

## Strategic Considerations in Co-Processing Scale-up

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# Background

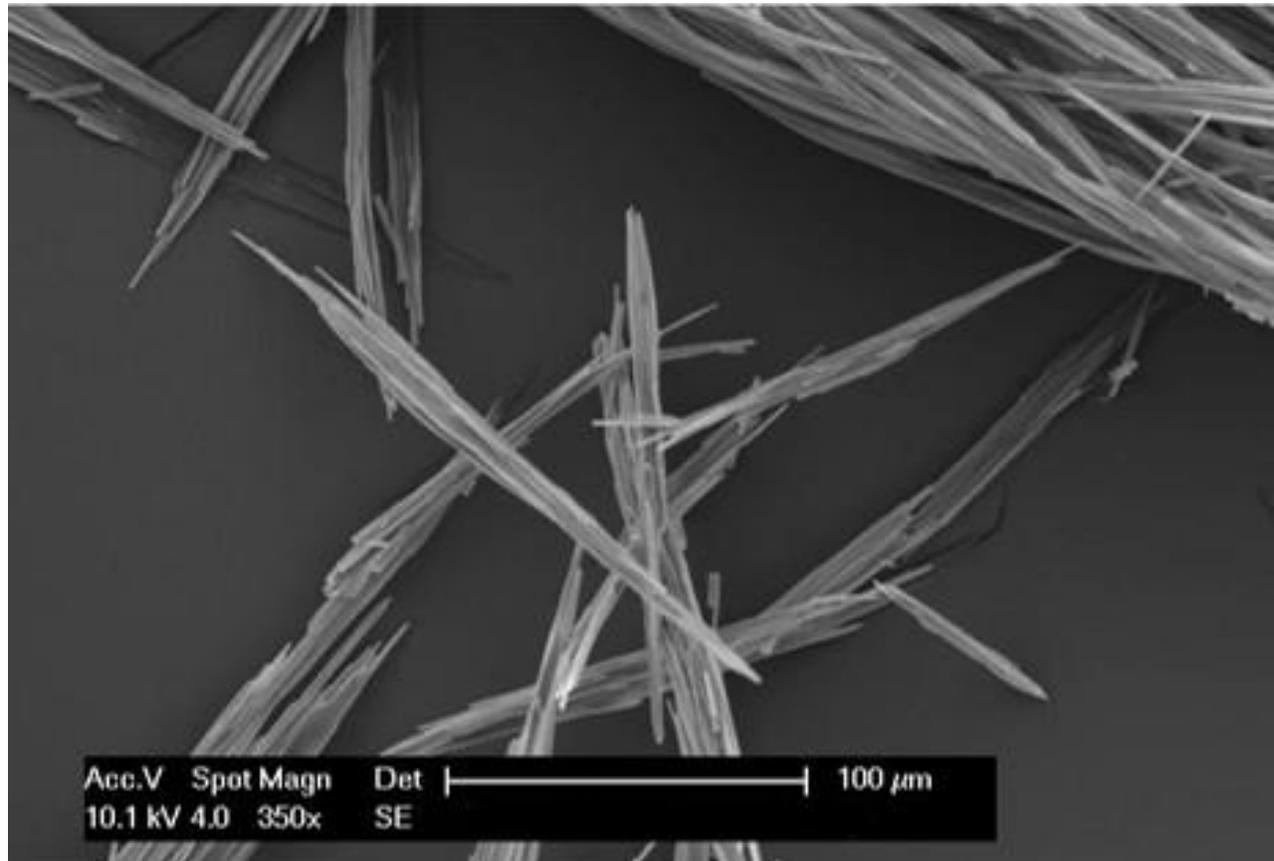
## My Co – processing journey started at BMS

Particle engineering using excipient(s)

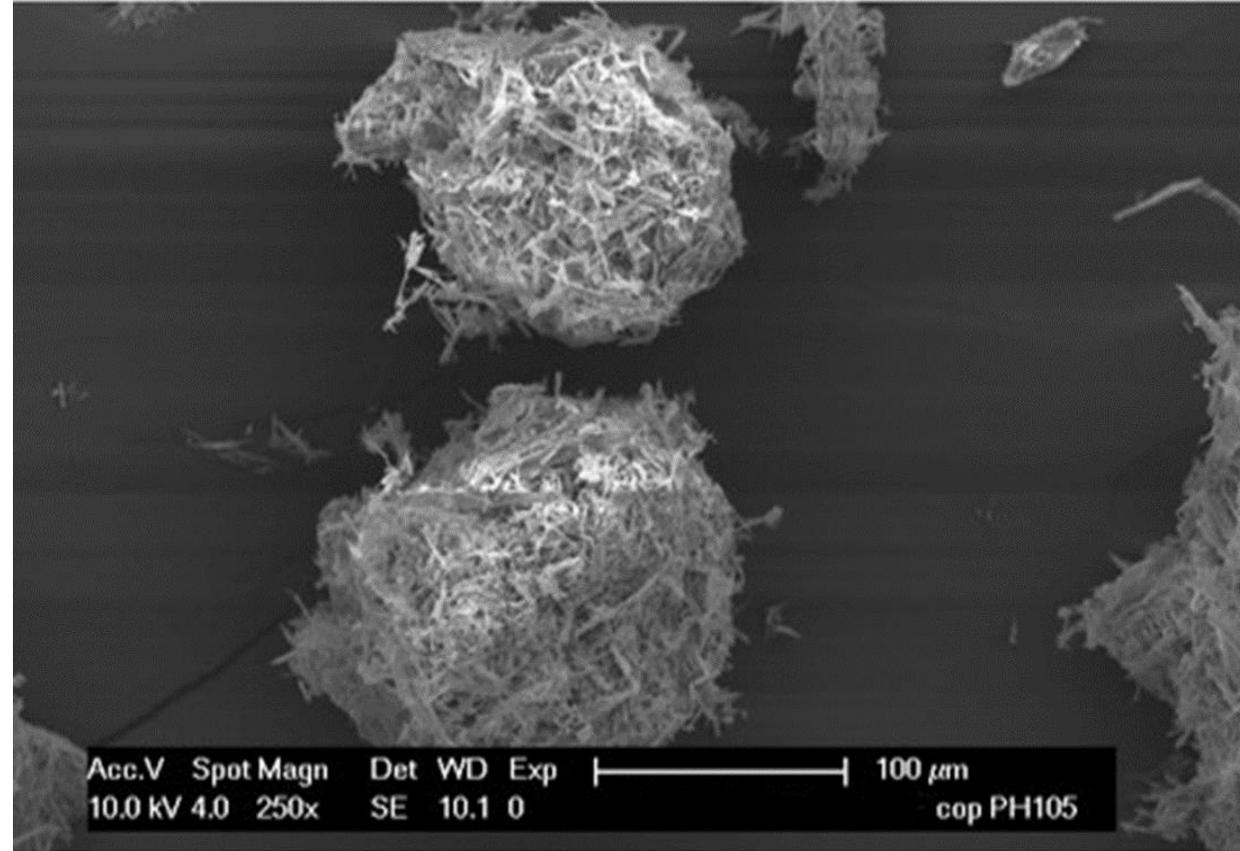
- Before
- During, or
- After Crystallization

# 20 years ago

API as a solvate



Co-processed API with MCC, SiO<sub>2</sub>



# Manufacturing considerations

## Coprocessing approach considerations

Process	Description	Process equipment	Analytical
<b>API precipitation</b>	by anti-solvent addition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crystallizers</li> <li>• Filter dryers</li> <li>• Microfluidizers</li> <li>• Wet mill</li> <li>• Jet mill</li> <li>• Cone/Co-mill</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flowability – Flodex, FT4 Rheometer, Erweka GT</li> <li>• PSD – Mastersizer</li> <li>• Morphology – SEM</li> <li>• BD – Copley density tester</li> <li>• HPLC – API quantification</li> <li>• Powder segregation – Jenike fluidization segregation tester, Raman Microscope</li> <li>• PAT – Raman (solvent), FBRM (size), Blaze (image)</li> </ul>
	with polymers – agglomeration due to polymer swelling		
	API precipitation in polymer matrix – Filtration - Drying		
	High pressure homogenization of D/E emulsion in aqueous media		
<b>Heterogenous nucleation</b>	Crystallization on excipient surface		
<b>Inert carriers</b>	API adsorption in mesoporous carriers		
<b>Dry powder coating (non-solvent)</b>	API coated with submicron excipients by high energy devices		

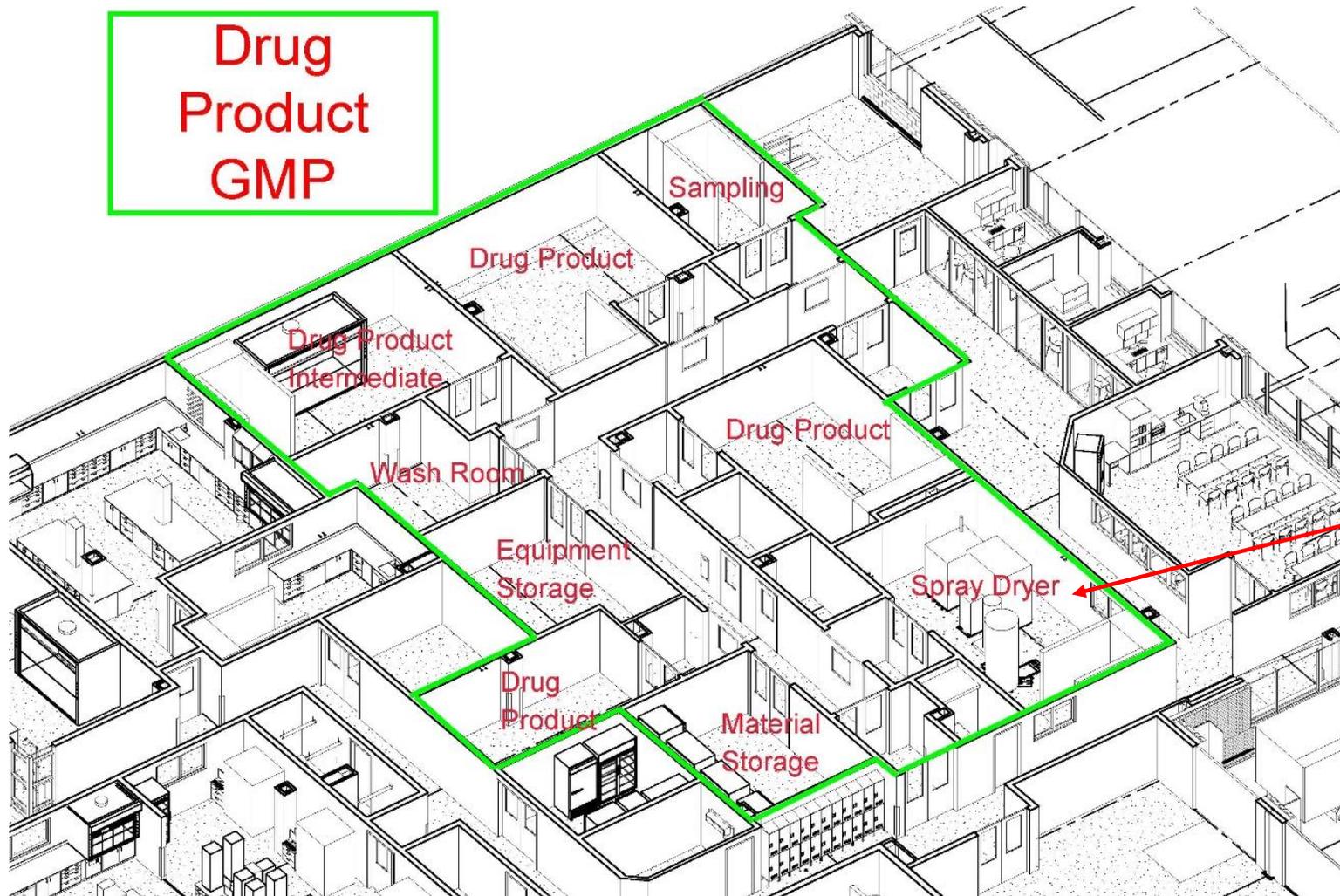
# Manufacturing considerations

## Facility considerations

	DS Mfg. site	DP Mfg. site
<b>Solvent based co-processing mostly done</b>	✓ Need DP license?	A few
Solvent handling capabilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety measures</li> <li>• Controls</li> <li>• Process Equipment</li> <li>• Testing equipment</li> </ul>	✓	Can use engineering controls. Continuous Processing (CP) can be good solution
Economical	✓	Can be with CP
CDMOs capable of coprocessing	↑	Very Limited
<b>Non solvent based co processing</b>		
Dry coating, adsorption	✓	✓

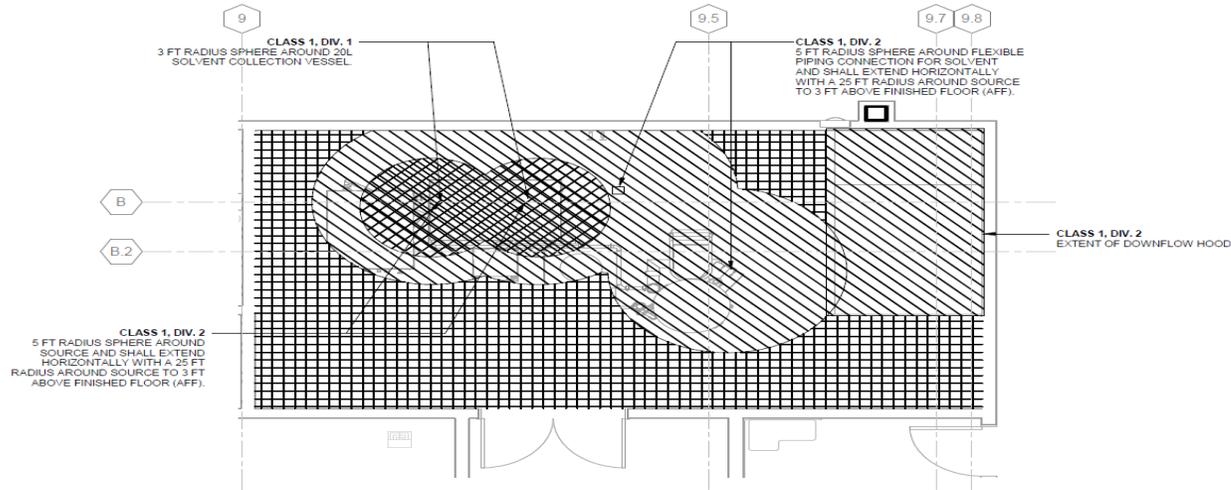
## **Solvent safety in a non-explosion proof area**

# 2 Clarke Dr DP GMP/GLP Labs

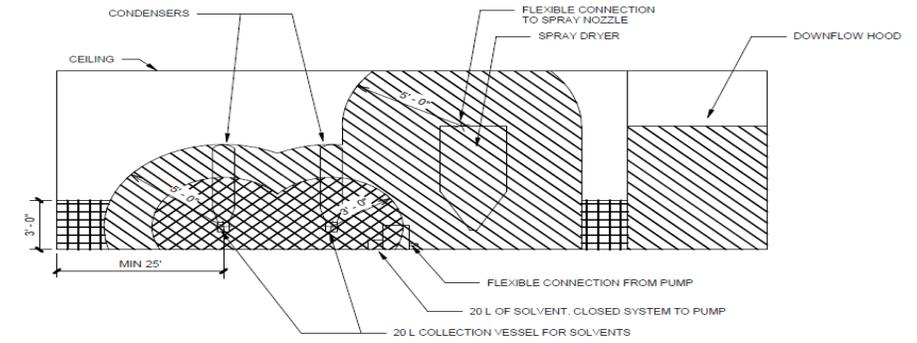


**GEA Niro Spray Dryer  
MOBILE MINOR- CC**

# Electrical Hazardous Location Classification Plan – E501

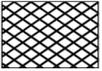
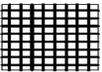


1 ENLARGED SPRAY DRYER LAB - CLASSIFICATION  
SCALE :1/4" = 1'-0"



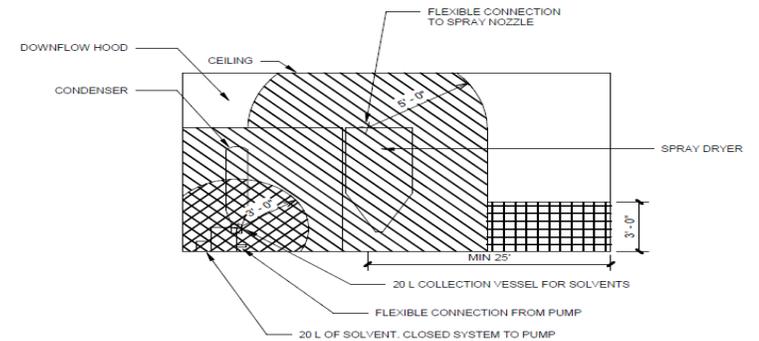
2 SPRAY DRYER LAB ELEVATION - NORTH VIEW - CLASSIFICATION  
SCALE N.T.S

## CLASSIFICATION LEGEND:

	CLASS 1, DIVISION 1, GROUP B - 3' RADIUS SPHERE AROUND COLLECTION VESSEL
	CLASS 1, DIVISION 2, GROUP B - 5' RADIUS SPHERE AROUND FLEXIBLE CONNECTIONS, COLLECTION VESSEL; FLOOR TO CEILING INSIDE DOWNFLOW HOOD
	CLASS 1, DIVISION 2, GROUP B UP TO 36" A.F.F.

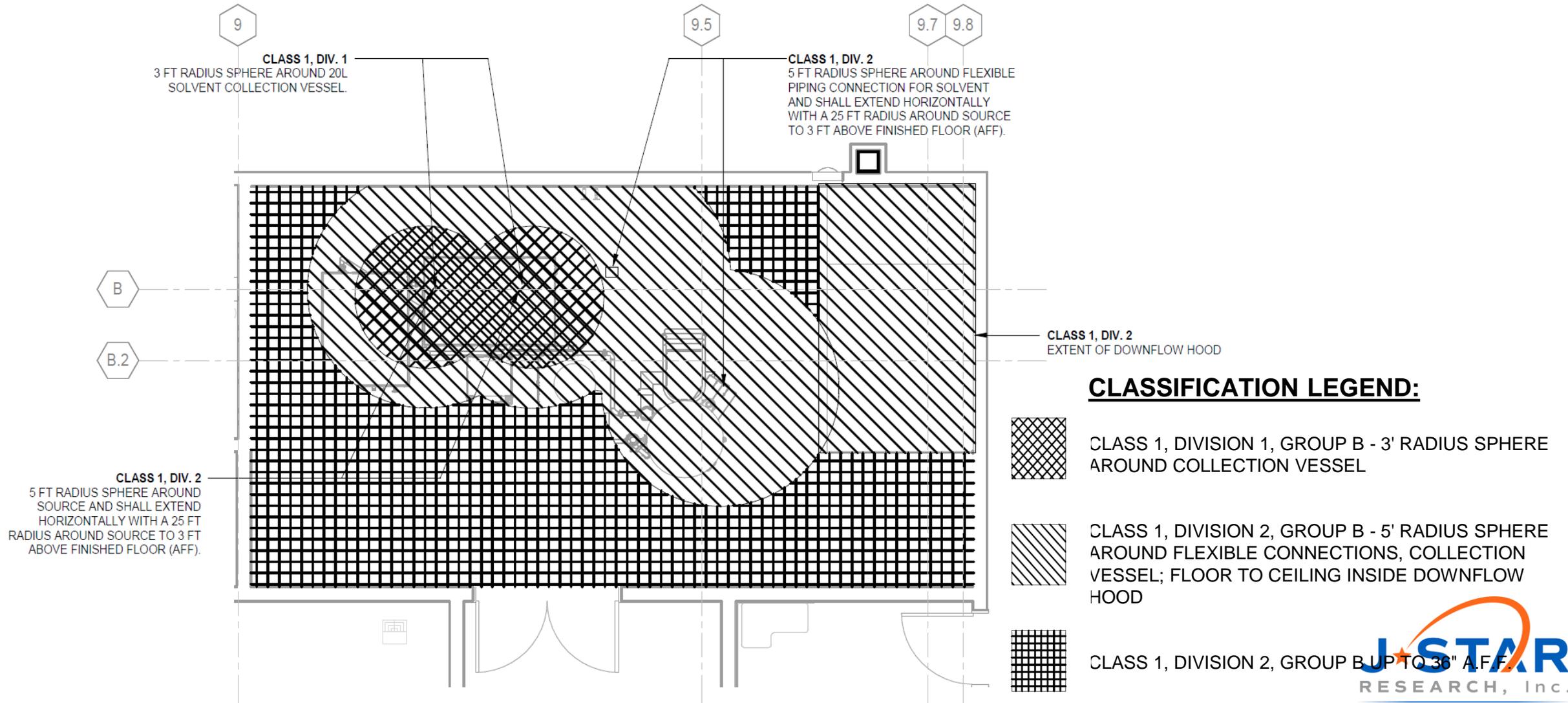
## GENERAL NOTES:

- REFER TO SHEETS E-101, E-201, E-301, AND E503 FOR POWER, LIGHTING, AND TELE/DATA DEVICES.
- ALL CONNECTIONS AND PENETRATIONS INTO THE SPRAY DRYER ROOM SHALL CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF NEC ARTICLE 500 APPLICABLE SECTIONS



3 SPRAY DRYER LAB ELEVATION - EAST VIEW - CLASSIFICATION  
SCALE N.T.S

# Spray Dryer Lab – Plan View – Classification



# Hazardous Areas Classification - NA

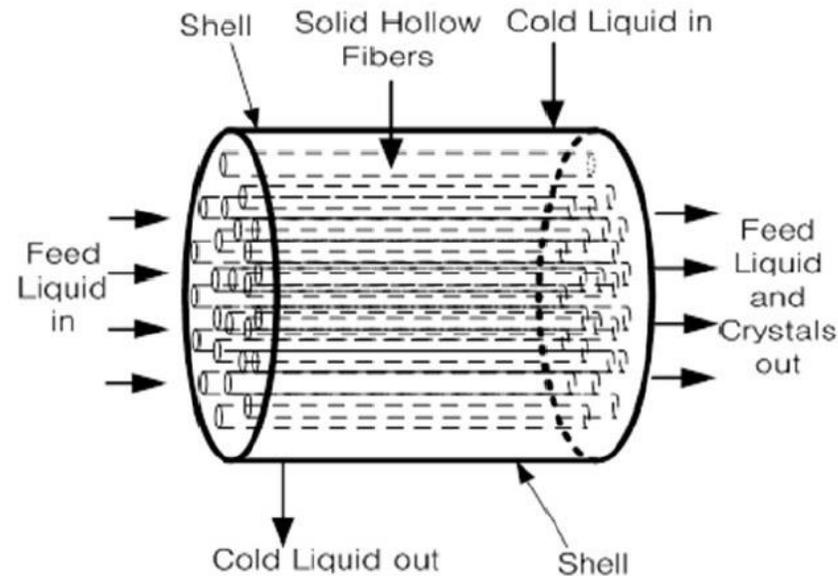
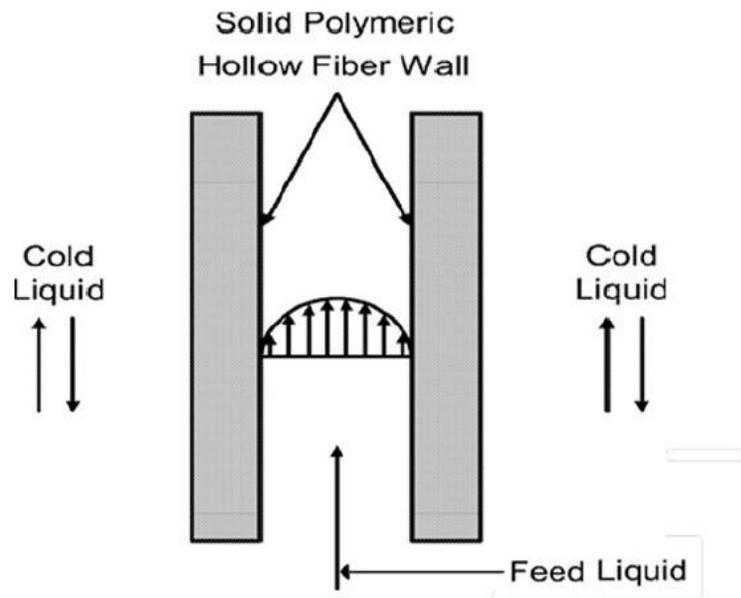
<b>Class</b>	<b>Nature of Hazardous Material</b>
<b>Class I</b>	Hazardous because flammable gases or vapors are present (or may be present) in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures.
<b>Class II</b>	Hazardous because combustible or conductive dusts are present (or may be present) in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures.
<b>Class III</b>	Hazardous because ignitable fibers or flyings are present (or may be present) in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures.

# Usage & Storage Limits - Flammables

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE QUANTITY PER CONTROL AREA OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS POSING A PHYSICAL HAZARD<sup>a, j, m, n, p</sup>

MATERIAL	CLASS	GROUP WHEN THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE QUANTITY IS EXCEEDED	STORAGE <sup>b</sup>			USE-CLOSED SYSTEMS <sup>b</sup>			USE-OPEN SYSTEMS <sup>b</sup>	
			Solid pounds (cubic feet)	Liquid gallons (pounds)	Gas cubic feet at NTP	Solid pounds (cubic feet)	Liquid gallons (pounds)	Gas cubic feet at NTP	Solid pounds (cubic feet)	Liquid gallons (pounds)
Flammable gas	Gaseous Liquefied	H-2	NA	NA (150) <sup>d,e</sup>	1,000 <sup>d,e</sup> NA	NA	NA (150) <sup>d,e</sup>	1,000 <sup>d,e</sup> NA	NA	NA
Flammable liquid <sup>c</sup>	IA IB and IC	H-2 or H-3	NA	30 <sup>d, e</sup> 120 <sup>d, e</sup>	NA	NA	30 <sup>d</sup> 120 <sup>d</sup>	NA	NA	10 <sup>d</sup> 30 <sup>d</sup>
Flammable liquid, combination (IA, IB, IC)	NA	H-2 or H-3	NA	120 <sup>d, e, h</sup>	NA	NA	120 <sup>d, h</sup>	NA	NA	30 <sup>d, h</sup>

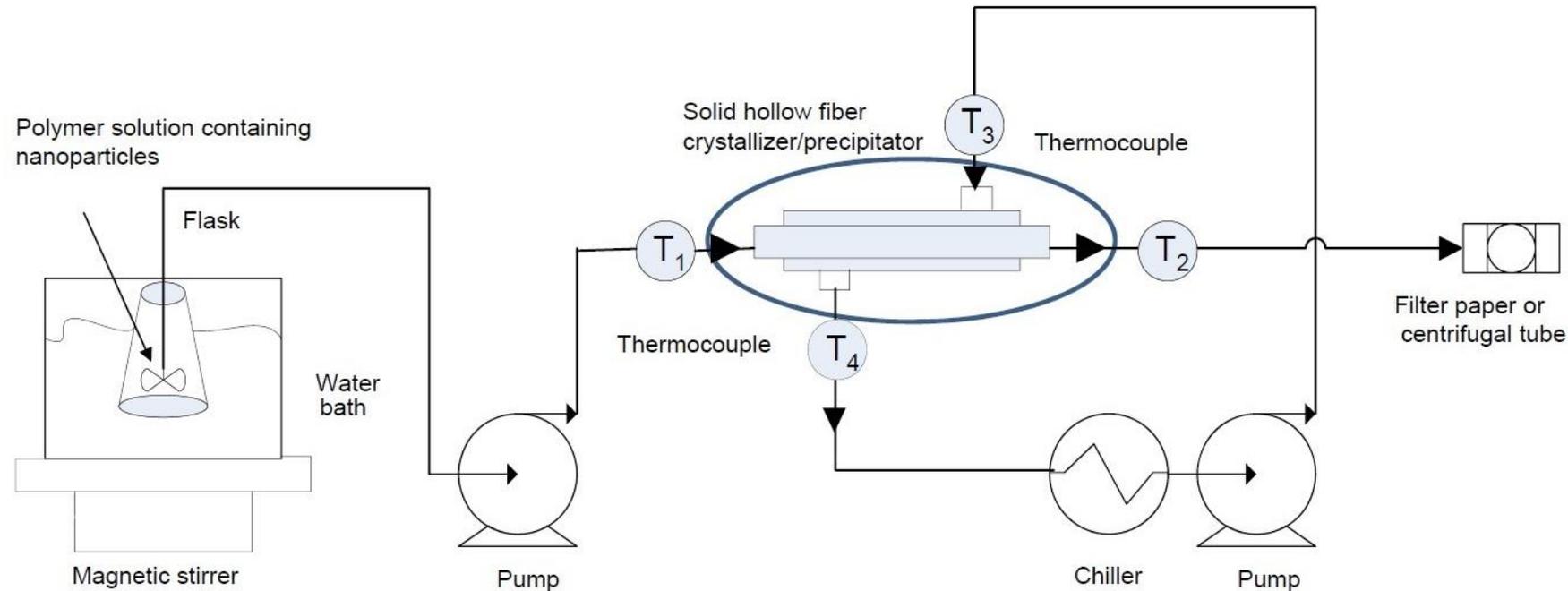
# Solid Hollow Fiber Cooling Crystallizer



	Hollow Fiber I. D.	Hollow Fiber O.D.	Material	Numbers of fibers	Length	Shell diameter
<b>Small module</b>	420 $\mu\text{m}$	575 $\mu\text{m}$	Polypropylene (PP)	23	47 cm	8 cm
<b>Large module</b>	420 $\mu\text{m}$	575 $\mu\text{m}$	Polypropylene (PP)	46	47 cm	8 cm

\*D.M. Zarkadas and K.K. Sirkar, "Solid Hollow Fiber Cooling Crystallization", Ind. Eng. Chem. Res., **43**,7163 (2004).

# Continuous co processing by CPT



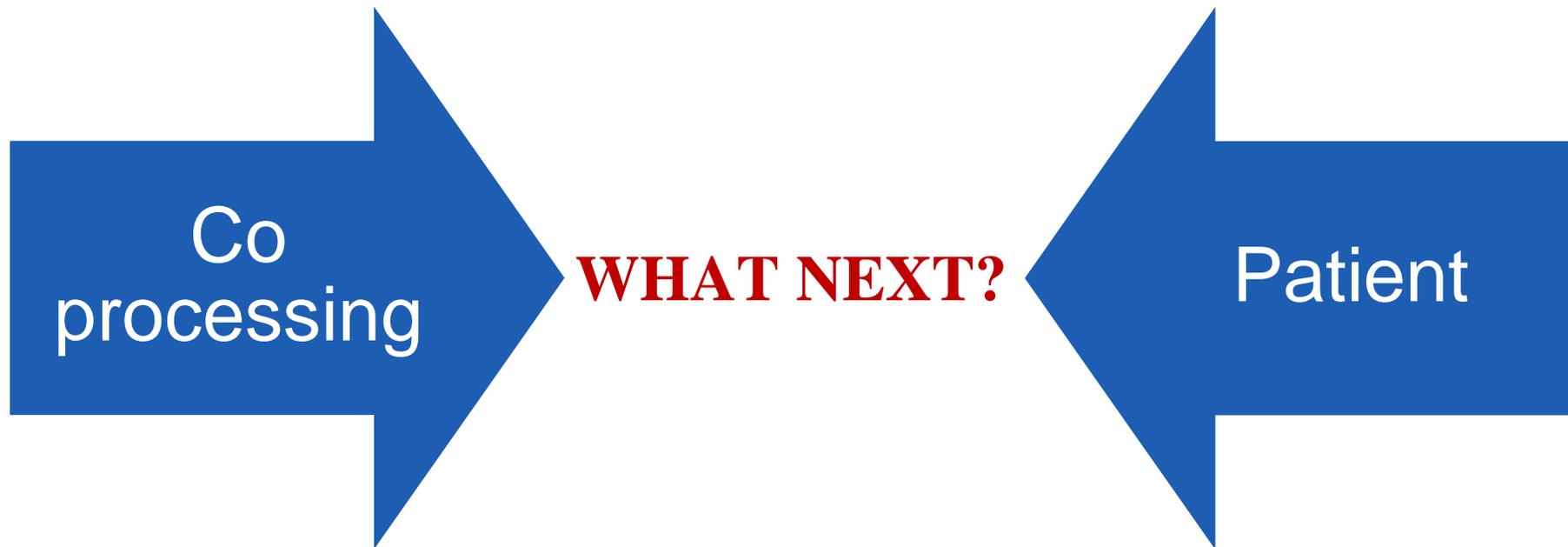
Schematic diagram of solid hollow fiber cooling crystallization setup for continuous polymer coating of submicron and nanoparticles

# Quality & testing considerations

- Define CQAs based on CMAs & CPPs
- Assess impact of co processing on
  - Chemical stability of API
  - Residual solvent
  - Polymorphic changes
- In process tests & use of PAT
- Ratio of API & excipient
- Analyze co processed API stability based on historical data from
  - forced degradation studies,
  - D/E compatibility studies,
  - prototype, scale up & clinical batches
- Bulk hold stability studies before & after addition of excipient till DP mfg.
- Clinical performance of DP with co processed API & pure API
- Control strategies to achieve consistent quality

# Regulatory considerations

- Co processed API is DS, API mix, intermediate or other?
- Perform QRA - robustness of formulation process vs. API properties
- Acceptance criteria for co processed API as DS –
  - Improved physical properties (shape, PSD, etc)
  - Specific mfg. conditions
- Release testing of co processed API
- Acceptance criteria/justification of physical properties up on storage
- Shelf-life assignment
- Specifications for co processed API (Q6A)
- Which sections of 3.2.S and/or 3.2.P need to be updated?



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# Q&A

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