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Emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases bring new opportunities and risks to the vaccine manufacturing community.
Current Ebola Outbreak
Ebola Case Projections

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Projections for the number of cases in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.

The shaded areas correspond to the fluctuations cone provided by the stochastic microsimulations of the models selected by the calibration to data. WHO official data are reported as red circles. The projected values consider that the epidemic continues to follow the current growth rate, thus assuming a worst-case scenario in which containment measures are not successful at curtailing the outbreak.
How do we manage the risks of producing and manufacturing vaccines for emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases?
Goals for Biorisk Management

• Protect vaccine users from unsafe products

• Protect employees and the environment from harmful agents

• Protect dangerous materials and proprietary information from someone with malicious intent
GMP – Produce safe product for the end user – no impurities in the product

Biosafety – Protect workers from contagious agent – keep the agent inside

Biosecurity – Protect agent from evil humans – keep it locked away
Traditional Controls for Biosafety and Product Safety

Elimination/Substitution

Engineering Controls

Administrative Controls

Best Work Practices

PPE
“Oh No!”
Laboratory Biorisk Management

- CEN Workshop Agreement 15793:2011
- Internationally developed and accepted
- Not based on pre-determined biosafety levels; Performance- and risk-based
- Consistent with other international standards, such as ISO 9001, 14001, and others
Biorisk Management Principles

- The AMP model
  - Assessment
  - Mitigation
  - Performance
- Executive management commitment and investment
- Clearly defined roles and responsibilities
- Mitigation measures directly tied to the risk assessment
- Constant monitoring and evaluation for continual improvement
Risk Assessment

Plan

Do

Act

Check
… Use a structured risk assessment process or tool that has been subject to peer review, answers the pertinent questions, and is repeatable
A tool for decision makers

- Clearly define those criteria that contribute most to the risk ("risk drivers")
- Allow decision makers to make informed decisions about project planning, mitigation measures, and communication
A tool for rapid response

- Should include documentation of the biological agents, the production processes, and the mitigation measures in place

- Should allow for rapid characterization in the event of unforeseen situations
What risks are there in vaccine production facilities?
Production Facilities Handle Large Volumes
And a Lot of Waste
Where are the Risks?

Inoculation / Cell Culture fermentation

Purification

Inactivation

Vial filling equipment
When can the Risks Occur?

- Normal production conditions
- Planned/unplanned start up, shut down
- Fire and power failures
- CIP/SIP

For all above scenarios, evaluate the following conditions:
- Temperature (high/low)
- Pressure (high/low)
- Flow (fast, slow, reverse)
- Volume level (high/low)
- Mixing & surface tension/bubbles
- pH, redox, density
- Leakage, breaking
- Tanks, pumps, tubes, pipe valves
- Computer, alarm, communication
- Etc …….
Live attenuated virus vaccine and recombinant protein virus vaccine tested successfully, but safety a concern.

Gene based vaccines much safer, but human trials are extremely important to demonstrate efficacy and safety.

Current Ebola vaccine development by GSK-Belgium:

- Vaccine has two glycoprotein genes (Ebola Sudan and Ebola Zaire) inserted within Chimpanzee Adenovirus serotype 3.
- Able to stimulate the immune system to produce antibodies to Ebola.
- Currently being fast-tracked to human trials.
- Phase I: NIH, Oxford, Mali -- expected results by end of the year.
- Phase II: will involve vaccinations of thousands of frontline healthcare workers in West Africa.
- If it provides protection without significant side effects, GSK may initiate large-scale production of the vaccine.
Biorisk Management Systems:

- Provide for the health and safety of laboratory workers and environment
- Ensure the containment of hazardous infectious substances in laboratory/facilities
- Maintain citizens’ confidence in the activities of the vaccine manufacturing community
- Increase transparency to investors in the biomedical and biotechnology industries
- Protect valuable research and commercial assets
- Reduce the risks of crime and terrorism
- Strengthen overall performance (profits!)
Thank You!!!

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## Risk Mitigation Measures:

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Chain of Infection for all Microorganisms

- Reservoirs/Storage of Pathogens
  - Buildings/procedures
- Portal of Exit/Escape
  - Equipment
  - Procedures & administrative controls
- Means of Transmission/Source
  - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Portal of Entry/Method & Infectious Dose
  - Decontamination
- Susceptible Host
  - Immunizations
- Infectious Agent/Incubation Period
  - Surveillance
  - Quarantine
As of Oct 15, WHO reported 9,000 suspected cases and 4,493 deaths.

Healthmap models predict that the cases could double in a month.

Secondary spread to the United States and Spain.

Air traffic connections from West Africa countries to the rest of the world.