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The AAMI recommended practice, Comprehensive guide to steam sterilization and sterility

assurance in health care facilities, is a breakthrough standard in terms of its scope. AAMI has updated ST79 with the release of ST79:2010/A3:2012. Of particular importance, A3:2012 adds an annex and table to compare the differences between AAMI and FDA classifications on chemical indicators. As of Oct. 2, purchasers of ST79 will receive ANSI/AAMI ST79:2010 and A1:2010 and A2:201 and A3:2012 as a single consolidated document. Among other changes from the 2006 edition of ST79, this revised and expanded second edition of ST79 includes guidance on the use and application of Class 6 emulating indicators, a chemical monitoring device fairly new to the United States. Because ST79 essentially consolidates five AAMI steam sterilization standards (whose content was reviewed and updated to reflect current good practice prior to being incorporated into ST79), it truly is a comprehensive guideline for all steam sterilization activities in healthcare facilities, regardless of the size of the sterilizer or the size of the facility, and provides a resource for all healthcare personnel who use steam for sterilization. Antisepsis, Disinfection, and Sterilization: Types, Action, and Resistance, by Gerald E. McDonnell, is a detailed and accessible presentation of the current methods of microbial control. Each major category, such as physical disinfection methods, is given a chapter, in which theory, spectrum of activity, advantages, disadvantages, and modes of action of the methods are thoroughly and clearly presented. Sufficient background on the life cycles and general anatomy of microorganisms is provided so that the reader who is new to microbiology will better appreciate how physical and chemical biocides work their magic on microbes. Other topics in the book include: Evaluating the efficacy of chemical antiseptics and disinfectants, and of physical methods of microbial control and sterilization. Understanding how to choose the proper biocidal product and process for specific applications. Classic physical and chemical disinfection methods, such as heat, cold, non-ionizing radiation, acids, oxidizing agents, and metals. Newer chemical disinfectants, including, isothiazolones, micro-and nano-particles, and bacteriophages as control agents. Antisepsis of skin and wounds and the biocides that can be used as antiseptics. Classic methods of physical sterilization, such as, moist heat and dry heat sterilization, ionizing radiation, and filtration, along with newer methods, including, the use of plasma or pulsed light. Chemical sterilization methods that use ethylene oxide, formaldehyde, or a variety of other oxidizing agents. A detailed look at the modes of action of biocides in controlling microbial growth and disrupting microbial physiology. Mechanisms that microorganisms use to resist the effects of biocides. The second edition of Antisepsis, Disinfection, and Sterilization: Types, Action, and Resistance is well suited as a textbook and is outstanding as a reference book for facilities managers and application engineers in manufacturing plants, hospitals, and food production facilities. It is also essential for public health officials, healthcare professionals, and infection control practitioners. Biotextile sterilization presents unique challenges. The chapter describes the principles of sterilization and the way in which sterility assurance levels are defined and demonstrated. Traditional thermal, chemical and radiation sterilization methods are described, as well as newer methods such as plasma and microwave sterilization, and applications for which each is suitable. The advantages of the emerging technology of radiochemical sterilization are described, together with some of its successful applications, such as surgical sutures and tissue adhesive and the results of recent comparative studies of radiochemical and other sterilization methods for absorbable materials.

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outstanding as a reference book for facilities managers and application engineers in manufacturing plants, hospitals, and food production facilities. It is also essential for public health officials, healthcare professionals, and infection control practitioners. Executive Summary Cost Analysis of Terminal Sterilization and Aseptic Processing Methods of Sensitive Implantable Combination Drug Device Products Company X Zenabu Bawa-Mamudu - 4/24/2015 Professional Science Master's in Biotechnology, California State University San Marcos Sterilization is the validated process and method of ensuring that a product after production and packaging is free of microorganisms. Sterility can be achieved through both terminal sterilization which ensures the Sterility Assurance Level of 10-6 level or Probability of Non-Sterile Unit of less than 10-6 and aseptic processing which ensures the equivalent of 10-3. The Sterility Assurance Levels (SAL) is the statistical probability of a microorganism surviving during the process (Mosely, 2008). Sterilization science continues to pursue the most effective means of sustaining this regulatory requirement. This is driven in large part by the evolution of sensitive combination products that cannot tolerate the harsh conditions of terminal sterilization. Division 1 and Division 2 are divisions of Company X, a biotechnology company that specializes in the manufacturing of implantable combination drug and medical devices for use in ophthalmic, cardiac, and vascular care and intervention. Trends in sterilization sciences directly impact Company X across all divisions. Observing these trends and influences enables the company to proactively adapt to changes that impact both existing as well as future products. The project investigated the cost of development, validation, and implementation of different sterilization models. The aim of the project was to also provide metrics to be applied as a measurement tool. The metric can be used in making knowledge based decisions on the most cost effective and time efficient sterilization modality for next generation of combination drug device products that meets Regulatory requirements for Sterility Assurance Level. The project closely examined the different terminal sterilization modalities adopted by Division 1 and Division 2, which includes Ethylene Oxide (EO) and Radiation (E-Beam) sterilization, as well as Aseptic processing methods for sensitive implantable combination drug and device. An analysis was performed using Company X combination drug and device products as models to represent the different sterilization modalities. A series of interviews and tours were completed to gather data, analyze, and compare the sterilization validation and production cost. The following sterilization cost evaluation metrics was developed, Production Sterilization Distribution Time, Sterilization Process Time, Sterilization Cost per Unit, Annual Sterilization Capacity, and Sterilization Method Revalidation Cost and an analysis was performed using these metric and measurements. The analysis showed significant differences between the three sterilization modalities. The overall results indicated that the E-beam Radiation sterilization method provided the lowest Production Sterilization Distribution Time, Sterilization Process Time, Sterilization Cost per Unit, Sterilization Method Revalidation Cost, and Labor Cost. E-beam Radiation also provided the highest Annual Sterilization Capacity when compared to Ethylene Oxide and Aseptic Processing methods. The approach and metrics developed in this project have application in investigation of cost effectiveness of other sterilization methods. Further research can use the developed metrics to evaluate sterilization methods for a range of Sterility Assurance Levels (SAL) that are deemed safe and on site sterilization models such as

Hydrogen Peroxide (H2O2) and Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2), that offer similar if not the same advantages as on site E-Beam. Assurance of Sterility for Sensitive Combination Products and Materials: New Paradigms for the Next Generation of Medical Devices and Pharmaceuticals discusses the medical device industry and existing challenges regarding the exciting new world of sensitive combination products (SCPs) and their terminal sterilization. This book reassesses the current assumptions to assure the patient's best interests are met in the development of increasingly rigorous sterilization methods used to counteract MRSA and other 'super-bugs'. In addition, the book discusses the special challenges faced with implantable medical devices, sterilization requirements and further methods needed for material selection and the design process. This book is unique in taking a holistic, end-to-end approach to sterilization, with a particular focus on materials selection and product design. Introduces sterilization principles at the material selection and design stages Addresses the industry need for new sterilization processes for new medical devices and biomaterials Provides guidance to select the appropriate sterilization technique for newly developed sensitive combination products Examines forward thinking tactics for matching new developments in material compatibility with possible regulatory and QSR strategies The AAMI recommended practice, Comprehensive guide to steam sterilization and sterility assurance in health care facilities, is a breakthrough standard in terms of its scope. AAMI has updated ST79 with the release of ST79:2010/A4:2013. Of particular importance, A4:2013 provides four new figures demonstrating the wrapping of items for steam sterilization and adds an annex focused on Moisture assessment. As of Oct. 25, 2013, purchasers of ST79 will receive ANSI/AAMI ST79:2010 and A1:2010 and A2:2011 and A3:2012 and A4:2014 as a single consolidated document. Among other changes from the 2006 edition of ST79, this revised and expanded second edition of ST79 includes guidance on the use and application of Class 6 emulating indicators, a chemical monitoring device fairly new to the United States. Because ST79 essentially consolidates five AAMI steam sterilization standards (whose content was reviewed and updated to reflect current good practice prior to being incorporated into ST79), it truly is a comprehensive guideline for all steam sterilization activities in healthcare facilities, regardless of the size of the sterilizer or the size of the facility, and provides a resource for all healthcare personnel who use steam for sterilization. Aseptic barrier evaluation. Critical zones in barrier materials. Pre- and poststerilization handling of barrier materials. Sterili- zation processing. Inhospital versus industrial sterility assuran- ce. Overview of aami sterilization standards and recommended practi- ces. Applying infection control to central service. Building steri- lity and confidence. Storage, distribution and management of steri- le supplies: Quality assurance. Issues in infection control and sterility assurance. Infection control methods and monitoring. Test pack/Instrument wrap. Reuse of products labelled for single use only. Patching barrier materials. Inhospital versus industrial packaging. 'Flash' sterilization. Asceptic Pharmaceutical Manufacturing II explores the sophisticated technology, developments, and applications that allow aseptic processing to approach the sterility levels achieved with terminal sterilization. Written by experts in sterile manufacturing, this book covers aseptic technology, developments, and applications and makes a valuable contribution to understanding the issues involved in aseptic manufacture. Topics include the processing of biopharmaceuticals, lyophilization, personnel training, radiopharmaceuticals, hydrogen peroxide

vapor sterilization, regulatory requirements, validation, and quality systems. Relying on practical examples from the authors' experience, this book provides a thorough and modern approach to controlling and monitoring microbial contaminations during the manufacturing of non-sterile pharmaceuticals. Offers a comprehensive guidance for non-sterile pharmaceuticals microbiological QA/QC Presents the latest developments in both regulatory expectations and technical advancements Provides guidance on statistical tools for risk assessment and trending of microbiological data Describes strategy and practical examples from the authors' experience in globalized pharmaceutical companies and expert networks Offers a comprehensive guidance for non-sterile pharmaceuticals microbiological QA/QC Presents the latest developments in both regulatory expectations and technical advancements Provides guidance on statistical tools for risk assessment and trending of microbiological data Describes strategy and practical examples from the authors' experience in globalized pharmaceutical companies and expert networks The effective sterilisation of any material or device to be implanted in or used in close contact with the human body is essential for the elimination of harmful agents such as bacteria. Sterilisation of biomaterials and medical devices reviews established and commonly used technologies alongside new and emerging processes. Following an introduction to the key concepts and challenges involved in sterilisation, the sterilisation of biomaterials and medical devices using steam and dry heat, ionising radiation and ethylene oxide is reviewed. A range of non-traditional sterilisation techniques, such as hydrogen peroxide gas plasma, ozone and steam formaldehyde, is then discussed together with research in sterilisation and decontamination of surfaces by plasma discharges. Sterilisation techniques for polymers, drug-device products and tissue allografts are then reviewed, together with antimicrobial coatings for 'self-sterilisation' and the challenge presented by prions and endotoxins in the sterilisation of reusable medical devices. The book concludes with a discussion of future trends in the sterilisation of biomaterials and medical devices. With its distinguished editors and expert team of international contributors, Sterilisation of biomaterials and medical devices is an essential reference for all materials scientists, engineers and researchers within the medical devices industry. It also provides a thorough overview for academics and clinicians working in this area. Reviews established and commonly used technologies alongside new and emerging processes Introduces and reviews the key concepts and challenges involved in sterilisation Discusses future trends in the sterilisation of biomaterials and medical devices Failure to adequately control any microbial challenge associated within process or product by robust sterilisation will result in a contaminated marketed product, with potential harm to the patient. Sterilisation is therefore of great importance to healthcare and the manufacturers of medical devices and pharmaceuticals. Sterility, sterilisation and sterility assurance for pharmaceuticals examines different means of rendering a product sterile by providing an overview of sterilisation methods including heat, radiation and filtration. The book outlines and discusses sterilisation technology and the biopharmaceutical manufacturing process, including aseptic filling, as well as aspects of the design of containers and packaging, as well as addressing the cleanroom environments in which products are prepared. Consisting of 18 chapters, the book comprehensively covers sterility, sterilisation and microorganisms; pyrogenicity and bacterial endotoxins; regulatory requirements and good manufacturing practices; and gamma radiation. Later chapters discuss e-beam; dry

heat sterilisation; steam sterilisation; sterilisation by gas; vapour sterilisation; and sterile filtration, before final chapters analyse depyrogenation; cleanrooms; aseptic processing; media simulation; biological indicators; sterility testing; auditing; and new sterilisation techniques. Covers the main sterilisation methods of physical removal, physical alteration and inactivation Includes discussion of medical devices, aseptically filled products and terminally sterilised products Describes bacterial, pyrogenic, and endotoxin risks to devices and products Verification, Certification (approval), Sterilization (hygiene), Disposable, Maintenance, Compatibility, Quality control, Medical equipment, Microbiological analysis, Performance, Personnel, Animal products, Sterile equipment, Liquids, Medical instruments, Microorganisms The validation and radiation sterilization process for biomaterials and medical devices requires careful planning to ensure regulatory compliance followed by precise accuracy in execution and documentation. This in-depth guide details all steps from prevalidation planning to final report and ongoing monitoring and control. Sterilization Validation & Routine Operation Handbook: Radiation provides a framework for the validation and routine operation of an irradiation sterilization process. The guidance presented complies with ANSI/AAMI/ISO 11137: 1994, Sterilization of health care product-Requirements for validation and routine control-Radiation sterilization and the newly published AAMI substantiation of 25 kGy using VDmax procedure. The author discusses methods to aid in comprehending the requirements in these standards. She also provides practical procedures for the validation and routine monitoring and control of specific gamma and electron beam radiation sterilization processes. Background chapters provide needed information on radiation sterilization technologies, sterilization microbiology, validation approaches and working with a radiation sterilization contractor. Much of the information in this new book is presented in convenient tables and charts, with diagrams and other schematics that simply illustrate appropriate validation methodologies. Sterilization Validation & Routine Operation Handbook: Radiation brings together in one resource information scattered throughout many documents and will be useful to all those involved in the sterilization of medical materials, drugs and devices. Principles of Parenteral Solution Validation: A Practical Lifecycle Approach covers all aspects involved in the development and process validation of a parenteral product. By using a lifecycle approach, this book discusses the latest technology, compliance developments, and regulatory considerations and trends, from process design, to divesting. As part of the Expertise in Pharmaceutical Process Technology series edited by Michael Levin, this book incorporates numerous case studies and real-world examples that address timely problems and offer solutions to the daily challenges facing practitioners in this area. Discusses international and domestic regulatory considerations in every section Features callout boxes that contain points-of-interest for each segment of the audience so readers can quickly find their interests and needs Contains important topics, including risk management, the preparation and execution of properly designed studies, scale-up and technology transfer activities, problem-solving, and more

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