



ARMAND M BASMAJIAN

SUMMARY

- Strong understanding of package development process
- Understands New Product Development
- FDA regulations and how they impact the design of the package system
- GMP's and GLP's
- 30 years experience in solid oral dosage forms, sterile and lyophilized and biological products including cold chain distribution
- Writing the CMC packaging section for FDA submission
- Assisted Regulatory in writing the package section of dossier for rest of world

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Bristol-Myers Squibb 1989-2006

Senior Principle Packaging Engineer, BMS Research and Development, 2002-2006

- Lead for Orenzia home injectable packaging and Muraglitazar tablets
- Responsible for support and development for Orenzia home injectable, including an injection aid device
- Lead for the device team incorporating the necessary design criteria required by the end user
- Created the bill of materials for both long term stability and clinical trials
- Wrote the CMC packaging section for Muraglitazar Tablets and also assisted in writing the dossier for Europe
- Created the bill of materials for Muraglitazar for launch readiness
- Initiated line trials for the Alu/Alu blister packaging for samples and hospital unit doses

Senior Principal Packaging Engineer, BMS Technical Operations, 1995-2001

- Lead for Reyataz capsule, Avapro, Avalide and Plavix tablet packaging
- Wrote the CMC packaging section of Reyataz Capsules and assisted in writing the dossier for Europe
- Wrote the CMC packaging for Avapro, Avalide and Plavix Tablets and also assisted in writing the dossier for Europe
- Prepared all necessary paper work and documents for launch readiness for Reyataz, Avapro, Avalide and Plavix.
- Successfully launched Reyataz capsules, Avapro, Avalide and Plavix tablets in the US and Canadian markets
- Was on the domestic network task force created to realign and consolidate our manufacturing and distribution network



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Senior Project Package Engineer, 1992-1994

- Relocated from BMS Indiana site to New Jersey Corporate Headquarters
- Lead the bottle closure standardization and implemented the standardized bottles and closures in our US and Puerto Rico facilities
- Created all necessary documents for Pravachol tablet launch in US and Canada
- Redesigned Monopril sample presentations from bottle to blister format
- Assisted in the design and coordinated the development of an anti-aerosol device for oncology products
- Designed a new child resistant feature for the antibiotic blister cards
- Responsible for the worldwide technology specifications group, supervised two employees
- Transferred the hospital unit dose blistering for Buspar and Capoten from a third party to our Puerto Rico facility giving a savings of one hundred million dollars
- Created all necessary documents for Serzone tablet launch in US and Canada
- Developed a unique titration sample package for Serzone
- The titration package won a Gold Award from the Packaging Executive Club. I also received a President's Award from Bristol-Myers Squibb
- Led the physician sample standardization initiative to reduce cost and improve productivity. Resulted in savings of two million dollars

Staff Package Engineer, 1989-1991

- Responsible for package development of Bristol-Myers Squibb Antibiotic Division
- Developed, specified and implemented product packaging and corresponding manufacturing systems for new products
- Packaging cost reductions and/or component improvement for existing products
- Developed, specified and implemented product packaging for Stadol Nasal spray

Bristol-Myers Squibb US Pharmaceutical and Nutritional Group, 1986-1988

Supervisor, Incoming Materials Control

- Responsible for all incoming packaging components
- Supervised packaging component inspectors
- Wrote and maintained inspection methods and departmental procedures
- Maintained vendor quality standards
- Devised sampling plans for packaging components
- Exchanged technical information with new and existing suppliers
- Negotiated specification and component disposition with suppliers
- Assisted vendors using Statistical Process control to help define vendor process issues
- Investigated manufacturing packaging issues related to packaging components



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Bristol Laboratories, Division of Bristol-Myers, 1984-1985

Package Development Engineer

- Developed and implemented product packaging and corresponding manufacturing systems
- Established a procedure to systematically replace all stoppers containing 2-mercaptobenzothiazole
- Redesigned a 4 ounce cough/cold product bottle, closure and the secondary packaging to gain line efficiencies

Bristol Industrial Division, 1980-1984

Supervisor, incoming material component laboratory

- Supervised six packaging technicians
- Assured adherence to GMP's and GLP's
- Devised test methods and instructed users how to use them for component inspection
- Inspected vendor facility for compliance to GMP's
- Assisted manufacturing in investigations and remediation to issues related to package components
- Developed and implemented work instructions and procedures for all laboratory activities
- Developed, negotiated and implemented general vendor specifications

Bristol Laboratories, Division of Bristol-Myers, 1969-1979

Various positions within the Quality Control Department

- Specification and incoming material coordinator
- Laboratory Technician
- Preliminary Investigation Coordinator

EDUCATION

Morrisville ATC, Morrisville, NY – Associate Degree, Medical Laboratory Technician

Evansville University, Evansville, IN – BS, Communications
Minor, Biology