

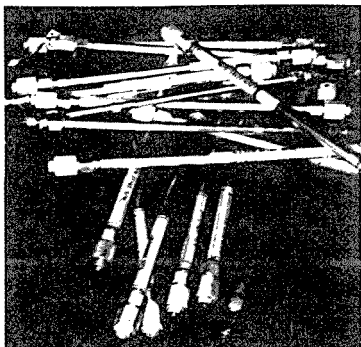
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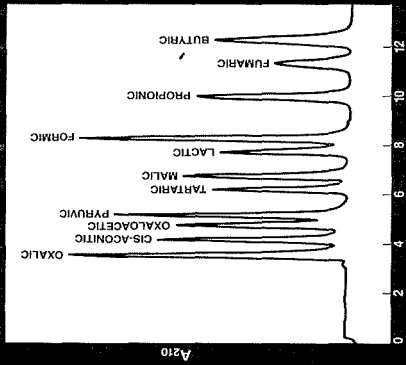
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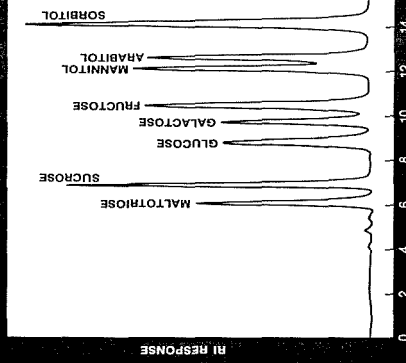
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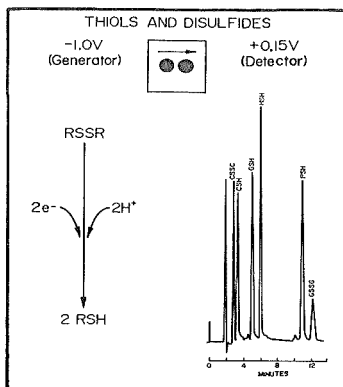
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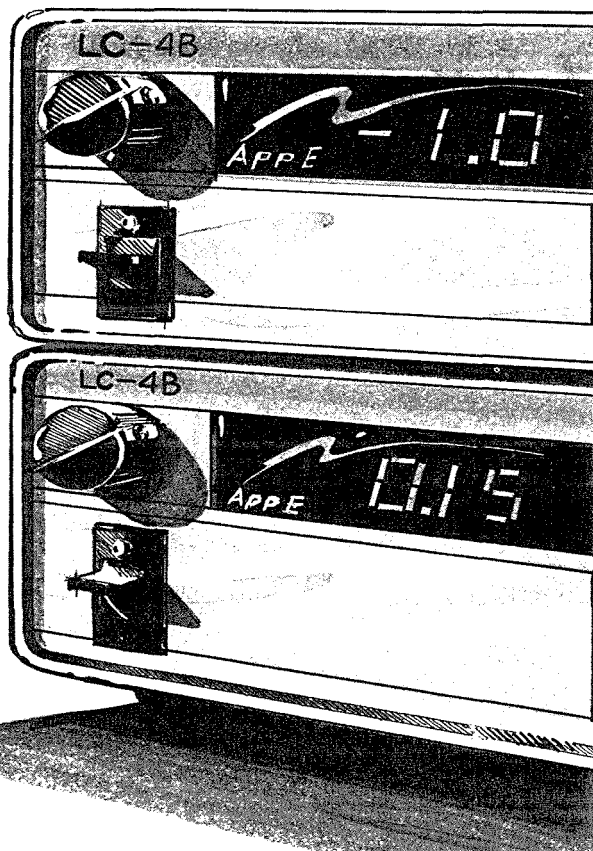
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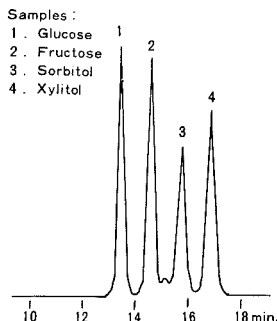
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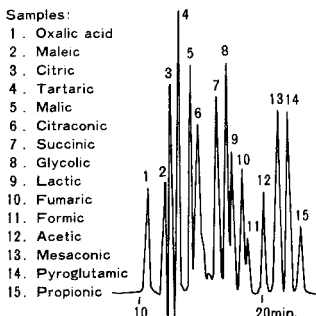
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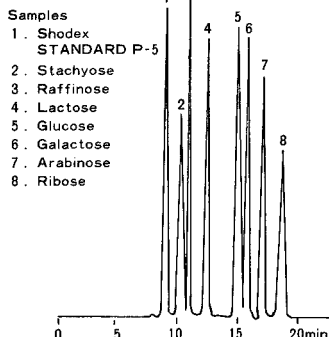
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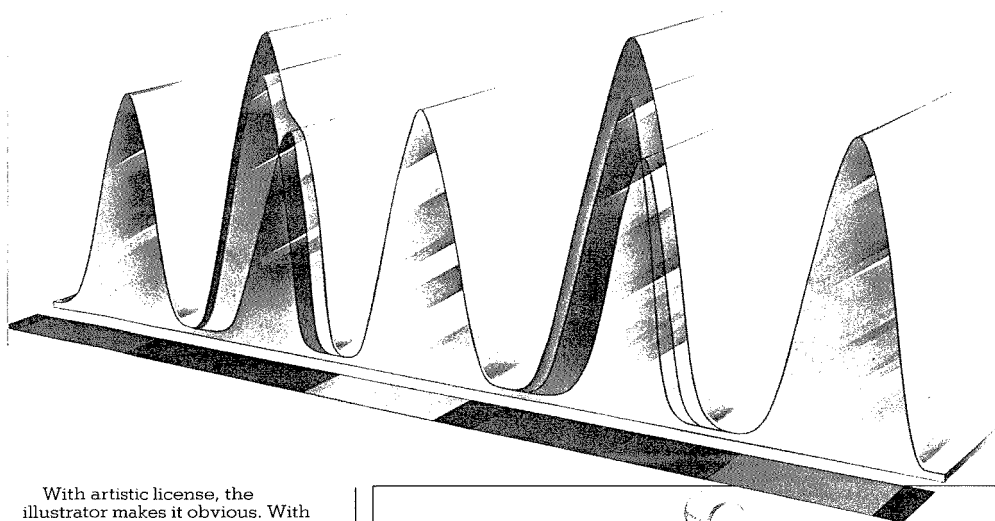
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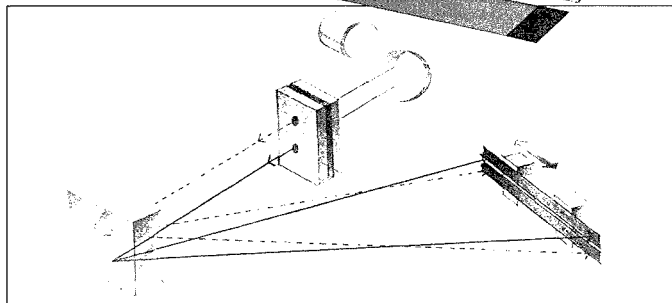
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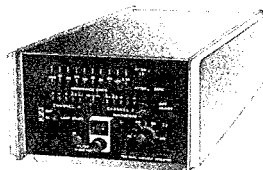
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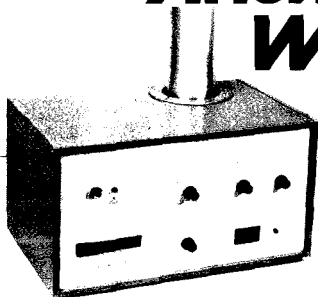
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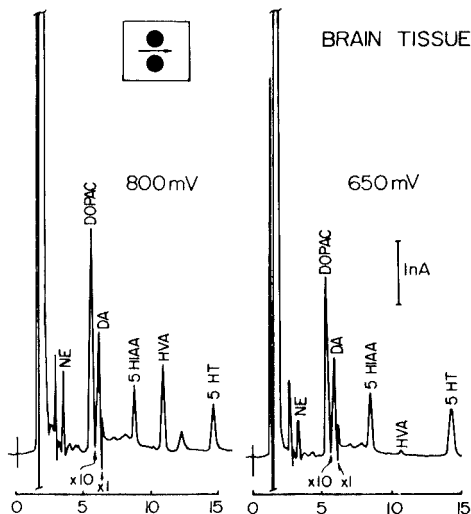
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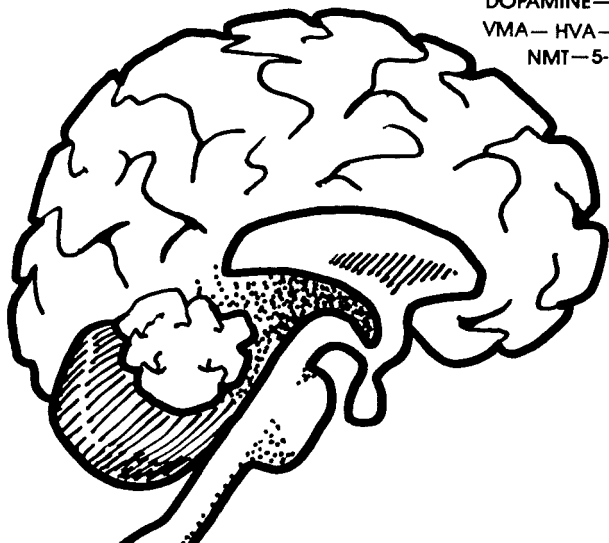
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ABSTRACT

Commercially available packed microbore columns have been used to demonstrate the potential of microbore high performance liquid chromatography (micro-LC) systems. The necessity of optimizing the chromatographic system for micro-LC is demonstrated using sulfa drugs and antibiotic standards, and some of the advantages of micro-LC such as high mass sensitivity are shown. Finally micro-LC has been used for the determination of two drugs, reserpine and trichlormethiazide in biological fluids.

INTRODUCTION

There is increasing interest in the use of reduced diameter (microbore) columns for HPLC, and there are a number of reported advantages from these systems [1]. Economy of both solvent and packing material is possible due to the reduced dimensions of the HPLC system. High mass sensitivity and high speed separations can be obtained, and high efficiencies achieved by packing long

columns or joining columns together [2]. The decreased mobile phase flow rate increases the compatibility for interfacing a micro-LC system to a mass spectrometer [3], in addition to other mass sensitive detectors. Much work has been carried out using packed microbore 1mm i.d. columns [1,2]. Columns of even smaller i.d. have also been used for HPLC eg open tubular [4] and packed [5,6] capillary columns.

In this work some of the practical considerations are shown for setting up a micro-LC system using commercially available 1mm i.d. packed columns. The apparatus used is based upon commercially available equipment designed for conventional HPLC, i.e. columns of 4.6 mm i.d. and flow rates of 1-2 mL min⁻¹. However, equipment used for micro-LC must be modified to incorporate low dead volumes. For example, if a flow rate of 40 μ L min⁻¹ is used a dead volume of 20 μ L in the detector would have a marked effect on peak resolution totally independent of the separating power of the column. Thus the injection volume, detector cell volume and connecting tube volumes are all important and must be minimized.

A sulphonamide drug mixture was used to determine the effect of the detector cell volume on the micro-LC system and to demonstrate picogram on-column sensitivity. Mixtures of standard antibiotics were used to

demonstrate the effect of mobile phase flow rate and injection volume on the system. Finally, two biological applications are shown for the determination of reserpine and trichlormethiazide in equine urine.

EXPERIMENTAL

Apparatus

The basic chromatographic system used in this work is similar to that previously described [3,7]. It consists of a modified Waters M-660 solvent programmer [8] and two Waters M-6000A pumps (part no 98470; Waters Associates, Milford, MA), delivering flow rates of 10-999 $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$. The output from the two pumps is delivered directly to the inlet port of a valve loop injector. Two valve loop injector designs have been used. The first injector utilized was a Valco submicroliter injector (Part No. AH-CFSV -4-UHPA-N60, Valco Inc., Houston, TX) that was manually actuated. Later improvements included the addition of an air actuator (Part No. AH3-60) and an electronic actuator (Part No. ECF5V.5). The Valco injector equipped with a 0.5 μL loop did not provide routine reliability with either manual, air or electronic actuation.

A Rheodyne Model 7410 submicroliter injector (Rheodyne Inc., Cotati, CA) equipped with a 0.5 μL loop and manually actuated was installed in the micro-LC system. This injector has performed reliably for

two years with only routine maintenance. Controlled experiments for reproducibility of injection volume and ghosting were very satisfactory.

A number of packed microbore (1 mm i.d.) reversed-phase HPLC columns were used in this work; a) Alltech Associates, C₁₈, 50 cm, Part No. 1740, Deerfield, IL; b) Chrompack, C₁₈, 50 cm, Part No. 25755, The Netherlands; c) CM Laboratories, C₁₈, 50 cm Nutley, NJ; d) Whatman, ODS-3, 25 cm Part No. 4240-128, Clifton, NJ; e) P. Kucera, Zorbax, 50 cm. Hoffman-LaRoche, Nutley, NJ. In order to minimize dead volume the micro-LC column is connected directly to the outlet port of the injector and detector for columns a,b,c, and e. However, due to incompatibility of fittings, a small length of 0.004 in i.d. tubing (Part No. 3031; Alltech Associates, Deerfield, IL) was used for connecting column d to the injector and detector. In all cases 2 mm frits were positioned at the column inlet to prevent column particulates from entering the injector, and at the column outlet to prevent loss of packing material into the detector cell. Dirty or clogged frits cause a gradual increase in pressure in the system. This can be corrected by removing the frit and immersing it in methanol in an ultrasonic bath, or if the frit is part of the column, placing the end of the column in methanol in the ultrasonic bath. This can be

prevented to a certain extent by prefiltration of solvents and sample solution before use.

A Waters Model 440 fixed wavelength (254 nm) UV detector was used for this work equipped with either a regular detector cell (approximately 12 μ L volume) or a "micro-cell" (approximately 1 μ L volume: Part No. 97212 Waters Assoc.), similar to that previously described by Hermansson [9].

The formation of air bubbles in the micro-LC system can lead to troublesome problems in the UV detector, and they can arise in a number of ways. Any leaks in the HPLC hardware must be eliminated since anywhere that solvent leaks out air can leak in. Dissolved gases in the solvents themselves are minimized by continuous helium sparging [10]. Sometimes bubbles arise upon mixing pure methanol and pure water in the mixing chamber. If this is a problem it can often be overcome by pre-mixing, for example, 10% methanol in the water prior to use. A new microbore column or one which has not been used recently will often have air trapped within it although reversed phase columns should be stored in methanol. It has been found that the best method of eliminating this is to pump pure methanol through the column for a period of time. The pressure drop which occurs after the HPLC effluent leaves the detector is often sufficient to cause formation of bubbles in

the cell. In most cases it is advisable to have some source of back pressure on the cell. This can be accomplished in a number of ways. For example, an old HPLC column connected to the exit of the detector cell will provide sufficient back pressure to preclude outgassing of the eluent while it is passing through the detector cell.

Solvents and Samples

The solvents used in this work were distilled-in-glass methanol and acetonitrile (Burdick and Jackson, Muskegon, MI) and HPLC grade water (J.T. Baker Co., Phillipsburg, NJ). The solvents are suction filtered through a 0.2 μm pore size Millipore filter (Part No. GVMP 0270; Millipore Corp., Bedford, MA) and stored in clean, 500 mL glass bottles. Samples are dissolved in the HPLC eluent whenever possible and filtered through a 0.45 μm disposable filter (Part No. SLHVO25NS; Millipore Corp.) before use.

The sulfa drug standards were obtained from commercially available sources. The antibiotic samples were obtained from The Upjohn Co., (Kalamazoo, MI) Trichlormethiazide (Naquasone; Shering Corp., Bloomfield, NJ) was administered orally (400 mg) to a standardbred horse, and urine samples were collected as has been previously described [3]. Extraction and preliminary sample clean up of trichlormethiazide administration

and spiked urine samples were performed as previously described for hydrochlorothiazide [11]. Hydrochlorothiazide (Merck, Sharp and Dohme, West Point, PA) was used as the internal standard and standard trichlormethiazide was obtained by extraction from a pharmaceutical preparation (Naquasone).

Extraction of Reserpine from Equine Plasma

Samples of control equine plasma (4 mL) were spiked with 10-50 ng/mL reserpine (Aldrich Chem. Co., Milwaukee, WI) and extracted with 5 mL of trisolvent (Hexane:dichloromethane:ether, 1:1:1) for 5 min in screw cap test tubes on a Roto Rack at 60 rpm. After centrifugation the organic layer was transferred to a clean test tube and concentrated to dryness in a 65°C water bath under a gentle stream of nitrogen. The residue was redissolved in 50 µL of methanol for micro-LC.

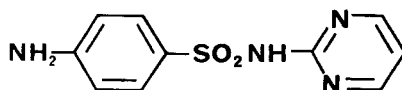
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

a) Effect of Detector Cell Volume Upon Chromatographic Separations

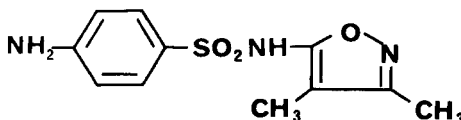
The conventional Waters UV detector is equipped with a detector cell volume of approximately 12 µL. The low flow rates used for micro-LC would generate considerable band broadening from this large cell volume. The results from this conventional LC cell has been compared to that of a "micro-cell" of approximately 1 µL cell volume.

Table 1 Sulfonamide sulfadugs: sulfadiazine (1), sulfisoxazole (2) and sulfadimethoxine

1. Sulfadiazine



2. Sulfisoxazole



3. Sulfadimethoxine

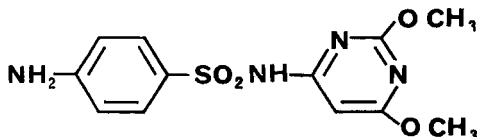


Figure 1 shows the separation of three sulfa drugs (Table 1) sulfadiazine (1), sulfisoxazole (2), and sulfadimethoxine (3), using the 12 μ L volume cell (Fig. 1a) and the micro-cell (Fig. 1b). It can be seen that significantly better efficiency is obtained using the micro-cell. Table 2 summarizes the separation parameters obtained using both cells. The peak asymmetry (A_s), resolution (R_s) and plate counts ($N_{\frac{1}{2}pkht}$ or N_5) are all increased by using the micro-cell. It was also found that at lower levels eg. approximately 20 pg of sulfa drug injected on column, the first peak, sulfadiazine (1) could not be distinguished from the solvent peaks using the conventional cell, although it was easily observed using the micro cell.

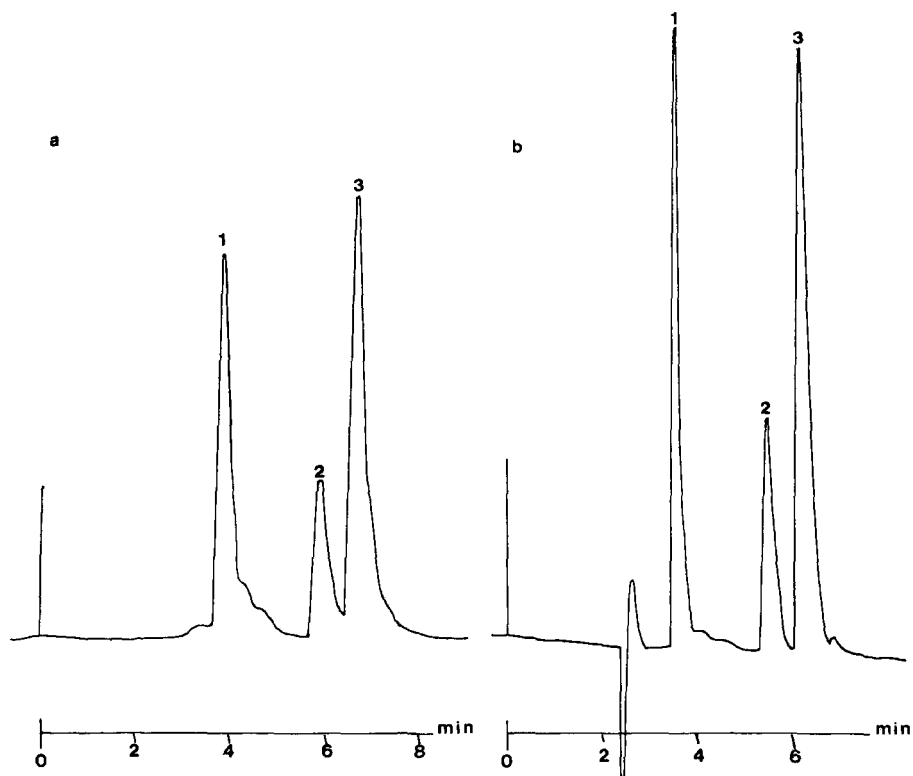


Fig. 1 The separation of three sulfa drugs (1, 2 and 3; 16.5 ng of each), using a) detector cell volume 12 μL and b) detector cell volume 1 μL (micro cell). Conditions: column, Whatman ODS-3 25 cm x 1 mm I.D.; mobile phase, acetonitrile: water, 4:6 (v:v); flow rate, 40 $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$; injection volume, 0.5 μL .

Table 2 Micro-LC separation parameters for the sulfadrugs in Table 1 using the conventional Waters Model 440 12 μ L detector cell and a modified 1 μ L micro-LC detector cell. The micro-LC column and conditions were as in Figure 1

	12 μ L Cell				1 μ L Cell			
	As	$N_{1/2}$	N_5	Rs	As	$N_{1/2}$	N_5	Rs
Sulfadiazine	2.75	1942	1892	2.50	2.14	2449	2970	4.04
Sulfisoxazole	2.09	2106	2916		1.40	3219	3540	
Sulfadimethoxine	2.60	2116	2070	1.09	1.50	2959	2652	1.46
Av. plates/meter		8467	9168			11503	12216	

As = asymmetry

$N_{1/2}$ = number of plates per column based on peak width measured at half peak height

$N_{5\sigma}$ = number of plates per column based on peak width measured at 4.4% of peak height

Rs = resolution

The plate counts shown in Table 2 are not as high as might be expected from micro-LC columns. This work was carried out on one of the earliest micro-LC columns available in the laboratory, which had already seen significant usage. Also, the sulfa drugs are polyfunctional molecules with a number of active sites and are more likely to have peak tailing than the aromatic mixtures supplied with the column which generate approximately 10,000-20,000 plates per column. Similar results to these have been previously shown using three different sulfadruugs, and these examples also illustrate the benefit of reducing the detector cell volume [9].

b) Sensitivity

High mass sensitivity is one of the advantages of micro-LC. The same sample concentration was used for both micro-LC and conventional LC eg. $1 \mu\text{g } \mu\text{L}^{-1}$. The volume of the eluted peak by conventional LC was approximately 1 mL so that a mass of 0.5 μg can be detected—assuming the concentrations at peak maximum is twice the average peak concentration. If the peak volume eluted using micro-LC is 50 μL , then the mass to be placed on the column to produce a similar detector response need only be 25 ng [1]. It has been proposed by Scott and Kucera [2] that micro-LC is approximately 21 times more sensitive than conventional LC for columns packed under the same conditions. Since sensitivity

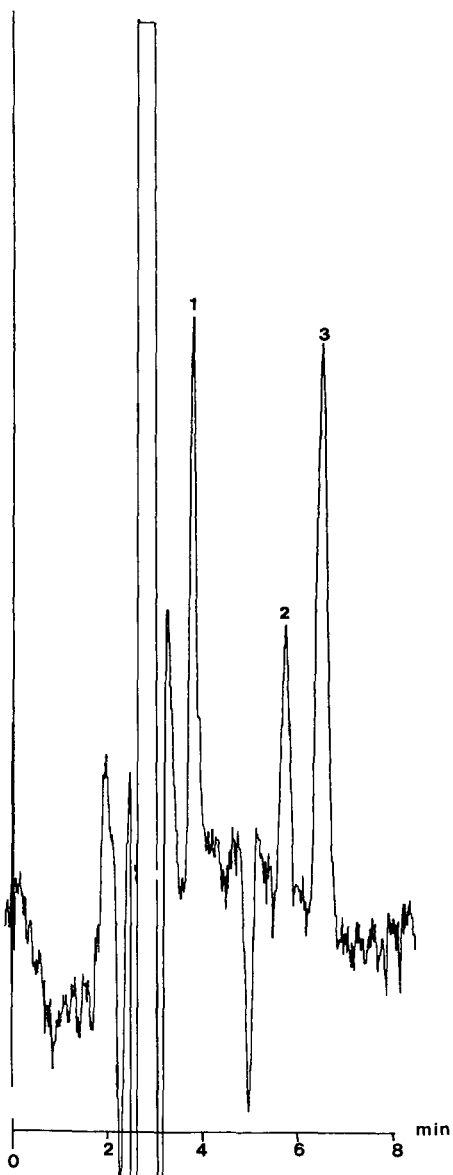


Fig. 2 The separation of 16.5 pg each of the three sulfa drugs (1, 2 and 3). HPLC conditions as Fig. 1; 1 μ L volume microcell.

is dependent on the peak volume and thus the column efficiency, very high efficiency columns will provide decreased peak volumes resulting in higher sensitivity. Figure 2 shows the separation of three sulfa drugs with 16.5 pg of each injected on column with a signal to noise ratio of 7:1.

The amount of sample which can be injected onto a microbore column is a limiting factor in this work since sample size greatly affects the efficiency of a micro-LC separation (ref. section d). For example, in Figure 2 the injection volume was 0.5 μ L of a 33 ppb solution. If a conventional LC column (4.6 mm i.d.) had been used an injection volume of eg. 10-25 μ L could be used. Thus for the same sample 330-825 pg could be injected onto the column. Since at least 20 times more sample can be injected on to the column, this somewhat negates the sensitivity advantage obtained using micro-LC. However, for many applications eg. determination of drugs in biological fluids or tissues, often only a very small sample size is available.

If very dilute samples eg 1 ppb or less, are examined some method of sample pre-concentration is required. In one report using pre-concentration [7], 1 ppb of acetophenone was detected. However, a 10 mL sample was used and this is equivalent to 10 ng of acetophenone on column. Since we have seen appreciable

signal with less than 20 pg of the sulfa drugs injected on column, a similar sample pre-concentration system could provide ppt detection limits.

Another advantage of using some kind of sample pre-concentration system is that it can include a method of eliminating extraneous matter such as proteins and lipids from biological samples before they are introduced onto the microbore column. This eliminates an extraction procedure which should speed analysis time and reduce the possible sources of error in a system.

c) Effect of Flow Rate on Separation

The separation of the three standard antibiotics nodusmicin (4), nargenicin (5) and 18-deoxynargenicin (6), at flow rates of $30 \mu\text{Lmin}^{-1}$ is shown in Figure 3. Although approximately equal amounts of the three antibiotics were injected on column, a significantly reduced UV response for (4) is seen presumably due to the absence of the large chromophoric R_2 group (ref. Table 3).

The flow rate of the HPLC eluent can markedly affect the plate count (N) of an HPLC column and it has been demonstrated for microbore columns that the HETP value decreases with decreasing mobile phase velocity [2]. Table 4 shows the values of N obtained for the last peak (6) in Figure 3 and the resolution R_s of peaks 5 and 6, obtained at flow rates of 10-110 μLmin^{-1} . It can be seen that both plate count and reso-

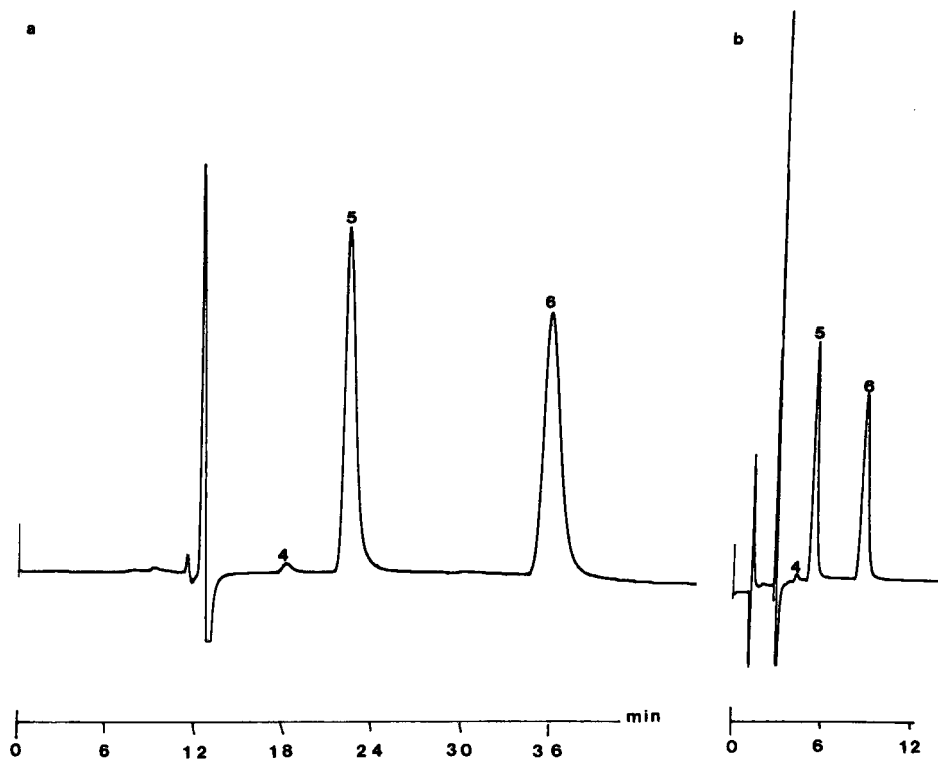
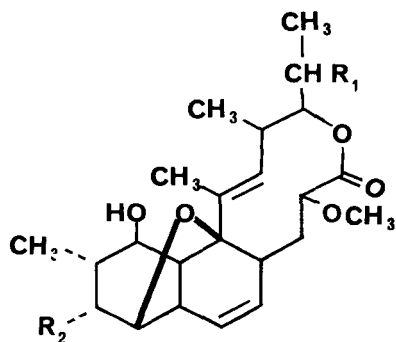


Fig. 3 The separation of three antibiotics (4, 5 and 6; 55 µg of each) at a) 30 µL min⁻¹ and b) 90 µL min⁻¹.
Conditions: column, Whatman ODS-3 25 cm x 1 mm I.D.; mobile phase, methanol: water, 7:3 (v:v); injection volume 0.5 µL; 1 µL volume micro-cell.

Table 3 Structures of nodusmicin (4), nargenicin (5) and 18-deoxynargenicin



	R_1	R_2	
4. Nodusmicin	— OH	— OH	
5. Nargenicin	— OH] — O — CO —	
6. 18-deoxynargenicin	— H		

lution increase with decreasing flow rate, reaching maximum values at around $30 \mu\text{Lmin}^{-1}$. The results obtained at $10 \mu\text{L min}^{-1}$ show decreased N and R_s . This is possibly due to unreliability of the pump performance at these very slow flow rates rather than column performance.

Thus, for this micro-LC system the optimum flow rate for N and R_s is approximately $30 \mu\text{Lmin}^{-1}$. In general, $40 \mu\text{Lmin}^{-1}$ has been used for the majority of the work shown in this paper since this appears to give acceptable plate counts, and HPLC separations generally within 30 min. Also, $40 \mu\text{Lmin}^{-1}$ of eluent has been found to produce a tolerable pressure for interfacing

Table 4 Plate count (N) and resolution comparison for 18-deoxynargenicin (6) in the mixture shown in Figure 4 at varying eluent flow rates (10–110 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$) using a 0.5 μL injector loop volume (a) and at 40 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$ eluent flow rate using the 5.0 μL injector loop volume (b)

Flow Rate ($\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$)	N Column (peak 6)	Rs (between 5 and 6)
10 ^a	2500	6.71
30 ^a	4700	6.14
50 ^a	3700	5.2
50 ^b	600	1.9
70 ^a	2900	4.9
90 ^a	2400	4.6
110 ^a	1873	3.7

a. 0.5 μL injector loop, Rheodyne Model 7410

b. 5.0 μL injector loop, Rheodyne Model 7410

the micro-LC system to a mass spectrometer for micro LC/MS [3].

d) Effect of Injection Volume on Separations

Figure 4 shows a comparison of the separation of the three standard antibiotics 4, 5 and 6, using a 0.5 μL injection volume (4a) and a 5 μL injection volume (4b). The same mass of sample was injected on column in both cases.

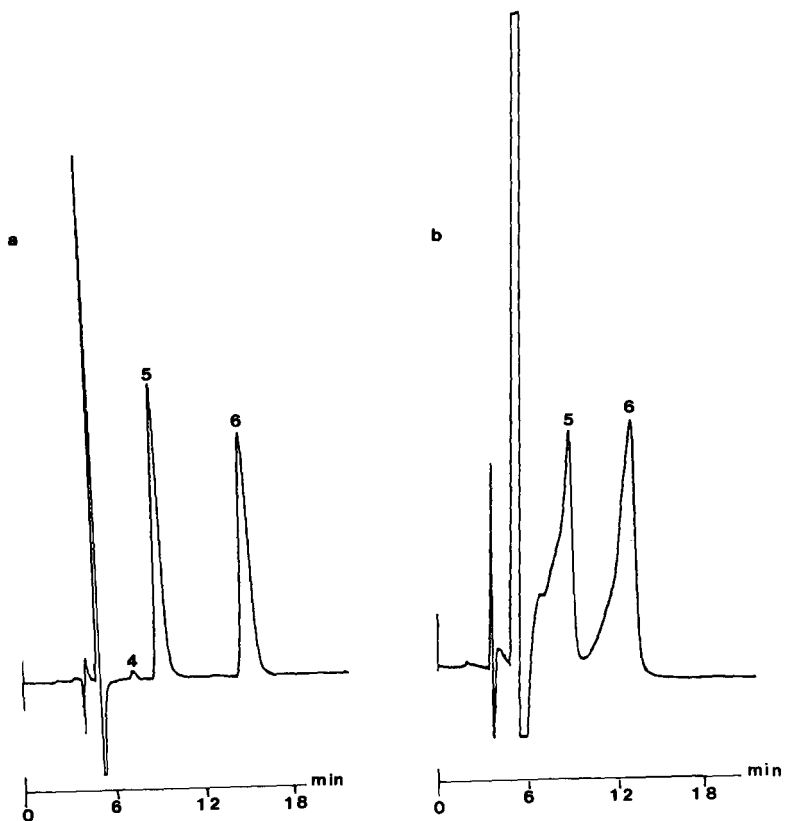
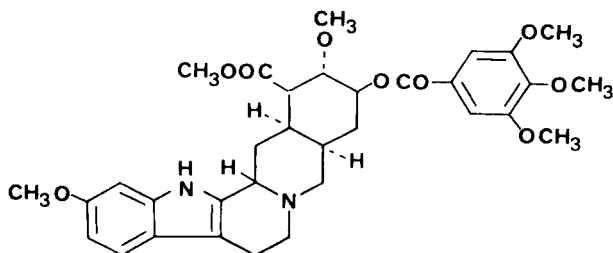


Fig. 4 The separation of three antibiotics (4,5 and 6 Using a) injection volume 0.5 μL of 110 $\text{ng}/\mu\text{L}$ of 4,5 and 6, and b) injection volume of 5 μL of 11 $\text{ng}/\mu\text{L}$ of 4,5 and 6. HPLC conditions as Fig. 3; flow rate 50 $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$.

Table 4 shows a comparison of plate counts for the last peak in Figure 4, 18-deoxynargenicin (6), at flow rates ranging from 10-110 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$ utilizing the antibiotic mixture and micro-LC conditions shown in Figure 4. Table 4 also shows the resolution of the last two components (5 and 6) as a function of micro-LC flow rate using the 0.5 μL injector loop for flow rates of 10, 30, 50, 70, 90 and 110 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$ and the analogous data for the 5.0 μL injector loop at 50 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$. The corresponding plate count and resolution at 50 $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$, for example, resulting from the use of the 0.5 and the 5.0 μL injector loop clearly documents the loss of chromatographic performance when the larger sample volume is injected onto the micro-LC column. The maximum sample which can be injected onto a chromatographic column without causing band broadening is proportional to the internal diameter of the column. It has been calculated that for a 1 mm x 250 mm i.d. column with approximately 10,000 plates this volume is approximately 1 μL [8].

e) Determination of Reserpine in Equine Plasma

Reserpine (7) is a potential drug of abuse in the horse because it produces a state of indifference to the environment and thus can be used to calm the animal [12]. Its determination in biological fluids is difficult because a sensitive method is not readily avail-



7. Reserpine

able. Using ion-pairing HPLC techniques with fluorescence monitoring, a detection limit of 100 pg of reserpine per mL of plasma was reported [13]. It was thought that the sensitivity afforded by micro-LC should be advantageous in the determination of reserpine.

Figure 5 shows preliminary micro-LC results for the determination of reserpine in equine plasma. Figure 5a is a UV chromatogram of an extract of a control equine plasma and Fig. 5b shows a UV chromatogram of an extract of the same plasma spiked with 50 ng of reserpine. This is equivalent to 500 pg injected on column. 10 ng of reserpine per mL of plasma (ie 400 pg on column) was easily detected. If the extract is taken up in a smaller sample volume, detection limits of the order of high picogram per mL of plasma should be attainable.

These measurements were made using UV detection at 254 nm which is not an absorbance maximum for re-

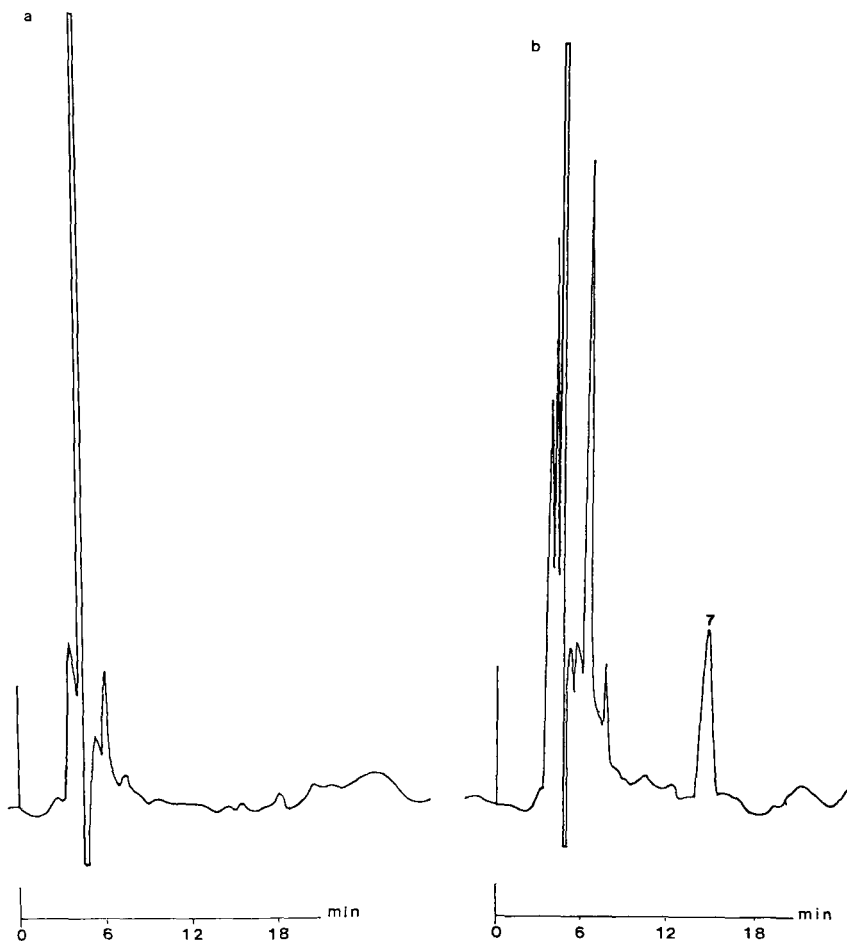
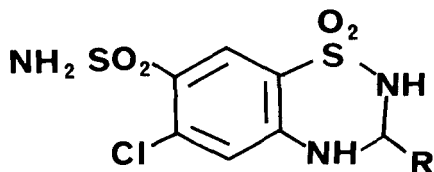


Fig. 5 Micro LC of equine plasma extracts; a) blank extract, and b) spiked with 50 ng reserpine (7) per mL of plasma. Conditions: column, Whatman ODS-3, 30 cm x 1 mm I.D.; mobile phase, methanol: water, 9:1 (v:v); flowrate, $40 \mu\text{L min}^{-1}$; injection volume, $0.5 \mu\text{L}$; $1 \mu\text{L}$ volume micro-cell.

Table 5 Structures of the diuretics trichlormethiazide (8) and hydrochlorothiazide (9)



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| 8. Trichlormethiazide | - CHCl ₂ |
| 9. Hydrochlorothiazide | - H |

serpine (μ_{\max} 216, 267, 295 nm; E 617,000; 17,000; 10,200). If a 267 nm filter was used the response would be increased. If a micro fluorescence detector was utilized it is likely that increased sensitivity would be available. These preliminary results demonstrate the potential of the technique and at the present time the detection limits for reserpine in plasma by micro-LC are being assessed.

f) Determination of Trichlormethiazide in Equine Urine

Trichlormethiazide (8, Table 5) is a potent thiazide diuretic. A method for its determination in human plasma and urine has been published [14], and also an HPLC assay of hydrochlorothiazide (9, Table 5), another thiazide diuretic found in equine plasma and urine,

using trichlormethiazide as internal standard [11]. In the latter studies trichlormethiazide was determined using hydrochlorthiazide as internal standard.

Figure 6 shows micro-LC UV chromatograms of equine urine extracts. Figure 6a is from an extract of control equine urine and Figure 6b an extract of control urine spiked with 2.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ each of trichlormethiazide and hydrochlorthiazide. A linear calibration of the trichlormethiazide/hydrochlorthiazide ratio based on peak heights ratios, was obtained over the range of 10 ng - 10 μg of trichlormethiazide per mL of urine. Figure 7 shows a preliminary result obtained from the administration of trichlormethiazide to a horse. The urine sample was collected eight hours after oral administration of 400 mg of trichlormethiazide (Naquasone) and the sample was spiked with 500 ng/mL of hydrochlorthiazide. This example was obtained using a different micro-LC column than that used in Figure 6.

CONCLUSIONS

The results shown illustrate that micro-LC using commercially available columns and equipment is a viable analytical tool. The potential of micro-LC for solving many analytical problems is obvious and there are certain advantages over conventional HPLC, particularly if solvent consumption is important or if one is sample limited. The implementation of these techniques to micro

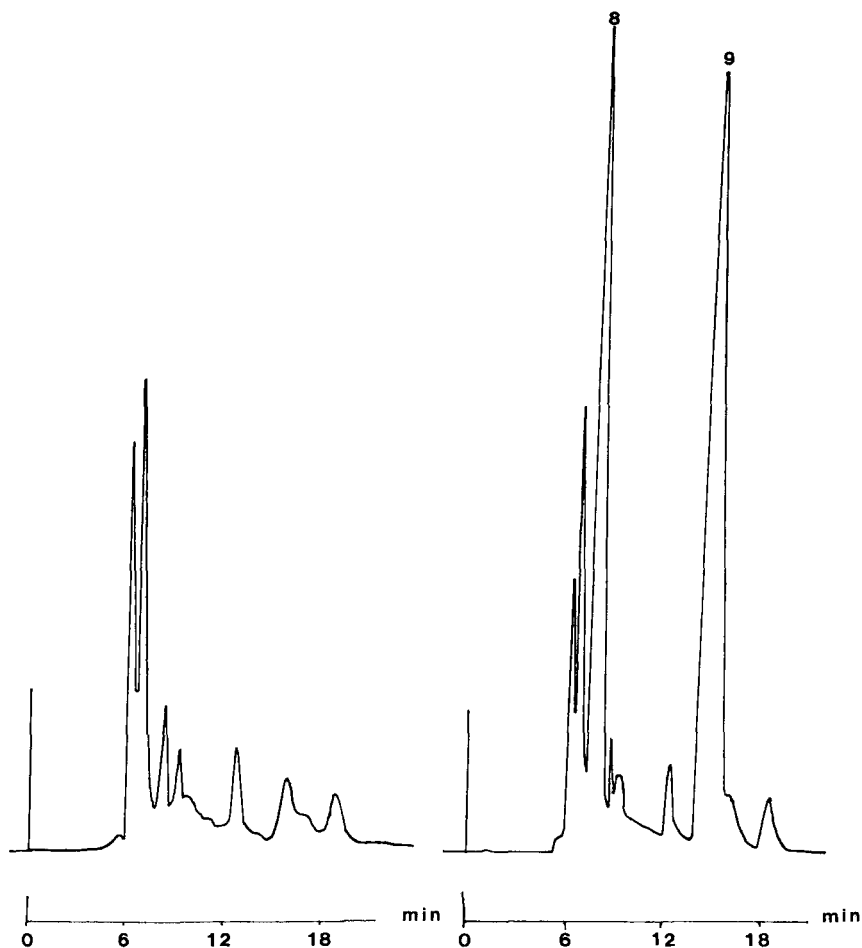


Fig. 6 Micro-LC of equine urine extracts; a) control urine extract and b) extract of control urine spiked with $2.5 \mu\text{g}$ each of trichlormethiazide (8) and hydrochlormethiazide (9) per mL of urine. Conditions: column, Alltech C_{18} , 50 cm x 1 mm; mobile phase, methanol: water, 4:6 (v:v); flow rate, $40 \mu\text{L min}^{-1}$; injection volume, $0.5 \mu\text{L}$; micro cell.

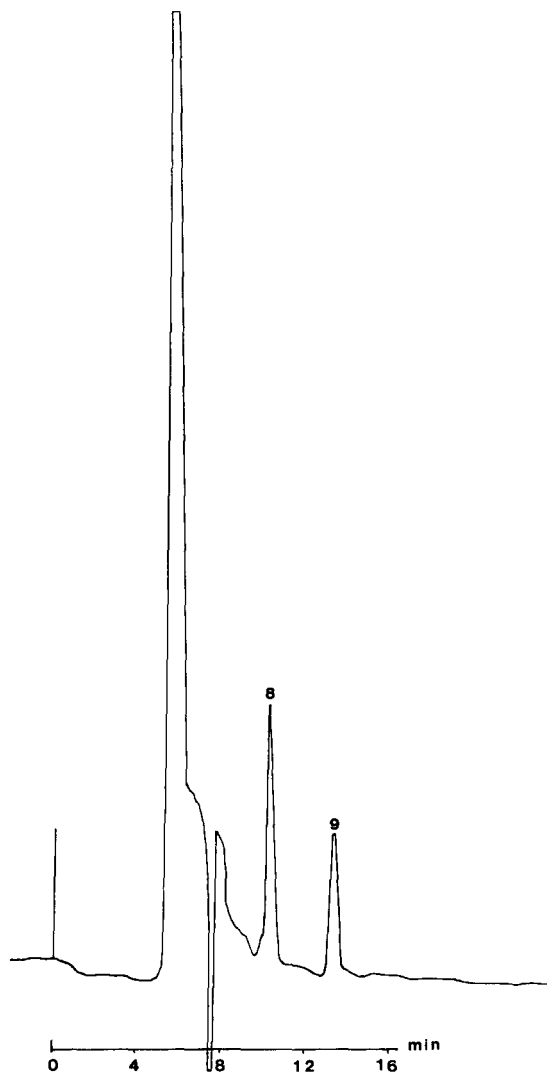


Fig. 7

Extract of equine urine taken 8 hrs after administration of 400 mg of trichlormethiazide (8) to a horse, spiked with 0.5 μg of hydrochlorothiazide per mL of urine. Conditions: column, CM Laboratories, C_{18} , 25 cm x 1 mm i.d.; mobile phase, acetonitrile: water, 35:65 (v:v); flowrate, 40 $\mu\text{L min}^{-1}$; injection volume, 0.5 μL ; 1 μL volume micro-cell.

LC/MS offers the added opportunity for specificity and improved LC/MS sensitivity.

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INSTRUMENTAL BROADENING CORRECTION IN SIZE EXCLUSION
CHROMATOGRAPHY THROUGH FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM TECHNIQUES

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ABSTRACT

This paper shows the practicability of the use of the fast Fourier transform (FFT), with appropriate filtering in the frequency domain, as a means of deconvoluting Tung's integral formula (1). The method is limited to uniform instrumental spreading functions, but presents several important advantages: it is numerically efficient, no assumptions about the shape of the spreading function are made, it eliminates the high-frequency measurement noise components from the corrected chromatogram without modifying the original data, and provides a means of physically interpreting the results.

INTRODUCTION

Most of the methods of correction for instrumental broadening in size exclusion chromatography (SEC) are based on the integral equation proposed by Tung (1):

$$f(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} w(y) g(v,y) dy \quad (1)$$

where v, y : both represent elution volume or elution time;

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- $f(v)$: is the baseline-corrected chromatogram;
- $g(v,y)$: is the unit mass (or normalized) detector response for a truly monodisperse polymer species with mean retention volume y ; and
- $w(v)$: is the corrected chromatogram.

There are two main problems associated to Eqn. (1). The first is related to the calibration, i.e. the determination of $g(v,y)$. The second deals with its solution, i.e. the way of calculating $w(v)$.

With respect to the calibration, and due to the impossibility of fractioning perfectly monodisperse polymers, several techniques have been proposed, e.g.:

- a) methods that utilize low polydispersity standards (2);
- b) methods that employ standards of known molecular weight distribution (3);
- c) the reverse-flow technique (4); and
- d) the recycle technique (5, 6).

In order to solve Eqn. (1), two important simplifications have been generally considered:

- a) Assume the instrumental spreading function $g(v,y)$ to be uniform, i.e. independent of the mean retention volume y (1, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11). With the exception of (7), all these works adopt $g(v)$ Gaussian symmetric, and some of them suggest the possibility of correcting the chromatogram by sections, when the variation of $g(v,y)$ with y is significant.

b) Assume $g(v,y)$ Gaussian symmetric, with its variance dependent on elution volume (12, 13).

Instrumental broadening correction with non-symmetrical, non-uniform calibration functions have been attempted in the early work by Hess and Kratz (2), but as can be deduced from (14), that approach generally leads to ill-conditioned numerical problems. Later on, (15) and (16) propose general methods for solving Eqn. (1), but from the evaluation by (12) with regards to computing time, this last work suggests the convenience of simplifying the corrections methods in order to allow their implementation in relatively small computing systems.

In what follows, the assumption of uniform spreading will be made in which case Eqn. (1) may be written:

$$f(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} w(y) g(v-y) dy \quad (2)$$

Taking Fourier transformations of this convolution integral, one obtains

$$F(v) = W(v) G(v) \quad (3)$$

where

$$F(v) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(v) \exp \left[-\frac{j v v}{2\pi} \right] dv \quad (4)$$

and so on.

Pierce and Armonas (8) and Tung (9) were the first to consider Eqn. (3) with the hypothesis of $g(v)$ Gaussian, and as a means of theoretically obtaining an expression for $w(v)$.

Vladimiroff (17) first suggested the possibility of obtaining $w(v)$ through the FFT algorithms and a discrete equivalent of Eqn. (3); and a theoretical application of this idea was presented in (18). In this last work, a Gaussian spreading function was employed, and a synthetic two-peak distribution was utilized as the "corrected" chromatogram. The main problem exhibited was that the minimum tolerable signal to noise ratio in the chromatogram for good results, was somewhere around the relatively high value of 1000:1; even though the spreading curve was completely noise-free. A filtering procedure consistent in setting to zero all values of $F(v)$ smaller than 0,1% the maximum was used, and the possibility of processing chromatograms with signal to noise ratios greater than 200:1 was suggested. In the present work, a simple but slightly different filtering procedure is proposed; which produces satisfactory results even with experimental spreading curves and chromatograms with signal to noise ratios in the order of 20:1. The technique is particularly useful when the variation of $g(v)$ with y is unimportant and when $g(v)$ is obtained through direct measurement.

THEORY

For numerical work, discrete versions of $f(v)$ and $g(v)$ must be considered. When the sampling interval Δv is taken to be constant, then one can represent these functions by $f(n)$ and $g(n)$, where $v = n \Delta v$ and $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$. As should be apparent from what follows, it is convenient to consider the same total length N in both series, by adding the appropriate number of zeroes to the original data set. Furthermore, note that for the purposes of the

spreading correction, the sampling instant numbers n are displaced with respect to the original chromatogram sampling instants, which are proportional to elution volume or elution time.

The discrete Fourier transform (DFT) of, e.g., $f(n)$ will be:

$$F(m) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) \exp \left[-j \frac{2\pi}{N} m n \right] \quad (5)$$

where $m = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ is the discretized version of the frequency ν , such that $\nu = m \Delta\nu$ with $\Delta\nu$ also constant. Note that $F(0)$ is the cumulative height of $f(n)$. Due to the exponential term in (5), $F(m)$ is periodic with period N . Furthermore, since $f(n)$ is real, the modulus and phase (or the imaginary and real parts) of $F(m)$ are all symmetric with respect to $m = N/2$. Thus, only a semi-period needs to be represented to provide the whole information. When antitransforming $F(m)$ through:

$$f(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} F(m) \exp \left[j \frac{2\pi}{N} m n \right] \quad (6)$$

the reconstructed curve will also be periodic.

A discrete counterpart of the convolution integral given by Eqn. (2) may be written:

$$f(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} w(k) g(n-k) \quad (7)$$

If $w(n)$ and $g(n)$ have N_1 and N_2 non-zero elements each, then the resulting function will have $N_3 = N_1 + N_2 - 1$ non-zero

values. The discrete version of Eqn. (3) is, on the other hand:

$$F(m) = W(m) G(m) \quad (8)$$

Note that when solving this expression, a sufficiently long period N will have to be taken in order to avoid the overlapping of successive periods.

The FFT algorithms, originally described by Cooley and Tuckey (19), but presently available in the major computer languages and in practically every computer library, is a highly efficient means of numerically solving Eqns. (5) and (6). When this algorithm is employed however, the period N must also verify:

$$N = 2^k \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots) \quad (9)$$

In practice, at least a value of k that will insure the condition

$$N > N_1 + N_2 - 1 \quad (10)$$

will have to be selected.

Eqn. (8) can be conveniently used to obtain $f(n)$ as follows:

- 1) calculate $F(m)$ and $G(m)$ by fast Fourier transforming $f(n)$ and $g(n)$;
- 2) calculate $W(m)$ through:

$$W(m) = F(m) \cdot \frac{1}{G(m)} \quad (11)$$

- 3) antitransform $W(m)$ via the FFT algorithm.

Note the following:

- a) Due to practical reasons and for better graphical interpretation (see next section), we have found preferable to perform the product indicated in Eqn. (11) rather than the direct quotient.
- b) Numerical problems will appear when $|G(m)|$ attains values close to zero.
- c) Since $g(n)$ is normalized, then $G(0) = 1$ and therefore $W(0) = F(0)$; i.e. the method does not modify the chromatogram area.
- d) Typical values for k and N are 7 (or 8) and 128 (or 256), respectively.
- e) If $g(n)$ is symmetric with its mean at $n = 0$, then $\frac{G(m)}{F(m)} = 0$ for all m , and $\frac{W(m)}{F(m)} = \frac{F(m)}{F(m)}$; i.e., $w(n)$ will not be translated with respect to $f(n)$. A deformation shift will be produced if $g(n)$ is asymmetric, and a pure translation will occur when its mean is not placed at $n = 0$. A practical way of dealing with this last bias, is to center the maximum of $g(n)$ at $n = 0$. Due to the periodicity of $g(n)$ when the DFT is applied, the values of $g(n)$ for $n < 0$ must be reproduced at the end of the first period, however. Physically, this implies a non-causal system with the unit mass impulse applied at $n=0$. This procedure is consistent with the fact that the experimental points of the calibration curve $\log M$ vs t obtained from

narrow-distributed standards are normally taken at the times of the maxima.

- f) Even though the FFT operates with the real and imaginary parts of the transformed functions, useful information can be obtained from the observation of the corresponding modulus and phase.

APPLICATION

In this work, a series 3-B Perkin-Elmer liquid chromatograph linked to a PDP 11/40 process computer was utilized. Programs for the automatic chromatographic data acquisition and data treatment were written in FORTRAN IV. In particular, only those related to the instrumental broadening correction will be here discussed.

Three illustrative examples will be considered. Example 1 represents the ideal case where noiseless $g(n)$ and $f(n)$ functions are available, and where $|G(m)|$ does not attain values close to zero. In Example 2 noiseless chromatograms were also utilized, but a curve of $|G(m)|$ with near-zero values is considered. Finally, Example 3 illustrates the use of the technique with noisy chromatograms and with near-zero values in $|G(m)|$. In what follows, all functions considered are discrete, but shall be represented by continuous lines joining the individual points.

Example 1

Consider the spreading curve $g(n)$ and the uncorrected chromatogram $f(n)$, which are represented in Fig. 1. As previously

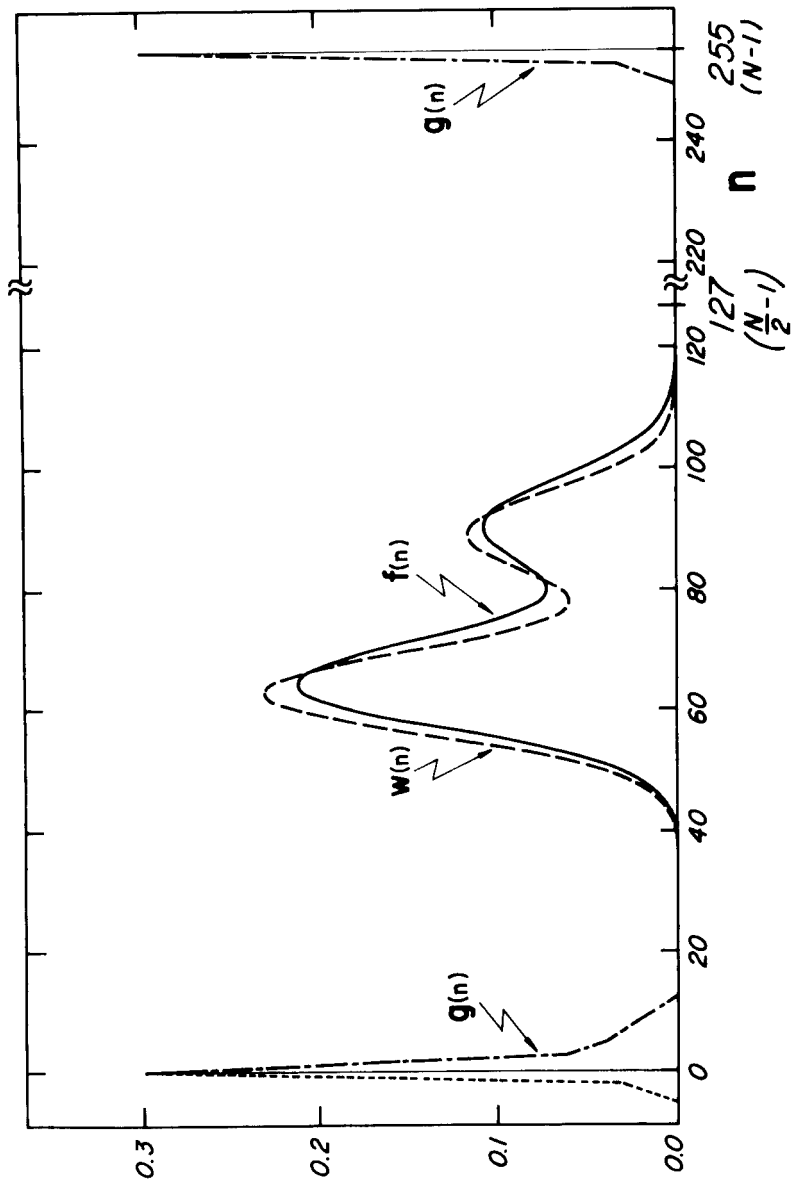


FIGURE 1: Example 1: measured chromatogram, calibration curve and corrected chromatogram.

explained, it is convenient to consider the maximum of $g(n)$ at $n=0$, with the left hand side of this curve at the end of the first period. Fig. 2 shows the magnitude and phase of all the transformed variables. The corrected chromatogram is also represented in Fig. 1. Note the following:

- a) $F(m)$ and $G(m)$ both act as low-pass filters, but a necessary physical prerequisite to perform the deconvolution is that the cut-off frequency of $G(m)$ must be higher than that of $F(m)$.
- b) The minimum of $|G(m)|$ is well above the limit below which the measurement and truncation errors normally produce intolerable relative errors in $1/|G(m)|$.
- c) The shape of $1/|G(m)|$ indicates that $1/G(m)$ will act as a high-pass filter. This means that when multiplied by $F(m)$, $W(m)$ will have enhanced high frequency components.
- d) The phase difference between $\angle F(m)$ and $\angle W(m)$ causes a distortion shift in the corrected chromatogram with respect to the original curve.

Example 2

Consider $g(n)$ and $f(n)$ of Fig. 3. In Fig. 4, the amplitudes of the transformed functions are represented. Notice that because $|G(m)|$ adopts very small values (with high relative errors) after $m = 50$, its inverse shows very high spurious peaks at around $m = 100$. Therefore, when multiplying $|G(m)|$ by $|F(m)|, |W(m)|$

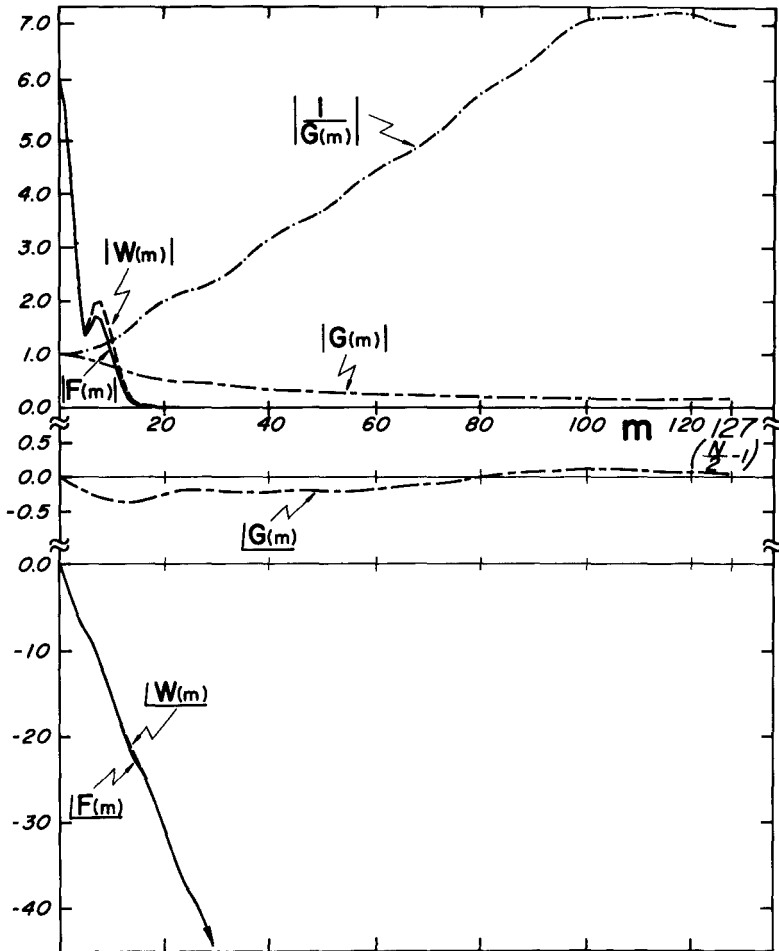


FIGURE 2: Example 1: modulus and phase of the transformed variables.

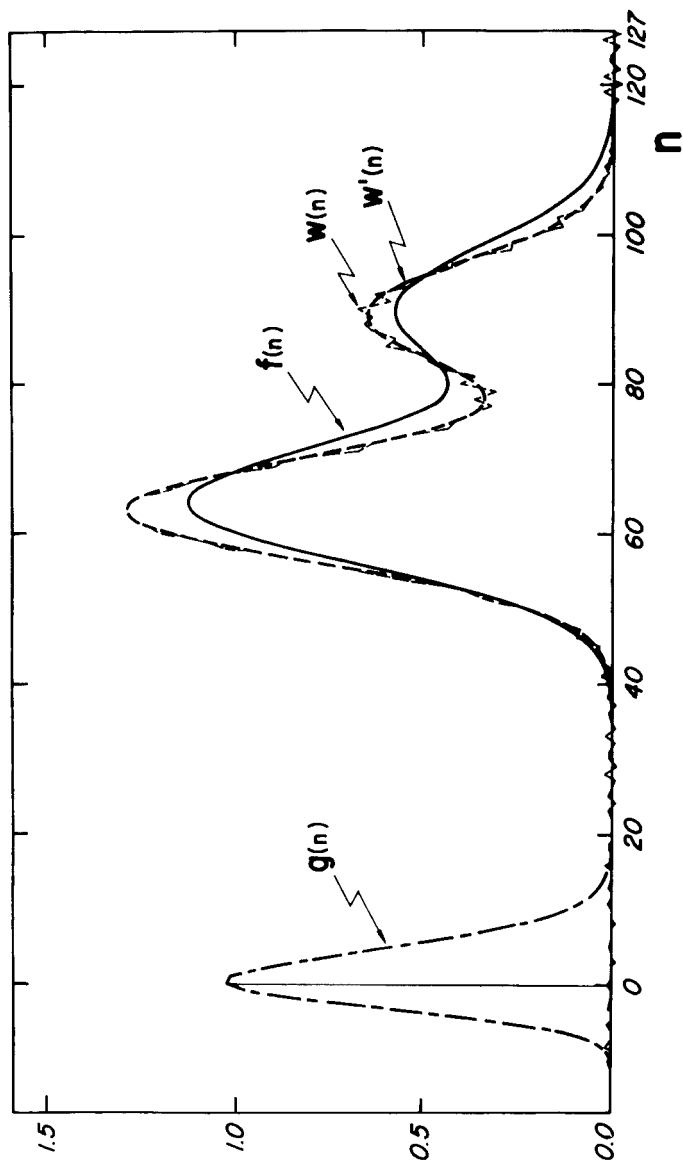


FIGURE 3: Example 2: measured chromatogram, calibration curve and corrected chromatograms (with and without filtering).

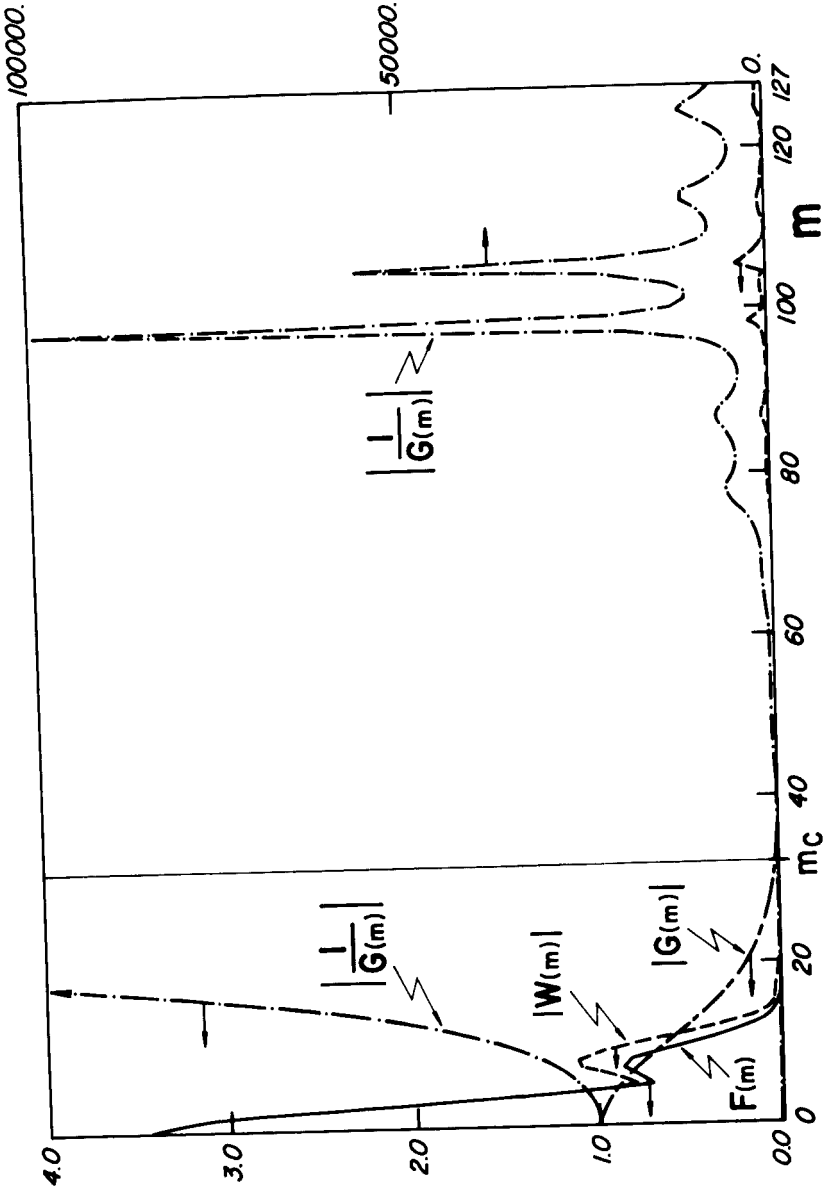


FIGURE 4: Example 2: modulus of the transformed functions, indicating the "effective" $1/|G(m)|$ function employed.

also results with relatively high values at those same frequencies; and consequently its antitransform will also be noisy (curve $w(n)$, Fig. 3). The procedure to smooth out this curve is simple; previous to antitransforming, and after a value of m where $|W(m)|$ is sufficiently low (e.g. $m_c = 32$) the amplitudes of $W(m)$ are set to zero and up to the value $m = N - m_c - 1$. The final result is function $w'(n)$ of Fig. 3. The process described is equivalent to having compensated $1/G(m)$ with an ideal low-pass filter of unit magnitude and cut-off frequency at $m = 32$, previous to its multiplication with $F(m)$. This compensated transfer function is shown in Fig. 4 in the scale of the left axis. Note that at the frequencies of interest, and due to the right hand side scaling, the magnitude of the uncompensated $1/G(m)$ is drawn over the horizontal axis.

For practical applications, the above mentioned compensation procedure may be alternatively performed as follows:

- a) Eliminate the high-frequency components of $1/|G(m)|$ after a frequency where the magnitude of $G(m)$ is very low and with high relative errors. This will reduce the computation time, by considering only a fraction of the total period.
- b) If $w(n)$ is still noisy, then set to zero the high-frequency components of $|W(m)|$ after its first minimum, previous to its antitransformation. Note that this technique is possible because the first near zero valued minimum of $|W(m)|$ should appear at lower frequencies than those of the main components of

$G(m)$, and because the noise components of $|W(m)|$ are, in general, of much higher frequencies than those corresponding to the fractionation phenomena. If the first minimum of $|W(m)|$ did not have a near-zero value, then oscillatory corrected curves could be produced. Fortunately, this is not normally the case.

Example 3

Consider now the observed chromatogram of Fig. 5 a), (obtained by fractionating a PS standard of $M_w = 500$ through an A-803 Shodex column), which is already contaminated with high-frequency measurement noise. For correction, a typical asymmetric spreading function due to axial dispersion in capillaries, fittings, detectors, etc., was employed; which was obtained by injecting the same PS standard through the chromatograph fitted without the column. The effects of noisy chromatograms can be solved as in Example 2, by compensating $1/G(m)$ previous to its multiplication by $F(m)$. The corrected smooth chromatogram $w'(n)$ (in this case not corrected for axial dispersion in the column) is also represented in Fig. 5 a).

The selection of the appropriate cut-off frequency m_c for $W(m)$ is a trade-off between low values of m_c that eliminate all of the high frequency measurement and calculation noise but also part of the useful information (thus producing smooth and distorted corrected chromatograms with low frequency oscillatory components), and high values of m_c that minimize such distortion but contaminate the corrected curve with zero-mean high frequency

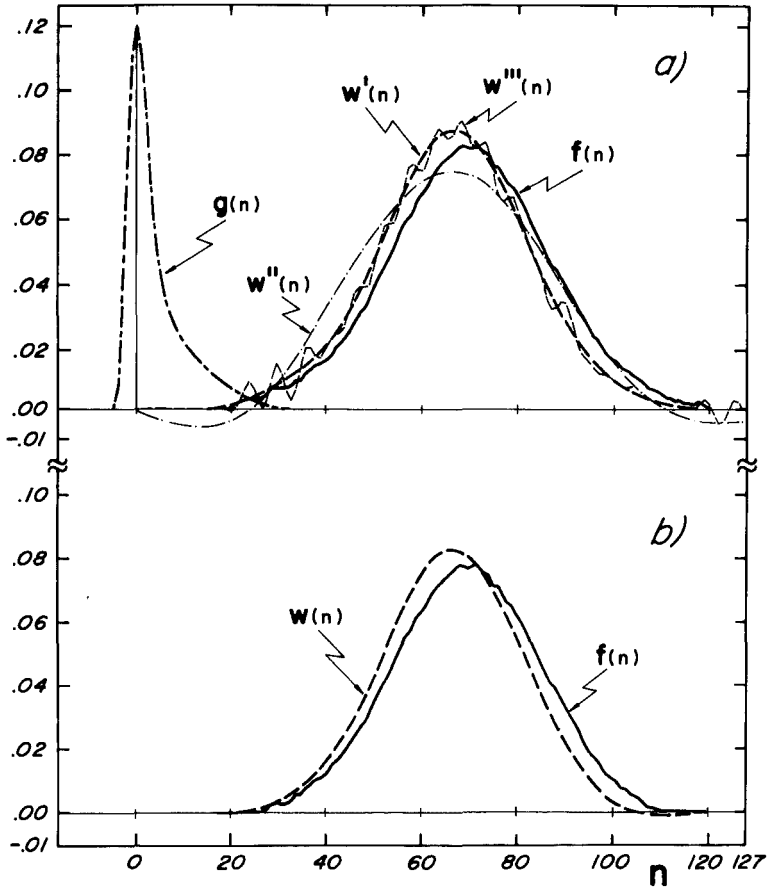


FIGURE 5: Example 3: a) calibration curve, measured and corrected chromatograms with various filterings, b) measured and corrected chromatograms with excessively high baseline correction.

noise. In the example being considered, an appropriate correction ($w'(n)$) is produced when $m_{c_2}=12$, excessive distortion is observed with $m_{c_1}=4$ (curve $w''(n)$, Fig. 5a), and poor filtering results if $m_{c_3}=50$ (curve $w'''(n)$, Fig. 5a). The amplitudes of the corresponding transformed functions are given in Fig. 6.

The leading and lagging edges of a chromatogram should rise slower than the corresponding spreading function. When this does not occur, then negative peaks are produced in the corrected curve. Fig. 5 b) is illustrative of this effect, due to a higher than appropriate selection of the chromatogram baseline.

DISCUSSION

The FFT technique is a powerful means of deconvoluting Tung's integral. Its main limitation is that the spreading curve $g(v)$ must be considered uniform, but on the other hand it is non-iterative, the shape of $g(v)$ can be arbitrary, and it is numerically efficient (in our computer, the calculation time for $N = 256$ was less than 3s).

When comparing alternative deconvolution methods, possibly the most important aspect is the ability of each method to cope with (and explain the reasons for) oscillatory or noisy results. There are two principal reasons for these oscillations: the high frequency measurement noise that is normally present in the original data, and the calculation noise introduced by truncation errors. With regards to the measurement noise, many authors state that an appropriate smoothening of the observed chromatograms is

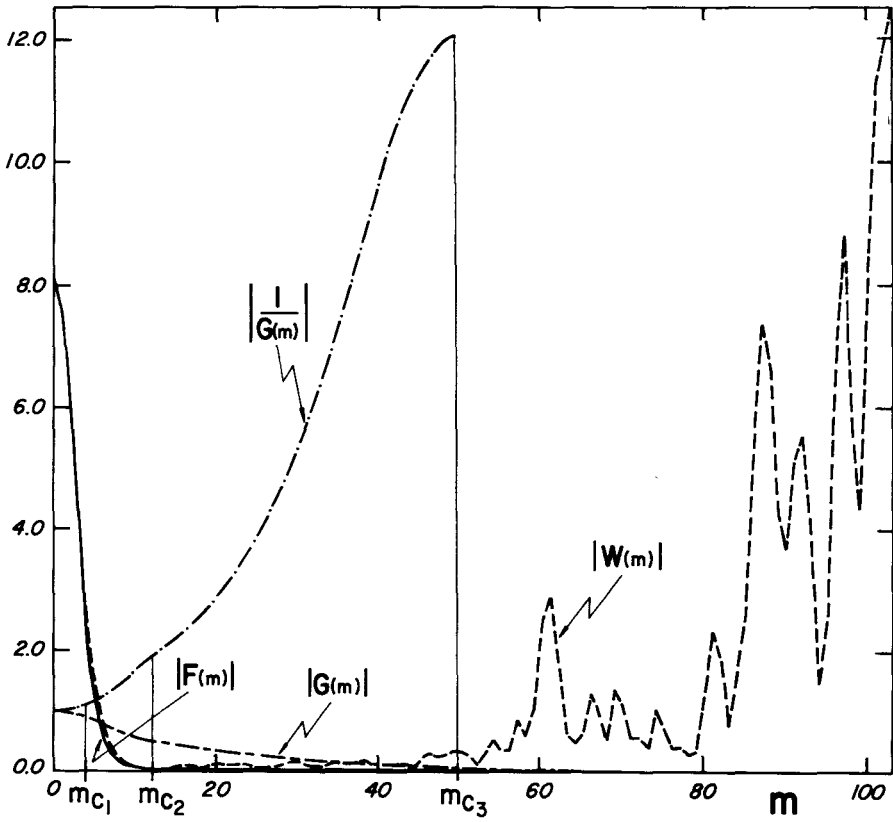


FIGURE 6: Example 3: modulus of the transformed functions.

necessary prior to the main calculations; and thus methods involving regression fits (1, 2), seven point cubic filtering (11), etc. have been proposed. In the work by Vladimiroff (18), a theoretical expression for $g(n)$ is assumed, and a preestimation of the signal to noise ratio is used to specify the cut-off frequency in the compensation of $F(m)$. As should be clear from example 3, both a too high or a too low value for the cut-off frequency may lead to completely erroneous results.

In the present work, the smoothening and/or fitting of either $g(n)$ or $f(n)$ is not required because the problems originated by the measurement and calculation noise, can be simultaneously eliminated in the last step, prior to antitransforming $W(m)$. In this way, the deconvolution is performed with all of the original data, without loss of information. The fact that the low frequency components due to the fractionation phenomena are normally well apart from the high frequency counterparts due to measurement and/or calculation noise, justifies this filtering procedure.

The program, which is available from the authors, has proven satisfactory even when the data acquisition and reduction is made fully automated, without operator intervention.

Finally, another potential advantage of the technique refers to the possibility of convoluting the individual calibrations of columns, tubings, detectors, etc., to obtain the total spreading function in accord to the configuration employed.

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Analysis of Block and Statistical Copolymers
by Gel Permeation Chromatography: Estimation
of Mark-Houwink Constants

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Abstract

A method is introduced for the estimation of Mark-Houwink constants of block and statistical copolymers. The homopolymer Mark-Houwink constants and copolymer composition are required. Use of estimated Mark-Houwink constants in GPC analyses gives results which agree well with those calculated with experimentally determined constants. Comparisons between this method and those of Runyon and coworkers (11) and Chang (12) are made for block copolymers. Chang's method was also extended to statistical copolymers, and where it compared closely with the one introduced here. The use of copolymer Mark-Houwink constants as a qualitative measure of polymer compatibilities in different solvents is also discussed.

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Introduction

Gel permeation chromatography (GPC) has become a very powerful tool in the analysis of polymer samples. Fundamental to the interpretation of a chromatogram is the ability to translate the elution volume at which a polymer fraction appears into molecular weight. This was originally done by constructing a calibration curve of $\ln M$ vs. elution volume (v_e) where M is the molecular weight of a narrow molecular weight version of the polymer being studied (1-3). The more recent universal calibration method relates v_e to the hydrodynamic volume (V_h), which is a function of the product of intrinsic viscosity and molecular weight ($[\eta]M$) and permits the use of a single set of calibration standards for the GPC analysis of virtually any polymer system for which the Mark-Houwink constants are known in the GPC solvent (4-6).

The analysis of copolymers by GPC presents a very difficult problem because the Mark-Houwink constants are not generally known. Although it is possible to determine these constants either through the tedious method of fractionation or by other means (7-10), their values will change as a function of copolymer composition, and consequently would have to be redetermined for each composition of copolymer present. This problem becomes intractable in cases where the copolymer composition is heterogeneous, i.e. drifts with molecular weight. Runyon and coworkers (11) and Chang (12) have suggested methods for the calculation of the molecular weight distribution of copolymers which require the calibration curves or Mark-Houwink constants of the constituent homopolymers and the copolymer composition. These methods, however, have been applied only to diblock copolymers and not to multiblock systems or to statistical copolymers.

In this article, we propose a means for facilitating the interpretation of GPC chromatograms of copolymers of either block or statistical structures. This entails the calculation of the copolymer Mark-Houwink constants which can be accomplished with the knowledge of the copolymer composition and the Mark-Houwink constants of the contributing segments.

This method can be applied not only to binary but also to higher order copolymers provided that reliable composition analyses can be achieved.

Theory

The hydrodynamic volume of a solvated polymer coil can be defined as

$$V_h = \frac{4\pi}{3} r_H^3 \quad (1)$$

where r_H is the hydrodynamic radius. It can be deduced from the Einstein equation (13) that

$$r_H^3 = \frac{3}{10\pi N_0} [\eta]M \quad (2)$$

at infinite dilution, where N_0 is Avogadro's constant. As a result, V_h can be expressed as:

$$V_h = \frac{4\pi}{3\phi''} [\eta]M \quad (3)$$

where $\phi'' = 6.3067 \times 10^{24}$ (cgs units) and is related to Flory's universal constant ϕ' through the relationship between r_H and the radius of gyration, r_G , and the Flory-Fox equation (14,15).

The Mark-Houwink relation is:

$$[\eta] = K M^a \quad (4)$$

where K and a are the Mark-Houwink constants. Therefore,

$$V_h = \frac{4\pi}{3\phi''} K M^{a+1} \quad (5)$$

This is the widely accepted universal calibration expression, and is applicable at infinite dilution. Appropriate allowances can be made where necessary to account for concentration effects (6,16-18).

In general, one may express the hydrodynamic radius of any polymer coil according to Flory (19) as follows

$$r_H^2 = r_{Ho}^2 \alpha^2 \quad (6)$$

where the subscript zero refers to the unperturbed radius that exists under Theta conditions, and α is the chain expansion factor. This is a measure of the extent to which polymer-solvent "long range interactions" perturb the molecular dimensions of the polymer coil. One may express α according to the following relationship (20)

$$\alpha = \sigma M^{\epsilon/2} \quad (7)$$

where σ and ϵ are constants characteristic of the polymer and solvent in question.

The mean square end-to-end radius, \bar{r}^2 , and consequently \bar{r}_G^2 and \bar{r}_H^2 of a polymer are the sum of the contributions of all the constituent segments of the coil. A suitable functional form (see Appendix I) is:

$$\bar{r}_H^2 = \Sigma (\bar{r}_H^2)_i = \Sigma (\bar{r}_{Ho}^2)_i \alpha_i^2 \quad (8)$$

where the subscript, i , which refers to a segment, may represent any group of monomer units. For copolymers, segments are defined as the different moieties present whose contributions determine the coil size. For a binary copolymer these include runs of homopolymer units as well as hetero segments. The chain expansion factor of a copolymer, α_c , is a function of the molecular weight of the entire chain, M_c . The coefficients σ_i and ϵ_i of the relation in eq. (7) are, however, assumed to be composition dependent. Consequently, we recast eq. (8) as follows:

$$(\bar{r}_H^2)_c = \Sigma (\bar{r}_{Ho}^2)_i \sigma_i^2 M_c^{\epsilon_i} \quad (9)$$

where the subscript c refers to copolymer. The molecular weight of the i th segment of the copolymer is M_i where

$$M_i = w_i M_c \quad (10)$$

and w_i is the corresponding weight fraction of the whole copolymer. Then

$$(\bar{r}_H^2)_c = \Sigma w_i \left(\frac{\bar{r}_{Ho}^2}{M} \right)_i \sigma_i^2 M_c^{\epsilon_i+1} \quad (11)$$

From Flory (19):

$$K_{\theta} = \phi'' \left(\frac{\bar{r}_H^2}{M} \right)^{3/2} \quad (12)$$

and

$$K = K_{\theta} \sigma^3 \quad (13)$$

while

$$(a + 1) = 3/2(\epsilon + 1) \quad (14)$$

where K_{θ} is the Mark-Houwink constant under Theta conditions. Then the following expression describes V_h :

$$V_h = \frac{4\pi}{3} (\bar{r}_H^2)^{3/2} = \frac{4\pi}{3\phi''} [\sum w_i (K_i M_c^{(a_i+1)})^{2/3}]^{3/2} \quad (15)$$

In the case of an A-B block copolymer, there would be only two segments, poly-A and poly-B, which represent the two types of interactions present, and characterize the expansion of their corresponding homopolymer coils. The influence of the A-B interactions have been shown to be minimal and may usually be ignored (21-25). However, for statistical copolymers, one must take into account the A-B heterointeractions which have been observed to contribute to coil size and consequently there would be three segments included in the calculation (25-29).

Results and Discussion

The Mark-Houwink constants for polystyrene (PS), poly(methyl methacrylate) (PMMA) and the alternating styrene-methyl methacrylate copolymer are recorded for several solvents in Table I. These constants were then used to calculate copolymer Mark-Houwink constants for both block and statistical copolymers of these components. This was done for several compositions and solvent systems as will be discussed.

Block Copolymers

The Mark-Houwink constants were determined for several compositions of styrene-methyl methacrylate block copolymers by calculating the V_h of those

Table I

Mark-Houwink Coefficients

<u>Polymer</u>	<u>Solvent</u>	$\frac{K \text{ (x } 10^3\text{)}}{\text{(mL/g)}}$	<u>a</u>	<u>Reference</u>
Polystyrene	tetrahydrofuran (THF)	6.82	0.766	30
	methyl ethyl ketone (MEK)	19.5	0.635	31
	toluene	7.5	0.750	32
	n-chlorobutane	15.1	0.659	33
Poly(methyl methacrylate)	THF	12.8	0.69	34
	MEK	6.80	0.72	35
	toluene	7.10	0.73	36
	n-chlorobutane	50.5	0.5	37
Alternating poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate)	THF	7.75	0.76	29
	MEK	11.5	0.69	29
	toluene	10.9	0.73	29
	n-chlorobutane	10.8	0.70	29

copolymers at different molecular weights according to equation (15). A linear regression of the $\log Vh$ vs $\log M_c$ plot was then performed. The Mark-Houwink pre-exponential constant for the copolymer, K_c , was obtained from the intercept of the line and exponent, a_c , was estimated from the slope according to equation (5). These values are tabulated for four solvents in Table II. Because there are no heterointeractions involved in the coil expansion, the values obtained for both K_c and a_c lie between those for the two homopolymers in all cases. These constants are also composition dependent, with the values progressing linearly in a and with a slight curvature in K from near those of polystyrene to near PMMA as the methacrylate content increased in the copolymer. This is illustrated in Figures 1 to 4 for the tetrahydrofuran and n-chlorobutane solvent systems.

The Mark-Houwink constants for 1:1 styrene-methyl methacrylate block copolymer have been determined previously for the solvent systems reported in this study (29). Table III reports these values and a comparison of the molecular weights that one obtains upon conversion from hydrodynamic volume using the experimental and calculated values for the applicable molecular weight range for the experimental values, i.e. between 10^5 and 10^6 for the n-chlorobutane solvent system and between 10^4 - 10^6 for the others. Agreement in all cases is within 10%. This may be considered quite good when one considers the possible error in the reported values of the homopolymer Mark-Houwink constants and experimental error in the measured block copolymer Mark-Houwink constants. In addition, discrepancies may also have arisen because in some cases fractionation was incomplete, and \bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n was as high as 1.6.

Other workers have also suggested ways of relating the molecular weight of an eluting block copolymer to those of the homopolymer which comprise it. Runyon and coworkers have empirically postulated that

$$M_c = M_A^{w_A} M_B^{w_B} \quad (16)$$

where M_A and M_B are the molecular weights of the homopolymers A and B which elute at the same time as the copolymer with molecular weight, M_c (11).

Table II
 Calculated Mark-Houwink Constants for Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate)
 Block Copolymers at Several Compositions in Different Solvents

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	THF		MEK		Toluene		n-Chlorobutane	
	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a
0.2	11.239	0.705	8.647	0.700	8.850	0.719	38.313	0.537
0.3	10.541	0.714	9.689	0.691	9.789	0.715	53.637	0.554
0.4	9.891	0.721	10.814	0.682	10.771	0.710	29.671	0.570
0.5	9.287	0.729	12.026	0.674	11.795	0.706	26.283	0.586
0.6	8.723	0.736	13.327	0.665	12.858	0.703	23.371	0.602
0.7	8.197	0.744	14.722	0.657	13.961	0.699	20.857	0.617
0.8	7.707	0.751	16.214	0.650	15.103	0.696	18.673	0.631

Table III
 Experimental Mark-Houwink Constants and Comparison of Molecular Weights
 Obtained from Hydrodynamic Volumes Using Experimental and Calculated
 Mark-Houwink Constants for 1:1 Block Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate)

Solvent	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a (a)	Molecular Weight (a)	Molecular Weight (b)	Hydrodynamic Volume
THF	6.41	0.76	1.0×10^4	0.952×10^4	4.668×10^{-20}
			1.0×10^5	0.942×10^5	2.686×10^{-18}
			1.0×10^6	1.034×10^6	1.546×10^{-16}
MEK	14.66	0.67	1.0×10^4	1.101×10^4	4.660×10^{-20}
			1.0×10^5	1.095×10^5	2.180×10^{-18}
			1.0×10^6	1.089×10^6	1.020×10^{-16}
Toluene	13.18	0.69	1.0×10^4	0.979×10^4	5.037×10^{-20}
			1.0×10^5	0.958×10^5	2.467×10^{-18}
			1.0×10^6	0.938×10^6	1.208×10^{-16}
n-Chlorobutane	44.46	0.55	1.0×10^5	1.073×10^5	1.661×10^{-18}
			1.0×10^6	1.018×10^6	5.892×10^{-16}

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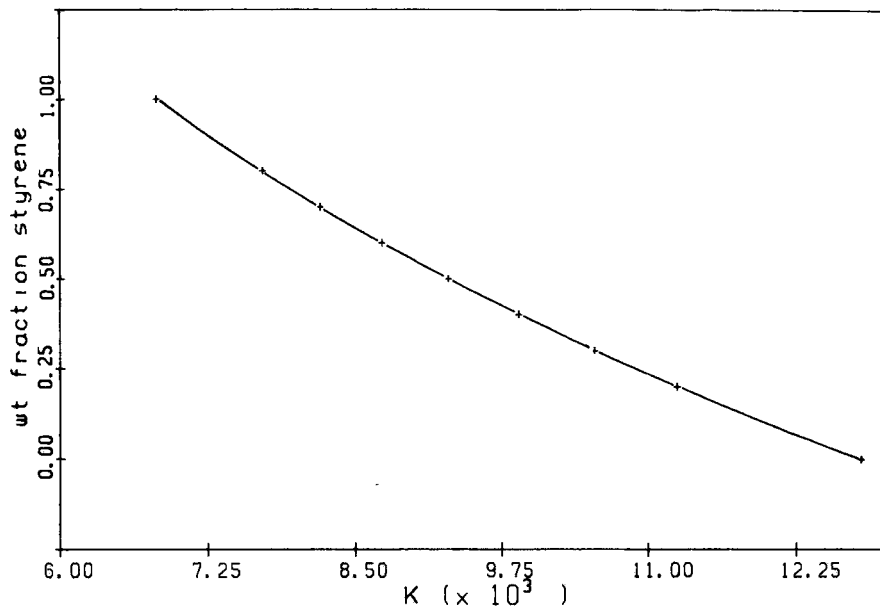


Figure 1. Styrene-Methyl Methacrylate Block Copolymer Composition vs. K in THF.

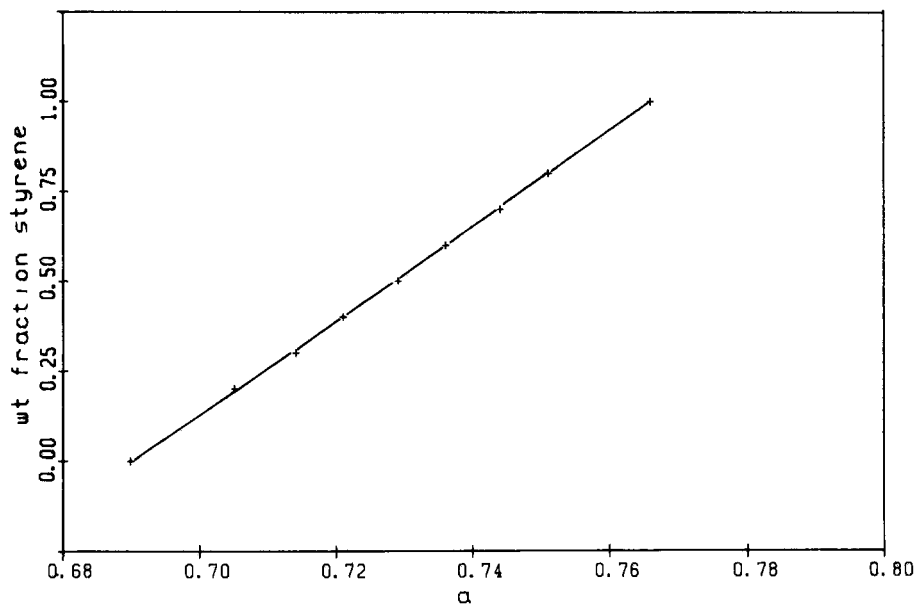


Figure 2. Styrene-Methyl Methacrylate Block Copolymer Composition vs. α in THF.

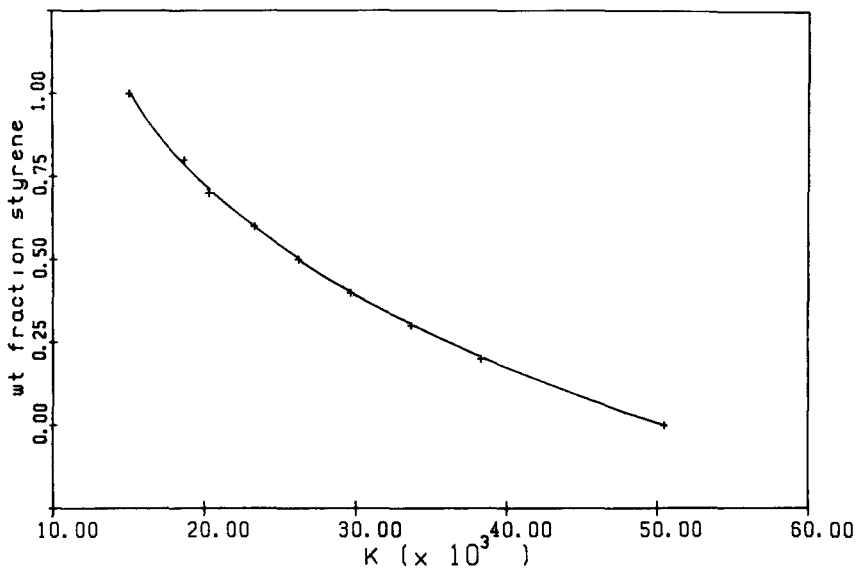


Figure 3. Styrene-Methyl Methacrylate Block Copolymer Composition vs. K in n-Chlorobutane.

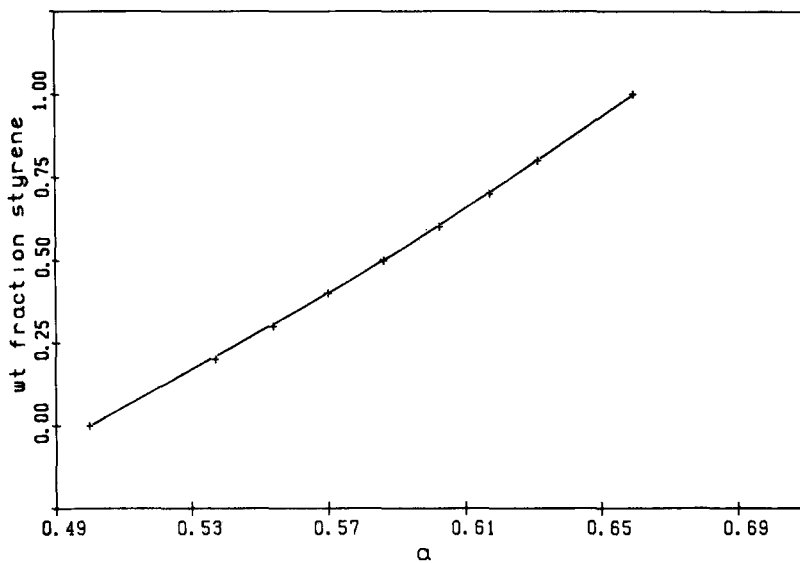


Figure 4. Styrene-Methyl Methacrylate Block Copolymer Composition vs. α in n-Chlorobutane.

Chang proposed (12) that since two homopolymers will elute at the same time when

$$M_1 = \left[\frac{K_2}{K_1} M_2^{(a_2+1)} \right]^{1/(a_1+1)} \quad (17)$$

where the subscripts 1 and 2 refer to different polymers, one may assume a block copolymer with molecular weight M_c will have the same elution volume as a homopolymer with molecular weight M_A when

$$M_c = M_1 + M_2 \quad (18)$$

and

$$M_A = M_1 + \left[\frac{K_2}{K_1} M_2^{(a_2+1)} \right]^{1/(a_1+1)} \quad (19)$$

Mark-Houwink constants were calculated for the different composition styrene-methyl methacrylate block copolymers as described before using these two methods and are presented in Tables IV and V. Comparison of these constants and those in Table II show excellent agreement for each of the solvent systems with the exception of n-chlorobutane. Molecular weights calculated from V_h 's using the Mark-Houwink constants derived from these three methods are within 2% of each other for the range of 10^4 - 10^6 . For the n-chlorobutane system, disparities between this work and Runyon's range up to 10% but only 5% between this work and Chang's. However, the disagreement between the values calculated according to Runyon and Chang range up to 15%. This probably results from the large difference in Mark-Houwink constants of the homopolymers in this solvent and is a manifestation of the difference of methods for determination of copolymer constants. It is in cases such as this that the weakness of the empirical method begins to appear. Even so, when applied to the GPC analysis of a broad distribution polymer of $\bar{M}_n \approx 178,000$ and $\bar{M}_w \approx 450,000$, the total discrepancy is reduced to about 6%.

Table IV

Calculated Mark-Houwink Constants for Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) Block Copolymers
at Several Compositions in Different Solvents after the Method of Runyon et al (11)

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	THF		MEK		Toluene		n-Chlorobutane	
	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^4$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a
0.2	11.335	0.705	8.468	0.702	8.533	0.722	40.423	0.529
0.3	10.658	0.712	9.434	0.694	9.348	0.718	36.046	0.544
0.4	10.016	0.720	10.498	0.685	10.237	0.714	32.071	0.560
0.5	9.408	0.727	11.670	0.676	11.206	0.710	28.466	0.575
0.6	8.832	0.735	12.959	0.668	12.261	0.706	25.206	0.592
0.7	8.286	0.742	14.375	0.660	13.410	0.701	22.263	0.608
0.8	7.770	0.750	15.929	0.651	14.660	0.698	19.613	0.624

Table V
 Calculated Mark-Houwink Constants for Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) Block Copolymers
 at Several Compositions in Different Solvents after the Method of Chang (12)

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	THF		MEK		Toluene		n-Chlorobutane	
	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a
0.2	11.412	0.706	8.513	0.700	8.752	0.720	39.737	0.535
0.3	10.774	0.713	9.496	0.691	9.652	0.715	35.482	0.552
0.4	10.169	0.721	10.572	0.682	10.601	0.711	31.771	0.568
0.5	9.590	0.728	11.748	0.673	11.602	0.707	28.488	0.583
0.6	9.033	0.736	13.031	0.665	12.656	0.703	25.542	0.598
0.7	8.493	0.743	14.430	0.657	13.765	0.699	22.853	0.613
0.8	7.962	0.750	15.957	0.649	14.932	0.696	20.340	0.627

Statistical Copolymers

The application of equation (15) to the estimation of Mark-Houwink constants of statistical copolymers is much more difficult than for block copolymers. Because heterointeractions play an important role in the determination of coil size in solution, it is necessary to know the fractions of homo and hetero diads present in the polymer chain as well as the homo and hetero Mark-Houwink constants.

The fractions of homo and heterodiads may be either determined spectroscopically (37) or calculated from the reactivity ratios and feed composition assuming a simple copolymer (39) or other model. If the Mayo-Lewis (39) copolymer equation applies then the mole fractions (N_{ij}) of the various diad types can be calculated from the following well-known expressions (40):

$$N_{12} = \frac{P_{12}P_{21}}{0.5(P_{12} + P_{21})} \quad (20)$$

$$N_{11} = 0.5N_{12} \left(\frac{1}{P_{12}} - 1 \right) \quad (21)$$

$$N_{22} = 0.5N_{12} \left(\frac{1}{P_{21}} - 1 \right) \quad (22)$$

where the subscripts 12 and 21 refer to the heterodiads, 11 refers to the homodiad of monomer 1, and 22 refers to the homodiad of monomer 2, and

$$P_{12} = \frac{1}{r_1 \frac{[M]_1}{[M]_2} + 1} \quad (23)$$

$$P_{21} = \frac{\frac{[M]_1}{[M]_2}}{\frac{[M]_1}{[M]_2} + r_2} \quad (24)$$

The term, P_{ij} , denotes the probability of occurrence of an M_iM_j sequence, $[M_1]/[M_2]$ denotes the ratio of concentration or mole fractions of monomers 1 and 2 in the feed, and r_1 and r_2 are the reactivity ratios. The mole

fractions of homo and heterodiads may then be converted into weight fractions for use in equation (15). These calculations were done for several compositions of styrene-methyl methacrylate statistical copolymers, where $r_1 = 0.449$, $r_2 = 0.480$ (41). The results are tabulated in Tabel VI. The importance of taking into account the contributions of the heterointeractions is well illustrated for this case. The proportion of heterodiads present ranges to nearly 70% for the 1:1 copolymer. Even for copolymers of high content in either styrene or methyl methacrylate the amount of heterodiads present exceeds 35%.

The Mark-Houwink constants for hetero segments may be estimated in two ways. An alternating copolymer may be prepared and constants determined either classically or as described by Dobbin et al (9, 10). These constants are to be considered as equivalent to those which determine the heterointeraction contribution in a statistical copolymer. Conversely, a statistical copolymer of one composition may be prepared and its Mark-Houwink constants determined. Equation (15) could then be employed to solve for the heteroconstants from the copolymer and contributing homopolymer Mark-Houwink constants, the weight fractions of homo and heterodiads present, and V_h at several molecular weights. The copolymer Mark-Houwink constants could then be determined for any composition of the statistical copolymer as described before.

The Mark-Houwink constants for alternating poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) and those for polystyrene and poly(methyl methacrylate) which are listed in Table I were used with the weight fractions of homo and heterodiads from Table VI to calculate the copolymer Mark-Houwink constants for statistical copolymers at several compositions in different solvents. These values are recorded in Table VII.

A comparison of molecular weights obtained from hydrodynamic volume using the calculated Mark-Houwink constants and values obtained experimentally (28) are presented in Table VIII for three different compositions of statistical poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) in toluene and n-chlorobutane. The

Table VI
 Weight Fraction of Homo and Heterodiads Present in Statistical Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) of Various Compositions

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	wt. Fraction Homostyrene diads (w_{11})	wt. Fraction Homomethacrylate diads (w_{22})	wt. Fraction Hetero diads (w_{12})
0.20	0.012	0.619	0.369
0.30	0.033	0.444	0.523
0.40	0.076	0.288	0.636
0.50	0.152	0.165	0.683
0.60	0.271	0.083	0.646
0.70	0.426	0.036	0.537
0.80	0.606	0.013	0.381

Table VII
 Calculated Mark-Houwink Constants for Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate)
 Statistical Copolymers at Several Compositions in Different Solvents

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	THF		MEK		Toluene		n-Chlorobutane	
	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a
0.2	10.437	0.718	8.503	0.707	8.544	0.729	26.263	0.585
0.3	9.532	0.731	9.440	0.700	9.320	0.728	20.225	0.619
0.4	8.789	0.742	10.457	0.693	10.159	0.727	16.375	0.647
0.5	8.213	0.750	11.570	0.686	11.081	0.723	14.168	0.665
0.6	7.787	0.756	12.819	0.677	12.121	0.718	13.190	0.675
0.7	7.473	0.760	14.218	0.667	13.282	0.712	13.056	0.677
0.8	7.220	0.763	15.791	0.657	14.570	0.705	13.437	0.673

Table VIII

Experimental Mark-Houwink Constants and Comparison of Molecular Weights Obtained from Hydrodynamic Volumes Using Experimental and Calculated Mark-Houwink Constants for Different Composition Statistical Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) Samples

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	Solvent	K ($\times 10^3$ ml/g) (experimental)	a (experimental)	Molecular Weight (from experimental values)	Molecular Weight (from calculated values)	Hydrodynamic Volume
0.30	toluene	11.4	0.70	1×10^5	0.932×10^5	2.394×10^{-18}
	n-chlorobutane	26.5	0.60	1×10^6	0.898×10^6	1.200×10^{-16}
0.57	toluene	13.2	0.71	1×10^5	0.999×10^5 ^(a)	3.111×10^{-18}
	n-chlorobutane	24.9	0.63	1×10^6	0.986×10^6 ^(a)	1.595×10^{-16}
0.71	toluene	8.32	0.75	1×10^5	1.078×10^5 ^(b)	2.336×10^{-18}
	n-chlorobutane	17.6	0.67	1×10^6	1.016×10^6 ^(b)	9.965×10^{-17}
0.71	toluene	8.32	0.75	1×10^5	0.982×10^5	3.107×10^{-18}
	n-chlorobutane	17.6	0.67	1×10^6	1.034×10^6	1.747×10^{-16}
0.71	toluene	8.32	0.75	1×10^5	1.151×10^5	2.617×10^{-18}
	n-chlorobutane	17.6	0.67	1×10^6	1.146×10^6	1.224×10^{-16}

calculated values of (a) $K = 11.785 \times 10^{-3}$ $a = 0.720$

(b) $K = 13.384 \times 10^{-3}$ $a = 0.673$

applicable molecular weight range of the experimental constants is 10^5 - 10^6 , and consequently the comparison is restricted to that range. The agreement of molecular weights obtained from the calculated and experimental constants is excellent. Only in one case, the 7:3 styrene-methyl methacrylate copolymer in n-chlorobutane, is there deviation between the two values of about 15%; in all other cases agreement is within 10%. Again, the discrepancies may perhaps be ascribed to the experimental limitations in determining the Mark-Houwink constants as described before.

Although no other methods have been postulated for the correlation of hydrodynamic volume to molecular weight of statistical copolymer, Chang's hypothesis for block copolymers (12) may be extended towards application for statistical copolymer analysis. This can be done by inserting the heterodiad contributions into equations (18) and (19) as follows:

$$M_c = M_{11} + M_{22} + M_{12} \quad (25)$$

$$M_A = M_{11} + \left[\frac{K_{22}}{K_{11}} M_{22}^{(a_{22}+1)} \right]^{1/(a_{11}+1)} + \left[\frac{K_{12}}{K_{11}} M_{12}^{(a_{12}+1)} \right]^{1/(a_{11}+1)} \quad (26)$$

The copolymer Mark-Houwink constants may then be calculated from these equations as previously described. Table IX lists the results of these calculations for several compositions of statistical poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) in four solvents. The values obtained according to this method are almost identical to those calculated according to equation (15) in all cases except for the n-chlorobutane solvent system. Even so, a comparison of molecular weights calculated from hydrodynamic volumes in the applicable range using the two methods show agreement within 5% in all cases. The method of Runyon and coworkers (11) does not lend itself for application in a statistical copolymer system, because of its empirical nature.

The values of both K and a , as determined from equation (19) for statistical copolymers are composition dependent as in the block copolymers

Table IX
 Calculated Mark-Houwink Constants for Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) Statistical Copolymers
 at Several Compositions in Different Solvents after Chang (12)

Copolymer Composition (wt. fraction styrene)	THF		MEK		Toluene		n-Chlorobutane	
	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a	K ($\times 10^3$ mL/g)	a
0.2	10.740	0.718	8.107	0.707	8.295	0.729	28.050	0.581
0.3	9.877	0.730	9.003	0.700	9.052	0.728	22.037	0.614
0.4	9.113	0.741	10.038	0.693	9.904	0.727	17.937	0.641
0.5	8.473	0.749	11.199	0.685	10.850	0.723	15.331	0.660
0.6	7.970	0.756	12.489	0.676	11.906	0.718	13.922	0.671
0.7	7.584	0.760	13.906	0.667	13.068	0.712	13.416	0.674
0.8	7.284	0.763	15.496	0.656	14.360	0.705	13.521	0.672

case. However, because of the influence on coil size of the heterointeractions, both constants are weighted towards those of the heterodiads. This is especially true at compositions approaching 1:1 styrene-methyl methacrylate where the proportion of heterodiads is greatest. This manifests itself in a significant deviation in the plots of copolymer composition vs. both K and a from those obtained for the block copolymers. This is shown for both tetrahydrofuran and *n*-chlorobutane in Figures 5-8.

The values of the hetero Mark-Houwink constants, relative to those of the homopolymers, provide a comparative measure of the compatibility of the two components in a particular solvent system. The interaction of two components which are incompatible will expand the coil size relative to the non-interactive, i.e. block case, because of segmental repulsions. Conversely, attractive interactions will contract the coil size relative to the non-interactive case. The solvent, of course, plays a large role in these interactions. As a result, a solvent system which is of approximately the same quality for both homopolymer components would expand the copolymer coil (where repulsive interactions are present) to a substantially smaller extent than when it is a good solvent for one component and a poor solvent for the other. This is because the solvated segments of the heterodiad are of increased incompatibility in the latter case.

Table X shows the fraction of volume increase of the statistical poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) over those of the block copolymers at different compositions in the four solvents studied. In all cases, the amount of volume increase was composition dependent, and reached a maximum where the proportion of heterodiads was greatest, at about 1:1 styrene-methyl methacrylate content. In addition, the maximum volume increase ranged from about 14% in methyl ethyl ketone, a solvent which is of approximately the same quality for polystyrene as poly(methyl methacrylate), to about 61% in *n*-chlorobutane which is a fairly good solvent for polystyrene but a Theta solvent for poly(methyl methacrylate). Maximum increases in volume for tetrahydrofuran and toluene were both about 19%.

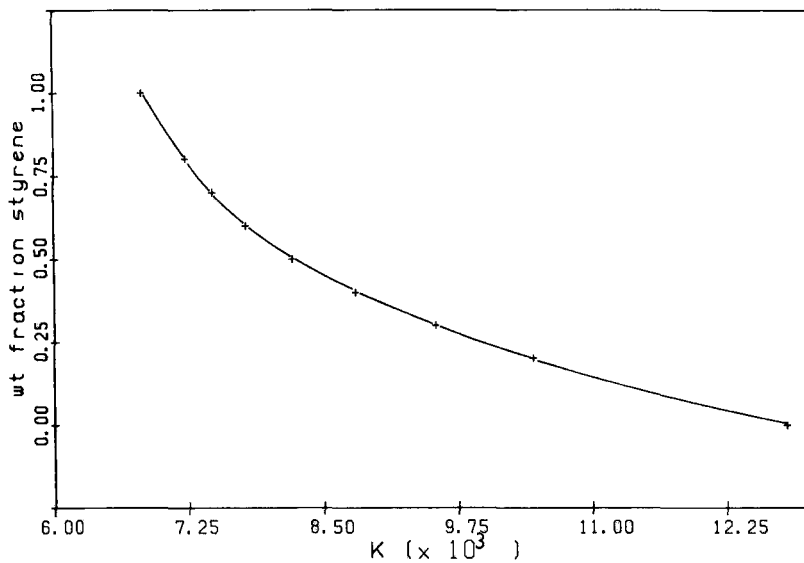


Figure 5. Statistical Copolymer Composition vs. K in THF.

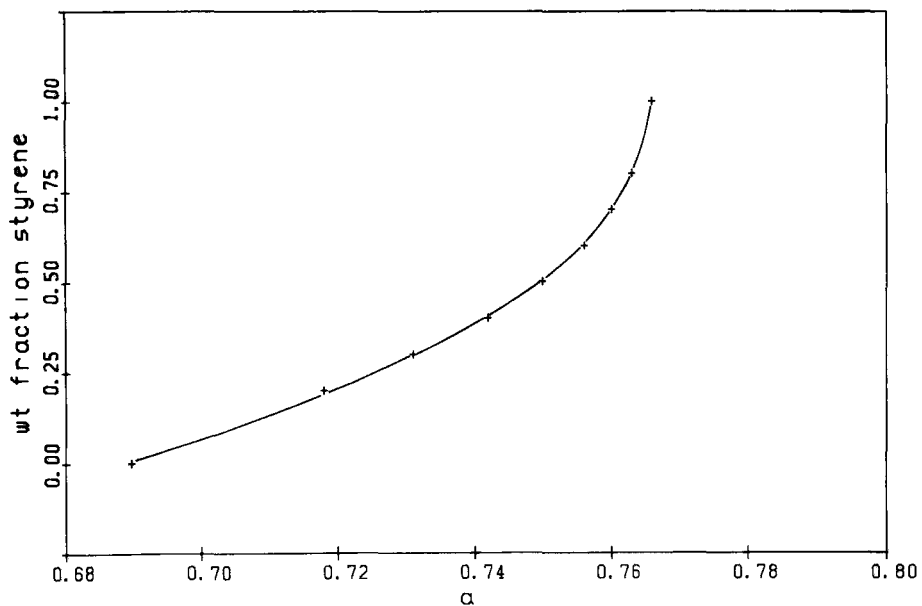


Figure 6. Statistical Copolymer Composition vs. a in THF.

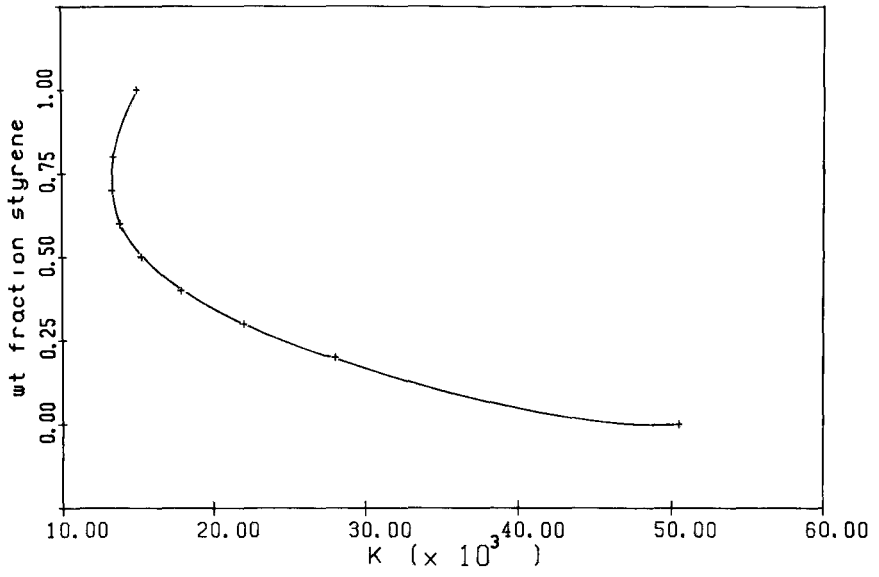


Figure 7. Statistical Copolymer Composition vs. K in n-Chlorobutane.

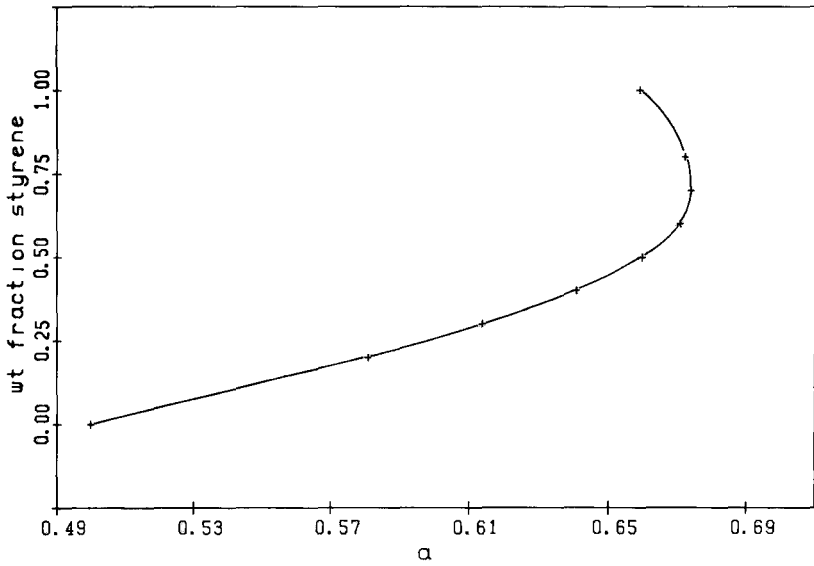


Figure 8. Statistical Copolymer Composition vs. alpha in n-Chlorobutane.

Table X
 Comparison of Hydrodynamic Volumes Calculated from Mark-Houwink Constants of Block
 and Statistical Poly(styrene-*co*-methyl methacrylate) of Different Compositions in
 Several Solvents for Molecular Weight of 1×10^6

Solvent	Copolymer Composition (wt. frac. St.)	Hydrodynamic Volume		Fraction Volume Increase
		Block Copolymers ($\times 10^6$)	Statistical Copolymers ($\times 10^6$)	
THF	.2	1.268	1.409	.1113
	.3	1.347	1.540	.1436
	.4	1.392	1.653	.1876
	.5	1.460	1.726	.1820
	.6	1.510	1.778	.1768
	.7	1.585	1.803	.1372
	.8	1.642	1.815	.1057
MEK	.2	0.910	0.986	.0831
	.3	0.901	0.994	.1032
	.4	0.888	0.999	.1256
	.5	0.884	1.004	.1355
	.6	0.865	0.982	.1353
	.7	0.856	0.949	.1088
	.8	0.855	0.918	.0728
toluene	.2	1.212	1.343	.1084
	.3	1.268	1.445	.1394
	.4	1.302	1.553	.1928
	.5	1.349	1.603	.1881
	.6	1.411	1.637	.1597
	.7	1.450	1.651	.1385
	.8	1.505	1.644	.0924
n-chlorobutane	.2	0.424	0.564	.3304
	.3	0.471	0.695	.4759
	.4	0.518	0.829	.5990
	.5	0.573	0.920	.6055
	.6	0.635	0.983	.5472
	.7	0.697	1.000	.4340
	.8	0.758	0.974	.2855

It should be possible, therefore, to exploit this phenomenon to obtain a qualitative measure of relative compatibilities or incompatibilities of different polymers in different solvent systems. This may be done simply by estimating the Mark-Houwink constants of the statistical copolymers whose constitutive homopolymers are to be studied in the desired solvents. Plots of the copolymer composition vs. K or a are then constructed. A concave distortion from the block copolymer plot would indicate repulsive interactions and hence incompatibility and convex deviation would indicate attractive interactions and compatibility. The relative degree of deviation is an expression of the relative degree of compatibility or incompatibility between the two polymers. A comparison of Figures 5 and 6 with Figures 7 and 8 shows that for the styrene/methyl methacrylate system, incompatibility in *n*-chlorobutane is much more acute than in tetrahydrofuran.

GPC Analysis

The use of copolymer Mark-Houwink constants, determined as described above is most easily applied to the GPC analysis of samples with homogeneous composition, i.e. low conversion, constant feed or azeotropically produced copolymers. This is because only one detector and a single set of Mark-Houwink constants are then required. The situation becomes more complex for copolymers of heterogeneous composition. In that case, one requires a method for converting the GPC trace into weight fraction of eluting copolymer and following the composition change with elution volume. The first requirement may be fulfilled with the use of a densimeter detector whose response factor has been shown to be composition independent to a first approximation (42). The second requirement can be fulfilled if one uses a calibrated second detector such as infrared (IR).

GPC analysis of ternary and higher order copolymers may be accomplished even with heterogeneous samples provided that one can follow the copolymer composition--with e.g. a multiband or Fourier transform IR detector--and determine accurately the weight fractions of homo and heterodiads present at each weight fraction in a statistical system. This would entail expanding equations (19-23) to accommodate higher order copolymerizations.

Conclusions

A method for the calculation of Mark-Houwink constants for both block and statistical copolymers has been successfully applied to the styrene methyl methacrylate system in several solvents. Agreement of molecular weights calculated from V_h using these constants and experimental values is very good. Comparison between this and other predictive methods yield results which are also in good agreement. Plots of copolymer composition vs. K or a may be used as a qualitative measure of relative polymer compatibilities in solution. The ability to calculate Mark-Houwink constants at any copolymer composition enables GPC analysis of those copolymers provided that the weight fraction of eluting copolymer and copolymer composition can be followed. Application of GPC to the analysis of higher order copolymers is possible but becomes increasingly more complex as the number of components increases.

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Appendix I

The mean squared end-to-end distance of a freely orienting chain consisting of x_a segments each of length l_a is:

$$\bar{d}_a^2 = x_a l_a^2 \quad (\text{I-1})$$

where $d_a = 2r_a$.

Similarly, the mean squared end-to-end distance of a freely orienting macromolecule with x_b segments of length l_b is:

$$\bar{d}_b^2 = x_b l_b^2 \quad (\text{I-2})$$

If one end of the first molecule were attached to an end of the second polymer the mean squared end-to-end distance of the combined chain would be:

$$\bar{d}_{a+b}^2 = x_a l_a^2 + x_b l_b^2 \quad (\text{I-3})$$

Similarly, for a macromolecule comprising n subsections, each consisting of x_i segments of length l_i :

$$\bar{d}_n^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ell_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{d}_i^2 \quad (\text{I-4})$$

The relations quoted above apply also to copolymers if ℓ is taken to mean an average bond length.

Equation (I-4) shows that the squared end-to-end distance of a random coil macromolecule equals the sums of the squares of the end-to-end distances of its segments.

The mean squared end-to-end distance of a real polymer chain is given by the same formulas as those above with β_1^2 substituted for the ℓ_1^2 of a freely orienting chain. Here β_1^2 is a constant characteristic of the particular polymer to take account of restricted bond angles and preferred conformations.

In the unperturbed state the mean squared end-to-end distance is often represented as:

$$\bar{d}_0^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \beta_1^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{d}_i^2)_0 \quad (\text{I-4a})$$

In solution the dimensions of the polymer coil are perturbed by the solvent and the relations operating are amended by including Flory's chain expansion factor α . In the case of interest here each segment may have a different expansion factor, α_i , with a common solvent. Considering solvent-perturbed dimensions:

$$\bar{d}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \beta_1^2 \alpha_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{d}_i^2 \quad (\text{I-5})$$

For random coil polymers the radius of gyration is related to the end-to-end distance by:

$$\bar{r}_G^2 = \frac{\bar{d}_0^2}{6} \quad (\text{I-6})$$

It is also expected theoretically (43) and experimentally (44) that the hydrodynamic radius is related by a constant factor to the radius of gyration and hence to the hydrodynamic radius.

As a result, equation (8) of this paper follows directly from equation (I-5). Equation (8) applies rigorously to polymers in which the segmental dimensions are described by equation (I-1) (with β substituted for ℓ). This includes block and graft copolymers with long, flexible segments. In a more general sense, equation (8) provides a suitable functional form for describing copolymers. For a statistical copolymer, the equation serves as a framework for group contribution calculations, as in this article, although the individual segment sizes may have no physical meaning.

PROTEIN SEPARATIONS ON OCTYL AND DIPHENYL

BONDED PHASES

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ABSTRACT

Two new packing materials specifically designed to handle high performance liquid chromatographic separations of proteins and peptides have been made. These are built on a 300 Å pore silica gel to allow access of large molecular weight species, and are exhaustively bonded, first with an octyl or a diphenyl silane and final end-capping with trimethylsilyl groups. The media are called Protesil 300 Octyl and Protesil 300 Diphenyl. Their unique selectivity is shown with various samples of dipeptides and proteins. The Octyl phase has specific affinities for alkyl functionalities, the Diphenyl phase has specific affinities for aromatic functionalities. Loading and mass recovery studies have been done on these media to show their capabilities under the elution conditions shown in the various separations. Comments regarding their correct use have also been made.

INTRODUCTION

There is an ever increasing interest in separating moderate to large molecular weight biopolymers. For many years the literature has been filled with such separations on a variety of media, but the advent of high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) has brought not only much increased speed, but more importantly, newer, more efficient and more selective media for such separations.

Two general groups of HPLC media now exist for separating biopolymers. Those whose mode of separation is based upon size or steric exclusion and those whose mode of separation is based upon varying interaction with a bonded phase. Almost all of both groups of packings are manufactured with a silica gel backbone because its rigid nature is able to stand up to the packing and operating pressures needed for HPLC. Silica gel does have a distinct disadvantage, however, when doing biopolymer separations. Many biopolymers bond irreversibly to the silanol groups. There are, however, references to biopolymer separations being done with fair success on bare 60 or 280 A pore silica gel with aqueous mobile phases(1,2). Such mobile phases would have deactivated most of the silanol sites, but irreversible adsorption still would have occurred although this fact was substantiated in only one of the two references cited (1). Regardless of the yield, pure protein was obtained. One of these references (1) also contains comments on the effects of the pore sizes of the silica gels regarding the penetration or exclusion of various size proteins. If the pores of the gel were too small to accommodate the protein or viruses, they passed through the column easily. If the pores of the gel were larger, the same protein or viruses penetrated into the pores and became adsorbed, eluting at a later time. Such information is similar to that known for years by workers in the gel permeation and gel filtration fields.

Classically ion exchange celluloses and gels have been used to separate many proteins. The ion exchange sites were usually weak and the backbones used prevented irreversible adsorption after gradient pH or salt conditions for the separation were established. To update these media for modern HPLC use, Regnier and his coworkers (3-6) bonded glyceryl-like phases and ion exchangers to various controlled porosity

supports. Thus a combination of size exclusion and/or ion exchange modes could be used for biopolymer separations. This media research laid much of the ground work for these types of columns and packings now available commercially from a number of sources. A review of these types of packings has been written (7), as well as an excellent evaluation procedure (8).

Some interesting work on biopolymer separations on silica gel bonded with hydroxyl, amino, or cyano phases has been done (9-13). Much work remains to be done in this area, however, to differentiate between the various separation mechanisms possible. The bulk of current HPLC work on biopolymers has been published using 60 to 100 Å pore silica which has been bonded with hydrocarbonaceous phases (C₁₈, C₈, phenyl) (13-21). The references cited are only a sample of what appears in the literature. The use of these bonded phases grew naturally since many biopolymers were soluble in the largely aqueous mobile phases which are frequently used with these media, and because the media were readily available in every HPLC laboratory. The results were very successful for the most part, and their use continues for probably 80% of the biopolymer work done today.

Since the backbone for most of this media is silica gel, after initial bonding it is best to use a secondary capping reaction (with trimethylchlorosilane and related compounds) to remove as many residual silanols as possible. Although the success of such capping is variable from manufacturer to manufacturer, the media with such capping will always give better yields of any biopolymer separated. When uncapped reversed phase packings are used for biopolymer separations, various additional components are usually required in the mobile phase as is done with such separations on pure silicas. Hancock and Sparrow (22) reported that an initial wash with methanol and operation with high concentrations

(0.17 M) of triethylammonium phosphate, pH 3.2, was necessary to get efficient protein and peptide separation on an uncapped medium. Still they observed poor efficiencies when strongly basic amino acid (arginine) containing solutes were separated unless a hydroxylic solvent (methanol) was used.

A great deal of research into the chemical factors and possible mechanism of biopolymer separations on bonded reversed phase packings has been done. These constitute some of the most interesting papers in the LC literature today because they lead to a better understanding of what to expect when doing such separations, as well as new directions for media research. Some of the pertinent results will be briefly discussed since they relate to the direction taken in the development and testing of the Protesil 300 media.

Researchers (15,23,24) have noted the decreased efficiency of protein separations as compared to small molecular weight solutes separated on reversed phase media. This is due to the slower mass transfer of the larger molecular weight species, the possible presence of isomers of the solute which elute close to one another, and the inability of the biopolymers to penetrate into the small pores of some of the reversed phase media now available. Although the first two of these reasons are due to the physicochemical or chemical nature of the species involved, the latter situation is at least minimized by using larger pore diameter supports.

As with any LC column, the faster the flow rate during a protein or peptide separation, the less the efficiency (9,11,23,24). For 4.0 to 4.6 mm ID columns the flow rate should be less than 1 ml/min. This allows

more equilibration time for the slower diffusing biopolymers, resulting in better resolution. If operating isocratically, most biopolymers are extremely sensitive to the mobile phase composition. As little as a 1% change in organic/water ratio can drastically change retention and resolution, or result in no elution at all (9,13,16,25). Gradients are also very useful because of this, but also must be run slowly for best results. Jones, et al (23) recommend 2 hour gradients at 20 ml/hr flow rates. Another reason for slower flow rates, aside from better efficiency, is that the limits of detection are greater (24). Thus trace proteins or peptides can be overlooked if fast flow rates are used.

The elution conditions for biopolymers from reversed phase columns can be varied considerably. Of primary concern is the selectivity to get the separation desired. To this end the literature is filled with attempts using water combined with acetonitrile, methanol, ethanol, tetrahydrofuran, or propanol as mobile phases (16,17,24,25). Rubinstein (11) pointed out the anomaly found when doing such separations - the larger the peptide the more organic needed for elution, but many proteins or larger peptides are precipitated out of solution by high concentrations of organics. He recommended gradient work with 1-propanol (0 to 40%) to do wide range molecular weight protein separations. The disadvantage of lower efficiency and high back pressure (due to viscosity) of this mobile phase combination is offset by its versatility.

Regarding the mobile phase composition, simple organic/water ratios suffice to separate smaller non-polar di- and tri- peptides. The addition of ion pairing salts or acids, however, are generally required for the separation of larger molecular weight biopolymers (9,11,13-15,20-22,26,27). These modifiers serve two functions: a) to solubilize the solutes in the mobile phase (changing the ionic forms or

configurations of the species), and b) to condition the bonded phase. Because they become a part of the separated components, care in selection of the salts or acids must be used. Will the modifier interfere with detection (UV or MS) (9,28)? Can it be easily removed or is it compatible with the biochemical system if future work on the species is to be done (9,16)? Will it (like any part of the mobile phase) denaturize or change the biopolymer?

One of the most important variables in the separation of biopolymers on bonded reversed phase media are the media themselves. A few groups (14,16,17) have commented on the similarities of elution order when going from a C8 to a C18 bonded phase. Assuming both packings are capped and both are made from the same type reagent (monofunctional silane), then such similarities are expected. Thus only more lipophilic character is found in the C18 as compared to the C8 column. Longer retentions of non-polar solutes are found in a C18 column. Faster elution from the C18 column requires that a higher percentage of the organic solvent be used in the mobile phase. For more water soluble species, like most biopolymers, it is better to use a C8 column since the compounds elute with less organic solvent in the mobile phase. As a rule, C8 columns also equilibrate more rapidly, an important factor if various mobile phases for optimization need to be tried.

An interesting study was done by Lewis and coworkers (13) in which octyl, cyanopropyl, and diphenyl bonded phases were compared. They found similarities in the C8 and cyanopropyl bonded phases for some protein mixtures, but neither of these columns would separate all the components ($2\alpha, 1\beta, 1\gamma$) of denatured human Type I collagen except the diphenyl

bonded phase. This pointed out the potential utility of at least a combination of C8 and diphenyl bonded phases for protein separations.

A number of studies of small peptides (~ 20 residues or less) separations on reversed phase media (14,16,17,29,30) have shown a high correlation of the retention to the summing of individual lipophilic or lipophobic contributions of each amino acid (and end groups). This indicates that amino acid composition is a major factor determining retention. The small differences observed between elution orders or times points to the lesser but important role played by other factors such as polarity, sequence, size, charge distribution and conformation. Such information can be useful in looking into possible separation mechanisms when any similarities or differences in elution order or times are observed.

EXPERIMENTAL

Equipment

The liquid chromatograph used was a Perkin Elmer (Norwalk, CT) Series 3B with a Valco (Houston, TX) 7000 psig Universal inlet injector, a Laboratory Data Control (Riviera Beach, FL) Spectromonitor II (1202) and data handling was with a Hewlett Packard (Avondale, PA) Integrator 3380A and a Hewlett Packard HP2126BOEM disc based system with CIS (Computer Inquiry Systems, Englewood Cliffs, NJ) installed HP RTE2 software.

It is important that a dynamic mixing chamber be made for the gradient system since aqueous buffer and 1-propanol are being mixed.

Because of the great viscosity difference, no static mixer (T or coil) was found to work. A suitable mixing chamber was made from a 9.4 mm x 5 cm tube with appropriate fittings and a magnetic stir bar. The device was placed just before the injector and held to pressures of 3000 psi.

Reagents

Bovine serum albumin (fraction V powder), aldolase (type X from rabbit muscle), insulin (from bovine pancreas) and cytochrome C (from horse heart) were purchased from Sigma (St. Louis, MO); lysozyme (from hen egg white) and hemoglobin (human) from Calbiochem (La Jolla, CA); human serum (lyophilized) and all dipeptides from U.S. Biochemical Corp. (Cleveland, OH); and β -lactoglobulin from Polysciences (Warrington, PA).

The 1-propanol was reagent grade from Mallinckrodt (St. Louis, MO), the triethylamine and glacial acetic acid were reagent grade from J.T. Baker (Phillipsburg, NJ). The water was deionized.

Protesil 300 Octyl, Protasil 300 Diphenyl, Partisil 10 CCS/C₈, Partisil 10 ODS-3, Partisil 10 ODS-2 and CoPell ODS are available from Whatman Inc. (Clifton, NJ). All Protasil and Partisil columns used are 4.6 mm x 250 mm and were off the shelf. The various characteristics of all the reversed phase media mentioned in this work are given in Table I.

The initial work on the Protasil 300 columns was done using only methanol/water combinations. With a simple mobile phase such as this, explanation of observations regarding selectivity would be much easier.

TABLE I

MEDIA CHARACTERISTICS(all are 10 μm , irregular)

	Pore Diam A	Surf Area m ² /g	Phase	a) %C	b) Reag. Funct.	End Cap	c) % SiOH Coverage
Protesil 300 Octyl	300	250	C8	7.5	mono-	Yes	95+
Protesil 300 Diphenyl	300	250	Ph ₂	8.0	di-	Yes	95+
Partisil 10 CCS/Cg	80	375	C8	9.0	mono-	Yes	95+
Partisil 10 ODS-3	80	375	C18	10	tri-	Yes	95+
Partisil 10 ODS-2	80	375	C18	15	tri-	No	75

a) % C is the weight % carbon as determined after all bonding is completed. Usually 90-95% of this value is the weight % due to the initial bonding reagent, with the capping reagent accounting for the balance.

b) The functionality of the initial bonding reagent; the second bonding reagent (for end-capping) is always Me₃SiX, where X may be halide, alkoxy, or amino.

c) Approximate % coverage of available silanols base upon retentions as measured with a nitrobenzene sample with heptane mobile phase, and/or an aniline/phenol sample with a methanol/water (60:40) mobile phase.

Additional modifiers in the mobile phase may help the separation, but complicate the explanation of the possible mechanism of such separations.

Many successful protein separations are done with gradients to allow the best peak capacity and speed. The gradient simplifies finding the right elution conditions since, as was pointed out, the correct ratio of organic/water is critical to any protein elution and the reproducibility of this elution time. High sensitivity using the triethylammonium acetate at 210 and 280 nm has been reported in the literature (9) and was the buffer of choice. The buffer solution was made by adding triethylamine to 0.5 M acetic acid until the desired pH is reached. After being made, the buffer was passed through a Partisil 10 ODS-2 (15% C, not end-capped) column to remove impurities that might elute to give baseline drift or spurious peaks during gradient runs. A treatment of similar buffers has been reported (22,31). The organic solvent used in the gradient runs was 1-propanol, as reported by Rubinstein (11), so that maximum solubility of the proteins throughout the separation could be maintained.

Protesil 300 Quality Control

To ensure reproducible columns, extensive quality control on the base silica gel, the bonded product, and the finished column is done. Before bonding, the silica is tested for pore size distribution, particle size distribution, surface area and exclusion limits. After bonding and after % carbon is assured to be within the specified range, the diphenyl or octyl chromatographic batch tests are performed. Several columns are packed and are given the standard column Q.C. test to check bed uniformity. A sample containing benzene and phenanthrene is separated

and capacity factors, efficiencies, and asymmetry ratios are measured. After assuring that the batch test columns are well packed, they are tested by polystyrene SEC for total pore volume and exclusion limits. Next the columns are tested for protein separation with cytochrome C and bovine serum albumin under gradient conditions after which capacity factors and resolution are calculated. The final batch test is a check for residual silanols with an aniline and phenol sample. If properly capped, the aniline will elute before phenol with a methanol/water mobile phase. A mass recovery test is performed using lysozyme because of its susceptibility to surface effects (8,12,32). The procedure requires comparison of the area of lysozyme peaks with a packed and with an empty column under isocratic conditions. Generally the amount of lysozyme retained on the column is minimal and the percent recovery increases as the mass of lysozyme injected on the column is increased.

After a Protesil 300 batch has passed all the tests, it is released for packing of the commercial columns. Each of these columns is tested only for bed uniformity by measurement of capacity factors and efficiency with the benzene and phenanthrene sample. If the column passed this final test it is released for sale. It is important to note that any Protesil column sold has never been subjected to a protein which might interfere with subsequent work done on this new column.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In an attempt to develop column media that would allow improved biopolymer separations, many of the findings mentioned previously were taken into account by the people in our research group. Thus, the media needed larger pores to accommodate the larger molecular weight species.

It also had to be bonded with different groups to get unique selectivities and be well end-capped to prevent irreversible adsorption. A low carbon percentage of the bonded phase was also important so that elution would be accomplished with high water content mobile phases, minimizing the possibility of biopolymer precipitation by high organic content mobile phases.

The initial result of these considerations are two new biopolymer separation columns called Protesil 300 Octyl and Protesil 300 Diphenyl. They are carefully sized 10 μ m irregular silica with 300 A pores bonded and end-capped with 7.5% carbon for the octyl phase and with 8.0% carbon for the diphenyl phase.

The level of carbon on the Protesil 300 bonded phases is low to moderate as compared to other bonded reversed phases on the market (which range from 5 to 24% carbon). This, again, was to allow higher water containing mobile phases to be used, thus keeping increased solubility of the biopolymers. The carbon level was also kept about the same on each so that the same mobile phase composition as derived from one type of Protesil 300 column could be used on the second type of Protesil 300 column. Thus the different selectivities of the two bonded phases can be observed without reoptimization of the mobile phase. In other words, the same polarity mobile phase will elute components of the sample with either Protesil 300 column, yet the selectivities will be different on each.

The octyl and diphenyl phases were chosen to be bonded because these had been pointed out to have the most different selectivities by Lewis and his coworkers (13), and was substantiated by work in our laboratory.

As mentioned previously, a few research groups found that only elution time seemed to change from a C8 to a C18 bonded phase - assuming each was made on the same backbone gel and with the same bonding chemistry.

An investigation was begun with the Protesil 300 Octyl and Diphenyl columns to show their unique selectivities. The initial results are reported here. On occasion, Partisil 10 CCS/C₈ column (80 Å pores, 9% carbon, end-capped) was used for comparison.

Selectivity Studies

The dipeptides seen in Figure 1 were used to investigate the selectivities of the Protesil 300 Octyl and Diphenyl media. These simplified structures allow the substituent and end groups to be more easily compared. The numbers in parentheses after each compound name are the Rekker lipophilic substituent summations (without correction for terminally located residue) (33). The compounds elute in the expected order on both columns based upon relative lipophilicities. Looking at the chromatograms of each, Figures 2 and 3, there are unique differences. The Protesil 300 Octyl (Figure 2) does separate the aliphatic substituent compounds better than the Diphenyl column. There is no separation of the aromatic substituent compounds, however, on the Octyl column. On the Protesil 300 Diphenyl column (Figure 3), however, separation of these aromatic containing compounds is easily accomplished. At the same time resolution of the aliphatic dipeptides is lost. Complete separation of the aliphatic species on the Octyl column and of the aromatic species on the Diphenyl is possible with a more water rich mobile phase or gradient. The same mixture of dipeptides is completely resolvable on the Partisil 10 CCS/C₈ (Figure 4). Thus short chain or low molecular weight species

DIPEPTIDE STRUCTURES AND ELUTION ORDER
(Rekker's constant)

**PROTESIL 300
OCTYL**

**PROTESIL 300
DIPHENYL**

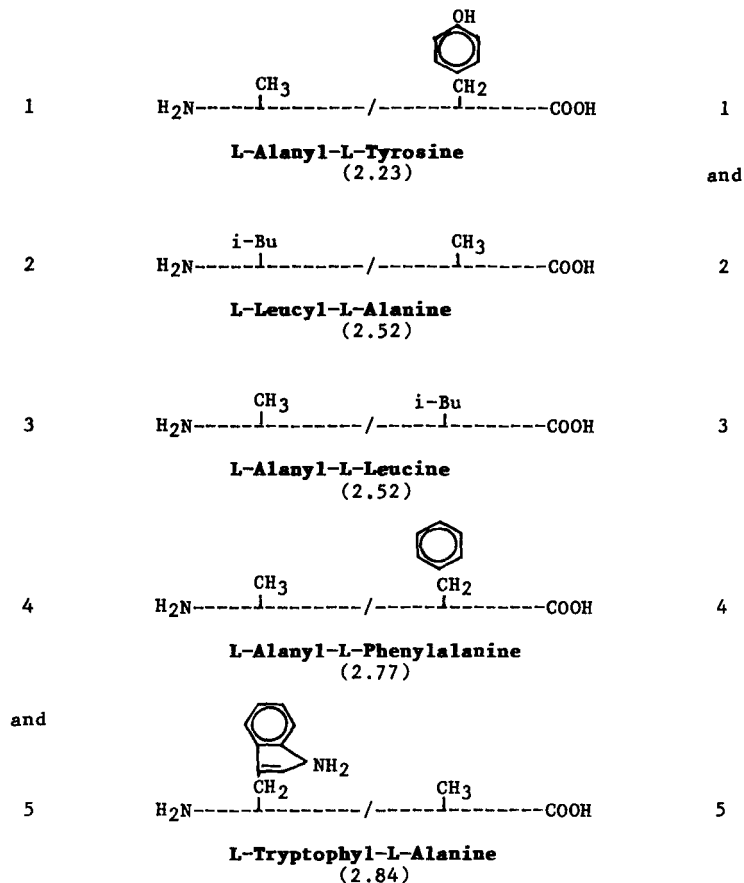


Figure 1

Structure and elution order of dipeptides on Proteasil 300 Octyl and Proteasil 300 Diphenyl. Drawings show substituents only. The numbers in parentheses are the summation figures from the Rekker (33) lipophilicities of each amino acid.

Dipeptide separation of Protesil 300 Octyl

Conditions:

Mobile phase: MeOH/H₂O (25/75)

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 600 psi

Detection: RI

Sample conc.: 10 mg/ml

Sample volume: 20 μ l

Peak identification:

- 1. L-alanyl-L-tyrosine 7.9 min
- 2. L-leucyl-L-alanine 8.2
- 3. L-alanyl-L-leucine 9.0
- 4. L-alanyl-L-phenylalanine 10.6
- 5. L-tryptophyl-L-alanine

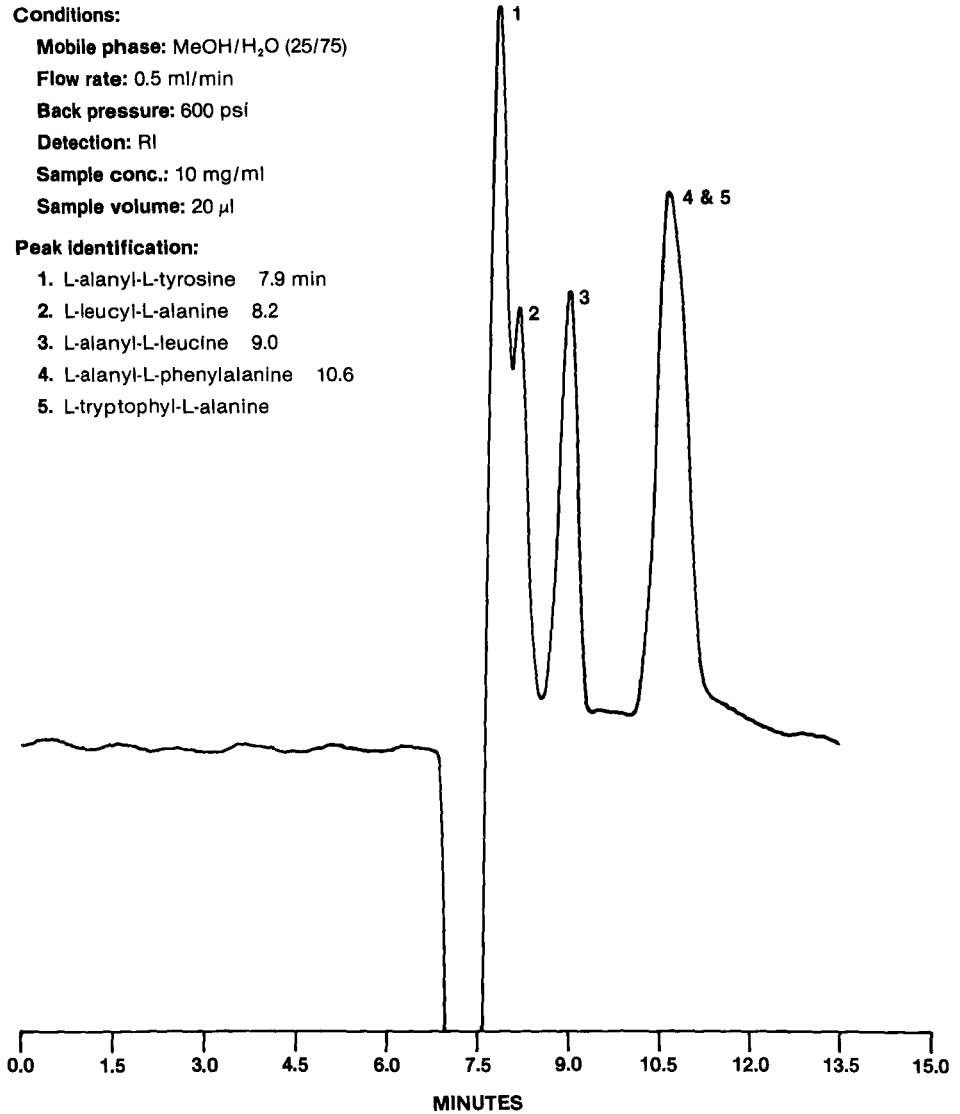


Figure 2

Dipeptide separation on Protesil 300 Diphenyl**Conditions:****Mobile phase:** MeOH/H₂O (25/75)**Flow rate:** 0.5 ml/min**Back pressure:** 600 psi**Detection:** RI**Sample conc.:** 10 mg/ml**Sample volume:** 20 μ l**Peak Identification:**

1. L-alanyl-L-tyrosine 7.6 min
2. L-leucyl-L-alanine
3. L-alanyl-L-leucine 7.9
4. L-alanyl-L-phenylalanine 9.4
5. L-tryptophyl-L-alanine 9.9

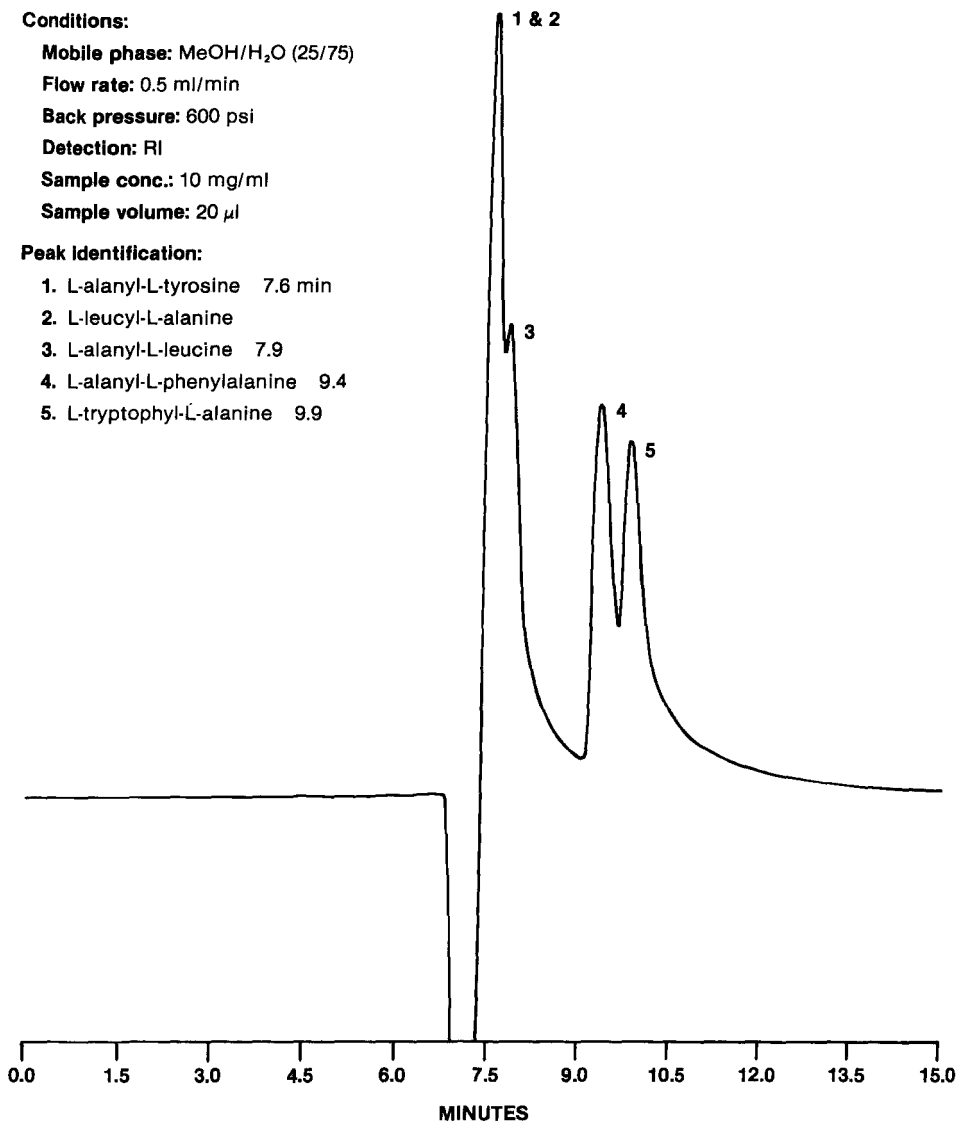


Figure 3

DIPEPTIDES ON PARTISIL 10 CCS/C₈

Mobile Phase: 25/75 Methanol/Water
Flow Rate: 0.5 ml/min.
Back Pressure: 510 psig
Detection: RI @ 16X
Sample Conc.: 10 mg/ml each component
Sample Volume: 20 ul

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|------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. L-Alanyl-L-Tyrosine | 6.5 min. |
| 2. L-Leucyl-L-Alanine | 7.3 min. |
| 3. L-Alanyl-L-Leucine | 8.6 min. |
| 4. L-Alanine-L-Phenylalanine | 11.5 min. |
| 5. L-Tryptophyl-L-Alanine | 12.3 min. |

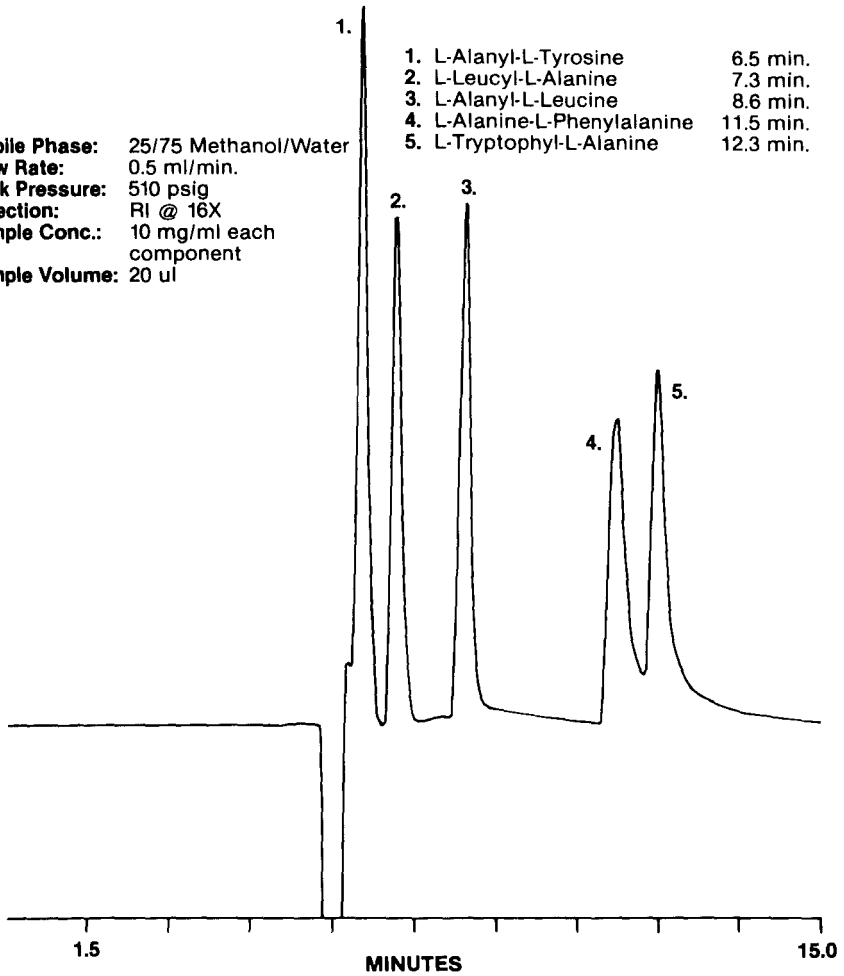


Figure 4

are able to interact with the 80 A, C8 bonded phase to get a better separation, probably because of the greater interaction with C8 due to the closer spacing of these groups on the silica. Larger molecular weight species, however, do not separate well on a small pore bonded phase, as has been mentioned, but are better separated on large pore media as will be shown.

A mixture of moderate molecular weight proteins was separated on these same three columns. These chromatograms are shown in Figures 5,6, and 7. On all columns these proteins seem to separate well, but with different relative retentions. On each column, the higher molecular weight BSA (bovine serum albumin) elutes before the β - lactoglobulin of 1/3 the molecular weight. Such anomolous elutions are often seen in biopolymer separations on reversed phase media where various lipophilic interactions are occurring. The conformation of each protein species, as well as its composition of amino acids, will determine its elution characteristics in each combination of column (type of bonded phase) and mobile phase. In each chromatogram all the peaks are fairly symmetrical except that of BSA which apparently is beginning to be separated into its dimeric and trimeric forms (34).

The Partisil 10 CCS/C8 separation (Figure 7) is interesting in that even through this product has the largest percent carbon (9 versus 7.5 or 8) of the three columns, the elution time is the shortest. This is probably a result of the smaller pores not allowing much interaction with the bonded phase in these pores, thus giving faster elution of all the components.

PROTEIN TEST MIX ON PROTESIL 300 OCTYL

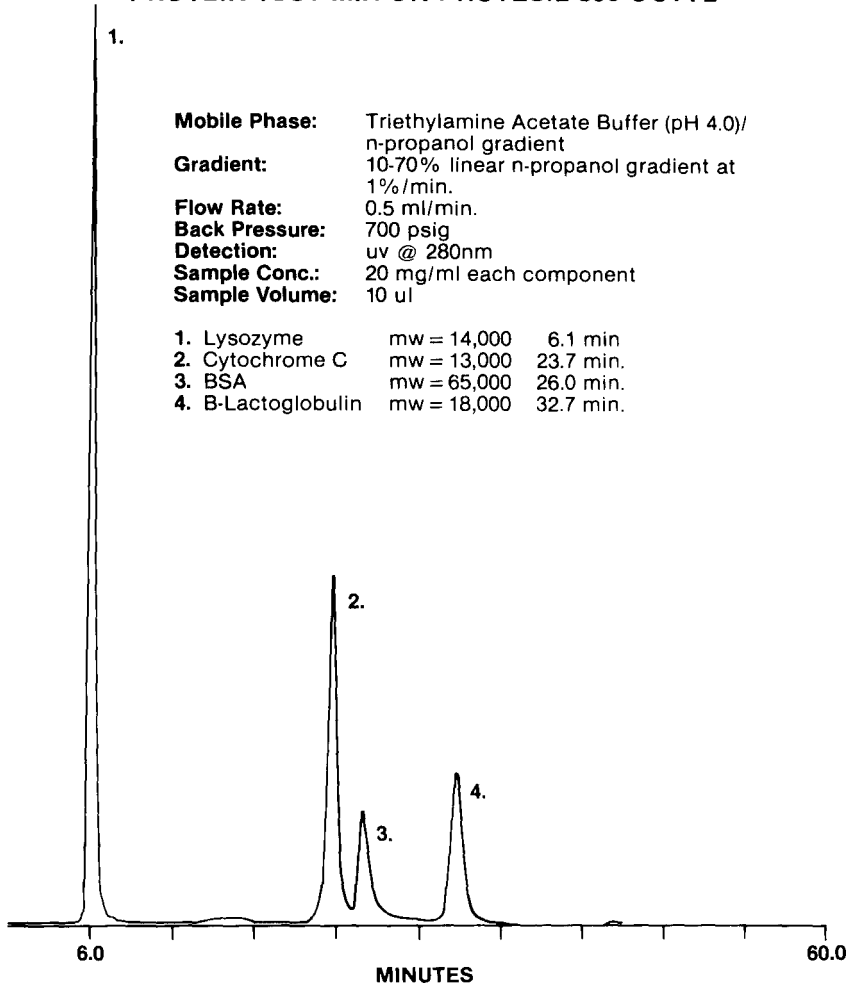


Figure 5

Protein separation on Partisil 300 Diphenyl**Conditions:**

Mobile phase: Triethylamine Acetate (TEAA) buffer (pH 4.0)/1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 10-70% linear 1-propanol gradient at 1%/min

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 700 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: 20 mg/ml each component

Sample volume: 10 μ l

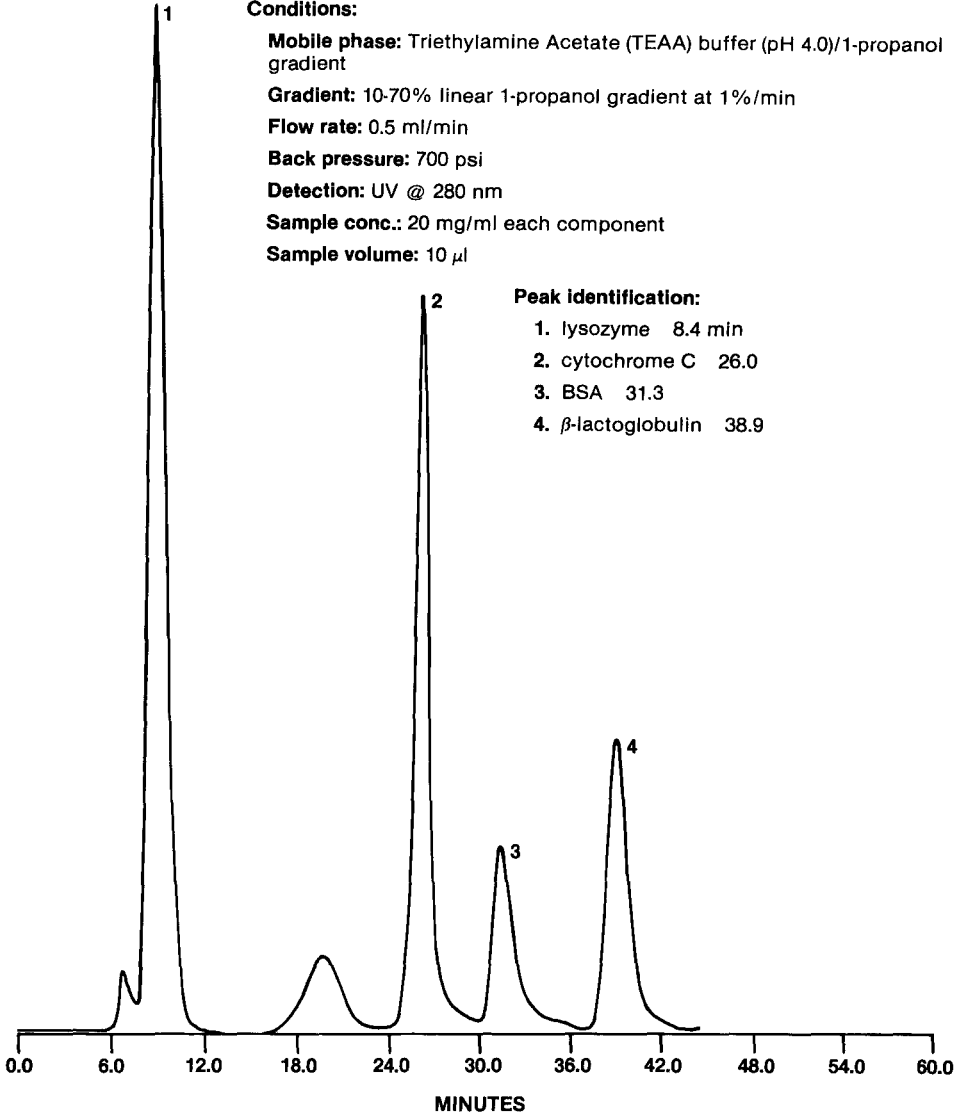


Figure 6

Protein separation on Partisil-10 C8

Conditions:

Mobile phase: Triethylamine Acetate (TEAA) buffer (pH 4.0)/1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 10-70% linear 1-propanol gradient at 1%/min

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 700 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: 20 mg/ml each component

Sample volume: 10 μ l

Peak identification:

- 1. lysozyme 4.2 min
- 2. cytochrome C 21.4
- 3. BSA 23.4
- 4. β -lactoglobulin 29.9

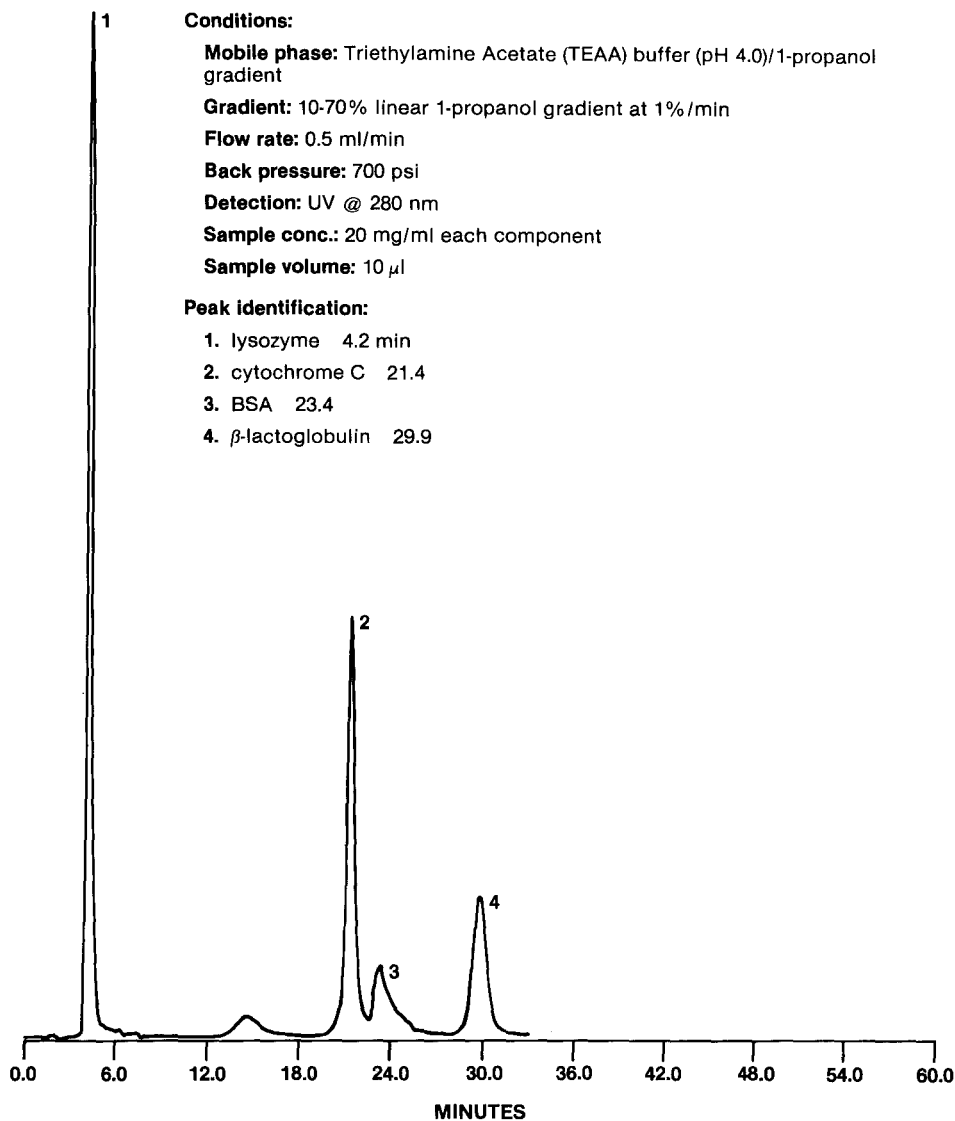


Figure 7

A second mixture of low to high molecular weight proteins was also separated on the Protesil 300 columns (Figures 8 and 9). These chromatograms are even more interesting. Even though the elution order for these proteins is the same on both columns, the Protesil 300 Octyl gives two peaks for hemoglobin (confirmed with a pure sample). An investigation as to the identity of these peaks is now being undertaken. The initial supposition is that perhaps the mobile phase is causing the heme and the globin to be separated and these are seen eluting as two peaks on the Octyl column. The same breakdown of hemoglobin would occur in the Diphenyl column because the mobile phase is the same, but the aromatic interaction of the diphenyl groups with the pyrrole rings of the heme are too strong to allow elution under the conditions employed. If such is the case, a different mobile phase (possibly close to neutrality) might be suggested to allow unmodified hemoglobin to be separated.

Since the conformations of these various proteins in the mobile phases used are not known, no definite comments on their elution order with regard to the bonded phase can be made. Work with smaller peptides whose structures are known and whose conformations would be less complex are now being done to confirm the unique selectivities found with the dipeptides.

An additional test of the selectivity differences on Protesil 300 Octyl and Diphenyl comes from samples of human serum separated on both. These profiles are seen in Figures 10 and 11. All peaks are unidentified at this time, but the largest peak is probably albumin. When the end point of the gradient is held for one hour, no further peaks eluted from either column.

PROTEIN STANDARDS ON PROTESIL 300 OCTYL

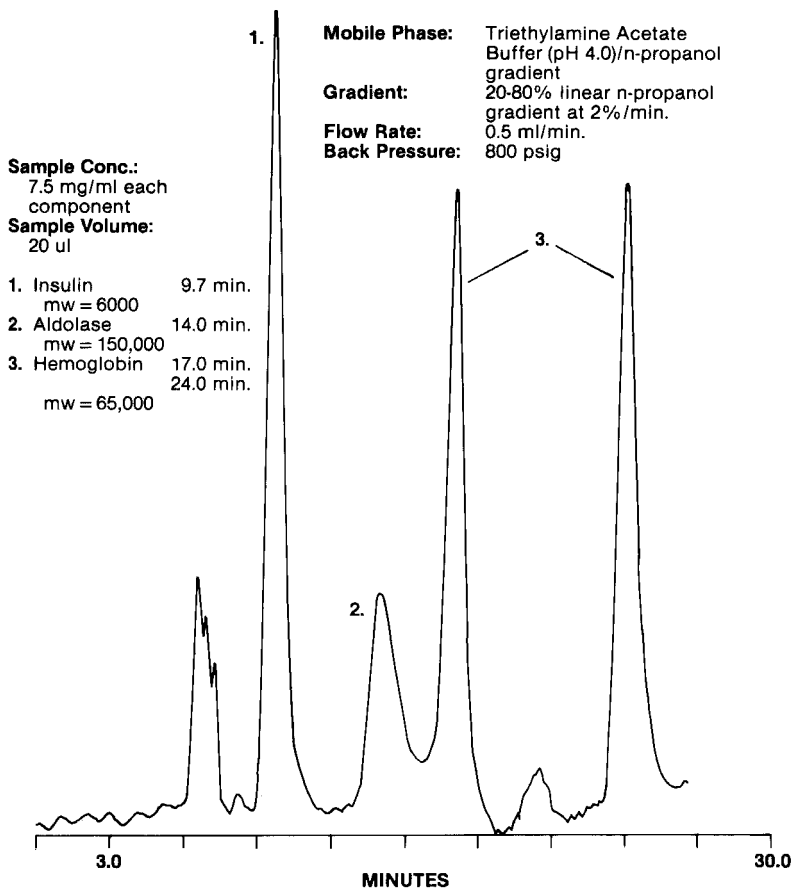


Figure 8

Protein separation on Partisil 300 Diphenyl**Conditions:**

Mobile phase: TEAA buffer (pH 4.0)/1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 20-80% linear 1-propanol gradient at 2%/min

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Back pressure: 800 psi

Sample conc.: 7.5 mg/ml each component

Sample volume: 20 μ l

Peak identification:

1. Insulin 12.1 min
2. Aldolase 17.1 min
3. Hemoglobin 21.5 min

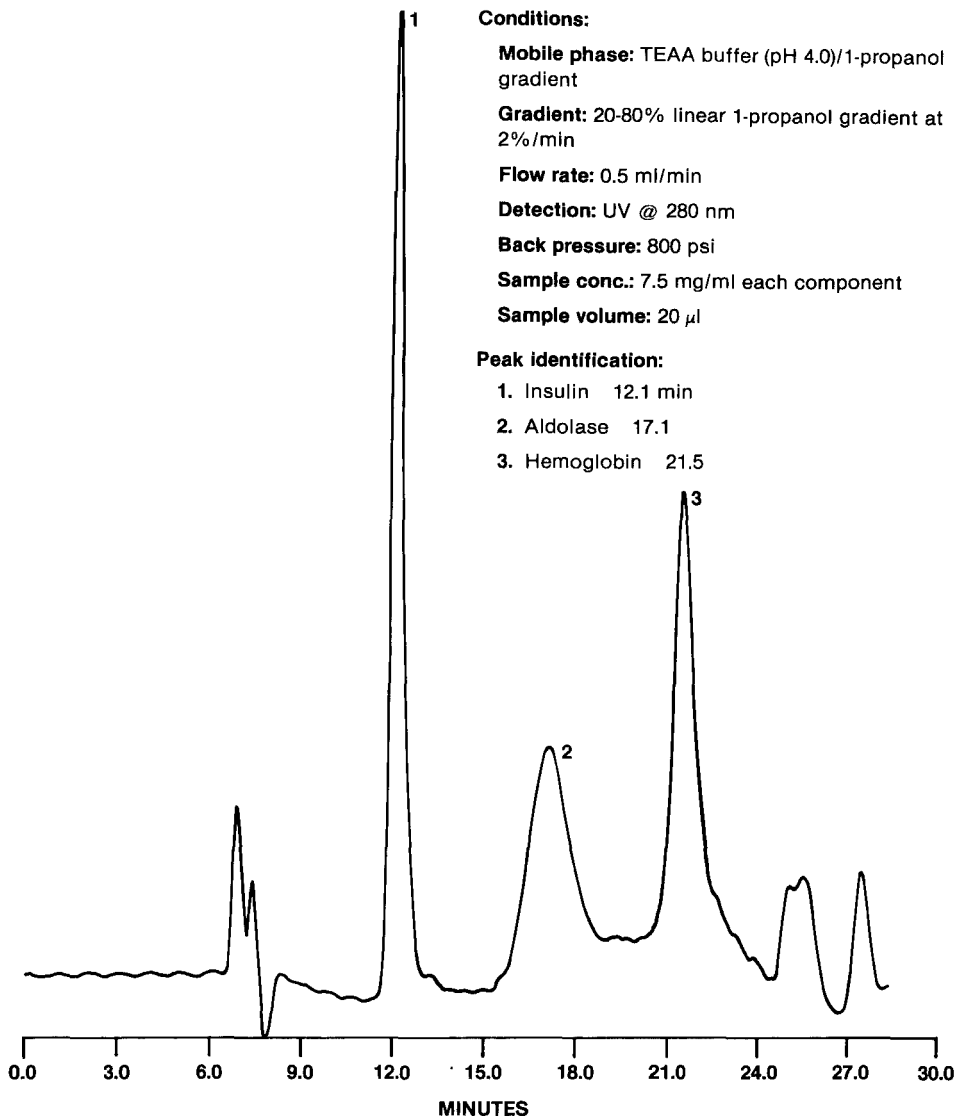


Figure 9

Human serum profile on Protesil 300 Octyl

Conditions:

Mobile phase: TEAA buffer (pH 4.0)/1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 0-100% linear 1-propanol gradient at 2%/min with a 10 min hold at 100% 1-propanol

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 800 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: 4 g/20 ml

Sample volume: 50 μ l

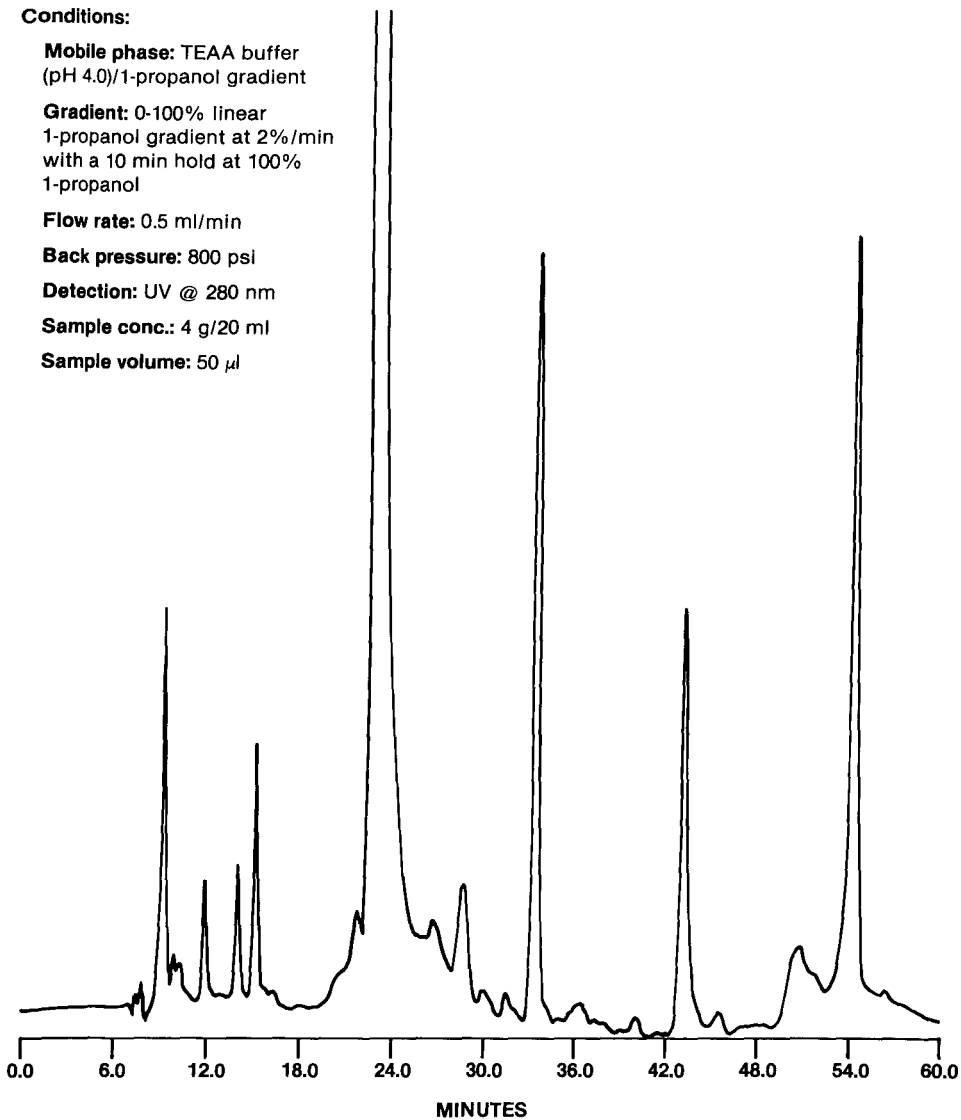


Figure 10

Human serum profile on Protesil 300 Diphenyl**Conditions:**

Mobile phase: TEAA buffer (pH 4.0)/1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 0-100% linear 1-propanol gradient at 2%/min with a 10 min hold at 100% 1-propanol

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 800 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: 4 g/20 ml

Sample volume: 50 μ l

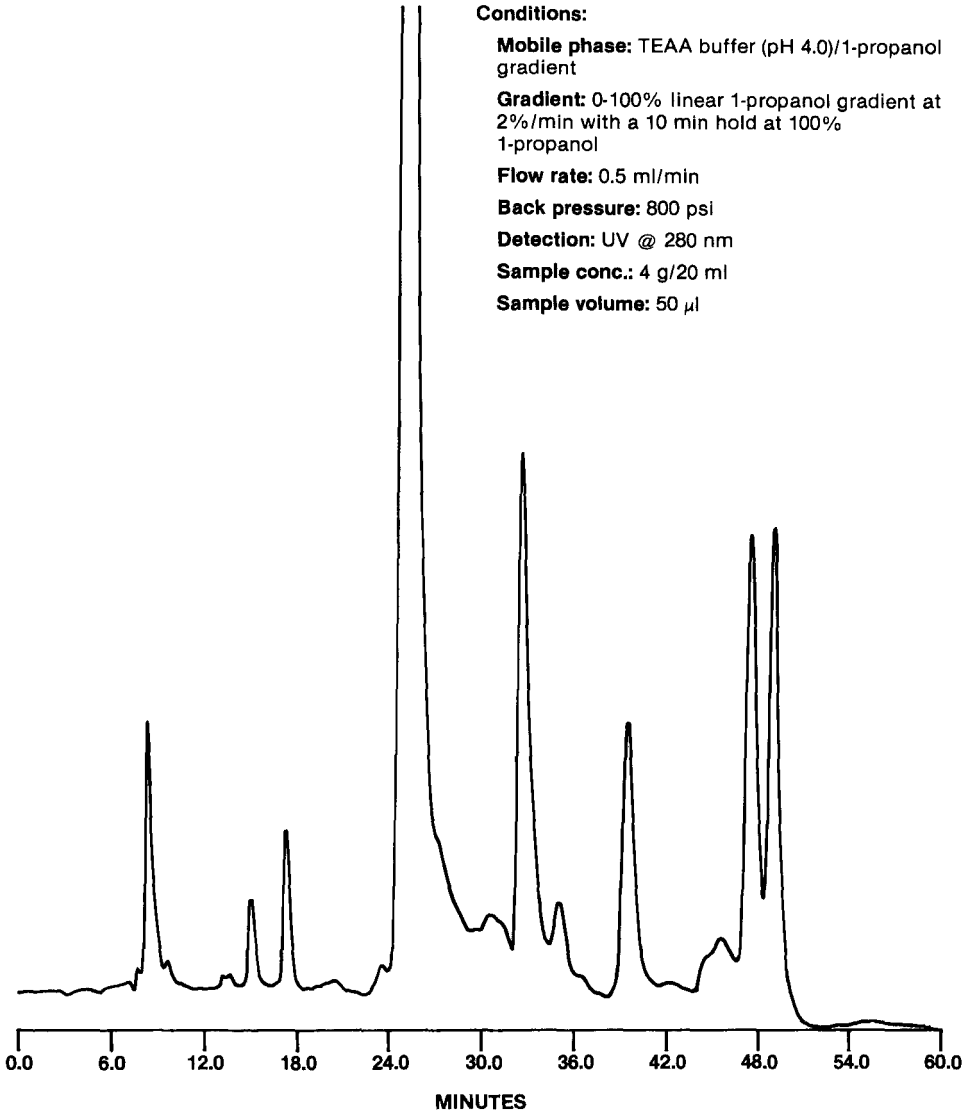


Figure 11

Loadability Studies

Since many protein separations will have to be scaled up to produce more of each species, a study into the loadability of these columns was done. The Partisil 10 CCS/C₈ was compared to the Protesil 300 Octyl and Diphenyl. Figure 12 shows tailing peaks and complete merging of the cytochrome C and BSA peaks in going from 2.5 mg of each protein in 50 ul to 3.75 mg in 75 ul injection on the Partisil 10 CCS/C₈. Figure 13 shows that the large sample is still able to be separated on the Protesil 300 Octyl column. Similarly, Figure 14 shows up to 5 mg each in 100 ul can be separated on the Protesil 300 Diphenyl column with no loss in resolution. These latter two chromatograms show that the maximum load is still higher because the peak retention is the same (indicating no mass overload) and the peak shape is symmetrical (indicating no volume overload) (35). The higher loadability of large pore bonded reversed phase media for biopolymers has been noted previously (13). Gradient elution of proteins has also been shown to give improved capacity (11).

Mass Recovery

Quantities of lysozyme were injected into Protesil 300 Octyl and Diphenyl and Partisil CCS/C₈ and ODS-3 columns and into an empty column to study mass recovery. A guard column (2.1 mm x 7 cm) filled with CoPell ODS was also put in line to see if additional lysozyme might be lost due to irreversible adsorption on the guard column media. The results are shown in Table II. As is usually found with such studies, the larger the quantity injected, the higher the recovery. In all of the columns the recovery is quite good as expected, since all of the media shown are end-capped.

Loading study on Partisil-10 C8**Conditions:**

Mobile phase: TEAA
buffer (pH 4.0)/1-propanol
gradient

Gradient: 20-60% linear
1-propanol gradient at
2%/min

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 800 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: 50 mg/ml
each component

Sample volume: — 50 μ l
 - - - 75 μ l

Peak identification:

1. cytochrome C
2. BSA

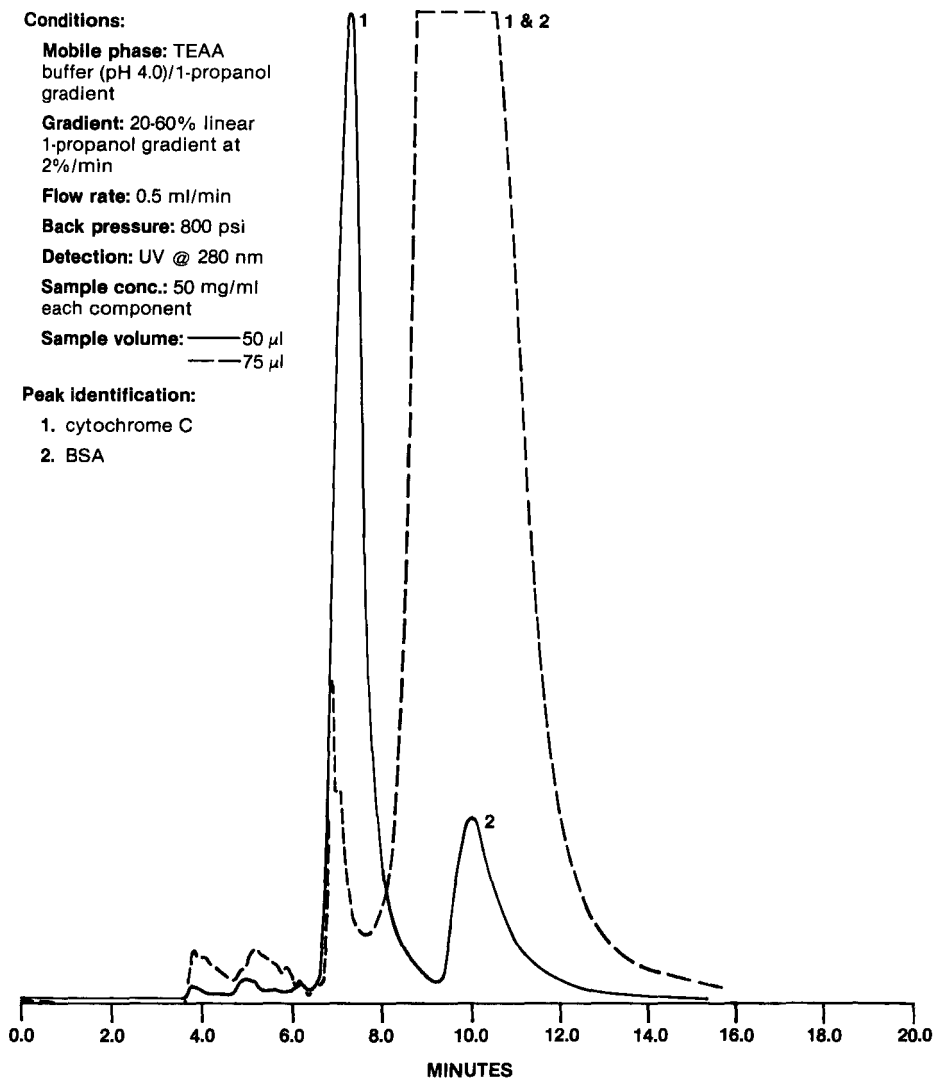


Figure 12

Loading study on Protesil 300 Octyl

Conditions:

Mobile phase: TEAA buffer (pH 4.0)/
1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 20-60% linear 1-propanol
gradient at 2%/min

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 800 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: 50 mg/ml each
component

Sample volume: — 50 μ l
— 75 μ l

Peak identification:

1. cytochrome C
2. BSA

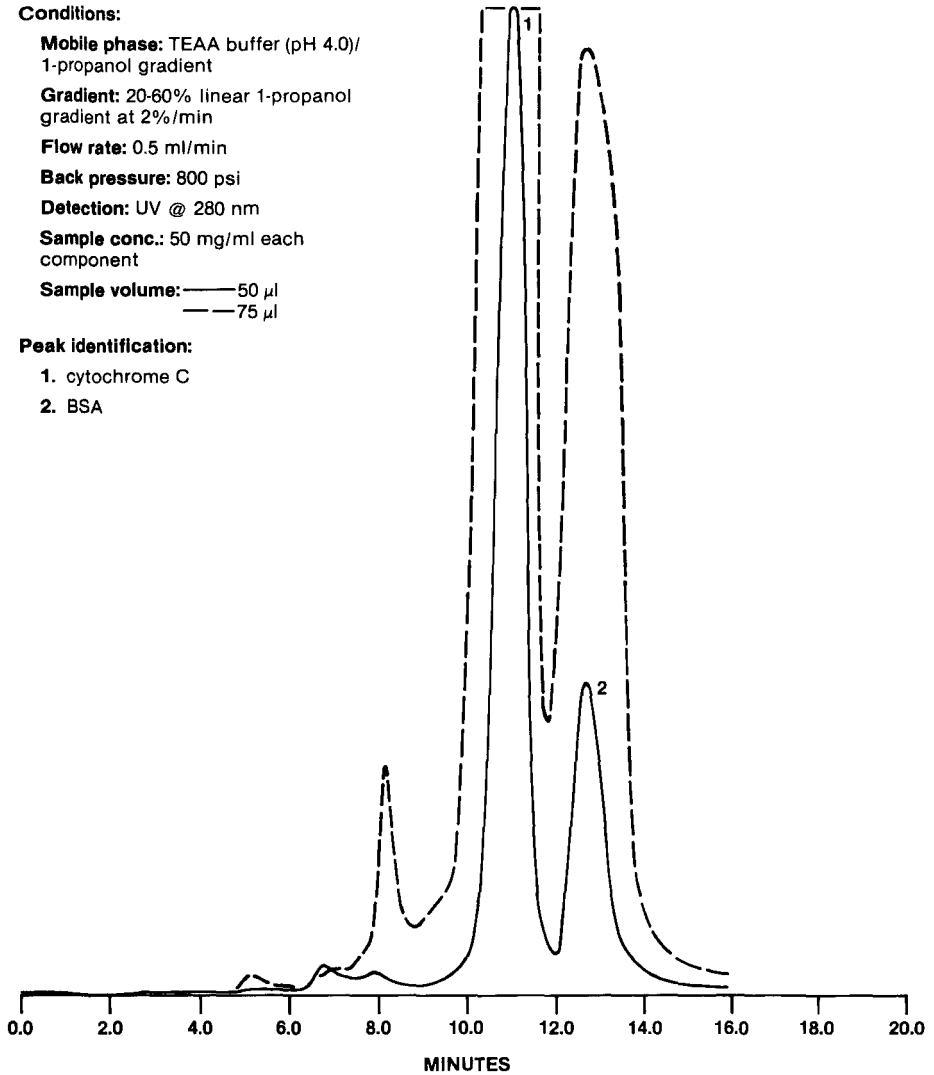


Figure 13

Loading study on Protesil 300 Diphenyl**Conditions:**

Mobile phase: TEAA buffer (pH 4.0)/
1-propanol gradient

Gradient: 20-60% linear 1-propanol
gradient at 2%/min

Flow rate: 0.5 ml/min

Back pressure: 800 psi

Detection: UV @ 280 nm

Sample conc.: — 1 mg/ml

Sample volume: — 100 μ l

Sample conc.: — 50 mg/ml

Sample volume: — 100 μ l

Peak identification:

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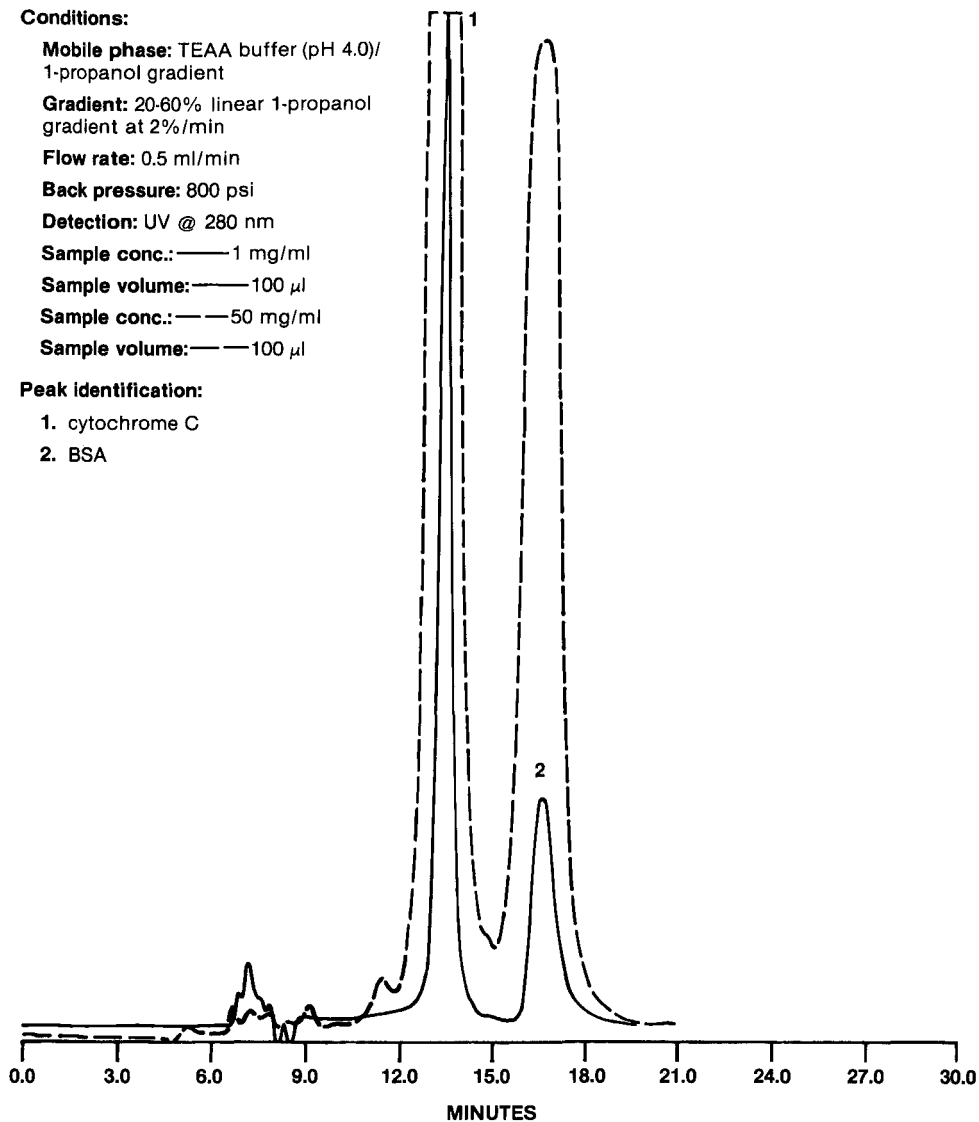


Figure 14

TABLE II

MASS RECOVERY OF LYSOZYME

Mass (ug)	Pr 300 Diphenyl	Pr 300 Octyl	Pa 10 CCS/C8	Pa 10 ODS-3	Gd Col (CoPe11 ODS) & Pr 300 Diphenyl
100	99	94	96	86	87
50	93	86	92	77	80
20	84	78	83	71	72
10	81	78	80	65	68

Abbreviations: Pr 300 = Protesil 300
 Pa 10 = Partisil 10
 Gd Col = Guard Column

With the guard column added to the system, there is some additional loss of protein. This is, however, a small price to pay for the extra life such guard columns often give to the analytical column.

The recovery studies based upon biological activities of proteins passed through the Protesil 300 columns are now underway and will be reported separately.

Comments

It is important for each company to provide as much information as possible on its columns and their use, so that the chromatographer gets the maximum potential from each column. Although a more thorough treatment of the general care of columns is available (36), a few more specific comments will be made here as a precautionary measure.

Any sample going onto a Protesil column should be cleaned up in some manner, if it is other than a standard. This may involve passing through mini-columns of ion exchange celluloses, size exclusion media or other. Filtration and/or a good centrifugation of the sample will also prevent particulates from getting into the LC system. Both Rubinstein (11) and Nice and his coworkers (15) have commented on sample preparation prior to HPLC separation.

Since the buffer salts or acids often used in biopolymer separations are not available usually as 'chromatographic grades', they should be monitored carefully (UV scan of 1 M solutions possibly) and purified if necessary. Many such reagents can be purified easily by passing through columns of silica gel, alumina, polymer, or reversed phase bonded media.

When preparing buffer solutions, the pH of the aqueous portion is adjusted to that specified, then the organic is added. There is a shift to higher 'apparent pH' (pH*) values on addition of organic (36). This apparent pH should not be allowed to become too high (no greater than 7 or 7.5) or the backbone of any bonded silica will be short lived.

Both pre-columns (before the injector) and guard columns (after the injector) are recommended for longest column life. Each serves a particular function and their use has been discussed (36,37).

It is critical that when any biopolymer separation is to be attempted that the sample solution be completely miscible with the isocratic mobile phase or the extremes of a gradient mobile phase. This will prevent high molecular weight species from being inadvertently precipitated at the head of the Protesil column.

If work with different biopolymers is to be done, it is recommended that 'dedicated' columns be considered to prevent cross contamination (15,16).

As was pointed out by Su and his coworkers (30), with the larger peptides the secondary and tertiary structures will become more important and 'the choice of mobile phase composition will have a profound effect on resolution and sample recovery.' Thus judicious and varied choices for mobile phase composition should be tried as well as the different Protesil 300 columns for optimum separation results.

Summary

Two new HPLC column packings have been designed for use as biopolymer separation media. Information derived from the work of many research groups has lead to what could be considered the optimal combination of bonded phase types, percent bonded phase, end-capping, and pore diameter. Various studies with dipeptide and protein mixtures have been done to show the distinct differences in selectivity and loadability of the Protesil 300 Octyl and Diphenyl in comparison with each other, and with Partisil 10 CCS/C8, a similar bonded phase but on a smaller pore size silica gel. Each new Protesil packing appears to have unique selectivities, related to the differing hydrophobicities (or lipophilicities) of the bonded phases and their interaction with such sites on protein and peptide structures. Mass recovery has been shown to be excellent. With the usual column care, these columns will be long lived and will be a useful addition to the separation arsenal of the biochemist.

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SEPARATION OF THE PROTEINS OF LOCUST NEUROSECRETORY
ENDINGS WITH HPLC

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ABSTRACT

High performance liquid chromatography on gel permeation columns was used to analyse the protein and peptide content of the neurosecretory corpora cardiaca of the locust (*Locusta migratoria*). A variety of extraction conditions and mobile phase compositions were tested for their separation efficiency.

A good resolution, showing 12 peaks distributed within 5 distinct groups, could be achieved in 32 min with the fresh homogenate from only two corpora cardiaca (0.5 M Tris buffer, 0.3 NaCl, 0.1 % SDS, pH = 7.4 ; flow rate : 0.5 ml/min). Similar HPLC patterns were obtained with three fractions previously separated on a Sephadex G-100 column as well as with isolated neurosecretory vesicles.

HPLC then appears as a promising technique in the field of insect neurohormone isolation.

INTRODUCTION

The minute quantity of available material is the main difficulty encountered in studying neurohormones. Contrasting with the numerous neurofactors isolated from 'higher' animals, the structures of which have been thoroughly determined, only two insect neuropeptides are well known (5) and their structure confirmed by synthesis. The proteins of the whole brain of locust (incorporating corpora cardiaca) have been studied using classical DEAE-cellulose and Sephadex chromatographic columns (1). In this paper, the HPLC technique performed on gel permeation columns has been used for analysing the proteins of dissected corpora cardiaca of the locust. HPLC appears to be a valuable technique in this new field, on account of its high sensitivity permitting a fast examination of very small quantities of biological material.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Preparation of Samples

Mature adult locusts (*Locusta migratoria*), reared in crowd, were sacrificed by decapitation and the neurosecretory lobes of corpora cardiaca rapidly removed. Three types of neurosecretory corpora material were used :

a) Crude extracts of corpora cardiaca were obtained by ultrasonification (CIT Alcatel apparatus ; 3 x 20 sec) followed by centrifugation. The precise conditions vary with the different experiments and will be detailed in the next section. The supernatants were injected directly into the chromatographic column.

b) Corpora cardiaca (2,000 dissected samples) stored in cold acetone (4°C) were collected by decantation, ultrasonicated in 0.01 M sodium acetate buffer, 0,15 M NaCl, pH = 7.4 and centrifuged (10.000 g ; 20 min). The extract was submitted to gel filtration on Sephadex G-100 (900 x 15 mn column) and eluted with the same medium.

c) The technique of Nordmann *et al.* (4) using a sucrose/metri-
zamide gradient of an osmolality value of 0.46 was used for the isolation of the neurosecretory vesicles from 500 corpora cardiaca.

Techniques

Two models of HPLC apparatus were used :

a) a Waters LCIV system, with a SF 770 low wavelength absorbance detector and a gel permeation column (Waters I 125, 7.8 mm x 30 cm).

b) a Beckman basic isocratic system with a 254 nanometers analyser optical unit, and a permeation column (Altex TSK, gel 2000 SW, 7.5 mm x 30 cm).

Samples (50 or 100 μ l) were injected into the Waters column and 20 μ l into the Altex column and monitored respectively at 215 and 254 nm.

In every case, HPLC columns were eluted at room temperature.

RESULTS

Influence of Different Chromatographic Parameters

We have first analysed by HPLC the crude extract from 2 fresh corpora cardiaca using different phases both as extraction and elution media :

EP₁ = distilled water ;

EP₂ = Tris 0.5 M ; NaCl 0.3 M ; pH = 7.4 ;

EP₃ = EP₂, with SDS 0.1 % ;

EP₄ = EP₂/MeOH, 2:1 vol/vol ;

EP₅ = H₂O/MeOH, 70:30 vol/vol.

EP₁ gave several peaks but this eluent phase was rapidly dismissed, as a high proportion of the biological material remains linked to the column. Increasing the ionic strength and buffering at pH = 7.4 (EP₂) dramatically improved the separation ; a further improvement was the addition of 0.1 % sodium dodecylsulfate (SDS), leading to the eluent phase EP₃ which gave a better resolution.

A typical chromatographic separation of the protein content of neurosecretory endings obtained with EP₃ is shown in fig. 1. Two high molecular weight fractions (Ia and Ib) were first eluted with a retention time (9-11 min) close to the retention time of serum albumin (MW : 67.000 ; t_r = 11 min). They were followed by a second apparently homogenous peak (II : t_r = 13 min) and by a heterogenous group III. The five constituent peaks (IIIa, IIIb, IIIc, IIId,

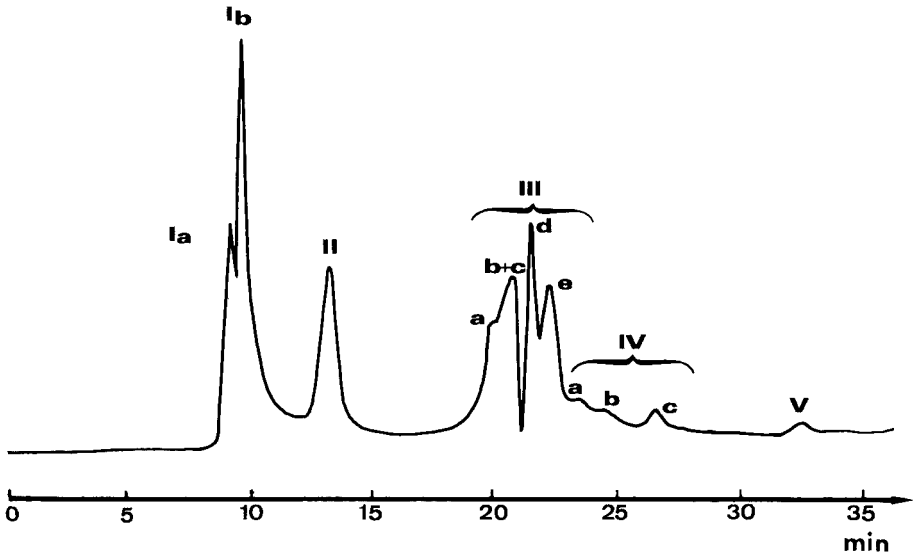


Figure 1.- HPLC separation of the proteins extracted from two fresh corpora cardiaca. The biological material was directly homogenized in the mobile phase EP₃ and centrifuged (10,000 g ; 20 min) ; the supernatant (20 μ l) was loaded on an Altex column ; flow rate, 0.5 ml/min ; detection at 254 nm (0.01 AUFS) ; chart speed, 1 cm/min.

IIIe) with a retention time of 20-22 min correspond to fractions of molecular weight lower than ribonuclease (MW : 13.700 ; t_r = 17 min) and higher than insulin (MW : 6.000 ; t_r = 23 min). IIIa, IIIb and IIIc were poorly separated, especially IIIc which appeared more as a shoulder of IIIb than an individualized peak. The range of molecular weights of the III group peaks likely corresponds to the presence of neurosecretory products (1). The remaining elution peaks appeared on the diagram as a heterogeneous group (IV : t_r = 23-27 min) with three minor peaks IVa, IVb and IVc. A last minor peak (V) was eluted with a retention time of 32-33 min (somatostatin, t_r = 32 min).

No major differences could be noted when modifying the concentration of Tris (0.01-0.5 M) or the final pH of the eluent

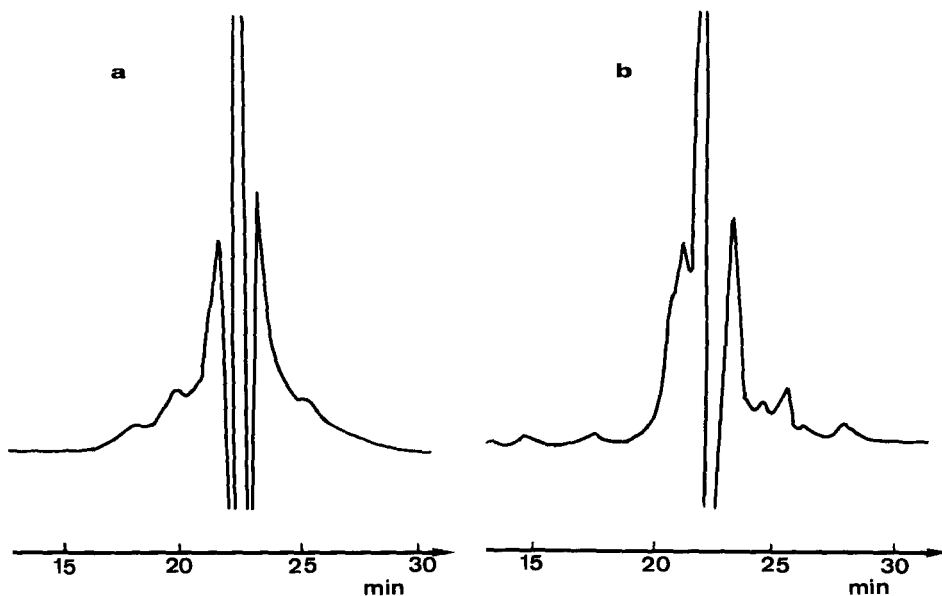


Figure 2.- Influence of methanol on the chromatographic profiles of group III peaks. The biological material (two fresh corpora cardiaca) was directly homogenized in either (a) EP₄ or (b) 30 % methanol ; in both cases, after a 20 min centrifugation at 10,000 g, the supernatant (20 μ l) was loaded on an Altex column ; elution was performed with either EP₄ in (a) or EP₃ in (b) ; the chromatographic conditions were the same as in Fig. 1.

phase (pH = 3.0, 5.0 or 7.0) ; however, the higher salt concentration (0.5 M) and higher pH value (7.4) gave more reproducible results and were therefore finally selected. Addition of methanol (EP₄) considerably diminished the height of peak I ; peak II completely disappeared, and the different peaks of IV group were indistinct. The III group components were different, as only three peaks (instead of five) were noticeable ; the medium peak was the highest of the group, beginning and finishing in the negative part of the chart (fig. 2,a).

The effect of methanol was also demonstrated with solvent phases deprived of electrolytes. With EP₅, peak I was almost suppressed and appeared as at least four small separated peaks. The different components of peak III appeared as a unique small peak. As with EP₄, peak II and IV were absent.

The separation was usually performed with a flow rate of 0.5 ml/min ; similar results were obtained with a flow rate of 0.8 ml/min, but a further increase (1 or 1,5 ml/min) led to a lesser resolution of the peaks.

The chromatographic columns were loaded with crude extracts obtained from a maximum number of 6 corpora cardiaca (80 µg of proteins) ; a higher quantity of extracts led to the saturation of the column ; this was proved by the emergence of a series of new peaks which resembled the usual elution diagram, after a further injection of pure eluent.

HPLC Analysis of Different Corpora Cardiaca Preparations

Crude methanolic extracts

Two fresh corpora cardiaca were extracted with 30 p. 100 methanol (sonification followed by centrifugation) and the chromatographic separation was performed with EP₃ as described. The modifications interested principally the two first peaks which almost disappear and group III, where two peaks were well resolved (fig. 2,b). Increasing the methanol concentration to 70 p. 100 in the extraction medium with or without eliminating methanol under a stream of nitrogen, gave an extract very similar to the one obtained with 30 % methanol extraction.

Influence of storage

400 corpora cardiaca were sonificated in distilled water (4 ml) ; the homogenate was centrifuged (115.000 g ; 30 min) and the lyophilised supernatant stored at - 20°C. The lyophilised material was dissolved in EP₂ (4 ml) and analysed using EP₂. Peaks I and II almost disappeared ; the III group only showed four peaks. Contrary to the results obtained with fresh material, in which a very good reproductibility was always noticed, chromatograms from stored material showed a great variability in the four peaks

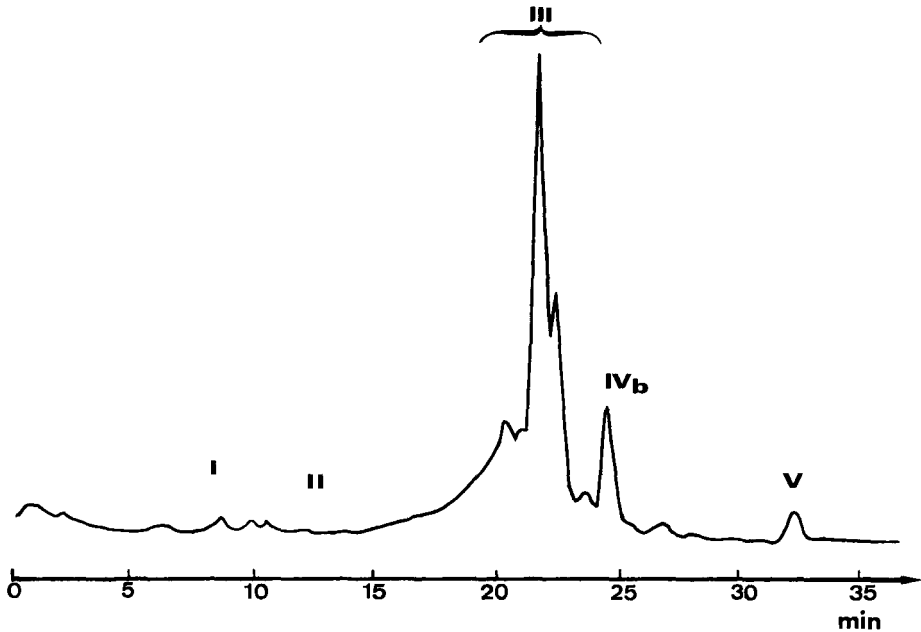


Figure 3.- Influence of storage on HPLC separation of the proteins. Corpora cardiaca (400 samples) were homogenized in distilled water (4 ml) : 30 min centrifugation at 115,000 g ; the supernatant was dissolved after lyophilisation in EP₂ (4 ml) ; 20 μ l of the solution (corresponding to 2 corpora cardiaca) were loaded on an Altex column with the same chromatographic conditions as in Fig. 1.

of the III group, which differed in their heights from one batch to another and, in the same batch, from one injection to another. Storage of corpora cardiaca enhanced the importance of peak IVb and peak V (fig. 3).

Influence of a preliminary gel-filtration

Corpora cardiaca (2000 samples) were stored, extracted and centrifuged as previously described.

The extract was submitted to fractionation on Sephadex G-100. Three fractions a, b and c were collected at respectively 60, 67 and

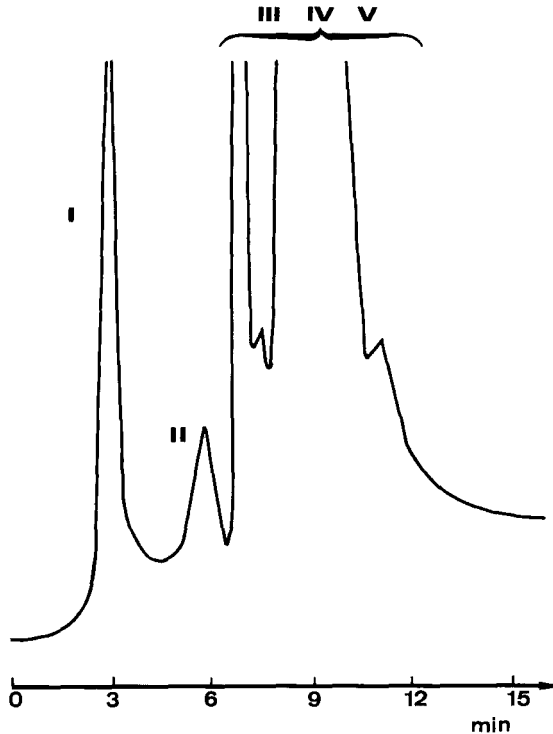


Figure 4.- HPLC separation of the proteins from fraction a obtained using Sephadex G-100 gel-filtration. Fraction a (50 μ l collected at the top of the fraction) was loaded on a Waters column ; elution with EP₂ ; flow rate, 1.5 ml/min ; detection at 215 nm (0.01 AUFS) ; chart speed, 1 cm/min.

156 ml of elution volume. The a and b peaks were higher and sharper than c. Samples corresponding to the top of these peaks were submitted to HPLC with EP₂. The elution diagram of fraction a (fig. 4) is roughly similar to the one shown in fig. 1, with the exception of the different IV peaks which were all strongly enhanced. Peak I was absent in the elution diagrams of b and c fractions.

Neurosecretory vesicles extracts

The technique of Nordmann *et al.*, applied to dissected neurosecretory corpora cardiaca previously submitted to Potter treatment, gives rise to two bands (vol : 1 ml ; d = 1.3812 and 1.3848) which were carefully collected. The two bands appeared as a homogenous suspension of intact neurosecretory vesicles, with only a few contaminating mitochondria, as confirmed by electron microscopy.

The vesicles were collected by centrifugation (40.000 g ; 20 min), resuspended in distilled water containing peptidase inhibitors and sonificated. After a series of freezing and defreezing processes, a last centrifugation (40.000 g ; 20 min) gave a supernatant and a pellet which were both analysed by HPLC with EP₂ as eluent. In both cases, the elution diagram was perturbed by a very large plateau region (ranging approximatively from t_r = 7 min to t_r = 13 min) due to sucrose and metrizamide. The plateau corresponded to the retention time of the last peaks of the III group and of all group IV peaks, thus masking the occurrence of these fractions. Sucrose and metrizamide could not be eliminated neither by ultrafiltration of the samples on a Millipore membrane (cutting off point 1000 mw) nor by monitoring the detector at 280 nm. However, the occurrence of peak I could be proved in the pellet and not in the supernatant (fig. 5).

DISCUSSION

HPLC allowed a clear separation of the proteins of the neurosecretory endings of the locust. This could be achieved using a permeation column and a high osmotic strength elution medium, containing SDS. Our results agree with the conclusions of Jenik and Porter (2) and of Takagi *et al.* (6) : these two groups reported the beneficial influence of increasing the ionic strength and adding SDS in reducing the absorption of proteins and peptides to the matrix. The best separations were obtained with a low flow rate (0.5 ml/min). We have thus confirmed the previous results obtained by Meek and Rossetti (3), who emphasized the necessity of using a flow rate less than or equal to 1 ml/min.

The major advantage of HPLC was the possibility of exploring minute quantities of crude biological materials as the neurosecre-

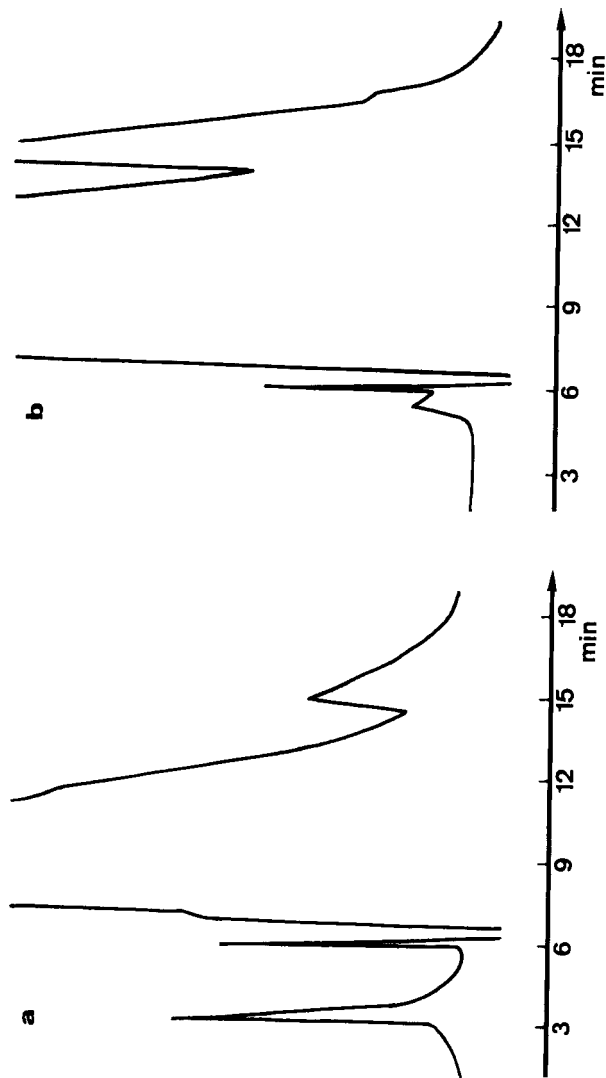


Figure 5.- HPLC analysis of the proteins from disrupted neurosecretory vesicles. (a) The pellet was homogenized in EP₂.
(b) Supernatant. Chromatographic conditions as in Fig. 4.

tory endings of only two corpora cardiaca were needed, thus allowing analysis on fresh material in a wide variety of experimental conditions. A more heavier loading of the column diminished the quality of the separation, whereas the storage of the sample, an obligation when a larger weight of biological material is necessary, was followed by a low degree of reproductibility. Preliminary column gel-filtration did not improve the resolution.

Five groups of proteins of molecular weights ranging from 60,000 to 1,700 were distinctly separated. Peaks II and V always appeared homogenous ; Ia, Ib and II were present in all the samples analysed. Peaks belonging to groups III and IV showed the greatest variability in height. We generally observed that storage of the samples was associated with a decrease of group III peaks together with an enhancement of group IV peaks suggesting that the smaller compounds may be generated by an enzymatic attack of the larger protein molecules. Group III fractions include the range of molecular weights corresponding to the neurosecretory protein isolated from locust brain and corpora cardiaca by Freidel et al. (1). Using methanol in the extraction medium, an alcohol which allowed the extraction of two insect neuropeptides (5), was followed by a notable enhancement of peaks IIIb and IIIc.

Preparations of neurosecretory vesicles obtained by the technique of Nordmann et al. (4) appeared free from contaminating material and showed a good morphological quality. The constituents of the gradient unfortunately could not be eliminated and interfered with the subsequent spectrophotometric analysis. The exclusive occurrence of the first compound in the pellet and its large molecular weight suggest that this compound can be a membrane protein, whereas group III compounds, entirely contained in the supernatant, appear to be neurosecretory products.

The results reported in this paper are currently applied to the isolation and biological characterization of the neurohormones of locust corpora cardiaca.

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HIGH-PRESSURE LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHIC ASSAY
OF AZLOCILLIN AND MEZLOCILLIN WITH AN
ANION-EXCHANGE EXTRACTION TECHNIQUE

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ABSTRACT

An anion-exchange column deproteination technique has been employed with the high-pressure liquid chromatographic (LC) assay for azlocillin and mezlocillin. The anion-exchange extraction gave excellent (97%-99%) drug recovery. Quantitation of antibiotics using the LC method compares favorably to the traditional biological assay technique with correlation coefficients for azlocillin = 0.998 and mezlocillin = 0.988. The anion-exchange extraction provides an interference-free chromatogram which aids in the LC assay of these drugs.

INTRODUCTION

Azlocillin and mezlocillin, ureidopenicillins, belong to a new class of semisynthetic penicillins possessing an extended spectrum of antimicrobial activity. Several methods for the LC assay of these agents have been described in the literature using organic extraction and Sep-Pak column (Waters Associates, Milford, MA.) protein separation techniques (1,2). We have developed an anion-exchange column procedure that works well for several cephalosporins (3,4) and have employed

this method for the LC assay of azlocillin and mezlocillin. The purpose of this report is to (i) apply anion-exchange deproteination techniques to the assay of azlocillin and mezlocillin, (ii) define drug recovery using this method, and (iii) compare quantitative results of LC method to the biological assay method.

EXPERIMENTAL

Antibiotic Extraction Technique

Anion-exchange columns were prepared by packing 6-ml syringes with DEAE A-25 Sephadex (Pharmacia Fine Chemical, Piscataway, N.J.) as described previously (3). Samples were processed by placing 0.5 ml serum on the column, followed by 0.5 ml phosphate buffered saline pH 7.2 (PBS) to rinse sample completely into column. Proteins were removed with a 4.0 ml PBS column wash, and antibiotics were then eluted from the column with 5.0 ml of 1.0 M sodium chloride. The final eluent is collected for LC analysis.

LC Assay

The chromatographic system used was a Varian (Walnut Creek, CA.) model LC 5020 liquid chromatograph with a Varichrom variable wavelength detector and a CDS 111L peak integrator with strip chart recorder. Sample eluates (100 μ l) were chromatographed using an analytical octadecylsilane column (Waters Associates) of 30-cm length, 4 mm internal diameter, and 10 μ m particle size. The mobile phase had a flow rate of 2.0 ml/min at isocratic conditions of 60% 0.01 M acetate buffer at pH 4.8 and 40% methanol. The UV detector was set at 220 nm and 0.1 A full scale. The calculations were based on an external standard of 20 μ g/ml for both azlocillin and mezlocillin assays. Each sample was injected in duplicate and results averaged to obtain the concentration value.

Microbiological Assay

Antibiotic bioassays were performed using a standard well diffusion method with a 24-hour incubation at 37°C (5). The assay used *Micrococcus luteus* ATCC #9431 as the indicator organism in antibiotic medium no. 1 (Difco Laboratories, Detroit, MI.) at pH 6.6. Antibiotic concentrations were determined by reading zone diameters to the nearest 0.1 mm and comparing them to a standard line from 40 µg/ml to 1.25 µg/ml of either azlocillin or mezlocillin. All samples exceeding 40 µg/ml were diluted so as to fall within the standard line range. Bioassay of unknowns were run on three separate plates for each sample and then averaged.

Samples

Azlocillin and mezlocillin were added to pooled human serum *in vitro* to provide assay samples. LC assay linearity was determined for both drugs at concentrations of 100, 80, 60, 40, 20, 10, and 5 µg/ml. Peak area of antibiotic was plotted on a linear graph against drug concentration. Antibiotic recovery, using anion-exchange columns for sample preparation, was performed at 2 concentrations, 50 and 25 µg/ml. Recovery was calculated by comparing the antibiotic peak of a column eluate to one representing total drug. The described protein removal process dilutes original serum sample 10-fold, therefore saline samples containing 50 µg/ml and 25 µg/ml were diluted 1 to 10 in 1.0 M sodium chloride and used in drug recovery determination. Peak areas from serum samples were divided by the saline dilution peak areas and multiplied by 100 to give percent drug recovered. Each concentration's recovery was determined using two column extractions for both drugs. Antibiotic concentrations of approximately 100, 75, 50, 25, 10, and 5 µg/ml were prepared for each drug and si-

multaneous LC and biological assays were performed to compare methodologies.

RESULTS

The retention times for azlocillin and mezlocillin were 4.0 and 4.4 minutes respectively, near the reported retention time of 5.25 minutes for piperacillin using the same mobile phase (6). The chromatograms from human serum samples are shown in Figure 1. The azlocillin and mezlocillin had linear detector response through range tested as shown in Figure 2. Quantitation of less than 5 µg/ml could be achieved by increasing the sensitivity of UV detector. The anion-exchange column extraction gave recoveries of 98% at 50 µg/ml for both azlocillin and mezlocillin, and at 25 µg/ml, 99% and 97% respectively. Comparison of bioassay and LC assay are shown in Figure 3 for azlocillin and Figure 4 for mezlocillin. Azlocillin comparison had a correlation coefficient of 0.998 and the mezlocillin comparison had a correlation coefficient of 0.988.

DISCUSSION

The anion-exchange column extraction provides excellent results for both quantitative drug recovery and serum interference removal for the azlocillin and mezlocillin assays, as previously found for cephalosporins in our reports using this extraction method (3,4). Since organic extractions have not given 100% antibiotic recovery (1) and involve several steps for sample preparation, a simpler and faster deproteination method is preferred. A Sep-Pak column preparation technique has also been described (2) and reports good antibiotic recovery, but at the present time Sep-Paks are costly and are used only once. The anion-exchange columns are made quickly and can be used at least ten times (3), which markedly reduces cost of sample preparation.

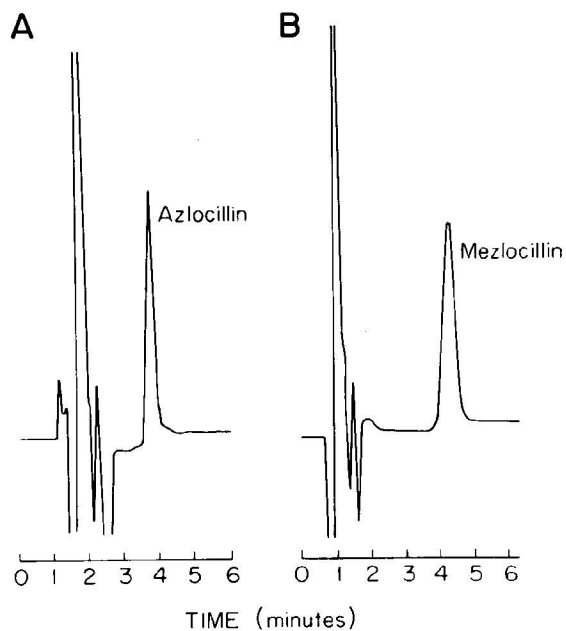


Figure 1. Sample chromatogram of azlocillin, 25 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ (a) and mezlocillin, 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ (b) from serum samples.

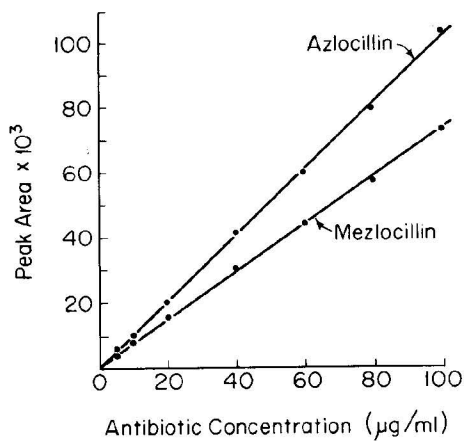


Figure 2. Comparison of detector responses (in peak area) to antibiotic concentration in sample for azlocillin and mezlocillin.

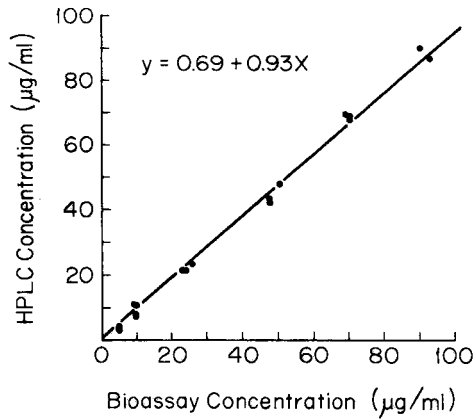


Figure 3. Linear regression of LC and bioassay for azlocillin.

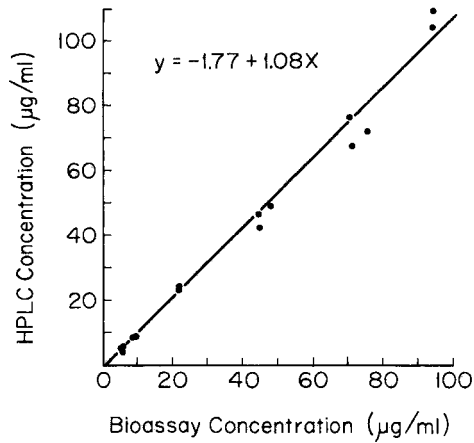


Figure 4. Linear regression of LC and bioassay for mezlocillin.

The results of linear regression analysis indicate that for both azlocillin and mezlocillin slope values obtained were near a perfect direct relationship of $b=1.0$. The correlation coefficient calculations represent the close agreement of the two groups of assay data obtained for each drug and reflects a favorable comparison for the two methods. Anion-exchange column extraction is a rapid, inexpensive technique for the deproteination of serum samples for use with the LC assay of azlocillin and mezlocillin. The LC method provides a sensitive, specific, and quantitative antibiotic assay.

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DEVELOPMENT OF A STANDARDIZED ANALYSIS STRATEGY
FOR BASIC DRUGS, USING ION-PAIR EXTRACTION AND
HIGH-PERFORMANCE LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPHY

PART IV. Application to solid pharmaceutical dosage forms

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ABSTRACT

The usefulness of two standardized HPLC-systems for the analysis of basic drugs in tablets and capsules is exemplified. The standardized HPLC systems both use a CN-column combined with either a polar or a non polar mobile phase. Also the sample preparation is standardized and simple; it involves suspension of the powder mixture in one of the mobile phase components, centrifugation and injection of the clear supernatant.

INTRODUCTION

In previous papers from this laboratory (1-3) the development of a standardized analysis strategy for basic drugs was reported. This strategy combines an ion-pair extraction technique with two preferred HPLC-systems using a CN-bonded phase and either acetonitrile-water-propylamine (90:10:0.01) or n-hexane-dichloromethane-acetonitrile-propylamine (50:50:25:0,1) as standard mobile phases. The strategy is applicable to the determination of

basic drugs in pharmaceutical dosage forms (syrups, ointments, emulsions...) (3), cosmetics (4), saliva and plasma (5). For solid pharmaceutical preparations such as tablets, the ion-pair extraction step can be omitted. The ground tablet can be suspended in the mobile phase component which is most appropriate for dissolving the analyte and following centrifugation the supernatant can directly be injected onto the nitrile bonded phase column. As reported earlier (3) the mobile phase composition can easily and rapidly be optimized for the particular analysis problem. The procedure is very convenient for the determination of basic drugs and is hence routinely applied in our laboratory in order to control label claims of tablets, capsules etc. The present paper describes some of these applications in order to exemplify the possibilities of the procedure. As in a previous paper (3) concerning the application of the strategy to syrups, ointments, etc. emphasis was laid on the extraction step and little or no account was given of how adaptation of the initial standardized mobile phase to the particular analysis problem was made, special attention will be paid in the present paper to the reasoning behind the alterations of the volume ratio of the mobile phase components.

EXPERIMENTAL

Apparatus

Chromatography was performed using either a Varian 5060 or a Varian 8500 liquid chromatograph, equipped with a Valco loop in-

jector (loop volume : 100 μ l), a standard fixed wavelength (254 nm) UV detector, a Varian 9176 recorder and a Varian Vista CDS 401 data system. All analyses were performed using a LiChrosorb CN column, dp = 10 μ m, 250 x 4 mm, except the caffeine analysis in which a Micro Pak CN-10 column, dp = 10 μ m, 300 x 4 mm, was used. All analyses were performed at a flow rate of 2 ml/min and at maximum detector sensitivity in order to detect possible degradation products.

Chemicals and Reagents

n-hexane, dichloromethane and acetonitrile were HPLC grade and purchased from Fluka AG (Buchs, Switzerland) or E. Merck (Darmstadt, G.F.R.). Propylamine was obtained from Fluka AG (Buchs, Switzerland). Water was demineralized, double-distilled and further purified using a Water-I system (Gelman Sciences).

Composition of the Dosage Forms

Ponderal[®] Unicaps (Eutherapie Benelux, Belgium) : Fenfluramin. hydrochl. 60 mg - Hypromel. 50 - Cellul. - Saccharum. - Mononatrii phosphas. sic. - Talc - Magn. stear. - Eudragit S - Citroflex A₄ - Titan. oxyd. pro caps. gelat. una - Indigot. pro col. Titan. oxyd.

Vizocaf[®] coated tablets (Lab. Viselé, Belgium) : Diethylamid. Ac. Vanillic. 20 mg - Cafein. 20 mg - Amyl. - Sacch. lact. - Talc. - q.s. pro compressa - Accac. gum - Ti. oxy. - Talc. - Na. Indigotinodisulf. - Glycolpolyeth. - Sacch. pro obducta.

Rhinopront[®] capsules (Mack, G.F.R.) : Carbinoxamin. maleas
4 mg - Phenylephrin. hydrochlorid. 20 mg - Sacchar. - Maid. amy1.
- Eudragit S mor. - Phtalic. acid. diaethylester - Talc. -
Tartrazin. - Titan. dioxyd. - Natr. indigotinodisulfon. -
Gelatin. pro capsula gelatinosa una.

Deanxit[®] coated tablets (Lundbeck, Denmark) : Flupentixol.
dihydrochlorid. correspond. 0.5 mg basic. - Melitracen. hydrochloro-
rid. correspond. 10 mg basic. - Amyl. - Sacchar. lact. -
Gelatina - Talc. - Magnes. stearas pro tablet. compres. una -
Indigotin. et Erythrosin. q.s. pro colore - Saccharo et Gelatina
obducta.

Procedures

Determination of fenfluramine in Ponderal[®] Unicaps. The con-
tent of 20 capsules is pulverized in a mortar. An aliquot of the
resulting powder, equivalent to 1/10 of the mean weight of a cap-
sule is accurately weighed, brought into a 50 ml volume flask and
suspended in about 40 ml 0.001 M HCl. After ultrasonification for
10-15 min. the flask is brought to volume. After centrifugation,
100 μ l of clear supernatant are injected onto the HPLC-column.
Quantitation is effected by intrapolation on a calibration curve
(peak area versus concentration) of five aqueous standards in the
8 - 16 μ g fenfluramine HCl/100 μ l range. The calibration curve is
linear in this concentration range.

Determination of caffeine in Vizocaf[®] coated tablets.

20 coated tablets are pulverized in a mortar. An aliquot of the resulting powder, equivalent to 1/20 of the mean weight of a coated tablet is accurately weighed, brought into a 50 ml volume flask and suspended in about 40 ml dichloromethane. After ultrasonication for 10 - 15 min the flask is brought to volume. After centrifugation, 100 μ l of clear supernatant are injected onto the HPLC-column. Quantitation is effectuated by intrapolation on a calibration curve (peak area vs. concentration) of five standards in the 1 - 3 μ g caffeine base/100 μ l range, prepared in dichloromethane. The calibration curve is linear in this concentration range.

Determination of tetracaine in commercial tablets. 20 tablets are pulverized in a mortar. An aliquot of the resulting powder, equivalent to half the mean weight of a tablet is accurately weighed, brought into a 50 ml volume flask and suspended in about 40 ml dichloromethane. After ultrasonication for 30 min the flask is brought to volume. After centrifugation, 100 μ l of the clear supernatant are injected onto the HPLC-column. Quantitation is effected by intrapolation on a calibration curve (peak area vs. concentration) of five standards in the 0.3 - 0.7 μ g/100 μ l concentration range, prepared in dichloromethane. The calibration curve is linear in this concentration range.

Determination of carbinoxamine and phenylephrine in Rhino-pront[®] capsules. All manipulations are effected as good as

possible protected from light. The content of 10 capsules is ground in a mortar. An aliquot of the resulting powder, equivalent to the mean weight of 1 capsule is accurately weighed, brought into a 100 ml volume flask and suspended in about 80 ml 0.001 M HCl. After ultrasonication for 10 - 15 min the flask is brought to volume. After centrifugation, 50 μ l of clear supernatant are injected onto the HPLC-column. Quantitation is effected by intrapolation on calibration curves (peak area vs. concentration) of five aqueous standards containing from 2 to 6 mg carbinoxamine maleate/100 ml and from 15 to 25 mg phenylephrine hydrochloride/100 ml. Both calibration curves are linear in this concentration range.

Determination of flupentixol and melitracen in Deanxit[®] coated tablets. 25 coated tablets are pulverized in a mortar. An aliquot of the resulting powder, equivalent to the mean weight of one tablet is accurately weighed, brought into a 50 ml volume flask and suspended in about 40 ml 0.001 M HCl. After ultrasonication for 10 - 15 min the flask is brought to volume. After centrifugation, 100 μ l of clear supernatant is injected into the chromatograph. Quantitation is effected by intrapolation on calibration curves (peak area vs. concentration) of five aqueous standards containing from 0.5 to 1.5 μ g flupentixol dihydrochloride/100 μ l and from 15 to 25 μ g melitracen hydrochloride/100 μ l. Both calibration curves are linear in this concentration range.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONFenfluramine in Ponderal®

The majority of the 100 basic drugs investigated previously (2) have capacity factors in the 1 - 10 range in both preferred eluents. Consequently both standardized eluents can be used for the chromatography of polar as well as non polar solutes. However, for fast optimization of the mobile phase composition for a drug not belonging to the original test set (2) we usually employ the polar mobile phase as initial investigation eluent for polar solutes and the non polar eluent for non polar molecules (3). Fenfluramine is a quite polar molecule and consequently the reversed phase system was used. In its original composition the acetonitrile-water-propylamine (90:10:0.01) eluent eluted fenfluramine with a retention time of 7.6 min at a flow rate of 2 ml/min. In order to shorten the analysis time the retention of the solute was reduced by increasing the propylamine content by a factor 3. A chromatogram of a capsule treated as described in the "Experimental section" is shown in Figure 1. As can be seen from Table 1, the recovery is excellent and the precision is acceptable.

Caffeine in Vizocaf®

The selection of an appropriate mobile phase for the determination of caffeine was very easy since its composition was identical to the eluent used for the determination of papaverine in blood (6). During method development for the latter assay the non

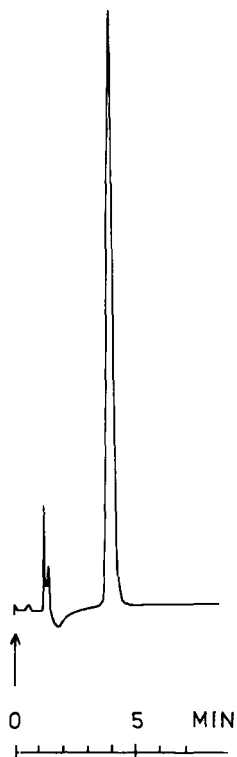


Figure 1 - Chromatogram of a Ponderal[®] capsule on a LiChrosorb-CN column (dp = 10 μ m, 250 x 4 mm). Mobile phase : acetonitrile-water-propylamine (90:10:0.03). Flow rate : 2 ml/min. Detector sensitivity : 0.01 AUFS.

polar standardized eluent in its original composition n-hexane-dichloromethane-acetonitrile-propylamine (50:50:25:0.1) was altered by halving its dichloromethane content in order to resolve papaverine from caffeine and other matrix components. Since this (50:25:25:0.1) volume ratio allows caffeine to be chromatographed with good peak shape it was employed for the determination of caf-

TABLE 1

Chromatographic Conditions and Recoveries

Dosage Form	Column	Mobile Phase Composition	Analyte Retention time	Mean Recovery	(% of Label Claim)	+ S.D.
Ponderal®	LiChrosorb-CN	Acetonitrile	90	99.1	+ 1.8%	(n=6)
		Water	10			
		Propylamine	0.03			
Vizocaf®	MicroPak-CN	n-Hexane	50	98.0	+ 0.9%	(n=6)
		Dichloromethane	25			
		Acetonitrile	25			
		Propylamine	0.1			
Tetracaine tablets	LiChrosorb-CN	n-Hexane	10	64.9	+ 0.7%	(n=6)
		Dichloromethane	80			
		Acetonitrile	10			
		Propylamine	0.1			
Rhino- [®] pront	LiChrosorb-CN	Acetonitrile	80	97.9	+ 0.7%	(n=3)
		Water	20			
		Propylamine	0.05			
		Carbinoxamine	2.7			
Deanxit®	LiChrosorb-CN	Acetonitrile	40	101.3	+ 1.3%	(n=6)
		Water	60			
		Propylamine	0.01			
		Phenylephrine	5.2			
				100.2	+ 0.9%	
				99.7	+ 0.9%	
				3.0		
				2.5		
				9.7		

feine in Vizocaf[®] tablets. The column used was from the same manufacturer but from a different lot. It is striking to note that the retention time of caffeine (4.4 min) is much larger than on the column used for the papaverine determination from which caffeine eluted at 2.9 min. As stated previously (3) important differences between CN-columns of different batches and different brands indeed exist. This however does not jeopardize the standardized analysis strategy, since both preferred mobile phases are so versatile that the composition of the eluent can easily be finetuned in order to obtain retention times of a desired magnitude. Since in the case of the caffeine determination an analysis time of 5 min was considered sufficiently short, the mobile phase composition was not altered. A chromatogram of a tablet obtained as described in the "Experimental section" is shown in Figure 2. The recovery and standard deviation are excellent as can be seen from Table 1.

Tetracaine in Commercial Tablets

The determination was carried out because the tablets were suspected of being underdosed. The non polar standardized eluent in its original composition n-hexane-dichloromethane-acetonitrile-propylamine (50:50:25:0.1) resulted in strong retention of tetracaine. In order to shorten the time for analysing the tablet, the retention of tetracaine was reduced by drastically decreasing the hexane content of the mobile phase. The volume ratio of the mobile phase was then further finetuned to (10:80:10:0.1) in or-

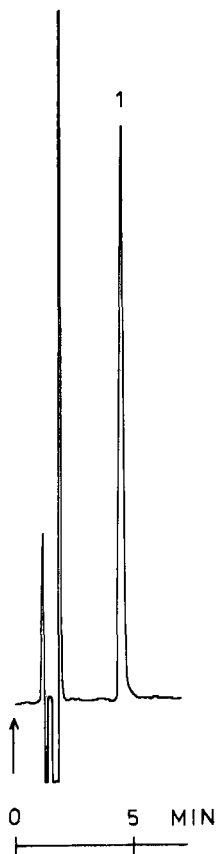


Figure 2 - Chromatogram of a Vizocaf[®] coated tablet on a Micro-Pak CN-10 column (dp = 10 μ m, 300 x 4 mm). Mobile phase : n-hexane-dichloromethane-acetonitrile-propylamine (50:25:25:0.1). Flow rate : 2 ml/min. Detector sensitivity : 0.08 AUFS.

der to obtain a good peak shape. A chromatogram of a tablet treated as described in the "Experimental section" is given in Figure 3a. As can be seen from Table 1, the tablet contains only 64.9% of the tetracaine label claim which confirms the suspicion of underdosing. The precision of the method is excellent. In order to evaluate the accuracy of the method, a self made powder-mixture containing all ingredients of the commercially available tablet was analysed. The recovery of tetracaine was $99.7\% \pm 0.9\%$ ($n = 3$) which confirms the accuracy of the method. The chromatograms of the commercial tablets showed only one peak (tetracaine) suggesting that no degradation of tetracaine had taken place. The main degradation product of tetracaine is p-n-butylaminobenzoic acid (7). Since we did not know whether this degradation product would be detectable with the chromatographic conditions used it was decided to proceed as follows. An aqueous tetracaine solution was subjected to hydrolysis at alkaline pH and at an elevated temperature ($+ 90^{\circ}\text{C}$). An aliquot of this solution was extracted with dichloromethane after acidification. The extract was subjected to HPLC-analysis and in the chromatogram no peak at the retention time of tetracaine ($t_{\text{R}} = 3.0$ min) was observed but instead a peak with $t_{\text{R}} = 1.7$ min emerged. Consequently this peak was tentatively identified as p-n-butylaminobenzoic acid. The absence of such a peak in the chromatograms of the commercial tablets suggests that not hydrolysis but underdosing is responsible for the low tetracaine recovery. A chromatogram of both tetracaine and its degradation product, obtained by injecting a mixture

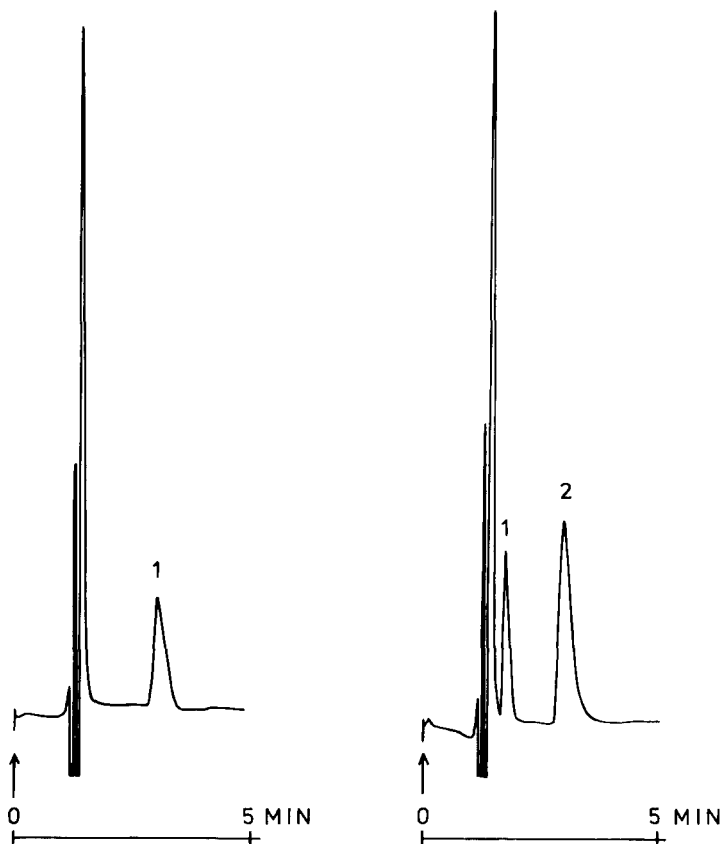


Figure 3 - a) Chromatogram of a commercial tetracaine tablet (Peak 1 = tetracaine) and; b) Chromatogram of a mixture of Tetracaine (= Peak 2) and its main degradation product (= Peak 1) on a LiChrosorb-CN column (dp = 10 μ m, 250 x 4 mm). Mobile phase : n-hexane-dichloromethane-acetonitrile-propylamine (10:80:10:0.1). Flow rate : 2 ml/min. Detector sensitivity : 0.01 AUFS.

of the extract of the hydrolytic solution and a tetracaine standard is shown in Figure 3 b.

Other local anesthetics have also been chromatographed using eluents emanating from the nonpolar standardized mobile phase and the eluent has also been optimized for the separation of seven local anesthetics (8). A chromatogram of this separation using a (50:75:20:0.1) volume ratio is shown in Figure 4.

Carbinoxamine and Phenylephrine in Rhinoprone®

The present application is reported in order to demonstrate the suitability of the CN-column for the simultaneous determination of a polar (phenylephrine) and a nonpolar (carbinoxamine) solute in a single chromatographic run with a fairly short analysis time. Usually this is difficult to achieve either on a C₁₈- or on a Si-column. On a Si-column it is indeed usually difficult to obtain sufficient retention of a nonpolar solute while avoiding excessive retention of the polar molecule. Similar difficulties occur with a C₁₈-column unless ion-pair chromatography would be used. The use of a CN-column which is of intermediate polarity offers however a more convenient solution. Optimization of the acetonitrile-water-propylamine (90:10:0.01) eluent was performed as follows. In its original composition this eluent resulted in a considerable retention time for phenylephrine and a rather unfavourable peak shape. Improvement could be obtained by increasing the water content of the eluent to 50-60% but this had a negative effect on the selectivity. It was therefore decided to increase

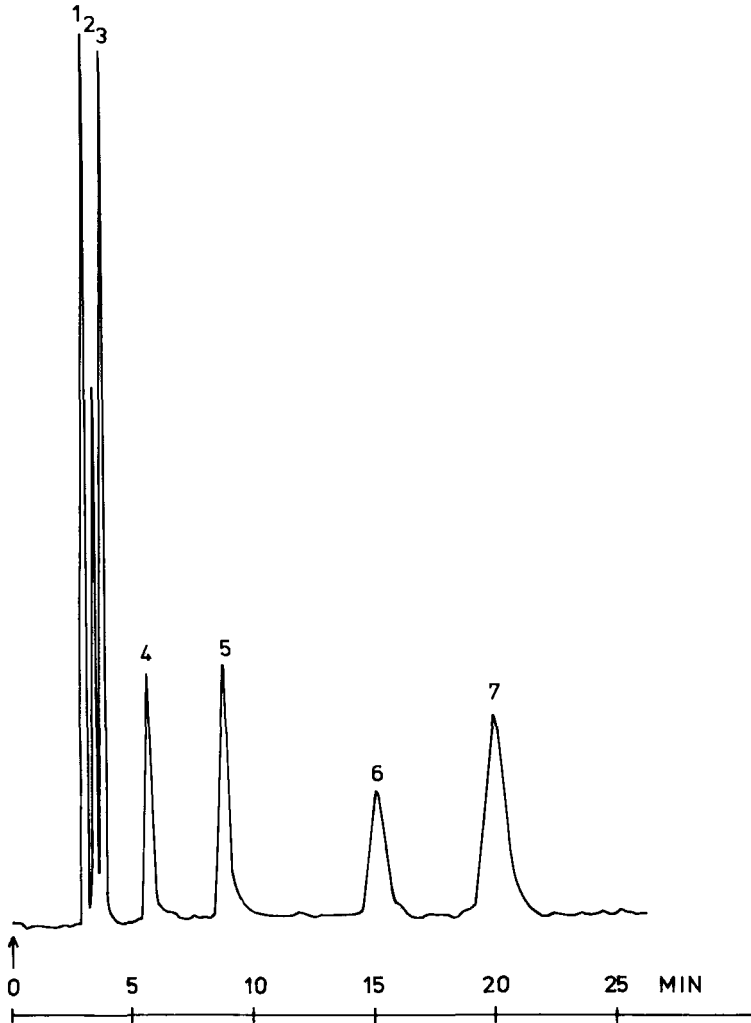


Figure 4 - Chromatogram of a mixture of local anesthetics on a MicroPak CN-10 column (dp = 10 μ m; 300 x 4 mm). Peak identification : 1. Amylocaine, 2. Lidocaine, 3. Benzocaine, 4. Mepivacaine, 5. Piperocaine, 6. Procaine, 7. Tetracaine. Mobile phase : n-hexane-dichloromethane-acetonitrile-propylamine (50:75:20:0.1). Flow rate : 1 ml/min. Detector sensitivity : 0.01 AUFS.

the propylamine content by a factor 5 while increasing the water content to only 20%. The optimum volume ratio is hence : (80:20:0.05). A chromatogram (Figure 5) of a Rhinopront capsule treated as described in the "Experimental section" shows that both the polar and the nonpolar drug can be quantified simultaneously while limiting the analysis time to 7 min. The recoveries and standard deviations are also excellent as can be seen from Table 1.

Flupentixol and melitracen in Deanxit®

In the two foregoing examples in which the polar standardized mobile phase was used, the composition of the eluent had to be altered in order to reduce the retention of the polar analytes. If one wishes to chromatograph nonpolar solutes using the acetonitrile-water-propylamine eluent it sometimes is necessary to enhance retention. In the same way as for a classical reversed phase system using a C_{18} -column this usually can be done by increasing the water content of the mobile phase. The present application is reported to exemplify this. Flupentixol and melitracen are rather poorly retained when the original acetonitrile-water-propylamine (90:10:0.01) eluent is used. Drastically increasing the polarity of the mobile phase to a (50:50:0.01) volume ratio resulted in appropriate retention as can be seen in Figure 6. However, at this mobile phase composition flupentixol was not entirely separated from a tablet ingredient (probably one of the dyes). A baseline separation of flupentixol and the interfering sample ingredient could be achieved by further increasing the

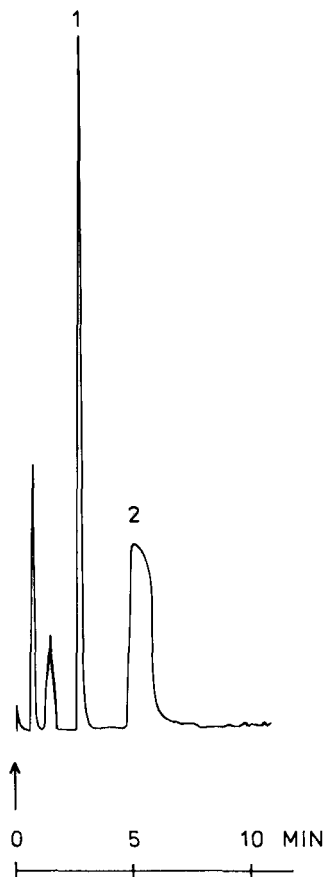


Figure 5 - Chromatogram of a Rhinopront[®] capsule on a LiChrosorb-CN column (dp = 10 μ m, 250 x 4 mm). Peak identification : 1. carbinoxamine, 2. phenylephrine. Mobile phase : acetonitrile-water-propylamine (80:20:0.05). Flow rate : 2 ml/min. Detector sensitivity : 0.08 AUFS.

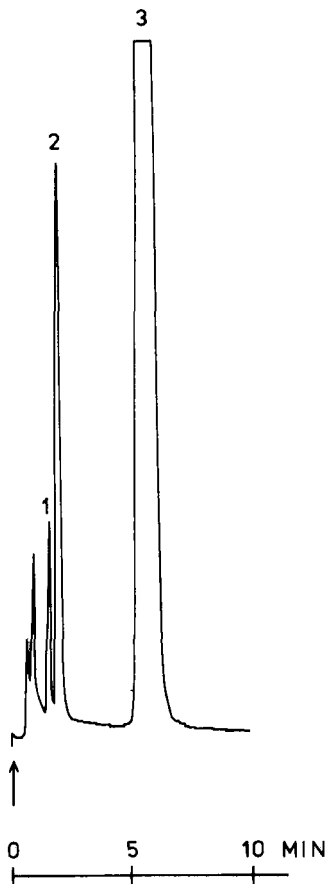


Figure 6 - Chromatogram of a Deanxit[®] coated tablet on a LiChrosorb-CN column (dp = 10 μ m, 250 x 4 mm). Peak identification : 1. tablet ingredient, 2. flupentixol, 3. melitracen. Mobile phase : acetonitrile-water-propylamine (50:50:0.01). Flow rate : 2 ml/min. Detector sensitivity : 0.02 AUFS.

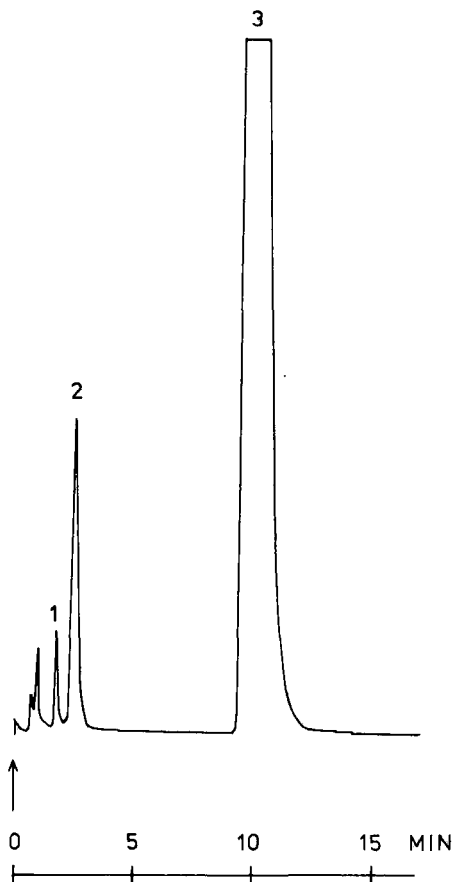


Figure 7 - Chromatogram of a Deanxit[®] coated tablet. Mobile phase : acetonitrile-water-propylamine (40:60:0.01). All other parameters are the same as in Figure 6.

polarity of the eluent, at the cost however of also increasing the analysis time. A chromatogram of a Deanxit[®] coated tablet using a volume ratio of (40:60:0.01) is shown in Figure 7. The recoveries and standard deviations, presented in Table 1, are acceptable.

CONCLUSIONS

A few applications have been reported in order to exemplify the suitability of the standardized HPLC-systems for the determination of basic drugs in solid pharmaceutical dosage forms. The advantages of the approach are the following :

- 1) column selection can be omitted since all assays are performed using a CN-column
- 2) both polar and nonpolar solutes can be chromatographed on this column, and as was demonstrated, simultaneously if needed
- 3) both standardized mobile phases are very versatile and are easily and rapidly adaptable to the particular analysis problem
- 4) the excellent separation ability of the standardized HPLC-systems, even for stereoisomers (e.g. ref. 3,4) is profitable for stability indicating tests as was shown previously (3) and presently in the tetracaine case
- 5) the recovery and precision data show that the use of an internal standard is not necessary.

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LIGAND EXCHANGE CHROMATOGRAPHY OF CEPHALOSPORIN C ON
POLYSTYRENE RESINS CONTAINING COPPER COMPLEX
OF LYSINE DERIVATIVES

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ABSTRACT

A ligand-exchange chromatography procedure for the separation of cephalosporin C from an artificial mixture is described. Three new sorbents were synthesized by immobilizing the ligands ϵ -L-lysine, glycy1- ϵ -L-lysine and diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine on a polystyrene matrix(SX 1 Bio-Rad).These resins were loaded with Cu(II) as a complexing agent.A good resolution of cephalosporin C was achieved only using the ϵ -L-lysine resin complexed with copper. Models of copper complexes involved are proposed, for the chromatographic separation of cephalosporin C.

INTRODUCTION

Cephalosporin C, the starting material for the synthesis of various antibiotics, is usually extracted from its biosynthesis medium by means of adsorption(1,2,3) or ion exchange(4) chromatography and this extraction is not always efficient because of the low selectivity of the sorbents usually employed.

In a previous study(5), we successfully purified cephalosporin C by using new selective sorbents. These sorbents were obtained by immobilizing three ligands(ϵ -L-lysine, glycy1- ϵ -L-lysine, and diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine) on a polystyrene matrix(Bio-Beads SX 1). The best

results were achieved with the ϵ -L-lysine resin. However the selectivity of these sorbents depends greatly on the concentration of salt (NaCl) in the eluent solution. To overcome this drawback, the three resins were complexed with copper ions, when the binding of solutes to the copper-complexed ligands was not influenced by the presence of inorganic salts.

This paper describes a ligand-exchange chromatography procedure for the separation of cephalosporin C from by-products, which are usually found in its biosynthesis medium. The composition and the features of the eluent were varied in order to optimize the procedure.

EXPERIMENTAL

Reagents

The amino acids, organic acids and sodium acetate were obtained from Fluka (Switzerland). The dipeptide glycylglycine was purchased from Bachem (Switzerland). The divinylbenzene-crosslinked polystyrene (Bio-Beads SX1, 2% divinylbenzene, particle size 200-400 mesh) was obtained from Bio-Rad Labs (Richmond, California, USA). Cephalosporin C and deacetylcephalosporin C were a gift from Roussel-Uclaf (Paris, France). The acetic acid was of reagent grade.

Synthesis

The sorbents were synthesized by a procedure described elsewhere (6). According to elemental analysis and potentiometric titration, the chemical capacities were 0.6-0.8 mmol (ϵ -L-lysine resin) and 0.4-0.6 mmol (glycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin and diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin) of fixed lysine per gram of dry resin. The copper complex was formed by treating the resin with aqueous acetate buffer solutions containing copper sulfate. Columns were packed by a conventional slurry method using a precolumn (7).

Instrumentation

The liquid chromatograph consisted of a Waters Model A.L.C. 200 liquid chromatograph, equipped with a M 600 A pump, a M 440 UV detector with a 12.5 μ l flow cell, a R 401 differential refractometer, and a U6K sample injector fitted with a 2 ml sample loop.

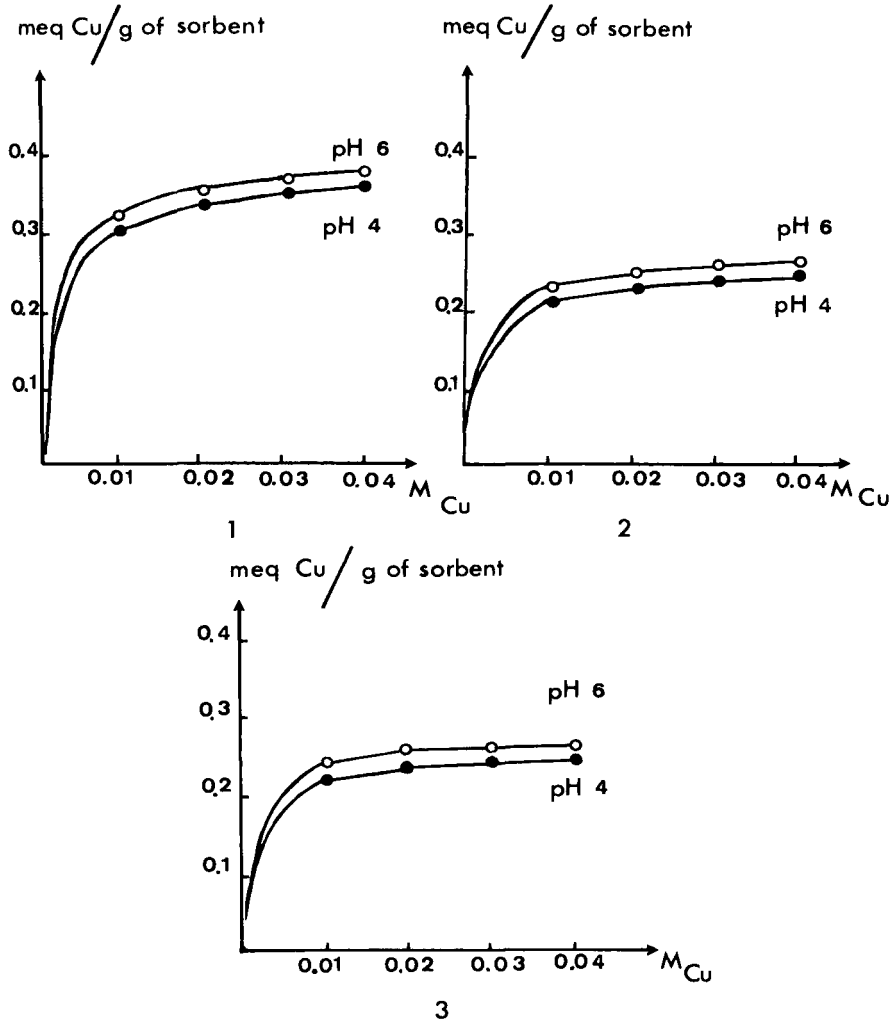
Stainless steel tubing (0.95 cm ID) 30 cm long was purchased from Waters Associates. Volumes of 20 to 150 μ l containing 6 mM solute were injected with a Hamilton syringe into the chromatographic system.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Several buffers eluents, among those usually employed in ligand exchange chromatography(8,9,10) were tested, within the stability range of cephalosporin C towards pH(1 to 10). At pH 10, this compound undergoes a rapid inactivation, which leads to the loss of U.V. chromophore and the formation of two new titratable acid groups (11). On the other hand, at pH 1, cephalosporin C is transformed into a new substance, having antibacterial properties, namely deacetyl-cephalosporin C lactone. The antibiotic was irreversibly adsorbed on the three stationary phases, when it was injected in an isocratic flow with ammonium hydroxide solutions, or with ammonium phosphate buffers. On the other hand cephalosporin C was only retarded on the supports with acetate buffers as eluents. Therefore all the following experiments were performed in acetate buffers.

Isotherms of Cu(II) sorption on the three sorbents were determined by a batch process (Fig. 1-3) (12,13). It should be noted that saturation with Cu(II) corresponded to 1 mole of Cu(II) per 2 moles of ligands, suggesting the formation of Resin-Cu-Resin bidentate complex. The features of resins complexed with copper are shown in Table 1. The swelling capacity of the sorbents fits the results obtained by Davankov and coworkers(12). On the other hand it appears that the sorption capacity was not greatly influenced by the pH of the acetate buffer in the range 4 to 6.

For the optimization of the conditions of separations, the effects of the pH and ionic strength of the eluent were thoroughly investigated. The various solutes were injected separately onto the three stationary phases. Capacity factors k' were calculated using the equation $k' = \frac{V_e - V_0}{V_0}$, where V_e is the elution volume for a chromatographic peak and V_0 is the column void volume.



FIGURES 1-3: Adsorption isotherms of copper on the ϵ -L-lysine resin(1), glycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin(2) and diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin(3).

Copper adsorbed on the resin versus concentration of copper in the solution.

TABLE 1

Features of the resins in acetate buffers

Q₁ : quantity of sites per g of sorbent

Q₂ : quantity of copper per g of sorbent

S : swelling capacity is defined as the weight of water absorbed by unit weight of dry resin in 24 h.

Sorbents	Q ₁	acetate concentration = 1 M			
		pH = 4		pH = 6	
	meq/g	S	Q ₂ meq/g	S	Q ₂ meq/g
ε-L-lysine resin	0.8	0.30	0.35	0.31	0.36
glycyl ε-L-lysine resin	0.6	0.29	0.25	0.29	0.25
diglycyl - ε-L-lysine resin	0.6	0.26	0.24	0.26	0.25

Diglycyl-ε-L-lysine resin complexed with copper

Figure 4 shows the chromatographic peak corresponding to the elution of cephalosporin C. At all pH values and ionic strengths of the acetate buffer the antibiotic was eluted partly in the void volume, and in all cases the chromatographic peak obtained was very broad. This proves that copper-complexed diglycyl-ε-L-lysine resin is not very selective for cephalosporin C.

On the other hand, a comparison of selectivity factors of amino acids (Table 2) shows that their retention is due only to the participation of a carboxyl function in the side chain (Asp, Glu) in the copper complex or to weak hydrophobic interactions (Met, Phe). The structure of the copper complex on the stationary phase could explain these results. The diglycyl-ε-L-lysine ligand probably in-

TABLE 2

Capacity factors obtained on the diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine-copper resin in acetate buffers of various concentration at pH 4.

* Solutes of both L and D configurations had identical k' values

** C=acetate concentrations.

*** Peaks too wide for the elution volume to be determined

Solute*	k'		
	C = 0.25 M	C = 0.5 M	C = 1 M
Lysine	0	0	0
Glycine	0	0	0
Alanine	0	0	0
Methionine	0.09	0.09	0
Glutamic acid	0.95	0.45	0
γ -methyl glutamate	0	0	0
Aspartic acid	1.70	0.90	0.45
Phenylalanine	0.20	0.20	0.20
Cephalosporin C	***	***	***
Deacetylcephalosporin C	***	***	***

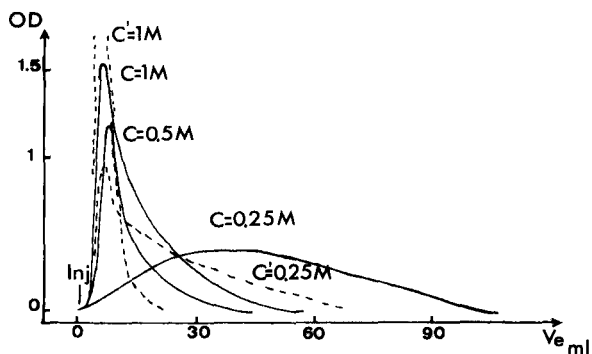


FIGURE 4 : Retardation of cephalosporin C on the diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine-copper resin in acetate buffers of various concentrations at pH6 (C',---) and at pH 4 (C,—).

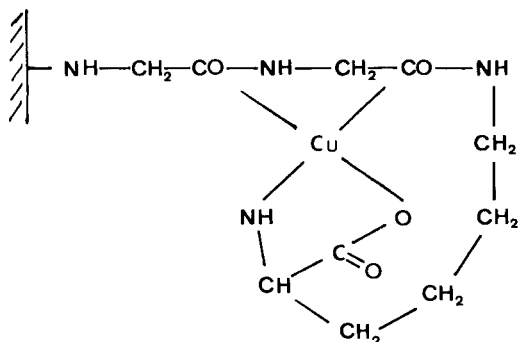


FIGURE 5 : Theoretical structure of the diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine copper complex.

teracts in the copper coordination plane with the cation as shown in Figure 5. In such a case, solutes are only able to interact with the cation in an axial position. Thus, this structure does not favour the participation of the two functions of the solutes α -amino acid moiety in the mixed complex. As a matter of fact, the proximity of the carboxyl and amine functions does not allow the coordination of one of these, with the copper complex. In contrast, the carboxylic function of aspartic and glutamic acids, located on the lateral chain, could lie on the axis of the copper complex. Such a structure, which is in good agreement with molecular models, is consequently consistent with our results.

Glycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin complexed with copper

As illustrated in Table 3, cephalosporin C was retarded more strongly than α -amino acids on this stationary phase. The highest capacity factor for cephalosporin C was obtained at pH 4, and a decreased acetate concentration resulted in an increased retention. However the capacity factor of deacetylcephalosporin C varied similarly, and the resolution factor calculated between this compound and cephalosporin C was always less than 0.5. Therefore the use of

TABLE 3

Capacity factors obtained on the glycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin complexed with copper in sodium acetate buffers.

*C = acetate concentrations, ** Solutes of both L and D configurations had identical k' values.

Solutes**	k'				
	pH = 4			pH = 6	pH = 7
	C=0.25M	C=0.5M	C = 1M	C=0.5M	C=0.5M
Lysine	0	0	0	0	0.10
Glycine	0	0	0	0.10	0.10
Alanine	0	0	0	0.10	0.10
Methionine	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.25	0.50
Glutamic acid	0.70	0.60	0.30	0.30	0.30
γ -methyl glutamate	0	0	0	0.10	0.10
Aspartic acid	1.20	0.90	0.40	0.45	0.45
Phenylalanine	0.30	0.20	0.20	0.60	0.80
Cephalosporin C	3.90	2.65	1.20	1.65	1.90
Deacetyl- cephalosporin C	2.90	1.80	0.80	0.90	1.10

glycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin does not make it possible to separate the antibiotic satisfactorily from its related contaminant.

On the other hand, neutral α -amino acids with hydrophobic features (Phe, Met) were the only ones to be retained on this support at pH 4. Furthermore, varying the concentration of the acetate buffer did not alter the capacity factors of these hydrophobic solutes. These facts indicate that the α -amino acid extremities of solutes do not participate in the copper complex and also that the retention of phenylalanine and methionine is due only to hydrophobic interactions. Moreover, the retention of dicarboxylic amino acids can be attributed to an interaction between their β or γ

carboxyl function and the ligand complex. (See the retention of Asp, Glu and γ -methyl glutamate).

These results suggest that cephalosporin C interacts with the copper complex only by means of the carboxyl function of its dihydrothiazine ring and that some additional hydrophobic interactions with the polymer matrix might increase the stability of this complex.

This fact could be explained by the structure of the copper ligand complex, if the amide function of the peptide bond can participate in the copper complex on the stationary phase. Thus the copper ion presumably coordinates both with the amide function and with the α -amino groups of lysine. In this case, one coordinate bond in the coordination plane and two in the axial position remain available. Obviously, the spatial disposition of these bonds prohibits the simultaneous interaction with copper, of the two functions of the solutes α -amino-acid moiety. As for the diglycyl-lysine resin the two functions of α -amino-acid ends are not able to interact in an axial position. Moreover the steric hindrance of the resin copper complex does not allow the coordination of one of these functions in the coordination plane. Therefore, this structure, which prohibits the participation of the solutes α -amino-acids ends in the mixed copper complex is in good agreement with our results.

ϵ -L-lysine resin complexed with copper

As shown in Table 4, above pH 4 cephalosporin C was irreversibly bound to the support, indicating that the ternary complex involving ϵ -L-lysine, a copper ion, and cephalosporin C is very stable. At pH 4, the difference between the capacity factor of cephalosporin C and those of the other solutes illustrates the great affinity and the good specificity which this support has for the antibiotic.

It also appears that this compound is more strongly retained than deacetylcephalosporin C and consequently that this support may be used for a good resolution of cephalosporin C from its contaminants.

TABLE 4

Capacity factors obtained on the glycyl- ϵ -L-lysine resin in acetate buffers.

* C = acetate concentration

** Solutes of both L and D configurations had identical k' values

*** Peaks too wide for the elution volume to be determined.

Solutés**	k'				
	pH = 4			pH=6	pH=7
	C=0.25M	C=0.5M	C = 1M	C=0.5M	C=0.5M
Lysine	0	0	0	0.55	1
Glycine	0.75	0.65	0.65	0.75	1.65
Alanine	0.75	0.65	0.65	0.75	1.65
Methionine	2.15	1.85	1.40	2.10	2.60
Glutamic acid	***	2.25	1.40	3	3.85
γ -methyl glutamate	0.75	0.65	0.65	0.75	1.65
Aspartic acid	***	5.25	2	6.25	7.30
Phenylalanine	6.25	3.55	2.75	4.30	9
Cephalosporin C	31	16.50	5.70	∞	∞
Deacetyl- cephalosporin C	13	8.20	2.20	***	∞

On the other hand, for the first time neutral α -amino-acids (Ala, Gly) show an affinity towards the sorbent which is greater, if the solutes are hydrophobic (Phe, Met). The retention of such compounds is due to the participation of the α -amino acid extremities in the mixed copper complex as well as to hydrophobic interactions with the polymer matrix.

By comparing the capacity factor of phenylalanine obtained using acetate buffers at pH 4 in the 0.5-0.2 M concentration range one can determine the importance of hydrophobic interactions. Moreover, the difference between the affinity of glutamic acid and that of

γ -methyl glutamate shows that the presence of another carboxyl function in the structure of solutes increases the stability of the ternary complex. May be such a function could lie on the axis position of the bound copper complex.

In the case of cephalosporin C and according to these results we can assume that the antibiotic coordinates the copper ion as a tridentate ligand. Its α -amino-acid extremity may interact in the copper coordination plane and the amide function in an axial position, with an additional ring copper interaction increasing the stability of the complex (14,15). For structural reasons it seems that the carboxyl function of the dihydrothiazine ring is not able to participate in the mixed copper complex.

On the other hand, it is well known that ϵ -L-lysine is able to interact with a copper cation in its coordination plane only by means of its α -amino-acid extremity (16). Because of structural reasons, the interaction of two bound lysines to form a bis-copper complex is forbidden (17). Thus, the available coordinate bonds located in the coordination plane and the two axial ones may be occupied by solutes functions. Such a resin complex structure is quite consistent with our above assumptions concerning the coordination bonds of cephalosporin C with the bound lysine complex.

Separations

On the basis of difference in k' values, separations were carried out on a chromatographic system containing ϵ -L-lysine resin. The best results were obtained using an isocratic flow of 1 M acetate buffer at pH 4. Figure 6 shows a typical separation of cephalosporin C from a model mixture containing several α -amino acids and deacetylcephalosporin C. In this case, the antibiotic was obtained 99% pure, but it was collected in a large volume (40 ml), and was therefore very diluted. To cope with this difficulty, another technique was developed in which the acetate concentration of the buffer increased during the elution process; cephalosporin C was then collected in half the previous volume.

An example of such a separation is shown in Figure 7.

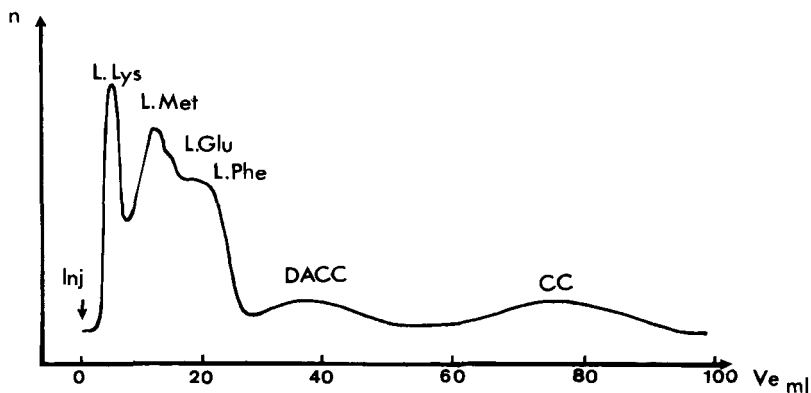


FIGURE 6 : Chromatogram of a mixture of cephalosporin C and various contaminants on the ϵ -L-lysine copper resin. Refractometric detection(n) Isocratic elution with a 1M acetate buffer ,pH 4. Flow rate 1 ml per minute . Room temperature . Cephalosporin C = CC, Deacetylcephalosporin C = DACC.

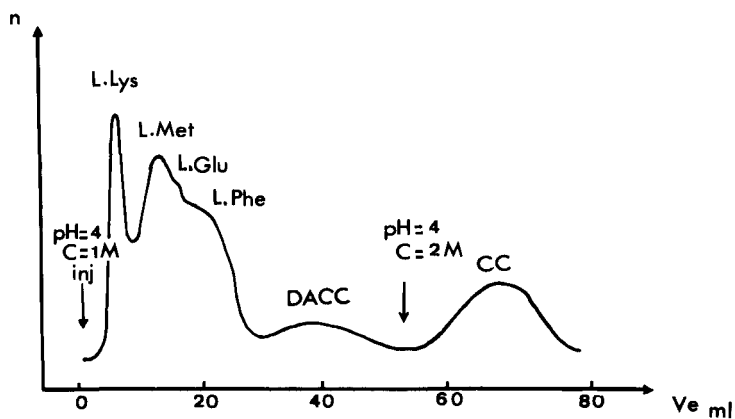


FIGURE 7 : Chromatogram of a mixture of cephalosporin C and various contaminants on the ϵ -L-lysine copper resin. Elution with acetate buffers pH 4, 1M then 2M. Refractometric detection(n) . Room temperature. Flow rate 1 ml per minute. CC = Cephalosporin C DACC = Deacetylcephalosporin C.

CONCLUSION

Ligand exchange chromatography on a ϵ -L-lysine resin complexed with copper offers a new possibility to separate cephalosporin C from an artificial mixture of contaminants. This new sorbent has an affinity for the antibiotic which is not altered by the presence of inorganic salts (NaCl), in contrast to the results obtained using the uncomplexed ϵ -L-lysine resin. On the other hand, the copper glycyl- ϵ -lysine and copper diglycyl- ϵ -L-lysine ligands do not interact selectively with the antibiotic. These results can be explained by the structure of the copper complex on the stationary phases: the peptide bond present in the spacer arm can occupy some coordination bonds of the copper ion and prevent the solutes from interacting with the fixed complex. Application of the copper ϵ -L-lysine to a large scale separation of cephalosporin C is at present under investigation.

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A RAPID HPLC ANALYSIS OF DIAZEPAM IN ANIMAL FEED

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ABSTRACT

A rapid HPLC analysis is described for the methanolic extraction of diazepam from spiked animal feed. A short disposable reverse-phase extraction column is employed to remove interfering substances present in the animal feed. This is followed by direct injection of an aliquot into an analytical ODS column. The precision is better than 3.9% and the % recovery is $87.8 \pm 0.8\%$ resulting in a convenient, rapid method for the routine analysis of added diazepam in prepared animal diets.

INTRODUCTION

In a chronic diazepam spiked feed study, a method was needed to measure the concentration of diazepam fed to the experimental animals. An extensive literature search failed to produce a published method suitable for analysis of diazepam in feed. Excellent review articles by Tsuji (1) and Hailey (2) listed numerous spectrophotometric and GLC methods, developed to meet different analytical requirements. An attempt was made to modify the method of de Silva, Koechlin and Baker (3) but this classical organic extraction technique required considerable clean-up and had low recovery. HPLC methods using bonded phases (4,5) and UV detection have been used to measure diazepam and its metabolites in biological fluids. These methods employed an organic extraction, evaporation and reconstitution steps prior to injection into an analytical

reverse-phase column. The use of disposable, reverse-phase, extraction columns (6,7) has offered speed, higher recoveries and superior resolution in the clean-up of biological fluids than the classical organic extraction methods. The benzodiazepines were selectively adsorbed into Bond Elut, C₁₈, disposable columns, from serum at pH = 9.0. Methanol was used to elute the benzodiazepines from the column, followed by injection into the analytical column. In our method, the diazepam in the feed was extracted directly into methanol, then the methanolic extract was passed through a "Baker", disposable extraction column, which retained the interfering, UV absorbing peaks present in the feed. The methanol eluent was then injected into the chromatographic system. Methanol was compatible with the mobile phase, thus eliminating time consuming evaporation and reconstitution, resulting in a rapid, convenient, highly reproducible analysis of diazepam in animal feed.

MATERIALS

Chemicals

Diazepam and ¹⁴C-diazepam, labelled in the 5-position with a specific activity of 197 μ Ci/mg were obtained from Hoffman-LaRoche Limited (Vaudreuil, Quebec, Canada). The ODS bonded (1.0 ml) "Baker" disposable extraction columns, HPLC grade acetonitrile and methanol were purchased from the J.T. Baker Chemical Co. (Phillipsburg, N.J., U.S.A.). Atomlight L.S.C. cocktail was bought from New England Nuclear (Boston, Mass., U.S.A.). The animal feed used for the chronic animal experiments was Master Laboratory Mash, purchased from Ritchie Feed and Seed Ltd. (Ottawa, Ont., Canada).

METHODS

HPLC Analysis

A Varian Aerograph Series 4100 liquid chromatography system (Walnut Creek, CA, U.S.A.) was used to deliver the mobile phase (70% acetonitrile/30% H₂O), isocratically at a flow rate of 60 ml/hr, at ambient temperature. A six-port Valco injection valve with a 40 μ l fixed

loop was used to introduce all the samples. Guard columns (5 cm Brownlee Labs RP-8) from Technical Marketing Associates Limited (Ottawa, Ont., Canada) were used to protect the 25 cm x 4.5 mm Dupont Zorbax ODS column purchased from Fisher Scientific Company (Ottawa, Ont., Canada). The effluent was monitored at 242 nm with a variable wavelength UV spectrophotometer. A strip chart recorder (Linear Instruments Corp., Irvine, CA, U.S.A.) was used to record the chromatographs. Peak heights were used to quantify diazepam concentrations.

Standard Solutions and Feed Standards

All diazepam standard solutions were made by serial dilution of freshly prepared 125 mg diazepam/100 ml methanol. Forty μ l aliquots of these standard solutions were introduced into the HPLC system to produce the standard curve shown in Table 1.

For the preparation of spiked feed samples, diazepam in 5.0, 3.75, 2.5, 1.25 mg amounts was dissolved per g of corn oil and mixed with 25 g ground animal feed in a Janke & Kunkel KG blender (Johns Scientific, Toronto, Ont., Canada). This procedure simulated the actual feed-diazepam preparation used for the animal feeding study. The final corn oil content of each spiked sample was 4% w/w (corn oil/feed). These feed standards generated the data in Table 2.

General Procedure

Triplicate 300 mg samples of animal feed standards or samples with unknown diazepam content were placed in vials with teflon-lined screw caps. Each sample was shaken with 6.0 ml of methanol (1:20 w/v) on a Burrel Wrist Action Shaker (Burrell Corporation, Pittsburgh, PA, U.S.A.) for 15 minutes in a single extraction. The feed mixture was then centrifuged for 10 minutes at 2000 g in a Clinical Centrifuge (Damon/IEC, Needham Hts., Mass., U.S.A.). One ml of the clear supernatant from each sample was placed on a "Baker" disposable extraction column, which was first pre-conditioned with methanol and then with water. The 1.0 ml sample was completely pushed through with a gentle pressure of nitrogen.

TABLE 1
Precision Data of Diazepam Standard Solutions (n=9)

Amount Injected ng	Amount Found			% C.V.
	\bar{X} ng	\pm	S.D.	
25	25		1.4	5.5
50	49		0.9	1.9
100	100		1.2	1.2
125	127		0.6	0.5
250	253		2.0	0.8
400	394		1.8	0.5
500	504		2.4	0.5
Mean =				1.6

TABLE 2
Precision Data of Diazepam Spiked Feed Standards
n = 9 except *(n = 6)

Amount Diazepam Added mg/25 g Feed	Amount Diazepam Found mg/25 g Feed			% C.V.
	\bar{X} mg	\pm	S.D.	
1.25	1.27		0.50	3.9
2.50	2.47		0.06	2.4
*3.75	3.72		0.06	1.6
5.00	5.02		0.11	2.2
Mean =				2.5

The column was then rinsed with 100 μ l methanol and the combined effluent was analysed by injecting a 40 μ l aliquot on the analytical ODS column.

¹⁴C% Recovery

¹⁴C-diazepam was diluted with cold diazepam in 1 g of corn oil to give a specific activity of 7.5 μ Ci/5.0 mg of diazepam. This solution was

then mixed in a blender with 25 g of ground feed. This concentration of drug corresponded to the highest spiked feed standard (5 mg/25 g). Ten 300 mg samples of radioactive feed were weighed out, extracted, cleaned-up and each total eluent was collected in a glass vial, to which 15 ml of Atomlight liquid scintillation fluid was then added. A 1.0 ml aliquot of the 6.0 ml methanolic feed extract prior to its passage through the "Baker" disposable extraction column was also sampled to establish the efficiency of only the methanol extraction step.

All samples were subsequently counted on a Beckman LS 8100 liquid scintillation counter equipped with automatic quench correction.

RESULTS

The data shown in Tables 1, 2 were analysed by linear regression. The standard errors of the means at each concentration ranged from ± 0.02 to ± 0.80 . Table 1 represents the diazepam standards in methanol injected directly into the chromatographic system. Table 2 shows the diazepam spiked feed standards. Both plots were highly linear with a correlation coefficient of 0.999 and had respective slopes \pm S.E. of $0.3929 \pm .003$ and $0.3637 \pm .005$ with negligible intercepts in both cases.

The precision data (% C.V.) for the diazepam standard solutions injected directly into the mobile phase averaged 1.6% (Table 1). The average % C.V. of the spiked feed standards was 2.5% with a very low C.V. of 3.9% at the lowest concentration tried (Table 2). These data were used to calculate the concentration of diazepam in the feed during the chronic feeding experiment. These results indicate that this analysis of diazepam in feed is highly reproducible.

Some of the actual determinations of diazepam in the feed used during the chronic animal feeding experiment are shown in Table 3.

The recovery of the diazepam during the extraction procedure was determined with radio-labelled diazepam. The recovery of the initial methanolic extraction step alone was 96.9% and the total recovery for 10 samples was $87.8 \pm 0.8\%$. This recovery compares well with the 88% to 95% values for diazepam extracted from plasma in HPLC analysis (6,7).

TABLE 3Determination of "Unknown" Diazepam Spiked Feed Samples

(A) Actual Diazepam Found mg/25 g Feed	(E) Expected Concentration mg/25 g Feed	% A/E
0.45	0.45	100%
0.46	0.40	115%
2.34	2.50	94%
4.36	4.32	101%
37.80	40.00	95%
44.30	45.80	97%
Mean =		100%

The chromatograms A,B (Figure 1) show that the clean-up procedure removes all interfering peaks from the complex feed mixture and that diazepam travels as a sharp band with a retention time of 7.8 min. The capacity factor k' was calculated to be 2.8.

DISCUSSION

Although methanol is not the solvent of choice for a lipophilic compound such as diazepam it was tried because a) methanol could be injected directly into a reverse-phase clean-up system without evaporation and re-constitution and b) because the feed did not float in methanol thereby producing a clear supernatant on centrifugation. Ethyl ether was tried but it is incompatible with a reverse-phase solvent system, and it produced a cloudy supernatant. Other methods (8) have used hot chloroform in a forward phase system but we found many more interfering peaks were extracted. Also the buoyancy of the feed in chloroform made it difficult to sample. The high recovery (96.9%) with methanol and its compatibility with reverse-phase chromatography made it an ideal solvent for extraction of diazepam from ground animal feed. Although acetonitrile is similar to methanol in polarity it failed to extract diazepam from feed.

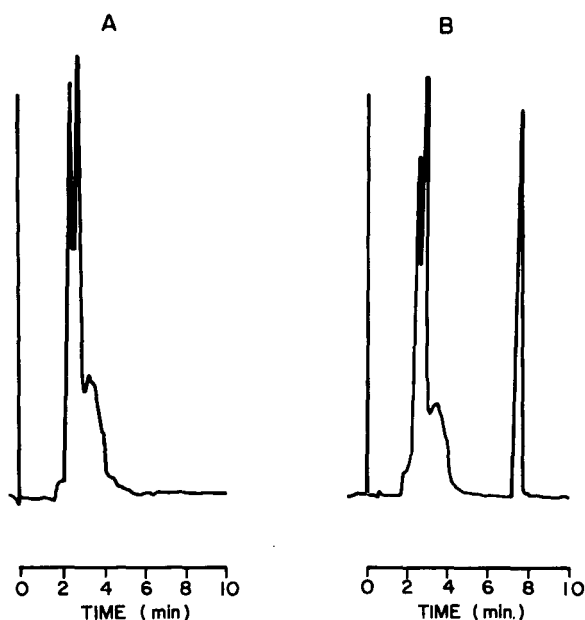


FIGURE 1. HPLC analysis of control feed (A), and diazepam-spiked feed (B), 3.75 mg/25 g, methanol extracts run in 70% acetonitrile/H₂O, at 60 ml/hr., attenuation 0.200 AUFS, at 242 nm.

The methanolic feed extract contained large peaks which masked the diazepam peak. Running the methanol extract through a short "Baker" disposable extraction column resulted in a clean, sharp, diazepam peak. The disposable clean up column retains most of the large, broad, interfering peaks, letting the diazepam through in the eluent. The methanolic extract when placed directly into a Dupont Zorbax column with a 70% acetonitrile/water mobile phase produced no chromatographic distortion. All our work reported was done on this column. Changing the guard column always restored the column to its original capabilities. The solvent system, 70% acetonitrile/30% H₂O, produced a very sharp peak which widened if we substituted 70% methanol.

This analytical procedure has proven to be a rapid, reliable and convenient method for monitoring diazepam in spiked animal feed. It is a method that could be readily adapted to the analysis of other drugs or contaminants in feed preparations.

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DEGRADATION OF HIGH PURITY WATER ON STORAGE

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ABSTRACT

Experimental results are presented which indicate that the quality of high purity water degrades with storage time. HPLC trace enrichment techniques were used to monitor the amount of organics in water stored in various types of containers. Starting with initial, high purity water, it was shown that organics could be detected in as little as one hour after storage in plastic containers. Organics could also be detected if the water was stored in glass.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this note is to authenticate the fact that the quality of high purity water degrades with storage; that this degradation can be detected within hours; that the degradation generally increases with time, and that the storage container can influence the rate of degradation. This work illustrates the little realized fact that high quality water is a very powerful solvent, and that high quality water can leach materials of construction out of storage containers.

As techniques for analysis in general become more sophisticated and sensitive, the quality of the reagents used for diluting, for controls, for blanks, for standards, etc. becomes increasingly more critical, and in some cases may be the limiting factor in an analytical procedure (1). Impurities found in reagents are particularly important in those analytical procedures where trace concentrations are being measured.

Water has always been the most ubiquitous reagent in many types of analyses, and this is especially so in measurements performed on biological systems. Water quality is also a dominating factor in biological work because water is a universal solvent for biomolecules and cells where impurities can affect enzymatic activities, bacterial, mammalian and plant cell growth. The fact that water quality is important in general analytical and biochemical measurements is noted by the water quality standards that have been established by a number of organizations (ACS, ASTM, NCCLS, CAP). Systems are commercially available which can produce high purity water; however, storing this water for future use results in a degradation in the original quality that has not been readily documented.

EXPERIMENTAL

The design of our work was to simulate common laboratory practices that are routinely used to store water, and to monitor the general organic quality of this water as a function of time upon storage. No arduous or extraordinary measures were taken to preserve the quality of the initially pure water other than those which would normally be practiced in a typical biochemical or biological laboratory.

Water quality was measured qualitatively via HPLC using a trace enrichment technique (2). In this procedure, 40ml of test water is loaded into a reverse phase C18 column (Waters Associates) at 2ml/min. A linear gradient of 100% water to 100% acetonitrile over 20 minutes is then run to elute organics adsorbed to the column. The initial high purity water used was produced from a Milli-Q^R system with an Organex-Q^R cartridge (Millipore Corporation). Water from this system has been shown to be low in organics content and suitable for LC work(1).

The following materials were tested for storage containers: a 4 liter polyethylene bottle (Scientific Products, B-75-10-128); a 4 liter polypropylene bottle (B-75-13-128), and a 4 liter brown glass bottle (J. T. Baker) that is normally used for shipping LC grade water. In order to prevent inadvertent contamination due to handling, a Teflon^R tube was inserted through the closed tops of the respective containers so the water could be introduced to the LC columns with little or

no extra handling or manipulation. Each container was initially rinsed thoroughly with water followed by rinsings with the Milli-Q^R water. Milli-Q^R with the Organex-Q^R cartridge water was also used as the mobile phase in all LC runs. Acetonitrile was LC grade (Burdick and Jackson). Detection of organics eluted by the gradient was performed using a UV detector at both 254nm and also 214nm (Waters Associates). Water was stored and measurements were taken at various time intervals for four weeks.

After the initial storage test was completed, the test water was removed, the container recleaned, and a new test cycle was restarted lasting one week. The purpose of this second trial was to determine if the first load of high purity water and storage for four weeks had exhausted all of the leachable material from the containers, or whether more material could be leached by a fresh batch of water. It is common in biochemical laboratories to "condition" storage containers by exhaustingly rinsing any leachates out of plastic containers for several weeks.

RESULTS

The results of the storage experiments as a function of time for polyethylene, polypropylene and glass containers are shown in Figures 1, 2, and 3 respectively. Chart speed was 0.60cm/minute and AUFS is 0.02. The lower most LC trace in each set is for the Milli-Q^R water that was initially placed in all these containers. A similar pattern was obtained for the Milli-Q^R water used as the mobile phase each time as a sample was tested. For both the polyethylene and the polypropylene containers, one can notice a degradation in water quality beginning in as short a time as one hour. Each peak represents presumably one organic species that is being leached from the plastic containers. No effort was made to determine the identification of what organics these various peaks represented. The LC traces for one day, one week and two weeks are similar to that of one hour except that certain peaks are intensified, and the general trend is seen that the amount of contaminants detected increases with time. The LC traces for the water stored in the glass containers show the same general character as for the water in the plastic containers. The peaks, however, are not as pronounced, nor do they appear as rapidly; compared to the corresponding plastic storage systems.

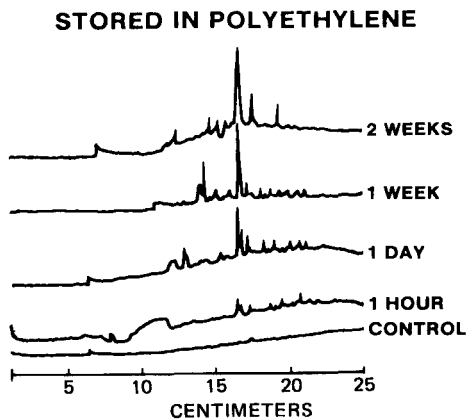


Figure 1: Trace enrichment chromatograms of high purity water stored in a polyethylene container.

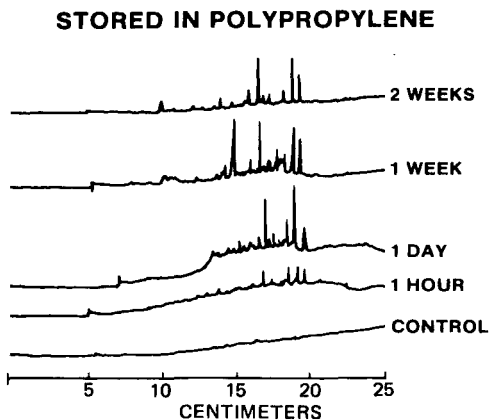


Figure 2: Trace enrichment chromatograms of high purity water stored in a polypropylene container.

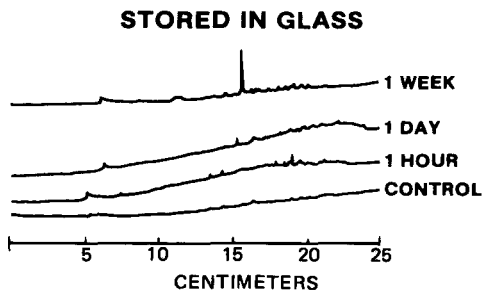


Figure 3: Trace enrichment chromatograms of high purity water stored in a glass container.

LC traces at 214nm showed similar trends with time as those at 254nm. Also, the results of the second trial with fresh, high purity water followed a pattern similar to the first trial.

DISCUSSION

Healy (3) showed that doubly distilled water could leach inorganic ions out of Pyrex^R containers during a storage period of two weeks. Our study has illustrated a corresponding situation for organics in plastic containers. Upon storage, the general quality of initially pure water degrades as measured by the increase in organic constituents.

Although the relative contributions are unknown at this time, there are basically three sources for the organics detected in the LC traces.

1. Plasticizers, monomers, mold release agents and the oligomers used in the construction and manufacture of any container can be leached out by the water.
2. Bacteria can grow in the stored water and excrete waste products, thus contributing to the general organics (4).
3. Organics from other reagents, laboratory personnel's respiration, and shedding from clothing can all diffuse through the air and dissolve in the water.

It is quite possible that a succession of these mechanisms occur as a function of time.

Water quality can play an influential role in analytical LC measurements of biochemical components (5), and also in the growth of tissue culture systems. Even if high purity water is initially produced, that same water quality may not exist a short time later; For those analytical and biological systems that are extremely sensitive to water quality, care should be taken not to store the water, but to use the water as it is produced.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We feel that a correction is necessary regarding results attributed to us in a citation in the recent paper by Akintonwa et al., [J. Liquid Chromatogr. 6 (1983) 1513-1522]. The sentence on page 1521, lines 4-7 reads: "Further, during chronic daily administration of 300 mg. of chloroquine base, blood chloroquine concentrations ranged from approximately 150-500 ng/ml [3]."

In actuality, as clearly pointed out in our article (Staiger et al., 1981), administration was weekly, dosing was with chloroquine diphosphate (300 mg. expressed as base), and the values provided by this earlier, less selective method of ours represented not chloroquine alone, but a slight underestimation of the sum of chloroquine and desethylchloroquine in whole blood. Incidentally, we have subsequently published two methods which quantify chloroquine and desethylchloroquine separately (Churchill et al., 1983 and Patchen et al., 1983).

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Kratos GmbH
Kratos SA
LKB Instruments, Inc.
Micomeritics Instrument Corp.
Munhall Company
Nihon Waters Ltd.
Perkin-Elmer Corp.
Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
Pharmacia, Inc.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Shimadzu Corp.
Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
Spectronics Corp.
Tracor Instruments, Inc.
Utopia Instrument Corp.
Varian Associates, Inc.
Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
Waters Associates, Inc.
Waters Espanola, S.A.
Waters SA
Wescan Instruments, Inc.

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
Anspec Company
Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
Beckman Instruments, Inc.
Bioanalytical Systems, Inc.
Buck Scientific, Inc.
Chromatix, Inc.
Dionex Corp.
E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.
EM Science, Inc.
Farrand Optical Co., Inc.
Gilson SA
Harrick Scientific Corp.
Hewlett-Packard SA
Hitachi Scientific Instruments
HPLC Technology, Ltd.
ISCO, Inc
Jasco International Co., Ltd.
Kontron Electronics, Inc.
Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
Kratos Ltd.
LDC/Milton Roy Co.
LKB Produkter AB
Micomeritics, Ltd.
N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
Owens Polyscience Ltd
Perkin-Elmer GmbH
Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
Pye Unicam, Ltd.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Shimadzu Europa GmbH
Spectra Physics, Inc.
Touzart & Matignon
Universal Scientific, Inc.
Varex Corp.
Waters AB
Waters Assoc. AS
Waters Assoc., NV
Waters BV
Waters GmbH
Waters Scientific Ltd.

FRACTION COLLECTORS (B8)

American Scientific Products
Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
Eldex Laboratories
Fisher Scientific Co.
Gilson SA
Hewlett-Packard GmbH
Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
HPLC Technology, Ltd.
ISCO, Inc
Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
LKB Produkter AB

Anspec Company
Bioanalytical Systems, Inc.
Chromatix, Inc.
ES Industries
Gilson Medical Electronics, Inc.
Haake Buchler Instruments, Inc.
Hewlett-Packard SA
HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
Instruments SA
Jones Chromatography, Inc.
LKB Instruments, Inc.
Munhall Company

N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
 Perkin-Elmer Corp.
 Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
 Pharmacia, Inc.
 Tracor Instruments, Inc.
 Valco Instruments, Inc.

Owens Polyscience Ltd
 Perkin-Elmer GmbH
 Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
 Pye Unicam, Ltd.
 Universal Scientific, Inc.
 Zymark Corporation

GUARD COLUMNS, PRE-COLUMNS (C5)

A. S. I.
 Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
 American Scientific Products
 Analytichem Internat'l
 Beckman Instruments, Inc.
 Bio-Rad Laboratories
 Brownlee Labs, Inc.
 Chromatographic Specialties
 Chrompack, Inc.
 Crippen Labs, Inc.
 DuPont SA
 E. Merck
 Erma Optical Works, Ltd.
 Fisher Scientific Co.
 HETP
 HPLC Technology, Ltd.
 J & S Scientific
 J. T. Baker, Inc.
 Jones Chromatography, Inc.
 Jordi Associates, Inc.
 Kontron Electronics, Inc.
 Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
 Kratos Ltd.
 LC Company, Inc.
 LKB Instruments, Inc.
 Macherey-Nagel GmbH
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Perkin-Elmer Corp.
 Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
 Pierce Chemical Co.
 Polymer Laboratories, Ltd.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Regis Chemical Co.
 Scientific Systems, Inc.
 Shandon Southern Products
 Showa Denko KK
 Supelco, Inc.
 SynChrom, Inc.
 Tracor Instruments, Inc.
 Upchurch Scientific, Inc.
 Valco Instruments, Inc.
 Waters AB
 Waters Assoc. AS
 Waters Assoc., NV
 Waters BV
 Waters GmbH
 Waters Scientific Ltd.
 Whatman, Inc.

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Amicon Corp.
 Applied Chromatography Systems
 Benson Company
 Bioanalytical Systems, Inc.
 Chromatix, Inc.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Chrompack, Inc.
 Desaga, GmbH
 E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.
 EM Science, Inc.
 ES Industries
 Foxboro/Analabs
 HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
 IBM Instruments, Inc.
 J & W Scientific, Inc.
 Jasco International Co., Ltd.
 Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
 Kontron AG
 Kontron Instruments Ltd.
 Kratos GmbH
 Kratos SA
 LDC/Milton Roy Co.
 LKB Produkter AB
 Munhall Company
 Owens Polyscience Ltd
 Perkin-Elmer GmbH
 Pickering Labs, Inc.
 Polymer Laboratories, Inc.
 Pye Unicam, Ltd.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Rheodyne, Inc.
 Shandon Southern Instruments
 Showa Denko America
 Spectra Physics, Inc.
 Supelco, SA
 The Separations Group
 Unimetrics Corp.
 Utopia Instrument Corp.
 Varian Associates, Inc.
 Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
 Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
 Waters Associates, Inc.
 Waters Espanola, S.A.
 Waters SA
 Wescan Instruments, Inc.

INDUSTRIAL SCALE LC EQUIPMENT (F5)

Applied Automation, Inc.
Waters Associates, Inc.

Elf Aquitaine Devel. Corp.
Whatman, Inc.

INJECTION SYSTEMS, AUTOMATIC (B6)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
American Scientific Products
Anspec Company
Applied Chromatography Systems
Chromatix, Inc.
Chrompack, Inc.
Dionex (UK), Ltd.
DuPont SA
E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.
Gilson Medical Electronics, Inc.
Hewlett-Packard SA
HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
IBM Instruments, Inc.
Jasco International Co., Ltd.
Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
Kontron Electronics, Inc.
Lachat Chemicals, Inc.
LDC/Milton Roy Co.
Micromeritics Instrument Corp.
Munhall Company
Nihon Waters Ltd.
Perkin-Elmer Corp.
Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
Pye Unicam, Ltd.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Scientific Systems, Inc.
Shimadzu Europa GmbH
Spark-Holland
Supelco, Inc.
Toucart & Matignon
Universal Scientific, Inc.
Varex Corp.
Waters AB
Waters Assoc. AS
Waters Assoc., NV
Waters BV
Waters GmbH
Waters Scientific Ltd.

Alltech Associates, Inc.
Analytichem Internat'l
Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
Beckman Instruments, Inc.
Chromatographic Specialties
Chrompack, Inc.
Dionex Corp.
Dynatech Precision Sampling Corp.
ES Industries
Gilson SA
Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
HPLC Technology, Ltd.
ISCO, Inc
Jones Chromatography, Inc.
Kontron AG
Kontron Instruments Ltd.
LC Company, Inc.
LKB Produkter AB
Micromeritics, Ltd.
N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
Owens Polyscience Ltd
Perkin-Elmer GmbH
Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
Rainin Instrument Co.
Rheodyne, Inc.
Shimadzu Corp.
Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
Spectra Physics, Inc.
Supelco, SA
Tracor Instruments, Inc.
Valco Instruments, Inc.
Varian Associates, Inc.
Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
Waters Associates, Inc.
Waters Espanola, S.A.
Waters SA
Wescan Instruments, Inc.

INJECTION SYSTEMS, MANUAL (A2)

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
American Scientific Products
Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
Beckman Instruments, Inc.
Bioanalytical Systems, Inc.
Chromatographic Specialties
Chrompack, Inc.
DuPont SA
E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.

Alltech Associates, Inc.
Anspec Company
Applied Chromatography Systems
Bio-Rad Laboratories
Chromatix, Inc.
Chromatography Services, Ltd.
Chrompack, Inc.
Dynatech Precision Sampling Corp.
EM Science, Inc.

Foxboro/Analabs
 Hamilton Company
 Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
 HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
 IBM Instruments, Inc.
 Jasco International Co., Ltd.
 Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
 Kontron Electronics, Inc.
 Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
 Kratos Ltd.
 Lachat Chemicals, Inc.
 LKB Instruments, Inc.
 Micromeritics Instrument Corp.
 Munhall Company
 Owens Polyscience Ltd
 Perkin-Elmer GmbH
 Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
 Pye Unicam, Ltd.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Shandon Southern Instruments
 Shimadzu Corp.
 Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
 Supelco, Inc.
 Touzart & Matignon
 Unimetrics Corp.
 Valco Instruments, Inc.
 Varian Associates, Inc.
 Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
 Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
 Waters Associates, Inc.
 Waters Espanola, S.A.
 Waters SA

Gow-Mac Instrument Co.
 Hewlett-Packard SA
 Hitachi Scientific Instruments
 HPLC Technology, Ltd.
 J & W Scientific, Inc.
 Jones Chromatography, Inc.
 Kontron AG
 Kontron Instruments Ltd.
 Kratos GmbH
 Kratos SA
 LDC/Milton Roy Co.
 LKB Produkter AB
 Micromeritics, Ltd.
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Perkin-Elmer Corp.
 Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
 Pharmacia, Inc.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Rheodyne, Inc.
 Shandon Southern Products
 Shimadzu Europa GmbH
 Spectra Physics, Inc.
 Supelco, SA
 Tracor Instruments, Inc.
 Universal Scientific, Inc.
 Vorex Corp.
 Waters AB
 Waters Assoc. AS
 Waters Assoc., NV
 Waters BV
 Waters GmbH
 Waters Scientific Ltd.

LC/MS INTERFACES (C8)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Anspec Company
 Hewlett-Packard GmbH
 Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
 Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
 Kratos Ltd.
 US Biochem. Corp.
 VG Instruments, Inc.

American Scientific Products
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Hewlett-Packard SA
 Jasco International Co., Ltd.
 Kratos GmbH
 Kratos SA
 Vacumetrics, Inc.

OPEN COLUMN CHROMATOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT (E2)

Ace Glass, Inc.
 Bio-Rad Laboratories
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Haake Buchler Instruments, Inc.
 Isolab, Inc.
 Kontron AG
 Kontron Instruments Ltd.
 LKB Instruments, Inc.
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Touzart & Matignon
 Waters AB

Anspec Company
 Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
 EM Science, Inc.
 ISCO, Inc
 J. T. Baker, Inc.
 Kontron Electronics, Inc.
 LDC/Milton Roy Co.
 LKB Produkter AB
 Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
 Universal Scientific, Inc.
 Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd

Waters Assoc. AS
Waters Assoc., NV
Waters BV
Waters GmbH
Waters Scientific Ltd.

Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
Waters Associates, Inc.
Waters Espanola, S.A.
Waters SA
Whatman, Inc.

OPTICAL FILTERS (F3)

Corion Corporation

PAPER CHROMATOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT (E3)

Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
Camag, Inc.
Gelman Sciences, Inc.
Spectronics Corp.
Whatman, Inc.

Camag, GmbH
Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
Touzart & Matignon

PROGRAMMERS/CONTROLLERS (B9)

ABC Laboratories
Alltech Associates, Inc.
Anspec Company
Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
Beckman Instruments, Inc.
Chromatographic Specialties
Dionex Corp.
E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.
Gilson Medical Electronics, Inc.
Glas-Col Apparatus Co.
Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
Instruments SA
Jasco International Co., Ltd.
Kontron Electronics, Inc.
LDC/Milton Roy Co.
LKB Produkter AB
Micromeritics Instrument Corp.
Munhall Company
Perkin-Elmer Corp.
Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
Pharmacia, Inc.
Radiomatic Instr. & Chem. Co.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Shimadzu Europa GmbH
Spark-Holland
Touzart & Matignon
Universal Scientific, Inc.
Valco Instruments, Inc.
Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
Waters Associates, Inc.
Waters Espanola, S.A.
Waters SA
Wescan Instruments, Inc.

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American Scientific Products
Applied Automation, Inc.
Applied Chromatography Systems
Bio-Rad Laboratories
Dionex (UK), Ltd.
DuPont SA
Eldex Laboratories
Gilson SA
Hewlett-Packard SA
Hitachi Scientific Instruments
HPLC Technology, Ltd.
ISCO, Inc
Kontron AG
Kontron Instruments Ltd.
LKB Instruments, Inc.
Luft Instruments, Inc.
Micromeritics, Ltd.
Nihon Waters Ltd.
Perkin-Elmer GmbH
Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
Pye Unicam, Ltd.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Shimadzu Corp.
Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
Systec, Inc.
Tracor Instruments, Inc.
Vacumetrics, Inc.
Waters AB
Waters Assoc. AS
Waters Assoc., NV
Waters BV
Waters GmbH
Waters Scientific Ltd.
Zymark Corporation

PUMPS/SOLVENT DELIVERY SYSTEMS (B5)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Anspec Company
 Applied Chromatography Systems
 Bio-Rad Laboratories
 Brownlee Labs, Inc.
 Chromatix, Inc.
 Dionex (UK), Ltd.
 DuPont SA
 Eldex Laboratories
 Erma Optical Works, Ltd.
 Foxboro/Analabs
 Gilson SA
 Hewlett-Packard SA
 Hitachi Scientific Instruments
 HPLC Technology, Ltd.
 Instruments SA
 Jasco International Co., Ltd.
 Kontron Electronics, Inc.
 Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
 Kratos Ltd.
 LC Company, Inc.
 LKB Instruments, Inc.
 Micromeritics Instrument Corp.
 Munhall Company
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Perkin-Elmer Corp.
 Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
 Pharmacia, Inc.
 Polymer Laboratories, Inc.
 Pye Unicam, Ltd.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Shimadzu Europa GmbH
 Spectra Physics, Inc.
 Tracor Instruments, Inc.
 Varex Corp.
 Waters AB
 Waters Assoc. AS
 Waters Assoc., NV
 Waters BV
 Waters GmbH
 Waters Scientific Ltd.

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 American Scientific Products
 Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
 Beckman Instruments, Inc.
 Bioanalytical Systems, Inc.
 Cecil Instruments Ltd.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Dionex Corp.
 E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.
 EM Science, Inc.
 Fluid Metering, Inc.
 Gilson Medical Electronics, Inc.
 Gow-Mac Instrument Co.
 Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
 HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
 IBM Instruments, Inc.
 ISCO, Inc
 Kontron AG
 Kontron Instruments Ltd.
 Kratos GmbH
 Kratos SA
 LDC/Milton Roy Co.
 LKB Produkter AB
 Micromeritics, Ltd.
 N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
 Owens Polyscience Ltd
 Perkin-Elmer GmbH
 Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
 Pierce Chemical Co.
 Polymer Laboratories, Ltd.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Shimadzu Corp.
 Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
 Touzart & Matignon
 Universal Scientific, Inc.
 Varian Associates, Inc.
 Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
 Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
 Waters Associates, Inc.
 Waters Espanola, S.A.
 Waters SA
 Wescan Instruments, Inc.

RECORDERS, PLOTTERS (C6)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Applied Automation, Inc.
 Applied Chromatography Systems
 Bio-Rad Laboratories
 Buck Scientific, Inc.
 Chromatix, Inc.
 Chrompack, Inc.
 Cyborg Corporation
 Dionex Corp.
 E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
 American Scientific Products
 Applied Chromatography Syst., Ltd.
 Beckman Instruments, Inc.
 Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
 Cecil Instruments Ltd.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Chrompack, Inc.
 Dionex (UK), Ltd.
 DuPont SA
 EM Science, Inc.

Erma Optical Works, Ltd.
Gow-Mac Instrument Co.
Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
IBM Instruments, Inc.
ISCO, Inc
Jasco International Co., Ltd.
Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
Kontron Electronics, Inc.
Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
Kratos Ltd.
Lachat Chemicals, Inc.
LDC/Milton Roy Co.
LKB Produkter AB
N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
Owens Polyscience Ltd
Perkin-Elmer GmbH
Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
Pye Unicam, Ltd.
Shimadzu Europa GmbH
Spectra Physics, Inc.
Utopia Instrument Corp.
Varex Corp.
Waters AB
Waters Assoc. AS
Waters Assoc., NV
Waters BV
Waters GmbH
Waters Scientific Ltd.

Fisher Scientific Co.
Hewlett-Packard SA
Hitachi Scientific Instruments
HPLC Technology, Ltd.
Instruments SA
J & S Scientific
Jones Chromatography, Inc.
Kontron AG
Kontron Instruments Ltd.
Kratos GmbH
Kratos SA
LC Company, Inc.
LKB Instruments, Inc.
Munhall Company
Nihon Waters Ltd.
Perkin-Elmer Corp.
Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
Pharmacia, Inc.
Shimadzu Corp.
Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
Tracor Instruments, Inc.
Vacumetrics, Inc.
Varian Associates, Inc.
Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
Waters Associates, Inc.
Waters Espanola, S.A.
Waters SA
Wescan Instruments, Inc.

SAMPLE PREPARATION EQUIPMENT (B7)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
American Scientific Products
Analytichem Internat'l
Bioanalytical Systems, Inc.
Chromatographic Specialties
Erma Optical Works, Ltd.
Haake Buchler Instruments, Inc.
Harrick Scientific Corp.
J. T. Baker, Inc.
Jones Chromatography, Inc.
Kontron AG
Kontron Instruments Ltd.
LC Company, Inc.
N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
Owens Polyscience Ltd
Rainin Instrument Co.
Schleicher & Schuell, Inc.
Touzzart & Matignon
Waters AB
Waters Assoc. AS
Waters Assoc., NV
Waters BV
Waters GmbH
Waters Scientific Ltd.

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
Amicon Corp.
Applied Automation, Inc.
Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
Chromatography Services, Ltd.
Gelman Sciences, Inc.
Hamilton Company
J & W Scientific, Inc.
Jasco International Co., Ltd.
Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
Kontron Electronics, Inc.
Labindustries, Inc.
Munhall Company
Nihon Waters Ltd.
Pierce Chemical Co.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Spark-Holland
Valco Instruments, Inc.
Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
Waters Associates, Inc.
Waters Espanola, S.A.
Waters SA
Zymark Corporation

SOLVENTS, ELUENTS (B2)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Alltech Associates, Inc.
 BDH Chemicals, Inc.
 Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
 Crescent Chemical Co.
 Eastman Kodak Co.
 Fisher Scientific Co.
 Foxboro/Analabs
 Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
 Macherey-Nagel GmbH
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Pickering Labs, Inc.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Supelco, Inc.
 Varian Associates, Inc.
 Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
 Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
 Waters Associates, Inc.
 Waters Espanola, S.A.
 Waters SA

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
 American Scientific Products
 Burdick & Jackson, Inc.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 E. Merck
 EM Science, Inc.
 Fisons Scientific Equipt.
 Jones Chromatography, Inc.
 Lachat Chemicals, Inc.
 Mallinckrodt, Inc.
 Owens Polyscience Ltd
 Pierce Chemical Co.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Supelco, SA
 Waters AB
 Waters Assoc. AS
 Waters Assoc., NV
 Waters BV
 Waters GmbH
 Waters Scientific Ltd.

TLC ADSORBENTS, MEDIA (D2)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 American Scientific Products
 Anspec Company
 BDH Chemicals, Inc.
 Camag, GmbH
 Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
 Crescent Chemical Co.
 EM Science, Inc.
 Floridin Company
 J. T. Baker, Inc.
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Supelco, Inc.
 Universal Scientific, Inc.
 Waters Assoc (Inst.) Ltd
 Waters Assoc. Pty. Ltd.
 Waters Associates, Inc.
 Waters Espanola, S.A.
 Waters SA
 Whatman, Inc.

Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Analtech, Inc.
 Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
 Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
 Camag, Inc.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 E. Merck
 Fisher Scientific Co.
 Fluka Chemical Corp.
 Macherey-Nagel GmbH
 Pierce Chemical Co.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Supelco, SA
 Waters AB
 Waters Assoc. AS
 Waters Assoc., NV
 Waters BV
 Waters GmbH
 Waters Scientific Ltd.

TLC DEVELOPING CHAMBERS (D7)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
 Camag, GmbH
 Chromatographic Specialties
 Desaga, GmbH
 Fisher Scientific Co.
 Gelman Sciences, Inc.
 Pierce Chemical Co.

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
 Analtech, Inc.
 Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
 Camag, Inc.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Eastman Kodak Co.
 Foxboro/Analabs
 Kontes Glass Co.
 Regis Chemical Co.

Shandon Southern Instruments
Supelco, Inc.
Touzart & Matignon

Shandon Southern Products
Supelco, SA
Whatman, Inc.

TLC PLATES, ANALYTICAL & HPTLC (D1)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
Alltech Associates, Inc.
Analtech, Inc.
Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
Camag, GmbH
Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
Chromatography Services, Ltd.
Desaga, GmbH
Eastman Kodak Co.
Fisher Scientific Co.
Foxboro/Analabs
J. T. Baker, Inc.
Macherey-Nagel GmbH
Pierce Chemical Co.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Supelco, Inc.
Touzart & Matignon
Whatman, Inc.

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
American Scientific Products
Anspec Company
Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
Camag, Inc.
Chromatographic Specialties
Crescent Chemical Co.
E. Merck
EM Science, Inc.
Fluka Chemical Corp.
J & S Scientific
Lachat Chemicals, Inc.
Munhall Company
Rainin Instrument Co.
Schleicher & Schuell, Inc.
Supelco, SA
Universal Scientific, Inc.

TLC PLATES, PREPARATIVE (D5)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
Alltech Associates, Inc.
Anspec Company
Brinkmann Instruments, Inc.
Camag, Inc.
Chromatographic Specialties
Crescent Chemical Co.
EM Science, Inc.
Fluka Chemical Corp.
J. T. Baker, Inc.
Pierce Chemical Co.
Rainin Instrument Co.
Universal Scientific, Inc.

Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
Analtech, Inc.
Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
Camag, GmbH
Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
Chromatography Services, Ltd.
E. Merck
Fisher Scientific Co.
Foxboro/Analabs
Macherey-Nagel GmbH
Rainin Instrument Co.
Touzart & Matignon
Whatman, Inc.

TLC QUANTITATION DEVICES (D4)

Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
Camag, Inc.
Farrand Optical Co., Inc.
Kontes Glass Co.
Kratos GmbH
Kratos SA
Marco Scientific, Inc.
Shimadzu Europa GmbH
Universal Scientific, Inc.

Camag, GmbH
Chromatography Services, Ltd.
Gelman Sciences, Inc.
Kratos Anal. Instr. Co.
Kratos Ltd.
Lachat Chemicals, Inc.
N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
Shimadzu Scientific Instr., Inc.
UVP, Inc.

TLC SPOTTERS, STREAKERS (D3)

Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Analytichem Internat'l
 Camag, GmbH
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Drummond Scientific Co.
 EM Science, Inc.
 Foxboro/Analabs
 J. T. Baker, Inc.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Shandon Southern Instruments
 Universal Scientific, Inc.

Analtech, Inc.
 Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
 Camag, Inc.
 Desaga, GmbH
 E. Merck
 Fisher Scientific Co.
 Hamilton Company
 Kontes Glass Co.
 Rainin Instrument Co.
 Shandon Southern Products
 Whatman, Inc.

TLC SPREADERS (D6)

Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
 Camag, Inc.
 Desaga, GmbH
 Shandon Southern Instruments
 Touzart & Matignon

Anspec Company
 Camag, GmbH
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 N & R Scientific Co., Inc.
 Shandon Southern Products
 Whatman, Inc.

TLC VISUALIZATION DEVICES (D9)

Berthold Instruments, Inc.
 Spectronics Corp.

Berthold, Lab. of Prof. Dr.

TLC VISUALIZATION REAGENTS (D8)

Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Applied Analytical Ind./Camag TLC
 Camag, GmbH
 Carolina Biol. Supply Co.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Eastman Kodak Co.
 Fisher Scientific Co.
 J. T. Baker, Inc.
 Supelco, Inc.
 Touzart & Matignon

Alltech Associates, Inc.
 BDH Chemicals, Inc.
 Camag, Inc.
 Chromatographic Specialties
 E. Merck
 EM Science, Inc.
 Foxboro/Analabs
 Pierce Chemical Co.
 Supelco, SA
 Whatman, Inc.

TUBING, FITTINGS, VALVES (C1)

A. S. I.
 Ace Scientific Supply Co.
 Alltech Associates, Inc.
 Applied Chromatography Systems
 Bio-Rad Laboratories
 Cecil Instruments Ltd.
 Chromatographic Specialties
 Chrompack, Inc.
 Dionex (UK), Ltd.
 DuPont SA
 E. Merck

ABC Laboratories
 Alltech Associates UK Ltd.
 Applied Automation, Inc.
 Beckman Instruments, Inc.
 Cajon Co.
 Chromatix, Inc.
 Chromatography Services, Ltd.
 Chrompack, Inc.
 Dionex Corp.
 E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co.
 ES Industries

Fisher Scientific Co.
 Hamilton Company
 Hewlett-Packard SA
 HPLC Technology - Phenomenex
 IBM Instruments, Inc.
 Jones Chromatography, Inc.
 Kontron AG
 Kontron Instruments Ltd.
 LDC/Milton Roy Co.
 LKB Produkter AB
 Munhall Company
 Owens Polyscience Ltd
 Perkin-Elmer GmbH
 Pharmacia Fine Chemicals AB
 Pierce Chemical Co.
 Rhoedyn, Inc.
 Shandon Southern Instruments
 Spectra Physics, Inc.
 Supelco, SA
 Unimetrics Corp.
 Vacumetrics, Inc.
 Vorex Corp.
 Waters AB
 Waters Assoc. AS
 Waters Assoc., NV
 Waters BV
 Waters GmbH
 Waters Scientific Ltd.

Foxboro/Analabs
 HETP
 Hewlett-Packard, Inc.
 HPLC Technology, Ltd.
 Jasco International Co., Ltd.
 Jones Chromatography, Ltd.
 Kontron Electronics, Inc.
 LC Company, Inc.
 LKB Instruments, Inc.
 Macherey-Nagel GmbH
 Nihon Waters Ltd.
 Perkin-Elmer Corp.
 Perkin-Elmer Ltd.
 Pharmacia, Inc.
 Pye Unicam, Ltd.
 Scientific Systems, Inc.
 Shandon Southern Products
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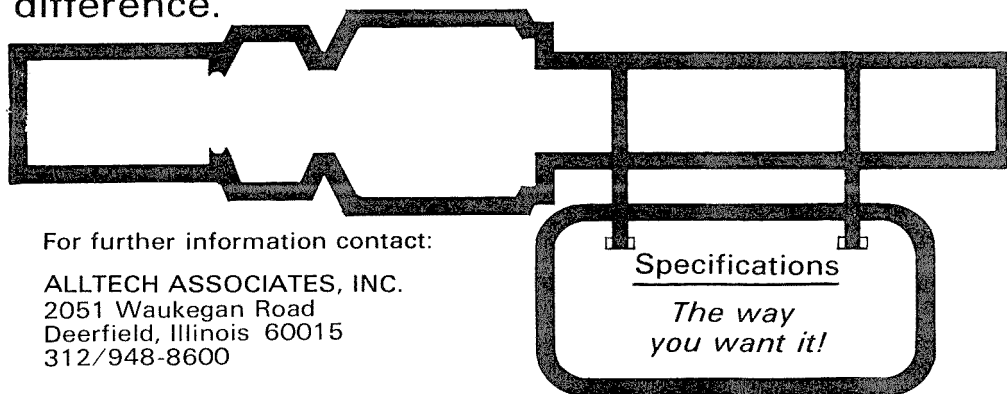
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