

USP General Chapters and Their Impact on Industry: GADA Perspective

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Commonalities to Generics & Pioneers

- Application of USP monographs
- Benefits of USP monographs
- Human vs. animal distinctions (including dosage forms, dissolution, etc.)
- Recent industry concerns
- Future topics of interest



Characteristics of the Generics Industry

- Many generic companies are small; some are not well-funded
- Companies face certain competition in small markets
- Industry is not as well established as human generics
- There is a lack of involvement with USP
 & in monograph development



Recent Industry Concerns: USP <467> Residual Solvents

- Lack of knowledge/involvement prior to implementation
 - Lack of industry involvement with USP
 - Effects on animal drugs considered?
 - Knowledge of change through human drug industry & CVM
- Confusion over requirements & CVM's application
 - Suppliers also unaware
 - CVM needed time to determine how to implement
 - Would CVM implement the same as CDER?



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Supplier Issues

- Education of suppliers
- Lack of influence with suppliers: CofA modifications, providing methods

Costs

- Most generic companies are small with limited resources
- Additional costs to outsource testing
- Small markets; affects return on investment



Lessons Learned

- Earlier knowledge/involvement in USP initiatives
- With CVM, industry must examine application to animal drugs
- CVM exemptions related to elemental impurities & subvisible particles showed appropriate consideration for animal drugs



Additional Considerations of the Generics Industry

- How to address outdated monographs?
 - Test methods that do not work
 - Better methods exist or can be developed
- What are the benefits for industry to submit monographs or propose monograph changes?
- Industry sometimes confused about interface of USP and CVM requirements



Summary

- Generic companies face many similar challenges as pioneer companies regarding USP monographs, but also can offer a varied perspective
- The generics industry identified lessons in the implementation of USP <467>
 - Industry and CVM must have <u>more involvement</u>, <u>earlier</u>, and must consider the <u>effects on animal</u> <u>drugs</u> and industry

