



**SARQA** is a non-profit organization for professionals with interest in Quality Assurance e.g. GLP, GCP, GMP, ISO and similar quality system. It establishes a forum for discussions of QA relevant topics through seminars, meetings and stimulates exchange of experience and networking.

SARQA was formed 11 years ago, and has currently 150 individual members representing more than 60 different companies or organisations.

## OBJECTIVES

- To evaluate and appraise the Quality Assurance aspects of regulations, guidelines and principles, related to studies conducted on chemicals, biologicals and devices, which affect man, animals and/or the environment. Focus is given to the guidelines generally known as Good Laboratory Practice (GLP), Good Clinical Practice (GCP) and Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) but also for other relevant quality standards.
- To be a forum for discussion and to promote and participate in meetings, congresses, and symposia, which allow exchange of information on the applications of Quality Assurance and how QA can contribute to the quality to companies and organizations.
- To promote training and scientific methodology in quality and Quality Assurance by advancing the professional competency of

its members and to promote co-operative relations with allied organizations.

- To advance standards of the Quality Assurance profession.
- To co-ordinate comments on Quality Assurance matters and to commend these comments to appropriate authorities, primarily to the Swedish Medical Products Agency.

**SARQA** is member of the European Quality Assurance Confederation (EQAC) and collaborates with the US Society of Quality Assurance (SQA), under a Memorandum of Understanding. SARQA has also established a close collaboration with the Danish QA Group (DKG), which has grown throughout the years. Members of one of the societies can participate in meetings of both societies under the same condition.

Every second year the two societies SARQA and DKG arrange the DKG/SARQA Scandinavian Conference on Current Status of Quality in Research and Development, gathering about 100 participants. Two days are spent on intense QA related presentations and discussions, with high quality speakers from international organizations, companies and authorities in Europe and USA.

Next **CURRENT STATUS OF QUALITY IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT** will take place in **Malmö, Sweden on 16-17 September 2009** covering items about Risk Management and interpretations of common European Quality System.

**SARQA's activities are presented at our homepage [www.sarqa.com](http://www.sarqa.com), which also is the gateway for professionals that may wish to join SARQA.**