



A REVIEW ON: CRITICAL PROCESS PARAMETERS FOR METHOD DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION

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Abstracts: Chromatography, even though commonly a separation approach, is normally hired in chemical analysis in which excessive-overall performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) is a very flexible technique in which analytes are separated by means of passage thru a column full of micrometre-sized particles. Now an afternoon reversed-section chromatography is the maximum typically used separation method in HPLC. The motives for this consist of the simplicity, versatility, and scope of the reversed-segment method as it is capable to handle compounds of a numerous polarity and molecular mass. Reversed segment chromatography has observed each analytical and preparative packages inside the region of biochemical separation and purification. Molecules that own some degree of hydrophobic character, which include proteins, peptides and nucleic acids, may be separated by means of reversed segment chromatography with outstanding recuperation and determination. This review covers the significance of RP- HPLC in analytical approach development and their strategies in conjunction with short know-how of crucial chromatographic parameters want to be optimized for an green technique development.

Key words: HPLC, RP-HPLC, Analytical methods, Chromatographic parameters

INTRODUCTION: Chromatography is probably the maximum effective analytical technique to be had to the modern pharmacy. Its electricity arises from its capacity to determine quantitatively many individual components found in mixture by means of using unmarried analytical method ^{1,2}. High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) is a chromatographic approach that might separate a mixture of compounds and is used in biochemistry and analytical chemistry to understand, quantify and purify the person components of the mixture³. Reversed phase chromatography has determined every analytical and preparative programs in the place of biochemical separation and purification. Molecules that own some degree of hydrophobic person,

which incorporates proteins, peptides and nucleic acids, may be separated via reversed section chromatography with exceptional restoration and backbone ⁴

Now a day reversed-section chromatography is the most usually used separation technique in HPLC because of its huge utility variety. It's a ways predicted that over sixty five% (likely up to 90%) of all HPLC separations are completed within the reversed-segment mode. The reasons for this consist of the simplicity, versatility, and scope of the reversed-phase approach as it can deal with compounds of a severe polarity and molecular mass ^{5, 6, 7}.

Idea of Reversed segment Chromatography: Reversed phase chromatography has determined every analytical and preparative packages inside the place of biochemical separation and purification. Molecules that personal some diploma of hydrophobic individual may be separated with the aid of reversed section chromatography with wonderful restoration and backbone ⁸.

The separation mechanism in reversed phase chromatography is predicated upon at the hydrophobic binding interaction between the solute molecule within the mobile segment and the immobilised hydrophobic ligand, i.e. the table sure segment. The real nature of the hydrophobic binding interaction itself is an issue of heated debate⁹ but the traditional know-how assumes the binding interaction to be the result of a beneficial entropy impact. The initial cellular phase binding conditions applied in reversed section chromatography are in the foremost aqueous which shows a high diploma of organised water shape surrounding each the solute molecule and the immobilised ligand. As solute binds to the immobilised hydrophobic ligand, the hydrophobic location exposed to the solvent is minimised. Consequently, the degree of organised water shape is dwindled with a corresponding beneficial increase in device entropy. On this way, it's miles 86f68e4d402306ad3cd330d005134dac from an energy factor of view for the hydrophobic moieties, i.e. solute and ligand, to companion ¹⁰.

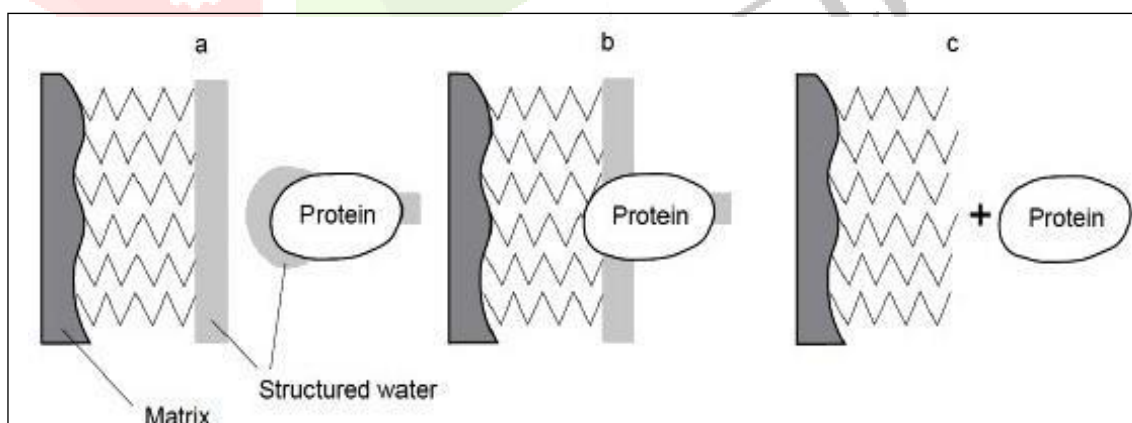


FIGURE 1: INTERACTION OF A SOLUTE WITH A TYPICAL REVERSED PHASE MEDIUM

Water adjoining to hydrophobic areas is postulated to be greater extraordinarily ordered than the majority water. A part of this 'dependent' water is displaced whilst the hydrophobic regions interact essential to an growth within the general entropy of the machine.

Separations in reversed phase chromatography depend upon the reversible adsorption/desorption of solute molecules with numerous degrees of hydrophobicity to a hydrophobic desk bound phase. The majority of reversed segment separation experiments are carried out in numerous vital steps as illustrated in **Figure 2**.

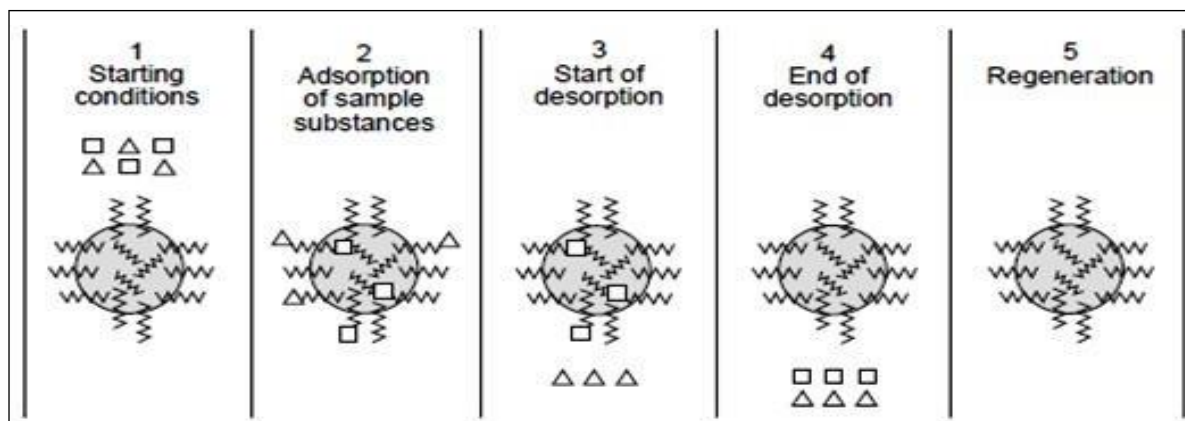
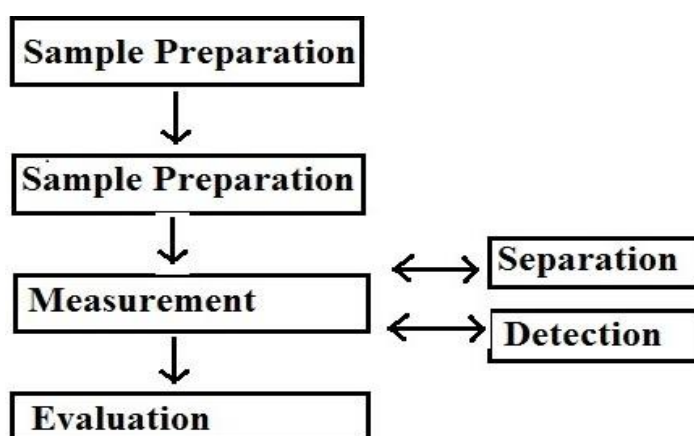


FIGURE 2: PRINCIPLE OF REVERSED PHASE CHROMATOGRAPHY WITH GRADIENT ELUTION

Choice of Separation Medium: The right choice of reversed section medium is vital for the achievement of a specific software. This preference should be based on the subsequent criteria:

- 1) The precise necessities of the software, along with scale and cell phase situations
- 2) The molecular weight, or length of the sample additives.
- 3) The hydrophilicities of the sample components.
- 4) The class of sample components.

Analytical approach improvement the usage of RP-HPLC: techniques of evaluation are robotically developed, progressed, showed, collaboratively studied and implemented. Compilations of those developed methods then seem in big compendia collectively with USP, BP and IP, and so on. In most instances as preferred separation can be achieved without issues with only some experiments. In other instances a massive amount of experimentation can be wanted. However, an incredible technique improvement strategy want to require simplest as many experimental runs as are crucial to achieve the popular very last end result(s). The development of a way of evaluation is generally primarily based on previous artwork or present literature the utilization of just about the identical or comparable experimentation. The development of any new or advanced approach typically tailors present techniques and instrumentation to the current analyze, in addition to the very last need or requirement of the approach.



Technique improvement generally calls for choosing the method requirements and selecting what type of instrumentation to utilize and why. In the HPLC method improvement level, picks regarding desire of column, cell section, detectors, and technique quantitation must be considered. So development includes a consideration of all the parameters referring to any method. Therefore, improvement of a new HPLC method entails selection of satisfactory cellular section, first-class detector, first-class column, column length, stationary section and excellent inner diameter for the column ^{11, 12}. The analytical strategy for HPLC technique development carries some of steps, as proven in **figure 3**.¹³

FIGURE 3: A TYPICAL STRATEGY FOR HPLC METHOD DEVELOPMENT

Sample collection and preparation: The sample have to preferably be dissolved in the preliminary cellular section. If this is not feasible because of stability or solubility issues, formic acid, acetic acid or salt can be introduced to the sample to increase solubility. Those additives do no longer usually effect the separation so long as the volume of the pattern loaded is small compared to the column quantity. The simplest impact whilst large pattern volumes are applied may be an additional height or eluting in the void extent after pattern injection.

Sample education is an essential part of HPLC analysis, supposed to offer a reproducible and homogenous answer this is suitable for injection onto the column. The aim of pattern preparation is a pattern aliquot that,

- Is especially freed from interferences,
- Will now not harm the column, and
- Is like minded with the intended HPLC approach that is, the pattern solvent will dissolve inside the mobile phase without affecting pattern retention or decision ¹²

Sample preparation starts off evolved at the factor of collection, extends to sample injection onto the HPLC column and encompasses the diverse operations summarized in table 1. All of these operations shape a critical part of pattern coaching and feature a crucial effect on the accuracy, precision, and convenience of the final method ¹³.

Size: The size of a given analyte can regularly be divided right into a separation step and a detection step.

Separation: Analyses in a combination must rather be separated prior to detection. Simple LC includes a column with a fritted bottom containing the desk bound phase in equilibrium with a solvent. The aggregate to be separated is loaded directly to the top of the column followed by means of more solvent. The distinct additives within the column skip at different rates because of difference in their partitioning conduct between cellular liquid phase and desk bound section ^{13,14}.

| S. no. | Option | Comment |
|--------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Sample collection | Obtain representative sample using statistically valid processes |
| 2. | Sample storage and preservation | Use appropriate inert, tightly sealed containers; be especially careful with volatile, unstable, or reactive materials; biological samples may require Freezing. |
| 3. | Preliminary sample processing | Sample must be in a form for more efficient sample pretreatment (e.g., drying, sieving, grinding, etc.); finer dispersed samples are easier to dissolve or extract |
| 4. | Weighing or volumetric dilution | Take necessary precautions for reactive, unstable, or biological materials; for dilution, use calibrated volumetric glasswares. |
| 5. | Alternative sample processing methods | Solvent replacement, desalting, evaporation, freeze drying, etc. |
| 6. | Removal of particulates | Filtration, solid-phase extraction, centrifugation. |
| 7. | Sample extraction | Different methods used for liquid samples and solid samples |
| 8. | Derivatization | Used mainly to enhance analyte detection; sometimes used to improve separation. |

TABLE 1: SAMPLE PRETREATMENT OPTIONS.¹⁵

Detection: Its miles critical to apply reagents and solvents of excessive purity to ensure minimal detection limits for max sensitivity. All organic solvents and plenty of components, along with ion pairing agents, soak up in the UV range and the detection restrict is related to the wavelength 15. A massive range of LC detectors had been evolved over the last thirty years based on a selection of different sensing principles for detecting the analytes after the chromatographic separations. However, only about twelve of them can be used successfully for LC analysis and, of these twelve, simplest four are in commonplace use. The 4 dominant detectors utilized in LC analysis are the UV detector (constant and variable wavelength), the electric conductivity detector, the fluorescence detector and the refractive index detector. These detectors are hired in over 95% of all LC analytical programs. The selection of detector depends at the sample and the purpose of the evaluation ¹⁶.

Critical Process Parameters in Reversed phase Chromatography:

Classifying the sample: step one in method improvement is to symbolize the sample as every day or round. Everyday samples are an aggregate of small molecules (<2000 Daltons) that can be separated the use of more or less standardized beginning situations. Separations in regular samples reply in predictable style to trade in solvent power (%B) and sort (Acetonitrile, methanol) or temperature. A 10% decrease in %B will increase retention by about threefold, and selectivity typically modifications as both %B and solvent type is numerous. It is feasible to split many normal samples just via varying solvent energy and type. Therefore, RPC method development for all everyday samples (both neutral and ionic) may be carried out to begin with in the same manner ¹⁷.

The column/desk bound phase: selection of the desk bound phase/column is the primary and the most critical step in technique improvement. The improvement of a rugged and reproducible method is not possible without the availability of a strong, excessive overall performance column. To keep away from issues from irreproducible pattern retention in the course of approach development, it's miles crucial that columns be solid and reproducible. A C8 or C18 column made from mainly purified, less acidic silica and designed specially for the separation of simple compounds is normally appropriate for all samples and is strongly encouraged,^{12, 13, 17, 18}. a few vital factors want to be taken into consideration at the same time as deciding on column in RP- HPLC are summarized in desk 2.

The column is chosen depending on the nature of the solute and the facts about the analyte. Reversed phase mode of chromatography facilitates a wide range of columns like dimethyl silane (C2), butylsilane (C4), octylsilane (C8), octadecylsilane (C18), base deactivated silane (C18) BDS phenyl, cyanopropyl (CN), nitro, amino, and so on. Typically longer columns offer higher separation because of better theoretical plate numbers. Because the particle size decreases the floor place available for coating will increase. Columns with 5- μm particle size supply the fine compromise of performance, reproducibility and reliability.

| Factor(s) | Effect on column efficiency |
|--------------------------|--|
| Column length | *Choose longer columns for enhanced resolution *Choose shorter column for shorter analysis time, lower back pressure and fast equilibration and less solvent consumption |
| Column internal diameter | *Choose wider diameter column for greater sample loading *Choose narrow column for more sensitive and reduced mobile phase consumption |
| Particle shape | *Choose spherical particles for lower back pressure, column stability and greater stability *Choose irregular particles when high surface area and high capacity is required |
| Particle size | *Choose smaller particle (3-4 μm) for complex mixture with similar components *Choose larger particle (5-10 μm) for sample with structurally different compounds *Choose very large particle (15-20 μm) for preparative separation |
| Pore size | *Choose a pore size of 150 \AA or less for sample with molecular weight less than 2000 *Choose a pore size of 300 \AA or less for sample with molecular weight greater than 2000 |
| Surface area | *Choose end capped packing to eliminate unpredictable secondary interaction with the base materials *Choose non-end capped phase for selectivity differences for polar compounds by controlling secondary interaction |
| Carbon load | *Choose high carbon loads for greater column capacities and resolution *Choose low carbon loads for fast analysis |

TABLE 2: FACTORS AFFECTING COLUMN EFFICIENCY.

The column should provide,

- Reasonable resolution in initial experiments,
- Short runtime,
- An acceptable pressure drop for different mobile phases¹⁷.

Mobile phase: in lots of cases, the colloidal time period used for the mobile stages in reversed section chromatography is “buffer”. However, there's little buffering potential inside the mobile section answers considering they normally comprise robust acids at low pH with large concentrations of natural solvents. Adequate buffering capacity need to be maintained while working closer to physiological conditions.

Organic solvent: The organic solvent (modifier) is delivered to lower the polarity of the aqueous mobile section. The decrease the polarity of the cellular section, the more its eluting energy in reversed segment chromatography. Even though a massive style of organic solvents may be used in reversed section chromatography, in practice only some are robotically hired. The two most widely used natural modifiers are acetonitrile and methanol, although acetonitrile is the greater famous choice. Isopropanol (2-propanol) can be employed due to its robust eluting houses, however is restricted by way of its excessive viscosity which leads to lower column efficiencies and better back pressures.

Both acetonitrile and methanol are much less viscous than isopropanol. All three solvents are basically UV transparent. This is a crucial assets for reversed phase chromatography considering column elution is generally monitored using UV detectors. Acetonitrile is used almost exclusively when setting apart peptides. Maximum peptides only soak up at low wavelengths within the extremely- violet spectrum (usually less than 225 nm) and acetonitrile provides plenty lower history absorbance than different commonplace solvents at low wavelengths.

Ion suppression: The retention of peptides and proteins in reversed section chromatography can be modified by mobile segment pH on the grounds that these unique solutes comprise ionisable agencies. The degree of ionization will depend on the pH of the mobile section. The stability of silica-based totally reversed phase media dictates that the working pH of the cell phase must be beneath pH 7.5. The amino companies contained in peptides and proteins are charged below pH 7.5. The carboxylic acid organizations, but, are neutralised because the pH is reduced. The cellular phase utilized in reversed section chromatography is typically prepared with sturdy acids such as trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) or ortho- phosphoric acid. Those acids hold a low Ph environment and suppress the ionisation of the acidic companies inside the solute molecules. Various the concentration of strong acid components within the cell segment can trade the ionisation of the solutes and, therefore, their retention behavior.

The important benefit of ion suppression in reversed phase chromatography is the removal of blended mode retention consequences due to ionisable silanol businesses closing at the silica gel floor. The effect of mixed mode retention is increased retention times with giant peak broadening (**Figure 4**).

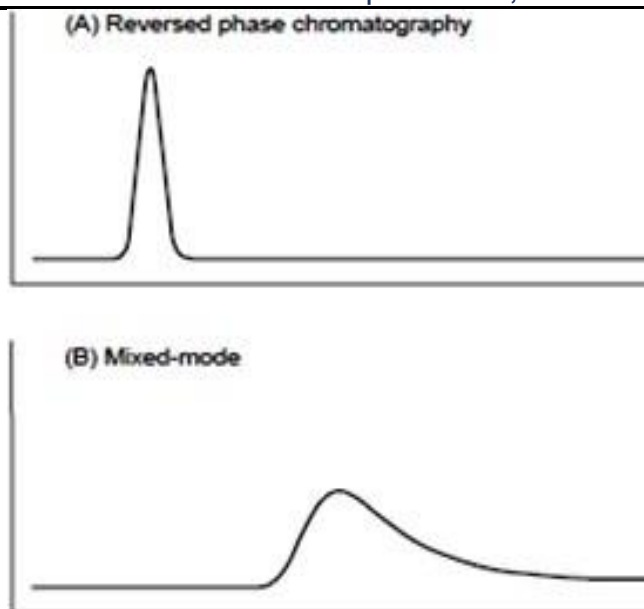


FIGURE 4: TYPICAL EFFECTS OF MIXED-MODE RETENTION.

(Peaks are broader and skewed, and retention time increases)

pH: pH plays an important function in accomplishing the chromatographic separations because it controls the elution residences via controlling the ionization characteristics. Reversed section separations are most customarily done at low pH values, usually among pH 2-four. The low pH effects in excellent solubility of the sample additives and ion suppression, not handiest of acidic corporations on the pattern molecules, but also of residual silanol businesses at the silica matrix. Acids which includes trifluoroacetic acid, heptafluorobutyric acid and ortho-phosphoric acid inside the awareness variety of zero.05 - zero.1% or 50 - one hundred mM are normally used. cell stages containing ammonium acetate or phosphate salts are suitable to be used at pH's closer to neutrality. note that phosphate buffers are not volatile it is critical to hold the pH of the cellular segment within the variety of 2.0 to 8.0 as maximum columns does now not resist to the pH which might be outside this variety. that is due to the reality that the siloxane linkage vicinity cleaved underneath pH 2.0; at the same time as at pH valued above eight.0 silica may dissolve^{12, 19}.

Absorbance: An UV-seen detector is based on the principle of absorption of UV visible light from the effluent rising out of the column and surpassed thru a photocell located in the radiation beam. UV detector is generally suitable for gradient elution work. maximum compounds adsorb UV mild inside the variety of two hundred- 350 A°. The cellular phase used ought to now not interfere inside the peak sample of the desired compound therefore it must no longer absorb on the detection wavelength employed²⁰.

Selectivity: Selectivity (α) is equivalent to the relative retention of the solute peaks and, not like performance, depends strongly at the chemical residences of the chromatography medium.

The selectivity, α , for two peaks is given by way of; $\alpha = k_2' / k_1' = V_2 - V_0 / V_1 - V_0 = V_2 / V_1$ in which V_1 and V_2 are the retention volumes, and k_2/k_1 are the capability elements, for peaks 1 and 2 respectively, and V_0 is the void volume of the column. Selectivity is suffering from the floor chemistry of the reversed section medium, the nature and composition of the cellular segment, and the gradient shape (**Figure 5**).

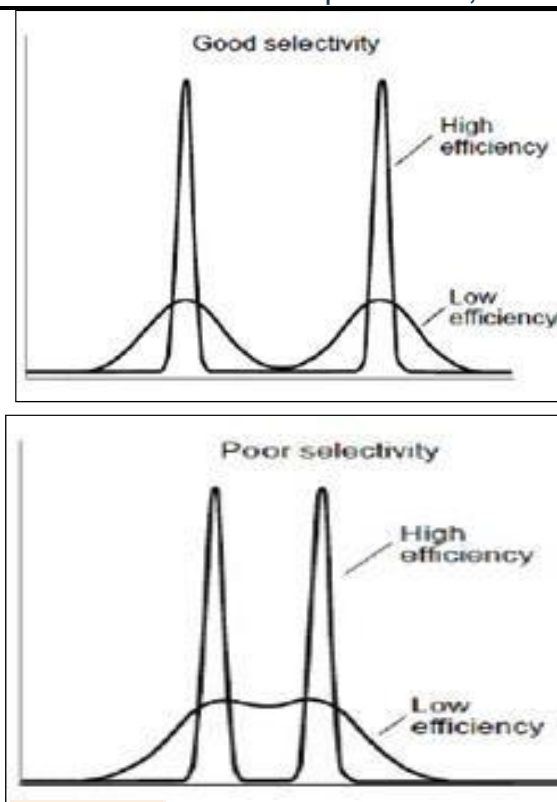


FIGURE 5: THE EFFECT OF SELECTIVITY AND EFFICIENCY ON RESOLUTION.

- Both high column efficiency and excellent selectivity are vital to universal decision. But, changing the selectivity in a chromatographic test is simpler than converting the efficiency. Selectivity can be changed by way of converting easily changed situations like cellular section composition or gradient shape.
- **Viscosity:** Solvent of lowest possible viscosity must be used to decrease separation time. A delivered benefit of low viscosity is that excessive performance theoretical plate (HETP) values are normally lower than with solvents of better viscosity, because mass switch is faster. Viscosity need to be much less than 0.5 centipoise, in any other case excessive pump pressures are required and mass switch between solvent and stationary phase might be decreased.
- **Temperature:** Temperature will have a profound effect on reversed section chromatography, in particular for low molecular weight solutes including quick peptides and oligonucleotides. The viscosity of the cell section utilized in reversed phase chromatography decreases with growing column temperature. Considering mass shipping of solute among the mobile phase and the stationary section is a spread-managed gadget, lowering solvent viscosity typically outcomes in more green mass switch and, consequently, higher decision. Developing the temperature of a reversed segment column is specifically powerful for low molecular weight solutes thinking about they're clearly solid on the improved temperatures ¹⁸.

Detectors: A massive numbers of detectors are used for RP-HPLC analysis. However, among those the five dominant detectors utilized in LC analysis are the electrical conductivity detector, the fluorescence detector, the refractive index detector, mass spectrometry detector and the UV detector (fixed and variable wavelength). those detectors are hired in over ninety five% of all LC analytical applications ²¹⁻²²

- The detector decided on need to be selected depending upon a few characteristic assets of the analyte like UV absorbance, fluorescence, conductance, oxidation, discount, and many others. traits which are to be fulfilled with the aid of a detector to be used in HPLC willpower are: High sensitivity, facilitating trace analysis

Negligible baseline noise to facilitate decrease detection

Low drift and noise level

- Wide linear dynamic variety (this simplifies quantitation)
- Low dead volume (minimum peak broadening)
- Mobile design that removes remixing of the separated bands
- Insensitivity to changes in kind of solvent, float fee, and temperature
- Operational simplicity and reliability
- Tunability, in order that detection may be optimized for one-of-a-kind compounds
- Huge linear dynamic range
- Nondestructive to pattern

APPLICATIONS:²²

- Designing a biochemical purification
- Purification of platelet-derived growth element (PDGF)
- Purification of cholecystokinin-58 (CCK-fifty eight) from pig gut
- Purification of recombinant human epidermal boom aspect
- Procedure purification of inclusion our bodies.

- **CONCLUSION:** Analytical methods development performs essential roles in the discovery, development and manufacture of prescribed drugs. RP-HPLC might be the maximum every day, most touchy analytical system and is unique in that it without problems copes with multi- factor combinations. At the same time as growing the analytical strategies for prescribed drugs with the aid of RP-HPLC, ought to have suitable practical understanding of chromatographic separation to recognize how it varies with the sample and with varying experimental conditions in an effort to attain premiere separation. To increase a HPLC technique effectively, maximum of the effort should be spent in method improvement and optimization as this may enhance the very last method overall performance.

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