demonstrated





USP (1112) Application Of Water Activity Determination to Nonsterile Pharmaceutical Products

- Water content is not water activity
- Water activity (a_w): A measure of the fraction of total water that is unbound and freely available to participate in chemical, biochemical, or physicochemical reactions or provide an environment that can support microbial growth. Note that a_w is not water content.
- Water activity, (a_w), is a measure of how much of that water is free, i.e., unbound, and thus available to microorganisms to use for growth. Microorganisms will not grow below a certain water activity level—(a_w) 0.90 for most pathogenic bacteria, 0.70 for spoilage molds, and 0.60 for all microorganisms. Food Technology Magazine 11/1/2009



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The Long and the Short of It



- USP is not the end-all be-all of BUD
- Due diligence for existing stability data
- Shortest BUD within CNSP
- Cannot exceed BUD of any monographed (USP-NF) component
- CNSPs with stability indicating information and antimicrobial effectiveness testing USP <51>, may be increased to a maximum of 180 days when meeting all compliance factors





Other Tidbits

- Flavoring is compounding
- Clarified nasal and sinus preps as nonsterile
- Clarified otic preparations as nonsterile (excluding perforated ear drums)
- pH solutions do not change BUD status





USP (797) Glaring Changes

- Low, med, high to category 1, category 2, category 3
- Includes sterilization method
 - Filtration
 - Terminal sterilization
- Based on the state of environmental control under which they are compounded
- Probability for microbial growth during the time they will be stored
- The time period within which they must be used (BUD)
- Can be compounded by using only sterile starting ingredients, or by using some or all nonsterile starting ingredients



USP (797) Products Affected

- Injections, including infusions
- Irrigations for internal body cavities (i.e., any space that does not normally communicate with the environment, such as bladder or peritoneal cavity)
- Ophthalmics
- Pulmonary Inhalations
- Baths and soaks for live organs and tissues









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Categories of CSPs Category 2 Category 1 Category 3 **CSPs CSPs CSPs** Must be Must be • Have additional prepared in a prepared in a High-Risk PEC that may cleanroom requirements be located in that must be suite an unclassified met at all segregated times May be Medium-Risk compounding assigned a area BUD of > 12• May be hours at assigned a Low-Risk Assigned a controlled **BUD** longer BUD of ≤ 12 than room established for hours at temperature or > 24 hours if controlled Category 2 Low-Risk with 12 refrigerated CSPs, up to room Hour BUD temperature or 180 days \leq 24 hours when refrigerated









Personnel Qualifications

| | 2008 Last Official Chapter | 2015 Revision Proposal | 2018 Revision Proposal | 2019 Remanded Chapter | Revised Chapter |
|--|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Visual observation of hand hygiene and garbing | Annually | Every 3 months | Every 6 months | Every 6 months | Category 1 & 2: Every 6 months Category 3: Every 3 months for personnel who compound Category 3 CSPs |
| Gloved fingertip and thumb sampling | Low/Medium-Risk CSPs: <u>Annually</u> High-Risk CSPs: <u>Semi-annually</u> | Every 3 months | Every 6 months | Every 6 months | Category 1 & 2: Every 6 months Category 3: Every 3 months for personnel who compound Category 3 CSPs as part of garbing competency and aseptic competency |
| Media-fill testing | Low/Medium-Risk CSPs: <u>Annually</u> High-Risk CSPs: <u>Semi-annually</u> | Every 3 months | Every 6 months | Every 6 months | Category 1 & 2: Every 6 months Category 3: Every 3 months for personnel who compound Category 3 CSPs |







Minimum Garbing Requirements

| 2008 Last O Chapte | | 2018 Revision Proposal | 2019 Remanded Chapter | Revised Chapter |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| Gown Dedicated or shoe construction Head and hair cover Face massion Sterile glob | facial fa | Prails Disposable covers for shoes Disposable covers for head and facial hair Face mask Sterile gloves If using RABS → disposable gloves inside of gauntlet | Gown Disposable covers for shoes Disposable covers for head and facial hair Face mask Sterile gloves If using RABS → disposable gloves inside of gauntlet gloves | Low-lint garment with sleeves that fit snugly around the wrists and an enclosed neck (e.g., gown or coverall) Low-lint covers for shoes Low-lint cover for head that covers the hair and ears, and if applicable, cover for facial hair Low-lint face mask Sterile powder-free gloves If using a RABS, (i.e., a CAI or CACI), disposable gloves should be worn inside the gloves attached to the RABS sleeves. Sterile gloves must be worn over the gloves attached to the RABS sleeve |





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Minimum Garbing Requirements

Revised Chapter – Category 3

If the facility compounds Category 3 CSPs, additional garbing requirements must be continuously met in the buffer room in which Category 3 CSPs are prepared. The following additional garbing requirements must be followed in the buffer room where Category 3 CSPs are prepared for all personnel regardless of whether Category 3 CSPs are compounded on a given day:

- 1. Do not allow any exposed skin in the buffer room. (i.e., face and neck must be covered).
- 2. All low-lint outer garb must be sterile, including the use of sterile sleeves over gauntlet sleeves when a RABS is used.
- 3. Disposable garbing items must not be reused, and laundered garb must not be reused without being laundered and resterilized with a validated cycle.
- 4. The facility's SOPs must describe disinfection procedures for reusing goggles, respirators, and other reusable equipment.







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Microbiological Air and Surface Monitoring

| | 2008 Last Official Chapter | 2015 Revision Proposal | 2018 Revision Proposal | 2019 Remanded Chapter | Revised Chapter |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Viable air sampling | Every 6 months | Monthly | Every 6 months | Every 6 months | Category 1 & 2: Every 6 months Category 3: Monthly |
| Surface sampling | Periodically | Monthly | Monthly | Monthly | Category 1 & 2: Monthly Category 3: Weekly |

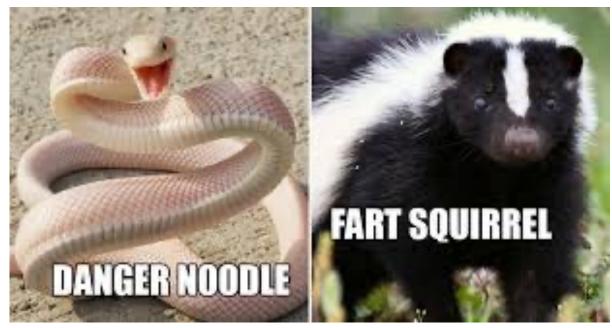




Alternative Method

Sterility testing is not required for Category 1 CSPs (see <u>Table 12</u>). For Category 2 CSPs assigned a BUD that requires sterility testing (see <u>Table 13</u>) and all Category 3 CSPs, the testing must be performed according to $\langle 71 \rangle$ or a validated alternative method (see $\langle 1223 \rangle$) that is noninferior to $\langle 71 \rangle$ testing.

If an alternative method is used for sterility testing, the method must be validated (see (1223)) and demonstrated to be suitable for that CSP formulation.







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Category 2 CSP BUD Limits

| Preparation Characteristics | | Storage Conditions | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
| Compounding Method | Sterility Testing Performed & Passed | Controlled Room Temperature (20°–25°) | Refrigerator (2°–8°) | Freezer (−25° to −10°) | |
| Aseptically processed CSPs | ssed | Prepared from one or more nonsterile starting component(s): 1 day | Prepared from one or more nonsterile starting component(s): 4 days | Prepared from one or more nonsterile starting component(s): 45 days | |
| | | Prepared from only sterile starting components: 4 days | Prepared from only sterile starting components: 10 days | Prepared from only sterile starting components: 45 days | |
| | Yes | 30 days | 45 days | 60 days | |
| Terminally sterilized CSPs | No | 14 days | 28 days | 45 days | |
| | Yes | 45 days | 60 days | 90 days | |





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Category 3 CSP BUD Limits

| Preparation Characteristics | | Storage Conditions | |
|--|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Compounding Method | Controlled Room Temperature (20°–25°) | Refrigerator (2°–8°) | Freezer (-25°–10°) |
| Aseptically processed, sterility tested, and passing all applicable tests for Category 3 CSPs | 60 days | 90 days | 120 days |
| Terminally sterilized, sterility tested, and passing all applicable tests for Category 3 CSPs | 90 days | 120 days | 180 days |

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Considerations of Category 3

- Undergo sterility testing, supplemented by endotoxin testing when applicable
- Have more requirements than Category 2 CSPs for personnel qualification
- Use of sterile garb
- More frequent use of sporicidal disinfectants
- Frequency of environmental monitoring
 - Exp. Surface sampling with each batch of extended BUD, and at least weekly
- Batch size is limited to 250 final use units
- BUD assigned to a Category 3 CSP must be supported by stability data obtained using a stability-indicating analytical method that is able to distinguish the active ingredient from its degradants and impurities (e.g., by forced degradation studies) and quantify the amount of the active ingredient





USP (800) Potentially Applicable 11/1/2023

| Cleaning Step | Purpose | Example Agents |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Deactivation | Render compound inert or inactive | As listed in the HD labeling or other agents which may incorporate Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)- registered oxidizers (e.g., peroxide formulations, sodium hypochlorite, etc.) |
| Decontamination | Remove HD residue | Materials that have been validated to be effective for HD decontamination, or through other materials proven to be effective through testing, which may include alcohol, water, peroxide, or sodium hypochlorite |
| Cleaning | Remove organic and inorganic material | Germicidal detergent |
| Disinfection (for sterile manipulations) | Destroy microorganisms | EPA-registered disinfectant and/or sterile alcohol as appropriate for use |





FDA – Insanitary Conditions

- Doesn't mean "dirty ingredients"
- Potential to become contaminated
 - Microbial growth
 - From environment
 - Other, unintended chemicals
 - Construction in the area without adequate controls
 - Standing water or evidence of water leakage
 - Quality of ingredients (what grade?)



Visible mold contamination on ceiling tiles removed from room where compounding occurred.



Medical supply waste and dust built up in the pre-filter of an ISO-5 hood where drugs were compounded.





Dead cockroach on the floor of a compounding room.

Exposed insulation in ceiling above doorway to a cleanroom.

FDA public records on Insanitary Conditions Presentation - 2016



Contamination from Handling

Handling bulk drug substances or drug products that are hazardous, sensitizing, or highly potent (e.g., hormones) with inadequate controls to prevent crosscontamination. This includes:

- Inadequate dedication, segregation, and containment (e.g., a powder-containment hood) of a suite, room, or piece of equipment based on risk
- Inadequate cleaning of rooms, work surfaces, and equipment (e.g., utensils), including spills
- Inadequate segregation of HVAC systems (as appropriate for the operation)
- Inadequate control over the movement of personnel and materials





OBSERVATION 1

You produced hazardous drugs without providing adequate cleaning of work surfaces and cleaning of utensils to prevent cross-contamination.

Specifically,

a) Your firm does not use a strong oxidizer capable of deactivating hazardous drug products to prevent cross-contamination of work surfaces and non-dedicated, shared equipment used in the production of hazardous drug products containing testosterone, progesterone, estriol and/or estradiol.

b) Your firm has not established the use of (b) (4) is adequate to remove drug product residues to prevent contamination from shared equipment used in the production of hazardous drug products containing testosterone, progesterone, estriol and/or estradiol.





OBSERVATION 2

Non-microbial contamination was observed in your production area.

Specifically,

a) On 12/1/2022 during the initial walk through of the facility, I observed an unknown white powderlike substance on two separate (b) (4) capsule machines. According to your non-sterile technician (b) (6) no production of capsules occurred that day and the last time the machines were used to produce capsules were on 11/7/2022 to produce (b) (4) 25mg capsules and on 11/29/2022 to produce Ivermectin 18mg capsules. Your (b) (4) capsules machines are not dedicated equipment and are used to produce hazardous drug products containing progesterone.

b) On 12/1/2022, I observed a white jar with a white screw cap top that had a yellowish unknown residue on the cap with a greasy oily texture placed in a cabinet used to store clean non-dedicated equipment ready for use in the production of your topical drug products (creams and gels) containing hazardous drug substances such as testosterone, progesterone, estriol and/or estradiol.



Vermin was observed in an area immediately adjacent to your production area.

Specifically,

Your firm failed to adequately control pest activity in your facility.

A: On 10/12/2022, during a walkthrough of your facility, we observed insect activity on a (b) (4) mat at the entrance to the hazardous compounding area.

B: On 10/13/2022, we observed a flying insect in the dispensing area adjacent to non-sterile



Your firm produced drugs while construction was underway in an adjacent area without adequate controls to prevent contamination of the production environment and product.

Specifically,

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A. The Hazardous Area (Room # 8-206A), containing the ISO 5 Classified Biological Safety Cabinet, where aseptic production is performed. The Ante room entrance door is located in a common hallway accessible to employees. On 02/07/2020, we observed approximately 2 to 3 maintenance personnel, performing maintenance on the ceiling tiles in the hallway, while construction was being performed approximately 5 feet from the entrance of the Ante room door.





Other Bodies

- OSHA
- DEA
- Joint Commission
- State Boards
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)





Summary of USP and FDA

• USP

- Training and documentation
- Make it right
- Keep it clean
- Protect patient and personnel
- FDA
 - Start with clean
 - Keep it clean
 - Protect the public





Master Formulation Records (MFR)

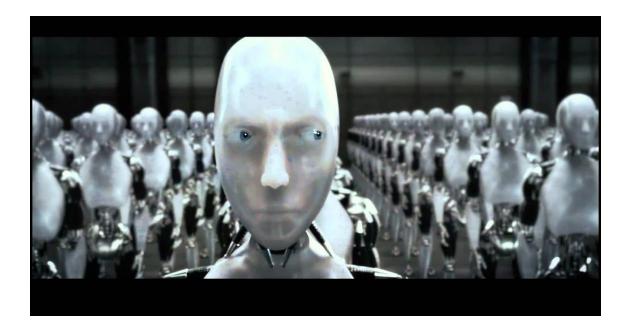
- Detailed Record
- Required for each unique formulation
- Details recorded on compounding record
- Changes must be approved and documented





Compounding Record (CR)

- Documents compounding of each product
- Must be reviewed prior to release
- Who reviewed and when?
- Traceability of all components



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Standard Operating Procedures

You want me do: What? When? Where? Why? How?



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Standard Operating Procedure

- A standard operating procedure (SOP) is a step-by-step, repeatable process for any routine task.
 - Documentation that prevents stress, mistakes and miscommunication.
 - SOPs ensure reliability, efficiency and consistently hitting quality standards in regular work activities.
 - Noun; established or prescribed methods to be followed routinely for the performance of designated operations or in designated situations – Merriam Webster







- SOPs are itemized instructions that describe when a task will be performed, how a task will be performed, who will perform the task, why the task is necessary, any limitations in performing the task, and what action to take when unacceptable deviations or discrepancies occur.
- A standard operating procedure (SOP) is a set of step-bystep instructions compiled by an organization to help workers carry out complex routine operations. SOPs aim to achieve efficiency, quality output and uniformity of performance, while reducing miscommunication and failure to comply with industry regulations.



Base vs. Salt Calculations

- Lidocaine the "base" chemical
- Lidocaine Hydrochloride the "salt" of Lidocaine
- The chemical may come as a salt form, but have the strength expressed as the base.

Lidocaine Hydrochloride Injection

» Lidocaine Hydrochloride Injection is a sterile solution of Lidocaine Hydrochloride in Water for Injection, or a sterile solution prepared from Lidocaine with the aid of Hydrochloric Acid in Water for Injection. It contains not less than 95.0 percent and not more than 105.0 percent of the labeled amount of lidocaine hydrochloride (C₁₄H₂₂N₂O · HCl).

Example using Lidocaine HCl Injection, USP Monograph from USP Online Reference.



Base/Salt Calculation Example

Lidocaine 4 mg/mL Injection Solution 4 mg x 100 mL = 400 mg (0.4 gm) 0.4 gm x 1.23 = 0.492 gm

| LIDOCAINE HYDROCHLORIDE USP MONOHYDRATE | 0.492 g |
|--|-------------|
| SODIUM CHLORIDE USP GRANULAR | 20 g |
| Benzalkonium Chloride 1% (W/V)/Water for Injection (USP <51> Study) (6037) | 1 ml |
| Water for Injection, USP | q.s. 100 ml |

Note: Lidocaine Hydrochloride Monohydrate 1.23 milligrams is equivalent to Lidocaine 1 milligram.







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