## WHAT DO MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS HAVE TO DO TO PREPARE FOR EU MEMBERSHIP ?



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#### **EU: BEATEN TRACK**

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 land of contrasted peoples, languages, religious practices and strong beliefs, knowledge and powers, confronted thoughts and values



 land of uniform understanding of common objectives and approaches to achieve them, which must be open also to individual needs.

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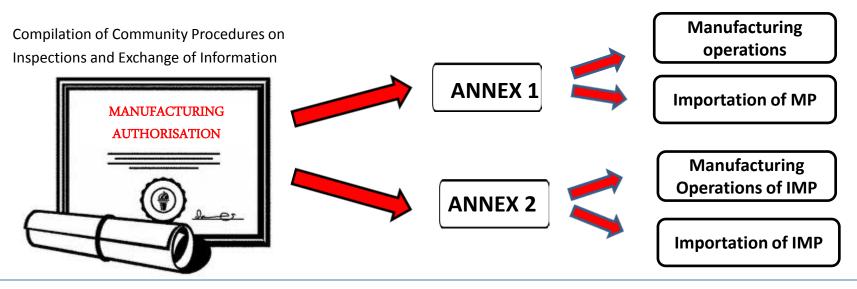
- To fulfill EU requirements and obligations
  - Dir 2001/83/EC; 2001/82/EC; 2010/84/EC: 2011/62; 2003/94/EC(COM); 2005/28/EC(COM)...
  - GMP...
  - ...
- To accept the difference between being a manufacturer/importer in 3rd Country and in EU MS
- To cope with derogation: upgrading of old files by the end of transitional period and its consequences





#### Manufacture and importation

- Manufacturing authorisation is required for:
  - Total & partial manufacture including IMP
  - Various processes of dividing up, packaging ...(exceptions)
  - Imports from 3rd countries





- Requirements to be fulfilled:
  - To specify medicinal products and pharmaceutical forms which are to be manufactured/imported
  - To specify the manufacturing place and/or place for control
  - To have suitable and sufficient premises, technical equipment and control facilities for manufacture and storage of medicinal products
  - To have staff in line with legal requirements concerning education and experience
  - To have Qualified Person (+ requirements concerning API)
  - All changes of the requirements concerning premises, equipment, control of facilities and QP are to be authorised by CA



- Obligations of the holder of manufacturing authorisation
  - To comply with principles/guidelines of GMP
  - To dispose of authorised medicinal products only in accordance with national legislation
  - To allow inspection access to premises at any time
  - To enable QP to carry out his/her duties
  - To use API and certain excipients manufactured in line with GMP for API (includes total or partial of manufacture/import)





- Requirements for QP
  - Qualifications recognised by MS bearing upon listed basic subjects in the directive
    - 4y of university degree (pharmacy, medicine, chemistry, technology, biology) or
    - 3,5y of university degree + 1y of training (at least 6m in pharmacy)
  - 2y experience in manufacturing, analysing or control of medicinal products (may be reduced to 1y if university studies last 5y or more)





#### • QP responsibilities

- Ensures that each batch of medicinal products has been manufactured and checked in compliance with the relevant laws
- Ensures that each batch of medicinal products imported in the EU from 3rd countries (irrespectively if it was manufactured in the EU or not) has undergone full qualitative analysis and quantitative analysis of at least API and other tests necessary to ensure quality of medicinal product in line with MA except in case of MRA
- Ensures traceability of medicinal products and enables efficiant recall
- QP Declaration concerning GMP compliance of API and verification of its supply chain



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- Verifies the GMP compliance of all parties in the supply chain and that all sources are in accordance with relevant authorisations.
- Demonstrates full understanding and control of the supply chain of active substances used by manufacturer (including brokers, relabellers and re-packagers) and taken steps to shorten the supply chain wherever possible.
- Clearly demonstrates that each batch of active substance accepted by manufacturer for use in the manufacture of medicinal products has been sourced through this supply chain.



QP Declaration on GMP compliance of API and verification of its supply chain: 5 parts

- A Concerned manufacturing site
- B Declaration of GMP Compliance (single or multiple) (Art. 46(f) Dir. 2001/83/EC & Art. 50(f); Dir 2001/82/EC)
- C Basis of Declaration (audit & supportive info)
- D Verification of the API supply chain (Art. 46a Dir. 2001/83/EC & Art. 50a Dir 2001/82/EC)
- E Attestation of the Responsible QP



Manufacturer's obligations



- To verify the compliance of the API manufacturer with GMP requirements
- To perform audit in order to confirm API manufacturer's complience with GMP/GDP
- To ensure that the excipients are suitable for use in medicinal products
- To verify that economic operators are registered with the competent authority of the Member State in which they are established
- To verify the authenticity and quality of the API



### FULFILLING EU REQUIREMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS: PLACING MEDICINAL PRODUCTS ON THE MARKET

Directive 2001/83/EC and Regulation 726/2004 require

- Contract with marketing authorisation holder
- Required labeling and package leaflet
- Responsibilities for marketed product
- Classification
- P&R





- Manufacturers become
- Importers become

EU manufacturers EU importers:

within EU

- Import = from non EU countires/3rd countries only
- transfer = from EU countries
- Parallel import and parallel distribution only







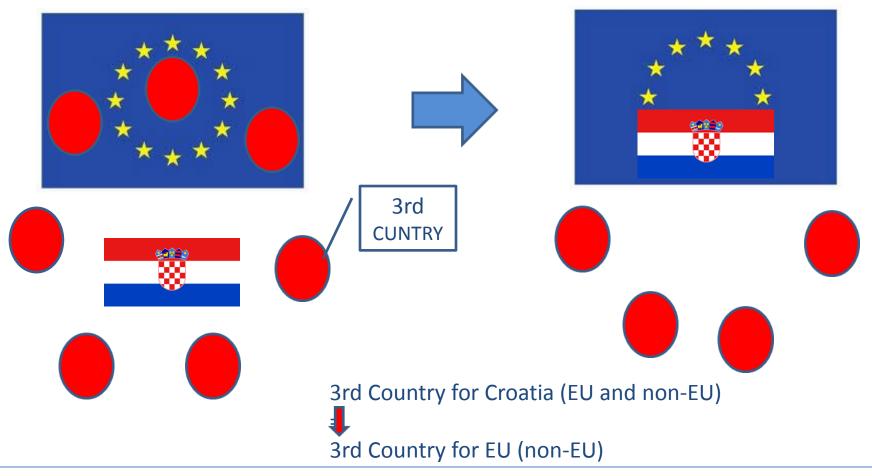






If placed in Croatia Non-EU manufacturer EU manufacturer







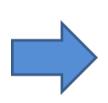




Import to Croatia Import to EU









Import to Croatia from EU Distribution between MSs









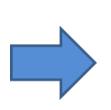
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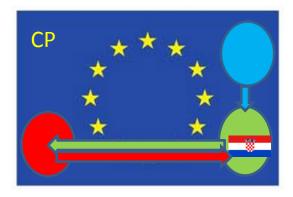
Importation of nationally authorised product into MS (A) from MS(B), but where the importation is carried out by someone other than a person appointed by the manufacturer/ holder of the marketing authorisation (will PI be blocked from CRO by 2017 ?)









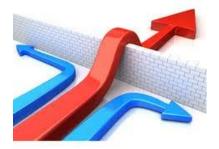


#### Parallel distribution is

Distribution of **centrally authorised** medicinal product transported into MS (A) from MS(B), but where the distribution is carried out by someone other than the person appointed by the manufacturer/holder of the MA



- Challenges:
- Art. 6 of Dir. 2001/83/EC: No medicinal product may be placed on the market of a Member State unless a MA has been issued by the CA of that MS in accordance with this directive or an authorisation has been granted in accordance with CR 726/2004/EC
- No "minimum requirements" , hard law" to be followed
- Availability of medicinal products





- Derogation: upgrading of old documentation by the end of transitional period
- Preparing documentation:
  - strategy (manufacturer's priorities vs. availability)
  - timing (renewals or not, deadline)
  - regulatory dilemmas (generic application vs. WEU...)





The role of the list of products to be upgraded

 additional document provided to the EC during negotiations for the transitional period as a picture of the scope of the problem?

or

 leading document linked to the granting of the transitional period?





What is the understanding of the requirements for the upgrading?

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- should the structure and the content of the file be followed (or does CA's discretion right to decide about the upgraded dossier start only after all missing parts of the dossier have been submitted)?

• should hard law requirements be followed?



What is the understanding of the requirements for the upgrading?

- should the same MP with non-upgraded documentation and actually marketed in the EU
  - remain on other MSs' market and
  - be withdrawn from Croatian markets after the day of accession?



• ECJ CASE C-527/07:...."placing of the product on the market in a Member State was not authorised in accordance with the applicable Community law, cannot be considered to be a reference medicinal product within the meaning of Article 10(2)(a) of Directive 2001/83/EC ...

(no further marketing ban)



- effects of upgrading of old dossiers
  - withdrawal of old products of a good quality?
  - higher prices for newer products not always with added value?
  - investing in upgrading!
  - upgrading exercise & maintaining the access to existing medicinal products of a good quality !!
  - working together !!!





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