# MAXIMIZING EFFICIENCY IN PHARMACEUTICAL LOGISTICS

a synergy of technology and human expertise

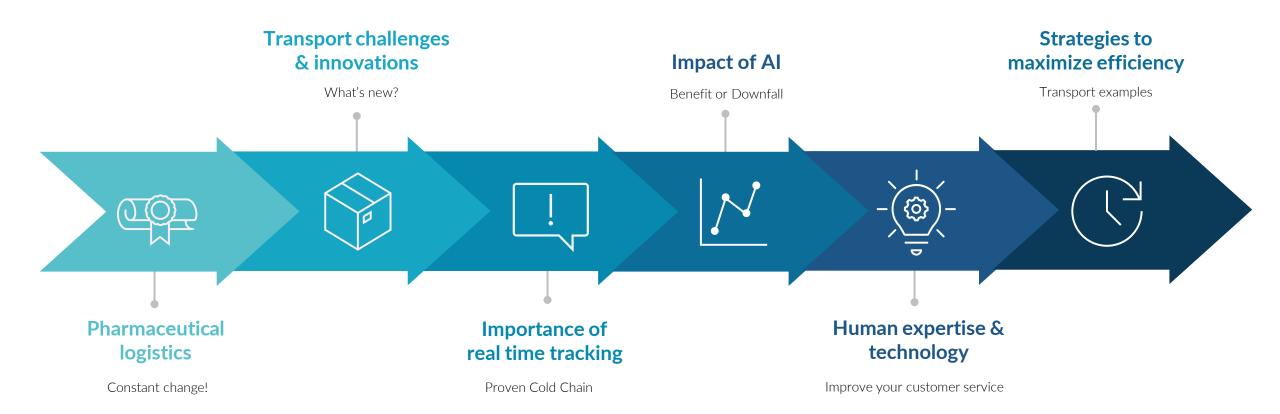
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# **Executive Summary**

The evolution of the industry, the uprising challenges & how to deal with them







# **Pharmaceutical Logistics**

Each step requires different approaches, but every step is linked with transportation



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# **Pharmaceutical Logistics**

Wide range of different temperatures creates the new challenges for the integrity of the products



## +15°C to +25°C

Room Temperature shipments between +10°C and +30°C.



# +2°C to +8°C

Cool Shipments
between +2°C to +20°C



# -15°C to -25°C

Frozen shipments
between -15°C and -45°C



# -60°C to -80°C

Dry Ice Shipments

Between -60°C and -80°C



## -180°C

Liquid Nitrogen shipments

Between -160°C and -180°C.



# API Tissue Small synthetic molecules

API
Vaccines
mABs
Protein products
Small molecules

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API
Master Cell Banks
Working Cell Banks
Vaccines
Gene Therapy
mABs

Master Cell Banks
Working Cell Banks
Male Cells
Egg Cells
Biobank Materials

# **Transport Challenges**

Daily challenges in pharmaceutical transports



# **Inadequate Documentation**

False Documentation can lead to waiting time & custom declines. +1 day of preparation can save +X of delays

# Irregularities and delays during transport

Not everything is controllable. Everything that is, should be prepared

## Proven cold chain

Sustaining a proven cold chain must be ensured in temperature-controlled transports for every destination



# Lifespan of packaging

Usage of long validation is sometimes not enough depending on the destination

## Infrastructure

Limitation of worldwide storage possibilities, wrong storage / human failure,

# **Real Time Updates**

Delayed information flow, poor tracking, transparency



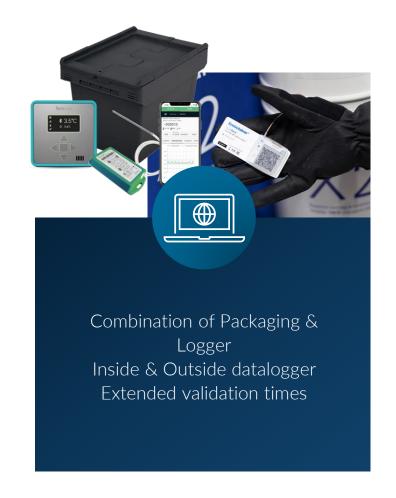
# **Evolution of Packaging**

Scan the market! Wide range of possibilities for various temperatures











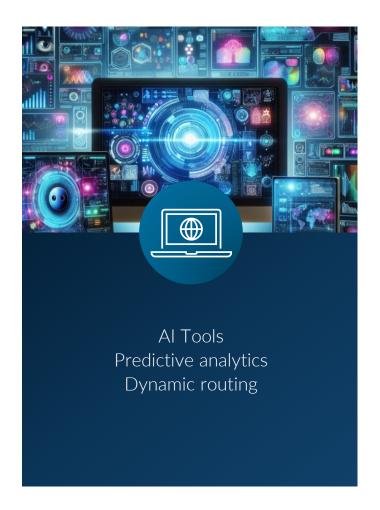
# **Apps, Tools & New Technologies**

Advanced Datalogging & Al technologies







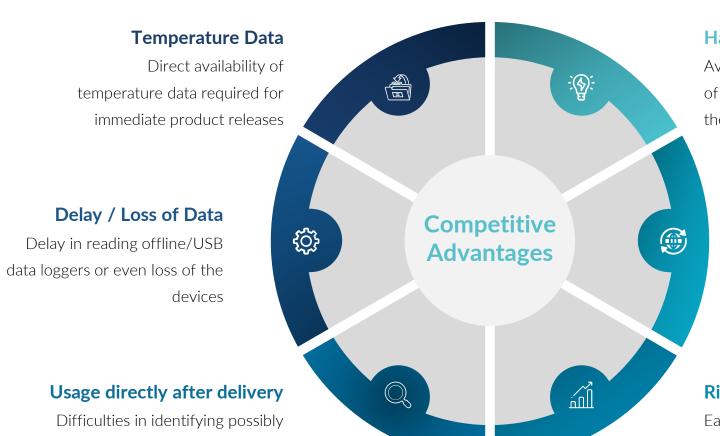




# Importance of real time tracking

Implement, Improve





unusable products before or immediately

The Temperature Critical Courier

after delivery

# Handling

Avoiding unnecessary openings of the box before reading out the datalogger

# Real time transparency

Providing the customer, the correct status of the shipment at all time

# **Risk Mitigation**

Early warning systems to potential risks and enabling timely intervention to prevent product damage or loss

# Impact of Al

How can it help?



# **Improved Efficiency**

Optimize route planning and scheduling, analyzing as traffic patterns, weather conditions, and delivery schedules, AI systems can minimize transit times

# **Enhanced Monitoring and Control**

Tracking of temperature and environmental conditions in live time. Proactive interventions, reducing the risk of product loss/deviation.

# **Inventory Management**

Optimize stock levels and distribution networks by demand forecasting, storage requirements. All algorithms can minimize waste and timely availability

# **Compliance and Quality Assurance**

Continuous monitoring and documenting temperature conditions in the supply chain can demonstrate adherence to regulatory guidelines and maintain the integrity of their products.

## **Cost Reduction**

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Streamlining logistics processes, reducing waste, Minimizing risk. Lowering operational costs



# Impact of Al

Overreliance and Loss of Human Touch



# **Overreliance on Technology**

Dependence on AI may lead to complacency among human operators. If systems fail or encounter errors, individuals may lack the skills or experience to handle situations manually

# **Data Privacy and Security Risks**

Al systems rely heavily on data collection and analysis. In transportation, this involves gathering sensitive information about shipments, routes, and customers.

## **Unforeseen Errors and Biases**

All algorithms are prone to errors and biases, especially if the training data used to develop these algorithms are flawed or incomplete.

## **Loss of Human Touch**

The transportation industry relies on human expertise and judgment to handle complex situations and provide personalized customer service

# **Job Displacement and Economic Impact**

Automation and Al-driven technologies have the potential to replace certain job roles within the transportation industry, especially in the customer service area



# **Human Expertise**

What can you do without technology?



# **Documentation Check**

Check requirements per destination

Confirm import/export permits

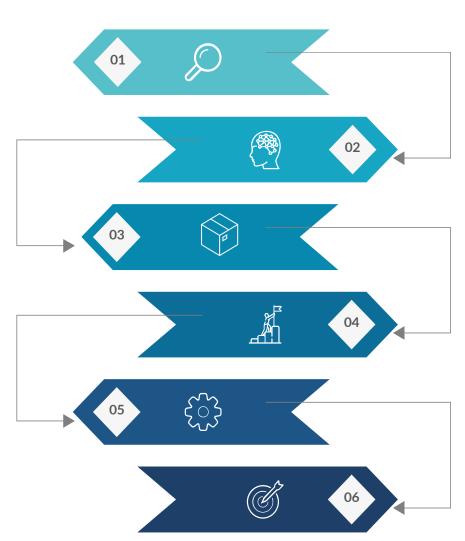
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# Material & Packaging

Compilation of key data about material
Decision of correct packaging
Visualization for the customer
Usage of live data loggers

# **Pro-active monitoring**

Constant information flow Real time transparency



## **Communication**

Having more insight to the product is helpful. The more information, the better

## **Route Check**

Booking of storage points

Cooling possibilities at departure & arrival airport

Usage of temperature-controlled vehicles for

assistance/last mile

# Intervention

Detecting possible deviations due to constant monitoring of experts Wrong storage, sudden peeks



# AI, Technology and Human

How we can improve with AI & technology



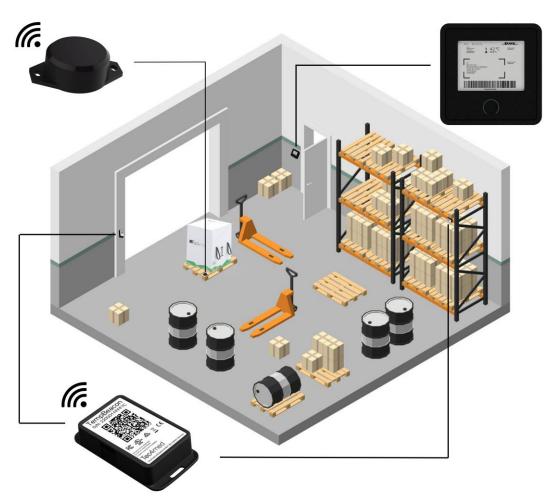
Cloud data devices	Al	Packaging	Human
Warehouse temperature	Predictive Analytics Platforms	Long Validation	Expertise
Temperature data before collection	Supply Chain Optimization Software	Various temperatures	Constant monitoring
Constant monitoring	Machine Learning Algorithms	Implemented Tracking devices	Customer service
Storage Checks	Risk Management Systems	Rechargeable due to storage	Intervening deviations
Validation Checks	Blockchain Technology	Cost efficient	Controlling
Instant data provision			



# **Strategies to maximize Efficiency**

It starts before the collection!





Transmitter Logger



# Warehouse Monitoring

Implementation of Cloud devices to track warehouse temperatures

Correct calibration of refrigerators

Correct storage & conditioning of packaging

Pre-Check of our thermo boxes before sending for collection



## **Fleet Tracking**

Overview of all temperature areas in the warehouse

Visibility without present controls

Automated alert settings in case of deviations



# **Strategies to maximize Efficiency**

Control the circle



Reusable packaging

Return transport

Validation check of thermos packaging



# 5. Consignee

Correct Temperature from shipper to Consignee
Immediate release
Temperature Data already in cloud





## 1. Warehouse Check

Controlling the conditioning areas

# 4. Airport Checks

Airport storage checks
Highly important for PCM packaging
→ Validation



T°SAFE

## 2. Box Check

Controlling the inside temperature before the collection

## 3. Collection

Correct temperature during packing process

2-8°C



# **Shipment Example**

Algeria to Italy

Tools	Al	Human Expertise
PCM packaging Cloud Devices	Environmental conditions Optimized Routing	Green Light Process Confirming Storage Points Constant Monitoring

# Shipment summary



- High value shipment
- Poor infrastructure
- Lack of thermo packaging
- No direct routing
- Multiple failed attempts with different providers

## Warehouse



- Usage of PCM Packaging
- Validation for 96+ Hours &
   Extended with storage
- Conditioning of the packaging +2° colder

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- Scanning of the environmental conditions
- Data analysis of past shipment to control valid storage points
- Most valuable routing including needed storage points

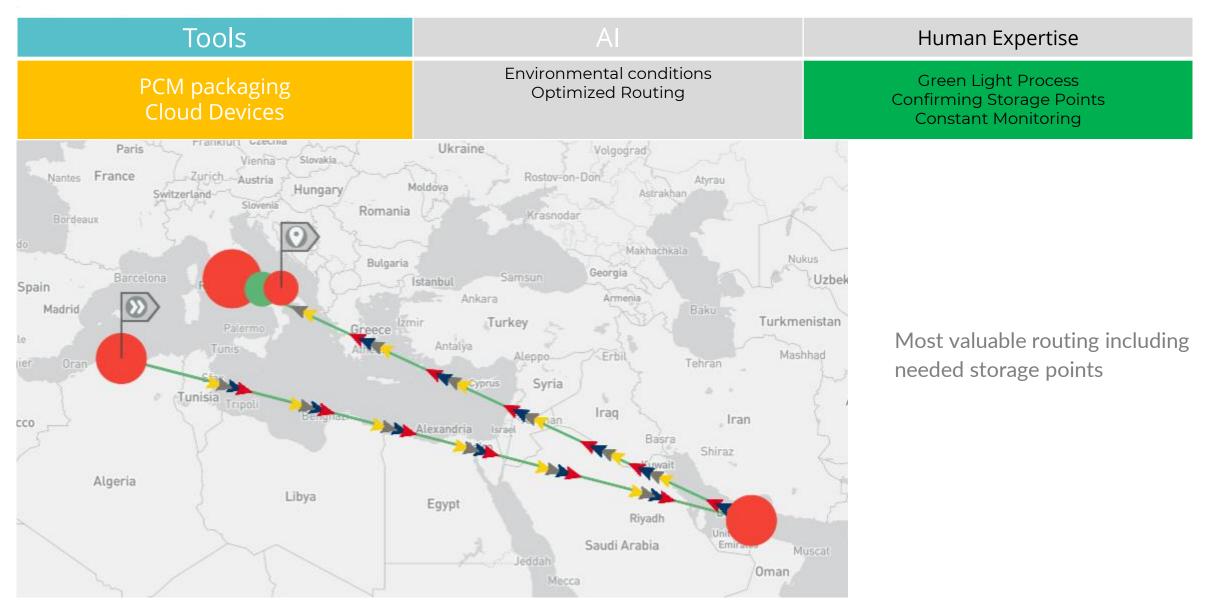
# **Human Expertise**



- Green Light process
   (pre-clearance)
- Manual confirmation of storage points including size
- Constant monitoring during the whole transport
- Preparation of secondary packaging / TCV last mile delivery

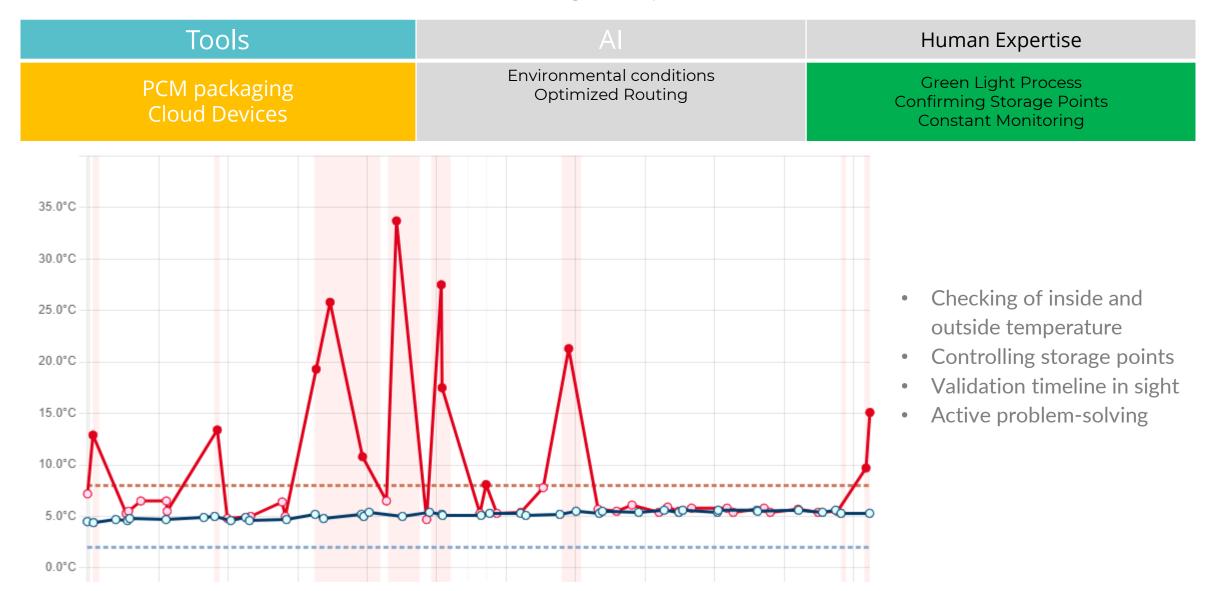
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