

Use of *ASAPprime*[®] in Regulatory Filings

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- API, reference standards
- ASAP and QbD
- ASAP in NDA (sNDA) submissions
- ASAP in ANDA submissions
- Post-approval change

Overview

- **ASAP***prime*[®] has been successfully used as part of regulatory documents
- ASAP replaces/supplements standard methods for meeting regulatory obligations
- **FreeThink can help**
 - **Key references**
 - **“Talking points”**
 - **Responses to queries**
 - **Meetings with regulatory authorities**

Agency Awareness

- Presentations made to many country agencies
- Specific countries we are aware that presentations have been made:
 - US
 - Canada
 - UK
 - Brazil
 - China
 - Czech Republic

Pre-Clinical

- ASAP estimation of degradant level at end of shelf-life used to guide what specification limit to request with authorities
 - Allows regulatory groups to determine what to request
 - Supports requested levels

API and Reference Standards

- **ASAP-only used to set 1-year retest period**
 - No reported regulatory issues in US
 - Expect acceptance world-wide
 - Note that patient safety is not at risk since the drug product will get tested—stability testing is part of product control and understanding

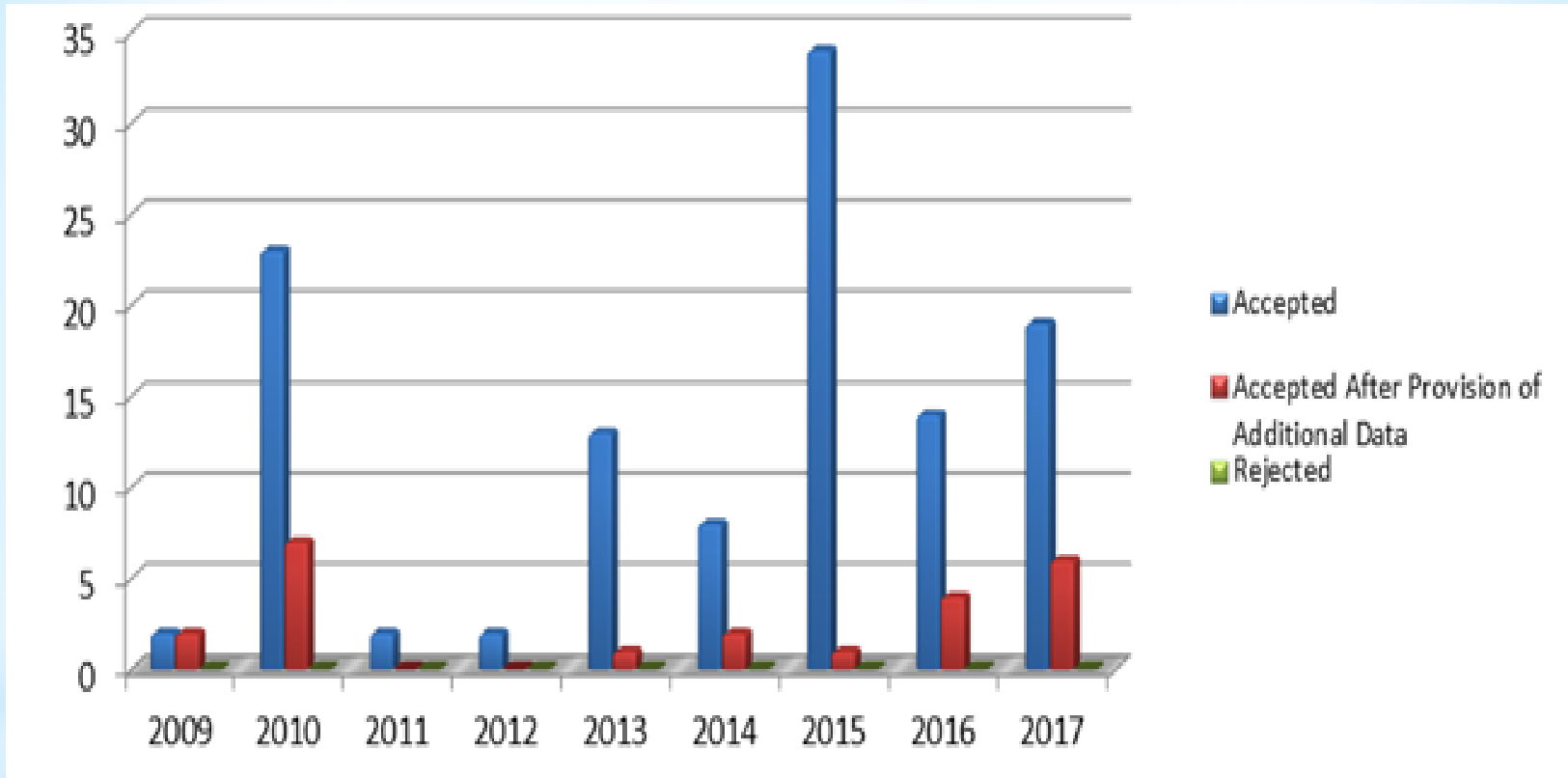
Early Clinical Trials—IND's, Generics

- **ASAP only** using prototype formulations to justify 12-month use-period
- Date clinical supplies for 12-months (if >95% probability of passing under storage conditions)
- Place clinical material on standard ICH stability protocol
 - Only analyze if queried

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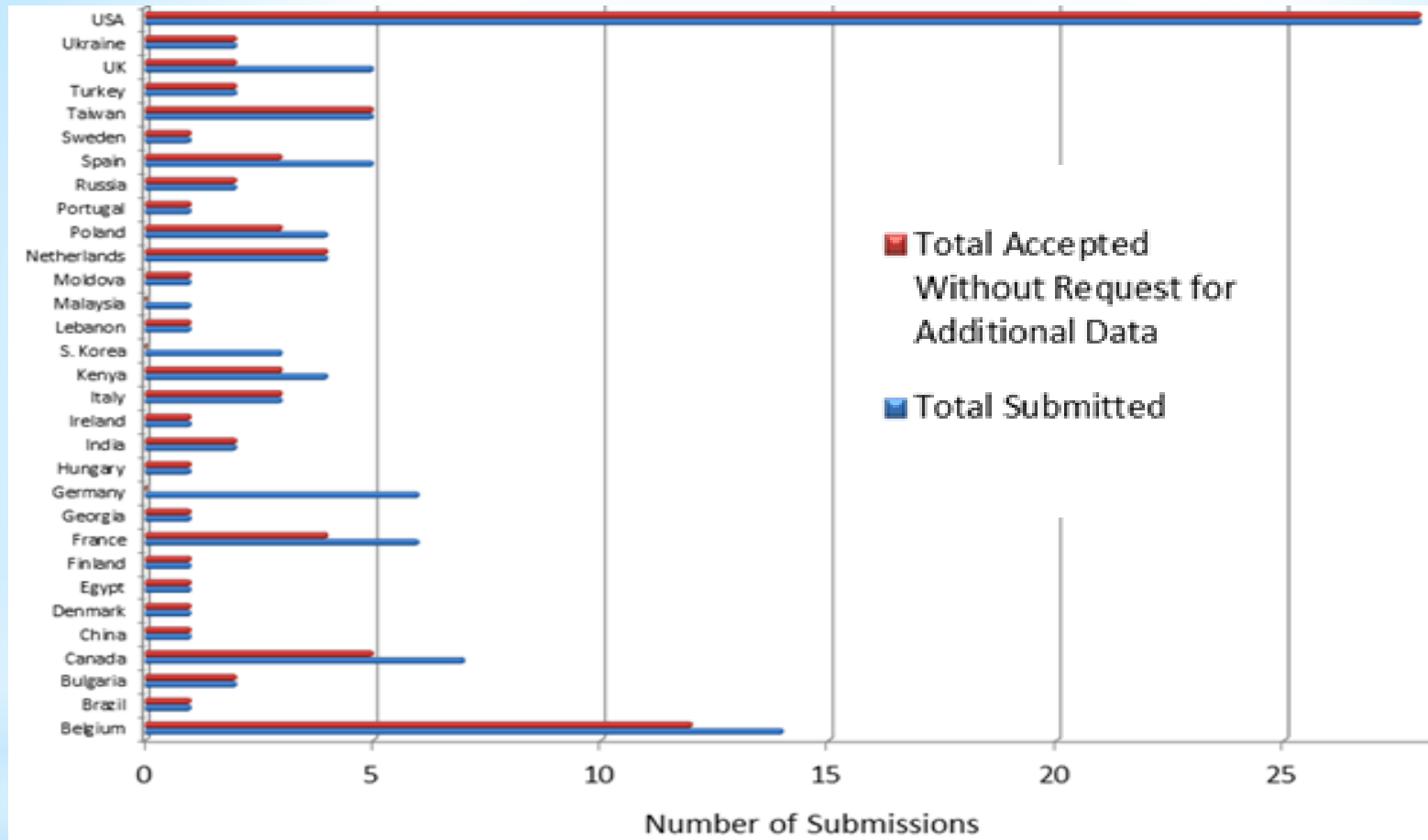
- >10 Companies have employed this strategy
 - Pfizer, AZ and Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) have discussed this publically
- Regulatory authorities in each case have the following options:
 - Make no comment—no further data required
 - Query the approach—need an explanation, more data
 - Reject and request traditional

ASAP Regulatory Experience (Clinical)



*From F. Qiu presentation "Science of Stability Conference"
Boston 2018*

ASAP Regulatory Experience (Clinical) by Country



ASAP under Quality Systems

- **FreeThink SOP's/practice**
 - Set-up of ASAP study including
 - Chambers
 - Salt solutions
 - Use of monitors
 - Sample handling pre and post stressing until testing
 - Calibration of monitors
 - Chambers
 - Analytical methods
 - Data handling
 - Empower III output as input to *ASAPprime*®
 - Algorithmic point/condition removal

ASAP under Quality Systems

- **GMP and use of ASAP**
 - Most companies do not conduct ASAP studies under GMP for IND's
 - Many companies use some part GMP for NDAs/post approval applications
 - Most only have GMP for analytical
 - Some outsource to FreeThink for regulatory filings
- *ASAPprime*[®] Validation
 - *ASAPprime*[®] fully validated and CFR11 compliant
 - Validation documentation available on request (no charge)
 - Starting 2019, IQ/OQ service will be available

ASAP and QbD

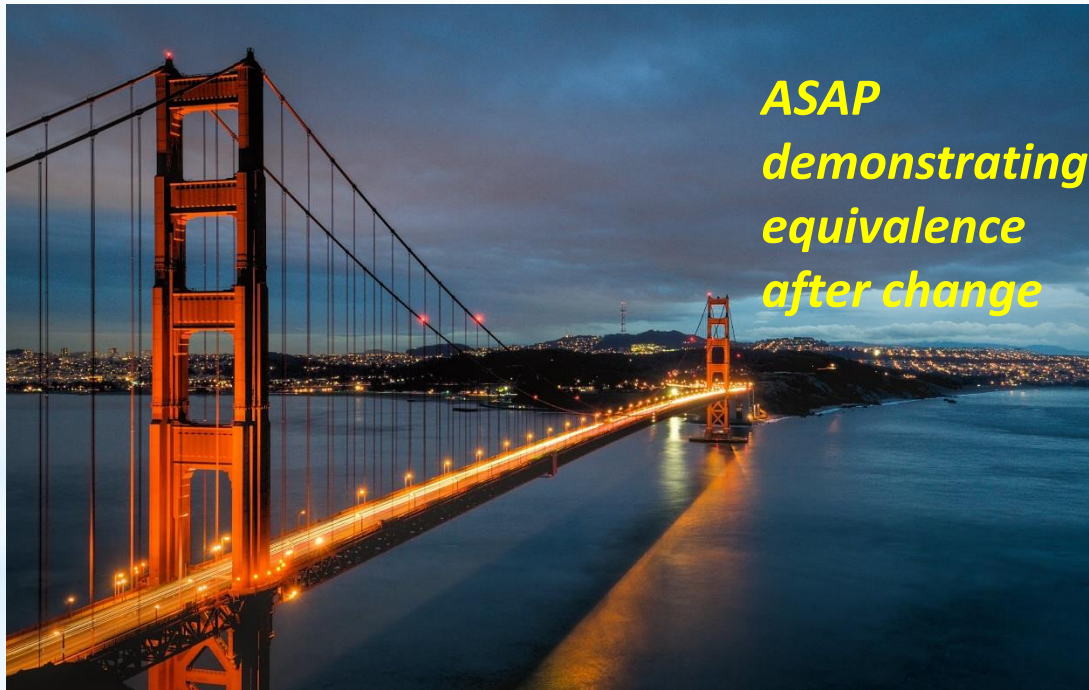
- Quality by Design (QbD) for stability requires understanding factors that influence stability
 - T, RH impact
 - Packaging impact
 - Lot-to-lot consistency
 - API lots
 - Excipient variability
 - Process variability

ASAP and QbD

- Can use ASAP to examine range of factors
- May not be able to scope all variables
- Quality by Testing (QbT) using ASAP may de-risk future changes
 - Run ASAP on product after changes to test impact
 - Establish change as minor change and therefore not needing full stability program

ASAP in NDA Submissions

- **ASAP** used in registration packages world-wide
- **No ASAP-only NDAs**
- ASAP used to bridge clinical to commercial changes



*ASAP
demonstrating
validity of
model against
ICH data for
clinical*

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ASAP in NDA Submissions

- **ASAP plus 3 month ICH data successfully used to justify 3-year shelf-life at launch (EU)!**
 - **Note: commitment to ongoing monitoring of commercial material**
- **ASAP used to justify specification limit change successful in EU**

ASAP in ANDA Submissions

- Show generic product in its packaging is at least as stable as originator in its packaging
 - Easier to show statistical equivalence with ASAP
 - Especially helpful when specification limits not known

Post-Approval

- Companies have **successfully** used ASAP-only submissions for reduced-protection packaging without other (new) data
 - US only (so far)
- Justification for acceptance after shipping excursions

Summary

- ASAP can play a significant role in meeting regulatory obligations
- ASAP provides understanding which improves filings
- In some cases, ASAP can replace ICH stability studies
- When ICH stability studies needed, they can be minimized (confirmation only)