

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Pharmaceutical Industry Consultant



Recognised Areas of Expertise

- National and international regulatory processes
- ATMP, biologicals and biotechnology manufacturing systems
- Quality Management Systems

Current Employment

- Independent Consultant working on behalf of ExPharmaceutical Inspectors Consortium Limited; providers of consultation and audit services to the Pharmaceutical Industry

Career History

- April 2023: retired from MHRA and established an independent consultancy.
- 2001 -2023: MCA / MHRA – a variety of roles including:
 - GMP inspector performing manufacturing, testing and importation site inspections of varied dosage forms in the UK and around the World and also inspected blood collection and processing sites.
 - Became a manager responsible for the London based team of GMP inspectors and later promoted to Expert GMP Inspector in 2006. Became the Unit Manager Inspectorate Strategy and Innovation in 2014 managing a team of GXP Expert Inspectors.
 - Between 2008 and 2015, was MHRA’s representative on the EMA’s GMDP Inspectors Working Group and initiated a variety of GMP Chapter and Annex revisions. Was the rapporteur for the 2013 version of Annex 2.

- Chaired the EMA/HMA's Joint Audit Programme, JAP, between 2010 – 2016. JAP is responsible for equivalence of EEA GMP inspectorates, development of best practice standards, meeting standards in Mutual Recognition Agreements and those in the PIC/S Joint Reassessment Programme.
- Was the MHRA's representative at EU Blood Authority Meetings which regulates blood used for transfusion.
- Helped establish the MHRA's Innovation Office in 2013 and in 2014 the UK cross regulatory 'One Stop Shop' providing regulatory advice and guidance to organisations developing innovative processes or novel manufacturing processes.
- In the restructured MHRA, became an assessor in the newly created Science Research and Innovation (SRI) Group which incorporated the Innovation Office. In the Innovation Accelerator, was the MHRA's representative in a UK cross-industry regulatory group established to support innovations, also led MHRA's work in developing a new regulatory framework for distributed and point of care manufacture until retirement.
- 1999 – 2001: Veterinary Medicines Directorate, VMD
 - GMP inspector at the UK's veterinary medicines regulator, also involved in official batch release, scheduling of inspections and assessment of dossiers of immunological veterinary medicinal products, attended EMEA's GMP and GDP Inspectors Working Party.
- 1984 – 1999: established two startup pharmaceutical companies and a diagnostics company:
 - Director of a new biopharmaceutical company (MicroPharm).
 - Previously Operations Director at Therapeutic Antibodies UK Ltd (now Protherics UK Ltd). Responsible for availability of antisera from Australian sources, planning and forecasting long term capacity requirements. Was responsible for construction of biopharmaceutical facility and a 7,500ft² extension. Responsible for attaining certification to ISO 9002 (1994) and MCA manufacturing authorisation. Established production facilities in South Australia (TGA approved in 1992), and in New Zealand.
 - Operations Director, Polyclonal Antibodies Ltd - Established the manufacturing facilities and associated procedures, recruited staff for the business and obtained compliance with the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986, Act.
- 1983 – 1984: veterinary surgeon.