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# Scale-Up and Postapproval Changes (SUPAC) Regulations

not ICH  
guideline  
النهاية جمع

guideline  
FDA  
عن ار  
دعاواز عاليه.

scale  
changes  
الذكتر سوغا  
لزي ابيت زا  
النهاية جاري تغير  
quality

1. formula  
2. composition  
3. size manufacturing  
4. manufacturing process

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scale up  
scale down  
5. patch size

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حلاّبی المفعول  $\leftarrow$  paracetamol tablet بعد الـ formula و الا except the process

in, at  $\{$   $\text{glc}$  (process validation)  $\}$  give parameters  $\rightarrow$  3 batch  $\rightarrow$   $\leftarrow$

ابدئي  $\rightarrow$  تكبيري  $\rightarrow$  التكبيري  $\rightarrow$  التكبيري  $\leftarrow$  scale-up  $\rightarrow$  انتاج  $\rightarrow$  توزيع

basic stability testing  $\rightarrow$  slicing  $\rightarrow$  unit testing  $\rightarrow$  being batch  $\rightarrow$  final testing

أكتر زعماً  $\leftarrow$  100000 Unit      أدلى المُسْعِدُونَ  $\leftarrow$  pilote scale

الله كله

زوال

One  
suppository

الدواء  
tablets

النحو في المختبرات المختبرات التجريبية تجربة pilot scale or  
of drug.

# What is SUPAC?

- In the process of **developing the new product** , the batch size used in earliest human studies are small.
- The sizes of the batch is gradually increased(scale up).
- The scale up and the changes made after approval in the composition manufacturing process , manufacturing equipment and change of site have become known as scale up and post approval changes (SUPAC)
- It refers to the **FDA-recommended testing and filing actions** to be taken by a pharmaceutical firm when it changes the manufacturing processes of a drug product that has been approved via a New Drug Application (NDA), an Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA), or an Abbreviated Antibiotic Drug Application (AADA).
- The Agency has provided its recommendations to industry in the form of Guidances

# Introduction

- The FDA has issued various guidance for supac changes designated as
    - SUPAC-IR (immediate release solid oral dosage form .
    - SUPAC-MR (for modified release solid oral dosage form)
    - SUPAC-SS (for non sterile semisolid dosage form including creams, ointements, gels and lotions)

major  $\rightarrow$  could significant change quality  $\leftarrow$  level two

أنا بعذرة  $\leftarrow$  will significant change the  $\leftarrow$  level  
جبر  $\leftarrow$  quality.  $\leftarrow$  3

# Guidance scope

- The guidance defines:
  1. levels of change
    - Minor
    - Moderate
    - Major
  2. recommended chemistry, manufacturing, and controls tests for each level of change
  3. in vitro dissolution tests and/or in vivo bioequivalence tests for each level of change
  4. documentation that should support the change.
  5. Filling (Reporting)
    - Annual report
    - Changes being effected supplement
    - Prior approval supplement

# History

- FDA issued the first of its SUPAC guidance in NOV1995
- This guidance addressed scale-up and PACs for immediate release oral solid dosage forms
- In Feb 1997, the FDA issued a letter containing the **most frequently asked questions regarding SUPAC**
- The clarification regarding stand-alone packing site changes
- The **second change** referred to post-approval analytical testing site changes

# History

- In April 1998 the FDA issued the **PAC-ATLS** (post approval changes-analytical testing laboratory site) guidance document allowing **analytical testing laboratory site changes** for all regulated dosage form
- When making equipment changes ,the FDA's SUPAC-IR/MR immediate release and modified release solid oral dosage forms Manufacturing Equipment Addendum ,released in January 1999 has to be followed
- This addendum **lists various types of equipment** and categorises them into operating classes and subclasses

# Level of changes

## Likelihood of impact on formulation quality and performance

Level	Definition	Reporting
Level 1	<p>Those changes that are <b>unlikely</b> to have any detectable impact on formulation quality and performance.</p> <p><i>change in color or flavor.</i></p>	<p>changes <u>may be filed in an annual report</u></p> <p><i>ما يطلب أكثر من ذلك</i> ←  <i>long term stability</i> <i>or</i> <i>batch</i> ←  <i>يطلب فقط</i> ←  <i>ما يطلب أقل من ذلك</i> ←  <i>annual report.</i> ←</p>
Level 2	<p>Changes are those that could have <b>significant impact</b> on the formulation quality and performance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• filed in a <b>changes being effected</b>(CBE) supplement or <b>prior approval (PA) supplement</b></li> <li>• This <b>tests and filing</b> depends on therapeutic range ,solubility, permeability</li> </ul>
Level 3	<p>Those changes are likely to have <b>significant impact</b> on formulation quality and performance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• filed in PA supplement</li> <li>• This tests and filing documentation vary ,depending on therapeutic range, solubility, and permeability of the pharmaceutical product</li> </ul>

1. Level 1 جیبیتی (potent drug) narrow ایکس اردا  
level 2 جیبیتی  
2. change of flavor excipient → level 2

## Level 1 of changes

- Examples

- **Deletion** or partial deletion of an ingredient intended to affect the color or flavor of the drug product; or
  - **Change** in the ingredient of the printing ink to another approved ingredient
  - **Changes in excipients**, expressed as percentage (w/w) of total formulation, less than or equal to the following percent ranges

## ازرعام حفظ ↗

EXCIPIENT	PERCENT EXCIPIENT (w/w) OUT OF TOTAL TARGET DOSAGE FORM WEIGHT	Total ↗ change هذا رقم يزيد عن ٥٪
lactose	<u>Filler</u>	<u>±5</u>
صودومي ازيد كان	<u>Disintegrant</u>	<u>±3</u>
٪.	<u>Starch</u>	<u>±1</u>
<u>Other</u>	<u>±0.5</u>	<u>لبن بغيره للأنه في</u> <u>بعض الـ excipient</u> <u> تكون عن</u> <u>natural resource</u>
<u>Binder</u>	<u>Calcium (Ca) or Magnesium (Mg) Stearate ±0.25</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>Lubricant</u>	<u>±1</u>	<u>لكون اختلاف عن المكان</u> <u>لأنه جيد عن الـ excipient</u>
→ Other	<u>±1</u>	
<u>Glidant</u>	<u>±1</u>	
→ Talc	<u>±1</u>	
→ Other	<u>±0.1</u>	
<u>Film Coat</u>	<u>±1</u>	
		mass Balance. ← مع المعاقة على الـ

# Test Documentation

- Chemistry Documentation
  - Application/compendial **release requirements and stability testing.**
  - Stability testing: **one batch on long-term stability data reported in annual report.**
- Dissolution Documentation
  - **None beyond application/compendial requirements.**
- In Vivo Bioequivalence Documentation
  - **None**

معنی اکٹر عنی یا بقدر مہ بالعده

لے خانہ میں

# Filing Documentation

- Annual report (all information including long-term stability data)

## Level 2 of changes

- Examples:
    - Change in the technical grade of an excipient (Avicel PH102 vs. Avicel PH200.) *in direct compression → good flowability*
    - Changes in excipients, expressed as percent (w/w) of total formulation, greater than those listed above for a Level 1 change but less than or equal to the following percent ranges (which represent a **two fold increase over Level 1 changes**)

١٠  $\leftarrow 2 \times$  level 1  $\rightarrow$  annual change  $\times 10$   
total  
change  
لذم  $\rightarrow$  annual report  
بال  $\rightarrow$  stability test  
أول  $\rightarrow$  specification  
خس  $\rightarrow$  معدن مانيفي  $\rightarrow$  additional dissolution requirement  
الجريدة  $\rightarrow$  formal  
الجريدة  $\rightarrow$  formal  
لذم  $\rightarrow$  لذم  $\leftarrow$  comparative dissolution  
لذم  $\leftarrow$  comparable  
عن  $\rightarrow$  المعايير

# Level 2 changes

EXCIPIENT	PERCENT EXCIPIENT (w/w) OUT OF TOTAL TARGET DOSAGE FORM WEIGHT
<u>Filler</u>	<u>±10</u>
<u>Disintegrant</u>	
<u>Starch</u>	<u>±6</u>
<u>Other</u>	<u>±2</u>

# Level 2 changes

1. powder supplied in vials	
<u>Binder</u>	±1
<u>Lubricant</u>	
<u>Ca or Mg Stearate</u>	±0.5
<u>Other</u>	±2
<u>Glidant</u>	
<u>Talc</u>	±2
<u>Other</u>	±0.2
<u>Film Coat</u>	±2

# Test Documentation

- **Chemistry Documentation**
  - Application/compendial **release requirements** and **batch records**.
  - Stability testing: **1 batch with 3 months** **accelerated stability** data in supplement and **1 batch on long-term stability**.

40°C + 75% RH in final packaging.

requirement on جودة dissolution الاستقرارية أذى أعنة  
level 3 جودة غير أذى أعنة  
= long-term جودة غير أذى أعنة

stability جودة غير أذى أعنة  
data بيانات غير أذى أعنة

depending on our drug:

1

affordances → basket

## اللَّعْنَةُ دَمَّالُ الْجَمِيعِ

- **Dissolution Documentation**

## □ Case A: High Permeability, High Solubility

- Drugs Dissolution of 85% in 15 minutes in 900 mL of 0.1N HCl. 2 highest dose dissolved in 250 mL solution.
  - If a drug product fails to meet this criterion, the applicant should perform the tests described for Case B or C (below).

## □ Case B: Low Permeability, High Solubility

- Drugs **Multi-point dissolution profile** should be performed in the application/compendial medium at 15, 30, 45, 60 and 120 min or until an **asymptote** is reached.
  - The dissolution profile of the **proposed and currently** used

apparato  
padell

new formula

## → behaviour

العنوان يكتب على علامة م يغادر المكان

## □ Case C: High Permeability, Low Solubility Drugs

- Multi-point dissolution profiles should be performed in water, 5 different 0.1 N HCl, and USP buffer media at pH 4.5, 6.5, and 7.5 (five separate profiles) for the proposed and currently accepted formulations.
- Adequate sampling should be performed at 15, 30, 45, 60, and 120 minutes until either 90% of drug from the drug product is dissolved or an asymptote is reached.
- A surfactant may be used, but only with appropriate justification. The dissolution profile of the proposed and currently used product formulations should be similar

مكمل comparabile 'ملحوظ' test  
بوقت اذن قبل ما اختر  
و قبل ما انزل على السوق  
subplementary date

بعد ما اعملت  
change  
← bench data  
3 months of accelerating stability data  
↓ +

Just in level 3.

- In Vivo Bioequivalence Documentation**

- None: if the situation does not meet the description in Case A, Case B or Case C, refer to Level 3 changes.

دراجه موكاله هر 3 عمان اسباب او اسوس یا به غيره خود

- 1. same bioavailability ← (مكافي للقدر) + need time
- 2. same extent of release.

Bioequivalent ← صون بقلب عي اقزم dissocation time level 2 ← اذ اخفى

# Filing Documentation

- Prior approval supplement (all information including accelerated stability data); annual report (long-term stability data).

1. 3 month accelerated .

2. dissolution.

3. bioequivalent in  
subliminary.

جديدة  $\leftarrow$

## Level 3 of changes

4. long term  
stability  
data .

- Examples:

- Any **qualitative and quantitative** excipient changes to **a narrow therapeutic drug** beyond the ranges noted in **level 1**
- All other drugs not meeting the dissolution criteria **under level 2 c.**
- Changes in the excipient ranges of low solubility, low permeability drugs beyond Changes in the excipient ranges of all drugs beyond **2x level**

affecting  
on  
solubility  
and  
permeability.

# Test documentation

- Chemistry Documentation
  - Application/compendial release requirements and batch records.
  - Significant body of information available:
    - One batch with three months accelerated stability data reported in supplement; one batch on long-term stability data reported in annual report.
  - Significant body of information not available:
    - Up to three batches with three months accelerated stability data reported in supplement; one batch on long-term stability data reported in annual report.

# Test documentation

- **Dissolution Documentation**
    - Case B dissolution profile as described in Section III.B.2.b.
  - In Vivo Bioequivalence Documentation
    - Full bioequivalence study.
    - The bioequivalence study **may be waived** with an acceptable **vivo/in vitro** correlation has been verified

→ في بعض المراقب حق في 3 level مختلفاً مثل Bioequivalence study

# Filing Documentation

- **Prior approval supplement** (all information including accelerated stability data); **annual report** (long-term stability data)

# Site changes

- It includes the changes in **location** of the site of manufacturing facilities for both company **owned** and **contract** manufacturer.
- It do not include scale up هناك:-

• . ← مختبر معايير 1 - معايير 2 في كلية العلوم .  
• ← مختبر في كلية العلوم هرر و مختبر في كلية التربية .  
• ← مختبر في كلية العلوم المعايير الخامسة .  
• ← مختبر في كلية العلوم المعايير الخامسة .

# Site changes

• *Same facility, different unit, same all unit*

- level 1 of changes
- Site change within a single facility where same equipment, SOP, Environment condition and common personnel
- Test document- Chemistry, dissolution are according to compendial and In vivo BE not required.
- Filing the annual report

→ Same document in exception change in level 1.

level 1, 2  
↓  
Same humidity,  
same temperature.

# Site changes

- **level 2 of changes**
- Site change within a **contiguous campus**, or between facilities in adjacent city blocks.
- Test documentation – level 1 + **one batch long term stability** in chemistry documentation
- **Filing documentation – annual report**

موقعه خارج المدحور ولكن نفس التقانة نفس المدحور ← ←  
+ dissolution text. same sop ← ← المدة المفتوحة ← ←  
فقط مصنعين المدحور جنبه بعض

لو شركه معينه كانت تاخذ raw material Paracetamol و تعلق بها تغيرات بعدها تكون درجات ثانيه  
→ بيروج تبعي كل طرف المنهج الشركه اخر بيتر - تأكيد عن استعمال نفس المنهج  
نفس المنهج و نفس طرقه المنهج بين تغير مكان المنهج ← هون عيده  
→ level 2 of change

→ not all changes 3 levels.

→ every level have the same requirements.

level 1 → annual report (chemistry specification, release, dissolution)

supplementary data في المنهج العامه مع معلومات في تفصيل

معن معلومات في level 2  
مدى بقاءها مع اقل  
level - بعض عيدهان لاحظ موافقة  
→

2. long - term stability data (shelf-life)

level 2 → 1. need supplementary data →  
معن لازم اقدم معلومات تأكيد  
ولاحظ لاحظ موافقة قبل فالرده على السوق  
في المنهج

2. accelerated data 3 months  $\rightarrow$  my product stable under accelerated conditions  $\rightarrow$  h.  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$  temperature-

2. 75% relative humidity.

3. dissolution data  $\rightarrow$  similar  $\rightarrow$  الجودة المنشورة تحت ظروف  
متضمنة

solubility and  $\leftarrow$  drug  $\rightarrow$  في حالة  $\rightarrow$  dissolution  $\rightarrow$   
permeability of active ingredient:

1. high soluble, high permeable  $\rightarrow$  dissolution Case A  $\rightarrow$  single point  
in 0.1 normal HCl media.

2. low permeable, high soluble  $\rightarrow$  dissolution Case B  $\rightarrow$  multi-point  
dissolution (15, 30, 45, 60, 120) minutes.  $\rightarrow$  في مختلف  $\rightarrow$  media

3. high permeable, low soluble  $\rightarrow$  dissolution Case C  $\rightarrow$  dissolution  
in different challenging media (5 media)  $\rightarrow$   
dissolution  $\rightarrow$  في حالة  $\rightarrow$  Bioequivalence cycle  
level 3  $\rightarrow$  1. accelerated data 2. dissolution 3. Bioequivalence.

data  
term

آخر اخر level 2,3  
annual report لآخر اخر level 2,3  
about long  
stability

# Site changes

آخر اخر في اخر طبيعة, المراجعة, المراجعة, المراجعة level 3

- Level 3 of changes
- Site change to a **different campus**
- Test documentation
  - Chemistry documentation
  - **One batch for accelerated stability (3 Months)** + **One batch for long term stability** Or 3 batches for accelerate and long term stability
  - Dissolution testing – Case B
  - No BE required
- Filing documentation – **annual report**

مهم لادارة العامة نفسها

ستكون الاجراءات مختلفة حتى لو نفس ال SOP ادعى نسخة مختلفة اخراج التوثيق  
محسنة الكمية واحد جانبي التغير واحد بسيط

scale up or  
scale down.

# Change in batch size

only 2  
levels.

لكل التغيرات الابدية لجنة من فرعية النسخة  
والمكان والgear بسيط تغير الـ

- Post approval changes in the size of a batch from the pivotal/pilot scale biobatch material to larger or smaller production.

- Scale down below 1,00,000 dosage units is not covered by this guideline.
- Scale up changes should be properly **validated** and if needed, inspected by appropriate agency personnel.

بعد حاصل عن الـ Batch حاصل  
أعلى من (٥٥٥٥٥) دعوة وانفعية

عامة تكون لـ الـ available market جن سوات في الـ market  
Significant body of information  
التحقق من الـ يلي تأثير في عادة المنهج وقت الـ الكافر فـ يـ باختلاف  
اطوار

# Change in batch size

- **Level 1 of changes**
- Changes in the batch size up to and including factor of **10 times the size** of the pilot / biobatch where
  - The **equipment is of same design and principle**
  - Both manufacturer. According to the CGMP  
compliance.
  - **Same SOP's** followed
- Test and filing documents are same as of the level 2 of the site changes requirement.

# Change in batch size

- Level 2 changes *أكتوبر*
  - Changes in the batch size beyond the factor of 10
  - Test documentation
    - As per level 1 + one batch with three months accelerated stability + Case B dissolution testing. *لوكال* *لوكال* *لوكال*

Bi-equivalent data  $\rightarrow$   $\Sigma$   $\rightarrow$   $\Sigma$   $\rightarrow$   $\Sigma$

فی لوانجی  
بی  
high soluble,  
high  
permiable.

# Manufacturing changes

↳ change in equipment.

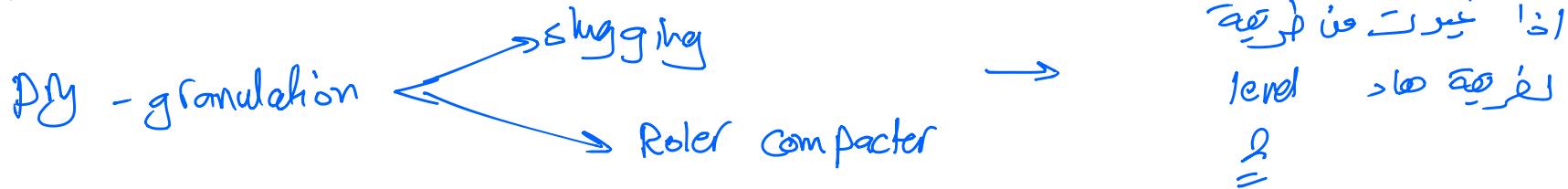
## A. Equipment

- Level 1 changes
- This consist of
  - Change **from non-automated to automated** or vice versa to move ingredients
  - Change to alternative equipment of same design and the operating principle of **the same or different capacity**
- Test and filing documentation – as per level 1 of batch size change

# Manufacturing changes

- **Level 2 change**
  - **Change in equipment to a different design**
  - **Test and filing documentation** <sup>prior approval</sup>
    - As per level 3 of the site change except Case C dissolution instead of Case B.
- annual report.
1. long term ~~raw~~ ~~material~~ stability data
2. chemistry, dissolution
3. media dissolution study.

Ex:



- significant body of information → one batch accelerating study and long term stability data
- No significant body of information → 3 batch accelerating study 3 months.

# Manufacturing changes

## B. Process changes → 3 levels.

- **Level 1 change**
    - This changes includes process changes like mixing times and operating speed within application/validation range –
  - Test and filing document as per level 1 of site change .

→ annual report only.

# Manufacturing changes

- Level 2 change
  - This changes includes process changes like mixing times and operating speed outside the application/validation range  
جیسی فارجے اک خارجہ کا عینت
- Test and filing documentation – as per the level 2 changes in site changes

→ accelerating Test 3 months.

→ dissolution B.

→ long term stability on annual report.

# Manufacturing changes

- Level 3 change → change the process of manufacturing
  - Change in the type of the process used in the manufacture of the product, such as a change from the wet granulation to the direct compression of dry powder.
- Documentation – As per the level 3 changes of components and composition changes

• direct compression.  $\xrightarrow{\text{less steps}}$  → wet granulation  $\xrightarrow{\text{less steps}}$  case

→ 1. Bioequivalence.      2. dissolution → 3. accelerating 3 months data,  
case B.  
4. long term stability data annually.

منشورات المكتبة  
السعودية

# SUPAC-MR

- Components and composition-Nonrelease controlling excipient
  - Focuses on changes to nonrelease controlling excipients.
  - Changes in components or composition that have the effect of adding a new excipient or deleting an excipient are defined at level 3.

# Level 1 changes

- Test documentation
  - Chemistry documentation
  - Application/compendial product release requirement
  - Stability: First production batch-Long term stability
- data Dissolution documentation: None
- Bioequivalence documentation: None
- Filing documentation 
  - Annual report- all information including long term stability data

# Level 2 changes

- **Test documentation**
  - Chemistry documentation
  - Application/compendial product release requirements and updated executed batch records.
  - Stability: One batch with three month accelerated stability data reported in prior approval supplement and long term stability data of first production batch reported in annual report.
  - Dissolution documentation
  - Extended release
  - Multipoint dissolution profile in 0.1N HCl and USP buffer media at pH 4.5 and 6.8 for the changed drug product and the bio batch or marketed batch (unchanged drug product).

# Level 2 changes

- **Bioequivalence documentation:** None
- **Filing documentation**
  - Prior approval supplement (accelerated stability data)  
annual report (long term stability)

# Level 3 changes

- **Test documentation**
  - Chemistry documentation
  - Application/compendial product release requirements and updated executed batch records.
  - Stability:

Significant body of information available: One batch with three months accelerated stability data reported in prior approval supplement and long term stability data of first three production batches reported in annual report.

# Level 3 changes

- **Bioequivalence documentation**
  - A single dose bioequivalence study.
  - The bioequivalence study may be waived in presence of an established in vitro/in vivo correlation.
- **Filing documentation**
  - Same as level 2 changes.

# Site changes

- It consist of changes in location of the site of manufacture, packaging operations, and/or analytical testing laboratory for both company owned and contract manufacturing facilities.
- They do not include any scale up changes, changes in manufacturing ( including process and/or equipment), or changes in components or composition.
- New manufacturing locations should have had a satisfactory cGMP inspection.
- A stand alone packaging operations site change and laboratory changes, may be submitted as a Changes Being Effected Supplement

# Manufacturing equipments changes

- Manufacturing changes may involve the equipment used in the manufacturing process (critical manufacturing variable)
- If manufacturer wishes to use manufacturing equipment that is not identical in every respect to the original manufacturing equipment used in the approved application, appropriate validation studies should be conducted to demonstrate that the new equipment is similar to the original equipment.

# Manufacturing equipments changes

- **Level 1 changes**
  - It consists of
    - (1) change from nonautomated or nonmechanical equipment to automated or mechanical equipment to move ingredients and
    - (2) change to alternative equipment of the same design and operating principles of the same or of a different capacity.
- **Test documentation and filing documentation**
  - remains same as non release controlling excipient.

# Manufacturing equipments changes

- **Level 2 changes**
  - Change in equipment to a different design and different operating principles.
- **Test documentation and filing documentation**
  - remains same as non release controlling excipient.

# Manufacturing process

- Changes involve the manufacturing process itself.
- Validation studies should be conducted in case of process changes.
- For purposes of categorizing the level of changes, process change may be considered only to affect a release controlling excipient when both types of excipients (i.e., nonrelease and release controlling) are present during the unit operation undergoing a change.

# Manufacturing process

- **Test documentation**
- Chemistry documentation
  - None beyond application/compendial product release requirements.
  - Notification of the change and submission of the updated executed batch records.
- **Other documentation** remains same as non release controlling

# Manufacturing process

- **Level 2 changes**
- This category includes process changes involving adjustments of equipment operating conditions such as mixing times and operating speeds outside of original approved application ranges.
- **Other documentation** remains same as non release controlling excipient

# Manufacturing process

- **Level 3 changes**
- This category includes change in the type of process used in the manufacture of the product, such as a change from wet granulation to direct compression of dry powder.
- **Other documentation** remains same as non release controlling excipient.