Determining supplement quality: Questions to ask manufacturers

Consider the following questions when sourcing supplements from manufacturers.

- Do you test all raw materials? Which tests? How frequently?
- Do you test finished products?
- Do you test every batch or do skip-lot testing? How is the frequency determined?
- Do you furnish copies of lot tests for specific lot numbers?
- Do you conduct research on your full products?
- For herbs, how are they sourced?
- What test methods do you use?
- Do you use a third-party lab or an in-house lab?
- Can you provide a Certificate of Analysis (CoA)?
- How do you ensure stability? How long do you monitor for?