

# History of ICH: The Common Technical Document structure and contents

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- **The realisation of the importance of an independent evaluation of medicinal products before entry into the market was reached at different times in different regions of the world.**
- **In many cases the realisation was driven by tragedies, such as the Cutter incident in USA in 1955 and that with thalidomide in Europe in the 1960s.**

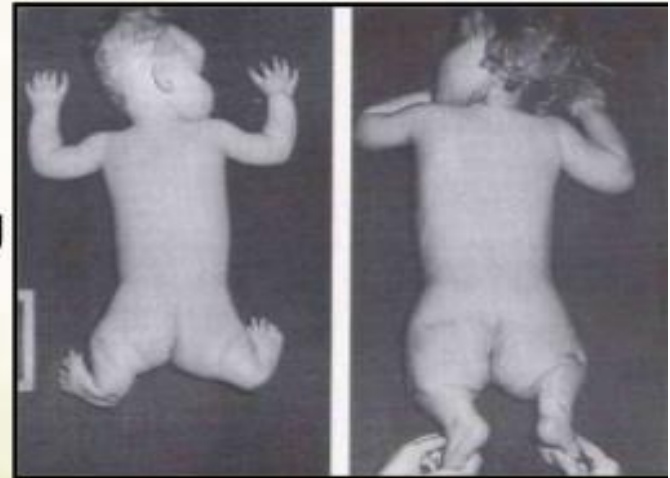
# Cutter incident with IPV



- In 1955, the production of the vaccine at industrial facilities operated by Cutter, led to the tragedy that occurred when 200,000 people were inadvertently injected with live virulent polio virus**
- **70,000 became ill,**
  - **200 were permanently paralyzed and,**
  - **10 died.**

# Thalidomide tragedy

- 1958: Thalidomide marketed in West Germany as a non barbiturate hypnotic & for morning sickness during pregnancy based on animal toxicity report.



1959-61 thalidomide disaster  
(4000-100000 case)

- In 1959 - 1961, it was reported in that there was an outbreak of **PHOCOMELIA (hypoplastic and aplastic limb deformities)** in the new born babies.

# Thalidomide tragedy

## Importance of Pharmacovigilance

- Thalidomide tragedy (1961-62): The greatest of all drug disasters. Thalidomide had been introduced and welcomed as a safe and effective hypnotic and antiemetic. It rapidly became popular for the treatment of nausea and vomiting in early pregnancy.
- Tragically the drug proved to be a potent human teratogen that caused major birth defects in an estimated 10,000 children
- Phocomelia was a characteristic feature



# Thalidomide tragedy

## Thalidomide Tragedy

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- Approved as a sedative in Europe in 1950s
- Not FDA approved in United States
  - Manufacturer supplied it to physicians and paid them to do “research” to study its safety and efficacy
- By 1961 recognized that use in first trimester pregnancy caused abnormal development of arms and legs
- Banned world-wide
- Lead to 1962 Drug Amendments Act
  - Must now prove efficacy, not just safety

# Impact of Thalidomide tragedy

## History of Drug Regulation

- Kefauver Amendments to Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act (1962)
  - Response to thalidomide tragedy
  - Drug manufacturers are required to provide to FDA “substantial evidence” of efficacy and safety of their products before marketing them
  - FDA gains authority to regulate Rx promotion and clinical testing
  - Manufacturers must demonstrate the efficacy of products approved prior to 1962

# History of drug regulation

- ✓ For other countries, whether or not they had initiated product registration controls earlier, the 1960s and 1970s saw a rapid increase in laws, regulations and guidelines for reporting and evaluating the data on safety, quality and efficacy of new medicinal products.
- ✓ Industry, was becoming more international and seeking new global markets; however the divergence in technical requirements from country to country was such that industry found it necessary to duplicate many time-consuming and expensive test procedures, in order to market new products, internationally.
- ✓ Hence urgent need to rationalise and harmonise regulation



# Initiation of ICH

- ✓ Harmonisation of regulatory requirements was pioneered by the EC in the 1980s,
- ✓ Europe moved towards the development of a single market for pharmaceuticals
- ✓ The success achieved in Europe demonstrated that harmonisation was feasible.
- ✓ Discussions started between Europe, Japan and the US on possibilities for harmonisation
- ✓ Plans for action began to materialise at the WHO Conference of Drug Regulatory Authorities (ICDRA), in Paris, in 1989
- ✓ Soon afterwards, authorities approached the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA) to discuss a joint regulatory-industry initiative on international harmonisation, and ICH was conceived.

*ICH: Intl. Council for harmonization of technical requirements for pharmaceuticals for human use*

# The evolution of ICH

Since its inception in 1990, the ICH process has gradually evolved:

First decade:

- MedDRA (Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities),
- development of ICH Guidelines on Safety, Quality and Efficacy topics,
- CTD

Second decade:

- Communication and dissemination of information on ICH Guidelines with non-ICH regions,
- Focus on implementation of ICH Guidelines in ICH's own regions and updating existing ICH Guidelines as needed,

Third decade:

- Extending the benefits of harmonisation beyond the founding ICH regions and introducing structural, organizational and other changes to achieve this goal .

# ICH Mission

- To make recommendations towards harmonisation in the interpretation and application of technical guidelines and requirements for pharmaceutical product registration and the maintenance of such registrations;
- To maintain a forum for a constructive dialogue on scientific issues between regulatory authorities and the pharmaceutical industry
- To contribute to the protection of public health in the interest of patients from an international perspective;
- To monitor and update harmonised technical requirements
- To avoid divergent future requirements through harmonisation of selected topics
- To facilitate the adoption of new or improved technical research and development approaches which update or replace current practices;
- To encourage the implementation and integration of common standards
- to develop policy for the ICH (MedDRA) as a standardised dictionary which facilitates the sharing of regulatory information internationally for medicinal products used by humans.

# Membership

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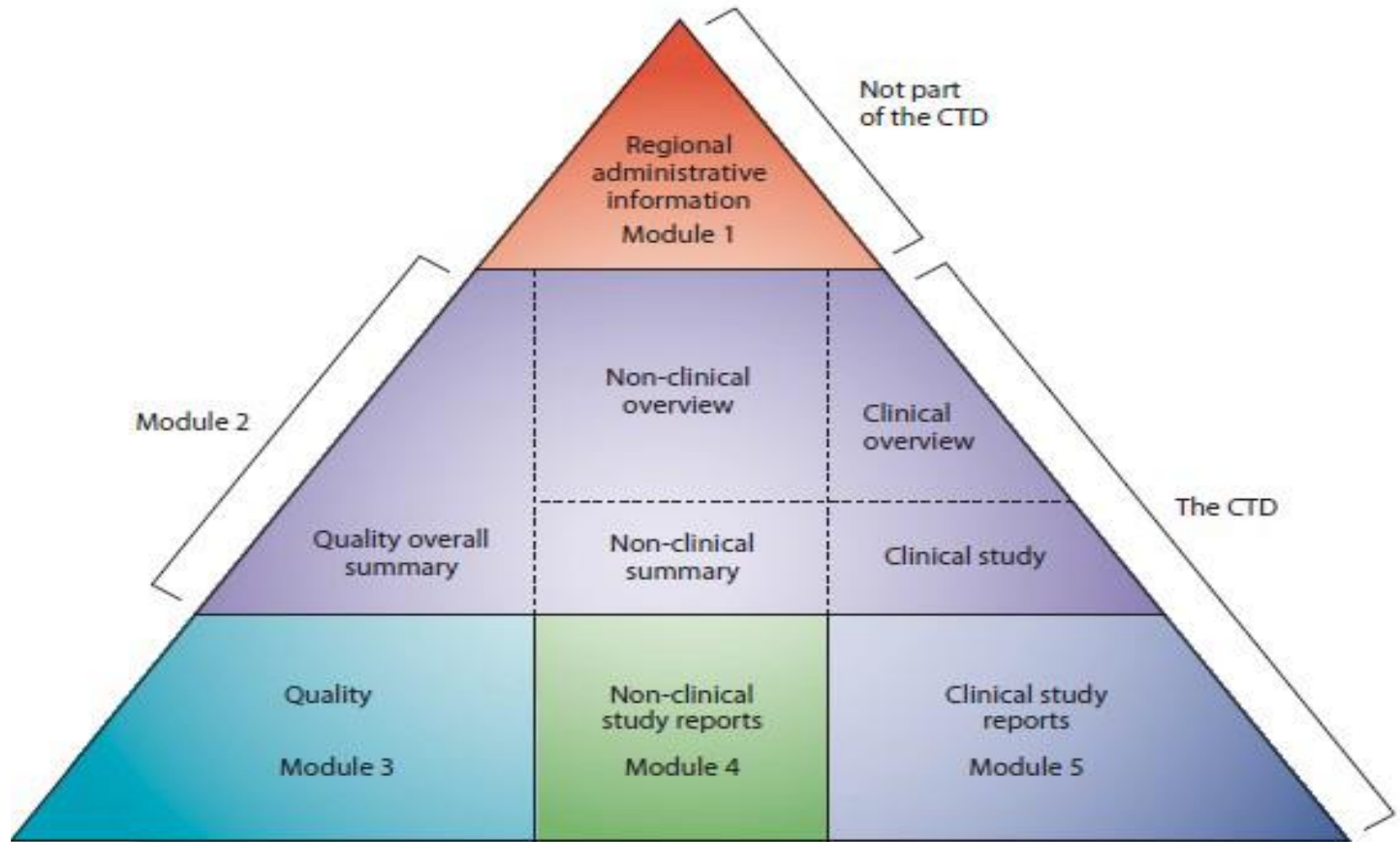
- Brazil, China, EU, USA, Canada, Singapore, Korea, Japan, Switzerland, plus certain organizations such as

## Observers

- India, Cuba, Mexico, Kazakhstan, South Africa, Chinese Taipei and TGA plus certain organizations such as IFPMA, WHO, PICs, PANDRH, CIOMS, EDQM and certain blocks such as EAC and SADC

NOTE: The list is not-exhaustive

# ICH CTD



ICH developed the Common Technical Document as a harmonized dossier both in format and contents

# CTD Module 2

- **Module 2. Common Technical Document Summaries**
- Module 2 should contain seven sections in the following order :
- 2.1 Table of Contents
- 2.2 Introduction
- 2.3 Quality Overall Summary
- 2.4 Nonclinical Overview
- 2,5 Clinical Overview
- 2.6 Nonclinical Written and Tabulated Summaries
  - 2.6.1. Pharmacology written summary.
  - 2.6.2. Pharmacology tabulated summary.
  - 2.6.3. Pharmacokinetics written summary.
  - 2.6.4. Pharmacokinetics tabulated summary.
  - 2.6.5. Toxicology written summary.
  - 2.6.6. Toxicology tabulated summary.
- 2.7 Clinical Summary including Synopsis of Clinical trial reports
  - 2.7.1. Summary of biopharmaceutical studies and associated analytical methods.
  - 2.7.2. Summary of clinical pharmacology studies.
  - 2.7.3. Summary of clinical efficacy.
  - 2.7.4. Summary of clinical safety.
  - 2.7.5. Literature references.
  - 2.7.6 Synopses of individual studies.

# CTD Module 3

## **Module 3: Quality.**

Chemical, pharmaceutical and biological information for medicinal products containing chemical and/or biological active substances

3.1. Table of contents.

3.2. Body of data.

3.2.S. Drug substance(s).

3.2.S.1. General information:

3.2.S.1.1. Nomenclature.

3.2.S.1.2. Structure.

3.2.S.1.3. General properties

3.2.S.2. Manufacture

3.2.S.2.1. Manufacturer(s).

3.2.S.2.2. Description of manufacturing process and process controls.

3.2.S.2.3. Control of materials.

3.2.S.2.4. Controls of critical steps and intermediates.

3.2.S.2.5. Process validation and/or evaluation.

3.2.S.2.6. Manufacturing process development.

3.2.S.3. Characterization

3.2.S.3.1. Elucidation of structure and other characteristics.

3.2.S.3.2. Impurities.

3.2.S.4. Control of drug substance(s).

3.2.S.4.1. Specifications.

3.2.S.4.2. Analytical procedures.

# CTD Module 3 (cont)

- 3.2.S.4.3. Validation of analytical procedures.
- 3.2.S.4.4. Batch analyses.
- 3.2.S.4.5. Justification of specification.
- 3.2.S.5. Reference standards or materials.
- 3.2.S.6. Container/closure system.
- 3.2.S.7. Stability:
  - 3.2.S.7.1. Stability summary and conclusions.
  - 3.2.S.7.2. Post-approval stability protocol and stability commitment.
  - 3.2.S.7.3. Stability data.
- 3.2.P. Drug product:
  - 3.2.P.1. Description and composition of the drug product.
  - 3.2.P.2. Pharmaceutical development:
    - 3.2.P.2.1. Composition of drug product.
    - 3.2.P.2.2. Formulation, overages, properties
    - 3.2.P.2.3. Manufacturing process development.
    - 3.2.P.2.4. Container/closure system.
    - 3.2.P.2.5. Microbiological attributes.
    - 3.2.P.2.6. Compatibility.
  - 3.2.P.3. Manufacture
    - 3.2.P.3.1. Manufacturer(s)
    - 3.2.P.3.2. Batch formula
    - 3.2.P.3.3. Description of manufacturing process and process controls.



# CTD Module 3 (Cont)

- 3.2.P.3.4. Controls of critical steps and intermediates.
- 3.2.P.3.5. Process validation and/or evaluation.
- 3.2.P.4. Control of excipients:
  - 3.2.P.4.1. Specifications.
  - 3.2.P.4.2. Analytical procedures.
  - 3.2.P.4.3. Validation of analytical procedures.
  - 3.2.P.4.4. Justification of specifications.
  - 3.2.P.4.5. Excipients of human or animal origin.
  - 3.2.P.4.6. Novel excipients.
- 3.2.P.5. Control of drug product:
  - 3.2.P.5.1. Specifications.
  - 3.2.P.5.2. Analytical procedures.
  - 3.2.P.5.3. Validation of analytical procedures.
  - 3.2.P.5.4. Batch analyses.
  - 3.2.P.5.5. Characterization of impurities.
  - 3.2.P.5.6. Justification of specifications.
- 3.2.P.6. Reference standards and materials.
- 3.2.P.7. Container/closure system.
- 3.2.P.8. Stability:
  - 3.2.P.8.1. Stability summary and conclusion
  - 3.2.P.8.2. Post-approval stability protocol and stability commitment
  - 3.2.P.8.3. Stability data
- 3.2.A. Appendices:
  - 3.2.A.1. Facilities and equipment.
  - 3.2.A.2. Adventitious agents safety evaluation.
  - 3.2.A.3. Novel excipients.
- 3.2.R. Regional information.
- 3.3. Key Literature references.

# CTD Module 4

## **Module 4: pre-clinical study reports**

- 4.1. Table of contents.
- 4.2. Study reports.
  - 4.2.1. Pharmacology:
    - 4.2.1.1. Primary pharmacodynamics.
    - 4.2.1.2. Secondary pharmacodynamics.
    - 4.2.1.3. Safety pharmacology.
    - 4.2.1.4. Pharmacodynamic drug interactions.
  - 4.2.2. Pharmacokinetics:
    - 4.2.2.1. Analytical methods and validation reports.
    - 4.2.2.2. Absorption.
    - 4.2.2.3. Distribution.
    - 4.2.2.4. Metabolism.
    - 4.2.2.5. Excretion.
    - 4.2.2.6. Pharmacokinetic drug interactions
    - 4.2.2.7. Other pharmacokinetic studies.
  - 4.2.3. Toxicology:
    - 4.2.3.1. Single-dose toxicity.
    - 4.2.3.2. Repeated dose toxicity.
    - 4.2.3.3. Genotoxicity
    - 4.2.3.4. Carcinogenicity.
    - 4.2.3.5. Reproductive and developmental toxicity.
    - 4.2.3.6. Local tolerance.
    - 4.2.3.7. Other toxicity studies.
- 4.3. Literature references.

# CTD Module 5

## **Module 5: Clinical Study Reports**

- 5.1. Comprehensive table of contents.
- 5.2. Tabular listing of all clinical studies.
- 5.3. Clinical study reports:
  - 5.3.1. Reports of biopharmaceutical studies.
  - 5.3.2. Reports of studies pertinent to human pharmacokinetics
  - 5.3.3. Reports of human pharmacokinetic studies.
  - 5.3.4. Reports of human pharmacodynamic studies
  - 5.3.5. Reports of efficacy and safety studies.
  - 5.3.6. Reports of post-marketing experience.
  - 5.3.7. Case Report Forms (CRF)/Individual Patient Listings
- 5.4. Literature references.

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