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Control Strategy as a Critical Aspect of Manufacturing Innovation

**Opportunities and Challenges on the Path to
Implementation**

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Opportunities for Innovation

- **Advances in biology, engineering, automation, and manufacturing technology**
 - **Potential to improve quality assurance, supply assurance, productivity, access, etc...**
- **Ongoing shift to value vs. volume based business models**
- **Increased focus in oncology segments and rare diseases**
- **Adaptive trial designs and expedited regulatory pathways in select areas**



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Innovation Drivers

Process Enabling Technologies

- R&D Productivity - driven by clinical costs
- Acceleration - Development as critical path
- Efficient, reduced cost commercial processes
- Manufacturing flexibility; facility utilization

Product Enabling Technologies

- Market access, regionalization
- Customer convenience (devices, storage, shipping)
- Novel modalities
- Connectivity; diagnostics

Putting the Patient First

- Well-defined QTPP, and Patient Centric Specifications
- Control strategy that focuses on product quality, but can afford innovation and changes

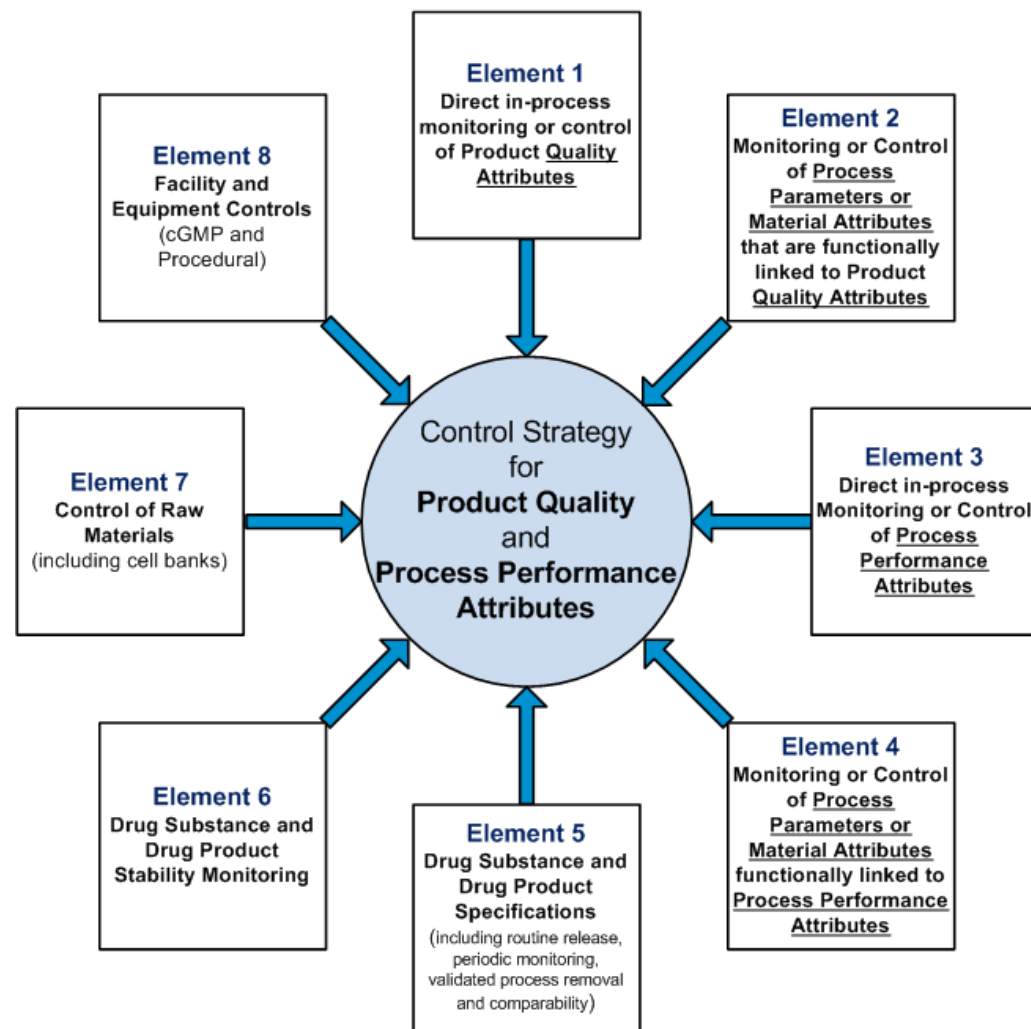


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What is a Control Strategy?

- ICH Q10 definition: “A planned set of controls, derived from current product and process understanding that ensures process performance and product quality. The controls can include parameters and attributes related to drug substance and drug product materials and components, facility and equipment operating conditions, in-process controls, finished product specifications, and the associated methods and frequency of monitoring and control.”

Elements of Control:



Control Strategy Development

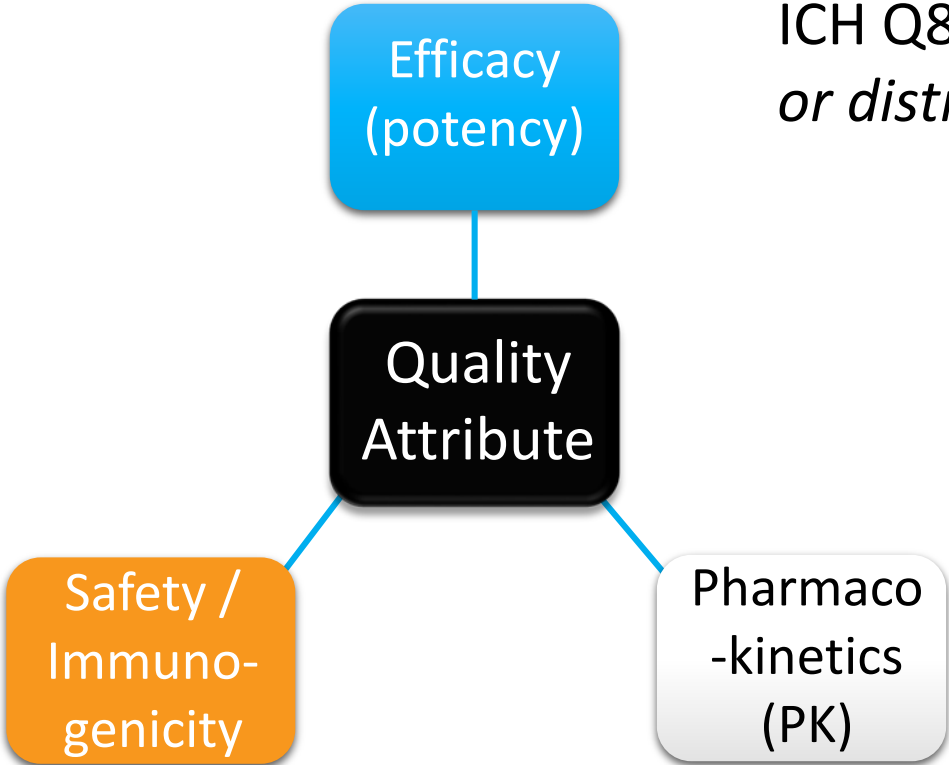
- Starts with molecular design
 - understanding of impact to target binding, is it relevant to mechanism of action?
 - Impact to pharmacokinetics? (safety / immunogenicity, patient “harm”)
 - Can susceptible sites be engineered out in the first place?
- Process control of expression system (temp, time, redox, etc...)
- Process controls in purification?
- Is there an analytical method to apply to release?
- Can we formulate to mitigate liabilities?
- Control through device manufacturing steps, pen assembly, final packaging
- Labeling statements for end-user



Product quality Attributes (PQAs)



Attribute understanding is clinically relevant and is foundational to a good control strategy for biotherapeutic development



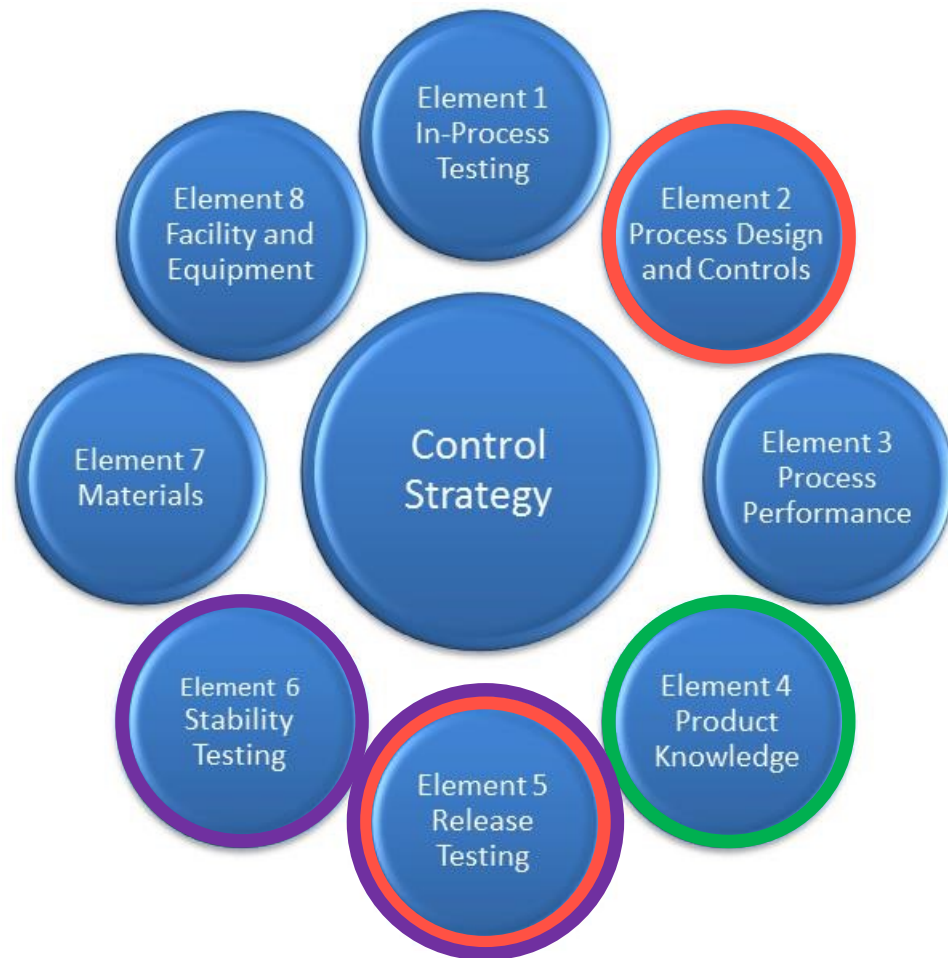
ICH Q8R: **CQA**...*should be within an appropriate limit, range or distribution to ensure the desired product quality*

Criticality Assignment Matrix (CQA in red)					
		Severity (Harm to Patient)			
		10	7	5	1
Uncertainty (information quality)	10				
	6				
	4				
	2				



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Multiple Control Strategy Elements Impact on quality



Knowledge of product variants that can impact potency

- Structure-function assessments
- Forced degradation studies

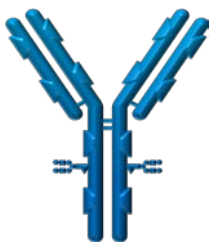
Control of product potency through a combination of process controls and acceptance criteria for physicochemical product quality attributes

- e.g., Purity, post-translational modifications (PTMs)

Confirmation of product potency through release and stability testing

- For drug substance and drug product
- Verification of shelf-life

Control of quality Through Process Controls



Quality Attribute

Process Control

Analytical Control

PTMs

- N-linked Glycosylation

- Cell culture process design & parameter control
- Media composition

- N-linked glycan method with acceptance criteria for DS release

Purity

- Intact IgG / Fragments

- Purification process design & parameter control
- Formulation design

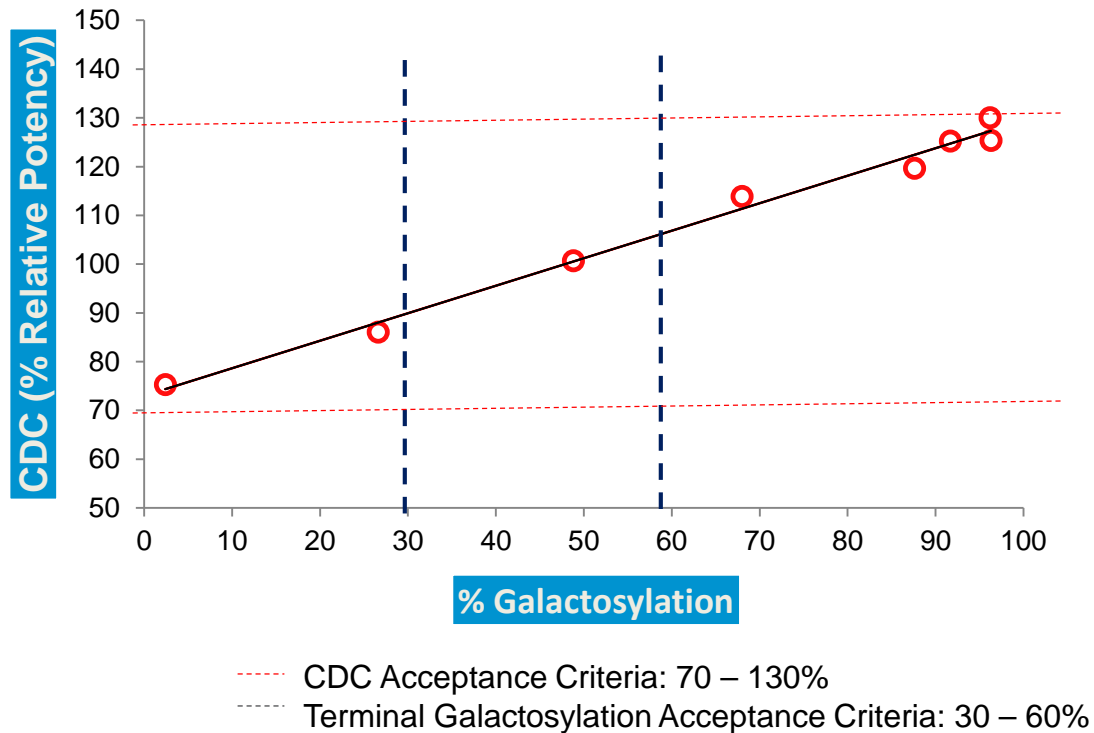
- CE method with acceptance criteria for Intact IgG, fragments for DS, DP



Targeted and
precise control of
product

Structure – Function Relationships:

- Cytotoxicity vs. Galactosylation



- Structure function study demonstrates correlation between Fc-galactosylation and CDC activity
- Changes in CDC activity in response to Fc-galactosylation is small

Analytical Control Strategy includes

- N-linked glycan method (DS release)
 - Acceptance criteria for terminal galactosylation
- CDC bioassay (DS, DP release, stability)
 - Acceptance for potency

CDC = Complement Dependent Cytotoxicity



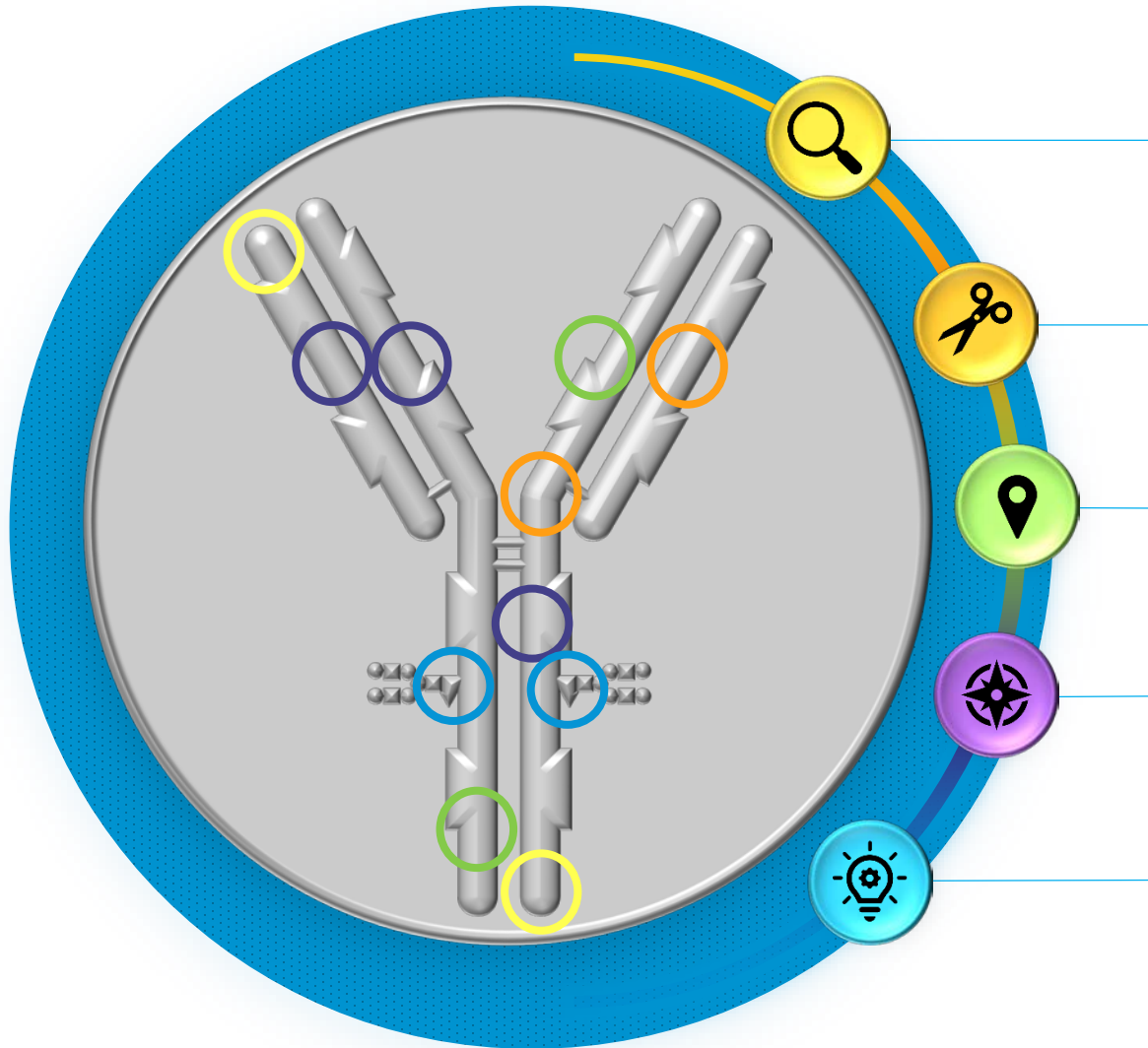
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Multi-Attribute Method (MAM)

- **A liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry (LC/MS)-based method**
 - Used to analyze multiple product quality attributes - simultaneously
 - Allows for automated monitoring and quantitation of known attributes
 - Detects new peaks (impurity method)
 - Introduced by Amgen (2013)
 - Current state: early and late stage development support: attribute monitoring for stability studies and bioprocess optimization/changes
 - Future state of MAM: QC release and stability



Simultaneous PQA Monitoring Using MAM



Peptide Mapping using Multi-Attribute Method

- Allows monitoring of:
 - Glycosylation
 - Sequence variants/misincorporations
 - Aglycosylation; 2nd/3rd N-glycosylation sites
 - O-glycosylation
 - All methionine and tryptophan oxidation

MAM is a single mass spectrometry (MS)-based method for simultaneous analysis of multiple PQAs. It allows for monitoring and quantitation of known quality attributes and detection of new peaks.

Analytical Testing in Biotherapeutic Development

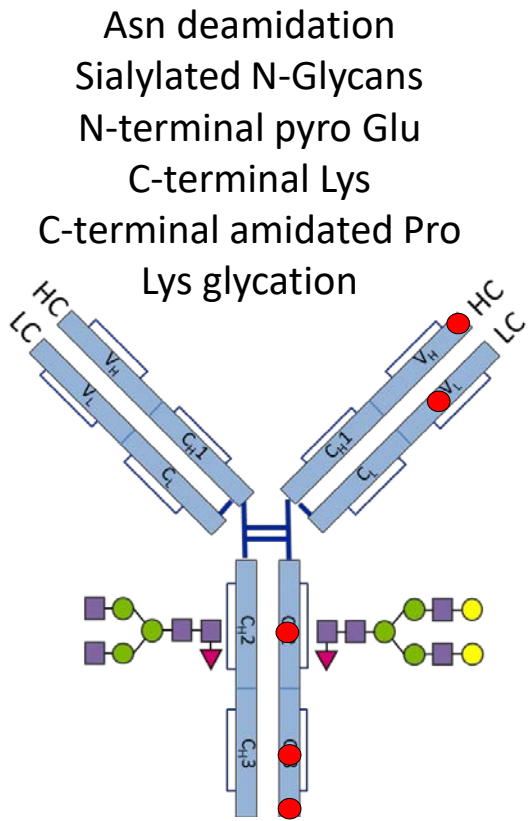
- Release and Stability Testing
 - Compendial Testing
 - Content
 - Product-related species
 - Process-related species
 - Potency and efficacy
- Characterization Testing
 - Primary and Higher-Order structure
 - Orthogonal assessments

Quality Attribute	Method	DS	DP
Appearance	Compendia	✓	✓
Moisture, Particles, Osmolality, Reconstitution Time			✓
pH		✓	✓
Protein Concentration	UV	✓	✓
Charge Isoforms	iCE	✓	✓
Heavy Chain + Light Chain	CGE (reducing)	✓	✓
Fragments	CGE (reducing)	✓	✓
Monomer	CGE (nonreducing)	✓	✓
High Molecular Mass Species	HPLC SEC	✓	✓
Peptide Profile / Identity	Peptide Mapping	✓	✓
Relative Potency	Binding ELISA	✓	✓
Glycan Fingerprint	HPLC	✓	
Endotoxin		✓	✓
Bioburden (DS), Sterility (DP)		✓	✓
Impurities (HCP, ProA, DNA)	ELISA, qPCR	✓	

Charge Variants: Global to Local

- iCE provides global charge variant information, but no specific information on identification or location of attributes

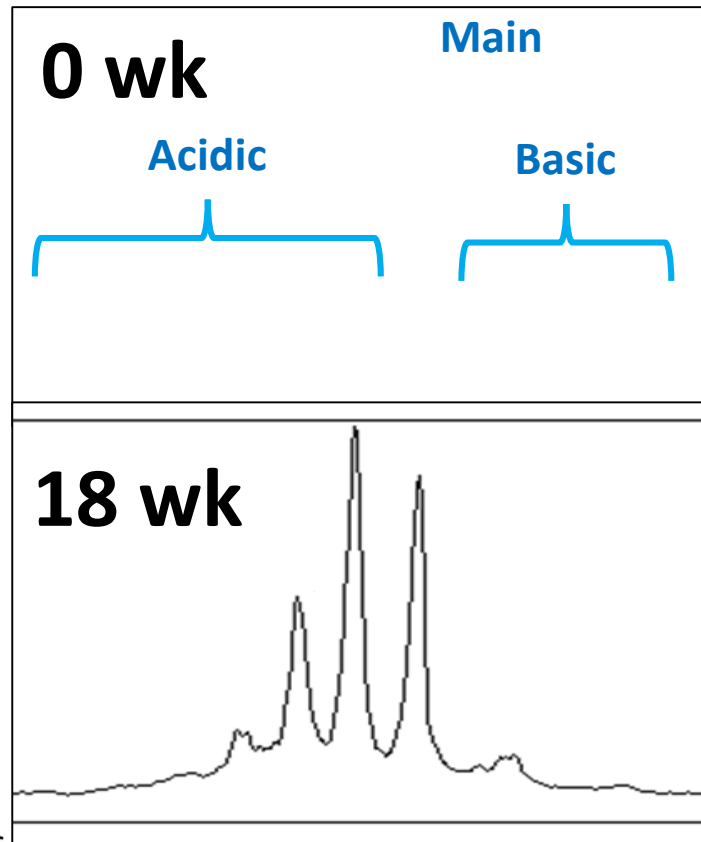
Examples of Charge Variants



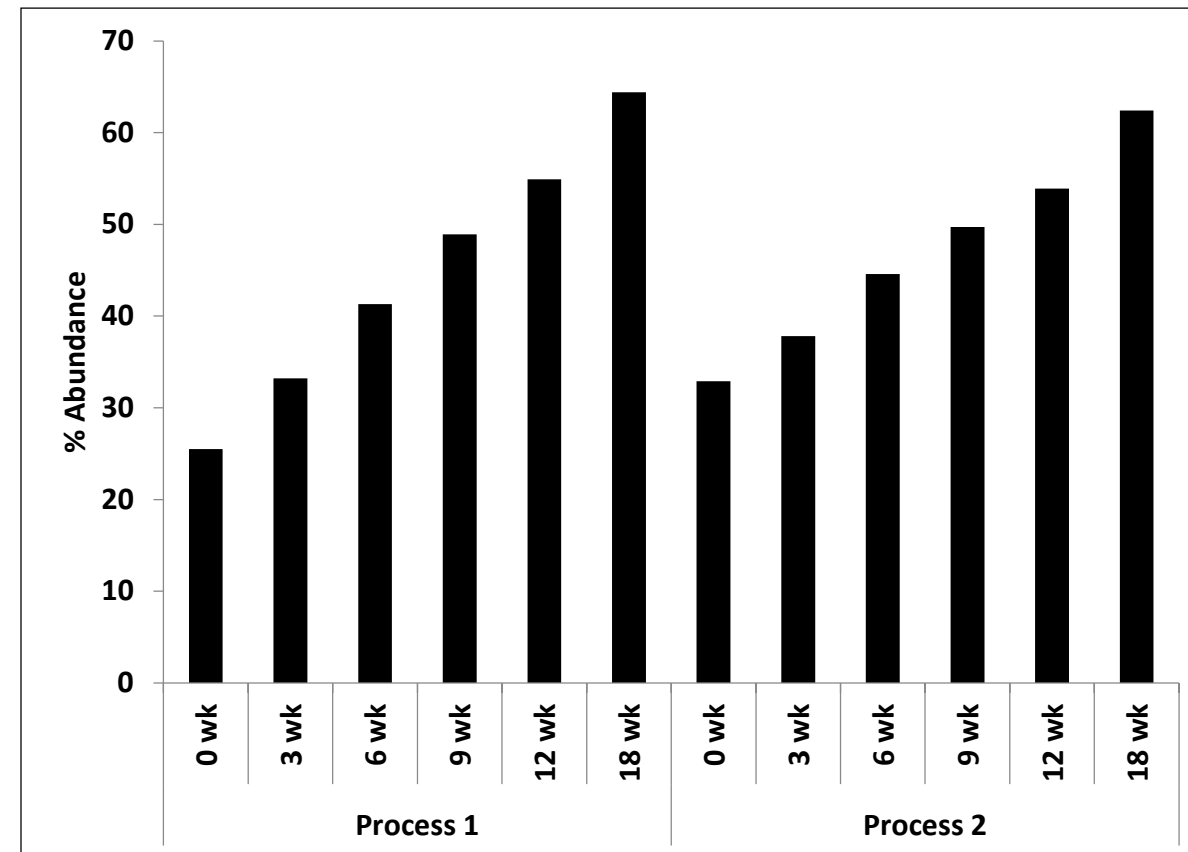
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Drug Substance Batches Subjected to 40° C Stress for 18 Weeks

iCE Profile



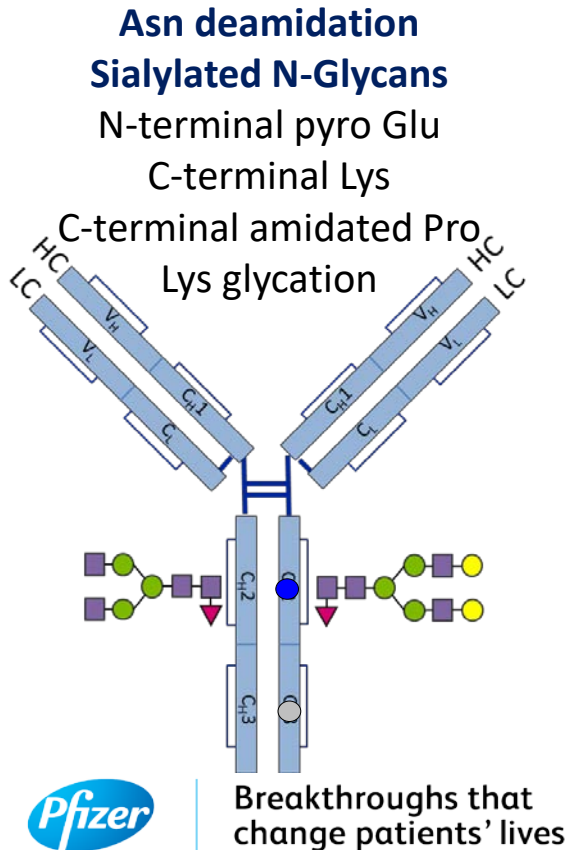
Acidic Species by iCE



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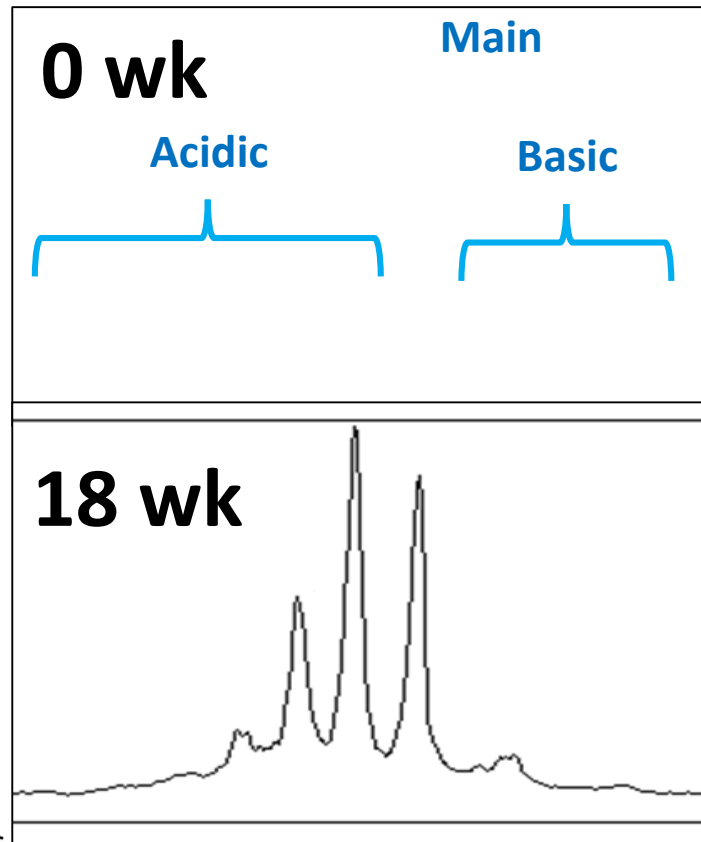
- Increase in acidic species by iCE trends with increase observed by MAM
- MAM provides ID and site-specificity for each acidic PQA

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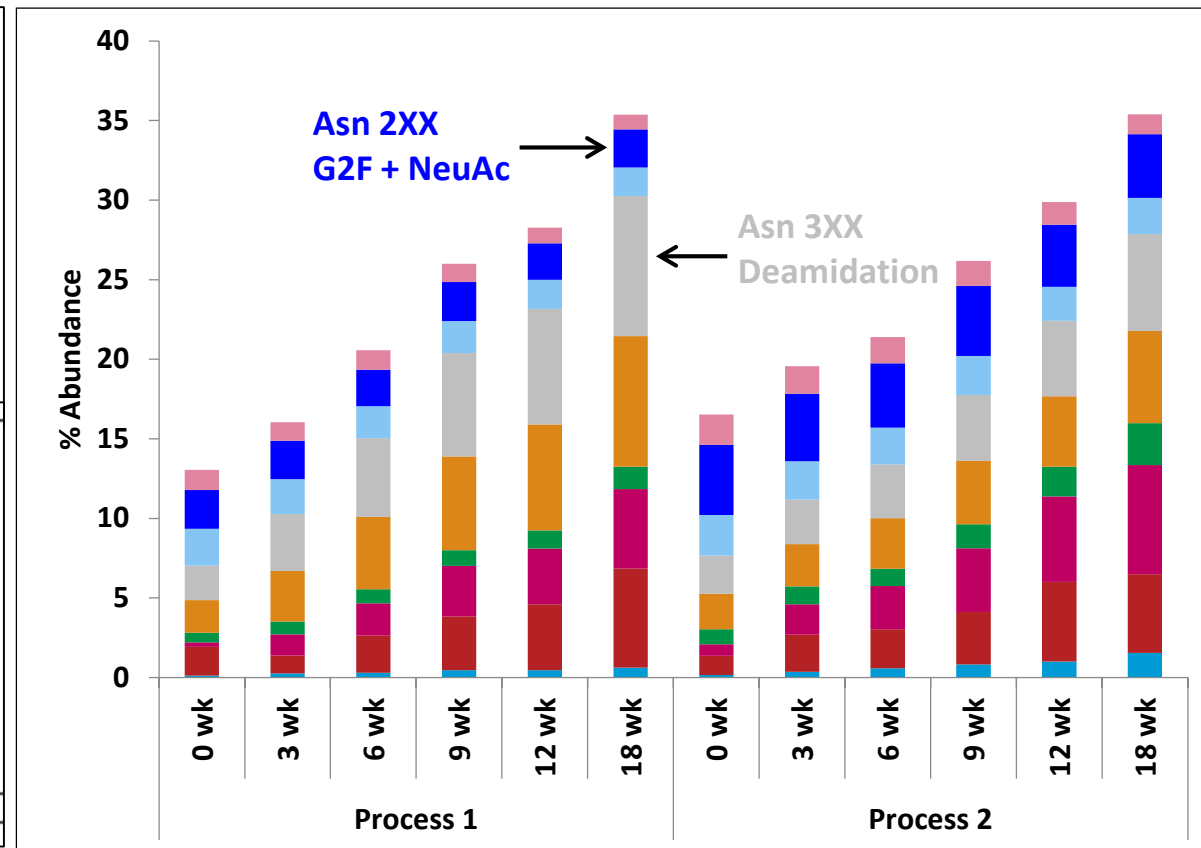


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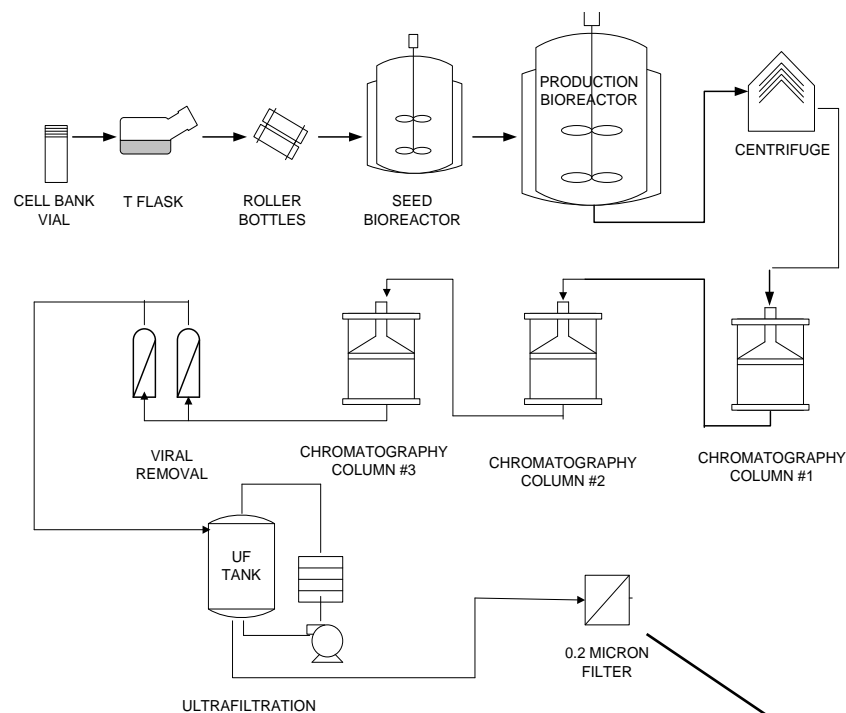


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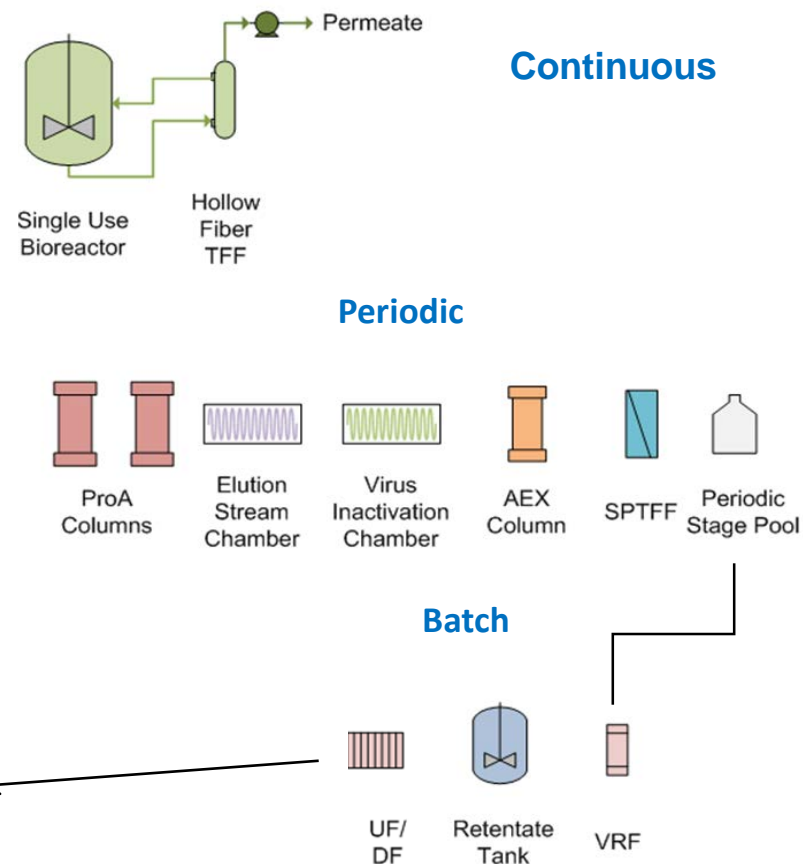


Same Drug Substance: Different Process

Typical Biologics Manufacturing Process: Discrete Unit Operations

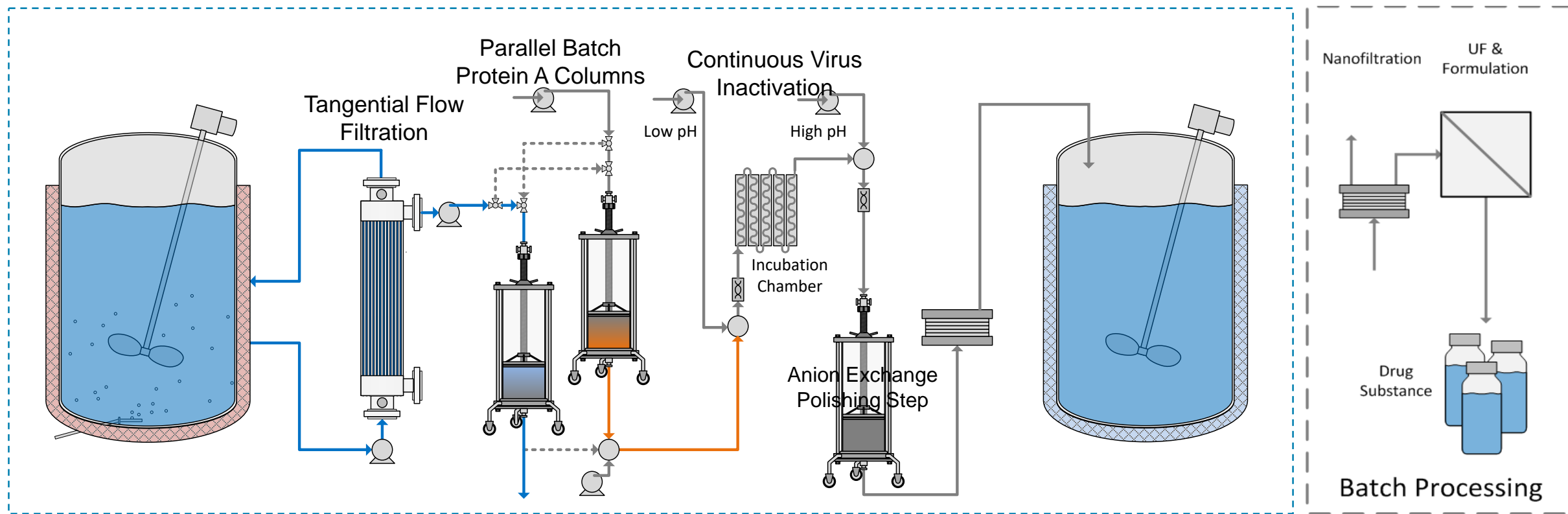


Next Gen Manufacturing Process (SKID): 3-Stage Hybrid System



Same Drug Substance

iSKID Manufacturing System



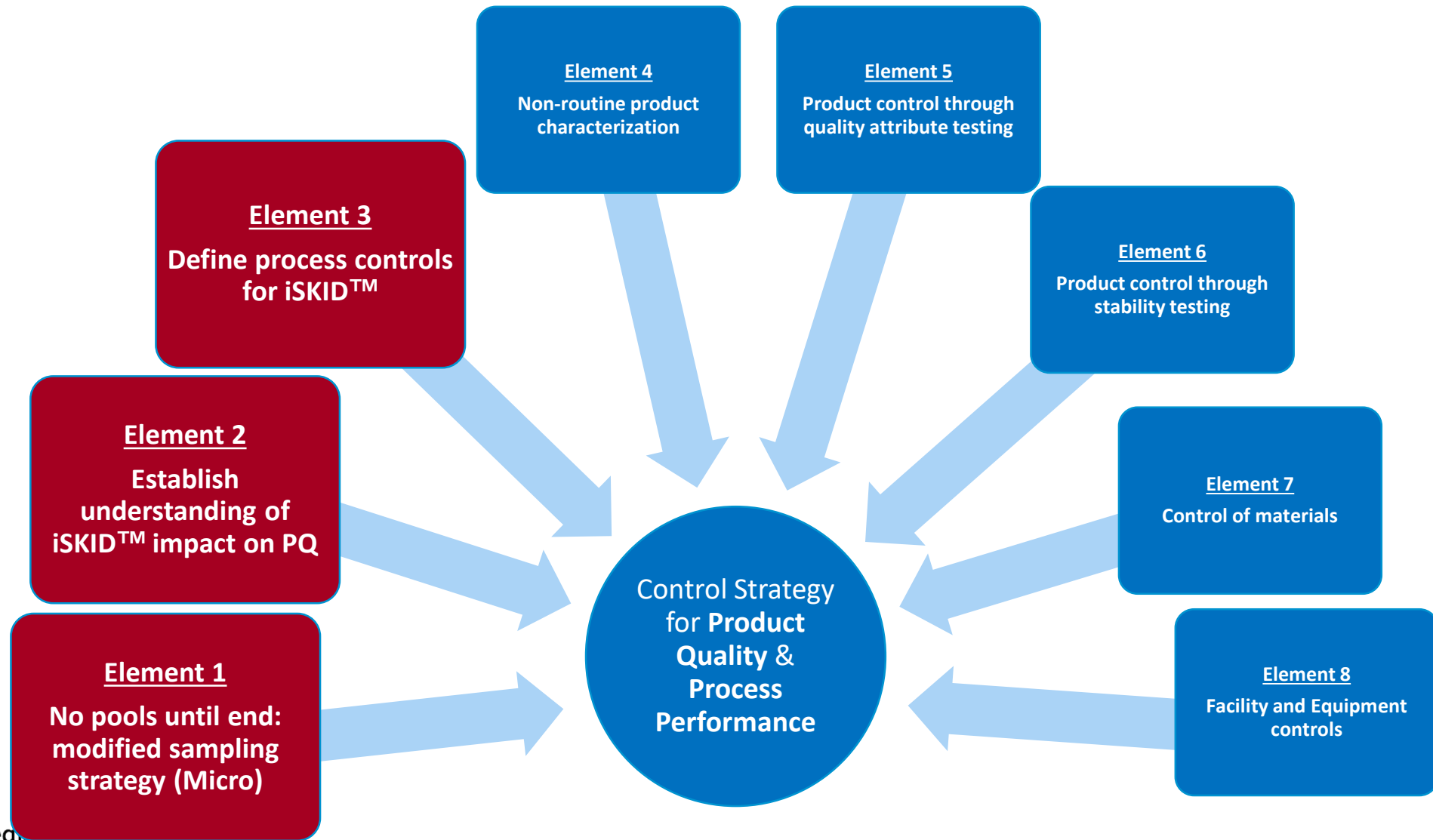
Fully automated and disposable system

- Highly productive short duration perfusion: 2-3 week cadence
- “Simple” downstream design – Continuous, periodic, batch
- Buffer and media concentrates



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iSKID Will Require a Modified Control Strategy



iSKID™ Benefits

- iSKID™ expands development and manufacturing capacity
 - Short duration perfusion: highly productive and efficient
 - Simple downstream process: easy to develop and control
- Appropriate for low volume, high value products
- Scalable to accommodate increase in demand
- Enhanced Cost & Capacity Profile
 - Facility friendly
- Integration and automation facilitates improved operational excellence
- Innovation affords focus on quality and supply demands



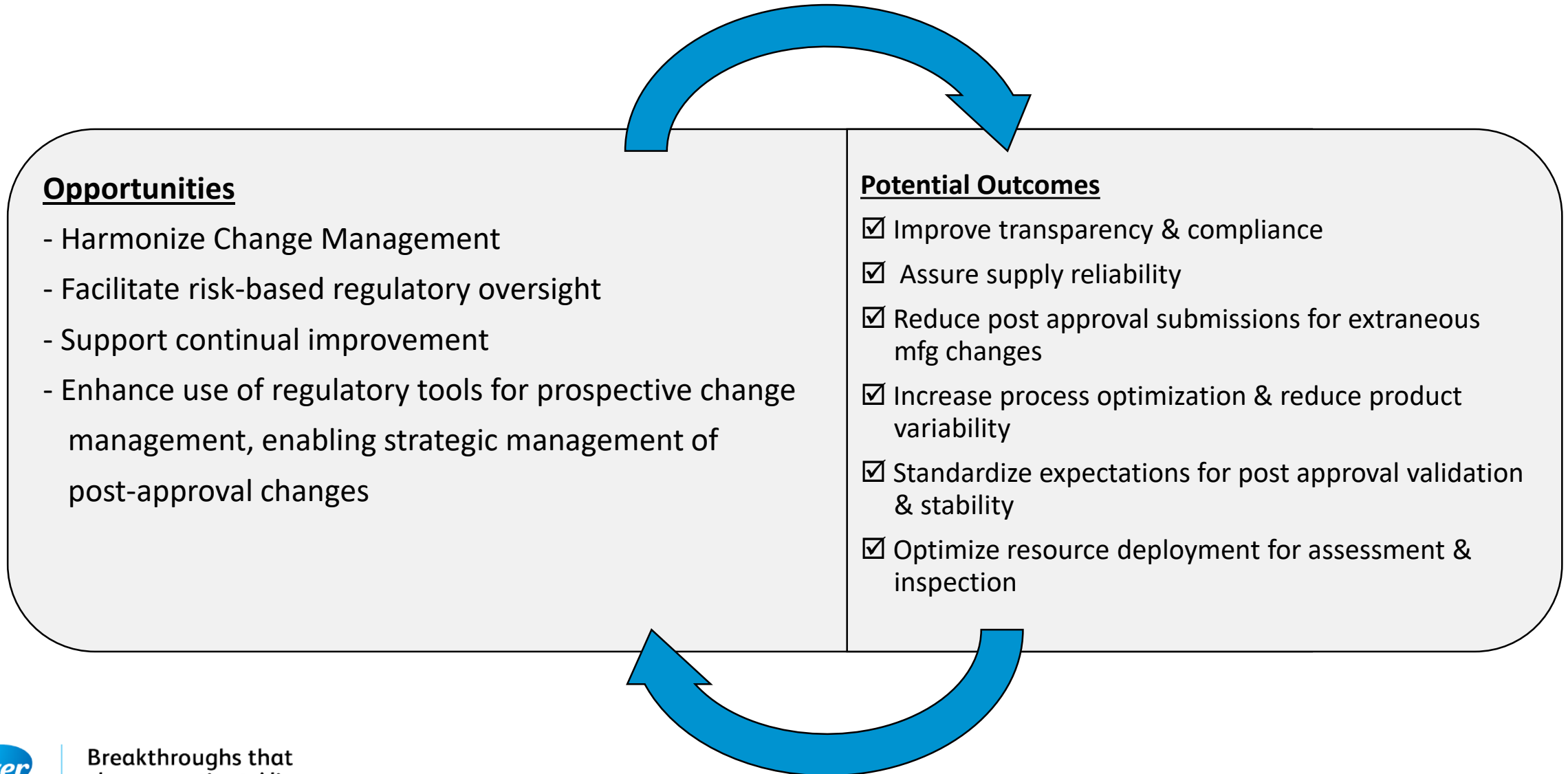
Global Harmonization

- ❑ Simultaneous global development and filing
- ❑ Mutual recognition or join review of marketing applications
- ❑ Improved post-approval change implementation
- ❑ Reduced supply chain complexity
- ❑ Reduced drug shortages
- ❑ Reduced administrative costs for industry and BOH
- ❑ Increased patient access to medicines



Regulatory Pathways for Innovation:

- ICH Q12 could be Transformational



Concluding Statements

- Development of a holistic control strategy is the core of development and commercialization of products
- Innovation has made a profound impact on our process and product knowledge, and ability to control product quality
- New analytical, manufacturing, and distribution technical innovations will have a direct impact on patients lives, through increased access and value
- Introducing innovation and technology remains a challenge in a global setting
 - Pfizer develops one control strategy for global submissions. We submit the same set of data for every region.
 - Work through the query process with a goal of achieving global alignment
 - Challenges to any element of a control strategy (even by one country) results in manufacturing to the “lowest common denominator”
- Novel control strategies will be necessary to face the challenges ahead for the industry

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