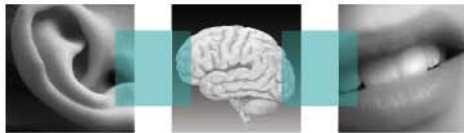




# Monoclonal Antibody Production: *Building the Platform*

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- ❑ **US subsidiary located in Research Triangle Park, NC**



# Presentation overview



- ❑ Challenges facing antibody manufacturers**
- ❑ An overview of Antibody purification**
- ❑ Case study into the development of a purification methodology for the clinical production of an IgG<sub>4</sub> monoclonal antibody**

# Challenges in Antibody Production



## High dosing requirements:

- Large amounts of product required
- Continuity of supply

## Increasing titres:

- Typical: 2 – 5 g/L
- Column and resin limitations

## Low viability on harvest:

- Clarification issues
- Increased contaminant levels



# Challenges in Antibody Production



## High throughput processing:

- Increased capacity resin
- High flow rates

## Disposable technology:

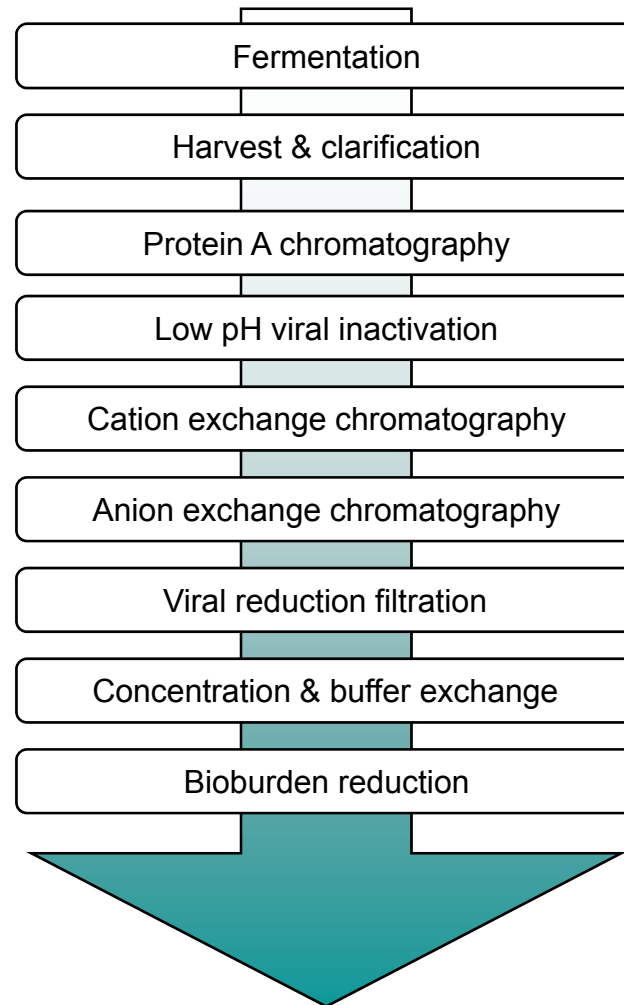
- Pre-packed columns
- Disposable membrane adsorption technology

## Other options:

- Cation exchange primary capture
- Simulated moving bed
- Two phase extraction

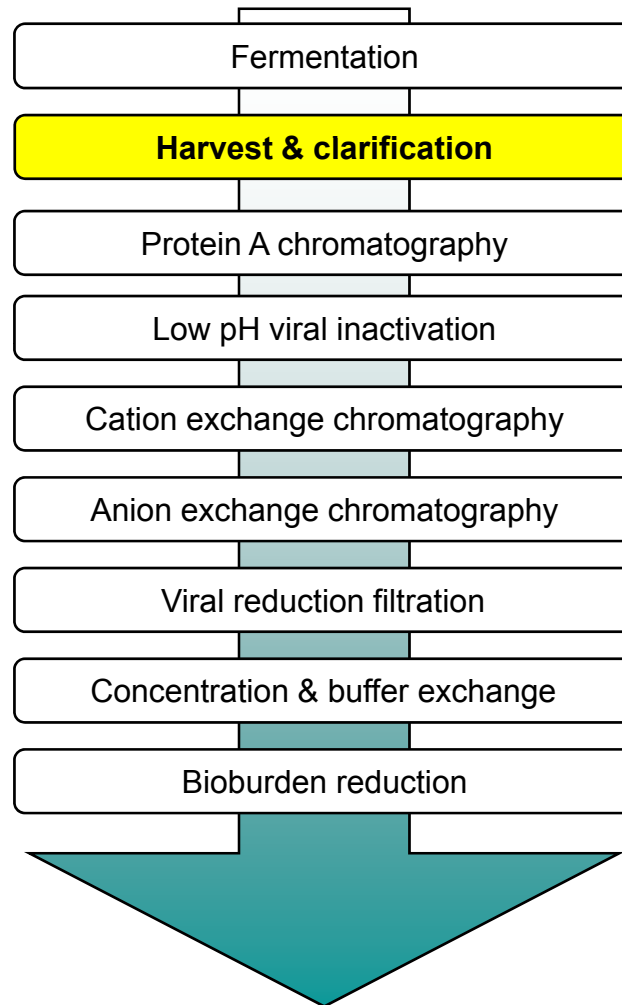


# Typical mAb Purification Process





# Harvest & Clarification



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## Direct depth filtration

- Ideally suited for volumes (< 1000 L)
- Disposable options

## Centrifugation → Depth filtration

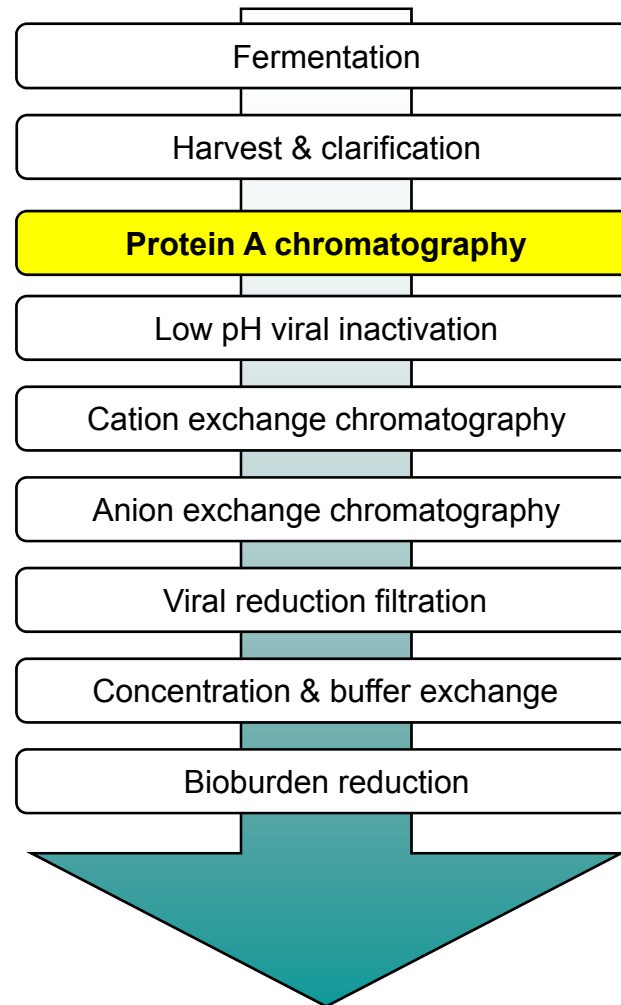
- Most practical for large volumes (> 1000 L)
- High shear
- Difficult to develop and control
- Equipment and cleaning validation requirements
- High operating costs

## Microfiltration

- Suited at all scales
- Equipment and cleaning validation requirements
- High buffer and utility consumption



# Protein A Chromatography

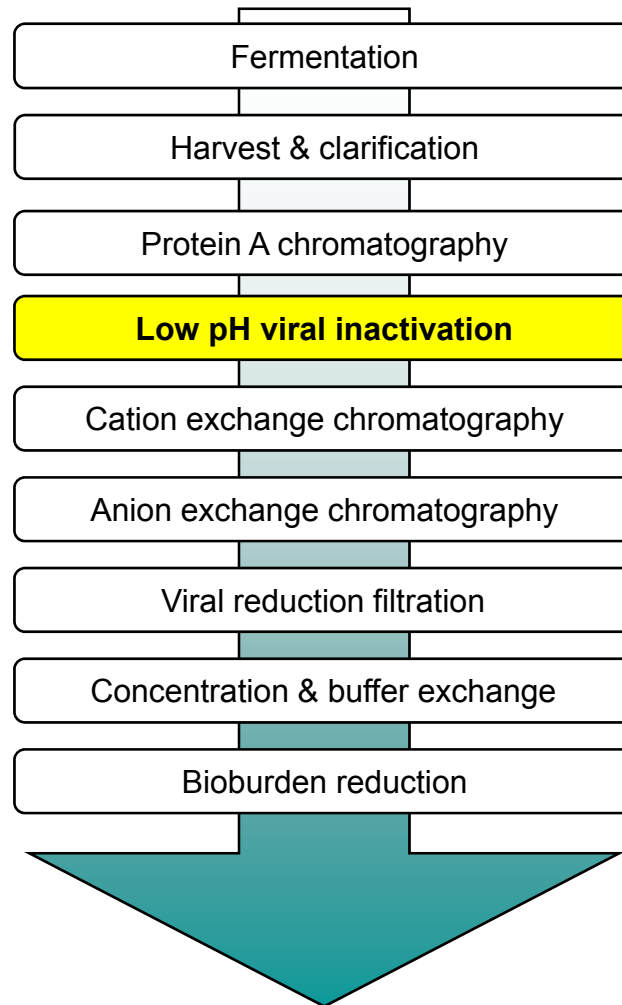


# Protein A Chromatography

- Industry standard**
- Robust**
- Efficient**
  - High purity in single step
  - Volume reduction
- High initial capital outlay**
- Column limitations**
  - Binding capacity
  - Hardware



# Low pH Viral Inactivation

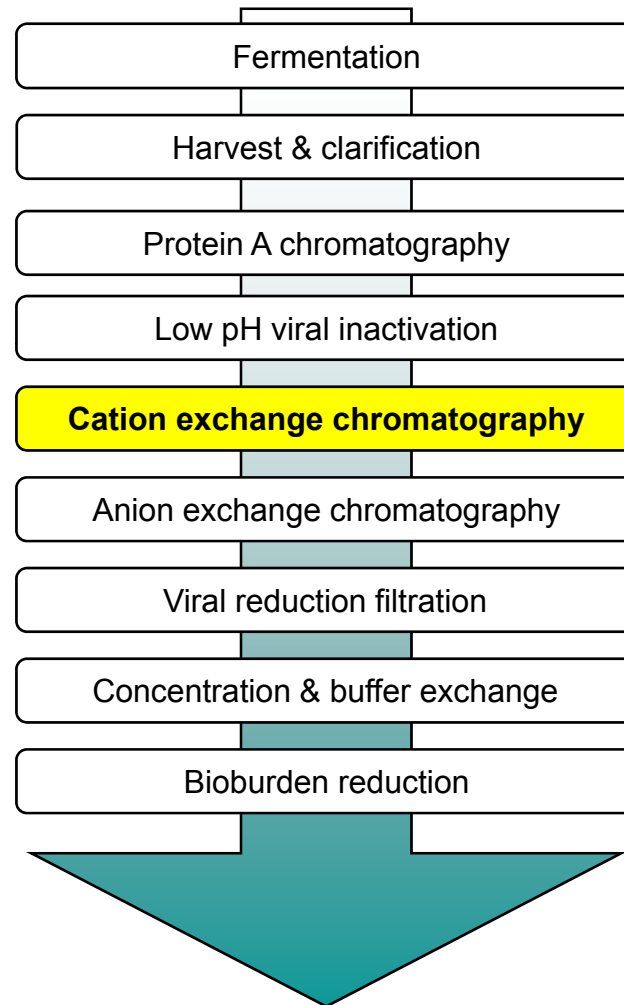




# Low pH Viral Inactivation

- Inactivation of enveloped viruses
- Cheap, simple and effective
- Minimal hardware requirements
- Precipitation of host cell proteins
  
- Product stability
  - Aggregation
  - Precipitation

# Cation Exchange Chromatography



# Cation Exchange Chromatography



## Intermediate purification:

- Aggregate removal
- Host cell protein reduction
- Leached Protein A reduction

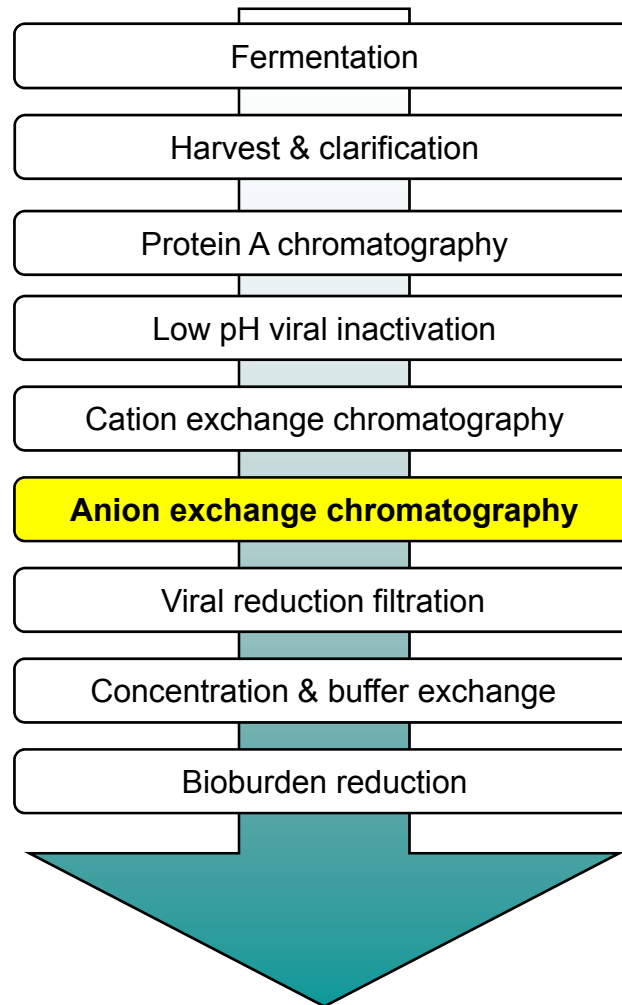
## Packed bed chromatography

## Bind and elute mode

## Possible viral reduction step



# Anion Exchange Chromatography





# Anion Exchange Chromatography

## Polishing purification:

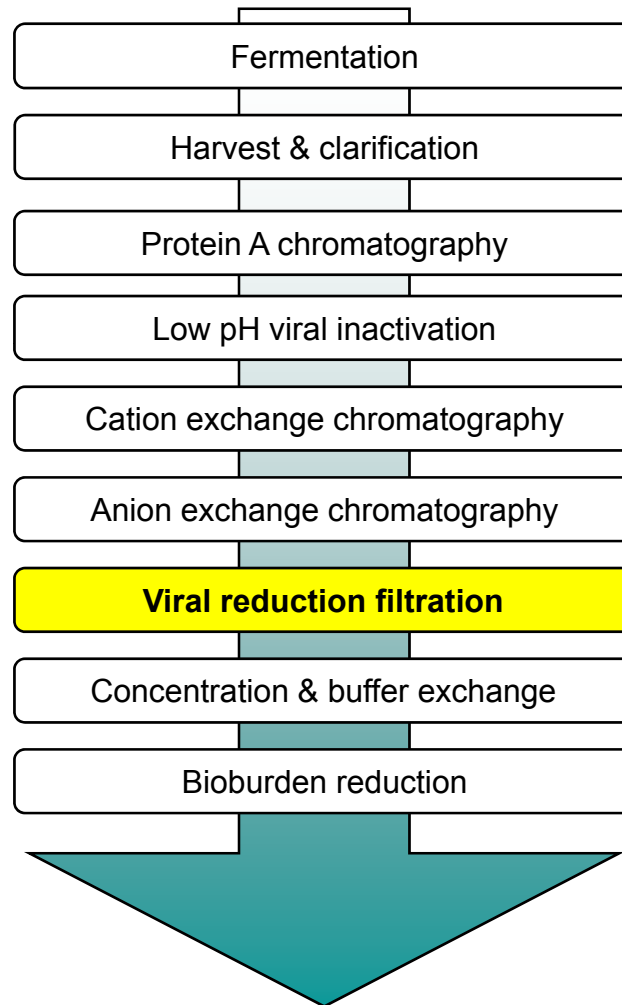
- Residual host cell protein removal
- Endotoxin reduction

## Flowthrough mode:

- Disposable membrane technology

## Viral reduction

# Viral Reduction Filtration



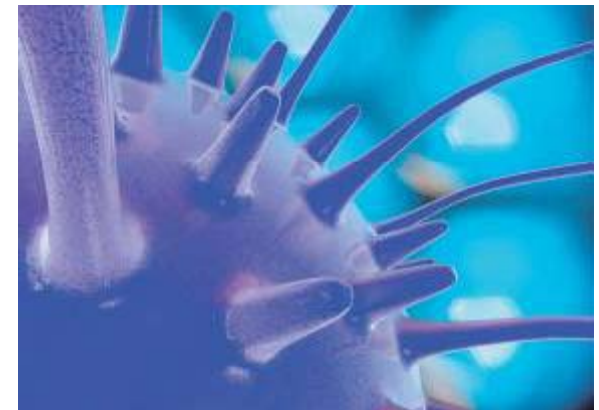
# Viral Reduction Filtration

## ❑ Nano-filtration

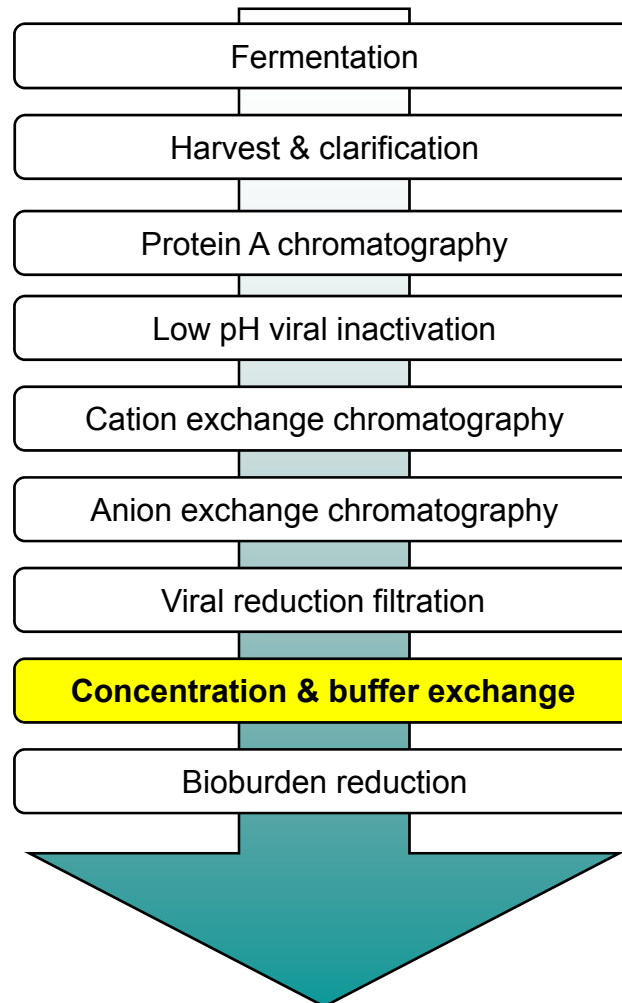
❑ 100 nm Pre-filter → 20 nm Final filter

## ❑ Small non-enveloped viruses

## ❑ Disposable capsule format



# Concentration & Buffer Exchange



# Concentration & Buffer Exchange



## Ultrafiltration / diafiltration

- Crossflow filtration

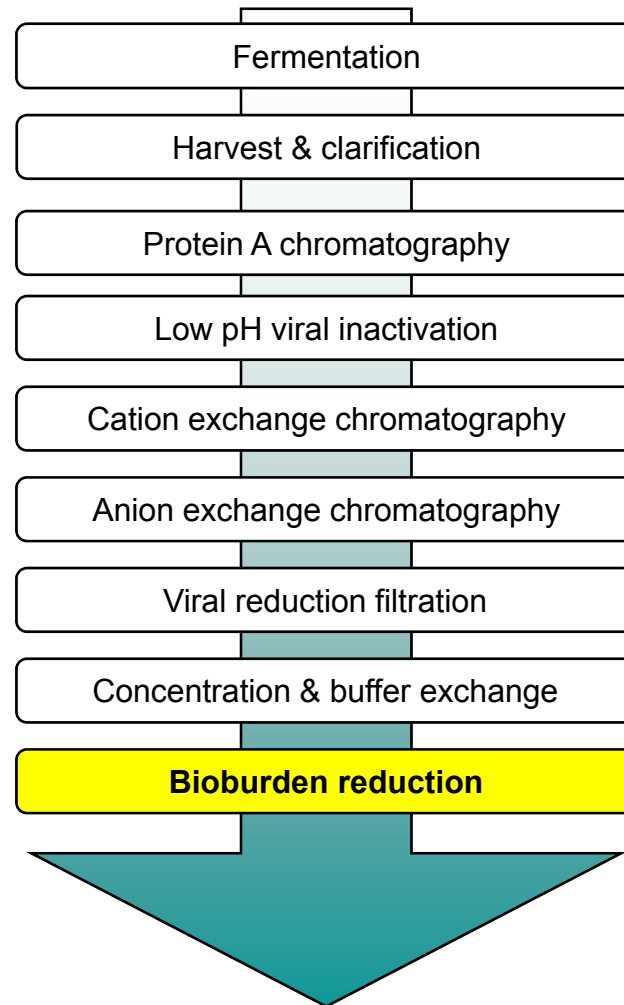
## Volume reduction

## Buffer exchange

## Various options



# Bioburden Reduction Filtration





# Bioburden Reduction Filtration

- 0.22  $\mu\text{m}$  filtration**
- Pre-filter  $\rightarrow$  Final filter**
- Disposable capsules**
- Bioburden reduction**
  - Patient safety
  - Reduce microbial spoilage





# Monoclonal antibody purification: Case Study

# Case Study: Process Development



- ❑ **IgG<sub>4</sub>**
- ❑ **CHO cell line:**
  - ❑ Enabling cell expression technology
  - ❑ Stirred tank Bioreactor
  - ❑ Chemically defined media
- ❑ **Target = 0.5 g/L expression**



# Case Study: Process Development



## Depth filtration

- Gross cellular debris removal
- Direct bioreactor clarification
- Fully disposable

## Normal flow filtration

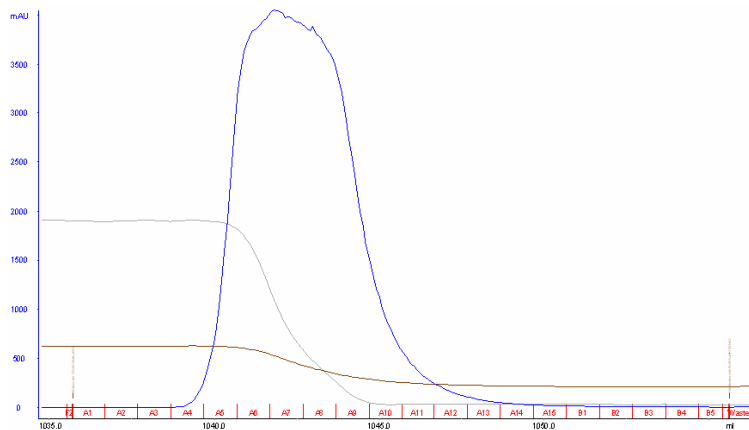
- 0.22  $\mu\text{m}$  filtration
- Bioburden reduction
- Fine particulate removal
- Disposable capsule format



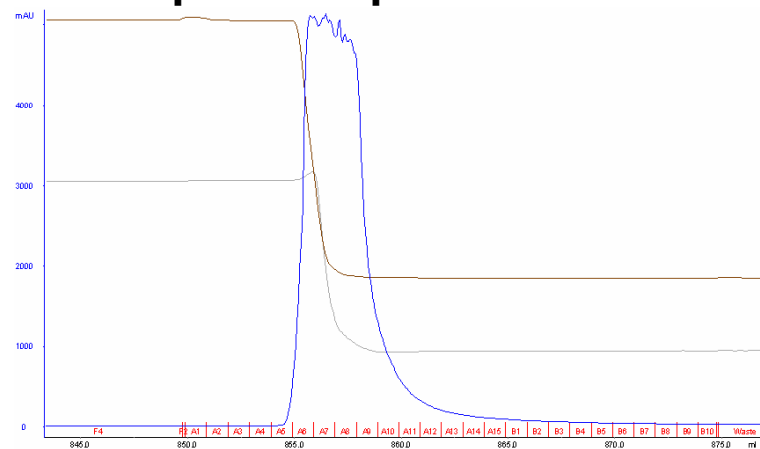
# Protein A – Resin Screening



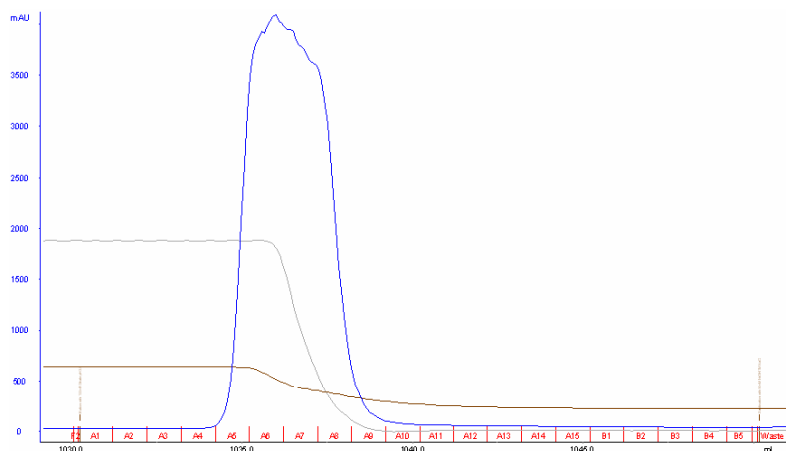
## MabSelect A: GE Healthcare



## ProSep A: Millipore



## MabCapture A: Applied Biosystems



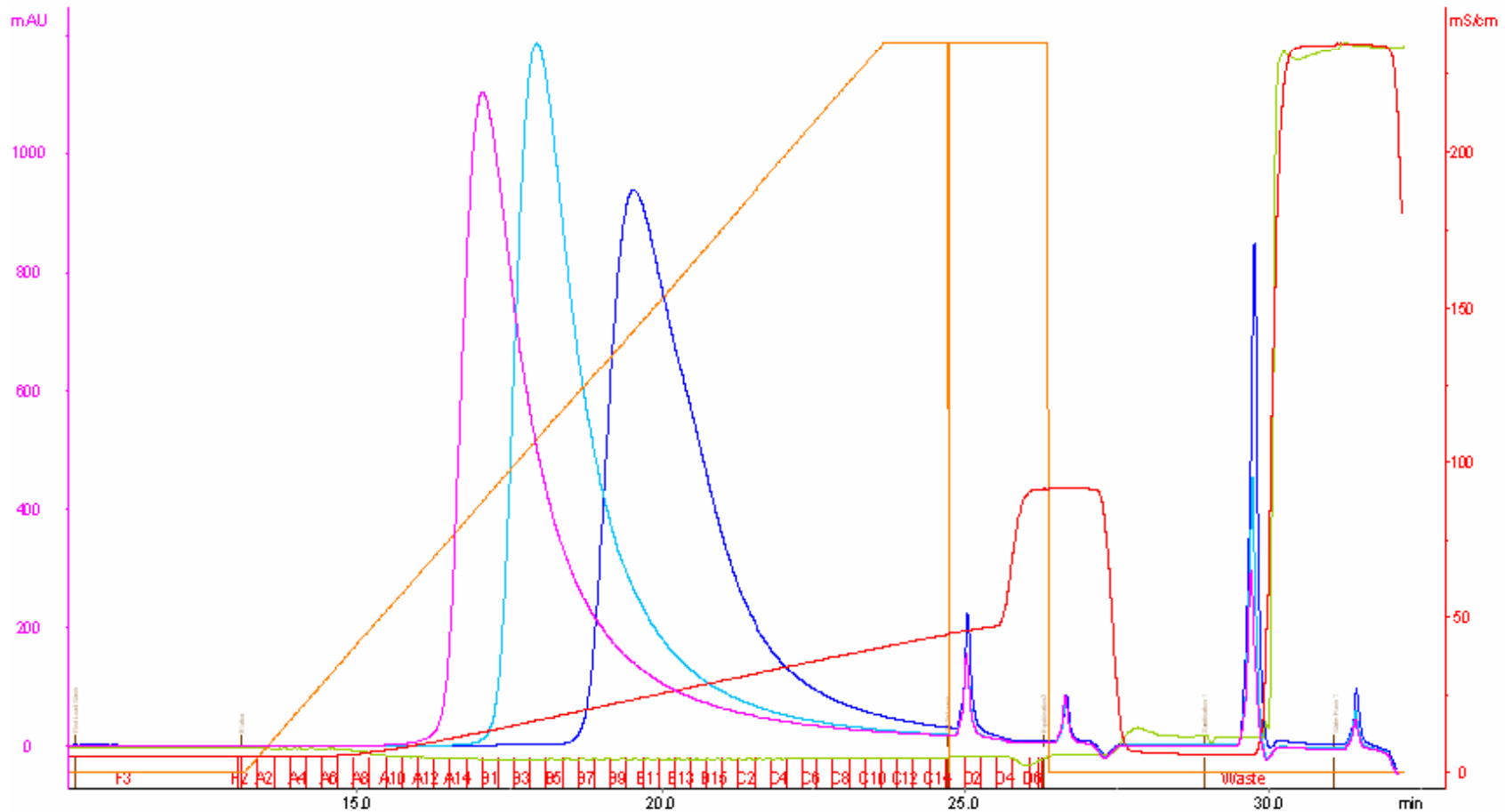
# Cation Exchange resin screening: Capto S – GE HealthCare



Run 1 – pH 5.5

Run 2 – pH 5.0

Run 3 – pH 4.5



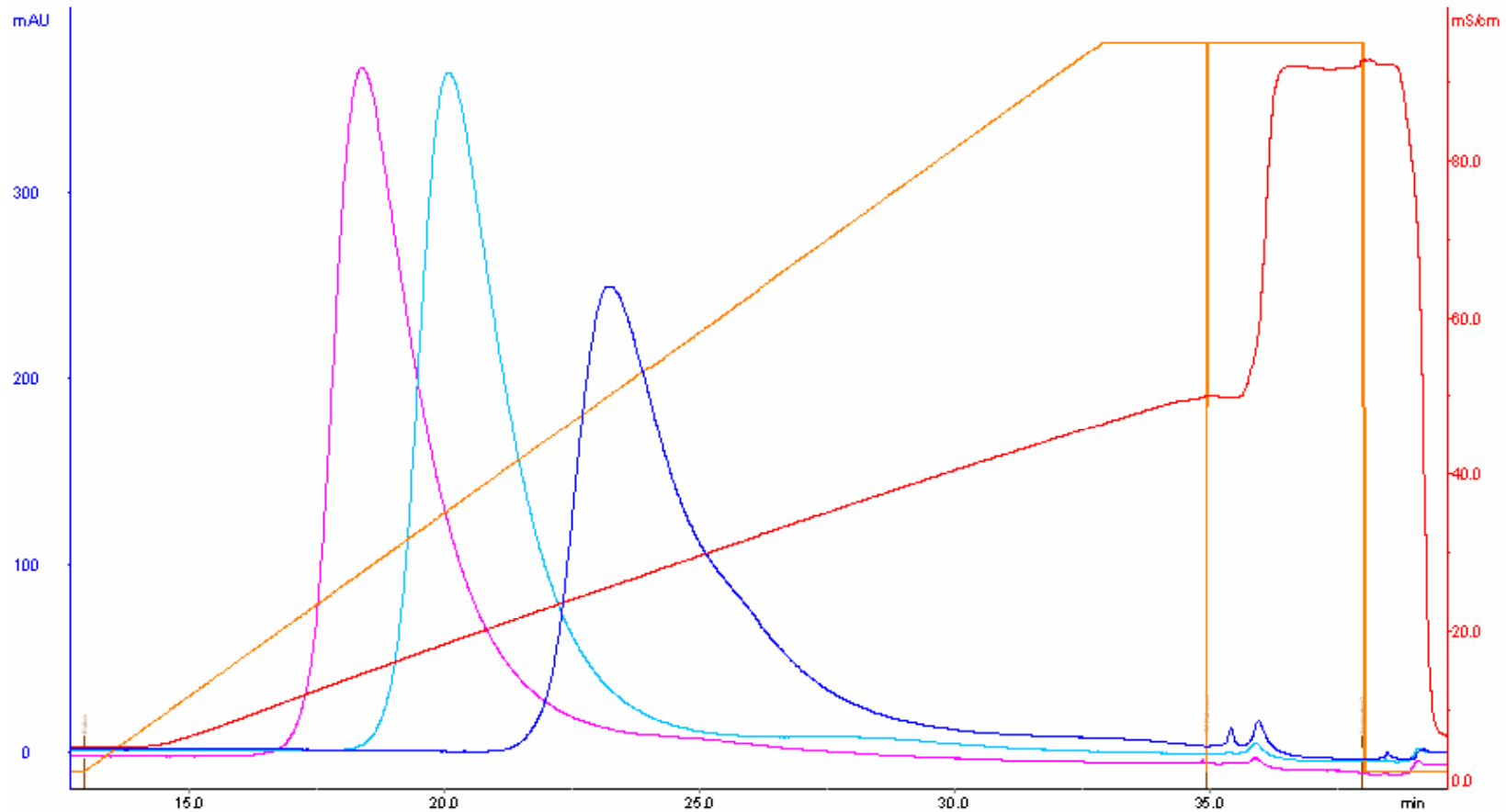
# Cation Exchange resin screening: GigaCap S – TosoH



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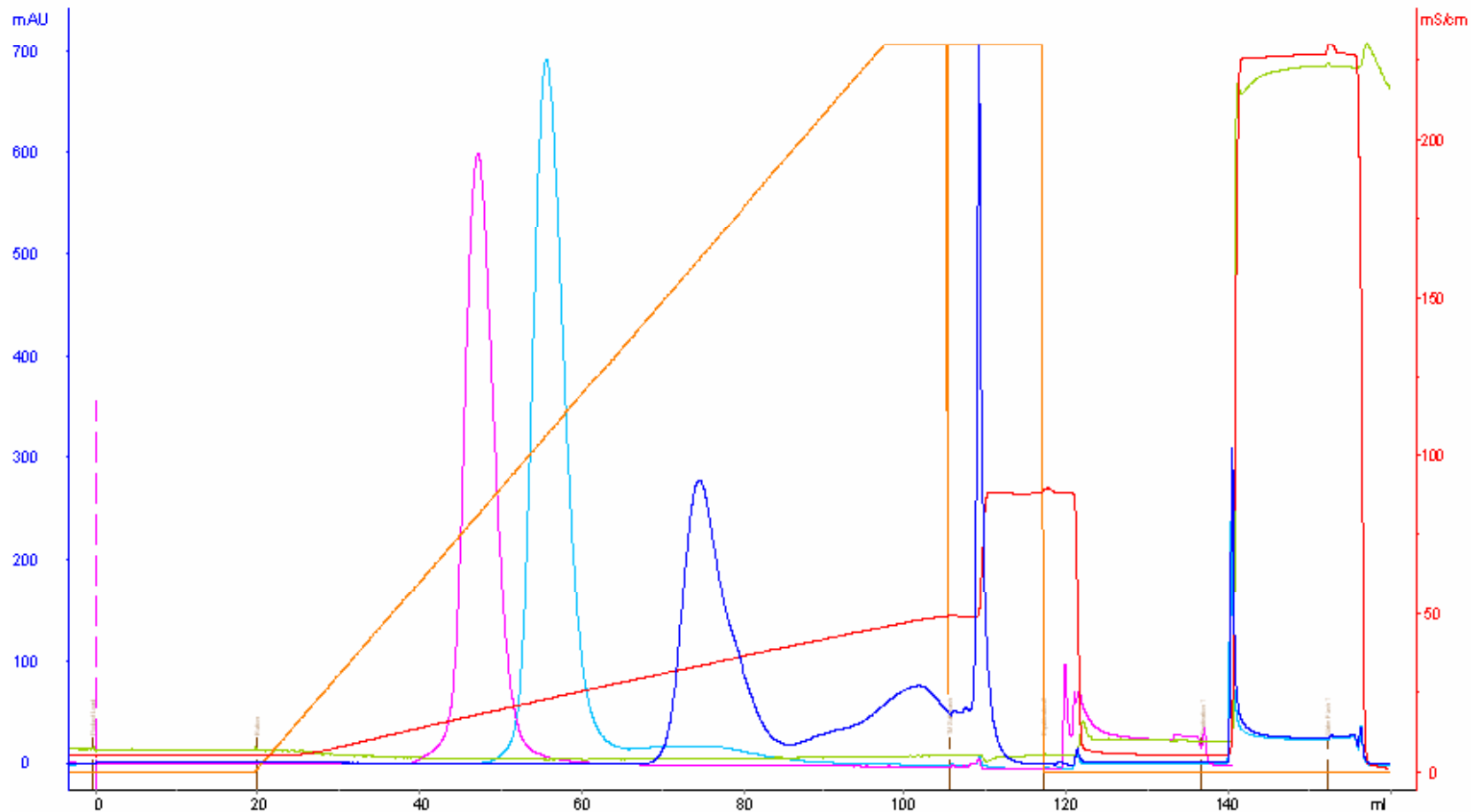
# Cation Exchange resin screening: Poros HS – Applied Biosystems



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Run 2 – pH 5.0

Run 3 – pH 4.5





# Anion Exchange resin screening

## Packed bed:

- Poros HQ – Applied Biosystems
- Capto Q – GE Healthcare

## Membrane adsorption:

- Sartobind Q – Sartorius
- Adsep – Natrrix Separations
- Chromasorb – Millipore

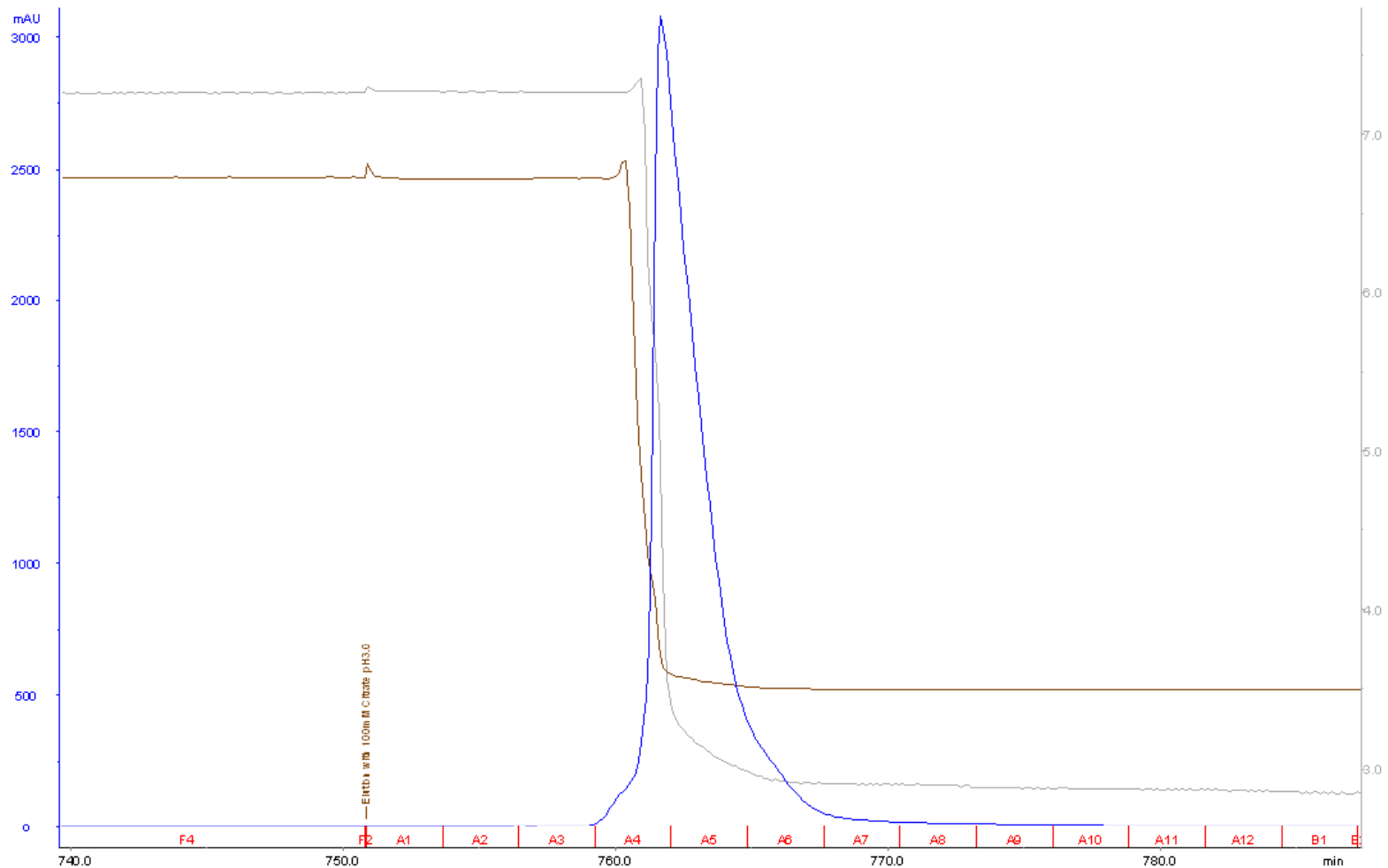




## Case Study: 2 L Bioreactor

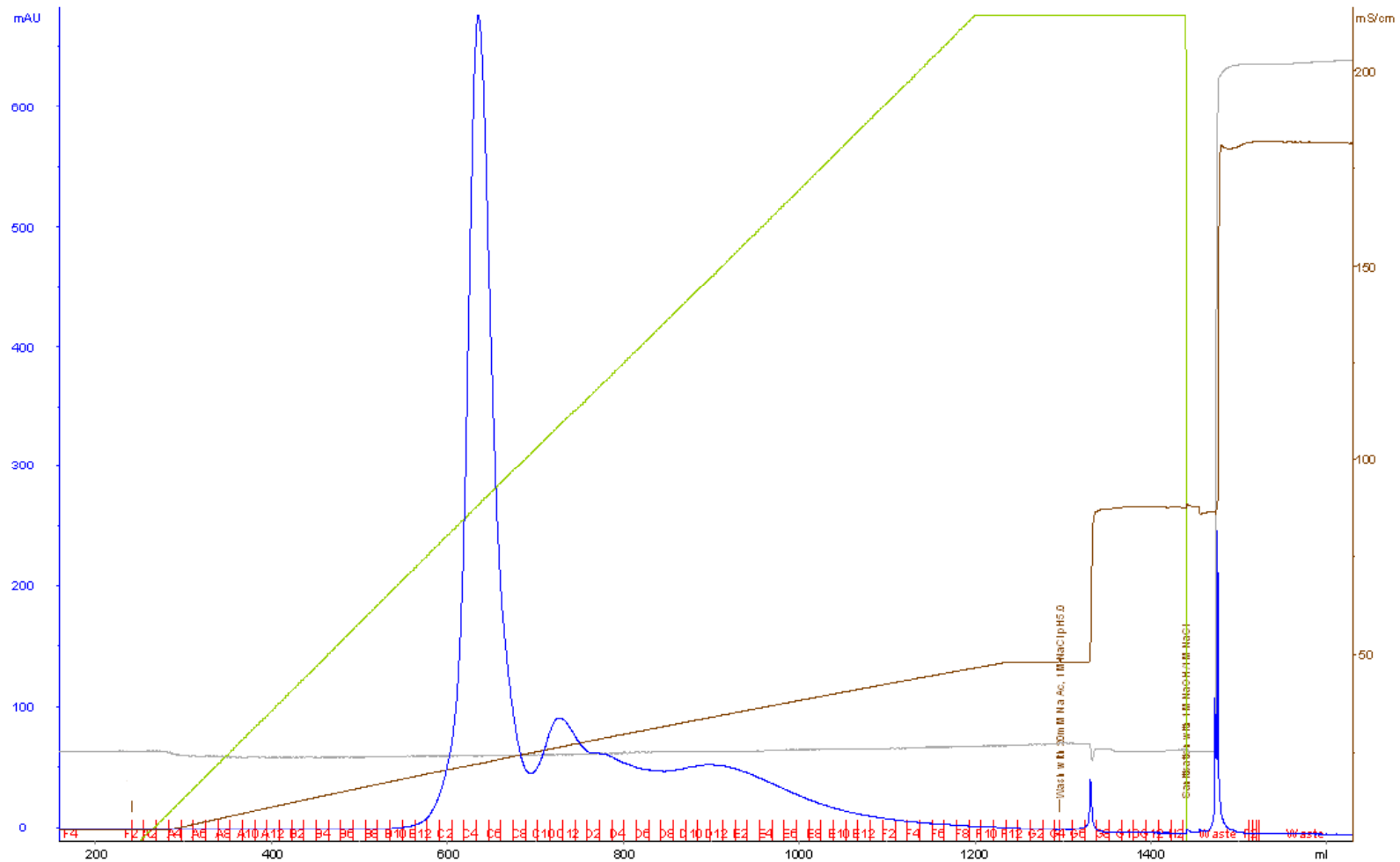
- 2 L bioreactor
- PowerCHO growth media
  - Feed strategy applied
- 0.5 g/L expression
- $2 \times 10^6$  cells per mL (on harvest)
- < 50 % viability (on harvest)

# Protein A: MabCapture A Applied Biosystems

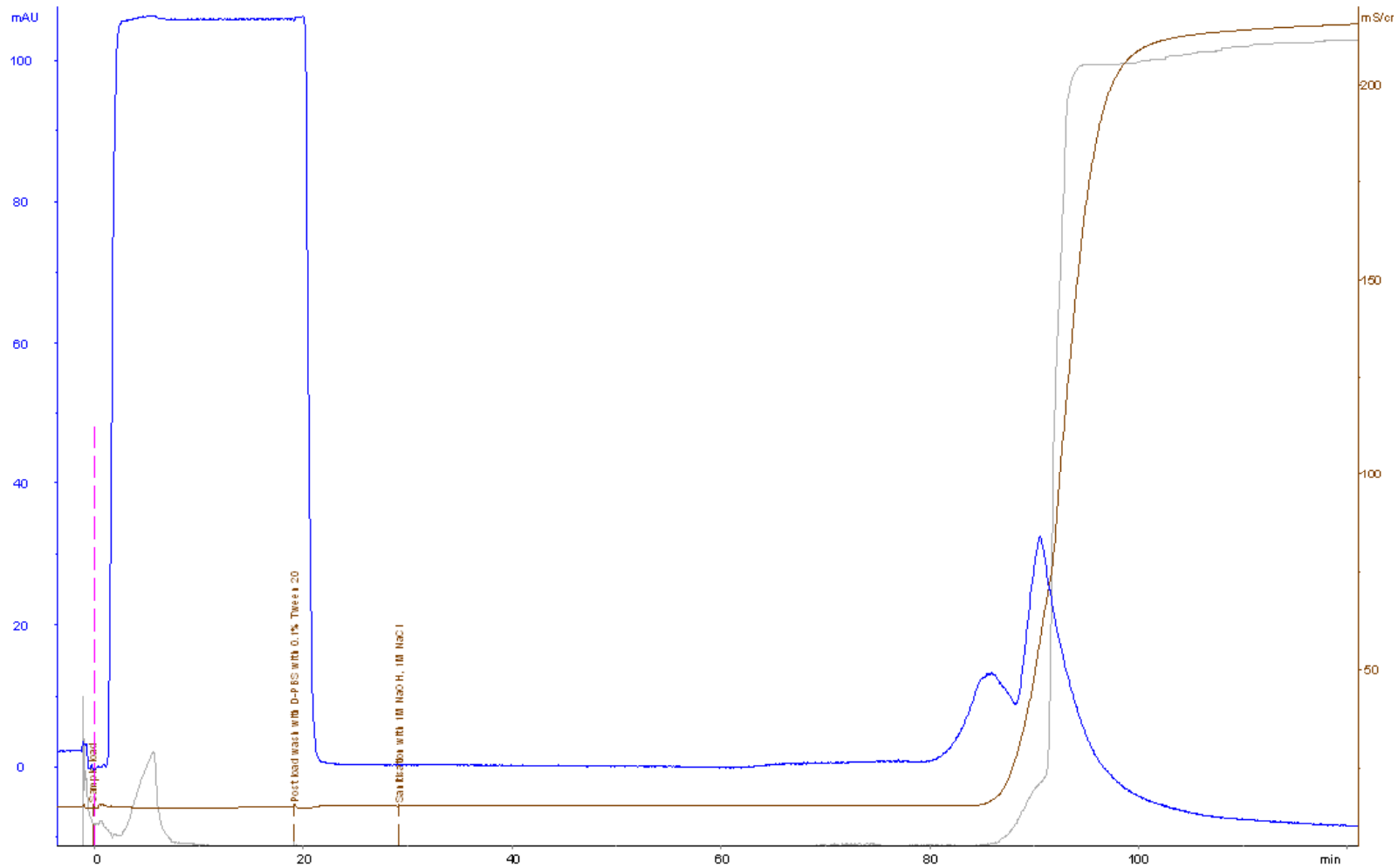


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# Cation Exchange: Poros HS Applied Biosystems

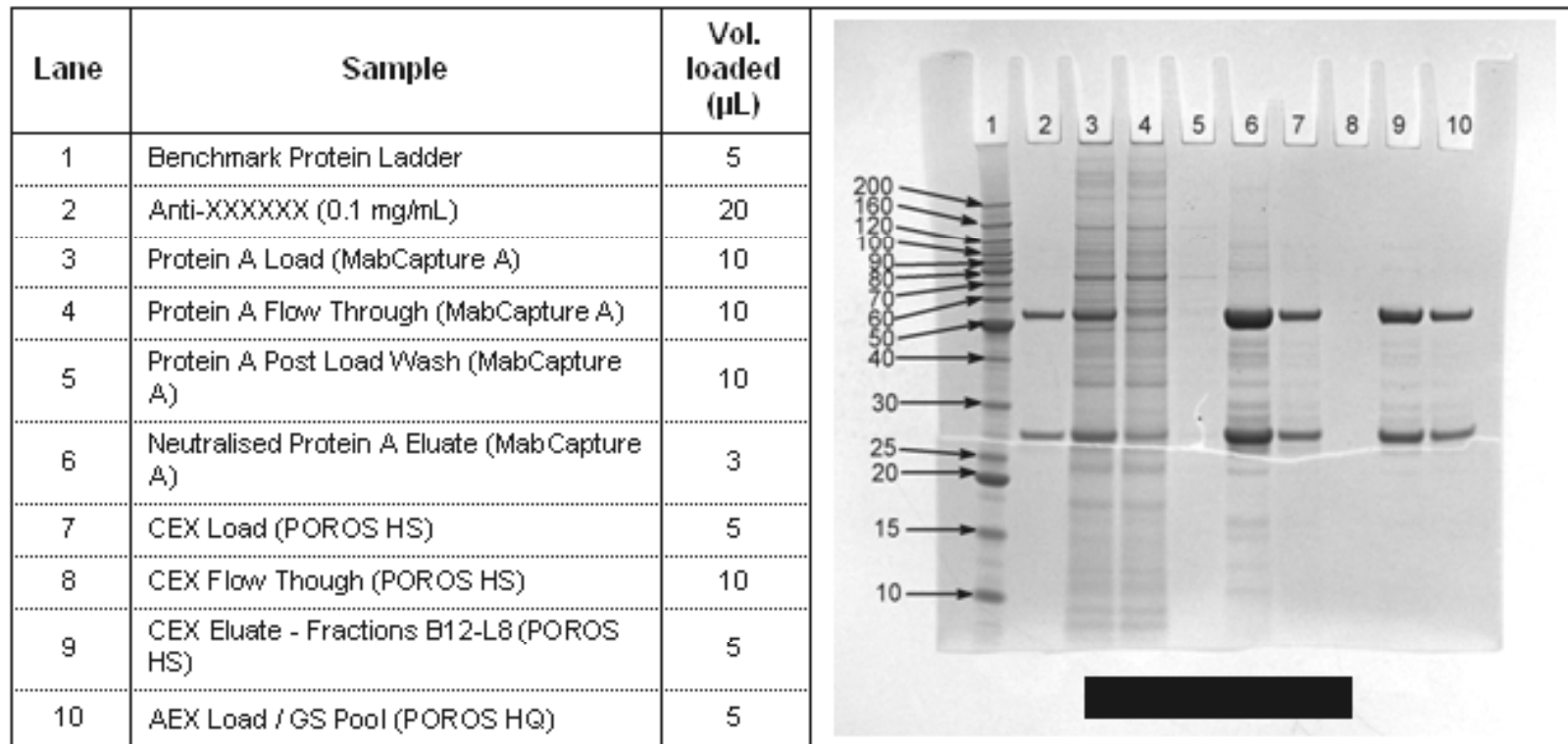


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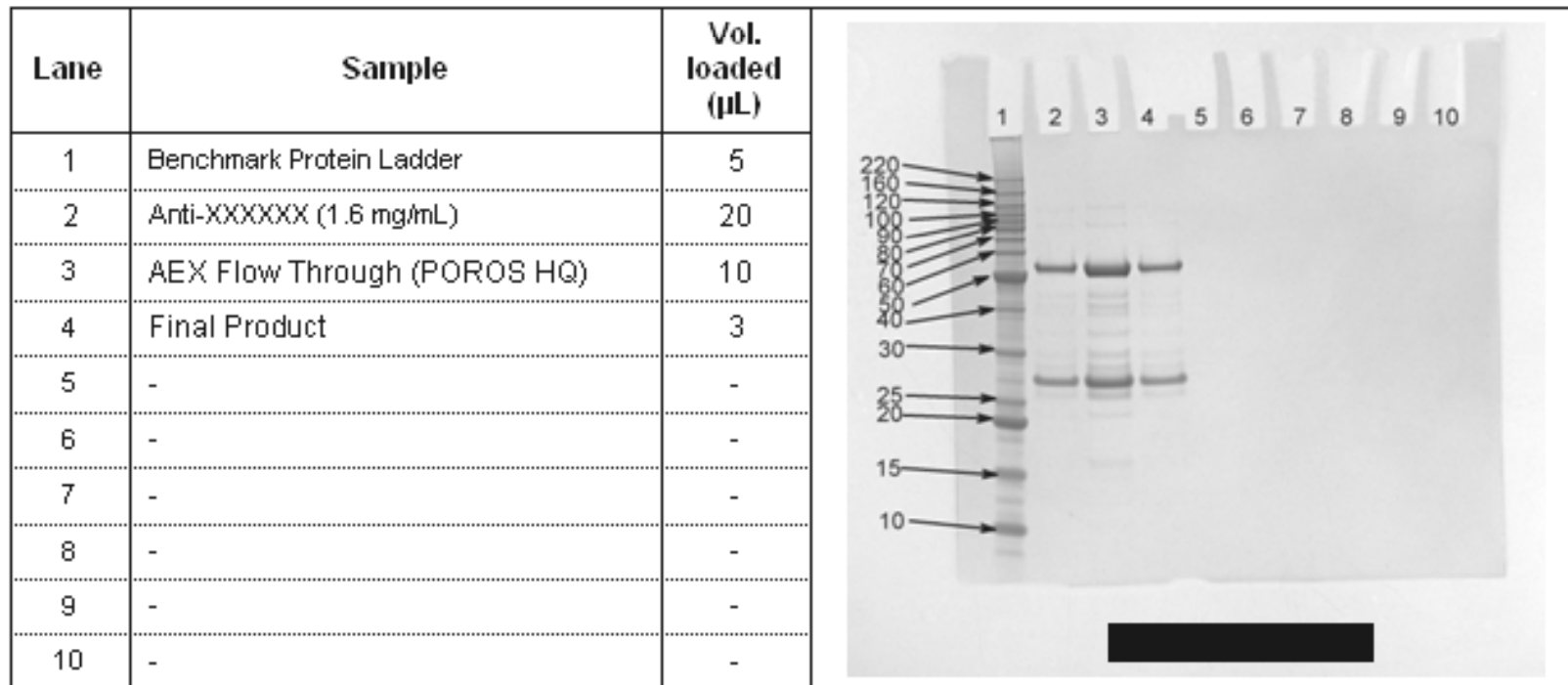


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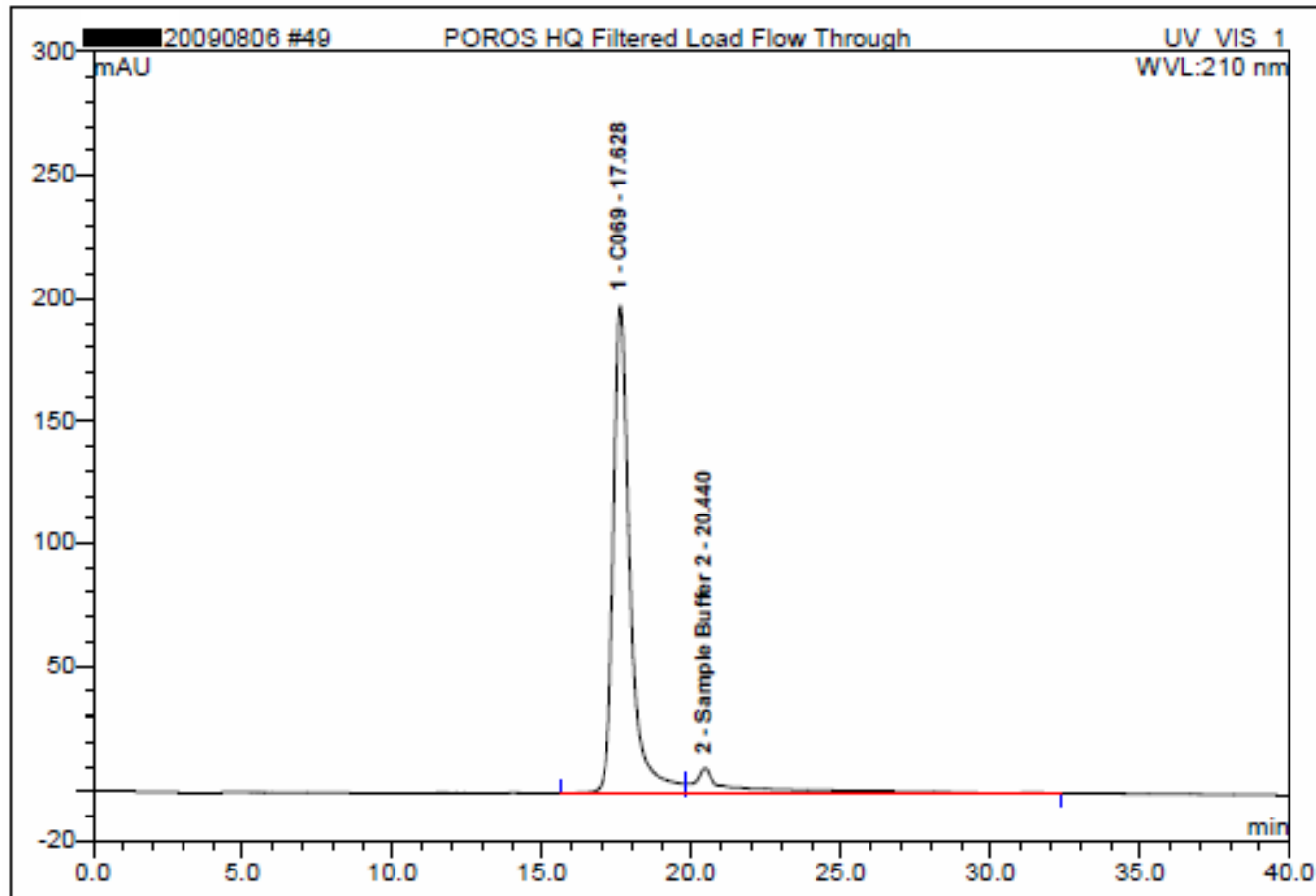
# Analytical Results: SDS-PAGE



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# Analytical Results: Size exclusion





# Analytical Results

Analysis	Technique	Result
Endotoxin	LAL	< 0.5 EU/mL
DNA	qPCR	16 pg/mL
Purity (SEC)	SEC	100 %
Host cell protein	ELISA	In development
Recovery	ELISA	In development





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