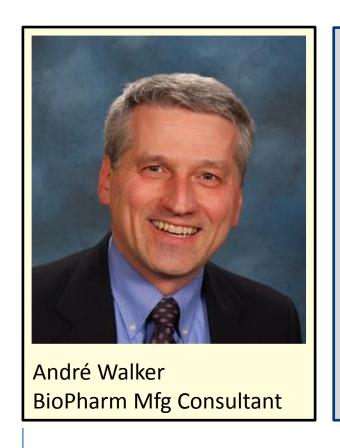


# CONTINUOUS BIOPHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURING:

#### CHALLENGES & POSSIBILITIES

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#### Continuous Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing: The Promise...

further encouraged by guidance expressed in recent FDA conference presentations. The advantages of continuous manufacturing include sustained operation with consistent product quality, reduced equipment size, high volumetric productivity, streamlined process flow, low process cycle times and reduced capital and operating cost. This technology, however, poses challenges, which need to be

K.B. Konstantinov and C.L. Cooney, "White Paper on Continuous Bioprocessing," presentation at the International Symposium on Continuous Manufacturing of Pharmaceuticals: Implementation, Technology & Regulatory (Cambridge, MA, 2014).

https://iscmp2014.mit.edu/white-papers

2nd International Symposium on Continuous Manufacturing of Pharmaceuticals



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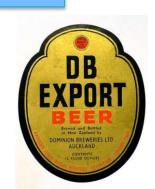
Advantages of Continuous Manufacturing (CM)

- · Integrated processing with fewer steps
  - No manual handling, increased safety
  - Shorter processing times

U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Protecting and Promoting Public Health

- Increased efficiency
- Smaller equipment and facilities
- More flexible operation
- Reduced inventory
- Lower capital costs, less work-in-progress materials
- Smaller ecological footprint
- On-line monitoring and control for increased product quality assurance in real-time
  - Amenable to Real Time Release Testing approaches
  - Consistent quality

Potential for reduced cost





IFPAC Annual Meeting, Baltimore, January , 2012 Sharmista Chatterjee, Ph.D. CMC Lead for QbD, ONDQA/CDER/FDA



#### **DB Breweries Ltd, Aukland, NZ**

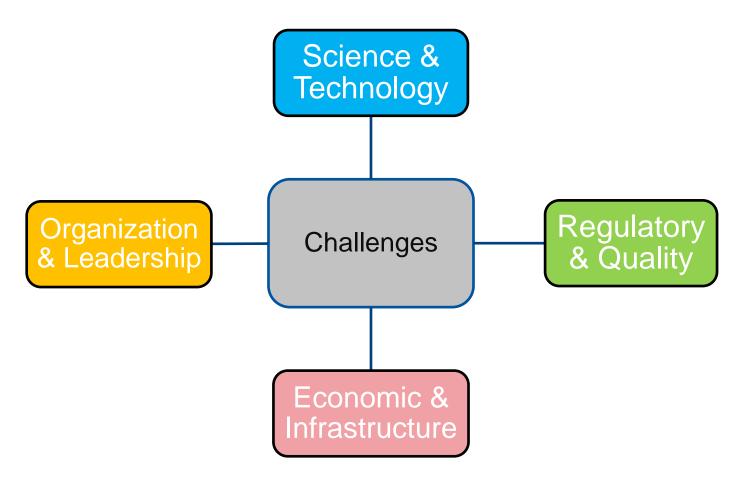
THE ADVANTAGES OF CONTINUOUS vs. BATCH FERMENTATION Continuous fermentation allows better vessel and space utilisation through faster fermentation. The fermentation proceeds more rapidly because it is stirred and higher yeast concentrations are present than in standard batch fermentations. Capital and labour costs are reduced since there is only one fermentation to control and test. The fermentation system can be tuned according to market demands; in peak periods the CF can be run at a high flow rate, during the off-peak season the flow rates are reduced so that beer is produced more slowly by the system. Because of the blending effect of the recycle from CF1 to the HUV there is excellent product consistency. A number of parameters (such as yeast concentration, wort oxygenation rate and flow rate) can be used to fine-tune the flavour and quality of the beer produced from the system. The control of the fermentation also has the advantage of being automated.

From <a href="http://nzic.org.nz/ChemProcesses/food/6A.pdf">http://nzic.org.nz/ChemProcesses/food/6A.pdf</a>
Sarah L. Campbell (DB Breweries Ltd.).

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Kurt Brorson, Ph.D., Division of Monocolonal Antibodies OBP/CDER

ISPE Continuous Manufacturing Conference, April 20-21, 2016



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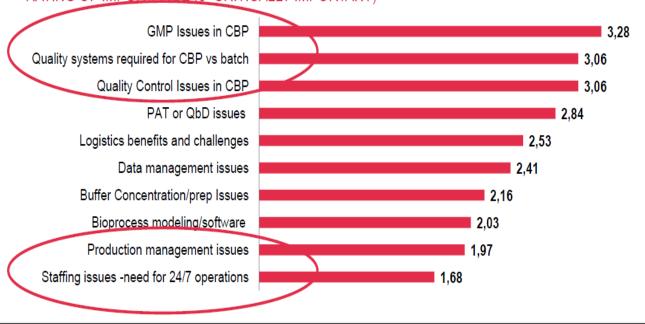
## The biotech world presents a unique set of challenges:

- Production by finicky and highly complex cell-based biological systems
  - highly sensitive to external conditions;
- In-process intermediates can be complex mixtures
  - desired protein may be a fraction of the bulk liquid;
- Worrisome, low level impurities (e.g., viruses) still a concern
  - even when present at levels undetectable by even the most sensitive inline/on-line/at-line technologies.
  - Removal validation for now
- In contrast, some significant challenges for small molecule drugs may not apply to biotech;
  - blending of aqueous protein solutions



#### Operational Issues Associated with CBP





Regulatory & Quality

Survey performed by BioPlan Associates, for NNE Pharmaplan

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Janet Woodcock, Director CDER, FDA (AAPS meeting, 2011)

"Right now, manufacturing experts from the 1950s would easily recognize the manufacturing processes of today ... That will change in the next 25 years as current manufacturing practices are abandoned in favor of cleaner, flexible, more efficient continuous manufacturing"

Regulatory & Quality



#### **Continuous Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing:**

#### The Challenge...Regulatory & Quality



www.fda.gov

#### Regulations & Continuous Manufacturing

- No specific regulations or guidance for continuous manufacturing, other than the definition of "lot"
- Nothing in regulations or guidance prohibiting continuous manufacturing
- Continuous manufacturing consistent with FDA's Quality by Design (QbD) efforts
  - More modern manufacturing approach
  - Potential to improve assurance of quality and consistency of drugs
  - Enables quality to be directly built into process design

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Sharmista Chatterjee, CMC Lead for Qbd ONDQA / CDER/ FDA

IFPAC Annual Meeting Baltimore, January 2012



#### **Continuous Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing:**

The Challenge...Regulatory & Quality

# Advancement of Emerging Technology Applications to Modernize the Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Base Guidance for Industry

Additional copies are available from:

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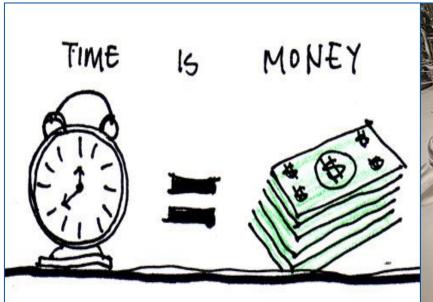


#### Continuous Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing: The Challenge...Regulatory & Quality











- Delayed Molecule to Market
- Existing Batch Infrastructure
  - Limited utilization
  - Incomplete depreciation

Economic & Infrastructure



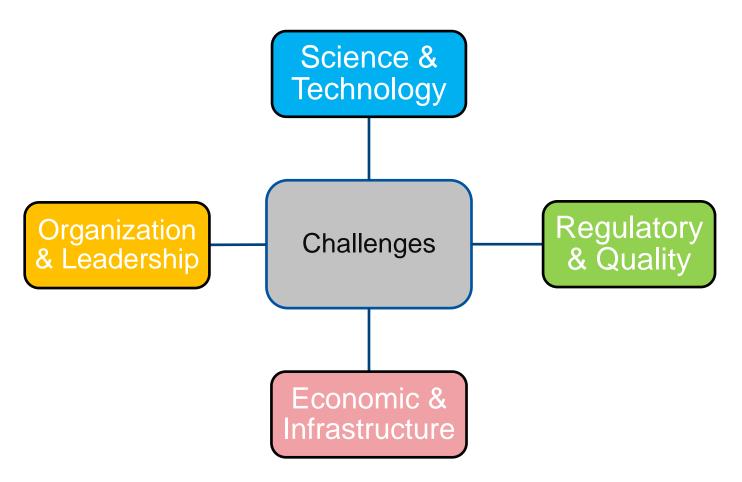
- Lack of knowledge base
- High Risk Aversion
- High integration of Development, Engineering, Manufacturing, Quality, Regulatory

Organization & Leadership

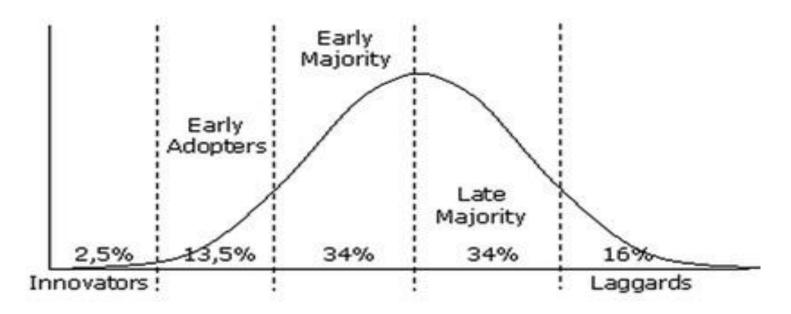
"...the success of the introduction of innovative approaches depends not only on sound technical vision, but also on broad support from the entire organization as a matter of corporate strategy."

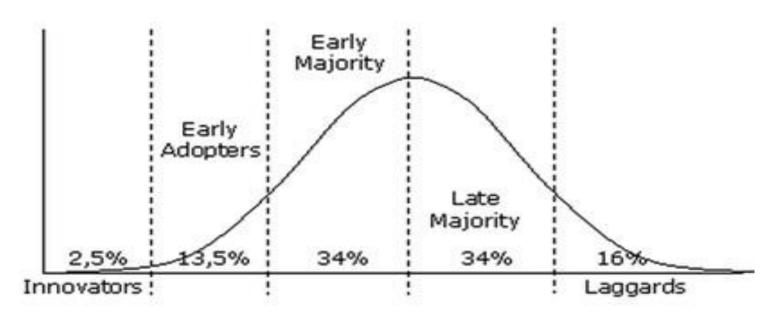
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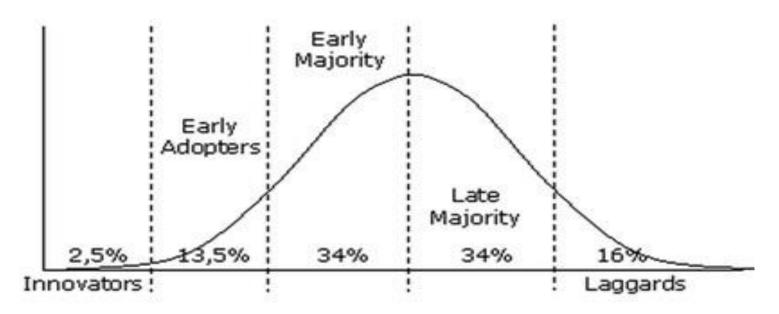






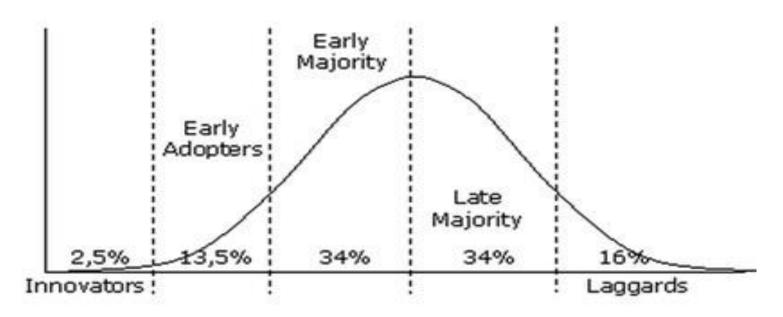
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Reg/Qual		Biosimilar	NME
\$/Infrastructure	Cash	Uncertain Demand	Needed Capacity
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#### Dave Marks, DME

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Single-Use Technology

Enabling Both Sustaining & Disruptive Innovation

Incremental improvement to existing manufacturing methods

#### **Big Pharma**

SUT <u>Sustaining</u> Innovation: Hybrid systems, sampling Inoculum/buffer/media prep Clinical manufacturing

#### Small Biotech

SUT <u>Disruptive</u> Innovation: 100% SUT Manufacturing Elimination of CIP/SIP Leveraged Process Closure New business model disrupts market & removes barriers to entry



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#### A Synergy of Technologies

#### ENABLING PROCESS CLOSURE

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- Better process understanding
- Improvements reducing scale and increasing reliability.



#### Single Use Technology

 Facilitates closed processing for robust axenic & aseptic operations.

#### Continuous Bioprocessing

 Provides large manufacturing capacity with relatively smallscale operations.



#### Process Analytical Technology

- · Real-time control
- Facilitates parametric release.
- IoT networked devices.

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**ENABLING PROCESS SCALE** 



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### Continuous Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing: The Challenge...Organization and Leadership

"The introduction of <u>continuous slab casting</u> in the late 1960s had the <u>potential to transform</u> the production of steel,

but American producers were slow to adopt the technology, partly because of the **substantial investment involved** and partly because

the technology cut across the jurisdiction of departments ... within companies.

American Metal Market http://www.amm.com/HOF-Profile/IrvingRossi.html

survey



#### **Does Your Organization Have Activity in These Areas?**

**Perfusion Bioreactor** 

**Alternating Tangential Flow** 

**PAT** 

**Process Analytics** 

**Multivariate Models for Process Control or CQA prediction** 

On line CQA Measurement

**Single Pass Tangential Flow Filtration** 

**Periodic Counter Current Chromatography** 

**Annular Chromatography** 

**High Performance Counter Current Chromatography** 

**Membrane Absorbtion** 





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