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Invitation

Dr Edmund Lee cordially invites you to attend the forum on "The Significance of Herbal Medicinal Products within European Medicine".

Date: 25 May 2009 (Monday)

Time: 3:30pm

Venue: Hall 1, G/F, Core Building, Hong Kong Science Park ([Location](#))

Speaker: Dr. med. Günter Meng

Language: English

Abstract

Within Europe there is a long-standing tradition of use of herbal medicinal preparations for many medical conditions. This tradition is strong namely in the German speaking countries but also in some other member states of the European Union. As an example, more than 80% of the German population uses this kind of health care products.

During the last 20 years the regulatory framework for Herbal Medicinal Products within Europe has changed significantly. Like for other drugs it has become the competence of the European Union to fix the rules for Marketing Authorisations.

For Herbal Medicinal Products there are two ways to enter the market. A full licence can be obtained with a full dossier as for any other drug. A registration as "Traditional Herbal Medicinal Product" follows different rules concerning the assessment of efficacy and safety. The pharmaceutical part of the dossier is not different.

The talk will address the different requirements and the respective opportunities for product innovation. An outlook is given on possible future developments and the impact of the European legislation on Health Claims for Food Supplements containing herbal preparations.

Speaker



Dr. Günter Meng is the Director of Research & Development at Dr. Willmar Schwabe Group, Germany. He studied medicine, chemistry and philosophy at the Johannes Gutenberg University, Germany. He was an probationary physician and got his Doctorate in medicine in 1986. He joined Dr. Willmar Schwabe GmbH & Co., Karlsruhe, Germany at the end of 1986 and was in charge of various divisions, being the Head of Clinical Trials Department and Biometrics, Head of Clinical Research Division, Head of Pharmacovigilance for the Schwabe company and most affiliates. From 1993 to 1995, he served as the member of the B8 Experts Board at the [Federal] German Institute for Pharmaceuticals and Medical Products and member of the European

Research Group on Phytomedicines. From 2000 to 2006, Dr. Günter Meng was appointed the Head of the Pharmaceutical Research and Development Department, Federal [German] Association of the Pharmaceutical Industry.

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3:15 p.m.	Registration
3:30 p.m.	Opening Remark - Dr. Edmund Lee, Executive Director , Hong Kong Jockey Club Institute of Chinese Medicine
3:35 p.m.	The Significance of Herbal Medicinal Products within European Medicine - Dr. med. Günter Meng, Director Research & Development, Dr. Willmar Schwabe GmbH & Co. KG, Germany
4:30 p.m.	Q & A Session
5:00 p.m.	Tea Reception

Seats are limited. Please register on or before **20 May 2009, Wednesday** by returning the completed [Registration Form](#) to us.

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