



Monoclonal Antibodies (mAbs) Testing Services

Health Inspired,
Quality Driven.

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Testing along the mAb process



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Our clients can rely on SGS global analytical capabilities and dedicated expertise to accelerate their mAbs project

CELL BANK TESTING

- Microbiological
- Identity
- Viral safety testing
- Genetic stability

ANALYTICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Methods to monitor critical Quality Attributes

ANALYTICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Methods in line with ICH Q14

GMP VALIDATION

- Methods in line with ICH Q2(R2)

STABILITY TRIALS

- Drug Substance
- Drug Product

TRIAL PHASES I, II & III

- Biomarker development
- Validation of bioanalytical methods

BIOSAFETY

In vitro adventitious virus assays • Endotoxins • specified pathogen PCR's • TEM • Retroviruses detection assays
Mycoplasma (culture + qPCR) • Sterility / Bioburden

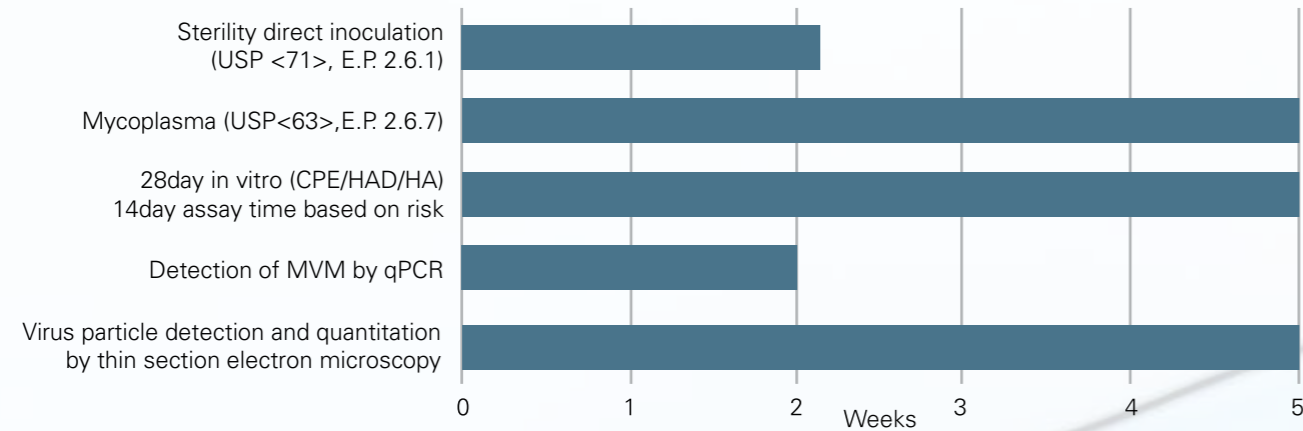


Engage SGS experts early in your monoclonal antibody program. From discovery through to market entry, we simplify complexity, minimize technical and communication barriers, and significantly accelerate regulatory approval.

Testing for CHO biologics

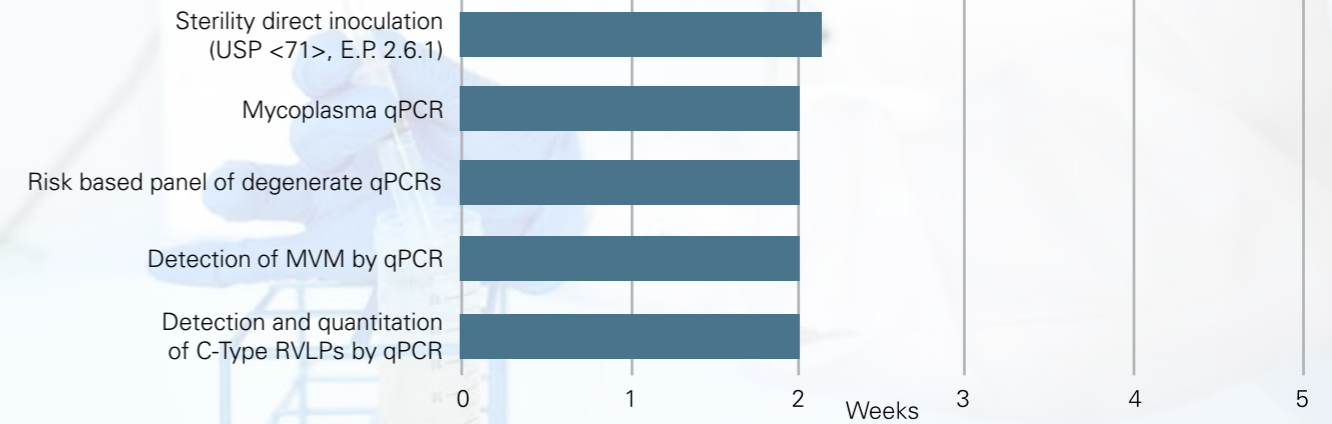
CHO uBH Characterization

Conventional



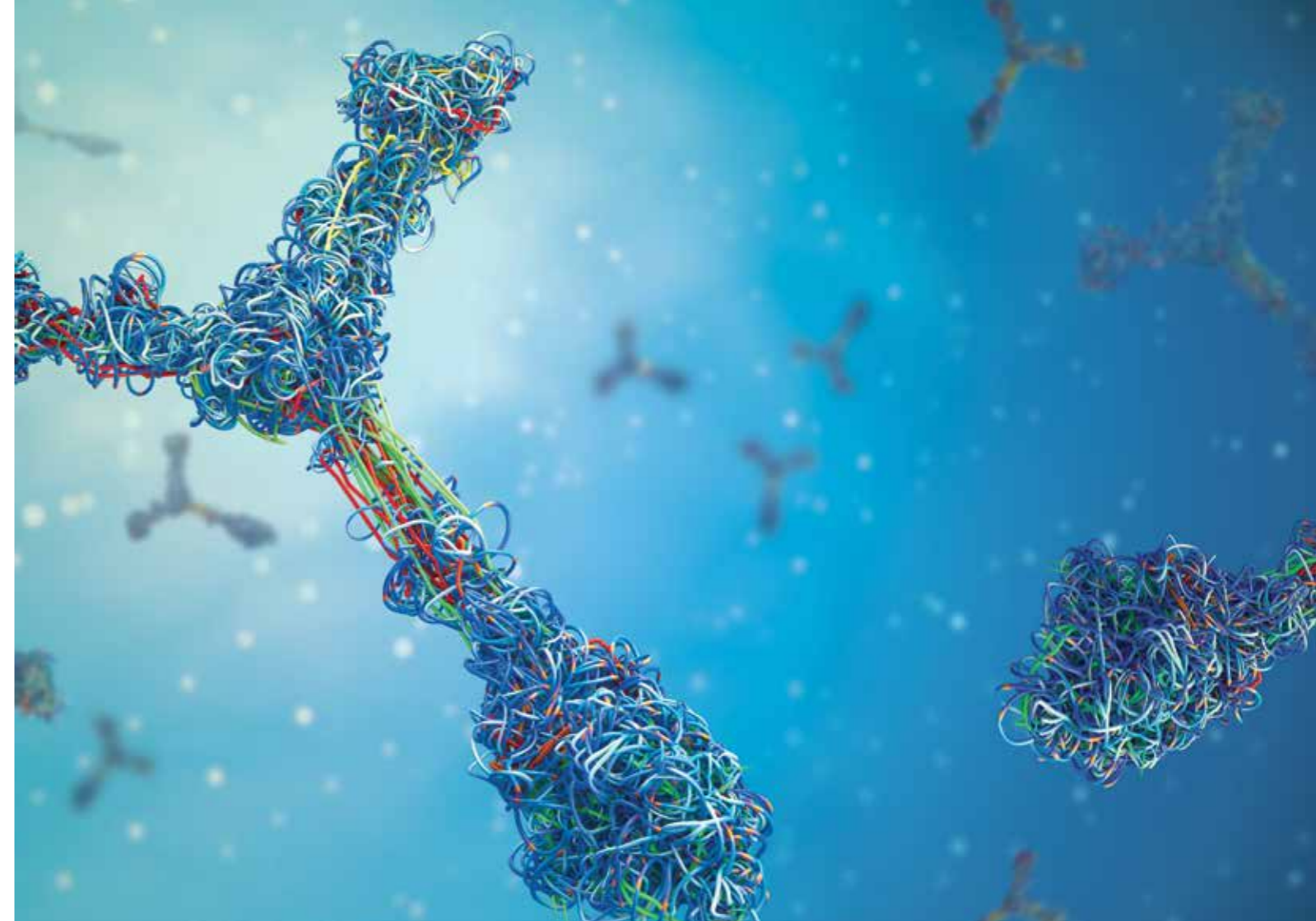
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Accelerated



Biosafety testing of CHO biologics

- Rapid targeted NAT - a fast, ICH Q2-validated alternative to traditional in-vitro assays, accelerating CHO-based biologics manufacturing
- Covers 39 qPCR targets across 15+ high-risk viral families (Hsu et al., 2024) for comprehensive detection
- Uses TaqMan® chemistry with degenerate primers/probes for broad and specific viral identification, contamination-free and highly sensitive
- Fully aligned with ICH Q5A(R2) guidelines; NGS options available for in-vivo replacement and cell bank testing
- Risk-based panel design enabling faster, confident batch release and shorter time to patient



Expert guidance for your analytical strategy

Identify attributes

- Identification of attributes
- Product knowledge
- Forced degradation

Develop method

- Adequate selection of technology and instrument
- Proof of concept study to confirm methodology

Fit-for-purpose

- Assessment of analytical procedure performance
- Documentation of analytical procedure (including control strategy)

Validate methods

- In line with ICH Q2(R2) validation of methods applied to critical Quality Attributes (batch release, stability studies)

Trending

- Monitoring of method performance
- Monitoring of product attributes along its lifecycle



Why SGS: Complete mAbs Project Support



Characterization

STRUCTURAL CHARACTERIZATION

- Composition, sequencing, PTMs

HIGHER ORDER STRUCTURE

- Secondary, tertiary and aggregates

FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERIZATION

- Ligand binding and cell-based technologies

IMPURITY IDENTIFICATION

- Product- & process-related impurities



QC & stability (DS, DP, raw materials)

RELEASE TESTING

- Compendial, bespoke ID tests
- Potency and function

MICROBIOLOGY

- Sterility, bioburden, endotoxin

QUANTITATIVE IMPURITY ANALYSES

- Product- and process-related impurities

STABILITY TESTING

- Accelerated, standard



Biosafety

VIRUS DETECTION ASSAYS

- In-vitro, qPCR, TEM

CELL IDENTITY & CHARACTERIZATION

- DNA fingerprinting, Sanger sequencing

GENETIC STABILITY

- Southern blot, DNA sequencing (NGS)



Bioanalysis and clinical

ACROSS DRUG DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

- From discovery pharmacology to late clinical stages

REGULATORY TOXICOLOGY PRECLINICAL AND CLINICAL

- Pharmacokinetics (PK)
- Immunogenicity (ADA, Nab)
- Pharmacodynamics (Cellular/Soluble Biomarkers)

Expertise for mAbs Producers

SGS Laboratories

Method development, transfer and validation

<4 WEEKS FAST-TRACK METHOD TRANSFER OF EIGHT BIOASSAYS

We are experienced in developing complex assays and fast-tracking method transfer

Characterization studies

>50 CHARACTERIZATION PROJECTS TO US FDA & EMA GUIDELINES

We applied ICH Q6B across diverse studies from insulin to complex biotherapeutic modalities, ensuring compliance with biologics guidelines

Biosafety testing

+200 TESTS PER DRUG PER YEAR
>95% ON TIME DELIVERY

Highest quality GMP biosafety testing facility with 72 segregated BSL-2 labs

Batch release testing

>1200 PHYSICOCHEMICAL TESTS PER YEAR
>200 BATCHES TESTED PER YEAR

Our routine batch release and stability studies include physicochemical, potency, purity, microbiological tests

Our expertise in BA/BE

Lab capabilities

6 LABORATORIES

(EUROPE, NORTH AMERICA, CHINA)

- > 600 Projects conducted per year
- > 2500 Assays developed & validated
- > 300k Samples analyzed per year
- > 250 Experts

Expertise & technologies

ALL MODALITIES

(NCE, NBE, ADCS, BIOSIMILARS, CGT)

- Immuno Assays
- Cell-Based Assays
- Molecular Biology
- LC-MS/MS & LC-UV-Vis/Fluorescence
- Robotics (TECAN, Waters, Biotage)

Clinical analytics

ANALYTICAL AND SAMPLE PREPARATION SERVICES FOR CLINICAL TRIALS

- Safety lab testing (24/7)
- Biomarkers
- PBMC / BMBC isolation, cryo-preservation, and analysis
- Flow Cytometry, Cell culture and ELISA
- Genotyping
- IVD Instrument Studies for EMA/FDA approval

Regulatory

GXP & CFR PART 11 COMPLIANT

- US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- European Medicines Agency (EMA)
- UK Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA)

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