



DAY ONE

07.45 - 08.30

REGISTRATION

08.30 - 08.40

WELCOME & CHAIRPERSON'S OPENING REMARKS FOR DAY ONE
Felix Oehme, VP Head of Biological Development, **Bayer**

08.40 - 09.15

Factory of the Future 1 – Technology Innovations to Expedite Global Biologics Development

- State-of-the-art technology platforms have been established to expedite global biologics development from discovery to commercialization.
- Technology innovations will be highlighted for improving development efficiencies and reducing timelines from DNA to IND from a typical duration of 18 months to 7-9 months.
- Technology Innovations also are being used for reducing the manufacturing costs by implementing the next generation continuous bioprocessing solution called WuXiUP with ultra-high productivity.

Weichang Zhou, Ph.D., Senior Vice President, Biologics Development and Manufacturing, **Wuxi Biologics**

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How to exit a commercial roller bottle process and fix the quality attributes for a complex protein. A joined Up- and Downstream Approach.

- 2nd Gen Process Development (from roller bottles into bioreactors) for a complex non mab like protein
- Significant Yield Increase and Cost Reduction
- Joined Up- and Downstream approach to keep Quality Attributes within commercial range
- Challenges during Upscale and Lessons Learned

Daniel Fleischanderl, Head, Upstream Process Development & **Dominik Mittergradnegger**, Head of Downstream Process Development Austria, **Takeda**

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Validation of next gen depth filter technology in a commercial downstream process

- Current situation
- Proposed situation
- Small scale development
- Upscaling and Large scale validation
- Conclusion and take home messages

TBC, Process Engineer, Manufacturing Science & Technology (MSAT), **Sanofi Genzyme**

Common denominators of process and life cycle control strategies

- Capture your process knowledge in Digital Twins
- Accelerate time to clinic by Digital Twin controlled experimental designs
- Deploy your knowledge in real time model predictive control architectures enabling continuous manufacturing
- Identify holistically relevant process parameters and anticipate life cycle variabilities using integrated digital twins

Prof. Dr. Christoph Herwig, Head Biochemical Engineering, **TU Wien**

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iSKID Continuous Integrated Manufacturing System

- Biopharma markets are evolving through the duality of precision medicines and novel blockbusters, requiring flexible manufacturing approaches
- Continuous Manufacturing will complement, and may one day disrupt, established fed batch manufacturing
- Traditional challenges of continuous perfusion, such as high media volumes, can be overcome
- Full integration and automation is essential
- Our platform maximizes robustness and flexibility in multi-product settings

Samet Yildirim, Manager, Global Technology Management Biopharma Business Unit, **Boehringer Ingelheim**

Vaccine development and manufacturing in the era of acceleration and Industry 4.0

- Significant demand and pressure on vaccine industry prompts faster adoption of new technologies
- Industry 4.0 presents opportunities in every aspects of the vaccine life cycle
- Challenges to initiate and sustain transformation for vaccine development and manufacturing
- A fine balance between acceleration and transformation
- Case studies on development and implementation

Hao Chen, Head of Cell & Viral Drug Substance, **GSK**

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Bulk filling: The application of automation and control to the filling process.

- At the bulk filling stage the product is at its highest cost per ml
- Losses at this stage have a serious negative impact on the COGS
- Through automation bulk filling can be simplified, standardised and de-risked
- Utilising single use technology to protect the patient, the operator and the product.

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Future trends perspectives and insights on biomanufacturing

- Major market trends, market growth and new modalities
- Risk factors in biomanufacturing
- Capacity planning: new approaches and technologies
- Process intensification

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Simulation Tools in Biotechnology

- Implementation of modelling and simulation tools in biotechnology
- What can biotechnology learn from the automotive industry?
- First steps towards an “Insilico Process Development”
- Examples of the biotech industry (e.g. Chromatography Modelling)

Dr. Martin Poggel, Head of Downstream Technologies & Analytics, **Bayer**

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Process development approaches to continuous capture and connected downstream

- Retrofitting a discrete fed-batch process into a continuous capture / connected downstream process
- Strategies and challenges in process characterization
- Case study

Mathias Goebel, Senior Scientist, **Novartis**

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Impurity Control Strategies and Challenges in Impurity Reduction Studies

- Different impurity control strategies
- Pro's and con's for different strategies
- Case study: Antifoam reduction study
- Technical and analytical challenges met in reduction study

Markus Eser, Lab Head Downstream Development, **Bayer AG**

Ambr15 high throughput model development for perfusion

- A high-throughput (HT) cell culture model has been established for the support of perfusion-based cell culture processes operating at high cell densities.
- Varied different type of models has been evaluated with pro and con
- The established model was able to apply in varied application such as clone screening, medium development, and new process development etc.

Implementation of HTST Media Treatment for Legacy Commercial Cell Culture Processes

- The implementation strategy for HTST treatment of media and feeds for commercial cell culture processes is described in detail
- A risk-based approach was developed to determine the study design and identify appropriate mitigations prior to full-scale implementation
- A bridging study was conducted for a laboratory-scale HTST unit to establish a scale-down model to support future screening studies
- Operational challenges were encountered on the large-scale HTST unit which had an impact on process performance. Results of the investigation and associated corrective actions are described

Success stories and learnings building a strong upstream manufacturing platform

- How to cope with growing variability in molecule formats
- Transferring knowledge from research to development to production
- Fast to clinic
- Seamless transition to GMP and commercial
- Beyond fed-batch

Raphael Voges, Associate director early stage USP development, **Boehringer Ingelheim**

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A New Generation of Agarose Beads

- Next generation resin for downstream processing
- Advanced resin technology for continuous and batch manufacturing
- Increased process productivity & economy
- Ultra-high capacities on Protein A resin above 80 g/l

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Scalable Single-Use Platform for Intensified Downstream Processing

- Upstream Process Intensification places additional demands on Downstream Processing
- Cost-effective solutions for high cell density clarification
- Single-use, scalable Membrane Adsorbers can be easily adapted into connected/continuous DSP
- Extended-use Virus filters challenge traditional approach

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Using Alluvial Filtration as an Effective and Economical Solution for Midstream Clarification

- Alluvial filtration compare to other technologies
- Economic approach for Midstream Clarification
- Robust technology – easy scalable

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Factory of the Future 2 – The future of pharmaceutical production using the example of the GSK Marburg Site transformation

- Trends in the pharmaceutical market. What challenges do (bio-) pharmaceutical producers in Germany have to face?
- The Marburg Transformation – “Turning old into new”
- Development of a vaccines manufacturing platform – Was all this planned?
- Criteria for long-term competitiveness

Dr. Jan Weber, Head of Manufacturing Strategy & Production Systems, **GSK**

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CHAIRPERSON'S CLOSING REMARKS AND END OF DAY ONE

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Global Manufacturing Strategies
a GMS company

DAY TWO

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CHAIRPERSON'S OPENING REMARKS FOR DAY TWO AND SUMMARY OF DAY ONE
Felix Oehme, VP Head of Biological Development, **Bayer**

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Factory of the Future 3 – Plant Design Philosophy and Technology Transfer Strategy for a Large Scale Commercial Monoclonal Antibody Process

- Design Basis for a new facility to manufacture a large volume commercial Mab
- Utilizing Data Management and Digital tools as part of facility design concept
- Outlining a complex node to node technology transfer
- Validation strategy to meet an aggressive timeline

Harish Santhanam, Sr. Principal Scientist- Biologics Manufacturing and Digitization/Data Management, **MSD Ireland**

09.10 - 09.45

Novel and Innovative Characterization Methodology to Optimize Scale Up Strategies for Bioreactors

- Mapping “zoning effects” in E.Coli fermenters.
- Optimization of a CHO USP
- Scale down and scale up strategies in combination with CFD studies.
- Prediction of kLa – values with the help of “Big Data”

Florian Krainer, Cooperation Supervisor, Institute of Molecular Biotechnology, **TU Graz**

Bioprocessing in the digital age – paving the path towards industry 4.0 through smart digital technologies for biopharma

- Challenges in digitalization and big data analytics in biopharma
- Enabling role of domain knowledge versus standard statistics
- Potential for value creation based on advanced modelling technologies as well as their integration with sensors and robotic platforms
- Industrial use cases for the successful implementation of smart digital technologies for biopharma

Michael Sokolov, Postdoctoral Fellow and Lecturer, **ETH Zurich**

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Designing “Quality by Design”

- QbD represents a heavy workload, takes time and costs a lot. However, benefits largely outweigh the costs
- QbD is not a goal in itself, it is only a methodology that support a reliable process development, leading to process robustness, understanding and increase safety for patients
- The presentation will illustrate a couple of case studies that « demistify QbD » and highlight advantages of designing QbD as an integral part of process initial development and lifecycle management

Alain Bernard, Head of Global Biotech Process Development, **RU Pharma**

Upstream Processing

Complete single-use upstream workflow from process development to clinical manufacturing to rapidly advancing biologics programs

- Single-use high-throughput bioreactor systems greatly increase development capability and efficiency
- Detailed bioreactor characterization effort enables seamless scale-up and process transfer from high-throughput mini-bioreactors to clinical scale at 2,000 L
- Streamlined workflow leads to rapid and efficient FIH process development
- Potential acceleration to late stage development and characterization using the same single-use equipment and methodology

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End-to-End Processing of Biopharmaceuticals – Options for scale-up and/or scale-out strategies

- End-to-end processing may embrace batch, continuous or hybrid technologies
- Single-use technologies enable proven scale-up and then scale-out
- Significant productivity improvements may be achieved through effective process design
- Using a toolbox approach to develop and scale-up a process enables productivity improvements across a broad range of advanced biologics modalities

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Chromassette®: A stackable chromatography cassette enabling next-generation bioprocessing

- A stackable, single-use and pre-packed chromatography cassette with a supported bed (Chromassette®) is a novel product concept in DSP, addressing the current key challenges in manufacturing
- Chromassette combines the separation capabilities of chromatography resins with the convenience of a pre-packed, modular cassette as shown in a range of application examples

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A new generation of Enterprise Systems

- Paperless validation
- Fully Automated
- Validation to decommissioning
- Validation through frameworks
- Risk assessments

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Next generation downstream process – manufacturing of biologics in a continuous way

- Fully connected continuous downstream process for monoclonal antibodies
- Integrated advanced analytical tools for real time monitoring
- Complete single use setup and increased flexibility
- Reduced costs and environmental impacts
- High productivity

Gorazd Hribar, Project manager nextBioPharmDSP, Principal Scientist, **Novartis**

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Parallelized DSP steps with a single-skid at pilot-scale: manufacturing strategies, buffer platforms and equipment integration

- We performed advanced trials of a pilot-scale equipment allowing several DSP steps to be performed at the same time
- The strategy employed was: multi-column capture step, followed by an automated viral inactivation step, followed by a depth filtration step paired with an ion exchange chromatography step
- We also tested several features of the equipment to apply different buffer platform strategies: 1X buffers, in-line dilution and an advanced inline buffer conditioning

Nicolas-Julian Hilbold, DSP Innovation Scientist, **Merck**

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Digitising the entire Validation Life Cycle: a productivity leap

- Traditional paper/hybrid manual validation processes are not efficient, not cost effective, not scalable and with high risks
- Digital and paperless has become a strategic focus, driven by data integrity concerns and compliance risks
- > 60% of global Pharma/ Biotech companies are actively looking to digitize the entire Validation Lifecycle
- Learn first-hand experienced how a leading global Biotech considered, evaluated, implemented and scaled its eVal solution across its entire organisation
- With detailed results, ROI and considerable cost & productivity savings

Upstream Processing

Challenges during the Development of a High Cell Density Continuous (HCD) Upstream Process'

Continuous (HCD) Upstream Process' An Integrated Continuous Bioprocess (ICB) is aimed to have a higher productivity, smaller footprint, fully disposable and higher cost efficiency process. During the development of a HCD continuous upstream process, the following challenges are encountered:

- Impact of the quality and quantity of cryopreserved cells
- Development of media able to support high cell density cultures
- Availability of rapid analytical tools which are capable to measure CQAs at small harvest quantities
- Micro control of a continuous cell culture process
- Minor equipment failure leads to serious impact on performance
- Challenges and importance of PAT during small scale runs

By selecting appropriate process conditions and define their operational ranges, a robust and steady-state process with a duration of multiple weeks, can be developed at small scale
Steven Husson, Process Engineer, Manufacturing Science & Technology (MSAT), **Sanofi Genzyme**

Presentation title: Bio-Process Fermentation optimization: the CPV added value

- Continued process verification basis
- Data driven decision-making
- Incoming materials monitoring in upstream areas of bioprocess
- Example of process optimization starting by routine trending activities and cross-functional team work

Francesco Carpitella, MSAT Mfg. Support Manager Primary Ops, & **Stefano Calo**, MSAT Product Steward, **GSK**

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COFFEE BREAK

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Factory of the Future 4 – Technical trends and concepts in modern bioprocessing facilities

- Hybrid solutions
- Digital strategies and automation
- Process intensification
- Buffer handling

Stefan Schmidt, COO – Head of Operations, **BioAtrium**

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CHAIRPERSON'S CLOSING REMARKS

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