Integrated Pharmaceutical Services

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Southwest Research Institute® (SwRI®) is a nonprofit contract research and development organization offering comprehensive services spanning drug design and discovery through Current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMP) drug substance and drug product supply for clinical trials. Integrated program management, consulting, technical writing, and preparation of regulatory applications services are also available.

**Drug Discovery**
Biostructure-based drug design with proprietary Rhodium™ docking platform
- QSAR services — pharmacophore modeling, PCA, homology models
- Screening library synthesis
- In vitro assay development
- Hit to lead optimization
- Physicochemical properties determination and salt screening
- Scale-up for in vivo studies

**Biochemistry**
- Tissue culture, microbiology, molecular biology, antibodies
- Protein expression, purification, characterization
- Protein engineering (activity, stability, stereoselectivity)
- Enzyme kinetics, calorimetry, UV/Vis/fluorescent spectroscopy
- Cell based assays, ELISA
- Viral expression and characterization

**Drug Substance (API)**
- Technology transfer and evaluation of existing process
- De novo process development
- Isolation and characterization of process impurities
- Process optimization and parametric studies (design space)
- High potency drugs
- Controlled substances — schedule II-V
- Specialized needs (chromatography, flow chemistry, others)
- Physicochemical properties and salt screening
- Analytical methods development and qualification or validation
- ICH stability studies
- Forced degradation
- Reference standard qualification
- Specifications development
Drug Product (Formulation)

- Pre-formulation/formulation development for small and large molecules, controlled substances, potent compounds, toxins
- Oral, parenteral dosage forms
- Scale-up and technology transfer
- Microencapsulation — extrusion, fluidized bed, spray drying, liposomes, micelles
- Milling (hammer mill, ball mill, jet mill, bead mill)
- Granulation (fluidized bed coater, spray dryer, pan coater, extrusion)
- Emulsion/suspension (homogenizer, polymerization, pickering emulsion)
- Specialized dosage forms (implantable delivery systems, sustained release, particle size reduction, protein conjugates and targeted delivery systems)
- Particle engineering — granulation, emulsions, suspensions, electrospinning, core shell particles, polymerization, morphology design
- Engineering and consulting – custom equipment design and demonstration
- Analytical methods development and validation/qualification

cGMP Manufacturing (Drug Substance and Drug Product)

- Gram to kilogram scale manufacturing (drug substance, drug product)
- Technology transfer
- FDA inspected facility
- ISO 9001:2008 quality system
- cGMP chromatography services
- High potency and controlled substances
- Specialized processes
- Release testing for drug substance and drug product

Rhodium™ — New Dimension in Protein Docking

- Unbiased comprehensive in silico docking on protein structures
- Extremely high throughput
- Demonstrated efficacy in multiple druggable targets
- Superior selectivity for selection of true ligands
- Superior accuracy in predicting binding poses
- Ideal for allosteric sites and protein-protein interactions
- Available as a service — no contracts or licenses required
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