

Overview

Objectives

This workshop will deal with the existing and announced relevant regulations in pharmacopoeias and guidelines and will present the collected comments of the ECA NGS Task Force on the planned Draft Ph.Eur. 2.6.41, which is to be published shortly. In addition, experts from industry, laboratories and service companies will report on their experiences with NGS.

Background

Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) has taken on an important role in drug control. This technology enables the rapid and precise analysis of DNA and RNA sequences. In terms of drug control, NGS can be used to verify the composition of drugs, including the identification of active ingredients, impurities or potential allergens.

NGS also enables the analysis of microorganisms in drugs, which is important to detect impurities that could affect the safety and efficacy of a drug. In addition, NGS can help identify genetic variants in patients that could influence the response to certain drugs, contributing to personalized medicine.

Overall, NGS enables a comprehensive analysis of drugs and can help to improve their quality, safety and efficacy.

Programme

Draft Ph.Eur. 2.6.41 – Content and Comments

Dr Sven M. Deutschmann, Roche & Dr Oleg Krut, PEI

- Introduction
- Comments from ECA "NGS"-Task Force

Revision (R2) of Guideline ICH Q5A on Viral Safety Evaluation of Biotechnology Products

Dr Astrid Schwantes, PEI

- Updates in ICH Q5A(R2) with focus on the testing strategy and testing methods (including NGS)
- NGS application to different biomedicinal products

Use of NGS to Identify Relationships in the Legal Context of Food Safety Controls

Coen van der Weijden, Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority

- NGS typing to identify relationships between food pathogen isolates.
- The legal context of using NGS in official controls for food safety.
- Connecting data from the human and food domain in the Netherlands and internationally.

GMP-Compliant Analysis of NGS Data for Detection of Contaminants, Identification of Bacterial and Fungal Strains, and Typing

Dr Stefan Emler, Smart Gene

- Apps for easy processing of NGS datasets by non-bioinformaticians in routine laboratories
- Meaningful, accurate and reproducible results also for QM/QC tests in biopharmaceutical production

- Al-curated proprietary "Centroid" reference sequence databases with validated content and up-to-date nomenclature to support high-resolution identification of >16,000 bacterial species and >40,000 fungal species
- User protocols and audit trails for full traceability of analyses

NGS Strategies from Sample to Report for Microbial Identification and Viral Contamination Detection in Pharma

Caroline Rosseel, Thermo Fisher Scientific

- Ion Torrent NGS Technology Overview
- The Advantage of NGS on Microbial ID and on Viral Safety Testing
- Ion Torrent NGS Technology Approach for Microbial ID and for Viral Safety Testing
- Analysis Solutions with Regulatory Compliance

Diversity of S. epidermidis – NGS Implementation in a GMP environment

To be announced

The way NGS is Shaping the Future of Food-Borne Outbreak Investigations in the Netherlands

Charlotte Verbart, Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety
Authority

- Collaboration between Public health and Competent Authority on food safety.
- Traditional methods used in food-borne outbreak investigation, illustrated by the example of an outbreak of listeriosis.

Short Poster Presentation: Bacterial community structure and dominant species in pharmaceutical manufacturing water revealed by high-throughput sequencing

Saori Shikama, Takeda

- Culture independent bacterial community structure analysis at cold WFI system
- High-throughput sequencing that targets full length 16S rRNA gene effectively identified dominant species

Case Studies, Data and Experience on NGS

Doug Botkin, Charles River Laboratories

- Current NGS applications for QC Micro
- Future NGS applications for QC Micro
- NGS challenges

Speakers



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Pre-Conference Workshop - Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

Tuesday, 25 June 2024, 09.00 - 17.30 h (Registration and coffee 08.30 - 09.00 h)

European Microbiology Conference

Wednesday, 26 June 2024, 09.00 - 17.30 h (Registration and coffee 08.30 - 09.00 h) Thursday, 27 June 2024, 09.00 - 17.00 h

All times mentioned are CEST.

Venue

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Pre-Conference Workshop - Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

ECA Members EUR 990.-APIC Members EUR 1,040.-Non-ECA Members EUR 1,090.-EU GMP Inspectorates EUR 545.-

Fee includes lunch and all refreshments.

European Microbiology Conference

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Fee includes dinner on 26 June, lunch on both days and all refreshments.

European Microbiology Conference AND Workshop



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Organisation and Contact

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