

Featured Application: Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) on Rxi-SVOCms

# Optimized Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon (PAH) Analysis by GC-MS

Our Rxi-SVOCms column was named Best New Separations Product of the Year in SelectScience Scientists' Choice Awards

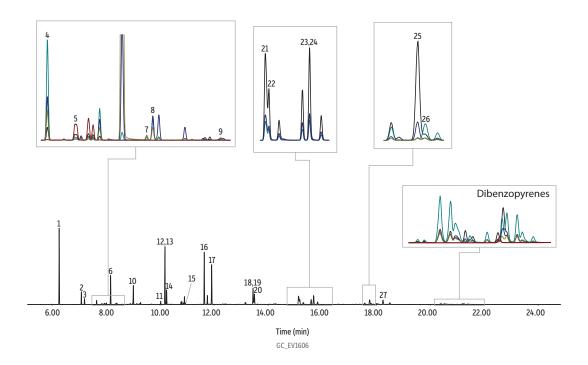
- Rxi-SVOCms column provides good separation and response for critical environmental PAH compounds.
- Low column bleed ensures accuracy for late-eluting target analytes.
- · Split injection SIM analysis minimizes inlet discrimination.

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) are ubiquitous environmental contaminants that form both naturally and due to human activities, primarily through the incomplete combustion of carbon-containing materials. Because some polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are carcinogenic, trace-level monitoring of air, water, and soil samples is essential for assessing exposure. PAH analysis by GC-MS using an Rxi-SVOCms column under the optimized conditions shown below provides effective detection of the most relevant compounds.

Using SIM mode and split injection to minimize inlet discrimination for a challenging coal tar sample, good chromatographic performance was seen for a range of PAH compounds. Volatile early eluting compounds exhibit good peak shapes and responses while low column bleed minimizes background interference and improves sensitivity for late eluting compounds. In addition, the efficiency and selectivity of the Rxi-SVOCms column provided good separation of isobaric PAHs, such as benzo[b]fluoranthene and benzo[k]fluoranthene. Good resolution was also obtained for indeno[123-cd]pyrene and dibenz[ah]anthracene (even when there is a disproportionate response), which minimizes the potential for biased results and reporting false positives.



Figure 1: The efficiency and selectivity of Rxi-SVOCms columns ensure excellent separation of critical pairs for PAH analysis by GC-MS.



Peaks	t, (min)	Column	Rxi-SVOCms, 30 m, 0.25 mm ID, 0.25 μm (cat.# 16623)	
1. Naphthalene	<u></u> 6.27	Standard/Sample	NIST SRM 1597a - complex mixture of polycyclic aromatic hydro	carbons from coal ta
2. 2-Methylnaphthalene	7.09	Diluent:	Dichloromethane	
3. 1-Methylnaphthalene	7.21	Injection		
4. Biphenyl	7.66	Inj. Vol.:	1 μL split (split ratio 20:1)	
5. 2,6-Dimethylnaphthalene	7.84	Liner:	Topaz 4.0 mm ID single taper inlet liner with wool (cat.# 23303)	
6. Acenaphthylene	8.17	Inj. Temp.:	250 °C	
7. (IS) Acenaphthene-d10	8.35	Split Vent Flow Rate:	24 mL/min	
8. Acenaphthene	8.39	Oven_		
9. 2,3,5-Trimethylnaphthalene	8.86	Oven Temp.:	40 °C (hold 0.5 min) to 280 °C at 20 °C/min to 330 °C at 6 °C/mir	ı (hold 4 min)
10. Fluorene	9.02	Carrier Gas	He, constant flow	
11. Dibenzothiophene	10.03	Flow Rate:	1.2 mL/min	
12. (IS) Phenanthrene-D10	10.16	Detector	MS	
13. Phenanthrene	10.10	Mode:	SIM	
		SIM Program:		
14. Anthracene	10.25	Constant Start Time	1/-\	DII
15. 1-Methylphenanthrene	10.95	Group Start Time	lon(s)	Dwell
16. Fluoranthene	11.65	(min) 1 5.00	<b>(m/z)</b> 127 05 128 05 129 00	(ms)

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	(min)	(m/z)	(ms)	
1	5.00	127.05, 128.05, 129.00	10	
2	6.75	115.10, 139.00, 141.00, 142.05	10	
3	7.47	141.00, 152.00, 153.05, 154.05, 155.05, 156.10, 162.10, 164.10	10	
4	8.03	150.00, 151.05, 152.05, 153.05, 154.10, 162.10, 164.10	10	
5	8.66	153.05, 155.10, 163.05, 164.10, 165.05, 166.05, 169.10, 170.10	10	
6	9.62	139.00, 151.95, 176.10, 177.10, 178.10, 179.10, 183.95, 185.00, 188.10, 189.10	10	
7	10.71	189.05, 190.05, 191.10, 192.10	10	
8	11.37	200.10, 201.10, 202.10, 203.05	10	
9	11.81	200.10, 201.05, 202.05, 203.05	10	
10	12.84	114.00, 120.00, 226.10, 227.10, 228.10, 229.10, 240.10	10	
11	14.44	126.00, 132.00, 250.10, 252.10, 253.10, 264.00	10	
12	15.51	126.00, 132.00, 250.05, 252.05, 253.05, 264.00	10	
13	16.95	137.95, 139.00, 274.05, 276.10, 277.10, 278.10, 279.10	10	
14	18.10	138.00, 274.05, 276.10, 277.10	10	

Transfer Line Temp.: 280°C Quadrupole Extractor Analyzer Type: Source Type: Extractor Lens: 6 mm ID 330 °C Source Temp.: 150 °C DFTPP Quad Temp.: Tune Type: Ionization Mode:

Instrument Sample Preparation

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Agilent 7890B GC & 5977A MSD

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15. 1-Methylphenanthrene	10.95
16. Fluoranthene	11.65
17. Pyrene	11.92
18. Benz[a]anthracene	13.46
19. (IS) Chrysene-D12	13.47
20. Chrysene	13.51
21. Benzo[b]fluoranthene*	15.14
22. Benzo[k]fluoranthene	15.19
23. (SS) Benzo[a]pyrene-d12	15.66
24. Benzo[a]pyrene	15.70
25. Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	17.78
26. Dibenz[a,h]anthracene	17.83
27. Benzo[ghi]perylene	18.27

<sup>\*</sup> Benzo[b]fluoranthene and benzo[j]fluoranthene coelution.



### **Featured Products**

#### **Reference Standards Analytical Column** Maintenance/Accessories **Sample Handling** Amber 2.0 mL, 9 mm short-cap, Rxi-SVOCms, 30 m, **Revised SV internal GC-MS Cleaning Kit** standard mix screw-thread vials (cat.# 21143) 0.25 mm ID, 0.25 μm (cat.# 27194) (cat.# 16623) (cat.# 31886) Big mouth vial inserts (cat.# 21782) **Leak Detector** (cat.# 28500) 2.0 mL, 9 mm short-cap, screw-vial caps **Rxi Guard Columns** (cat.# 23842) Topaz 4.0mm ID single 2.0 mL, 11 mm Crimp taper liner with wool **Vial Convenience Kits** (cat.# 23303) **Resprep Resin SPE Disks** SilTite µ-Union connectors (cat.# 26023) Resprep C18 & C8 SPE Disks (cat. # 24004, 24048, and 25988) **ASE Cells ASE Caps & Parts**

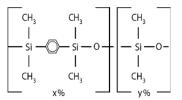
#### Rxi-SVOCms Columns (fused silica)

Proprietary 5% phenyl-type-phase

- Column chemistry optimized specifically to give premium performance for semivolatiles in complex matrices.
- Long column lifetime—restore performance with a quick trim instead of a time-consuming replacement.
- Outstanding inertness keeps calibrations passing and samples running.
- Excellent resolution of critical pairs for improved accuracy.
- Consistent column-to-column performance.
- Engineered to be a low-bleed GC-MS column.
- $\bullet$  Temperature range: -60 °C to 340 °C.
- Equivalent to USP G27 and G36 phases.

ID	df	Length	Temp. Limits	qty.	Similar to Part #	cat.#
0.25 mm	0.25 µm	30 m	to 340/340 °C	ea.	Agilent 122-9732; Agilent 122-5532; Agilent 122-5532UI; Phenomenex 7HG-G027-11	16623





Other dimensions available at www.restek.com/Rxi-SVOCms



#### Rxi Guard/Retention Gap Columns (fused silica)

ID	Length	OD	qty.	Similar to Part #	cat.#
0.25 mm	5 m	0.37 ± 0.04 mm	ea.	Agilent CP802505; Phenomenex 7AG-G000-00-GZ0	10029
	5 m	0.37 ± 0.04 mm	6-pk.		10029-600
	10 m	0.37 ± 0.04 mm	ea.	Agilent CP802510; Phenomenex 7CG-G000-00-GZ0	10059
	10 m	0.37 ± 0.04 mm	6-pk.		10059-600
	5 m	0.45 ± 0.04 mm	ea.	Agilent CP803205; Phenomenex 7AM-G000-00-GZ0	10039
0.22	5 m	0.45 ± 0.04 mm	6-pk.		10039-600
0.32 mm	10 m	0.45 ± 0.04 mm	ea.	Agilent CP803210; Phenomenex 7CM-G000-00-GZ0	10064
	10 m	0.45 ± 0.04 mm	6-pk.		10064-600



# SGE SilTite μ-Union Connectors

- Reliably create permanent connections between fused silica analytical columns, guard columns, and retention gaps.
- SilTite FingerTite technology provides easy installation and a permanent leak-tight connection.
- Deactivated metal and zero-dead-volume design ensure optimal peak shapes.
- Robust connection is stable through extreme temperature and pressure cycling, making it ideal for use with mass spectrometers.

Includes	Fits Column ID	Vendor cat.#	qty.	cat.#
$\mu\text{-Union}$ connectors (2); double taper ferrules (5); and installation tools	0.32 mm to 0.32 mm	073563RE	kit	23882
$\mu\text{-Union connectors}$ (2); double taper ferrules (5); and installation tools	0.18/0.25 mm to 0.18/0.25 mm	073560RE	kit	23885
$\mu\text{-Union}$ connectors (2); double taper ferrules (5); and installation tools	0.18/0.25 mm to 0.32 mm	073561RE	kit	23886

### Topaz 4.0 mm ID Single Taper Inlet Liner w/ Wool

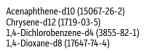
for Agilent GCs equipped with split/splitless inlets

ID x OD x Length	Packing	qty	Similar to Part #	cat.#
4.0 mm x 6.5 mm x 78.5 mm	Quartz Wool	5-pk.	Agilent 5062-3587 (ea.); 5183-4693 (5-pk.); 5183-4694 (25-pk.); 5190- 2293 (ea.); 5190-3163 (5-pk.); 5190-3167 (25-pk.); 5190-3171 (100-pk.)	23303



#### **Revised SV Internal Standard Mix**

(7 components)



Naphthalene-d8 (1146-65-2) Perylene-d12 (1520-96-3) Phenanthrene-d10 (1517-22-2)

Conc. in Solvent	CRM?	Min Shelf Life on Ship Date	Max Shelf Life on Ship Date	Shipping Conditions	Storage Temp.	qty.	cat.#
4000 μg/mL each in methylene chloride, 1 mL/ampul	Yes	6 months	71 months	Ambient	10 °C or colder	ea.	31886





### Resprep-C18 and Resprep-C8 SPE Disks

Description	Diameter	Packing	qty.	cat.#
	47 mm	Resprep-C8	24-pk.	24048
Resprep SPE Disks	47 mm	Resprep-C18	20-pk.	24004
	90 mm	Resprep-C18	12-pk.	25988



Resprep disks & flow filters extract analytes of interest at high flow rates and significantly reduce clogging.

## **Extraction Cell Bodies**

for ASE Systems

Description	Instrument	Material	Volume	qty.	Similar to Part #	cat.#
	for ASE 150/350	Stainless Steel	1 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 068261	25993
	for ASE 200	Stainless Steel	1 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 054973	26110
	for ASE 150/350	Stainless Steel	5 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 068262	25994
	for ASE 200	Stainless Steel	5 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 054974	26112
	for ASE 150/350	Stainless Steel	10 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 068263	25995
_	for ASE 200	Stainless Steel	11 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 048820	26114
Extraction Cell Body	for ASE 150/350	Stainless Steel	22 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 068264	25996
	for ASE 200	Stainless Steel	22 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 048821	26098
	for ASE 200	Stainless Steel	33 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 048822	26116
	for ASE 100/300 and 150/350	Stainless Steel	34 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 056646	26176
_	for ASE 100/300 and 150/350	Stainless Steel	66 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 056696	26178
	for ASE 100/300 and 150/350	Stainless Steel	100 mL	ea.	Thermo/Dionex 056693	26132



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### 2.0 mL, 9 mm Short-Cap, Screw-Thread Vials (vial only)

Fit all 2.0 mL, 12 x 32 mm, screw-thread 9 mm/425 vial-based autosamplers.

Description	Туре	Volume	Color	Size	qty.	Similar to Part #	cat.#
Short-Cap Vial, w/White Graduated Marking Spot	9-425 Screw-Thread	2.0 mL	Amber	12 x 32 mm	1000-pk.	Agilent 5183-2069	21143



# Inserts for 2.0 mL, 11 mm Crimp-Top, 2.0 mL, 9 mm Short-Cap, Screw-Thread, and 2.0 mL, 10 mm Big Mouth Screw-Thread Vials

Description	Volume	Volume Material Used with		qty.	cat.#
Big Mouth Insert, w/Bottom Spring	50 μL	Glass	2.0 mL, 11 mm Crimp-Top, 2.0 mL, 9 mm Short-Cap, Screw-Thread Vials	1000-pk.	21782



# 2.0 mL, 9 mm Short-Cap, Screw-Vial Closures (Polypropylene, preassembled)

Туре	Cap Size	Color	Septa Material	qty.	cat.#
Ribbed, Screw-Thread	9-425	Blue	PTFE/Silicone, for Agilent 7693A	1000-pk.	23842



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#### 2.0 mL, 11 mm Crimp Vial Convenience Kits (Vials, Caps, & Septa)

Vials packaged in a clear-lid tray. Caps with septa packaged in a plastic bag.

Description	Includes	qty.	cat.#
Crimp Vial Convenience Kit,	Clear 2.0 mL Vial, Deactivated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	100-pk.	24671
	Clear 2.0 mL Vial, Deactivated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	1000-pk.	24672
	Amber 2.0 mL Vial, Deactivated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	100-pk.	24673
	Amber 2.0 mL Vial, Deactivated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	1000-pk.	24674
	Clear 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	100-pk.	21196
	Clear 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	1000-pk.	21197
	Amber 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	100-pk.	21198
	Amber 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Natural Rubber Septa	1000-pk.	21199
	Clear 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Silicone Septa	100-pk.	24646
	Clear 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Silicone Septa	1000-pk.	24647
	Amber 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Silicone Septa	100-pk.	24648
	Amber 2.0 mL Vial, Untreated, Silver Seal, PTFE/Silicone Septa	1000-pk.	24649



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#### **Restek Electronic Leak Detector**

New and improved! Prevent small leaks from causing big problems with a Restek leak detector.

- Detects a broad range of gases and indicates leak severity with both an LED display and audible tone.
- No more waiting for a full charge—can be operated during charging or used up to 12 hours between charges.
- Charging kit includes both universal AC power adaptor and USB charging cable, so you can charge anywhere, anytime.
- Pinpoint very small gas leaks quickly and accurately before they cause damage and downtime.
- Compact, handheld unit is easy to operate and convenient to use anywhere you need to check for leaks.



28500

Description	Includes	qty.	cat.#
Restek Electronic Leak Detector	carrying case, universal AC power adaptor [U.S., UK, Europe, Australia, Japan], 6-ft USB charging cable	ea.	28500

Avoid using liquid leak detectors on a GC! Liquids can be drawn into the system and/or into the leak detector.

\*Caution: The Restek electronic leak detector should only be used to detect trace amounts of hydrogen in a noncombustible environment. It is NOT designed for determining leaks in a combustible environment. A combustible gas detector should be used for determining combustible gas leaks under any condition. When using it to detect hydrogen, the Restek electronic leak detector may only be used for determining trace amounts in a GC environment.

#### **GC-MS Cleaning Kit**

Poor sensitivity, loss of sensitivity at high masses, or high multiplier gain during an autotune are all indicators that your mass spectrometer source may need to be cleaned. Restek has assembled all of the necessary components for cleaning and polishing your ion source.

Description	qty.	cat.#
Mass Spec Cleaning Kit with Rotary Tool	kit	27194

Note: cat.# 27194 contains a rotary tool with a rechargeable Li-ion battery that requires a 110 V power supply and a US-style (Type A) outlet to charge.



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