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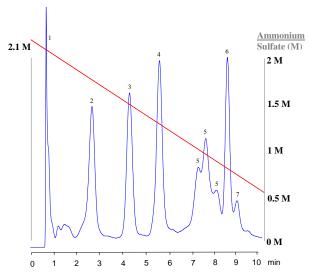
APPLICATION NOTE

Hydrophobic Interaction Chromatography: Comparison of STYROS™ HIC-Butyl with TSKgel Butyl-NPR from TOSOH.

A mixture of 7 proteins were separated on a STYROS™ HIC-Butyl 4.6 x 100 mm column (volume 1.7 ml) at linear flow rates of 720 cm/hr (2 ml/min volumetric flow) and compared with the performance of a TOSOH TSKgel Butyl-NPR 4.6 mm x 3.5 cm, 2.5 µm particles column (volume 0.6 ml) run by the manufacturer at a linear flow rate of 360 cm/hr (1 ml/min volumetric flow) using 5 proteins.

STYROSTM is a Simulated MonolithTM fully porous resin whereas the TSKgel NPR is a non porous resin made of 2.5 μ m particles operating at 1000 to 2000 psi at flow rates of 1 ml/min with a 4.6 mm ID and a column length of 3.5 cm.

The following 2 chromatograms highlight the difference between the two stationary phases.

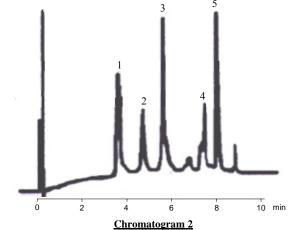


Chromatogram 1

Separation of 7 proteins on STYROS™ HIC-Butyl/XH (Linear Flow Rate: 720 cm/hr)

Table 1. Operating parameters.

HPLC System.	Agilent 1100 with thermostatted column compartment.
Columns	STYROS™ HIC-Butyl/XH 4.6 X 100 mm
Mobile phase.	A: 0.1 M Phosphate, pH=7
	B: A + 2.1 M SO4(NH4)2, pH=7
Flow rate	2 ml/min (720 cm/hr)
Gradient	100 to 30 % B in 10 min (12.5 cv).
Temperature	30°C
Detection	280 nm
Injection volume	10 μl
Sample:	1- Cytochrome c, 0.1 mg/ml, 2- Myoglobin 2.5 mg/ml, 3-Ribonuclease A, 5 mg/ml, 4- Lysozyme 2 mg/ml, 5- Ovalbumin 5 mg/ml, 6- α-Chymotrypsin 2.5 mg/ml, 7- α-Chymotrypsinogen A 0.5 mg/ml in buffer A.



Separation of 5 proteins on TSKgel Butyl-NPR (Linear Flow Rate: 360 cm/hr)

Table 2. Operating parameters.

Columns	TSKgel Butyl-NPR, (4.6 cm X 3.5 cm)
Mobile phase.	A: 0.1 M Phosphate, pH=7
	B: A + 2.3 M SO4(NH4)2, pH=7
Flow rate	1 ml/min (360 cm/hr)
Gradient	100 to 0 % B in 12 min (21cv)
Temperature	25°C
Detection	280 nm
Sample: 20 µl (1.5-	1-Myoglobin, 2-Ribonuclease, 3-Lysozyme,
4.0 μg)	4-α-Chymotrypsin, 5-α-Chymotrypsinogen.

Although the TSKgel Butyl-NPR has a higher pressure tolerance than the soft gel series, the size of the particles (2.5 μ m) generates high back pressure that limits the flow and therefore slows dawn the chromatographic run as well as the re-equilibration and reconditioning of the column.

In comparison, the STYROS™ column with 3 times the length can be run at twice the flow rate with less than half the back pressure and provide substantially higher resolution. The components of a commercial sample of Ovalbumin have also been separated in the corresponding chromatogram.

Neither the decrease in size, nor the absence of pores has provided the TSKgel Butyl-NPR any advantage that would justify the high back pressure as well as the restrictions in column length.

