

absence of Scheduled chemicals and provided no information on chemicals that are not relevant to the CWC. The company also agreed that the team could use a portable ion mobility spectrometer vapour detector (Chemical Agent Monitor, CAM) to monitor for the presence or absence of vapours of certain Schedule 1 chemicals.

It was further agreed that the inspection plan would be flexible, allowing the inspection team to walk through other parts of the plantsite, but that the inspection team would confine itself to the negative proof approach and would be no more intrusive than necessary in order to satisfy itself that the company was not involved in activities that would be in violation of the CWC.

The inspection team were also advised of the safety regulations in operation at the plantsite.

Details of the Inspection

1. Therapeutical Plant

The inspection team walked from the reception area to the Therapeutical Plant and observed the operations within this plant.

The Chemical Agent Monitor (CAM) was used to monitor the effluent air from this plant.

A random sample was requested from the raw materials storage area of this plant.

Result - The Therapeutical Plant was observed to be a modern production area operating at positive pressure - the team's chemical engineer commented that the plant could readily be converted to operate at negative pressure. There was no CAM response, and the analysis of the sample did not indicate the presence of any Scheduled chemicals.

2. Main Production Area

The inspection team walked through the "Main Production Area (MPA)", observed the operations within the MPA, requested a random sample from one of the several Stainless Steel reaction vessels, and requested a random sample from one of the product storage tanks.

Result - It was observed that there was no forced or induced ventilation in the MPA. The workers were wearing protective hats and corrosive-resistant gloves, but there were no signs of any gas masks or other protective clothing.

3. Dry Powder Area

The inspection team walked through and observed the operations being conducted in the "Dry Powder Area".

Result - The team observed nothing that it considered relevant to the objectives of the inspection in this area, and did not request that any samples be taken for analysis.