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Accessing Continuous Tableting Through a CDMO

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Dr. Sarang Oka is a Senior Manager at Hovione where he heads the technical services group for Hovione's continuous drug product manufacturing installation (CT501) in East Windsor, New Jersey, overseeing three technical functions, namely PAT, Process Development and Investigations. In his prior role at Hovione, Dr. Oka was responsible for manufacturing operations in addition to the aforementioned functions, where he successfully led the validation and tech transfer of a commercial program from one of Hovione's partners to CT501. The program received approval from the US FDA and Dr. Oka was the technical lead for the area during the associated PAI(s). Dr. Oka started his career at Hovione as a process development engineer where he supported the installation and qualification of CT501. Dr. Oka received his PhD in Chemical Engineering from Rutgers University. His thesis focused on continuous powder mixing and granulation and examined the role of continuous manufacturing in enabling direct compression of otherwise directly incompressible formulations. He was part of the team at Rutgers University and NSF ERC-SOPS that helped develop Prezista®, the first FDA approval for a batch-to-continuous conversion of a drug product. Dr. Oka holds a BS in chemical engineering from Mumbai University.

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