

## MONICA ESCOBAR, Ph.D., RAC

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **University of Georgia, International Biomedical Regulatory Sciences Program**

Assistant Professor, 2021 – present

- Instructor for Regulatory CMC Course.
- Developing online Regulatory course curriculum and slides/lectures.

#### **Noven Pharmaceuticals, Regulatory CMC & Regulatory Operations, Miami, FL, 2008 - present**

Senior Director, Regulatory CMC & Regulatory Operations, 2016 - present

Director, Regulatory CMC & Regulatory Operations, 2014 - 2016

Associate Director, Regulatory CMC & Regulatory Operations, 2012 - 2014

Senior Manager, CMC, Regulatory Affairs 2008 - 2012

Responsible for CMC Regulatory Affairs for combination products in development and commercial. Manage Regulatory Operations group.

- Prepare or review US IND, ANDA, DMF, and NDA CMC eCTD sections for new products.
- Develop filing strategy and prepare postapproval change supplements for marketed oral and transdermal products.
- Represent department on product development project teams.
- Review and approve development and commercial product change controls.
- Lead regulatory operations team responsible for compiling electronic regulatory submissions and managing state licenses and registrations. Manage contractor publishing and electronic FDA submissions. Business administrator for Veeva RIM software.
- Develop strategy, author, review, and compile documents in support of Agency meetings, representing CMC issues.
- Lead cross-functional teams to respond to Agency information requests.
- Work with Business Development to evaluate partner opportunities and answer partner questions.

#### **Merial (formerly a Merck/sanofi-aventis joint venture) 2001 - 2008**

Senior Manager, Regulatory, CMC, Duluth, GA, 2005-2008

- Prepare CMC section of worldwide filings for new products (small molecule).
- Represent department on multiple new product development project teams.
- Primary plant and customer contact for CMC changes to marketed products.
- Prepare annual reports and post-approval supplements and EMA variations.
- Serve as CMC expert during negotiations and interactions with regulatory authorities.

Associate Director, Analytical Research & Development, NJ 2004

- Direct development of studies, protocols, and reports for the basis of chemical and pharmaceutical documentation for worldwide registration in accordance with GLP/cGMP and VICH/ICH requirements.
- Led up to 17 scientists to develop and validate analytical methods in support of API

development, formulation optimization, safety assessment, clinical trials, and stability studies.

- Manage and maintain project budgets and timelines.

Scientist, Analytical Research & Development, North Brunswick, NJ, 2001-2004

- Support development and marketed product re-formulation, method development, validation, and stability using HPLC, dissolution.
- Represent department on multiple new product development project teams.
- Manage group of analytical chemists, B.S., M.S., Ph.D. levels.

**Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Analytical Development, R&D**

Research Scientist 1999-2000

Sr. Research Scientist 2000-2001

- Product Development Chemistry and Analytical Project Lead, drug substance and drug product.
- Development, implementation, and validation of Oracle-based SQL\*LIMS and Turbochrom upgrade.
- Manage group of analytical chemists, B.S., M.S., Ph.D. levels.
- Support marketed product re-formulation, method development, validation, and stability.

**Procter & Gamble Pharmaceuticals, Product Development**

Scientist, Analytical Chemistry 1995 - 1999

- GMP, ICH method development and validation supporting development programs and marketed products, for release and stability.
- Developed SOPs, IQ, OQ, calibration, and training procedures. Coordinated method transfers to quality assurance laboratory in manufacturing.

**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., University of Florida, Gainesville, FL Major:Analytical Chemistry

Advisor:James D. Winefordner Thesis topic:Inductively Coupled Plasma - Mass Spectrometry

B.S., Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL Major:Chemistry, ACS Certification

**RELEVANT TRAINING**

Six Sigma – Yellow Belt Certification, Noven Pharmaceuticals, 2012

Six Sigma – Green Belt Certification, Noven Pharmaceuticals, 2013

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

Noven Platinum Award, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2018, 2019, 2022

Noven Presidents Award for Innovation, 2012

Solvay Celebration Award, 2000

**CURRENT LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION**

Regulatory Affairs Professional Society - Regulatory Affairs Certification