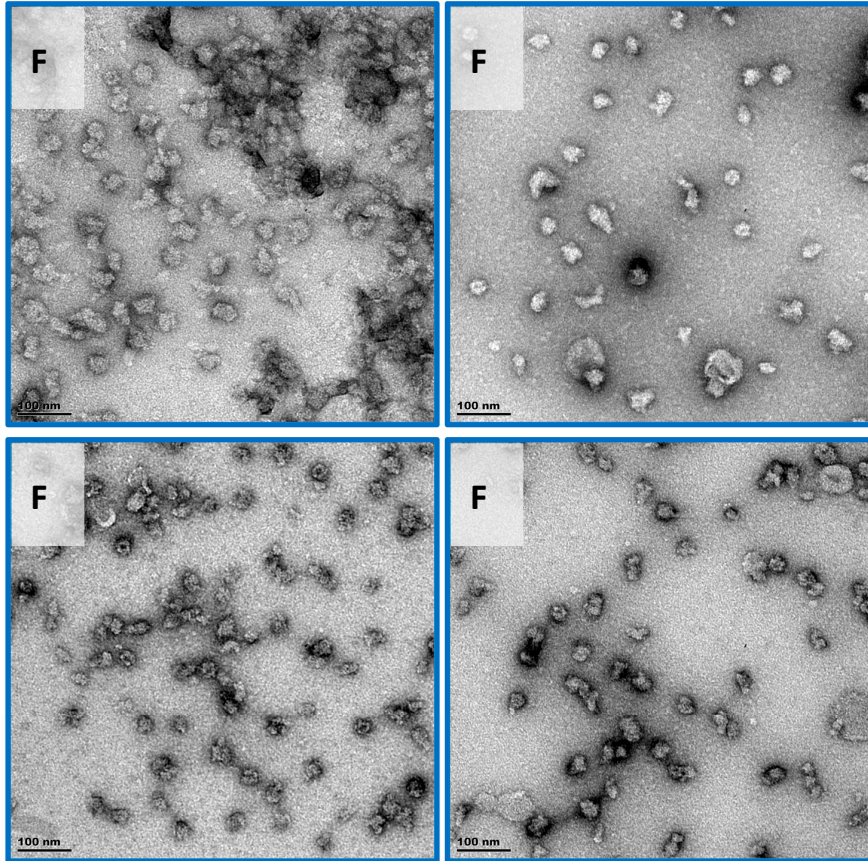
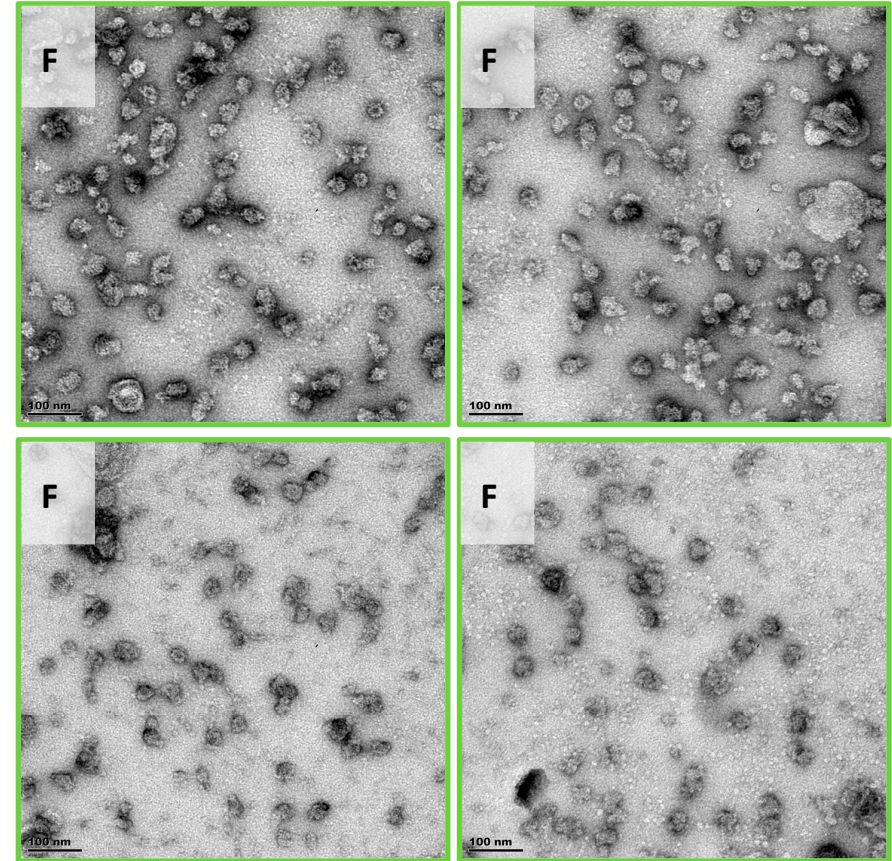


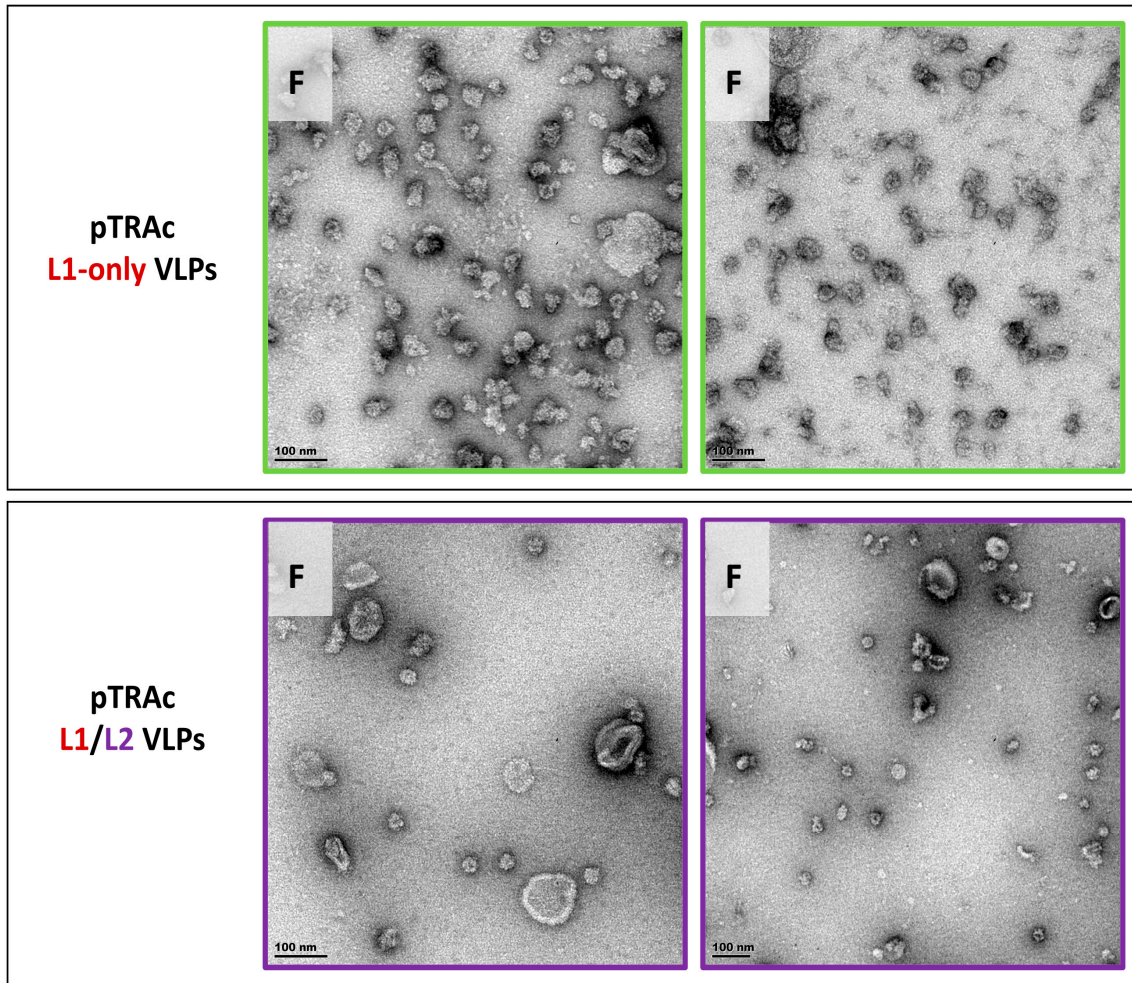
### pRIC3.0 L1-only VLPs



### pTRAc L1-only VLPs

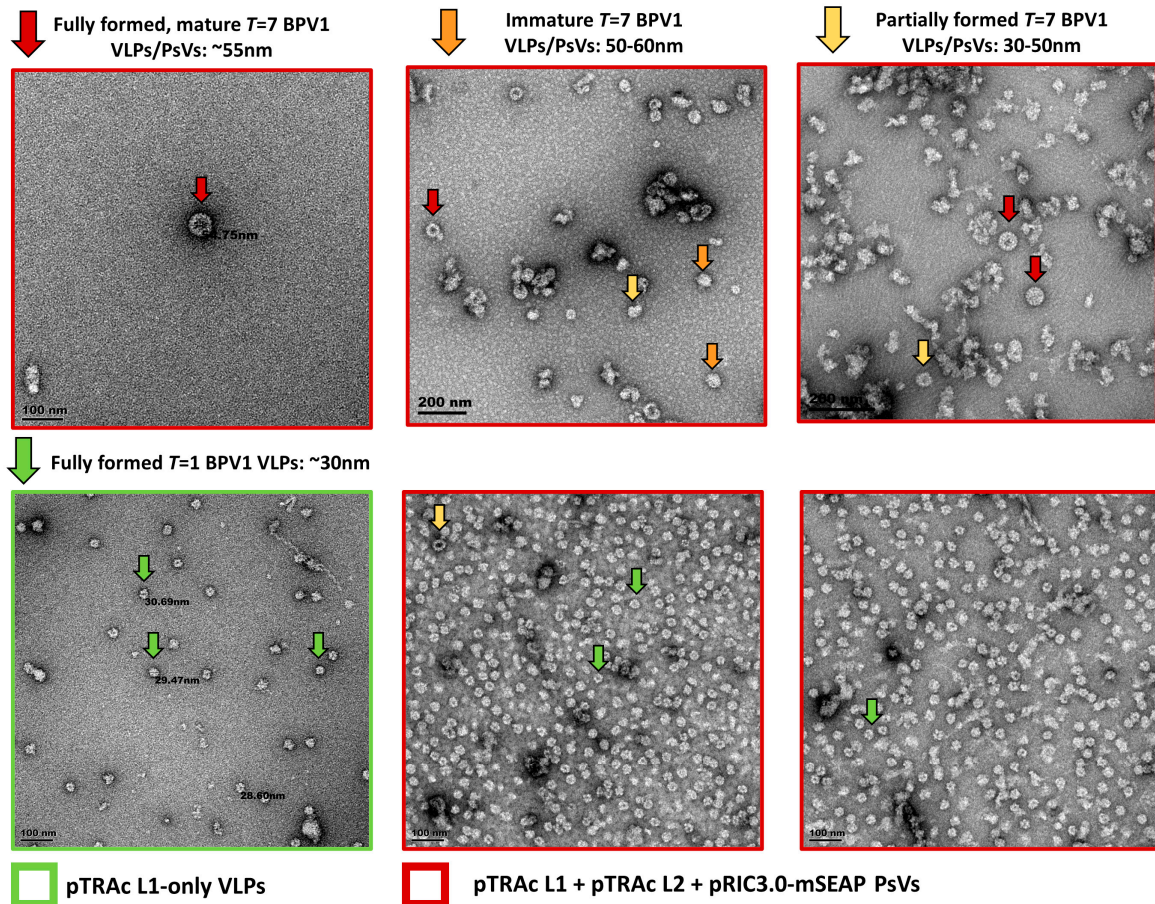


**Figure 1.** Transmission electron micrographs of bovine papillomavirus 1 (BPV1) L1-only virus-like particles (VLPs) expressed by pRIC3.0 and pTRAc plant expression vectors. Representative protein fractions (F3-F6) of pTRAc- and pRIC3.0-expressed L1, purified on a discontinuous sucrose density gradient. Small  $T = 1$  VLPs of 20-30 nm in diameter were observed in both purifications, and pentameric capsomeres of ~10 nm were observed in pTRAc purifications. Scale bars represent 100 nm.

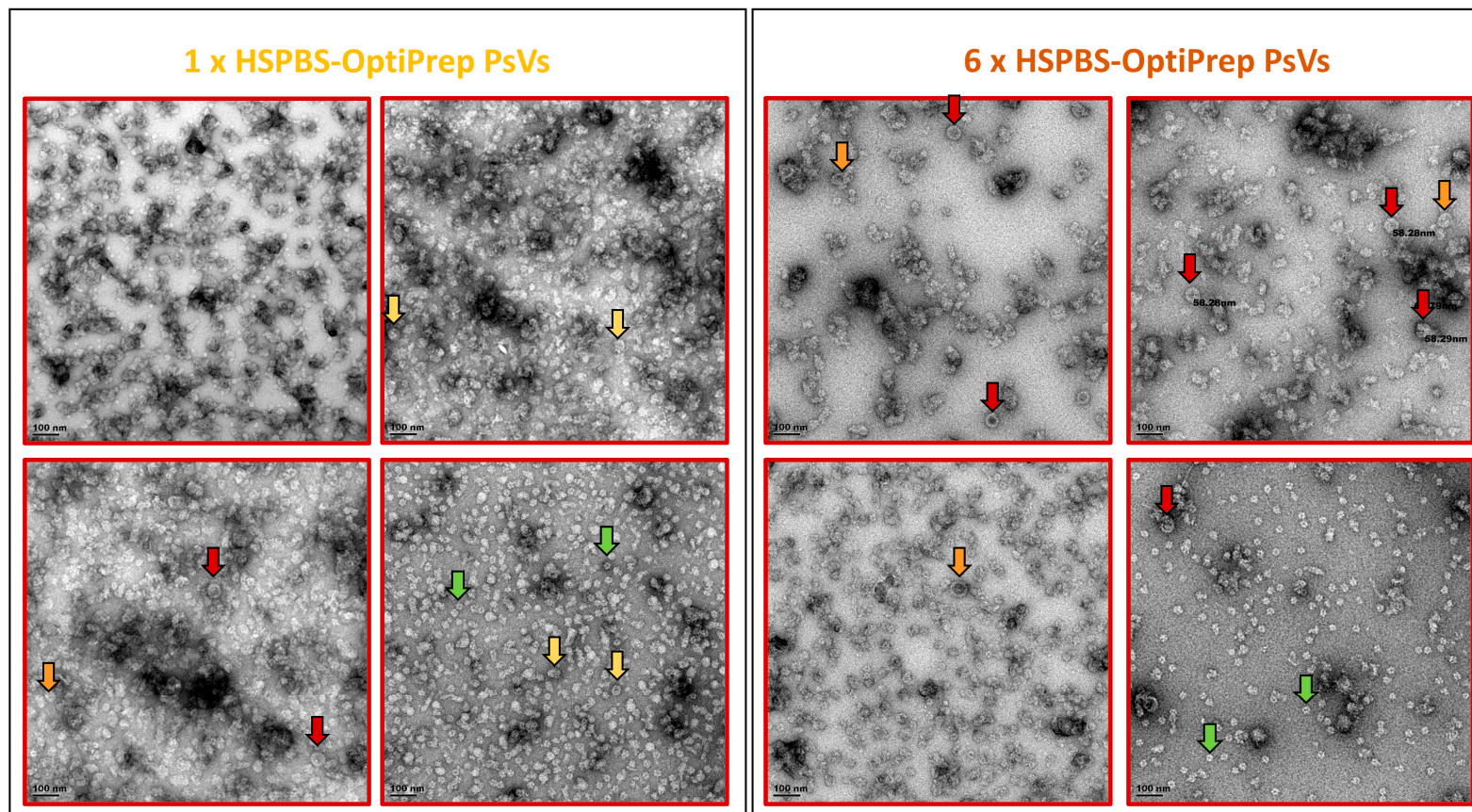


**Figure S2.** Transmission electron micrographs of bovine papillomavirus 1 (BPV1) L1-only and L1/L2 VLPs expressed by pTRAc. Representative micrographs of protein fractions (F3-F5) obtained from pTRAc-L1 and L1/L2 co-expressions, purified on discontinuous sucrose density gradients. Small, 20-30 nm diameter  $T = 1$  VLPs and capsomeres of ~10 nm were observed in both purifications, although fewer particles were present in the L1/L2 purifications. Scale bars represent 100 nm.



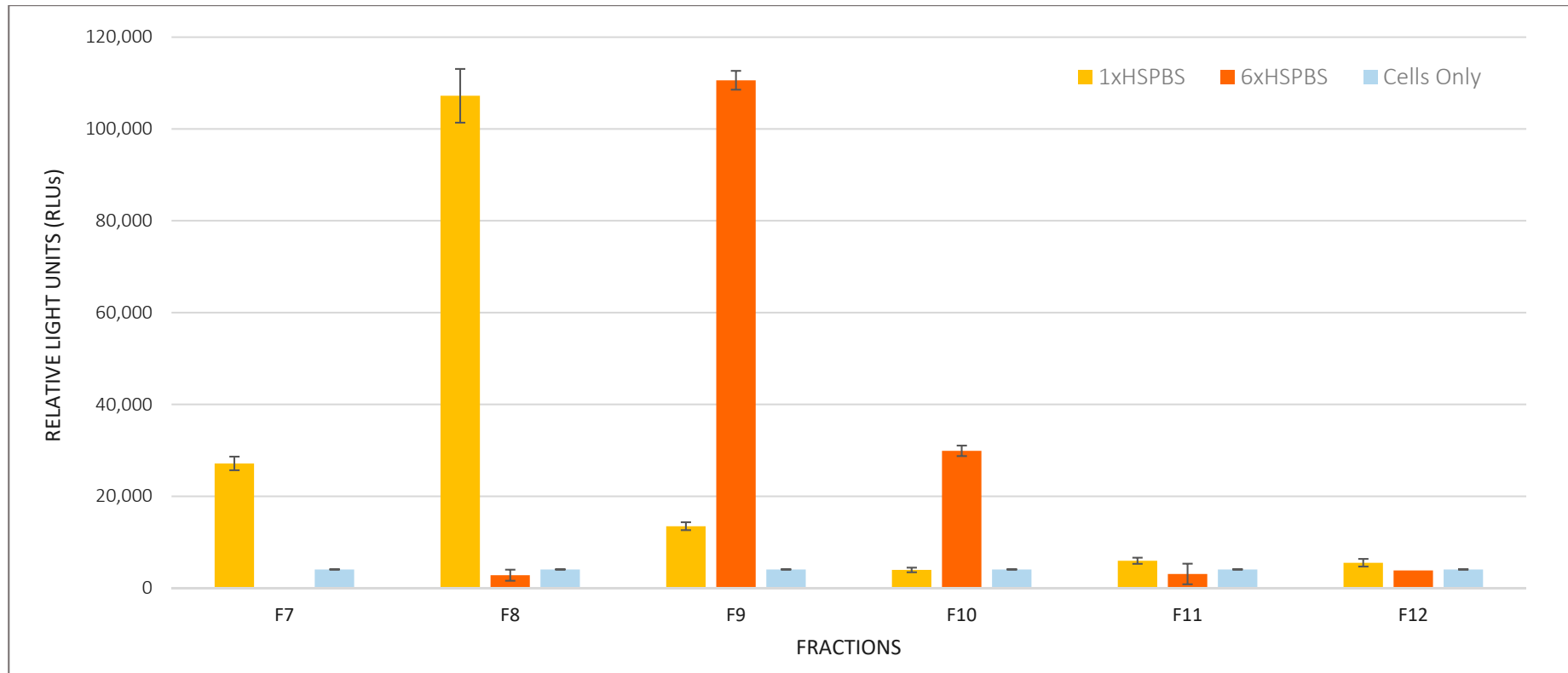


**Figure S3.** Transmission electron micrographs of plant-produced bovine papillomavirus 1 (BPV1) virus-like particle (VLP) and pseudovirion (PsV) purifications. Electron micrographs displaying the various particle structures observed in VLP and PsV purifications. Fully formed, mature  $T=7$  particles (PsVs and/or VLPs: red arrows) which closely resemble the ~55 nm diameter  $T=7$  structure of native BPV virions were present only in PsV expressions, as well as partially formed  $T=7$  particles of 30-50 nm (yellow arrows), and immature particles of 50-60 nm (orange arrows). In L1 and L1/L2 expressions, only small,  $T=1$  VLPs of 25-30 nm (green arrows) were observed, and many of these particles were also observed in the upper (least dense) fractions of PsV purifications. Scale bars are indicated in each micrograph.



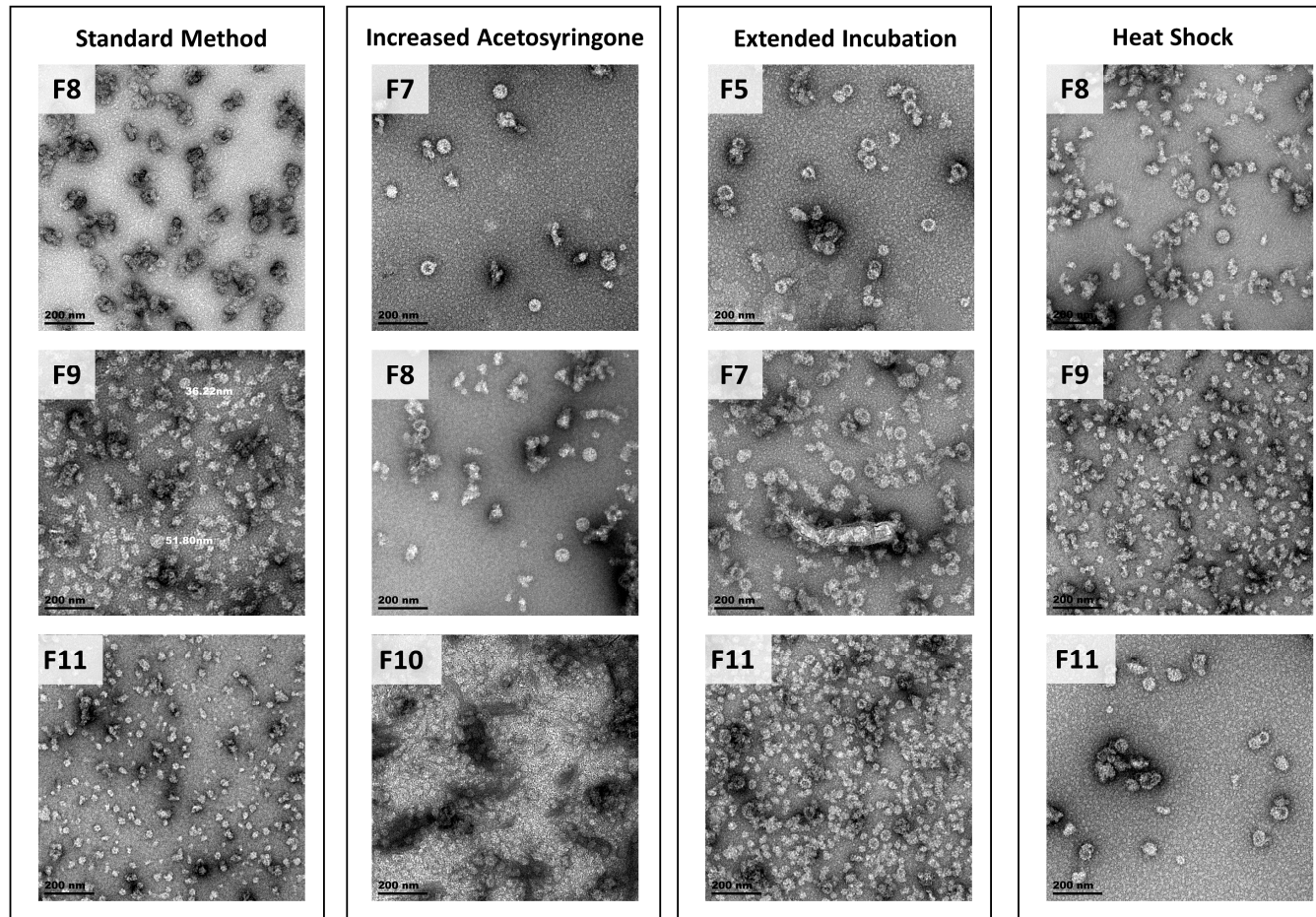
**Figure S4.** Effect of salt concentration on purifications of plant-produced bovine papillomavirus 1 (BPV1) pseudovirions (PsVs). Electron micrographs of BPV1 PsV proteins purified on discontinuous iodixanol (OptiPrep™) density gradients, prepared with either a 1× HSPBS (1× PBS + 0.5M NaCl) or a 6× HSPBS (6× PBS + 3M NaCl) buffer. In both purifications,  $T = 7$  particles (PsVs and/or VLPs: red arrows) resembling native BPV virions were present, as were high numbers of small, 25-30 nm diameter  $T = 1$  VLPs (green arrows). However, there appeared to be fewer of the mature,  $T = 7$  particles present in the 1× HSPBS purifications, and more loose aggregates and background. In the 6× HSPBS purification, the particles appear to be better separated and concentrated according to their sizes. In both purifications, partially formed  $T = 7$  particles of 30-50 nm (yellow arrows) and immature particles of 50-60 nm (orange arrows) were also present. Scale bars represent 100 nm.





**Figure S5.** Bar graph of SEAP assay readings from 1× HSPBS-iodixanol vs. 6× HSPBS- iodixanol purified bovine papillomavirus 1 (BPV1) pseudovirions (PsVs). A comparison between the relative SEAP readings (RLUs) of cells, which had been transfected with proteins purified on iodixanol (OptiPrep™) gradients prepared either with 1× HSPBS (yellow) or 6× HSPBS (orange) solutions. The protein fractions applied to cells were those with the highest L1 levels, as identified by western blot. SEAP readings were also compared to a cells-only control (grey), to which no proteins had been applied. The results indicated that 1× HSPBS had slightly higher (5%) cumulative readings, but also showed that the PsVs in the 6× HSPBS purification are concentrated into fewer fractions.

## EXPRESSION OPTIMISATION



**Figure S6.** Expression optimisation of bovine papillomavirus 1 (BPV1) pseudovirions (PsVs). Transmission electron micrographs representing fractions of purified proteins from PsVs expressed under the following conditions: Standard protocol, as established for HPV16 PsV expression; Increased acetosyringone (500  $\mu$ M); Extended in planta incubation (harvested 6 dpi); Heat shock treatment (37  $^{\circ}$ C). Magnification was performed at 53,000x and scale bars represent 200 nm.