

# PDA Parenteral Packaging Conference 2026

## Agenda



## Tuesday, 14 April

CEST Daylight Time (UTC +2:00)

09:00 – 09:05	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> <b>Committee Member:</b> Falk Klar PhD, General Manager, Vice President Europe, <i>Parenteral Drug Association</i>
09:05 – 09:15	<b>Welcome from the Co-Chairs</b> <b>Co-Chair:</b> Coralie A. Richard PhD, Director, <i>Eli Lilly and Company</i> <b>Co-Chair:</b> Bram Jongen PhD Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies <i>Datwyler</i>
09:15 – 10:25	<b>Opening Plenary Part I</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Coralie A. Richard PhD, Director, <i>Eli Lilly and Company</i>
	09:15 – 09:40 <b>Between Radio- and Pharmaceutical Regulations: Radiopharmacy as the Nexus of QC, Release, and Patient Care</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Emanuel Joseph MSc, PostDoc - QM, <i>LMU Klinikum</i></li></ul>
	09:40 – 10:00 <b>Building Smart and Strong Specifications for Primary Packaging Materials: Practical Steps from Compliance to Lifecycle Success</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Presenter:</b> Federico Sabini MD in Biomedical Engineering, LCM Manager - MSAT Large Molecule Drug Product Platform, <i>Johnson &amp; Johnson Innovative Medicine</i></li></ul>
	10:00 – 10:25 <b>Title To Be Announced</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Presenter:</b> Graham Lewis , ,</li></ul>
10:25 – 11:00	<b>LIVE Guided Poster Walk -Part I-</b>
10:35 – 11:05	<b>Networking Coffee Break &amp; Exhibition</b>
11:05 – 12:35	<b>Opening Plenary Part II</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Coralie A. Richard PhD, Director, <i>Eli Lilly and Company</i>
	11:05 – 11:25 <b>Recent Developments in European Pharmaceutical Packaging Chapters</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Regulatory Presenter:</b> Eugénie Maman , Scientific Programme Manager, <i>European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines &amp; Healthcare (EDQM)</i></li></ul>
	11:25 – 11:45 <b>Regulatory Considerations for Container Closure System for Packaging</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Regulatory Presenter:</b> Madushini N Dharmasena PhD, Senior Pharmaceutical Quality Assessor, OPQ, CDER, <i>U.S. FDA</i></li></ul>
	11:45 – 11:55 <b>Interactive Questionnaire Session</b>

### Q&A Discussion

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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*

#### Investigating the Impact of Silicone Layer Properties on Intravitreal Syringe Performance: A Case Study

13:50 – 14:15

- **Presenter: Jari Acocella MSc**, Fellow Formulation & Process Development, *ten23 health*

#### Thermo-rheological Study of Silicone O/W Emulsions used in Surface Coating of Parenteral Containers

14:15 – 14:40

- **Academic Presenter: Damian Renggli BSc, MSc, PhD**, Postdoctoral Researcher, *University of Delaware*

### Q&A, Discussion

14:40 – 15:10

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

### Session 1, Track B: Optimizing Packaging Quality

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

#### Direct CCI Testing of Fully Assembled Autoinjectors Using Headspace Analysis

13:50 – 14:15

- **Presenter: Paula Bracco PhD**, R&D Lab Director (Europe), *LIGHTHOUSE Instruments*

#### (Not) Detecting Container Closure Integrity Failures – Some Case Studies

14:15 – 14:40

- **Presenter: Constantin Hozsa PhD**, Project Lead Formulation Development, *Siegfried AG*

### Q&A, Discussion

14:40 – 15:10

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

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

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

## Wednesday, 15 April

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<b>Session 3, Track A: All About Transportation</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Max Dixon MEng, PhD, Lead Applied Sciences Engineer, <i>Crux Product Design</i>		
09:00 – 09:20	09:00 – 09:10	<b>PDA Transportation Validation Benchmarking Survey</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Jahanvi Miller MBA, ,</li> </ul>
	09:10 – 09:20	<b>Ensuring Component Integrity and System Performance Where It Matters Most</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Geert JAN Moens , Global Platform Leader Vial Closure Systems, <i>Datwyler</i></li> </ul>

09:00 – 10:20	09:20 – 09:30	<b>Requirements and Strategies for Transport &amp; Distribution Testing of Medical Products</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Brandon Zurawlow , ,</li> </ul>
	09:30 – 09:40	<b>Unintended Plunger Stopper Movement of Finished Prefilled Syringes (PFS) at Variable Temperatures</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Charlotte Utting MSc, Laboratory Supervisor, <i>Smithers Medical Device Testing Division</i></li> </ul>
	09:40 – 10:20	<b>Q&amp;A, Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moderator:</b> Max Dixon MEng, PhD, Lead Applied Sciences Engineer, <i>Crux Product Design</i></li> </ul>

### Session 3, Track B: Sustainability

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

09:00 – 10:20	09:00 – 09:10	<b>Borosilicate Glass, Cement: A Second Chance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Stephen Whettingsteel PhD, CEO &amp; Managing Director, <i>Krysteline Technologies Ltd</i></li> </ul>
	09:10 – 09:20	<b>Advancing Sustainability in Parenteral Elastomeric Closures Manufacturing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Bruno Morchain , Innovation &amp; Scientific Affairs Manager, <i>Aptar Pharma Injectables</i></li> </ul>
	09:20 – 09:30	<b>Addressing the Requirements of the 2025/40 Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation: Integrating Chemical Material Compliance in the Design of Safe and Sustainable Packaging</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Elmedina Shimaj MA, Regulatory Scientific Affairs and Liaison specialist, <i>Stevanato Group, Nuova Ompi S.r.l Unipersonale</i></li> </ul>
	09:30 – 09:40	<b>Eco-efficient Design - Strategies for Design for Recycling and Intermaterial Replacement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Anja Gottschalk , Application Development Engineer, <i>Borealis GmbH</i></li> </ul>
	09:40 – 10:20	<b>Q&amp;A, Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moderator:</b> Bettine Boltres PhD, Director Scientific Affairs, Integrated Systems, <i>West Pharmaceutical Services</i></li> </ul>

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*

10:50 – 12:10	10:50 – 11:05	<b>A Guide to Generating Digital Evidence on Primary Containers Mechanical Testing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Peter Harley MEng, PhD, FIMechE, Head of Technology, <i>Crux Product Design</i></li> </ul>
	11:05 – 11:20	<b>Leveraging Advanced Characterization Techniques in Drug and Device Combination Products: Enhancing Safety, Performance, and Stability</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Guangli Hu PhD, Principal Scientist, <i>Merck &amp; Co., Inc.</i></li> </ul>
	11:20 – 11:35	<b>Challenges and Solutions of Primary Packaging in the Development of Antibody Drug Conjugates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter:</b> Bernhard Hladik PhD, Director Business Development, <i>SCHOTT Pharma AG &amp; Co.</i></li> </ul>

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		<p><b>Q&amp;A, Discussion</b></p> <p>11:35 – 12:10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moderator: Derek I. Duncan PhD</b>, Director Product Lines, <i>LIGHTHOUSE Instruments</i></li> </ul>
	<p><b>Session 4, Track B: Ready-to-Use</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Matthew Hall PhD</b>, Technical Affairs Director, <i>Corning Pharmaceutical Technologies</i></p>	
10:50 – 12:10	10:50 – 11:05	<p><b>Rethinking Sterilization: Deep Vacuum vH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> as an Alternative to EtO for Glass RTF Vials</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Co-Presenter: Serena Carella</b> , Learning Campus Experience Director, <i>Fedegari Autoclavi SpA</i></li> <li>• <b>Co-Presenter: Holger Krenz</b> , ,</li> </ul>
	11:05 – 11:20	<p><b>Beyond Bracketing: A Successful Partnership Case Study on Seal Integrity in RTU Primary Packaging</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Co-Presenter: Lee Hyland</b> , Snr. Technical Services Engineer, <i>Oliver Healthcare Packaging</i></li> <li>• <b>Co-Presenter: Alessandro Girardi</b> , DCS Process Developer, <i>Stevanato Group</i></li> </ul>
	11:20 – 11:35	<p><b>Selecting the Proper Primary Container Closure Components for Drug Products Sensitive to Hydrogen Peroxide</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter: Eric Kurtz MBA</b>, Manager, Technical Product Management, <i>West Pharma</i></li> </ul>
	11:35 – 12:10	<p><b>Q&amp;A, Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moderator: Matthew Hall PhD</b>, Technical Affairs Director, <i>Corning Pharmaceutical Technologies</i></li> </ul>
12:10 – 13:25	<b>Networking Lunch Break, Poster Session, Exhibition &amp; Tech Talks</b>	
	<p><b>Closing Plenary Part I</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Bram Jongen PhD</b>, Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies, <i>Datwyler</i></p>	
13:25 – 14:35	13:25 – 13:50	<p><b>Making Sustainable Injectables Work: Drivers and Barriers to Adoption in Hospitals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Academic Presenter: Albena Bjoerck PhD</b>, Associate Professor / Head of Global Business Lab, <i>ZHAW School of Management and Law</i></li> <li>• <b>Co-Presenter: Nadine K. Lampka PhD</b>, Senior Product Manager Pharma-Security, <i>Schreiner MediPharm</i></li> </ul>
	13:50 – 14:10	<p><b>Emerging Regulations Impacting Packaging Operations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Presenter: Stephan K. Roenninger Dr.-Ing.</b>, Director Compliance, External Affairs, <i>Amgen (Europe) GmbH</i></li> </ul>
	14:10 – 14:35	<p><b>Q&amp;A, Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Moderator: Bram Jongen PhD</b>, Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies, <i>Datwyler</i></li> </ul>
14:35 – 15:05	<b>Networking Coffee Break &amp; Exhibition</b>	
15:05 – 15:10	<b>Passport Raffle</b>	
	<b>Closing Plenary Part II</b>	

<b>Moderator: Bram Jongen PhD</b> , Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies, <i>Datwyler</i>	
15:10 – 16:20	15:10 – 15:15 <b>Best Poster Presentation</b>
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<b>Co-Chairs Conference Summary</b>	
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	<b>Co-Chair: Bram Jongen PhD</b> Senior Vice President Materials and Surface Technologies <i>Datwyler</i>
<b>Closing Remarks &amp; Farewell</b>	
16:30 – 16:35	<b>Committee Member: Falk Klar PhD</b> , General Manager, Vice President Europe, <i>Parenteral Drug Association</i>

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