This 2-day course is designed for anybody concerned with stability testing who wants to know how to design trials and how to analyse them efficiently. No prior knowledge of statistics is required.

By the end of the 2-day course you will be able to:

- Understand what the regulatory Authorities require
- Know how to implement statistical analysis as given in the WHO Technical Report No. 953
- Understand the technical requirements of ICH Q1A and Q1E
- Know how to obtain a representative sample so that your results are valid
- Determine if there are real differences between two sets of results using significance testing
- Evaluate the relationship between two variables using regression analysis
- Improve the precision of a stability trial by changing the design

Speakers:

**Dick Boddy**
Dick is the MD and founder of s4i. His mission is to help companies use statistics to solve real life business problems. Enabling them to make informed decisions to increase efficiency, drive their company forward and generate greater profit.

After working as a process development chemist for one of the UK’s largest manufacturers, Dick retrained as a statistician and spent several years as a senior lecturer in statistics. He realised that there was a huge gap between theoretical statistics taught in higher education and the practical application of statistics needed to give companies a competitive edge. And so s4i was born.

**Michael Gamlen**
Michael is Managing Director of Pharmaceutical Development Services Ltd, a pharmaceutical consultancy based in Nottingham (UK). Dr Gamlen has over 30 years experience of tablet development. Awarded a First Class Honours degree in Pharmacy, specialising in Pharmaceutical Engineering, he studied for a PhD at Nottingham University.

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Programme

Introduction to Stability Testing: Why is it necessary? Who uses it? What do the Regulatory Authorities require?

What is the True Mean?: Highlighting vagaries within data using diagrams. Summarising data using an average - mean or median and a measure of variability - standard deviation or range. Obtaining a confidence interval for the true mean based on the sample mean and standard deviation. Estimating the sample size necessary to obtain a required width of confidence interval.

Samples and Populations: Conclusions are generally drawn about a population from data obtained from a sample. What is a population? What is a sample? How should the sample be selected?

Introduction to Significance Testing: The significance testing procedure using the one sample t-test for the mean and the F-test for comparison of standard deviations. Formulation of hypotheses and the use of statistical tables. When to choose significance tests or confidence intervals. Choice of sample size and the need for a relevant design if valid conclusions are to be drawn from a significance test.

Significance Tests for Comparing Two Means: The importance of designs involving two groups (e.g. control and treatment). Analysis using the two-sample t-test for independent samples and the one-sample t-test for paired samples. Sample size required to detect a difference.

The Normal Distribution: The use of the Normal Distribution. Obtaining probability values and percentile limits from statistical tables. The circumstances for which the distribution of data is likely to be Normal. Problem solving using normal probability plots.

Outliers: The assumptions behind outlier tests. The importance of the Normal distribution. Applying Grubbs' test. The circumstances in which Grubbs' test is unsuitable.

Regression Analysis: Fitting a straight line to data by least-squares regression. Assessing the variability about the line using the residual standard deviation. Determining the goodness of fit of the line using the correlation coefficient and percent fit. Confirming that a relationship exists between two variables using the correlation coefficient. Trending and extrapolation of data – obtaining predicted values and confidence intervals.


Combining Standard Deviations: The need to improve the accuracy of an estimate of precision (standard deviation) by combining standard deviations from relevant sets of data.

Analysis of Variance and Pooling: Examining overall variability within a batch. Understanding an Analysis of Variance table. Comparing estimating within-batch SD and batch-to-batch SD from an investigation. Determining whether several groups are significantly different.

Review of ICH Q1A and Q1E: A detailed review of the technical requirements of ICH Q1A and Q1E.


Interactive Case Exercise: Interactive case exercises, based on real industrial problems, are a feature of the course.

Tutorials: Tutorials follow each lecture. Course members, under the guidance of experienced tutors, learn how to apply newly.

Problem Seminars: Problem Seminars and additional tutorials are held in the evenings, when extra help and guidance are available.

Free Consultancy Service: A free consultancy service is available to course members which allows for practical problems to be presented for advice and help.

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27, 28 & 29 September, 6, 7 & 8 December Croydon Greater London

Stability Analysis for the Pharmaceutical Industry
10 & 11 October 2017, Reading UK

Pharmaceutical Dissolution Testing - a Hands-on course
24, 25 26 & 27 October London

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1, 2 & 3 November London

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