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Development and implementation of [¹⁸F]NaF radiopharmaceutical production at University Institute of Positron Emission Tomography

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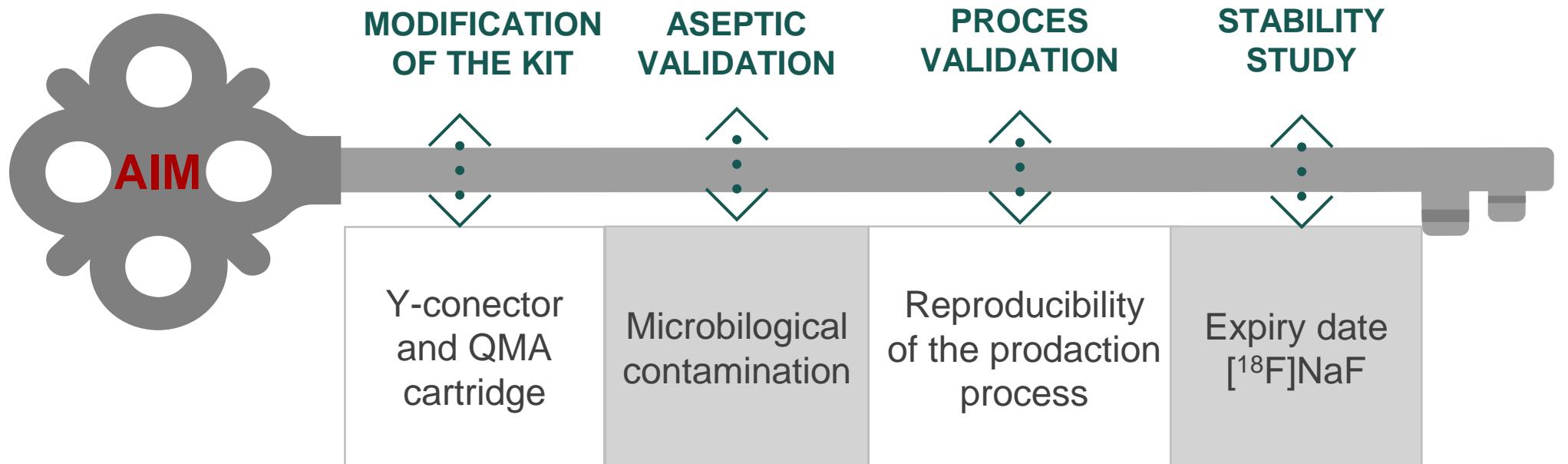
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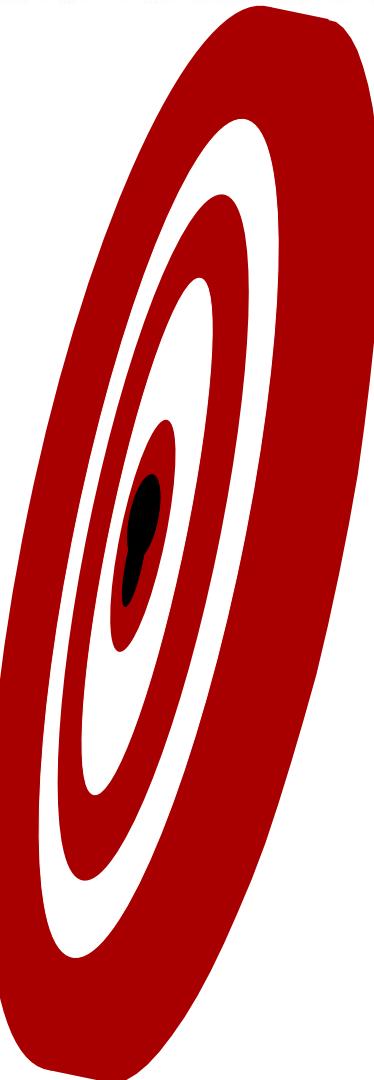
INTRODUCTION

[¹⁸F]NaF

- visualization of the skeletal system
- visualization of the microcalcification



*To develop the automated in-house production process of
[¹⁸F]Sodium fluoride on the dispensing module Clio.*

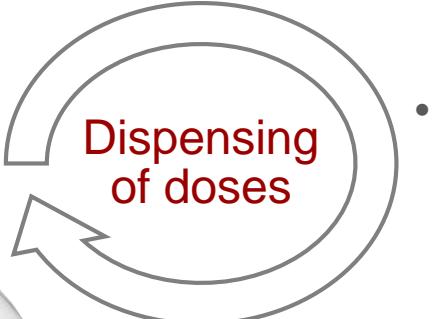




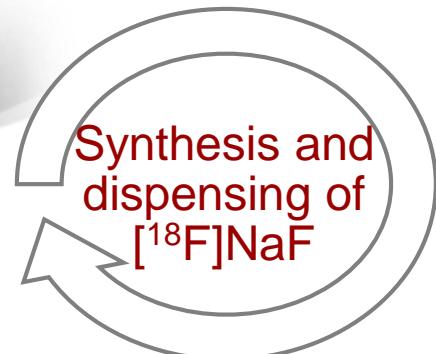
[¹⁸F]NaF production



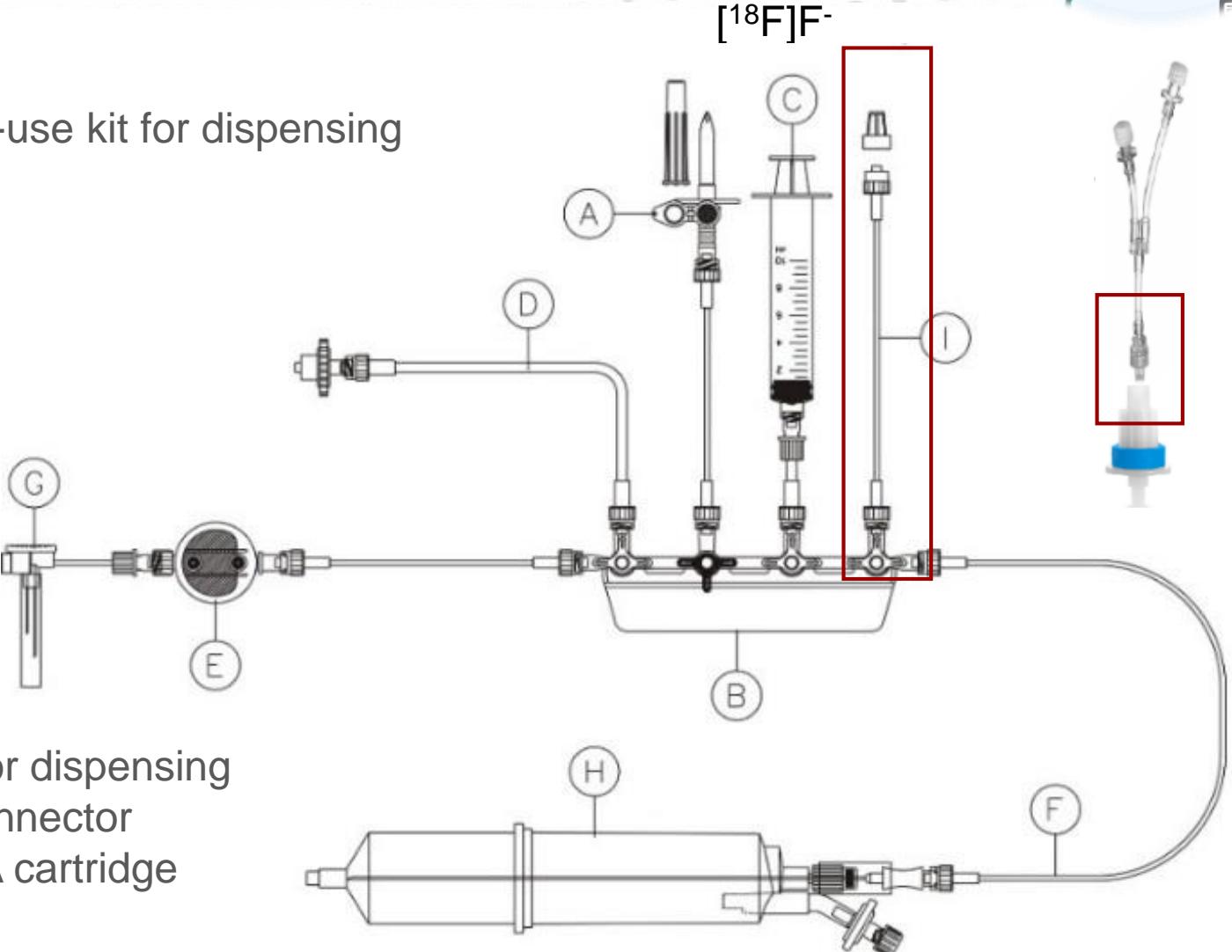
Dispensing
module
Clio



- Single-use kit for dispensing doses

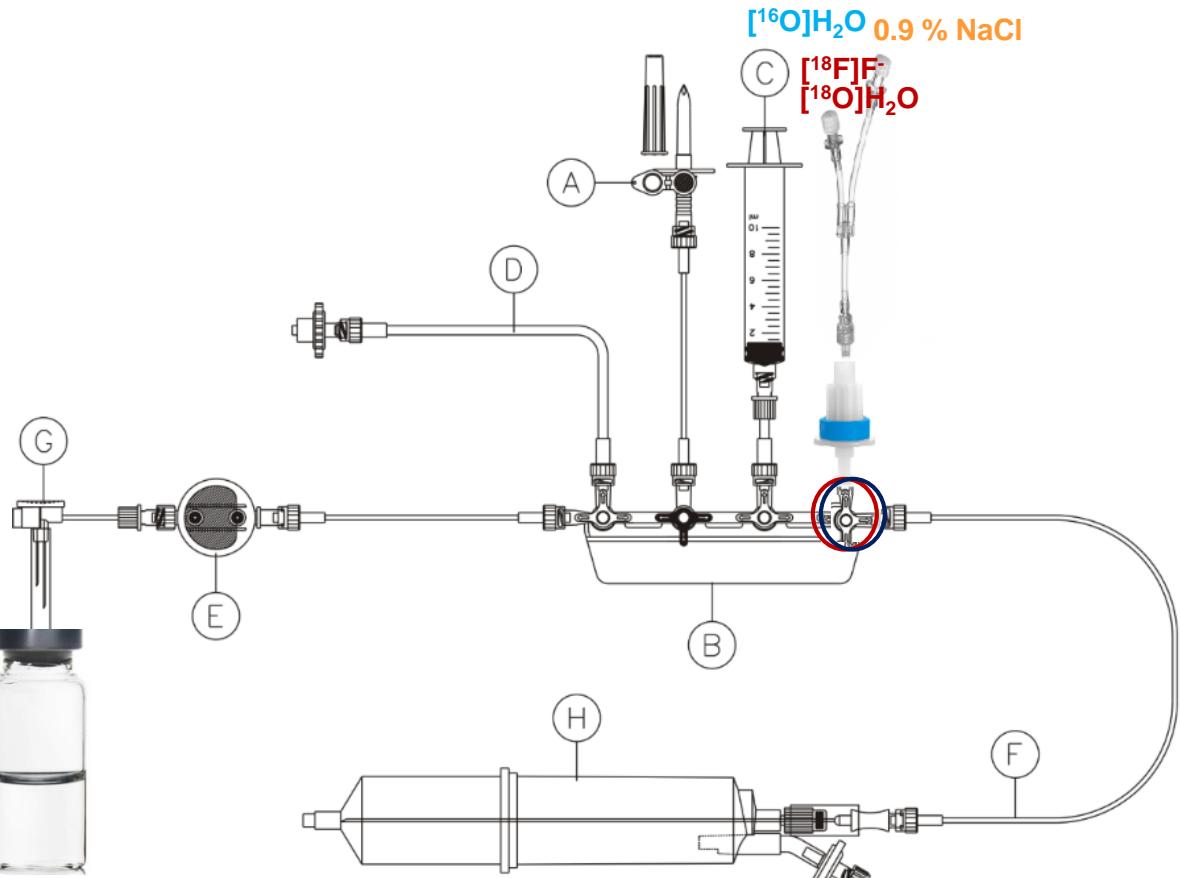
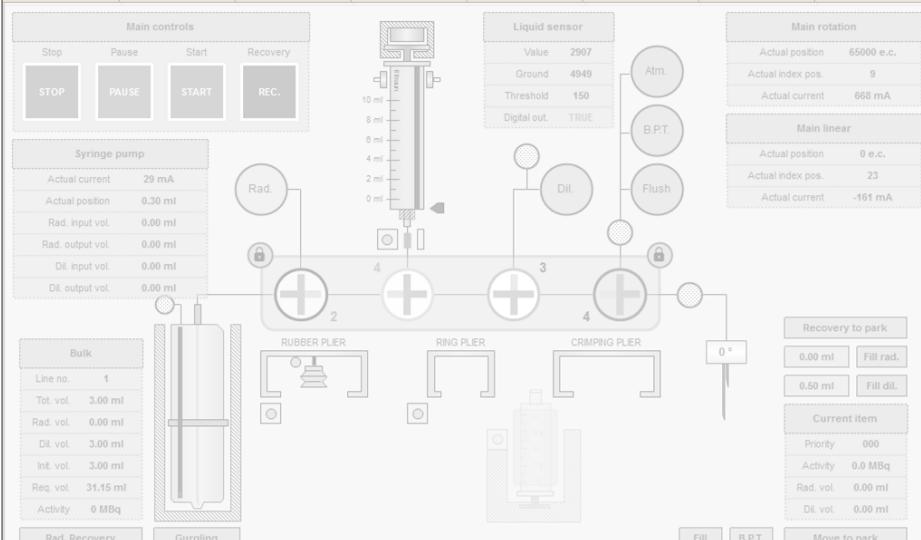
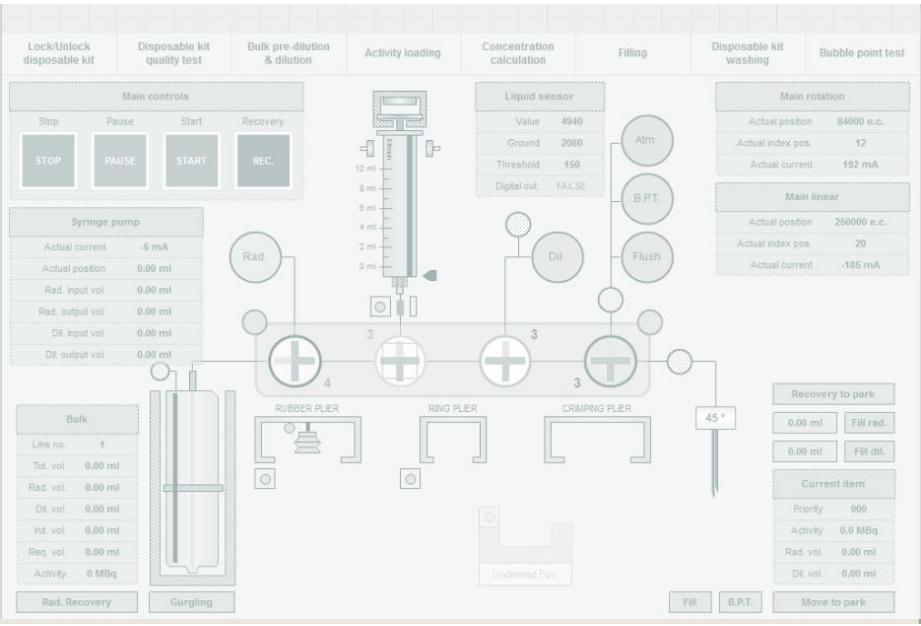


- Kit for dispensing
- Y connector
- QMA cartridge





[¹⁸F]NaF production





Quality control

RELEASE TESTS



Appearance

01

Identification

02

Approximate pH value

03

Chemical and
radiochemical purity

04



POST-RELEASE TESTS

Sterility

05

Bacterial endotoxins

06

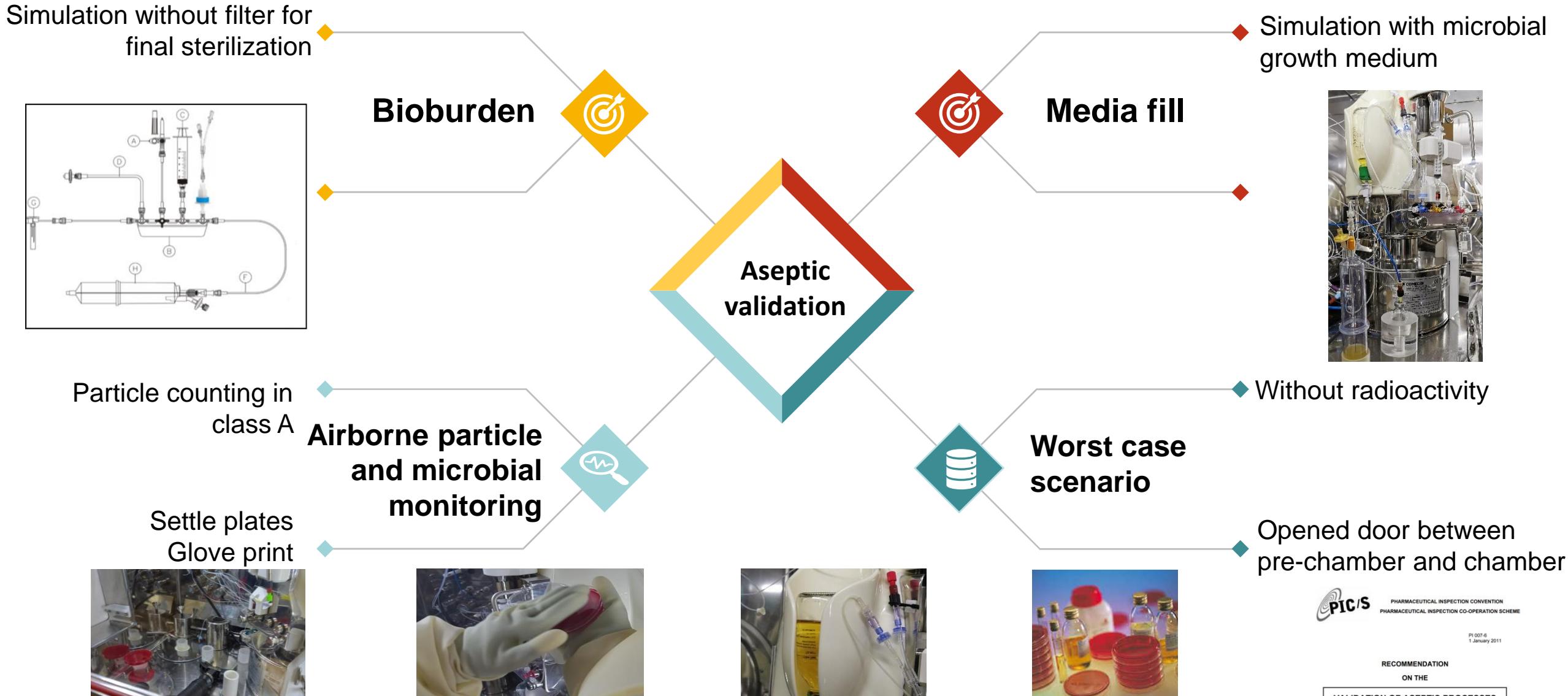
Radionuclidic purity

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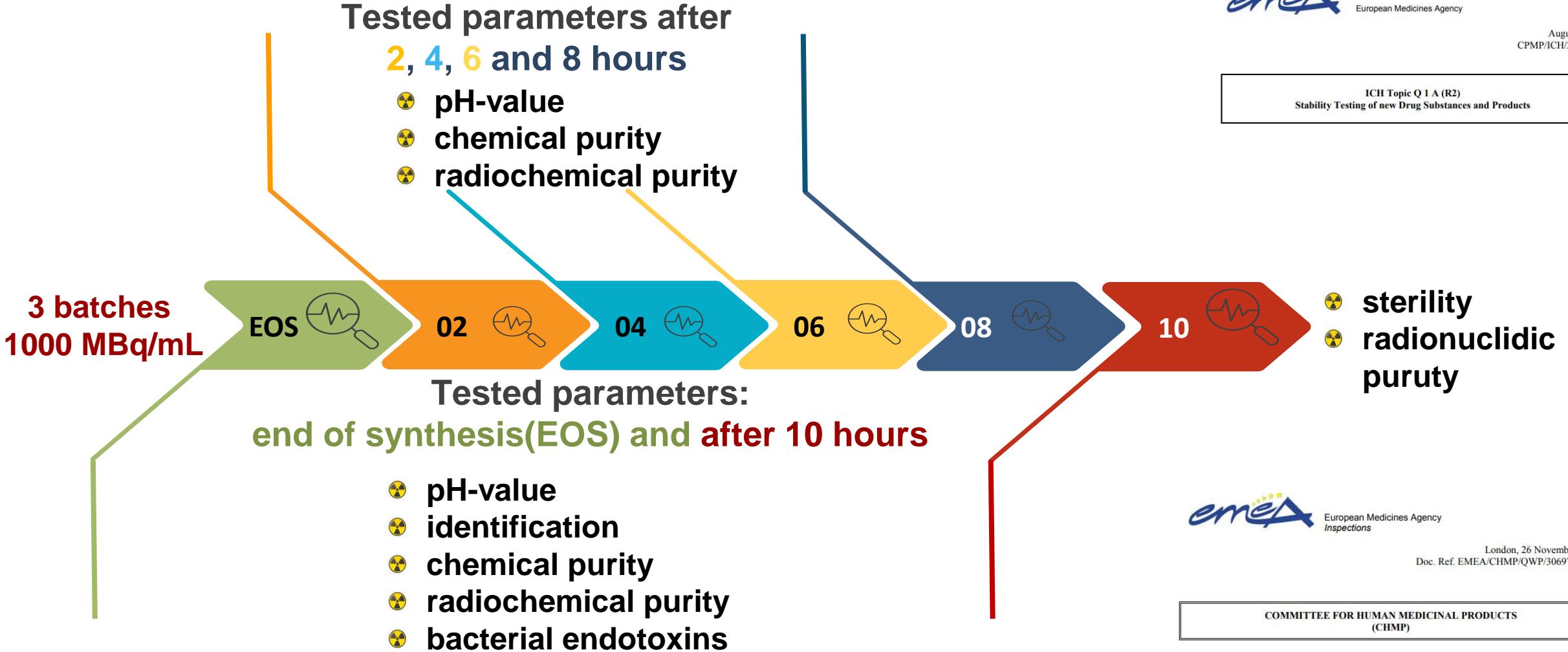


Aseptic validation





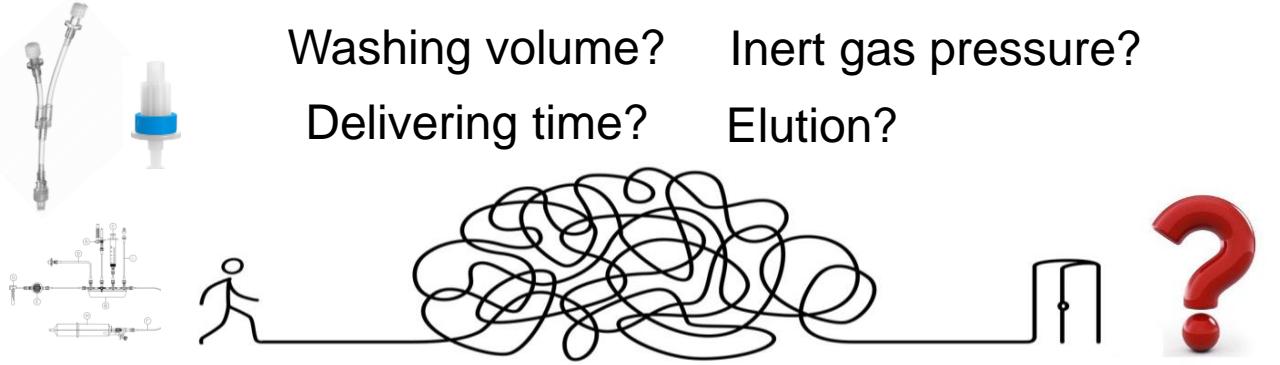
Process validation and stability study



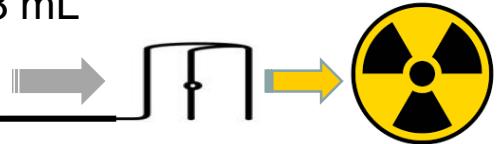
Results

„COLD“ productions

Washing volume? Inert gas pressure?
Delivering time? Elution?



Delivering time – 2 minutes
Volume of sterile water – 3 mL
Elution – 1,2 bar N₂



Batch	Retained activity on QMA cartridge (%)
	Elution
	5 mL 0,9 % NaCl
Batch 1	0,282
Batch 2	0,112
Batch 3	0,588
Batch 4	0,112
Batch 5	0,721
Batch 6	0,243
Batch 7	0,184
Batch 8	0,245
Batch 9	0,212
Batch 10	0,152

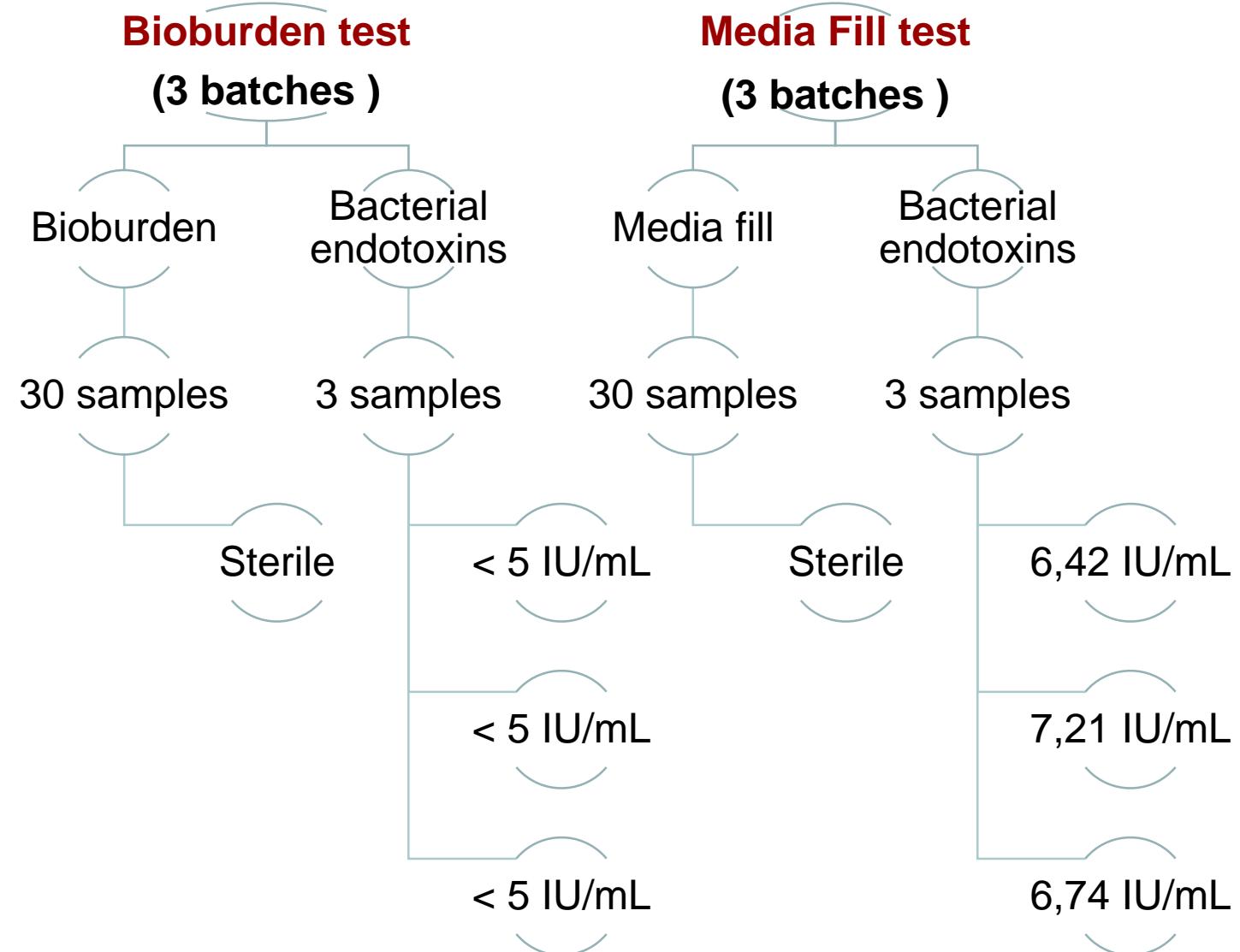
< 0,6 %

After the development of in-house method for synthesis, the process optimization was carried out, 10 production batches were performed, with **a yield higher than 98%, decay-corrected.**



Results

Aseptic validation of production process





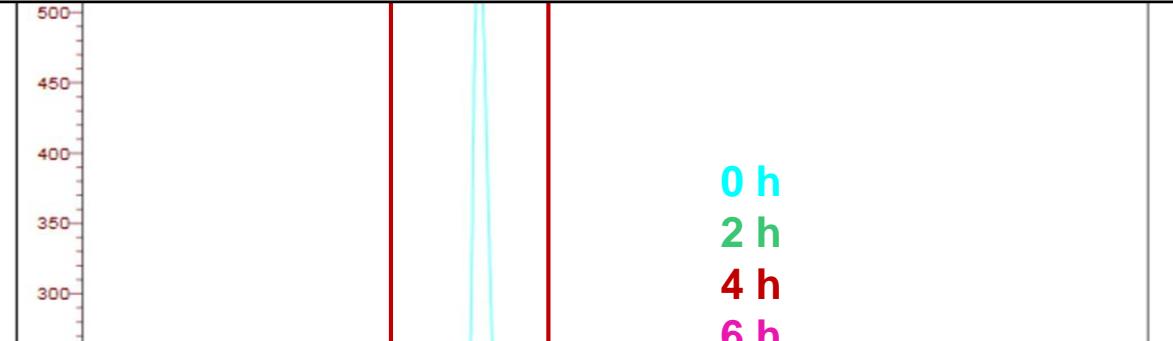
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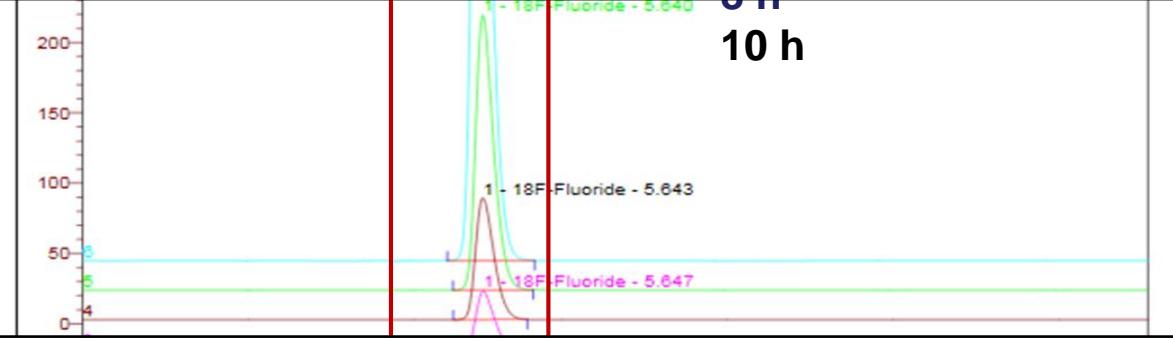
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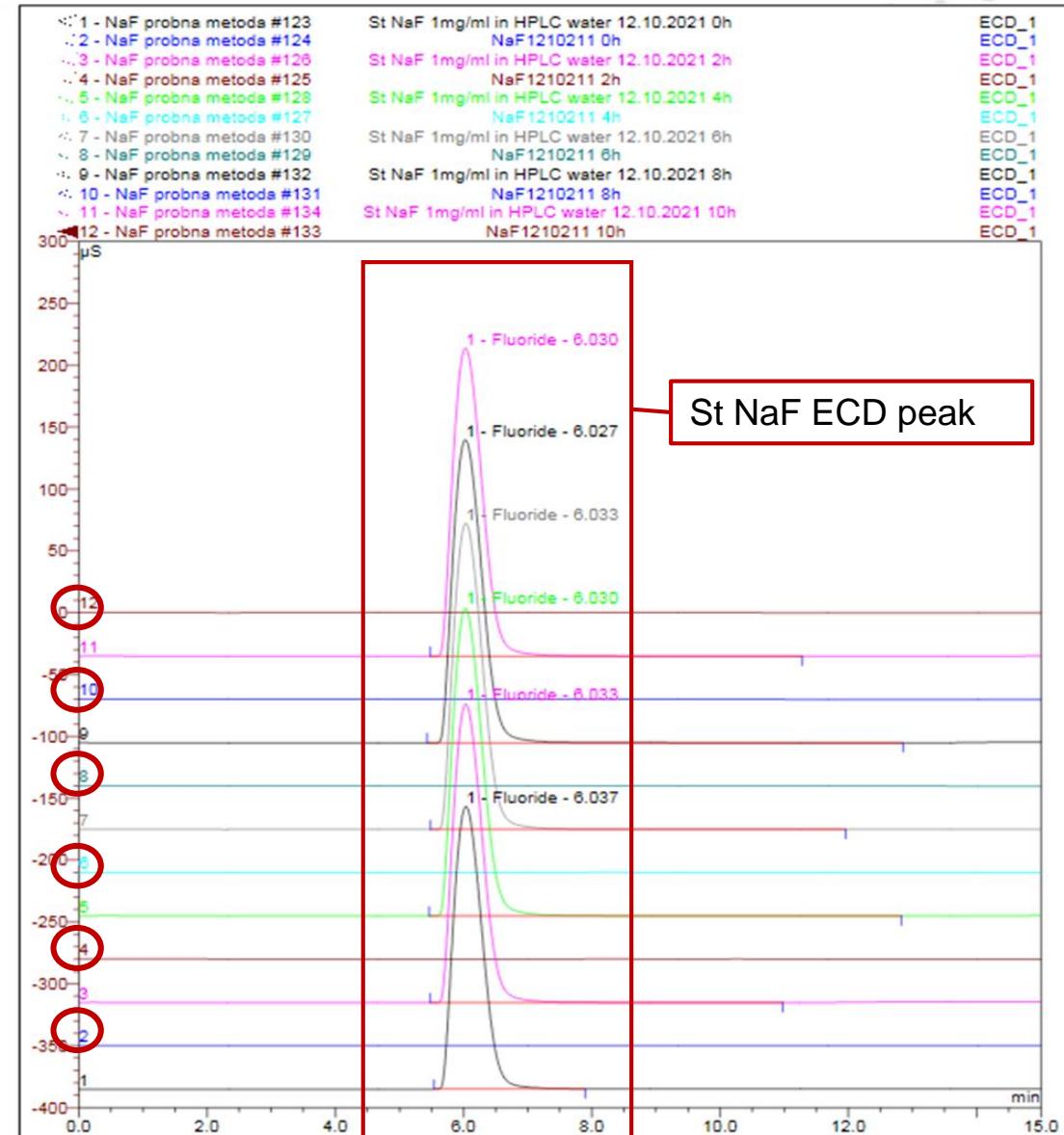
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Results

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Batch 1

Tests	EOS	2 h	4 h	6 h	8 h	10 h
Difference in retention times (<40 s)	27,42	22,98	23,4	24,18	23,76	24,36
t _{1/2} (1,75-1,92 h)	1,82	/	/	/	/	1,83
pH (5,5-8,0)				6,5 - 7,0		

Batch 2

Difference in retention times (<40 s)	26,76	24,36	23,82	22,98	23,64	24,24
t _{1/2} (1,75-1,92 h)	1,84	/	/	/	/	1,84
pH (5,5-8,0)				6,5 - 7,0		
Radiochemical purity (>98,5%)				100		
Chemical purity ($\leq 0,452$ mg/L)				$\leq 0,452$		

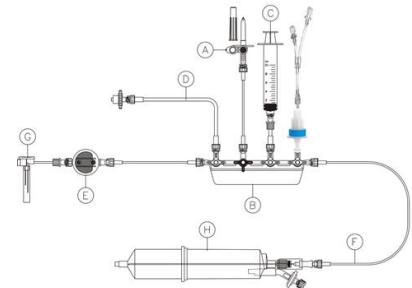
Batch 3

Difference in retention times (<40 s)	27	23,58	23,22	23,16	23,64	23,4
t _{1/2} (1,75-1,92 h)	1,81	/	/	/	/	1,86
pH (5,5-8,0)				6,5 - 7,0		
Radiochemical purity (>98,5%)				100		
Chemical purity ($\leq 0,452$ mg/L)				$\leq 0,452$		
Bacterial endotoxins (<17,5 IU/mL)	<5,00	/	/	/	<5,00	<5,00
Sterility (sterile)				Sterile sample		
Radionuclidic purity (<0,1%)				0,000060731		



Conclusion

Originally designed
in-house production
process



[¹⁸F]NaF
radiopharmaceutical



Implemented
into a clinical practice



Aseptic
validation

Stability
study

Process
validation

Reproducible
process

Stable up to
10 hours

No microbiological
growth

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