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Licensing Requirements for vaccines: US perspective



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CVB Mission

The Veterinary Biologics Program implements the provisions of the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act to ensure the veterinary biologics available for the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of animal diseases are pure, safe, potent, and effective.



Primary Missions (linked to VSTA)

- Licensing/Permitting Veterinary Biological Products
- Evaluating product dossiers
- Evaluating (testing) products and product critical components
- Program documentation (notices, memorandum, regulations, licensing considerations)
- Facility inspections



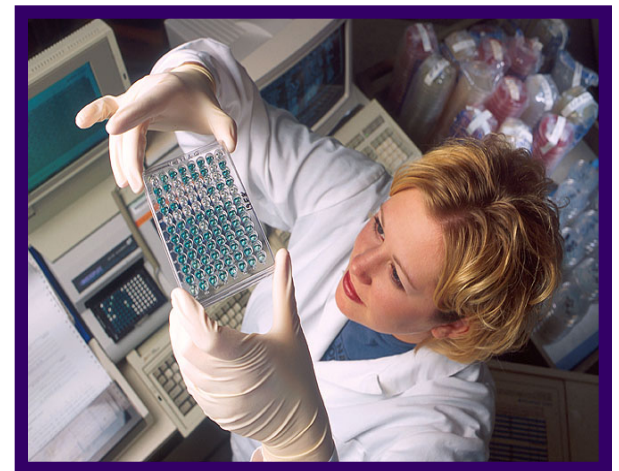
Product Types

- Vaccine
- Bacterin and Bacterial Extract
- Toxoid
- Bacterin-Toxoid
- Antitoxin
- Antiserum and Antibody
- Diagnostic Test Kits
- Immunomodulator and Immunostimulant
- Allergenic Extracts



Testing Activities

- Confirmatory and Investigatory Testing (pre- and post-license)
 - Seeds and cells
 - Final Product (check and surveillance)
- Test development and standardization
- Reference/reagent production and distribution
- Technical harmonization
- Quality Assurance
- Training and scientific advice



Confirmatory and Investigative Testing

- Pre-license
 - Seeds
 - Cells
 - First Serials

- Post-license
 - Random selection of samples prior to release
 - Problem, surveillance, stability, dating extension, reprocess
 - First serials after change
 - Investigation of field reports

Confirmatory and Investigative Testing

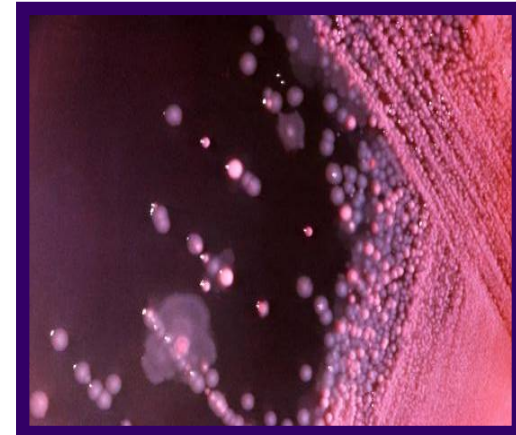
- Efficacy (Pre-license)
 - Host Vaccination-Challenge
 - Minimum antigenic dose, highest passage
 - Route, Age, etc.
 - Duration of Immunity

- Field performance (Post-license)



Confirmatory and Investigative Testing

- Potency - correlated to Efficacy
 - Live
 - Enumeration
 - Killed
 - Vaccination-challenge/Vaccination-serology
 - Host Animal
 - Laboratory Animal
 - *In Vitro*
 - Validated with *in vivo* testing



Confirmatory and Investigative Testing

- Safety
 - Pre-license
 - Controlled animal studies
 - Backpassage
 - Field trials
 - Post-license
 - Laboratory animals
 - Target animals



Licensing Exemptions

- Official USDA Program, emergency disease situation, or USDA experimental use
- Veterinarian-client-patient relationship
- Animal owners
- Products under State license
 - *Currently, no active state programs*
- FDA Export Reform and Enhancement Act of 1996
 - No U.S. Establishment # on the label
 - Not approved for distribution in the U.S.
 - Claims not allowed in the U.S.

Types of Product Licenses

Standard

- Autogenous
- Conventional
 - Breakout or fall-out
- Genetic modified

Conditional



Autogenous Product

Requirements:

- Outline of Production
- If killed viral Autogenous Vaccine
 - CVB confirmatory testing and approval of Master Cell Stock (MCS)
- Labels

Risks:

- Unknown efficacy
- Unknown potency
- Minimal safety



Conventional Products

Requirements (VS Memorandum 800.50):

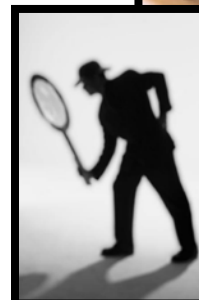
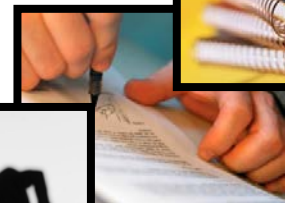
- Outline of Production
- CVB confirmatory testing Master Seed(s)
 - If modified-live: reversion-to-virulence and shed-spread studies
- If viral vaccine
 - CVB confirmatory testing of MCS
- Efficacy studies
 - Establish minimum dose
 - Duration of immunity studies
 - Immunological interference studies
 - Studies in maternal antibody-positive animals



Conventional Products

Requirements (continued):

- Safety studies
 - Field Safety
 - If Killed vaccine:
 - Inactivation kinetics
 - establishment of slaughter withholding period for adjuvant
- Potency test validation data
 - Reference qualification & stability monitoring
 - Sensitivity/specificity
- CVB confirmatory testing prelicense batches
- Labels



Conventional Products

Risks:

- Minimal



Breakout of Conventional Products

Requirements:

- Combination products may be blended into smaller fraction products following same manufacturing procedures and release criteria
- Outline of Production
- Labels

Risks:

- Safety-excess antigen concentrations



Genetic Modified Products

Same requirements as conventional products plus:

- Summary Information Formats (SIF). For Master Seeds produced by recombinant DNA technology, additional safety and identity data
 - Publication of an environmental release risk assessment before conducting Field Safety
 - CVB confirmation of recombinant seed

Risks:

Safety-Recombination of Live Vectored products



Conditional Licensed Products

Requirements:

- All are mono-fraction majority Killed Products
- Outline of Production
- CVB confirmatory testing Master Seed(s)
- If viral vaccine
 - CVB confirmatory testing of MCS
- Reasonable expectation of efficacy study
 - Serology
 - Small host animal vaccination/challenge
- Safety studies
 - Field Safety
 - Inactivation kinetics
 - establishment of slaughter withholding period for adjuvant
- Labels



Conditional Licensed Products

Risks:

- Unknown efficacy
- Potency not correlated to efficacy





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