



Coffee with an eCTD Expert - Related Sequences - Free Webinar

Take part in crucial conversations on
Demystifying Related Sequences in
eCTD Submissions.



27 August 2025

13h00 - 14h00 (SAST)

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The Related Sequence

- ▼ What is a Regulatory Activity?
- ▼ When do I relate a sequence?
- ▼ What if I have a response to a response?
- ▼ Where does the submission number fit in?
- ▼ Cancellations and withdrawals
- ▼ Baselines

What is a regulatory activity?

Application Generic Product

Submission New Application

Sequence
0001
Initial

Sequence
0002
Sup Info

Sequence
0003
Response

Sequence
0004
Closing

Submission Type II Variation

Submission Type 1a Variation

Sequence
0005
Initial

Sequence
0006
Initial

Sequence
0007
Response

Submission Type 1b Variation

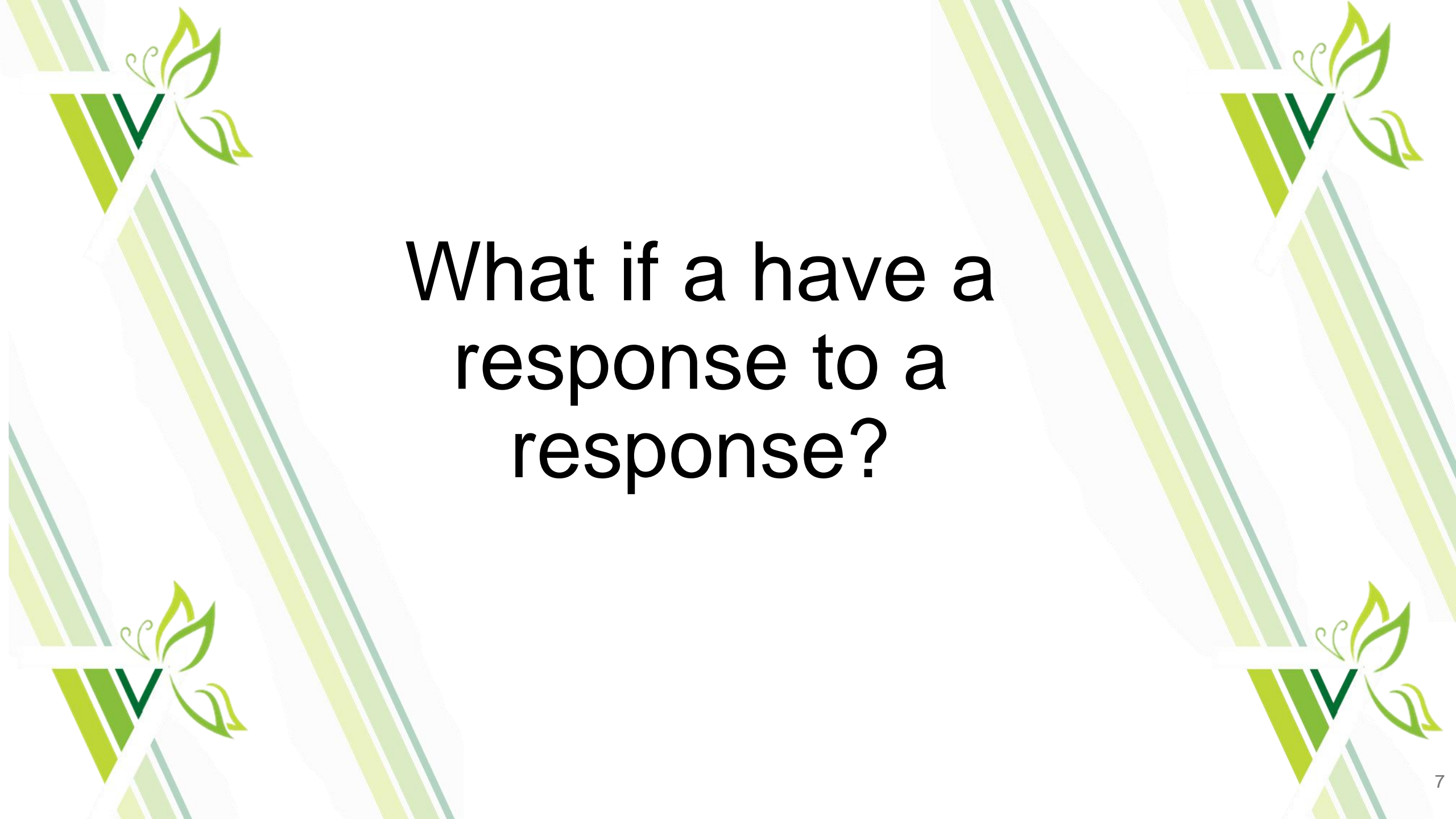
Sequence
0008
Initial

When do I relate a sequence?



Related Sequence No. vs. Reg. Act. Starting Sequence Mad

Sequence Number	Submission Type and Description	Regulatory Activity Starting Sequence	Related Sequence Number
0001	New Application	0001	0001
0002	Response to P&A Recommendations	0001	0001
0003	Response to 2 nd P&A Recommendations	0001	0001
0004 APPROVED	Response to Clinical Recommendations	0001	0001
0005	Application for Variation C #1	0005	0005
0006	Application for Variation B	0006	0006
0007	Response to Variation C #1 P&A	0005	0005
0008	Application for Variation C #2	0005	0005
0009	2 nd Response to Variation C #1 P&A	0005	0005



What if a have a
response to a
response?

The Related sequence is **ALWAYS**
the initial sequence of the submission
- The start of the regulatory activity

Where does the submission number fit in?

Cancellation of an **APPLICATION** vs Withdrawal of a **SUBMISSION**



Withdrawals



Application Withdrawal		Submission Withdrawal
Submission Type	“Application Withdrawal”.	Type set in the Related Sequence
Sequence Type	“Initial”.	“Submission Withdrawal”.
Sequence Description	“Cancellation”.	“Withdrawal of...”
Related sequence	Itself	“Initial” Sequence of the Submission
Life Cycle	A Letter of Application should be included as “New” and explain why the eCTD Application is being withdrawn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Letter of Application should be the only document submitted as New • Content that was replaced by the Submission must be reset referencing the document that was previously referenced in the earlier Sequence using the Replace operation. The document should NOT be provided again. • Content that was added as New in the Submission must be removed using the Delete operation. • DO NOT remove any content belonging to the other Submissions using the Delete operation.
No further content or life cycle is required.		Submission Withdrawals and Work Grouping*

BASELINES



Initial eCTD Sequence



Sequence	Submission Type	Sequence Type	Related Sequence
0000	Baseline	Initial	0000
0001	Type IB - Clinical	Initial	0001
0002	Type IB - Clinical	Response	0001
0003	Type II - Proprietary Name Change	Initial	0003
0004	Type II - Safety (Clinical)	Initial	0004





Iterative Baseline



Sequence	Submission Type	Sequence Type	Related Sequence
0000	Baseline	Initial	0000
0001	Type II - Safety and Efficacy (Clinical)	Initial	0001
0002	Type IB - Quality	Initial	0002
0003	Type II - Safety and Efficacy (Clinical)	Response	0001
0004	Baseline	Supplementary Information	0000
0005	Type II - Quality	Initial	0005

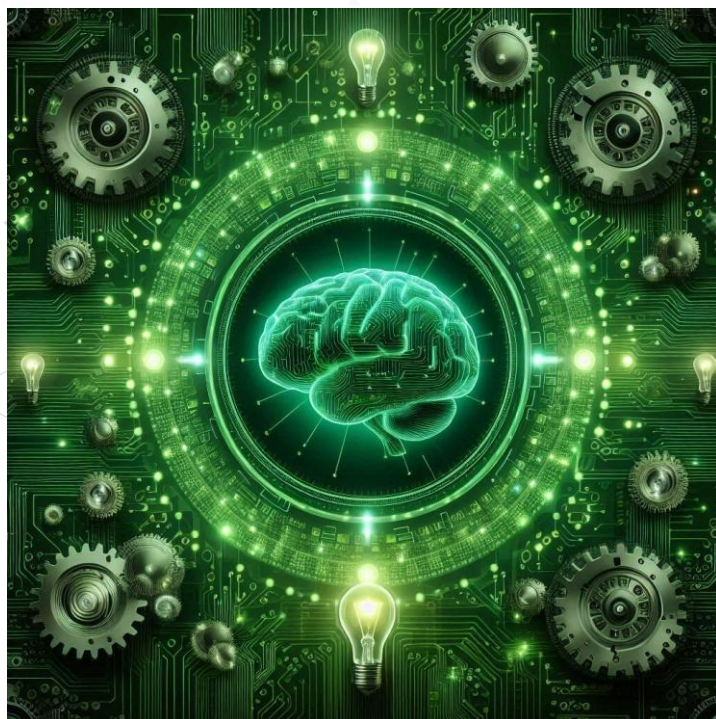




Mid-Life Cycle Baselines



What now?



- ▶ 3.2.P Drug Product [redacted] [solution] [FPP Mnf-1 (API Mnf-1)]
- ▼ 3.2.P Drug Product [redacted] [solution] [FPP Mnf-2 (API Mnf-2)]
 - ▶ 3.2.P.3 Manufacture
 - ▶ 3.2.P.5 Control of Drug Product
 - ▶ 3.2.P.6 Reference Standards or Materials
 - ▶ 3.2.P.8 Stability
- ▶ 3.2.P Drug Product [redacted] [Solution] [FPP Mnf-1 (API Mnf-1)]
- ▼ 3.2.P Drug Product [redacted] [Solution] [FPP Mnf-2 (API Mnf-2)]
 - ▶ 3.2.P.1 Description and Composition of the Drug Product
 - ▶ 3.2.P.2 Pharmaceutical Development
 - ▶ 3.2.P.3 Manufacture
 - ▶ 3.2.P.4 Control of Excipients [Compendial]
 - ▶ 3.2.P.5 Control of Drug Product
 - ▶ 3.2.P.6 Reference Standards or Materials
 - ▶ 3.2.P.7 Container Closure System
 - ▶ 3.2.P.8 Stability

Q&A

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