

Supelco Columns for USP Methods

The official pharmaceutical analysis monographs in the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) detail the methods used by pharmaceutical manufacturers for quality control of bulk drug substances and dosage form preparations. Each method specifies a particular high pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC) or gas chromatography (GC) column or column type and the conditions under which the analysis is performed. This poster lists the USP Codes for the phases and supports used in these methods, descriptions of the columns, and information about the Supelco products that conform to these descriptions.

HPLC Packings

USP Code	Description	Recommended Packing*
L1	Octadecyl silane chemically bonded to porous or non-porous silica or ceramic micro-particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter, or a monolithic rod.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Titan™ C18 Ascentis® C18 Ascentis Express C18 BIOshell™ Peptide C18 Discovery® C18 Discovery HS F5 Discovery BIO Wide Pore C18 SUPELCO SIL™ LC-18 SUPELCO SIL LC-18-DB SUPELCO SIL LC-318
L3	Porous silica particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter, or a monolithic silica rod.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascentis Express HILIC Ascentis Si SUPELCO SIL LC-Si SUPELCO SIL LC-3Si
L7	Octylsilane chemically bonded to totally or superficially porous silica particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter, or a monolithic silica rod.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascentis C8 Ascentis Express C8 Discovery C8 Discovery BIO Wide Pore C8 SUPELCO SIL LC-NH₂ SUPELCO SIL LC-NH₂-NP SUPELCO SIL LC-8 SUPELCO SIL LC-8-DB SUPELCO SIL LC-308
L8	An essentially monomolecular layer of amino-propylsilane chemically bonded to totally porous silica gel support, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO SIL LC-NH₂ SUPELCO SIL LC-NH₂-NP
L9	Irregular or spherical, totally porous silica gel having a chemically bonded, strongly acidic cation-exchange coating, 3 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO SIL LC-SCX
L10	Nitrile groups chemically bonded to porous silica particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascentis ES Cyano BIOshell Peptide CN Discovery Cyano SUPELCO SIL LC-CN SUPELCO SIL LC-PCN
L11	Phenyl groups chemically bonded to porous silica particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascentis Phenyl Ascentis Express Phenyl-Hexyl SUPELCO SIL LC-DP SUPELCO SIL LC-3DP
L13	Trimethylsilane bonded to porous silica particles, 3 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO SIL LC-1
L14	Silica gel having a chemically bonded, strongly basic quaternary ammonium anion-exchange coating, 5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO SIL SAX1
L17	Strong cation-exchange resin consisting of sulfonated cross-linked styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer in the hydrogen form, 6 to 12 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO GEL™ C-610H SUPELCO GEL H Proteomix® WCX
L19	Strong cation-exchange resin consisting of sulfonated cross-linked styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer in the calcium form, about 9 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO GEL Ca Proteomix SCX
L20	Dihydroxypropane groups chemically bonded to porous silica or hybrid particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kromasil® Diol SUPELCO SIL LC-Diol SuperSW SW SW mAb series SWxl TSKgel QC-PAK GFC
L21	A rigid, spherical styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer, 3 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hhr PRP-1 SuperH SuperHZ SuperMultiporeHZ series TSKgel Hxl
L22	A cation-exchange resin made of porous polystyrene gel with sulfonic acid groups, about 10 µm in size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO GEL C-610H SUPELCO GEL H PRP-X200 PRP-X300
L23	An anion-exchange resin made of porous polymethacrylate or polyacrylate gel with quaternary ammonium groups, 7 to 12 µm in size.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discovery BIO PolyMA-WAX
L26	Butyl silane chemically bonded to totally porous silica particles, 1.5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIOshell Protein C4 SUPELCO SIL LC-304
L27	Porous silica particles, 30 to 50 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discovery DSC-Si Supelclean™ LC-Si Pelliguard™ LC-Si
L32	A chiral ligand-exchange resin packing-L-proline copper complex covalently bonded to irregularly shaped silica particles, 5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Astec® CLC-D Astec CLC-L
L34	Strong cation-exchange resin consisting of sulfonated cross-linked styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer in the lead form, about 7 to 9 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO GEL Pb
L38	A methacrylate-based size exclusion packing for water-soluble samples.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSKgel PWxl PW PWxl-CP Alpha SuperAW series SuperMultiporePW
L40	Cellulose tris-3,5-dimethylphenylcarbamate coated porous silica particles, 5 to 20 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Astec Cellulose DMP Kromasil® CelluCoat®
L41	Immobilized α ₁ -acid glycoprotein on spherical silica particles, 5 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chiral-AGP
L43	Pentafluorophenyl groups chemically bonded to silica particles by a propyl spacer, 5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascentis Express F5 Discovery HS F5
L45	Beta cyclodextrin bonded to porous silica particles, 5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Astec CYCLOBOND® I 2000 Series
L49	A reversed-phase packing made by coating a thin layer of polybutadiene onto spherical porous zirconia particles, 3 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discovery Zr-PBD
L52	A strong cation exchange resin made of porous silica with sulfopropyl groups, 5 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO SIL LC-SCX
L59	Packing for the size-exclusion separations of proteins (separation by molecular weight) over the range of 5 to 7,000 kDa. It is spherical (1.5 to 10 µm), silica or hybrid packing with a hydrophilic coating.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSKgel: G2000SW, G3000SW, G4000SW, G2000SWxl, G3000SWxl, G4000SWxl, SuperSW2000, SuperSW3000, SuperSW mAb HR and UltraSW Aggregate Seprac: SRT SEC-100, SRT SEC-150, SRT SEC-300, SRT SEC-500
L60	Spherical, porous silica gel, 10 µm or less in diameter, the surface of which has been covalently modified with alkyl amide groups and endcapped.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascentis RP-Amide Ascentis Express RP-Amide Discovery RP-AmideC16 SUPELCO SIL ABZ+PLUS SUPELCO SIL LC-ABZ
L63	Glycopeptide teicoplanin linked through multiple covalent bonds to a 100 Å units spherical silica.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Astec CHIROBIOTIC® T Astec CHIROBIOTIC T2 Astec CHIROBIOTIC TAG
L67	Porous vinyl alcohol copolymer with a C18 alkyl group attached to the hydroxyl group of the polymer, 2 to 10 µm in diameter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> apHera™ C18
L68	Spherical, porous silica, 10 µm or less in diameter, the surface of which has been covalently modified with alkyl amide groups and not endcapped.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suplex™ pKb-100
L88	Glycopeptide vancomycin linked through multiple covalent bonds to a 100 Å spherical silica.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Astec CHIROBIOTIC V Astec CHIROBIOTIC V2

GC Phases

USP Code	Description	Recommended Phase*
G1	Dimethylpolysiloxane oil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP®-2100 OV®-101 SE-30 Equity®-1 (capillary) SPB®-1 (capillary)
G2	Dimethylpolysiloxane gum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2100 OV-1 SE-30 Equity-1 (capillary) SPB-1 (capillary)
G3	50% Phenyl-50% methylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2250 OV-17 SPB-50 (capillary)
G4	Diethylene glycol succinate polyester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diethylene glycol succinate (DEGS)
G5	3-Cyanopropylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2340 Silar 10 CP SP-2340 (capillary) SP-2560 (capillary)
G6	Trifluoropropylmethylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2401 OV-210
G7	50% 3-Cyanopropyl-50% phenylmethylsilicone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2300 Silar 5 CP SPB-225 (capillary)
G8	80% Bis(3-cyanopropyl)-20% 3-cyanopropylphenylpolysiloxane (percentages refer to molar substitution)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2330 SP-2330 (capillary)
G9	Methylvinylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-1 UCW 98 Equity-1 (capillary) SPB-1 (capillary)
G11	Bis(2-ethylhexyl)sebacate polyester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Di(2-ethylhexyl)sebacate
G12	Phenyldiethanolamine succinate polyester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phenyldiethanolamine succinate
G13	Sorbitol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sorbitol

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G14	Polyethylene glycol (av. mol. wt. of 950 to 1,050)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax® 1000
G15	Polyethylene glycol (av. mol. wt. of 3000 to 3,700)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax 4000
G16	Polyethylene glycol compound (av. mol. wt. about 15,000). A high molecular weight compound of polyethylene glycol with a diepoxide linker.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax 20M Omegawax® (capillary) SUPELCO WAX® 10 (capillary)
G17	75% Phenyl-25% methylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-25
G18	Polyalkylene glycol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UCON™ LB-550-X UCON LB-1800-X PAG (capillary)
G19	25% Phenyl-25% cyanopropyl-50% methylsilicone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-225 SPB-225 (capillary)
G20	Polyethylene glycol (av. mol. wt. of 380 to 420)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax 400
G21	Neopentyl glycol succinate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neopentyl glycol succinate
G22	Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate
G23	Polyethylene glycol adipate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ethylene glycol adipate (EGA)
G24	Diisodecyl phthalate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diisodecyl phthalate
G25	Polyethylene glycol compound TPA. A high molecular weight compound of a polyethylene glycol and a diepoxide that is esterified with terephthalic acid.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax 20M-terephthalic acid Carbowax 20M-TPA SP-1000 Free Fatty Acid Phase (FFAP) SPB-1000 (capillary) Nukol™ (capillary)
G27	5% Phenyl-95% methylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE-52 SLB®-5ms (capillary) DC-550 Equity-5 (capillary) SPB-5 (capillary)
G28	25% Phenyl-75% methylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DC-550
G29	3,3'-Thiodipropionitrile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BB'-Thiodipropionitrile (TDPN)
G30	Tetraethylene glycol dimethyl ether	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tetraethylene glycol dimethyl ether
G31	Nonylphenoxy poly(ethyleneoxy)ethanol (av. ethyleneoxy chain length is 30); Nonoxynol 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IGEPAL® CO-880 (Nonoxynol)
G32	20% Phenylmethyl-80% dimethylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-7 SPB-20 (capillary)
G33	20% Carborane-80% methylsilicone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dexsil® 300
G34	Diethylene glycol succinate polyester stabilized with phosphoric acid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DEGS-PS
G35	A high molecular weight compound of polyethylene glycol and a diepoxide that is esterified with nitroterephthalic acid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax 20M-terephthalic acid Carbowax 20M-TPA SP-1000 Free Fatty Acid Phase (FFAP) SPB-1000 (capillary) Nukol (capillary)
G36	1% Vinyl-5% phenylmethylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SE-54 SLB-5ms (capillary) Equity-5 (capillary) SPB-5 (capillary)
G38	Phase G1 containing a small percentage of a tailing inhibitor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2100 + 0.1% Carbowax 1500 SP-2100 + 0.2% Carbowax 1500
G40	Ethylene glycol adipate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ethylene glycol adipate (EGA)
G41	Phenylmethyl dimethylsiloxane (10% phenyl-substituted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-3
G42	35% Phenyl-65% dimethylpolysiloxane (percentages refer to molar substitution)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-11 SPB-35 (capillary)
G43	6% cyanopropylphenyl-94% dimethylpolysiloxane (percentages refer to molar substitution)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-1301 OV-1-G43 (capillary) SPB-624 (capillary)
G44	2% low molecular weight petrolatum hydrocarbon grease and 1% solution of potassium hydroxide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apiezon® L + 1% KOH
G45	Divinylbenzene-ethylene glycol-dimethylacrylate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HayeSep® A HayeSep N Porapak™ N
G46	14% Cyanopropylphenyl-86% methylpolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OV-1701 Equity-1701 (capillary)
G47	Polyethylene glycol (av. mol. wt. of about 8,000)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbowax 8000
G48	Highly polar, partially cross-linked cyanopolysiloxane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP-2380 SP-2380 (capillary)

GC Supports*

USP Code	Description	Recommended Support*
S1A	Siliceous earth for gas chromatography has been flux-calcined by mixing diatomite with Na ₂ CO ₃ flux and calcining above 900 °C. The siliceous earth is acid-washed, then water-washed until neutral, but not base-washed. The siliceous earth may be silanized by treating with an agent such as dimethylchlorosilane to mask surface silanol groups. Note: Unless otherwise specified in the individual monograph, silanized support is intended.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO PORT® Chromosorb® W AW Chromosorb W HP
S1AB	The siliceous earth as described above is both acid- and base-washed. Note: Unless otherwise specified in the individual monograph, silanized support is intended.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SUPELCO PORT BW
S1C	A support prepared from crushed firebrick and calcined or burned with a clay binder above 900 °C with subsequent acid-wash. It may be silanized.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chromosorb P AW Chromosorb P AW-DMCS
S1D	A support prepared from crushed firebrick and calcined or burned with a clay binder above 900 °C, not acid washed. It may be silanized.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chromosorb P NAW
S1NS	The siliceous earth is untreated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chromosorb W NAW
S2	Styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer having a nominal surface area of less than 50 m ² per g and an average pore diameter of 0.3 to 0.4 µm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chromosorb 101
S3	Copolymer of ethylvinylbenzene and divinylbenzene having a nominal surface area of 500 to 600 m ² per g and an average pore diameter of 0.0075 µm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HayeSep Q Porapak Q Super Q
S4	Styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer with aromatic -O and -N groups, having a nominal surface area of 400 to 600 m ² per g and an average pore diameter of 0.0076 µm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HayeSep R Porapak R
S5	40- to 60-mesh, high molecular weight tetrafluorethylene polymer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chromosorb T
S6	Styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer having a nominal surface area of 250 to 350 m ² per g and an average pore diameter of 0.0091 µm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HayeSep P Porapak P Chromosorb 102
S7	Graphitized carbon having a nominal surface area of 12 m ² per g.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbopack™ C
S8	Copolymer of 4-vinyl-pyridine and styrene-divinylbenzene.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HayeSep S Porapak S
S9	A porous polymer based on 2,6-diphenyl-p-phenylene oxide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tenax® TA
S10	A highly polar cross-linked copolymer of acrylonitrile and divinylbenzene.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HayeSep C
S11	Graphitized carbon having a nominal surface area of 100 m ² per g modified with small amounts of petrolatum and polyethylene glycol compound.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3% SP-1500 on 80/120 Carbopack B
S12	Graphitized carbon having a nominal surface area of 100 m ² per g.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbopack B

Supelco's Molecular sieve 5A GC material meets USP/NF criteria for analysis of nitrogen purity: "...a molecular sieve prepared from a synthetic alkali-metal aluminosilicate capable of absorbing molecules having diameters of up to 0.5 nm, which permit complete separation of oxygen from nitrogen."

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Footnotes: ▲ Indicates availability of material(s) matching the description. Supelco is not necessarily the manufacturer of the material.
▼ Unless otherwise specified, mesh sizes of 80 to 100 or, alternatively, 100 to 120 are intended.

Reference: United States Pharmacopeia 37, National Formulary 32, (November 1, 2013). Request from United States Pharmacopoeial Convention, Inc., 12601 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, MD USA 20852 (tel. 800-227-8772).

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