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## **Current Focus**

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## Objectives

Focus on making high-quality medicines available and affordable; improving the efficiency and effectiveness of product development, manufacturing, quality assurance, and regulatory approval decision processes.

- Advisory and consulting services for the life science sector
- Complete solutions in collaboration with world-class collaborators
- Promoting research to inform public policies, rebuilding the Nations' educational infrastructure, creating opportunities for life-long learning.

## Education

University of Cincinnati 1986 Ph.D. Interdisciplinary (Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics) University of Bombay (now Mumbai) 1981 Bachelor of Pharmacy

## Experience

The National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology & Education (a not-for-profit academic organization which is primarily funded by Research Grants from US FDA) *President – elected for a 3-year term, February 2016; Executive Director, October 2014 - January 2016* 

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NIPTE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit academic organization dedicated to excellence in fundamental research and education in pharmaceutical science and manufacturing. Its mission is to improve human health through multi-university collaborative research by advancing quality, safety, affordability and speed to market of medicines. NIPTE is comprised of 16 top US schools of pharmacy, chemical and pharmaceutical engineering, and one medical school. Current members are Duquesne University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Long Island University, Purdue University, Rutgers University, University of Connecticut, University of Iowa, University of Kansas, University of Kentucky, University of Maryland Baltimore, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of Puerto Rico, University of Rochester Medical Center, University of Texas, and University of Wisconsin.

# Ajaz S. Hussain | Insight, Advice, and Solutions, LLC *Founder & President July 2013* –

A unique management consulting firm helping life science companies ensure rigor and sufficiency of scientific and regulatory evidence and to strengthen their strategies and systems for product development and regulatory submission. Mitigating risks of failure in development programs and regulatory non-compliance.

#### Wockhardt Ltd | Biopharmaceuticals and Pharmaceuticals President Biotechnology & Chief Scientific Officer July 2012 – June 2013

Business strategy and development of Biosimilars product portfolio & scientific rigor and sufficiency of other development programs (New Chemical Entities and Complex Generics)

## Philip Morris International | Tobacco

#### Chief Scientific Officer January 2013 – July 2013

#### Vice President Next Generation Product Assessment 2009 – 2012

Strategies and systems to successfully move forward development programs on plant-based vaccines, products for tobacco harm reduction, and ensure the credibility of scientific evidence to seek regulatory discussions and submissions.

#### Sandoz AG | Biopharmaceuticals and Pharmaceuticals Vice President & Global Head of Biopharmaceutical Development 2005 – 2008

Development and/or regulatory submission of Biosimilars (in EU: Omnitrope®, Binocrit®, & Zarzio®), Follow-on Protein (in the US: Omnitrope®) and Complex Generic products (in the USA: Enoxaparin injection and Glatiramer acetate injection). These results were achieved during a critical phase for the company when it had to navigate through uncharted organizational, legal and regulatory terrains successfully.

The US Food & Drug Administration | Regulatory Agency Deputy Director Office of Pharmaceutical Science, CDER 2000 – 2005 Several positions of increasing responsibilities at, CDER 1995 – 2000

Oversight responsibility for review assessment (Generic Drugs, Biotechnology Products, and New Drug Chemistry), research & testing and policy development. The leadership of the FDA's Process Analytical Technology (PAT) Initiative and CGMP's for the 21st Century. FDA-lead for Quality for ICH negotiations and the establishment of ICH initiative on Pharmaceutical Quality for the 21st Century (ICH Q8, Q9, and Q10). Solving difficult challenges and issues in CMC and CGMP areas, often linked to product recalls and Warning Letters or Consent Decrees.

University of Cincinnati – College of Pharmacy | Academia Associate Professor (tenured) 1992 – 1994

Assistant Research Professor 1989 – 1991

Established a successful research program in the area of "Computer Aided Formulation Design" and the applications of artificial neural networks in modeling pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamic data. Teaching professional and graduate students - pharmacokinetics, biopharmaceutics, advanced biopharmaceutics, and formulation design.

Ohio Northern University – College of Pharmacy | Academia Assistant Professor 1986 – 1989

Teaching professional pharmacy students pharmaceutics, physical pharmacy, pharmacokinetics and clinical pharmacokinetics.

## Significant Awards

- At FDA
  - FDA Scientific Achievement Award (2005): For unique collaborative effort among the FDA's PAT Team for developing a regulatory framework that supports innovative pharmaceutical development, manufacturing, and quality assurance.
  - Commissioner's Special Citation (2005): For successfully completing FDA's initiative on product quality regulation, leading to the implementation of new scientific and risk-based approached to pharmaceutical manufacturing and product quality.
  - CDER Award Excellence in Communication (2000, 2001, and 2002)
  - FDA Scientific Achievement Award (2000): For development and implementation of a Biopharmaceutics Classification System to establish a mechanistic basis for correlating in vitro drug product dissolution and in vivo bioavailability.
  - CDER Award Team Excellence (twice in 1998) Biopharmaceutics Coordinating Committee and Biopharmaceutics Classification System Team

- CDER Award Excellence in Mentoring (1999) Office of Clinical Pharmacology and Biopharmaceutics
- CDER Award Leadership Excellence (1998) for exemplary leadership and guidance of important Center Initiatives and collaboration in support of science-based policy development.
- FDA Commendable Service Award (1998): For the implementation of a collaborative process, the Product Quality Research Institute, between FDA, industry, and academia to conduct product quality research to generate scientific information in support of the regulatory policy.
- Professional Associations
  - o Indian Pharmaceutical Association's 2015 Dr. Venkateswarlu Memorial Lecture
  - The Medicine Makers (UK) 2015 Power List: 100 Most Influential Medicine Makers in 2015
  - Panjab University Pharmaceutical Science Oration 2014
  - o Industrial Pharmacy Medal; International Pharmaceutical Federation
  - o Fellow, American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists
  - Fellow Swiss Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences
  - o Fellow American Association of Indian Pharmaceutical Scientists
  - o AAPS Scientific Achievement Award (Regulatory Sciences)
  - Team of the Year (FDA's PAT Team) Award by Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Magazine
- Academia
  - o Robert D'Solvo Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Cincinnati
  - Visiting professorships at University of Purdue, Michigan, and Basel
  - ONU College of Pharmacy Most Professional Professor of the Year Award

#### List of Publications

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#### Testimony to the US Senate

See <a href="http://www.help.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Hussain1.pdf">http://www.help.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/Hussain1.pdf</a>

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