
Repligen and Navigo Proteins Announce the Launch of an Affinity Resin for the Purification of COVID-19 Vaccines

WALTHAM, Mass., and HALLE (Saale), Germany – February 8, 2021 – Repligen Corporation (NASDAQ:RGEN), a life sciences company focused on bioprocessing technology leadership, and Navigo Proteins GmbH (“Navigo”), a premier protein engineering company specializing in novel affinity ligand development, today announced that they have completed the development and initiated the commercial launch of NGL COVID-19 Spike Protein Affinity Resin, a novel affinity resin to be utilized in the purification of COVID-19 vaccines.

The availability of this COVID-19 affinity resin is the result of an accelerated program to provide COVID-19 vaccine manufacturers with a high purity capture step, decreasing processing time and significantly improving overall yield in the production of these critical vaccines.

Working closely with Navigo Proteins on the ligand development and partnering with Purolite Life Sciences on Praesto® agarose bead technology, the resulting product meets all the expected requirements of a high-performance resin including very high selectivity, high dynamic binding capacities and caustic stability over multi-cycle use.

Ralf Kuriyel, Repligen Senior Vice President R&D said, “We are very pleased to launch this resin and are very encouraged by the positive customer feedback on its overall performance in the development and manufacture of Spike Protein based vaccines.”

Dr. Henning Afflerbach, CEO of Navigo Proteins said, “The rapid deployment of our Precision Capturing® technology and working in parallel with the Repligen team has resulted in getting a Spike resin into the market in less than 10 months – it’s a tremendous achievement.”

NGL COVID-19 Spike Protein Affinity Resin will be manufactured and marketed by Repligen. Resin samples are available immediately and can be ordered in Repligen’s pre-packed OPUS® columns to expedite and support evaluations and scale-up. Orders for validated and commercial resin are also being accepted currently.

About Repligen Corporation

Repligen Corporation is a global life sciences company that develops and commercializes highly innovative bioprocessing technologies and systems that increase efficiencies in the process of manufacturing biological drugs. We are inspiring advances in bioprocessing for the customers we serve; primarily biopharmaceutical drug developers and contract development and manufacturing organizations (CDMOs) worldwide. Our corporate headquarters are located in Waltham, MA (USA), and we have additional administrative and manufacturing operations in Marlborough, MA; Bridgewater, NJ; Rancho Dominguez, CA; Clifton Park, NY; Lund, Sweden; Breda, The Netherlands and Ravensburg, Germany.

About Navigo Proteins GmbH

Navigo Proteins is a premier protein engineering company, specialized in creating novel affinity ligands for custom affinity purification of complex biologics (PRECISION CAPTURING®) and as ligands in biotherapeutic drug candidates (PRECISION TARGETING). Navigo's unique protein engineering expertise is based on the company's proprietary platform of different small and stable, yet highly engineerable scaffold proteins. Navigo's PRECISION CAPTURING® unit creates affinity ligands and chromatography resins that specifically bind and purify biologics, even without Fc part and notably enables platformized one-step downstream processes. PRECISION CAPTURING® is based on an artificial Protein A scaffold, combining the downstream processing industry-accepted virtues of Protein A with novel selectivities and mild elution conditions. PRECISION CAPTURING® is applicable for purifying recombinant proteins, monoclonal antibodies, viruses, VLPs and other biologics. Navigo works with renowned global partners to convert its affinity ligands into ready-to-use, GMP-compliant affinity resins for large-scale, commercial biologics downstream processing.

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