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Part I

Introduction

Overview of the Acclaim Family

The Acclaim stationary phases differ in their polarity, hydrophobicity, and selectivity, and are designed to perform a wide range of separations. All Acclaim columns are manufactured to ensure consistent performance. The Dionex Acclaim product line features three conventional stationary phases and two specialized phases.

Acclaim 120 C18 and C8

The Acclaim 120 C18 is a classic reversed-phase material, featuring a densely bonded surface with double endcapping. The monomeric type of bonding gives excellent efficiency, full surface coverage, and low silanol activity. The Acclaim 120 C8 is constructed with the same substrate and bonding techniques as the C18, and has the same qualities, but with lower retention and slightly different selectivity.

Acclaim 300 C18

The Acclaim 300 C18 uses a wide-pore silica substrate suitable for peptides and moderately sized proteins, with excellent performance features provided by monomeric bonding and double endcapping.

Acclaim PolarAdvantage

The Acclaim PolarAdvantage (PA) column has a unique polar-embedded phase. This column is compatible with aqueous mobile phases containing no organic solvent modifiers, but also has selectivity similar to C18. The Acclaim PA gives uncompromising performance for basic, acidic, hydrophilic, or hydrophobic analytes in a single run.

Acclaim OA

The Acclaim OA is a specialty column optimized and application-tested for the analysis of hydrophilic organic acids, and provides a complementary technique to the IonPac® anion-exchange and ion-exclusion columns. The Acclaim OA uses a polar-embedded stationary phase that is compatible with aqueous-only mobile phases.

Acclaim Specifications

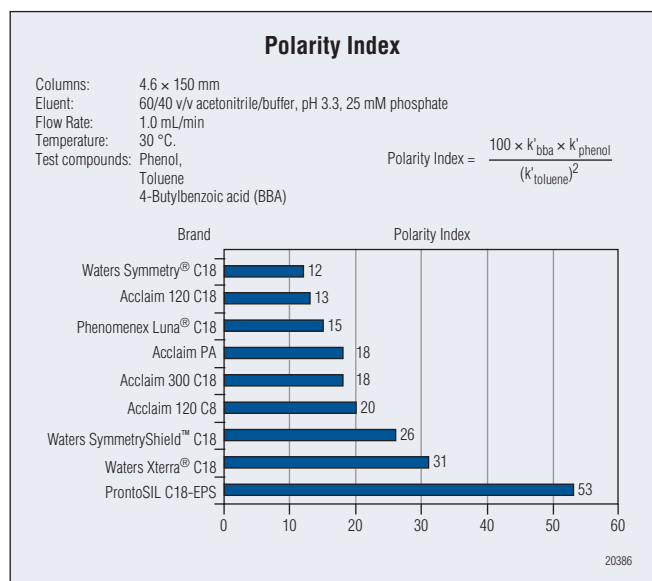
Dionex Phase	Acclaim 120 C18	Acclaim 120 C8	Acclaim 300 C18	Acclaim PA	Acclaim OA
Bonded Phase	Octadecylsilane	Octylsilane	Octadecylsilane	Sulfamido silane C16	Proprietary
USP type	L1	L7	L1	n.a.	n.a.
Endcap	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Particle Platform	Silica	Silica	Silica	Silica	Silica
Particle Shape	Spherical	Spherical	Spherical	Spherical	Spherical
Particle Purity	<10 ppm metals	<10 ppm metals	<10 ppm metals	<10 ppm metals	<10 ppm metals
Particle sizes (µm)	3 and 5	3 and 5	3	3 and 5	5
Pore Size (Å)	120	120	300	120	120
Surface Area (m ² /g)	300	300	100	300	300
% C	18	11	7	17	17

Performance Indicators

Acclaim bonded-silica columns are manufactured for outstanding stability and reproducibility for a broad range of selectivities. The Acclaim silica bonding technology developed at Dionex starts with ultrapure spherical silica gel to minimize secondary interactions. The bonding processes are designed to produce very high-density surface coverage, resulting in bonded phases with exceptional efficiency and symmetry for the entire range of analytes, from neutral hydrophobic molecules to basic and acidic molecules. In addition, the Acclaim polar-embedded bonding technology produces phases that extend capability well beyond traditional reversed-phase separations to very polar analytes requiring 100% aqueous conditions for retention. All phases are designed for low-bleed performance for mass spectrometry.

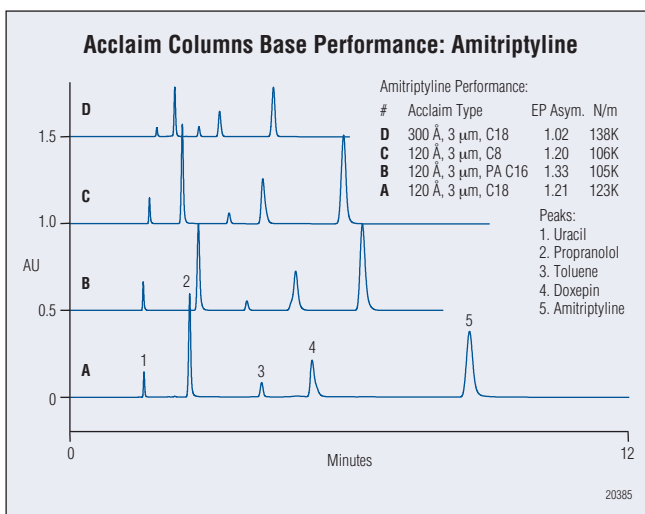
To ensure reproducible performance, all Acclaim products are thoroughly characterized for surface coverage, metal contamination, steric selectivity, column polarity, column hydrophobicity, and low silanol activity for bases.

Polarity Index



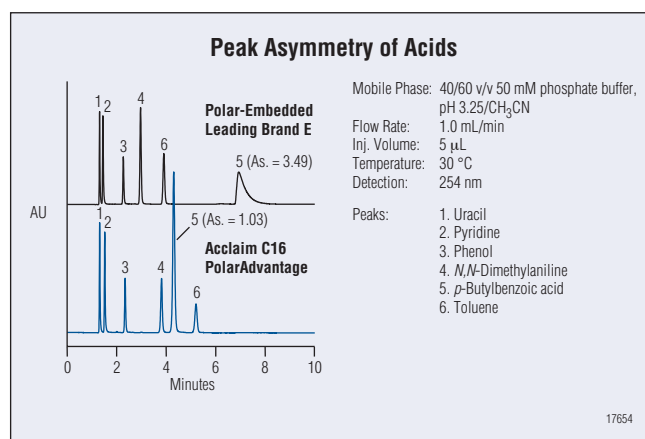
This polarity index figure ranks stationary phases according to relative polarity using the indicated conditions. This ranking can be used to compare differences or similarities in column polarity that affect polar compound selectivity.

Base Assymetry



A well-covered surface and vigorous endcapping give superior performance for basic drugs. Amitriptyline is a well-known example of a basic pharmaceutical that interacts strongly with residual silanols to cause asymmetric peaks. Acclaim outperforms ordinary reversed-phase columns

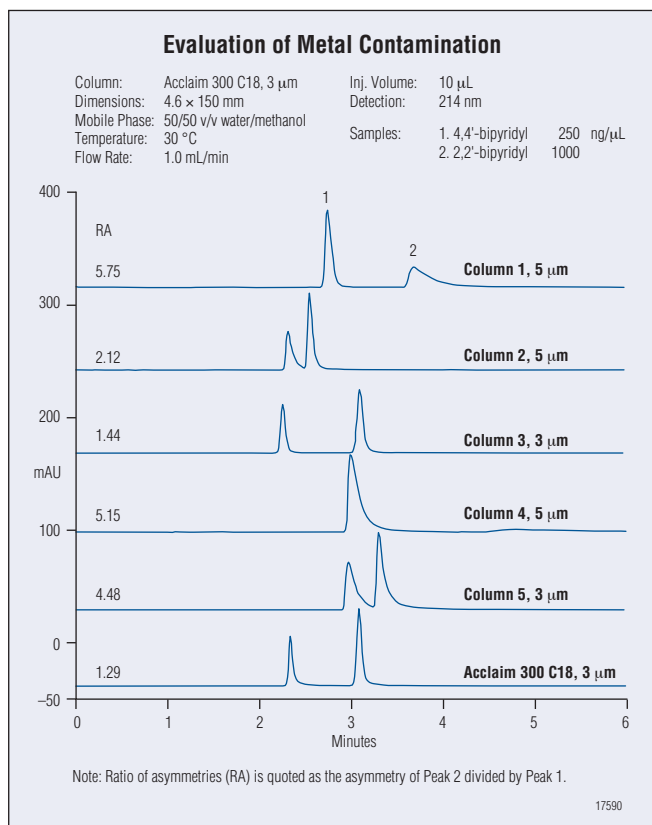
Acid Assymetry



Many polar-embedded columns have good performance for a limited group of compounds. Acclaim PolarAdvantage uses state-of-the-art methods of synthesis to eliminate unwanted secondary interactions. The result is outstanding performance for hydrophilic and hydrophobic acidic, basic, and neutral analytes.

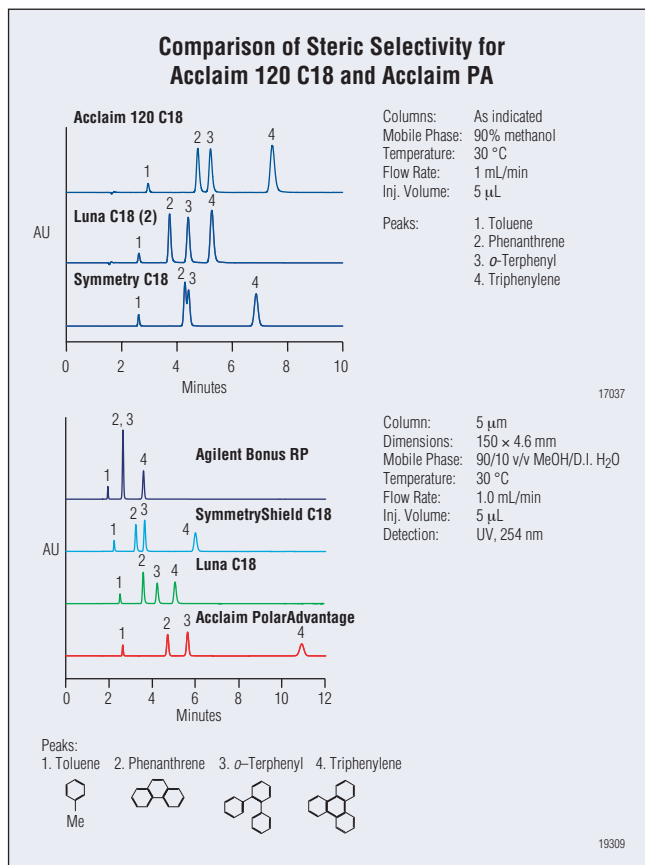


Metal Contamination



Metal contamination can interfere with the separation of many different substances. 2,2'-Bipyridyl is a strong chelating agent, and will reveal any contamination by metal ions. The figure above shows how Acclaim outperforms five competitor columns in this difficult test.

Steric Selectivity



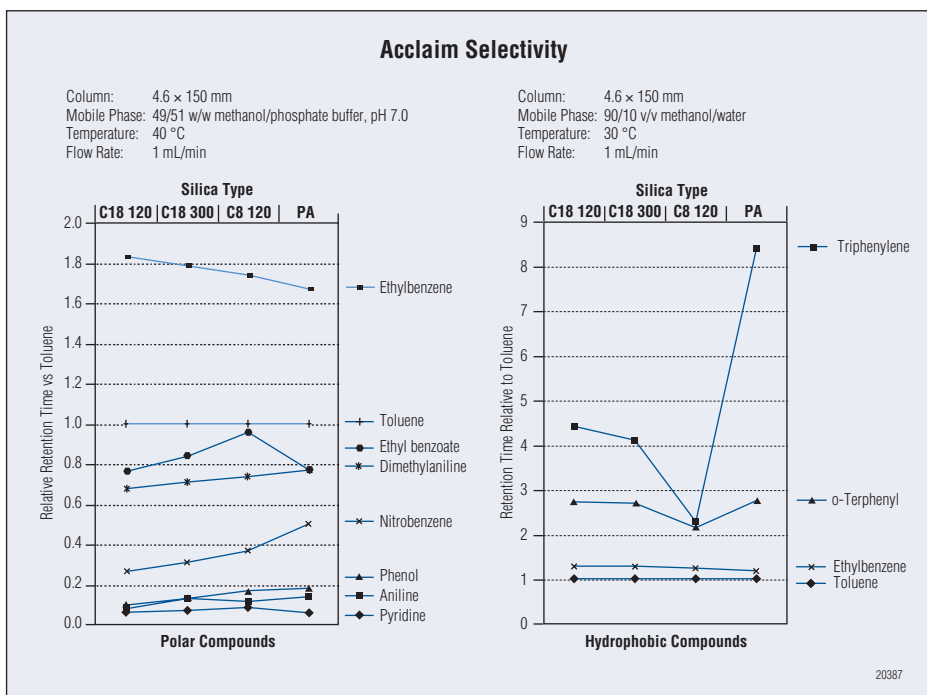
Depending on the bonding chemistry, various C18 columns can have different selectivity to molecular shape. Acclaim may be just what you need for your unique separation challenge.

Selecting an Acclaim Column

Choosing the Best Column Chemistry

When a chromatographer develops a separation, the selectivity of the stationary phase is the first of many factors that must be considered. Selectivity is the result of the differing interactions between each analyte and the stationary phase. Although many factors that influence selectivity can be controlled in the laboratory—such as mobile phase composition, gradient, or temperature—having the right column with optimal selectivity is the essential starting point. Of course, the “right” column depends on the nature of the desired separation. Therefore Dionex offers a selection of different column chemistries.

Column selectivities are interpreted typically in terms of the molecular interactions of the analyte with the stationary phase. Various probe molecules are commonly used to understand these interactions, including hydrophobic interactions, molecular shape, and ion-exchange interactions. Ethylbenzene/toluene selectivity is usually explained as a measure of the hydrophobicity of the column, or the strength of the hydrophobic interaction between analyte and bonded silica, independent of the surface area of the column. Because of their high-density bonding, Acclaim C18 and C8 columns have near maximum hydrophobicity for columns of their type. Triphenylene and *o*-terphenyl are both tricyclic hydrocarbons of similar size but different shapes; the type of bonding chemistry and bonding density influences how these two compounds interact with the stationary phase. Acclaim PA stationary phases have an unusually high selectivity for shape. In addition to hydrophobic retention, phenol, aniline, and pyridine are also retained by dipole-dipole interactions and hydrogen bonding. Polar-embedded stationary phases have stronger interactions of this type than do C18 phases. Selectivity within this group is further affected by the degree of their ion-exchange activity with residual surface silanols at pH 7: the two bases are protonated, but phenol is neutral. Overall, Acclaim columns exhibit low ion-exchange activity under neutral conditions.



Choose the bonded phase with the best selectivity for the desired separation. The first choice is usually C18 because of its excellent efficiency, low silanol activity, and ability to separate many organic molecules. The C8 phase is a good choice where lower retention is useful. To resolve highly polar molecules under highly aqueous conditions, or for a slightly different selectivity, Acclaim PA is the best option.

Choosing the Appropriate Pore Size

Select a pore size appropriate to the molecular weight of your sample. Size-exclusion effects can cause unwanted peak broadening. Therefore, select a pore diameter larger than your largest sample molecule. Compared to standard silica, wide-pore silica has less surface area and therefore less retention for small molecules.

MW <15 kDa: use Acclaim 120 or Acclaim PA

MW <150 kDa: use Acclaim 300

Choosing the Optimum Format

Because Acclaim columns are available in many formats, it is important to carefully select the best one for each particular application.

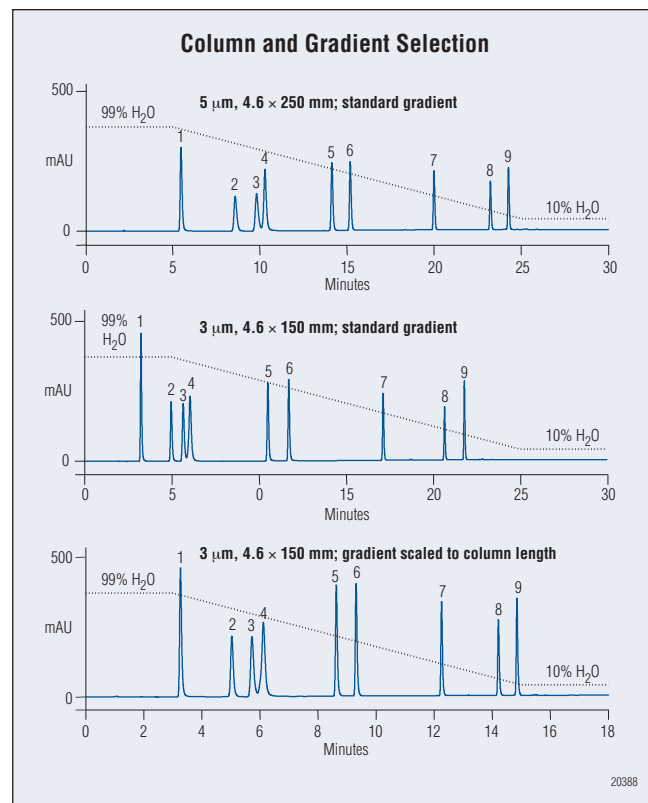
Optimize the analysis time and chromatographic efficiency by evaluating the trade-offs between the particle diameter and column lengths. The 5- μm , 4.6 \times 250 mm format is traditionally the first choice for a column, but a 3- μm , 4.6 \times 150 mm column delivers similar peak widths in 60% of the time. For a less complex sample, a 50-mm column may provide adequate resolution, while saving time and solvent costs. Improvements in detection limits are an added benefit of the shorter formats. For LC-MS applications, consider an increase in throughput by relaxing the requirements for peak resolution and using a shorter column or larger particle size than would be optimal for UV detection. When using gradient elution, to preserve the relative elution times, scale the gradient time proportionally to the column length. When run time is more important than sharp peaks, optimize the resolution by shortening the column instead of lengthening the gradient. When in doubt, a 3- μm , 150-mm-long column is always a good starting point.

Select a column diameter according to your requirements for sample size, solvent consumption, and sensitivity. As a general rule, the maximum sample load, solvent consumption, and detection limits are proportional to the square of the column diameter. Scale the flow rate by the square of the column diameter to preserve backpressure and retention time: a 2.1-mm column requires 21% of the flow rate of a 4.6-mm column. Given the same mass of sample, the peak area scales according to the inverse square of column diameter; for example, a 1.0-ng sample injected on a 2.1-mm column would yield 4.8 times more area than on a 4.6-mm column. However, to take full advantage of these scaling rules, the HPLC instrument being used must be properly designed and specified for operation with smaller column diameters.

Mobile Phase Recommendations

An understanding of hydrolytic stability and pH ranges for a column is critical to the design of an analytical method. Both alkaline conditions and strong acid conditions degrade silica-based columns over time. The silica substrate resists acids, but is soluble in alkali. The upper pH limit is determined by the rate of dissolution of the silica gel, which is also affected by buffer ions and organic cosolvents. Alkaline buffers will shift pH upon mixing with organic solvents; inorganic anions such as phosphate become more alkaline, whereas organic bases such as TRIS become less alkaline. This effect underlies the common warning that phosphate buffers shorten column life. Acidic conditions, on the other hand, hydrolyze the bonded layer, the rate being proportional to the hydrogen ion concentration. Fortunately, organic modifiers usually provide protection against degradation. The bonding chemistry of the Acclaim C18, C8, and PolarAdvantage is based on monofunctional silanes, and therefore the pH limits (pH 2–8) of the columns are similar. The rate of hydrolysis is slower toward the middle of the pH range. Service life versus quality of separation is a consideration when developing a method.

Acclaim columns are compatible with common mobile phases containing water and a miscible organic solvent. For high UV transparency and low backpressure, the preferred solvents are acetonitrile, methanol, and tetrahydrofuran, in that order. The choice of organic solvent will affect selectivity, and may require



experimentation to obtain the best results. Because retention of many analytes is influenced by the pH of the mobile phase, buffers are often used. Typical buffers range in concentration between 5 and 100 mM; use no more than necessary because high concentrations increase the risk of salt precipitation. Although usually unnecessary, Acclaim columns are compatible with base deactivating additives (e.g., diethylamine).

Use the highest practical quality of water, solvents, and buffer components; HPLC-grade materials have low UV absorbance and are submicron filtered by the manufacturer. To prevent fouling of your Acclaim column, use mobile phases that have been filtered through a 0.5- μm or smaller filter.

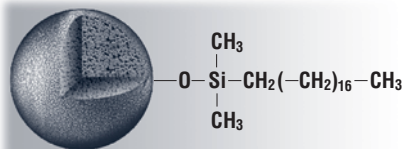
Reliability and Durability

Dionex understands that column quality and reliability are essential to a successful analysis. Acclaim columns are thoroughly tested individually, so the chromatographer can have full confidence in each column. Manufacturing starts with an ultrapure silica substrate, using carefully selected lots with narrow ranges of physical parameters. By design, the bonding processes are clean and reproducible. Each batch of bonded silica receives a full suite of validation tests appropriate to its intended use. The bonded silica is packed in precision-polished 316 stainless steel hardware using highly reliable packing processes. Each packed column is tested to ensure the same optimal performance. The quality assurance reports for silica lot validation and column performance explain the test protocols, list the specifications, and show the actual chromatograms (see Appendix for details).

PART TWO

Chapter 1: Acclaim 120 C18

The Acclaim 120 C18 series columns feature a densely bonded monolayer of octadecyldimethylsiloxane on a highly pure, spherical, silica substrate with 120-Å-pore structure.



The Acclaim 120 C18 columns are the classic reversed-phase columns. These columns are recommended for general-purpose reversed-phase applications where high surface coverage, low silanol activity, and excellent efficiency are required. The Acclaim 120 C18 columns feature:

- Highly efficient, symmetrical peaks for difficult basic and chelating analytes
- Ultrapure silica substrate
- Optimized surface pretreatment, proprietary high-density bonding process, and double endcapping
- Reliability designed into the manufacturing process and assured by thorough and appropriate testing
- High hydrophobicity and low polarity yield high selectivity for hydrophobic substances
- LC/MS compatible
- Wide range of applications in pharmaceutical, environmental, food testing, and product-quality testing for small molecules

Recommended Ranges of Operation

This bonded phase is stable in the range of pH 2–8. The silica substrate is mechanically strong enough to tolerate high flow rates and pressures up to 4000 psi. To maintain wetting of the hydrophobic surface, the recommended range for organic composition is 20–100%. The type 316 stainless steel column hardware is compatible with common HPLC mobile phases. To prevent corrosion, high concentrations of halide ions at pH <2.5 should be avoided.

Physical Specifications

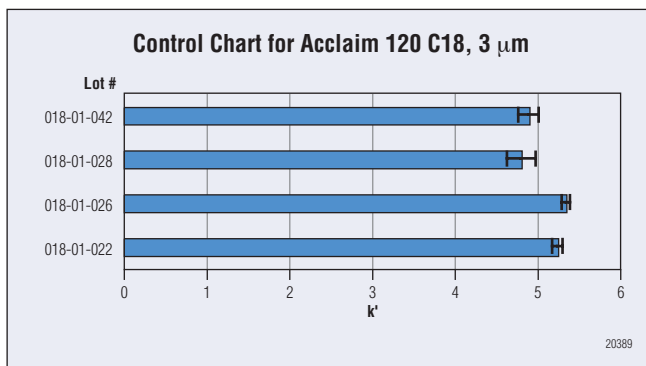
Bonding	C18 monomeric
USP code	L1
Endcapping	Double
% C	17.5–18.9
Pore size	120–140 Å
Surface area	290–320 m ² /g
Particle diameter	2.9–3.2 or 4.2–4.5 μm

Performance Specifications

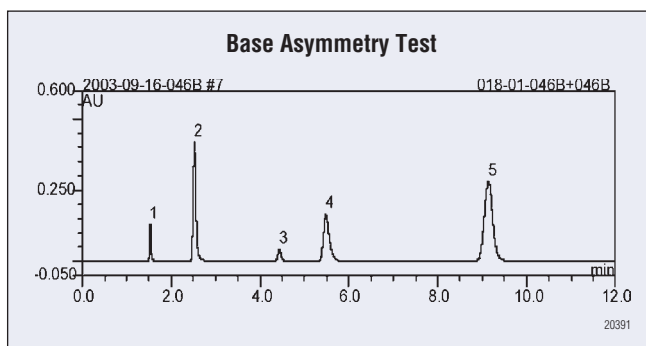
Each lot of bonded silica is tested for percent carbon, polar selectivity, metal activity, base asymmetry, and steric selectivity. A lot test certificate ships with every analytical column that describes each test in detail, the specification ranges, and actual test results. These tests are also described in the appendix. Acclaim columns are individually tested to ensure the consistency of the packing process. The quality assurance report shows the retention time, efficiency, and asymmetry for phenanthrene under test conditions.

Performance Specifications		
Lot	Polar selectivity ratio	0.12–0.16
	Base asymmetry	0.98–1.50 (5 μm) 0.98–1.60 (3 μm)
	Metal activity ratio	0.90–1.30
	Steric selectivity ratio	1.58–1.65
Column	Efficiency (N/m)	90000 (5 μm) 120000 (3 μm)
	Asymmetry (EP)	0.98–1.20
	Retention time	8.41–9.29 (5 μm) 8.31–9.19 (3 μm)

Chromatographic specifications for Acclaim 120 C18 4.6 × 150 mm columns.



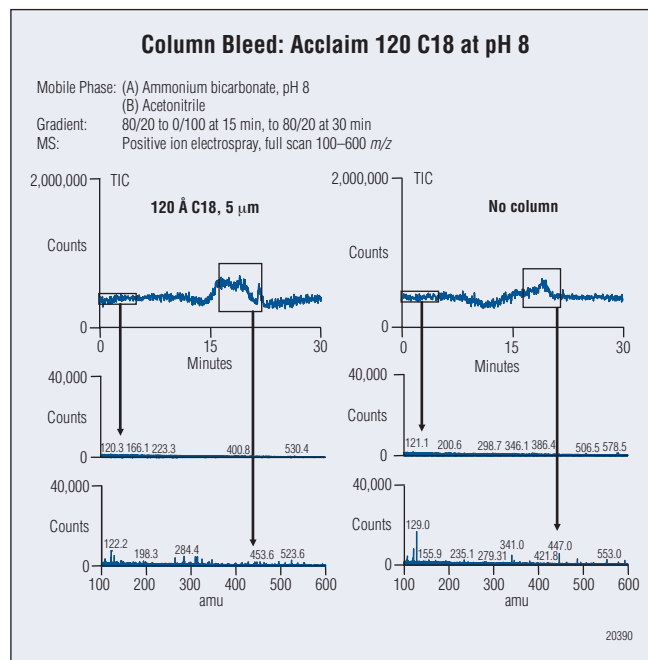
Control chart showing k' (phenanthrene) for four lots of 3 μm C18. The data show the average and standard deviation for all columns shipped from that lot.



Chromatogram of the base asymmetry test taken from the certificate for lot 018-01-046B.

LC/MS Compatibility

Acclaim 120 C18 columns are LC/MS compatible. LC/MS analysis shows very low bleed for this column. Out of the box, this column is ready to use after only a few minutes of conditioning with solvent. The same low bleed is attained over the entire pH range of 2–8. The baseline obtained from an Acclaim column is very similar to that obtained from an empty capillary tube.



ACCLAIM 120 C18

Ordering Information: Acclaim 120 C18

Standard particle sizes are nominally 3 and 5 µm. Analytical columns are available in 2.1- and 4.6-mm diameters; standard lengths are 50, 100, and 150 mm for 3- and 5-µm particles and 250 mm for 5-µm particles. Capillary formats are available in 75 and 300 µm, 1.0-mm and custom diameters, and in 50-, 150-, or 250-mm lengths. Micro precolumn and nano precolumn cartridges are available in several formats. Guard columns in both 2.0- and 4.3-mm sizes packed with 5-µm particles are recommended to protect both the 3 and 5 µm analytical columns.

To order in the U.S., call (800) 346-6390 or contact the Dionex Regional Office nearest you. Outside the U.S., order through your local Dionex office or distributor. Refer to the following part numbers.

Acclaim 120 C18 Analytical Columns		
3 µm	75 µm × 50 mm (NAN75)	.162238
3 µm	75 µm × 150 mm (NAN75)	.162239
3 µm	300 µm × 50 mm (FUS)	.162236
3 µm	300 µm × 150 mm (FUS)	.162237
3 µm	1 × 50 mm (MIC)	.162234
3 µm	1 × 150 mm (MIC)	.162235
3 µm	2.1 × 50 mm	.059128
3 µm	2.1 × 100 mm	.059129
3 µm	2.1 × 150 mm	.059130
3 µm	4.6 × 50 mm	.059131
3 µm	4.6 × 100 mm	.059132
3 µm	4.6 × 150 mm	.059133
5 µm	75 µm × 50 mm (NAN75)	.162456
5 µm	75 µm × 150 mm (NAN75)	.162457
5 µm	75 µm × 250 mm (NAN75)	.162458
5 µm	300 µm × 50 mm (FUS)	.162453
5 µm	300 µm × 150 mm (FUS)	.162454
5 µm	300 µm × 250 mm (FUS)	.162455
5 µm	1 × 50 mm (MIC)	.162450
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5 µm	2.1 × 50 mm	.059142

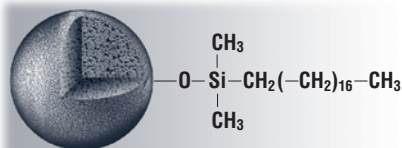
Acclaim 120 C18 Analytical Columns		
5 µm	2.1 × 100 mm	.059143
5 µm	2.1 × 150 mm	.059144
5 µm	2.1 × 250 mm	.059145
5 µm	4.6 × 50 mm	.059146
5 µm	4.6 × 100 mm	.059147
5 µm	4.6 × 150 mm	.059148
5 µm	4.6 × 250 mm	.059149

Acclaim 120 C18 Guard Columns			
5 µm	2.0 × 10 mm	.059447	
5 µm	4.3 × 10 mm	.059446	
Biocompatible cartridge holder for 2.0 × 10 and 4.3 × 10 mm guards			.059456
Guard to analytical column coupler			.059457
Holder and coupler kit			.059526

Acclaim 120 C18 Micro and Nano Precolumns		
5 µm	300 µm × 1 mm (pack of 5)	.162306
5 µm	300 µm × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162236
5 µm	500 µm × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162324
5 µm	500 µm × 15 mm (pack of 5)	.162325
5 µm	800 µm × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162323
5 µm	1 × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162321
5 µm	1 × 15 mm (pack of 5)	.162322

Chapter 2: Acclaim 120 C8

The Acclaim 120 C8 series columns feature a densely bonded monolayer of octyldimethylsiloxane on a highly pure, spherical silica substrate with a 120-Å-pore structure.



The Acclaim 120 C8 series employs the same bonding chemistry and substrate as C18, and therefore features the same high standards of efficiency, coverage, and silanol activity. The Acclaim 120 C8 features:

- Highly efficient, symmetrical peaks with difficult basic and chelating analytes
- Ultrapure silica substrate
- Optimized surface pretreatment, proprietary high-density bonding process, and vigorous endcapping
- Reliability designed into the manufacturing process and assured by thorough and appropriate testing
- Less hydrophobic, less retentive than C18
- LC/MS compatible
- Excellent performance for basic pharmaceuticals and environmental samples

Recommended Ranges of Operation

The bonded phase is stable in the range of pH 2–8. The silica substrate is mechanically strong enough to tolerate high flow rates and pressures up to 4000 psi. To maintain wetting of the hydrophobic surface, the recommended range for organic composition is 20–100%. The type 316 stainless steel column hardware is compatible with common HPLC mobile phases. To prevent corrosion, avoid high concentrations of halide ions at pH <2.5.

Physical Specifications

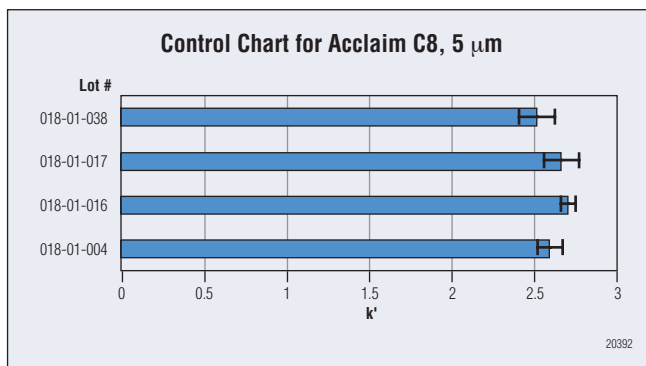
Bonding	C8 monomeric
USP code	L7
Endcapping	Yes
% C	10.1–11.8
Pore size	120–140 Å
Surface area	290–320 m ² /g
Particle diameter	2.9–3.2 or 4.2–4.5 μm

Performance Specifications

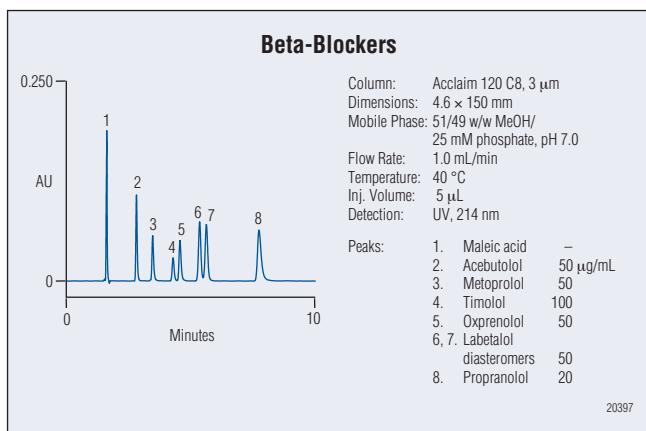
Each lot of bonded silica is tested for percent carbon, polar selectivity, metal activity, and base asymmetry. A lot test certificate is shipped with every analytical column; the certificate provides a detailed description of each test, the specification ranges, and actual test results. These tests are also described in the appendix. Acclaim columns are individually tested to ensure the consistency of the packing process. The quality assurance report shows the retention time, efficiency, and asymmetry for phenanthrene under standard conditions.

Performance Specifications		
Lot	Polar selectivity ratio	0.22–0.26
	Base asymmetry	0.98–1.50
	Metal activity ratio	0.90–1.30
Column	Efficiency (N/m)	90000 (5 μm) 120000 (3 μm)
	Asymmetry (EP)	0.98–1.20
	Retention time	5.39–5.95 (5 μm) 5.34–5.90 (3 μm)

Chromatographic specifications for Acclaim 120 C8 4.6 × 150 mm columns.



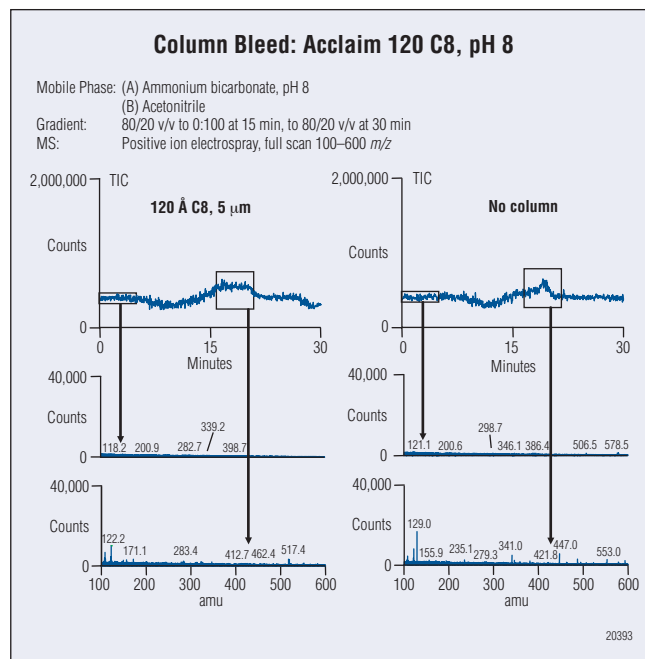
Control chart showing k' (phenanthrene) for four lots of 5-μm C8. The data show the average and standard deviation for all columns shipped from that lot.



Acclaim 120 C8 has excellent performance for basic drugs such as these beta-blockers. Peaks are efficient and symmetrical.

LC/MS Compatibility

Acclaim 120 C8 columns are LC/MS compatible. LC/MS analysis shows very low bleed for this column. Out of the box, this column is ready to use after only a few minutes of conditioning with solvent. The same low bleed is attained over the entire pH range of 2–8. The baseline obtained for an Acclaim column is very similar to that obtained for an empty capillary tube.



Ordering Information: Acclaim 120 C8

Standard particle sizes are nominally 3 and 5 µm. Analytical columns are available in 2.1- and 4.6-mm diameters; standard lengths are 50, 100, and 150 mm for 3- and 5-µm particles plus 250 mm for 5-µm particles. Capillary formats are available in 75 and 300 µm, 1.0-mm and custom diameters, and in 50-, 150-, or 250-mm lengths. Micro precolumn and nano precolumn cartridges are available in several formats. Guard cartridges in both 2.0- and 4.3-mm diameters packed with 5-µm particles are recommended to protect both the 3 µm and 5 µm analytical columns.

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Acclaim 120 C8 Analytical Columns

3 µm	75 µm × 50 mm (NAN75)	.162208
3 µm	75 µm × 150 mm (NAN75)	.162209
3 µm	300 µm × 50 mm (FUS)	.162206
3 µm	300 µm × 150 mm (FUS)	.162207
3 µm	1 × 50 mm (MIC)	.162204
3 µm	1 × 150 mm (MIC)	.162205
3 µm	2.1 × 50 mm	.059122
3 µm	2.1 × 100 mm	.059123
3 µm	2.1 × 150 mm	.059124
3 µm	4.6 × 50 mm	.059125
3 µm	4.6 × 100 mm	.059126
3 µm	4.6 × 150 mm	.059127
5 µm	75 µm × 50 mm (NAN75)	.162216
5 µm	75 µm × 150 mm (NAN75)	.162217
5 µm	75 µm × 250 mm (NAN75)	.162218
5 µm	300 µm × 50 mm (FUS)	.162213
5 µm	300 µm × 150 mm (FUS)	.162214
5 µm	300 µm × 250 mm (FUS)	.162215
5 µm	1 × 50 mm (MIC)	.162210
5 µm	1 × 150 mm (MIC)	.162211
5 µm	1 × 250 mm (MIC)	.162212
5 µm	2.1 × 50 mm	.059134
5 µm	2.1 × 100 mm	.059135

Acclaim 120 C8 Analytical Columns

5 µm	2.1 × 150 mm	.059136
5 µm	2.1 × 250 mm	.059137
5 µm	4.6 × 50 mm	.059138
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Acclaim 120 C8 Guard Columns

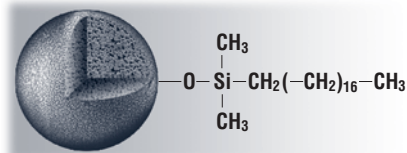
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5 µm	4.3 × 10 mm	.059448	
Biocompatible cartridge holder for 2.0 × 10 and 4.3 × 10 mm guards			.059456
Guard to analytical column coupler			.059457
Holder and coupler kit			.059526

Acclaim 120 C8 Micro and Nano Precolumns

5 µm	300 µm × 1 mm (pack of 5)	.162304
5 µm	300 µm × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162266
5 µm	500 µm × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162264
5 µm	500 µm × 15 mm (pack of 5)	.162265
5 µm	800 µm × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162263
5 µm	1 × 5 mm (pack of 5)	.162261
5 µm	1 × 15 mm (pack of 5)	.162262

Chapter 3: Acclaim 300 C18

The Acclaim 300 C18 series columns feature a densely bonded monolayer of octadecyldimethylsiloxane on a highly pure, spherical silica substrate with a wider, 300-Å-pore structure.



The Acclaim 300 series columns are designed for peptide mapping and separation of small proteins up to 150 kDa. The Acclaim 300 is also useful for general-purpose, reversed-phase chromatography of small molecules. The Acclaim 300 C18 columns feature:

- Technology designed for high-resolution peptide mapping applications and protein separations
- High-efficiency 3- μm spherical silica substrate
- The same high-performance bonding chemistry as the Acclaim 120 series, but using a silica substrate with larger 300-Å pores and lower surface area
- Application tested for suitability in peptide mapping
- Secondary interactions that are minimized for repeatable results day to day and column to column
- Recommended for reversed-phase separation of peptides and proteins <150 kDa

The unique bonding chemistry results in a high-density, highly uniform phase coverage with extensive endcapping. The use of a 3- μm silica particle accelerates the diffusion of the mobile phase into the stationary phase, resulting in fast, high-resolution separations. Compared to 5- μm column packings, a given separation can be achieved in a shorter run time by increasing the flow rate of the mobile phase and running shallower gradients on shorter columns.

Recommended Ranges of Operation

The bonded phase is stable in the range of pH 2–8. The silica substrate is mechanically strong enough to tolerate high flow rates and pressures up to 4000 psi. The type 316 stainless steel column hardware is compatible with common HPLC mobile phases. To prevent corrosion, avoid high concentrations of halide ions at pH <2.5. To maintain wetting of the hydrophobic surface, the recommended range for organic composition is 5–100%.

Physical Specifications

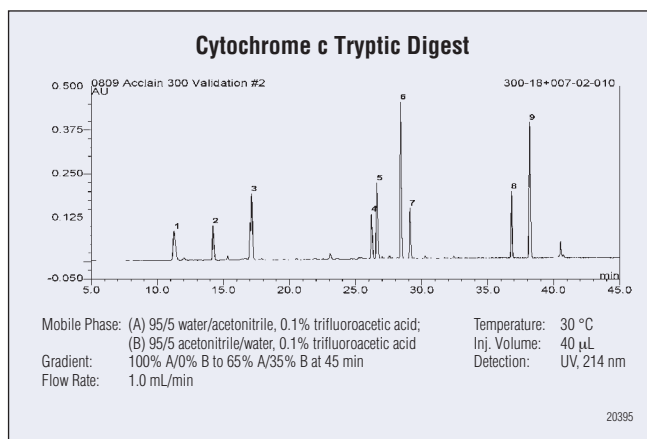
Bonding	C18 monomeric
USP code	L1
Endcapping	Double
% C	6.7–7.5
Pore size	260–300 Å
Surface area	90–100 m ² /g
Particle diameters	2.9–3.2 μm

Performance Specifications

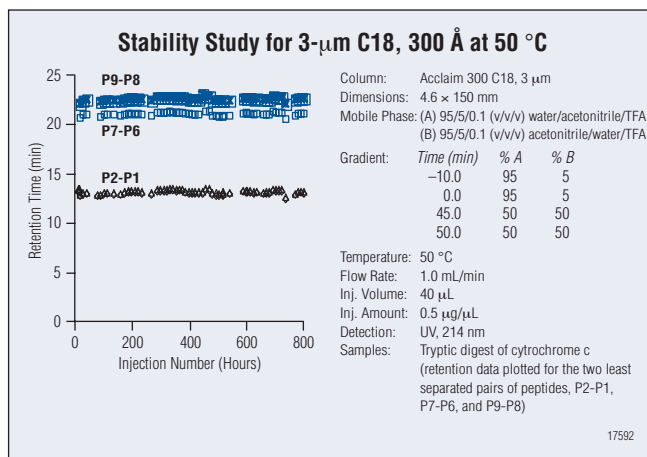
Each lot of bonded silica is tested for percent carbon, metal contamination, base asymmetry, and peptide selectivity. The lot test certificate shipped with every analytical column describes each test in detail, the specification ranges, and actual test results. These tests are also described in the appendix. Acclaim columns are individually tested to ensure the consistency of the packing process. The quality assurance report shows the retention time, efficiency, and asymmetry for phenanthrene under standard conditions.

Performance Specifications		
Lot	Base asymmetry	0.98–1.30
	Metal activity ratio	0.80–1.30
	Cytochrome c tryptic digest peptide map	P2-P1: 2.8–3.1 min P7-P6: 0.6–1.0 P9-P8: 1.1–1.5
Column	Efficiency (N/m)	115000
	Asymmetry (EP)	0.98–1.20
	Retention time	4.30–4.80

Chromatographic specifications for Acclaim 300 C18 4.6 \times 150 mm columns.

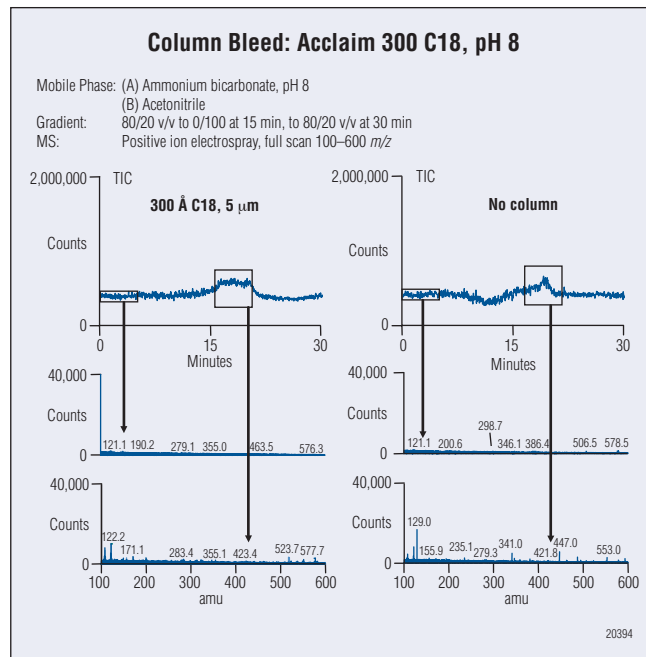


Chromatogram of cytochrome c tryptic digest taken from the certificate for lot #007-02-010. Dionex monitors and controls the retention time difference between three pairs of peptides: P2-P1, P7-P6, and P9-P8.



LC/MS Compatibility

Acclaim 300 C18 columns are LC/MS compatible. LC/MS testing shows very low bleed for this column. Out of the box, this column is ready to use after only a few minutes of conditioning with solvent. Low bleed is attained over the entire pH range of 2–8. The baseline obtained for an Acclaim column is very similar to that obtained for an empty capillary tube.



Ordering Information: Acclaim 300 C18

The standard particle size for the Acclaim 300 C18 series columns is nominally 3 µm. Analytical columns are available in 2.1- and 4.6-mm diameters; standard lengths are 50 and 150 mm. Guard cartridges in both 2.0- and 4.3-mm sizes packed with 3-µm particles are recommended to protect your analytical columns. Capillary formats are available in 75 and 300 µm, 1.0-mm and custom diameters, and in 50- or 150-mm lengths.

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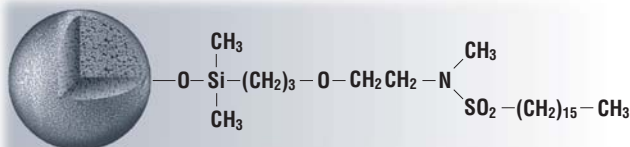
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3 µm	75 µm × 150 mm (NAN75)162224
3 µm	300 µm × 50 mm (FUS)162221
3 µm	300 µm × 150 mm (FUS)162222
3 µm	1 × 50 mm (MIC)162219
3 µm	1 × 150 mm (MIC)162220
3 µm	2.1 × 50 mm060263
3 µm	2.1 × 150 mm060264
3 µm	4.6 × 50 mm060265
3 µm	4.6 × 150 mm060266

Acclaim 300 C18 Guard Columns	
3 µm	2.0 × 10 mm060395
3 µm	4.3 × 10 mm060393
Biocompatible cartridge holder for 2.0 × 10 and 4.3 × 10 mm guards059456	
Guard to analytical column coupler059457	
Holder and coupler kit059526	

ACCLAIM 300 C18

Chapter 4: Acclaim PolarAdvantage (PA)

The Acclaim PA column has a patented, state-of-the-art surface chemistry that renders it hydrophilic enough to be compatible with solvent-free mobile phases. The ether and sulfonamide linkages are more hydrolytically stable than the amides used in many polar-embedded phases. The methods of synthesis minimize both residual silanols and amines, thus making Acclaim PA suitable for acidic, basic, or neutral analytes.



Acclaim PA columns are reversed-phase silica columns with a polar-enhanced stationary phase for operation over a wider range of chromatographic conditions and with a broader application range when compared to conventional reversed-phase columns. Acclaim PA has selectivity similar to C18 for many analytes of low polarity, with the added advantage of compatibility with aqueous-only mobile phases. Some classes of compounds (for example, nitroaromatics) show significantly different selectivity patterns on this bonded phase. The high-density bonding provides good retention of hydrophilic analytes. Above 90% organic solvent composition of the mobile phase, this column starts to show some normal-phase HPLC characteristics. The Acclaim PA benefits include:

- Compatibility with solvent-free applications without any compromise to performance for acids and bases
- Novel polar-embedded surface layer
- Ability to work with 0–100% aqueous or 0–100% organic solvent mobile phases
- Resolves hydrophilic compounds
- High selectivity for hydrophobic compounds
- Different selectivity than C18 makes PA useful as a confirmation column
- Wide range of applications in pharmaceutical, environmental, food testing, and product-quality testing

Physical Specifications

Bonding	C16 monomeric, polar-embedded
USP code	n.a
Endcapping	Double
% C	16.0–18.0
Pore size	120–140 Å
Surface area	290–320 m ² /g
Particle diameters	2.9–3.2 μm or 4.2–4.5 μm

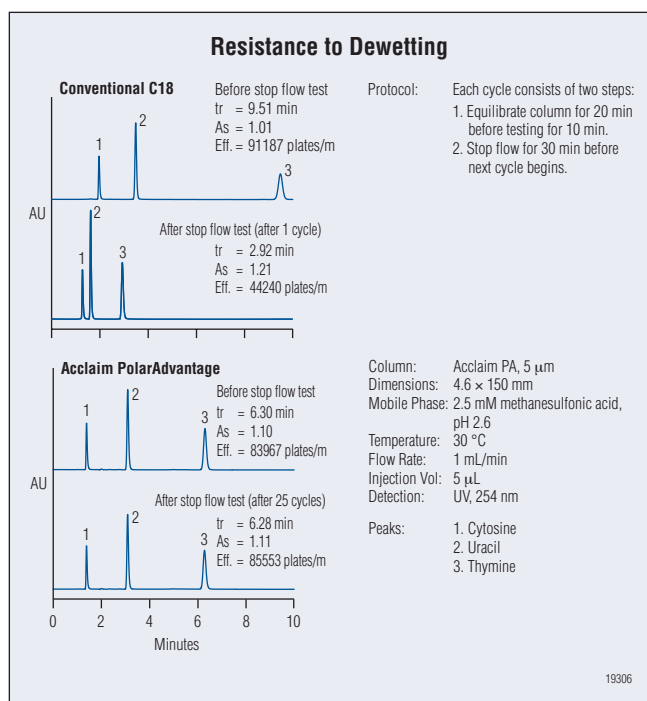
Recommended Ranges of Operation

The bonded phase is conservatively rated for a pH range of 2–8, and may be extended under suitable conditions. The silica substrate is mechanically strong enough to tolerate high flow rates and pressures up to 4000 psi. The surface remains wetted from 0–100% organic solvent in the mobile phase, even with strong aqueous buffers. The type 316 stainless steel column hardware is compatible with common HPLC mobile phases. To prevent corrosion, avoid high concentrations of halide ions at pH <2.5.

Resistance to Dewetting

The surface of a conventional C18 phase is very hydrophobic. With highly aqueous mobile phases, the partial pressure of dissolved gases can expel the liquid from the pores of the stationary phase. This process is called dewetting and is deleterious to acceptable chromatographic performance. The mildly hydrophilic Acclaim PA column allows aqueous-only mobile phases to maintain excellent contact with the stationary phase surface.

While the onset of dewetting is somewhat unpredictable, stopping the flow of mobile phase through the column can initiate the process. The accompanying figure shows the effect of repeatedly stopping the flow through a C18 and a PA column. The C18 column dewets in a single cycle, but the PA remains wetted through many cycles.





Hydrolytic Stability

Under favorable conditions, Acclaim PA can exhibit very good hydrolytic stability, even below pH 2, as shown in the figure below. All bonded silica is vulnerable to hydrolysis. Therefore, the basic question the chromatographer asks is "For my analysis, what is the service lifetime of my column?" Unfortunately, there is no generally agreed-upon means to answer this question. Dionex conservatively rates the Acclaim PA at pH 2–8 for general use. Conditions recommended for optimum column life include: (1) pH within the recommended range, (2) organic modifier in the mobile phase, (3) temperatures near ambient, and (4) organic buffer salts (e.g., TRIS) for pH >7. Under these conditions, one can expect a satisfactory life span from this column.

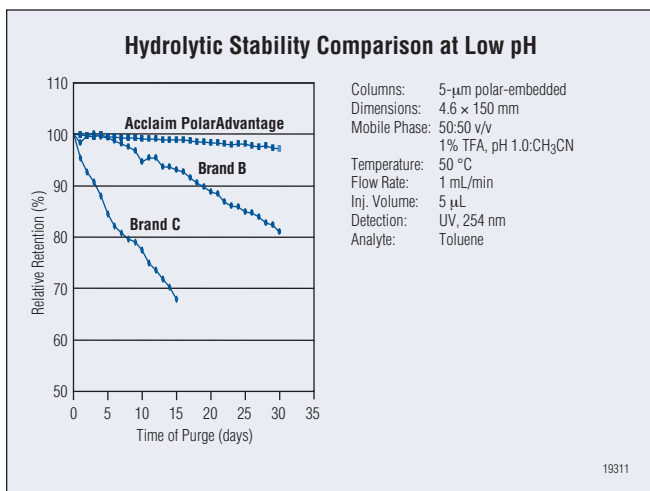


Chart of retention vs time at 50% acetonitrile, 0.5% TFA for polar-embedded columns.

Performance Specifications

Each lot of bonded silica is tested for percent carbon, polar selectivity, metal activity, base asymmetry, and acid asymmetry. A lot validation certificate is packaged with every analytical column; the certificate describes in detail each test, the specification ranges, and actual test results. These tests are also described in the appendix. Acclaim columns are individually tested to ensure the consistency of the packing process. The quality assurance report shows the retention time, efficiency, and asymmetry for phenanthrene under standard test conditions.

Performance Specifications		
Lot	Polar selectivity ratio	0.14–0.18
	Base asymmetry	0.98–1.50 (5 µm) 0.98–1.60 (3 µm)
	Metal activity ratio	0.80–1.90
	Acid asymmetry	0.98–1.65
Column	Efficiency (N/m)	90000 (5 µm) 120000 (3 µm)
	Asymmetry (EP)	0.98–1.20
	Retention time	7.70–8.40 (5 µm) 7.70–8.40 (3 µm)

Chromatographic specifications for Acclaim PA, 4.6 × 150 mm.

LC/MS Compatibility

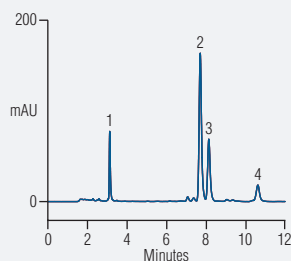
Acclaim PA may be used for LC/MS applications, with some restrictions related to column bleed. The polar-embedded group, although chemically stable, is readily ionized in the mass spectrometer source. For best results and lowest background, operate below 50% organic solvent and between pH 3 and pH 7. A new column should be conditioned for one hour with 100% acetonitrile. Store the column in 100% organic solvent between uses, and flush the column to waste with organic solvent before each use.



Wide Range of Applications

Because the Acclaim PA column exhibits similar selectivity and hydrophobicity to many commercial C18 columns, it can potentially be used for most applications developed on C18 columns, but with the additional benefits of improved peak shape for basic compounds and 100% aqueous compatibility. The Acclaim PA is useful for the separation of fat-soluble vitamins by conventional reverse-phase conditions, as well as the separation of water-soluble vitamins using a gradient starting with a 100% aqueous mobile phase for high retention of polar analytes, followed by an acetonitrile gradient.

Separation of Fat-Soluble Vitamins A, D₂, D₃, and E Using the Acclaim PA

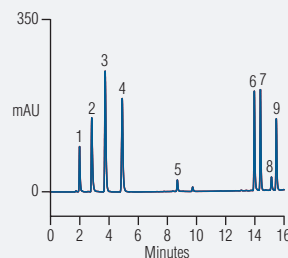


Column: Acclaim PA, μm
 Dimensions: 4.6×150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 97/3 v/v $\text{CH}_2\text{CN}/\text{D.I. H}_2\text{O}$
 Temperature: 30 C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 10 μL
 Detection: UV, 264 nm

Peaks: 1. All-trans Retinol (Vitamin A) 120 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$
 2. Ergocalciferol (Vitamin D₂) 120
 3. Cholecalciferol (Vitamin D₃) 60
 4. α -Tocopherol (Vitamin E) 1300

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Separation of Water-Soluble Vitamins



Column: Acclaim PA, $3 \mu\text{m}$
 Dimensions: 4.6×150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) CH_3CN
 (B) 25 mM KH_2PO_4 , pH 3.5
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Gradient: 0–20% A at 15 min,
 60% A at 17–20 min
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μL
 Detection: UV, 210 nm

Peaks: 1. Thiamine HCl 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$
 2. Nicotinic acid 20
 3. Pyridoxine 20
 4. Niacinamide 20
 5. Pantothenic acid 20
 6. Folic acid 20
 7. Vitamin B₁₂ 20
 8. Biotin 20
 9. Riboflavin 20

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Ordering Information: Acclaim PolarAdvantage (PA)

Standard particle sizes are nominally 3 and 5 μm . Analytical columns are stocked in 2.1- and 4.6-mm-diameter widths and a range of lengths. Guard cartridges in both 2.0- and 4.3-mm sizes, packed with 5- μm particles, are recommended to protect both the 3 and 5 μm analytical columns. Capillary formats are available in 75 and 300 μm , 1.0-mm and custom diameters, and in 50-, 150-, or 250-mm lengths. Micro precolumn and nano precolumn cartridges are available in several formats. Other geometries can be made to order. Inquire with your Dionex sales representative.

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Acclaim PA Analytical Columns	
3 μm	75 μm \times 50 mm (NAN75)162244
3 μm	75 μm \times 150 mm (NAN75)162245
3 μm	300 μm \times 50 mm (FUS)162242
3 μm	300 μm \times 150 mm (FUS)162243
3 μm	1 \times 50 mm (MIC)162240
3 μm	1 \times 150 mm (MIC)162241
3 μm	2.1 \times 100 mm061316
3 μm	2.1 \times 150 mm061317
3 μm	4.6 \times 150 mm056318
5 μm	75 μm \times 50 mm (NAN75)162252
5 μm	75 μm \times 150 mm (NAN75)162253
5 μm	75 μm \times 250 mm (NAN75)162254
5 μm	300 μm \times 50 mm (FUS)162249
5 μm	300 μm \times 150 mm (FUS)162250
5 μm	300 μm \times 250 mm (FUS)162251
5 μm	1 \times 50 mm (MIC)162246
5 μm	1 \times 150 mm (MIC)162247
5 μm	1 \times 250 mm (MIC)162248
5 μm	4.6 \times 50 mm061319

Acclaim PA Analytical Columns	
5 μm	4.6 \times 150 mm061320
5 μm	4.6 \times 250 mm061321

Acclaim PA Guard Columns	
5 μm	2.0 \times 10 mm061331
5 μm	4.3 \times 10 mm061332
Biocompatible cartridge holder for 2.0 \times 10 and 4.3 \times 10 mm guards059456	
Guard to analytical column coupler059457	
Holder and coupler kit059526	

Acclaim PA Cartridge Formats	
5 μm	300 μm \times 1 mm (pack of 5)162310
5 μm	300 μm \times 5 mm (pack of 5)162302
5 μm	500 μm \times 5 mm (pack of 5)162336
5 μm	500 μm \times 15 mm (pack of 5)162337
5 μm	800 μm \times 5 mm (pack of 5)162335
5 μm	1 \times 5 mm (pack of 5)162333
5 μm	1 \times 15 mm (pack of 5)162334



Chapter 5: Acclaim OA for Organic Acids

The Acclaim OA columns are a special bonded-silica stationary phase packed in metal-free PEEK column bodies.

Acclaim OA organic acid columns are reversed-phase silica columns, designed for the separation of aliphatic and aromatic organic acids at low pH with UV-Visible detection. The Acclaim OA uses a patented polar-embedded stationary phase that allows a broad range of operating conditions, including 100% aqueous mobile phases. The Acclaim OA column benefits include:

- Determination of hydrophilic organic acids in foods and beverages
- Determination of aliphatic and aromatic organic acids in pharmaceuticals, chemical intermediates, and environmental samples
- Use-tested to guarantee consistent organic acid separations
- Compatible with 100% aqueous mobile phases
- Excellent peak shapes for organic acids
- High reversed-phase capacity with retention similar to standard C18 phases

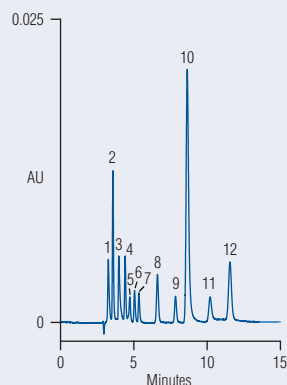
Physical Specifications

Bonding	Proprietary
USP code	n.a
Endcapping	Double
% C	17
Pore size	120–140 Å
Surface area	290–320 m ² /g
Particle diameter	4.2–4.5 μm

Guaranteed Performance for Organic Acids

Acclaim OA performance is guaranteed. Acclaim OA columns undergo extensive testing to ensure column-to-column reproducibility, and are shipped with quality assurance reports detailing these tests. The Acclaim OA columns are use-tested for two specific applications—*isocratic* and *gradient*. These operating conditions provide a good starting point for methods development.

Isocratic Separation of Hydrophilic Organic Acids



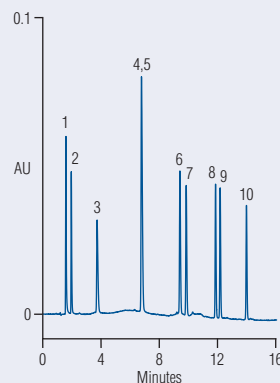
Column: Acclaim OA, 5 μm
 Dimensions: 4 × 250 mm
 Mobile Phase: 100 mM Na₂SO₄, pH 2.65 (adjusted with methanesulfonic acid)
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Flow Rate: 0.6 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μL
 Detection: UV, 210 nm

Peaks: 1. Oxalic acid 15 mg/L (ppm)
 2. Tartaric acid 120
 3. Formic acid 180
 4. Malic acid 120
 5. *iso*-Citric acid 120
 6. Lactic acid 180
 7. Acetic acid 120
 8. Citric acid 120
 9. Succinic acid 120
 10. Fumaric acid 7
 11. *cis*-Aconitic acid **
 12. *trans*-Aconitic acid **

** 7 ppm total for *cis* and *trans* isomers

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Gradient Separation of C1–C7 Aliphatic Organic Acids



Column: Acclaim OA, 5 μm
 Dimensions: 4 × 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) CH₃CN
 (B) 2.5 mM methanesulfonic acid
 Gradient: Hold B for 1 min
 B to A:B (45:55) in 11 min
 Hold A:B (45:55) for 4 min
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 15 μL
 Detection: UV, 210 nm

Peaks: 1. Formic acid 10 mmol/L
 2. Acetic acid 10
 3. Propionic acid 10
 4. Butyric acid 10
 5. Isobutyric acid 10
 6. Isovaleric acid 10
 7. *n*-Valeric acid 10
 8. Isocaproic acid 10
 9. *n*-Caproic acid 10
 10. Heptanoic acid 10

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Performance Specifications

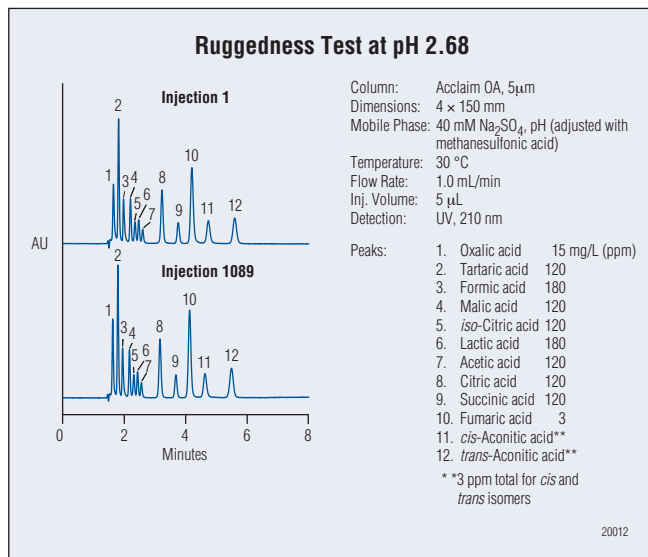
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Performance Specifications		
Lot	Metal activity ratio	0.80–1.50
	Gradient organic acids chromatogram	Resolution (caproic-isocaproic) 2.80
Column	Efficiency (N/m)	72000
	Asymmetry (EP)	0.95–1.15
	Retention time	4.70–5.30
	Resolution (Lactic-Acetic)	1.30–1.50

Chromatographic specifications for Acclaim OA 4.6 × 150 mm.

Recommended Ranges of Operation

The bonded phase is stable over the range of pH 2–8. The rugged PEEK column hardware withstands up to 4000 psi. The columns and hardware are compatible with 100% methanol or acetonitrile. Above 50% organic solvent, the column hardware pressure rating is 2000 psi. PEEK is not compatible with tetrahydrofuran at concentrations greater than 20%.



Ordering Information: Acclaim OA

The standard particle size is nominally 5 µm. Analytical columns are available in 4.0-mm diameters; standard lengths are 150 and 250 mm. Guard cartridges in 4.3 × 10 mm are recommended to protect your analytical columns. Other geometries in PEEK or stainless steel are available; inquire with your Dionex sales representative.

To order in the U.S., call (800) 346-6390 or contact the Dionex Regional Office nearest you. Outside the U.S., order through your local Dionex office or distributor. Refer to the following part numbers.

Acclaim OA Analytical Columns	
5 µm	4.0 × 150 mm062903
5 µm	4.0 × 250 mm062902

Acclaim QA Guard Columns	
5 µm	4.3 × 10 mm062925
Biocompatible cartridge holder for 2.1 × 10 mm and 4.3 × 10 mm guards059456	
Guard to analytical column coupler059457	
Holder and coupler kit059526	



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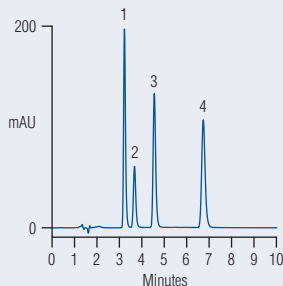
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Pharmaceutical

Separation of Four Benzodiazepine Drugs on Acclaim 120 C18

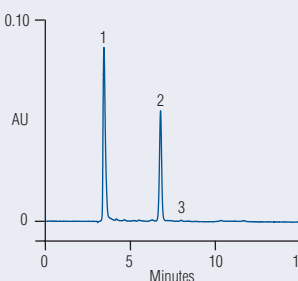


Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 60% acetonitrile
 Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min
 Detection: UV, 235 nm

Peaks: 1. Oxazepam
 2. Clonazepam
 3. Temazepam
 4. Diazepam

17511

Bromide and Organic Acids in Cough Syrup Using the Acclaim OA



Column: Acclaim OA, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4 \times 250 mm
 Mobile Phase: 0.1 M Na₂SO₄, pH 2.68 (adjusted with methanesulfonic acid)
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Flow Rate: 0.6 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μ L
 Detection: UV, 210 nm
 Sample Prep: OnGuard II P
 Sample: NyQuil®

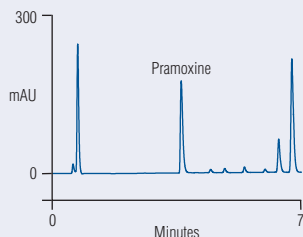
Peaks: 1. Bromide (Dextromethorphan HBr)
 2. Citrate (Inactive ingredient)
 3. Succinate (Doxylamine succinate)

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Assay for Pramoxine in Topical Anesthetic Ointment on Acclaim 120 C18 with SPE Cleanup on OnGuard II RP

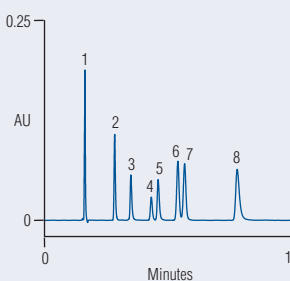
Sample Prep: 1. Disperse 0.5 g ointment in 8.5 mL MeOH
 2. Add 0.5 mL conc. NH₄OH and make to 10 mL with MeOH
 3. Apply 1.0 mL to a conditioned OnGuard II RP 1-cc cartridge and expel with 1 mL air
 4. Elute twice with 2.0 mL of 2% acetic acid in acetonitrile and expel with 1 mL air.
 5. Combine and make to 5 mL



Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 50 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) MeOH
 (B) 10 mM H₃PO₄ adjusted to pH 3.1 with NH₄OH
 Gradient: 25%A until 0.7 min, ramp to 85% A at 6 min, end at 7 min
 Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Detection: UV, 226 nm
 Inj. Volume: 5 μ L

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Isocratic Separation of Six Cardiac Antiarrhythmic Drugs (Beta-Blockers) on Acclaim 120 C8

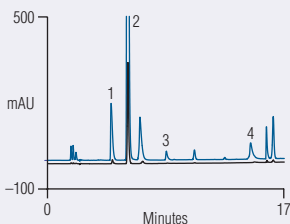


Column: Acclaim 120 C8, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 51/49 w/w MeOH/25 mM phosphate, pH 7.0
 Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min
 Temperature: 40 °C
 Inj. Volume: 5 μ L
 Detection: UV, 214 nm

Peaks: 1. Maleic acid –
 2. Acebutolol 50 μ g/mL
 3. Metoprolol 50
 4. Timolol 100
 5. Oxprenolol 50
 6, 7. Labetalol diastereomers 50
 8. Propranolol 20

20397

Determination of Four Active Ingredients in a Multisymptom Cold Remedy Using Acclaim PA



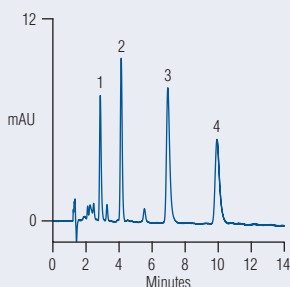
Column: Acclaim PA, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Injection: 10 μ L
 Mobile Phase: (A) Acetonitrile
 (B) 10 mM phosphoric acid adjusted to pH 3.1 with ammonium hydroxide
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Detection: UV, 210 nm
 Gradient:

Time	% A	% B	Flow
0	8	92	1.0
2	8	92	
10	20	80	
17	50	50	

Peak #	Compound	Label Concentration	% Recovery
1	Pseudoephedrine HCl	2.0 mg/mL	96
2	Acetaminophen	33	100
3	Doxylamine succinate	0.41	90
4	Dextromethorphan HBr	1.0	95

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Isocratic Resolution of Antihistamines and Their Impurities on Acclaim 120 C18



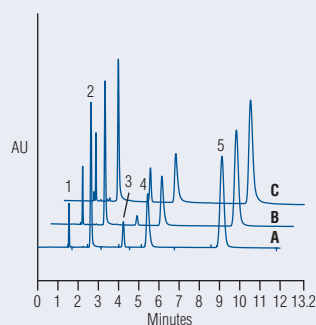
Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) 50 mM sodium acetate
 (B) Methanol
 Isocratic: (A) 20%, (B) 80%
 Temperature: 25 °C
 Detection: UV, 249 nm

Peaks: 1. Thenyldiamine HCl
 2. Phenothiazine
 3. Promethazine HCl
 4. Pyrrobutamine phosphate

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Separation of Basic Drugs on Acclaim 120 C18



Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 80/20 methanol/
 30 mM phosphate, pH 6
 Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μ L
 Detection: UV, 220 nm

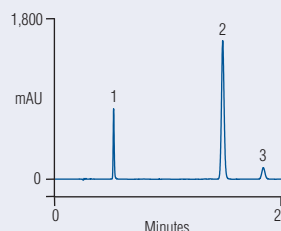
Amitriptyline Mass:
 Trace A: 1200 ng
 Trace B: 400 ng (normalized peak height)
 Trace C: 94 ng (normalized peak height)

Peaks: 1. Uracil
 2. Propranolol
 3. Toluene
 4. Doxepin
 5. Amitriptyline

Note: The high performance of this column is maintained as the sample is diluted.

18357

Active Ingredients in Sunscreen Lotion on Acclaim 120 C18 Using ASE Extraction

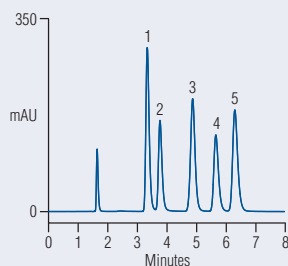


Extraction Conditions:
 ASE 200 with 11 mL extraction cell
 50/50 MeOH/CH₂Cl₂
 Column: Acclaim 120 C18 column
 Mobile Phase: Isocratic 85/14/0.75
 methanol/water/HOAc
 Inj. Volume: 20 μ L
 Detection: UV, 310 nm

Peaks: 1. Benzophenone-3
 2. Octyl methoxycinnamate
 3. Octyl salicylate

20398

Separation of Five Antidepressants on Acclaim PA

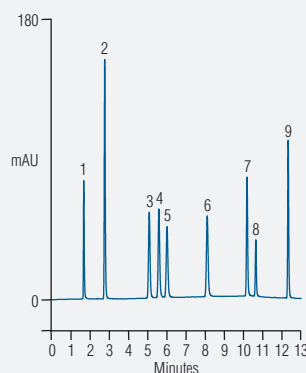


Column: Acclaim PA, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 80/20 v/v MeOH/
 30 mM phosphate, pH 6.0
 Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μ L
 Detection: UV, 220 nm

Peaks: 1. Protriptyline 50
 2. Nortriptyline 25
 3. Doxepin 50
 4. Imipramine 40
 5. Amitriptyline 50

19299

Gradient Resolution of Sulfa Drugs on Acclaim PA

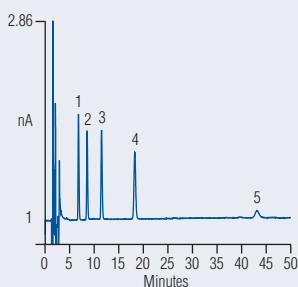


Column: Acclaim PA, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) 90/10 methanol/
 20 mM phosphate, pH 2.7
 (B) 10/90 methanol/
 20 mM phosphate, pH 2.7
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Gradient: (A) 15-30% at 5 min, to 75%
 at 10 min, to 85% at 12 min
 Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Detection: UV, 254 nm

Peaks: 1. Sulfanilic acid 6 μ g
 2. Sulfanilamide 4
 3. Sulfadiazine 10
 4. Sulfathiazole 10
 5. Sulfamerazine 10
 6. Sulfamethazine 10
 7. Sulfamethoxazole 14
 8. Sulfisoxazole 12
 9. Sulfadimethoxine 18

19300

Baseline Separation of Catecholamines and Serotonin at Physiological Concentrations on Acclaim 120 C18 with Electrochemical Detection

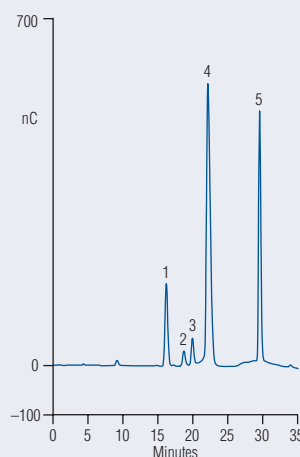


Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 57 mM citric acid,
 43 mM sodium acetate,
 0.1 mM EDTA,
 1 mM sodium octanesulfonate,
 10% methanol
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Detection: dc amperometry,
 Glassy Carbon at 700 mV,
 Ag/AgCl Reference electrode

Peaks: 1. Norepinephrine 10 pmol
 2. Epinephrine 10
 3. Dihydroxybenzylamine 10
 4. Dopamine 10
 5. Serotonin 20

18358

Spectinomycin and Lincomycin on Acclaim PA with Electrochemical Detection



Column: Acclaim PA, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 2.1 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) 10 mM acetic acid,
 3.3 g/L pentanesulfonic acid,
 pH 4.0 with NaOH
 (B) 10 mM acetic acid,
 0.55 g/L pentanesulfonic acid,
 pH 4.0 with NaOH
 (C) Acetonitrile

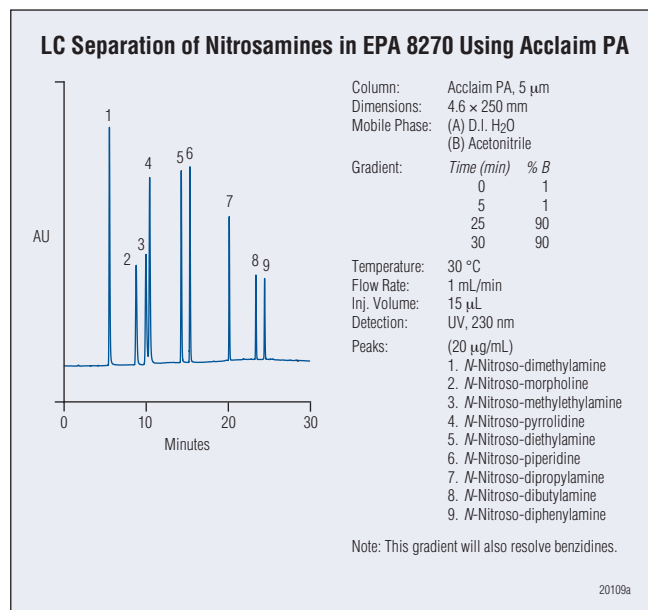
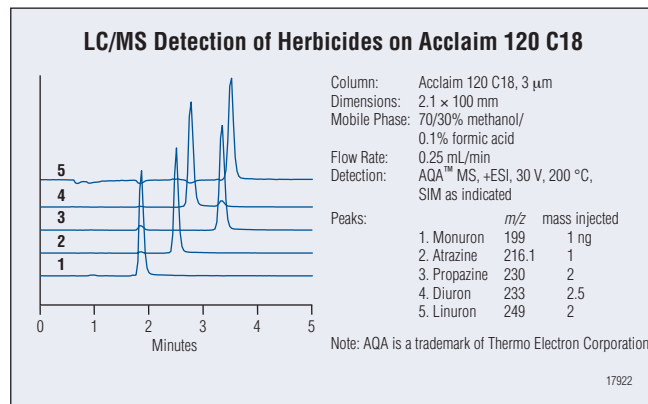
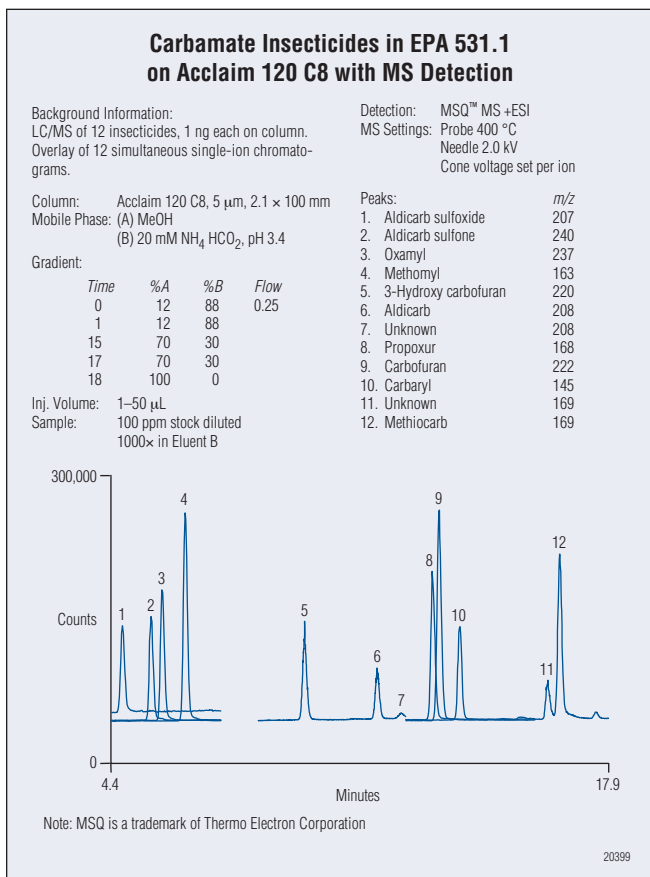
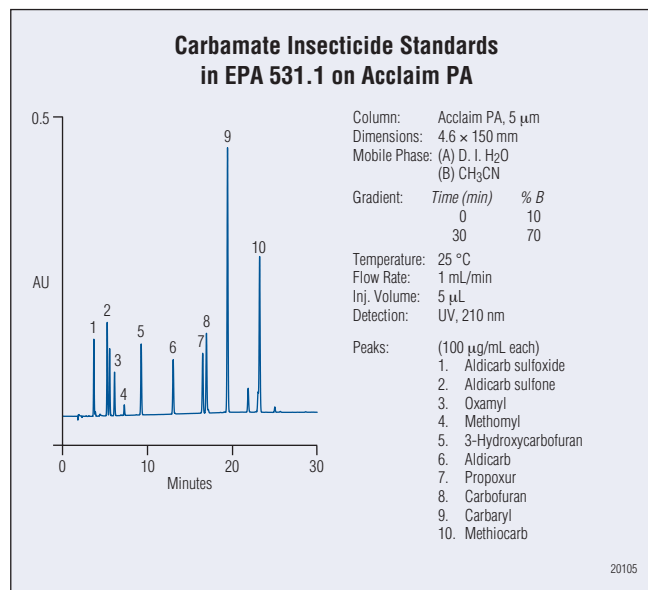
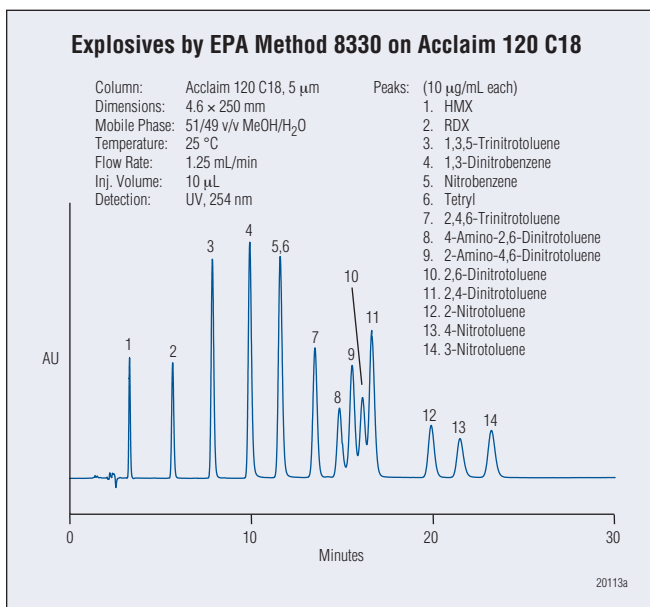
Gradient: Time	% A	% B	% C
0.0	70	30	0
10.0	70	30	0
10.1	0	100	0
20.0	0	100	0
23.0	0	75	25
37.0	0	75	25

Flow Rate: 0.30 mL/min
 Temperature: 40 $^{\circ}$ C
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Detection: Postcolumn addition of
 0.5 M NaOH at 0.12 mL/min;
 pulsed amperometric detection

Peaks: 1. Benzyl alcohol
 2. Spectinomycin anomer 1
 3. Spectinomycin anomer 2
 4. Spectinomycin
 5. Lincomycin

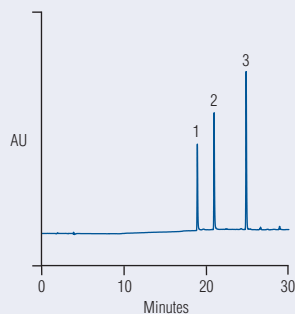
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Environmental



APPLICATIONS

LC Separation of Benzidines in EPA 8270 Using Acclaim PA



Column: Acclaim PA, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 250 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) D.I. H₂O
 (B) Acetonitrile
 Gradient:

Time (min)	% B
0	1
5	1
25	90
30	90

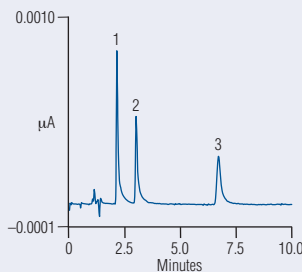
 Temperature: 30 °C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 15 μ L
 Detection: UV, 230 nm

Peaks: (20 μ g/mL)
 1. Benzidine
 2. 3,3'-Dimethylbenzidine
 3. 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine

Note: This gradient will also resolve *N*-nitrosamines

20109b

Benzidines by EPA Method 605 on Acclaim 120 C18 with Electrochemical Detection



Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 2.1 \times 100 mm
 Mobile Phase: 50/50 acetonitrile/
 100 mM NaOAc, pH 4.7
 Flow Rate: 0.17 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 1 μ L
 Detection: Glassy carbon electrode, 800 mV
 (1 μ g/mL)

Peaks
 1. Benzidine
 2. 3,3'-Dimethylbenzidine
 3. 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine

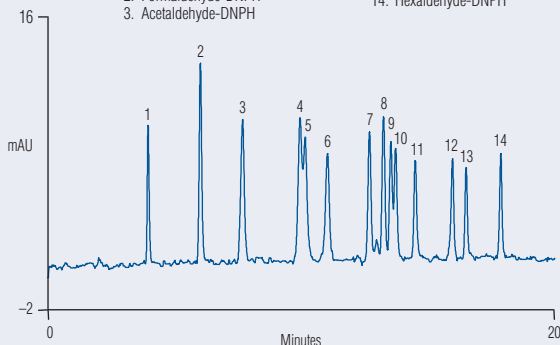
Note: Scaling down the column size and flow rate produces a superproportional increase in sensitivity in the electrochemical detector.

20400

Thirteen Carbonyl-DNPH Derivatives by CARB Method 1004 on Acclaim 120 C18

Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 2.1 \times 250 mm
 Mobile Phase: 40% acetonitrile at 0–7 min,
 gradient to 100% acetonitrile at 20 min
 Flow Rate: 0.25 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Detection: UV, 360 nm

Peaks (DNPH and 13 carbonyl derivatives) 0.3 μ g/mL:
 1. 2,4-DNPH
 2. Formaldehyde-DNPH
 3. Acetaldehyde-DNPH



Note: CARB = California Air Resource Board

20111

Improved Separation of 13 Carbonyl-DNPH Derivatives by CARB Method 1004 Using Coupled Acclaim PA and Acclaim 120 C18 Columns

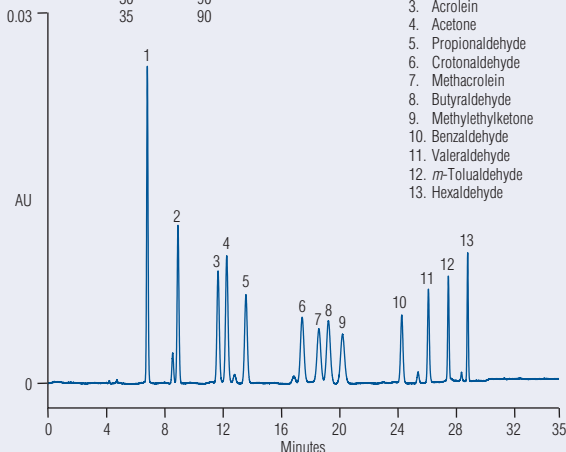
Columns: Acclaim PA, 5 μ m, 4.6 \times 150 mm,
 coupled with Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m,
 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) H₂O
 (B) CH₃CN

Temperature: 30 °C
 Flow Rate: 1.5 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Detection: UV, 360 nm

Gradient:

Time (min)	% B
0	54
20	54
30	90
35	90

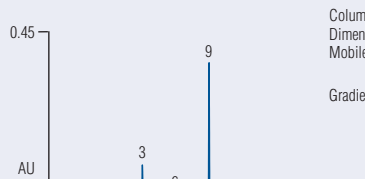
Peaks: (0.3 μ g/mL each)
 DNPH derivatives of
 1. Formaldehyde
 2. Acetaldehyde
 3. Acrolein
 4. Acetone
 5. Propionaldehyde
 6. Crotonaldehyde
 7. Methacrolein
 8. Butyraldehyde
 9. Methyl ethyl ketone
 10. Benzaldehyde
 11. Valeraldehyde
 12. *m*-Tolualdehyde
 13. Hexaldehyde



Notes: (1) No conventional C18 column can produce equivalent resolution.
 (2) CARB = California Air Resource Board

20112

Phenol Standards by EPA Method 604 on Acclaim PA



Column: Acclaim PA, 3 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) 2.5 mM MSA in H₂O
 (B) Methanol
 Gradient:

Time (min)	% B
0	60
4.5	60
10.5	95
20	95

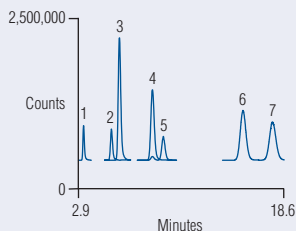
 Temperature: 25 °C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μ L
 Detection: UV, 285 nm

Peaks: (50–250 μ g/mL each)
 1. Phenol
 2. 2-Chlorophenol
 3. 4-Nitrophenol
 4. 2-Nitrophenol
 5. 2,4-Dimethylphenol
 6. 4-Chloro-3-methylphenol
 7. 2,4-Dichlorophenol
 8. 2,4-Dinitrophenol
 9. 2-Methyl-4,6-dichlorophenol
 10. 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol
 11. Pentachlorophenol

Note: The lower pH provided by methanesulfonic acid (compared to acetic acid in the standard method) gives optimum separation for the Acclaim PA column.

20106

Sensitive Detection of Triazine Herbicides on Acclaim 120 C18 with MS Detection



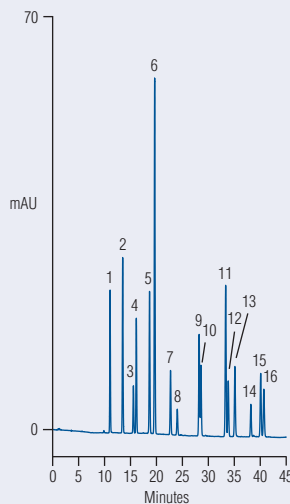
Background Information: Seven herbicides at 1 ng on column. Seven simultaneous single-ion chromatograms optimized for positive identification.

Column: Acclaim 120 C18, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 2.1 \times 100 mm
 Mobile Phase: 35% Acetonitrile
 65% Ammonium acetate, pH 5
 Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C
 Flow Rate: 0.25 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Detection: MSQ MS
 ESI: Positive
 Probe: 400 $^{\circ}$ C
 Needle: 2.5 kV
 Cone Voltage: Set per ion

Peaks	m/z
1. Simazine	202
2. Atrazine	216
3. Prometon	226
4. Ametryn	228
5. Propazine	230
6. Prometryn	242
7. Terbutryn	242

20401

Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons by EPA Method 8310 on Acclaim PA



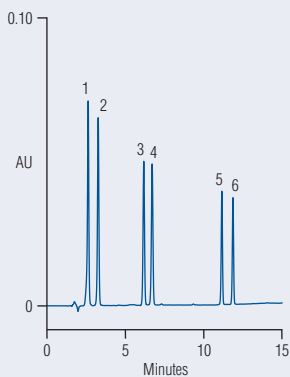
Column: Acclaim PA, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 250 mm
 Mobile phase: (A) CH₃CN
 (B) D.I. H₂O
 Gradient: Hold A/B (50/50) for 5 min,
 A/B (50/50) to A/B (85/15)
 in 35 min,
 Hold A/B (85/15) for 5 min
 Temperature: 25 $^{\circ}$ C
 Flow Rate: 2 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Detection: UV, 254 nm

Peaks:

1. Naphthalene
2. Acenaphthylene
3. Acenaphthene
4. Fluorene
5. Phenanthrene
6. Anthracene
7. Fluoranthene
8. Pyrene
9. Benzo[a] anthracene
10. Chrysene
11. Benzo[b] fluoranthene
12. Benzo[k] fluoranthene
13. Benzo[a] pyrene
14. Dibenzo[a,h] anthracene
15. Benzo[g,h,i] perylene
16. Indeno[1,2,3-cd] pyrene

19305

Separation of Phthalate Esters in EPA Method 606 Using Acclaim PA



Column: Acclaim PA, 5 μ m
 Dimensions: 4.6 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) D.I. H₂O
 (B) MeOH
 Gradient:

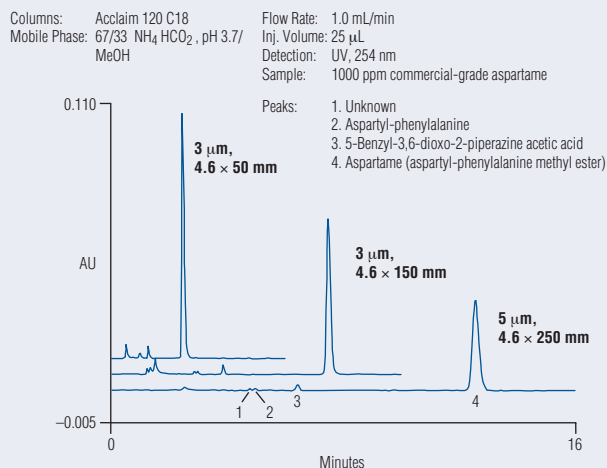
Time (min)	% B
0	25
10	100
15	100

Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C
 Flow Rate: 1 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 10 μ L
 Detection: UV, 254 nm
 Peaks: (100 μ g/mL each)
 1. Dimethyl phthalate
 2. Diethyl phthalate
 3. Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate
 4. Di-n-butyl phthalate
 5. Di-n-octyl phthalate
 6. Butyl benzyl phthalate

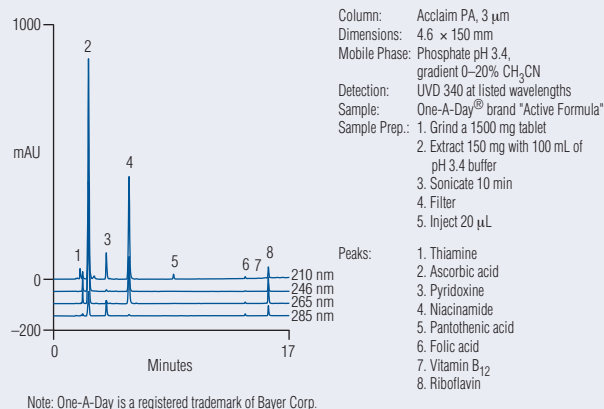
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Food and Beverage

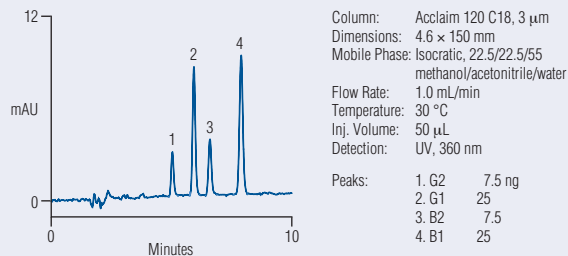
Assay of Aspartame and Its Impurities on Three Formats of Acclaim 120 C18 Columns



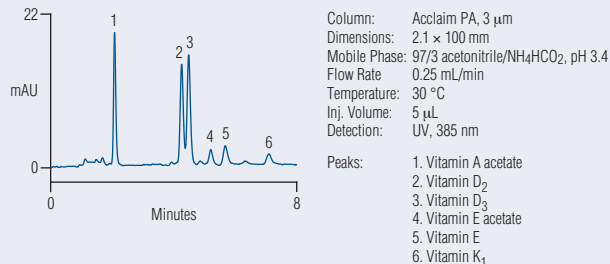
Assay for Water-Soluble Vitamins in Vitamin Tablets Using Acclaim PA



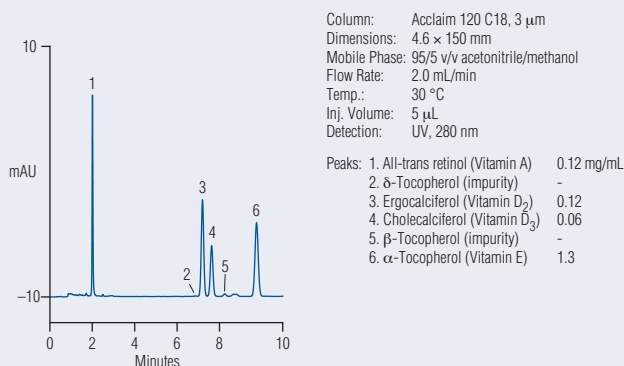
Four Aflatoxin Standards on Acclaim 120 C18

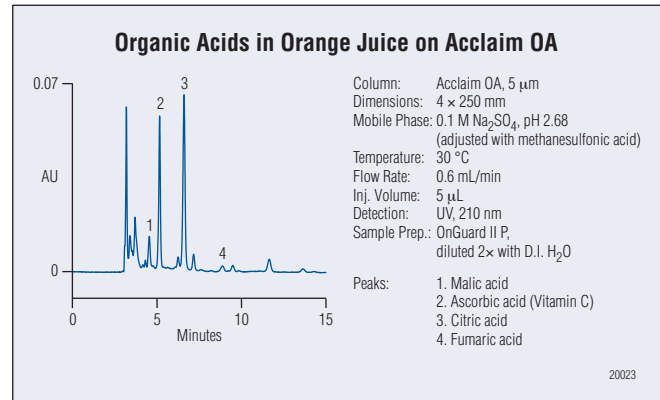
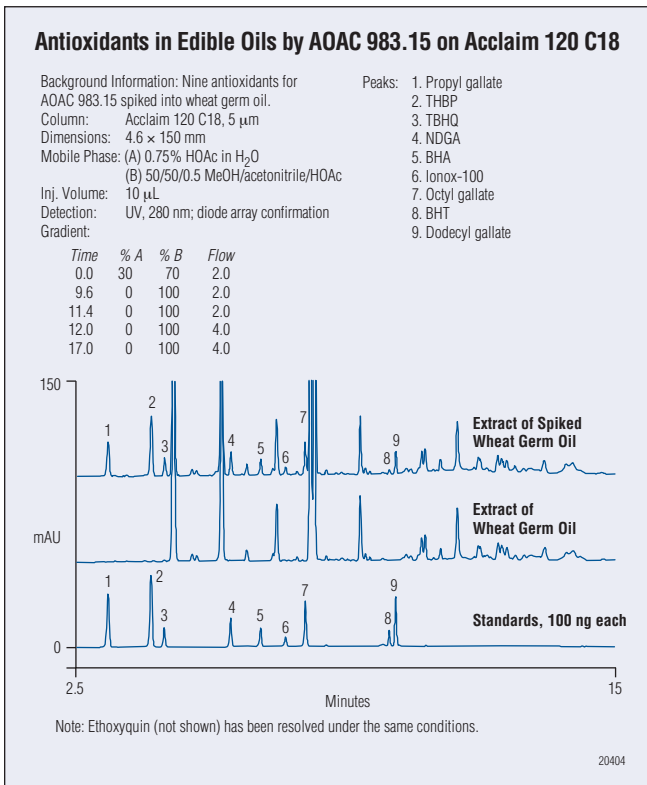
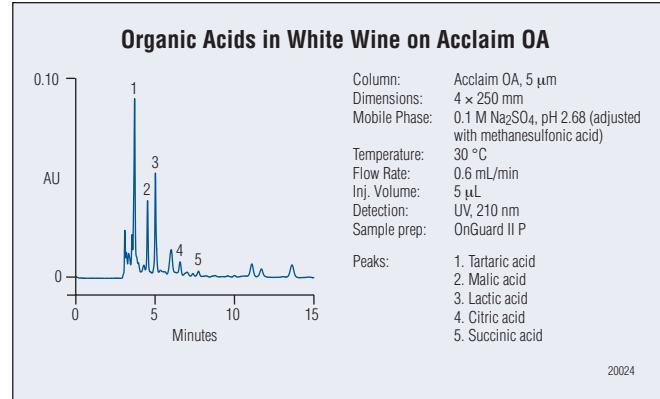
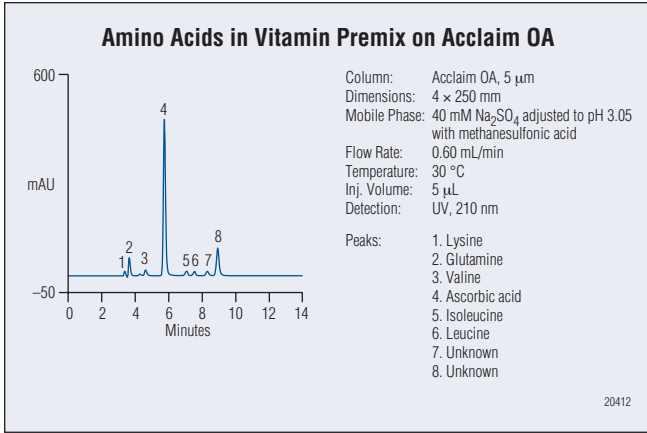


Fat-Soluble Vitamin Standards Using Acclaim PA

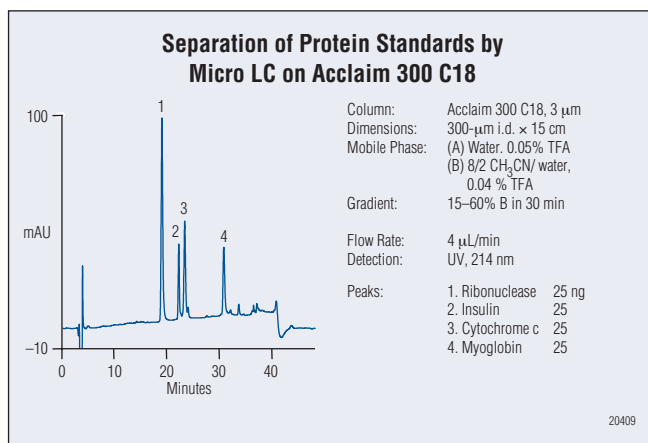
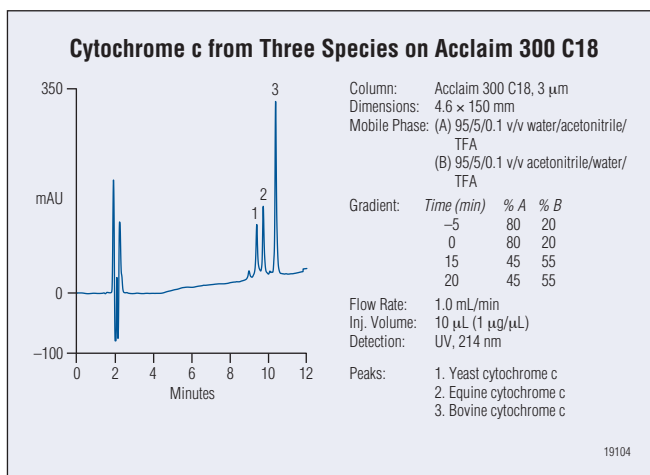
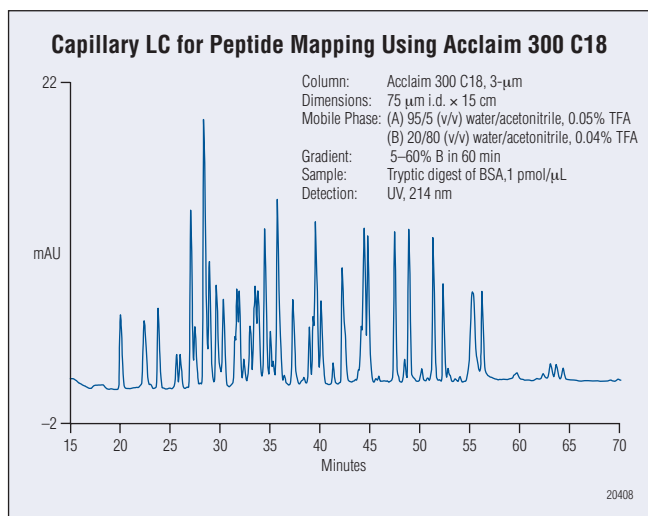
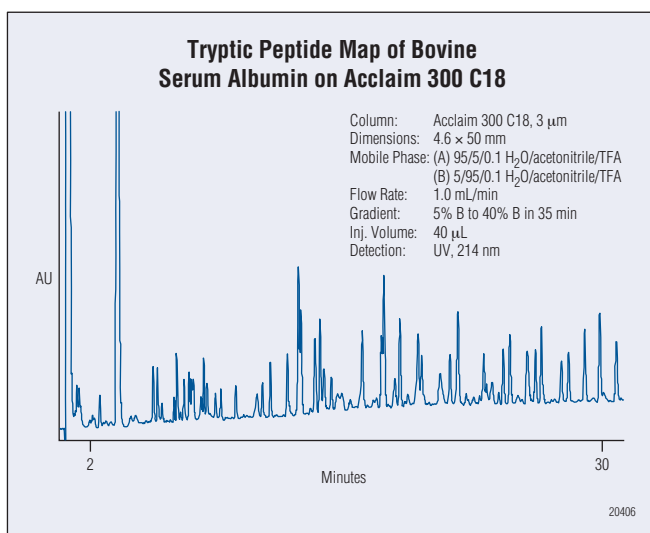
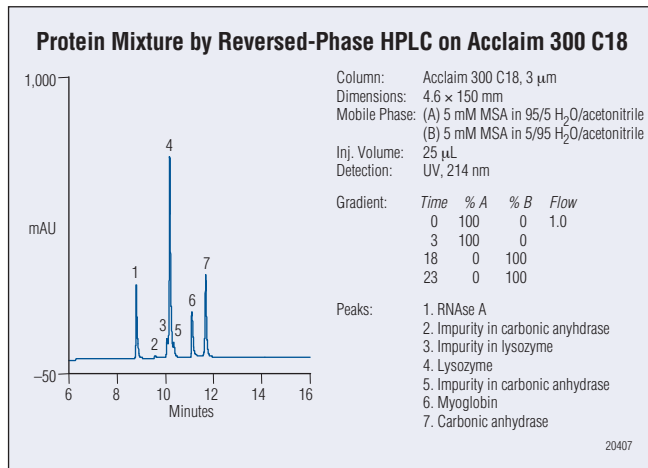
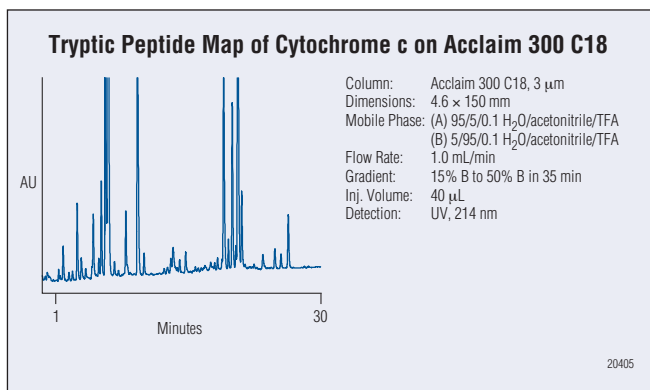


Fat-Soluble Vitamin Standards on Acclaim 120 C18

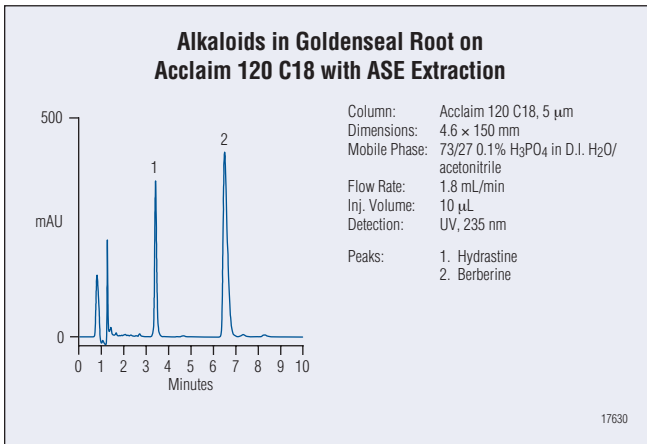




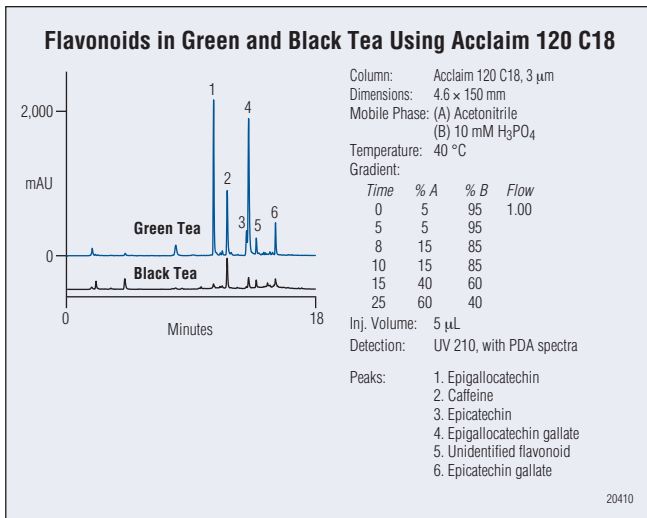
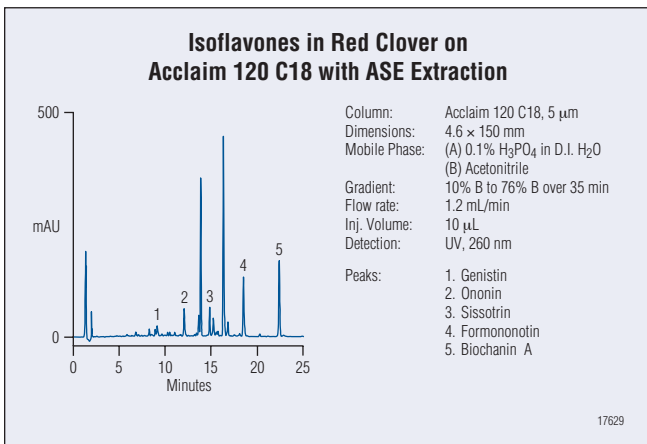
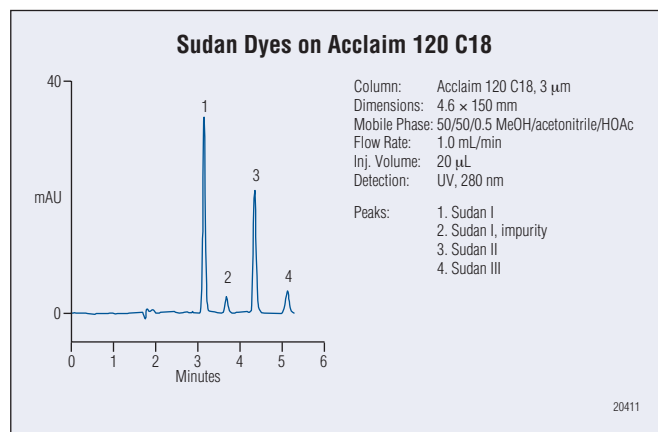
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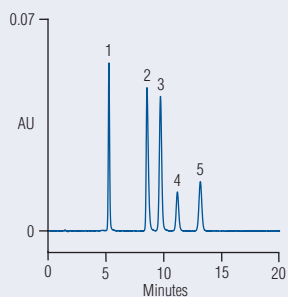
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APPLICATIONS

Organic Acids

Resolution of Benzene Polycarboxylic Acids on Acclaim OA

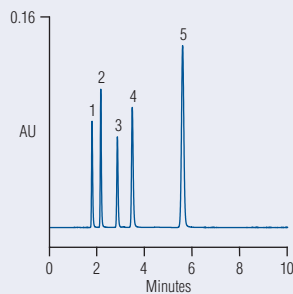


Column: Acclaim OA, 5 μm
 Dimensions: 4 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 12.5/87.5 v/v $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/$
 5 mM methanesulfonic acid
 Temperature: 30 $^\circ\text{C}$
 Flow Rate: 0.75 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μL
 Detection: UV, 230 nm

Peaks: (50 ppm each)
 1. 1,2,3-Benzenetricarboxylic acid
 2. 1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid
 3. 1,3,5-Benzenetricarboxylic acid
 4. 1,4-Benzenedicarboxylic acid
 5. 1,3-Benzenedicarboxylic acid

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Separation of Hydroxybenzoic Acids on Acclaim OA

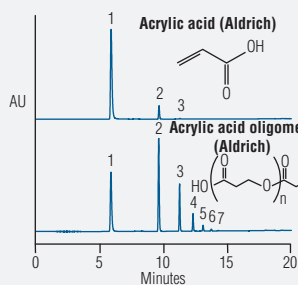


Column: Acclaim OA, 5 μm
 Dimensions: 4 \times 150 mm
 Mobile Phase: 30/70 v/v $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/$ 5 mM
 methanesulfonic acid
 Temperature: 30 $^\circ\text{C}$
 Flow Rate: 0.75 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μL
 Detection: UV, 230 nm

Peaks: (80 ppm each)
 1. 3,4,5-Trihydroxybenzoic acid
 2. 3,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid
 3. 4-Hydroxybenzoic acid
 4. 2,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid
 5. Benzoic acid

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Acrylic Acid Oligomers on Acclaim OA



Column: Acclaim OA, 5 μm
 Dimensions: 4 \times 250 mm
 Mobile Phase: (A) CH_3CN
 (B) 2.5 mM methanesulfonic acid
 Gradient: Hold 5% A for 1 min, then increase
 to 90% A in 19 min
 Temperature: 30 $^\circ\text{C}$
 Flow Rate: 0.75 mL/min
 Inj. Volume: 5 μL
 Detection: UV, 210 nm
 Sample prep.: Diluted 1000 \times with D.I. H_2O

Peaks: 1. Monomer
 2. Dimer
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Lot Qualification Tests for Acclaim Bonded Silica

Polar Selectivity

This parameter is used to monitor batch-to-batch reproducibility as measured by the selectivity of a polar analyte (dimethylphthalate) relative to a nonpolar analyte (phenanthrene). This test protocol is part of the column performance test; column pressure, retention time, efficiency, and asymmetry for phenanthrene are specified for each column type.

Mobile phase: 70/30 v/v acetonitrile/water

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Temperature: 30 °C

Inj. volume: 5 µL

Detection: UV, 254 nm, 6-mm path length

- Peaks:
1. Uracil, 0.015 mg/mL
 2. Dimethylphthalate, 0.075 µL/mL
 3. Phenanthrene, 0.015 mg/mL

Metal Activity

2,2'-Bipyridyl chelates with metals whereas 4,4'-bipyridyl does not form chelation complexes. If metals are present, the 2,2' isomer elutes with a high asymmetry factor (tailing). The peak asymmetry ratio for the two analytes should be approximately 1.0 if no metal contamination is present.

Mobile phase: 50/50 v/v methanol/water

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Temperature: 30 °C

Inj. volume: 5 µL

Detection: UV, 254 nm

- Peaks:
1. 4,4'-Bipyridyl, 50 ng/µL
 2. 2,2'-Bipyridyl, 200 ng/µL

Base Asymmetry

Basic compounds exhibit poor peak shape when the silica surface is incompletely covered during the bonding process, or when the silica substrate is inadequately prepared. This test monitors surface coverage with an application-based analysis.

Mobile phase: 80/20 v/v methanol/30 mM phosphate, pH 6.0

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Temperature: 30 °C

Inj. volume: 5 µL

Detection: UV, 220 nm

- Peaks:
1. uracil, 0.04 mg/mL
 2. propranolol, 0.06 mg/mL
 3. toluene 0.08 µL/mL
 4. doxepin, 0.08 mg/mL
 5. amitriptyline, 0.24 mg/mL

Hydrophobic Steric Selectivity

This parameter is used to monitor batch-to-batch bonding reproducibility as measured by the relative selectivity of two differently shaped aromatic analytes: *o*-terphenyl and triphenylene. This test is used to characterize all the C18 and polar-embedded phases.

Mobile phase: 90/10 v/v methanol/water

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Temperature: 30 °C

Inj. volume: 5 µL

Detection: UV, 254 nm

- Peaks:
1. Toluene, 2 µL/mL
 2. Phenanthrene, 0.03 mg/mL
 3. *o*-terphenyl, 0.14 mg/mL
 4. Triphenylene, 0.03 mg/mL

Acid Asymmetry

This test is used to characterize polar-embedded phases. Acidic compounds exhibit poor peak shape when the bonded phase has basic sites due to degradation or contamination.

Mobile phase: 35/65 v/v acetonitrile/0.1% TFA in water

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Temperature: 30 °C

Inj. volume: 5 µL

Detection: UV, 240 nm

- Peaks:
1. 4-hydroxybenzoic acid, 50 ng/µL
 2. Benzoic acid, 70 ng/µL
 3. Ethyl 4-hydroxybenzoate, 50 ng/µL

Some application-specific tests are used for lot validation. Read about these tests in the chapters for Acclaim 300 and Acclaim OA.

Peak asymmetries are calculated by the EP method at 5% of peak height (same as USP method). Theoretical plates are calculated from the peak width at half-height.

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