



# *High Temperature Liquid Chromatography*

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# OUTLINE

- **Advantages of High Temperature HPLC**
  - Theoretical Effects of High Temperature HPLC
  - Practical Analytical Advantages of Using High Temperature HPLC
- **Development of New Stationary Phases**
  - Selectivity Comparison of Zirconia Based Stationary Phases with C18 Silica and Other Columns
  - High Temperature Separations
- **Using Temperature to Control Selectivity**
  - Importance of Selectivity in HPLC Optimization



# Theoretical Advantages to High Temperature LC

van Deemter Plot

$$h = A + \frac{B}{v} + C v + D v^{2/3} + \frac{3D_m}{8k_d d_p^2} v$$

R. D. Antia and Cs. Horvath, *J. Chromatogr.*, 435, 1-15 (1988).

Practical Limit  
Temperature Dependence

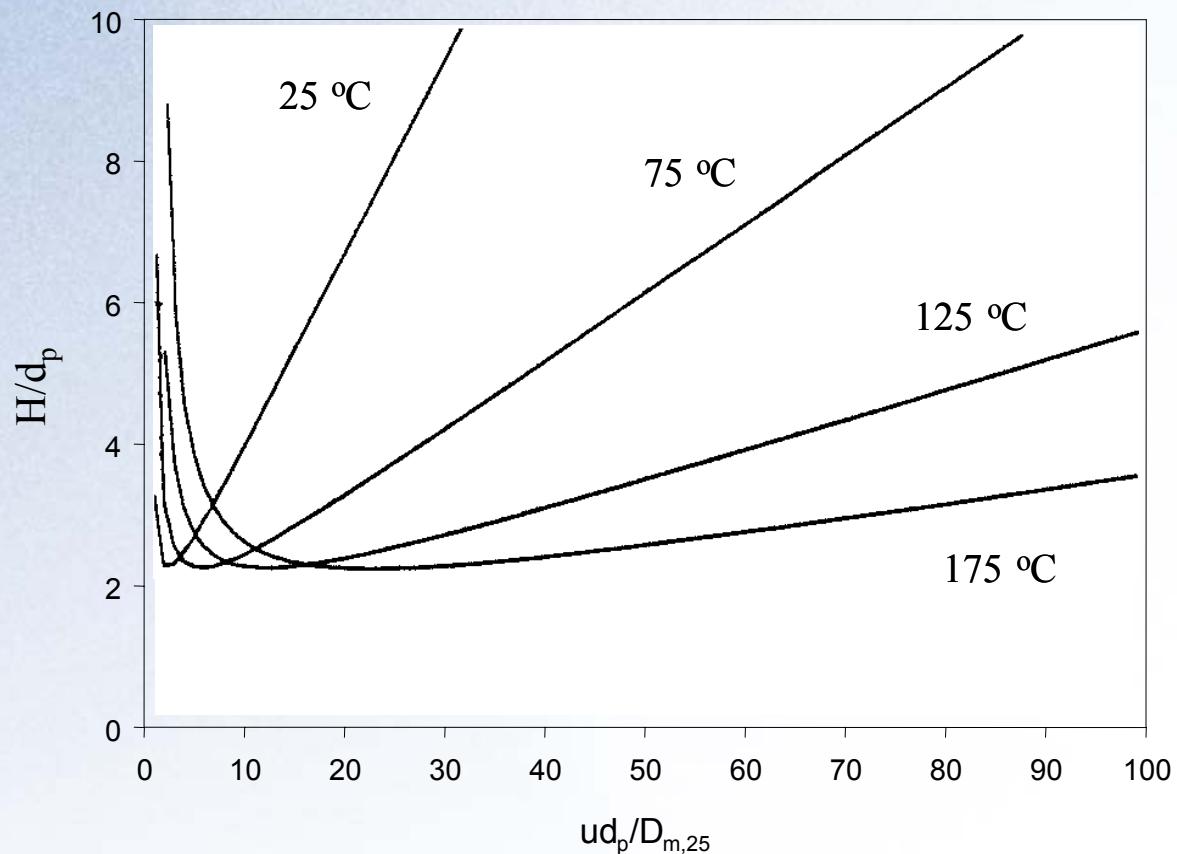
Guiochon, Georges, *Anal. Chem.*, 52, 2002-2008 (1980).

$$\frac{t}{N} \propto (1 + k') \frac{L^{2/3}}{\Delta P_{\max}^{2/3}} \frac{\eta}{T^{1/3}}$$

Three ways that temperature increases efficiency and speed

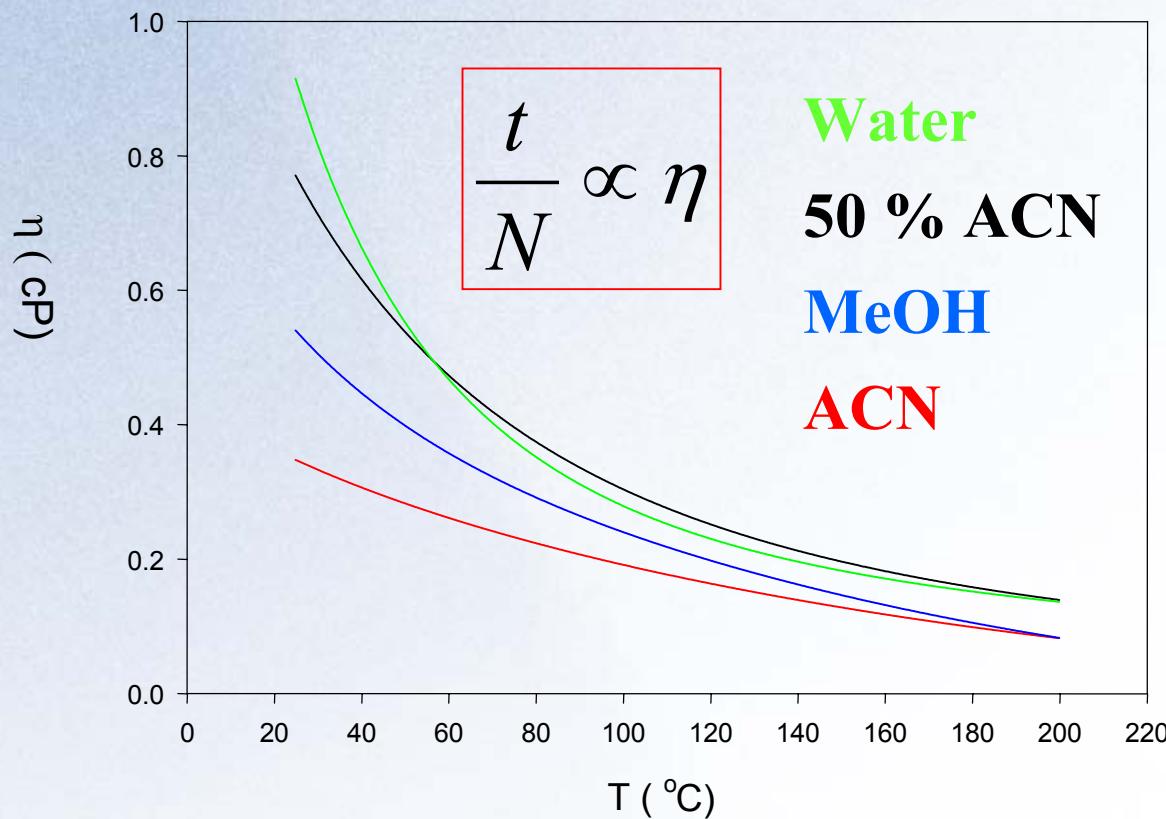
- Increased temperature increases diffusivity, thus decreasing the reduced velocity
- Increased temperature accelerates sorption kinetics
- Increased temperature decreases mobile phase viscosity

# Theoretical Effect of Temperature on Column Efficiency



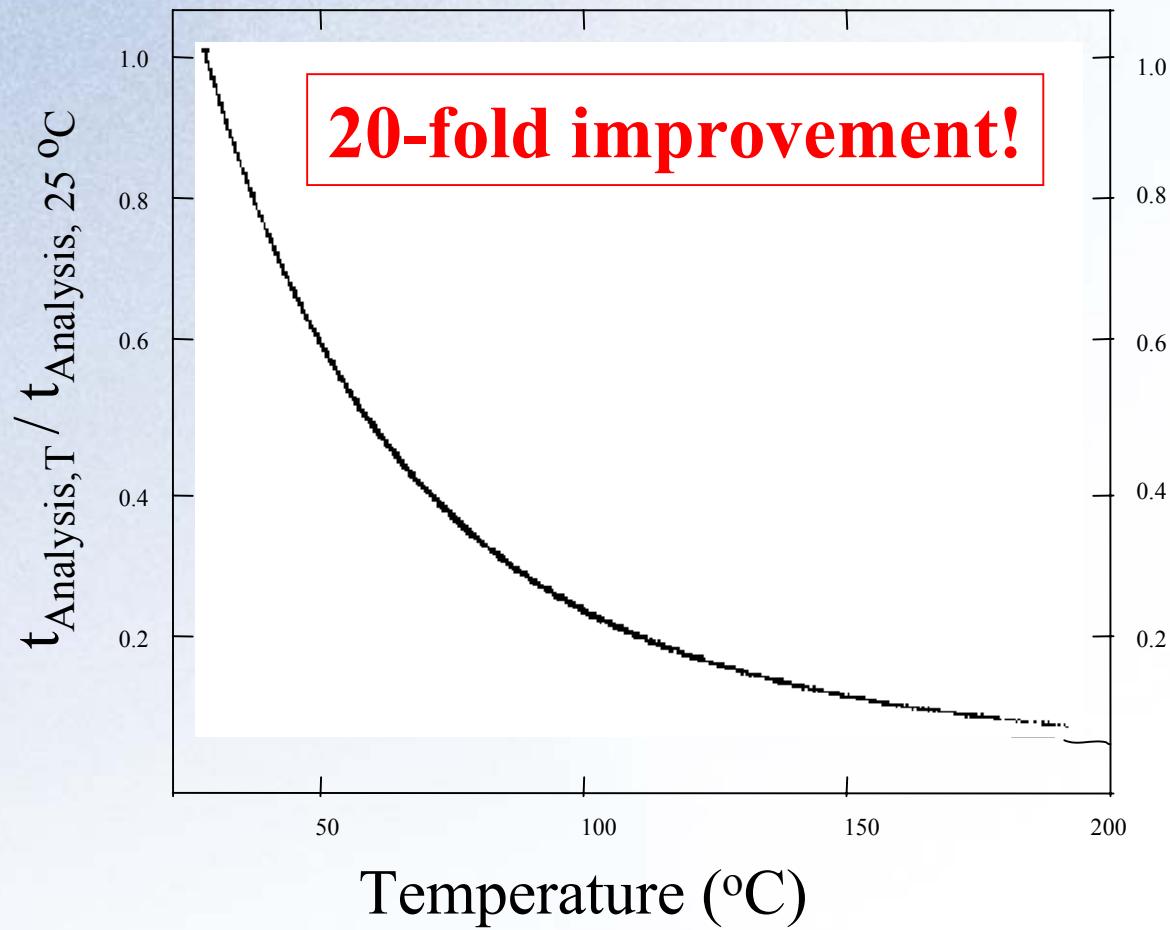


# Estimated Effect of Temperature on Viscosity\*



\*H. Chen and Cs. Horvath, "Rapid Separation of Proteins by RP-HPLC at Elevated Temperatures," *Anal. Methods Instrum.*, **1**, 213-222 (1993).

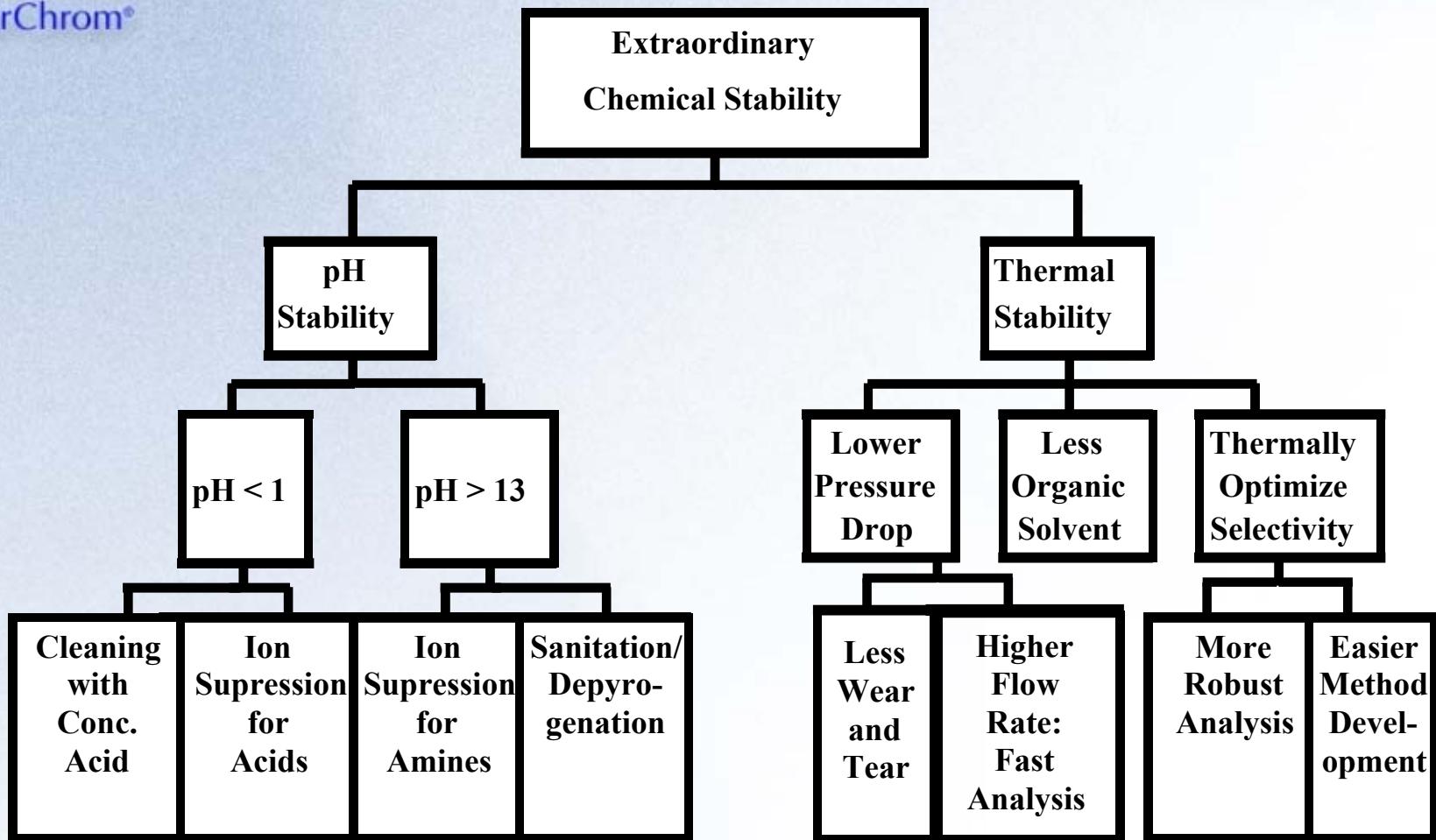
# Effect of Temperature on Theoretical Analysis Time at Constant Pressure and Plate Count\*



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# Practical Advantages of Column Stability



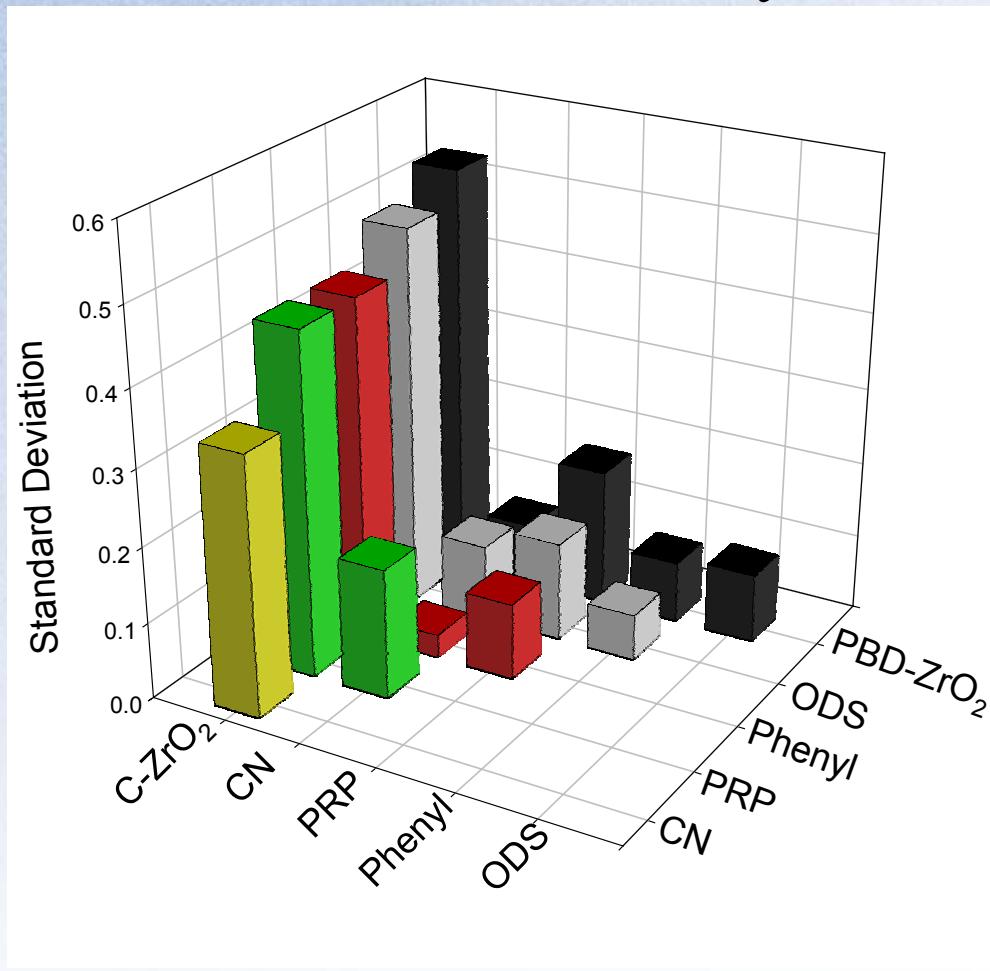


# List of HTLC compatible reversed-phase columns

Manufacturer	Column Name	Stationary Phase Type	Temperature Limit (°C)	Selectivity versus C18
Polymer Laboratories	PLRP	Polymer	200	Different
Selerity	Blaze	Silica	200	Different
Supelco	DiscoveryZR-Carbon	Carbon Clad Zirconia	200	Different
Supelco	DiscoveryZR-CarbonC18	Modified Carbon on Zirconia	200	Different
Thermo-Electron	Hypercarb	Carbon	200	Similar
ZirChrom Separations, Inc.	ZirChrom-CARB	Carbon Clad Zirconia	200	Different
ZirChrom Separations, Inc.	Diamondbond-C18	Modified Carbon on Zirconia	200	Different
Jordi	Jordi DVB	Polymer	150	Different
Sachtleben	Sachtopore-RP	Polymer coated Titania	150	Different
Supelco	DiscoveryZR-PBD	Polymer Coated Zirconia	150	Different
Supelco	DiscoveryZR-PS	Polymer Coated Zirconia	150	Different
ZirChrom Separations, Inc.	ZirChrom-PS	Polymer Coated Zirconia	150	Different
ZirChrom Separations, Inc.	ZirChrom-PBD	Polymer Coated Zirconia	150	Different
Agilent	SB Extend-C18	Silica	90	Similar
Waters	X-Bridge	Silica	80	Similar

# Stationary Phase Comparison

## Average Scatter of $\kappa-\kappa$ Plots for Two Kinds of Stationary Phases Using 22 Solutes

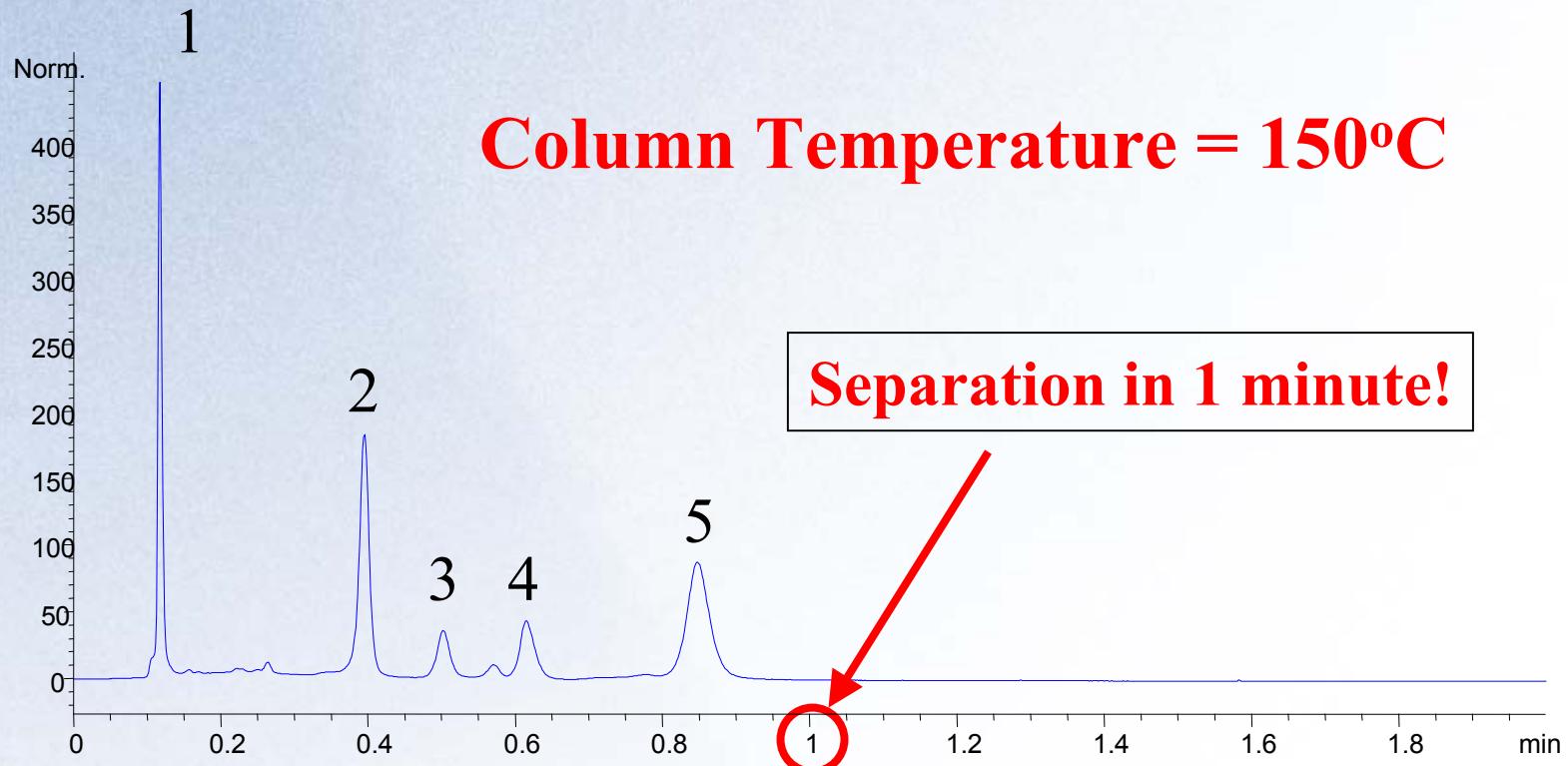


- Carbon-ZrO<sub>2</sub>
- PBD-ZrO<sub>2</sub>
- C18-SiO<sub>2</sub> (ODS)
- Phenyl-SiO<sub>2</sub>
- CN-SiO<sub>2</sub>
- PRP

➤ For *non-electrolytes*, C-ZrO<sub>2</sub> and aliphatic phases have the most different selectivities.



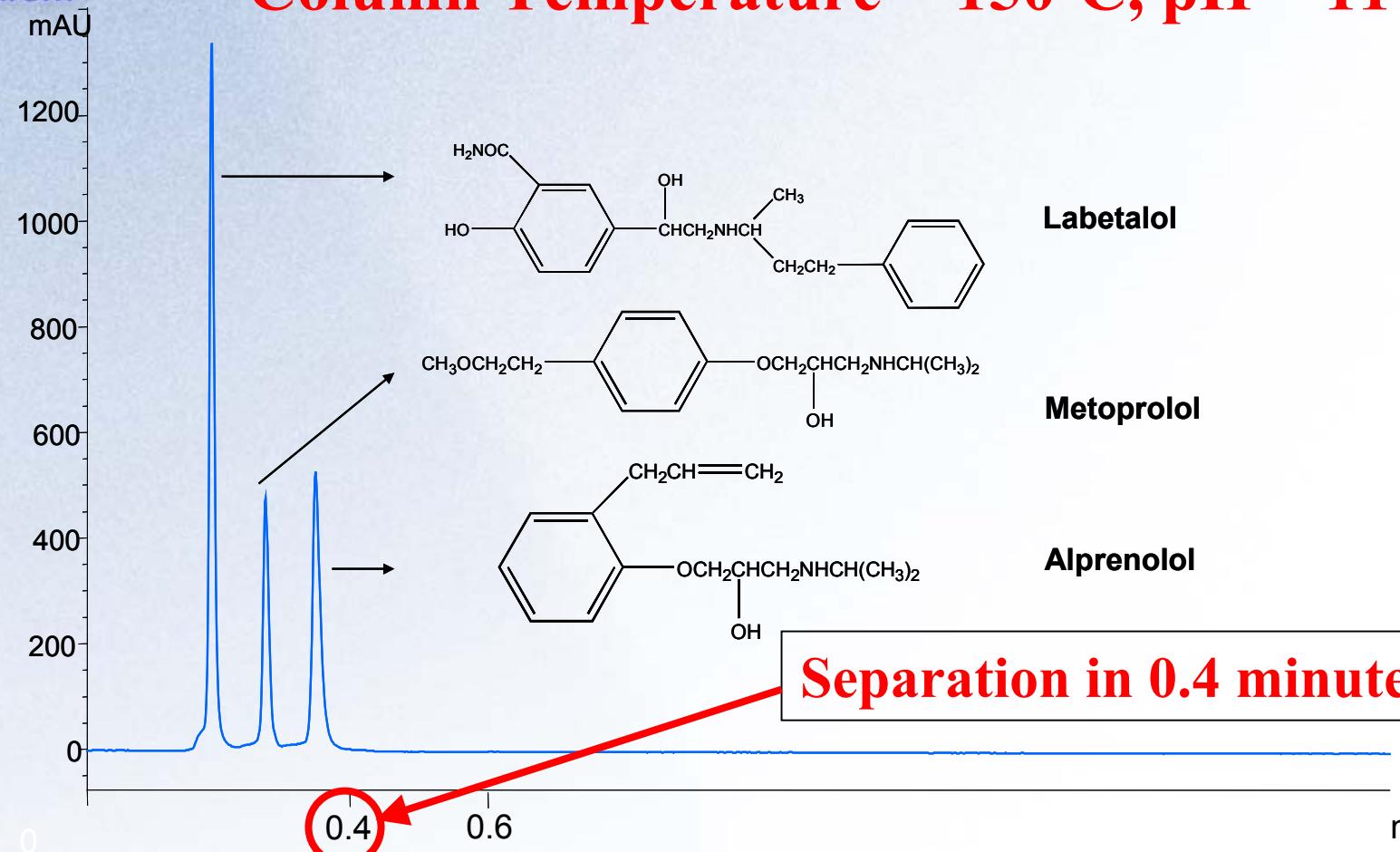
# Fast Separations Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatories



LC Conditions: Column, 50 x 4.6 DiamondBond<sup>TM</sup>-C18; Mobile phase, 25/75 ACN/40mM phosphoric acid, pH 2.3; Flow rate, 5.5 ml/min.; Temperature, 150 °C; Injection volume, 1ul; Detection at 254nm; Solute concentration, 0.15 mg/ml.; Solutes, 1= Acetaminophen, 2=Ketoprofen, 3=Naproxen, 4=Ibuprofen, 5=Oxaprofen.



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LC Conditions: Column, 50 x 4.6 Diamondbond-C18, OD0121601A; Mobile phase, 45/55 ACN/20mM Ammonium Phosphate pH11.0; Flow rate, 3.0 ml/min; Temperature, 150 °C; Injection volume, 1.0  $\mu$ l; Detection at 210 nm; Solutes, 1=Labetalol, 2=Metoprolol, 3=Alprenolol

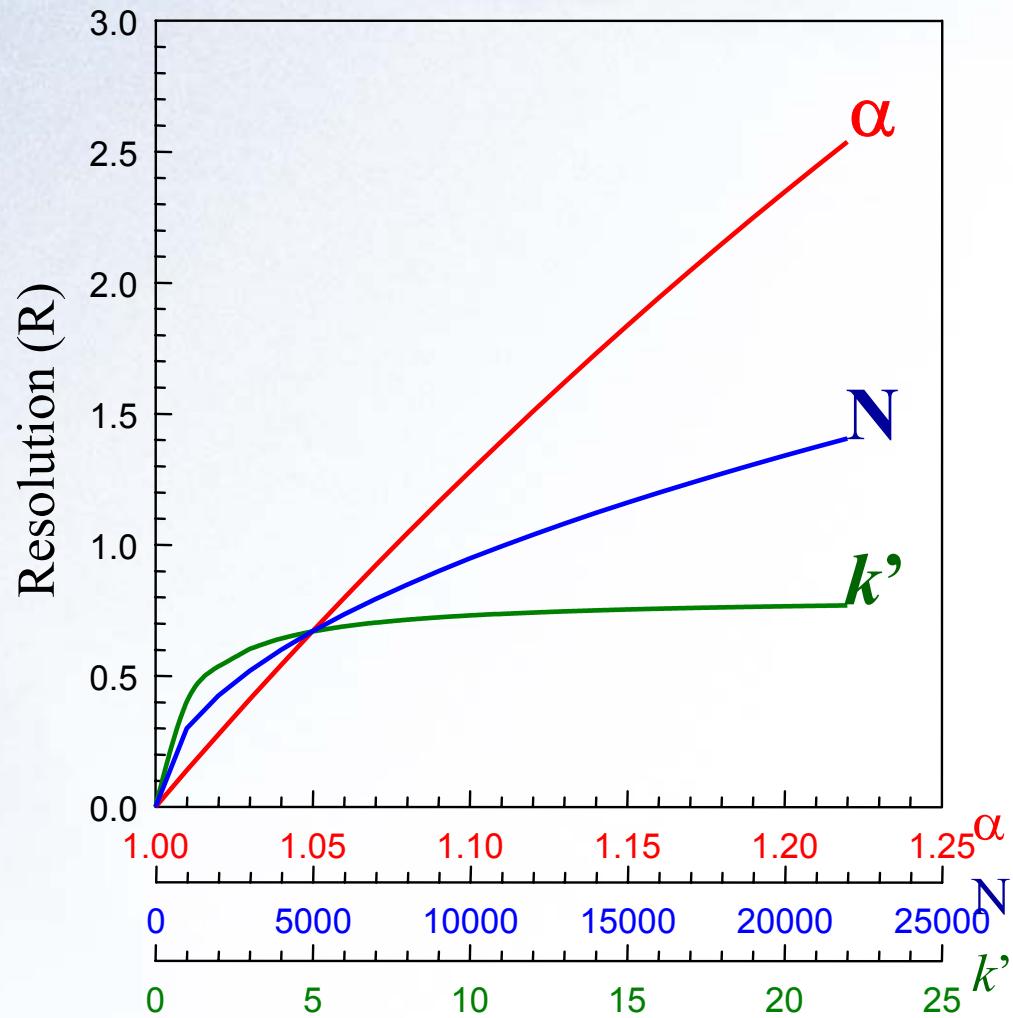
# Resolution: The Importance of Selectivity

Efficiency      Retention      Selectivity

$$R = \frac{\sqrt{N}}{4} \quad \frac{k'}{k'+1} \quad \frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{k'_j}{k'_i}$$

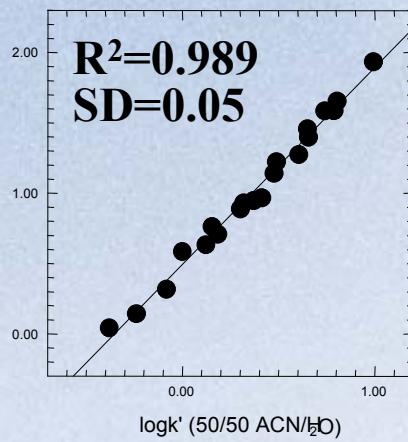
- Selectivity ( $\alpha$ ) has the greatest impact on improving resolution.



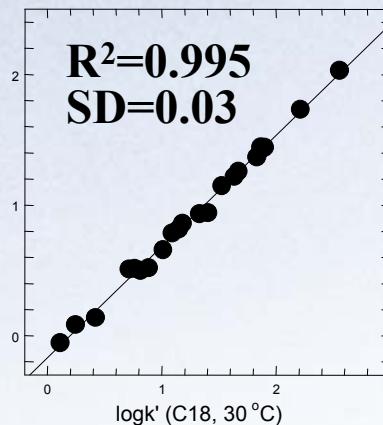


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30% ACN vs. 50% ACN



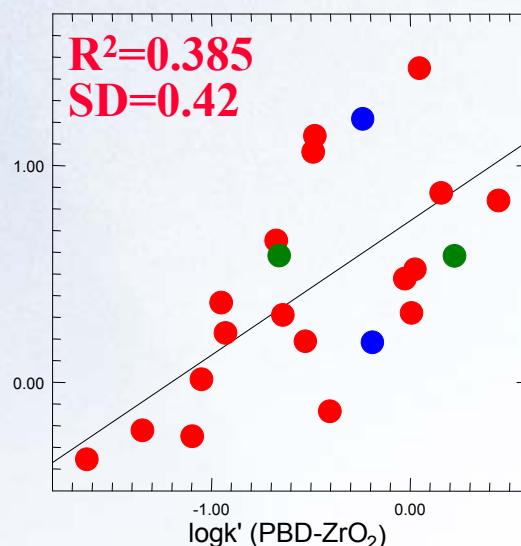
80°C vs. 30°C



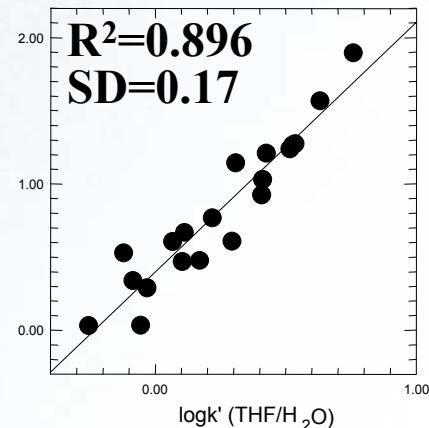
# Comparison of Variables Affecting Selectivity

## Stationary Phase Type

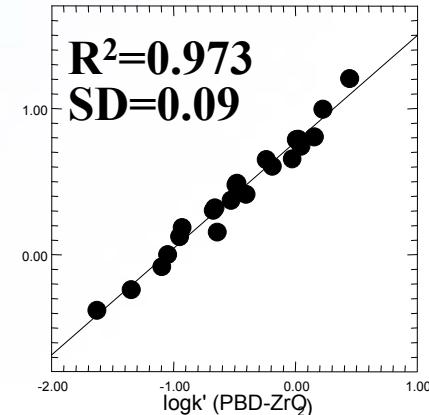
Carbon-ZrO<sub>2</sub> vs.  
PBD-ZrO<sub>2</sub>



MeOH vs. THF



C18-SiO<sub>2</sub> vs. PBD-ZrO<sub>2</sub>

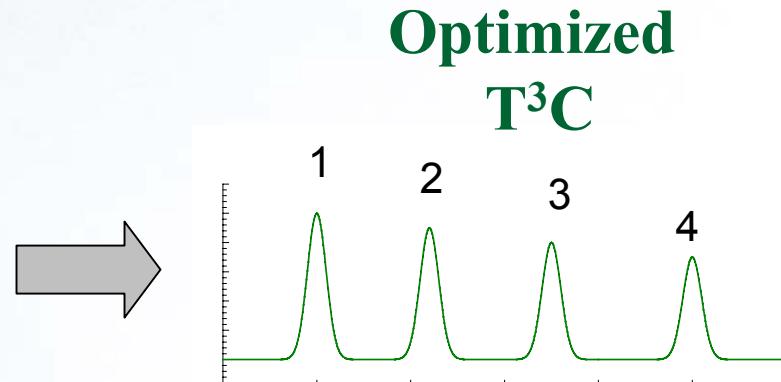
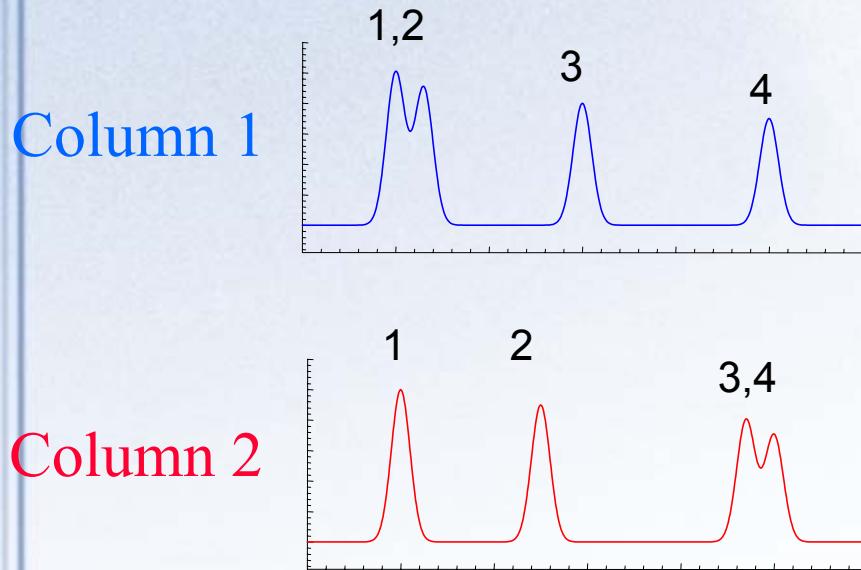
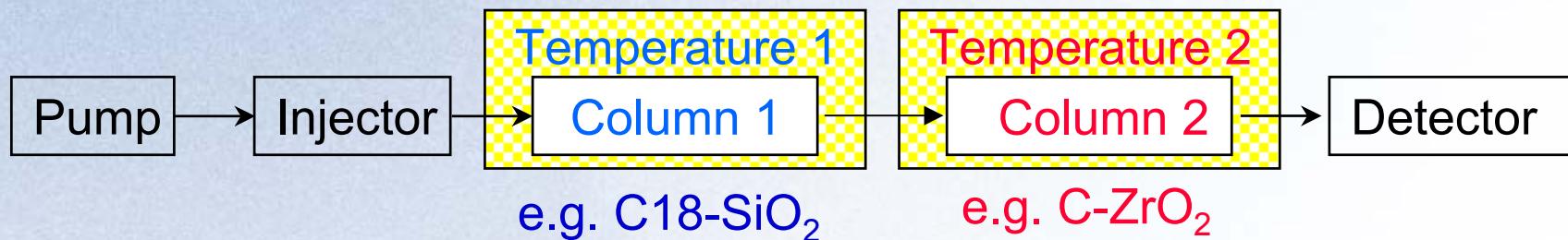


- Stationary phase type has a very large effect on selectivity.



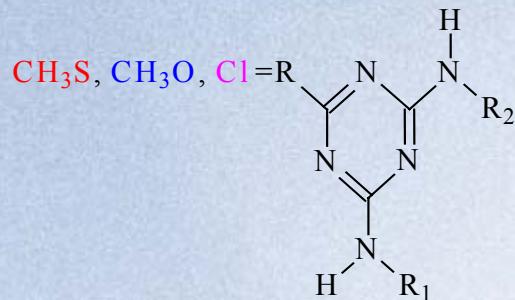
# Thermally Tuned Tandem Columns (T<sup>3</sup>C)

A Mechanism to Continuously Adjust the Stationary Phase





# Separation of Ten Triazine Herbicides by T<sup>3</sup>C



## Solutes:

- |              |                  |
|--------------|------------------|
| 1. Simazine  | 6. Ametryn       |
| 2. Cyanazine | 7. Propazine     |
| 3. Simetryn  | 8. Terbutylazine |
| 4. Atrazine  | 9. Prometryn     |
| 5. Prometon  | 10. Terbutryn    |

### Other conditions:

30/70 ACN/water

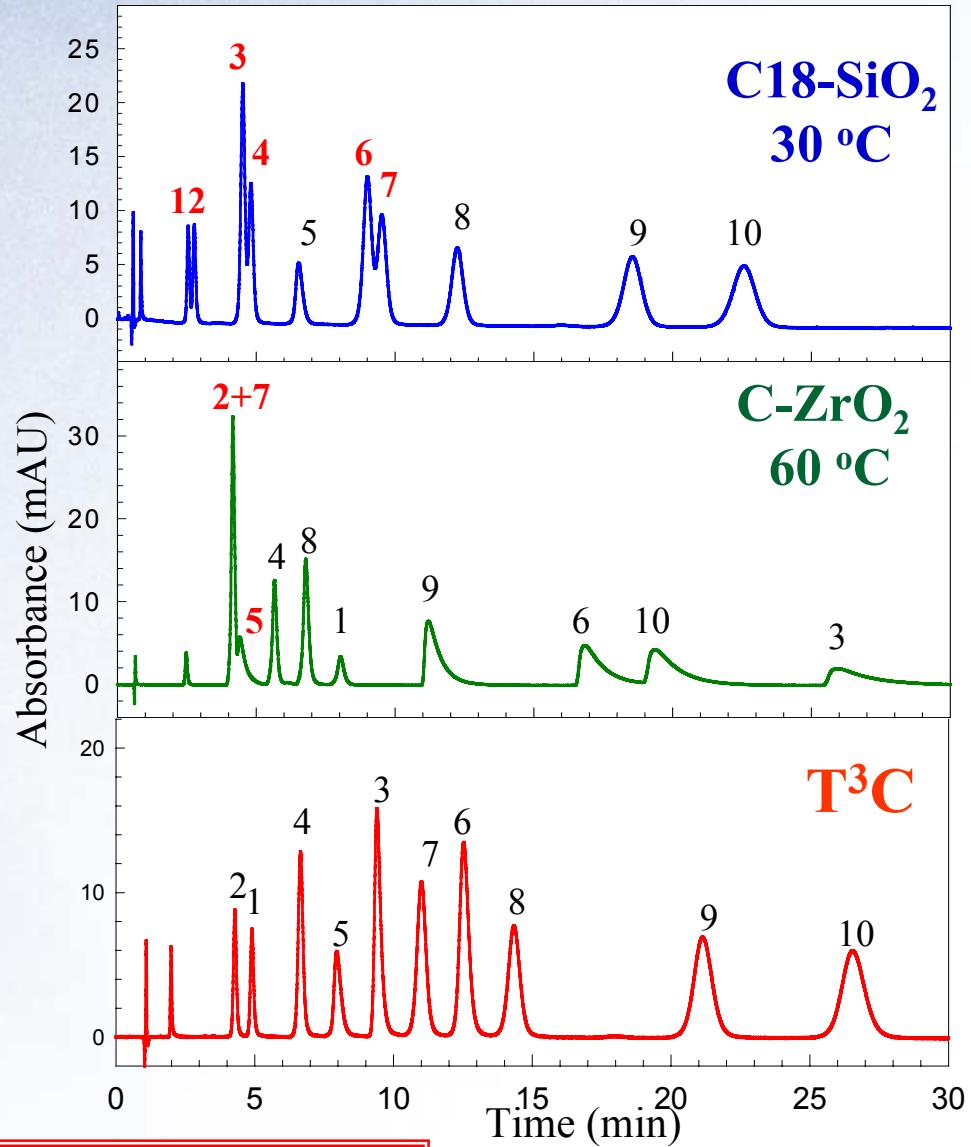
1 ml/min; 254 nm detection

C18-SiO<sub>2</sub>

30 °C

C-ZrO<sub>2</sub>

**125 °C**



- T<sup>3</sup>C can improve separation without increasing analysis time.



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# Conclusions

- (1) Zirconia Based Stationary Phases are ***ultra-durable*** and ***efficient, stable*** at the ***extremes of pH*** and at column temperatures as high as ***200°C***.
- (2) ***ZirChrom®-CARB*** has the ***most different selectivity*** relative to conventional ODS phases for the 22 selected non-ionizable compounds.
- (3) High Temperature Liquid Chromatography (HTLC) is a ***powerful technique*** that can be used as a ***routine analytical tool*** in the development of separation methods.
- (4) HTLC is a ***unique tool*** in altering chromatographic selectivity (***T<sup>3</sup>C method***), increasing analysis speed.
- (5) HTLC capability will become an ***important*** part of HPLC ***system design*** in order to fully utilize the benefits of columns prepared with ultra-small particles and ultrafast analyses.