



# Agenda

PDA Visual Inspection Forum 2025

## Monday, 10 March

07:30 – 08:30

Continental Breakfast

07:30 – 17:30

Registration Open

08:30 – 10:15

P1: Regulatory Perspectives

**Moderator: Rick J. Watson, BS Chem Eng, Director, Merck**

08:30 – 08:45

Welcome and Opening Remarks from Forum Co-Chairs

**Co-Chair: Romain Veillon, Director Vision Technology, GSK**

**Co-Chair: Rick J. Watson, BS Chem Eng, Director, Merck**

08:45 – 09:15

Visual Inspection Regulatory and Compendial Update

**Presenter: John G Shabushnig, PhD, Principal Consultant, Insight Pharma Consulting, LLC**

09:15 – 09:45

Regulatory Expectations for the Assessment of Visible Particulates in Injectable Pharmaceuticals

**Presenter: Rukman S De Silva, Policy Lead, OPQ, CDER, U.S. FDA**

09:45 – 10:15

Q&A

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Networking Break in the Exhibit Hall

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11:00 – 12:30

### P2: Process Development

**Moderator: Romain Veillon**, Director Vision Technology, *GSK*

11:00 – 11:30

Visual Inspection Challenges in Gene and Cell Therapy Production: From Clear Glass and Product to Opaque Plastic and Product

**Presenter: Ines Bauer**, Expert Science & Technology, *Novartis Pharmaceutical Manufacturing GmbH, Schaftenau*

11:30 – 12:00

How to Boost Your Manual Visual Inspection: A Case Study of Improving the Efficiency of MVI

**Presenter: Antonio Burazer**, Global Head Visual Inspection & Particle LCM, *Takeda*

12:30 – 13:30

### Networking Lunch with Exhibitors

13:30 – 13:45

### Interactive Questionnaire Session

13:45 – 15:15

### A1: New challenges in Visual Inspection Qualification

**Moderator: Andrea Sardella, PhD**

13:45 – 14:05

Successful Qualification of an AI-Model for a Low-Fill Liquid Vial Particle Inspection

**Presenter: Bastian Kronenbitter**, Head of Data Science, *Körber Pharma Inspection GmbH*

**Co-Presenter: Bastian Kronenbitter**, Head of Data Science, *Körber Pharma Inspection GmbH*

14:05 – 14:25

Qualifying an Automated Visual Inspection (AVI) Using Recirculation Function

**Presenter: Jun L. Ordonez**, Sr. Manager, *Pfizer*

14:25 – 14:45

Development of a Global Standard Operating Procedure Across the Manufacturing Network for Both Liquid and Difficult to



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Inspect Parenterals Case Study

**Presenter:** **Pere Joaquin**, Director of Site Quality and QP, *Reig Jofre*

14:45 – 15:15

Q&A

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### B1: Advances in Particle Investigations

**Moderator:** **Robert J Miller**, Director, Technical Services, *Pfizer Inc*

13:45 – 14:05

Problem Solving During Trace Foreign Matter Investigations: Points to Consider

**Presenter:** **Mary Lee Ciolkowski, PhD**, Sr. Principal Scientist, *Bausch + Lomb*

14:05 – 14:25

Achieving Particle Reduction via Supplier Contamination Control Strategies and Innovation in RTF Packaging

**Presenter:** **Colleen O'Brien, MS**, Strategy and Technical Affairs, *Gerresheimer*

14:25 – 14:45

Cellulose - Understanding and Narrowing Down its Sources

**Presenter:** **Casey M Jarvis**, Research Scientist, *MVA Scientific Consultants*

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Q&A

15:15 – 16:00

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## A2: Particle Detection Capability

**Moderator: Rukman S De Silva**, Policy Lead, OPQ, CDER, *U.S. FDA*

16:00 – 16:20

Beyond Size and Shape: The Role of Color in Particle Detection

**Presenter: Atanas Koulov, PhD**, Chief Scientific Officer, *Clear Solutions Laboratories AG*

16:20 – 16:40

3D Printed Protein-Like Model Particles as Particle Standards for Performance Evaluation of Novel Human-Inspired Automated Visual Inspection Instrument

**Presenter: Oliver Germershaus**, Professor, *University of Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland*

16:40 – 17:00

Case Studies: Increasing PoD in MVI for DIP

**Co-Presenter: Menno Sels, MSE**, Project Engineer VI & CCIT, *eyetec*

**Presenter: Bram J.J. KEYMOLEN**, Co-Founder, *eyetec*

17:00 – 17:30

Q&A

16:00 – 17:30

## B2: Novel AI-Based Equipment for Difficult-to-Inspect Products

**Moderator: Linda Wildling, PhD**, Head of Digital Innovation Success Management, *Takeda Pharmaceuticals International AG*

16:00 – 16:20

Difference Between Rule-Based and AI Algorithms in the Quality Control of Difficult-to-Inspect Parenterals

**Presenter: Matthias Kahl**, Head of R&D and Lab Services, *WILCO AG*

16:20 – 16:40

Enhancing Image Classification and Reducing False Rejection Rates in BFS DIP Products Using AI on AVI systems

**Presenter: GIANMARCO PINCELLI**, Technical Sales Manager, *Bonfiglioli Engineering srl*

16:40 – 17:00

Unsupervised Machine Learning Applied to Difficult-to-Inspect Products



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**Presenter: Brian Turnquist, PhD**, Chief Technical Officer, *Boon Logic*

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**P3: Visual Inspection Acceptance Sampling and Performance Measurement**

**Moderator: John G Shabushnig, PhD**, Principal Consultant, *Insight Pharma Consulting, LLC*

08:30 – 09:00

Sampling in the Visual Inspection Process: AQL and Defect Trending

**Presenter: Robert J Miller**, Director, Technical Services, *Pfizer Inc*

09:00 – 09:30

Use of Mathematical Model for Detection Performances Comparison of MVI versus AVI

**Presenter: Mitsutaka Shirasaki**, Principal Engineer, *Genentech Inc.*

09:30 – 10:00

Q&A

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### A3: Inspection Optimization

**Moderator: Markus Adlberger, MSc**, Product Owner Visual Inspection Software, *Körber Pharma*

10:45 – 11:05

Modernization of an MVI Program to Improve Defect Detection

**Presenter: David B Wetherington**, Sr. Manager, Operations (Visual Inspection and Packaging), *Thermo Fisher Scientific*

11:05 – 11:25

Revolutionizing Pharmaceutical Inspection: Upgrading to Automated Visual Inspection Systems

**Presenter: Scott Council**, North Carolina Division Director, *Performance Validation*

**Co-Presenter: Bill Waterstreet**, Principal Validation Engineer, *Performance Validation*

11:25 – 11:45

Manual Visual Inspection (MVI) and Inspector Training and Qualification

**Presenter: Tracey Sinjen**, Principal Consultant, *Lachman Consultants*

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Q&A

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### B3: Novel Inspection Equipment Design and Application

**Moderator: Rick J. Watson, BS Chem Eng**, Director, *Merck*

10:45 – 11:05

AI-Driven Visual Inspection: Unlocking Data for Smarter Production

**Presenter: Massimo Frasson**, Ceo & General Manager, *BREVETTI C.E.A. S.p.A.*

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A Semi-Automated IV Bag Inspection System (IVBIS)



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**Presenter: Neil Jesse Hamilton**, Vice President Technical Services, *AWS Bio-Pharma Technologies LLC*

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The Next Phase in Visual Inspection – Complete Electronic Records

**Presenter: Gerlad Budd**, President, *Phoenix Imaging Ltd.*

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Interactive Questionnaire Session

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**P4: Visual Inspection Process Development and Qualification**

**Moderator: Linda Wildling, PhD**, Head of Digital Innovation Success Management, *Takeda Pharmaceuticals International AG*

13:30 – 14:00

Visual Inspection Validation Considerations for Traditional and New Technology

**Presenter: Rick J. Watson**, BS Chem Eng, Director, *Merck*

14:00 – 14:30

Benefit of Digital Visual Inspection Platform

**Presenter: Romain Veillon**, Director Vision Technology, *GSK*

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Q&A

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### P5: Panel Discussion

**Moderator: Romain Veillon**, Director Vision Technology, *GSK*

**Moderator: Rick J. Watson**, BS Chem Eng, Director, *Merck*

15:45 – 16:55

#### Panel Discussion

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