



## THE EUROPEAN PHARMACOPOEIA & QUALITY OF MEDICINES

### “THE CHALLENGES OF QUALITY REQUIREMENTS FOR FISH VACCINES”

**International Symposium organised by the EDQM, Council of Europe**  
**10-11 May 2016**

**Location:** NMBU, Campus Adamstau, 0464 Oslo, Norway

**Duration:** 1.5 day. **Working language:** English

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## PROGRAMME

### TUESDAY 10 MAY 2016

- 8:15-9:30** Registration
- 9:30-9:35** **Opening Remarks & General Introduction to the Programme**  
Catherine Lang, EDQM, Council of Europe
- 9:35-9:55** **General overview of Fish Vaccination**  
Alexandra Adams, University of Stirling, Institute of Aquaculture (UK)

### **SESSION 1: General Overview on Current Legal Requirements**

**Moderator:** Lukas Bruckner, Specialist of European Pharmacopoeia Expert Group 15V (CH)

- 9:55-10:10** **EDQM/European Pharmacopoeia (Ph. Eur.): Assuring the quality of medicines**  
Catherine Lang, EDQM, Council of Europe
- 10:10-10:25** **How to use the Ph. Eur. and how to collaborate to the work of Ph. Eur. Group of Experts on 'Veterinary Sera & Vaccines' (15V)**  
Catherine Lang, EDQM, Council of Europe
- 10:25-10:40** **Special focus on Ph. Eur. Monographs for Fish Vaccines**  
Céline Lorteau, Chair of Group of Experts 15V, French Agency for Veterinary Medicinal Products (ANSES-ANMV) (FR)
- 10:40-11:05** *Coffee break*
- 11:05-11:35** **General approaches 3Rs, alternative methods, consistency of production and humane end-points in the Ph. Eur.**  
Lukas Bruckner, Specialist of European Pharmacopoeia Expert Group 15V (CH)
- 11:35-11:55** **EMA/IWP Guidelines on the Design of studies to evaluate the safety and efficacy of fish vaccines**  
Tonje Høy, Norwegian Medicines Agency (NOMA), Member of the Immunologicals Working Party (IWP) & Rapporteur for the Guideline (NO)



**11:55-12:15 Challenges of developing safe and efficacious fish vaccines**  
David Verner-Jeffreys, Centre for Environment Fisheries and Aquaculture Sciences (Cefas) (UK)

**12:15-12:35 Potential for future live-attenuated fish vaccines**  
Anne Aas-Eng, Pharmaq AS (NO)

**12:35-13:00 Discussion - Questions & Answers**

**13:00-14:00** *Lunch break*

### **SESSION 2a: BATCH POTENCY TEST**

**Experience with challenge, alternative methods, 3Rs, consistency of production and humane end-points**

**Moderator:** Øystein Evensen, Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NO)

#### **Point of view of Manufacturers**

**14:00-14:20 Development of alternative batch potency for new vaccines: HIPRA's experience**  
Marta Figa, HIPRA (ES)

**14:20-14:40 Challenge the challenge: development of new potency tests for multivalent fish vaccines**  
Marielle van Hulten, MSD Animal Health (NL)

**14:40-15:00** *Title to be confirmed*  
Anette Kilander, Pharmaq (NO)

**15:00-15:45 Questions & Answers**

**15:45-16:00** *Coffee break*

### **SESSION 2b: BATCH POTENCY TEST**

**Experience with challenge, alternative methods, 3Rs, consistency of production and humane end-points**

**Moderator:** Tonje Høy, Member of the Immunologicals Working Party (IWP)

#### **Point of view of Academia**

**16:00-16:30 Ph. Eur. Expert: Towards *in vitro* methods for potency testing of fish vaccines**  
Øystein Evensen, Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NO)

**16:30-16:50 Recent studies related to onset of immunity responses and measurement of antibody responses in Atlantic salmon**  
Paul J Midthlyng, Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NO)

**16:50-17:30 Questions & Answers**

*Close of day*



**WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2016**

## **SESSION 2c: BATCH POTENCY TEST**

### **Experience with challenge, alternative methods, 3Rs, consistency of production and humane end-points**

**Moderator:** Tonje Høy, Member of the Immunologicals Working Party (IWP)

#### **Point of view of Authorities**

- 9:00-9:20** *Title to be confirmed*  
Rosario Bullido, Spanish Agency of Medicines and Medical Devices (AEMPS) (ES)
- 9:20-9:40** *Title to be confirmed*  
Rory Cooney, Veterinary Medicines Directorate (UK)
- 9:40-10:00** *Title to be confirmed*  
Ane Kvingedal, Norwegian Medicines Agency (NOMA) (NO)
- 10:00-10:20** **Questions & Answers**
- 10:20-10:45** *Coffee break*

## **SESSION 3: Round Table Discussion**

**Moderators:** Øystein Evensen, Tonje Høy, Lukas Bruckner

### **10:45-11:45 Round Table Discussion**

- Summary Reports from the Sessions
- Manufacturers' experience and proposals for improvements on current legal requirements
- The need for new monographs/Ph. Eur. texts
- How can the Ph. Eur. better address the needs of its users considering the current regulatory environment in Europe

### **11:45-12:00 Final Conclusions & Closing remarks**

Céline Lorteau  
Catherine Lang

*Close of the symposium*