Drug Redevelopment and Product Pipeline Enhancement
Focusing on Innovative Strategies and External Partnerships to Boost Productivity and Optimise the Product Pipeline

London, UK
25th and 26th February, 2010

Attending This Premier marcus evans Conference Will Enable You to:
- Explore novel indications for active clinical compounds
- Optimise product life-cycle management through risk-adverse strategies
- Examine the changing patent scenery in drug-development
- Cut back R&D timeframe associated with drug re-development
- Assess the latest formulation and regulatory standards on drug re-tasking
- Expand product portfolios by re-targeting compounds for novel indications
- Achieve effective product differentiation in a highly-competitive pharmaceutical market
- Speed up regulatory procedures and increase project approval rates
- Network with key industry players from pharma, biotech and drug delivery industries to capture the latest trends and key approaches

Learn from Key Practical Case Studies:
- Merck Serono International discuss partnership opportunities and portfolio expansion strategies
- Transgene bring in alternative indication routes for active clinical compounds
- Genzyme Corporation explore partnering models and their utility in drug development
- GlaxoSmithKline strengthen proof of concept while minimising R&D expenditure
- Acino Pharma boost profit margins through opportunistic drug development
- Alligator Bioscience optimise therapeutic proteins and ward off safety risks by drug redesign

In the Chair Day 1:
Dr. Manuel Heim
Head, Global Portfolio and Innovation Management
Acino Pharma

In the Chair Day 2:
Dr. Bruce Pratt
Vice President, Science Development
Genzyme Corporation

marcus evans Expert Speaker Panel:
  Head of Innovation and Partnerships, Medical Science and Innovation
  Merck Serono
- Dr. Bruce Pratt
  Vice President, Science Development
  Genzyme Corporation, US
- Dr. Andrew Parsons
  Vice President, CEED
  Head of Preclinical Development
  GlaxoSmithKline
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  Acino Pharma
- Arif Shivji
  World Wide Business Development Principal
  Pfizer
- Aris Persidis
  Ph.D., President
  Biovista, Inc.
- Lucette Doessegger
  Global Head, Safety Licensing and Early Development
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- Sarah Carty
  Director of Business Development
  Elan Drug Technologies
- Dr. Ronald Rooke
  Director, Immunopharmacology
  Transgene
- Pietro Crovetto
  Director, Global Business Development
  Teva Pharmaceuticals
- James McCormik
  Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs
  Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD)
- Christina Furebring
  Director, Research and Development
  Alligator BioScience
- John Overington
  Team Leader, Chemogenomics
  The European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL)
- Dr. Nasir Hussain
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Day 1

25th February, 2010

08.30 Registration and Coffee

09.00 Opening Address from the Chair
  Dr. Manuel Heim
  Head, Global Portfolio and Innovation Management
  Acino Pharma

PIONEERING STRATEGIES IN DRUG FORMULATION

09.10 Case Study
  Drug Redevelopment as a Key Approach to Increase your Product Pipeline and Gain a Competitive Edge
  • Exploring the commercial drive behind the repositioning
  • Assessing success prospects when expanding product use to new indications
  • Safeguard R&D expenditures by strengthening the proof of concept
  • Building new business cases by means of repositioning existent compounds
  Dr. Andrew Parsons
  Vice President, CEED
  Head of Preclinical Development
  GlaxoSmithKline

09.55 Case Study
  Exploring New Indications for Existing Compounds
  • Identifying additional targets for active clinical compounds
  • Pharmacokinetic frameworks in translational drug research
  • Alternatives on improving the candidate selection process
  • Benefiting from biomarkers: From clinical practice to drug improvement
  Dr. Ronald Rooke
  Director, Immunopharmacology
  Transgene

10.40 Morning Coffee and Networking Break

11.00 What Else Can My Drug Do?
  • Seeing drugs as major strategic assets, with market potential beyond the initially targeted indications
  • Matching the mechanism of action (MoA) of any drug against the MoA of any of the 8,000 diseases and 12,000 adverse events known to medicine
  • Case studies of accelerated and systematic indication expansion
  • Highlighting key business signals that show how drug repositioning done systematically is a major emerging tool in pipeline development
  Aris Persidis
  Ph.D., President
  Biovista, Inc

11.45 Case Study
  Optimization of Therapeutic Proteins
  • Creating medically & commercially viable biopharmaceuticals
  • Providing second generation biologics
  • Managing safety risks by drug redesign
  • Case study: ADC-1004, a potent c5a receptor antagonist
  Tina Furebring
  Director, Research & Development
  Alligator Bioscience

12.30 Lunch

BOOSTING PROFITS THROUGH ALTERNATIVE COMMERCIALISATION

13.30 Case Study
  Increasing Product Pipeline through Reformulation Strategies
  • Opportunistic drug development: Expanding profit margins through minimal re-investments
  • Going the extra mile: Uncovering the profit potential for in-store compounds
  • Innovative mechanisms of re-targeting compounds for new indications
  Dr. Manuel Heim
  Head, Global Portfolio and Innovation Management
  Acino Pharma

BUILDING A STRONG PRODUCT PIPELINE WITH EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

14.15 Case Study
  Partnering Your Way to Success – Attracting External Resources and Collaborations to Enhance Your Product Pipeline
  • Key drivers to consider for a successful repositioning with an external partner
  • Matching technology quests of drug developers with targeted solutions from service providers
  • Expanding product portfolios through external collaboration
  • Insights in the latest strategies for reaching new markets
  Jutta Reinhardt-Rupp
  Head of Strategy and Organization
  Molecular Medicine and Imaging
  Merck Serono International

15.00 Afternoon Tea and Networking Break

15.20 Case Study
  Creating Opportunities for Pipeline Extension Through Collaborations
  • The current imperatives for collaborations and partnering
  • A review of partnering models and their utility in drug development and repurposing
  • How to find the right partner for drug repurposing – a view from both sides of the table
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  Dr. Bruce Pratt
  Vice President, Science Development
  Genzyme Corporation

REGULATORY CHALLENGES: THE ROCKY ROAD TO MARKET APPROVAL

16.05 Interactive Panel Discussion
  Overcoming Regulatory Setbacks On the Way to Market Approval
  • Insights into increasing market approval success rate
  • Untangling the regulatory maize maze: Useful shortcuts for project submissions
  • Simplifying the market approval process: How can regulators help?
  • Aiming for consensus among drug developers and regulators: Balancing cross-interest
  • Accessing the data package: Challenges entailed by submitting a drug for market authorization

Panelists include:
  Dr. Manuel Heim
  Head, Global Portfolio and Innovation Management
  Acino Pharma
  James McCormick
  Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs
  Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD)

16.50 Closing Comments from the Chair

17.00 End of Day One
26th February, 2010

08.30 Registration and Coffee

09.00 Opening Address from the Chair

Dr. Bruce Pratt
Vice President, Science Development
Genzyme Corporation, US

09.10 Case Study

Optimising Life-Cycle Management in Drug Research

• Maximise market value for re-targeted compounds
• Innovative technology platforms for re-purposing old molecules towards novel indications
• Directing drug re-development towards new markets

Sarah Carty
Director of Business Development
Elan Drug Technologies

09.55 Case Study

Adopting Low-Risk Strategies in Drug Redevelopment

• Reducing timeframes in drug re-development: Inside views from specialised service providers
• Effective approaches for minimising R&D expenditures
• Accurate risk evaluation in drug development
• Risks involved in finding the optimum ROI generating approach

Arif Shivji
World Wide Business Development Principal
Pfizer

10.40 Morning Coffee and Networking Break

11.00 Case Study

Addressing Regulatory Challenges Entailed by Compound Repurposing

• Regional Regulatory differences and Complications
• Regional Dossier requirements
• Advertising and labeling regulations
• Solutions to rapid expansion of global market

James McCormick
Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs
Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD)

11.45 Case Study

Optimising Risk Assessments in Drug Re-Tasking

• Assessing health and safety measurements
• Novel trends in health and safety risk management protocol
• Drug safety from a pharmacovigilance perspective: Exploring the prevalent challenges
• Tackling the looming threat of counterfeit drugs
• Stumbling on opportunities: How safety assessments may lead to new indication discoveries

Lucette Doessegger
Global Head, Safety Licensing and Early Development
Roche

12.30 Luncheon

13.30 Case Study

Reshaping the Market Landscape of Respiratory Products

• Exploring the market impact of novel delivery devices
• Addressing CFC transition challenges
• How to add value to a franchise opportunity?
• Tackling re-pricing within the market for respiratory products
• Harmonising regulations with ecological imperatives

Pietro Crovetto
Director, Global Business Development
Teva Pharmaceuticals

14.15 Case Study

Balancing Profits & Principles

• Do ethic principles still count in profit-driven endeavors?
• Assessing the necessity of bio-ethical trainings
• Aiming for ethical consensus among drug developers: Utopia or attainable goal?
• Public availability of data package: Where does lawful access to public data end and where does intellectual trespassing begin?
• Prospecting the need for firmer ethical regulations

Dr. Nasir Hussain
Partner
Strategy Foresight Partnership LLP

15.00 Afternoon Tea and Networking Break

15.20 The Role of Chemogenomics in Drug Discovery

• From target identification to drug validation roadmaps for drug re-development
• Bioinformatic insights: mMapping ad aAnalyzing DNA and protein sequences
• Applications of experimental analysis: A recount on successful cases

John Overington
Team Leader, Chemogenomics
The European Molecular Biology Laboratory

16.05 Closing Comments from the Chair

16.15 End of Conference

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Dr. Bruce M. Pratt is Vice President, Science Development, for Genzyme Corporation, with responsibilities in the identification and evaluation of early stage opportunities (primarily therapeutic products) and proactive, selective outreach activities to the academic, biotechnology and life science sectors. He has worked for Genzyme for 21 years, initially in positions of increasing responsibility in Cell and Protein Therapeutics Research and Development, culminating as Sr. Director of Cell Biology. From 2002 through 2004, he was based in one of Genzyme’s European offices, identifying early stage European research and product opportunities as well as developing relationships with biotechnology companies and academic centers of excellence. Following his return to the United States in July 2004, he has continued his role in early stage opportunity identification and outreach to the biotechnology sector. Prior to his work at Genzyme, Dr. Pratt worked at Collagen Corporation and Celsotix Pharmaceuticals in Palo Alto California. He earned his Ph.D. from Michigan State University and was a post-doctoral fellow at Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Pathology.

Dr. Ronald Rouke
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Starting with 2005, Mr. Rouke has been Head of the Immunopharmacology Department. (Transgene, Illkirch, France) Cancer Immunotherapy. Preclinical models, Bio-informatics, bio-analysis and immunomonitoring. Prior to this function, he has been heading the Preclinical Immunology Laboratory (Transgene, Strasbourg, France) being in charge of the preclinical model for cancer immunotherapy. Mr. Rouke’s activity at Transgene began in 1997 as Senior Scientist for the immune response to gene therapy vectors. Ronald has finished his PhD in Microbiology and Immunology (AIDS-resistance of HIV-1) at McGill University Montreal Canada, adding also a diploma of Post-doctoral Fellow within IGBC, Strasbourg, France for the paper on “TCR-MHC interaction and lymphocyte survival – Positive selection model”.

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John initially studied chemistry at the University of Bath. This introduced him to the application of computers to address chemical problems, this then led to an interest in modelling biological systems. John then studied for a PhD at Birbeck College, University of London, with Tom Blundell, working on developing software for automated protein modelling, and subsequently sequence-structure comparison methods. John then moved to the laboratories of Pfizer at Sandwich in the United Kingdom, where his interests and responsibilities grew to cover structural biology, molecular modelling and cheminformatics. As the next stage in his career, John took a position at Inpharmatica, a leading London-based informatics company, where he led the chemogenomics technology group. John has led the development of many novel databases and algorithms applied to human health research. Most recently John has moved to the EMBL-EBI to place these databases in the public domain on an open access basis, and to develop data-mining approaches to aid in the target and lead discovery, and lead optimisation processes.

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In her current position, Mrs. Reinhard-Rupp is responsible for the implementation of key strategic initiatives at Merck Serono, which are related to their department (MSI), encompassing stratified medicine, innovative therapeutic approaches and public-private partnerships. Jutta studied Biology in Mainz and Tübingen and received her PhD at the Max-Planck Institute Tübingen on “Unconventional myosins in vertebrates”. After postdoctoral training in bone metabolism (“Estrogen receptor regulated genes in osteoblasts”) at Ciba-Geigy/Novartis, Mrs. Reinhard-Rupp continued as a lab leader at Evotec Biosystems in Hamburg in the assay development group, establishing new cell-based approaches for high-throughput screening. Subsequently, she then joined Aventis (former HoechstMarionRoussel) in 1997 as a project leader and deputy of the Martinsried Technology group. John has led the development of many novel databases and algorithms applied to human health research. Most recently John has moved to the EMBL-EBI to place these databases in the public domain on an open access basis, and to develop data-mining approaches to aid in the target and lead discovery, and lead optimisation processes.

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