



Workshop

## **Drug lifecycle control in Sub-Saharan Africa**

**From production to responsible safe disposal and elimination in  
wastewater treatment plants**

(Med4Africa)

# Steps and Considerations in the Galenical Development to Commercial Production of a Pharmaceutical Drug Product

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# Considerations for the galenical development of a drug product

Active  
Pharmaceutical  
Ingredient

Safety

Efficacy

# API Safety

Therapeutic  
range

impurities

degradants

formulation  
design

abuse  
potential

# API Efficacy

# Delivery form

# compliance<sub>P</sub>

atient condition

Patient acceptance

# stability

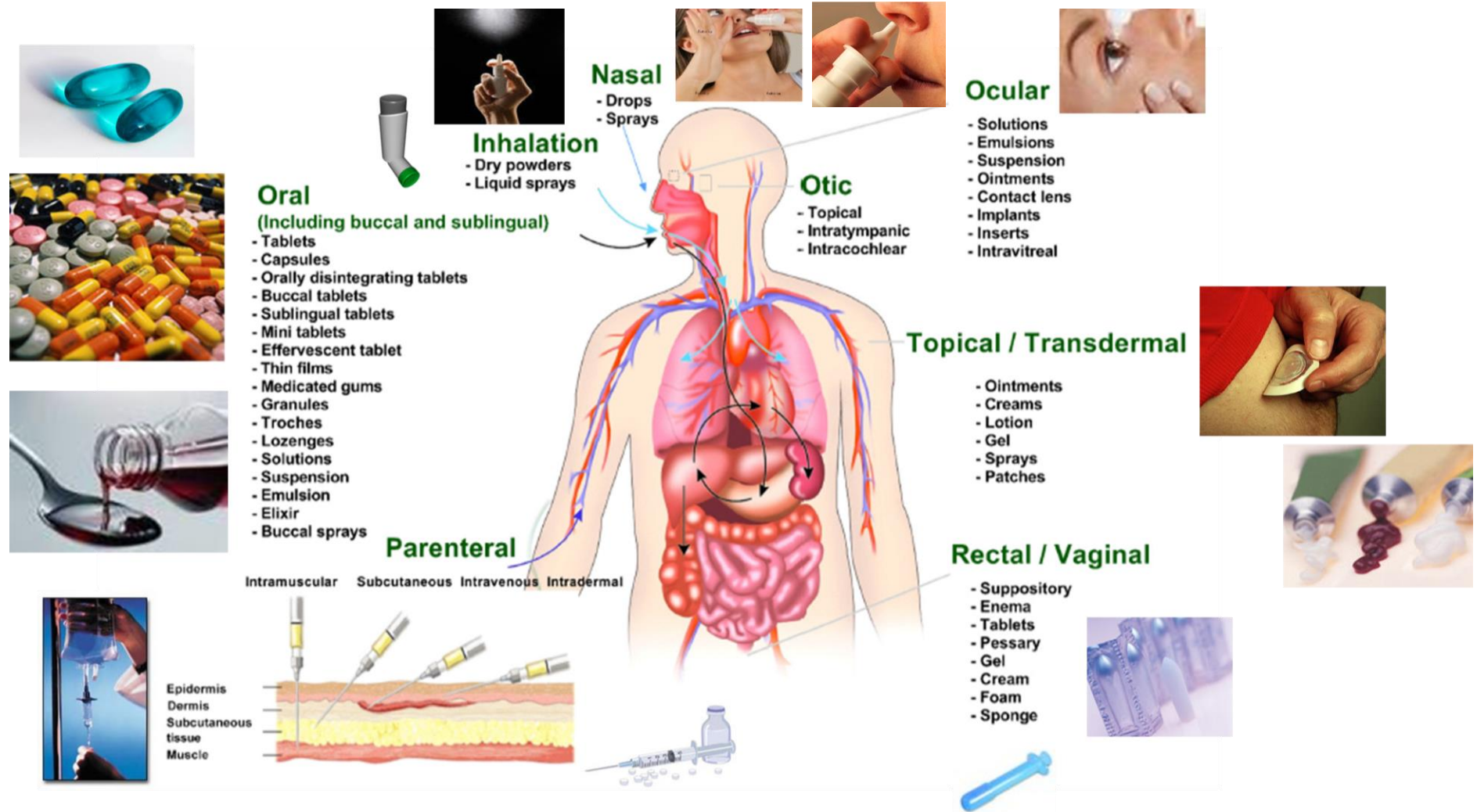
Chemical / physical

# molecul

modification /salts

# Efficacy

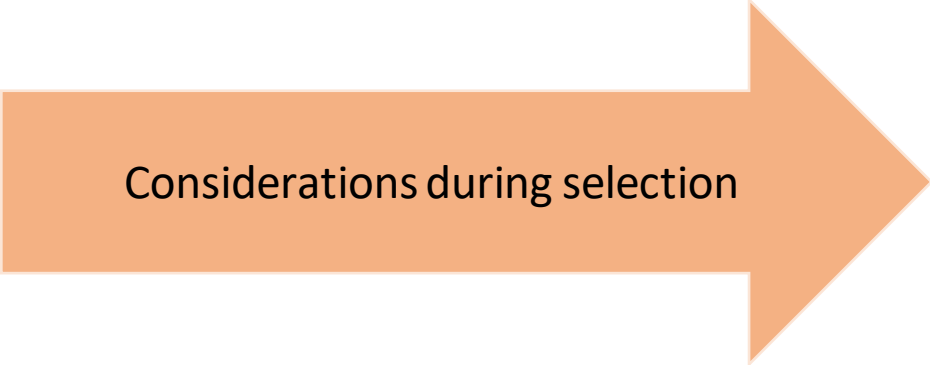
## Routes of administration



# Delivery Form - Ingredients

- Pharmaceutical active ingredient (API)
- Excipients
  - Inert, formulation supporting function
  - API supporting function

Considerations during selection



## Target Profile:

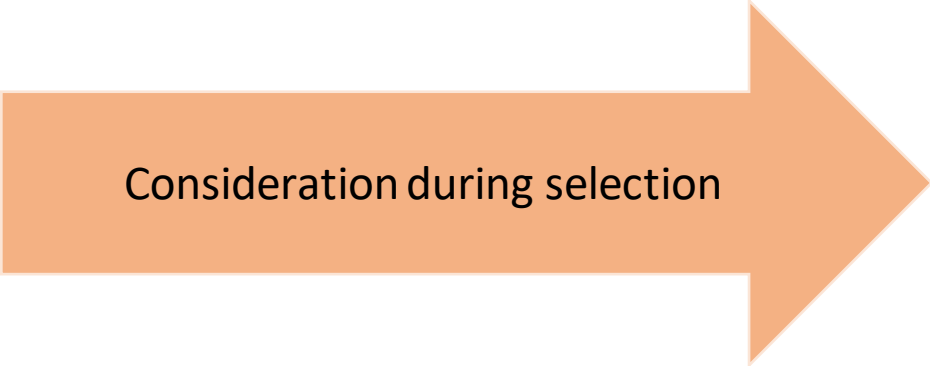
- Dose,
- Delivery form,
- Required properties
- Prescription, OTC, medical device
- Region, countries
  - Stability
  - Regulatory requirements (e.g. Pharmacopeia)
  - Patient compliance factors
- Market expectations, e.g microplastics, allergens, GMO, artificial sweetener & flavors, halal, kosher
- Consumer perception (OTC, Nutritionals)



# Delivery Form - Packaging

- Formulated Delivery form
- Primary packaging
  - Secondary packaging

Consideration during selection



## Target Profile:

- API or delivery form sensitivity
  - Temperature
  - Humidity
  - Light sensitivity
- Cost
- Transportation requirements (ship/air/temperatures)
- Distribution & dispensing system
- Market expectations, e.g Proposition 65, sustainability/recycling
- Consumer perception (OTC, nutritionals)





# Delivery Form - Secondary Packaging

- ICH Q 1 A stability testing including as appropriate secondary packaging

Consideration during selection

## Pro:

- additional protection due to additional packaging layer
- light protection of primary packaging not required

## Cons:

- discoloration of carton / paper
- delamination of labels
- artificial odors
- Country requirement
- Dispensing or patient handling



# Development - Preformulation

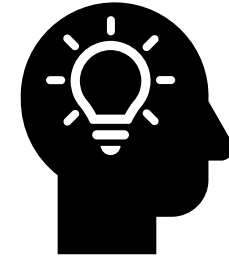
- Chemical compatibility testing of ingredients with API
- Supporting selection of ingredients, ingredient quality
  
- Small scale galenical formulation trials to explore physical compatibility
- Drafting of a manufacturing process
- Accelerated stability studies
- Risk assessment
- Cost calculation



Prototypes for internal approval

# Development - Formulation

- Quality Target Product Profile (QTPP)
  - describes the design criteria for the product, and should therefore form the basis for development of the CQAs, CPPs, and control strategy
- Critical Quality Attributes (CQA) - *severity of harm to a patient (safety and efficacy) resulting from failure to meet that quality attribute*
  - A physical, chemical, biological, or microbiological property or characteristic that should be within an appropriate limit, range, or distribution to ensure the desired product quality (ICH Q8)
- Critical Process Parameter (CPP)
  - A process parameter whose variability has an impact on a CQA and therefore should be monitored or controlled to ensure the process produces the desired quality. (ICH Q8)
- Critical Material Attribute (CMA)\*
  - A physical, chemical, biological or microbiological property or characteristic of an input material that should be within an appropriate limit, range, or distribution to ensure the desired quality of output material.



Planning formulation work

<https://pqri.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/01-How-to-identify-CQA-CPP-CMA-Final.pdf>

# Development - Formulation

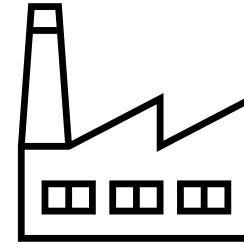
- Exploration of ingredients and ratio
- Ingredients documentation
- Exploration of manufacturing processes & variations
- Stability testing in multiple primary packaging
- Testing: e.g light, microbial challenge, packaging, transportation,
- Clinical studies / consumer tests, skin irritation
- Determination of critical material attributes (CMA)
- Selection of final formulation and manufacturing process
- Definition of design space
- Identification & confirmation of Critical Processing Attributes (CPA),
- Stability studies (ICH)
- Identification of degradants
- Toxicological assessment of formulation and (new) degradants
- Definition of specifications (intermediates and finished product & Critical Quality attributes (CQA)
- Critical material attributes - CMA
- Development report
- Cost calculation



Final formulation

# Development – Scale Up

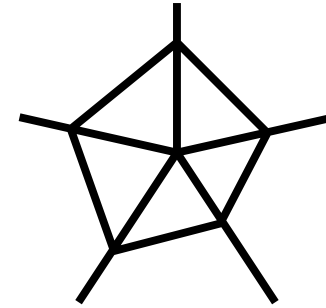
- Selection of manufacturing site
- Large scale (1/10+ scale)
- 1 -5 experimental batches – process exploration
- Primary packaging trials
- Confirmation / adjustment of design space, and CMA, CPA, CQA
- 1-3 full scale registration batches
- Stability testing ICH for registration
- Clinical sample manufacturing
- Cost calculation
  
- Process Validation
  
- Registration documentation
  
- Control strategy



Registration Readiness

# Lifecycle Management

- Continuous process verification (CPV)
- Product Quality Report (PQR), Annual Product Review (APR)
- Execution control strategy



Quality