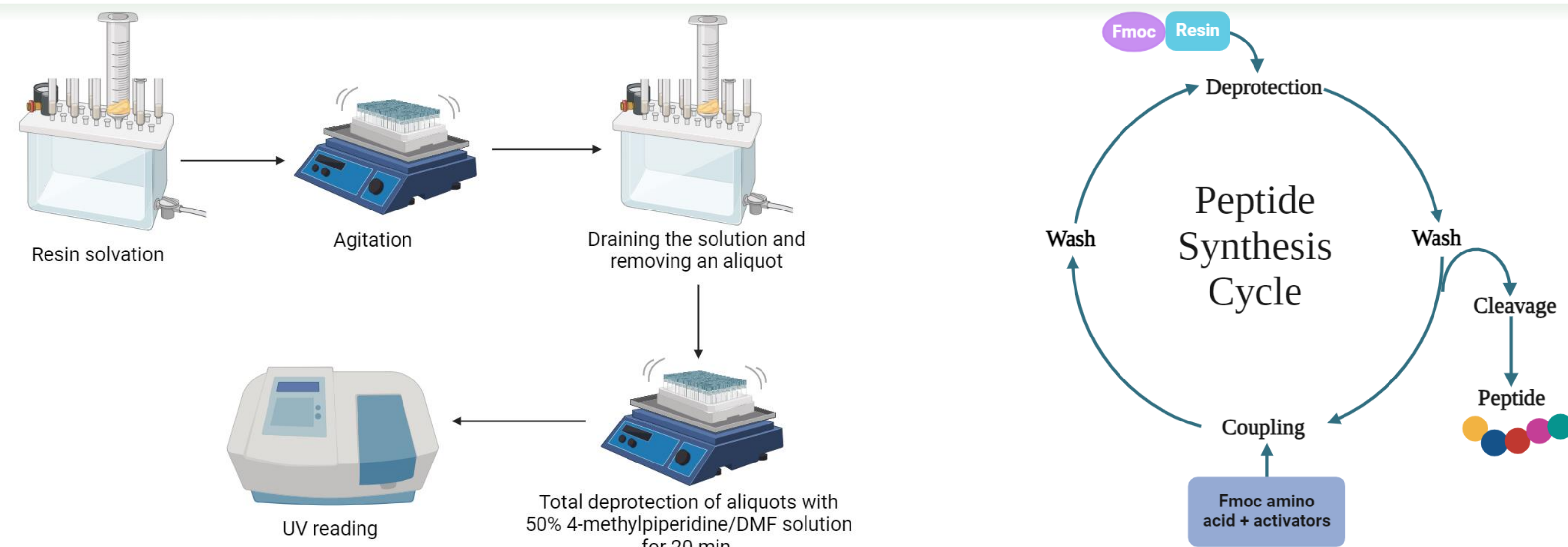


## ABSTRACT

Peptides have increasingly attracted the attention of the industry due to their applicability, safety profile, and possibility of conjugation with other molecules. Most peptides currently produced are obtained through solid phase peptide synthesis (SPPS), but this methodology still uses solvents that are considered problematic from an ecological point of view, such as dimethylformamide (DMF)<sup>1-3</sup>. The objective of this study was to test green solvents in the SPPS protocol.



## RESULTS

## Deprotection analysis

Table 1: First amino acid deprotection analysis

Solvent	Temperature	% Deprotection							
		5	25	45	65	85	105	125	
20% 4-methylpiperidine/DMF	Room temperature	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
50% Morpholine/ 2-MeTHF	Room temperature	63	83	96	100	-	-	-	-
	50°C	89	100	-	-	-	-	-	-
30% Imidazole/ DMF	Room temperature	18	36	52	66	78	90	100	-
	50°C	21	40	57	72	82	92	100	-
30% imidazole/ DMF	Room temperature	18	36	52	66	78	90	100	-
	50°C	21	40	57	72	82	92	100	-
25% Aminoethanol/ DMF	Room temperature	79	100	-	-	-	-	-	-
	50°C	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25% 2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol/ DMF	Room temperature	88	100	-	-	-	-	-	-
	50°C	79	91	100	-	-	-	-	-
25% 2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol/ 2-MeTHF	Room temperature	26	46	62	75	85	93	100	-
	50°C	73	90	97	99	100	-	-	-

## Peptide synthesis

Figure 1: Synthesis of the EVF peptide using the standard SPPS protocol.

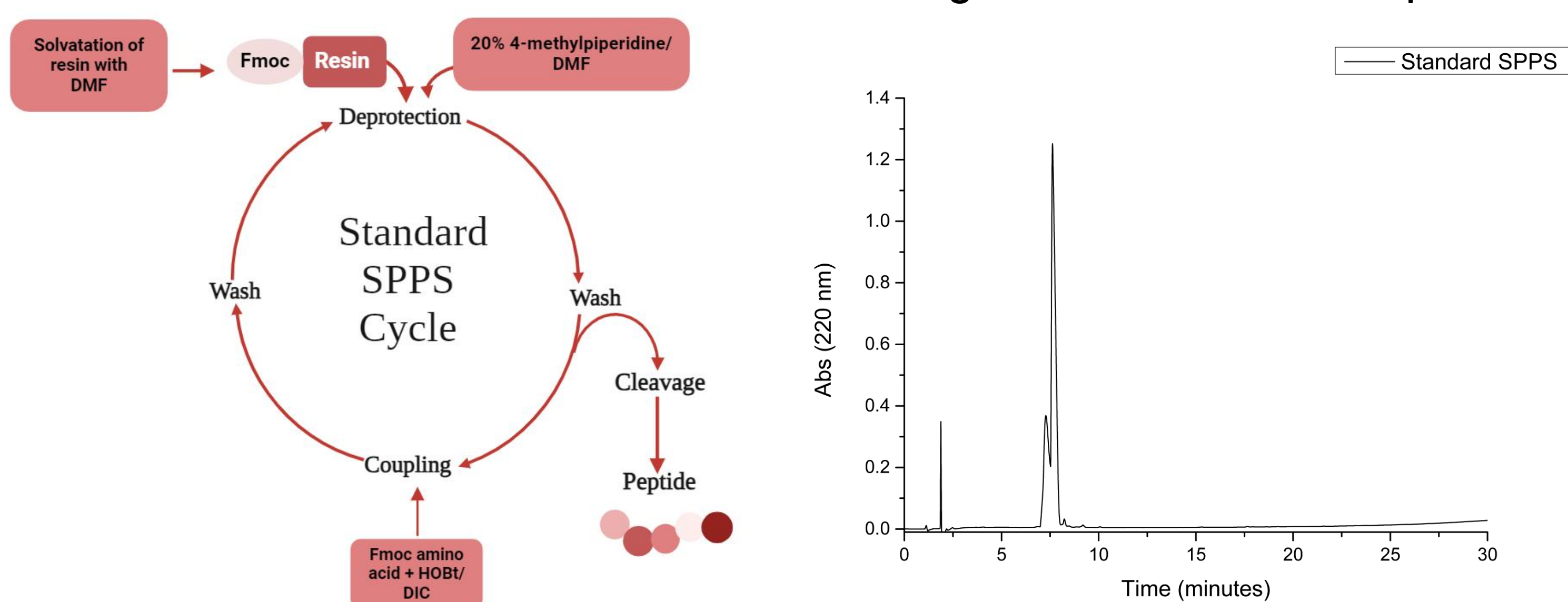


Figure 2: Synthesis of the EVF peptide using the partial GSPPS protocol with aminoethanol.

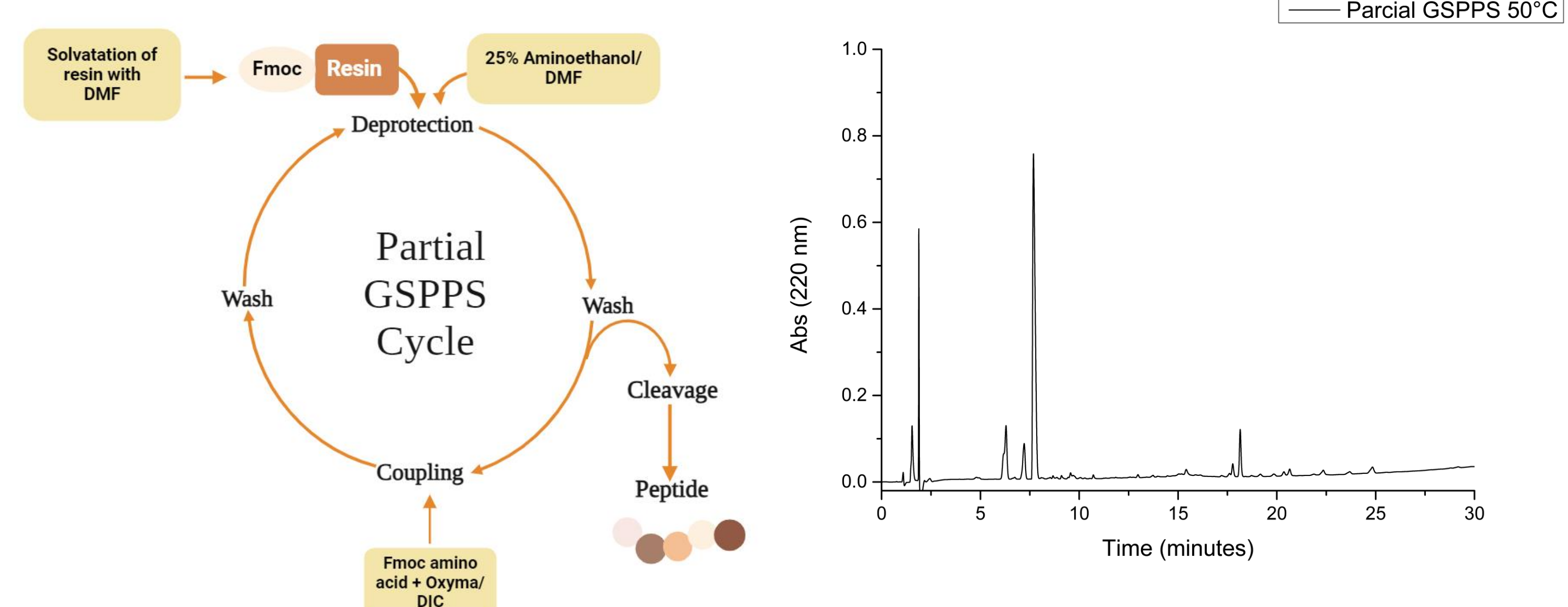


Figure 3: Synthesis of the EVF peptide using the partial GSPPS protocol with 2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol.

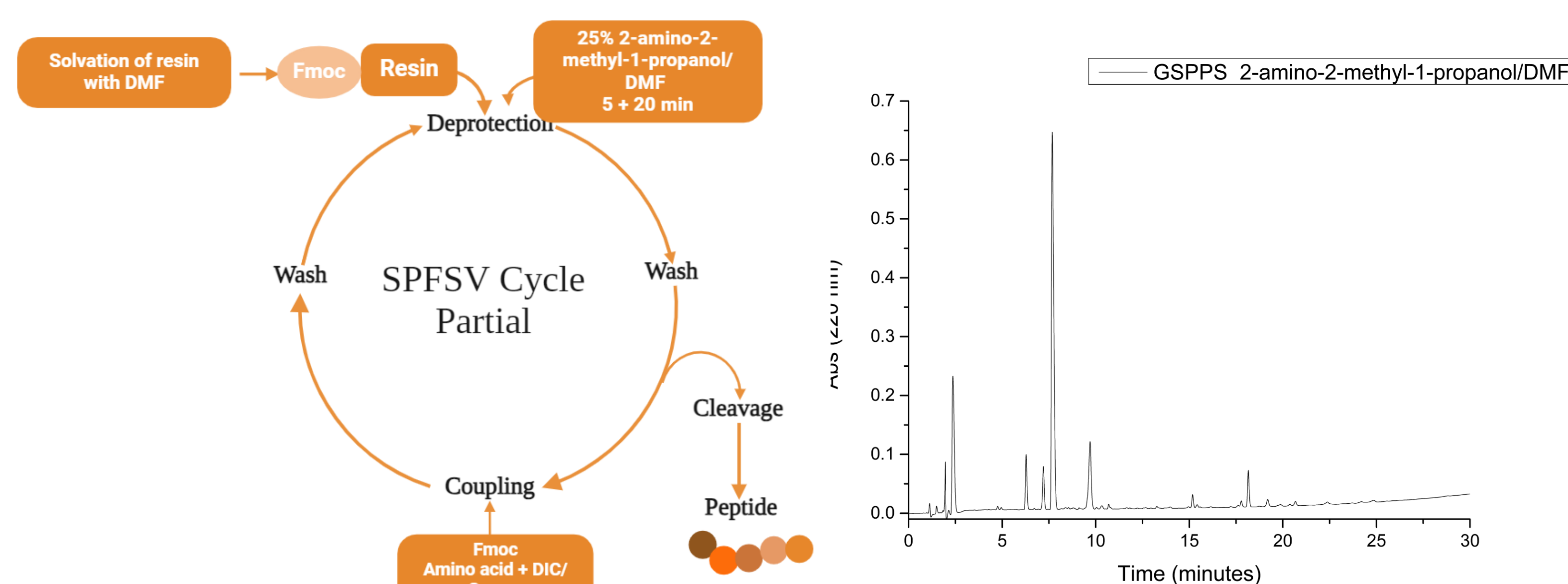


Figure 4: Synthesis of the EVF peptide using the GSPPS protocol with 2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol in 2-MeTHF.

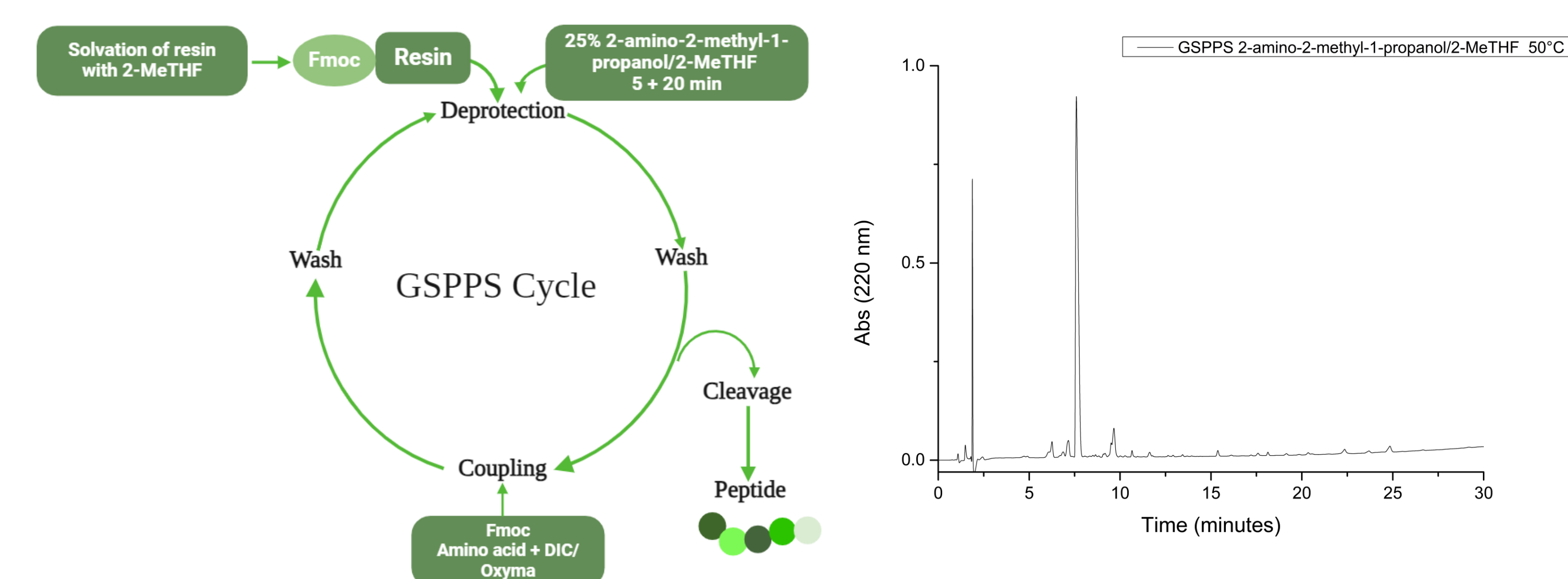
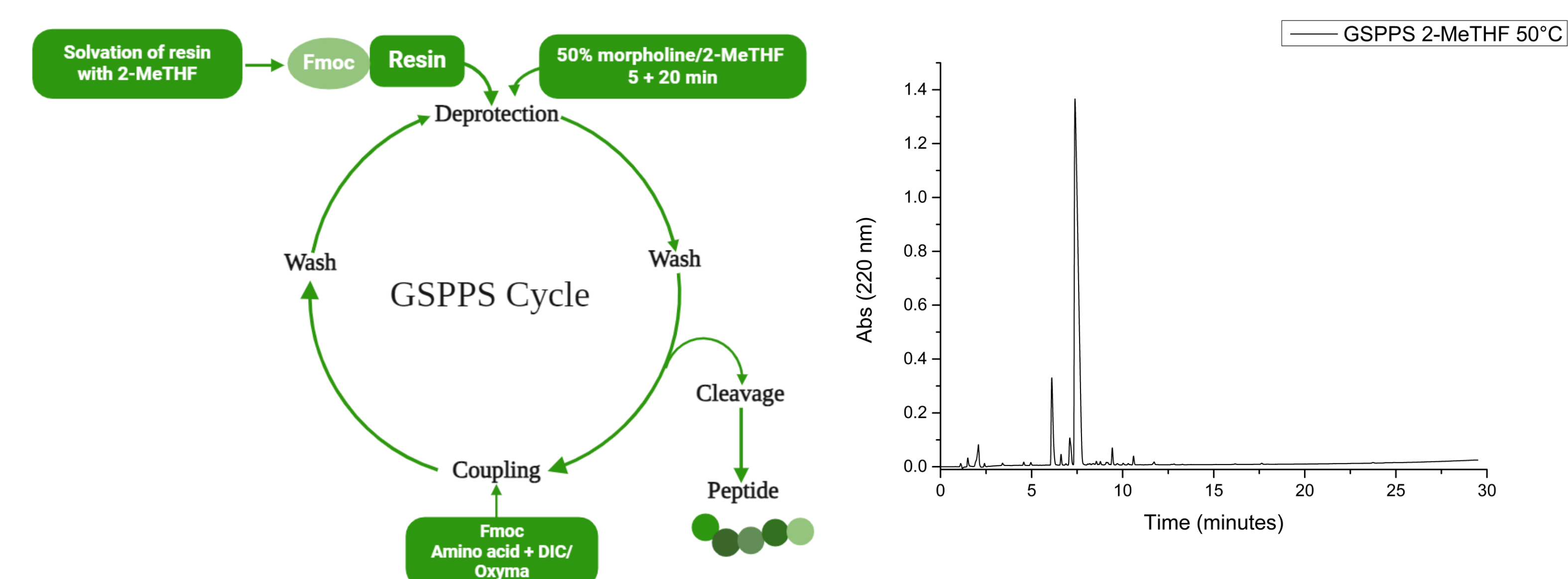


Figure 5: Synthesis of the EVF peptide using the GSPPS protocol with morpholine in 2-MeTHF.



## CONCLUSION

The deprotection methods evaluated were efficient in deprotecting the Fmoc group, and the peptides obtained from the new protocols applied for synthesis presented a higher degree of purity than the peptide synthesized by the standard SPPS protocol.

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