



## Residual solvents

# Fast separation of commonly used residual solvents

## Application Note

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### Introduction

In addition to an Agilent CP-Select 624 CB column (see Application notes 1282 - 1286), which phase is prescribed in the USP for the analysis of residual solvents in pharmaceutical products, a second column often is used for confirmation or special solvents analysis. In many cases this column is a PLOT column. The Agilent PoraBOND Q column, with a bonded layer of the very hydrophobic styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer phase, is an improved version of this type of column.

The PoraBOND Q column provides a good selectivity, peakshape, signal/noise ratio and stable baseline, even at high flow rates, due to the bonded character of the stationary phase.



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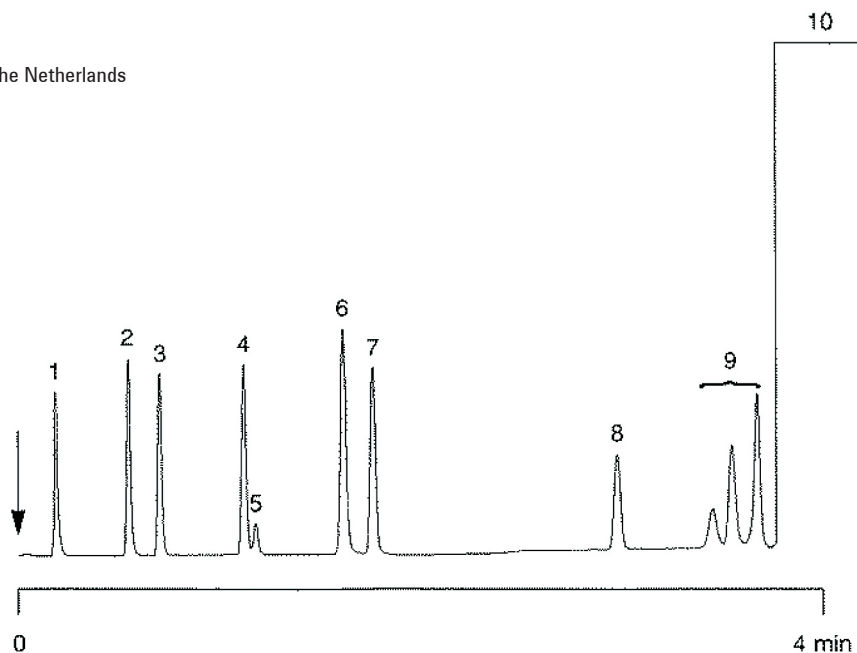
## Conditions

Technique : GC-capillary  
Column : Agilent PoraBOND Q, 0.32 mm x 10 m fused silica  
PLOT (df = 5  $\mu$ m) (Part no. CP7350)  
Temperature : 150 °C  $\rightarrow$  220 °C, 10 °C/min;  
220 °C (5 min)  
Carrier Gas : N<sub>2</sub>, 1 mL/min  
Injector : Split, 20 mL/min  
T = 150 °C  
Detector : FID  
T = 280 °C  
Sample Size : 1.0  $\mu$ L  
Concentration Range : 0.05 mg/mL  
Solvent Sample : pyridine

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## Peak identification

1. methanol
2. ethanol
3. acetonitrile
4. acetone
5. dichloromethane
6. diethyl ether
7. 1,2-dichloroethane (Internal Standard)
8. ethyl acetate
9. hydrocarbons C<sub>6</sub>
10. pyridine (sample solvent)



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