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# FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies CDMO: Multifunctional Single-Use Purification System for connected and integrated Continuous Processing

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# Single Use Technology collaboration case study

Development and use of a multifunctional purification skid

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### **End-to-End CDMO**



**Pre-Clinical** 

Phase I, II

Phase III

Regulatory Approval / Launch



# Pre-Clinical Development

- Expression Studies
- Strain Development
- Cell Line Development
- Process Invention
- Pre-Clinical Drug Substance
- Pre-Clinical Drug Product



#### **Early Phase Clinical**

- Process Development
- Process Optimization
- Analytical Development
- Formulation Development
- •cGMP Drug Substance
- •cGMP Drug Product
- DS/DP Stability



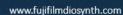
#### **Late Phase Clinical**

- Process Characterization
- Process Validation
- Analytical Method Validation
- Formulation Optimization
- •cGMP Drug Substance
- •cGMP Drug Product
- DS/DP Stability



#### Commercial Production

- •cGMP Drug Substance
- •cGMP Drug Product
- Finished Goods (ALP)
- Post-Approval Activities
- Product Life Cycle
  Management









# **Strategies for Supplying Market Demand**









#### Scale-Up

Multiple 20,000-L bioreactors

Efficiency of scale

Ideal for high-volume products

#### Scale-Out

Multiple 2,000 L bioreactors Options for multiplexing (2 x 2000L)

Flexible strategy mitigates risks due to uncertainties in commercial demand

Ideal for lower volume products

Leverages FDB's 'mAb platform' technology

#### Continuous

Single or multiple 500-L bioreactors or larger

Improved production efficiencies

Flexibility and potential to deliver high-volume





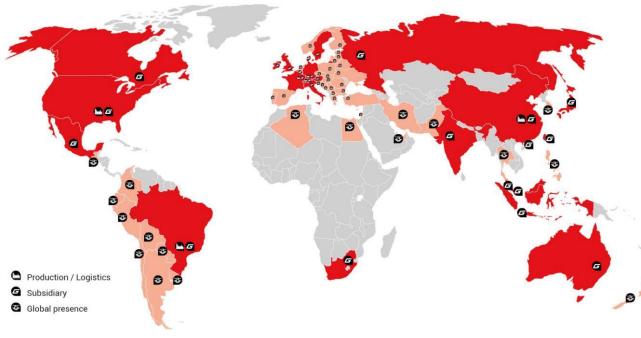




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- Manufacturing in accordance with internationally recognised production and security standards
- A consistently high level of quality all over the world irrespective of the manufacturing site













# Why SymphonX™?

Normally in the DSP several units are needed for different processing steps:

- Tangential flow filtration
- Protein A affinity chromatography
- Viral Inactivation
- Cation and anion exchange chromatography
- Viral Filtration
- Ultrafiltration/diafiltration

This requires a lot of equipment types and various training needs!

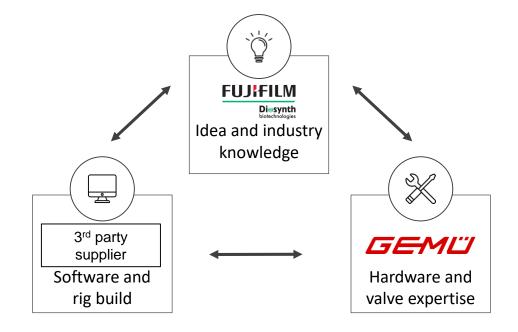








### **Successful Collaboration**













# **Description**

- Purification platform system
- Integrated buffer dilution system
- Single flow path for multiple use
- Versatile modular system
- Scalable system 6 740 L/hr













# **Key Features**

- Single-use flow path with disposable pump head, valve bodies and sensor probes
- Flexible software interface
- Automation friendly process control
- Developed and validated for use in GMP
- Successfully deployed for
  - GMP batch manufacturing
  - non-GMP continuous mAb production













## **Main Advantages**

- Multiple application capabilities within the same skid i. e. one skid can cover the whole Bio purification train
- Automated system
- Ease of training (one skid as opposed to many)
- Tech transfer between locations and facilities
- Improved forecastable supply chain
- Embedding sustainability principles into Single-Use Technology through robust flow path design













# **User Requirement Specification**

- Sustaining a linear flow within a range of 6 740 L/hr
- Internal diameter of all flow path components is ½"
- Materials PP, EPDM, PEEK, Silicon, TPE or PSU
- Operating temperatures: 4 40 °C
- Ends sealed with blanking caps, bags or aseptic connectors
- Assembled under ISO Class 8 conditions
- Assemblies to withstand gamma, X-ray or equivalent irradiation of 25 kGy (maximum 45kGy)
- Shelf life to be 12 24 months



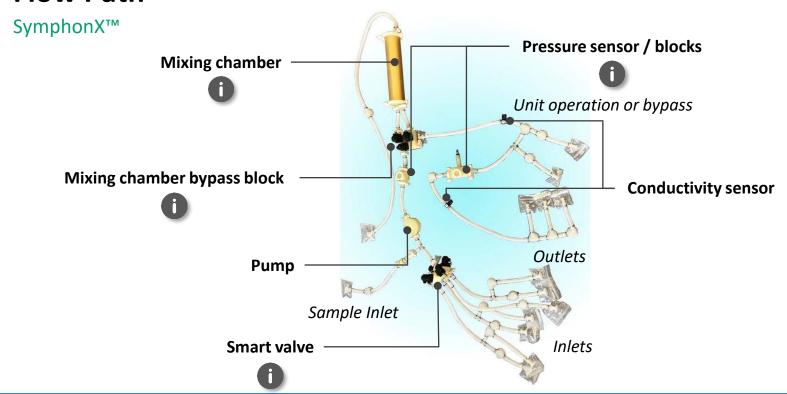








### **Flow Path**













# Competences

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#### **Quality management systems**

- Manufactured in compliance with GMP
- Compliance with ISO 9001
- Manufacturing site registered with the FDA
- TSE/BSE-compliant manufacture
- Transport validation as per ASTM
- Cleanroom manufacturing and assembly in cleanroom class 8 according to EN ISO 14644-1

#### **Product requirements**

- ISO 10993 compatibility
- USP/EP-compliant purity
- Use of FDA-compliant plastics
- Radiation sterilization by X-ray



Design and production of individual products and solutions











# **Single-Use Diaphragm Valve**

GEMÜ SU40 SUMONDO

#### **Features**

- Easy, application-friendly valve body assembly
- Impact-resistant and corrosion-resistant
- Integral optical position indicator
- Simplified installation thanks to the fastening clamp
- Optimized body replacement time







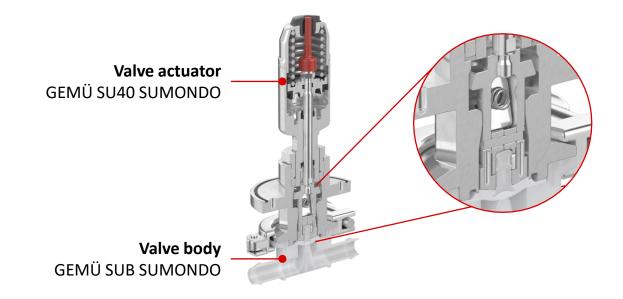






# **Single-Use Diaphragm Valve**

GEMÜ SU40 SUMONDO | connection principle













# **Single-Use Diaphragm Valve**

GEMÜ SU60 SUMONDO

#### **Features**

- Hermetic separation between medium and actuator
- Optimized assembly options
- Open/close function, positioner and process controller
- Force and speed are variably adjustable
- Optimized body replacement time
- Can be operated via eSy-Web or Modbus TCP web interface







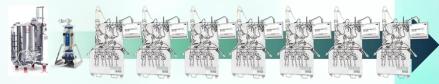




# **Continuous Monoclonal Antibody Manufacturing**

Connected SymphonX<sup>TM</sup> case study

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# **Continuous mAb Production Facility**

- 400 m<sup>2</sup> non-GMP suite (Billingham, UK)
- Functionally closed end-to-end disposable flow path
- Semi-continuous operation
  - Upstream: 500L Perfusion bioreactor and ATF cell retention device using Apollo™X perfusion cell line and FUJIFILM Irvine Scientific media
  - Downstream: intensified batch processing with SymphonX<sup>TM</sup>
  - Intermediate break bags on load cells
  - Viral clearance and analytics are aligned with current fed-batch processes
  - Minimising 'Cost of Quality' and perceived Regulatory risk



Integrated USP and DSP generates > 15 kg purified mAb in 30 days

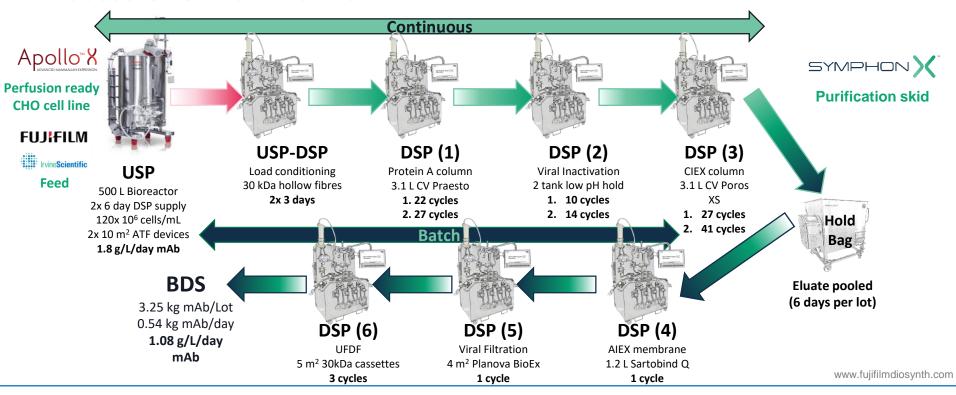






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#### **Process Overview non-GMP**





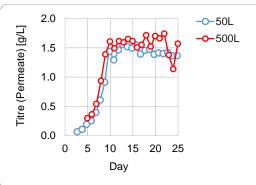


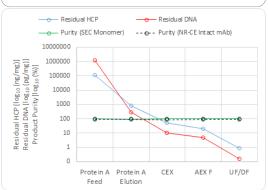


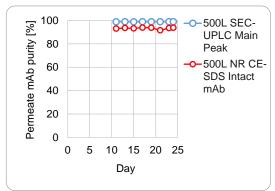




- Highly productive perfusion process
  - Cell density 120x10<sup>6</sup> cells/mL ±10%
  - Viability >90 %
  - Consistent product quality
- Robust semi-continuous downstream purification process
  - Expected clearance of residuals
  - Consistent product quality











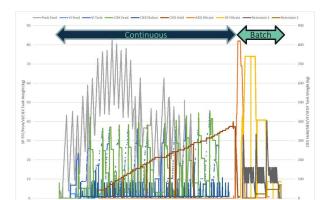


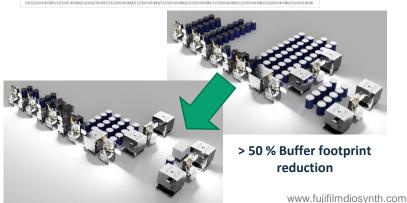




# **MOCU >** Buffer Management

- Point-of-use in-line dilution using SymphonX™
- Buffer Strategy
  - 5x buffer concentrates for buffers on all 7 unit operations
  - 4x buffer stock for high salt and formulation buffer
  - 1x buffers used for CIEX gradient
  - All pre-made and 0.2 mm filtered
- ~14,500 L liquid / week
  - 10,000 L Water
  - 1,600 L 5x buffer conc / week
  - 800 L 4x buffer conc / week
  - 2,100 L 1x buffer /week







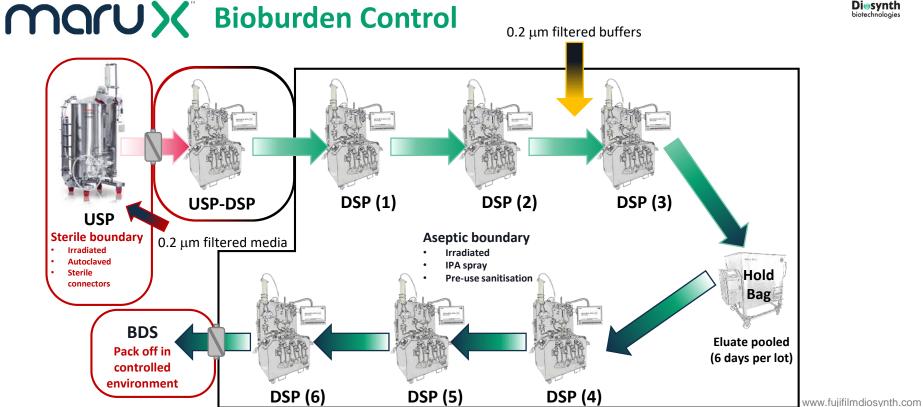




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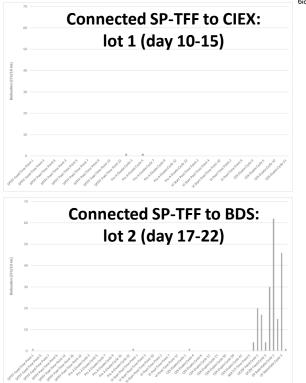






- Functionally closed processing in non-classified room showed good bioburden control
  - No contamination of USP
  - No bioburden detected in 1st five continuously operating and connected DSP unit operations over 12 days of operation including flow path change out
    - ≤1 cfu/10 mL with two different end-to-end flow path sets
  - Pre-sanitisation failure demonstrated no transmission of bioburden contamination to upstream process steps
  - Bioburden cleared by final filter (≤1 cfu/10ml)

















# Comparable Drug Substance to Batch process

Drug Substance Quality Attribute		Target	Batch Process	Continuous Process
Concentration	(g/L)	35 – 45	37.2	39.5
SEC: Monomer peak	(%)	>87.5	97.3	98.4
Non Reduced CE-SDS	(%)	78.6 – 96.0	90.6	91.1
Reduced CE-SDS: Heavy Chain	(%)	58.5 – 71.5	65.0	64.2
Reduced CE-SDS: Light Chain	(%)	29.3 – 35.9	32.6	32.3
cIEF: pI		8.50 - 9.40	8.95	8.97
cIEF: Neutral peak	(%)	47.3 – 57.8	48.9	56.9
N-Glycan: G0F	(%)	65.8 – 80.4	73.1	74.8
Residual DNA	(pg/mg)	<100	2.09	<0.16
Residual HCP	(ng/mg)	<100	2.2	0.9
Residual Protein A	(ng/mg)	<20	Not determined	4.0



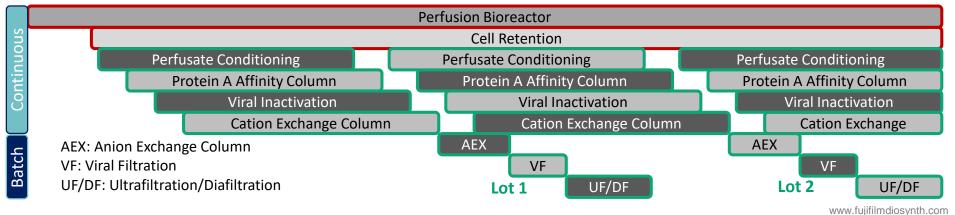




# Mart step: Proposed GMP Operation



- 500 L perfusion bioreactor
  - Constant feed into downstream ≥25 days
  - · Residence time distribution mapping
- Integrated downstream purification
  - Flow path change out brackets lot
  - Traceability equivalent to current batch strategy
  - Viral clearance equivalent to current batch strategy











# Collaboration enabled advancement of technology platform

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- Development of SymphonX<sup>TM</sup> through collaborative relationship with suppliers
  - Co-development of components
  - Delivery of system fit for purpose
- Successful demonstration of 500 L manufacturing scale continuous mAb production in a non-GMP facility
- Single-use mammalian GMP facility under construction in the UK for 2024 operations with 500 L GMP MaruX platform















Thank you for your attention

# **QUESTIONS?**





