

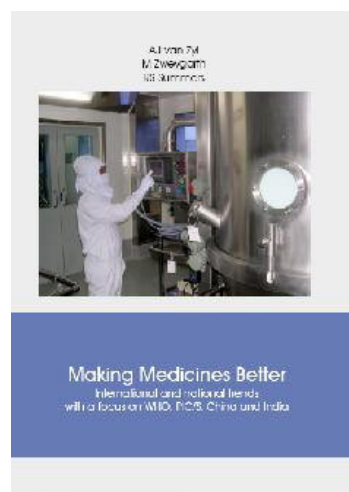
Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP): Making Medicines Better

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The pharmaceutical market is becoming increasingly globalised, with India and China emerging as two major suppliers of pharmaceutical ingredients and finished products. It is therefore important to understand the differences of legal requirements for Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) in force in these countries, compared with international recommendations such as those by WHO and PIC/S.

This book provides ready access to information about developments in the international medicines market, differences in GMP guidelines of India and China and PIC/S compared to WHO GMP, and the status of some pharmaceutical manufacturers in India in regard to WHO GMP.

A comparative line-by-line listing of the GMP texts of WHO, PIC/S, India and China is included as an Appendix. It gives readers a comprehensive view of the four sets of guidelines and the specific contents and merits of each, with a keyword index for easy reference.



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