

Beyond Process Analysis – Lessons Learned from a Holistic Approach to PAT

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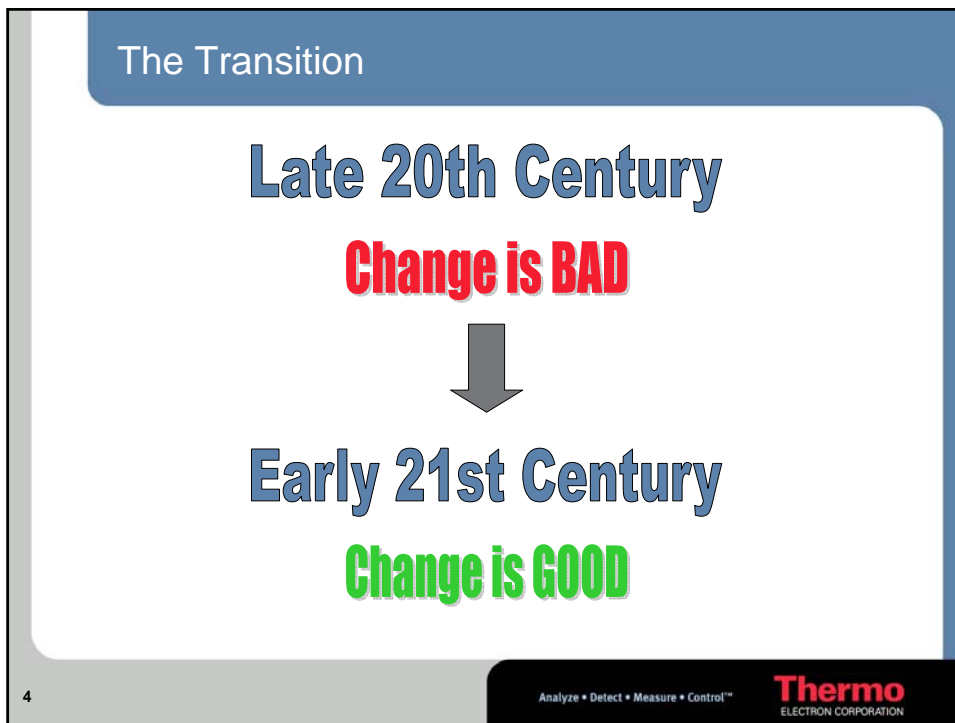
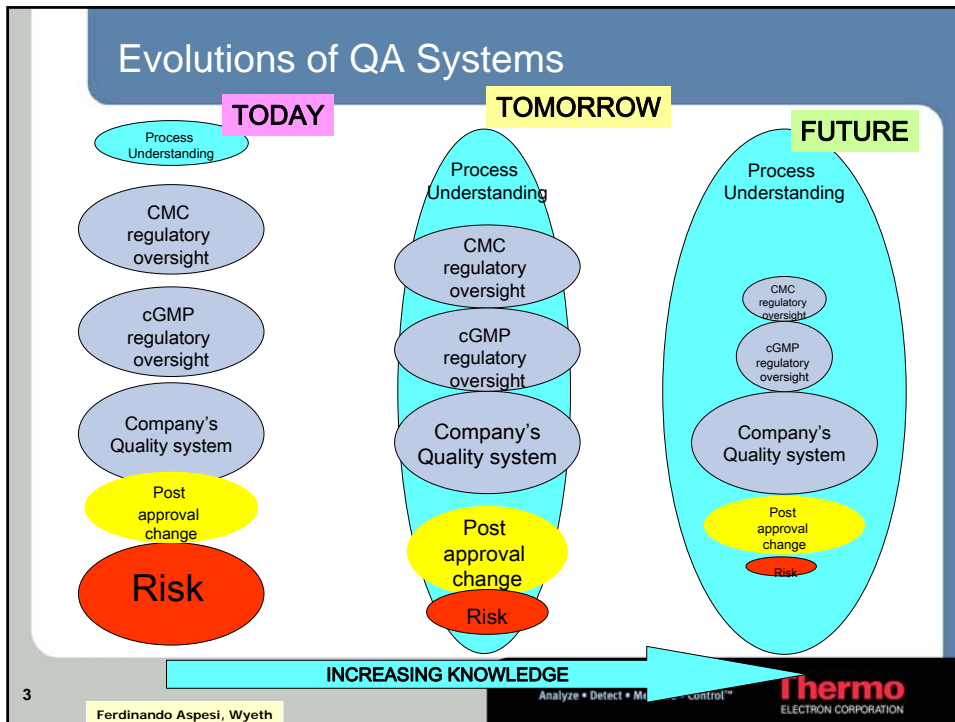
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A definition of PAT

- *PAT* is a system for designing, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality

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A definition of PAT - WHAT

- *PAT* is a **system** for designing, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality

PAT is Not Just Process Analytics

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A definition of PAT - WHAT

- *PAT* is a system for **designing**, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality

Design for ... (Quality, Reliability, Efficiency)...

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A definition of PAT - WHAT

- *PAT* is a system for designing, **analyzing**, and controlling manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality

... with insight on the Material ...

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- *PAT* is a system for designing, analyzing, and **controlling** manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality

... so that an action can be taken...

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A definition of PAT - WHY

- *PAT* is a system for designing, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of **ensuring final product quality**

... to ensure quality.

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A definition of PAT - HOW

- *PAT* is a system for designing, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing through **timely measurements** (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality

By looking at the Attributes of the Materials

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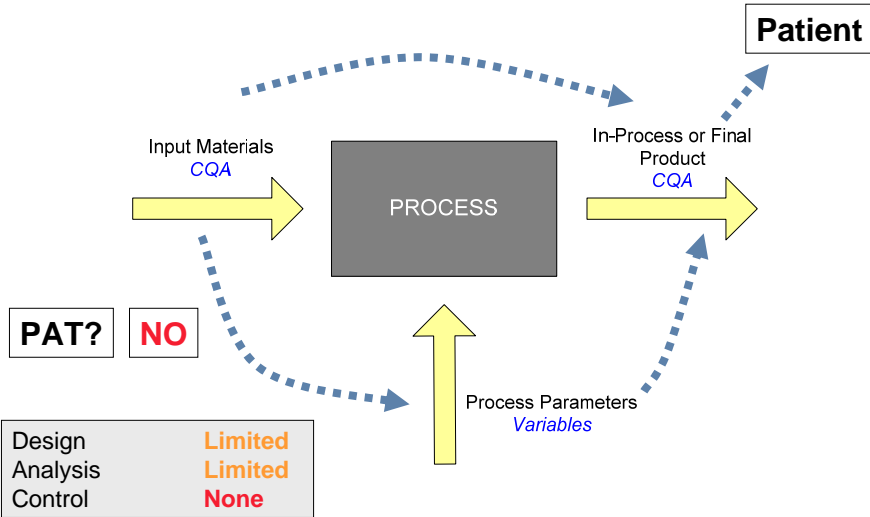
For PAT, we must do all three

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What is PAT? – Phase 1

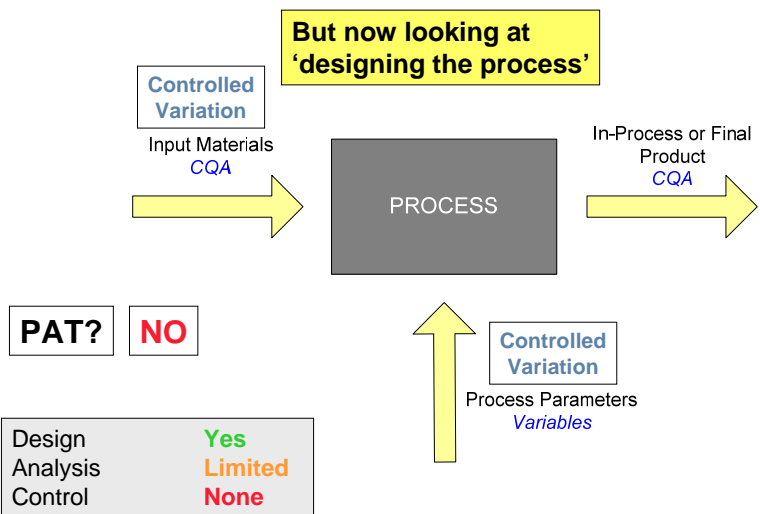


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What is PAT? – Phase 2

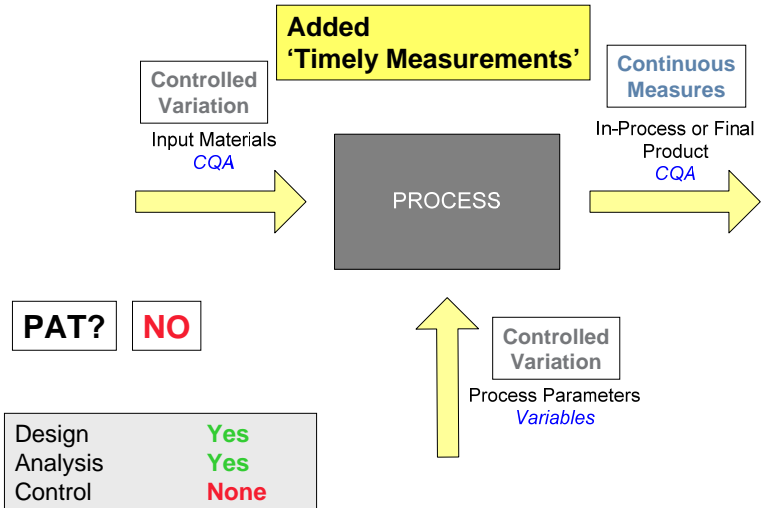


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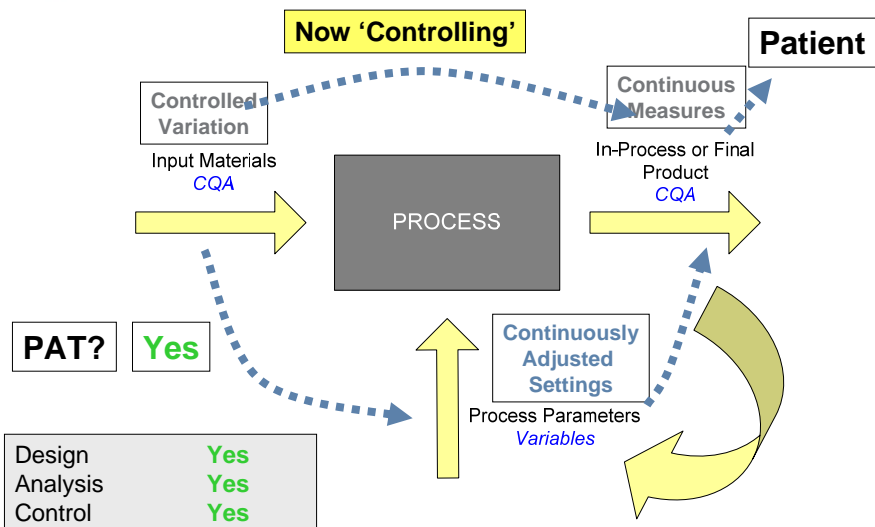


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What is PAT? – Phase 4



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Parametric vs. Functional Process Description

- Processes can be described parametrically or functionally
 - *Parametric* – a description of process parameters (physical constraints and settings) and ranges that are maintained to achieve a target unit quality
 - E.g. dryer design and volume, air flow, temperature, humidity, etc.
 - *Functional* – a description of the attributes and ranges of the material under processing that when generated through process control will ensure the target quality is met with the least risk
 - E.g. dry to achieve moisture, polymorph, particle size, purity, etc.

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Parametric Description

- Advantages
 - *Easy to describe*
 - *Easy to audit*
 - *Matches control space*
- Disadvantages
 - *Scale limitations*
 - *Differences in environments and equipment*
 - *Is it any different from what we've done?*

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Functional Description

- Advantages

- Description tightly linked to patient performance
- Scalable
- Transferable
- Allows parametric flexibility

- Disadvantages

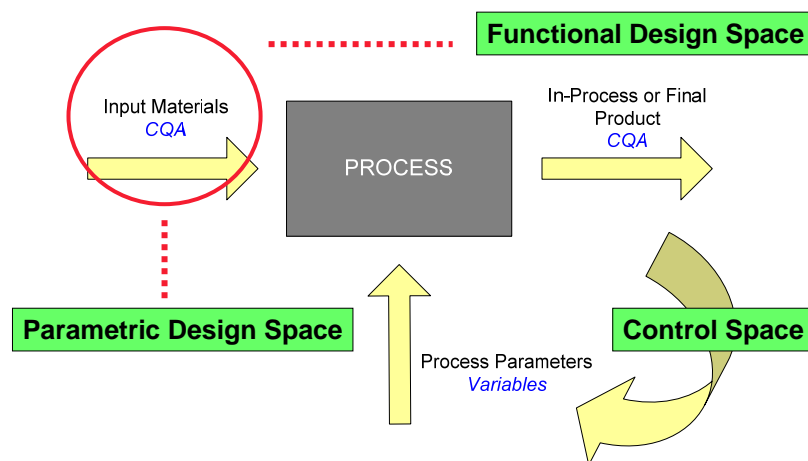
- More difficult to describe
- Technology limitations
- It's different!

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Design Space – Parametric vs. Functional

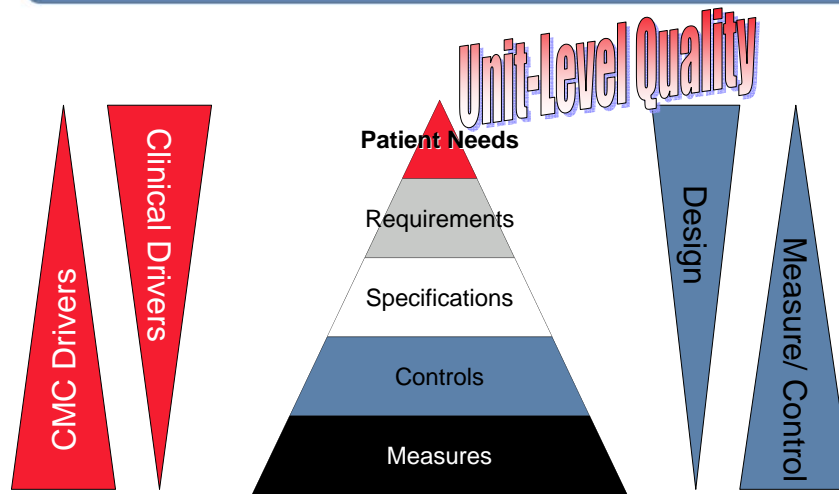


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Quality by Design – From Process to Patient



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Practical Impact of Effective Risk Evaluation

- This phase compares the identified and analyzed risk against given risk criteria.
- Criteria for evaluation are normally set by the organization but guidance exist.

*ASTM E55 – “Risks which are identified during an analysis should receive a **proportionate** response.”*

Q9 – “The evaluation of a risk to quality should be based on scientific knowledge and ultimately link to the protection of the patient”

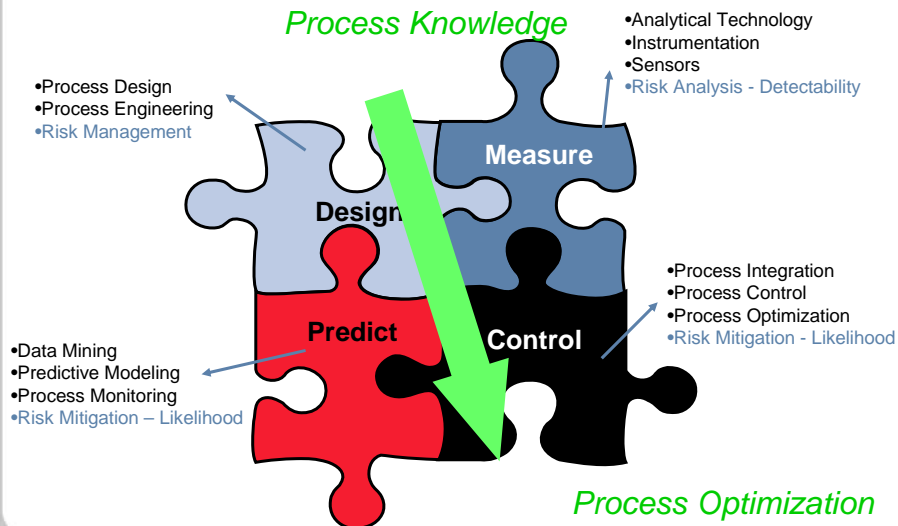
Q9 – “The level of effort, formality and documentation of the quality risk management process should be commensurate with the level of risk”

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PAT – The Framework and Tools



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A Typical PAT Solution Consists of...

- Multivariate Tools for Design, Data Acquisition and Analysis
 - DOE, Chemometrics, etc.
- Process Analyzers
 - Chemical, physical, biological, etc.
- Process Control Tools
 - MVA, SPC, mSPC, Control electronics, etc.
- Continuous Improvement and Knowledge Management Tools
 - MVA, self-learning algorithms, organizational management, training, education, etc.

PAT is Not Just Process Instrumentation

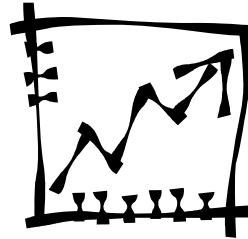
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Customer Drivers

- Quality – Safety, purity, efficacy, performance
- Cost
 - Cost of Goods
 - Yield
 - Working Capital
 - Productivity
- Speed of Change
- End User / Consumer Expectations



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Does Quality Matter?

- Meeting Specifications vs. Quality
 - *Is meeting specification enough? NO*
 - *Most specifications today have limited relationship to patient functionality – this may change*
 - *Reducing variation allows your business to...*
 - Operate closer to ideal conditions
 - Manage inventory and WIP closer to demand
 - Improve cash flow
 - Process Understanding leads to Predictive Controls
 - Measure
 - Evaluate
 - Understand
 - Predict
 - Control
- } Anticipate and Act

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Drivers on Return on Investment

Supports ROI

- Speed of implementation
- Reusability of applications
- Knowledge management skills
- Streamlined regulatory communication
- Long product life cycle

Detracts from ROI

- Regulatory delays
- One-off solutions
- Poor resource utilization
- Short patent life on product
- Internalization of effort

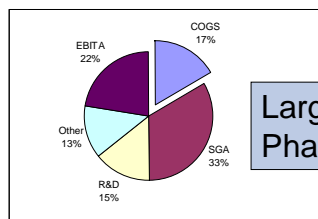
Strategic approach - Focused execution - Prioritization

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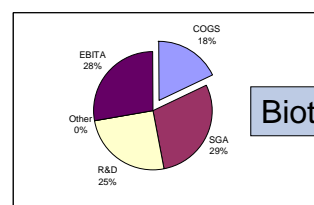
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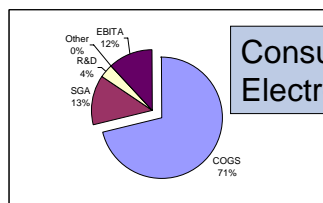
Cost of Goods as a Percent of Revenue



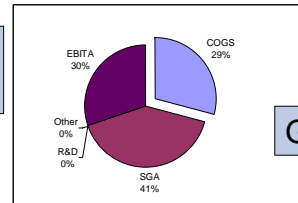
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Pharma



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Consumer
Electronics



Generics

COGS dominates as price drops and market changes

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The ROIC Framework

Value is Created When...

$$\text{ROIC} = \frac{\text{REVENUES} - \text{COSTS}}{\text{INVESTED CAPITAL}} > \text{Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)}$$

Cash
 Inventories
 Receivables
 PP&E
 Less: Current
 Liabilities

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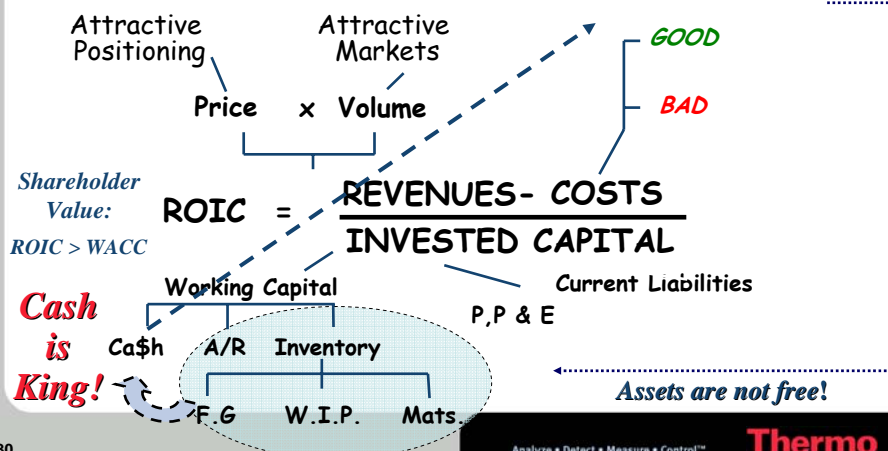
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The ROIC Framework

Understand your Economic Trade-offs

Does your decision...

- Reduce Costs?
- Improve Asset Utilization?

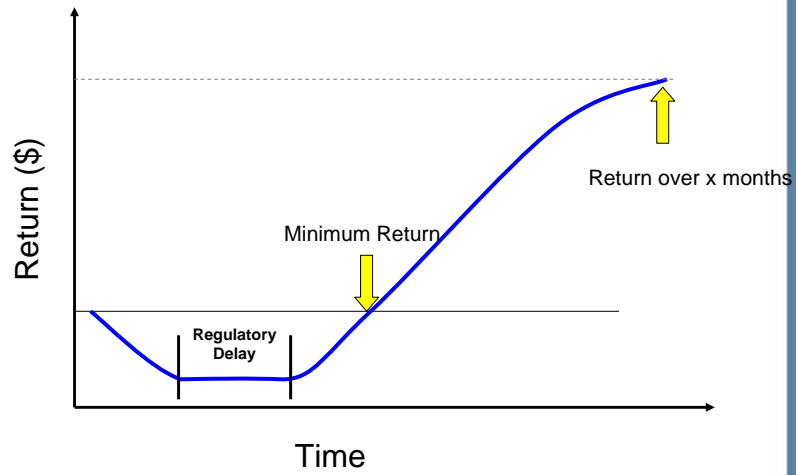


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Investment Life Cycle

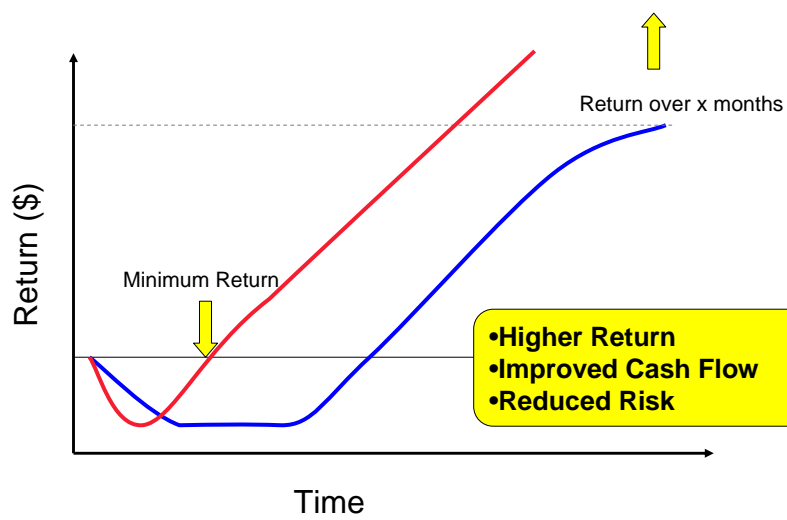


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Investment Life Cycle



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Implementation

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Many Strategies for PAT Implementation

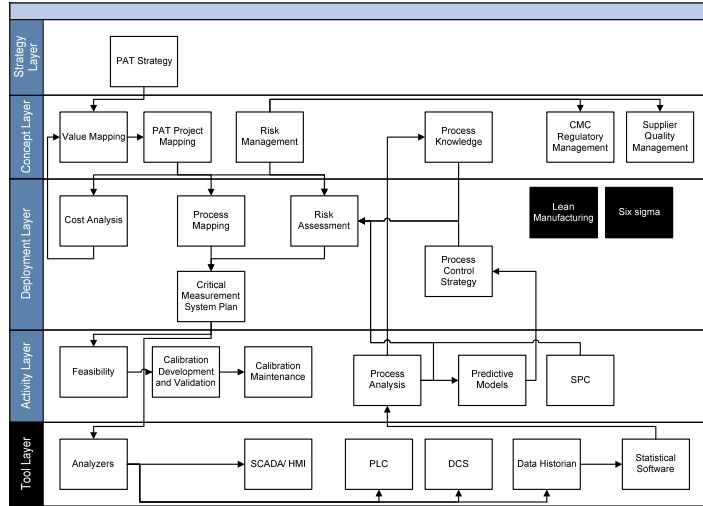
- Pharma firms are developing different approaches to exploit PAT.
- These range from using the initiative in a tactical manner to 'fix' poorly performing processes and move to a 'right-first-time' manufacturing regime through to those with a developed business strategy for PAT that will imbed it into their business process.
- This deep PAT strategy requires the integration of:
 - *measurement technologies*
 - *application development*
 - *process interfacing*
 - *to measure the process and the use of informatics tools to gain process knowledge and ultimately control the process through feed forward or feed back protocols.*
- Measurement technologies are required to be robust and designed for operating in the process environment in what could be a 24/7/365 mission critical application.

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Components of a Successful PAT Program

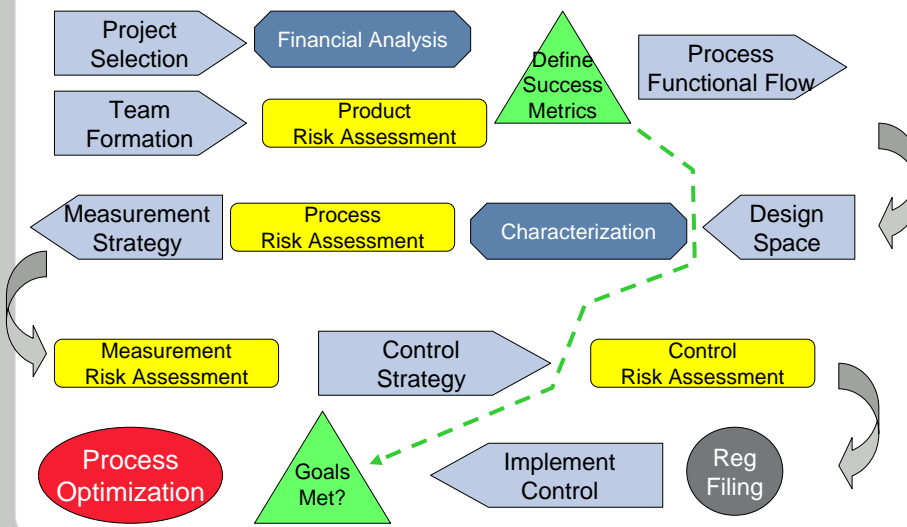


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Modern Process Optimization



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Identify and engage key stakeholders

- Senior Management
 - Identify a 'Champion'
- Quality
- Manufacturing
- Finance
- Internal Regulatory Group
- External Regulators
 - Local agency
 - International agencies
- Establish their Needs, Wants and Expectations early

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Speaking the Right Language

Stakeholders

- Cost
- Time
- Risk
- Resources
- Material



PAT Leader

- Improved Quality
- Knowledge
- Understanding
- Efficiency
- Rough ROI

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Identify and obtain key capabilities needed for a successful project

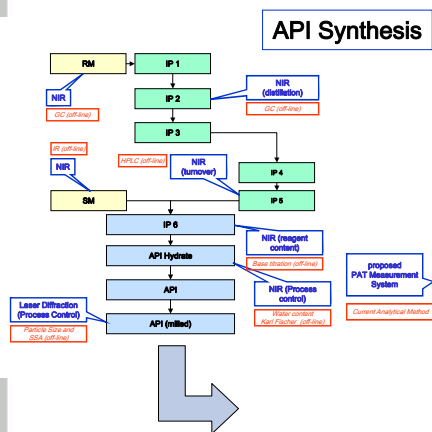
- Strategy Setting
- Project Management
- Financial
- Quality Management
- Regulatory
- Technical
- Scientific
- Engineering
- Integration
- Validation
- Support

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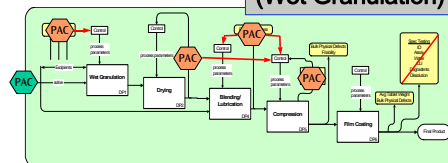
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Scope – API Production to Tablet Manufacturing



- More than 15 Measurement systems
- Multiple models
- etc.

DP Tablet Process (Wet Granulation)



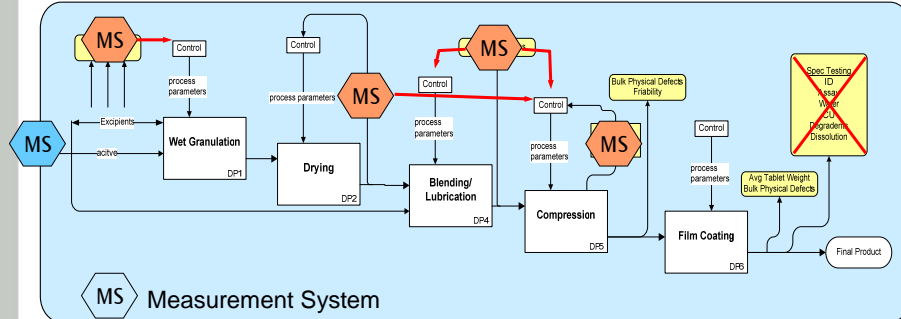
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An Example of Tablet Manufacturing – Through PAT



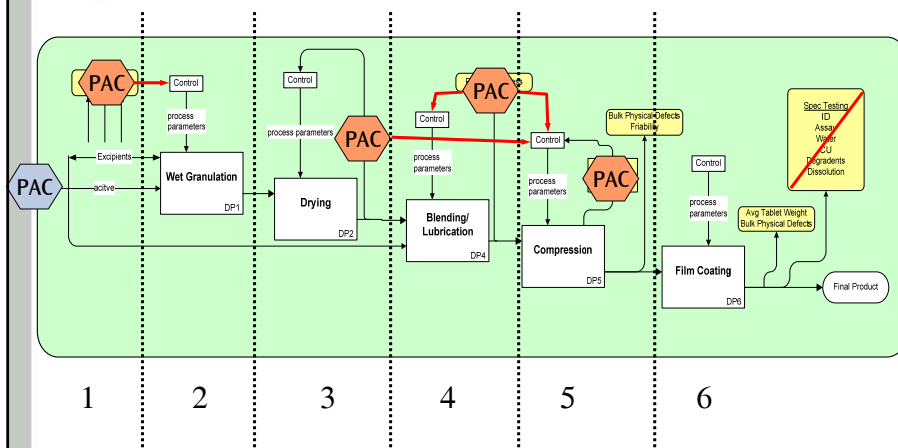
- With real-time analysis, prediction and control based upon process understanding
 - Rapid optimization and control
 - Reduced risk
 - Potential to reduce working capital (goods in, work in progress, finished goods)
 - Reduce cost of conformance
 - Accelerate change cycle

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Elements of Model Building – Holistic View



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Control vs. Measure

- You can't **improve** or **control** what you can't **measure**

Corollary

- Just because you can **measure** it doesn't mean you can **control** it
- Just because you **can** measure it doesn't mean you **should** control it

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Control Philosophy

- What are you controlling?
 - List is simple, high-level terms
 - Link to product performance and quality
 - Tightening drying end-point moisture control
- Why are you controlling it?
 - Is it critical to quality, safety or processability?
 - Is it linked to your risk management?
 - Variation in moisture leads to variation in blend compressibility, flow and tablet active content. Processability and dissolution are positively impacted by additional control of moisture.
- How is it being controlled?
 - High level, simple, concise
 - Diagrams and process flow charts work best
 - On-line real-time determination with Near Infrared (NIR) spectroscopy
 - **NOT** – determination with a Vendor X, Model Y, NIR spectrophotometer with optical probe (vendor #, model #) installed 3.6m below coupling flange x (see figure x). NIR spectra preprocessed with SNV, then quantified with a PLS model in the following wavelength regions (...) etc.

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Critical Content of a PAT Filing

- Process and Product Knowledge
 - Design Space
 - History
 - Relationships (correlations and causations)
- Risk Management
 - Pareto Principle
 - “80% of the variation is most likely caused by 20% of the parameters”
- Control Philosophy
 - What, why, where, how, how often
- Continuous Improvement
 - How, so what?

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Impact on Qualification and Validation

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Considerations to Accelerate and Reduce the Complexity of Implementation

- Can you apply today's quality procedures to my PAT project?
 - *You can try, but I suggest you will struggle*
 - Same concept of quality systems,
 - But risk based to focus on critical items
 - *Focus on quality concepts (spirit remains the same) not on procedural steps*
- What has to change?
 - *Risk based approach*
 - *Iterative, continuous improvement approach to learning*
 - *Rethink of how we use the term "validation"*
- Example
 - *Iterative, risk based approach to system qualification/ validation*

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Implementing Modern Practices within Today's Systems

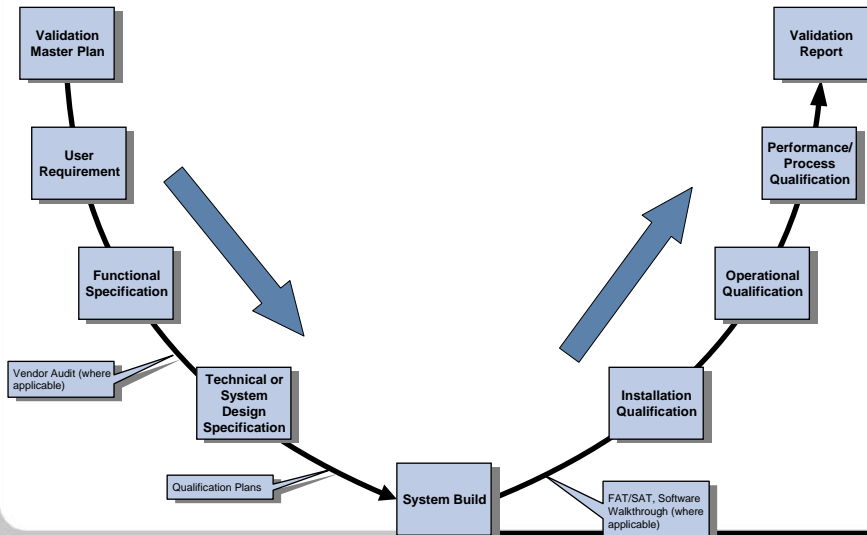
	Old Paradigm	New Paradigm
Validation	Generality; protocol-centric; 3 batches with extra testing; event-driven	Risk-based; effort proportional to risk; continuous quality verification (CQV)
Qualification	Protocol-centric; complex multi-layered;	Risk-based; effort proportional to risk; continuous assessment of capability
Change Control	All changes important; document centric; objective is regulator	Risk-based; centered on risk assessment and mitigation; quality-centric
Material Management	Universal specifications; pharmacopeia acceptance; laboratory controls	Performance-based; rapid assessment at receipt and use; limited inventory
Product Release	Meet Spec; keep sample size small; end-product testing; significant testing lag with high levels of WIP	Real-time assessment/prediction; process monitoring; rapid release; reduced WIP

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Validation V-Model (Example of Current State)



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The Issue: Current Qualification Approach

- Single path (predetermined, non-iterative) based upon user requirements
- Assumes: Users know exactly what they want and can communicate this ...
but
 - ... no details will be discovered once well into implementation;
 - ... the complexity of multi-component system is well understood by all parties;
 - ... no external force will lead to a change in requirements.

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The Issue: Current Qualification Approach (cont')

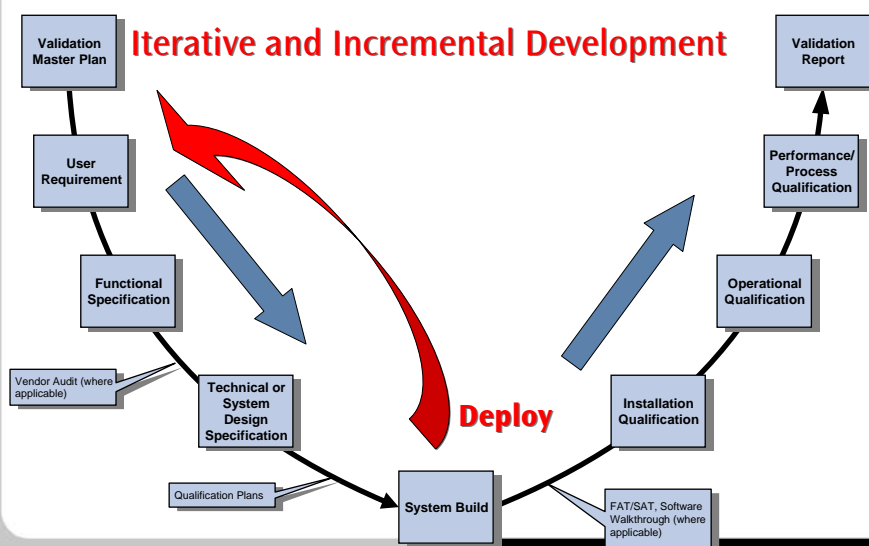
- All requirements (and systems in some cases) are of equal criticality
- Success is determined by completion of documentation not reliability of the system
- Approach to risk assessment is very limited
- Not reflecting actual process requirements

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Validation V-Model



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A Common Focus

- Validation
- Qualification
- DOE
- Real-Time Release
- Risk Assessment
- Continuous Quality Verification
- Quality Control
- Process Understanding

PREDICTABILITY