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TMF Completeness Check **The GSK Risk Based Approach to Inspection Readiness**

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Meet the Speaker

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Anne-Noëlle co-leads the GSK Clinical Documentation Operations team for the past 3 years. Prior to that, she was already a TMF Subject Matter Expert for the Clinical Data Management department.

As TMF Global Process Owner, her focus and points of attention in setting-up the TMF framework are the **TMF Performance Dialogue** and the **True Completeness Check** process enabling the confidence in the inspection readiness of our TMF, the **TMF RM governance** and how it supports the businesses to be accountable for their part, and the **Archiving** oversight and compliance, while at same time looking for opportunities to improve the TMF system/Process and user experience.



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Agenda

1. The GSK TMF framework
2. Walk through the TMF Completeness Check process
3. Challenges and remediations

TMF at GSK ? A world in it-self!



63k active users



1850 active studies



19k archived studies



~300k documents created per month



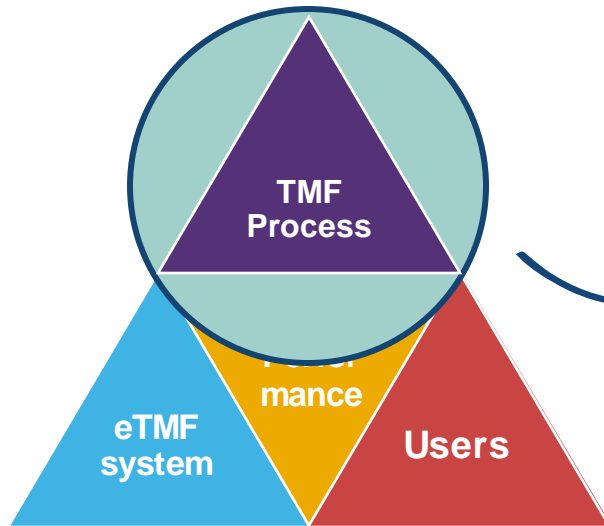
~30k documents QC per month



Can we be confident in our inspection readiness while maintaining so many records?

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Study TMF is supported by **People**, **Process**, **Technology**



How is the **GSK** TMF Process designed, embedding risk-based concepts to target Inspection Ready any time?

Risk-based approach is embedded into TMF Process, within TMF Oversight and Completeness Check

Study TMF Inspection Readiness



TMF Oversight



TMF Completeness Check

Why and how we went **FROM** Periodic Review...

Check done on all documents

OR

Random sampling (%)

Performed centrally



Metadata driven

Focus on Expected Document List

Spot checks that verifies artefacts present in TMF



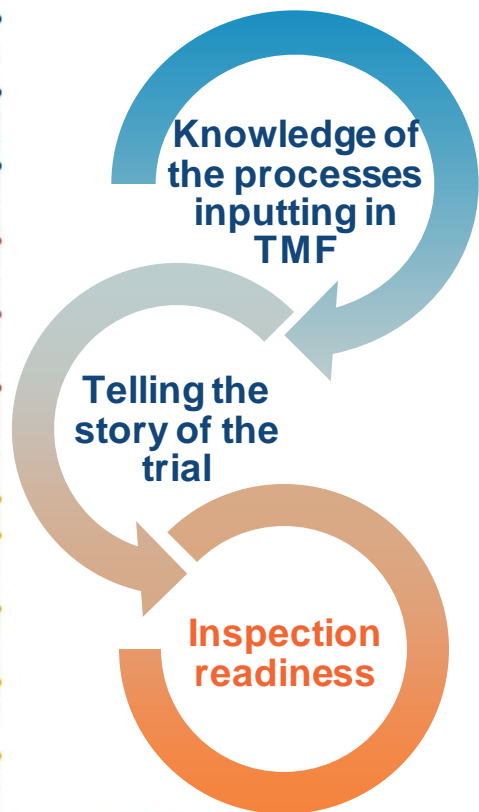
TMF Oversight is a set of *routine* activities performed throughout the study course

- Define frequency and responsibilities upfront for each activity

- Check and act upon study metrics, reports, tools
 - **Completeness**, Expected Documents List (EDL) maintenance...
 - **Quality**, time to resolve Quality Issues, rejection reason...
 - **Timeliness**, time to finalize artefacts after QC...

- Focus on risky areas identified
 - Full Service Outsourced or Functional Service Provider settings
 - New/Updated process
 - History of issue within the study or from Audit/Inspection findings
e.g. naming convention, country, process, certified copies, duplicates...

...TO TMF Completeness Check (TMF CC)



A risk-based review of the TMF Inspection Readiness

Leverage expertise and awareness of **functional area** that are **most knowledgeable** with the events of the study and the processes that occurred

Critical thinking exercise performed by functional area across **all TMF locations** (not just primary eTMF) to assure TMF allows for reconstruction of the study

Focuses reviews on documentation linked to **significant events/issues/processes** (i.e., the most likely targets during inspection and most critical to ensuring the TMF tells the story of the study)

TMF CC - A 3 steps process for a study team effort



To be performed at each important study milestone, prior to archiving and at least once a year

1 Agree Focus

DIALOGUE

- What happen in the study since start/last check?
- Which process/event occurred?
- Any issue raised?
- Any new risk?



AGREEMENT

- **Select the events/processes** based on **risk** and determine the scope **granularity** (e.g. criticality of the process, history trends from past audit, country/site,...)
- Define responsibilities for next steps based on expertise

Examples of study events to consider for TMF CC

Analyses (Interim/final, ISRC, IDMC, SRT,...)

Audits/inspections

Temperature excursions

Deviation(s) to business process(es)

Electronic Data Capture update

Investigational Product relabeling

Management Monitoring findings

Informed Consent approval/amendment

Investigator Brochure distribution

Engagement with Third party (contract, oversight plan)

Patient death

Protocol approval/amendments

Serious quality incidents/breaches

Site initiation/closure

Statistical Analysis Plan amendment

System migration

Unexpected unblinding events

Regulatory, EC submission/approval

Investigational product shipment

Process change

2 Perform Checks

EFFORT

Functional experts verify if

Can reconstruct the story of the event within the defined scope

Artefacts are ALCOA
CCEA compliant

Report on Pass/Fail check status
Document the findings and needed corrective actions
Assign tasks or quality issues

➤ *True TMF Completeness metric*



3 Take Action

ACCOUNTABILITY

Artefact owners take corrective actions

Study Manager finalises the TMF Completeness Check Report

➤ TMF is Inspection Ready

Main challenges and remediations so far

❖ Mindset and ways of working

Lack of collaboration, lack of focus, still working as with previous process

- TMF Bootcamp (Engagement/Capability) with a focus in TMF Completeness Check and other engagement activities

❖ Quality of the TMF CC performed

In 2023 – 50% of studies didn't have enough specificity in the Agree Focus Step

e.g. no risk-based approach in the selection of events, practices not aligned from one study to another

- Capability building needs related risk-based and 'events'
- Specific support to Study Managers group to help them coordinating this activity and ensure alignment among them

❖ Overdue TMF CC

In 2023 – 33% of studies took > 3 months; some took > 8 months to complete single TMF CC

- New TMF CC KPI in place and improvement in guidance/requirements/TMF CC report template



Thank You!

