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Sample Preparation

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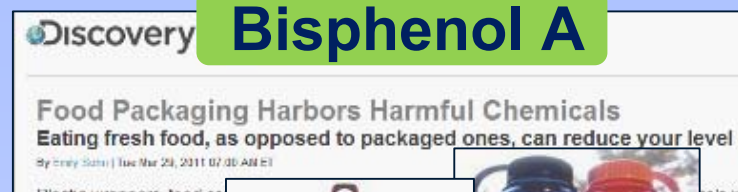
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Consumer Pressure



phthalates



acrylamide



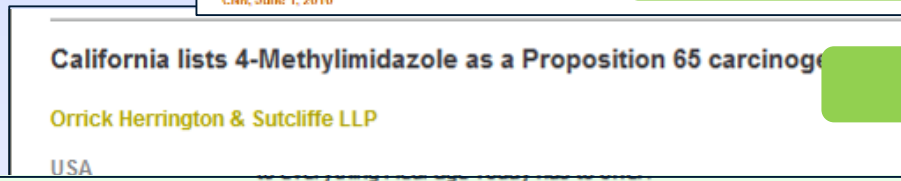
Vet drugs



pesticides

Consumer Alert: Beware of Pesticide Contamination of Non-Organic Foods
"Dirty Dozen" produce carries more pesticide residue, group says
By Danielle Dellorto
CNN, June 1, 2010

pesticides



Group Urges FDA to Ban Caramel Colorings



Outline

- Customers – Who are they?
- Compounds and methods of interest
- The Restek Food Safety analysis arsenal
 - Sample preparation products (QuEChERS)
 - Reference standards (pesticides, melamine, etc.)
 - GC and LC columns and accessories
- Web tools, literature

Food Safety Customers

- Governmental organizations
 - FERA (UK), VWA (The Netherlands)
- Contract laboratories, research organizations
 - Eurofins, RIKILT (The Netherlands), Covance, Intertek, Silliker
- University research groups
 - Institute of Chemical Technology (Prague, CZ)
- Private food companies
 - Larger ones may do in-house testing

Food Safety Compounds

- Pesticides
 - Organochlorine/nitrogen/phosphorus, etc.
- Mycotoxins
- Veterinary drug residues
- Adulterants
 - Melamine, pesticides, other toxins
- PAHs, PBDEs, PCBs, dioxins, furans, etc.

Food Safety Methods

- Codex Alimentarius (Food Law)
 - United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization
 - World Health Organization
 - Methods are somewhat outdated
- Analytical Methods for Pesticide Residues in Foodstuffs
 - The Netherlands
 - Well-developed, multiresidue methods
 - Still used, but becoming outdated

Global Economy

US

- FDA
- NIH
- EPA
- AOAC

Food Safety Modernization Act

Passed December 2010
Import regulations

EFSA

European Food Safety Authority

- EU
- Regulation (MRLs)
- Scientific opinions
- WHO

Individual Country

Japan

Mature Food Safety system

China

Growing
following US & EU

Latin America

driven by export laws

standardization of food
safety regulations

Some statistics

- 2008 = separations market accounted for more 20% of the laboratory analytical instrumentation demand in the food industry
- Growth driven by LC–MS and GC–MS systems
- U.S. food-safety testing market value
2010 = \$3.4 billion
2015 = \$4.7 billion in 2015
- Global food safety testing market
\$11.4 billion by 2015



SDi's Market Analysis and Perspective report entitled, The Analytical Cornucopia: The Food, Beverage and Agriculture Market for Analytical Instruments.

What challenges arise for the chemist?

Trace analysis



many analytes

Diverse matrices

Sample matrix

sensitivity

compound stability

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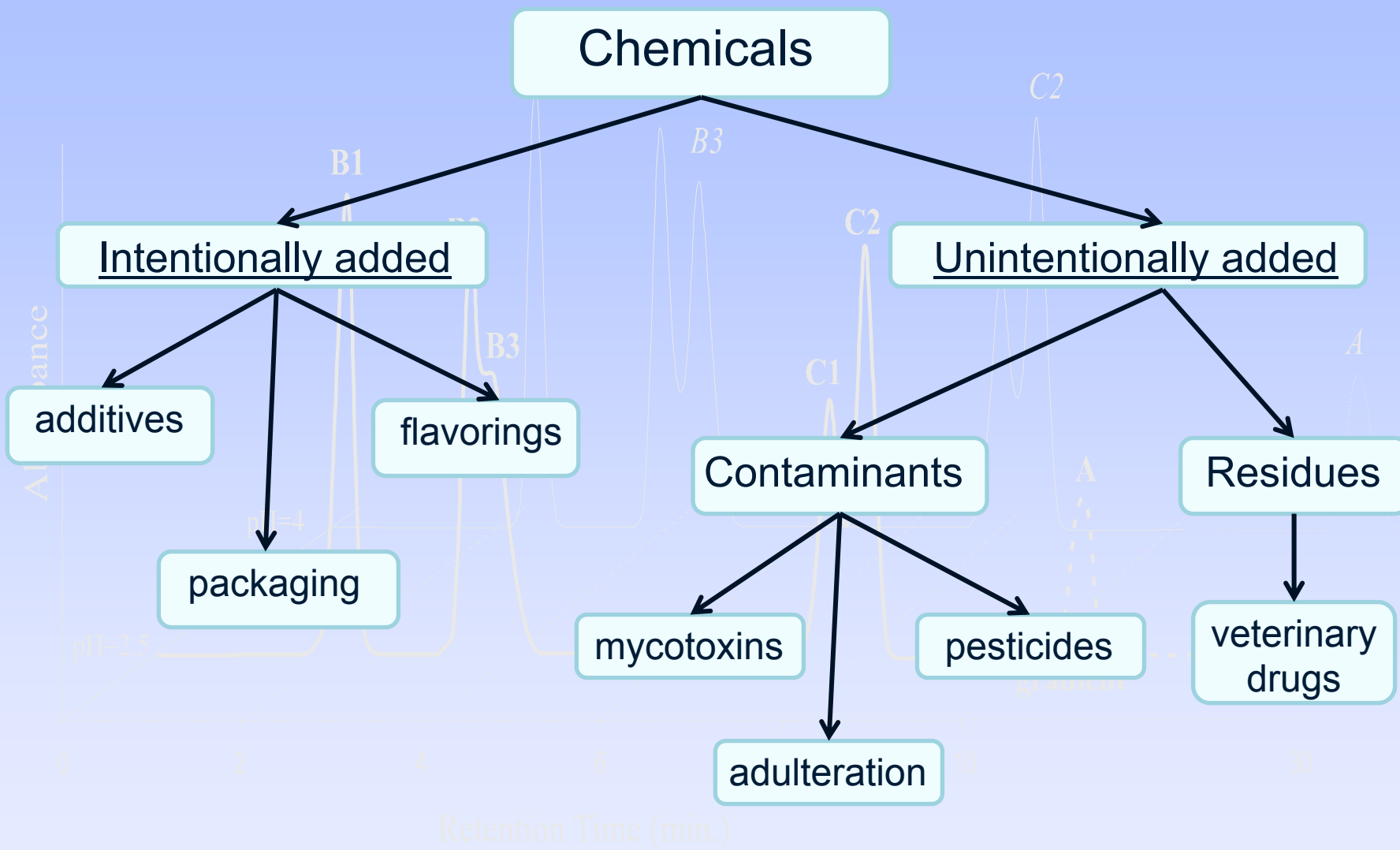
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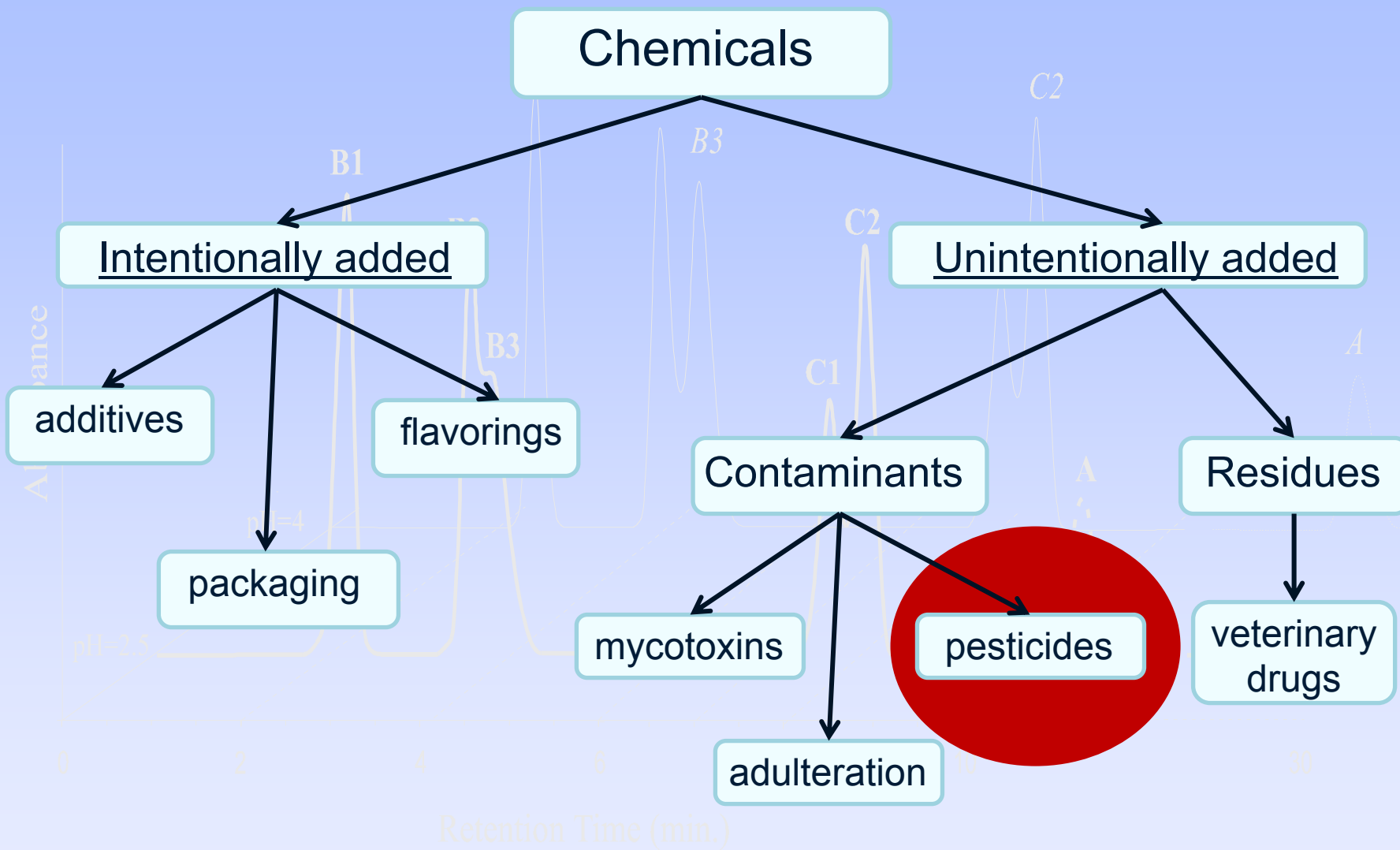
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Function or Chemical Class



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Pesticide Residues in Foods

- Techniques
 - Historically GC (ECD or MS)
 - Increasingly add LC-MS/MS
 - Comprehensive screening desirable
- Laboratory Needs
 - HIGH throughput
 - All-purpose phases
 - Ultra Aqueous C18
 - Application-specific columns
 - Target classes (e.g. Ultra Quat)



Pesticide Residues in Foods

Liquid Chromatography: LC/MS/MS

LC Columns

Aqueous C18

Aqueous C18 Advantages

- Highly base-deactivated
- Compatible with highly aqueous (up to 100%) mobile phases

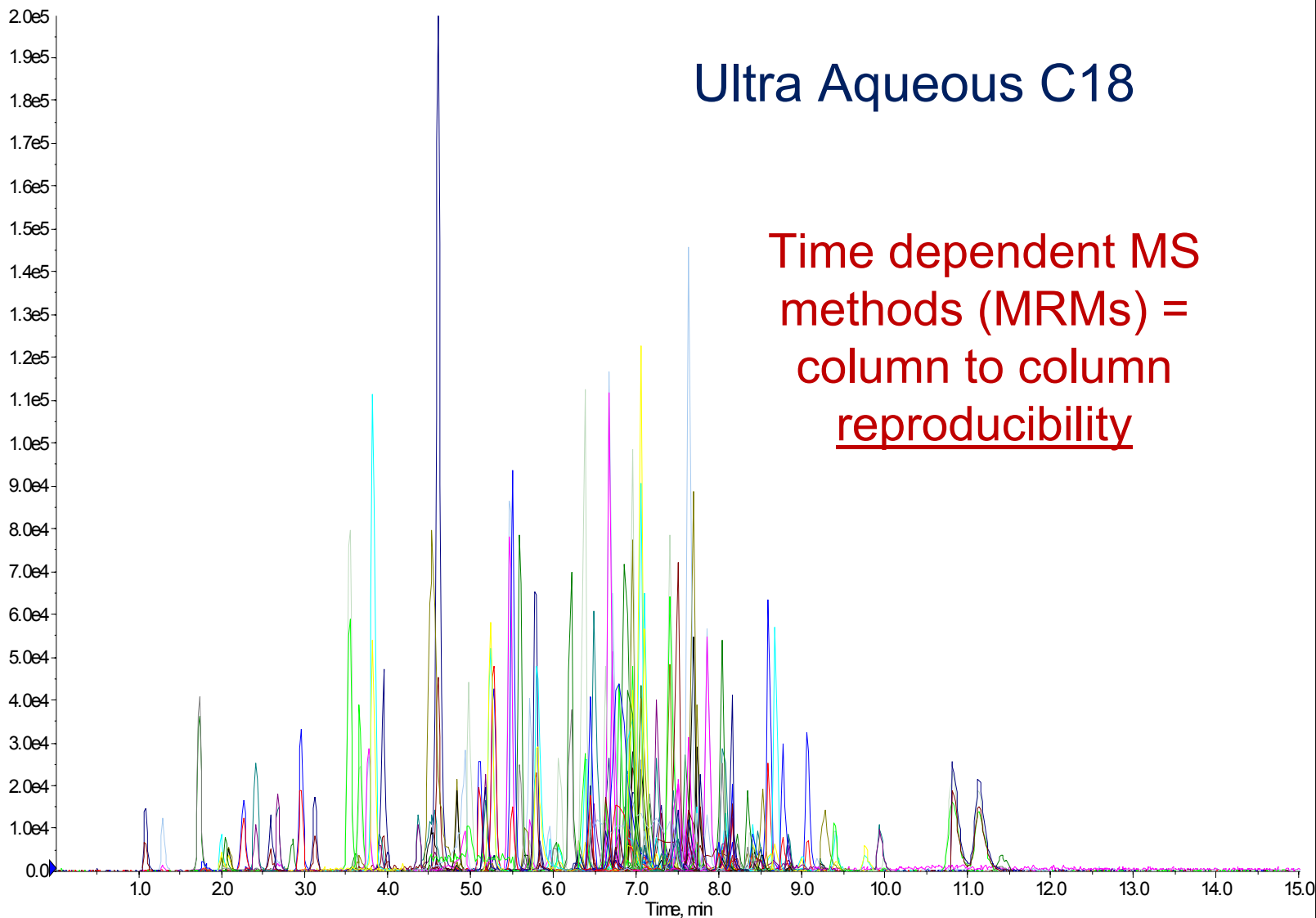
General purpose

Great for

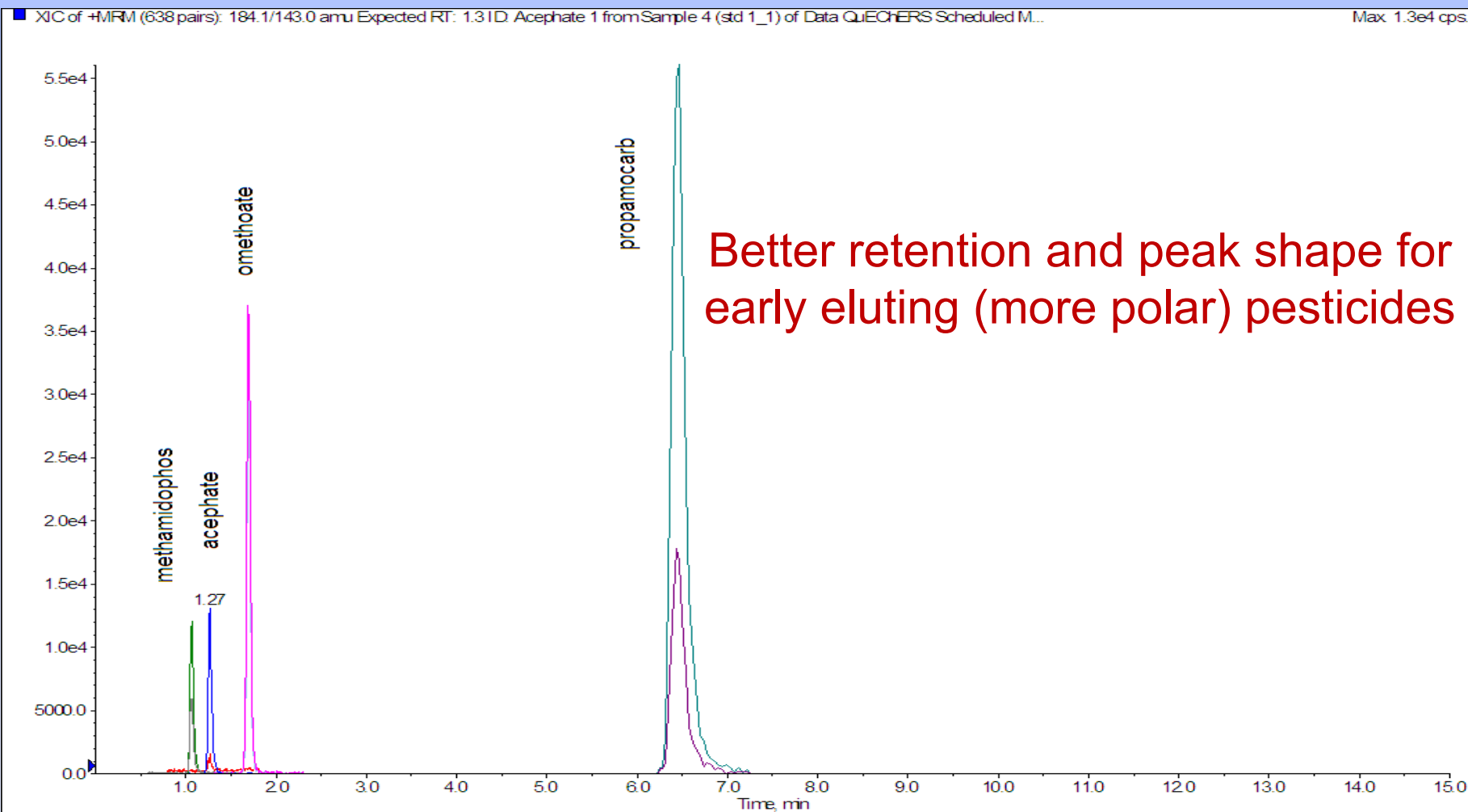
- Multiresidue analysis
- Variety of pesticide classes
- Scalable on different silica families

Ultra Aqueous C18

Time dependent MS
methods (MRMs) =
column to column
reproducibility



LC/MS/MS Pesticide Analysis: Ultra Aqueous C18 3 μ m, 100x2.1mm



Pesticide Residues in Foods

Gas Chromatography: GC-MS, GC-ECD and GC-NPD

GC Columns

Rxi®-5Sil MS

Rxi technology

- Highest inertness
- Lowest bleed
- Exceptional reproducibility

General purpose

Great for

- Multiresidue analysis
- variety of pesticide classes

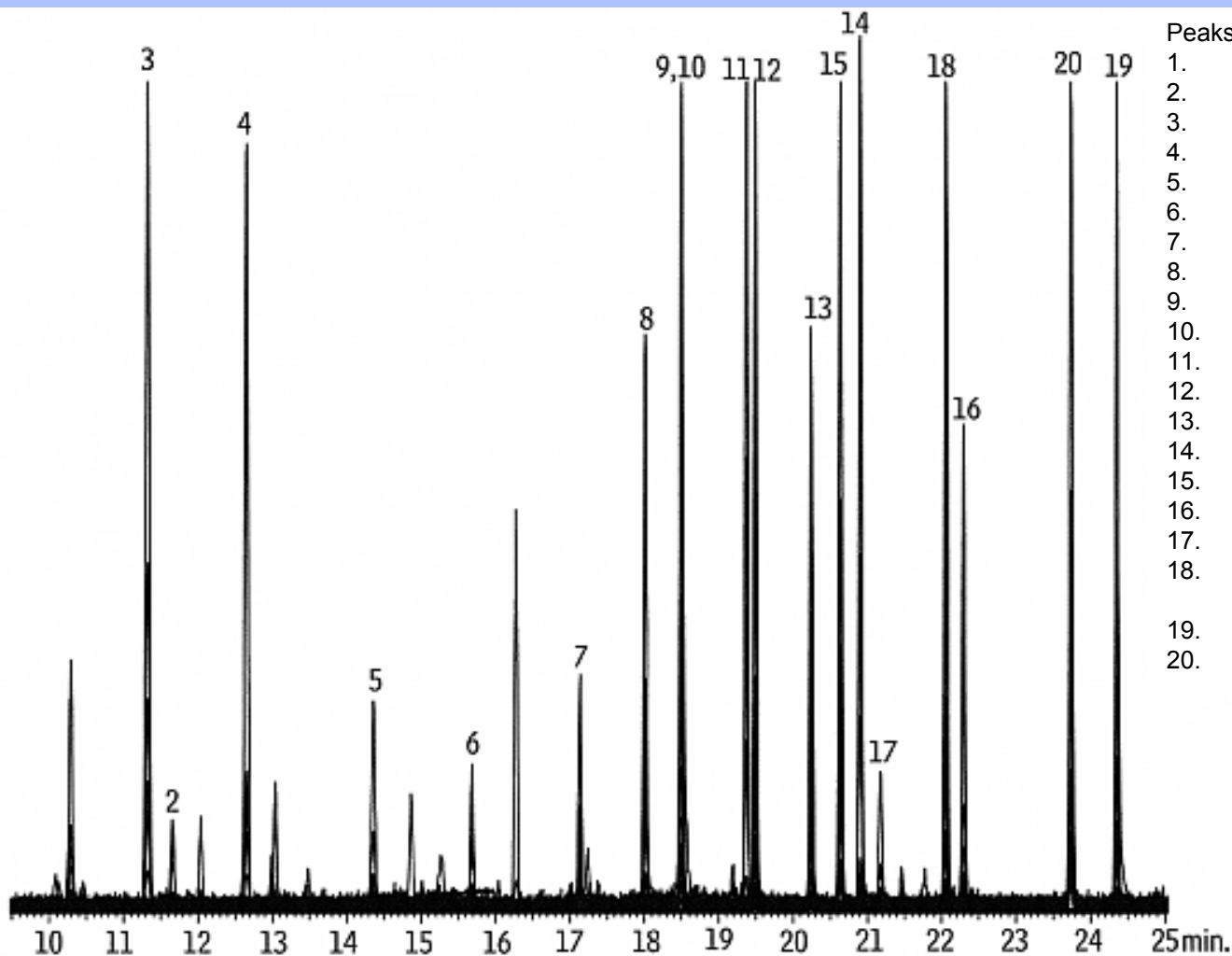
High sensitivity

- Ideal for applications requiring high sensitivity
- ppb detection limits

Retention Indices for Pesticides on "5" Columns

Compound	Type	DB-5MS	Rxi-5Sil MS	Difference
Methamidophos	OPP	1222.0	1221.8	0.2
Omethoate	OPP	1585.1	1583.2	1.9
Diazinon	OPP	1788.7	1788.3	0.4
Chlorothalonil	OCP	1789.8	1791.2	-1.4
Malathion	OPP	1959.7	1958.8	0.8
Myclobutanil	ONP	2186.4	2186.6	-0.2
4,4-DDT	OCP	2351.5	2353.7	-2.3
Propargite	OSP	2391.0	2391.1	-0.1
Bifenthrin	Pyr	2465.1	2466.2	-1.0
trans-Permethrin	Pyr	2712.2	2714.1	-1.9

Chlorinated Pesticide Residues in Olive Oil Rxi®-5sil MS

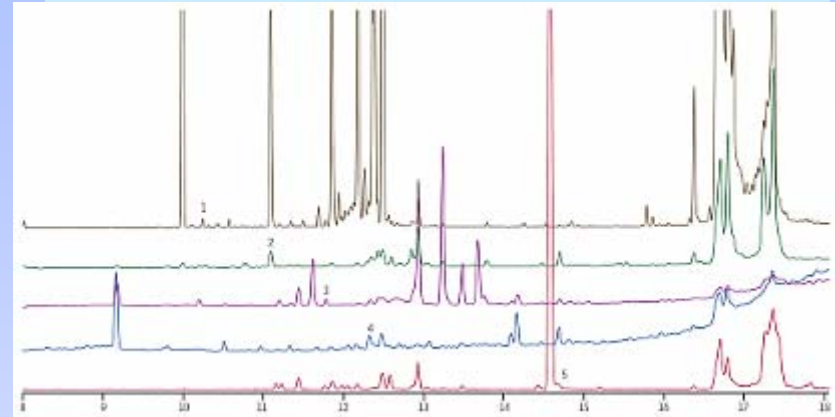
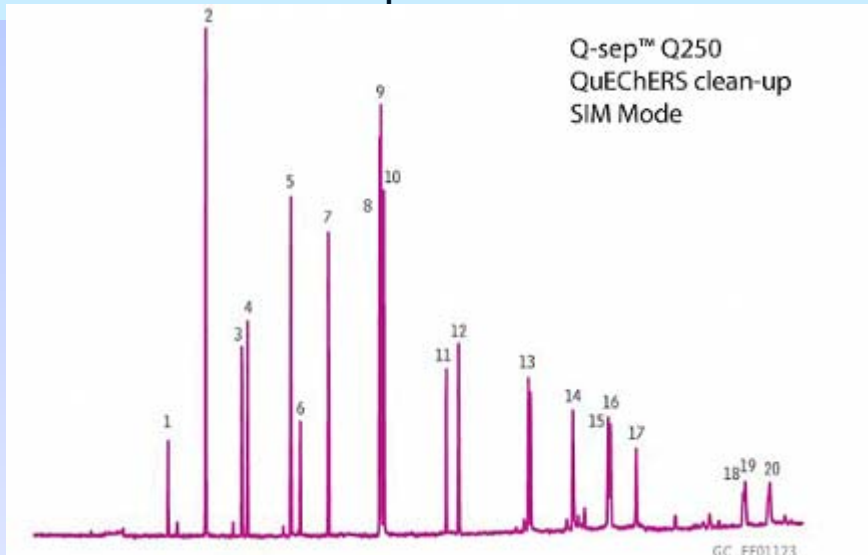


Peaks	Quant. ion	Qual. ion 1	Qual. ion 2
1.	α -BHC*	219	181
2.	γ -BHC	219	181
3.	β -BHC	219	181
4.	δ -BHC	219	181
5.	Heptachlor	272	237
6.	Aldrin	263	293
7.	Heptachlor epoxide	272	263
8.	δ -chlordane	272	237
9.	α -Chlordane	272	237
10.	Endosulfan I	195	207
11.	4,4'-DDE	246	318
12.	Dieldrin	79	263
13.	Endrin	263	281
14.	4,4'-DDD	235	165
15.	Endosulfan II	195	207
16.	4,4'-DDT	235	165
17.	Endrin aldehyde	67	250
18.	Endosulfan sulfate	239	272
19.	Methoxychlor	227	274
20.	Endrin ketone	67	317

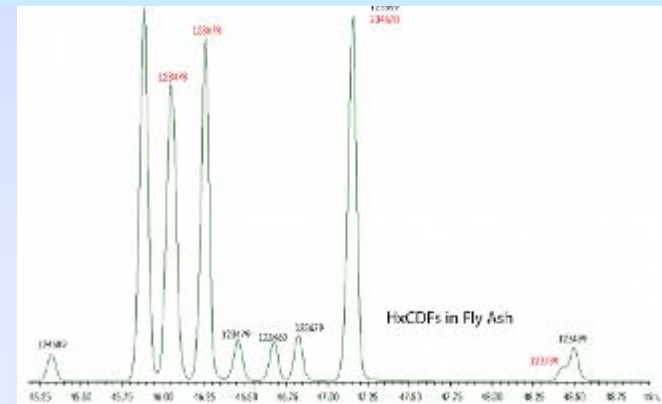
Rxi®-5Sil MS: versatile for other analyses

Analysis of Melamine and Related Compounds in Infant Formula

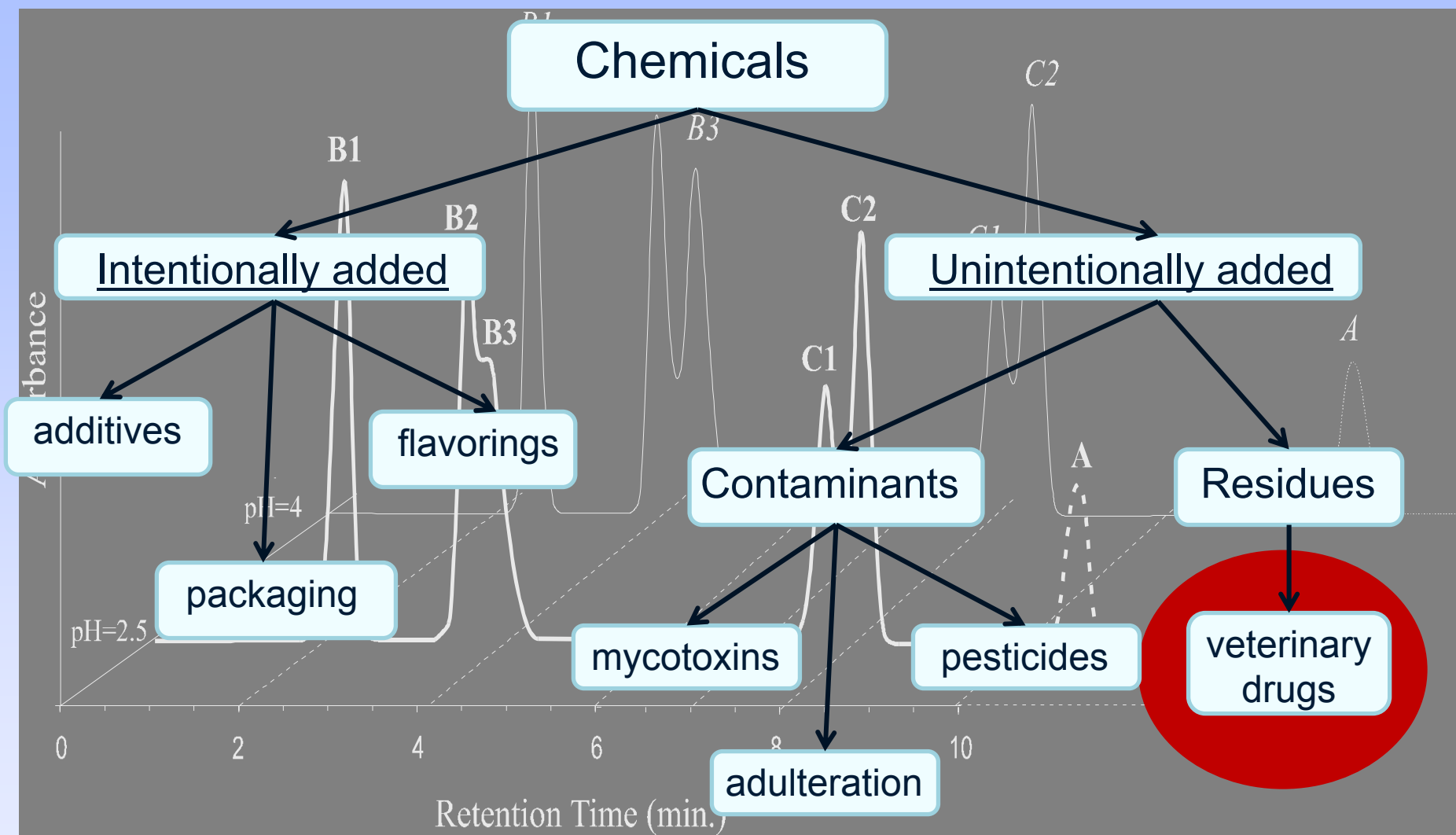
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons Infant Formula with and without QuEChERS dSPE Clean-up on Rxi®-5Sil MS



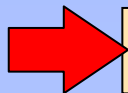
Dioxins (HxCDFs) in Fly Ash on Rxi®-5Sil MS



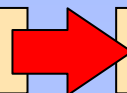
Function or Chemical Class



drugs in feed



drug residues remain



drug residues in food



- Prevent pathogen and disease
- Fear resistant strains



- Promote growth
- US, Canada, Australia



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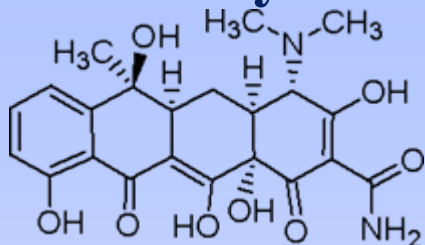
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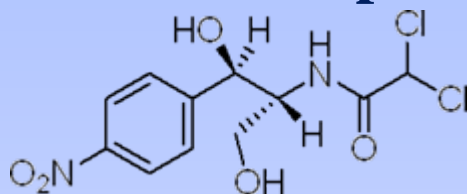
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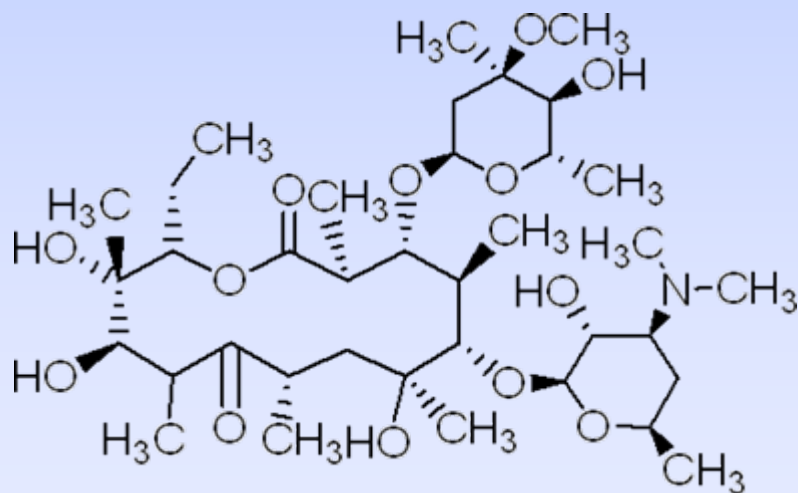
Tetracyclines



Chloramphenicol

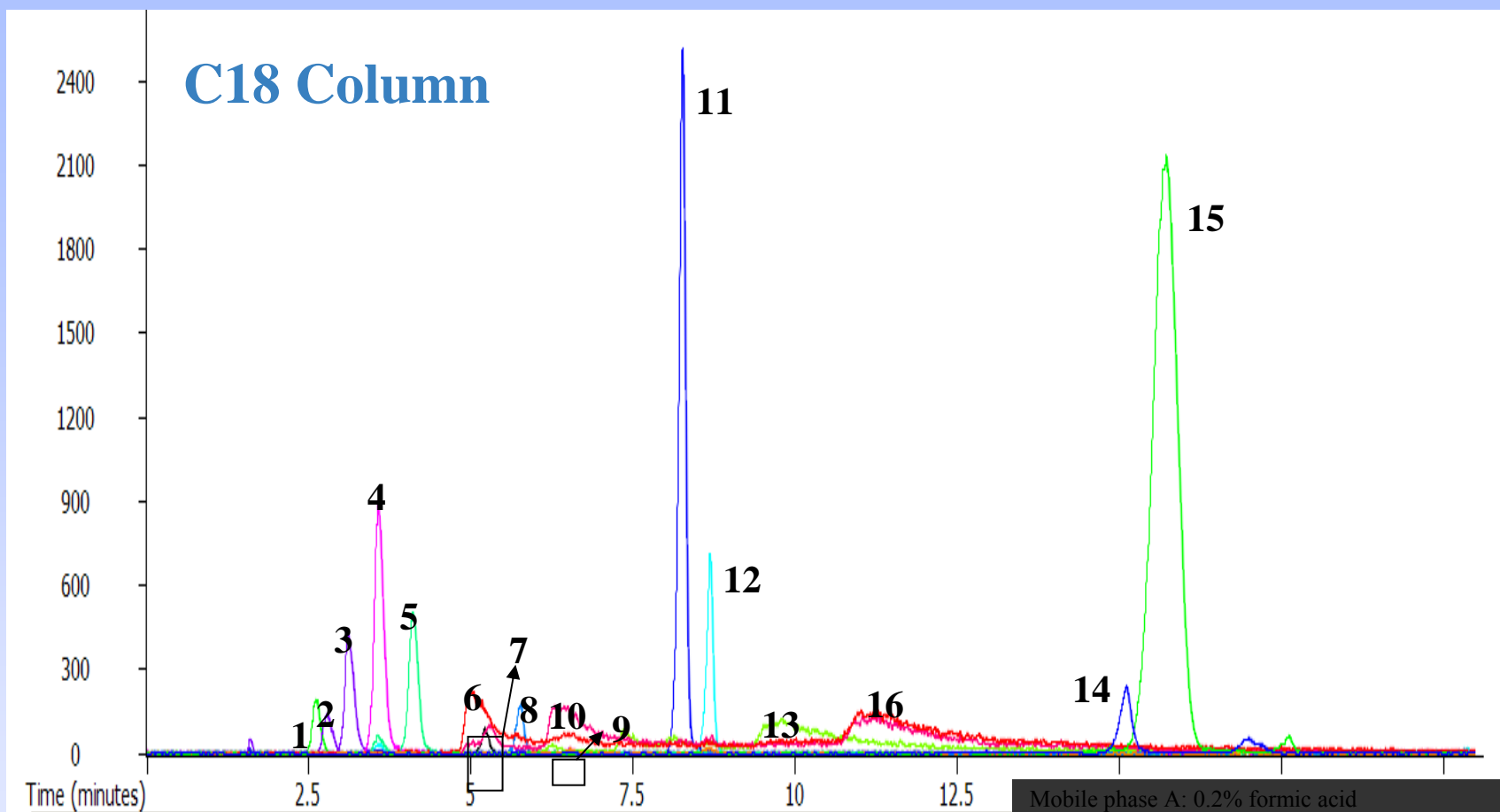


erythromycin



Class	Compound
sulfonamides	sulfachloropyridazine
sulfonamides	sulfadiazine
sulfonamides	sulfadimethoxine
sulfonamides	sulfamerazine
sulfonamides	sulfamethazine
sulfonamides	sulfaquinoxaline
sulfonamides	sulfathiazole
sulfonamides	sulfamethoxypyridazine
sulfonamides	sulfamethoxazole
tetracyclines	chlortetracycline
tetracyclines	doxycycline
tetracyclines	oxytetracycline
tetracyclines	tetracycline
nitrobenzenes	chloramphenicol
macrolides	tylosin
macrolides	erythromycin

Veterinary Drug Residues



Mobile phase A: 0.2% formic acid
Mobile phase B: methanol/acetonitrile (80/20, v/v) with 0.2% formic acid
Flow: 1 mL/min with pre-injection split delivering 0.2 mL/min to column
Temp: ambient
Injection volume: 10 μ L

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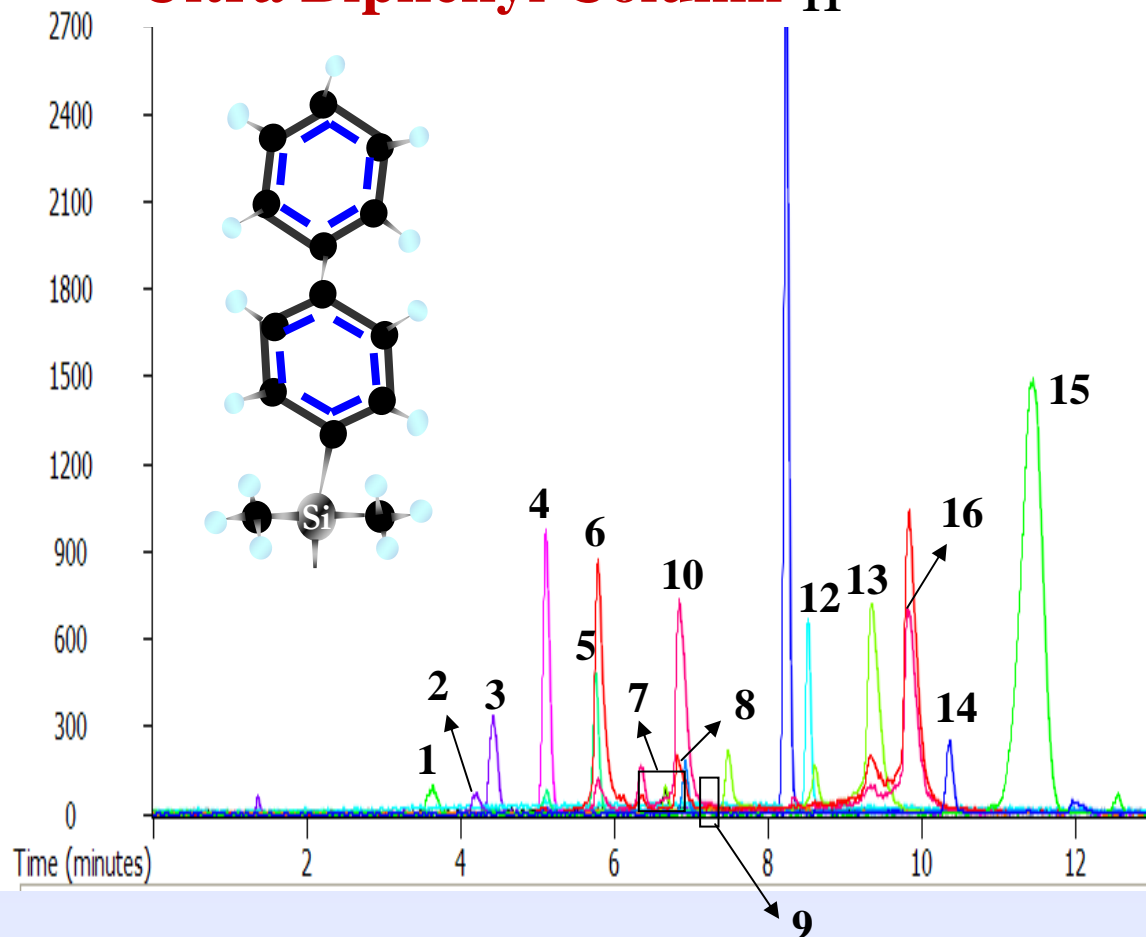
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Veterinary Drug Residues

Ultra Biphenyl Column 11

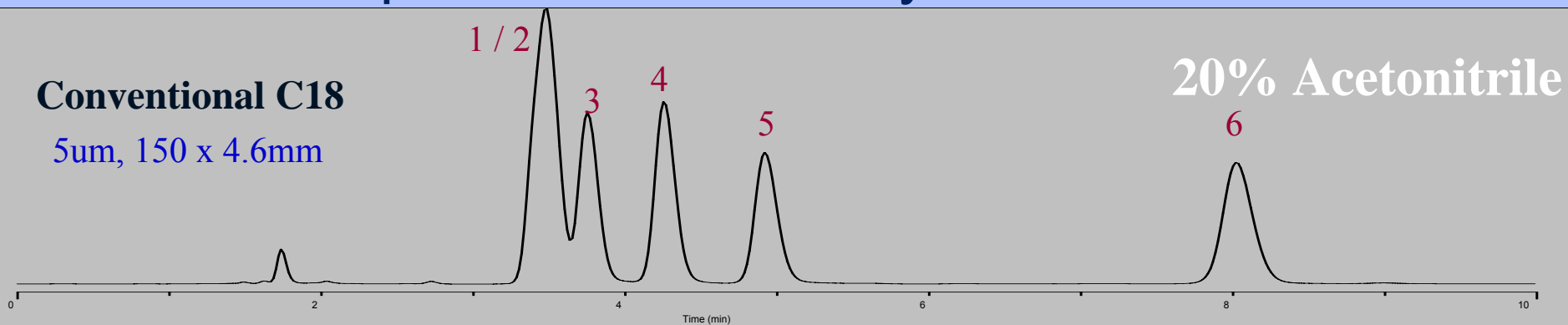


1	sulfadiazine
2	sulfathiazole
3	sulfamerazine
4	sulfamethazine
5	sulfamethoxypyridazine
6	oxytetracycline
7	sulfachloropyridazine
8	sulfamethoxazole
9	chloramphenicol
10	tetracycline
11	sulfadimethoxine
12	sulfaquinoxaline
13	chlortetracycline
14	erythromycin
15	tylosin
16	doxycycline

Fluoroquinolone Stationary Phase Selection

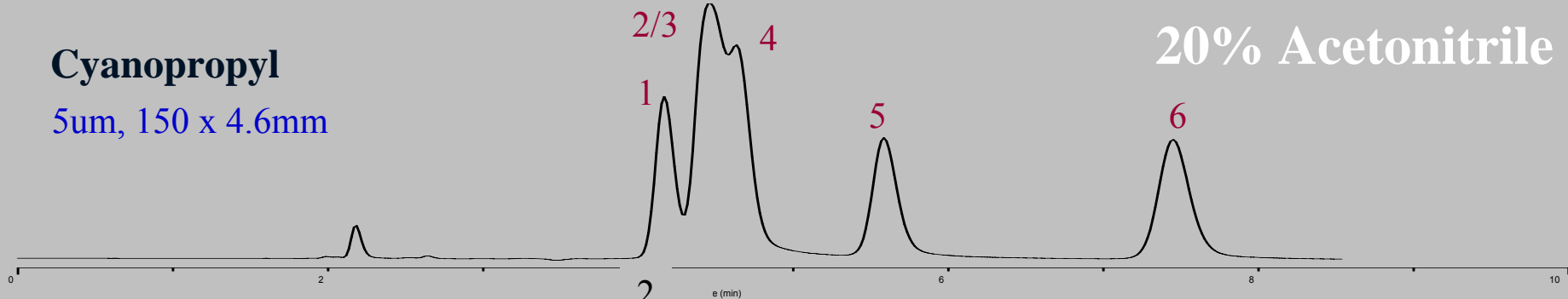
Conventional C18

5 μ m, 150 x 4.6mm



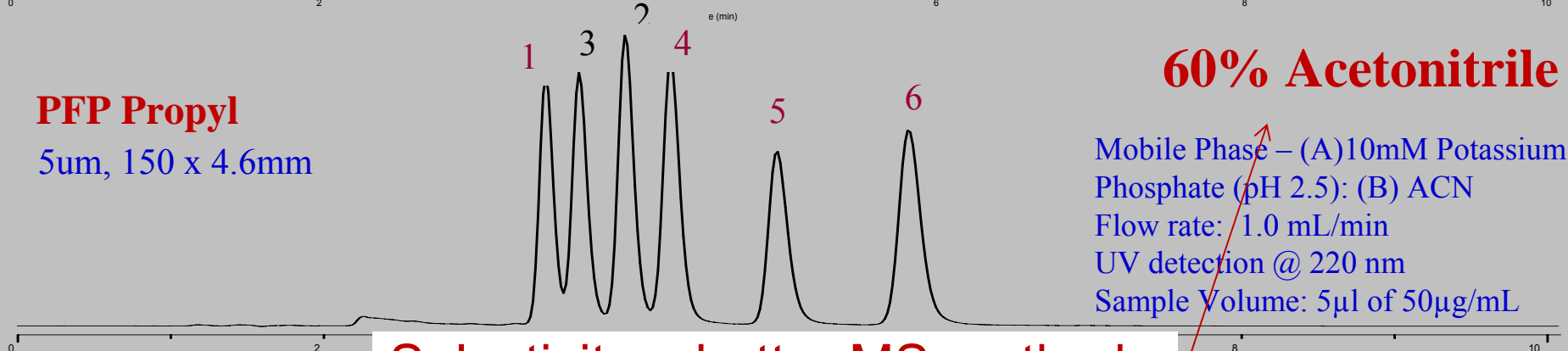
Cyanopropyl

5 μ m, 150 x 4.6mm



PFP Propyl

5 μ m, 150 x 4.6mm



Mobile Phase – (A) 10mM Potassium Phosphate (pH 2.5); (B) ACN
Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min
UV detection @ 220 nm
Sample Volume: 5 μ L of 50 μ g/mL

Selectivity = better MS methods

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Summary

Rxi®-5Sil MS

Ultra Aqueous C18

**Application Specific
Phases**

required resolution
Isobaric compounds

required resolution and more
amenable to LCMS interface

Think about...

- Focused or multi-method user = general or specific column
- MS or MS/MS user =
 - column bleed
 - specific problems
(isobaric compounds and isobaric interferences)
 - LC interface
 - reproducibility
- Low levels= optimize chromatography strategies (S/N)



QuECh-ing for Beginners

3 Easy Steps

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What is QuEChERS?

- Simplified shake extraction of fruits and vegetables for multi-pesticide residue analysis
- Acetonitrile solvent and partition/buffering salts
- Centrifugation
- Dispersive solid phase extraction cleanup
- Extract produced for GC and LC analysis!
- Quick – Easy – Cheap – Effective – Rugged – Safe

Fast and Easy Multiresidue Method Employing Acetonitrile Extraction/Partitioning and “Dispersive Solid-Phase Extraction” for the Determination of Pesticide Residues in Produce

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Abstract

A simple, fast, and inexpensive method for the determination of pesticide residues in fruits and vegetables is introduced. The procedure involves initial single-phase extraction of 10 g sample with 10 mL acetonitrile, followed by liquid-liquid partitioning formed by addition of 4 g anhydrous MgSO_4 plus 1 g NaCl. Removal of residual water and cleanup are performed simultaneously by using a rapid procedure called dispersive solid-phase extraction (dispersive-SPE), in which 150 mg anhydrous MgSO_4 and 25 mg primary secondary amine (PSA) sorbent are simply mixed with 1 mL acetonitrile extract. The dispersive-SPE with PSA effectively removes many polar matrix components, such as organic acids, certain polar pigments, and sugars, to some extent from the food extracts. Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS) is then used for quantitative and confirmatory analysis of GC-amenable pesticides. Recoveries between 85 and 101% (mostly >95%) and repeatabilities typically <5% have been achieved for a wide range of fortified pesticides, including very polar and basic compounds such as methamidophos, acephate, omethoate, imazalil, and thiabendazole. Using this method, a single chemist can prepare a batch of 6 previously chopped samples in <30 min with approximately \$1 (U.S.) of materials per sample.

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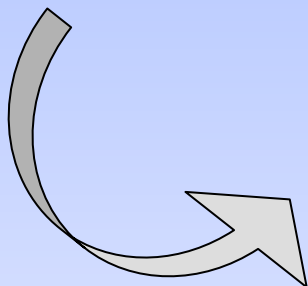
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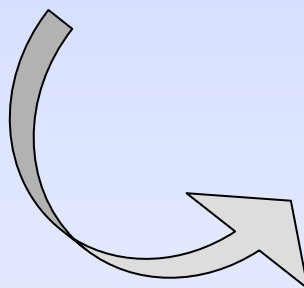
1. Blend



Add H₂O to Leaves



Blend!

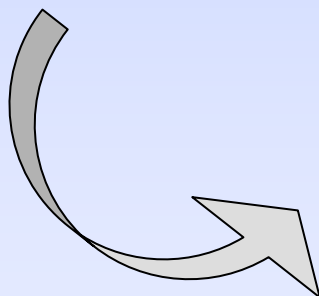


2. Extraction



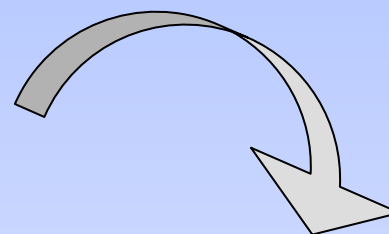
**10g sample + 10mL
acetonitrile**

Shake (1 min)



**Add buffering
salts to extraction
sample**

Shake (1 min)



Centrifuge (5 min)

3. Cleanup



**Transfer supernatant
to cleanup tube**



Guide to Sorbents

Sorbent	Removes
Primary secondary amine (PSA)	Sugars and fatty acids
Octadecyl (C18)	Lipids
Graphitized carbon black (GCB)	Pigments and sterols

**Transfer cleaned
extract to an
autosampler vial for
analysis**

Shake (30 sec)

Centrifuge (5 min)



Analyzing QuEChERS Samples

- Rxi-5Sil MS
 - Gas chromatography
- Equivalent to popular DB-5MS
 - Selectivity
 - Rxi-5Sil MS is more inert and has lower bleed
- 30m x 0.25mm x 0.25µm suggested
 - Has capacity, is rugged towards “dirt”, inert
- Ultra Aqueous C18
 - HPLC
- Excellent peak shapes for early eluting, polar pesticides!
 - Methamidophos, acephate
- 100mm x 2.1mm, 3µm suggested
 - FDA and AB Sciex SRM and retention time data
 - >280 pesticides
 - Restek FFFF1185.pdf

QuEChERS

- What is the problem?
 - Most competitors package the extraction salts in 50mL centrifuge tubes.
 - This results in an extra salt transfer step
 - And a wasted tube
- How can we:
 - Make it easier to follow the EN, AOAC, and original unbuffered methods...
 - ...while we reduce waste?



One tube, not two =
"Greener" solution

Vapor and moisture
barrier protection



Q-sep™
QuEChERS Extraction Salts

Q150
AOAC Method
6g MgSO₄, 1.5g NaOAc

Pouch cat. - #26238
Pouch and tubes - cat. #26237

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"Packet" only
packaging allows
PTFE or FEP tube use

Salts do not
clump in
packets
(problem for
Agilent packets)

Q-sep™
QuEChERS Extraction Salts

Q110
EN Method
4g MgSO₄, 1g NaCl,
1g Trisodium citrate dihydrate,
0.5g Disodium hydrogencitrate
sesquihydrate

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Pouch and tubes - cat. #26235

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Q-sep Extraction Salt Packets

- Salts are poured from the packet into the tube.
- No wasted tube
- Packets can be purchased by themselves to be used with reusable tubes
- This has also allowed us to dramatically improve our price



Look how happy and productive these lab workers are!



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Product Offering

- EN and AOAC packets introduced in 2010
- Re-usable FEP tubes in January 2011
- Original unbuffered packets in May 2011

- Current Promotion - Buy one package of reusable FEP tubes, and ***get one box of salt packets free.***



Complete Line of QuEChERS Products

- Extraction Salts
- Empty Polypropylene and FEP Tubes
- 2mL and 15mL dSPE Tubes
- Tube Racks
- Bottle Top Solvent Dispenser
- GC & LC Columns
- Centrifuge
- Standards

Free Samples are available!

Introducing NEW Q-sep™ 3000 Centrifuge for QuEChERS



- Meets AOAC and EU QuEChERS method requirements.
- Supports 50, 15, and 2 mL tubes.
- Small, bench-top footprint.
- Extremely price competitive.





Featured Products

Q-sep™ 3000 Centrifuge

- First centrifuge specifically designed for QuEChERS methodology
- Compact, quiet, yet powerful unit spins at 3000g force required for the European method.

Products

QuEChERS Internal Standards and Quality Control Standards

- Single and multiple component standards as specified in EN Method 15662.
- Support for GC and HPLC with MS, MS/MS, and selective detectors.
- Ready to use for QuEChERS extractions—no dilutions necessary.

Products

QuEChERS Standards & Products

[More Information About Restek Q-sep™ QuEChERS Products](#)

[Q-sep™ 3000 Centrifuge for QuEChERS](#)

[Q-sep™ QuEChERS Tubes for Pesticide Residue Analysis](#)

[QuEChERS Internal Standard Mix for GC/ECD Analysis](#)

[QuEChERS Internal Standard Mix for GC/MS Analysis](#)

[QuEChERS Internal Standard Mix for GC/NPD and LC/MS/MS Analysis](#)

[QuEChERS Internal Standard Mix for LC/MS/MS Analysis \(nicarbazin\)](#)

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Complete reference materials support for
European Standard 15662 QuEChERS method!

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QuEChERS Internal Standard Mix for GC/MS Analysis

Pesticide analysis is fast and simple using QuEChERS methods. Use these cost-effective QuEChERS standards for even greater lab efficiency. Standards are compatible with all major methods, including mini-multiresidue, AOAC, and European procedures. Save time with convenient mixes or make your own blend using our full line of single component solutions.

- Ready to use for QuEChERS extractions--no dilutions necessary.
- Support for GC and HPLC with MS, MS/MS, and selective detectors.

PCB 18 50µg/mL

PCB 28 50

PCB 52 50

triphenyl phosphate 20

tris-(1,3-dichloroisopropyl)phosphate 50

triphenylmethane 10

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Description	Conc. in Solvent/Volume	qty.	Cat.#	Price	Wish list	Cart
QuEChERS Internal Standard Mix for GC/MS Analysis	In acetonitrile, 5mL/ampul	ea.	33267	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Restek is currently only supplier.
Snap-and-shoot standard additions.

New QuEChERS Products in Development

Coming Soon

- More dSPE products
- Vials
- Shaker
- More standards

Other Applications for QuEChERS

- Antibiotics in honey
- Pesticides in olives and olive oil
- Acrylamide in food
- Flukicides and anthelmintics in meat and milk
- Veterinary drugs in meat
- Pharmaceuticals in whole blood
- Pesticides in marijuana



Applications

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- Dietary Supplements
- Tylenol
- Cannabananoids
- Shellfish



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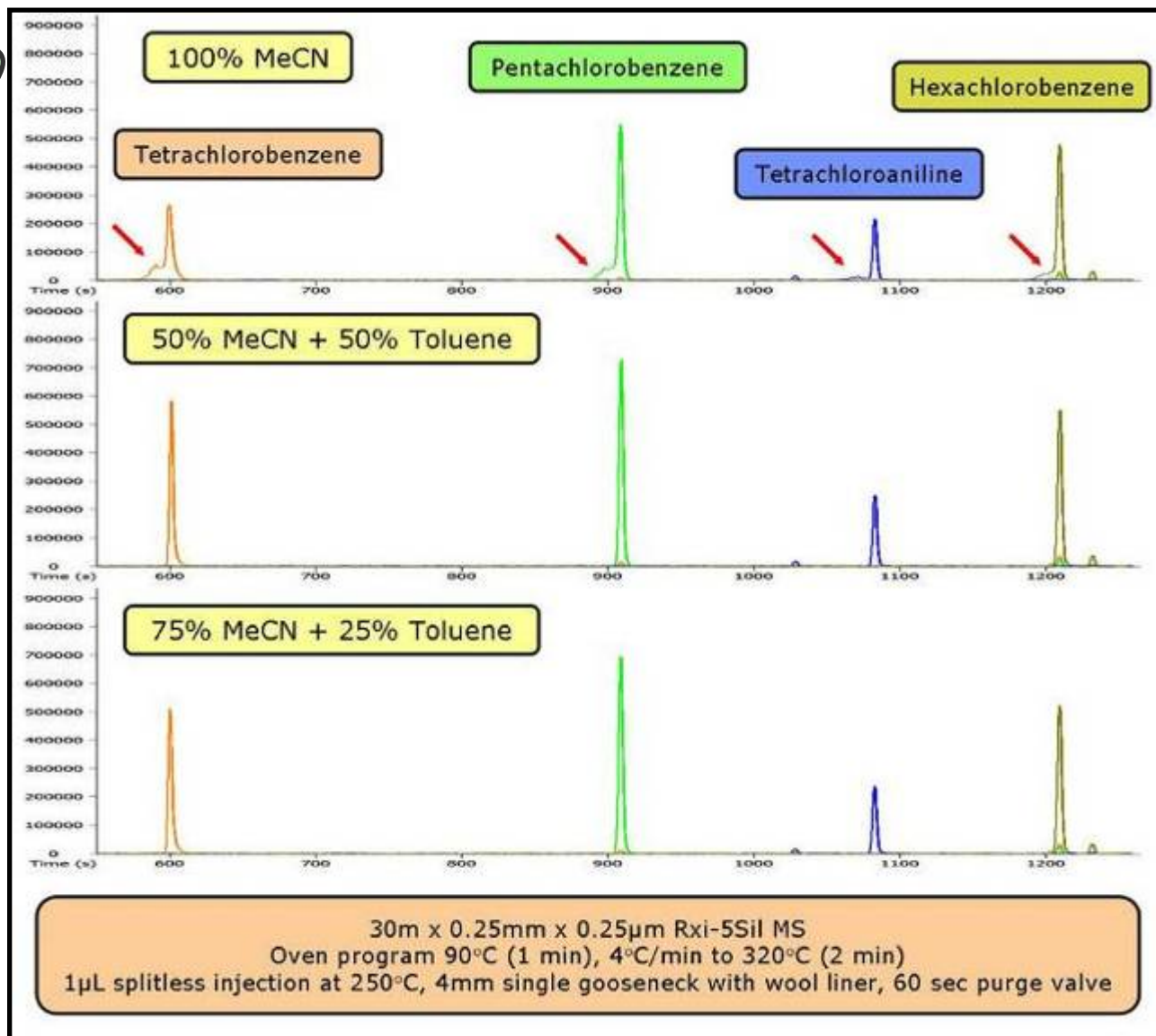
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Fast Screening of Recalled Tylenol® for Tribromoanisole and Related Adulterants

Using QuEChERS and GC-TOFMS

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- Rugged, inert, thermally stable Rxi®-5Sil MS column extends applicability to acids, bases, and higher molecular weight adulterants.

Introduction

The recent recall of Tylenol® pain reliever and other related products highlights the need for simple, quick sample preparation and a comprehensive analytical method for adulterants in consumer products. The rush to examine a multitude of samples in a short period of time is a common scenario for potential recalls, especially when a contaminant is found in a given product and rapid determinations need to be made to assess how widespread the problem may be.

The QuEChERS (Quick, Easy, Cheap, Effective, Rugged, and Safe) sample preparation approach, originally developed to prepare fruit and vegetable samples for pesticide residue analysis, is being adopted for other applications and may be useful when rapid screening methods are required. QuEChERS employs a simple solvent shake and centrifugation step, with an optional dispersive solid phase extraction (dSPE) cleanup. In addition to being quick and easy, the use of acetonitrile in QuEChERS allows compounds containing a wide variety of chemical functionalities to be extracted, which is very important when trying to isolate an unknown adulterant. The resulting extract is appropriate for both GC/MS and LC/MS work.

The utility of the QuEChERS method is illustrated here using the aforementioned Tylenol® example, showing the applicability to this problem and, by extension, to others like it. This particular recall was due to the presence of 2,4,6-tribromoanisole (TBA) causing a musty smell in the product and, in some cases, nausea in the consumer [1]. TBA is a known breakdown product of 2,4,6-tribromophenol (TBP), which is a fumigant used on shipping pallets; TBA production occurs through a process actuated by a fungus, *Paecilomyces variotii* [2]. TBA is a common and undesirable odorant in the winemaking industry where



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Comprehensive Pesticide Residue Analysis by LC/MS/MS

Using an Ultra Aqueous C18 Column

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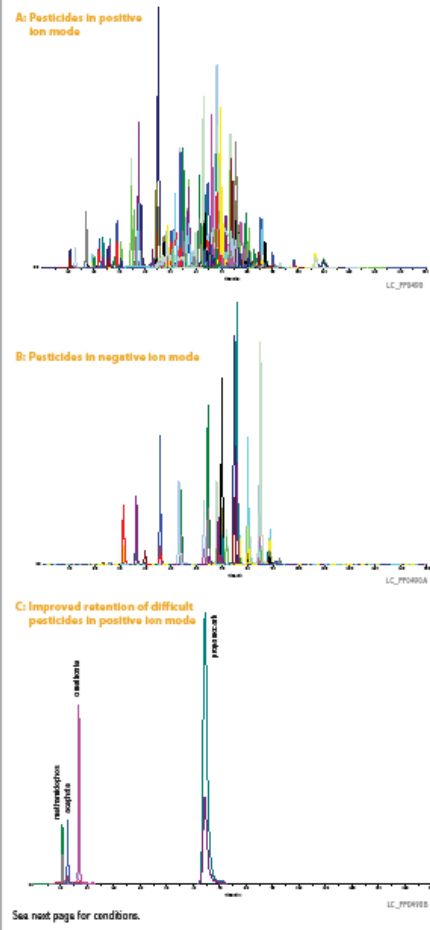
- Easily resolve and quantify more than 280 pesticide species.
- Use LC/MS/MS to reliably monitor difficult polar and/or thermally unstable species.
- Aqueous C18 phase offers optimal selectivity and retention.

Food safety is a topic of great interest globally. With recent contamination issues in a wide range of commodities, ensuring the quality of our food supply is becoming increasingly important. Pesticide residue content is one area of concern. While pesticides have typically been monitored by gas chromatography, polar and/or thermally unstable pesticides are difficult or impossible to monitor using this approach. Thus, traditional HPLC techniques are used for select pesticide classes, such as the carbamate and phenylurea pesticides.

With recent advances in LC/MS/MS instrumentation, this technique is quickly gaining acceptance for pesticide residue testing. LC/MS/MS can be used to simultaneously monitor hundreds of potential contaminants—including those difficult to detect by GC. Using both LC/MS/MS and GC approaches allows for a faster, more complete picture of pesticide residues. MS/MS technology also permits identification of the target pesticides through the selection of specific MRM transitions for each compound. For example, aldicarb, a carbamate pesticide, uses two MRM transitions of 208.2→89.1amu and 208.2→116.1amu.

While the MS/MS detector allows for specific, sensitive detection of the pesticide species, the LC separation is still important to ensure the highest quality data. Conventional C18 stationary phases are typically used for pesticide monitoring, but the selectivity and retention is poor for more polar species. In contrast, Ultra Aqueous C18 columns are ideal for multi-pesticide residue monitoring methods. In Figure 1, the analysis of more than 280 pesticides using the 3µm Ultra Aqueous C18 is shown. Optimized stationary phase selectivity

Figure 1 More than 280 pesticide residues—including difficult polar species—show excellent peak shape and retention on a 3µm Ultra Aqueous C18 column.



Conditions for Figure 1 (previous page):

Sample:	multicomponent pesticide standard
Dil:	10µg
Conc:	1µg/mL each pesticide
Sample diluent:	acetonitrile
Column:	Ultra Aqueous C18
Cat. #:	0178312
Dimensions:	150mm x 2.1mm
Particle size:	3µm
Pore size:	200Å
Condition:	Shimadzu Prominence® UPLC
Instrument:	A: 10 mM NH ₄ OC in water
Mobile phase:	B: 10 mM NH ₄ OC in methanol

Time (min.)	%B
0.0	20
8.0	90
12.0	100
14.0	100
14.0	20

Flow:	500µL/min
Temp:	25°C
Det:	Applied Biosystems 4000 QTRAP®
LC/MS/MS system:	TurboIonSpray®
Ion Source:	A: GC ESI+ B: ESI
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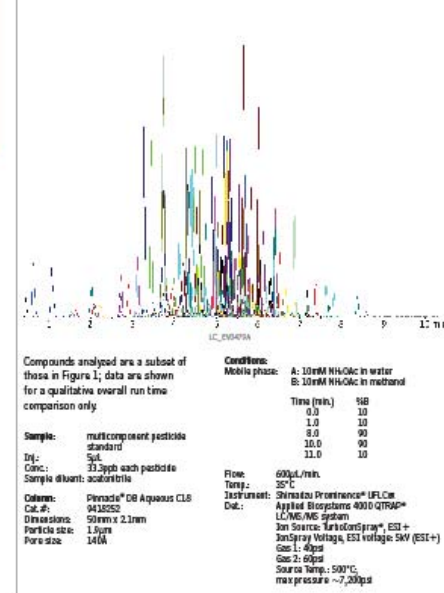
Table 1 Peak list for pesticides in negative ion mode.

Compound ID	Retention Time (min)	Transition 1	Transition 2
Azinphos	9.00	540 → 372	540 → 372
Chlorfenvinphos	9.24	539.9 → 356.8	539.9 → 356.8
Chlorpyrifos	3.63	249.9 → 58	249.9 → 58
Diflufenican	7.48	310 → 156.1	310 → 156.1
Duron	6.78	230.9 → 165.8	230.9 → 165.8
Fenprophamid	7.90	462.5 → 415.8	462.5 → 415.8
Fenprothion	6.33	246.9 → 176.9	246.9 → 176.9
Fenprothion	6.44	246 → 176.9	246 → 176.9
Fenprothion	8.45	459 → 415.8	459 → 415.8
Imidacloprid	8.82	409 → 250.9	411 → 253
Lufenuron	8.87	509 → 325.9	509 → 325.9
Metathion	8.5	505.1 → 301.9	505.1 → 301.9
Metathion	3.97	201 → 156.1	201 → 156.1
Methoxyfenozide	6.98	366.9 → 104.9	366.9 → 104.9
Nitrofen	2.59	269.2 → 221.6	269.2 → 221.6
Norflurazon	8.42	491.1 → 470.7	491.1 → 470.7
Propiconazole	7.57	464.3 → 277.9	464.3 → 277.9
Propiconazole	3.09	296.9 → 156	296.9 → 156
Prothioconazole	7.16	342 → 100.1	342.0 → 99.0
Tebuconazole	7.46	350.9 → 149	350.9 → 149
Tebuconazole	8.85	378.6 → 338.8	378.6 → 338.8
Triadimenol	4.57	340 → 248	340 → 220.1
Triadimenol	5.38	214.9 → 156.9	214.9 → 156.9
Triadimenol	6.28	320.1 → 253.8	320.1 → 253.8
Triadimenol	7.03	292 → 67.9	292 → 294.9
Triadimenol	8	356.9 → 153.8	356.9 → 153.9

allows for an even distribution of the compounds throughout the retention time window (Tables I and II). As well, retention of more polar pesticides is greatly improved, as demonstrated in Figure 1C. The Ultra Aqueous C18 column, in a 100 x 2.1mm, 3µm configuration is the column of choice for LC/MS/MS pesticide monitoring methods.

Ultra-high pressure LC (UHPLC) can also be used with MS/MS detection for monitoring pesticide residues. UHPLC allows for higher sample throughput when used in conjunction with a highly efficient <2µm particle size column. The 1.9µm Pinnacle® DB Aqueous C18, in a 50 x 2.1mm configuration, is ideally suited for this application, as shown in Figure 2.

Figure 2 Higher sample throughput can be achieved using UHPLC and MS/MS with a 1.9µm Pinnacle® DB Aqueous C18 column.



Using LC/MS/MS technology and Aqueous C18 columns, in combination with gas chromatography, results in the most comprehensive monitoring of pesticide residues. Labs interested in more complete multi-residue analysis of pesticides in food matrices, including difficult polar or thermally unstable compounds, should consider adding LC/MS/MS and Aqueous C18 columns to routine testing procedures. The Aqueous C18 phase is also available on 1.9µm Pinnacle® DB silica for UHPLC platforms.

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Optimizing Dispersive Solid Phase Extraction and Splitless Injection-Gas Chromatography for QuEChERS Fruit and Vegetable Extracts

Jack Cochran, Julie Kowalski, Lydia Nelson

Introduction

Dispersive solid phase extraction (dSPE) is a simple, rapid, and cost-effective method for the extraction of pesticides from fruit and vegetable samples. This method is particularly suitable for the analysis of multi-residue pesticides in complex matrices. The QuEChERS method, which combines dSPE with a simple cleanup step, has become the standard for the analysis of pesticides in food samples. This paper describes the optimization of the QuEChERS method for the analysis of pesticides in fruit and vegetable extracts using splitless injection-gas chromatography.

Results and Discussion

The results of the optimization study are presented in Table 1. The table shows the effect of various parameters on the recovery of pesticides from fruit and vegetable extracts. The parameters studied include the type of extraction solvent, the type of cleanup sorbent, the type of extraction vessel, and the type of injection port. The results show that the QuEChERS method, using a mixture of acetonitrile and water as the extraction solvent, a mixture of silica and C18 as the cleanup sorbent, and a 10 mL extraction vessel, gave the highest recovery of pesticides from fruit and vegetable extracts. The use of a splitless injection port also improved the recovery of pesticides.

Conclusions

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Developing New Methods for Pesticides in Dietary Supplements

Advantages of the QuEChERS Approach

New requirements for dietary supplements to be manufactured under cGMP regulations have created a need for methods to detect pesticides in these complex, largely botanical products. QuEChERS offers a simple, cost-effective approach that can reduce matrix interferences as well as variation among technicians. Here we demonstrate a procedure that incorporates a QuEChERS extraction, cSPE cleanup and GC-TOFMS, resulting in good recoveries for a wide range of pesticide chemistries in dandelion root powder.

Introduction

Recently the FDA announced that makers of dietary supplements (e.g. vitamins, herbal and botanical pills, etc.) will have to adhere to current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMPs), marking a major shift in regulatory oversight and testing for the industry. Previously, compliance was voluntary, but in 2003, due to public and industry concern, the FDA proposed requiring dietary supplement manufacturers to adhere to cGMP standards. The final rule was issued in June 2007 and is in full effect June 2010 [1]. Basic cGMPs require implementing comprehensive procedures to ensure product quality and safety. Since many dietary supplements are largely derived from botanical sources, they must be tested for pesticide contaminants in order to meet cGMP regulations. As a result of this requirement, labs are working to develop and validate methods, an endeavor which is complicated by the wide range of pesticides and matrices to be tested.

Labs can begin method development with the FDA Pesticide Analytical Manual (PAM), which includes procedures for plant materials. While PAM Method 303 is an appropriate starting point, it has several disadvantages, including high solvent consumption, manual procedures that contribute to analytical variation, and the inability to extract polar pesticides. As an alternative, we developed a QuEChERS-based method for analyzing pesticides in dietary supplements that has several advantages over PAM 303 (Table 1). QuEChERS is an approach that was developed by the USDA Eastern Regional Research Center as a simple, rapid, effective, yet inexpensive way to extract pesticide residues from fruits and vegetables, followed by a novel dispersive solid phase extraction (dSPE) cleanup of the extract. Because of these benefits, the approach has become popular and has been expanded to include numerous other matrices. We chose QuEChERS as an alternative to PAM 303 because of its speed, simplicity, and low solvent use, as well as its ability to produce good extraction efficiencies for relatively polar pesticides [2].

Based on preliminary studies, we knew that while the extraction part of QuEChERS would be successful, the dSPE cleanup step probably did not have the capacity to handle the matrix complexity of most dietary supplements. Thus, we compared dSPE to a cartridge solid phase extraction (cSPE) cleanup and established a procedure that uses a QuEChERS extraction, cSPE cleanup, and GC-TOFMS for accurate determinations of 46 pesticides in dandelion root powder. This approach saves time and can reduce analyst variation by minimizing manual preparation with prepackaged extraction vials and snap-and-shoot standards. As shown in Figure 1, it also uses much less solvent, salt, and sorbent, making it a greener, more cost-effective method than PAM 303.

Table 1 Decrease costs and increase reproducibility with a GMP-Friendly QuEChERS approach to analyzing pesticides in dietary supplements.

	PAM 303 Method	QuEChERS + cSPE	Benefits of QuEChERS + cSPE
Solvent used (mL)	1,200	12	20x less solvent, cleaner, greener, & cost-effective
# of Solvents	4	3	Se less solv/sorbent
Salt and sorbent used (g)	25	6.6	Fast, easy batch processing
Chromatograph equipment	• Secondary format (LL capacity) • Filter apparatus • Puril column	• Cartridge • SPE manifold	
Manual preparation	• Salt solution • Standards • Puril column	• Snap-prepackaged vials and cSPE cartridge are ready to use	Highly reproducible, less manual prep means less human error

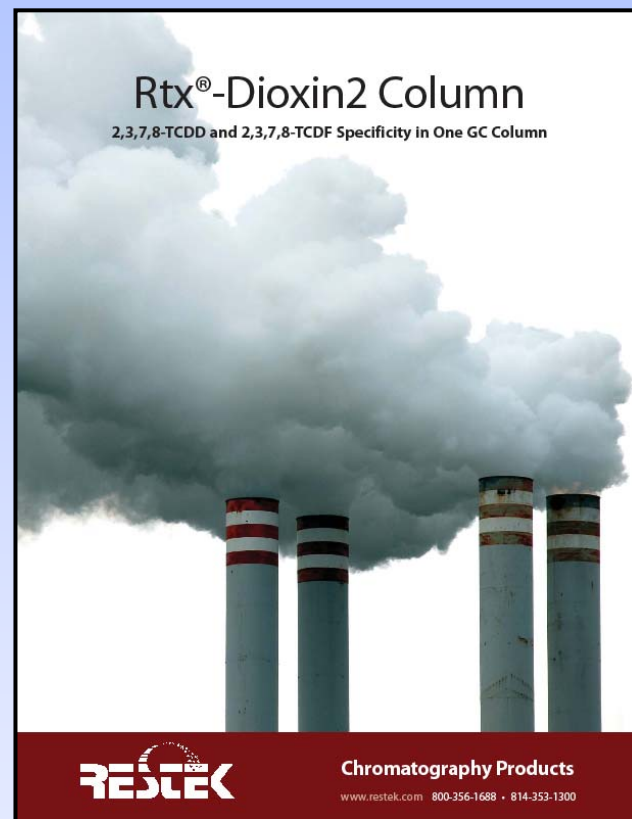
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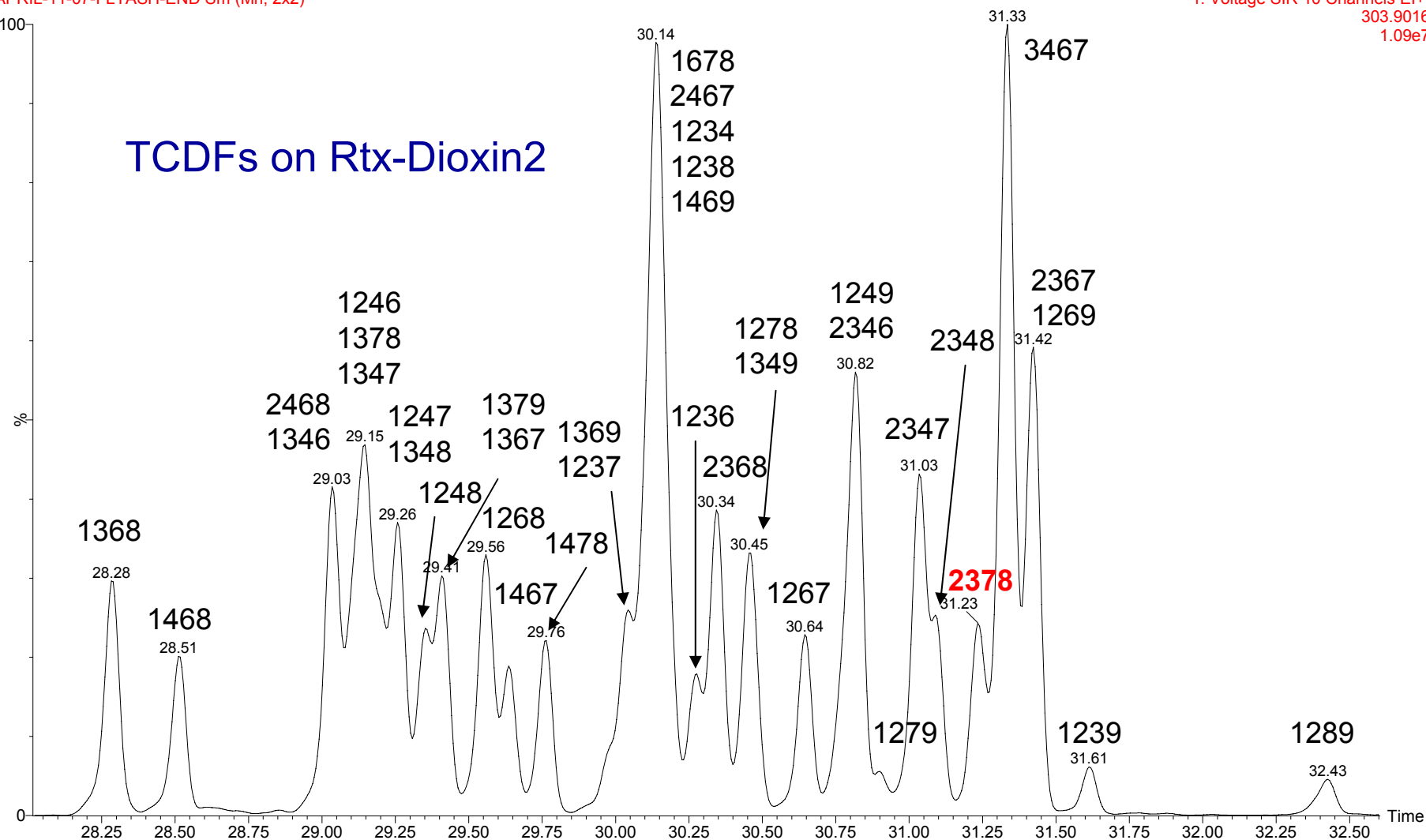
- Replacement for DB-225, SP-2330/2331
 - Used for 2378 TCDF confirmation
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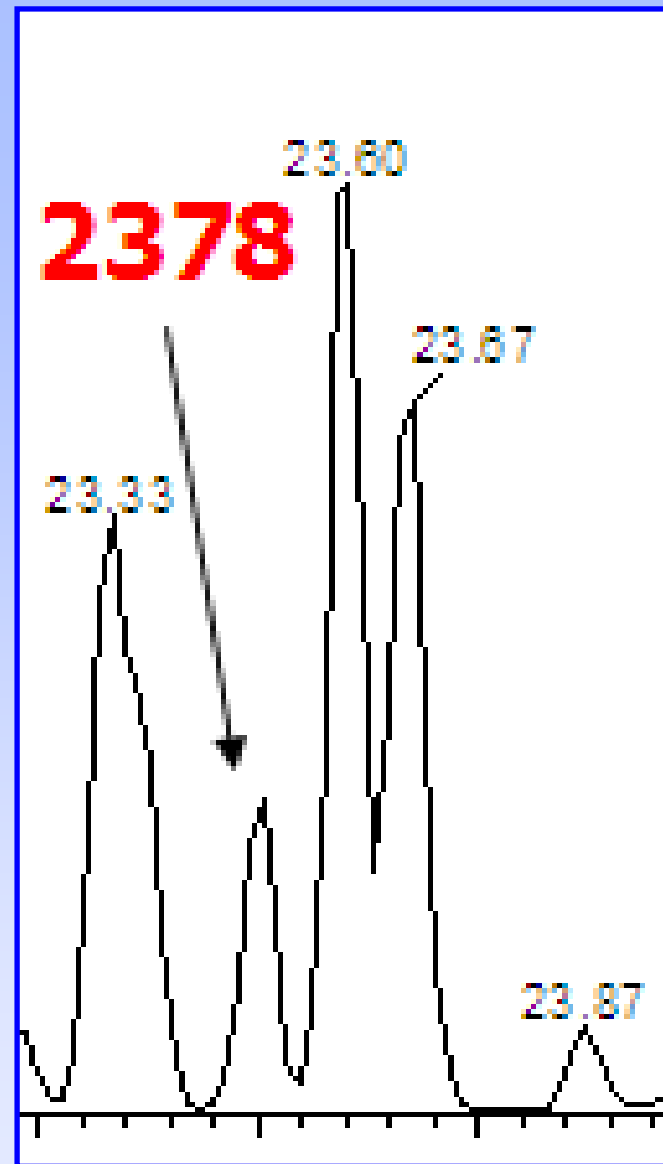
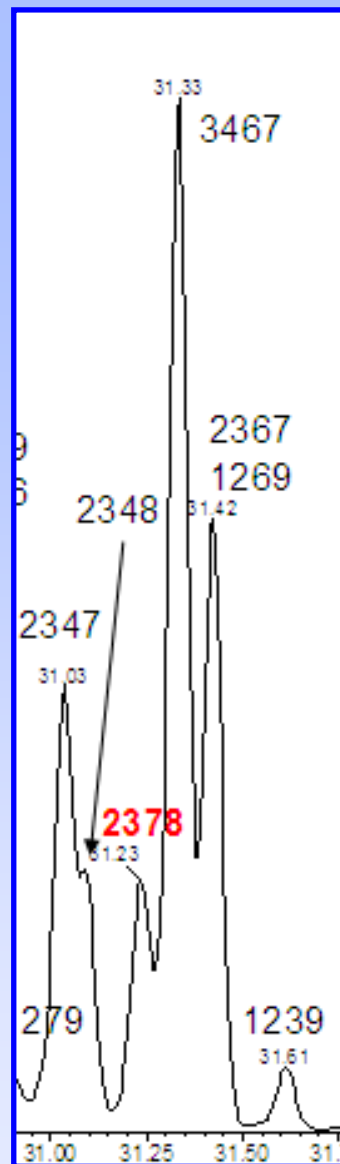
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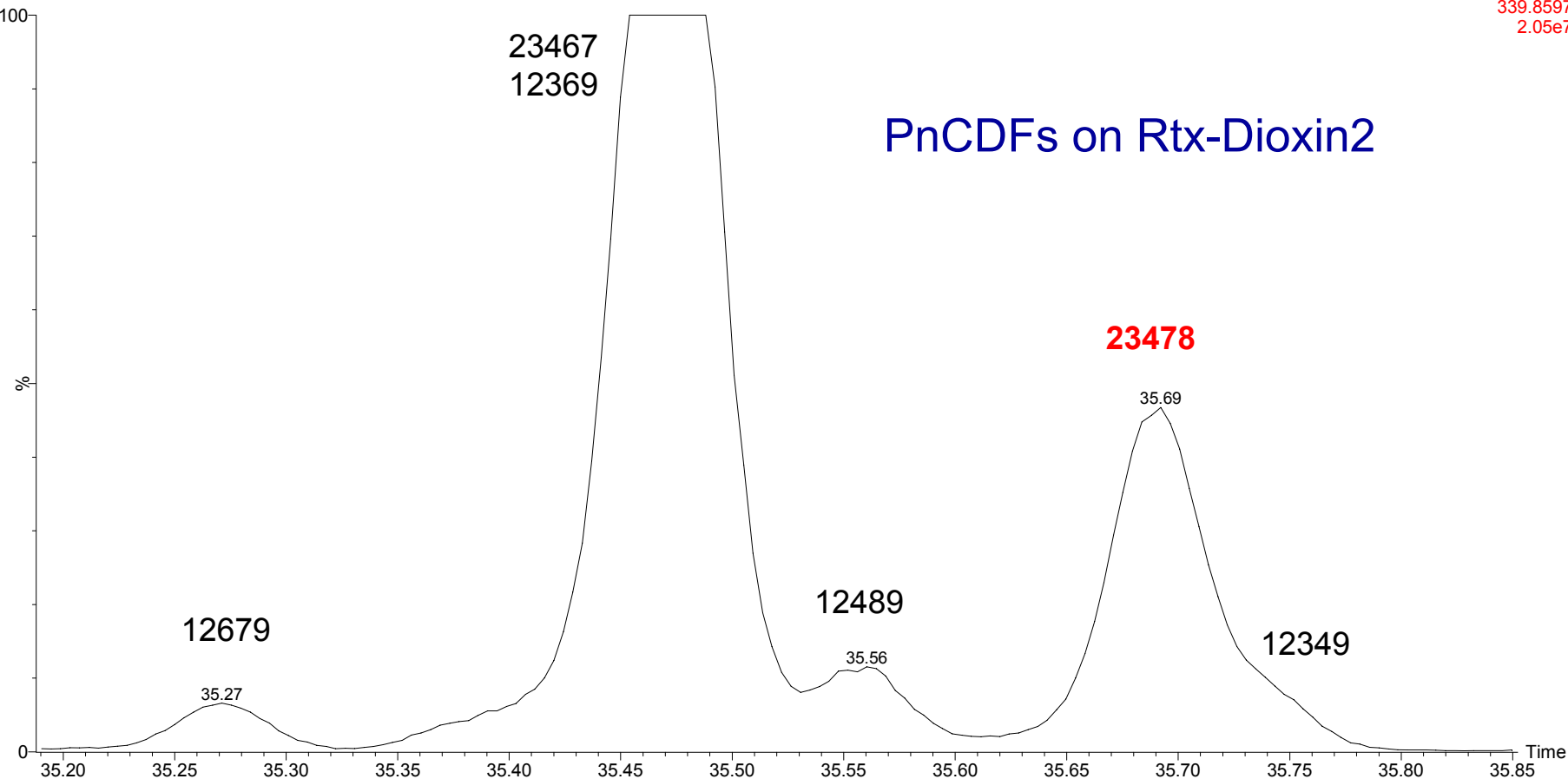


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Farms in Belgium have been ordered to destroy livestock that were given animal feeds believed to be contaminated with dioxin, a serious carcinogen. The European Union has ordered a complete ban on Belgian agricultural exports of eggs, chickens, pork and beef. All chickens and eggs exported after January 15 have been ordered destroyed and this may be widened to include pigs, cattle and other foods containing possibly tainted ingredients.

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The structure of the biphenyl molecule is shown in Figure 1. Identification and quantification of PCB congeners is chromatographically challenging because there are 209 possible combinations in which chlorine atoms can be added to the biphenyl structure, ranging from addition of a single chlorine (monochlorobiphenyl) to addition of every available carbon atom (decachlorobiphenyl). In 1996, George Frame published work he performed in order to determine which PCB congeners are present in Aroclor® mixes. Using this work as a guide, the list of 209 possible PCB congeners can be reduced to a target list of 158 congeners. This final target list includes PCB congeners found in Aroclor® mixes above 0.01%wt/wt, and a few compounds not detected in Aroclor® mixes, but detected in tissue due to

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Restek celebrates continued growth in 2005 with the opening of Restek West, our new R&D facility in Shingle Springs, California. Roy Lautens, Director of Innovative Research Chromatistics, will manage the facility, focusing on R&D for our chromatography column product lines. Roy has an extensive range of experience in chromatography, acquired over more than a quarter of a century of research.

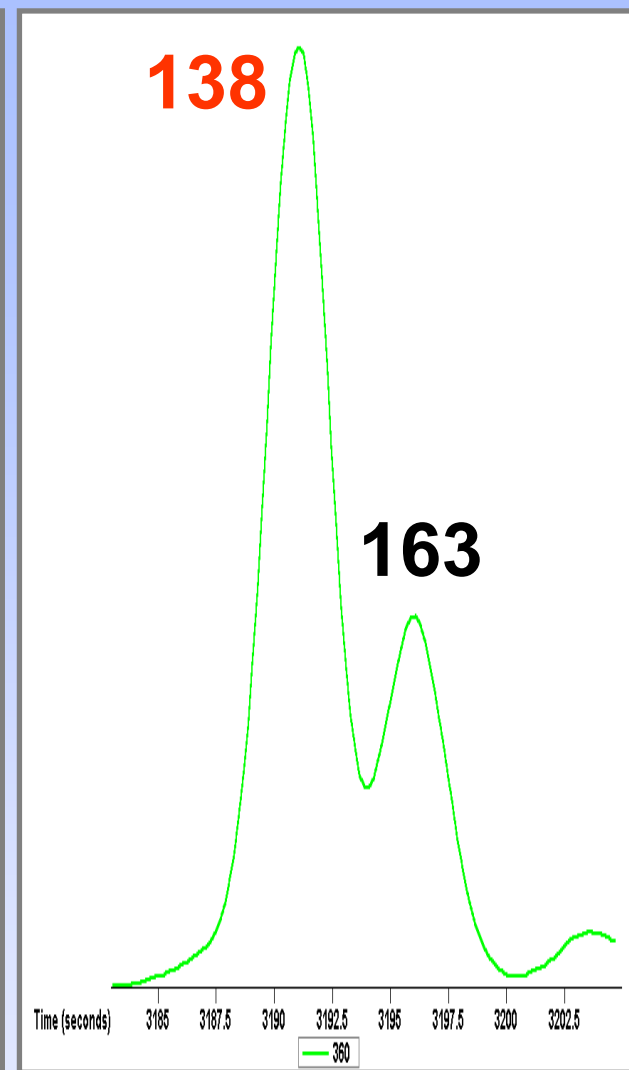
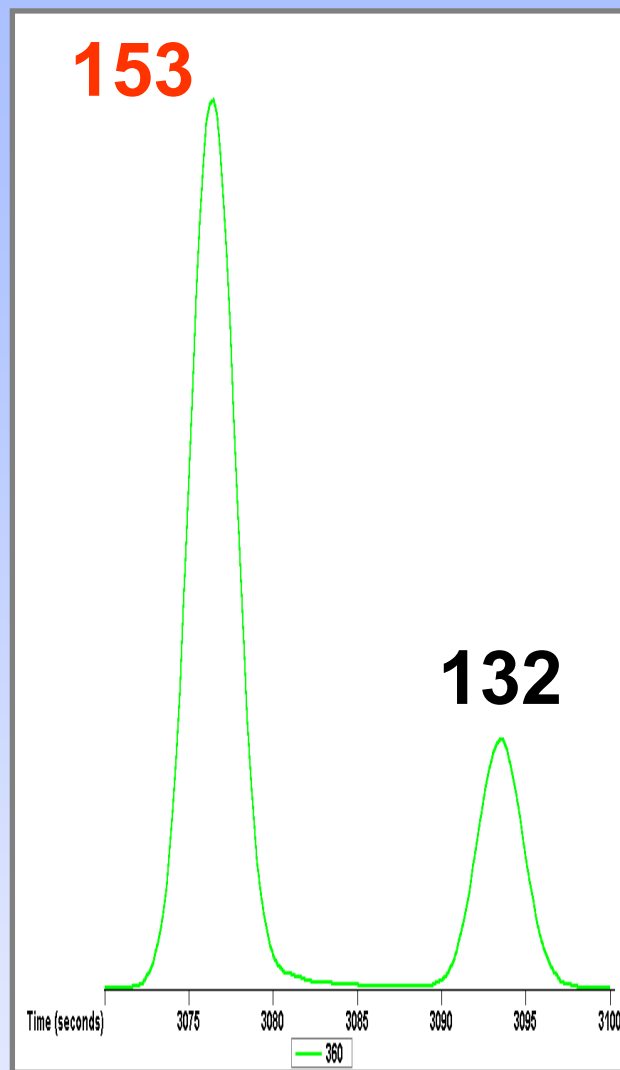
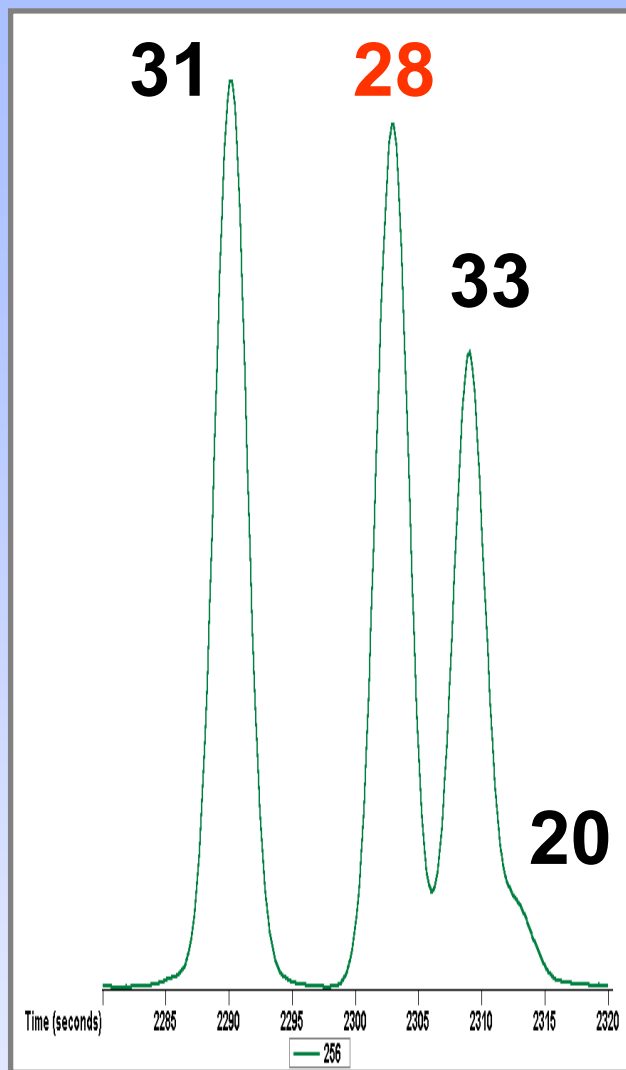
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Correction

In Advantage 2005v1, Fast GC/MS Analysis of Semivolatile Organic Compounds, Figure 1 (page 14) the splitless hold time and pressure pulse time are reversed. The splitless hold time should be 0.15 min, and the pressure pulse time should be 0.20 min. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by this error.



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Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons in Food¹

Scientific Opinion of the Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

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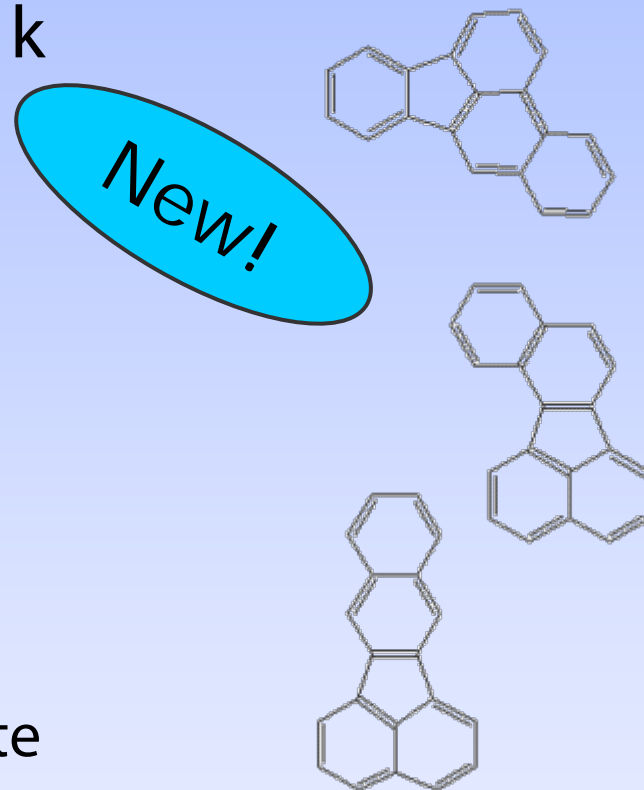
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benzo(a)anthracene; benzo(b)fluoranthene;
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benzo(ghi)perylene; benzo(a)pyrene; chrysene;
dibenz(a,h)anthracene; dibenzo(a,e)pyrene;
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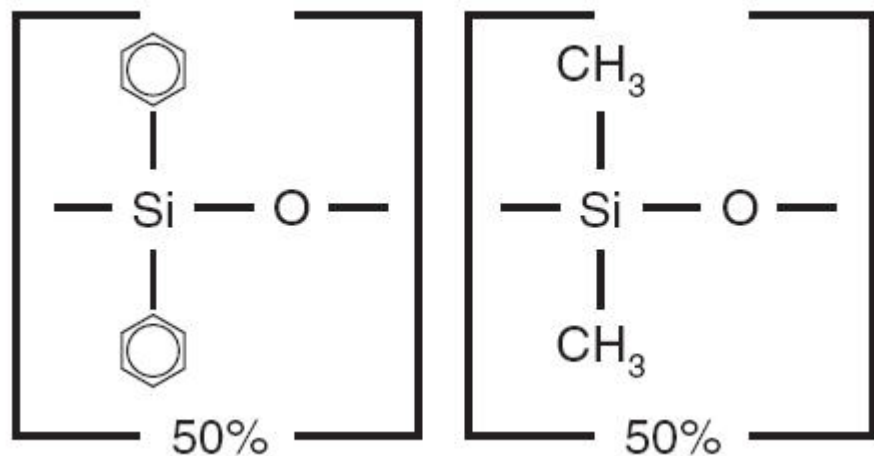
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Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons

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 - Rxi-17Sil MS (50% diphenyl type)
- Need to separate chrysene and triphenylene?
 - Rxi-XLB (close elution though)
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 - Separates chrysene, triphenylene
 - Benzo b and j fluoranthenes coelute
 - Narrow temperature range (80-285°C)

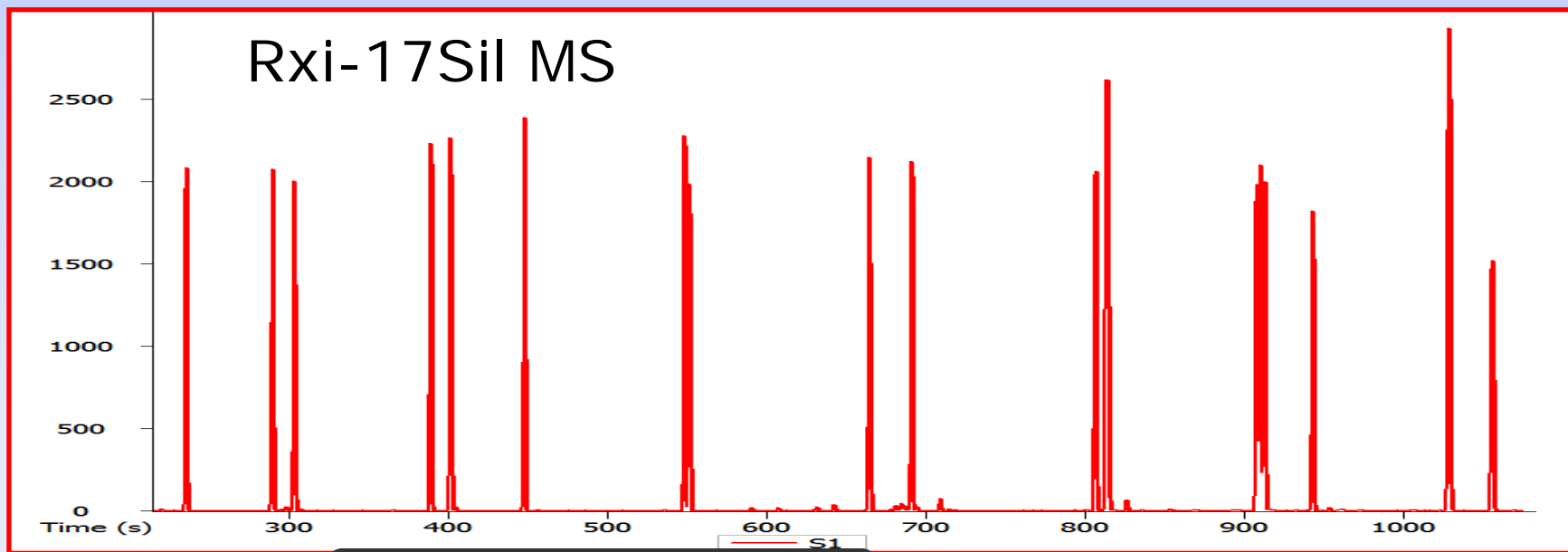
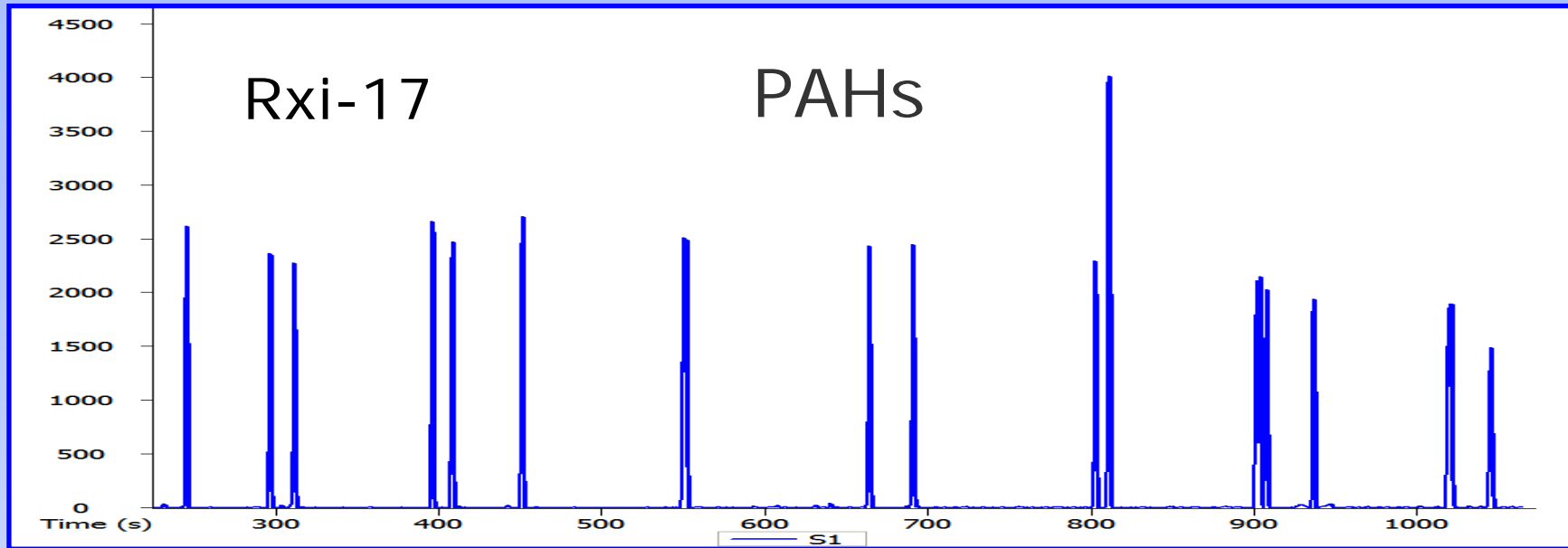


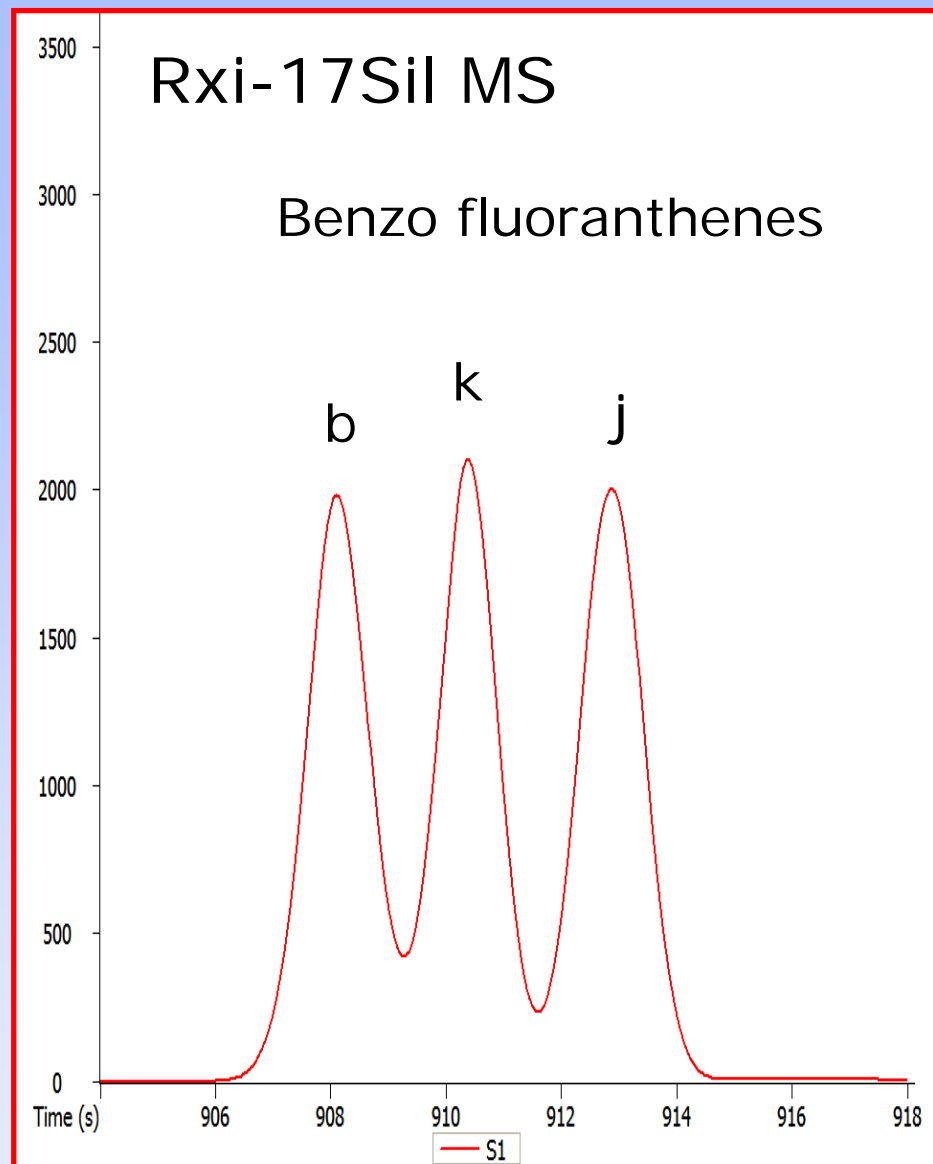
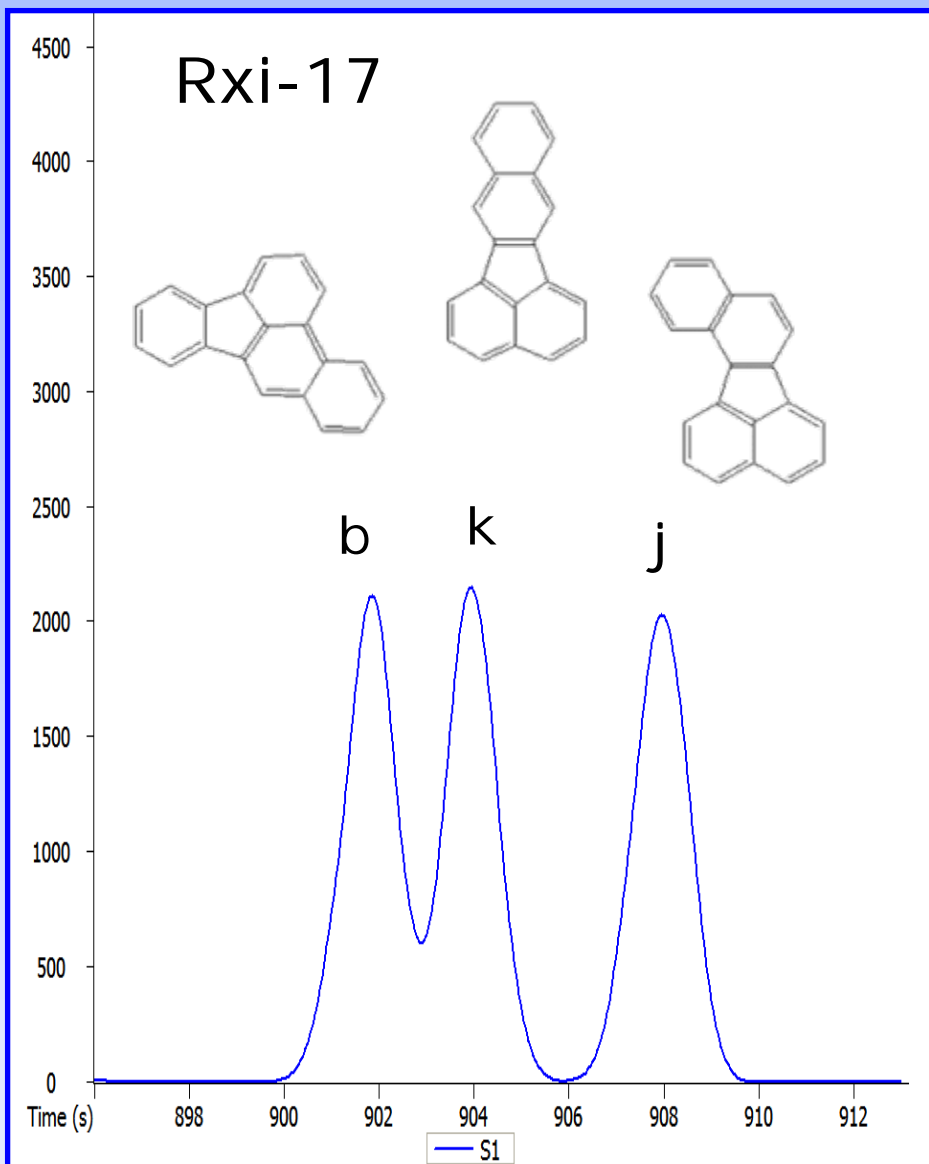
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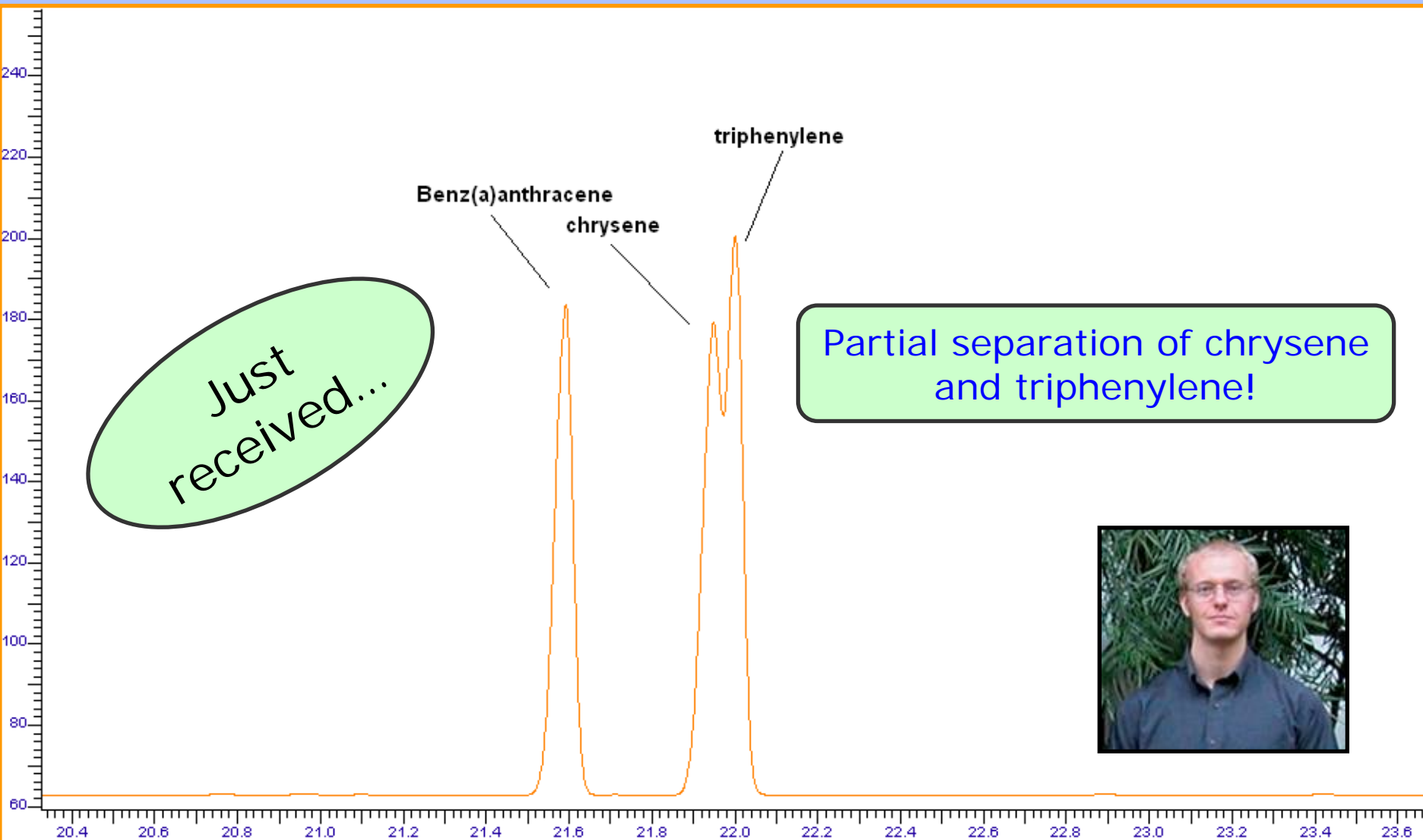


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Rxi-17SiI MS: an arylene-based polymer with 50% diphenyl selectivity







30m x 0.25mm x 0.25 μ m Rxi-17Sil MS

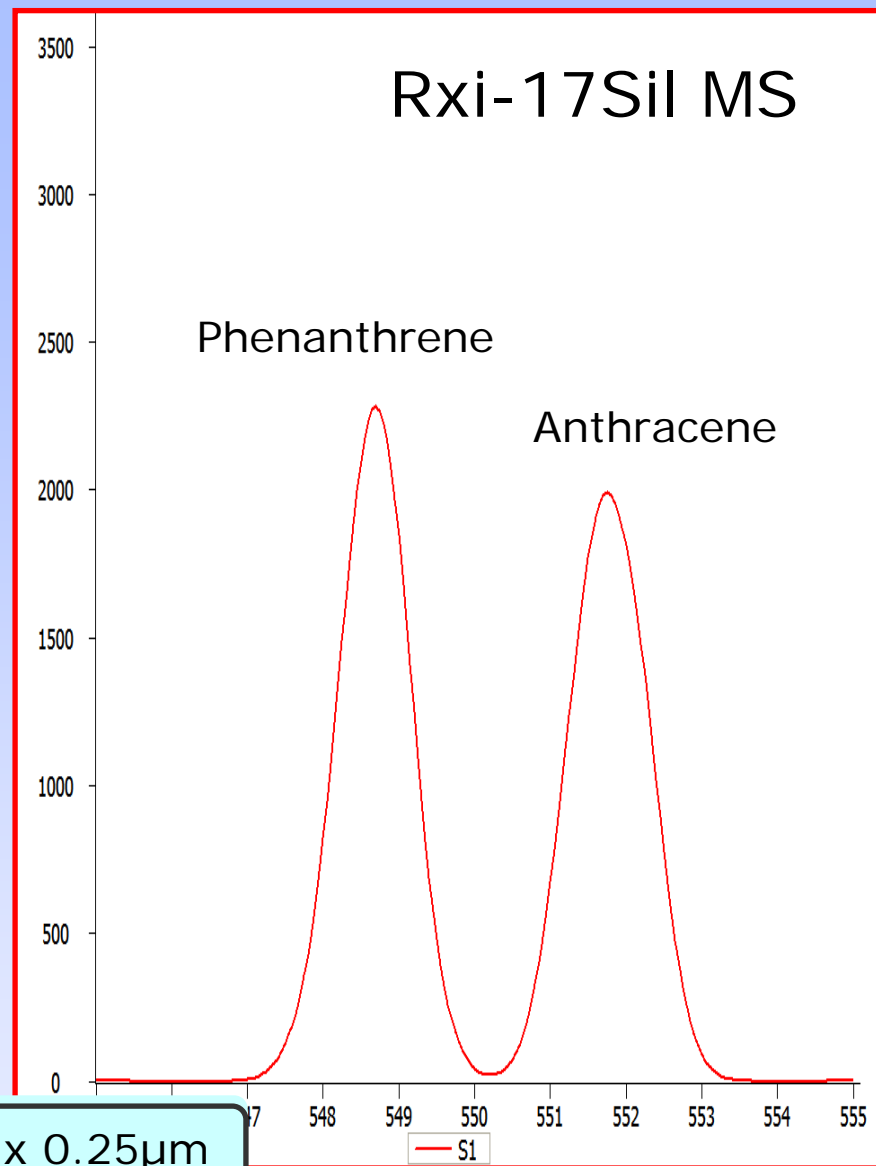
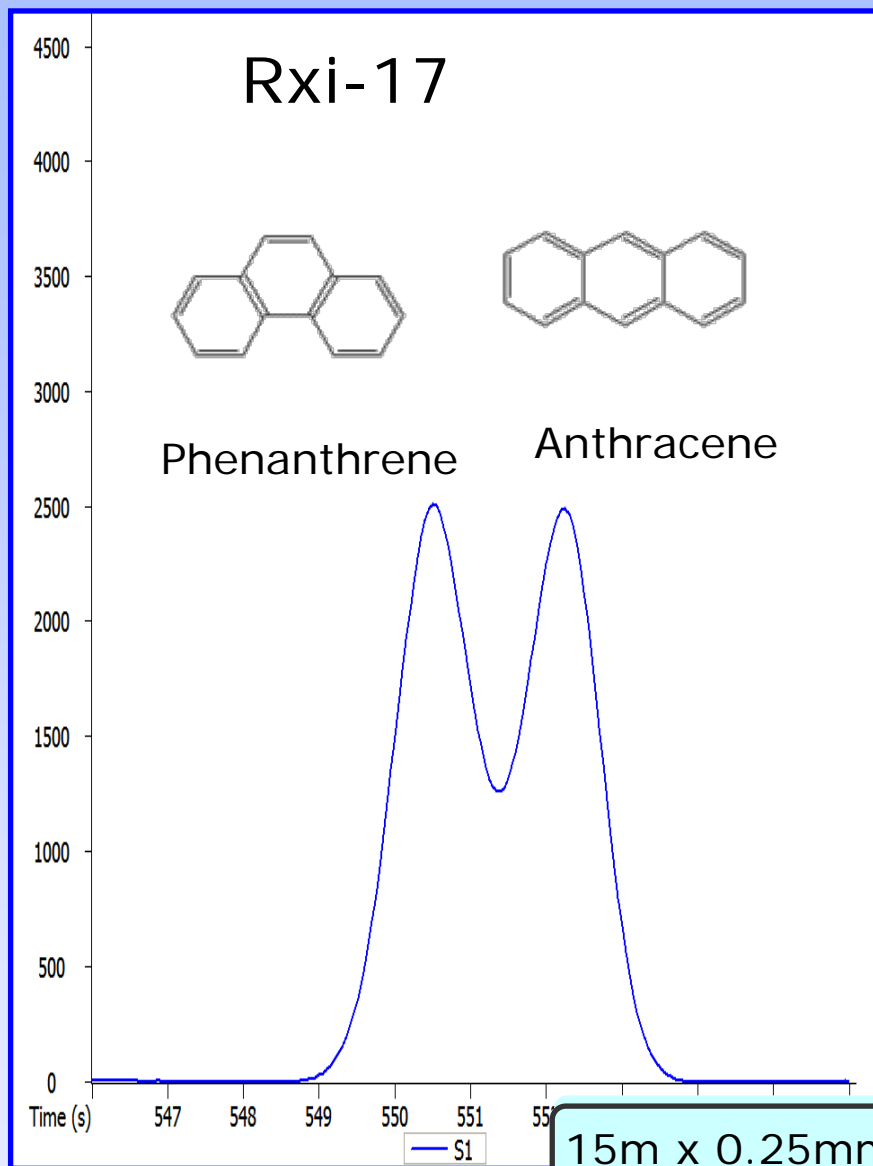
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15m x 0.25mm x 0.25µm

USPs for Restek Rxi-17Sil MS GC Column

- Rxi-17Sil MS is a low-bleed analog of Rxi-17
 - Maximum operating temperature of 360°C
 - Similar, but not exact, selectivity to Rxi-17
- Rxi-17Sil MS separates benzo b,k, and j fluoranthenes
- Rxi-17Sil MS partially separates chrysene and triphenylene
- Watch for Agilent DB-EUPAH and Varian Select PAH

HPLC of PAHs

Peak List:	Retention Time
1. naphthalene	6.19
2. acenaphthylene	7.16
3. 1-methylnaphthalene	7.78
4. 2-methylnaphthalene	8.17
5. acenaphthene	8.46
6. fluorene	8.82
7. phenanthrene	9.64
8. anthracene	10.39
9. fluoranthene	11.22
10. pyrene	11.75
11. benzo(a)anthracene	13.55
12. chrysene	13.91
13. benzo(j)fluoranthene	14.92
14. benzo(b)fluoranthene	15.27
15. benzo(k)fluoranthene	15.82
16. benzo(a)pyrene	16.35
17. dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	17.10
18. benzo(ghi)perylene	17.67
19. indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	17.99

- Pinnacle II PAH
 - Restek exclusive!
 - Shape selective

Sample:
 Inj.: 10µL
 Conc.: 20µg/mL each component
 Sample diluent: acetonitrile

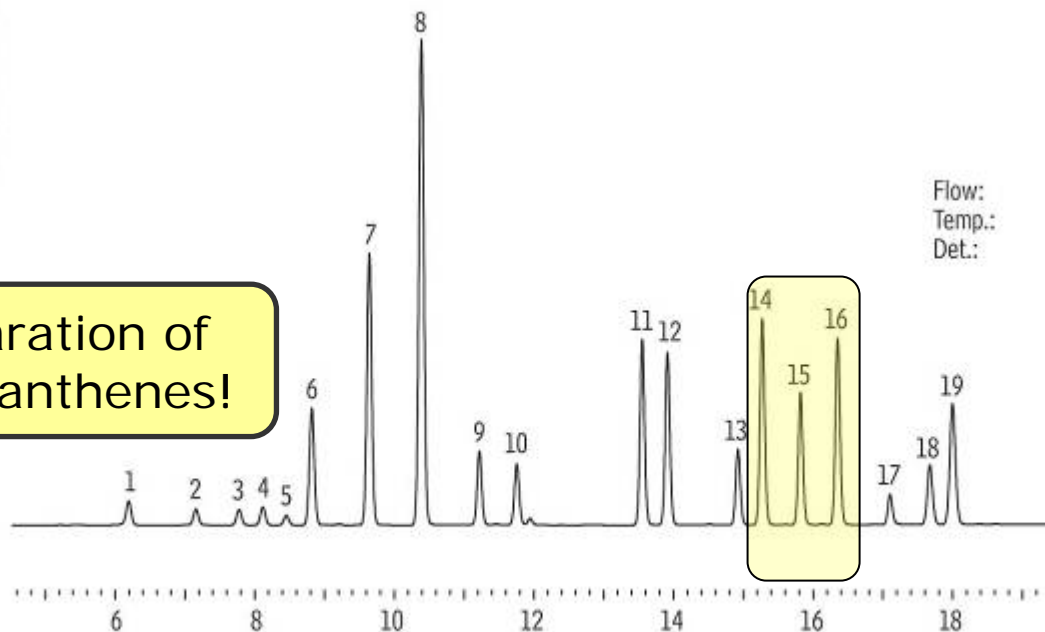
Column: Pinnacle® II PAH
 Cat.#: 9219463
 Dimensions: 150mm x 3.2mm
 Particle size: 4µm
 Pore size: 110Å

Conditions:
 Instrument: Shimadzu Prominence HPLC
 Mobile phase: A: purified water
 B: acetonitrile

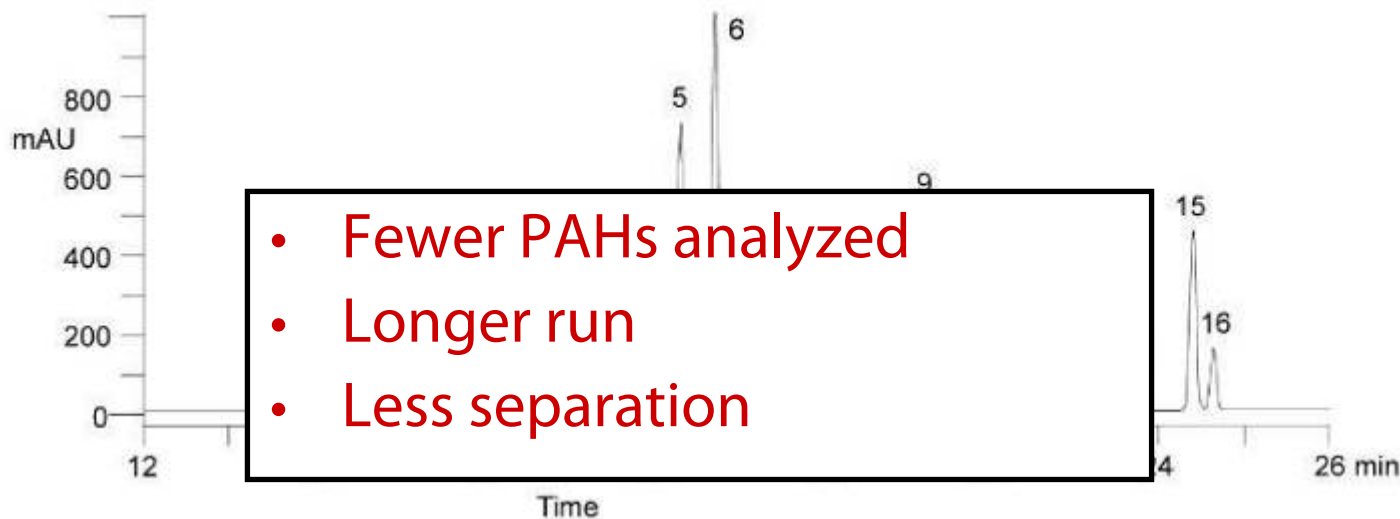
Time (min.)	%B
0	40
7	60
16	100
18.9	100
19	40

Flow: 1.2mL/min.
 Temp.: 30°C
 Det.: UV @ 254nm

Good separation of benzo fluoranthenes!



Competitor HPLC of PAHs



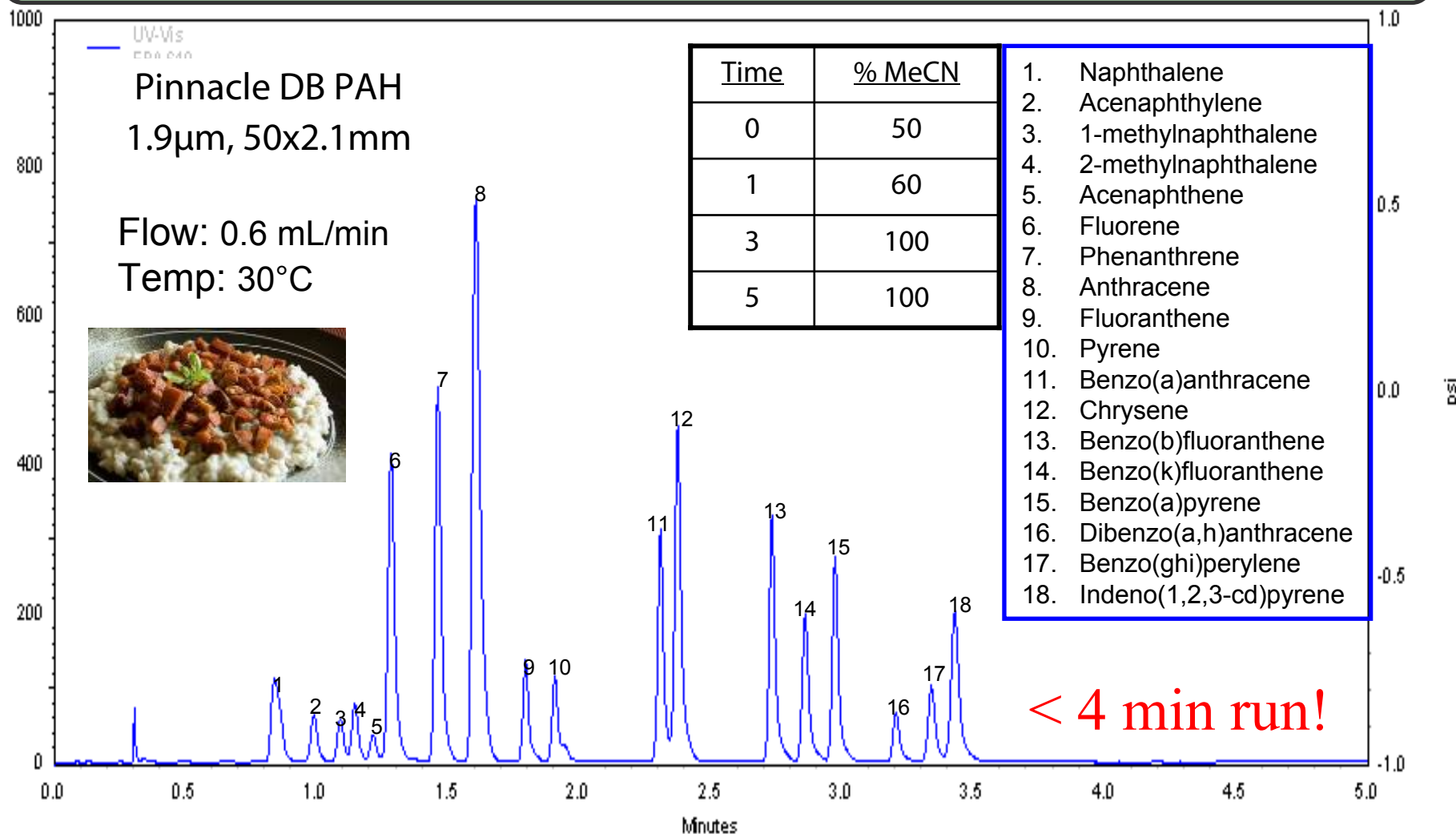
ANALYTES:

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|----|------------------------|
| 1 | naphthalene |
| 2 | acenaphthylene |
| 3 | acenaphthene |
| 4 | fluorene |
| 5 | phenanthrene |
| 6 | anthracene |
| 7 | fluoranthene |
| 8 | pyrene |
| 9 | benzo (a) anthracene |
| 10 | chrysene |
| 11 | benzo (b) fluoranthene |
| 12 | benzo (k) fluoranthene |

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|----|--------------------------|
| 13 | benzo (a) pyrene |
| 14 | dibenzo (a,h) anthracene |
| 15 | benzo (g,h,i) perylene |
| 16 | indeno (1,2,3-cd) pyrene |

Phenomenex Synergi Max-RP
4 μ m, 250x4.6mm, 80Å

Restek UHPLC of PAHs – Very Fast Run



Summary of Food Safety

- Years of personnel experience at Restek
 - Best food safety technical support
- Wide range of QuEChERS products
 - Rapidly growing food safety sample preparation method
- GC and HPLC columns for food safety
 - Inert, selective, tested, adopted
- Total solution offerings
 - Sample preparation, standards, GC/LC columns/consumables
- Innovative new products
 - QuEChERS, Rxi-17Sil MS, 5mm GC inlet liner
- Technical information support
 - Web, literature, presentations, ChromaBLOGraphy, etc.

Appendix

- Extra slides for distributors to review
- Additional topics and/or applications

Other Topics for Food Safety

- PBDEs in food
 - Rtx-1614 column (Restek exclusive!)
 - Fast runs and minimal BDE 209 breakdown
 - www.restek.com/aoi_env_A035.asp
- Melamine in infant formula
 - Rxi-5Sil MS, standards, derivatization reagents
 - www.restek.com/restek/images/external/FFAN1137.pdf
- Veterinary drug residues
 - Biphenyl HPLC columns (Restek exclusive!)
 - Julie Kowalski (Florida Pesticide Residue Workshop)

Other Topics for Food Safety

- Dietary supplements
 - Restek publishes first QuEChERS method
 - www.restek.com/restek/images/external/PHAN1242.pdf
- Food authentication and origin
 - Not really food safety, but hot food topic
 - Lots of GCxGC work being done
- GCxGC for food safety and food applications
 - Restek has two GCxGC systems
 - LECO Pegasus 4D GCxGC-TOFMS, GCxGC-ECD/FID
 - Full line of 0.10, 0.15, 0.18mm columns for GCxGC

GCxGC Selectivity Kit A

The selectivity kit contains four columns of different selectivity for method development. Includes one each of the following:

- Rxi®-17, 1.1m (±3cm), 0.10mm ID, 0.10µm, 50% diphenyl dimethylpolysiloxane
- Rtx®-CLPesticides, 1.1m (±3cm), 0.10mm ID, 0.10µm, trifluoropropyl containing polymer
- Stabilwax®, 1.1m (±3cm), 0.10mm ID, 0.10µm, polar polyethylene glycol
- Rt®-LC350, 1.1m (±3cm), 0.15mm ID, 0.10µm, liquid crystalline phase selective for aromatic compounds

Description	Length	qty.	Cat.#	Price	Wish list	Cart
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0.10µm df						
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0.10µm df						
Stabilwax	1.1m (±3cm)	ea.	15102		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Rtx-CLPesticides	1.1m (±3cm)	ea.	15103		<input type="checkbox"/>	
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