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New Titles from AAPS Press!

Pharmaceutical Profiling in Drug Discovery for Lead Selection

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Volume 1 of the AAPS Press series, Biotechnology-Pharmaceutical Aspects. Based on a 2003 AAPS workshop of the same name, Pharmaceutical Profiling in Drug Discovery for Lead Selection emphasizes the importance of accuracy in the prediction, measurement, and application of physiochemical and ADME properties, not only to guarantee successful lead selection in "hit-to-lead" research but also to avoid the common pitfalls that arise when property information is lacking. Its contributors include highly experienced leaders from both industry and academia, with specialization in advanced methods for in silico, physiochemical, permeability, in vitro, and ADME, as well as in medicinal chemistry applications on pharmaceutical property information. This book is the first volume of the Biotechnology—Pharmaceutical Aspects series, and includes a transcript of the discussion sessions held during the course of the workshop.

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Lyophilization of Biopharmaceuticals

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Volume 2 of the AAPS Press series, *Biotechnology-Pharmaceutical Aspects*. This edition covers the important topic of freeze drying of biopharmaceuticals. The book starts by discussing lyophilization equipment and validation. Next, stresses involved in lyophilization are reviewed. Other important areas included in this volume are transport phenomena, physics of glassy materials, and process design and control. Formulation development and lyophilization cycle development are likewise reviewed. Also included is a relevant and comprehensive presentation of FDA-approved biopharmaceutical products and their excipients. Attention is given to the characterization of protein and peptide powders by commonly used solid-state methods. These methods facili-



tate formulation development in a rational fashion to address the various solid-state degradation mechanisms, which are also reviewed in a separate chapter. Additional chapters which should provide timely relevant reviews treat lyophilization of liposomes, lyophilization of nucleic acids, spray freeze drying, and the use of dried enzymes as non-aqueous catalysts. Various leaders from academia and industry have contributed to *Lyophilization of Biopharmaceuticals*. The result is a comprehensive volume for anyone in academia or industry interested in formulation of peptide and protein drugs in the lyophilized state.

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