

PDA Parenteral Packaging Conference 2026

Agenda

Tuesday, 14 April

CEST Daylight Time (UTC +2:00)

Welcome and Introduction

09:00 – 09:05 **Committee Member: Falk Klar PhD**, General Manager, Vice President Europe, *Parenteral Drug Association*

Welcome from the Co-Chairs

09:05 – 09:15 **Co-Chair: Coralie A. Richard PhD**, Director, *Eli Lilly and Company*

Co-Chair: Bram Jongen PhD Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies *Datwyler*

Opening Plenary Part I

Moderator: Coralie A. Richard PhD, Director, *Eli Lilly and Company*

Between Radio- and Pharmaceutical Regulations: Radiopharmacy as the Nexus of QC, Release, and Patient Care

09:15 – 09:40

- **Keynote Speaker: Emanuel Joseph MSc**, PostDoc - QM, *LMU Klinikum*

09:15 – 10:25

Building Smart and Strong Specifications for Primary Packaging Materials: Practical Steps from Compliance to Lifecycle Success

09:40 – 10:00

- **Presenter: Federico Sabini MD in Biomedical Engineering**, LCM Manager - MSAT Large Molecule Drug Product Platform, *Johnson & Johnson Innovative Medicine*

Title To Be Announced

10:00 – 10:25

- **Presenter: Graham Lewis** , ,

10:25 – 11:00 **LIVE Guided Poster Walk -Part I-**

10:35 – 11:05 **Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition**

Opening Plenary Part II

Moderator: Coralie A. Richard PhD, Director, *Eli Lilly and Company*

Recent Developments in European Pharmaceutical Packaging Chapters

11:05 – 11:25

- **Regulatory Presenter: Eugénie Maman** , Scientific Programme Manager, *European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & Healthcare (EDQM)*

Regulatory Considerations for Container Closure System for Packaging

11:25 – 11:45

- **Regulatory Presenter: Madushini N Dharmasena PhD**, Senior Pharmaceutical Quality Assessor, OPQ, CDER, *U.S. FDA*

11:05 – 12:35

11:45 – 11:55 **Interactive Questionnaire Session**

Q&A Discussion

- **Moderator: Coralie A. Richard PhD**, Director, *Eli Lilly and Company*
- **Regulatory Panelist: Madushini N Dharmasena PhD**, Senior Pharmaceutical Quality Assessor, OPQ, CDER, U.S. FDA
- 11:55 – 12:35 • **Regulatory Panelist: Eugénie Maman**, Scientific Programme Manager, *European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & Healthcare (EDQM)*
- **Panelist: Graham Lewis**, ,
- **Panelist: Federico Sabini MD in Biomedical Engineering**, LCM Manager - MSAT Large Molecule Drug Product Platfrom, *Johnson & Johnson Innovative Medicine*

12:35 – 13:50 **Networking Lunch Break, Poster Session, Exhibition & Tech Talks**

Session 1, Track A: The Science of Silicone: From Surface Coatings to Syringe Performance

Moderator: Philippe Lauwers, Technology Development Director, *Terumo Pharmaceutical Solutions*

13:50 – 14:15	Investigating the Impact of Silicone Layer Properties on Intravitreal Syringe Performance: A Case Study <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presenter: Jari Acocella MSc, Fellow Formulation & Process Development, <i>ten23 health</i>
13:50 – 15:10	Thermo-rheological Study of Silicone O/W Emulsions used in Surface Coating of Parenteral Containers <ul style="list-style-type: none">14:15 – 14:40 • Academic Presenter: Damian Renggli BSc, MSc, PhD, Postdoctoral Researcher, <i>University of Delaware</i>
	Q&A, Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">14:40 – 15:10 • Moderator: Philippe Lauwers, Technology Development Director, <i>Terumo Pharmaceutical Solutions</i>

Session 1, Track B: Optimizing Packaging Quality

Moderator: Claudia Heinl PhD, Senior Product Manager & Scientific Affairs Pharma Tubing, *SCHOTT AG*

13:50 – 14:15	Direct CCI Testing of Fully Assembled Autoinjectors Using Headspace Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presenter: Paula Bracco PhD, R&D Lab Director (Europe), <i>LIGHTHOUSE Instruments</i>
13:50 – 15:10	(Not) Detecting Container Closure Integrity Failures – Some Case Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none">14:15 – 14:40 • Presenter: Constantin Hozsa PhD, Project Lead Formulation Development, <i>Siegfried AG</i>
	Q&A, Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">14:40 – 15:10 • Moderator: Claudia Heinl PhD, Senior Product Manager & Scientific Affairs Pharma Tubing, <i>SCHOTT AG</i>

15:10 – 15:50 **LIVE Guided Poster Walk -Part II-**

15:20 – 15:55 **Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition**

Session 2, Track A: Material Science Driving Drug–Container Compatibility

Moderator: Jean-Sébastien Steffen MS, PhD, Group Lead Packaging Development Testing, *Lonza*

Polymer Materials in the Pharmaceutical Packaging Industry in Terms of Durability as well as

	Chemical and Physical Resistance
15:55 – 16:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenter: Ralf Lach PhD, CEO, Institut für Polymerwerkstoffe e.V.
	Updates on ICH Q3E Guideline for Extractables and Leachables
16:15 – 17:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenter: Will Parker MS, Data Analytics, Penn State University, USA
	A Toolbox For Early Detection of Glass Delamination in Vials
16:30 – 16:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenter: Farrokh Sharifi , ,
	Q&A, Discussion
16:45 – 17:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Jean-Sébastien Steffen MS, PhD, Group Lead Packaging Development Testing, Lonza
Session 2, Track B: Challenges in Lyophilization and Parenteral Containers: Surface Interaction and Process Optimization	
Moderator: Vincent Cazanave , Regulatory Program Director / Device and Combination Product, Roche	
	Influence of Surface Energy and Chemistry on Glass Vial Fogging in Lyophilized Drug Products
15:55 – 16:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Presenter: Oliver Germershaus PhD, Professor for Pharmaceutical Technology of Macromolecular Drugs / Chief Scientific Officer, University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland / Partiris GmbH
	Updates on PDA Technical Report 27- Pharmaceutical Packaging Integrity
16:15 – 17:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenter: Jennifer Roark , Scientific Director, Injectables, Kindeva
	How Lyophilized Drug Product Appearance Can Be Impacted By Filling Recipe
16:30 – 16:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenter: Mostafa Nakach , ,
	Q&A, Discussion
16:45 – 17:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Vincent Cazanave , Regulatory Program Director / Device and Combination Product, Roche
17:15 – 22:00	End of Conference Day 1 & Networking Event

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Session 3, Track A: All About Transportation

Moderator: Max Dixon MEng, PhD, Lead Applied Sciences Engineer, Crux Product Design

PDA Transportation Validation Benchmarking Survey

09:00 – 09:10

- **Presenter: Jahanvi Miller MBA, ,**

Ensuring Component Integrity and System Performance Where It Matters Most

09:10 – 09:20

- **Presenter: Geert JAN Moens , Global Platform Leader Vial Closure Systems, Datwyler**

09:00 – 10:20

Requirements and Strategies for Transport & Distribution Testing of Medical Products

09:20 – 09:30

- **Presenter: Brandon Zurawlow , ,**

Unintended Plunger Stopper Movement of Finished Prefilled Syringes (PFS) at Variable Temperatures

09:30 – 09:40

- **Presenter: Charlotte Utting MSc**, Laboratory Supervisor, *Smithers Medical Device Testing Division*

Q&A, Discussion

09:40 – 10:20

- **Moderator: Max Dixon MEng, PhD**, Lead Applied Sciences Engineer, *Crux Product Design*

Session 3, Track B: Sustainability

Moderator: Bettine Boltres PhD, Director Scientific Affairs, Integrated Systems, *West Pharmaceutical Services*

Borosilicate Glass, Cement: A Second Chance

09:00 – 09:10

- **Presenter: Stephen Whettingsteel PhD**, CEO & Managing Director, *Krysteline Technologies Ltd*

Advancing Sustainability in Parenteral Elastomeric Closures Manufacturing

09:10 – 09:20

- **Presenter: Bruno Morchain** , Innovation & Scientific Affairs Manager, *Aptar Pharma Injectables*

09:00 – 10:20

Addressing the Requirements of the 2025/40 Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation: Integrating Chemical Material Compliance in the Design of Safe and Sustainable Packaging

09:20 – 09:30

- **Presenter: Elmedina Shimaj MA**, Regulatory Scientific Affairs and Liaison specialist, *Stevanato Group, Nuova Ompi S.r.l Unipersonale*

Eco-efficient Design - Strategies for Design for Recycling and Intermaterial Replacement

09:30 – 09:40

- **Presenter: Anja Gottschalk** , Application Development Engineer, *Borealis GmbH*

Q&A,Discussion

09:40 – 10:20

- **Moderator: Bettine Boltres PhD**, Director Scientific Affairs, Integrated Systems, *West Pharmaceutical Services*

10:20 – 10:50 **Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition**

Session 4, Track A: Developing Drug Delivery Systems/Advanced Techniques

Moderator: Derek I. Duncan PhD, Director Product Lines, *LIGHTHOUSE Instruments*

A Guide to Generating Digital Evidence on Primary Containers Mechanical Testing

10:50 – 11:05

- **Presenter: Peter Harley MEng, PhD, FIMechE**, Head of Technology, *Crux Product Design*

Leveraging Advanced Characterization Techniques in Drug and Device Combination Products: Enhancing Safety, Performance, and Stability

11:05 – 11:20

- **Presenter: Guangli Hu PhD**, Principal Scientist, *Merck & Co., Inc.*

Challenges and Solutions of Primary Packaging in the Development of Antibody Drug Conjugates

11:20 – 11:35

- **Presenter: Bernhard Hladik PhD**, Director Business Development, *SCHOTT Pharma AG & Co.*

Q&A, Discussion

11:35 – 12:10

- **Moderator: Derek I. Duncan PhD**, Director Product Lines, *LIGHTHOUSE Instruments*

Session 4, Track B: Ready-to-Use**Moderator: Matthew Hall PhD**, Technical Affairs Director, *Corning Pharmaceutical Technologies***Rethinking Sterilization: Deep Vacuum vH₂O₂ as an Alternative to EtO for Glass RTF Vials**

10:50 – 11:05

- **Co-Presenter: Serena Carella**, Learning Campus Experience Director, *Fedegari Autoclavi SpA*
- **Co-Presenter: Holger Krenz**,

Beyond Bracketing: A Successful Partnership Case Study on Seal Integrity in RTU Primary Packaging

10:50 – 12:10

11:05 – 11:20

- **Co-Presenter: Lee Hyland**, Snr. Technical Services Engineer, *Oliver Healthcare Packaging*
- **Co-Presenter: Alessandro Girardi**, DCS Process Developer, *Stevanato Group*

Selecting the Proper Primary Container Closure Components for Drug Products Sensitive to Hydrogen Peroxide

11:20 – 11:35

- **Presenter: Eric Kurtz MBA**, Manager, Technical Product Management, *West Pharma*

Q&A, Discussion

11:35 – 12:10

- **Moderator: Matthew Hall PhD**, Technical Affairs Director, *Corning Pharmaceutical Technologies*

12:10 – 13:25 Networking Lunch Break, Poster Session, Exhibition & Tech Talks**Closing Plenary Part I****Moderator: Bram Jongen PhD**, Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies, *Datwyler***Making Sustainable Injectables Work: Drivers and Barriers to Adoption in Hospitals**

13:25 – 13:50

- **Academic Presenter: Albena Bjoerck PhD**, Associate Professor / Head of Global Business Lab, *ZHAW School of Management and Law*
- **Co-Presenter: Nadine K. Lampka PhD**, Senior Product Manager Pharma-Security, *Schreiner MediPharm*

13:25 – 14:35

Emerging Regulations Impacting Packaging Operations

13:50 – 14:10

- **Presenter: Stephan K. Roenninger Dr.-Ing.**, Director Compliance, External Affairs, *Amgen (Europe) GmbH*

Q&A, Discussion

14:10 – 14:35

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15:10 – 15:15 **Best Poster Presentation**

15:15 – 16:20 **Interactive Session**

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Closing Remarks & Farewell

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