

Inspection Strategies

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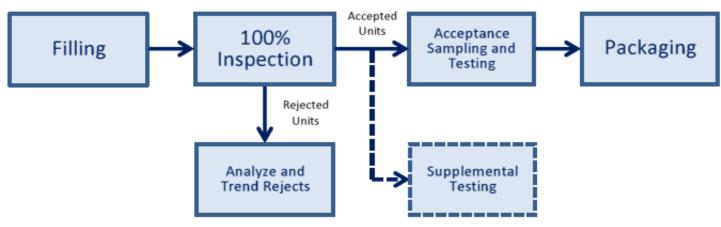
Normal Inspection

- Introduce product into inspection process
- Remove defects
- Classify defects
- Determine if batch is within the Maximum Allowable
 Defect Rate
 - e.g. Critical $\sim 0.1\%$
 - Major ~ 3%
 - minor ~ 5%



Normal Inspection

- Perform AQL and check if Limits are not exceeded
 - e.g. Critical ~ 0.1%
 - Major 0.65%
 - minor ~ 2-4%
- If no limits are exceeded the Inspection process is complete
- If Limits are exceeded initiate investigation





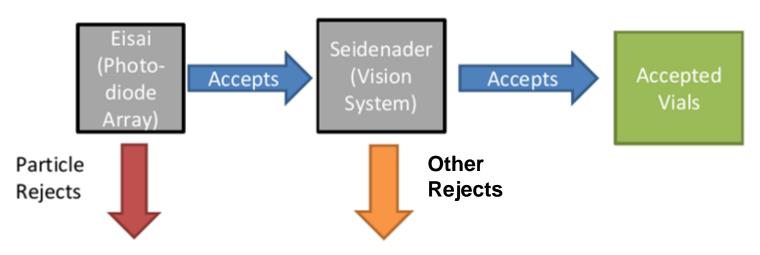
Sequential Inspection Process

- A two-step process often a hybrid of an automated inspection (for some specific attributes, i.e. particulate) and a Manual Inspection for the remaining attributes of the product (container, product, closure, etc.)
- Also used in conjunction with Vial Integrity systems with manual inspection
- Using each method to their strengths
- Entire lot is inspected following the standard procedure which consist of at least to steps



Sequential Inspection Process

 Adding in manual inspection to harvest vials falsely removed by the camera system.





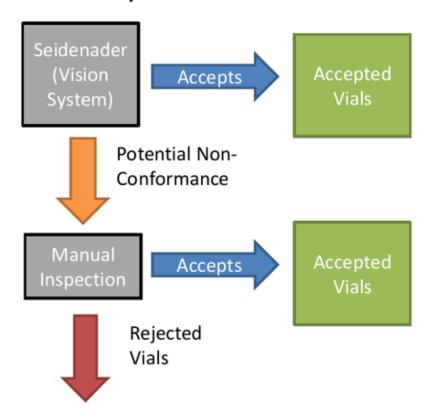
2-Stage Inspection Process

- A process to reduce mostly elevated false rejects from an automated inspection station
- Usually a two pass inspection system involves a second inspection of vials that were initially not accepted or uncertain
- First step machine inspection; Accepted units are sampled and assessed against AQL limits
- Second step with uncertain containers manual inspection.
 Accepted units are sampled and assessed against AQL limits
- Predefined/Approved as inspection process



2-Stage Inspection Process

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2-Stage Inspection Process

- When is the inspection process complete?
 - Once all inspection steps are complete
 - All defects are identified, classified, and AQL is within acceptable limits
- Why is Re-evaluation performed
 - product cost
 - Some APIs are very expensive
 - More product available to the patient
 - over sensitive automated inspection process
 - Automated vision is conservative by design



Re-inspection Process

Re-inspection is a repeat of the normal inspection process when...

- AQL and/or Max Allowable Defect Limits are exceeded
 - Examples:
 - Critical ~ 0.1%
 - Major ~ 3%
 - Minor ~ 5%
 - May be a response to an atypical finding impacting of Safety, Identity, Strength, Purity, Quality



Re-inspection Process

• Example:

- Critical found post inspection (i.e. during packaging)
 - Deviation is written to investigate
 - Root cause/corrective action determined
 - Typically will not re-inspect if root cause is post inspection related
 - Tightened-AQL for this step might be appropriate



Focused Inspection Process

- Non-Routine process used to cull out an identified Critical or Major defect found during the normal inspection process (i.e. incomplete crimps, glass fragments, cracks) that exceeded either the AQL and/or the Maximum Allowable defect limit
- Used to 'focus' attention of the inspector on a specific attribute of the product/container
- Follow-up with additional AQL after inspection step



Focused Inspection Process

- Could be utilized with Automated and Manual or by Manual Inspection only
 - Focused on a specific portion of the container or product
 - Some automated vision systems allow the 'offending' camera to be turned off inspecting all other attributes are then inspected leaving the focus attribute for manual
- Pre-approved as a process variation through QO and Operations management
 - Will use specified inspection steps from overall inspection procedure
 - Limits/actions would be pre-approved by QO and Operations management for each incident



Empty Container Inspection

- Inspection process of product container (vial) before filling
 - Used when API is extremely expensive
 - Customer requested
 - Can be used in conjunction with Incoming Quality process to verify glass quality levels
 - Used when the capping process would inhibit the visual inspection process
 - ADD-Vantage vial presentations



Empty Container Inspection



Empty ADD-Vantage Vial



Filled Vial with cap



Questions?