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Breakthroughs in Bioprocessing

Review of Single Use Technologies in BioManufacturing

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Review of Single Use Manufacturing Technologies
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Outline

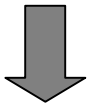
- Introduction – Strategic Outlook for BioPharma
- Advantages and Limitations of Single Use Systems
- Integration/Scale Up Challenges of Disposables
- Single Use Bioreactor Data
- Conclusions



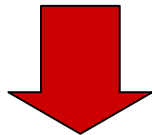
BioPharma Strategy - New Paradigm

Industry Growth

- 15% annual avg.
- >15 approved mAbs
- >150 mAbs in clinic
- expanding pipelines



Capacity demands

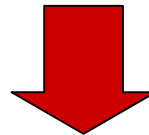


New Technology

- Better process yields
- Potent compounds
- Drug delivery



Smaller batch sizes



Smaller Markets

- Fewer blockbusters
- Personalized medicine
- Genetic screening

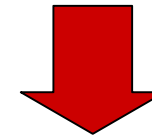


Cost Pressures

- Health care reform
- Pricing controls
- Biosimilar drugs



Smaller R&D budgets

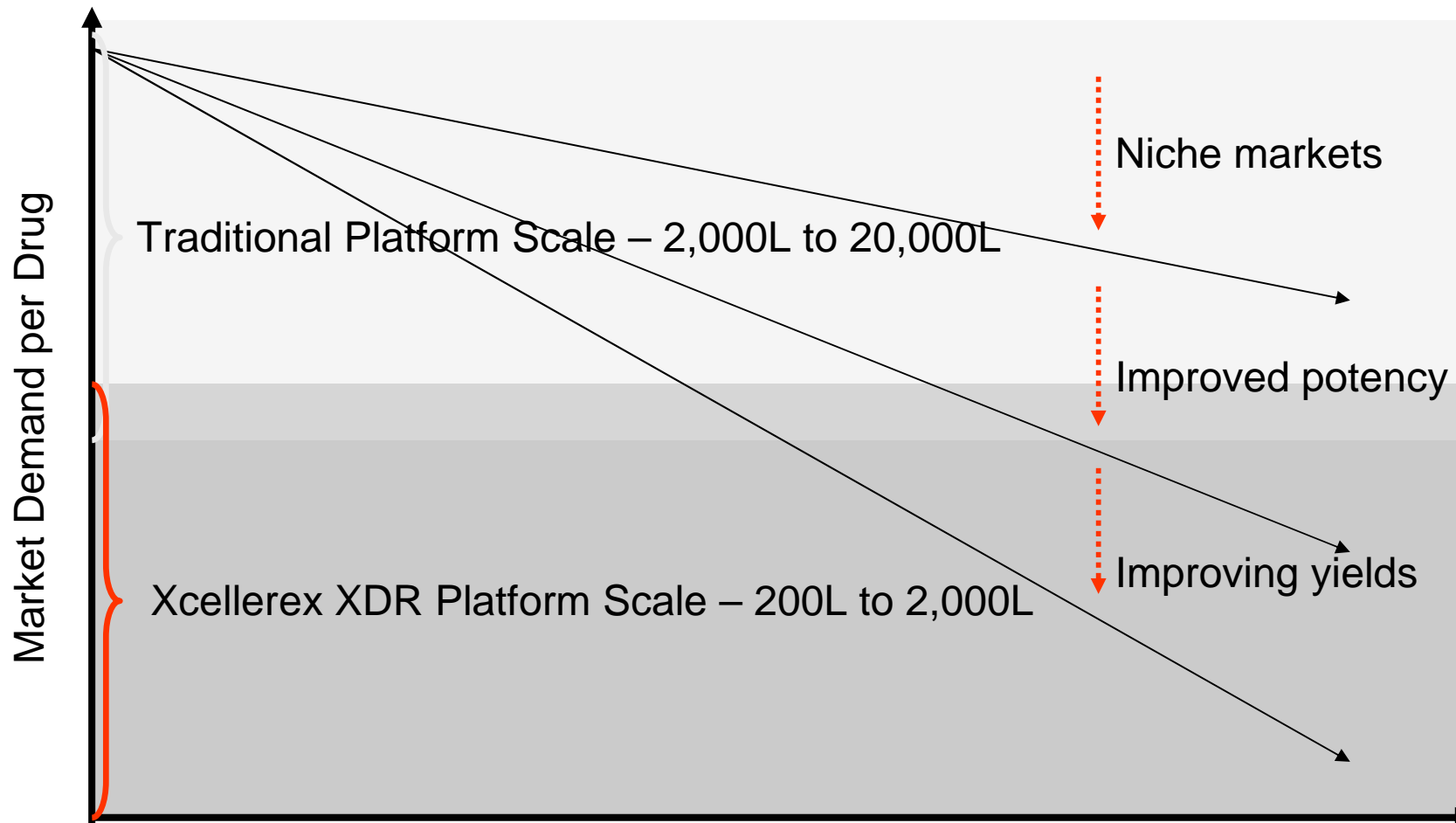


**Need for more efficient PD & Mfg.
fast, flexible and inexpensive manufacturing capacity**



Xcellerex's Technology will be Commercial Scale

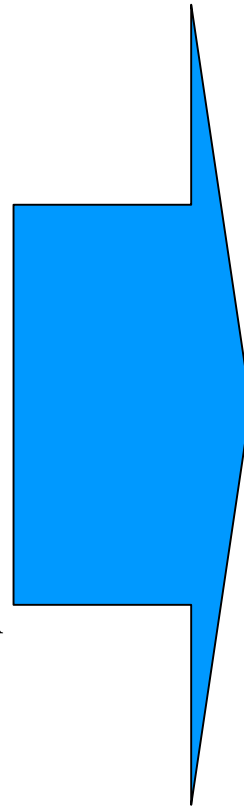
Future Quantity Per Drug Demand for Biologics is decreasing



Advantages of Single Use Systems

Reductions in:

- Cleaning
- Sterilization
- Engineering cost
- Equipment lead time
- Utility requirements
- Validation
- Quality / Regulatory burden
- Space
- Labor
- Waste generation



Improvements in:

- Manufacturing quality
- Capital investment
- Facility buildout time
- Cycle time
- Flexibility
- Environmental impact
- COGS



Limitation of Single Use Systems

- Mixing/Buffer/Media prep – Rate of liquid transfers
- Bioreaction – Lab to commercial scalability within the same reactor design/configuration
- Cell Harvest/TFF - Recirculating processes that require high pressure and high flow rates
- Disposable Chromatography is still TBD
- Non-standard, multiple connection options
- Disposable sensors are limited



Technology Survey

Products and vendors listed in the following slides are provided for reference and do not constitute a complete list or an endorsement of any specific vendor or product



Enabling Single Use Technologies

- **Bioprocess bags**
- **Cell culture bioreactors**
- **Separations (Cfg., TFF, rotary drum, filters)**
 - Harvest
 - Virus removal / sterilization
 - Concentration / buffer exchange
- **Purification – membranes**
- **Tubing welders / connectors / sealers**
- **Integrating stainless and disposables connectors**
- **Sensors**



Mixing Systems

Applications: Media, buffer, product processing, formulation

Capacity: 10 L to 10,000 L

Vendors/Types: Hyclone MixTainer, LevTech/Sartorius levitated prop tank, Wave FlexMixer, Xcellerex XDM stirred tank

Integration Challenges: powder addition, connectors

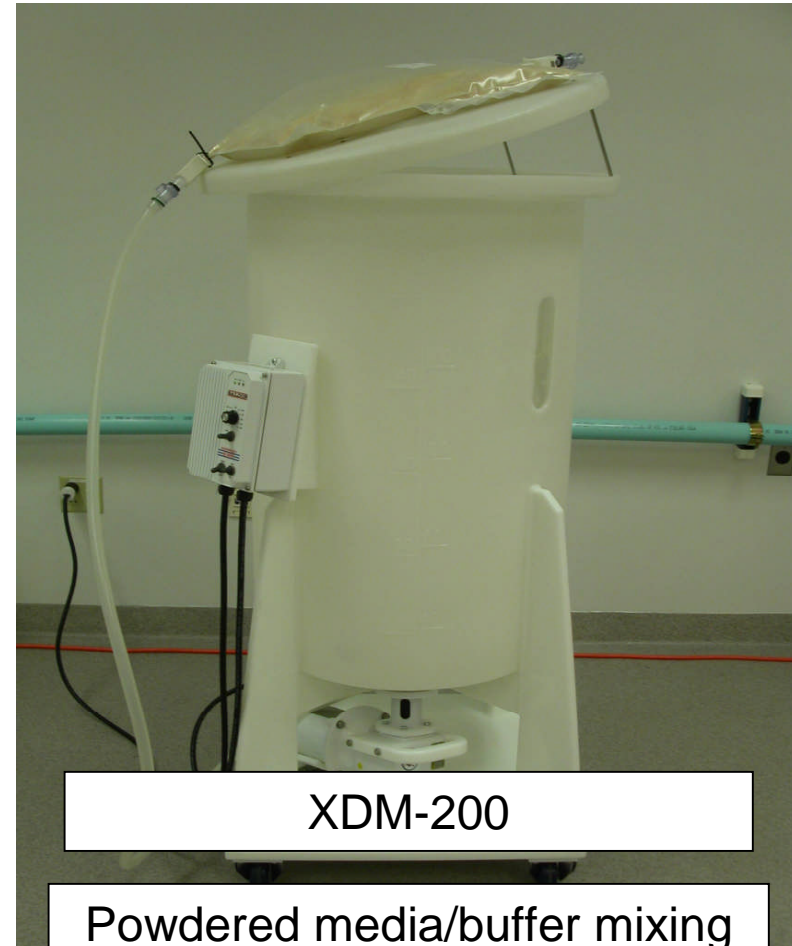
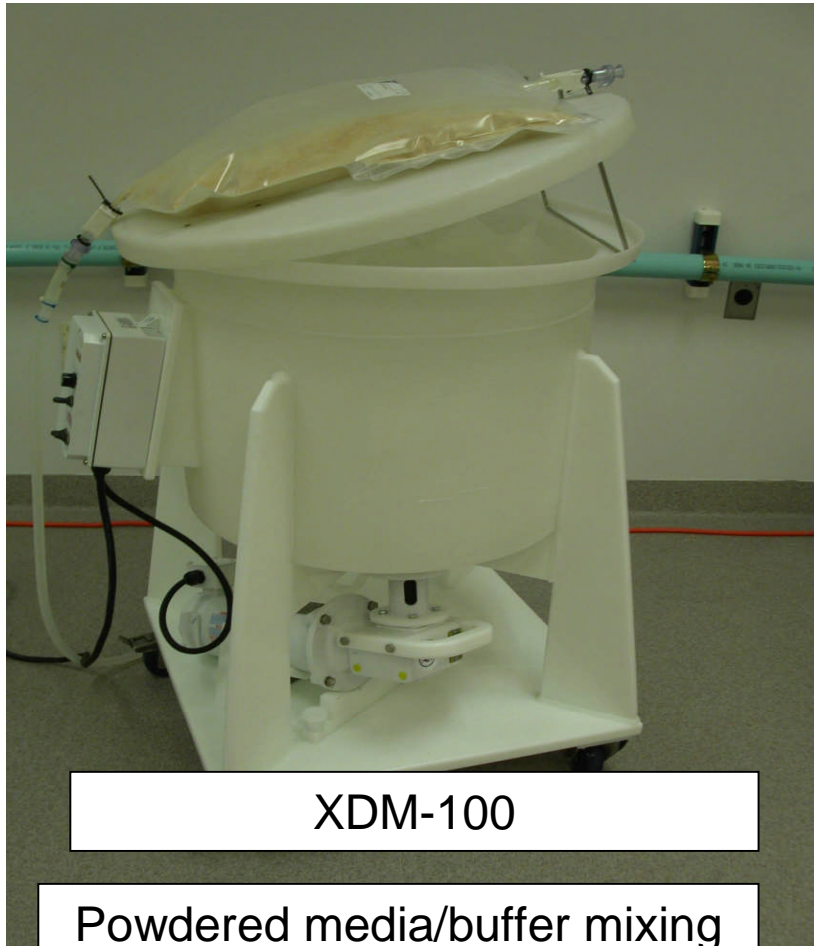
Scale Up Challenges: powerful mixing, bags that flex to achieve mixing rely heavily on bag seam strength and durability



XDM-100 and 200 Disposable Tank Mixer



Invitrogen/Xcellerex XDM Commercial Disposable Mixers for powdered media mixing and delivery



BioProcess Bags/Tank Liners

Applications: culture media and buffers, product, samples or waste.

Capacity: 10 mL to 2500 L (up to 10,000 L)

Vendors: HyClone, Stedim, TC Tech, Charter, Newport:
USP Class VI tested, gamma irradiated

Types: Monolayer, multilayer, LDPE, EVA, etc.

Integration Challenge: connectors not common

Scale Up Challenge: bag seam weld strength, rate of fluid transfers, robust, cheap tubing >1” diameter



Small Scale Cell Culture Bioreactors

Application: Culture of eukaryotic cells

Capacity: ~10 mL – ~10 L / 25K cm²

Vendors: Corning, Nunc, Wave, Bellco

Types: TC flasks, rollers, spinners, shake flasks, hollow fibers, expanded T-flasks (Cell Factory, Cell Cube), novel bioreactors (Wave, BelloCell)

Integration challenges: tubing/connectors sizes and compatibility

Scale Up Challenge: model system that scales to 10,000L



Mid Scale Cell Culture Bioreactors

Applications: Culture of mammalian, insect or plant cells in suspension. (Many vendors supply large hollow fiber systems for anchorage dependent cell culture).

Capacity: 1 L – 200 L

Vendors: HyClone SUB stirred tank, Wave Biotech rocking system, Xcellerex XDR stirred tank bioreactor

Integration Challenge: liners, connectors, sensors, filters, controllers

Scale Up Challenge: model system that scales to 10,000L



Xcellerex
XDR-200
working
volume
disposable
stirred tank
reactor



Large Scale Cell Culture Bioreactors

Application: Culture of mammalian, bacterial, yeast, insect or plant cells in suspension.

Capacity: 200-1,000L working volume

Vendors: Wave Biotech 500L rocker, HyClone SUB stirred tank, Xcellerex 1,000L stirred tank bioreactor

Integration Challenge: liners, connectors, sensors, filters, controllers

Scale Up Challenge: avoid stressing bag seams, small scale modeling system that scales to 10,000L



Xcellerex 1,000L (wv) Disposable Stirred Tank Reactor - XDR™



Cell Harvest

Application: Separation of cells from growth medium during perfusion or for terminal cell harvest.

Capacity: Up to 100-200 L/hr

Vendors/Types: Kendro (centrifuge), Steadfast (rotary drum filter), Spectrum and GE (recirc. hollow fiber), Millipore POD system (dead end), Cuno depth filtration.
All product contact surfaces disposable

Integration Challenges: connectors

Scale Up Challenges: recirculating systems: disposable tubing not amenable to high flow rates and pressures



Dead End/Depth Filtration

Application: Clarification / sterilization of media, buffers and process intermediates, cell harvest, and removal of particulates.

Capacity: Syringe filters, 30” capsules, flat membrane generally available, (larger by custom order)

Vendors/Types: Millipore POD, Pall, Sartorius, Meissner, Cuno – larger capsules coming available, many available pre-sterilized and integrity tested.

Integration challenges: connector compatibility

Scale Up challenges: >1000L capacity is lacking



Tangential Flow Filtration

Application: Perfusion, cell harvest, purification, concentration, and formulation / buffer exchange.

Capacity: Up to 5.6 m²

Vendors/Types: Spectrum HF, GE hollow fiber

Integration: disposable pump integration that is durable yet disposable

Scale Up Challenge: recirculating systems: disposable tubing not amenable to high flows/pressures



Virus Reduction

Application: Mechanical reduction of viral load by nanofiltration.

Capacity: 15 - 200 L/hr. (depending on pore size, filter medium & process stream)

Vendors/Types: Millipore dead end, Pall dead end, Asahi-Kasei

Integration Challenges: connectors

Scale Up Challenges: larger scale requires more area



Purification – Membranes

Application: Flow-through removal of contaminants, bind-and-elute purification of small or dilute process streams.

Capacity: 20 L/min., 5g DNA binding capacity

Vendors/Types: Pall, Millipore and Sartorius functionalized filter membranes.

Integration Challenges: connectors, area

Scale Up Challenges: less binding capacity compared to chromatography resins in general



Vial Filling

Applications: Aseptic filling into vials

Capacity: Clinical to commercial {?}

Vendors/Types: Millipore Acerta bag based filling system, MedInstill injection filling/laser sealing

Integration Challenges: connectors

Scale Up Challenges: not clear yet



Sensors

Applications: Process wide

Capacity: N/A

Vendors/Types: Wave Biotech, (pH, DO2),
Flourometrix and PreSens optical sensors,
microprobes

Integration Challenges: Cytotoxicity, irradiatability,
fit up into bags, tubing, dead zone elimination,
signal response time

Scale Up Challenges: stability, non-fouling,
validatable



Sterile Tubing Connectors

Applications: Aseptic / sterile connections

Capacity: 1/4" to 3/4" OD tubing

Vendors/Types : CPT (C-Flex), Pall ACDs, BioQuate, Millipore. CPT connector is similar to a tubing welder. Pall & BioQuate connectors are similar to a quick-connect which can make sterile connections in a non-sterile environment.

Integration Challenges: no one system connects all and they are one time use (versus welders that can reweld)

Scale Up Challenges: connectors >1" diameter



Connectors - Tubing Welders

Application: Aseptic / sterile connections

Capacity: 1/4" to 3/4" OD tubing

Vendors/Types: Terumo, Wave, Sebra. Several devices have been validated by the vendor and/or biopharm manufacturers. Can be used on PVC and EVA (Sebra), or Tygon, C-flex and Pharmed (Terumo, Wave) tubing.

Integration Challenges: no one system welds all

Scale Up Challenges: welding tubing >1" diameter



SIP Tubing Connectors

Application: SIP-able connections between disposable tubing to stainless steel valves.

Capacity: 1/2" ID x 3/4" OD

Vendors: Millipore, Colder, TC Tech

Comments: Can be added as option to tubing on bioprocess bags for sterile transfer to or from stainless steel systems.

Integration Challenges: no one connects all

Scale Up Challenges: none



SIP Filter Capsules

Application: Disposable filter capsule capable of withstanding temperature and pressure required for steam-in-place.

Capacity: 5” housing

Vendors/Types: Pall - Can house vent or liquid sterilizing filters or virus removal filters.

Integration Challenges: connections

Scale Up Challenges: larger size not available



Sampling System

Applications: Used in place of sampling ports on stainless steel tanks.

Capacity: 20 mL - 1 L sample bags

Vendors/Types: NovAseptic - sheathed cannula, tubing set and bag as a pre-sterilized, closed system. Outside of sheath sterilized during vessel SIP. Can load multiple cannulae into single septum sample port.

Integration Challenges: none

Scale Up Challenges: none



Technology Trends

- Standard connectors
- Non-recirculating TFF
- Integration of existing stainless to disposable
- Development of new enabling technology
 - Sensors
 - Chromatography (scaleable and economical)
- Fully disposable biomanufacturing >1,000L
- Yeast, bacteria, fungal systems coming!



Types of Cells Grown in XDRs

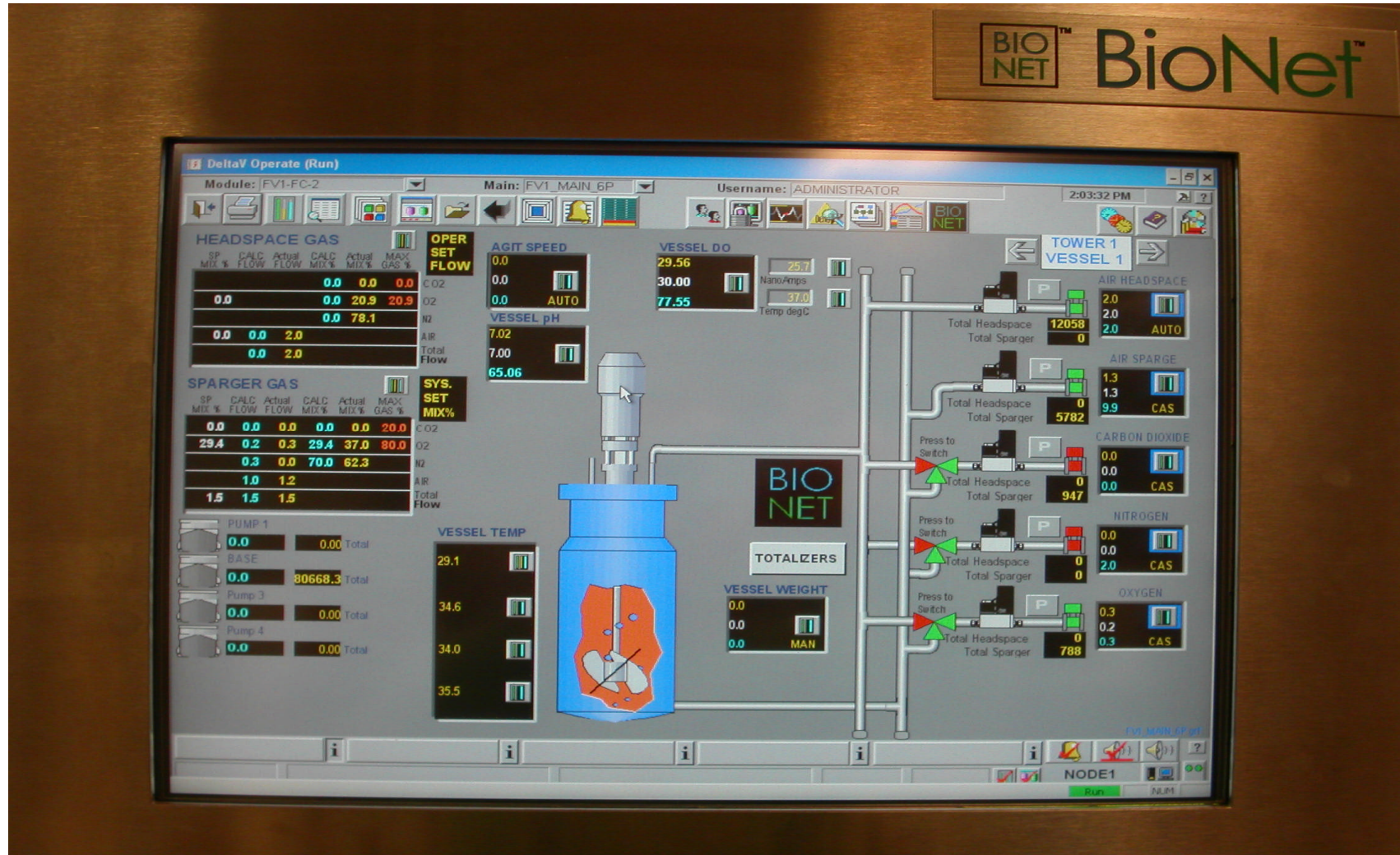
Cell type/product	Mode	scale of runs done L (wv)	2007 planned runs
Hybridoma/mab	fedbatch	2x 200 - GMP	200 - GMP
CHO/mab-fusion	batch	2x200, 2 x 1,000L	1,000L
CHO/fus. protein	fed batch	2x 200, 3 x 500 GMP	200, 500 - GMP
Insect S2/vaccine	fed batch	200	200 - GMP
Insect SF9/vaccine	fed batch		200, 2,000
Human/fus. protein	perfusion	200	1,000
Yeast (Sacc.)	fed-batch	150	1,000
E. Coli	fed-batch		200
Vero/vaccine	batch		200, 1,000



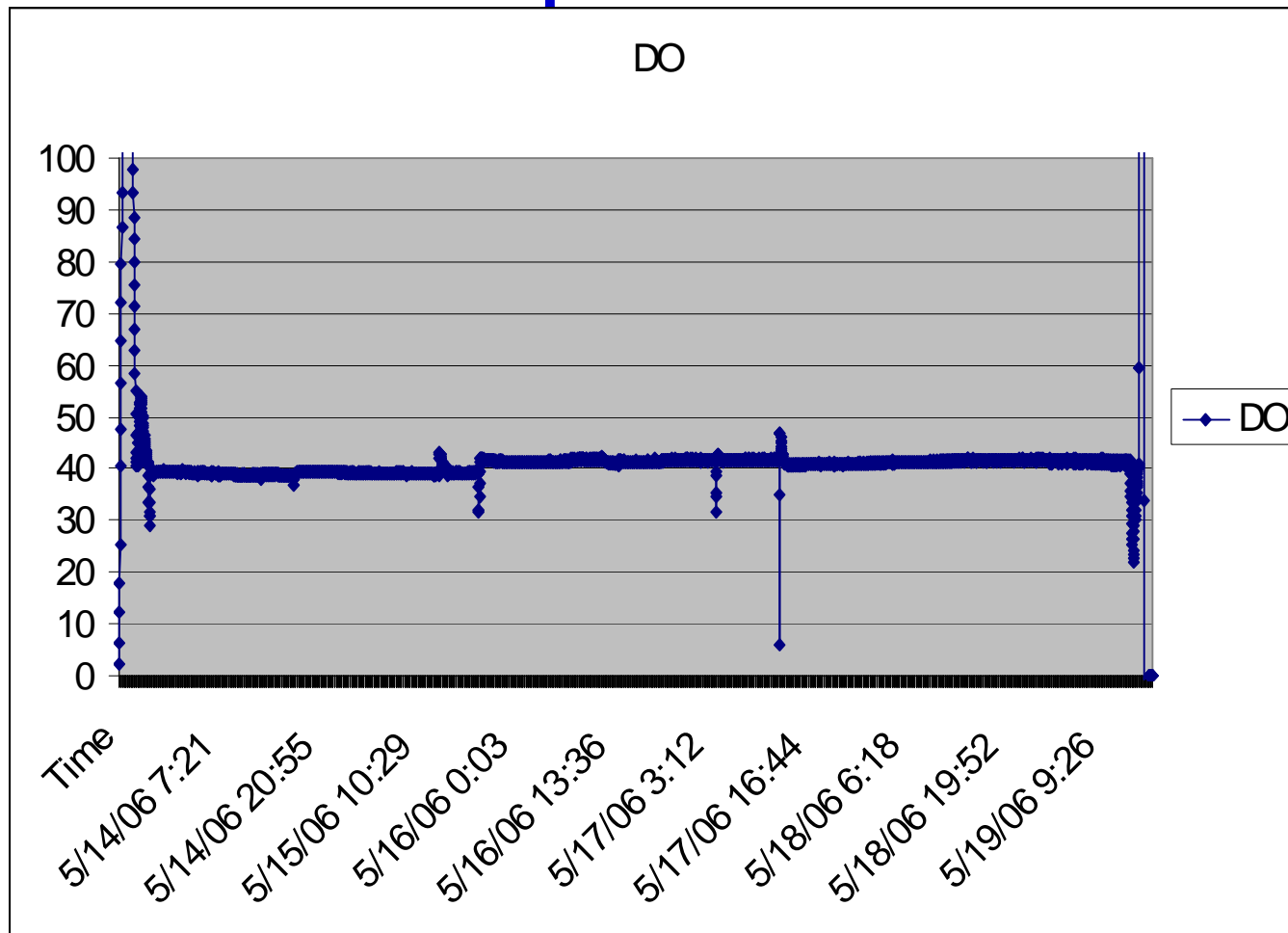
GMP XDR-200 and 1000 Systems



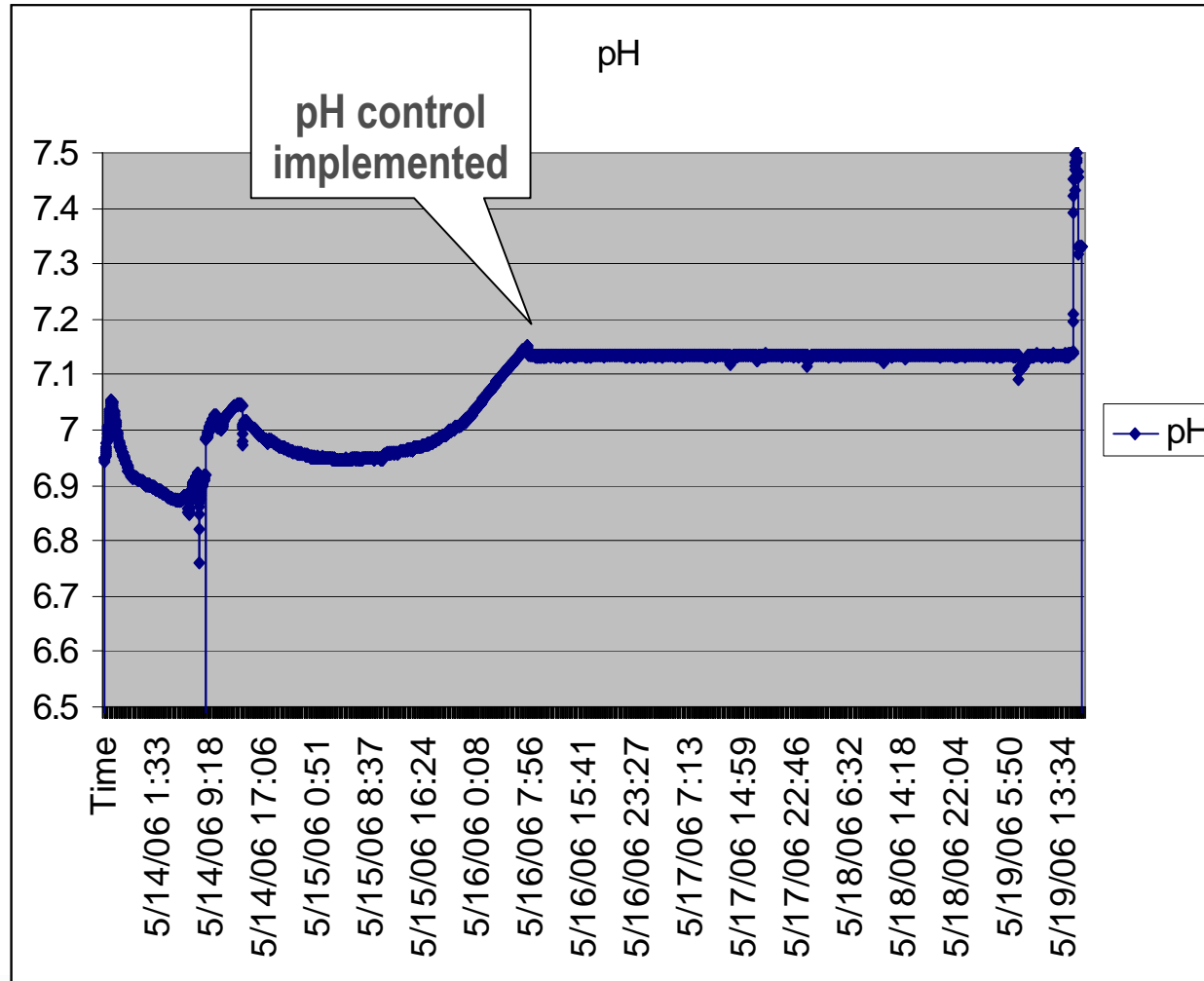
BioNet DeltaV GMP Process Controller



XDR-1000 DO Control, fusion protein

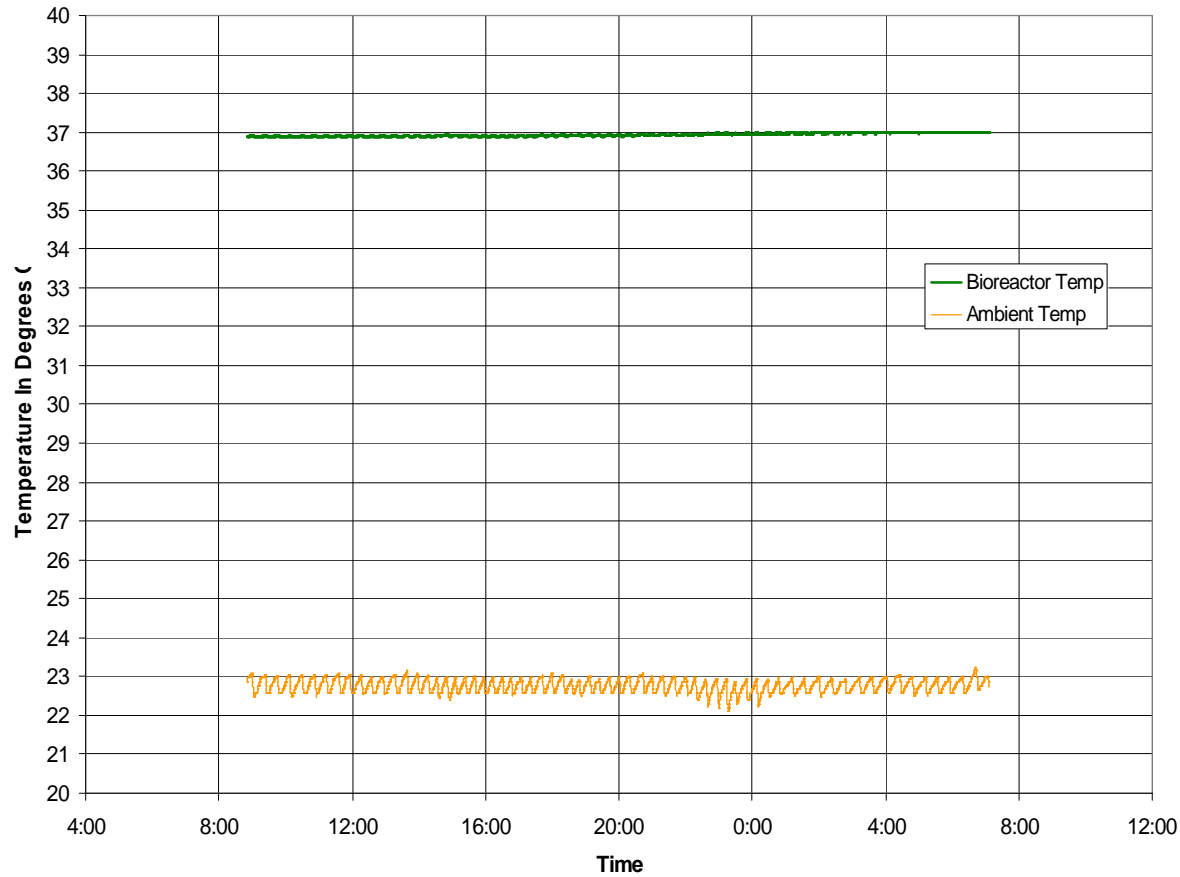


XDR-1000 pH control, fusion protein



XDR-1000 Temp Control

878-03 1000L Bioreactor Run, Temperatures, 3/11/2006



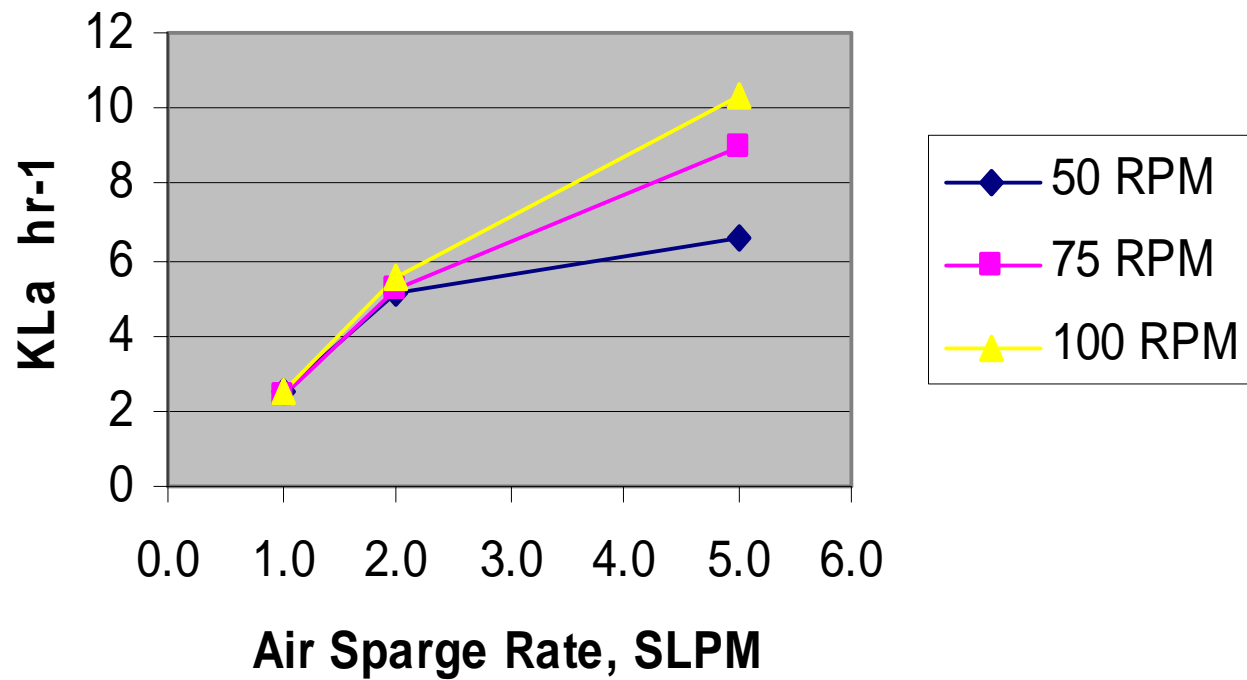
XDR-1000 Mass Transfer

KLa measurements, single sparger

XDR-1000 - F impellers, Air Only, 37C, 6 g/L Salt, F-68 1 g/L, polyol antifoam					
	air flow				
rpm	5 SLPM	10 SLPM	15 SLPM	P/V w/m ³	impeller shear sec ⁻¹
100	6.84 hr ⁻¹	6.61 hr ⁻¹	7.09 hr ⁻¹	2.5	15
132	7.67 hr ⁻¹	9.04 hr ⁻¹	9.48 hr ⁻¹	5.8	20
167	7.32 hr ⁻¹	8.49 hr ⁻¹	ND	11.8	25

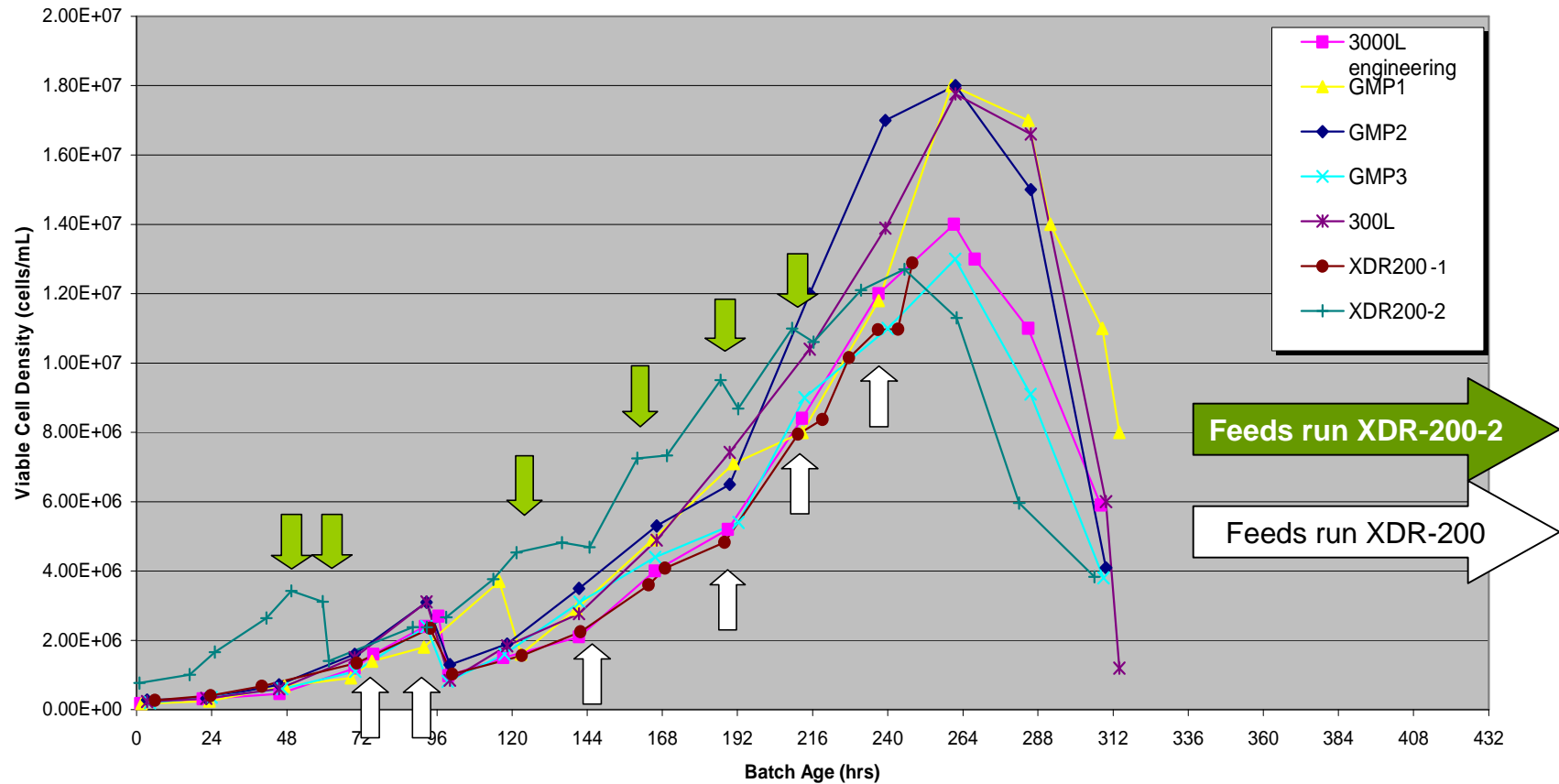


XDR-1000L KLa hr-1 vs RPM and Sparge Rate (Multiple spargers)

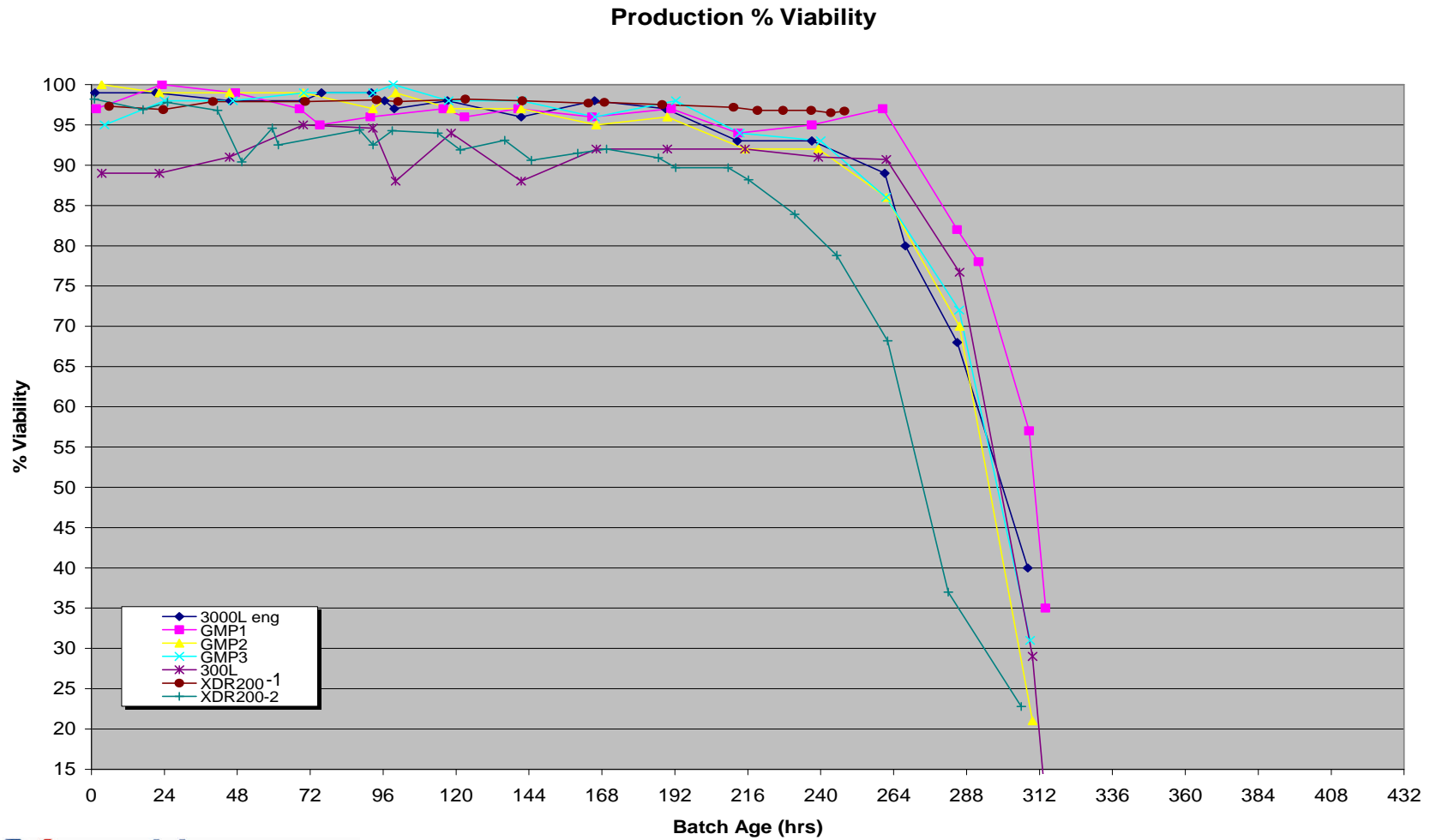


XDR-200 Scalability Comparison Cell Density

Production Viable Cell Density

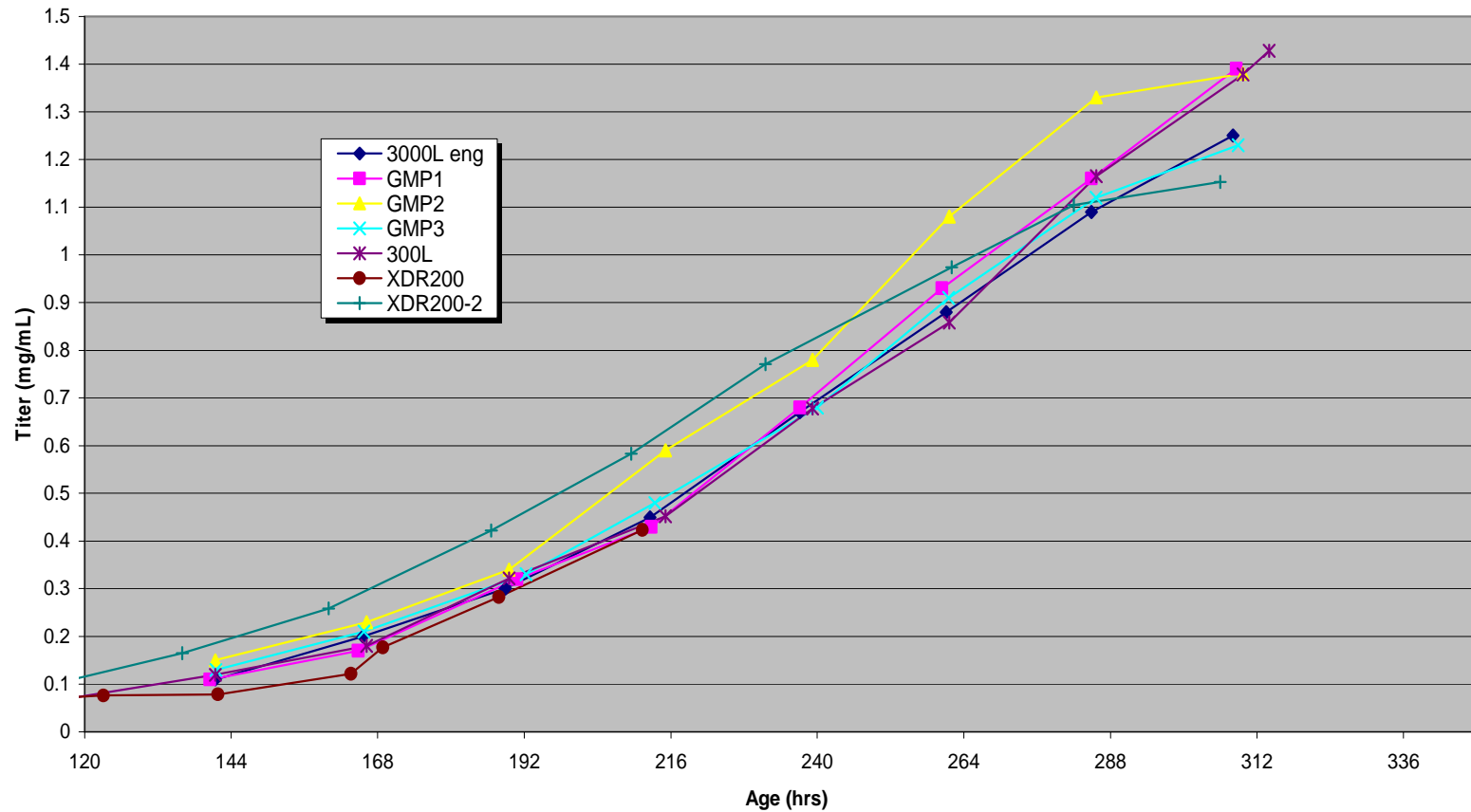


XDR-200 Comparison, Viability



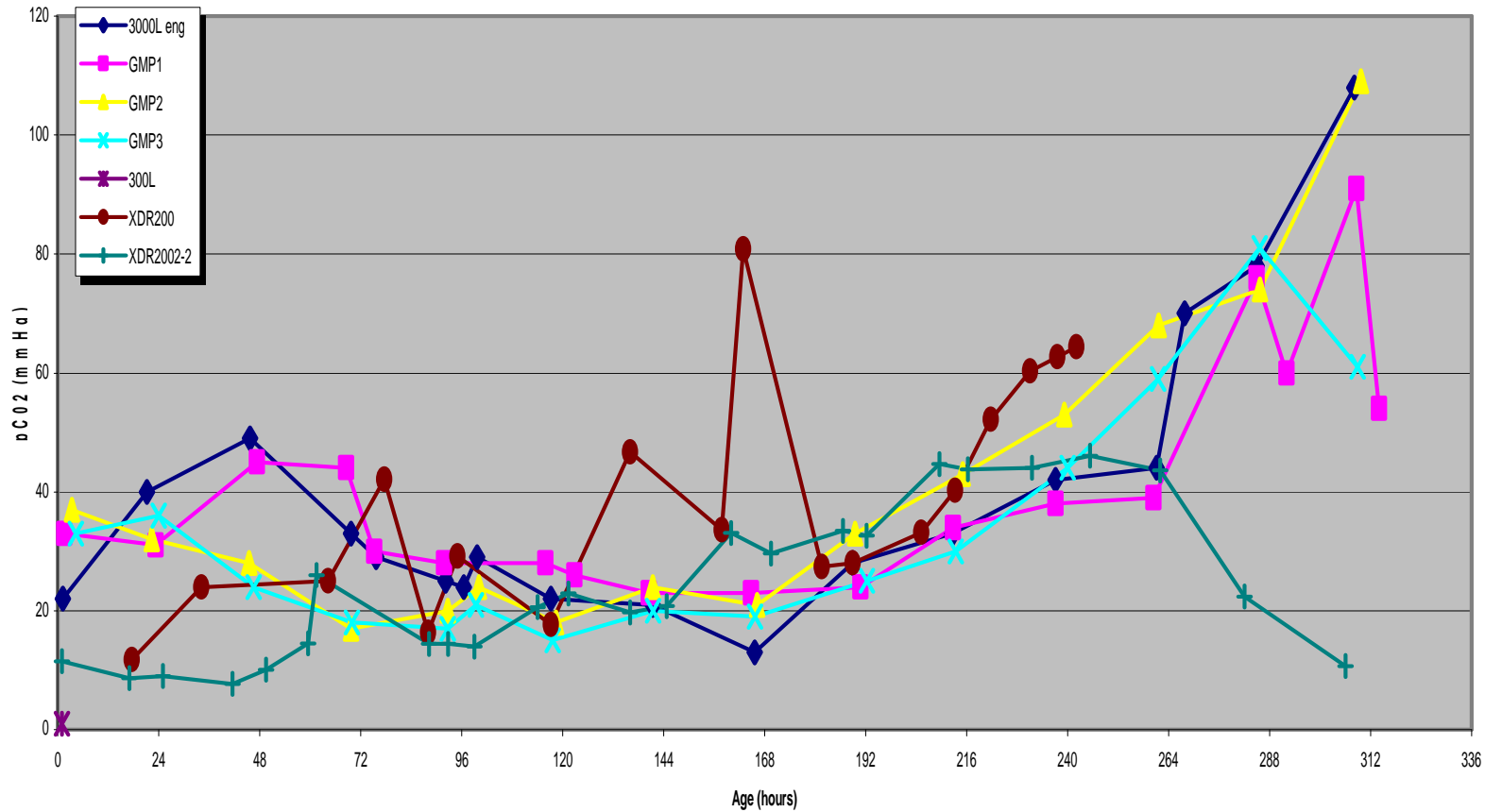
XDR-200 Comparison Titer

Production Titer



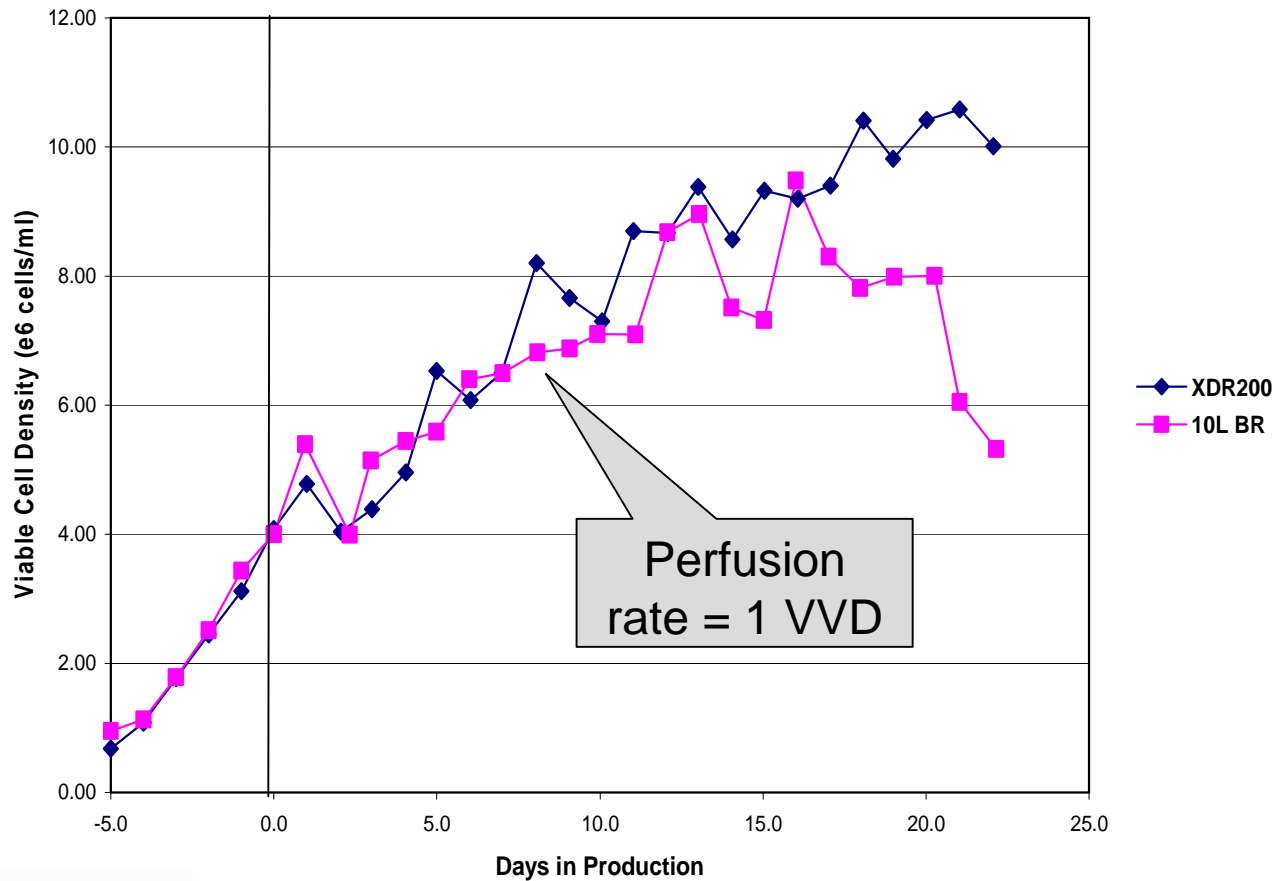
XDR-200 Comparison, pCO₂

Production pCO₂ (mmHg)



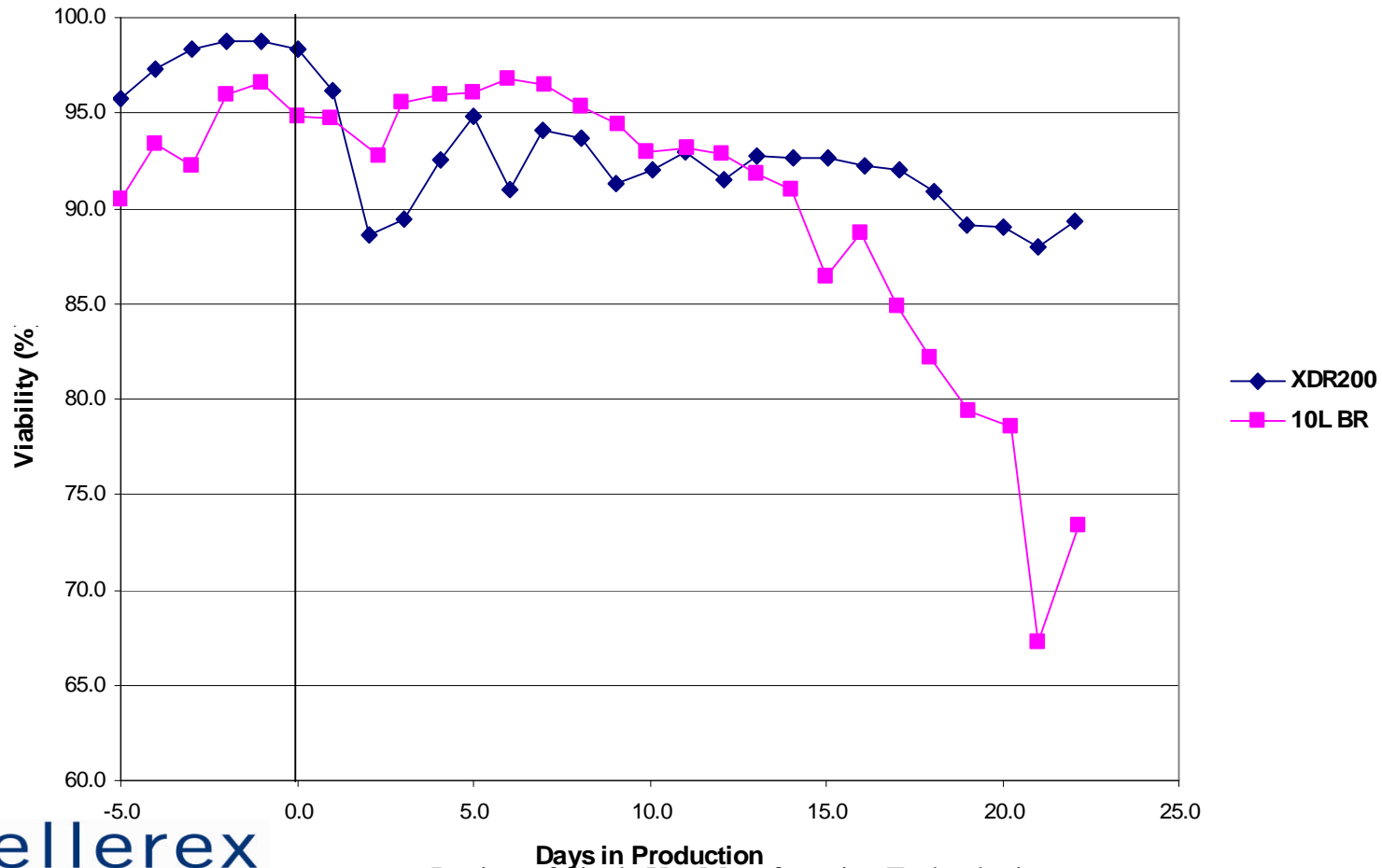
XDR-200 CHO Perfusion Culture - Viable Cell Density

XDR200 vs 10L BR (Viable Cell Density)



XDR-200 CHO Perfusion Culture - % Viability

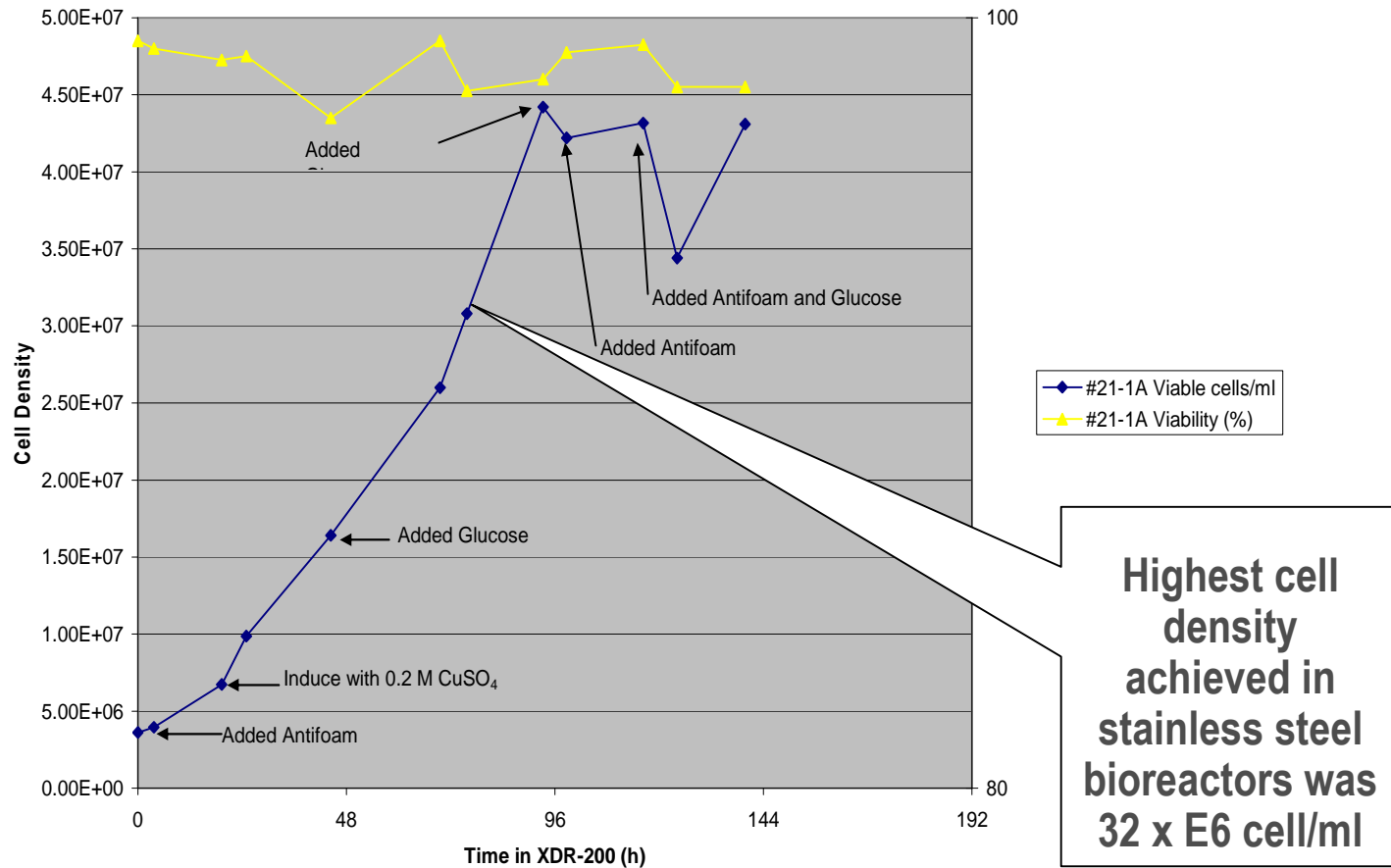
XDR200 vs 10L BR (Viability)



XDR-200 Insect Cells S2

- fed batch

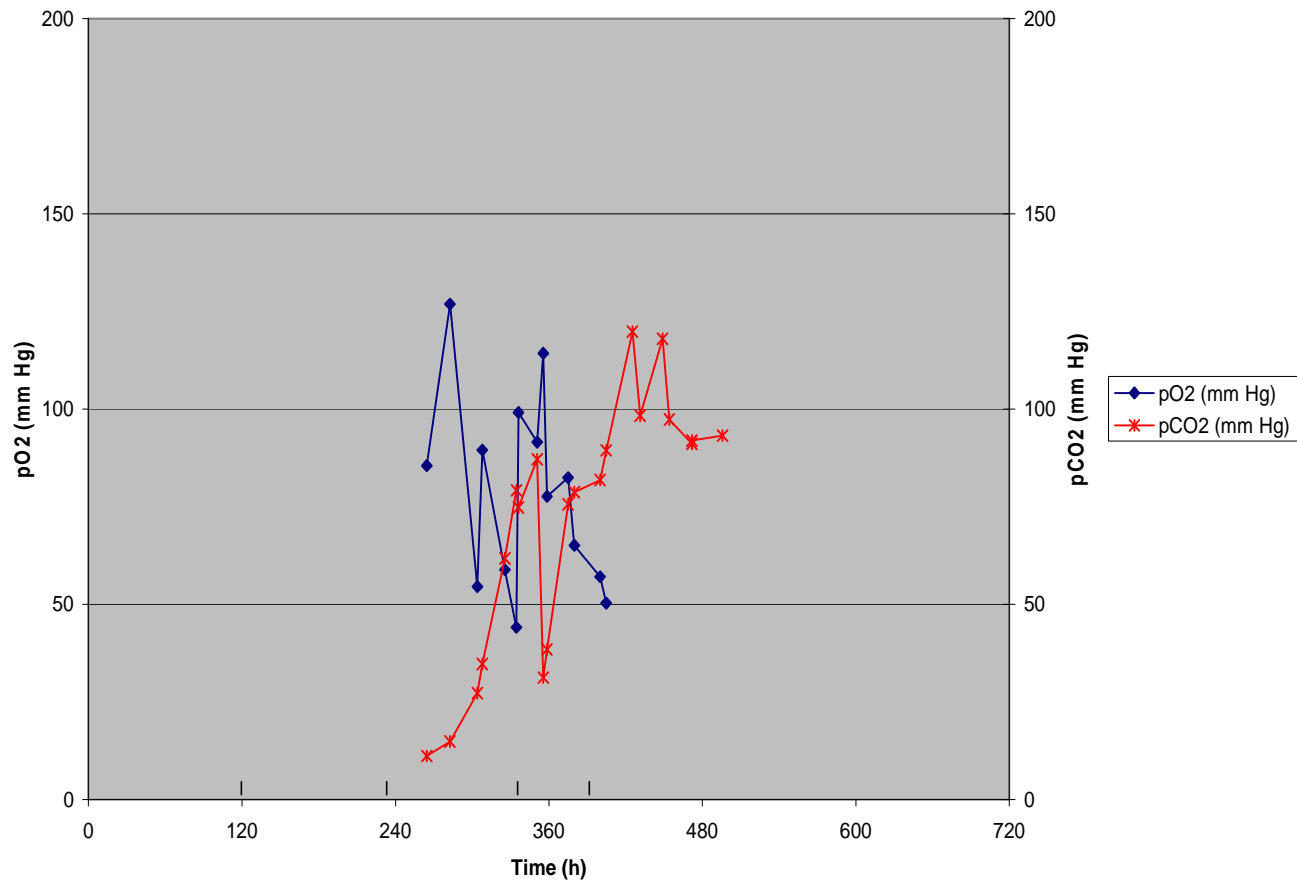
XDR-200 Growth Curves Vials #21



XDR-200 Insect Cells S2

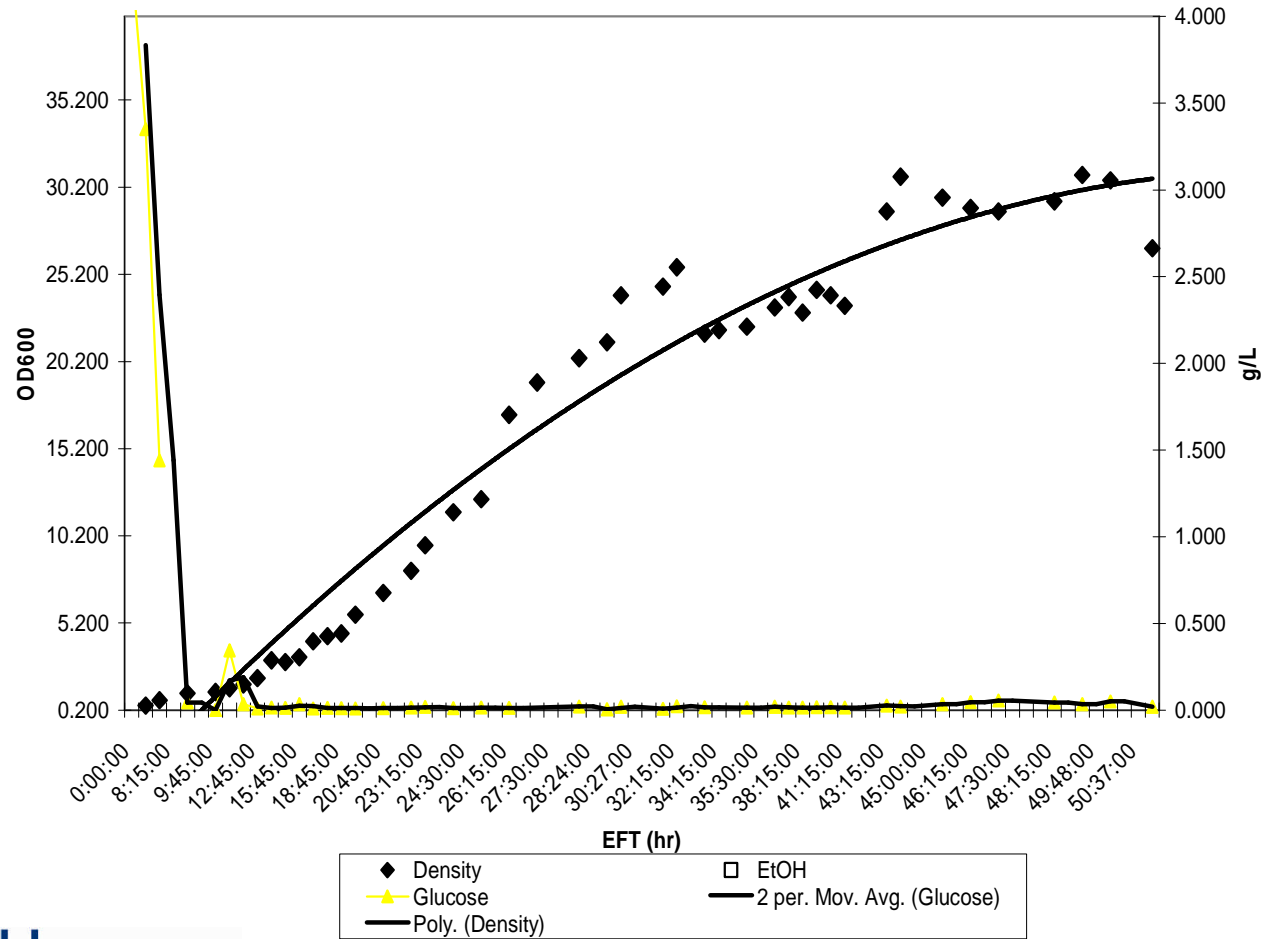
- fed batch - pCO2

pO2 and pCO2

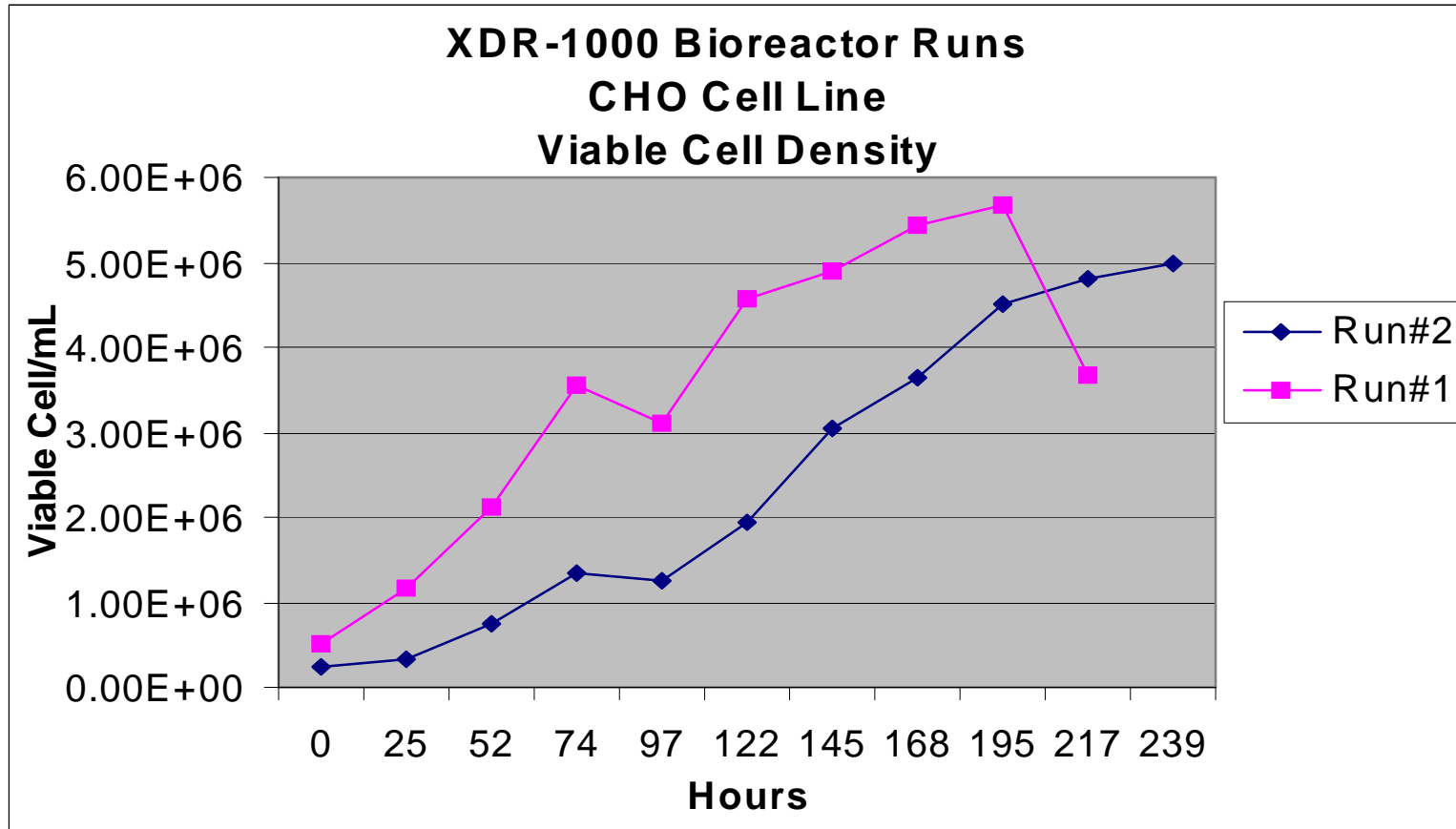


XDR-200 Yeast - *S. cerevisiae*

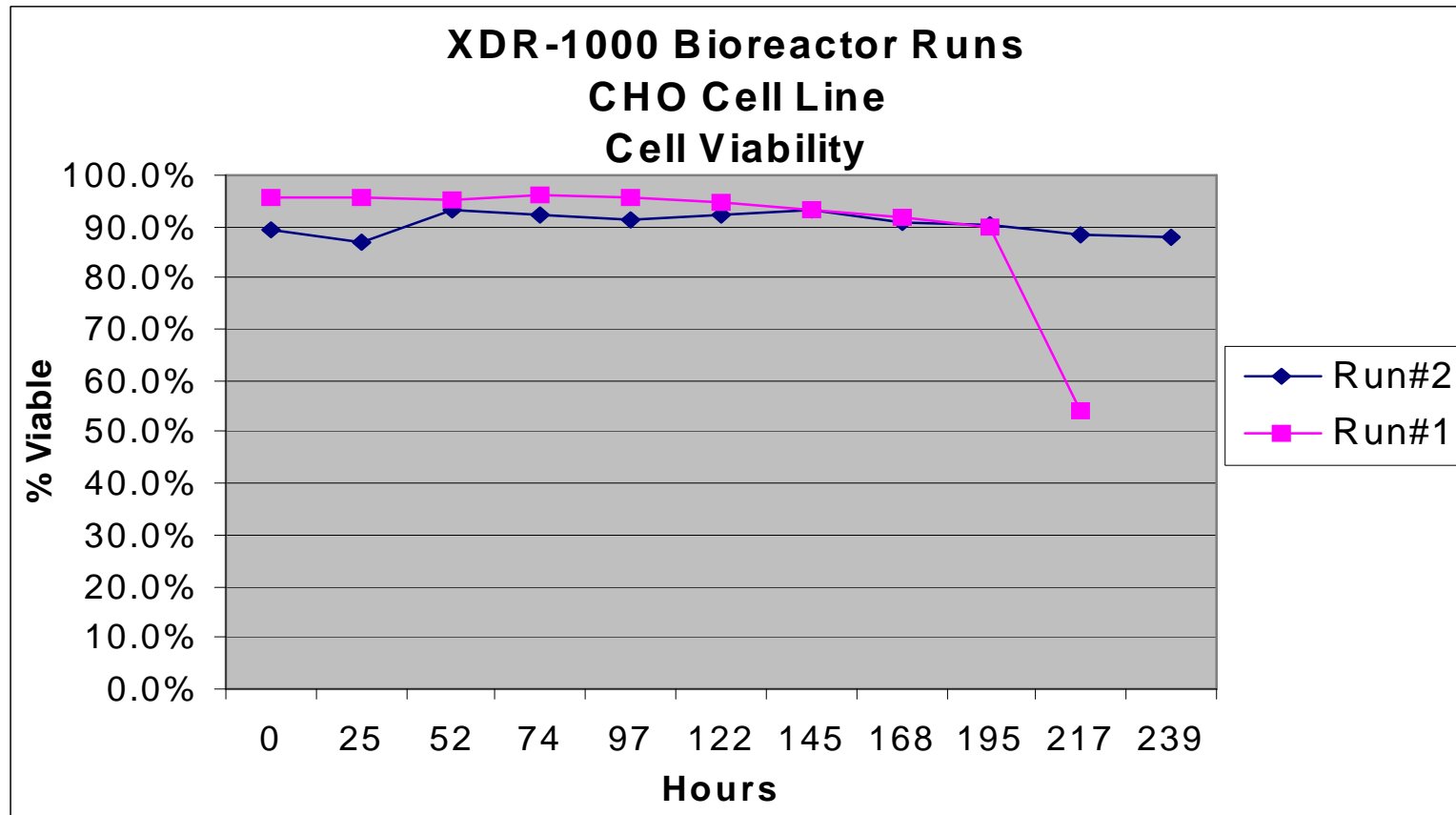
Run 130-999 - XDR-200: *S. cerevisiae* fermentation



XDR-1000, CHO, fusion mAb viable cell density



XDR-1000, CHO, engineered mAb cell viability



Progress for Single Use Systems

- Wide acceptance of bioprocess bags
- Single use bioreactors are scalable and performance is comparable to SS bioreactors
- 1,000L (wv) stirred tank bioreactor breakthrough opens large scale/commercial applications
- Single pass cell clarification/removal (POD) simplifies 1^o recovery
- Membranes for purification improving



Summary - Challenges for Disposables

- Mixing/Buffer/Media prep – Rate of liquid transfers
- Bioreaction – Lab to commercial scalability within the same reactor design/configuration
- Cell Harvest/TFF - Recirculating processes that require high pressure and high flow rates
- Membrane Purification – capacity and DNA/virus clearance
- Disposable Chromatography is still TBD
- Non-standard, multiple connection options
- Disposable sensors are limited
- Plastic durability and weld strength needed for scale up



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