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Restek HPLC Column	End Cap?	Pore Size (Å)	Carbon load (%)	Applications	Chromatographic Properties	Similar Phases	USP Code	Page #
Pinnacle™ DB C18	Υ	140	11	Hydrophobic C18 phase suitable for analyses of a wide range of compounds, from acidic through slightly basic.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek. Monomeric C18 bonding.	Hypersil® BDS C18, Zorbax® Eclipse XDB-C18, Spherisorb® ODS	Ll	310
Pinnacle™ DB Aqueous C18	_	140	6	Ideal for applications that require highly aqueous mobile phases, such as organic acids and water-soluble vitamins.	Highly selective phase for polar analytes. Compatible with highly aqueous (up to 100%) mobile phases. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Aquasil C18, AQUA® C18, Hypersil® Gold AQ, YMC® ODS-Aq	Ll	313
Pinnacle™ DB C8	Υ	140	6	Applications similar to Pinnacle™ DB C18, but with less hydrophobic retention. Less retention can be useful for shortening analysis time, if resolution is adequate.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek. Monomeric C8 bonding. Similar to Pinnacle™ DB C18, but the shorter alkyl chain provides less hydrophobic retention.	Hypersil® BDS C8, Spherisorb® C8	L7	310
Pinnacle [™] DB PFP Propyl	Υ	140	6	Exhibits excellent peak shapes for a wide range of compounds, including nucleosides, nucleotides, and halogenated compounds.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek. Unique pentafluorophenyl phase with a propyl spacer.	Discovery® HS F5	L43	312
Pinnacle™ DB Biphenyl	Υ	140	8	Excellent choice for the analysis of steroids, tetracyclines, drug metabolites, and other compounds that contain some degree of unsaturation.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek. Unique reversed phase material that displays both increased retention and selectivity for aromatic and/or unsaturated compounds when compared to conventional alkyl and phenyl phases.	Unique	L11	312
Pinnacle™ DB Cyano	Υ	140	4	Suitable for a wide range of compounds, from acidic through slightly basic. Also useful for confirmation of analyses on a C18 or C8 column. Can be used in normal phase or reversed phase mode of separation.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek. Cyano bonding.	Hypersil® BDS Cyano, Spherisorb® Cyano, Zorbax® Eclipse XDB-CN	L10	311
Pinnacle™ DB Phenyl	Υ	140	5.3	Suitable for polar aromatic compounds, fatty acids, purines and pyrimidines.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek. Phenyl bonding.	Hypersil® BDS Phenyl, Spherisorb® Phenyl Zorbax® Eclipse XDB-Phenyl	Lll	311
Pinnacle™ DB Silica		140	_	Normal phase mode of separation.	Highly base-deactivated spherical silica manufactured by Restek.		L3	313
Pinnacle™ II C18	Υ	110	13	Superior general purpose C18 for non-basic analytes.	Intermediate carbon load and surface area, suitable for a wide range of neutral to acidic compounds. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Hypersil® ODS	Ll	314
Pinnacle™ II PAH	Υ	110		Maximum resolution of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons.	Proprietary stationary phase; resolves 16 PAHs in US EPA Method 610. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Unique	_	314
Pinnacle™ II C8	Υ	110	7	Superior general purpose C8 for non-basic analytes.	Provides shorter retention times for hydrophobic compounds than C18. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Hypersil® C8	L7	315
Pinnacle™ II Cyano	Υ	110	4	Superior general purpose cyano for weakly-basic analytes. Used in either normal or reversed phase analyses.	More rugged than bare silica for normal phase analyses. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Hypersil® CPS	L10	315
Pinnacle™ II Phenyl	Υ	110	6	Superior general purpose phenyl for neutral analytes.	Offers unique selectivity versus traditional alkyl chain phases, especially for aromatic compounds. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Hypersil® Phenyl	L11	316
Pinnacle™ II Amino	N	110	2	Excellent general purpose amino phase. Excellent choice for carbohydrate analysis.	Silica manufactured by Restek.	Hypersil® APS 2 Amino, Spherisorb® Amino	L8	316
Pinnacle™ II Biphenyl	Υ	110		Multiple aromatic ring structures; excellent for explosives.	Silica manufactured by Restek. Unique biphenyl phase.	Unique	Lll	317
Pinnacle™ II Silica	_	110	_	Ideal for polar analytes.	Superior value phase for normal phase separation of polar analytes. Lower retention than Ultra C18. Silica manufactured by Restek.	Hypersil® Silica	L3	317
Allure® C18	Υ	60	27	Ideal for MS and light-scattering detection of neutral to slightly polar solutes. Separates basic compounds, showing good deactivation; excellent for explosives or steroids.	Most retentive phase for hydrophobic and slightly polar analytes. Mobile phase containing higher percentage of organic modifier contributes to higher sensitivity in ESI-based LC/MS.	Ultracarb® C18, BetaMax® Neutral, Discovery® C18	Ll	318
Allure® Aqueous C18	N	60	_	Ideal for analyses that require >90% water in the mobile phase. Excellent for highly water soluble or poorly organic soluble compounds. Excellent for water-soluble vitamins and organic acids. More retention than Ultra Aqueous columns.	Highly retentive and selective for reversed phase separations of polar analytes. Highly base deactivated. Compatible with highly aqueous (up to 100%) mobile phases.	Unique	Ll	319
Allure® AK	Υ	60	_	Ideal for the analysis of aldehydes and ketones as DNPH derivatives.	Highly retentive, highly selective phase, developed specifically for the analysis of aldehydes and ketones as DNPH derivatives.	Unique	_	321
Allure® Basix	Υ	60	12	Ideal for LC/MS of basic solutes. Excellent for basic pharmaceuticals or other amine-containing compounds.	Highly retentive phase for analytes containing amino functionality.	BetaMax® Base, Maxsil™ CN	L10	318
Allure® PFP Propyl	Υ	60	17	Ideal for MS, ELSD, or NPD detection of nucleosides, nucleotides, purines, pyrimidines, or halogenated compounds.	A pentafluorophenyl phase with a propyl spacer. Highly retentive for basic analytes. Excellent for beta-blockers, halogenated compounds, nucleosides, nucleotides, pyridines, pyrimidines, tricyclic antidepressants.	Discovery® HS F5	L43	319
Allure® Organic Acids	N	60		Excellent resolution of challenging organic acids.	Single 30cm column performs equally to two C18 columns in series. (AOAC Method 986.13)	Unique	_	320
Allure® Biphenyl	Υ	60	23	Multiple ring structure; excellent for aromatic and unsaturated compounds. Increased retention over traditional phenyl phases.	High purity, highly retentive phase for aromatic and unsaturated compounds.	Unique	L11	320
Allure® Silica		60		Highly retentive phase for normal phase separation.	High purity, highly retentive phase for normal phase separation of polar analytes. Very high surface area.	Maxsil™ Si	L3	321
Ultra C18	γ	100	20	Ideal for anilines, barbiturates, carbonyls, fat-soluble vitamins, fatty acids, glycerides, phthalates, PTH amino acids, steroids, other acids.	A very retentive, high-purity phase that exhibits excellent peak shape for a wide range of compounds. Recommended as a general purpose reversed phase column.	Discovery® C18, Symmetry® C18, Hypersil® Gold C18, Luna® C18, Zorbax® C18, Kromasil® C18, LiChrospher RP®-18, Inertsil® ODS-2, Develosil® C18	Ll	322
Ultra Aqueous C18	N	100	15	Ideal for analyses that require >90% water in the mobile phase. Excellent for highly water soluble or poorly organic soluble compounds. Excellent for water-soluble vitamins and organic acids.	Highly retentive and selective for reversed phase separations of polar analytes. Highly base deactivated. Compatible with highly aqueous (up to 100%) mobile phases.	AQUA® C18, Aquasil C18, Hypersil® Gold AQ, YMC® ODS-Aq	Ll	323
Ultra IBD	N	100	12	A polar group assists in deactivating surface silanols and contributes to unique separation selectivities for acids, bases, zwitterions, and other polar compounds.	One of a group of intrinsically base-deactivated (IBD) phases, with a polar group within, or intrinsic to, the alkyl bonded phase. Provides unique selectivity and high level of base deactivation while reducing or eliminating the need for mobile phase additives.	SymmetryShield, Discovery® ABZ & ABZ+, Prism™	_	323
Ultra C8	Υ	100	12	Selectivity and peak shape similar to Ultra C18, but less hydrophobic retention.	Very retentive, high-purity, base-deactivated reversed phase packing that exhibits excellent peak shape for a wide range of compounds.	Luna® C8, Symmetry® C8, Hypersil® Gold C8	L7	322
Ultra C4	Υ	100	9	Ideal for peptides and small proteins.	Exceptionally stable C4 packing, with high bonding coverage and silanol base-deactivation. Exhibits shorter retention than C18 or C8 phases.	Supelcosil™ Butyl (C4), Delta-Pak™ C4	L26	324
Ultra C1	_	100	5	Alternative selectivity to Ultra C18 or C8 columns, especially for polar analytes. Shortest chain alkyl phase available for reversed phase separations.	Exceptionally stable C1 packing resists hydrolysis, even under acidic mobile phase conditions. Least retentive reversed phase hydrocarbon packing.	Spherisorb® Cl	L13	324
Ultra Cyano	Υ	100	8	Excellent for basic pharmaceuticals, steroids (normal or reversed phase conditions), or other basic compounds.	High-purity cyano phase with reduced silanol activity. Often a better choice than C18 for basic pharmaceuticals. Cyano is the most stable bonded phase for normal phase mode.	Platinum™ CN, Develosil® Cyano, Luna® CN, Hypersil® Gold CN	L10	325
Ultra Phenyl	Υ	100	10	Ideal for fatty acids, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, purines and pyrimidines, and polar aromatics.	High-purity, highly retentive, base-deactivated phase with alternate selectivity to hydrocarbon phases, especially for aromatic analytes.	Platinum™ Phenyl, Supelcosil™ Phenyl, Betasil® Phenyl	L11	325
Ultra Amino	N	100	2	Superior general purpose amino phase. Ideal for carbohydrates.	Recommended for normal phase analyses of mono- and disaccharides and other similar compounds. Can also serve as a weak anion exchanger, with aqueous buffers.	Platinum™ Amino, Develosil® NH2	L8	326
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