

# WAX Column Technology Update

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# WAX Column Update

- What is a WAX column?
- Traditional WAX Phases
  - DB-WAX
  - HP-INNOWAX
  - VF-WAX MS
  - CP-WAX 52/57 CB
  - DB/HP-FFAP (acid modified)
  - CAM (base modified)
- NEW(er) Wax phases
  - INNOWax
  - CP-WAX 52 CB
  - DB-WAX UI
  - DB-FATWAX UI
  - DB-HeavyWAX
- Applications
  - Food/Flavors
  - Organic Acids
  - FAME's

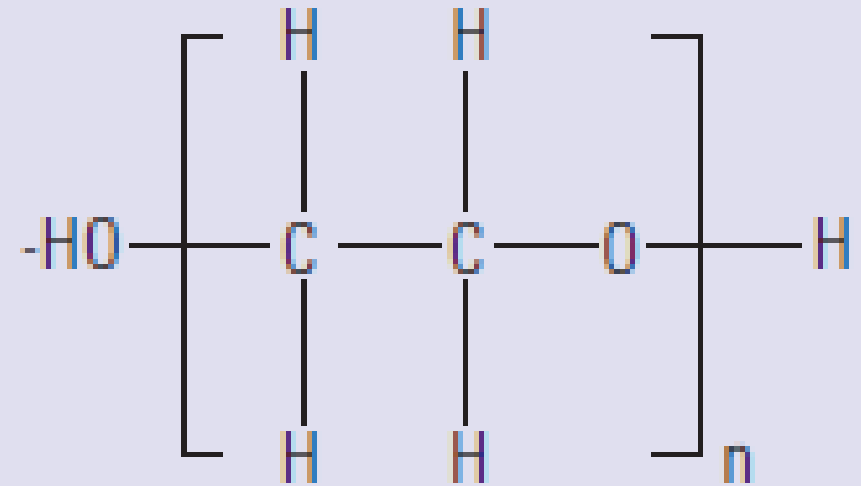
# JW Column Portfolio- DB, HP, CP, VF

Low Polarity			Mid Polarity			High Polarity		
CP-Sil 2	DB & HP-1MS UI	DB & HP-5MS UI	DB-XLB	DB-225MS	DB-ALC1	HP-88	DB-WAX	CP-TCEP
DB-MTBE	DB & HP1-MS	DB & HP5-MS	VF-XMS	DB-225	DB-Dioxin	CP-Sil 88	DB-WAX ETR	
CP-Select CB MTBE	VF-1MS	VF-5MS	DB-35MS UI	CP-Sil 43 CB	DB-200	DB-23	HP-INNOWax	
	DB & HP-1	DB & HP-5	DB & VF-35MS	VF-1701 MS	VF-200MS	VF-23 MS	VF-WAX MS	
	CP-Sil 5 CB	CP-Sil 8 CB	DB & HP-35	DB-1701	DB-210		CP-WAX 57 CB	
	Ultra 1	Ultra 2	DB & VF-17MS	CP-Sil 19 CB	DX-4		DB & HP-FFAP	
	DB-1HT	VF-DA	DB-17	HP-Blood Alcohol			DB-WAX FF	
	DB-2887	DB-5.625	HP-50+	DB-ALC2			CP-FFAP CB	
	DB-Petro/PONA	DB & VF-5HT	DB-17HT	DX-1			CP-WAX 58 FFAP CB	
	CP-Sil PONA CB	CP-Sil PAH CB	DB-608				CP-WAX 52 CB	
	DB-HT SimDis	Select Biodiesel	DB-TPH				CP-WAX 51	
	CP-SimDis	SE-54	DB-502.2				CP-Carbowax 400	
	CP-Volamine		HP-VOC				Carbowax 20M	
	Select Mineral Oil		DB-VRX				HP-20M	
	HP-101		DB-624				CAM	
	SE-30		VF-624MS					
			CP-Select 624 CB					
			DB-1301					
			VF-1301MS					
			CP-Sil 13 CB					

**Agilent J&W has over 50 different stationary phase offerings**

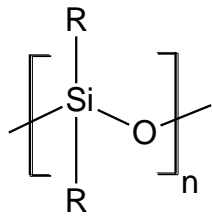
# WAX Columns – Structure and Uses

- Polymer Structure is Polyethylene Glycol (PEG)
- Represents the far end of the scale in terms of polarity
- Used primarily to analyze polar compounds
  - Alcohols
  - Glycols
  - FAME's
  - Food and Flavors
  - Petro – Aromatics Analysis / Xylenes



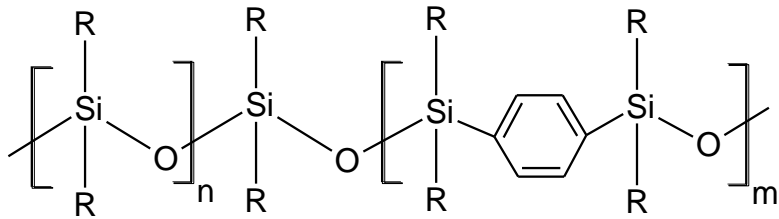
Structure of Polyethylene Glycol (PEG)

# Stationary Phase Polymers

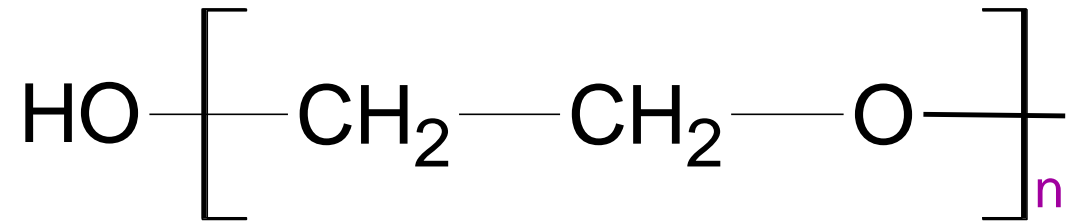


Siloxane

R=methyl, phenyl, cyanopropyl, trifluoropropyl



Siarylene backbone



Polyethylene Glycol  
WAX

**Most common:**

R = 100% methyl:

DB-1

R = 5% phenyl:

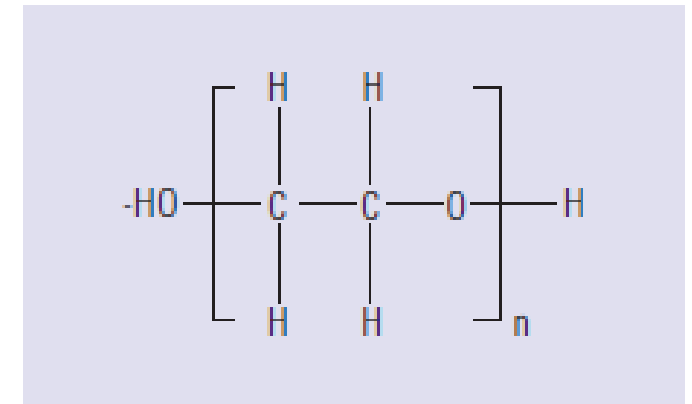
DB-5

R = 6% Cyanopropylphenyl:

DB-624

# WAX Columns

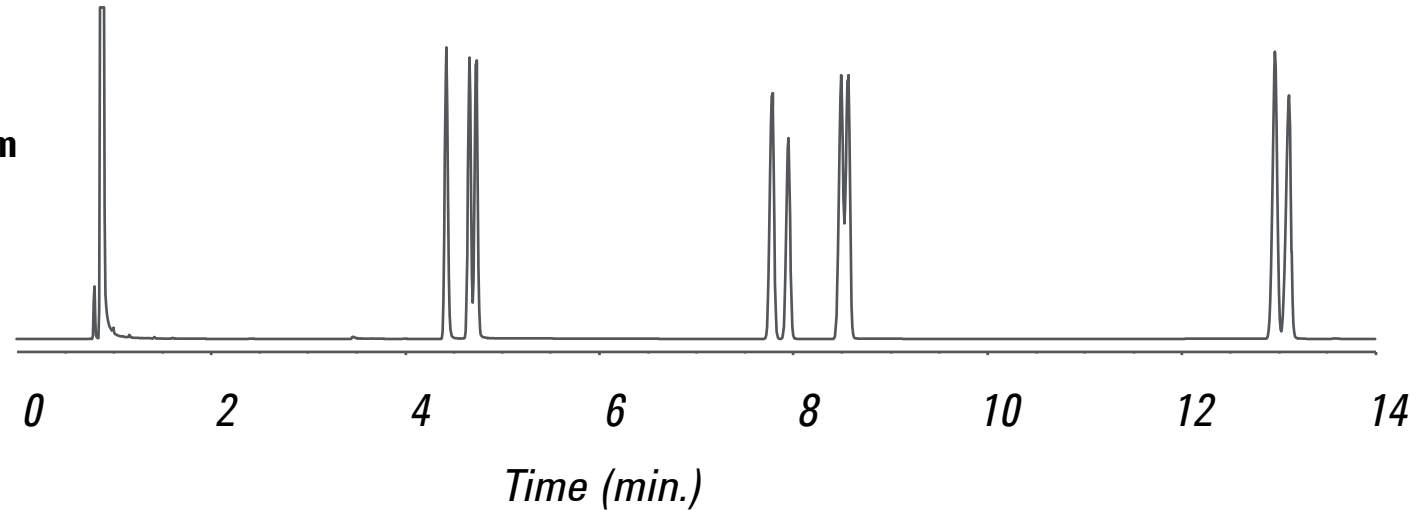
- Some limitations compared to non-polar columns
  - When selecting a column typically choose the most non-polar phase you can
    - Non-Polar columns are generally more stable (look at column temperature limits as an indicator)
  - WAX columns have typical Maximum Operating Temperatures of 250°C isothermal and 260°C programmed
    - Decreased Thermal Stability compared to non-polar phases can result in:
      - Retention Times Shifting
      - Increased Column Bleed
      - Changes in column selectivity
- More vulnerable to oxygen
- Limits the max oven temp for dual column instruments



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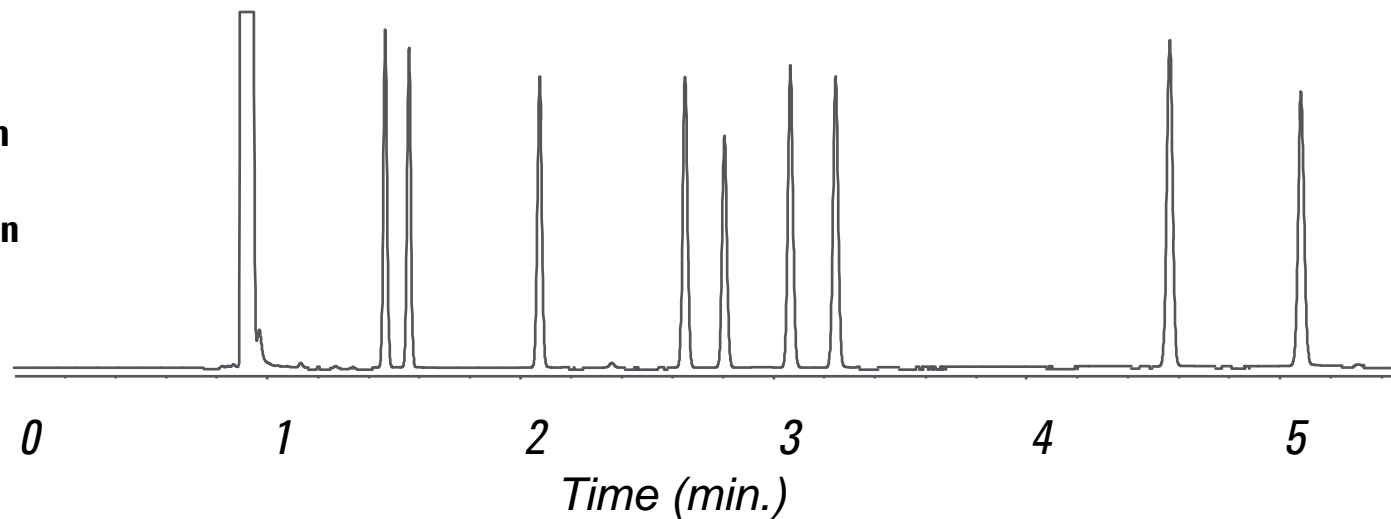
# The power of Selectivity: Using the Right Phase

**DB-1**  
15m x 0.32mm, 0.25 $\mu$ m  
Oven:  
40°C for 2 min  
40-120°C at 5°C/min



*“Like dissolves like”*

**DB-Wax**  
15m, 0.32mm, 0.25 $\mu$ m  
Oven:  
80-190°C at 20°C/min



# The New Wax Columns

HP-INNOWax

New part numbers, same selectivity

CP-Wax 52 CB

New part numbers, same selectivity

DB-WAX Ultra Inert

Released early 2016

DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert

FAME's and Free Acids

DB-HeavyWAX

The latest and the greatest;  
Highest temperature wax column available



# HP-INNOWax and CP-Wax 52 CB

implemented Fall of 2016:

Improved inertness and peak shapes for diols, amines, acids and ethyl maltol

Exceptional column-to-column reproducibility

Improved inertness longevity and

Extended inertness lifetime that withstands repeated cycling to the upper temperature limits of the column

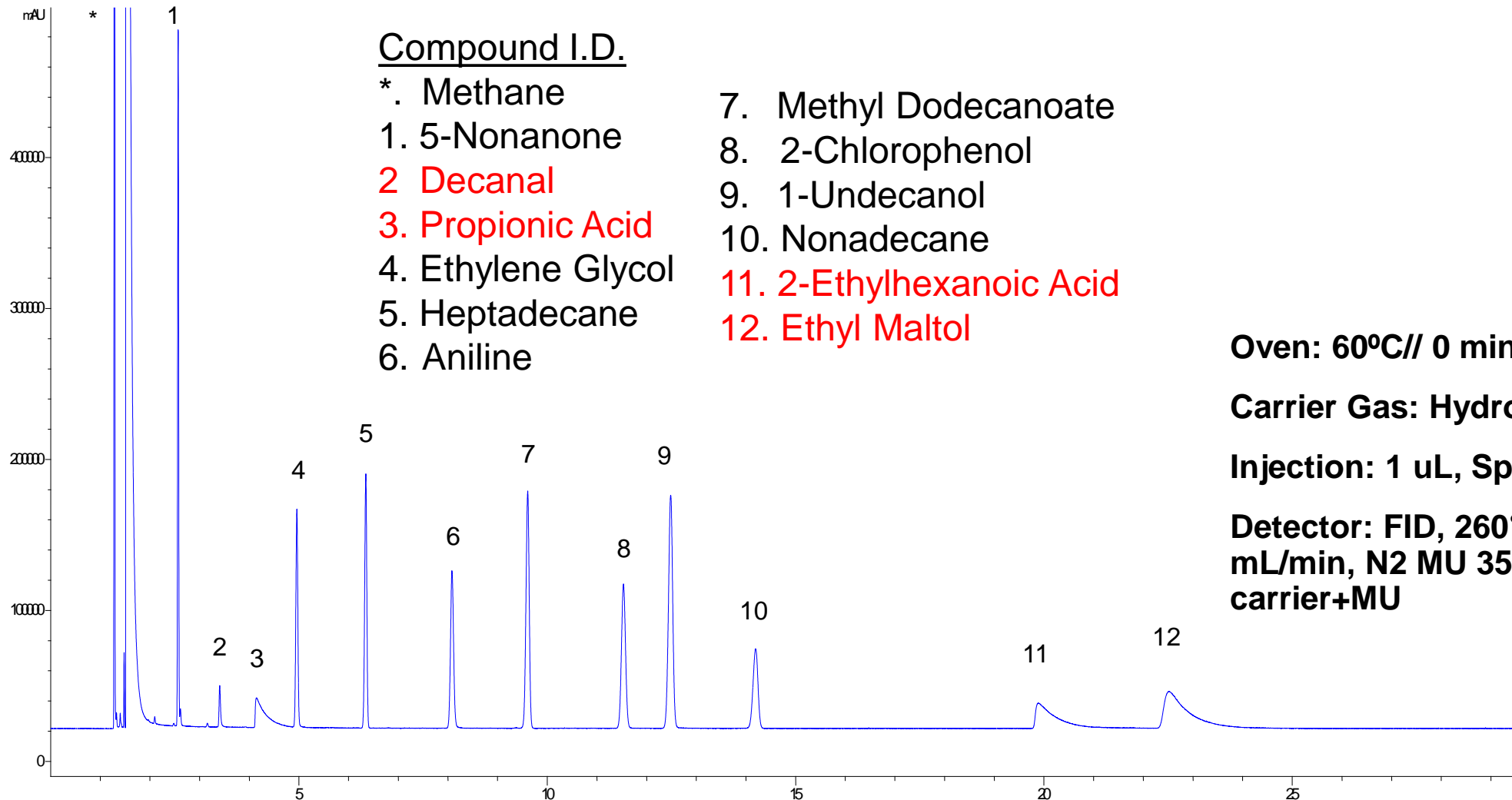
Simply add the letter “i” to end of the original part #'s (“inert” or “improved”)

# DB-WAX Ultra Inert

Better peak shape and reproducibility for challenging polar compounds

# Modified DB-WAX UI mix on Traditional WAX

## 30 m x 0.25 mm I.D., 0.25 um film



### Compound I.D.

- \*. Methane
- 1. 5-Nonanone
- 2. Decanal
- 3. Propionic Acid
- 4. Ethylene Glycol
- 5. Heptadecane
- 6. Aniline
- 7. Methyl Dodecanoate
- 8. 2-Chlorophenol
- 9. 1-Undecanol
- 10. Nonadecane
- 11. 2-Ethylhexanoic Acid
- 12. Ethyl Maltol

Oven: 60°C// 0 min//3°/min//200°C//0 min

Carrier Gas: Hydrogen, @ 42 cm/s

Injection: 1 uL, Split @ 250°C

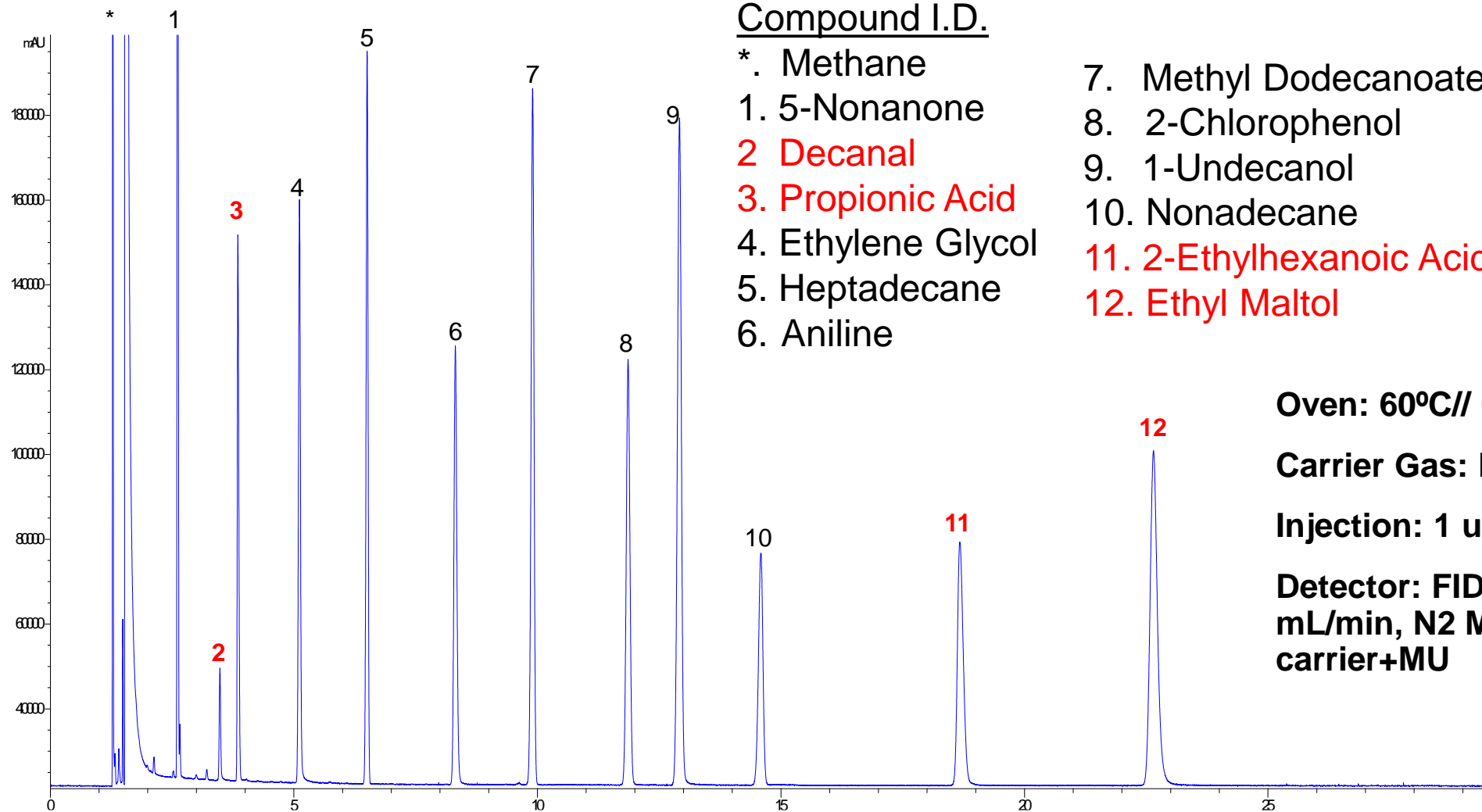
Detector: FID, 260°C, H2 30 ml/min, Air 300 mL/min, N2 MU 35mL/min constant carrier+MU

# Modified DB-WAX UI mix on DB-WAX UI, 122-7032UI

30 m x 0.25 mm I.D., 0.25 um film

Column Serial number: USF081192M

**\*Every column is tested individually**



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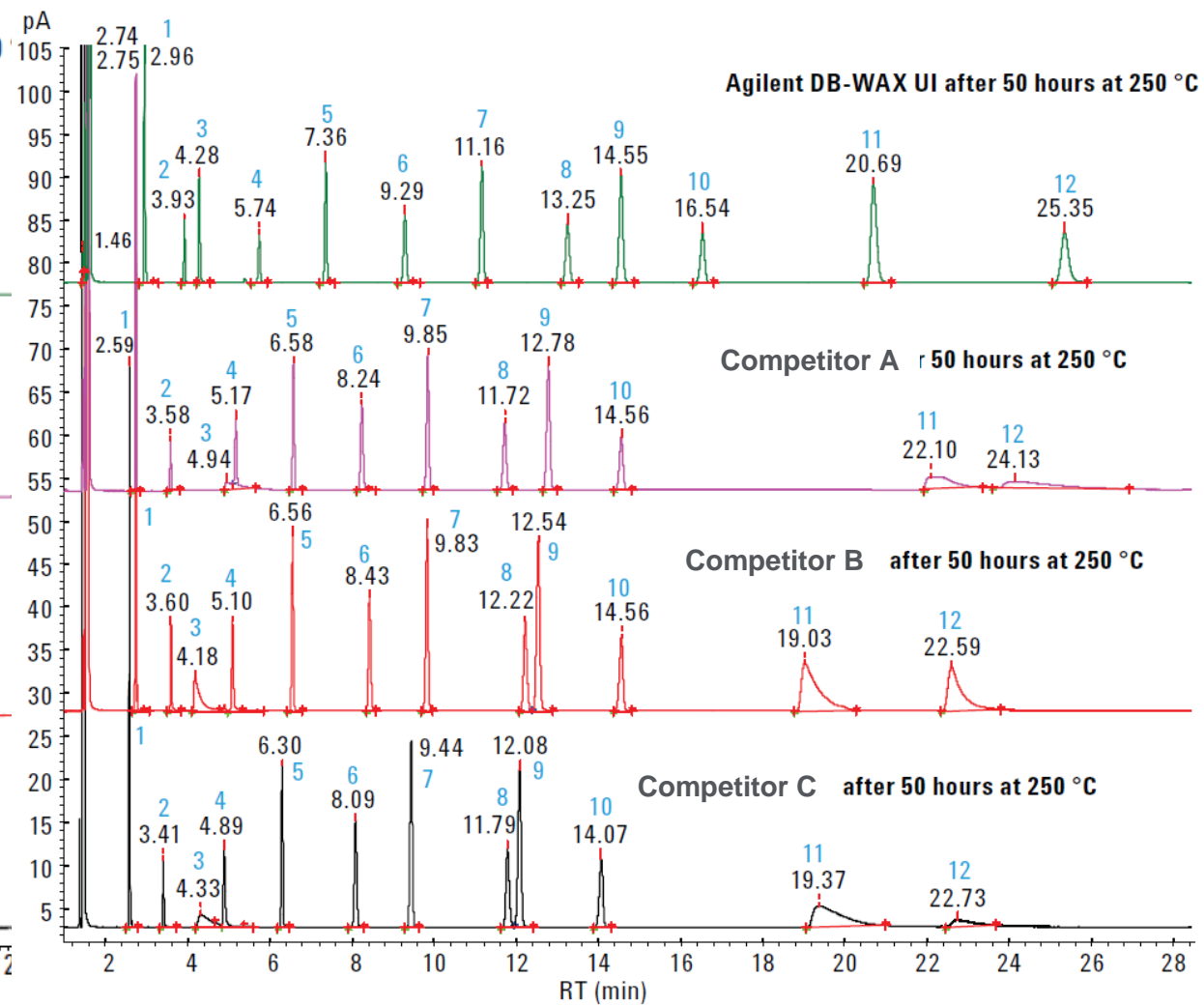
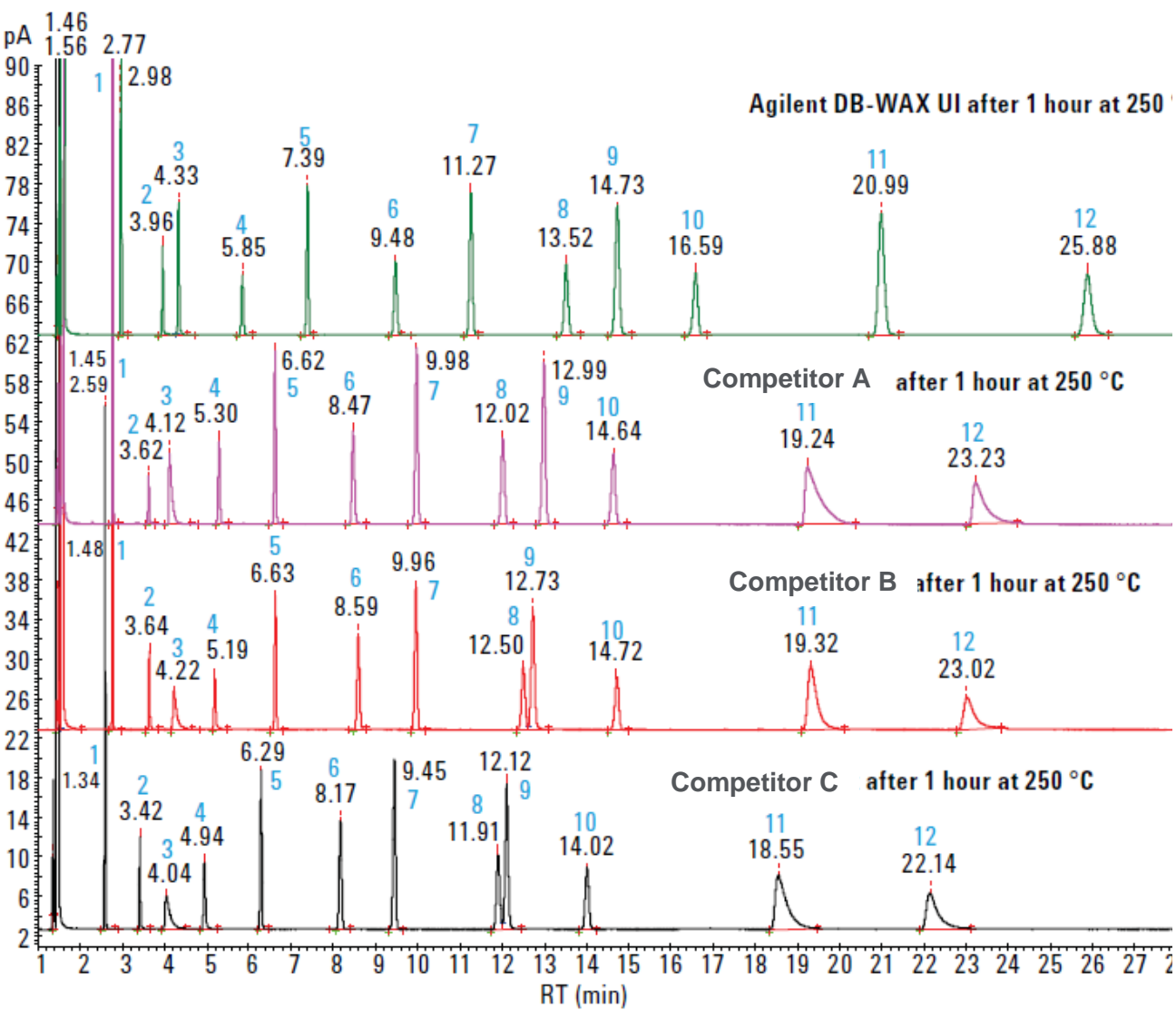
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Injection: 1 uL, Split @ 250°C

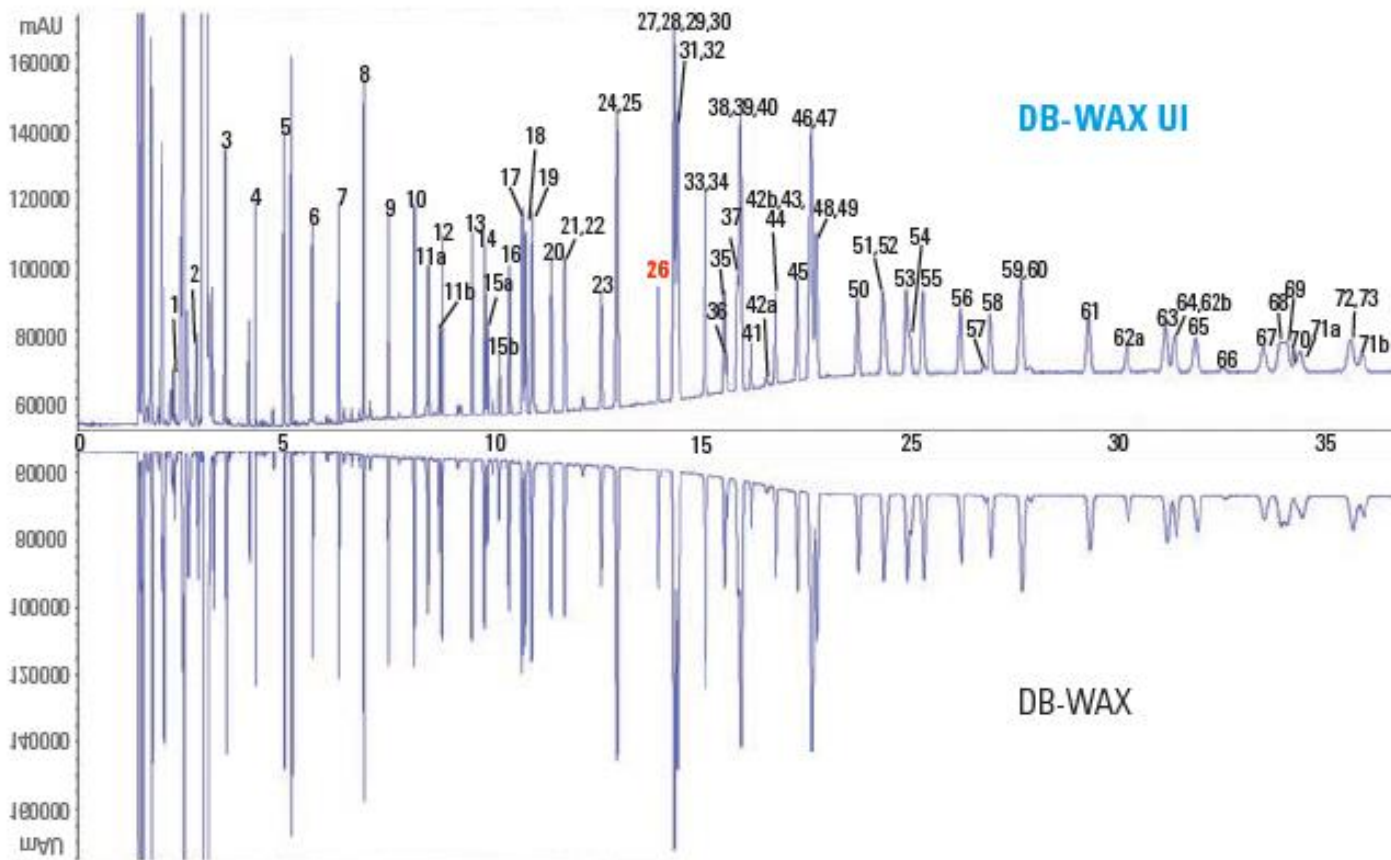
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# DB-WAX UI After 50 Hours at 250 C



# Same Selectivity as Standard DB-WAX

Extended FAMES mix: 72 compounds, retention time locked for Methyl Stearate (nC18:0)



DB-WAX Ultra Inert has the same selectivity as DB-WAX as demonstrated with this separation of 72 FAME compounds.

## Test conditions:

**Column:** DB-WAX UI 30 m x 0.25 mm id, 0.25  $\mu$ m (p/n 122-7032UI)

**Inlet:** Split/splitless @ 250  $^{\circ}$ C (p/n G3970A), split ratio 50:1

**Injection volume:** 1  $\mu$ L

**Carrier gas:** Hydrogen

**Head pressure:** Methyl Stearate is retention time locked at 14.000 min. Carrier gas pressure set to constant pressure mode, velocity approximately 36 cm/s at 50  $^{\circ}$ C and 53 kPa

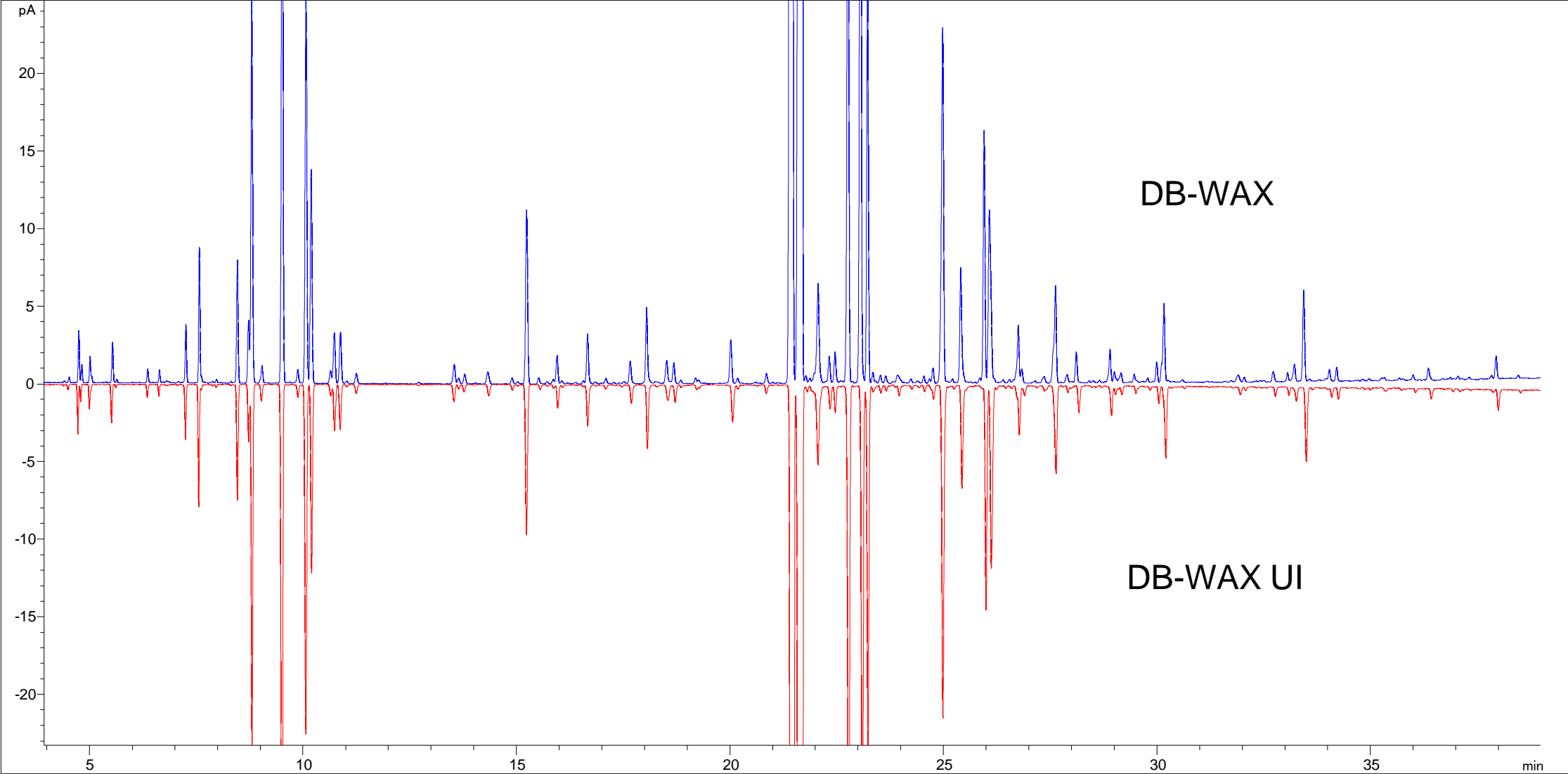
**Oven program:** 50  $^{\circ}$ C, 1 min, 25  $^{\circ}$ C/min to 200  $^{\circ}$ C, 3 min to 230  $^{\circ}$ C, 18 min hold

**Detector:** FID @ 280  $^{\circ}$ C, H<sub>2</sub> 40 mL/min, Air: 450 mL/min, He make-up gas: 30 mL/min

**Flow path supplies:**

- Ultra Inert Low Pressure drop liner (p/n 5190-2295)
- Ultra Inert gold seal (p/n 5190-6144)
- Self Tightening Column Nut (p/n 5190-6194)
- Graphite-vepel ferrules (p/n 5181-3323) 10 pk
- Long-life septa (p/n 5183-4761)

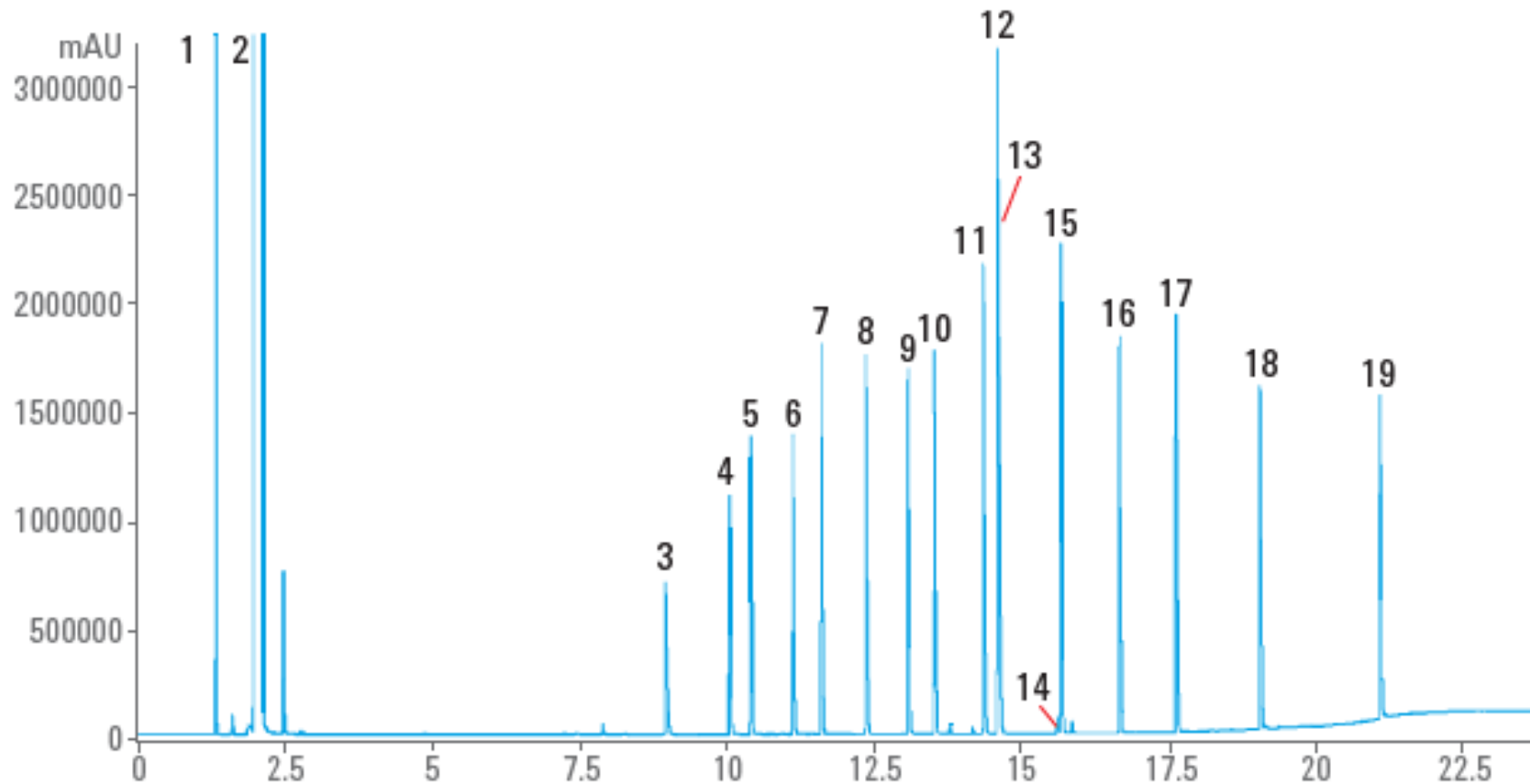
# GC/FID Chromatogram of Lavender oil sample (5991-6635EN)



# DB-WAX Ultra Inert - Free Acids

Great alternative to FFAP (acid modified) column for free acids

DB-WAX Ultra Inert GC column  
30 m x 0.25 mm id, 0.25  $\mu\text{m}$  (p/n 122-7032UI)



## Peak identification:

1. Methane
2. Acetone (solvent)
3. Acetic Acid
4. Propionic Acid
5. Isobutyric Acid
6. Butyric Acid
7. Isovaleric Acid
8. Valeric Acid
9. 4-Methylvaleric Acid
10. Hexanoic Acid
11. 4-Methylhexanoic Acid
12. 2-Ethylhexanoic Acid
13. Heptanoic Acid
14. Pyruvic Acid
15. Octanoic Acid
16. Nonanoic Acid
17. Decanoic Acid
18. Undecylenic Acid
19. Myristic Acid (Tetradecanoic)

## Test conditions:

- Carrier gas:** Hydrogen @ 41.37 cm/s  
**Injection volume:** 1  $\mu\text{L}$   
**Inlet:** Split @ 250  $^{\circ}\text{C}$   
**Oven program:** 130  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  Isothermal  
**Detector:** FID @ 260  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $\text{H}_2$  30 mL/min, Air 300 mL/min,  $\text{N}_2$  make-up gas 35 mL/min



# DB-WAX Ultra Inert – Available dimensions

Ultra Inert DB-WAX GC columns

ID (mm)	Length (m)	Film (µm)	Part No.
<b>DB-WAX Ultra Inert</b>			
0.18	20	0.18	121-7022UI
		0.30	121-7023UI
0.20	25	0.20	128-7022UI
0.25	15	0.25	122-7012UI
		0.25	122-7032UI
	60	0.25	122-7062UI
0.32	15	0.25	123-7012UI
		0.25	123-7032UI
0.53	15	0.25	125-7012UI
		0.50	125-7037UI
	60	1.00	125-7062UI

0.32	15	0.25	123-7012UI
	30	0.25	123-7032UI
		0.50	123-7033UI
	60	0.25	123-7062UI
		0.50	123-7063UI
0.53	15	1.00	125-7012UI
	30	0.25	125-7031UI
		0.50	125-7037UI
	60	1.00	125-7032UI
	60	1.00	125-7062UI

121-7022-INT	JW	DB-WAX	20m, 0.18mm, 0.18um, Intuvo
121-7022UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	20m, 0.18mm, 0.18um, Intuvo
122-7012UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	15m, 0.25mm, 0.25um, Intuvo
122-7032UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	30m, 0.25mm, 0.25um, Intuvo
122-7033UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	30m, 0.25mm, 0.50um, Intuvo
122-7062UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	60m, 0.25mm, 0.25um, Intuvo
123-7032UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	30m, 0.32mm, 0.25um, Intuvo
123-7033UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	30m, 0.32mm, 0.50um, Intuvo
123-7063UI-INT	JW	DB-WAX UI	60m, 0.32mm, 0.50um, Intuvo

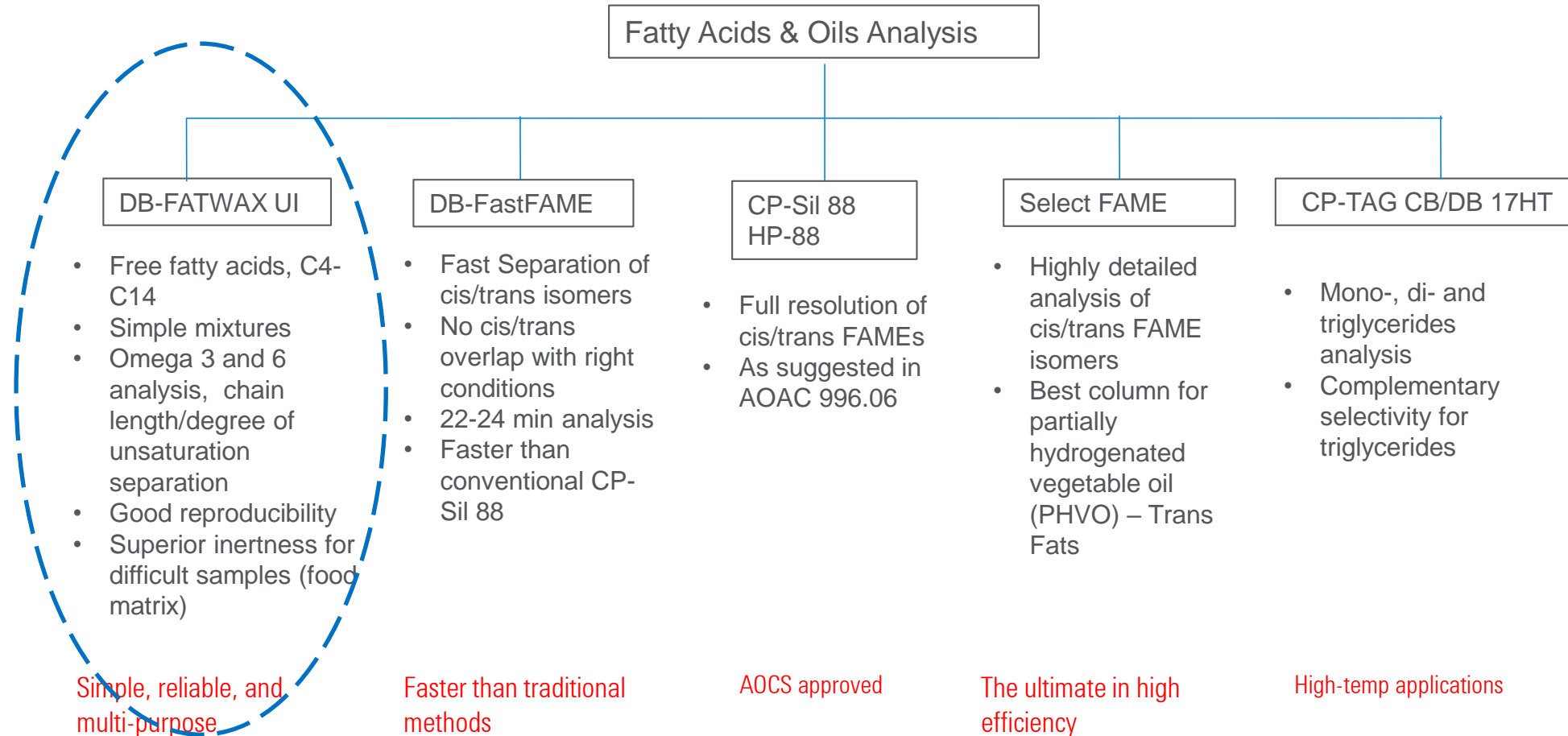
# DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert

For the analysis of:

- FAMES including Omega 3 and Omega 6
- Small organic acids and free fatty acids
- Applications in fish oil and animal fat analysis

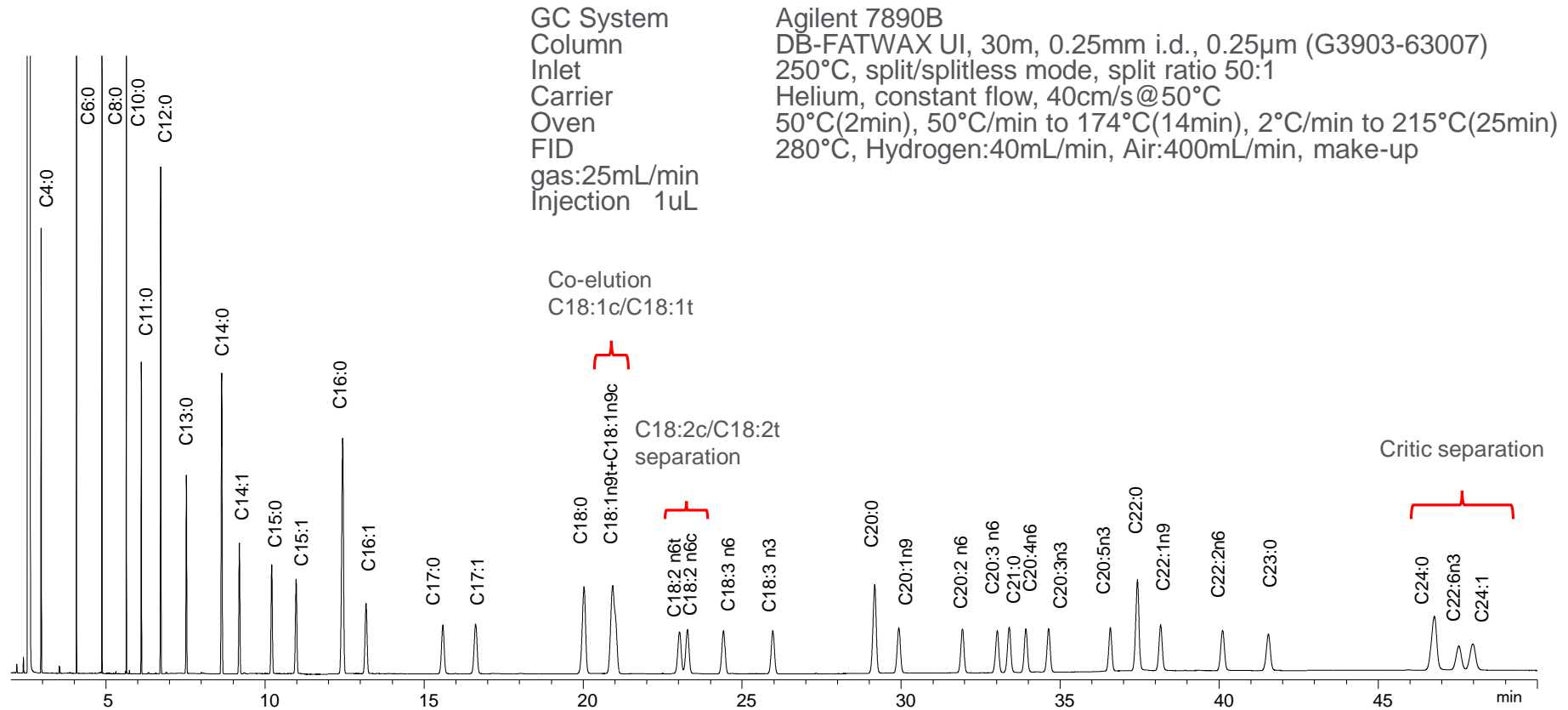
# Agilent Portfolio for Fatty Acids, FAMES & Oils Analysis

## - Column Positioning -



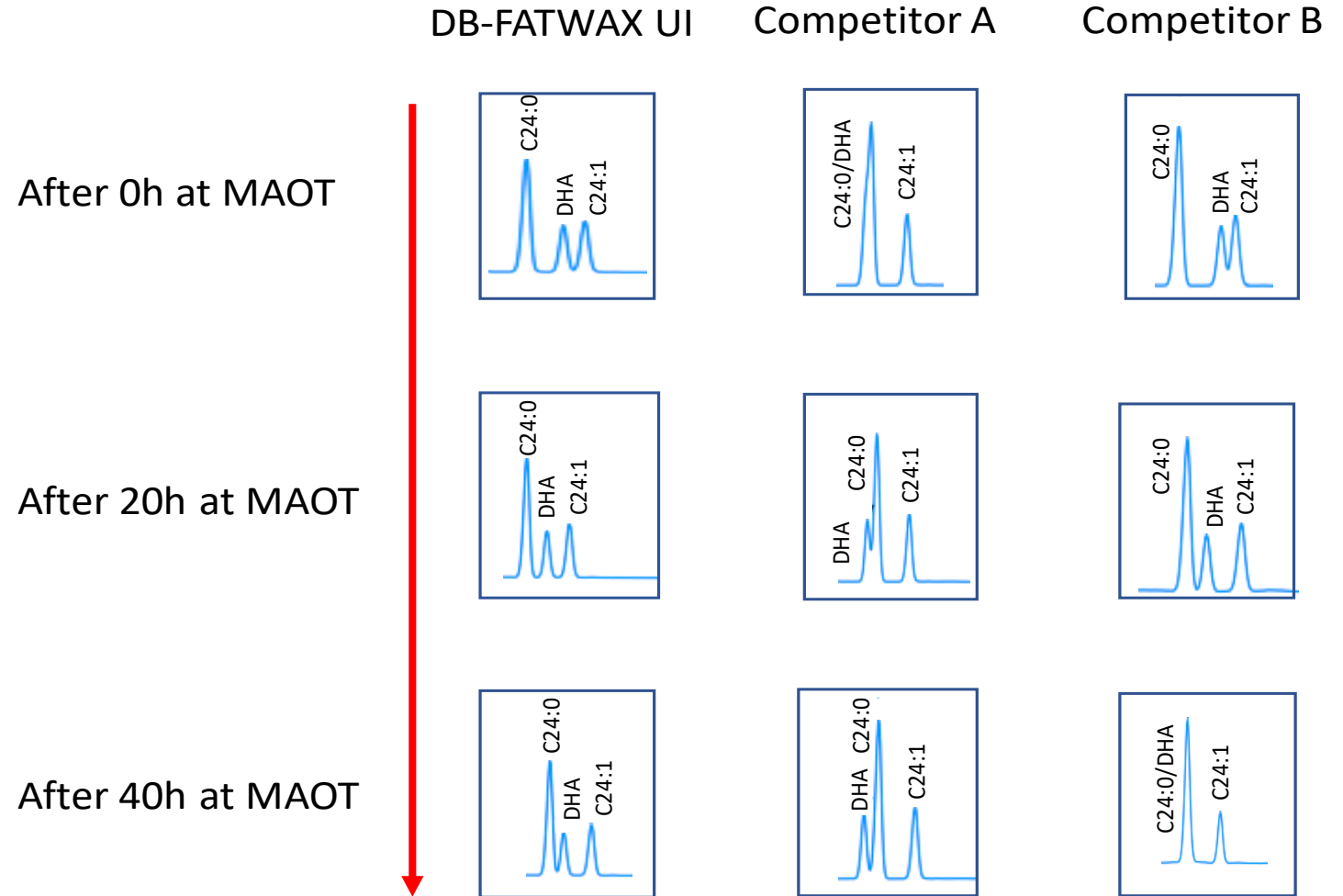
# 37-FAME mix analysis with DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert

- Best option for saturated and polyunsaturated FAMEs, including Omega 3 and Omega 6
- WAX-type selectivity not ideal for cis/trans separation



# Comparison study of the C24:0/C22:6n3 (DHA) critical pair

- DB-FATWAX UI fully resolves the C24:0/DHA critical pair
- It remains stable with no change in selectivity or retention time even after 40 h at MAOT.

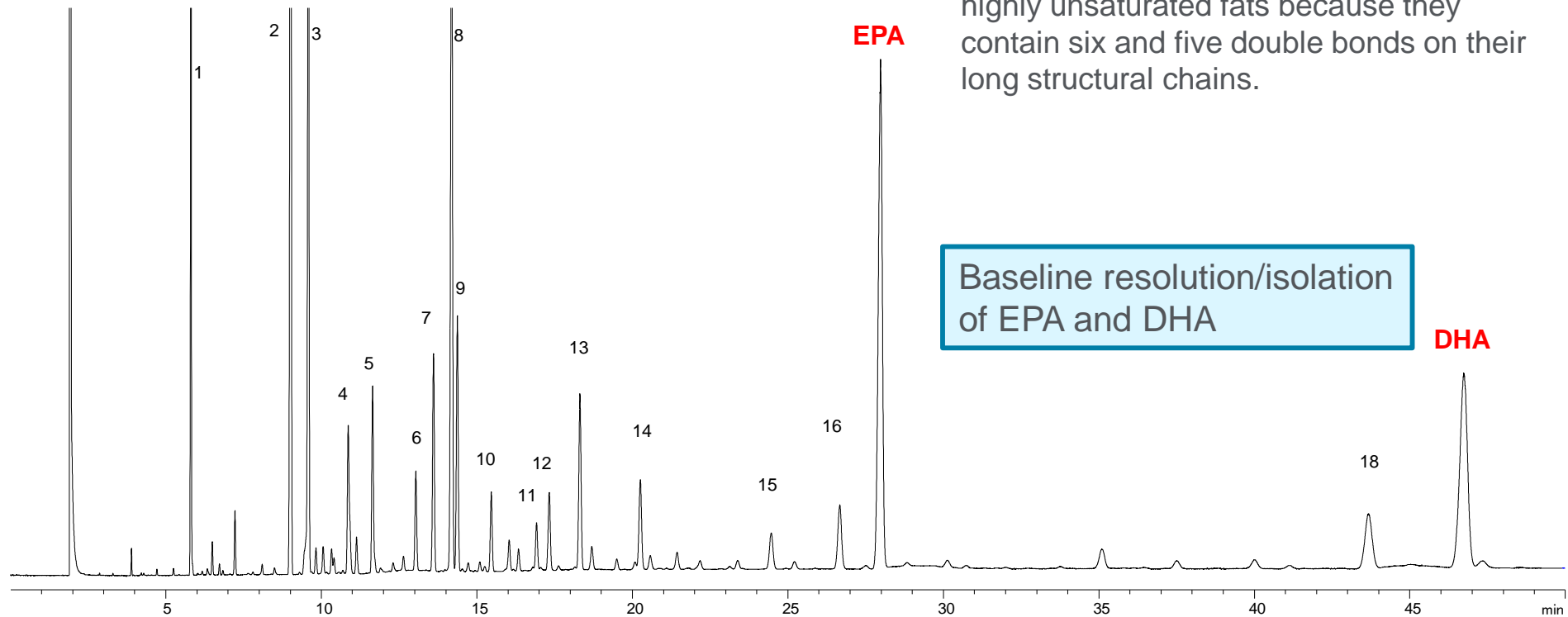


\*MAOT: maximum allowable operating temperature

# Analysis of real samples

Column DB-FATWAX UI, 30m, 0.25mm i.d., 0.25µm (G3903-63007)  
Inlet 250°C, split/splitless mode, split ratio 100:1  
Carrier Helium, constant flow, 30cm/s@180°C  
Oven 180°C(2min), 2°C/min to 210°C(35min)  
FID 280°C, Hydrogen:40mL/min, Air:400mL/min, make-up gas:25mL/min  
Injection 1uL  
Sample PUFA No.3 (diluted)

## Menhaden Oil analysis following AOAC method



**EPA and DHA** are eicosapentaenoic acid and docosahexaenoic acid respectively. These fatty acids are omega-3 fats, which are found in cold water fish. **EPA DHA** are highly unsaturated fats because they contain six and five double bonds on their long structural chains.

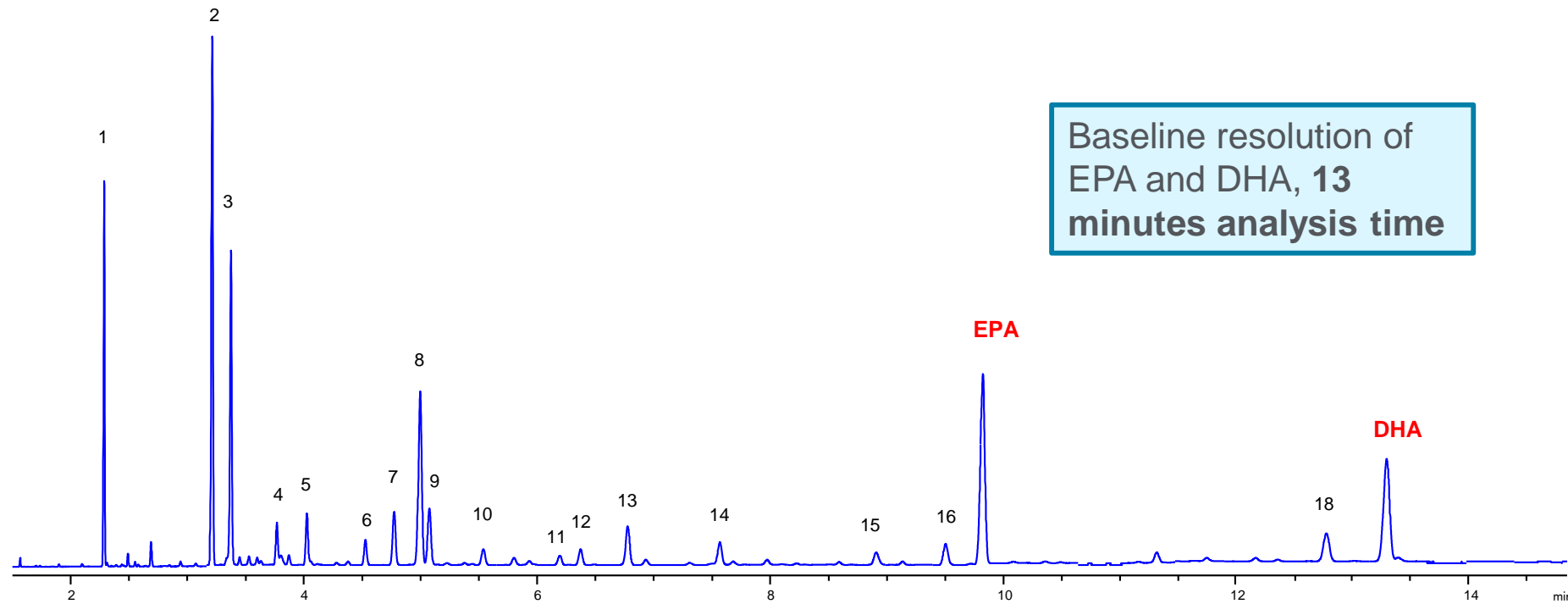
Baseline resolution/isolation of EPA and DHA

1. C14:0
2. C16:0
3. C16:1n7
4. C16:2n4
5. C16:3n4
6. C16:4n1
7. C18:0
8. C18:1n9
9. C18:1n7
10. C18:2n6
11. C18:3n3
12. C18:3n4
13. C18:4n3
14. C20:1n9
15. C20:4n6
16. C20:4n3
17. C20:5n3 (EPA)
18. C22:5n3
19. C22:6n3 (DHA)

# Analysis of real samples

Column DB-FATWAX UI, **20m\*0.18mm I.D, 0.18um**  
Inlet 250°C, split/splitless mode, split ratio 100:1  
Carrier Hydrogen, constant flow, 2mL/min  
Oven 140°C, 20°C/min to 190°C(3min), 5°C/min to 220°C(15min)  
FID 250°C, Hydrogen:40mL/min, Air:400mL/min, make-up gas:25mL/min  
Injection 1uL

## Optimize separation of Menhaden Oil using a fast GC method



1. C14:0
2. C16:0
3. C16:1n7
4. C16:2n4
5. C16:3n4
6. C16:4n1
7. C18:0
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19. C22:6n3

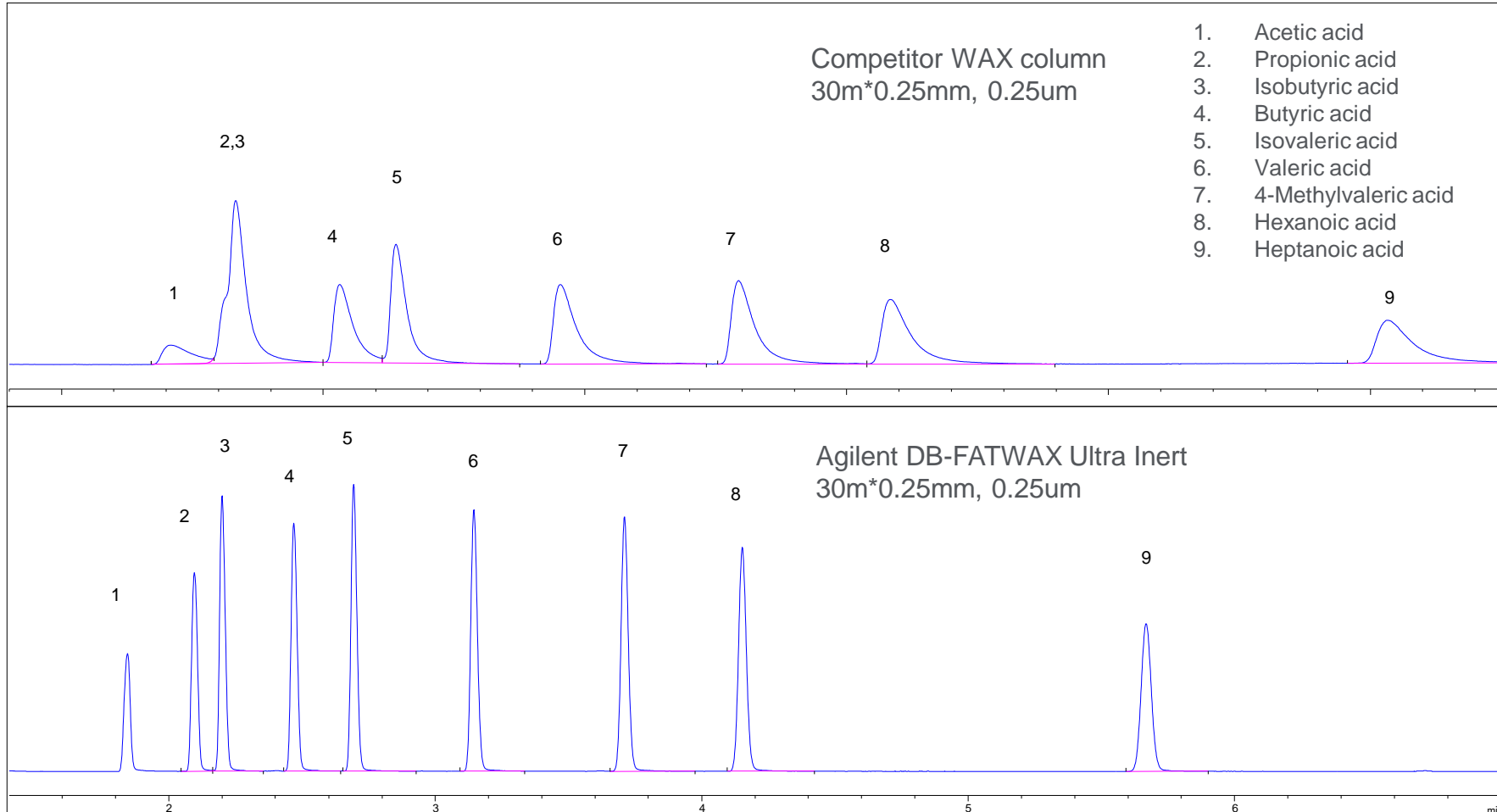
# DB-FATWAX UI provides the desire inertness and thermal stability to separate challenge organic acids and fatty acids

- Great need in the food, forensic and cosmetic industries to monitor the content of free and natural occurring fatty acids.
- Analysis of underivatized organic acids and free acids is desirable to eliminate the problems associated with derivatization, extraction, and cleanup procedures
- Volatile organic acids and fatty acids are difficult to quantify accurately by standard WAX columns. These acids often elute as tailing or poorly resolved peaks. For some acids, adsorption can become irreversible.
- Normally:
  - Fatty acids are derivatized to the methyl ester (FAME)
  - Free fatty acids are analyzed using acid-deactivated wax columns (FFAP). The acid modifier, nitroterephthalic acid, however, reduces thermal stability, operating temperature and reacts with humidity, reducing column life time



# Separation of Short-chain volatile organic acids in water using a competitor WAX column and DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert

- Standard WAX columns don't have the inertness to separate most organic acids

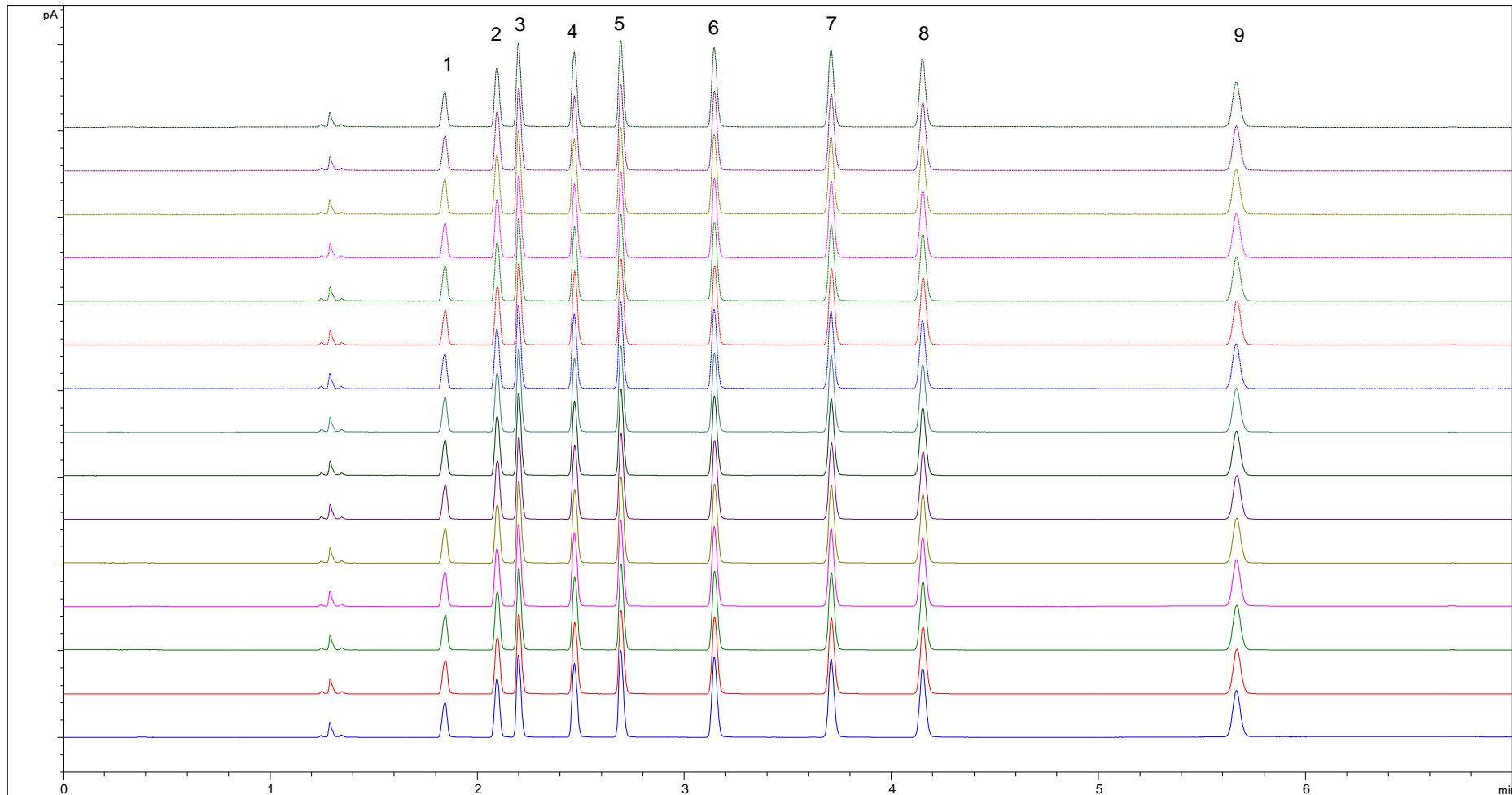


# Proven robustness for aqueous sample – Volatile Organic Acids in Water

RT RSD = 0.03%

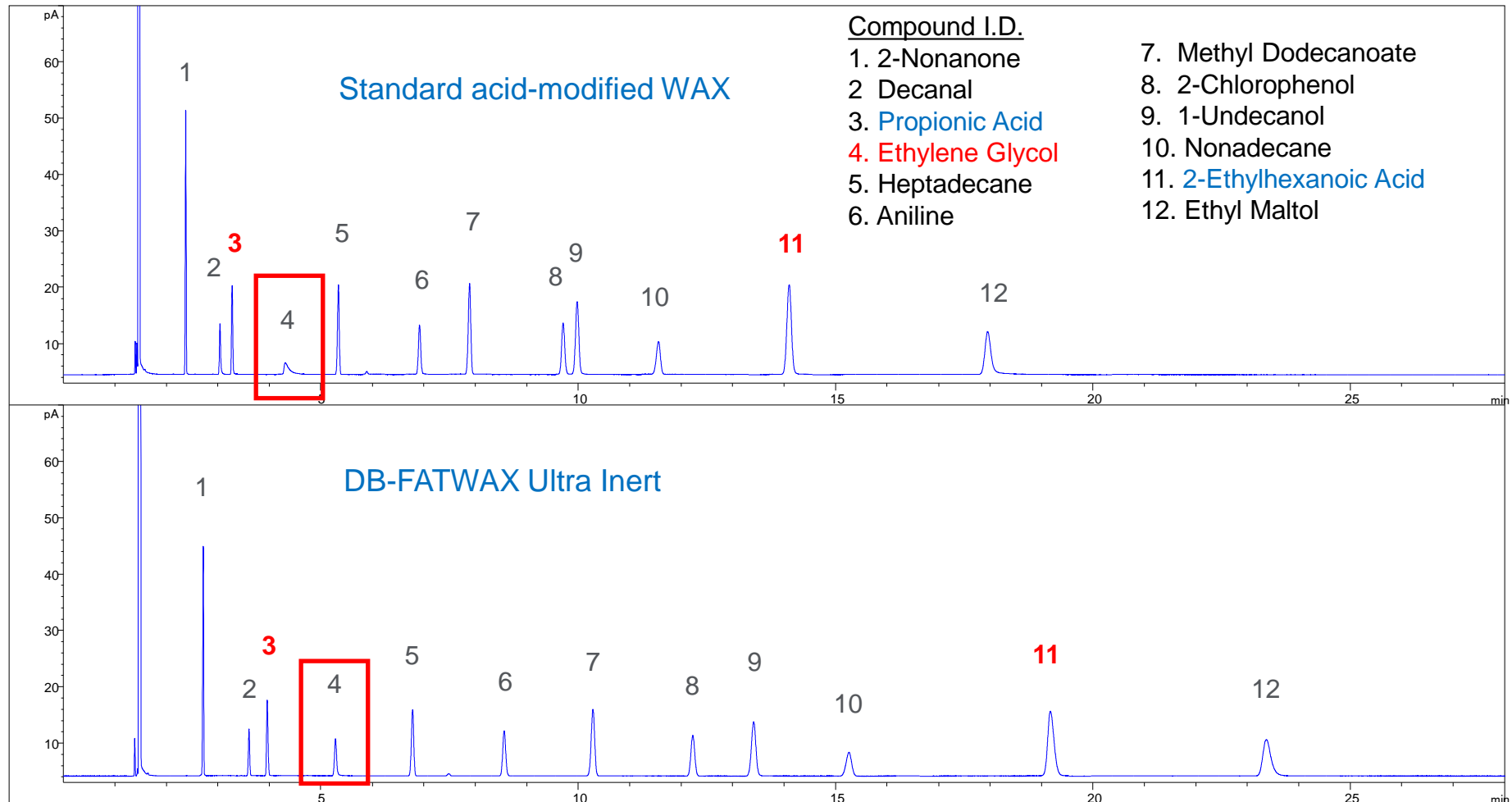
Peak Area RSD = 2.1%

Consistent retention times and peak shapes



# Comparison between acid-modified WAX and DB-FATWAX UI after 50h at 250 °C

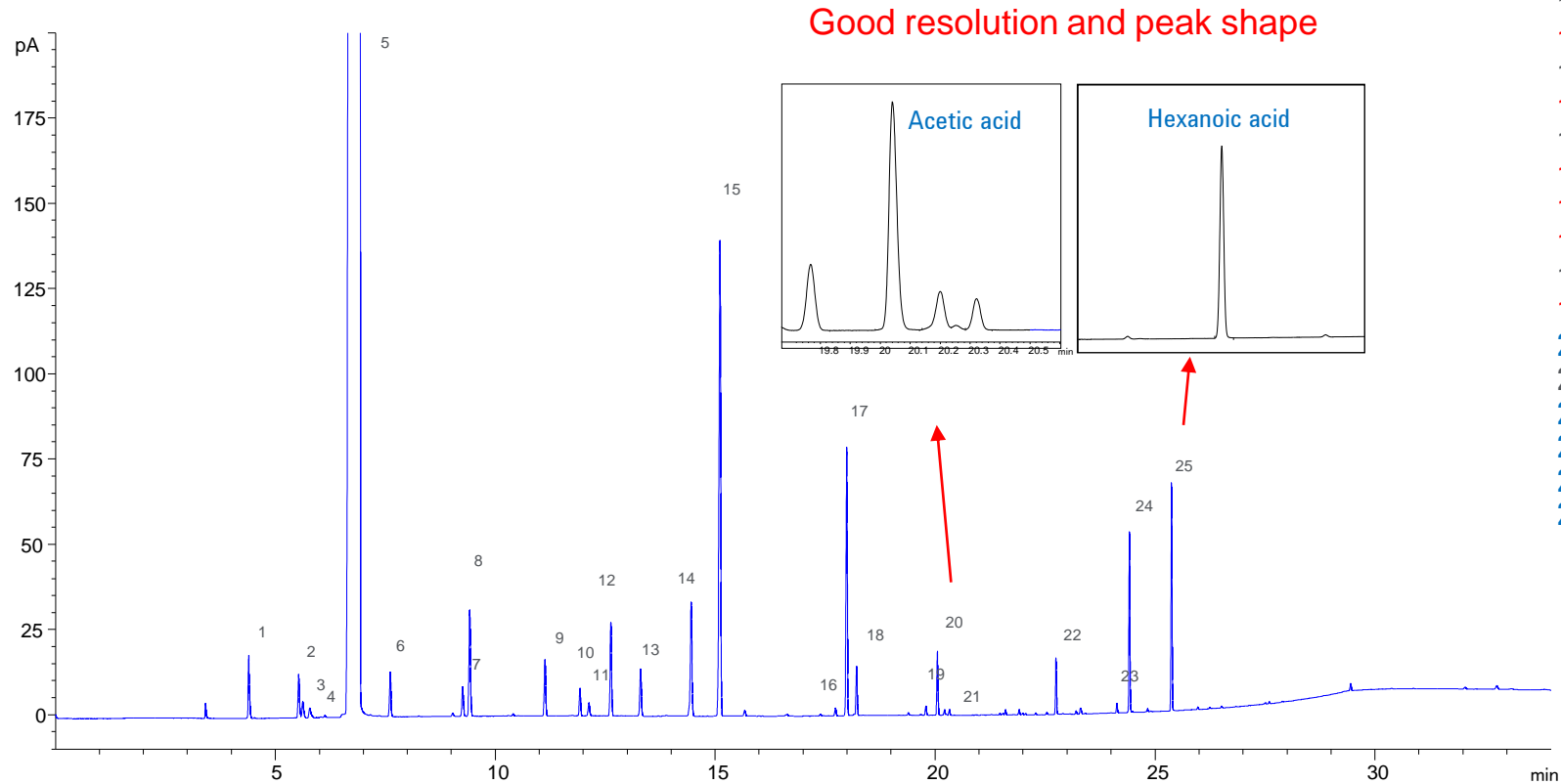
DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert shows superior inertness and thermal stability than acid-modified WAX



# Analysis of real samples

Column DB-FATWAX UI, 30m\*0.25mm I.D, 0.25um  
Inlet 250°C, split/splitless mode, split ratio 30:1  
Carrier Nitrogen, constant flow, 0.7mL/min  
Oven 40°C (4min), 5°C/min to 100°C(5min), 10°C/min to 230°C(5min)  
FID 260°C, Hydrogen:40mL/min, Air:400mL/min, make-up gas:25mL/min  
Injection 1uL, 38% (v/v) Chinese distilled liquor sample

## FA and naturally occurring FAEs analysis in alcoholic beverages



1. Acetone
2. Ethyl acetate
3. Acetal
4. Methanol
5. Ethanol
6. 2-Pentanone
7. Ethyl butyrate
8. n-propanol
9. iso-Butanol
10. 2-Pentanol
11. Ethyl valerate
12. 1-Butanol
13. Amyl acetate
14. Isoamyl alcohol
15. Ethyl hexanoate
16. Ethyl heptanoate
17. Ethyl lactate
18. 1-Hexanol
19. Ethyl octanoate
20. Acetic acid
21. Furfural
22. Butyric acid
23. Valeric acid
24. 2-Ethylbutyric acid
25. Hexanoic acid

Red: FAEe  
Blue: FA

# DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert – Available dimensions

G3903-63007	JW	DB-FATWAX	UI	20m, 0.18mm, 0.18um
G3903-63008	JW	DB-FATWAX	UI	30m, 0.25mm, 0.25um
G3903-63009	JW	DB-FATWAX	UI	30m, 0.32mm, 0.25um
G3909-63002	JW	DB-FATWAX	UI	20m, 0.18mm, 0.18um, Intuvo
G3909-63003	JW	DB-FATWAX	UI	30m, 0.25mm, 0.25um, Intuvo
G3909-63004	JW	DB-FATWAX	UI	30m, 0.32mm, 0.25um, Intuvo

# DB-HeavyWAX

For the analysis of:

- High temp applications for polar analytes
- Essential oils and flavor & fragrances
- Other high temp. requirements (GCxGC)

# Introducing DB-HeavyWAX

- WAX column with increased MAOT compared to existing columns on the market
  - 280°C isothermal and 290°C programmed
- Provides increased thermal stability
- Has a low bleed level
- Advantages

## General GC

- Shorter runtimes when late eluters are present
- Better S/N ratio, improved detection
- Better thermal stability
- Faster column bake-out

## GC/MS

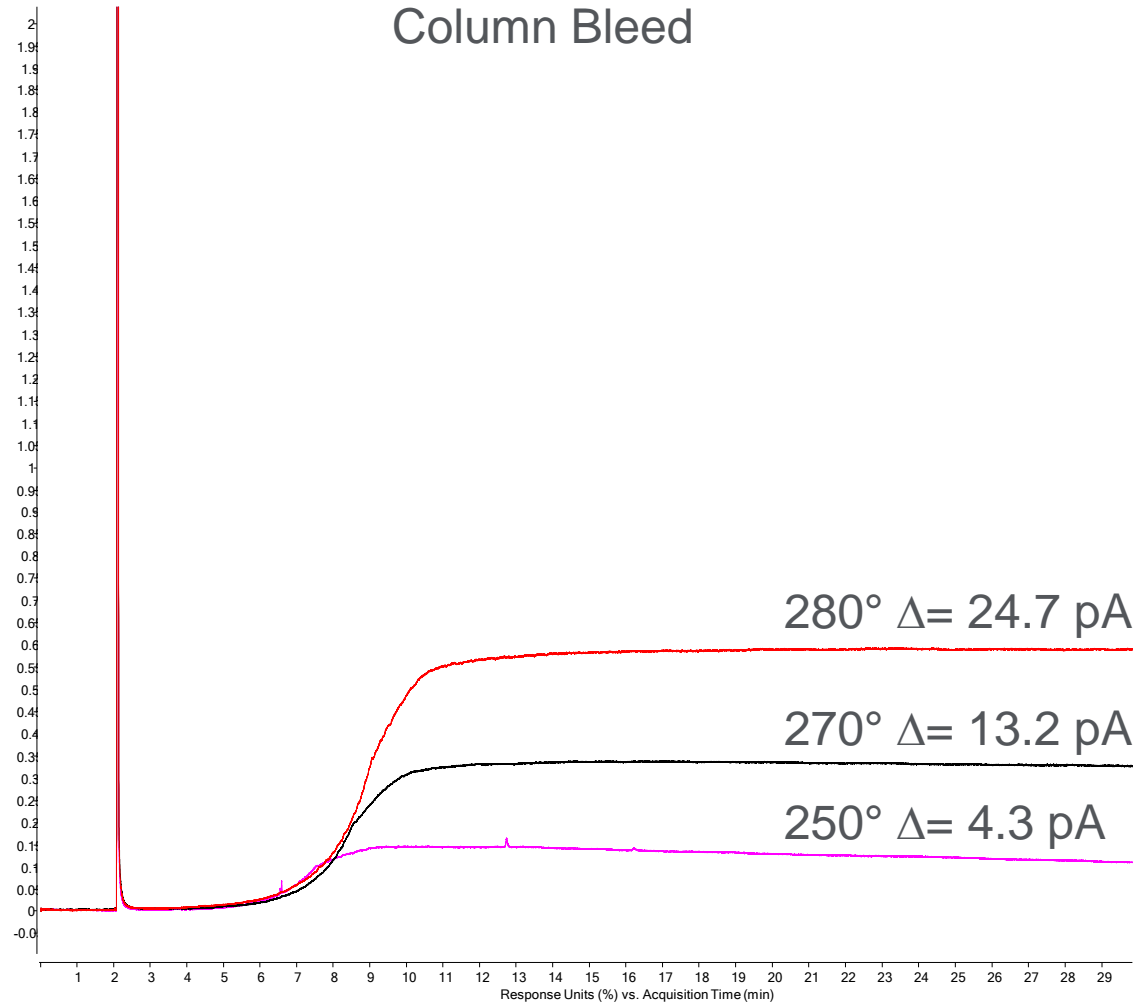
- Desire for “zero” bleed
- Avoid MS contamination by column bleed for longer system uptime and column lifetime
- Improve detection limit

## GCxGC

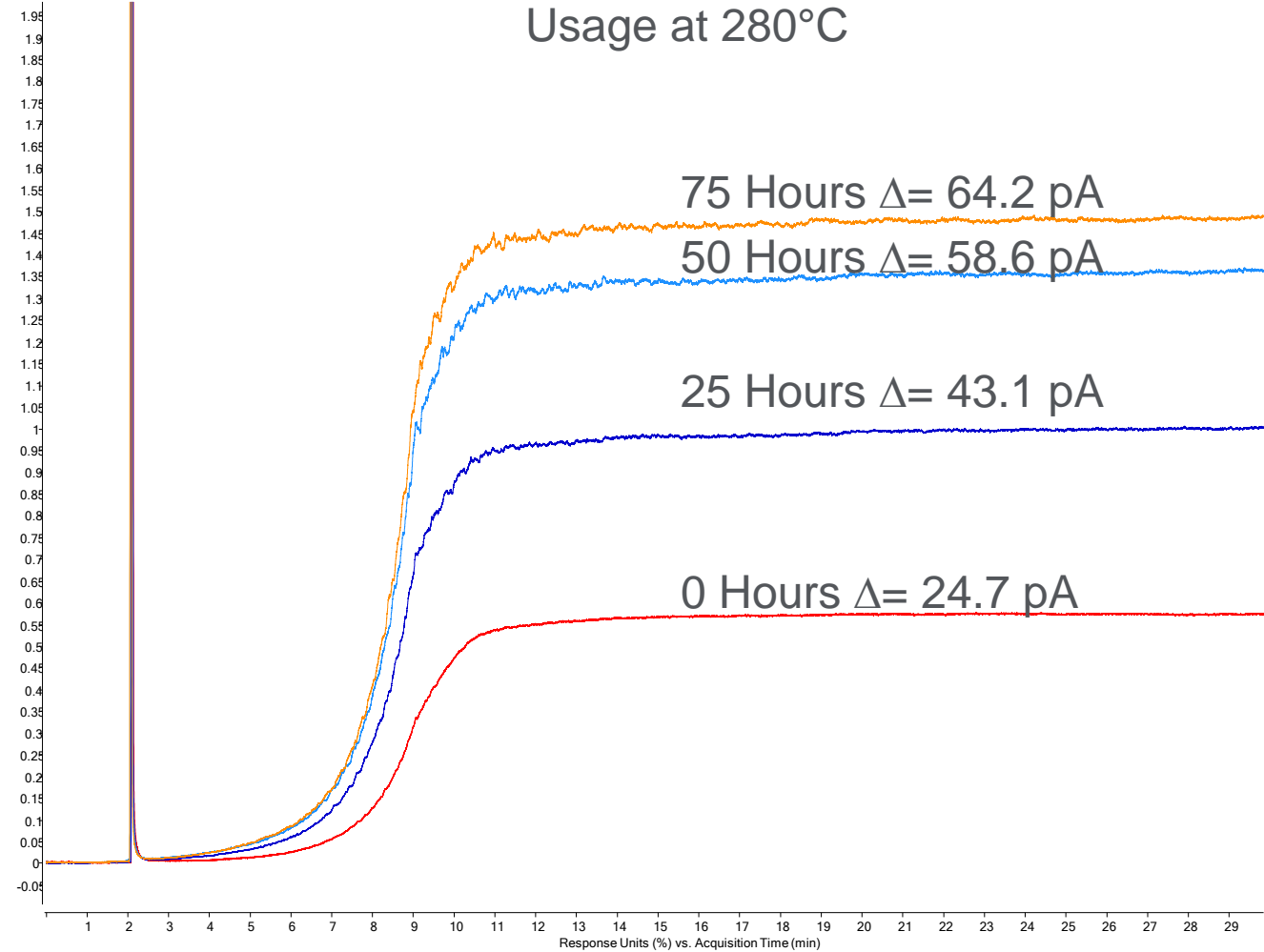
- Extended scope of compounds
- Can raise / elevate oven temp when paired with a non-polar column in GC x GC

# Traditional WAX and Going Above the MAOT

## Column Bleed



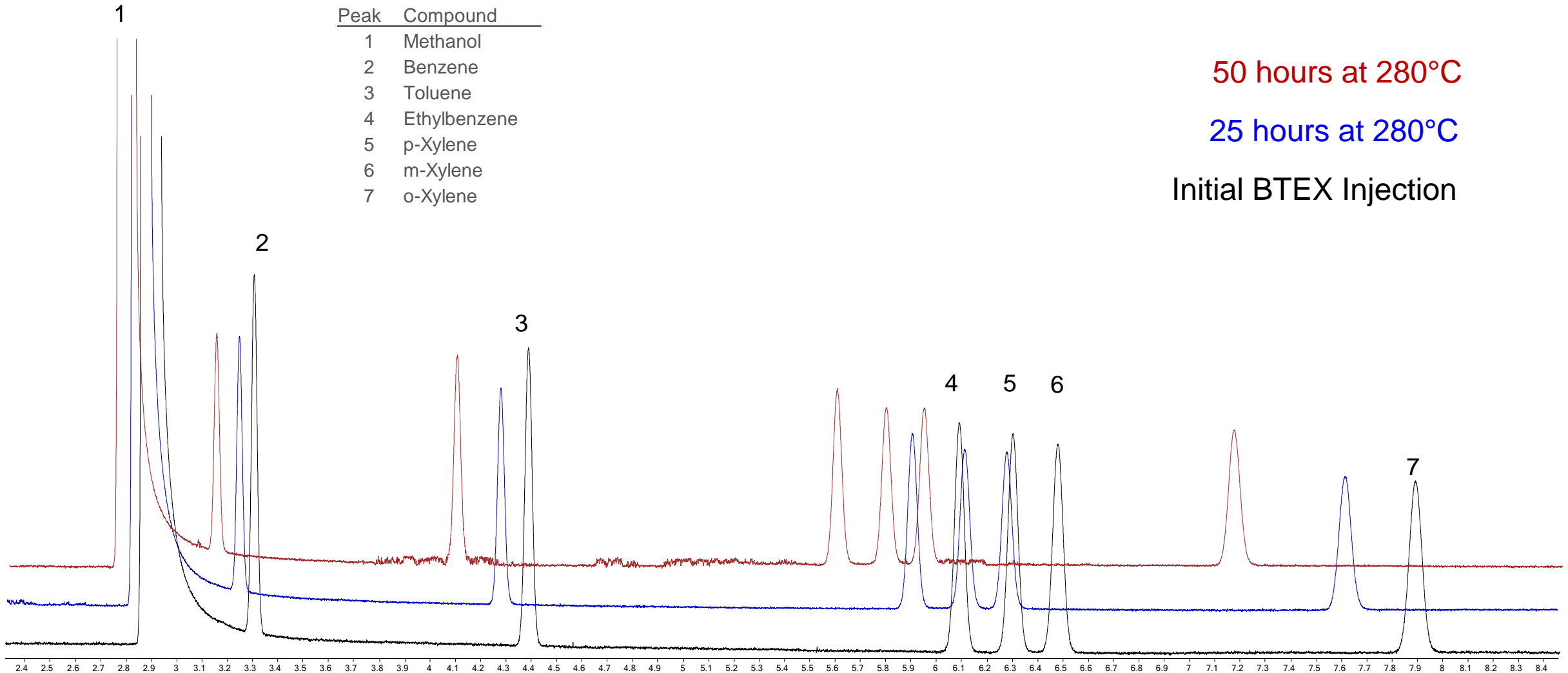
## Usage at 280°C





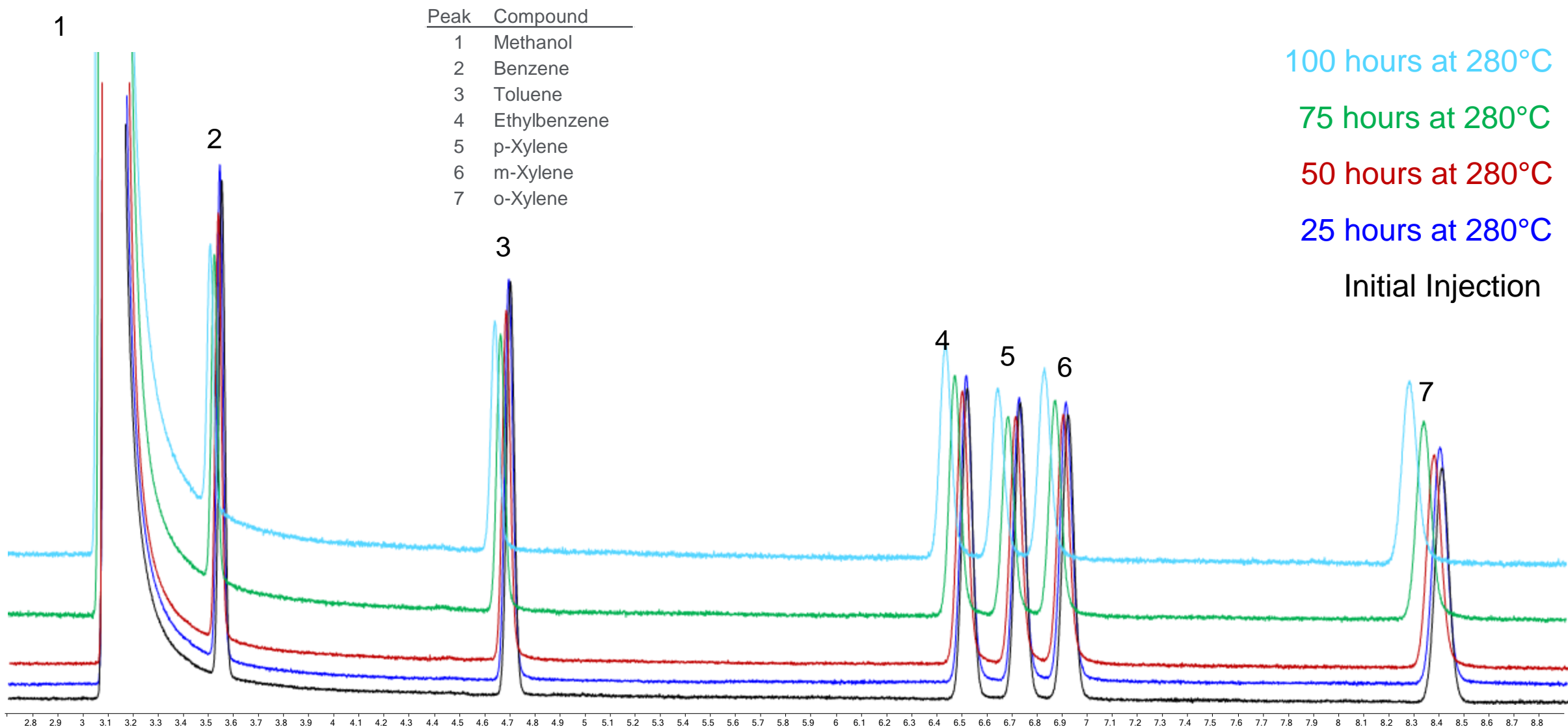
# Thermal Stability and Retention Time Shifting

## Commercially available traditional WAX column

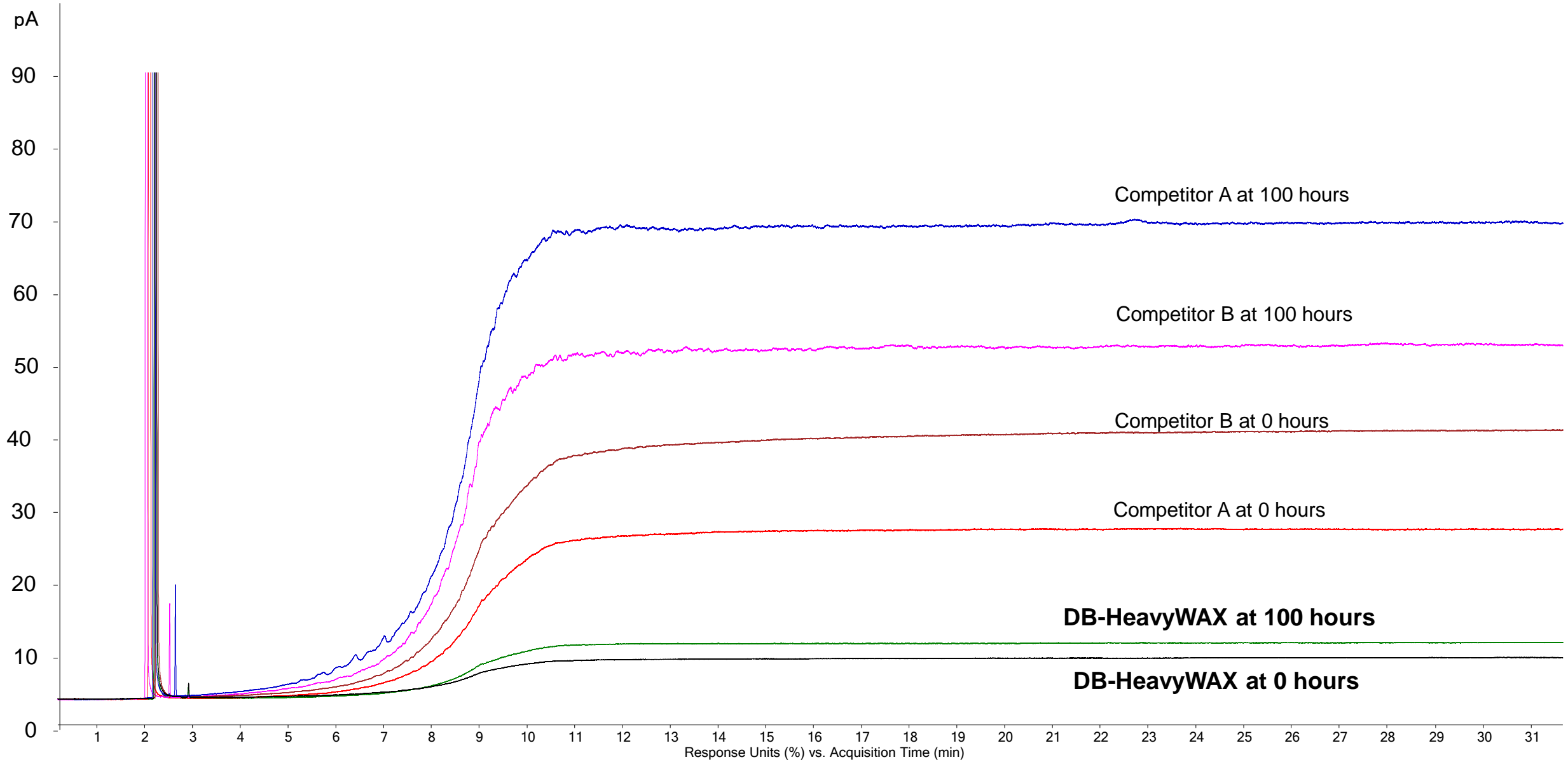


# Thermal Stability and Retention Time Shifting

## DB-HeavyWAX



# Bleeding at 280°C after 100 Hours

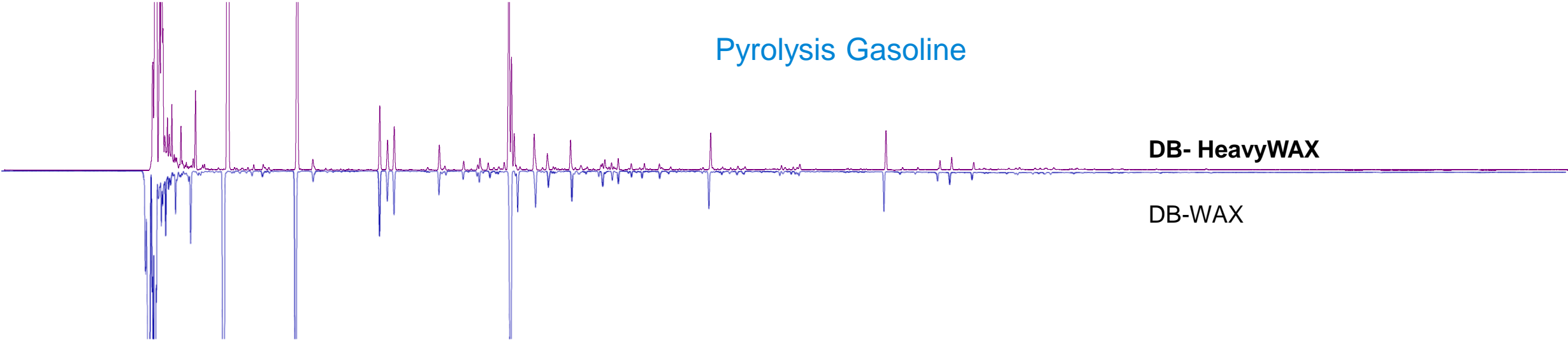


# It Is a WAX!

Pink Grapefruit Essential Oil



Pyrolysis Gasoline



# Advantages of applications at high temperatures: Applications

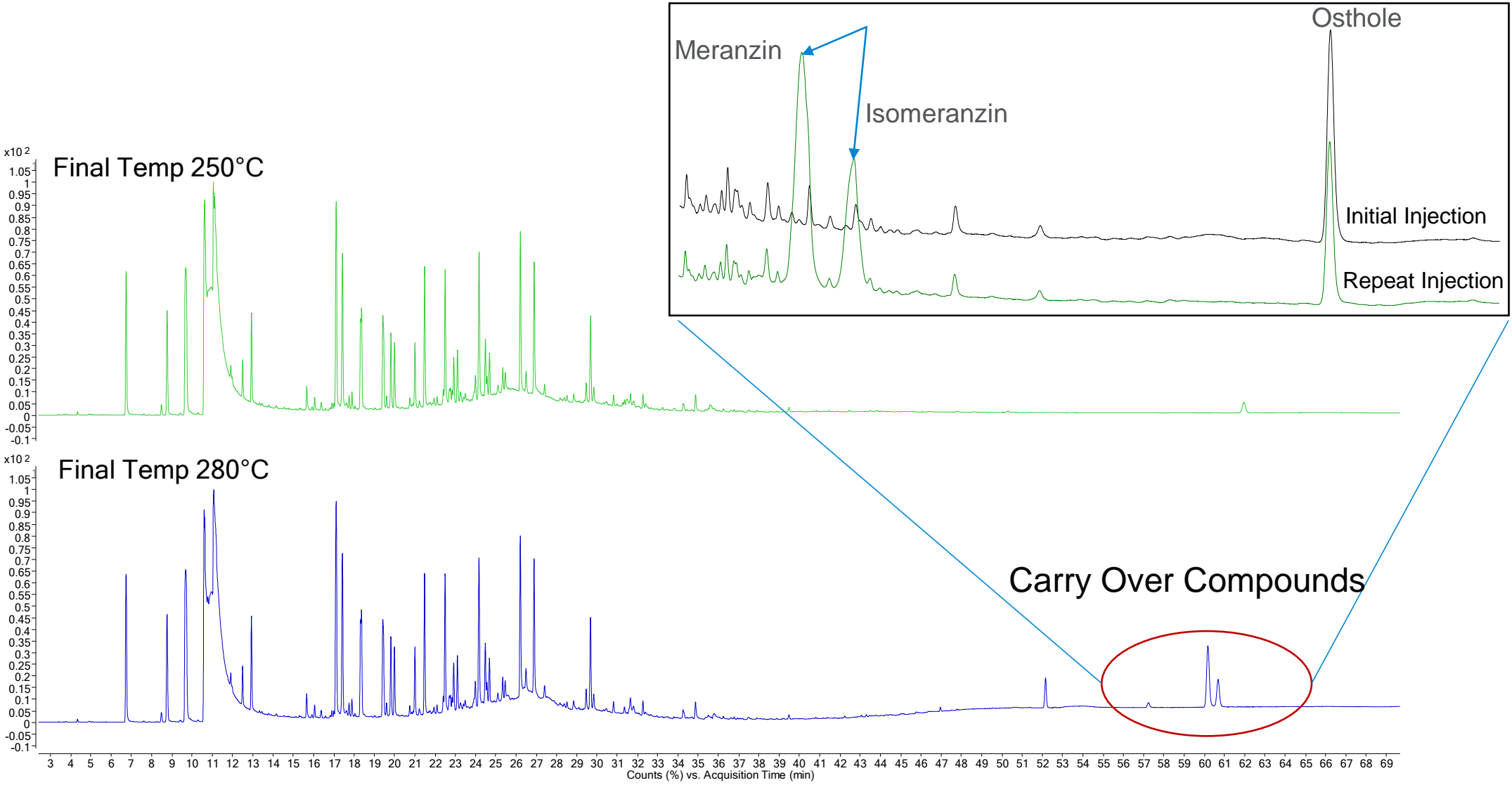
## Pinkfruit essential oil

- 'carry over' reduction
- Analysis time reduction
- Selectivity is stable after repeated cycling to high temperatures

GC Conditions	
Column	30m x 0.25 mm x 0.25 $\mu$ m
Carrier	Helium, constant flow, 1.2 mL/min
Oven	60°C (2.0 min), Ramp 5°C/min to 280°C (30 min)

Selectivity similar to traditional WAX phases

# Reduce Carry-Over - Pink Grapefruit Essential Oil

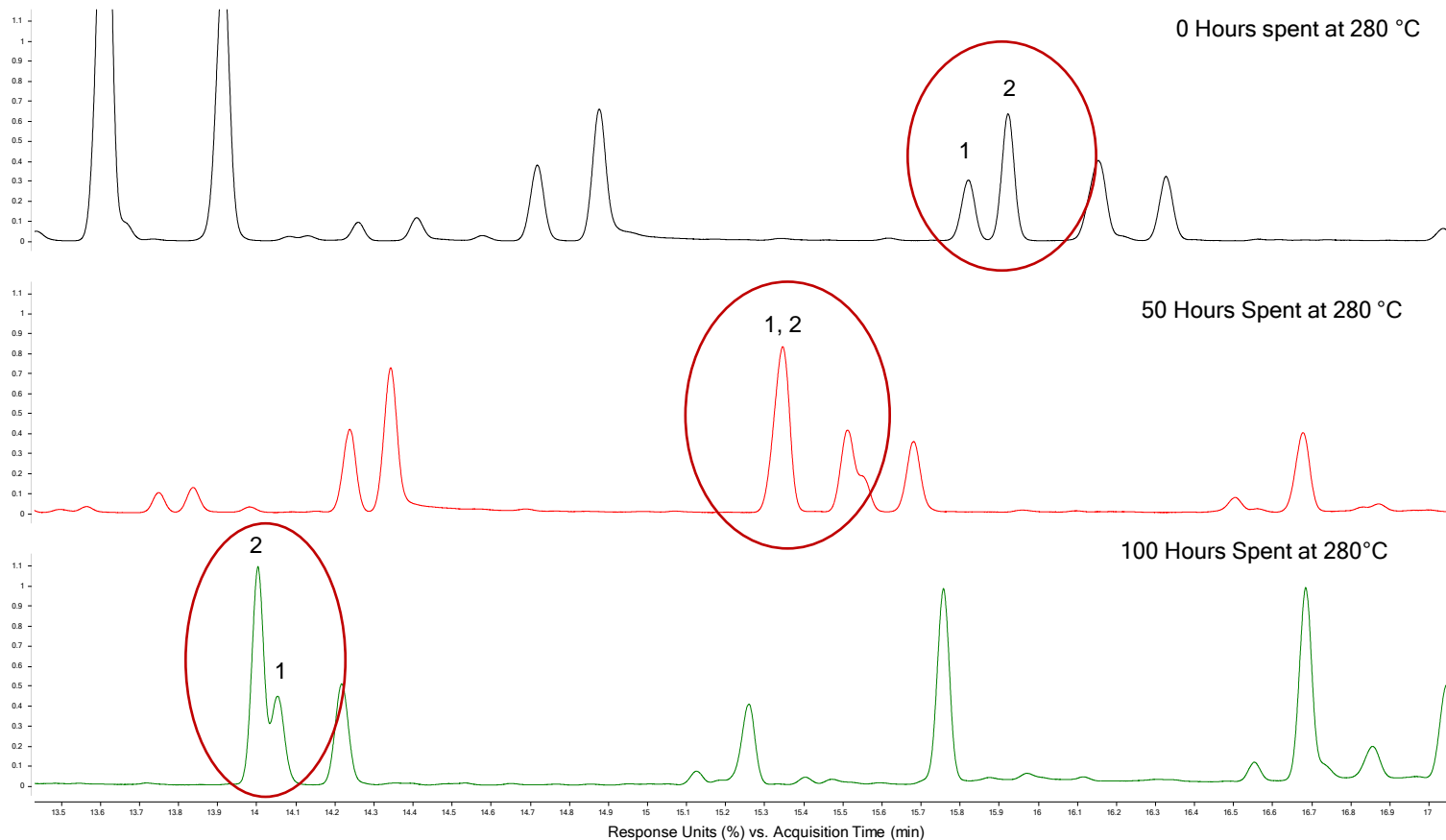


# Thermal Stability and Selectivity: In Action (Cold pressed Grapefruit)

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Peak	Compound
1	Linalool
2	$\gamma$ -Amorphene

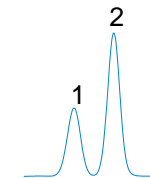
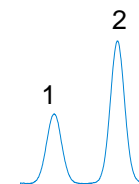
## Traditional WAX



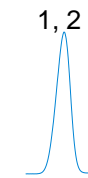
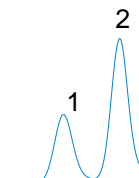
## Agilent J&W DB-HeavyWAX

## Traditional WAX

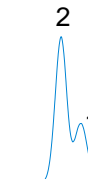
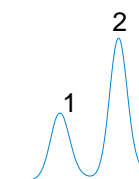
After 0 Hours at 280 °C



After 50 Hours at 280 °C



After 100 Hours at 280 °C



## GC Conditions

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Carrier	Helium, constant flow, 1.2 mL/min
Oven	60°C (2.0 min), Ramp 5°C/min to 280°C (30 min)

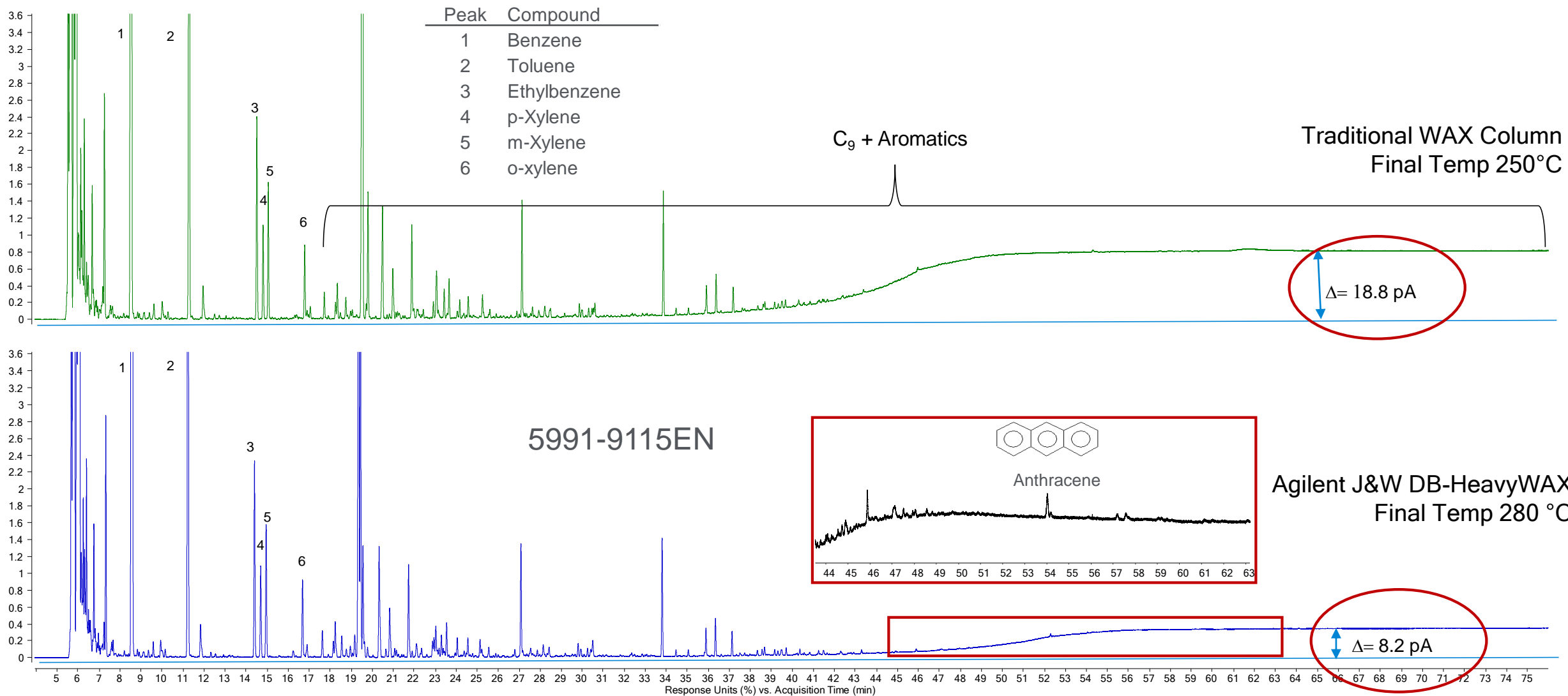
# Benefits of Low Bleed - Pyrolysis Gasoline

- Analysis of Pyrolysis Gasoline
  - According to ASTM D6563
- Sample contains heavier aromatic compounds
- Lower bleed at 280°C than traditional WAX at 250°C
  - Increased Sensitivity for Later Eluting Compounds
  - Increased Column Lifetime

GC Conditions	
Column	60m x 0.25 mm x 0.25 $\mu$ m
Carrier	Helium, constant flow, 1.2 mL/min
Oven	70°C (10.0 min), Ramp 5°C/min to 280°C (30 min)

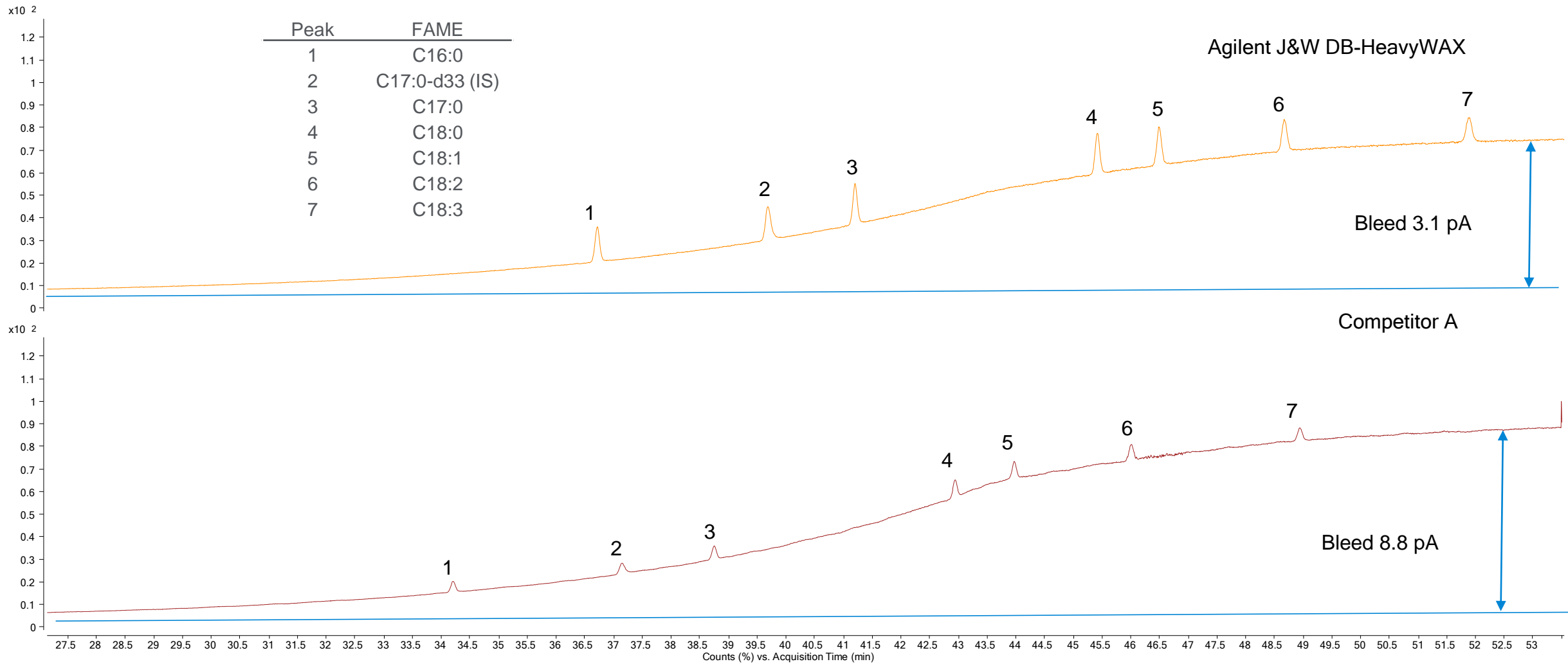


# Benefits of Low Bleed - Pyrolysis Gasoline



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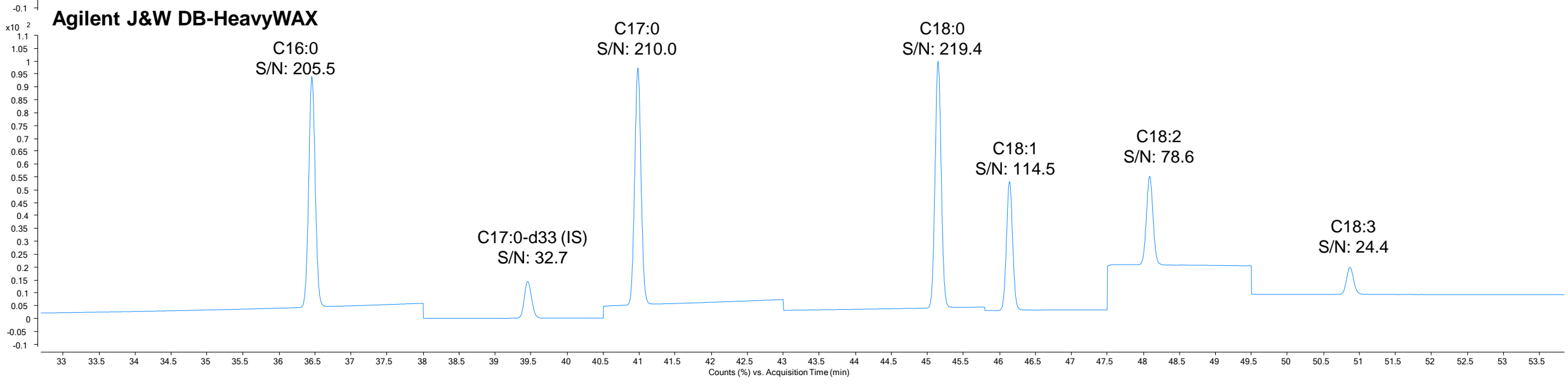
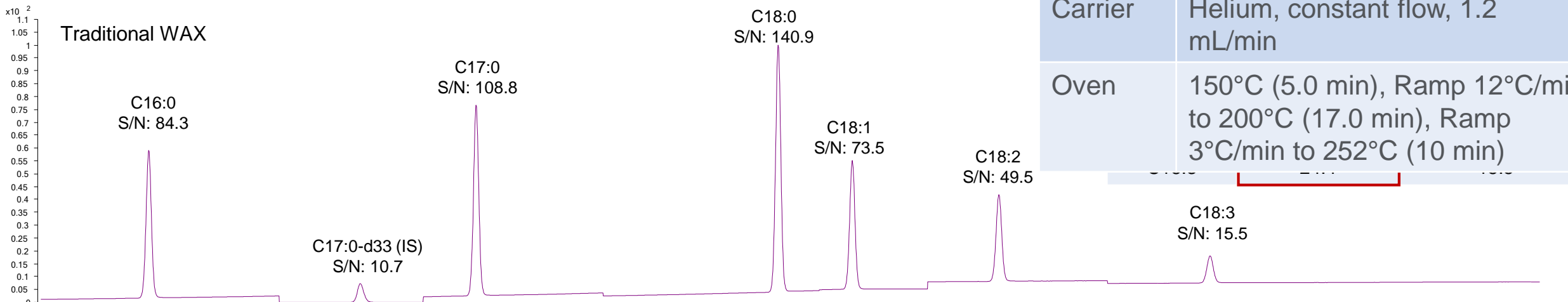
# Lower Bleed for FAMEs in Biodiesel (IP-585) using DB-HeavyWAX, 60m x 0.25mm x 0.50 $\mu$ m



# Decrease Bleed → Increase Signal to Noise

## FAMEs in Jet Fuel (IP585)

GC Conditions (IP585)	
Column	60m x 0.25 mm x 0.5 μm
Carrier	Helium, constant flow, 1.2 mL/min
Oven	150°C (5.0 min), Ramp 12°C/min to 200°C (17.0 min), Ramp 3°C/min to 252°C (10 min)



# Retention time stability on a DB-HeavyWAX

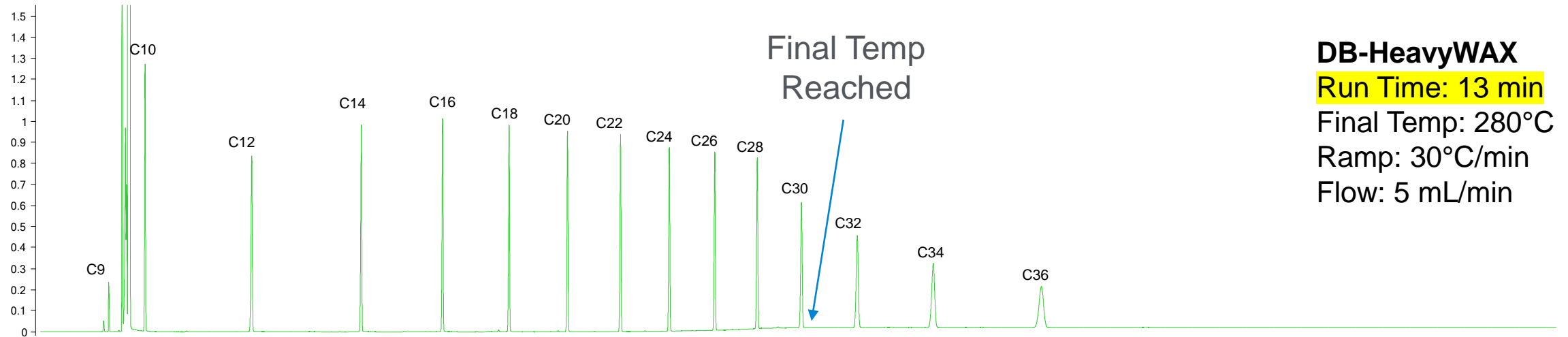
## IP-585: FAMES in aviation fuel

- Less bleeds reduces noise level
- Enhance sensitivity without changing the detector
- Increase thermal stability → Better stability in the SIM window → Less service time

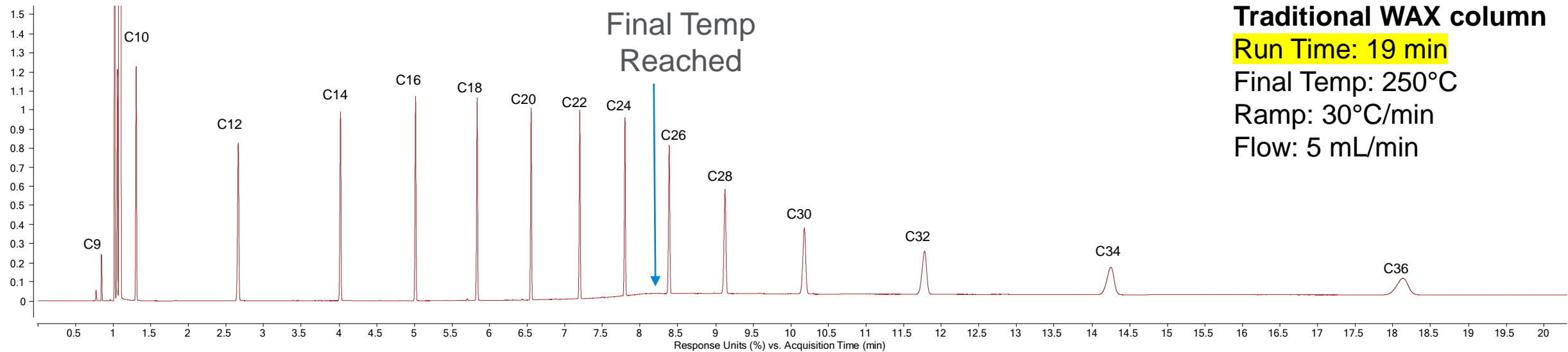
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Compound	Operating Hours at 260°C									Average	%RSD
	1	5	7	13	22	39	42	46	49		
C16:0	36.58	36.47	36.45	36.44	36.43	36.43	36.43	36.43	36.42	36.45	0.13%
C17:0 d33 (ISTD)	39.57	39.47	39.45	39.44	39.44	39.44	39.44	39.44	39.44	39.46	0.11%
C17:0	41.09	40.99	40.98	40.96	40.97	40.97	40.97	40.97	40.96	40.98	0.10%
C18:0	45.26	45.16	45.15	45.13	45.14	45.15	45.15	45.15	45.14	45.16	0.08%
C18:1	46.25	46.15	46.14	46.12	46.13	46.13	46.13	46.13	46.13	46.15	0.09%
C18:2	48.20	48.10	48.09	48.07	48.08	48.07	48.08	48.08	48.07	48.09	0.09%
C18:3	51.01	50.89	50.87	50.85	50.84	50.86	50.86	50.86	50.87	50.88	0.10%

# Better Peak Shape and Decrease Runtime - Hydrocarbons



**DB-HeavyWAX**  
Run Time: 13 min  
Final Temp: 280°C  
Ramp: 30°C/min  
Flow: 5 mL/min



**Traditional WAX column**  
Run Time: 19 min  
Final Temp: 250°C  
Ramp: 30°C/min  
Flow: 5 mL/min

# Limitations of DB-HeavyWAX

- Cannot be solvent rinsed
- Be extra careful with oxygen levels (see next slide)
- It is not in the Ultra Inert line of columns
  - For very active compounds, may be better to use DB-WAX Ultra Inert or DB-FATWAX Ultra Inert
- For acids, better to use DB-Fatwax or DB-WAX UI or FFAP

## Self-tightening column nuts

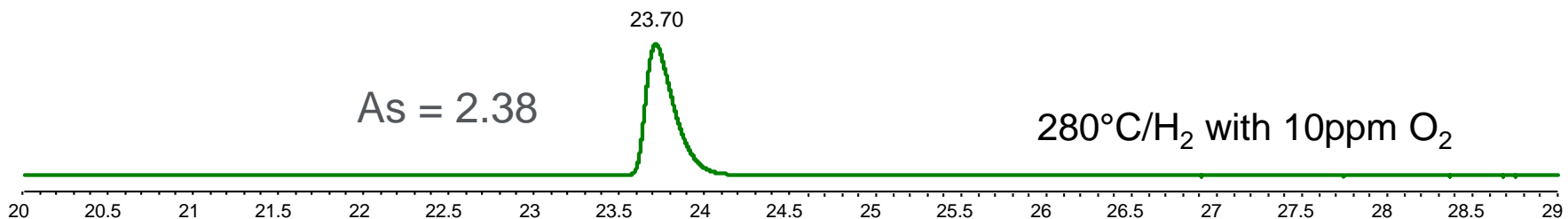
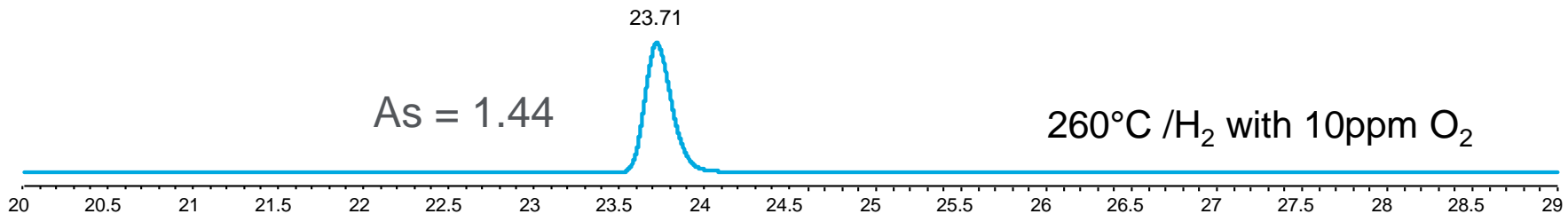
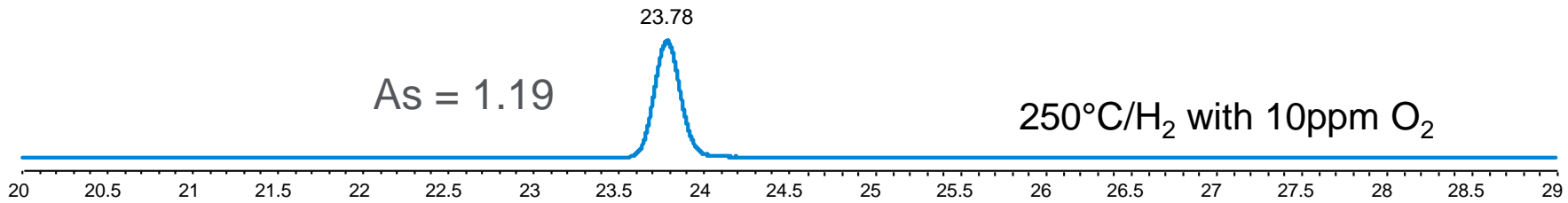
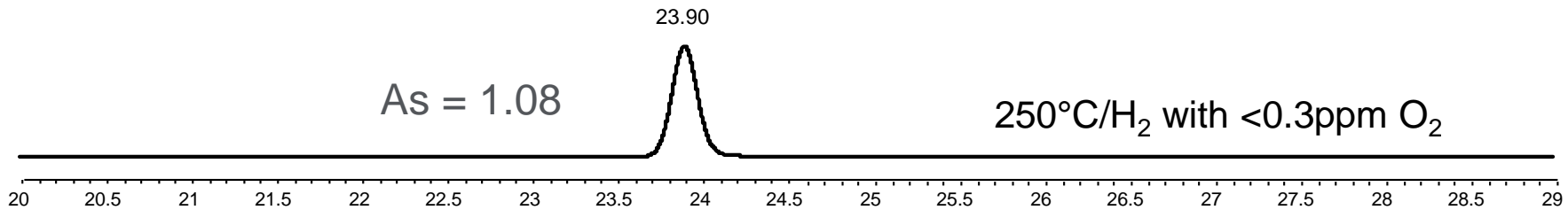


For inlet or GC detector P/N 5190-6194



For MS transfer line P/N 5190-5233

# Effect of oxygen on peak shape of 2-ethylhexanoic acid



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# Gas Clean Filter Indicator and Replacement

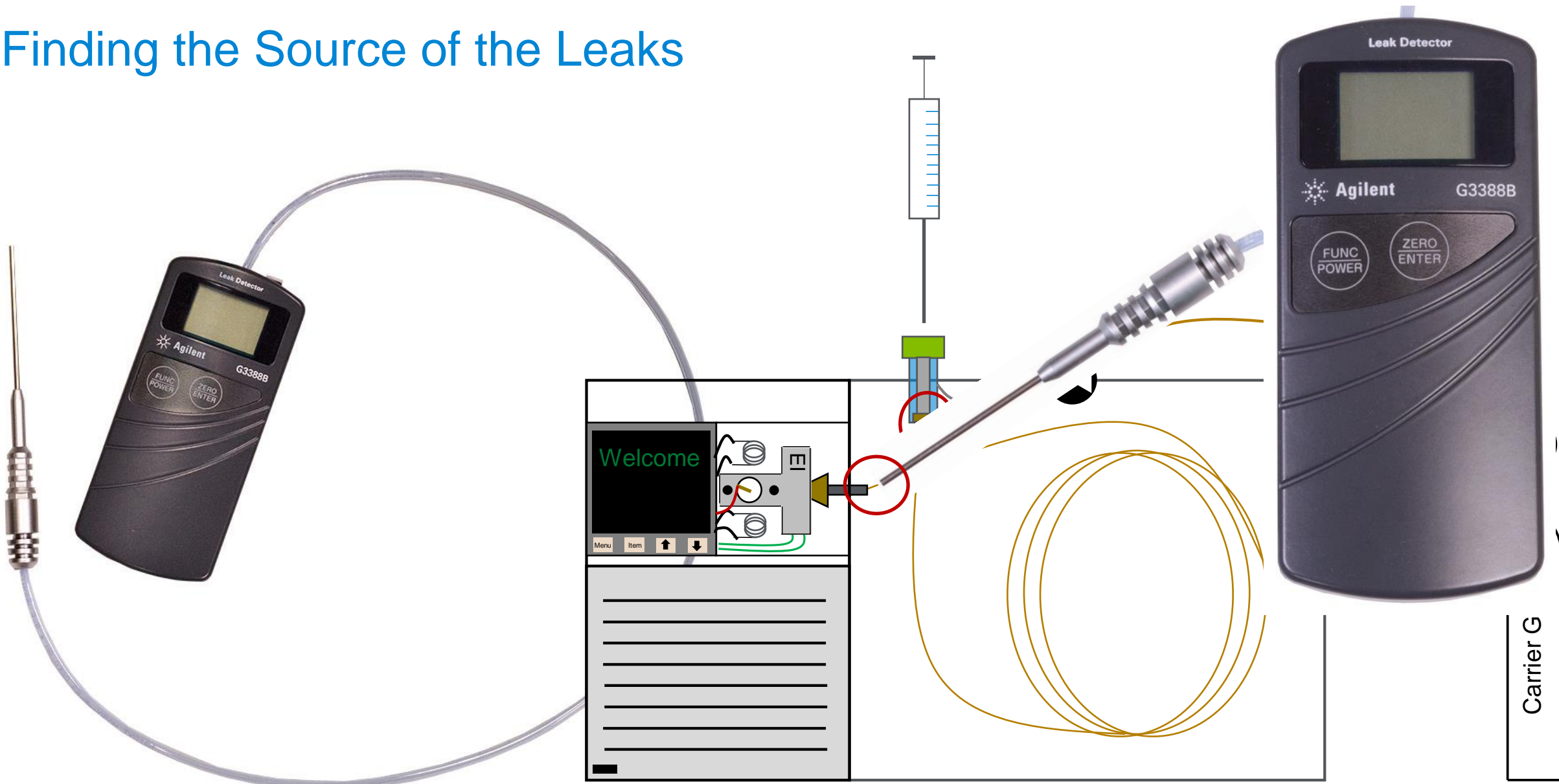


Remove plugs before installation

P/N CP17973



# Finding the Source of the Leaks



P/N: G3388B

Carrier G

# Benefits of Increased Temperature Limits of DB-HeavyWAX

- WAX/PEG selectivity
- Reduced bleed = better signal to noise
- Lower bleed at 280°C compared to traditional WAX columns at 250°C
- Retention time stability when column is used at maximum operating temperature
  - No changes in peak order
- Reduce potential carryover; reduced Re-Runs
- Decrease Runtime by Increasing the Final Temperature Instead of the Final Hold Time
- Better Peak Shape for Heavy/High Boiling Compounds
  - Increase Analyte Range
  - May reduce the need for secondary column
- Safe Bake-outs Without Damaging the Column
  - Extended Periods at 280°C (Isothermal limit)
  - Short Periods of time up to 290°C (Temperature program limit)

# Available DB-HeavyWAX configurations

ID (mm)	Length (m)	Film ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Temp Limits ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	7 in Cage	Intuvo configuration
<b>0.10</b>	10	0.10	40 to 280/290	127-7112	
<b>0.18</b>	10	0.18	40 to 280/290	121-7112	
	20	0.18	40 to 280/290	121-7122	
<b>0.25</b>	15	0.25	40 to 280/290	122-7112	
	25	0.20	40 to 280/290	122-7127	
	30	0.25	40 to 280/290	122-7132	122-7132-INT
		0.50	40 to 270/280	122-7133	122-7133-INT
	50	0.20	40 to 280/290	122-7157	
	60	0.25	40 to 280/290	122-7162	122-7162-INT
		0.50	40 to 270/280	122-7163	
<b>0.32</b>	15	0.25	40 to 280/290	123-7112	
	30	0.25	40 to 280/290	123-7132	123-7132-INT
		0.50	40 to 270/280	123-7133	123-7133-INT
	50	0.20	40 to 280/290	123-7157	
	60	0.25	40 to 280/290	123-7162	
		0.50	40 to 270/280	123-7163	123-7163-INT

# Summary

## **WAX columns offer unique and sometimes necessary selectivity**

INNOWax and CP-WAX 52 CB have been improved

Add an “i” to existing part #

DB-WAX UI

Very inert – proven with test mix (every column is tested)

Can replace FFAP as a more stable alternative than FFAP for free fatty acids

DB-FATWAX UI

Very inert - proven with test mix (every column is tested)

Great choice for FAME's and small organic acids

DB-HeavyWAX

Highest temperature WAX (280/290 c)

Reduced analysis time

Reduced carry-over of high boilers

Very low bleed – improved signal to noise

Stable selectivity after temperature cycles

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