



# Smart Method Development & Method Transfer Workflows



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# Outline

- ❑ Introduction
- ❑ QbD for method development workflows
- ❑ Introducing Agilent's smart method development and method transfer solutions
  
- ❑ Demo Session
  - Instrument to Instrument (I2I) Method Transfer using ISET
  - Automated Scouting of Stationary and Mobile Phases Using Agilent 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution

# Challenges For Analytical Laboratories Today

- Demand to increase the efficiency of workflows
  - Increasing number of samples and tasks
  - Limitation in resources
  - Minimizing costs

# Approaches To Increase The Efficiency

- Applying QbD in method development processes
- Automation for method development processes
- Streamline method transfer processes
- Reducing error prone manual workload
- Reducing instrument downtime

# The Role Of QbD In Analytical Method Development

- Analytical method development is an important part of the drug development process
- The quality principles which have been described in the ICH guideline Q8 (R2) should be implemented to eliminate risks or failures
- <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Drugs/Guidances/ucm073507.pdf>

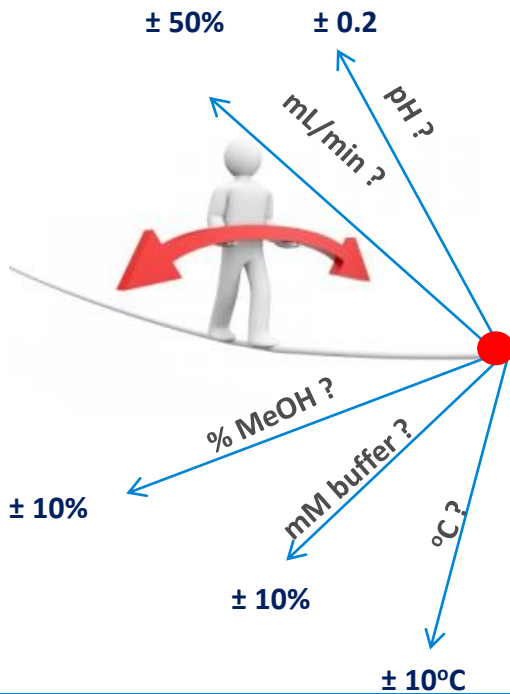
(ICH = International Conference of Harmonization of Technical Requirements for Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use, Founded in 1990 by an FDA initiative)

# Method Development & Transfer Workflows

## The Classic Approach



- Parameters determined by trial-and error.
- Robustness tests performed by the one factor at the time approach (OFAT)



Slope 14.5% /min MeOH  
pH 7 +/- 0.2  
45°C +/- 2 °C  
1.0 mL/min +/- 0.1

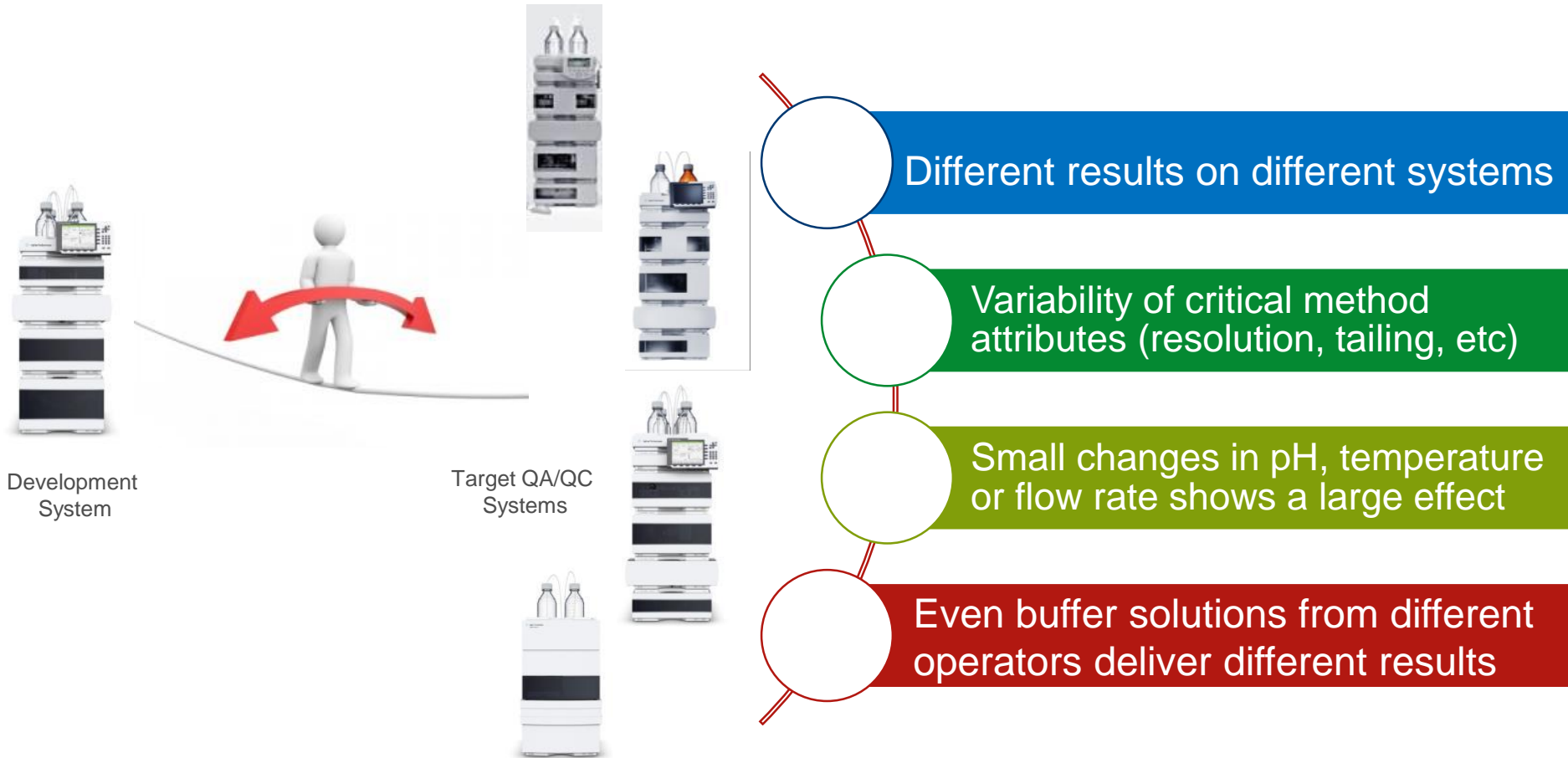
Transfer



Transfer



# Reported Failures Of Non Robust Methods



# QbD Based Method Development Workflow

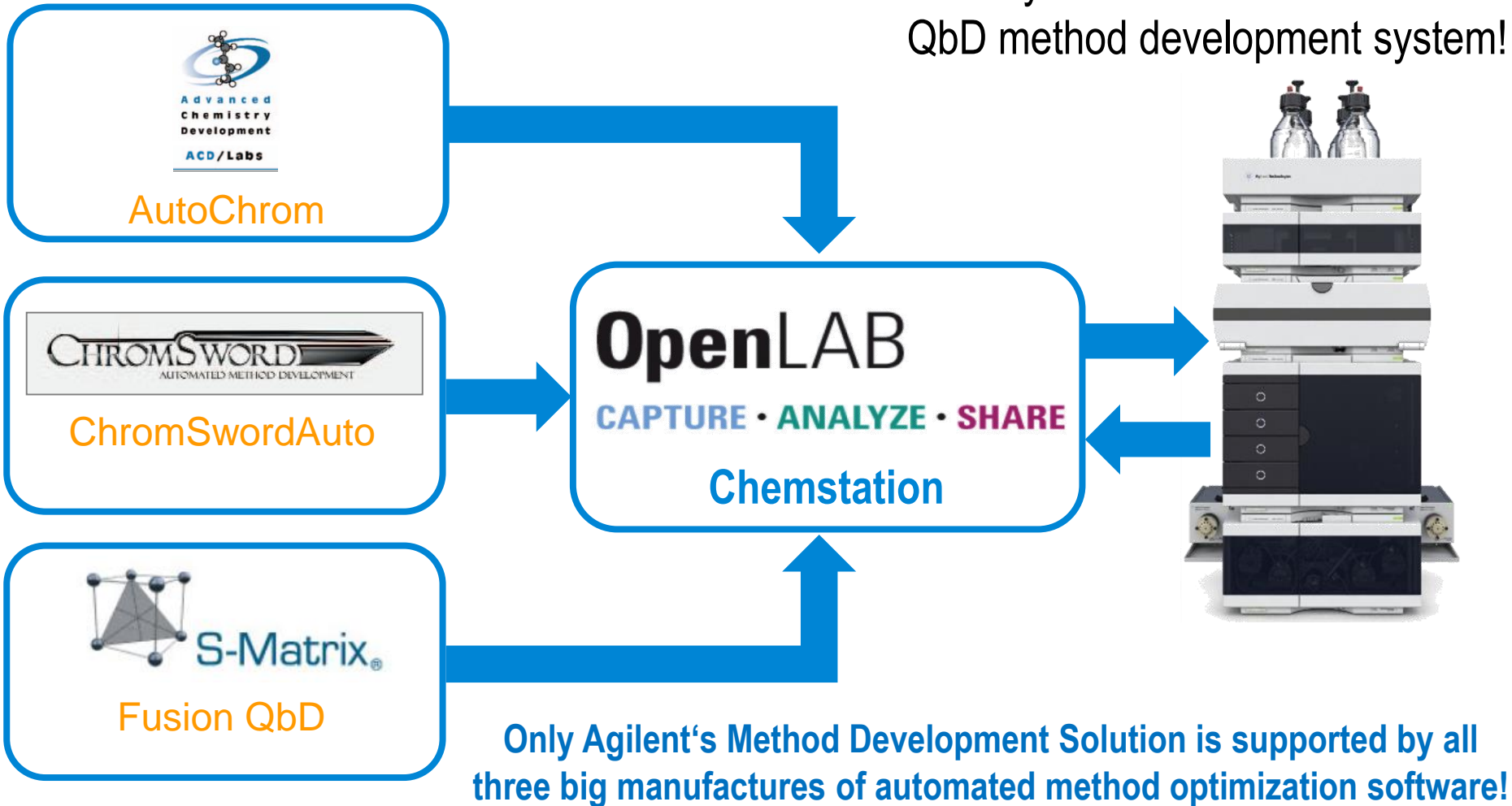
- ❑ Define Critical Method Attributes **CMAs**  
(resolution, peak tailing, signal/noise, etc.)
- ❑ Define critical method parameters **CMPs**  
(flow, temp, pH, etc.) which affects the **CMAs**

# QbD Based Method Development Workflow

- ❑ Key is the statistical „Design of Experiment“ (**DoE**) where multiple **CMPs** will be varied in each experiment
- ❑ A method is robust, as long all changes of **CMPs** are within the determined **Design Space**

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Party QbD Software Collaboration Partners

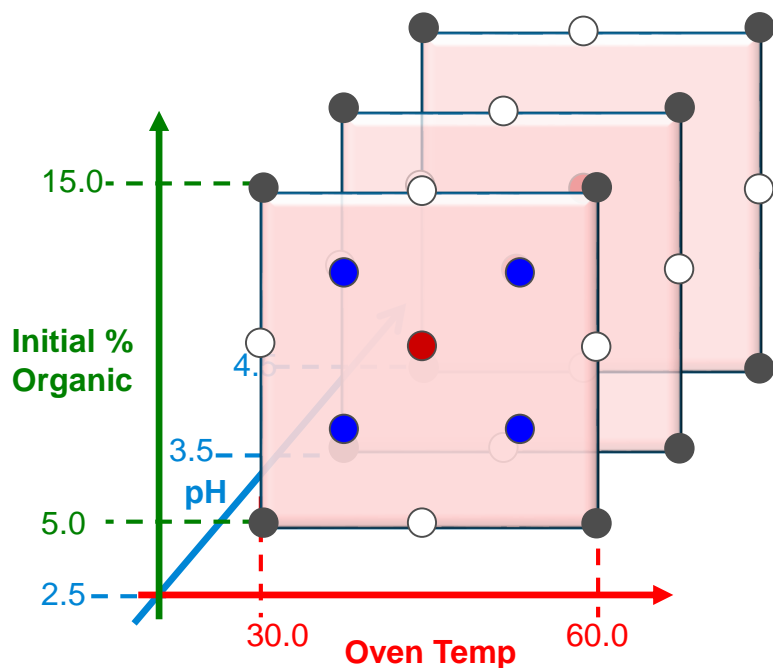
Turn your LC into an automated QbD method development system!



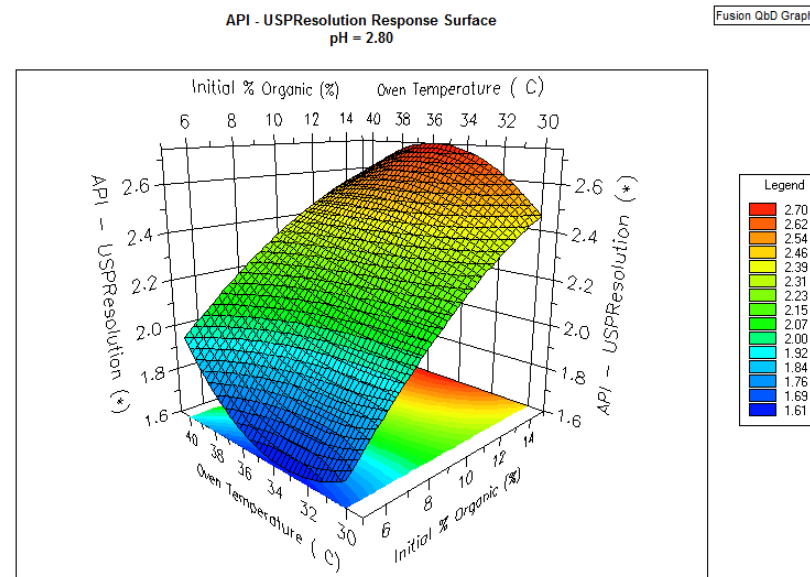
Only Agilent's Method Development Solution is supported by all three big manufacturers of automated method optimization software!

# Fusion QbD Software (S-Matrix)

- ❑ Statistical approach identifying the best separation conditions
- ❑ A graphic plot illustrates the position of the best conditions



Sequence of Experiments



3 Dimensional Results Plot

# Robustness Testing & Establishing a Design Space (Fusion QbD Software)

## List of CMPs and CMAs for robustness testing

CMV	Coded name*	Method nominal	Robust range
Pump flow rate (mL/min)	A	0.6	± 0.01
Oven temperature (°C)	B	33	± 1
pH	C	6.76	± 0.1
Buffer concentration (mM)	D	10	± 0.5
Injection volume	E	1	± 0.1

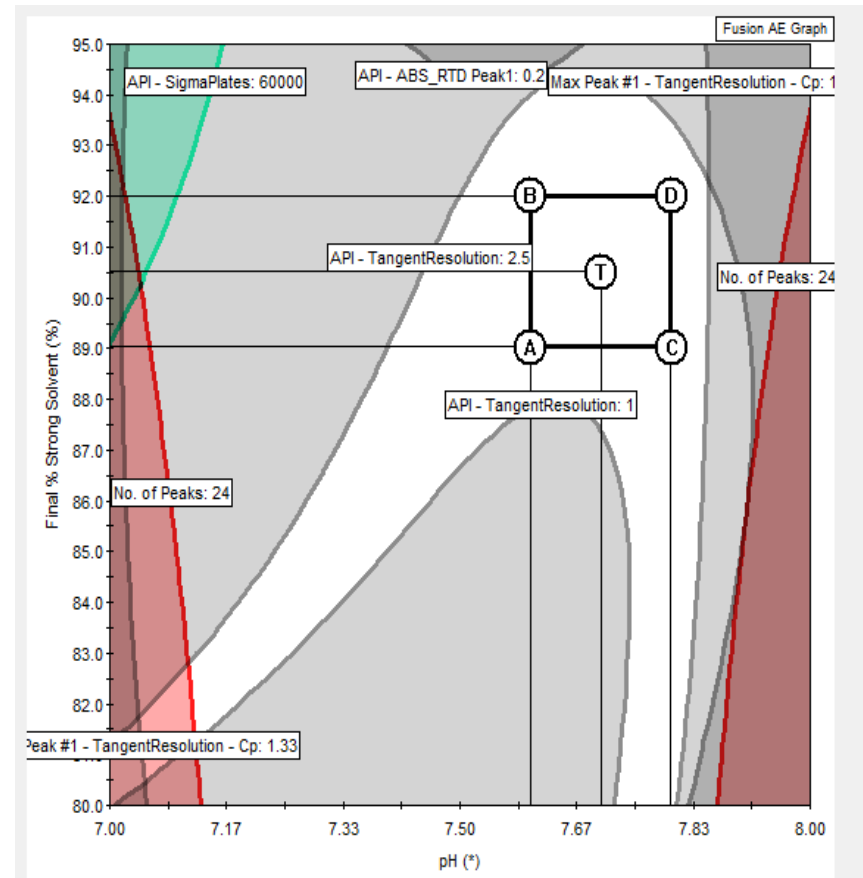
\*Coded name used in models showing multiple interactions

CMA	Mean	RSD
API tangent resolution	2.7	3.3 %
API area	4,504.5	1.9 %
API RT	10.0	0.7 %
ADPK RT*	9.2	0.67 %

\*Adjacent peak

\* The coded names are used in robustness model displays

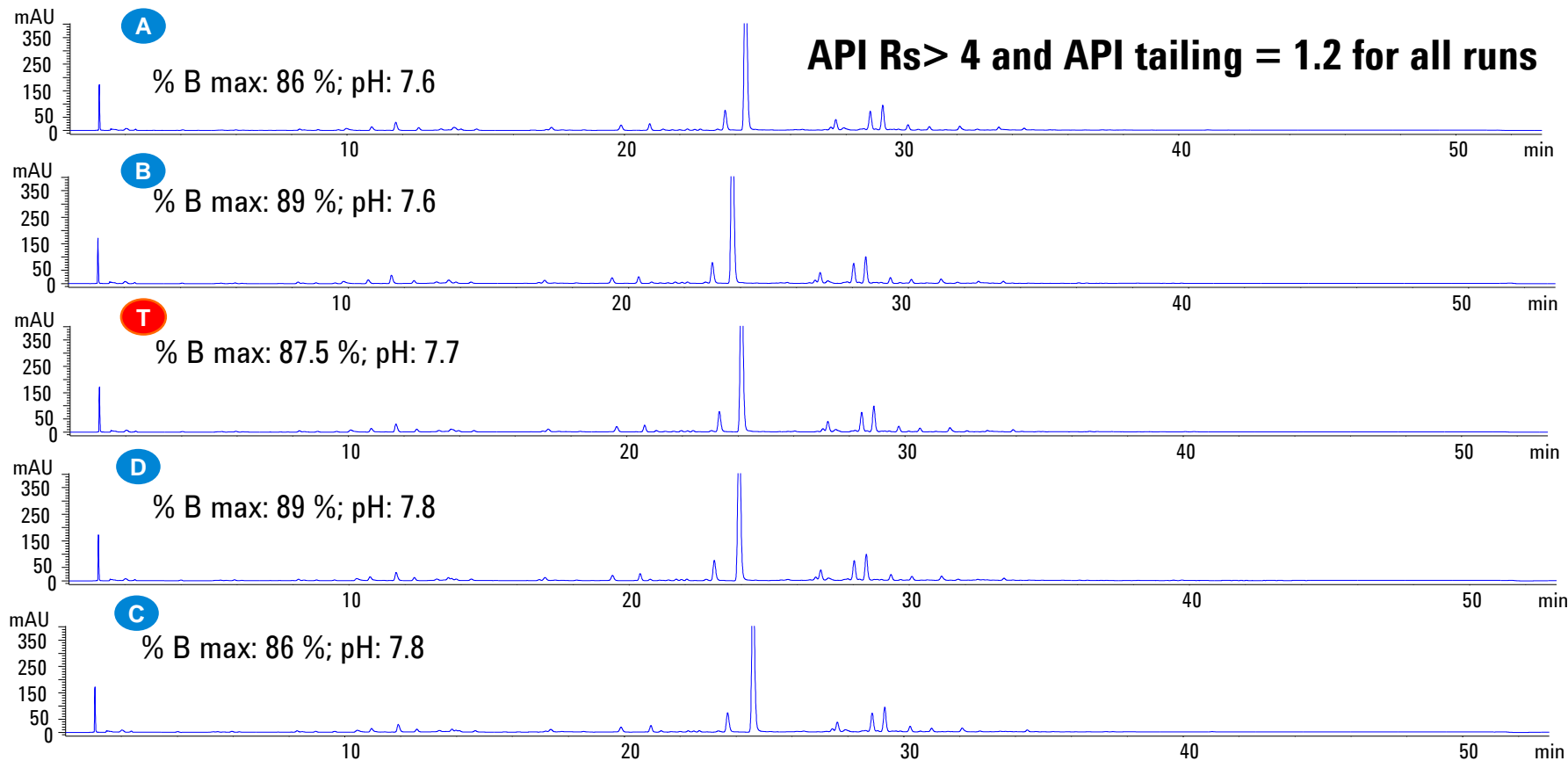
## Design Space



# Robustness Testing: Experimental Data

Conditions applied from center point and the four corner points of the Design Space

Critical Method Attributes remain within the limits

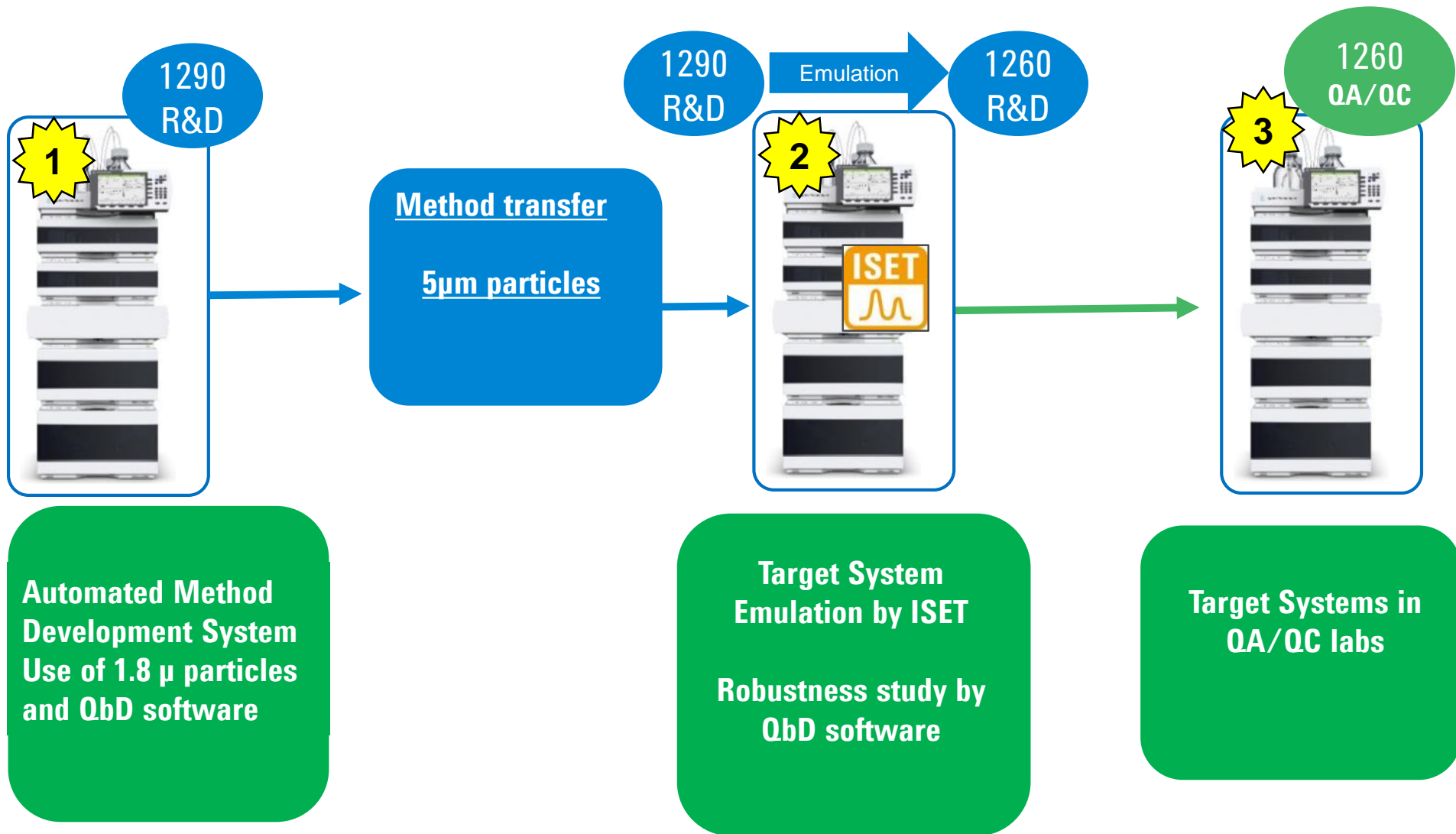


# What Are The Advantages ?

- ❑ **Increase of efficiency** by avoiding unnecessary experiments during the method development process (no trial an error!)
- ❑ **DoE** is delivering more robust methods compared to the classic „one-factor-at-the-time“ (OFAT) robustness testing process
- ❑ Changes of **CMPs** to optimize processes are allowed without revalidation when staying within the defined **Design Space**

# A Smart Method Development & Transfer Workflow

From UHPLC to HPLC in a nutshell



# Agilent Application Note



QbD Based Method Development on an Agilent 1290 Infinity UHPLC System Combined with a Seamless Method Transfer to HPLC Using Intelligent System Emulation Technology

## Application Note

Pharmaceutical QA/QC

### Author

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Bangalore, India

### Abstract

In this Application Note, a method was developed on sub-2  $\mu\text{m}$  particle columns and transferred to a conventional HPLC method using Quality by Design (QbD) principles. A seamless method transfer between the different chromatography systems was achieved using the Agilent Intelligent System Emulation Technology (ISET). Initial method development work on the Agilent Infinity 1290 system included automated chemistry screening of different sub-2  $\mu\text{m}$  particle columns under different chromatographic conditions involving multiple combinations of eluents, flow rates, gradient slopes, and temperatures. Subsequent optimization of the best performing chemistry system was carried out using a Design of Experiments (DOE) approach to establish the ICH Design Space. The Agilent Method Translator was used for the transfer from sub-2  $\mu\text{m}$  column material to conventional column material. An Agilent 1290 Infinity UHPLC system was used in combination with ISET to emulate an Agilent 1260 Infinity HPLC system. This enabled establishing a Design Space for the HPLC method. Reproducibility and resolution of the transferred method was then verified on an Agilent 1260 Infinity HPLC system. This successfully demonstrates that ISET in combination with Fusion QbD Method Development and Validation Software (S-Matrix) enables an efficient transfer of UHPLC methods to HPLC methods within the QbD approach.

**Title:** QbD Based Method Development on an Agilent 1290 Infinity UHPLC system Combined with a Seamless Method Transfer to HPLC Using Intelligent System Emulation Technology

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**Language:** English

**Author:** Vinayak A.K.

**LitStation Availability:** May 5, 2015, CPOD



# Step #1: Method Development



**Automated Method  
Development System  
Use of 1.8  $\mu$  particles  
and QbD software**

# 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution Schematics

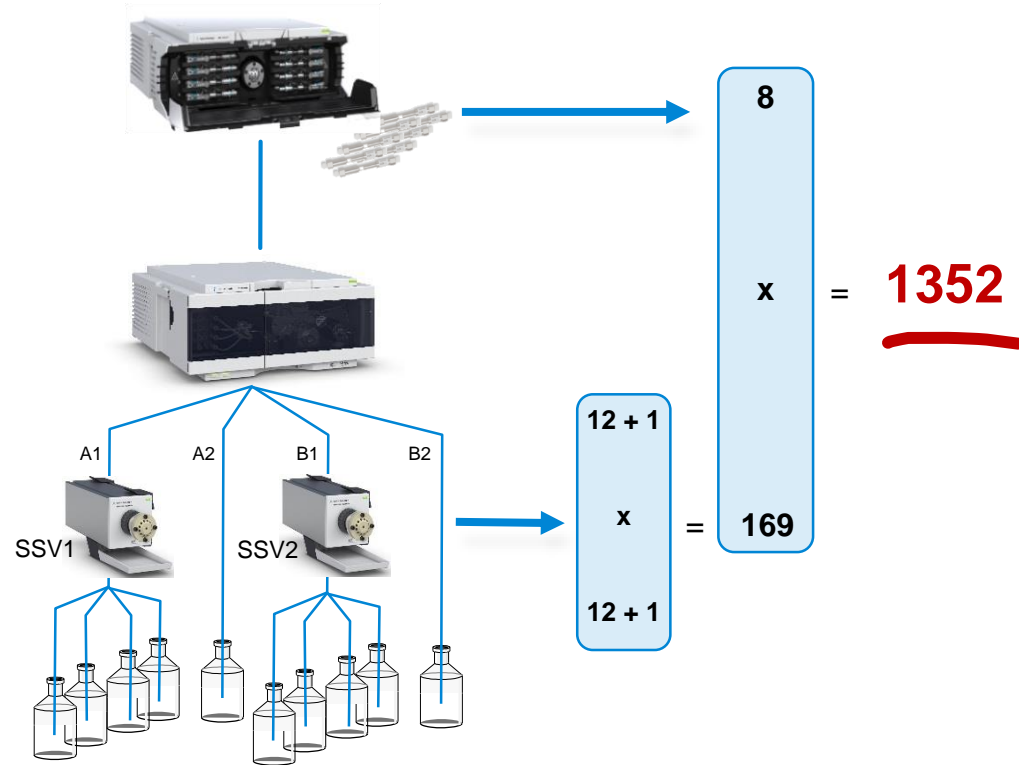


1290 Infinity II  
MCT

1290 Infinity II  
Flexible Pump

External Solvent  
Selection Valves

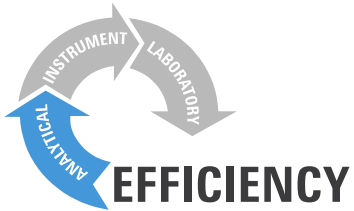
Up to 12 solvents  
per SSV!!!



- ❑ 1352 different combinations of column chemistries and eluents
- ❑ A nearly infinite number of separation conditions is created by including different temperature and flow rates as variable parameters

# Agilent 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution

## All Options



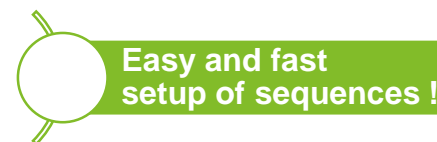
Agilent 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution  
6100 Series MSD and 1290 ELSD are optional detectors to  
ensure the most comprehensive compound detection

# Agilent ChemStation Method Scouting Wizard

There is no easier way to set up even complex screening campaigns



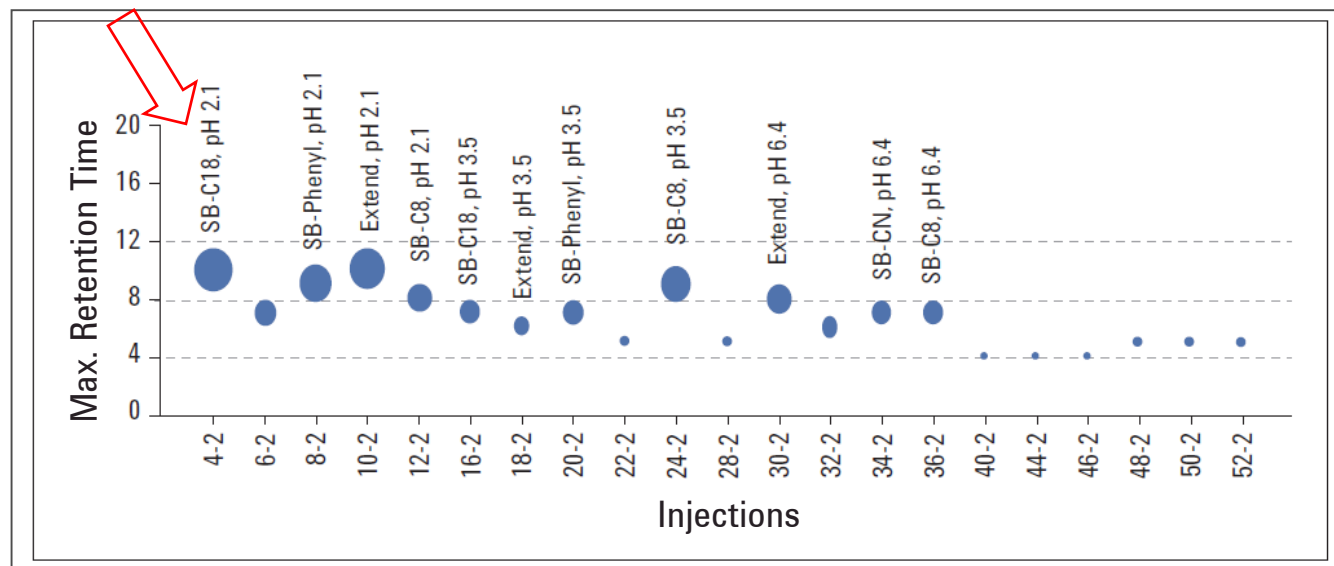
- **Define project**  
Choose scouting combinations and base method.
- **Select columns**  
All installed columns are shown automatically.
- **Select solvents**  
Pump types and valves are automatically detected.
- **Define gradients**  
Select between different gradients and temperatures.
- **Review and select screening methods**  
Check for incompatible combinations.
- **Set up samples**  
Define injection volumes and number of repetitions.



# Agilent ChemStation Method Scouting Wizard

## Ease of Use: Screening Report

*Fast screening of mobile and stationary phases with 1290 Infinity II LC –  
**Analysis of Degradation Products of Metoprolol***

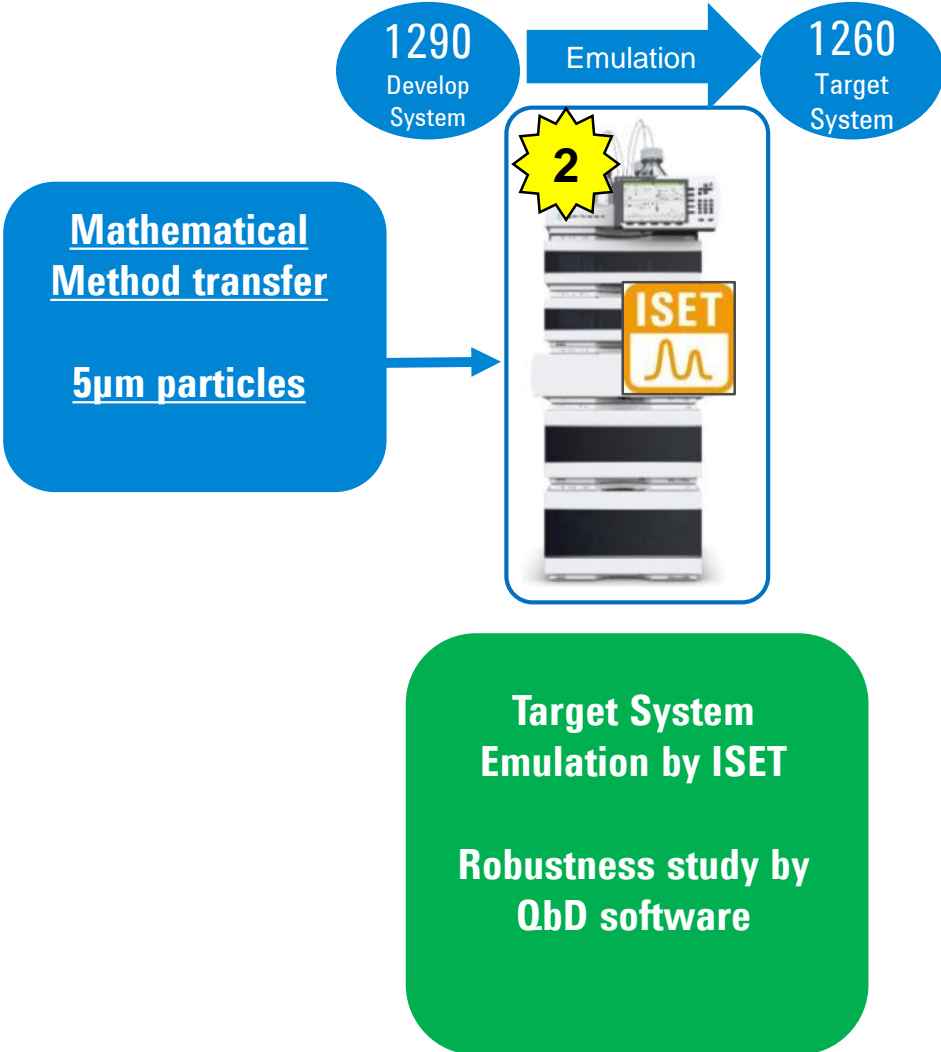


*Bubble size represents the number of integrated peaks and, consequently, best mobile and stationary phase combination.*

<https://www.agilent.com/cs/library/applications/5991-0989EN.pdf>

# Step #2:

## Method Transfer And Target System Emulation



# Method Transfer From UHPLC To HPLC

**HPLC calculator v3.0**

- Isocratic transfer method
- Gradient transfer method
- Chromatographic performance in isocratic
- Chromatographic performance in gradient

Developed by Davy GUILLARME (davy.guillarme@unige.ch)  
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## HPLC Calculator University of Geneva

<http://www.unige.ch/sciences/pharm/fanal/lcap/telechargement.htm>

Gradient Method Transfer Calculator

Existing Method				Proposed Method			
Parameter		Column dimensions		Parameter		New column dimensions	
Column geometry	Column length	150	mm	Column geometry	Column length	50	mm
	Column I.D.	4.6	mm		Column I.D.	3	mm
	Particle size	3.5	µm		Particle size	1.8	µm
Method conditions	Injection volume	7	µl	Method conditions	Injection volume	0.99	µl
	Flow rate	1.4	ml/min		Flow rate	1.16	ml/min
	Pressure	116	bar		Pressure	284.26	bar

Gradient	Time (min)	%A	%B	Gradient	Time (min)	%A	%B
Initial conditions	0	0	5	Initial conditions	0	0	5
Step 2 (initial hold)	0.21	0	5	Step 2 (initial hold)	0.04	0	5
Step 3	45.3	0	90.5	Step 3	7.77	0	90.5
Step 4	48.9	0	95	Step 4	8.38	0	95
Step 5	49.2	0	5	Step 5	8.43	0	5

Column Void Volume 1	1.7	ml	Column Void Volume 2	0.24	ml
Equilibration time 1	12.11	min	Equilibration time 2	2.08	min

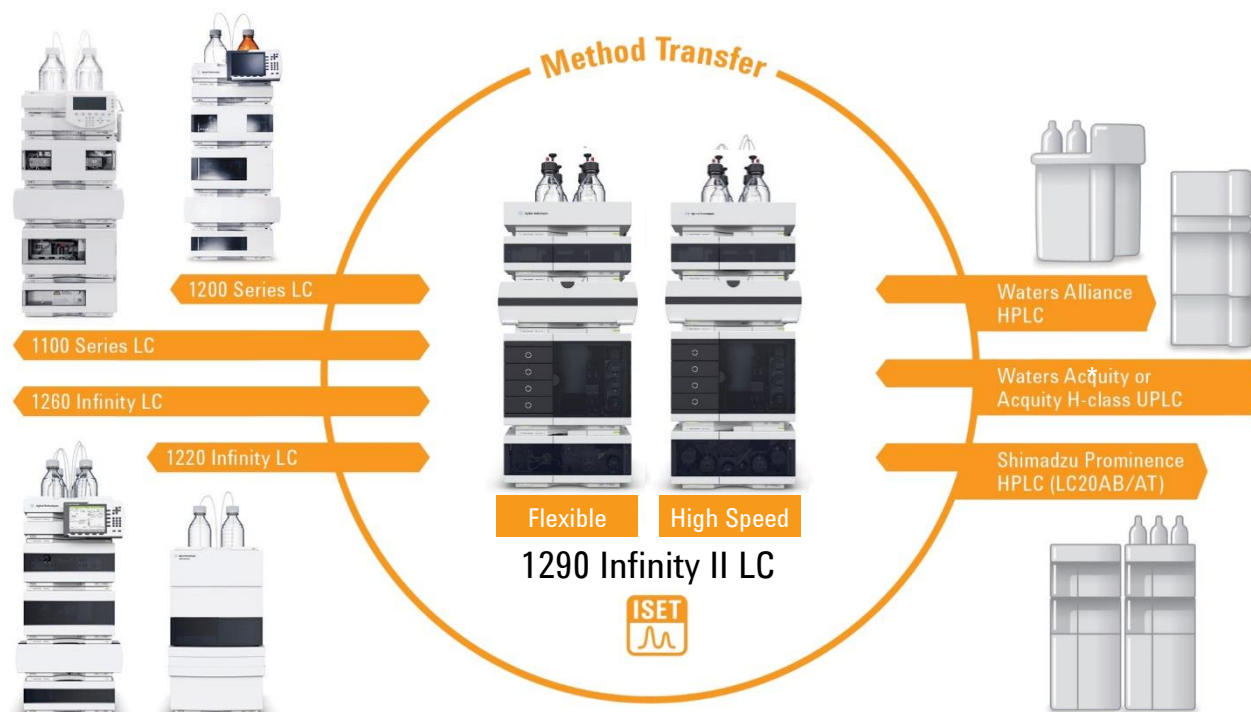
Reset >>> Calculate

## Crawford Scientific Calculator

[http://www.crawfordscientific.com/HPLC Method Transfer On-line.htm](http://www.crawfordscientific.com/HPLC%20Method%20Transfer%20On-line.htm)

# Cross-System Method Transfer Solution

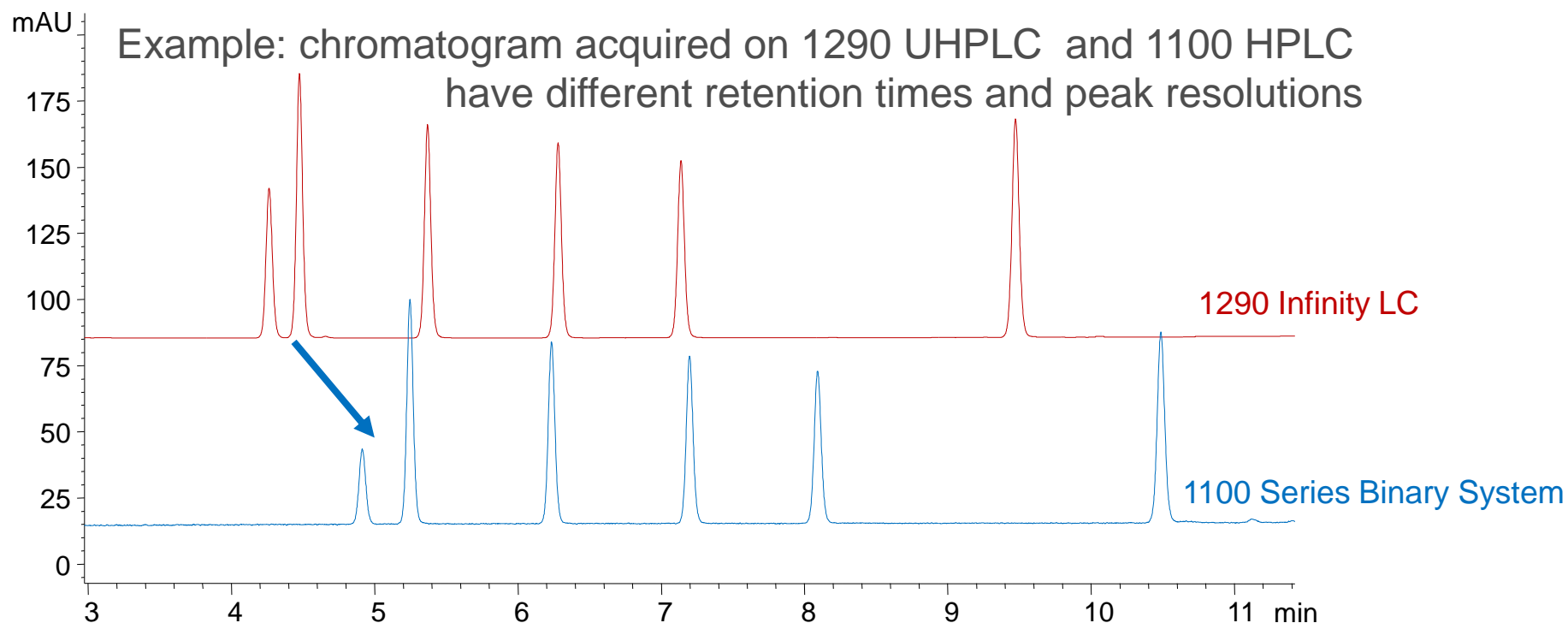
## *Intelligent System Emulation Technology (ISET)*



*The only LC System in the world able to emulate other LCs without any hardware changes – just by a mouse-click!*

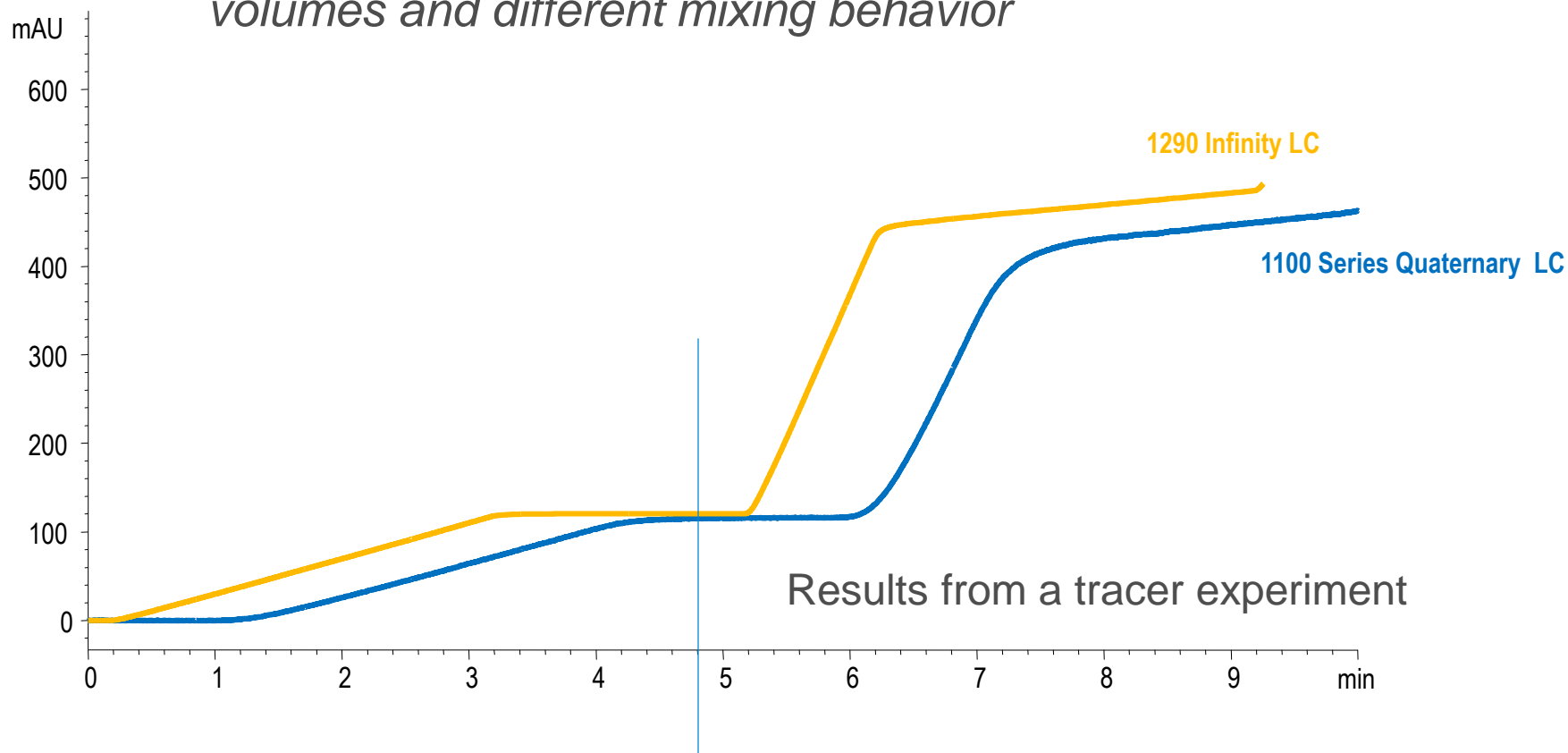
# Method Transfer Between Different LC Instruments

- ❑ Dwell volumes and mixing behaviors are characteristic properties of the system fluidics. Chromatograms acquired on different LC instruments are not identical! CMAs (resolution, peak width, peak tailing, etc.) might change and can lead to different results!

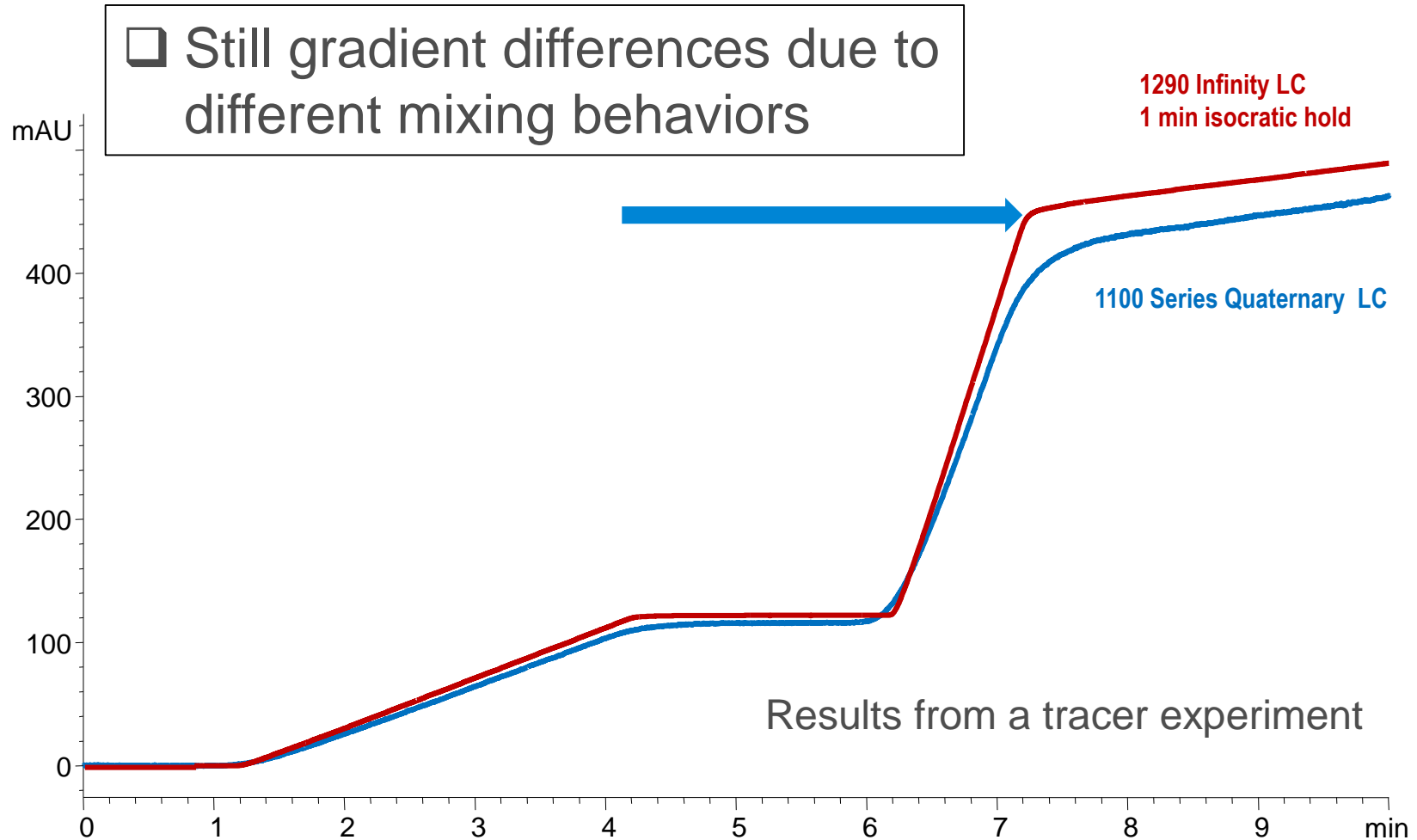


# Monitoring The Gradient Generation on Different Instruments

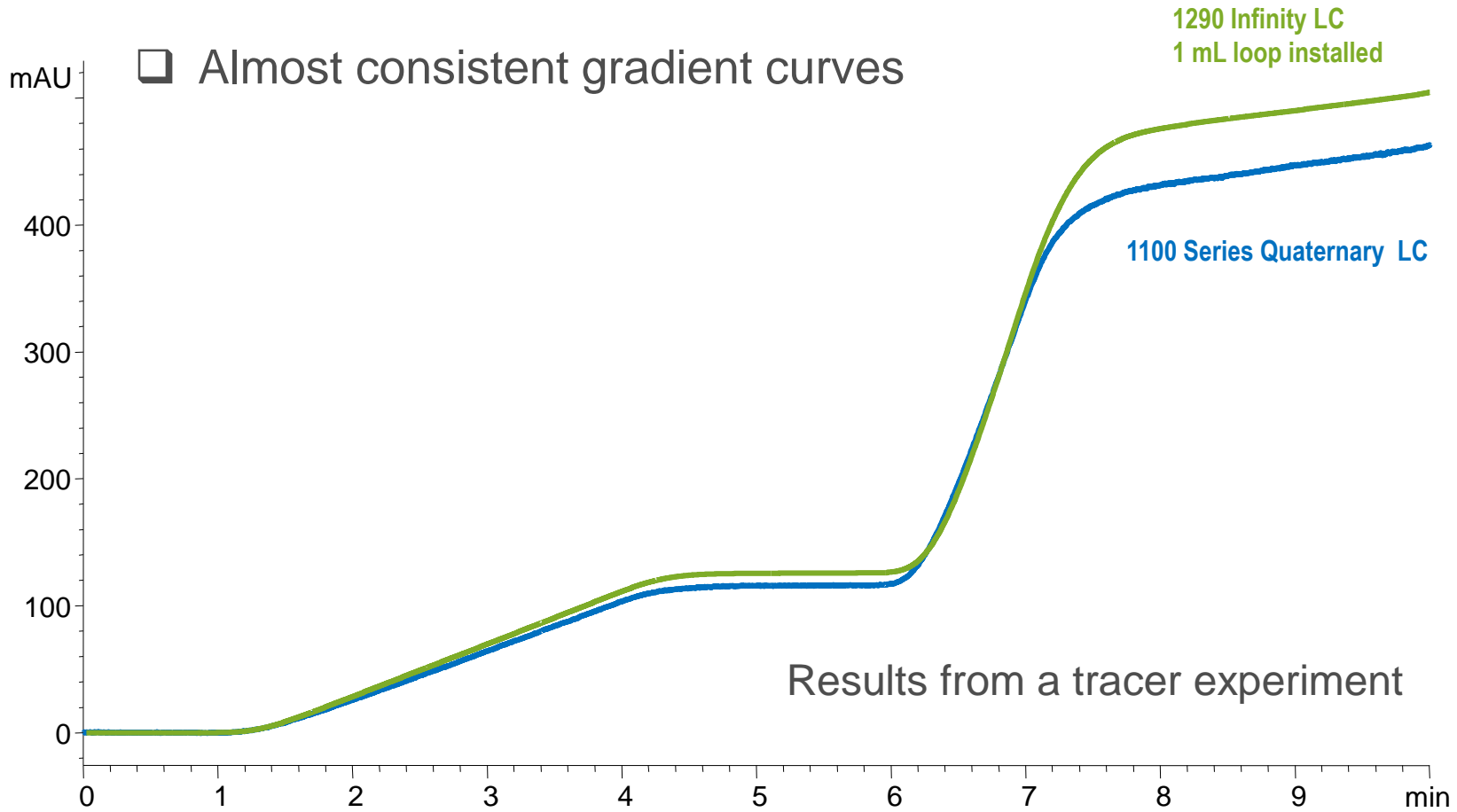
*Gradient differences due to different dwell volumes and different mixing behavior*



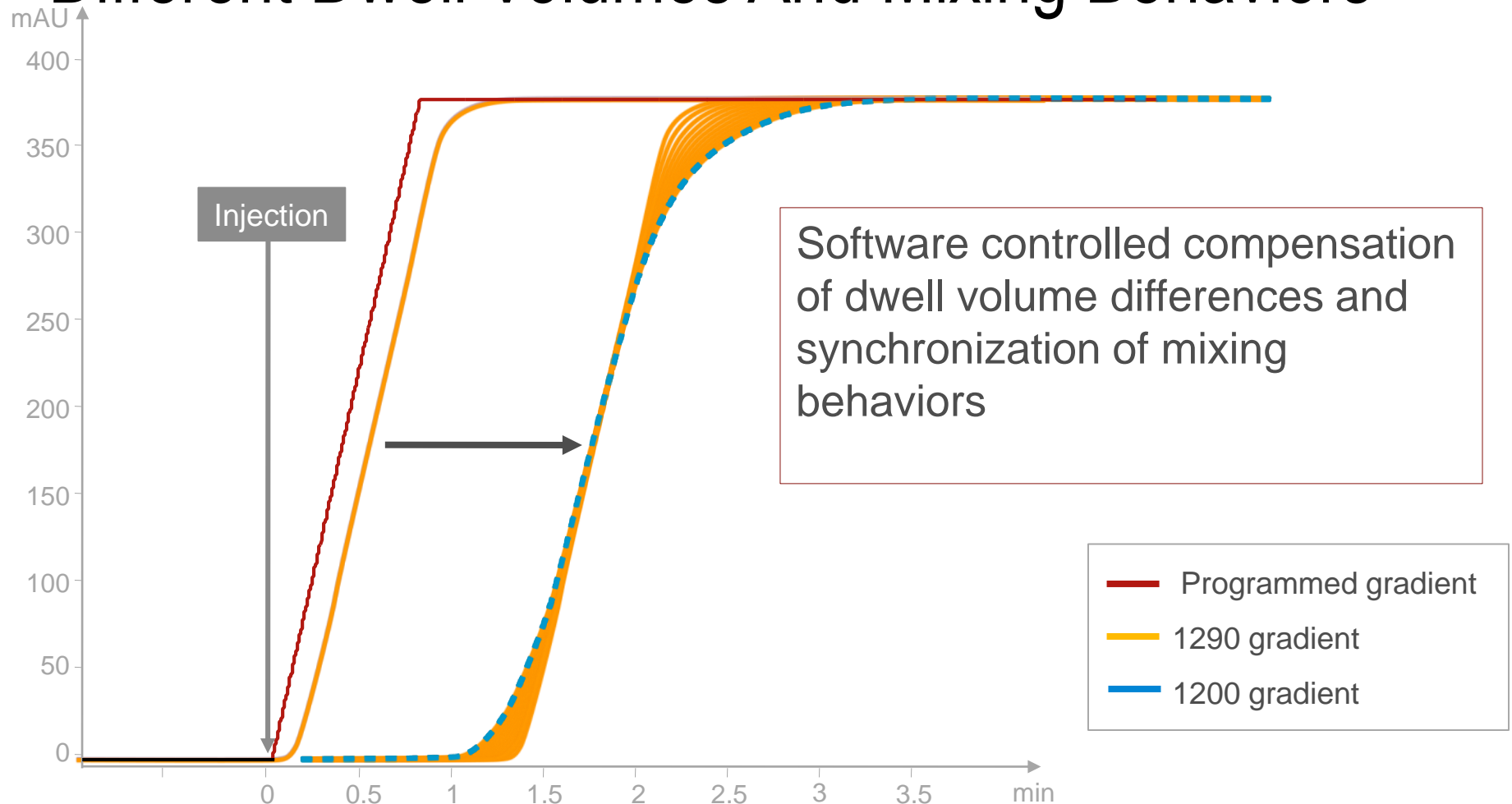
# Applying an Isocratic Holding Step To Compensate The Different Dwell Volumes is a compromise



# Is Adding A Physical Void Volume To Compensate The Different Dwell Volumes the right solution?

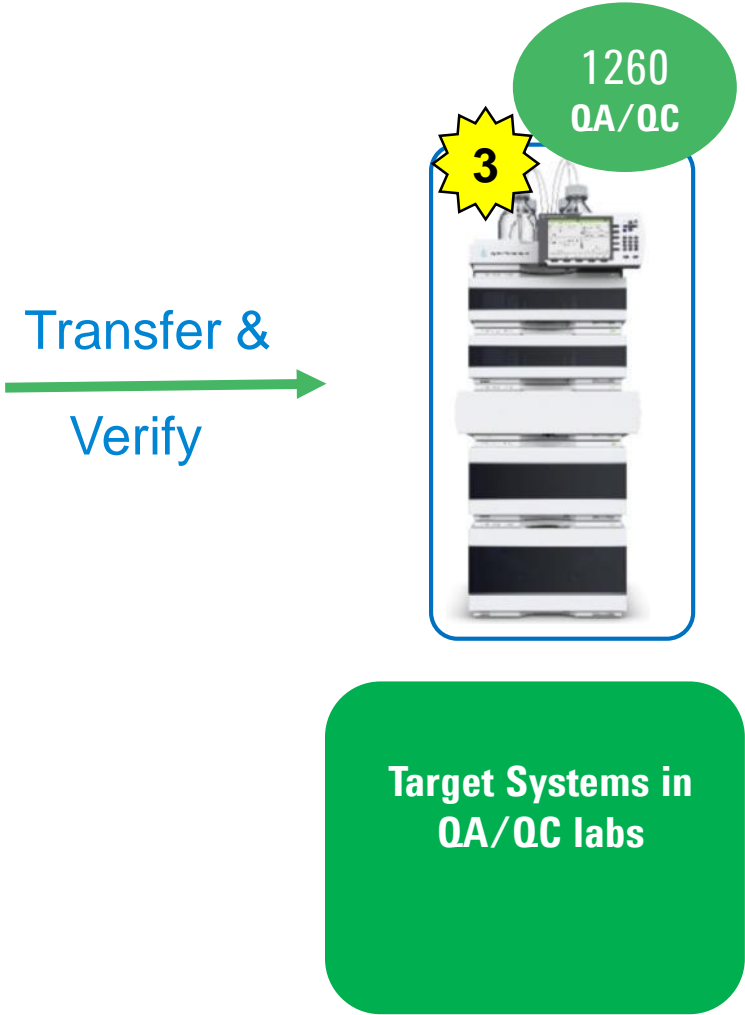


# The Intelligent Agilent Solution To Compensate Different Dwell Volumes And Mixing Behaviors



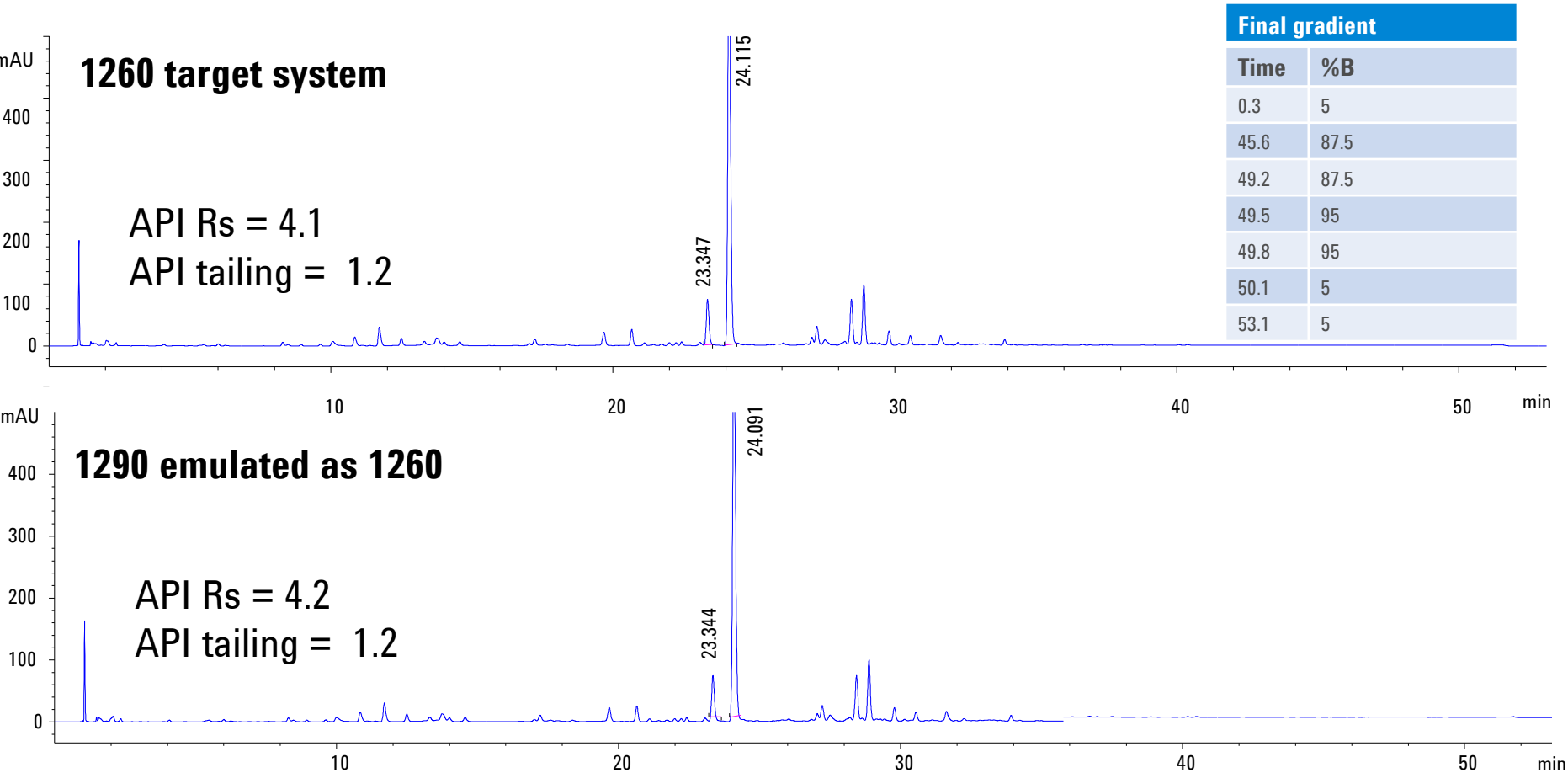
❑ Intelligent System Emulation Technology (ISET)

# Step #3: Transfer to target system



# Verification Of Results With The Target System

1260 Infinity data compared to 1290 Infinity data in emulation mode



☐ Critical Method Attributes are within the defined limits



# Demo Session



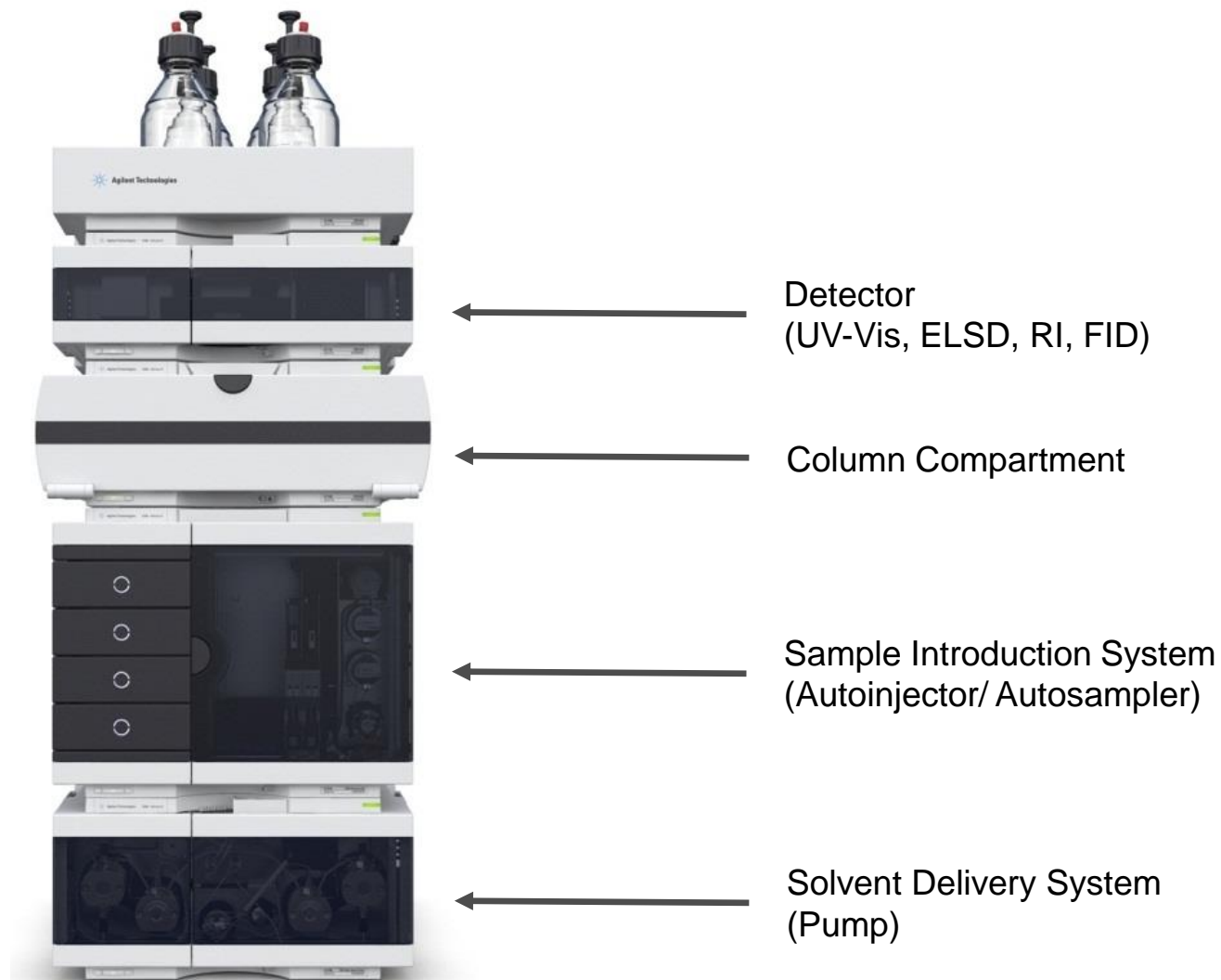
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# □ 1290 Infinity II Show-and-Tell

# Agilent 1290 Infinity II LC System

*In A Nutshell*



# 1290 Infinity II High Speed Pump

## Binary Pump

### G7120A 1290 Infinity II High Speed Pump

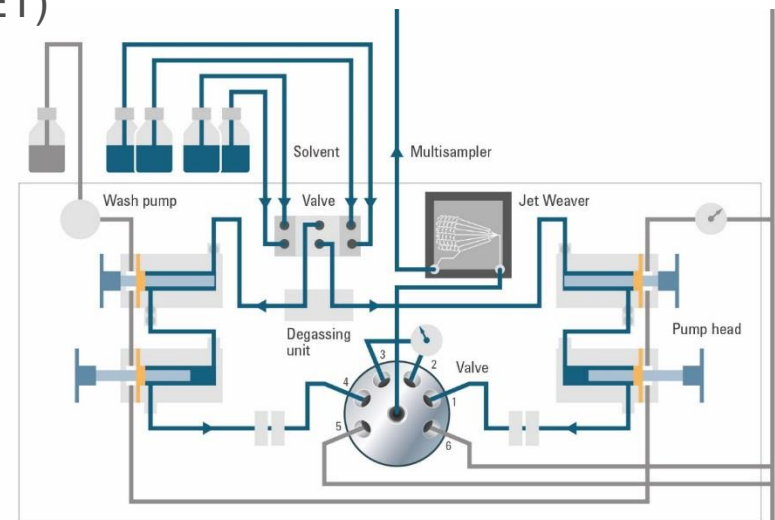


- More mechanical components
- 2-channel HPM (high-pressure mixing)  
(out of 4 mobile phases with internal solvent selection valve)
- + Lower delay volume (< 45  $\mu\text{L}$ )
- + Seal Wash included
- + Prepare Pump
  - + Purge, Conditioning, Prime
- + Intelligent System Emulation Technology (ISET)



### Applications

- Ideal for very fast/steep gradient changes
- Excellent front end for MS



High Speed Pump

# 1290 Infinity II Flexible Pump

## Quaternary Pump

### G7104A 1290 Infinity II Flexible Pump

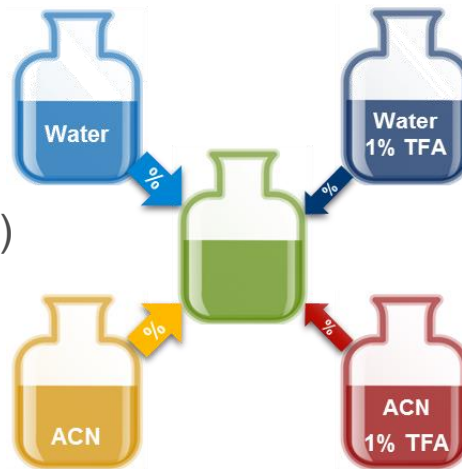


- + 4-channel LPM (low-pressure mixing)
- Higher delay volume, 350  $\mu$ L or 500  $\mu$ L
- + Seal Wash included
- + Blend Assist
- + Prepare Pump
  - + Purge, Conditioning, Prime
- + Intelligent System Emulation Technology (ISET)

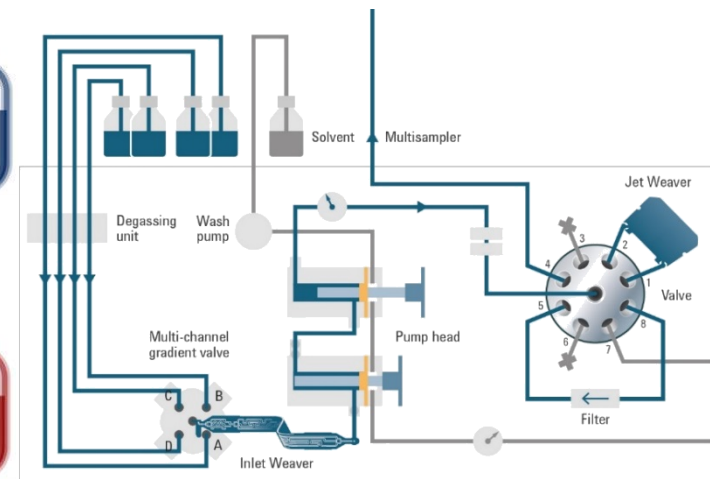


### Applications

- More than 2 solvent elution
- All other applications (Versatile)



Blend Assist



Flexible Pump

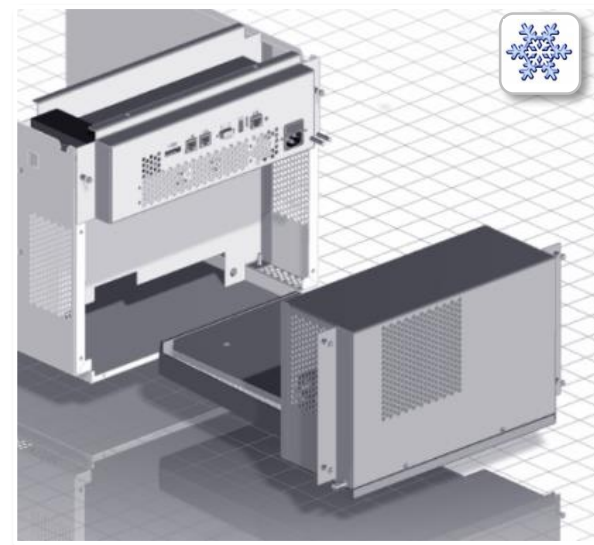
# 1290 Infinity II Autosampler

## Vialsampler

### G7129B 1290 Infinity II Vialsampler



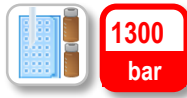
- Vials only (2 x 66 vials), no well plates
- + Lower price
- + Lower carry-over, needle flush port
- + **Relatively fast 18s (vials to injector)**
- + Sampler cooling condenser (optional)
- + Walk up tray (option)
- + Optional integrated column compartment (ICC)
  - + Up to 2 columns
  - + Heating up to 80 °C
  - Cooling to -5 of ambient temperature



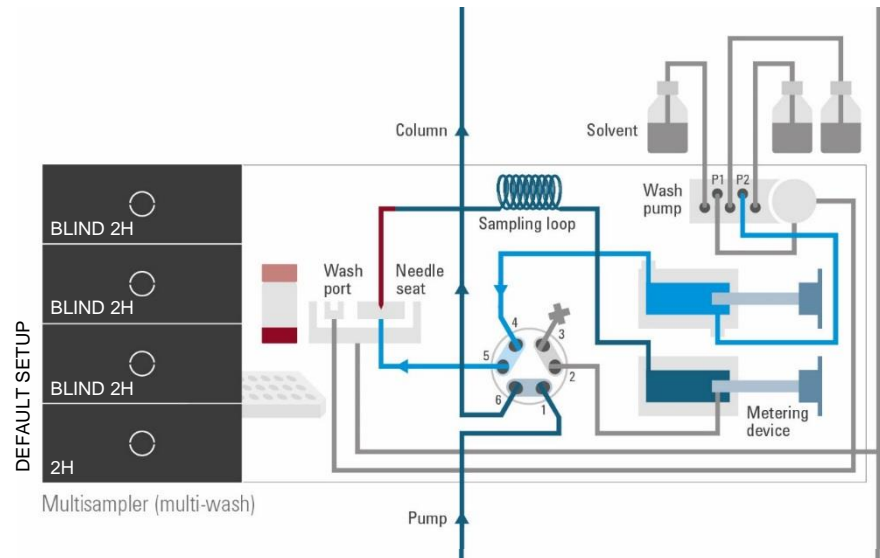
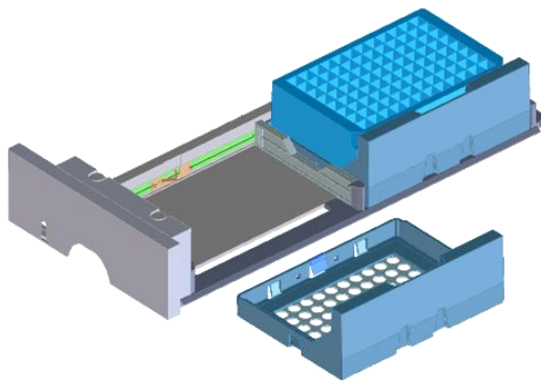
# Agilent 1290 Infinity II Autosampler

## Multisampler

### G7167B 1290 Infinity II Multisampler



- + Vials and well-plates
- + Extremely fast (needle to vial)
- + High capacity up to 16 WPS (6144 samples)
- + Lowest carryover
- + Dual needle or Multi wash (3 solvents)
- + Highest Capacity per benchspace (8 x 54 vials)



# 1290 Infinity II Column Compartment

## Multi Column Thermostat (MCT)

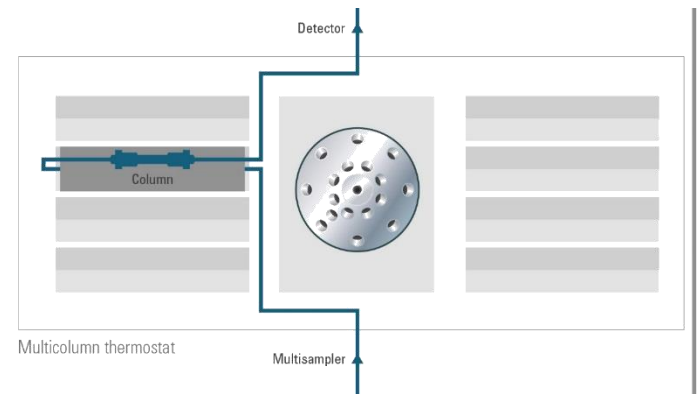


### G7116B 1290 Infinity II MCT

- + 4 x 300mm up to 8 x 100mm columns
- + Column heating and cooling
- + Up to 8 quick-connect heat exchangers
- + Quick-change valve (1300 bar)
- + Door flap can be opened to 90°, 180° or removed
- + Optional column tagging for up to 8 columns



RFID Column Tags



Quick-Change Valve

# 1290 Infinity II Detectors

## UV Detectors

### G7114B 1290 Infinity II VWD



240  
Hz

- + Dual  $\lambda$  mode (2.5 Hz)
- + Data rates 240 Hz for ultra-fast separation
- + 3 Prep flow cells
- Wavelength range 190 – 600 nm
- No spectra



### G7114B 1290 Infinity II DAD *NEW DESIGN*



240  
Hz

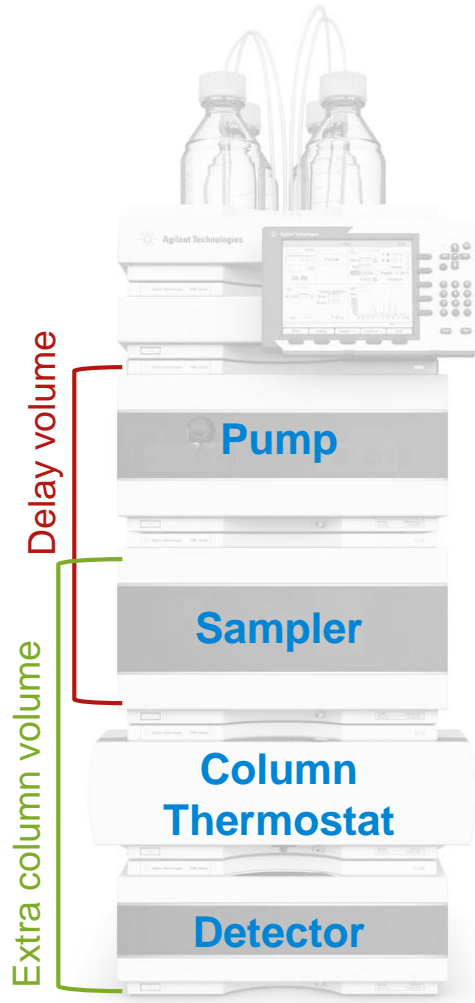
- + Programmable slit 1,2,4 8 nm
- + **G7117A FS** (Fixed Slit) version available

120  
Hz



# ☐ Instrument to Instrument (I2I) Method Transfer using ISET

# Parameters Affecting I2I Method Transfer



Delay volume  
Gradient mixing behavior  
Pressure x flow rate

Retention Time  
Resolution

Delay volume  
Extra column volume  
Injection volume

Retention Time  
Resolution  
Sensitivity

Temperature profile  
Extra column volume

Retention Time  
Resolution

Data rate  
Extra column volume  
Path-length

Resolution  
Retention Time  
Sensitivity



# I-to-I Method Transferability

## *What Most Vendors Does?*

- From a *lower to higher* dwell volume LC system  
(UHPLC → HPLC)
  - A) Adding physical volume (plumbing solution)
  - B) Modifying your gradient table with isocratic hold
- From a *higher to lower* dwell volume LC system  
(HPLC → UHPLC)
  - C) Delay the injection using injector program

Injection delay time = Dwell Volume ÷ Flow Rate

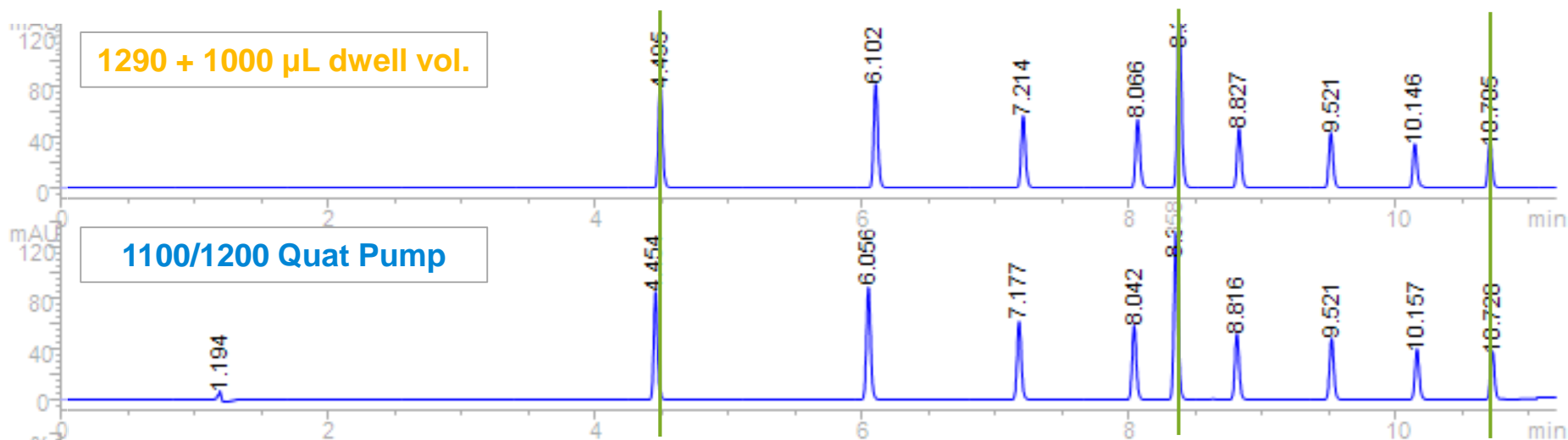
# Method Transfer from Lower to Higher Dwell Volume

## *Adding Physical Volume (Plumbing Solution)*

Examples:

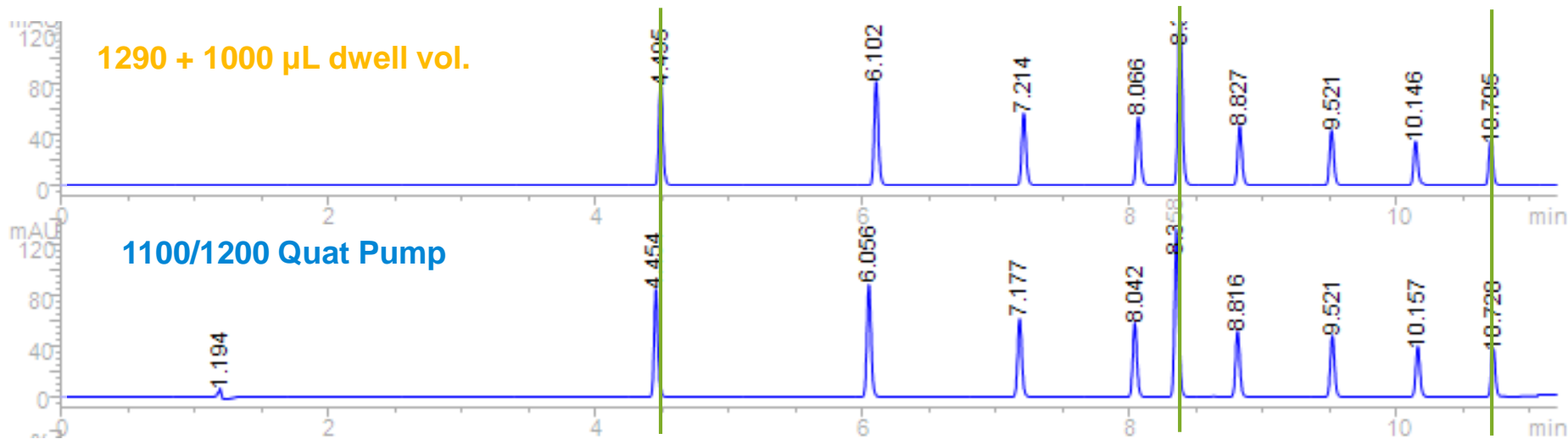
Binary LC Pump → Quaternary LC Pump

UHPLC → HPLC



# Method Transfer from Lower to Higher Dwell Volume

## *Adding Physical Volume (Plumbing Solution)*



### Advantages

- Works well for not so fast analysis
- No Method change

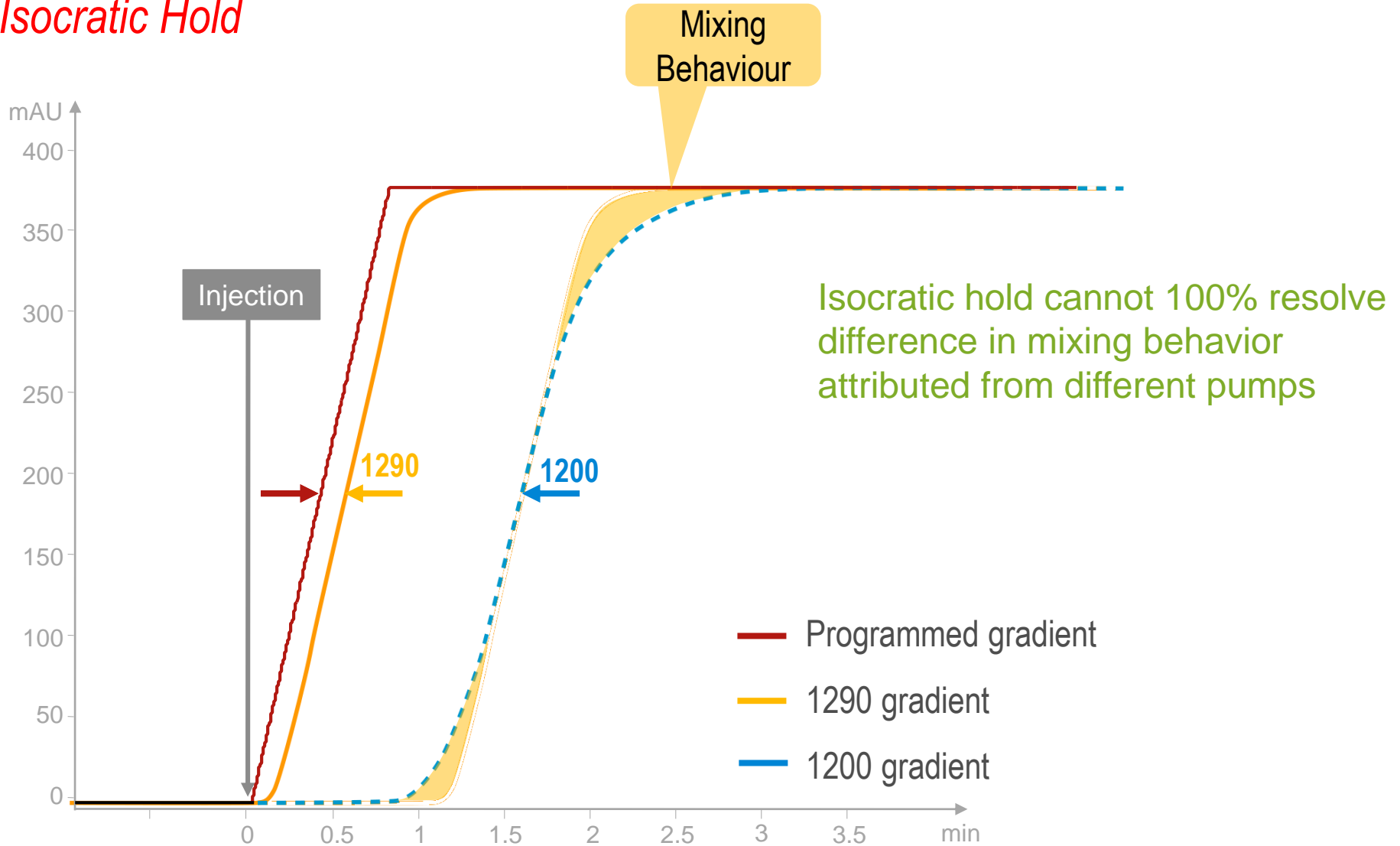
### Disadvantages

- Requires hardware change, no flexibility
- Requires manual determination of the dwell volume (Pumps with damper the dwell volume is not constant and depends on pressure)
- Hardware change difficult in validated environment



# Method Transfer from Lower to Higher Dwell Volume

## *Isocratic Hold*

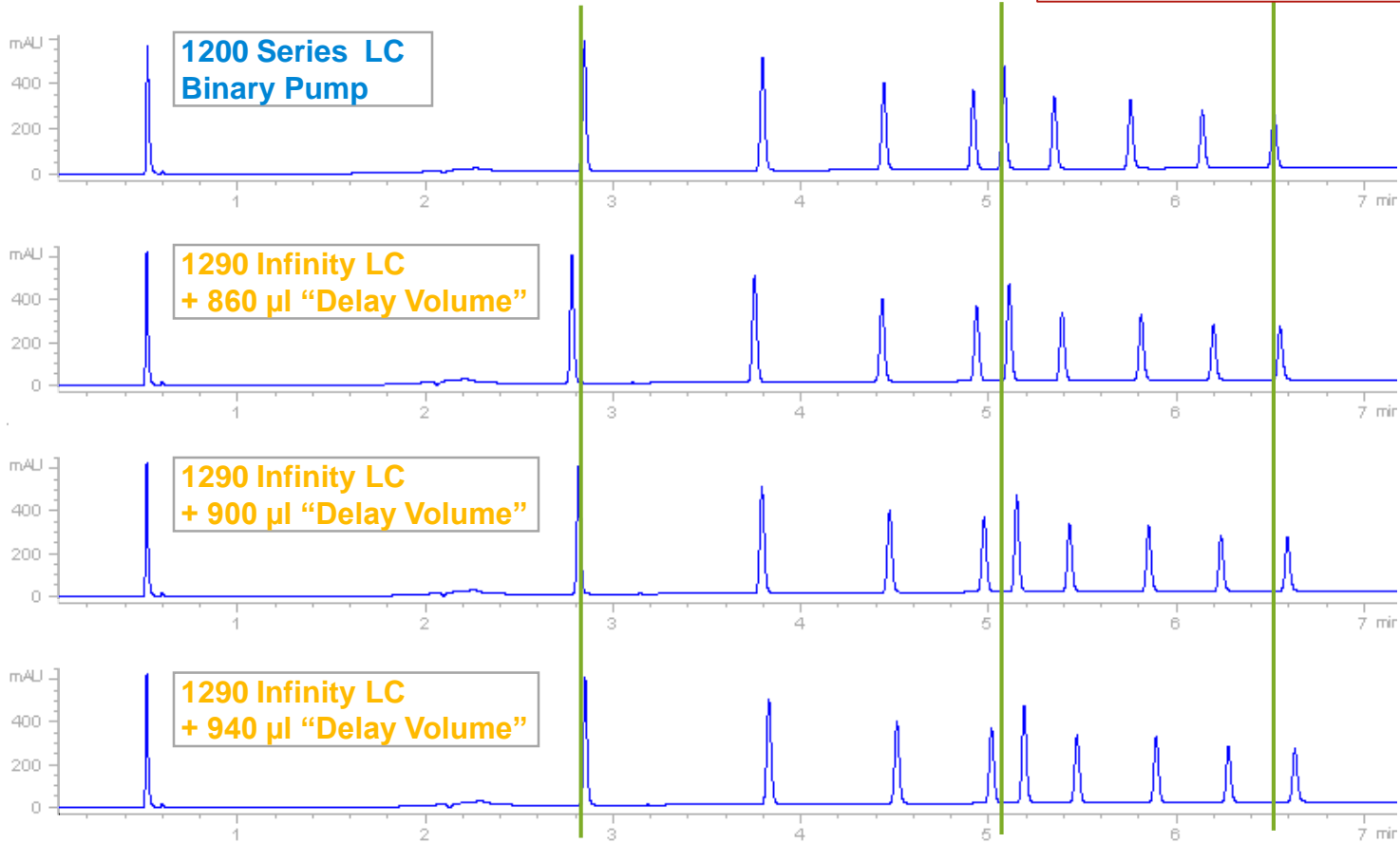


# Method Transfer from Lower to Higher Dwell Volume

## *Isocratic Hold*

Example: Infinity 1290 to 1200 series

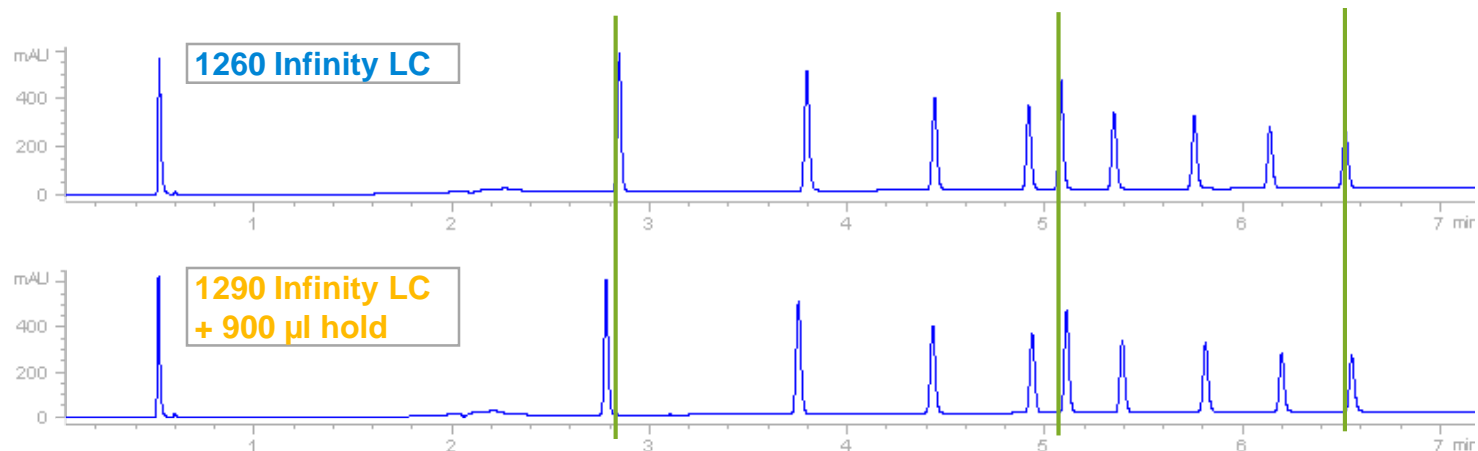
Does not work well with late eluting peaks



# Method Transfer from Lower to Higher Dwell Volume

## *Isocratic Hold*

Example: Infinity 1290 to 1200 series



### Advantages

- Flexible
- *Isocratic Hold* is part of the method

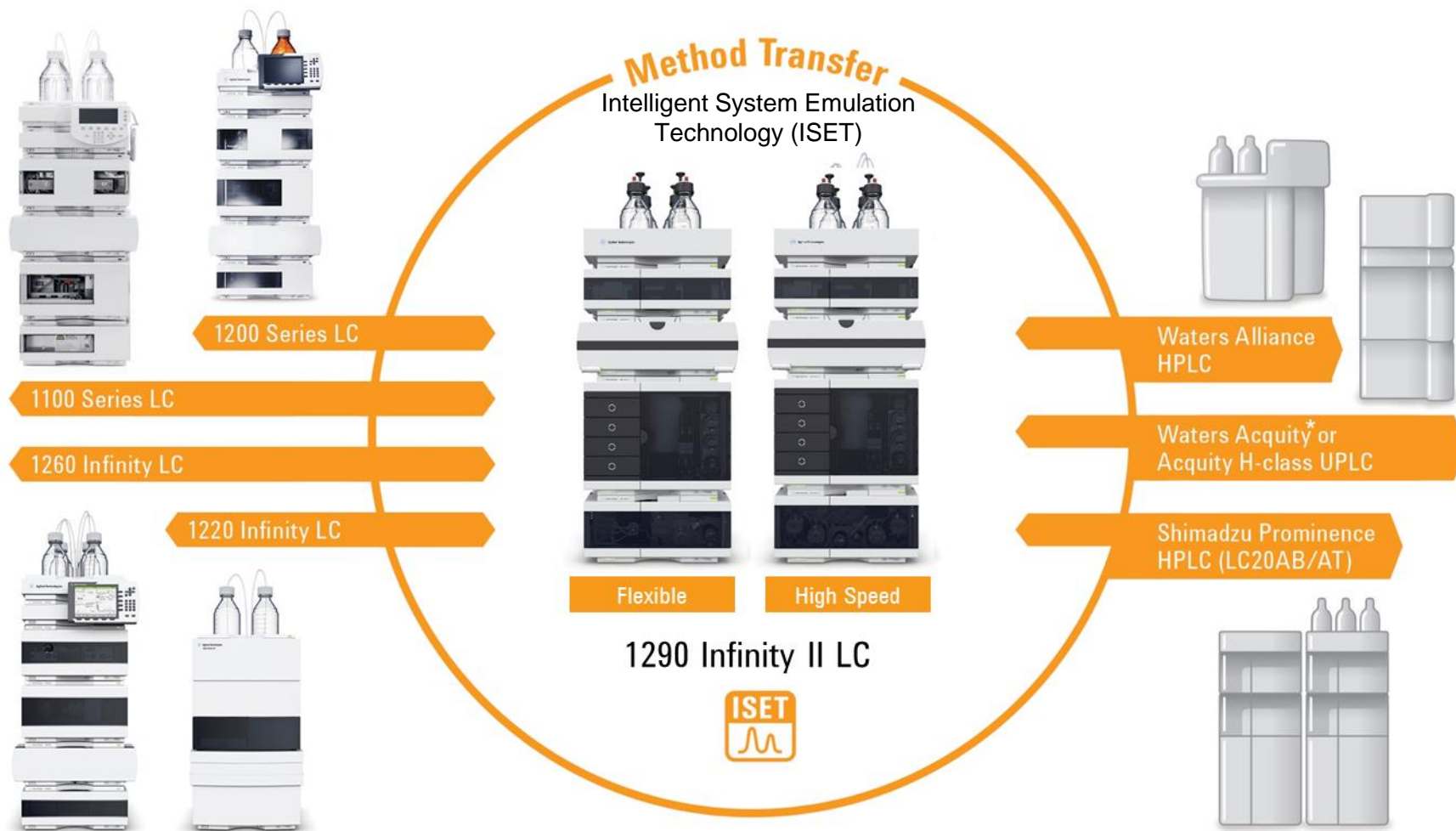
### Disadvantages

- Does not work in all cases
- Requires manual determination of the dwell volume/ isocratic hold (Pumps with damper the dwell volume is not constant and depends on pressure)
- Requires modification of the methods (should be avoided in validated environment)



# I-to-I Method Transferability

## What Agilent Does?



\* Waters Acquity Binary UPLC can only be emulated by the 1290 Infinity II High Speed Pump



Agilent Technologies

# Intelligent System Emulation Technology (ISET)

*ISET 4.0*

## Software compatibility

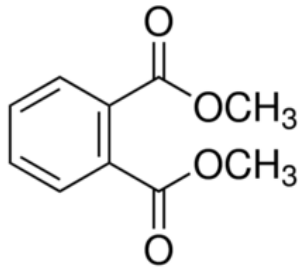
- Optional add-on to OpenLAB CDS ChemStation
- Use MSW to fully optimize instrument setup
- To run **ISET 4.0**, it is required to have the following installed:
  - OpenLAB ChemStation C.01.07
  - OpenLAB EZChrom EE A.04.07
  - Instrument Control Framework (ICF) A.02.03
  - Firmware version > B.06.07

# Live Demonstration

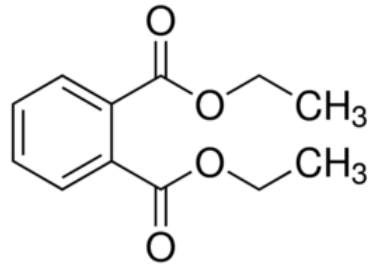
## Method Transfer

Objective: Seamless Method Transfer from Agilent 1260 to 1290 Infinity II

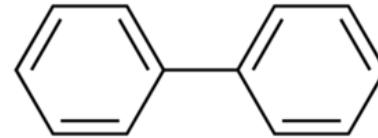
Compounds of Interest:



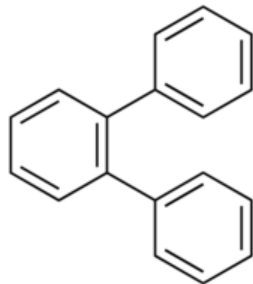
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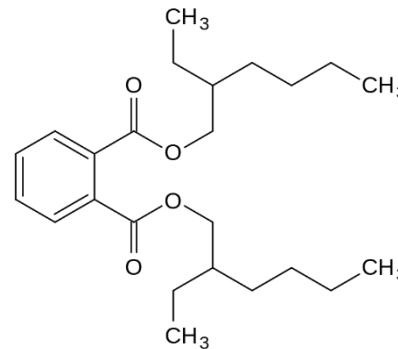
Diethyl Phthalate



Biphenyl



O-Terphenyl



Bis(2-ethylhexyl) Phthalate

# Agilent 1260 LC System

## *LC Conditions*

Instrument: Agilent 1260 Infinity LC system

Mobile Phase A: Ultrapure water, Mobile Phase B: HPLC grade Methanol

Injection volume: 1  $\mu$ L

Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min

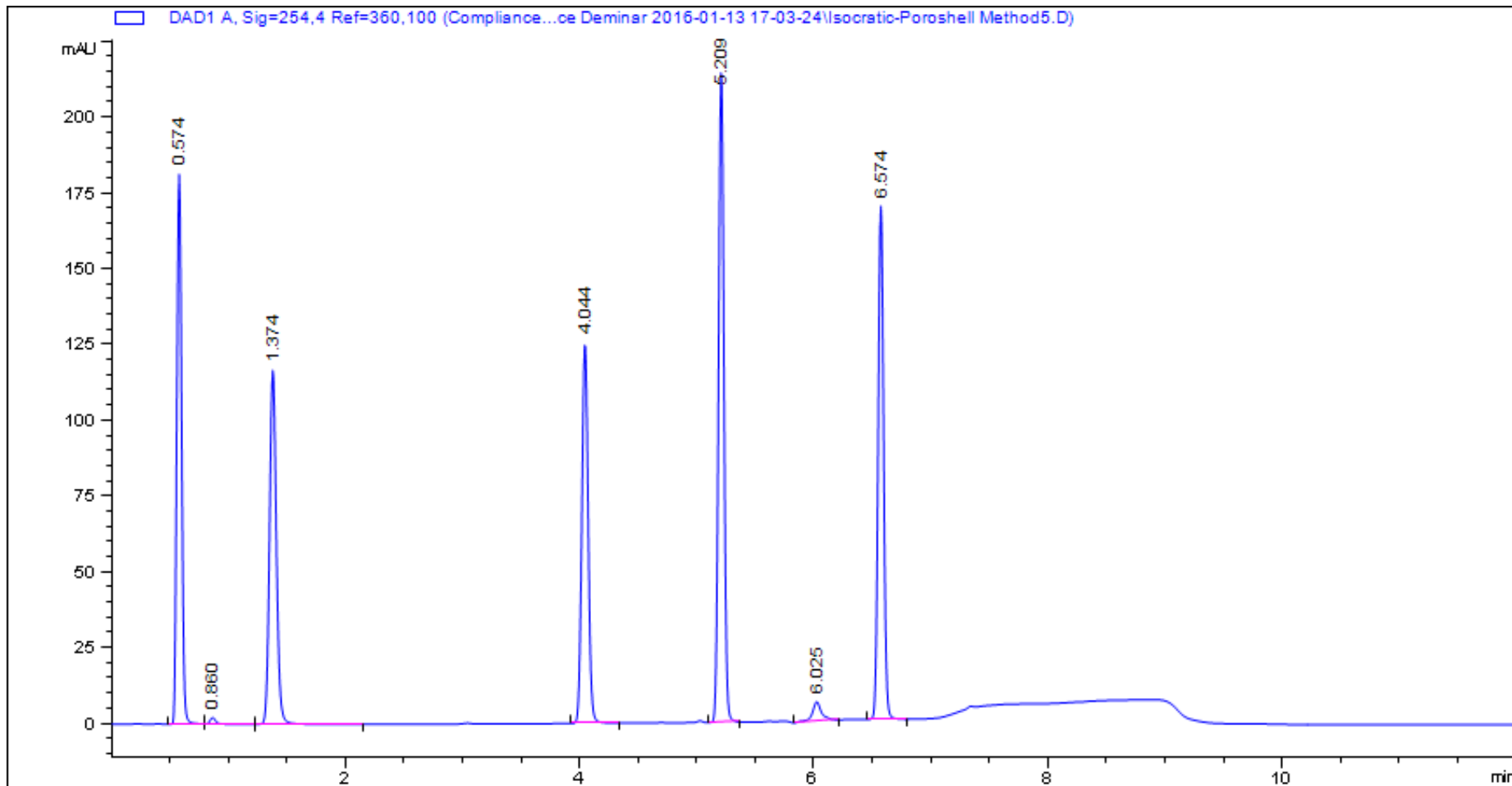
Elution Condition: 1 min – 50% B, 6 min – 100 % B, 8 min – 100% B, 8.1min  
- 70% Methanol (Gradient)

Column: Agilent Poroshell 120 (3.0 x 50 mm, 2.7  $\mu$ m)

Wavelength: 254 nm, Reference: 360 nm

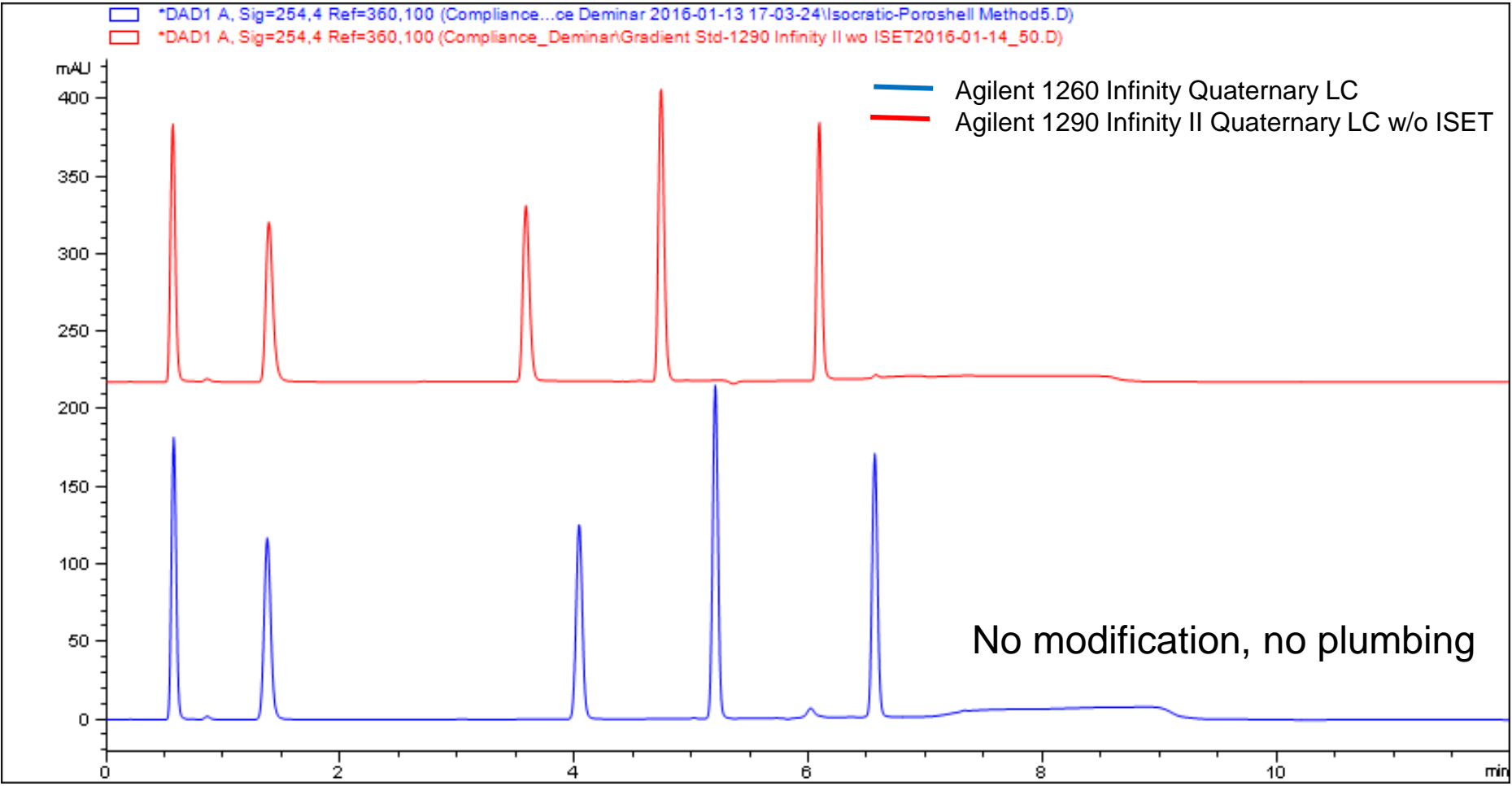
# Chromatogram

## Agilent 1260 Infinity LC System



# Method Transfer

## *From 1260 to 1290 Infinity II*



# Select System for Emulation

Method of G7104A (DEBAX00101)

Quat. Pump (G7104A) emulating G1311A/G7129A - 100 µL Syringe

Flow: 1.000 mL/min

Solvents

- Enable Blend Assist
- A: 50.00 % 100.0 % Water V.03
- B:  50.00 % 100.0 % Methanol V.03
- C:  0.00 % 100.0 % Acetonitrile V.03
- D:  0.00 % 100.0 % Water V.03

Pressure Limits

Min: 0.00 bar Max: 600.00 bar

Stoptime:  12.00 min (As Injector/No Limit)

Posttime:  Off (1.00 min)

Import Timetable...

Advanced

Timetable (4/100 events)

ISET

Emulation

- Enable ISET
- Model: ISET 4 V1.0
- Manufacturer: Agilent
- View Emulation Set

Model Parameter

Emulated Pump: G1311A V1.0

- manually select ISET solvent model
- Water (Channel A) - Methanol (Channel B)
- manually set
- Compressibility: 100 10e-6/bar

Emulated Sampler: G7129A - 100 µL Syringe V1.0

- manually set
- Seat and Loop: 202.70 µL
- Enable manual fine tuning

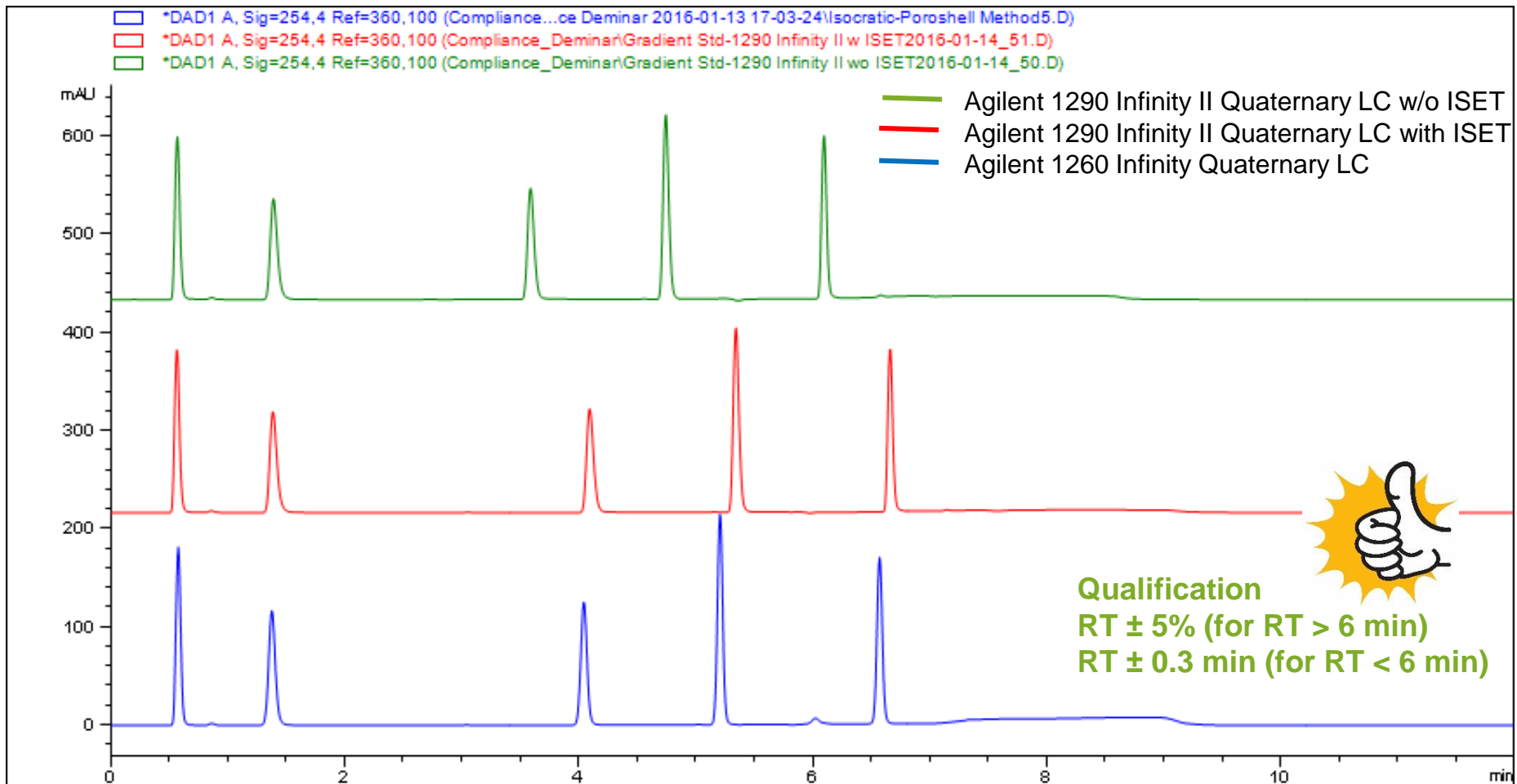
Model Tuning

- Typical Operating Pressure: 400.00 bar
- Dwell Volume Offset: -100 µL

Ok Apply Cancel

# Method Transfer with ISET

## Agilent 1260 to 1290 Infinity II



# ❑ Automated Scouting of Stationary and Mobile Phases Using Agilent 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution

# Agilent 1290 Infinity II LC Setup

## *For Method Development*

- Agilent 1290 Infinity II Flexible Pump (G7104A)
- Agilent 1290 Infinity valve drives (2 x G1170A) equipped with Agilent Quick-Change 12-position/ 13-port solvent selection valves (2 x G4235A) - for access up to 26 solvents (24 + 2 from pump)
- Agilent 1290 Infinity Multisampler (G7167B)
- Agilent 1290 Infinity II Multicolumn Thermostat (G7116B) including valve drive (option #058) equipped with Agilent Quick-Change column selection valve (G4239C) and capillary kit (option #005) – for access up to 8 columns
- Agilent 1290 Infinity II Diode Array Detector (G7117B)



# Agilent ChemStation Method Scouting Wizard (MSW)

## MSW A.02.05

### Software compatibility

- Optional add-on to OpenLAB CDS ChemStation
- Use MSW to fully optimize instrument setup
- To run **MSW A.02.05** with all its features, it is required to have the following installed:
  - **OpenLAB A.02.02, ChemStation C.01.07**
    - This MSW version is not backwards compatible and cannot be installed on a lower ChemStation revision
  - **LC driver package A.02.11, SP1** (minimal)
    - A.02.11, SP1 supports new 1290 Infinity II modules such as MCT, flex pump
- Currently neither MassHunter nor EZChrom support MSW

# Demonstration

## *Method Development Solution*

Objective: Determine best method for separation of HPLC standard mixture

Columns: 1) Zorbax SB-C18, 2) Eclipse Plus C18, 3) Eclipse Plus C8, 4) Extend C18, 5) SB CN, 6) Bonus RP, 7) Eclipse Plus Phenyl Hexyl

Solvents:

Mobile Phase A	Mobile Phase B
10 mM Ammonium, pH 8	Methanol
Water	Methanol + 0.1% TFA
Water + 0.1% TFA	Acetonitrile
	Acetonitrile + 0.1% TFA

Temperature: 30, 40, 50, 60 °C

Sample: HPLC Standard Mixture

# Starting New Screening Campaign

Method Scouting Wizard

Step 1 of 10: Create a new screening campaign

Screening campaigns root folder:  
C:\Chem32\1\Screening Browse...

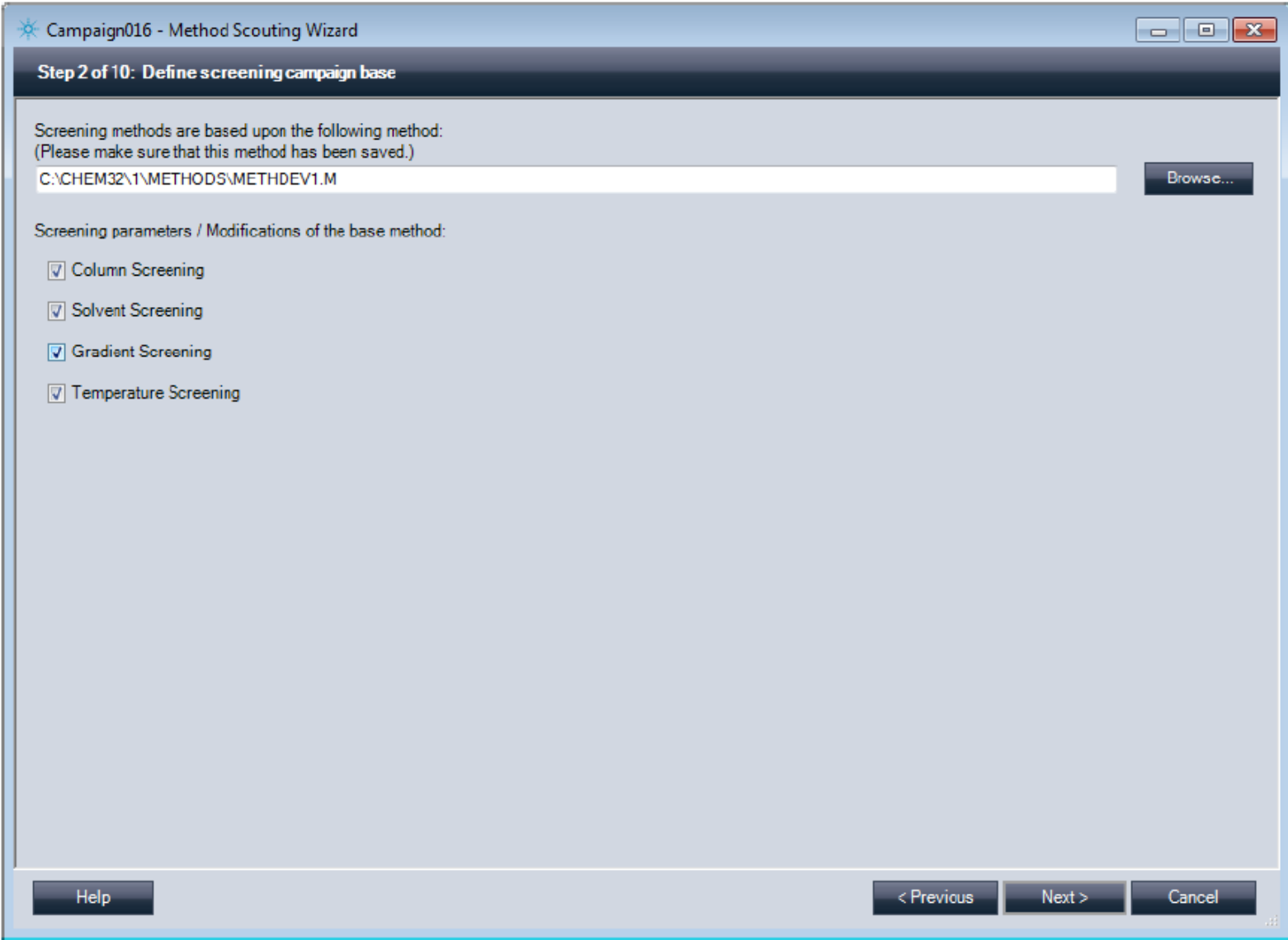
Campaign name:  
Campaign036

Screening pump:  
1290 Infinity Quaternary Pump (G4204A:DE43546576)

Description:  
Method: Screening Campaign based on:  
1290 Infinity Quaternary Pump (G4204A:DE43546576) with external (G1170A) solvent selection valve  
Cluster thermostated column compartment with 6 columns, waste and bypass  
Sampler (G1367B) with well plate tray with 96 vials plate (8x12) lower and 96 vials plate (8x12) upper  
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Help Next > Cancel

# Define Master Method for New Campaign



# Selection of Columns – Column Screening

Campaign016 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 3 of 10: Set up column screening

	Use	Name	Serial No.	Diameter [mm]	Length [mm]	Particle Size [µm]	Vod Vol [ml]	Max Temp [°C]	App Max Temp [°C]	Min pH	Max pH	Max pressure [bar]	Standby Temp [°C]	Eq. Factor	TCC #	Location
▶	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eclipse XDB-C18	autoID-6	4.600	50.000	1.800	0.499	60.0	60.0	2.0	9.0	600	not controlled	1.000	1	lower left
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SB-C18	autoID-7	2.100	50.000	1.800	0.104	90.0	90.0	1.0	8.0	600	not controlled	1.000	1	upper right
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SB-C18	autoID-9	4.600	50.000	1.800	0.499	90.0	90.0	1.0	8.0	600	not controlled	1.000	2	middle right
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eclipse Plus C18	autoID-10	4.600	50.000	1.800	0.499	60.0	60.0	2.0	9.0	600	not controlled	1.000	2	middle left

4 of 4 columns selected.

Scale flow for column with largest diameter    Maintain eluent velocity regardless of column diameter

Scale (gradient) run times for longest column    Adjust gradient based on column length – full gradient will be run on all column

# Selection of Solvents – Solvent Screening

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 4 of 10: Set up solvent screening

Binary solvent combinations:

**A**

Solvents on channel A:

- A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5
- A1:02: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 6.2
- A1:03: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 8.0
- A1:04: Ammonia pH 10.2
- A1:05: TFA 0.1% pH 1.9
- A1:06: Formic Acid 0.1% pH 3.1
- A1:07: NH4OAc 10mM pH 2.5
- A1:08: NH4OAc 10mM pH 4.8
- A1:09: NH4OAc 10mM pH 7.0
- A1:10: (NH4)2CO3 10mM pH 9.1
- A1:11: Water
- A1:12: Water/ACN 80/20
- A2: Methanol

Select All    Invert

**B**

Solvents on channel B:

- B1: Acetonitrile
- B2: Ethanol

**Binary Pump System Set Up**

14 of 26 solvent combinations enabled by selection.

Help    < Previous    Next >    Cancel





# Selection of Solvents – Solvent Screening

Campaign016 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 4 of 10: Set up solvent screening

Combine Solvents from quaternary pump:  binary  ternary  quaternary

Rearrange solvent combination positions by dragging the channel bottles or checking channels

1: 	2:   
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D
<p>Solvents on channel A:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 02: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 6.2</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 03: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 8.0</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 04: Ammonia pH 10.2</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 05: TFA 0.1% pH 1.9</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 06: Formic Acid 0.1% pH 3.1</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 07: NH4OAc 10mM pH 2.5</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 08: NH4OAc 10mM pH 4.8</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 09: NH4OAc 10mM pH 7.0</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10: (NH4)2CO3 10mM pH 9.1</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11: Water</li><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12: Water/ACN 80/20</li></ul> <p>Select All    Invert</p>	<p>Solvents on channel B:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acetonitrile</p> <p>Solvents on channel C:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Methanol</p> <p>Solvents on channel D:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ethanol</p>

36 of 36 solvent combinations enabled by selection.

Quaternary Pump System Set Up

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# Selection of Elution Gradient – Table

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 5 of 10: Set up solvent gradient screening

Gradient	Run Time [min]	Post Time [min]	Flow [ml/min]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gradient 1	10.00	0.00	0.50
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gradient 2	10.00	0.00	0.50

2 of 2 gradients selected.

Add

Initial composition

Time [min]	Solv A [%]	Solv B [%]
▶	100.0	0.0

Time table

Time [min]	Solv A [%]	Solv B [%]	
▶	0.00	100.0	0.0
	10.00	100.0	0.0

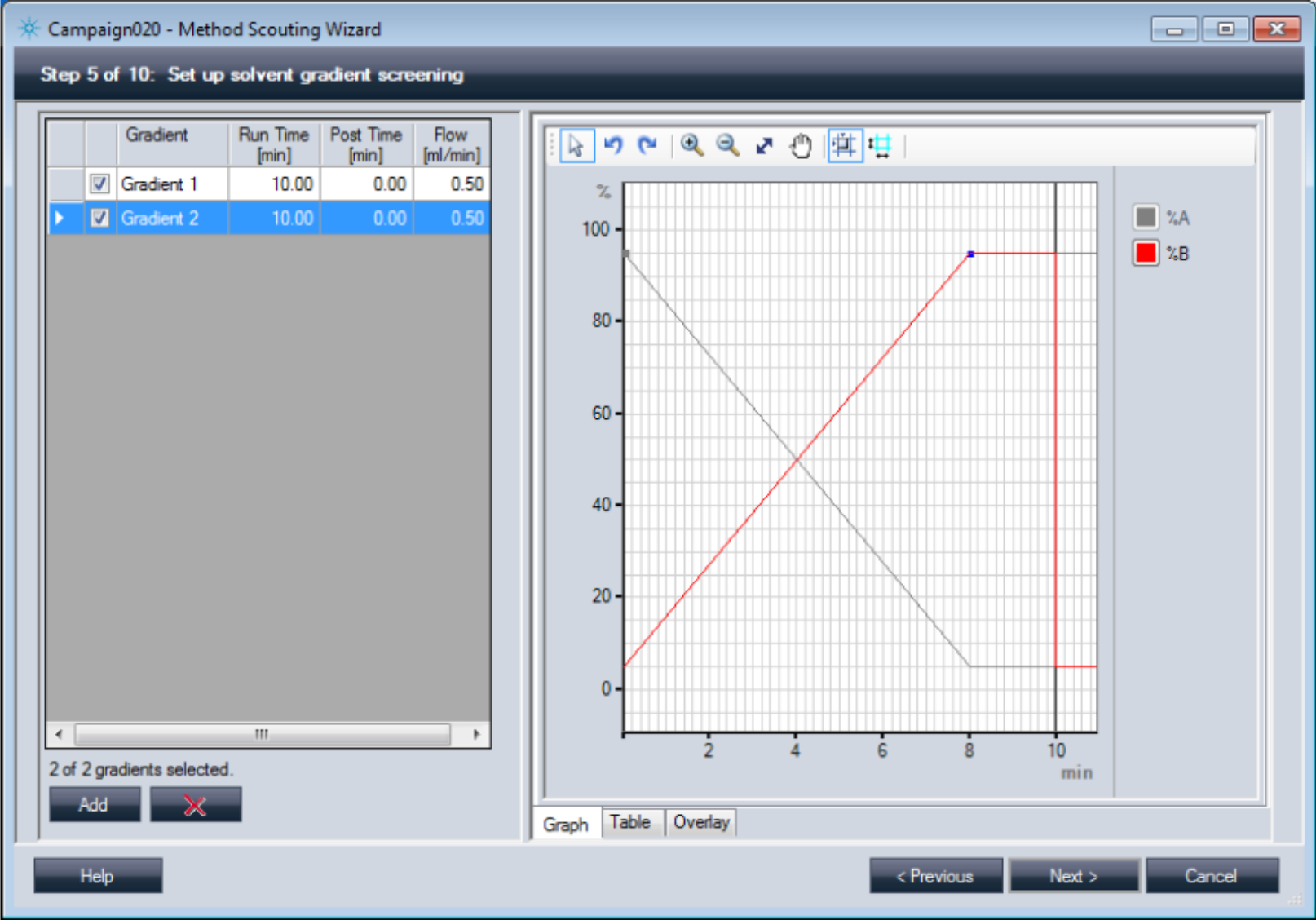
2 entries in the gradient time table.

Append  
Insert  
Delete

Graph Table Overlay

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# Selection of Elution Gradient – Graph



# Selection of Elution Gradient – Overlay

Campaign016 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 5 of 10: Set up solvent gradient screening

Gradient	Run Time [min]	Post Time [min]	Flow [ml/min]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gradient 1	10.00	0.00	0.50
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gradient 2	10.00	0.00	0.50

2 of 2 gradients selected.

%A  
 %B/A

Time: 6.9 min  
Value: 72.2%

Graph Table Overlay

# Selection of Temperature – Temperature Screening

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 6 of 10: Set up column temperature screening

	Use	Temp [°C]
	<input type="checkbox"/>	20.0
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	50.0
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	55.0
	<input type="checkbox"/>	60.0
▶	<input type="checkbox"/>	65.0

2 of 5 temperatures selected.

Add Delete Delete All Select All Invert Selection

Help < Previous Next > Cancel

# Review and Selection of Methods

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 7 of 10: Review and select methods

#	Use	Method	Column	Solvent A	Solvent B	Gradient	Temp [°C]	pH
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0001.m	Zorbax SB C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01663)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	50.0	3.5-7.0
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0002.m	Zorbax SB C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01663)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	50.0	3.5-7.0
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0003.m	Zorbax SB C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01663)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	55.0	3.5-7.0
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0004.m	Zorbax SB C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01663)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	55.0	3.5-7.0
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0005.m	Zorbax Eclipse plus C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01056)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	50.0	3.5-7.0
6	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0006.m	Zorbax Eclipse plus C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01056)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	50.0	3.5-7.0
7	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0007.m	Zorbax Eclipse plus C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01056)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	55.0	3.5-7.0
8	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0008.m	Zorbax Eclipse plus C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEY01056)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	55.0	3.5-7.0
9	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0009.m	Zorbax Extend C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEX10038)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	50.0	3.5-7.0
10	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0010.m	Zorbax Extend C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEX10038)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	50.0	3.5-7.0
11	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0011.m	Zorbax Extend C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEX10038)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	55.0	3.5-7.0
12	<input type="checkbox"/>	Injection0012.m	Zorbax Extend C18 2.1 x 50mm (USWEX10038)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	55.0	3.5-7.0
13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0013.m	Zorbax SB CN 2.1 x 50mm (USSQF01009)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	50.0	3.5-7.0
14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0014.m	Zorbax SB CN 2.1 x 50mm (USSQF01009)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	50.0	3.5-7.0
15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0015.m	Zorbax SB CN 2.1 x 50mm (USSQF01009)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	55.0	3.5-7.0
16	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0016.m	Zorbax SB CN 2.1 x 50mm (USSQF01009)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 2	55.0	3.5-7.0
17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Injection0017.m	Zorbax Eclipse plus PheHex 2.1 x 50mm (USFAR00786)	A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5	B1: Acetonitrile	Gradient 1	50.0	3.5-7.0

200 of 336 methods selected.

Exclude incompatible combinations of column and temperature  
 Exclude incompatible combinations of solvent and column pH

# Defining System Volumes


Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 8 of 10: Set up blank runs

Volumes | Flush | Equilibration | Column Storage

Solvent tubing and dwell volumes

Degasser:  before solvent selection valve  
 after solvent selection valve



Volume from degasser to mixer, incl. SSV: 1.000 ml  
Volume from degasser to mixer, without SSV: 0.500 ml  
Volume from mixer to column, incl. mixer: 0.500 ml  
Volume of column: current column void volume

- Degasser could be placed before or after the solvent selection valve
- Different system diagrams will be shown depending on configuration
- Recommended internal volumes are available

Remove results from blank runs (equilibration, flush, column storage)

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# Column Flushing

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 8 of 10: Set up blank runs

Volumes **Flush** Equilibration Column Storage

Flush solvent tubing and system dwell volume when solvent changes

Solvent: <from next method>

Flow: Waste: 3.00 ml/min  
Bypass: 1.00 ml/min  
Column: 0.50 ml/min

Time: 5.00 x volume / flow

Remove results from blank runs (equilibration, flush, column storage) List View

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- Change solvent type for subsequent analysis or column storage
- Manually assign for eluent flow to go into **waste, bypass or column**

# Column Equilibration

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 8 of 10: Set up blank runs

Volumes Flush **Equilibration** Column Storage

Equilibration to new column, solvent, gradient or temperature

Solvent: as defined in next injection method

Flow: as defined in next injection method

Time:  5.00 × volume of column / flow

5.00 minutes

- Column is treated with the **conditions of the subsequent analytical run**
- Use of column equilibration procedure is **highly recommended**

Remove results from blank runs (equilibration, flush, column storage) List View

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# Column Storage

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 8 of 10: Set up blank runs

Volumes | Flush | Equilibration | **Column Storage**

Store column after use

Solvent: A1:01: Phosphate buffer 10mM pH 3.5

Flow:  as defined in injection method  
 0.50 ml/min

Time:  5.00 × volume of column / flow  
 5.00 minutes

Remove results from blank runs (equilibration, flush, column storage)

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# Set Up Sample Queue

Campaign020 - Method Scouting Wizard

Step 9 of 10: Set up the samples

Change vial when exceeding vial volume 1500.000  $\mu$ l  
 Change vial after every 10 injection

The order of samples determines the order in the sequence.

#	Name	Vials	Req Vials	Inj Vol [ $\mu$ l]	#Inj	Tot Inj Vol [ $\mu$ l]	T
1	Sample 1	1	1	2.000	1	2.000	

Set up batch analysis for more than 1 sample mixtures

Vial positions of sample 1: Sample 1

Buttons: Add, Delete, Delete All, Clear All Vials, Show IDs, Clear Vials

1 Samples. 1 injections (2.000  $\mu$ l) per method. Total 200 injections (400.000  $\mu$ l) for all 200 screening methods.

Help Autocalculate number of vials required for method development < Previous Next > Cancel



# Method Development Summary

## Step 10 of 10: Summary

You have set up method screening campaign "rest" as summarized:

Description Sequence Solvent Usage

Solvent	Estimated Volume [l]	Bottle Fill [l]	Bottle Capacity [l]
A02: 10 mM ABC, pH 8 (Calib.: 100.0 % Water V.03)	0.976	0.000	0.000
B01: Methanol (Calib.: 100.0 % Methanol V.03)	0.200	0.000	0.000
C: Solvent 3 (Calib.: 100.0 % Acetonitrile V.03)	0.000	0.000	0.000
D: Solvent 4 (Calib.: 100.0 % Water V.03)	0.000	0.000	0.000
B02: Methanol + 0.1 % TFA (Calib.: 100.0 % Methanol V.03)	0.203	0.000	0.000
B03: ACN + 0.1 % TFA (Calib.: 100.0 % Acetonitrile V.03)	0.203	0.000	0.000
B05: ACN (Calib.: 100.0 % Acetonitrile V.03)	0.203	0.000	0.000
A03: Water (Calib.: 100.0 % Water V.03)	0.976	0.000	0.000
A04: Water + 0.1% TFA (Calib.: 100.0 % Water V.03)	0.978	0.000	0.000
Sum of solvents to be disposed in waste	3.740	20.485	0.000



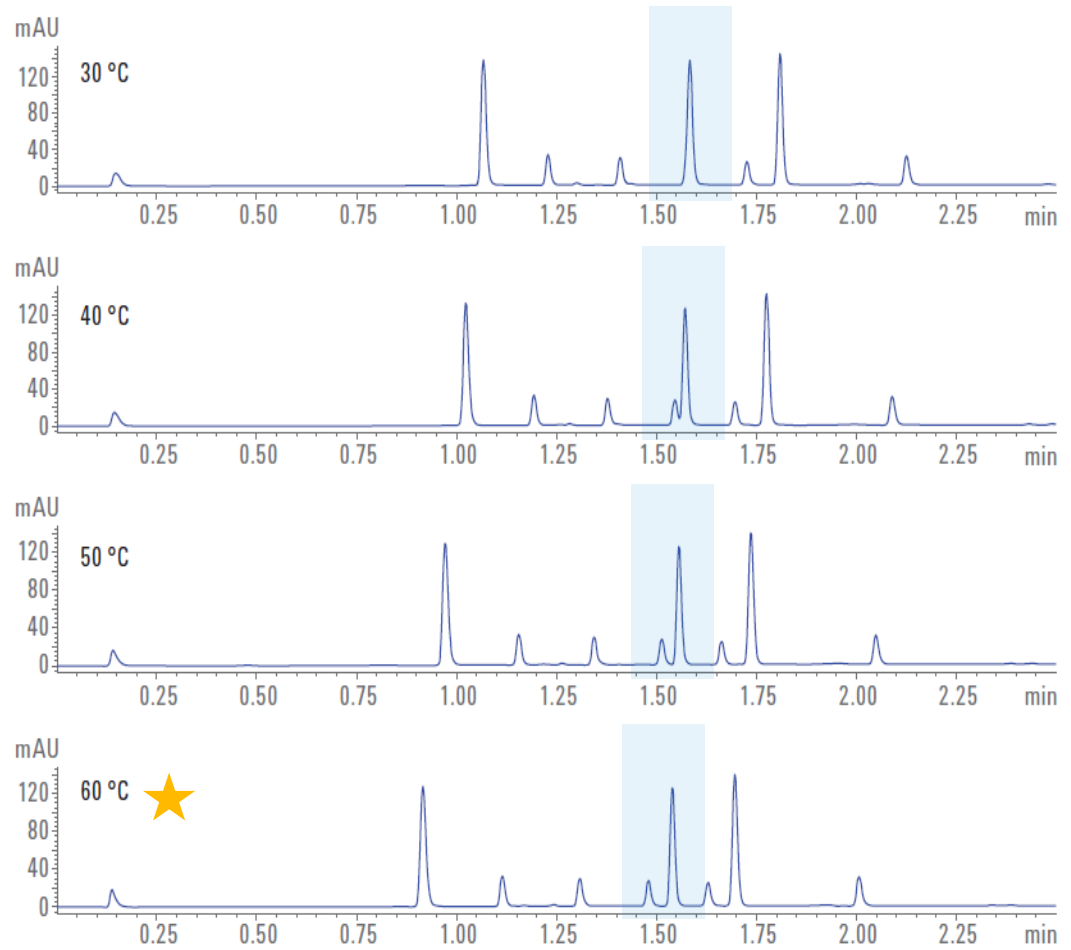
# Effect of Column on Selectivity

- Agilent ZORBAX SB-C18 and Agilent ZORBAX Eclipse Plus C8 columns showed the best separation
- Separation on Agilent ZORBAX SB-CN and Agilent ZORBAX Eclipse Plus Phenyl-Hexyl columns are not promising



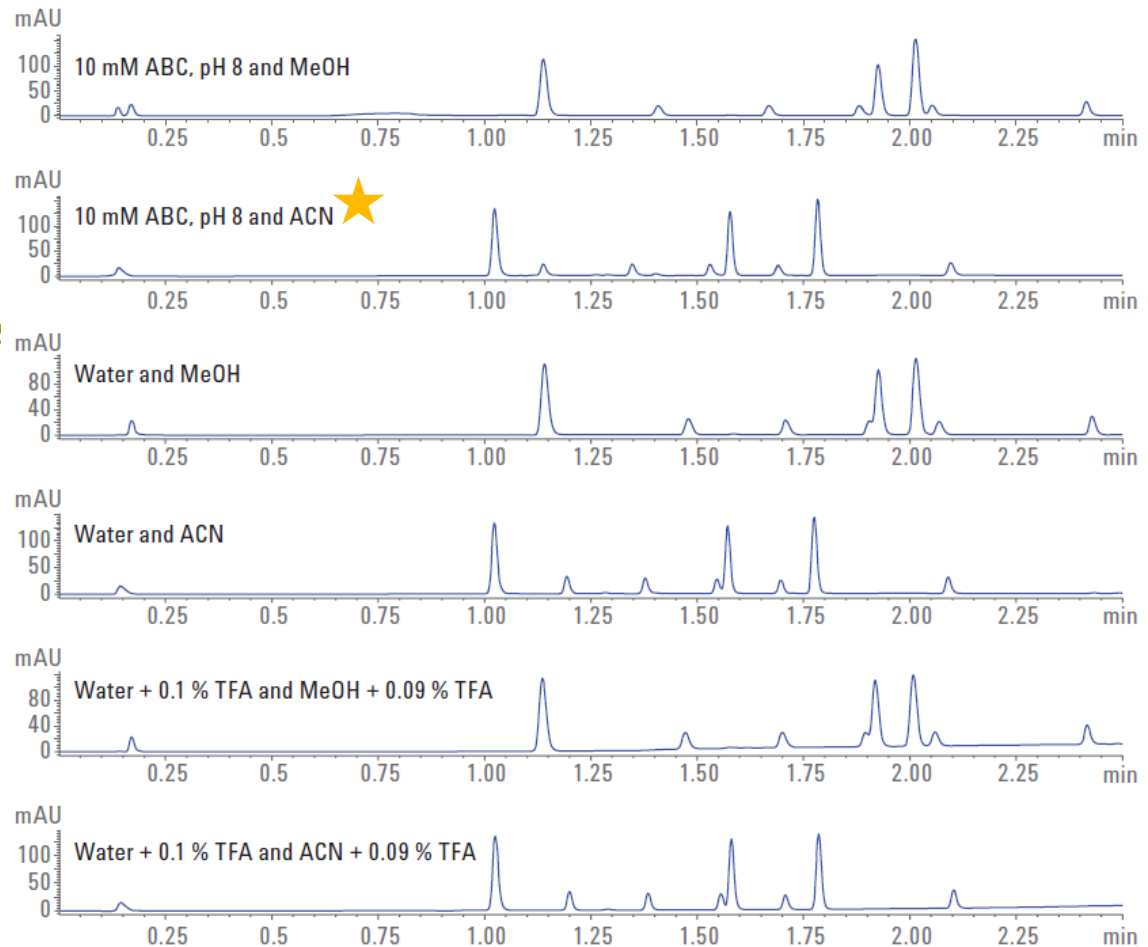
# Effect of Temperature on Selectivity

- Temperature scouting on Agilent ZORBAX Eclipse Plus C18 with water and acetonitrile as mobile phase A and B
- 60 °C delivered best resolution



# Effect of Solvent Selectivity

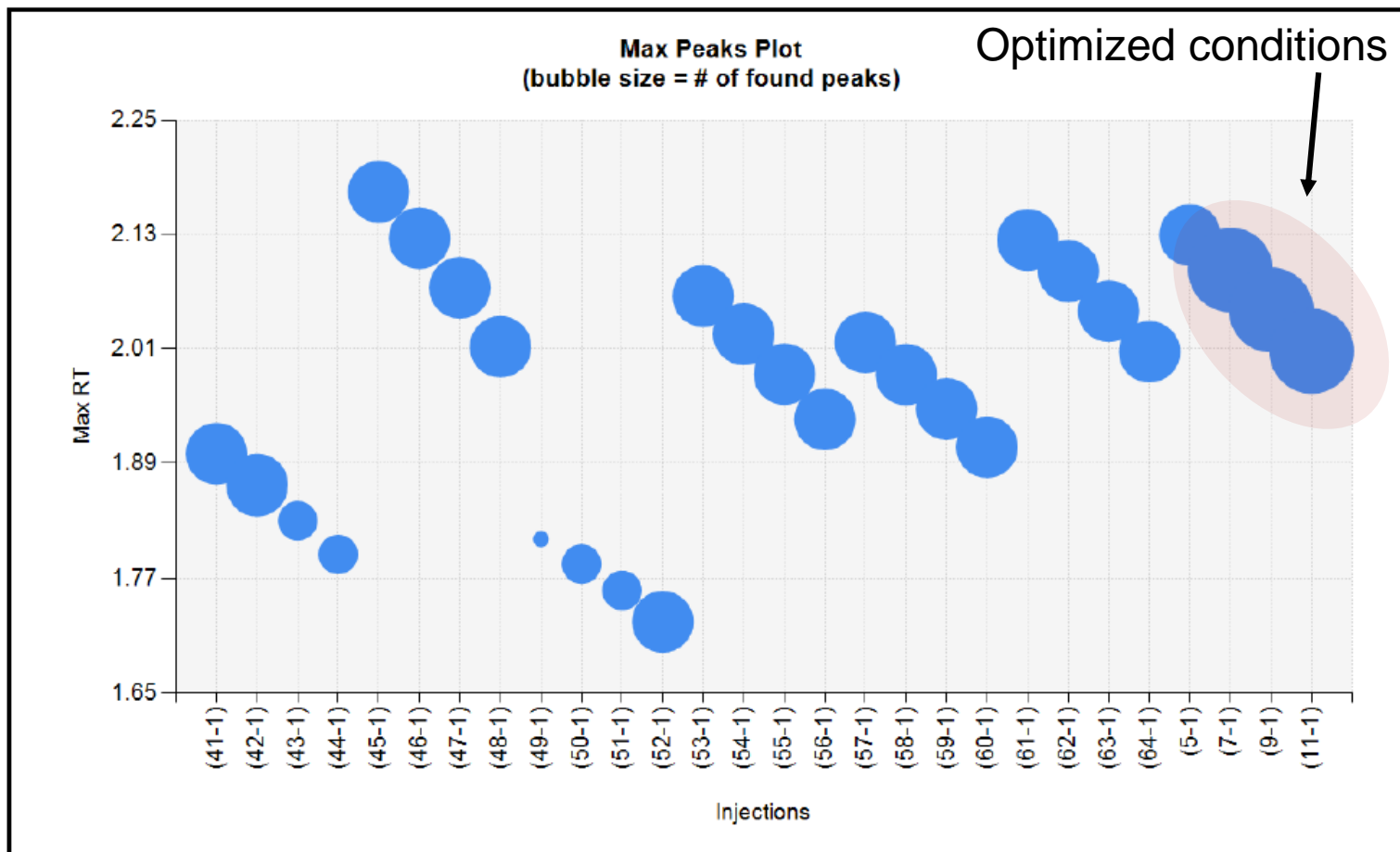
- Solvent scouting on Agilent ZORBAX Eclipse Plus C18 at 60 °C
- 10 mM Ammonium Bicarbonate Buffer and Acetonitrile delivered the best resolution



# Review Results

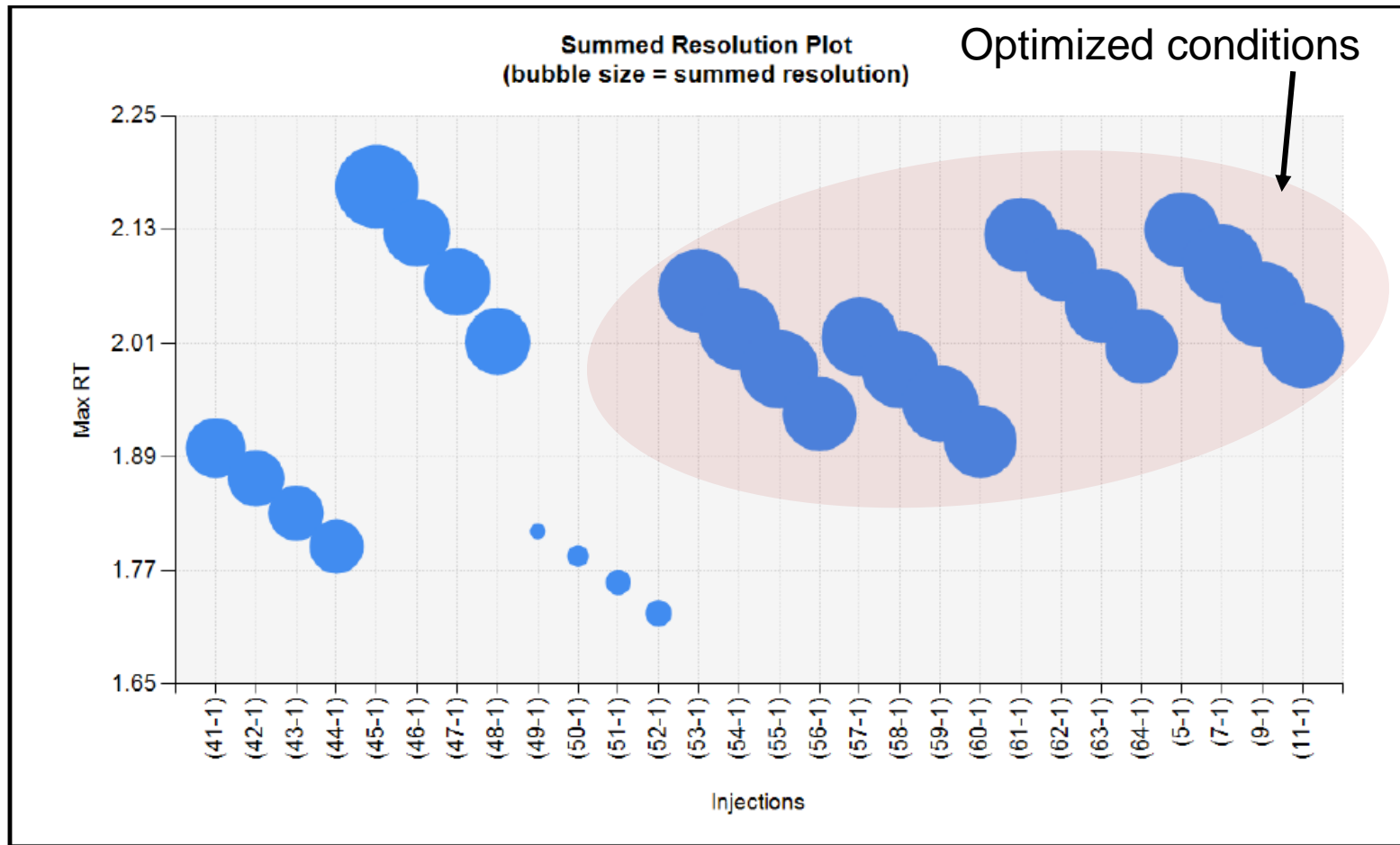
## Intelligent Reporting – Max Peaks Plot

Comparison of different columns and temperature using water (A) and acetonitrile (B)



# Review Results

## *Intelligent Reporting – Summed Resolution Plot*



# Application Note

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## Automated Scouting of Stationary and Mobile Phases Using the Agilent 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution

### Technical Overview

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#### Abstract

This Technical Overview demonstrates the use of the Agilent 1290 Infinity II Method Development Solution for automated scouting of stationary and mobile phases. The solution is equipped with an Agilent 1290 Infinity II Multicolumn Thermostat that enables automated switching between up to eight columns. The Agilent 1290 Infinity II Flexible Pump is clustered with two solvent-selection valves for the connection of up to 26 different solvents. The Agilent Method Scouting Wizard of the Agilent OpenLAB CDS ChemStation Edition Software facilitates easy setup of methods for different combinations of columns, mobile phases, and temperatures in a single sequence.



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# Appendix

# Agilent Application Notes

## Method Transfer by ISET

- Fast screening of mobile and stationary phases with the Agilent 1290 Infinity LC and seamless method transfer to an Agilent 1200 Series LC using ISET

*Agilent Application Note 5991-0989EN*

- Developing faster methods for generic drugs within USP <621>allowed limits

*Agilent Application Note 5991-0278EN*

- Effective use of pharmacopeia guidelines to reduce cost of chromatographic analysis

*Agilent Application Note 5991-1053EN*

- Developing faster methods for generic drugs within EP 2.2.46E allowed limits

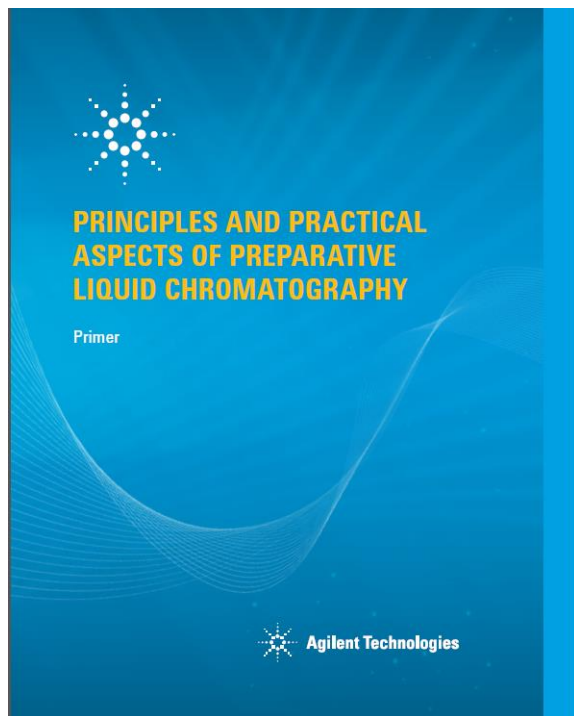
*Agilent Application Note 5991-0394EN*

# Agilent Application Notes

## QbD based Method Development

- Quality-by-Design Approach to Stability Indicating Method Development for Linagliptin Drug Product
  - Agilent Application Note 5991-3834EN
- Automated QbD Based Method Development and Validation of Oxidative Degraded Atorvastatin
  - Agilent Application Note 5991-4944EN
- Development of an UHPLC Method for Azithromycin Tablets Using ChromSword Auto Software
  - Agilent Application Note 5991-5428EN
- QbD Based Method Development on an Agilent 1290 Infinity UHPLC system Combined with a Seamless Method Transfer to HPLC Using Intelligent System Emulation Technology
  - Agilent Application Note 5991-5701EN

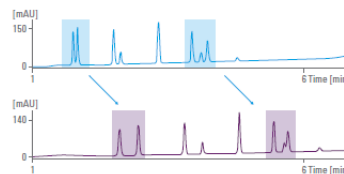
# Learn More About The Practical Aspects How To Measure Dwell Volumes And To Transfer & Optimize Methods



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**Figure 3.46** The effects of system dwell volume on separation efficiency. The upper chromatogram was obtained using a system with low dwell volume. In contrast, the lower chromatogram was obtained on a system with large dwell volume.

3.7.1.1 What constitutes optimized system setup?

A preparative LC system with appropriate dimensions can be used for both analytical scouting runs on 4.6 mm-id columns as well as for purification on a 50 mm id preparative column. In this case, the system dwell volume must be as small as possible to obtain good results when working in gradient mode.

As a general rule – system optimization is achieved when the ratio between dwell volume and column void volume is equal or less than one. Further, the ratio of the total system void volume to the applied flow rate should be equal to or less than 2:1 to obtain reasonable chromatographic performance.

Larger ratios extend the length of the chromatogram and will reduce chromatographic performance as shown in Figure 3.46. The volume of capillaries, mixer and injection loop have a strong impact on the dwell volume. Hence, it is important to keep loop sizes as small as possible or use two different loops and flow paths. Further, the correct capillary diameter for the applied flow rate must be used to reduce systems void volumes and as a consequence the peak dispersion.

The inside diameters of the capillaries have to be synchronized with the flow rate, see Table 3.2.

For most semi-preparative applications using a flow range between 10 and 100 mL/min, standard 1/16-inch capillaries of 0.02 or 0.03-inch id can be used.

3.7.1.2 What is the impact of capillary length and inside diameter?

5.2 Determining the system dwell volume

5.2.1 Determining the dwell volume of analytical systems

Two different methods for determination of the system dwell volume are available. For systems capable of delivering highly accurate analytical flow rates such as 1 mL/min, a method with a linear gradient profile delivers more accurate results than a step method. The method can also be used to measure the column void volume.

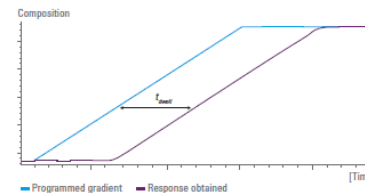
Use the following procedure to determine the dwell volume of analytical systems capable of delivering accurate flow rates.

1. Prepare solvent A: 100 % water
2. Prepare solvent B: 99 % acetonitrile with 1 % acetone as tracer
3. Prime the system with the solvents A and B.
4. Set the detection wavelength to 263 nm.
5. Replace the column by a low dead volume restriction (maintaining a backpressure of 50 bar).
6. Run a linear gradient from 0 to 10 minutes with 5 to 95 %B at a flow rate of 1 mL/min.

Note that when using preparative sample loops with volumes larger than 1 mL, the flow rate needs to be increased to finish the dwell volume determination in a reasonable time. A good compromise is to keep the flow rate equal to the loop size.

7. Determine the difference in time ( $t_{dwell}$ ) between the programmed and actual elution time of the gradient at 50 % of the composition.

$$8. v_{dwell} \text{ can be calculated from } v_{dwell} = t_{dwell} \times f$$



**Figure 5.3** System dwell volume determination for analytical systems.

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# How To Measure Dwell Volumes

- ❑ Add a UV active tracer to solvent B (often acetone)
- ❑ Remove the column, fit a restriction capillary
- ❑ Run a step gradient from 10%B to 90%B
- ❑ Calculate the dwell volume by the delay between UV response and the step with respect to the flow rate

