

## **Alphora**









# CANADIAN CDMO IN A WORLD DOMAIN OF PHARMACEUTICAL DEVLOPMENT

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## **Recent Trends in Pharma Outsourcing**







- Overall increase of outsourcing to CDMO across the industry
- Big Pharma shift their outsourcing from Asia back to NA and Europe
- Focus on QbD and DoE driven development
- One-site vs One-stop shop model of service
- Fast Track product development programs

Sources: C&EN, May 21, 2018

Contract Pharma, January 11, 2019

## Why CDMO?







- Economical incentives
- Operational flexibility and responsiveness
- Increasing segment of virtual pharma
- Vast expertise in variety of pharmaceutical products
- Adoption of new technologies for development and manufacture

## **Eurofins Alphora**







### **Our mission:**

Innovation-driven contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) focused on developing technologies for manufacture of pharmaceutical substances and drug products

#### History

- > Established in 2003 as private enterprise
- Acquired by Eurofins in June 2017

#### Team

- > Total of approx. 170 people
- > 30 Ph.D. chemists
- ➤ 115 scientists, engineers and support staff

#### Experience

➤ Developed hundreds of unique processes for making Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients for pre-clinical, clinical and commercial

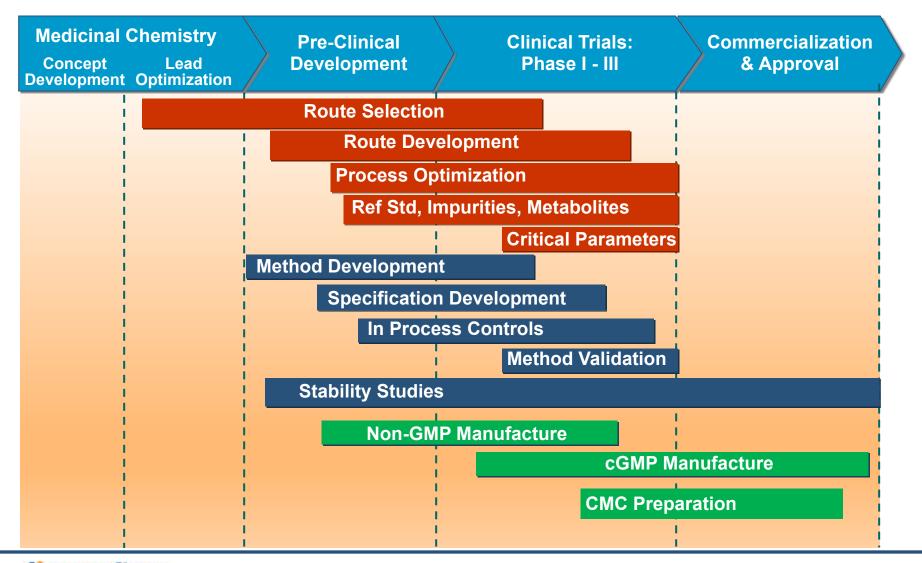


#### **Right Development at Right Time**



















## **Process Chemistry**

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#### **Process R&D Expertise**







- ✓ Route Scouting
- **✓** Process Scale-up Development
- ✓ Design of Experiments (DoE)
- ✓ Critical Process Parameter Study
- √ Validation Preparation
- **✓** Impurity Marker Synthesis
- ✓ Fate and Purge Studies
- ✓ Process Safety Evaluation
- **✓** Structure Elucidation
- ✓ Solid Forms Study









#### ☐ High Throughput Screening

- Unchained Junior™ 96 wells HTS
- Parallel reactor systems
  - HEL Polyblock™ 8 wells system
  - Mettler EasyMax 420 and EasyMax102













- □ Preparative Chromatography (mg to kg)
- □ 0.5 4 L Parr™ Hydrogenetors
- Wipe-Film Distillation
- Spray and Freeze Drying











#### □ Flow Chemistry

- Vapourtec<sup>™</sup> plug-flow reactor
- Labtrix<sup>TM</sup> for R&D Scale microreactor
- Kilotrix<sup>TM</sup> for cGMP Kilolab Scale











#### ☐ HPAPI Isolators

- Compounds to Safebridge Class 4, OEL's <30 ng/m³</li>
- Isolator containment, Bag-in-bag-out technology
- Air Monitoring / surrogate testing





## **Process Safety Assessment Tools**

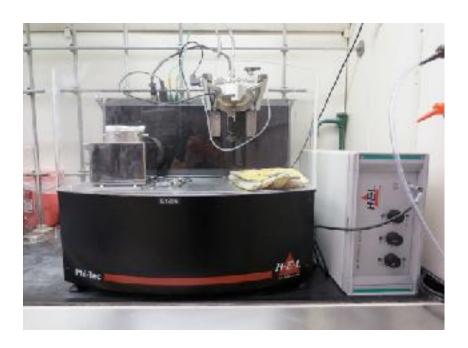






#### □ Calorimetry

- HEL Thermal Screening Unit
- Phi-Tec™ Adiabatic calorimeter
- Simular™ reaction Calorimeter







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## **Process R&D scale-up capabilities**







#### **Kilo Labs**

- 20-30-50 L Glassware
- 30 L Buchi reactors
- -80 to 200°C
- 4-20 L Hydrogenators
- 5-kg cartridge Biotage LC
- 2'-3' Prep-HPLC



## **Solid State Analytical**







#### □ Solid Form Characterization:

- Polymorphism and crystallinity study
- Particle size distribution
- Thermogravimetric analysis
- Dynamic Vapour Sorption
- Light and Electron microscopy



**Bruker D8 DISCO** 

## **Solid State Development**







#### □ API Solid Form Development:

- Polymorph screening and development
- Pharmaceutical salt screening and development
- Solvates and co-crystals screening
- Particle size engineering
- Crystallization scale-up development



Unchained Labs Junior™ HTS robot









## **Analytical Development**

## **GMP Analytical Services**







- Method qualification and validation
  - Phase appropriate
  - Forced Degradation Studies
  - Photostability Studies
  - QbD Method Development FUSION software
- Identification, Characterization, & Qualifications
  - Starting materials, intermediates, impurities & API's
- In-Process Controls
- Fate of Impurities Study
- Reference Standard Preparation and Qualification

- Development of methods for pGTI's (ppm & ppb levels)
  - > GCMS
  - > LCMS
- Non-Chromophore API's and intermediates
  - Evaporative Light Scattering (ELS)
  - Mass Spec
  - > Flame ionisation detector (FID)
  - Electron capture detector (ECD)
  - Charged aerosol detection (CAD) (2018)
- Method Transfers

## **GMP Stability**







- ICH Stability Studies all Climatic Zones, (I – IVa)
- Photo Stability (ICH Q1B)
- Accelerated Stability
- Forced Degradation Studies
- Trending Studies and Reporting
- Vaisala Central Monitoring System
- Our stability programs are strictly controlled using 21CFR, part 11













## **Kilo Lab & Manufacturing Plants**

#### Kilo Labs - GMP







#### 2 Kilo Labs (up to Cat 3b)

#### 1 Kilo Lab (Cat 4):

- 2 X 50L Glassware
- 2 X 60L Glassware
- -80 to 200°C
- 20L Hydrogenations
- Enclosed Filtration & Drying Systems
- Biotage
- Prep-HPLC



## **Manufacturing Plant - GMP**







#### 2 Manufacturing Suites (up to Cat 3b):

- 3 X 200L Reactors
- 3 X 500L Reactors
- -80°C to 200°C
- Hydrogenations
- Enclosed Filtration & Drying Systems
- Biotage
- Prep-HPLC
- Vaisala Central Monitoring System



## **API Commercialization Support**







- CMC Gap Analysis and Risk Assessment
- Impurities Markers Synthesis
- Fate and Purge Studies
- Full Structure Characterization and Elucidation
- Process Optimization
- Critical Process Parameters Assessment
- Design of Experiments; QbD
- Supply Chain Management
- Preparation for, and execution of process validation
- Continuing CMC support during and after market launch













## **Pre-formulation and Formulation Development**

## **Bridging the gap**











## SSRD & Pre-Form: Synergy & Overview







Drug Product Dev. &

#### API Physical Property Engineering



Solid State Chemistry
Physicochemical
Characterization



Solid State Screening
Salt, Solvate & Polymorph
Screening/Optimization



Pre-Formulation
Solubility/Absorption/
/Excipient
Compatibility/Stability



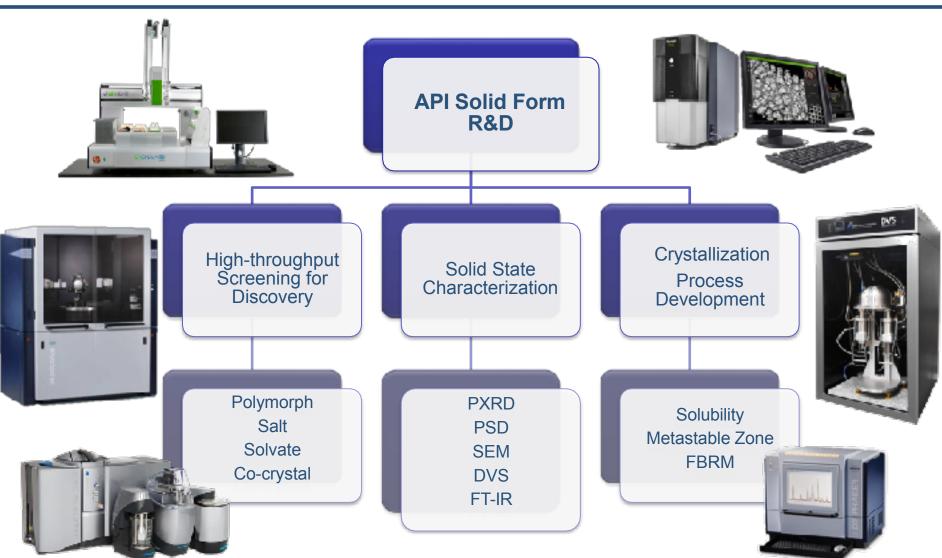
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## **SSRD Capabilities**











## **High-Throughput Screening (HTS)**







- High-throughput allows quick execution of hundreds of tests using minimum amounts of chemicals
- Screening for salts and co-crystals
- Crystallization and polymorph screening
- Robotic equipment capable of liquid transfers, hot filtration, temperature cycling, stirring and grinding

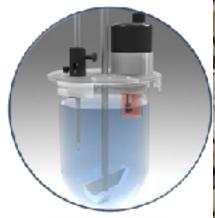


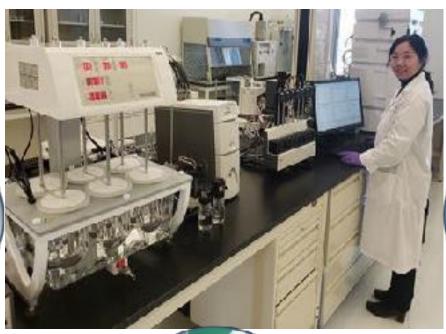
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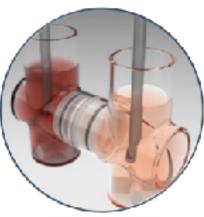














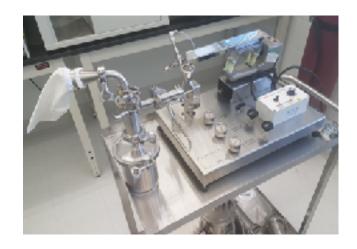
## **Drug Product Operations**

## - Formulation Development













## **Drug Product Facility (2020)**







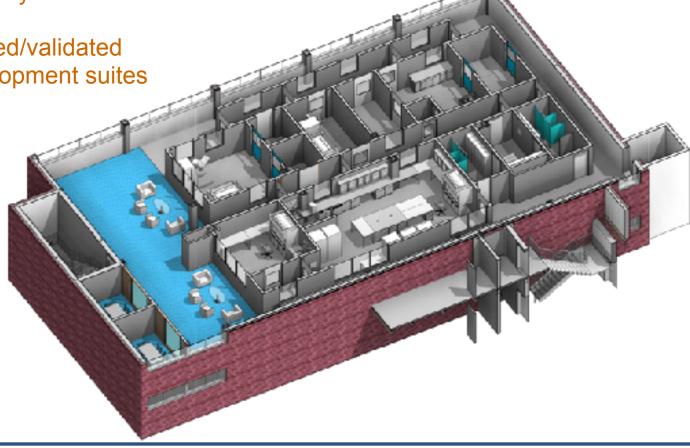
#### **Key Features**



Humidity control

ISO Class 8 certified/validated

Independent development suites





#### **Fully Integrated Service one-site CDMO**







