

## ***Country Report of Hungary 2012***

### **• Name of organization:**

**Association for Pharmaceutical Industry (API) of the Hungarian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences** represents pharmacists working for pharmaceutical and related industries. It was founded in 1968. The Executive Committee is formed by seventeen persons including the President, the Vice President and 3 Secretaries. Six young pharmacists are invited to regular meetings as permanent observers to learn Executive's activity and in this way the recruitment of the staff can be assured for the future.

### **• Mission and goals:**

The objective of the Association is to promote and develop the professional background of industrial pharmacists in order to maintain the requested high standards in their work. Therefore the Association undertakes the following activities:

- organising professional meetings
- working with internal professional groups (clinical pharmacists, technologists and researchers)
- establishing contact with foreign professional Associations such as the Industrial Section of the FIP since 1980 and EIPG since 2008 as official observer, then full member since 2009.

### **• Activities:**

#### ***4 April 2012: Symposium with SEPPIC***

The Hungarian distributor of SEPPIC film-coats introduced their products.

#### ***13 June 2012: Symposium in memory of György Bacsa***

Topics were Upcoming changes in EU GMP based on ICH Q8-11, Quality by Design in pharmaceutical development, Process Analytical Technology and Factorial experiment planning and artificial neural networks in QbD.

#### ***24-25 May 2012: „From molecule to drug” conference***

Presentations covered all aspects of pharmaceutical research and development: the Deputy Director General of the authority spoke about the legislative background, other presentations included authority expectations from an industrial point of view, GMP, GCP, GLP, chemical tasks in pharmaceutical development, natural substances in pharmaceutical research, innovative API delivery systems, importance of transport proteins.

#### ***27-29 September 2012: 17th National Conference on Pharmaceutical Technology and 9th „Pharmaceutics at the millenium” Conference***

Various topics connected to pharmaceutical technology were discussed, eg. new trends in solid dosage formulation, pharmaceutical and medical application of separation technology linked with MS, regulatory affairs, in vitro modeling of ADME systems, importance of biotechnology education, supplier audits in GMP and current patent law questions.

### ***Relevant publications of the Society:***

Scientific periodicals: **Acta Pharmaceutica Hungarica** publishes research articles in English and Hungarian for research workers as a target population. It is published quarterly in 900 copies. **Gyógyszerészet** (Pharmacy) contains postgraduate educational articles in Hungarian for practising pharmacists. It also serves as an information source for public affairs. It is published monthly in 2500 copies.

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