

ABBREVIATED SUMMARY OF THE 2008 PROGRAM EVALUATIONS

Practical Strategies for Developing Preclinical and Phase 1 Oral Drug Formulations

Evaluation of the Entire Program

The following five evaluation questions were used to provide input regarding the program contents, relevance, utility and importance to their practice and program format. These were based on a five-point Likert Scale with five a very positive response and one a negative reaction.

The content seemed current. (mean response = 4.26)

85.2% Agreed or strongly agreed with statement

The program material was relevant to my work. (mean response = 4.19)

80.8% Agreed or strongly agreed with statement

Overall, this program provided a valuable learning experience. (mean response = 4.37)

96.3% Agreed or strongly agreed with statement

My personal objectives in attending this program were fulfilled. (mean response = 3.93)

74.1% Agreed or strongly agreed with statement

I would recommend this course to a colleague. (mean response = 4.26)

85.2% Agreed or strongly agreed with statement

Evaluation of the Short Course Itself

An additional four evaluation questions focused on the short course organization, handout materials, nature of the presentations and faculty. These were based on a five-point Likert Scale with five as excellent and one representing a poor evaluation.

Total course (mean response = 4.11)

81.5% responded with excellent or very good

The instructors (mean response = 3.98)

80.0% responded with excellent or very good

The handout materials (mean response = 4.33)

85.2% responded with excellent or very good

The physical facilities (mean response = 4.33)

85.2% responded with excellent or very good

Miscellaneous Comments from Short Course Participants

“Provided a great overall on the capsule and tablet formulation process.”

<What did you like most about this course?> “Instructors, problem sets, well organized.”

<What did you like most about this course?> “The problem solving was very good because it gave a chance to talk to other people from different companies and to practice the material we learned.”

“Accommodations, format - all excellent.”

“Good case studies and discussions, interactions with other attendees. Very nice with the evening arrangements. Covers many relevant subjects.”

<What did you like most about this course?> “The problem sets were great- trying to apply the material was tough, but discussing with others was good. The questions seemed relevant to real-life situations. Its interesting to hear the different perspectives of other companies and different interests of others in class. Covered a lot of material at a high level and very relevant to my work.”

“Thank you for a wonderful course. Really enjoyed it and felt like I got my money's worth out of it. In particular, the problem sets were great. Would be good to include more as homework or for future learning with answers available on some web page.”

“Discussions about problem sets were a little tough for me, but problem sets are very helpful to understand the presentations.”

<What did you like most about this course?> “Relevance to my career. Good references in most sections. Sausen’s talk. Empirical examples.”

“The course was very interesting and important for my personal growth.”