

Table S1: Comparison of heterologous expression systems in the field of VHH production

Expressed VHH	Heterologous expression system	The yield for shake flask (mg/L)	The yield of fermenter (g/L)
Anti-MUC1 VHH [36]	<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)	42-70	-
EGFR-specific VHH [37]	<i>E. coli</i> SHuffle® T7 and BL21 (DE3)	Up to 200	-
MBP-fusion VHH [38]	<i>E. coli</i> HM140	12	-
VHH against azo dyes [40]	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> VWK18gal1-	0.07-0.12	0.463 and 0.608
VHH against azo-dye RR6 [65]	<i>S. cerevisiae</i> SU51	~ 100	-
Anti-EGFR VIII VHH [42]	<i>P. pastoris</i> X-33	8-10	-
Anti-AahI scorpion toxin nanobody [43]	<i>P. pastoris</i> X-33	~ 17	-
Anti-CEACAM5 nanobody [66]	<i>P. pastoris</i> GS115	51.7	-
Anti-MUC1 VHH [67]	<i>P. pastoris</i> GS115	10-15	-
VHH against azo dye R2 [69]	<i>A. awamori</i> pyrG mutant	up to 7.5	-
<i>Arthromyces ramosus</i> peroxidase gene (arp) fused VHH against R9 azo dye [70]	<i>A. awamori</i> pyrG mutant	10-30	-
sTAA-VHH and sTAA-N28-VHH against EGFR [71]	<i>A. oryzae</i> niA mutant	21 and 73.8	-
Glucoamylase fused VHH against human chorionic gonadotropin [72]	<i>A. oryzae</i> OSI1013 <i>leuA</i> mutant	155 and 610	-
<i>Asp.</i> VHH (in this study)	<i>A. oryzae</i> RIB40 pyrG(-)	44	1.4