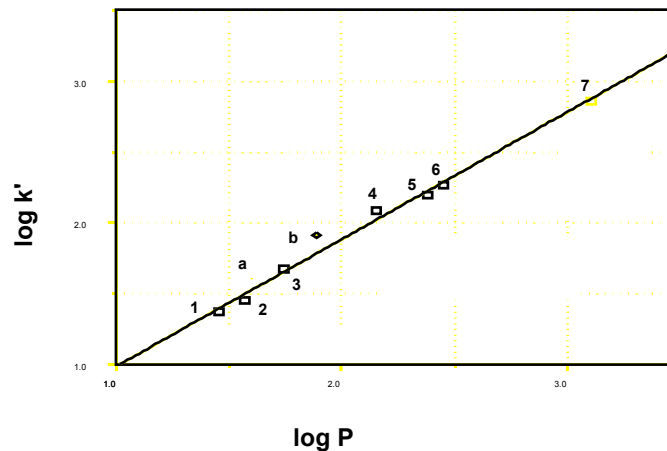


# Reversed Phase HPLC

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## Hydrophobicity

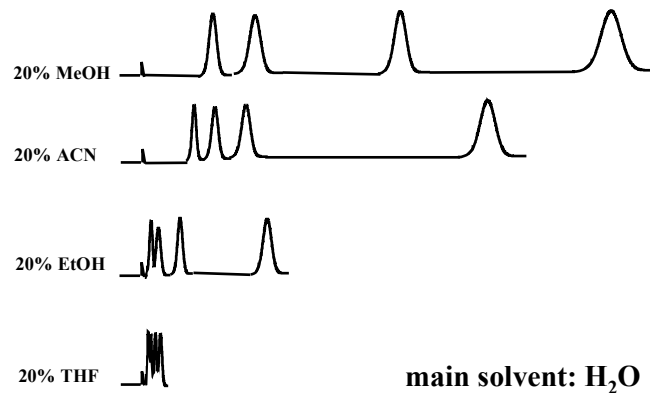


## MOBILE PHASE

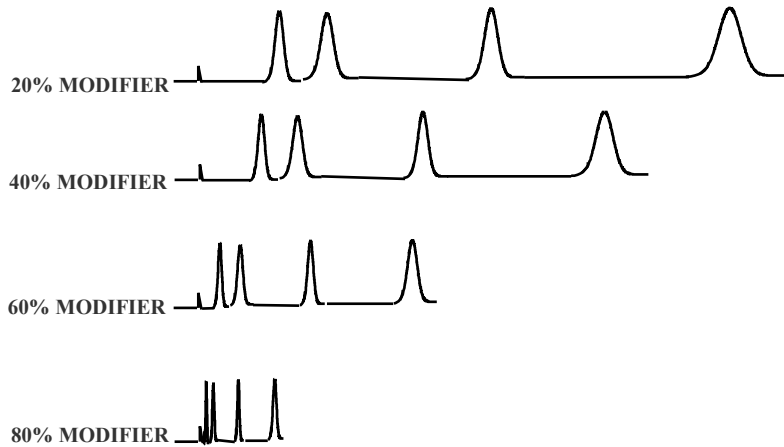
- \* TYPE OF MODIFIER (MeOH, ACN)
- \* SOLVENT STRENGTH (% modifier)
- \* pH
- \* TYPE OF BUFFER (phosphate, acetate)
- \* IONIC STRENGTH (Salts, buffer concentration)
- \* ION-PAIRING REAGENTS (alkyl-amines, -sulfonates)

## OPTIMIZATION: CHOICE OF SOLVENTS

### REVERSED PHASE

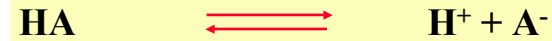


## OPTIMIZATION: % SOLVENTS



## IONIZATION and RETENTION

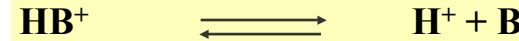
### WEAK ACIDS



pKa ~ 4-5

At pH >4-5 the main species is A<sup>-</sup>

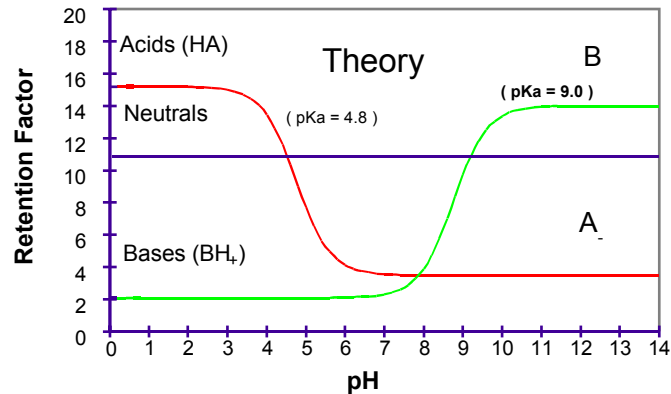
### WEAK BASES



pKa ~ 7-8

At pH < 7-8 the main species is BH<sup>+</sup>

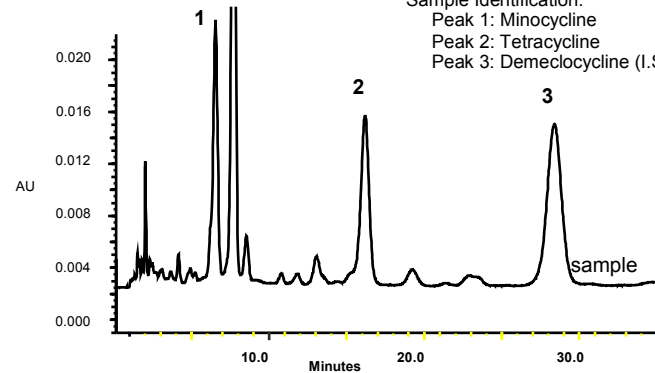
Retention Factor versus pH for Acids, Bases, and Neutrals



## Antibiotics

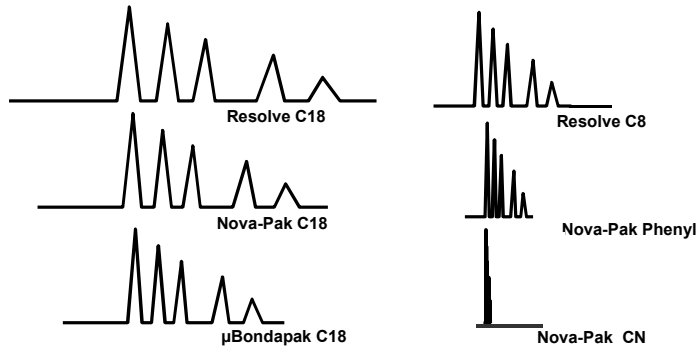
Column: SymmetryShield™ RP8, 5 μm,  
3.0 x 150 mm  
Mobile Phase: 0.1% TFA in Water : Acetonitrile:  
Methanol (91:7:2)  
Detection: UV at 270 nm  
Flow Rate: 0.9 mL/min.  
Injection Volume: 20 μL

Sample Identification:  
Peak 1: Minocycline  
Peak 2: Tetracycline  
Peak 3: Demeclocycline (I.S.)



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## Types of Reversed Phase Columns



## Stationary Phase Properties

**CHEMISTRY:**

- \* BONDED HYDROCARBON: C-18, C-8, C-4, C-1, CN, phenyl
- \* % COVERAGE
- \* TYPE OF SILICA GEL

**GEOMETRY**

- \* SPHERE- IRREGULAR
- \* PARTICLE DIAMETER
- \* POROSITY



## Stationary Phase Supports

Stationary phase	Functionality
C <sub>18</sub>	-Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>37</sub>
C <sub>8</sub>	-Si(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>17</sub>
tC <sub>2</sub>	-SiC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>
Aminopropyl	-Si(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>
Cyanopropyl	-Si(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CN
Diol	-Si(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OCH <sub>2</sub> CH(OH)CH <sub>2</sub> OH

Retention time

Chain length CN Phenyl NH<sub>2</sub> C<sub>4</sub> C<sub>8</sub> C<sub>18</sub>

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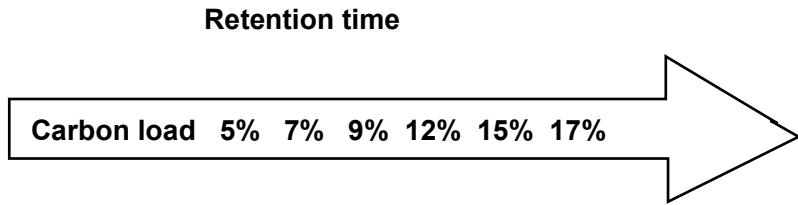
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## CARBON LOAD

Increasing carbon load on a similar geometrical shaped particles increases retention.



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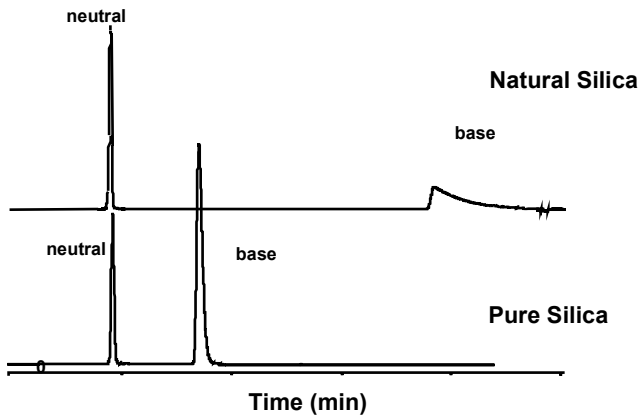
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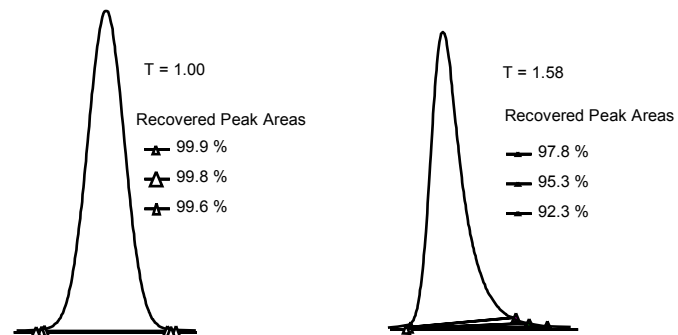
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## Quality of Columns Performance



## Integration Errors Caused by Tailing



## Stationary Phase Properties

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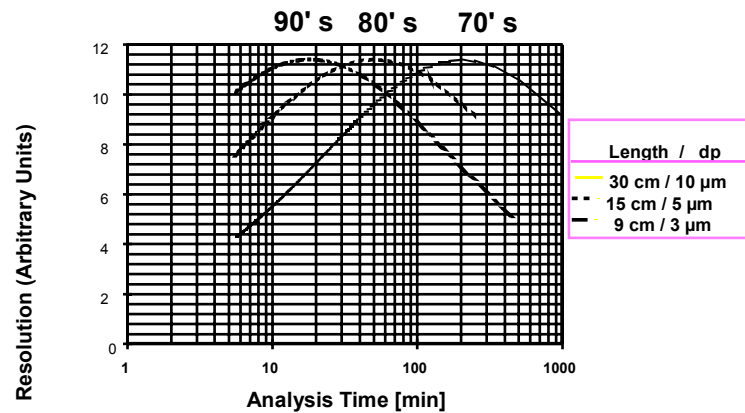
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## Resolution - Time Diagram



## Stationary Phase Properties

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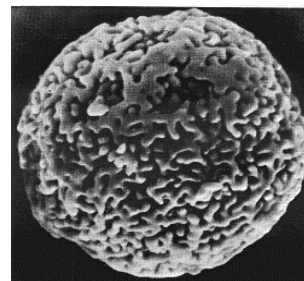
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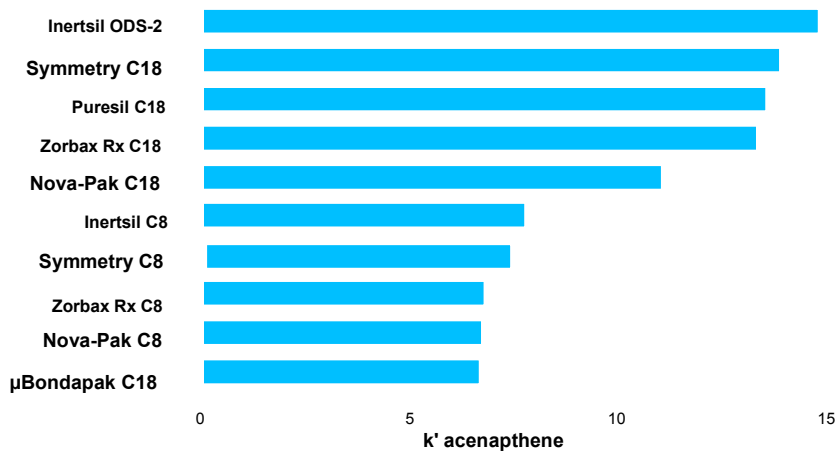
## Pore size, shape and distribution



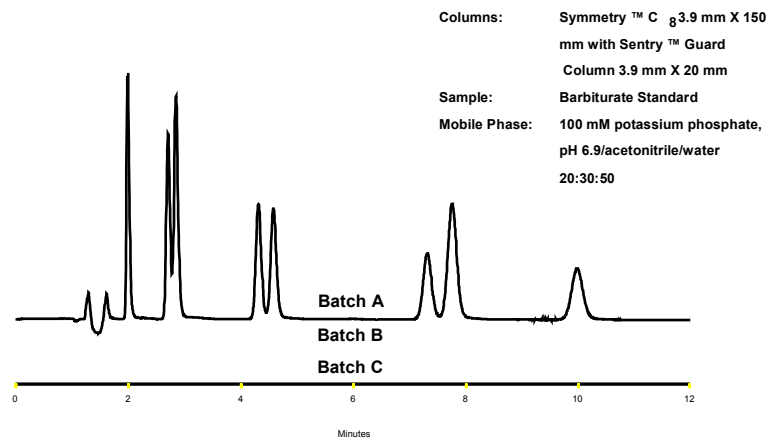
Macroporous spherical silica particle. [K.K.Unger, Porous silica, Elsevier, 1979]

Pore size defines an ability of the analyte molecules to penetrate inside the particle and interact with its inner surface. This is especially important because the ratio of the outer particle surface to its inner one is about 1:1000. The surface molecular interaction mainly occurs on the inner particle surface.

## Relative Hydrophobicities of General Purpose Analytical Packings



## Batch-to-Batch Reproducibility of Columns



## Chromatogram of lifetime test

