



New appointment - Business Developer



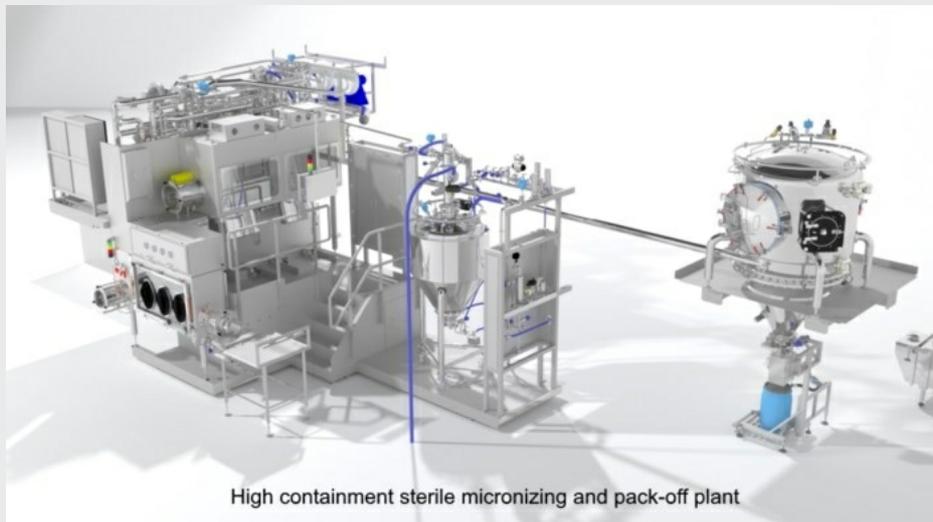
We are delighted to announce the appointment of **Mario R. Bielsa** to the newly established role of Business Developer for Latin American Countries. This position within the group will help us in our drive to promote and progress our brand. Mr Bielsa's experience includes more than 30 years of market research around the world. He has been occupying sales manager and board member positions in multinational companies. Over the last 22 years, he has dedicated his efforts to the pharmaceutical sector in selling equipment and solutions and to the development of pharmaceutical laboratories as a coordinator and advisor between the pharmaceutical construction companies, laboratories and universities. Delegate: CISDEM - Cátedra Iberoamericana - Suiza de Desarrollo de Medicamentos. Contact e-mail: M.Bielsa@dec-group.ch

High containment powder transfer technologies at FCE Pharma Brazil

Dec Group (Dec) is returning to Brazil's increasingly influential FCE Pharma trade show in São Paulo with a full range of powder transfer and processing solutions with a focus on high containment. Dec will exhibit from Booth H113 at the São Paulo Expo Center, where displays will showcase its expanding range of technologies and capabilities in designing and delivering fully integrated high containment manufacturing solutions.

Jet-milling leadership

Specific applications highlighted will include micronizing solutions, based on Dec's industry-leading MC DecJet® jet-milling technology, with the new MC DecJet® 30 spiral jet mill. The Dec stand will also display PTS Powder Transfer System® in action with live demonstrations of powder conveying, often applied for safe reactor charging under the exclusion of oxygen and safely ensure clean and safe powder transfer between processes. Dec's Director of Micronization and High Containment Isolation Solutions, Andrew Lemaire, will conduct 'guided tours' of the Dec display over the three days of the show.



High containment sterile micronizing and pack-off plant

Focus on DPI

Mr. Lemaire said focus on handling highly potent active pharmaceutical ingredients (HPAPIs) is particularly significant for the rapidly expanding Latin American pharma manufacturing sector and its emphasis on dry-powder inhalation (DPI) devices that deliver medication direct to the lungs in treatment of respiratory diseases such as asthma and COPD. "The powdered substances used for this purpose need to have a strict Particle Size Distribution (PSD) in the range of 1-5 microns to ensure that the drug constituent part is deposited deep into the lungs and the peripheral airways and that poses particular challenges in powder handling dosing and processing," said Andrew Lemaire.

Sterile solutions

"Dec Group has recently completed several projects in this field and can now offer our customers a comprehensive contained/sterile solution for the handling and processing of potent powders used for DPIs," said Mr. Lemaire. "At FCE Pharma we will show a complete range of solutions that start from incoming materials handling, to fully contained micronization, blending and inhaler filling, using our newly-developed and patented generation of jet mills, the MC DecJet® series," he explained.

About Dec

Dec (Dietrich Engineering Consultants) Group is a leading global provider of contained powder handling systems and is recognized as a world-leading expert in process containment technologies. It has been supplying the pharmaceutical, chemical, food and cosmetic industries for more than 30 years. Headquartered near Lausanne, Switzerland, Dec Group has a global presence with subsidiaries and agents in more than 30 countries including subsidiaries in the UK, Ireland, Germany, Poland, India, China and the USA. In excess of 200 companies worldwide have successfully integrated more than 5000 Dec systems into their production sites. These include a wide range of patented products that enhance safety, hygiene, containment, reliability and productivity in powder handling. Dec offers innovative approaches across the range of powder handling and process containment applications, including transfer, micronizing, filling/emptying, sampling, blending, dosing, aseptic solutions, milling, isolators and advanced cleaning (CIP/SIP) features.

About FCE Pharma 2019

The FCE Pharma Expo is an annual event that has become a principal marketing, communications and sales platform for the South and Central American pharmaceutical industry. FCE Pharma is unique in Latin America in bringing the biggest products and services suppliers from across the pharmaceutical industry production chain together under one roof and is a major driver of the pharma-based economy in the region. Featuring four conference tracks, and a co-located trade exhibition, the 24th FCE Pharma Expo (FCE Brasil 2019) will again be a three-day event opening on May 21 at the São Paulo Expo center in , Brazil. The 2018 event attracted some 20,000 visitors and 500 exhibitors, representing a host of pharmaceutical industry professionals connected with manufacture, supply and distribution of products and services including packaging, labeling, machines and equipment, quality and contamination control, transport and logistics, outsourcing and consultancy, laboratory and analytical equipment, process equipment, valves, sprays, industrial automation, technology and printing services. The event is organized by Nürnberg Messe Brazil with more information at <http://www.fcepharma.com.br/en/>



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