The U.S. Pharmacopeial Convention (USP) is pleased to invite you to submit abstracts for posters at the USP Workshop on Quality Attributes of Drug Products Applied to the Skin to be held at the USP Headquarters Meetings Center on September 21 and 22, 2015.

This workshop will be a forum for the discussion of drug products applied to the skin, including ointments, gels, creams, lotions, solutions, suspensions, foams and passive transdermal systems. The use of in vitro drug release testing for both semisolid drug products and transdermal systems will also be discussed.

We are seeking poster presentations on the following topics:

**Transdermal Systems**
- Development and manufacture of Transdermal Systems (TDS)
- Quality by Design (QbD) for TDS
- Particularities of TDS analytics
- Cold flow
- Shear test
- In vitro drug release testing
- Harmonization

**Semisolid Dosage Forms**
- Development and manufacture of semisolid products
- QbD for semisolid products
- Rheological properties of products applied to the skin
- Uniformity in containers
- Packaging with dosing
- Predictive power of in vitro drug release
- Challenges in developing drug release methodologies for topically applied formulations
- Topical drug delivery: US regulatory perspectives on biopharmaceutics and clinical pharmacology
- Developing regulatory standards for characterizing critical quality attributes and performance attributes for topical semisolid dosage forms
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Submission Timeline:

- Submission Deadline: June 20, 2015
- Notification of Acceptance/Denial: July 20, 2015

Submission Instructions:

A. FORMAT YOUR ABSTRACT
Please write your abstract in English using either Microsoft Word or PDF format.

B. PROOFREAD
Be sure to proofread your submission to confirm that it contains all the information you want to include before submitting your abstract.

C. PRESENTING AUTHOR AND ADDITIONAL AUTHORS
When listing your authors, you must designate a presenting author. It is recommended that the presenting author also be the submitter of the abstract. All correspondence will be sent to the submitter. The authors can be listed in any order you designate.

D. SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT
Send your abstract submission to Ms. Margareth Marques, Ph.D. at mrm@usp.org.

E. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR APPROVED PRESENTERS
A discounted registration fee will be offered for poster presenters. All travel costs including airfare, hotel, ground transportation, food and beverage, and any other travel related incidental/extras are the responsibility of the session or poster presenter.

F. ASSISTANCE
If you have any questions or are experiencing difficulties in the submission process, contact:

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For more information about the workshop including overview of topics and registration, please visit www.usp.org/meetings-courses/workshops/quality-attributes-drug-products-applied-skin-workshop
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GUIDELINES for APPROVED POSTER PRESENTERS

Please do not register until your poster has been approved. You will be given a discount code to register at a reduced price if your presentation is approved.

Poster presenters must arrive at the USP Meetings Center during the registration period on September 21, 2015 to display their poster. Posters are to be set and ready by the start time of the workshop.

Posters will be mounted in common areas and available for viewing throughout the duration of the Workshop. Presenters are encouraged to stand by their poster during the break times so as to be available for any questions that may arise. Posters can be removed at the conclusion of the workshop.

An 8.5 x 11 PDF version of your poster may also be included in the on-site program along with a one-page biography of the authors.

Please note the following with regard to the creation of your scientific poster:

1) The display board is 8’ (feet) wide by 4’ (feet) high. The mounting surface is 7’ (feet) 6” (inches) wide by 3’ (feet) 6” (inches) high (landscape orientation). It is recommended that your poster presentation, fill the “usable space” of the board as much as possible.

2) Handout materials may be included in an envelope attached to the display board. Only poster related materials are allowed (no sales flyers). All non-poster related materials will be removed.

3) We will provide push pins for you. Please do not use tape or other adhesives.