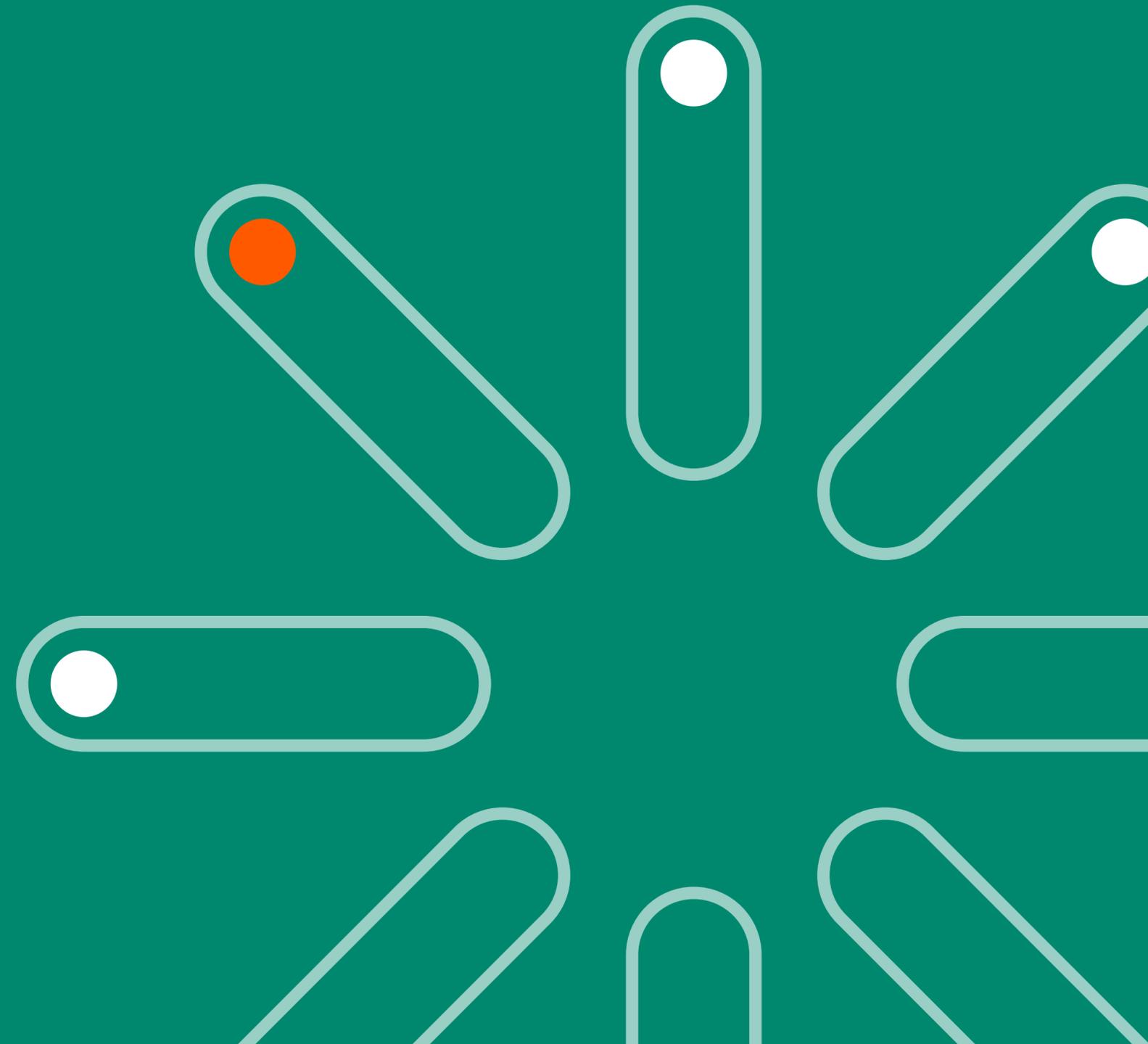


# The start of a column (r)evolution



# BPG chromatography columns: 30 years

In 1987, Cytiva launched the first BPG columns. Peter Bellqvist remembers how it all started. He was given full freedom to design and construct the new columns and everything was drawn by hand.

30 years have passed and the BPG columns are still part of many biopharmaceutical processes. Since then, the column evolution has not stopped. Accumulated experience and close customer collaboration has resulted in both the larger Chromaflow™ columns and the automated AxiChrom™ platform.



1987

**BPG**

Flow packing

1995

**Chromaflow**

Pack-in-place  
with nozzle

2008

**AxiChrom**

Automated packing

2014

**Continued AxiChrom expansion**

Delivering columns up to 2000 mm i.d.



**It's incredible to see that,  
30 years later, the BPG  
columns are still used by  
many of our customers.**

Peter Bellqvist, one of the inventors of the BPG column

# AxiChrom columns

Intensify downstream bioprocessing





**You know you will have to do less small scale development because you can predict how it will behave at larger scale as you're using the same system.**

Engineer responsible for the pilot plant at a biopharmaceutical company



**Because AxiChrom is so intelligent, users don't have to have much experience. Even a new user, after some basic training, can use the system easily.**

Lead of Purification on large-scale purification of protein

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