

Analytics-driven Disruptive Changes in Bioprocessing

Analytical Applications to Enable More Affordable Biologics

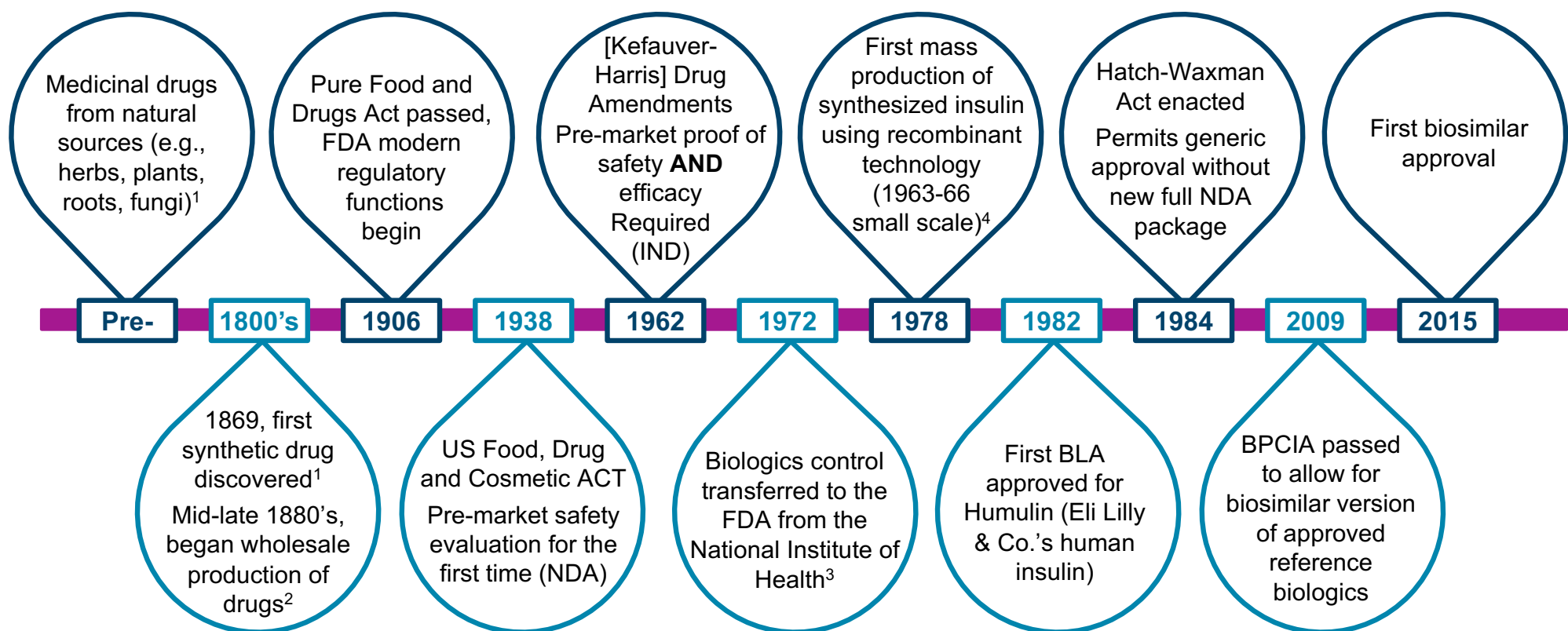
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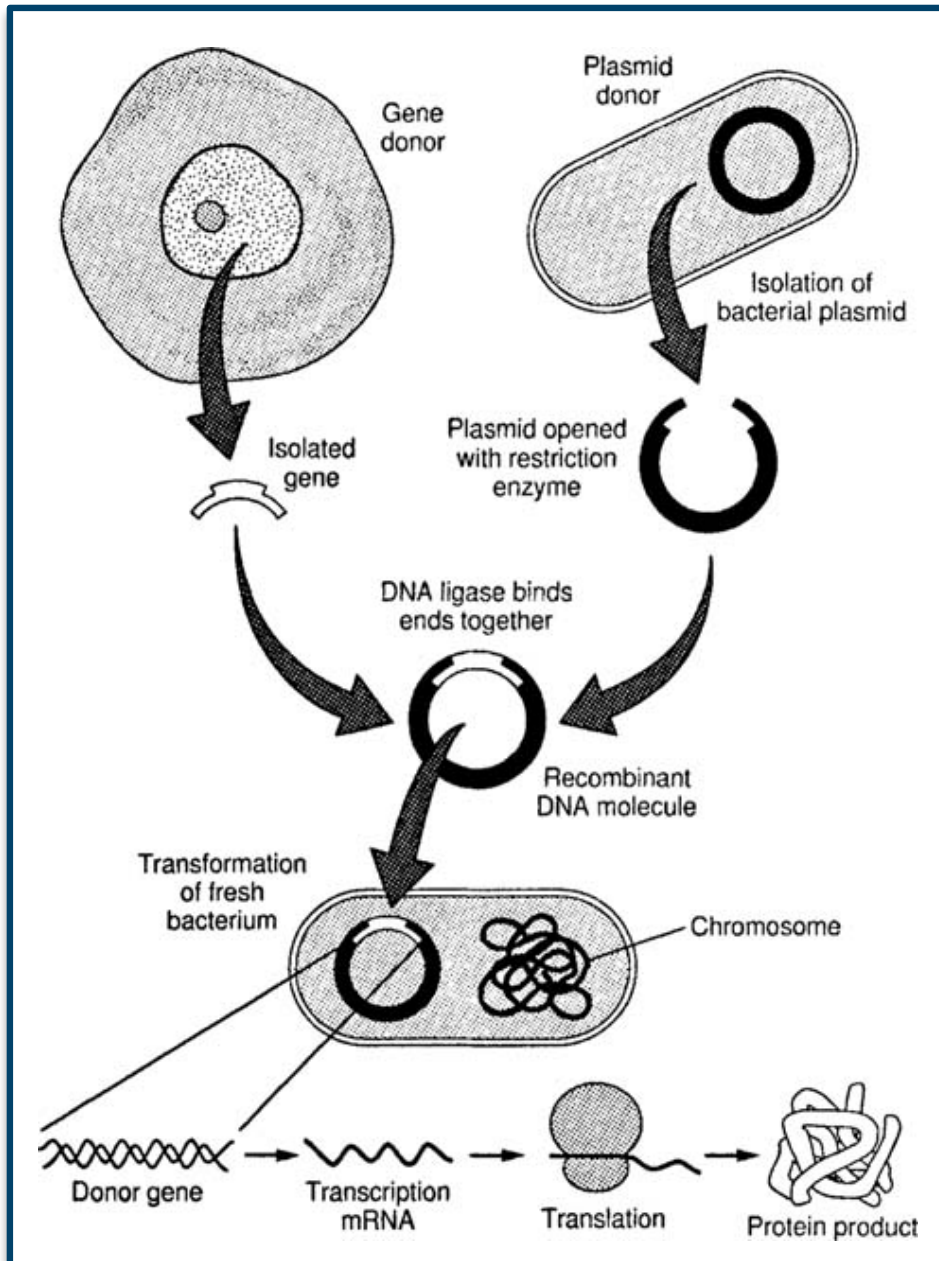
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- PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences, 45+ years of teaching, research, entrepreneurship, inventorship, authorship, lectureship, and philanthropy.
- 100+ refereed papers, 40+ major books, 500+ lectures, 75+ patents, fellowships, civil awards, recognitions.
- Inventions: wine-making, whiskey-making, automobile safety, single-blade wiper, LCD camera shutter, new drugs, dosage forms, combinations, etc.
- Reinvented bioprocess technology for making a new class of drugs and vaccines—making affordable.
- Established the first and the only US-based developer and manufacturer of recombinant drugs (Chicago).
- Forbes Magazine: “Most Interesting Man.”

- ▶ In 1900 31% of all deaths in the US were from pneumonia, tuberculosis and gastrointestinal infections⁵
- ▶ These diseases are rare and treatable/preventable today thanks to the evolution of pharmaceuticals and the introduction of vaccines in the mid 1900's





Biologic Drugs

- Created from organic origins
- Manufactured through recombinant technology
- Highly complex and difficult to characterize



Small Molecule Drugs

- Created from chemicals
- Chemically synthesized
- 100% characterization and understanding possible

Pharmaceutical innovation continues today with complex biologics providing relief and sometimes a cure for diseases thought to be terminal

- Recombinant technology continues to advance
 - The first approved recombinant protein was created in a bacterial expression system
 - Now mammalian expression systems can be used to create more complex biologics e.g., monoclonal antibodies
 - There are companies who are expanding expression systems to plant, leveraging tobacco, carrot or safflower to 'grow' recombinant biologics
- There are companies solely focused on curing previously thought incurable diseases
 - Gilead's Hepatitis C treatment Sovaldi was approved in December 2013 and showed an 84-96% cure rate depending on genotype in clinical trials
- The field of proteomics leverages large scale studies of proteins and how they act and interact in order to understand cellular processes¹
 - By having this level of understanding, treatments targeting specific biomarkers can be created
 - Targeted treatments may one day have a greater impact in the treatment of complex diseases such as cancer



Evolution of Pharmaceuticals Comes at a Price

On average, biologic drugs cost 50x more than small molecule drugs and >100x more than generics at ~\$2,000-3,000 per dose¹

Product	2010 US Sales \$Billions ²	Product	2015 US Sales \$Billions ²	Product	2018 US Sales \$Billions ²
Plavix	6,154	Humira	7,663	Humira	8,589
Lipitor	5,329	Harvoni	6,298	Remicade	4,732
Advair	4,026	Lantus	4,824	Revlimid	4,566
Abilify	3,606	Enbrel	4,541	Enbrel	4,401
Actos	3,582	Remicade	4,337	Tecfidera	4,235
Enbrel	3,304	Neulasta	3,674	Opdivo	3,701
Singulair	3,219	Rituxan	3,547	Harvoni	3,483
Seroquel	3,107	Revlimid	3,291	Lantus	3,389
Remicade	3,099	Tecfidera	3,082	Lyrice	3,306
Avastin	3,068	Avastin	2,882	Eylea	3,185

Biologic



Price of Biologics put into Perspective



~\$400,000 annual cost¹



~\$54,000 annual cost³



~\$50,000 annual cost¹



~\$24,000 annual cost²



~\$19,000 annual cost²



- Biosimilars have been on the market in Europe since 2006
- On average they provide a 20-30% discount from reference biologics
- Discounts have reached as high as ~70% which would represent ~\$3,000 savings on one treatment cycle of filgrastim
- Savings are projected from \$11-33B through 2020 in the EU alone¹



- The FDA just approved the United States' first biosimilar
- Savings are projected from \$44-250B over the next 10 years in the US²



The product is **highly similar** to the reference product notwithstanding minor differences in clinically inactive components and there are **no clinically meaningful differences** between the biological product and the reference product in terms of **safety, purity and potency** of the product.¹



World Health Organization

A biotherapeutic product, which is **similar** in terms of **quality, safety and efficacy** to an already licensed reference biotherapeutic product.³



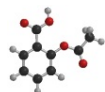
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A biosimilar medicine is a biological medicine that is developed to be **similar to an existing biological medicine** (the 'reference medicine').

When approved, **its variability** and any differences between it and its reference medicine will have been shown **not to affect safety or effectiveness**.²

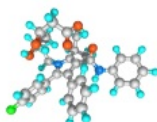
Where are biosimilars available?





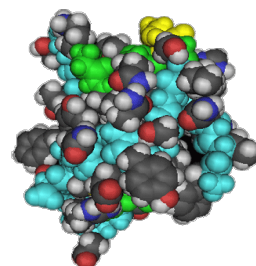
**Simple Small
Molecule**

Aspirin



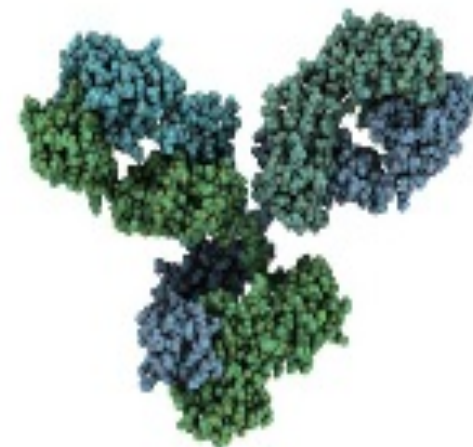
**Small
Molecule**

Lipitor®



**Simple
Biologic**

Insulin



**Complex
Biologic**

Humira®

Molecular Weight

180 daltons

558 daltons

5,808 daltons

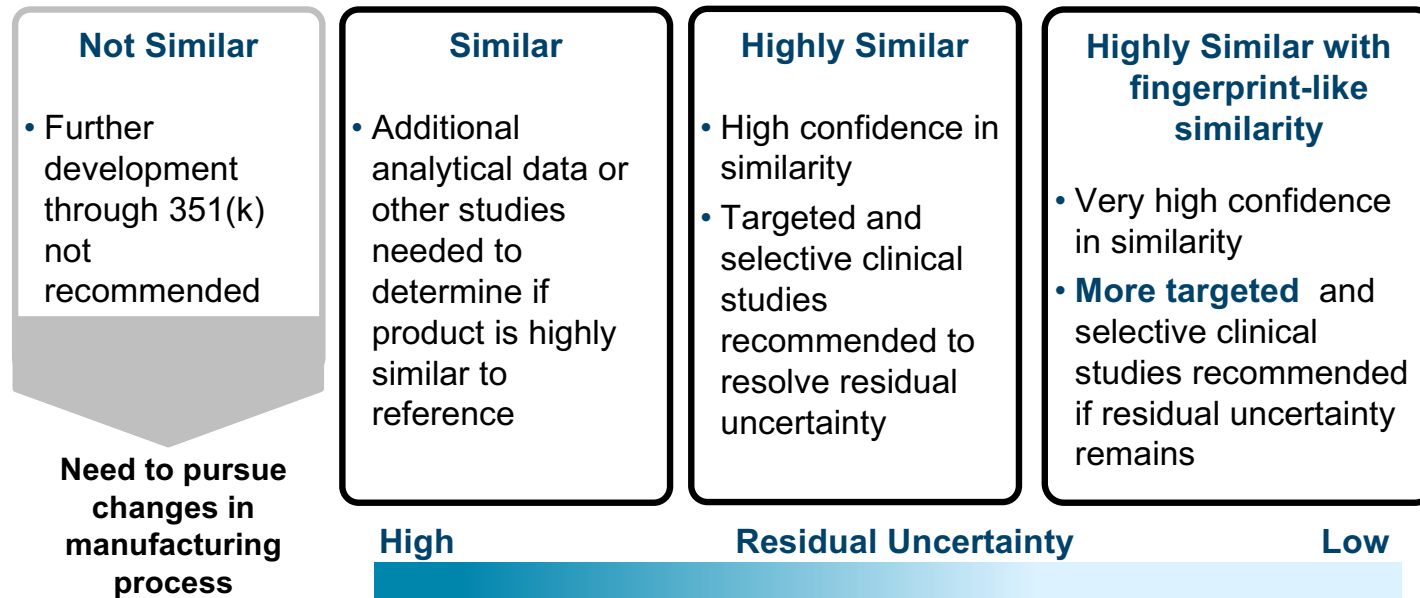
~148,000 daltons

Biosimilars are complex molecules that by nature cannot be identical like chemically synthesized drugs



Biosimilars require advanced analytics

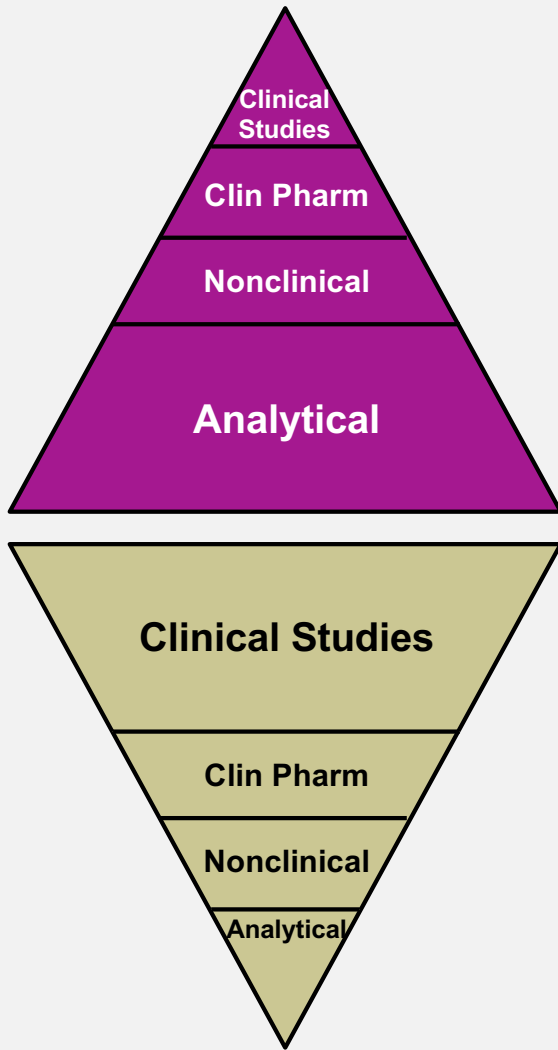
The burden of proof is on the biosimilar manufacturer to prove the purity, potency and safety of the biosimilar, which starts with determining structure



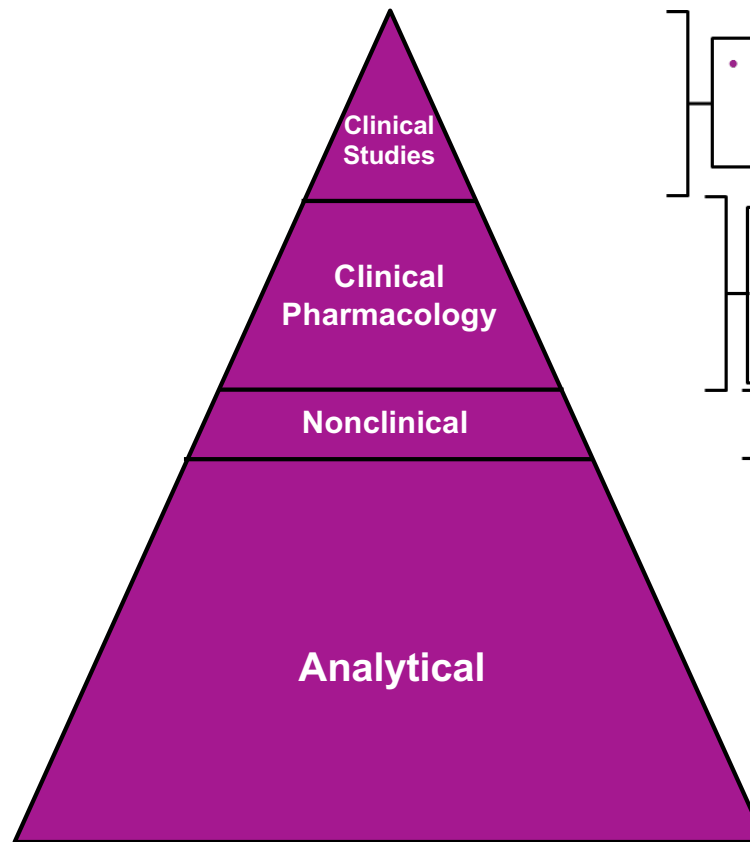
Highly similar: The results of the *comparative analytical characterization* permit high confidence in the analytical similarity...

Highly similar with fingerprint-like similarity: based on *integrated, multi-parameter approaches* that are extremely sensitive in identifying analytical differences. The results of these *fingerprint-like analyses* permit a very high level of confidence in the analytical similarity...

New Biosimilar



New Biologic



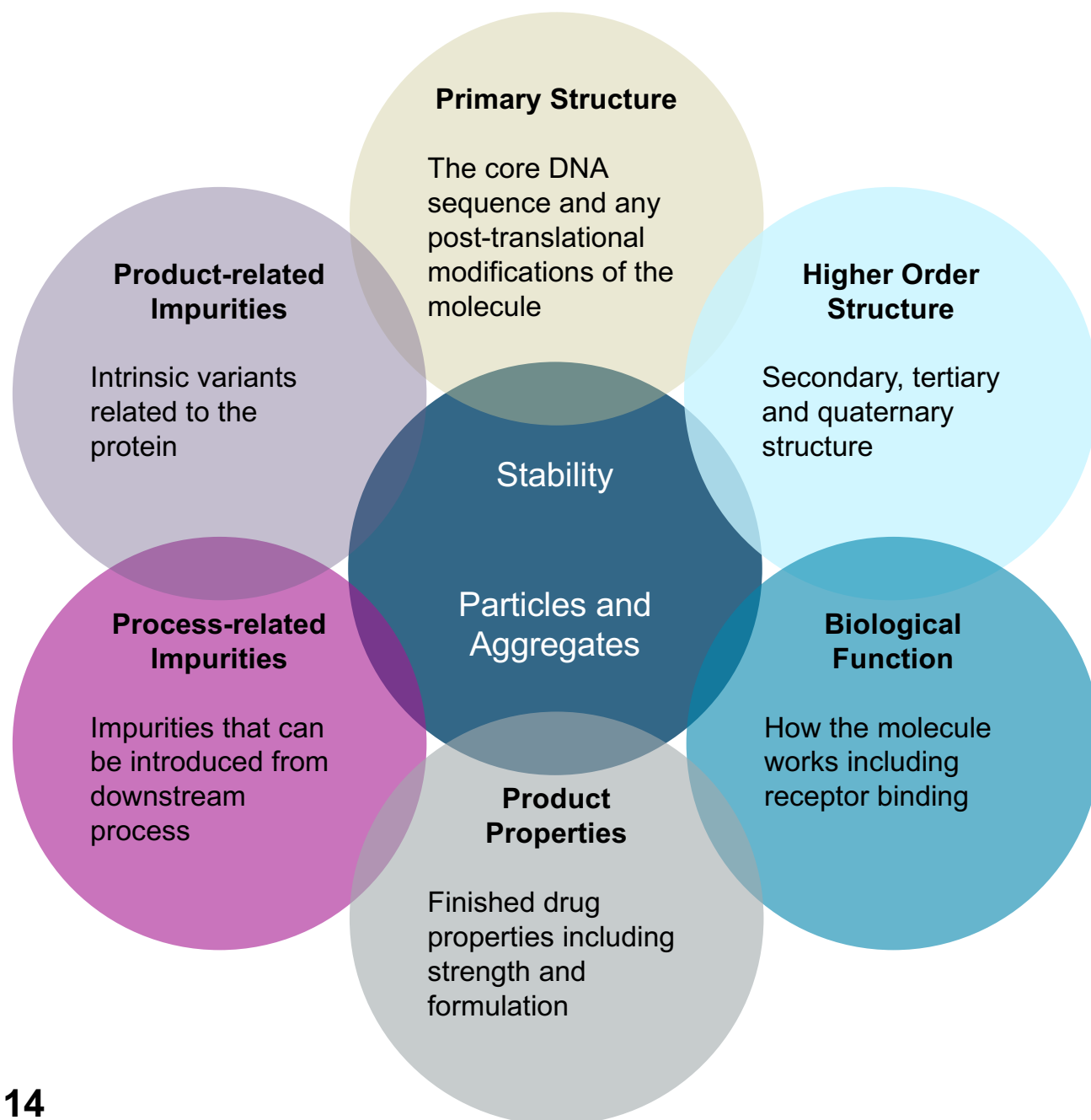
- Phase III clinical trials
 - Recommended if residual uncertainty remains

- Human Clinical Pharmacology Trials

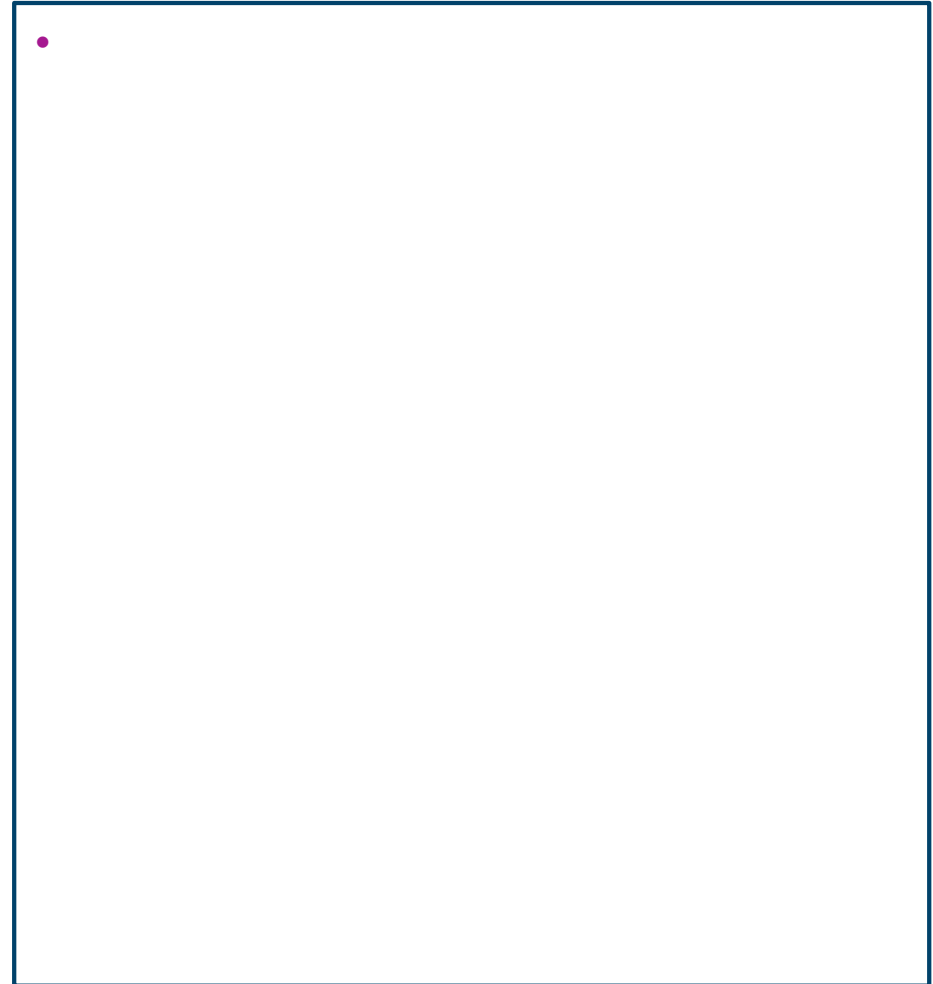
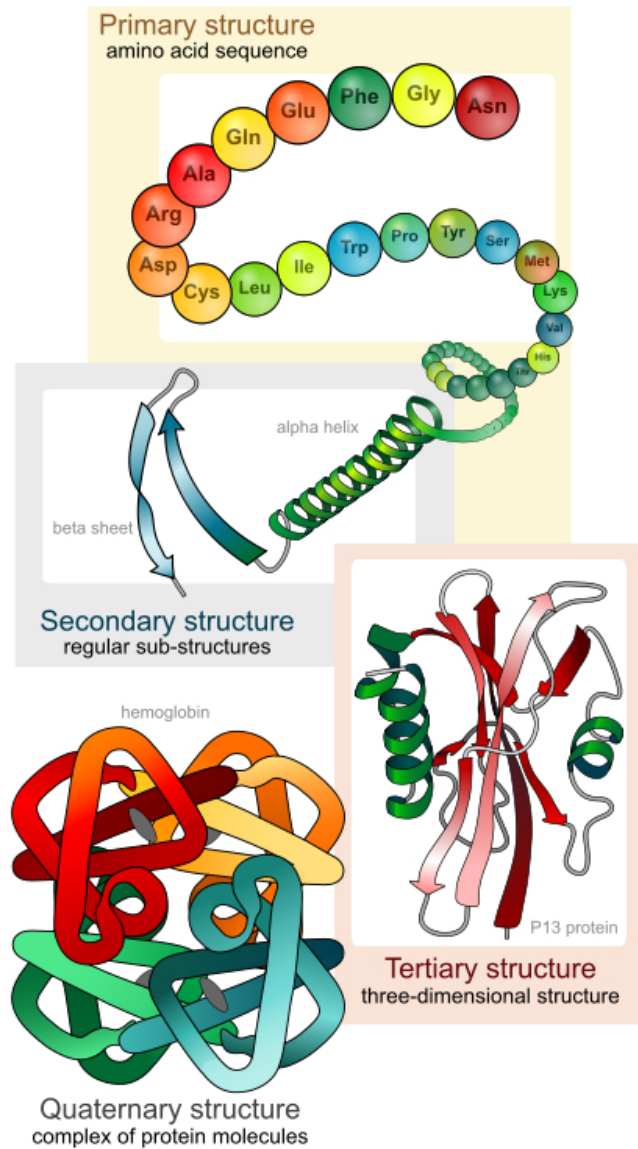
PK	PD	Safety
AUC _{inf}	ANC	Immunogenicity
AUC _{ist}	CD34+	SEAEs
C _{max}		TEAEs

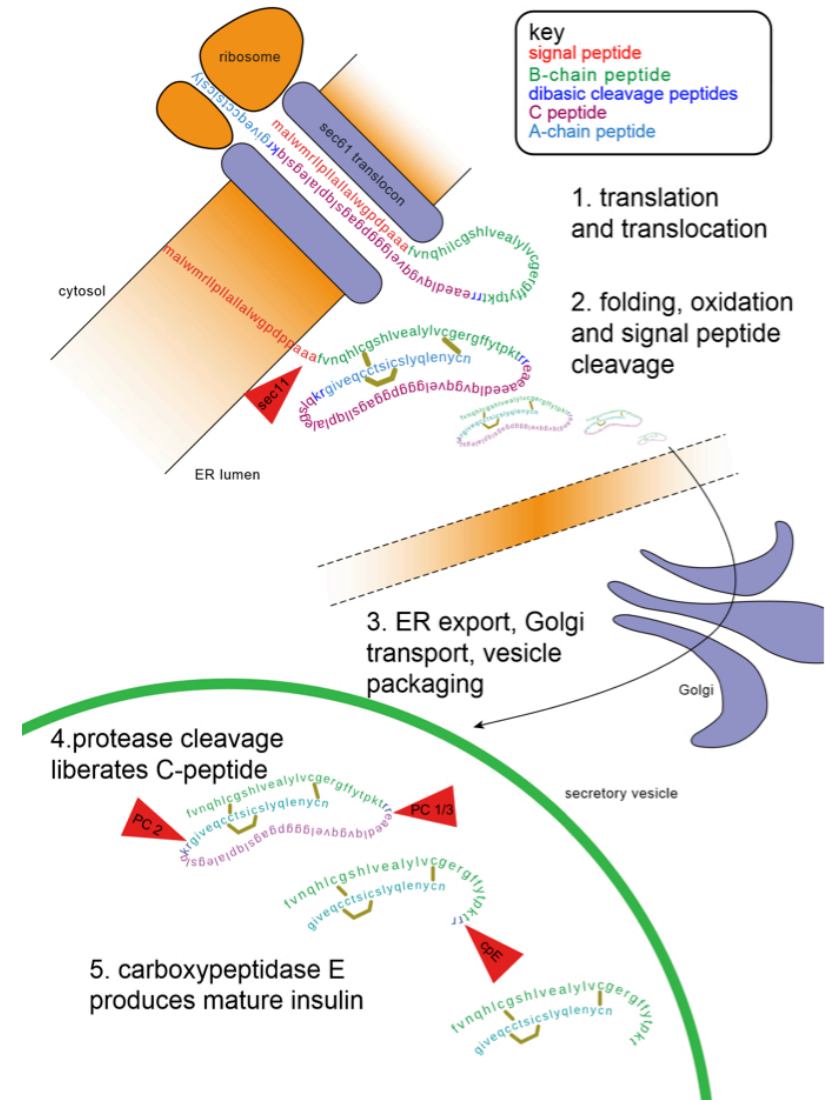
- Animal studies – Toxicology, immunogenicity, etc.

- Structural and functional characterization
 - Range from complex with high likelihood of clinical response (e.g., bioassay, peptide map, 4D) to low predictability of clinical response (e.g., appearance, intact mass, etc.)
- Forms the basis for demonstration of biosimilarity



- ◆ Ability to understand and replicate new molecular entities
- ◆ Leaps and bounds in advancement of analytical methods to characterize molecules
- ◆ Understanding the mode of action of complex drugs







Number and sophistication of available tests has increased tremendously

The goal is to remove residual uncertainty through extensive characterization and achieve fingerprint-like similarity

Science has advanced to a stage where robust characterization and increased understanding of a protein is possible

- Neulasta® was approved in 2002, over a decade ago
- There are test methods that exist today that weren't possible in 2002

Example: mass spectrometry

- There has been a **10 million-fold increase** in detection limit for peptides since 1990¹

Test Methods	
PH	Bioassay
N-C terminal Sequencing	CIEF
Deliverable volume or dose	SDS-Page (Purity)
Acetate	Appearance
DSC	Primary Structure- Mass Spec
HCP	Tertiary Structure-NMR
Sorbitol	Tertiary Structure- 4D
Peptide Map Primary Sequence	Antibody Binding - Elisa
Peptide Map Disulfide Bond	Western Blot
Tertiary Structure- Fluorescence	2D-SDS Page
Color	Sterility
Leachables/Extractables	Subvisible Particles
Osmolality	Visible Particles
Disulfides	Bioburden
Density	Endotoxin
Clarity	SDS-Page (ID)
AUC	CEX
Receptor Binding- Elisa	Absorbance - UV Spect
Residual DNA	SEC- aggregates
Biacore	Product Concentration
Molecular Weight	RP-HPLC Purity
Secondary Structure- CD	



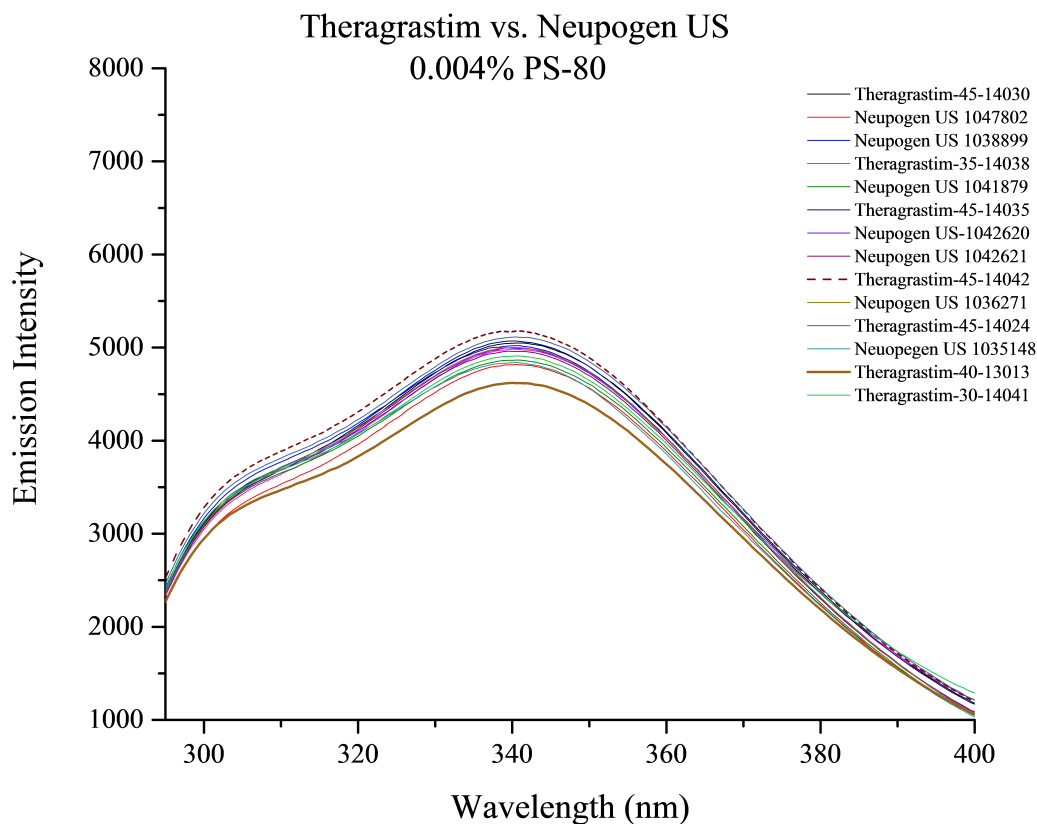
Analytical Tests Ranked by Affect on Product Safety, Purity, Potency, Immunogenicity and Strength

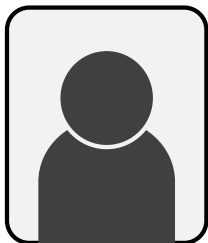
	Level of Affect	Test Name	Testing For	
<p>High</p> <p>CRITICALITY</p> <p>Low</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subvisible Particles Visible Particles Bioburden Endotoxin SDS-Page (ID) CEX (Cation Exchange) Absorbance - UV Spectroscopy SEC- aggregates Product Concentration RP-HPLC Purity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purity Purity Safety Immunogenicity Structure Structure Structure Purity Potency Purity 	<p>Focus</p>
	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HCP (Host cell protein) Sorbitol Peptide Map Primary Sequence Peptide Map Disulfide Bond Tertiary Structure- Fluorescence Color Leachables/Extractables Osmolality Disulfides Density Clarity AUC Receptor Binding- Elisa Residual DNA Biacore Molecular Weight Secondary Structure- CD Bioassay CIEF SDS-Page (Purity) Appearance Primary Structure- Mass Spec Tertiary Structure-NMR Tertiary Structure- 4D Antibody Binding - Elisa Western Blot 2D-SDS Page Sterility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Purity Stability Structure Structure Structure Safety Purity Function Structure Structure Purity Function Function Purity Immunogenicity Structure Structure Function Purity Purity Structure Structure Structure Structure Structure Function Structure Structure Purity 	
	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PH N-C terminal Sequencing Deliverable volume or dose Acetate DSC (differential scanning calorimetry) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety Structure Function Stability Function 	

- TPI performs numerous tests on the molecule to measure biosimilarity related to many factors
- The tests that have the highest potential to affect safety, purity, potency, immunogenicity and strength are the most critical

Purpose	Method
4D proprietary test developed to characterize quarternary structure	Proprietary fluorescence spectra under thermodynamic stressed conditions in solution phase

4D TEST at 0.004% PS-80





Name: RP-HPLC

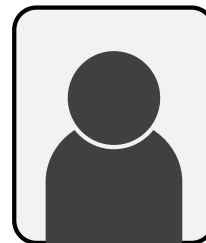
Testing: Purity

Criticality: High



Test Explained:

- ▶ Reversed-phase high-performance liquid chromatography measures product related impurities
- ▶ Solution is passed through a column filled with a solid absorbent (stationary phase and mobile phase)
- ▶ Each component in the sample interacts slightly differently leading to separation
- ▶ Reverse phase HPLC has a non-polar stationary phase and a moderately polar mobile phase



Name: UV absorbance

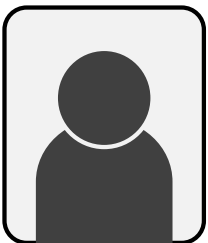
Testing: Structure

Criticality: High



Test Explained:

- ▶ Measures protein concentration
- ▶ Leverages the absorption of ultraviolet light when the molecule moves from the ground state to an excited state
- ▶ Molecules containing non-bonding electrons absorb UV light and biosimilar molecules should exhibit the same pattern
- ▶ Performed using UV absorbance spectroscopy



Name: Cation Exchange

Testing: Structure

Criticality: High



Test Explained:

- ▶ Separates proteins based on differences in the surface charge of the molecules
- ▶ Separation is dictated by the proteins interaction with the stationary phase
- ▶ Leverages negatively charged interactions
- ▶ Performed using ion exchange chromatography



Name: SDS Page

Testing: Structure

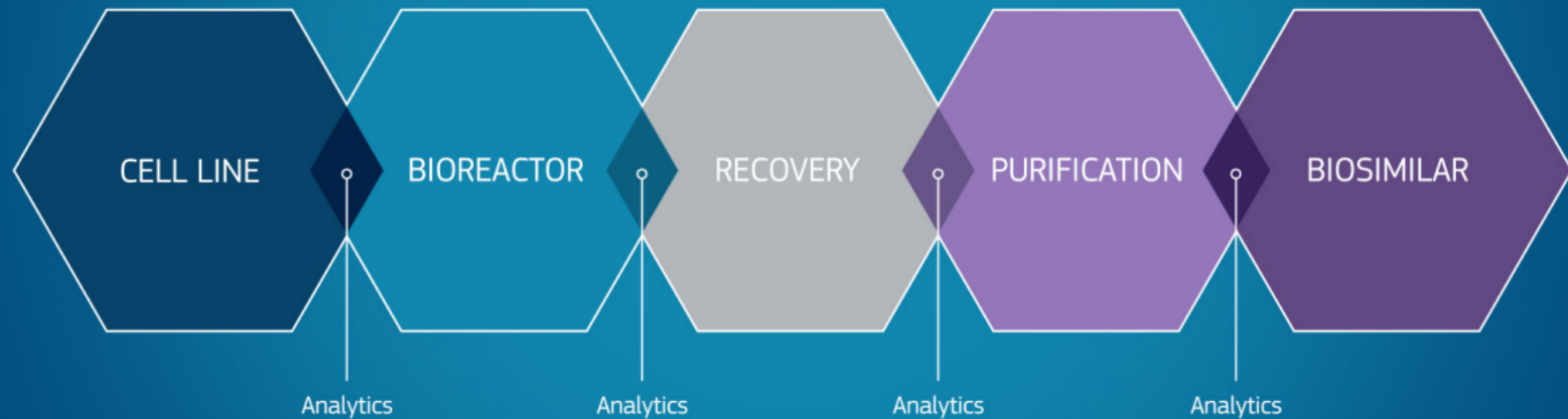
Criticality: High



Test Explained:

- ▶ Separates the proteins based on their ability to move within an electrical current
- ▶ Differences are based on the length of the proteins' polypeptide chains or molecular weight
- ▶ Biosimilar proteins should exhibit the same separations

TPI MANUFACTURING PROCESS



How can we simplify the process while reducing the cost and time to market?



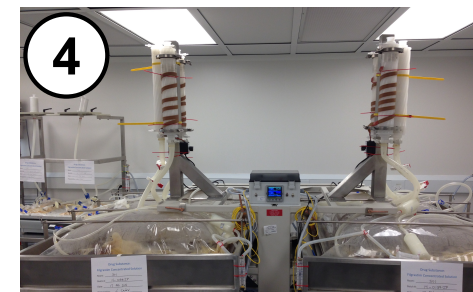
1
Roller Bottle System



2
Deep Tank System



3
Single-use Bioreactor



4
TPI Single-use Bag

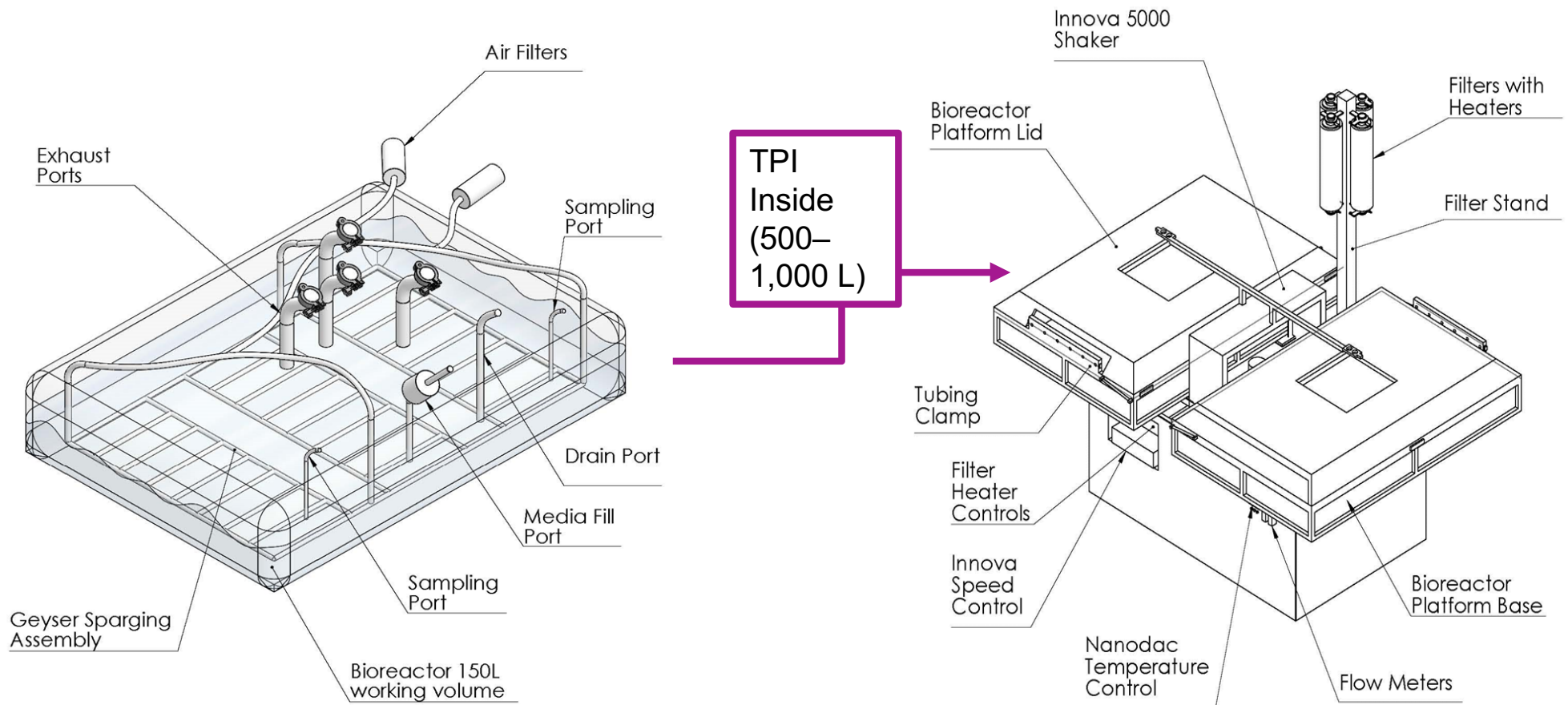
TPI Proprietary Approach

- ▶ 45 patents filed in U.S. and other regulated markets between 2009 and 2014.

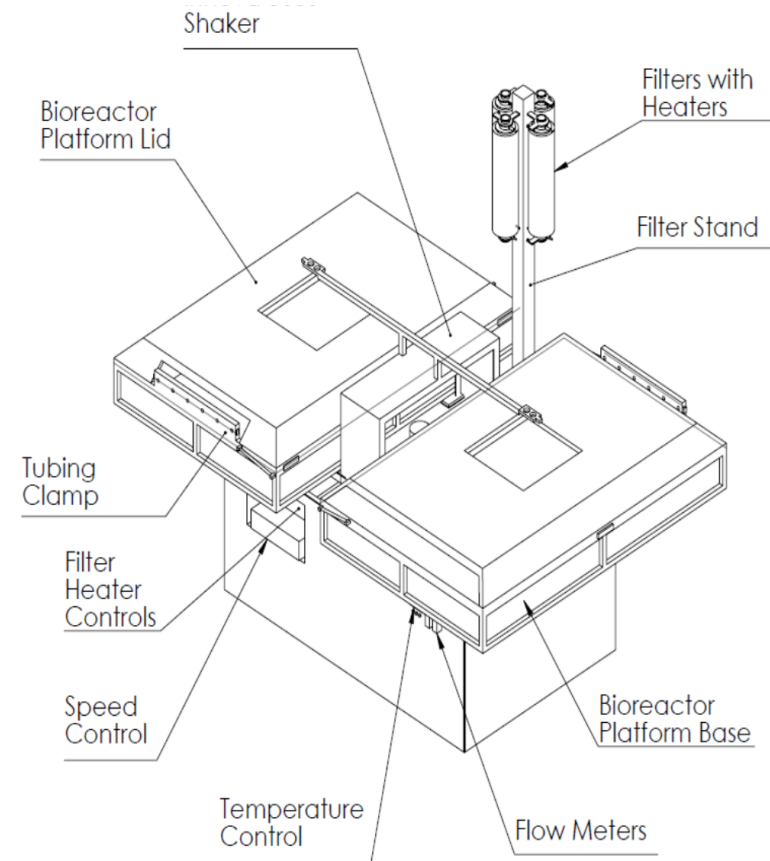
Patent Category	Number
Bioreactors	15
Harvesting/Purification	16
Harvesting	1
Purification	3
Facility	2
Characterization	4
Formulation	2
Media Growth	2



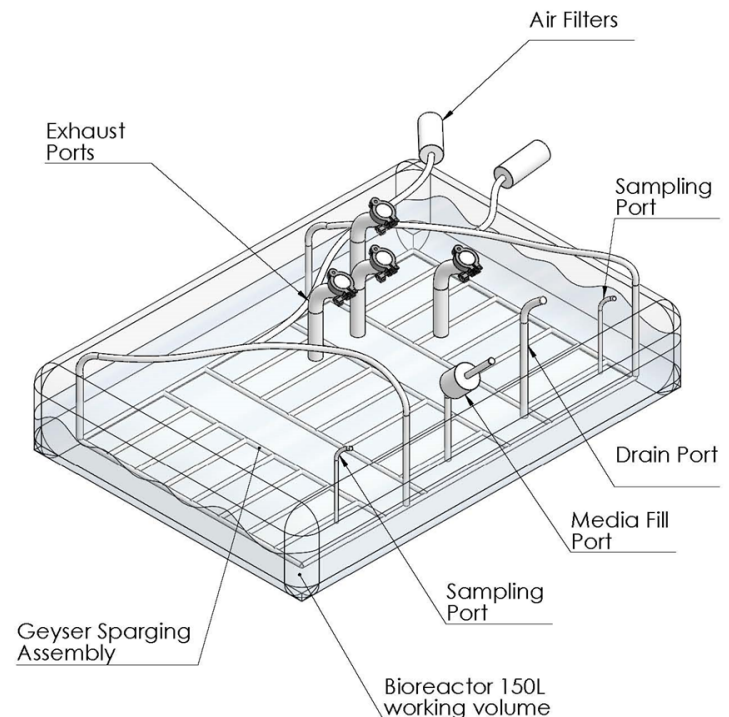
MayaBio® Bioreactors



- Process platform consist of bioreactor bag and orbital shaker
- The orbital shaker provides:
 - Enough energy without increasing the shear stress on cells
 - Means to control pH and DO for the culture
 - Temperature control for the culture
 - Support and protection to bioreactor bag
- TPI's process platform can support up to 650L working volume



- TPI's Single-use flexible container:
 - A pillow bag with no retaining walls containing a proprietary sparging system and gamma sterilized for final use
 - All ports fully protected for preventing area contamination
 - Cross-contamination resistant - probes and filters are disposable and installed into bag prior to sterilization
 - Reduced variability in protein structure by reduced physical stress
 - Effective delivery of oxygen into the bioreactor culture by a patented design of integrated sparge rods located within the bioreactor bag
 - Modular, scalable without scale-up validation: one size of flexible bag is validated and then multiple bags are operated simultaneously to create different batch sizes
 - Animal free and Class VI Components
- In combination with orbital shaker can support:
 - Excellent temperature distribution (0.01°C from set point)
 - Mixing times of ~15 seconds @80 RPM
 - Mass transfer efficiency and modularity



1. High quality

- Shorter, gentle process on the protein and potential for increased consistency in structure

2. Accelerated set-up and switchover

- Single-use technology
- Fully portable
- No time or expense associated with switching between products

3. Cross-contamination Resistant

- Fully contained and sterile system
- No need for clean room

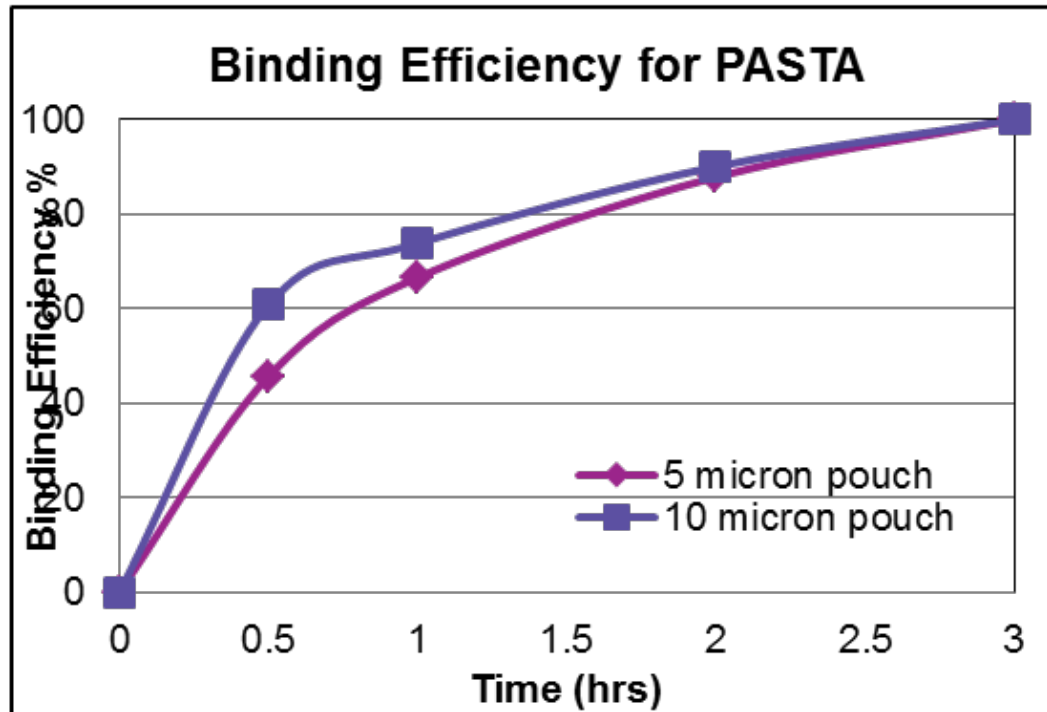
4. Fast development and scale up

- Allows for development of multiple products simultaneously
- Provides flexibility in meeting market demand

5. Cost Effective

- Smaller footprint relative to fixed reactor technologies

PASTA



A study showing the binding efficiency of Protein A resin in a 5 μ and 10 μ pouch.



- ▶ Optimized platform for shorter timelines in drug discovery
- ▶ Empower research organizations to produce clinical supplies
- ▶ The majority of new drugs will be biologics, how will developing world manage these when the traditional methods require an extensive capital investment?
- ▶ Flexibility in response to challenges e.g., bioterrorism, vaccine production, etc. based on clean room requirements
- ▶ Potential to eliminate steps of the process, further reducing cost e.g., protein capture within the bioreactor

Questions?

