Gain Control of Your Capital Project Portfolio

Top six PPM use cases for Pharma Capex.

How leading pharma and life sciences organizations drive predictability.

Pharmaceutical organizations face increasing pressure to deliver capital projects on time, within budget, and in full regulatory compliance. From new facility builds and equipment upgrades to site expansions, the complexity of managing Capex portfolios demands a modern, integrated approach to project portfolio management.

Cora's platform gives pharma organizations the power of predictability—delivering real-time visibility, financial control, and governance across the entire capital project lifecycle. Here are six ways leading firms are using Cora to gain control.

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Capex Portfolio Governance

The Audience:

Capital Portfolio Governance, C-Suite, PMO

The Challenge:

Capital portfolio leaders lack a single source of truth, relying on PowerPoint reporting and inconsistent governance processes. This results in poor visibility into top projects and an inability to make timely, data-driven investment decisions.

Cora Capabilities:

- Portfolio dashboards with real-time visibility
- Predictive analytics for early decision support
- Early warning systems to flag at-risk projects
- Stage gates for consistent governance

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Cost & Forecast Management

The Audience:

Financial Planning, Project Controls, Executive
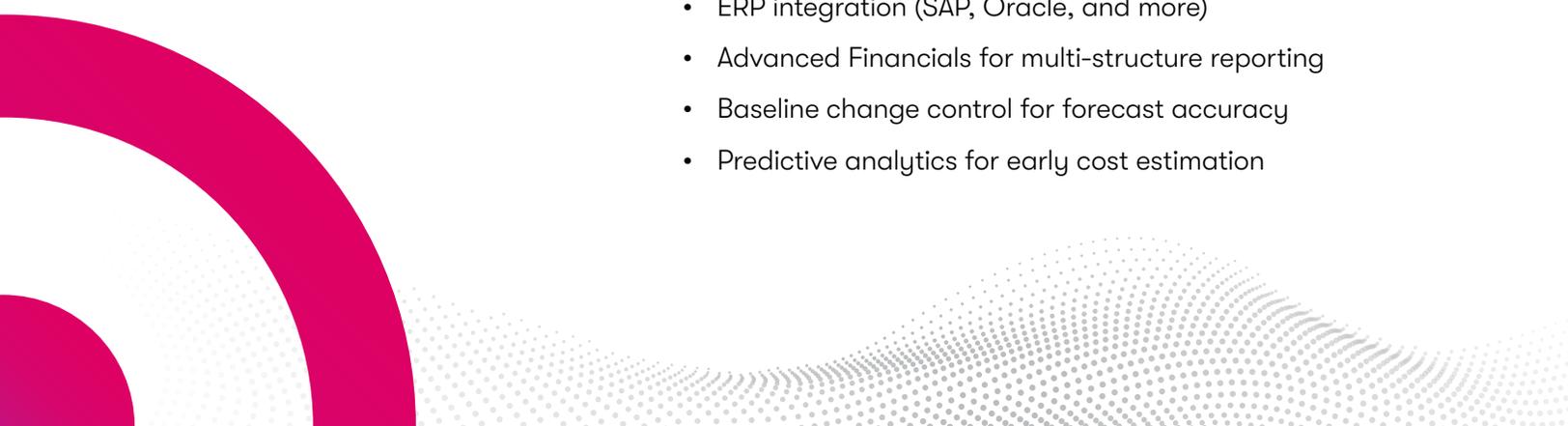
The Challenge:

Finance and project controls teams struggle with manual SAP data entry, forecast volatility, multiple finance structures, and unreliable early estimates, making it nearly impossible to maintain accurate cost projections across the capital portfolio.

Cora Capabilities:

- ERP integration (SAP, Oracle, and more)
- Advanced Financials for multi-structure reporting
- Baseline change control for forecast accuracy
- Predictive analytics for early cost estimation

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Stage-Gate Compliance

The Audience:

PMO, Quality/CSV, Executive

The Challenge:

Governance is inconsistent across the project portfolio, with existing tools underutilized, projects skipping critical gates, and no audit trail to ensure regulatory and internal compliance—posing a significant risk in the pharma environment.

Cora Capabilities:

- Phase & Stage Gates with enforced checkpoints
- Complete audit trails for regulatory compliance
- Workflow automation for gate approvals
- Compliance reporting and dashboards

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Risk Management

The Audience:

PMO, Capital Portfolio Governance, Project Execution

The Challenge:

Risks are tracked in spreadsheets with no portfolio-level view of risk exposure. And project managers avoid updating due to complexity, leaving leadership blind to emerging threats across capital projects.

Cora Capabilities:

- Centralized risk registers across the portfolio
- Mitigation tracking with accountability
- Risk-adjusted EAC for financial impact visibility
- Portfolio risk views for executive oversight

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Contractor Collaboration

The Audience:
Project Execution, Procurement

The Challenge:
External collaboration happens through email with no transparency into vendor deliverables, and project teams manually collect status updates from contractors—creating delays, version control issues, and limited accountability.

Cora Capabilities:
- Subcontractor portal for real-time collaboration
- Document control with version management
- Mobile access for field and site teams
- Permission-based collaboration for security

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Resource & Capacity Planning
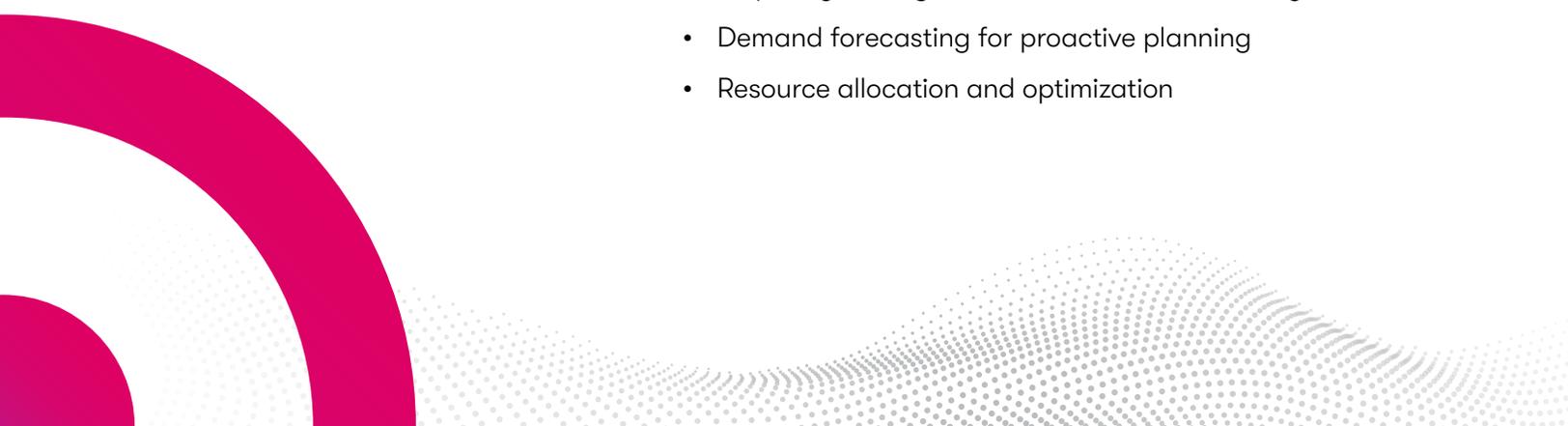
The Audience:
Site Operations, PMO, Executive

The Challenge:
Competing demands across capital projects are unclear, with no visibility into resource constraints. So teams rely on manual capacity tracking—leading to overallocation, bottlenecks, and missed project milestones.

Cora Capabilities:
- Workforce planning across the portfolio
- Capacity management with constraint visibility
- Demand forecasting for proactive planning
- Resource allocation and optimization

Why Cora for Pharma Capex?

Cora's platform is built for organizations managing complex capital project portfolios. With real-time dashboards, predictive analytics, SAP integration, and built-in governance, Cora gives pharma leaders the confidence to deliver projects on time, within budget, and in full compliance.

But what truly sets Cora apart is how we work with you. Partnership isn't a cliché—it's how we operate, giving you direct access to our executives and other leaders who are fully invested in your success. We'll get you up and running in months, not quarters, so you see value fast. And we never stop pushing—continuously innovating beyond surface-level features to fundamentally rethink how PPM technology can do more for you.

Whether you're managing a single site expansion or a global CapEx portfolio, Cora provides the power of predictability to plan and manage projects profitably.

Ready to drive predictability across your pharma capital projects? Visit corasystems.com to learn more or request a demo.