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High Resolution Anion Exchange Chromatography for Analysis and Purification of Oligonucleotides

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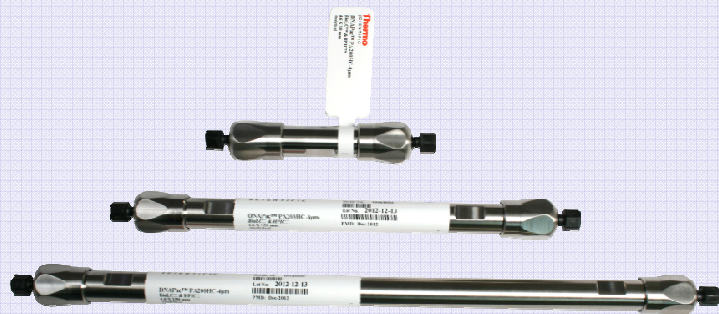
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HPLC Analysis of Nucleic Acids

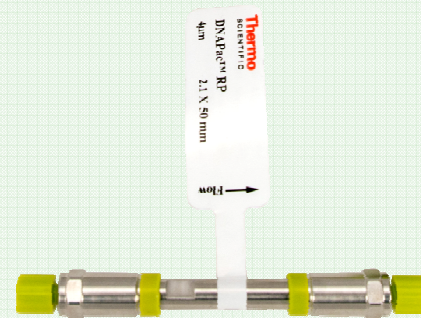
Anion Exchange Chromatography

DNAPac PA100
DNAPac PA200
DNAPac PA200 RS
DNASwift SAX-1S



Ion-Pair Reversed Phase Chromatography

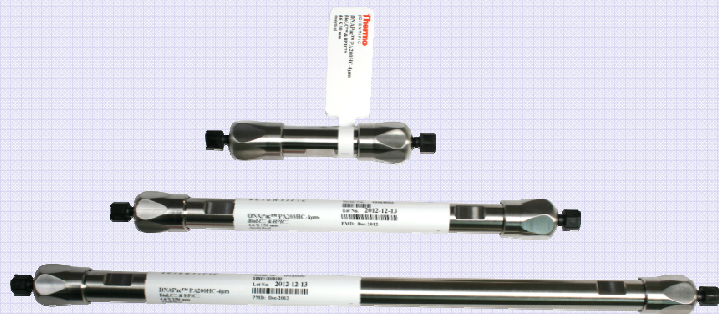
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Analytical Columns

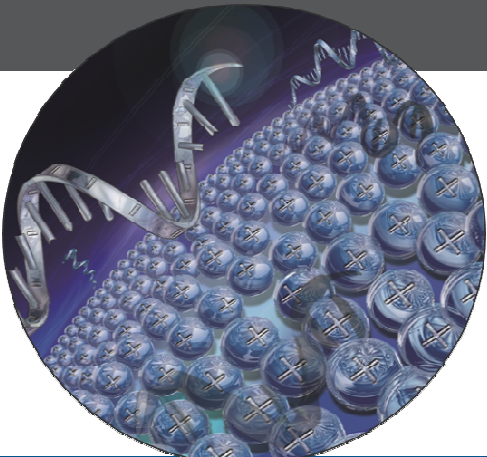
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Semiprep Columns

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DNAPac PA Columns

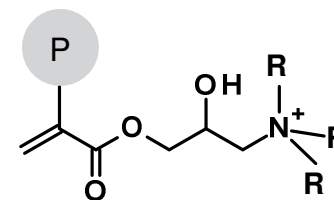
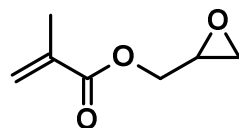


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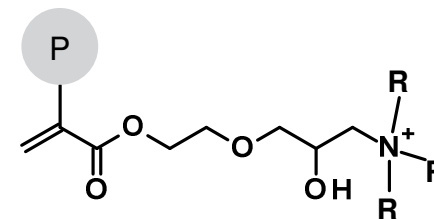
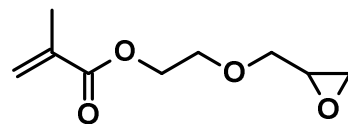
	DNAPac PA100	DNAPac PA200	DNAPac PA200 RS
Applications	ss/ds oligonucleotides	High resolution ss oligonucleotides	Ultra-high resolution ss oligonucleotides
Particle Size	13 μm	8 μm	4 μm
Column Chemistry	Non-porous polymer with quaternary amine functionalized latex beads		
pH Range	4-10 (up to 12.5 if [salt] > 5x [sodium hydroxide])		
Temperature Range	≤ 35 °C at pH 8.5-12.5 ≤ 85 °C at pH < 8.5		
Pressure Maximum	4,000 psi (276 bar)	4,000 psi (276 bar)	10,000 psi (690 bar)

DNAPac PA100 vs DNAPac PA200

DNAPac PA100, 13 μm

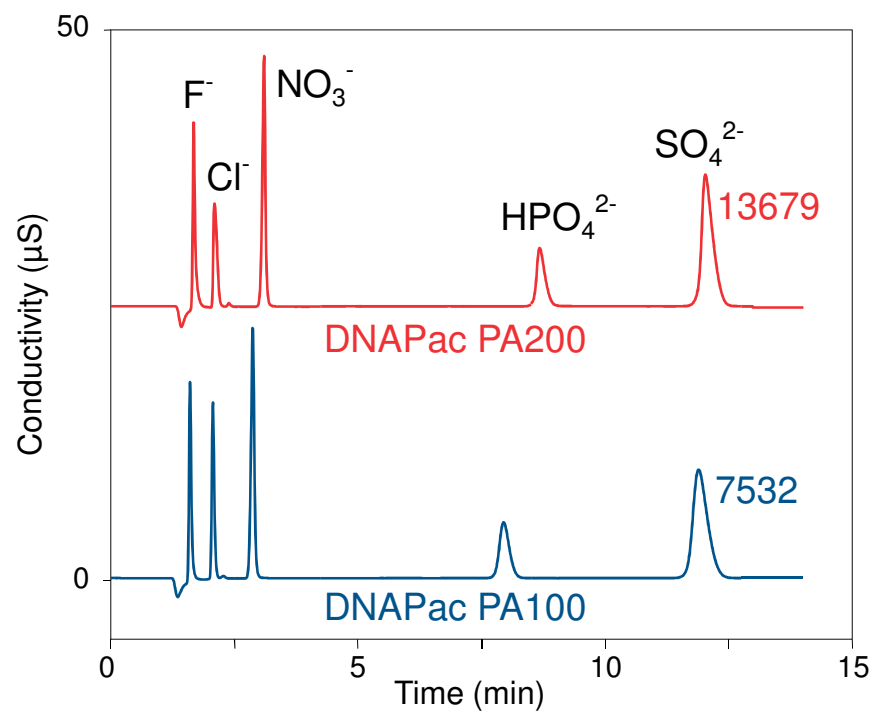


DNAPac PA200, 8 μm

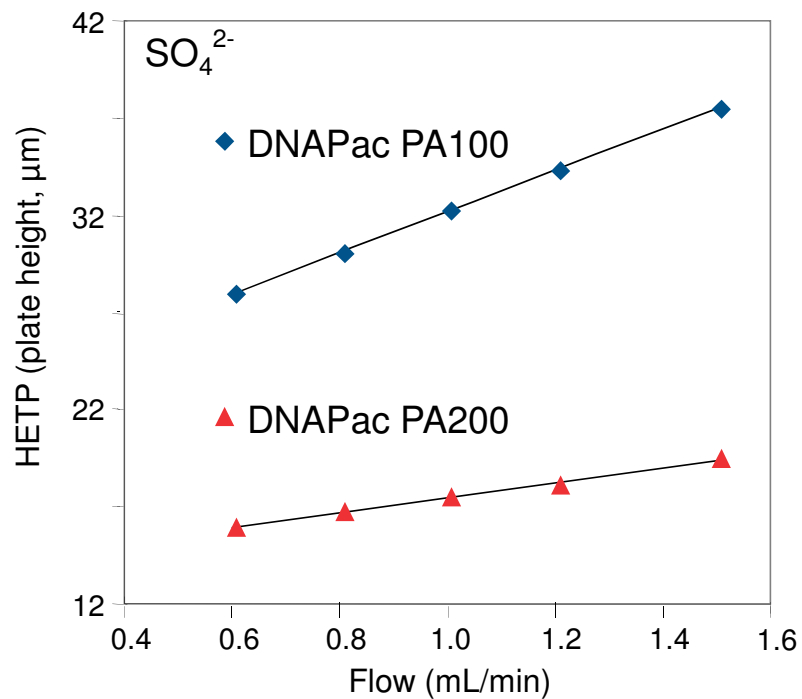


Chromatography Performance

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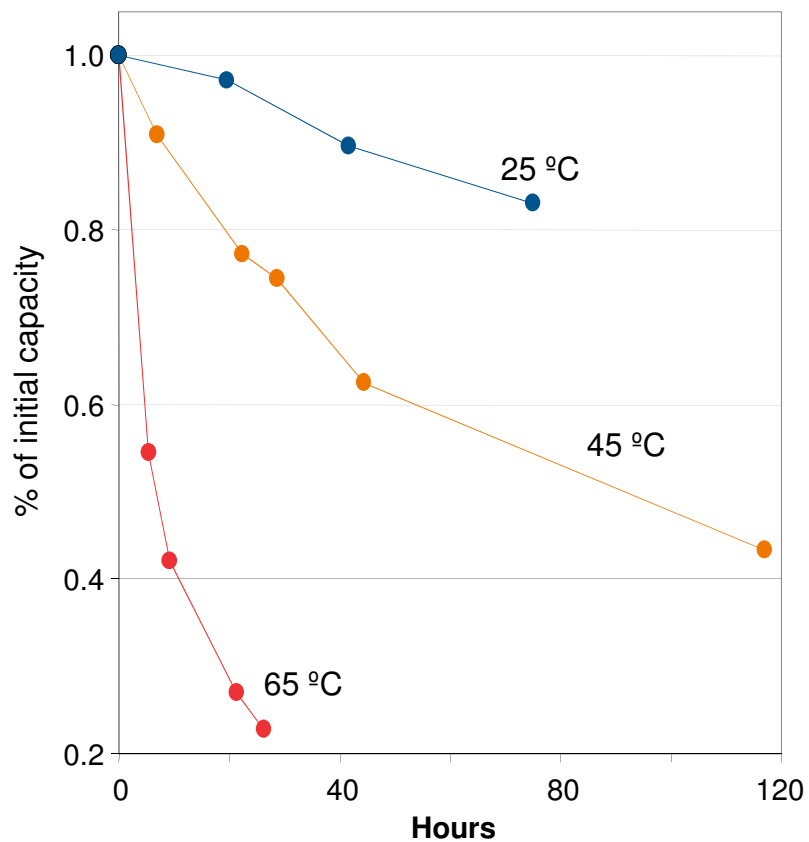


Relative Efficiency: HETP vs Flow

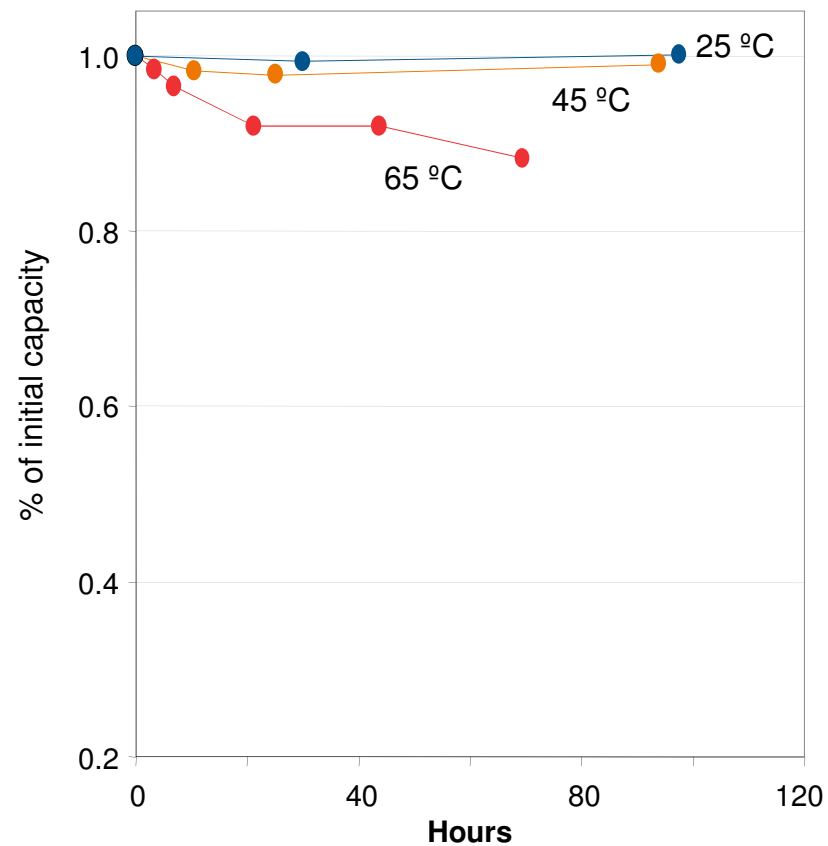


Phase Stability at pH 12.4

DNAPac PA100



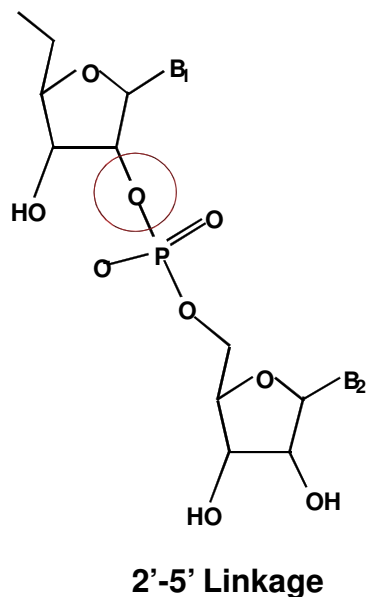
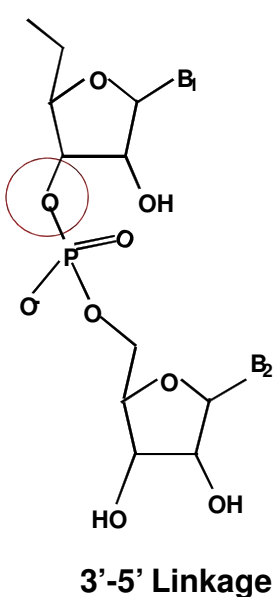
DNAPac PA200



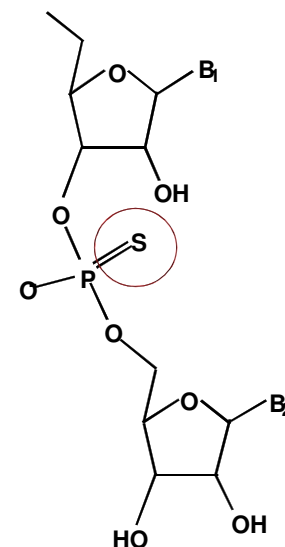
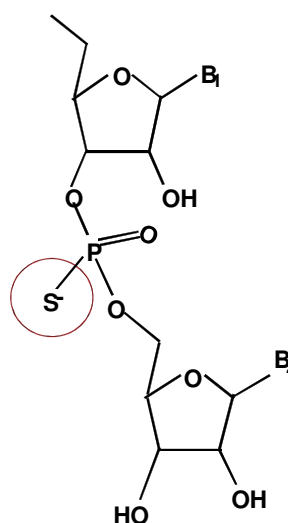
Applications

Comparison of DNAPac PA200 *RS* (4 μm) and DNAPac PA200 (8 μm)

- Resolution of dT samples
- Length based separations
- Separation of phosphorothioate diastereoisomers
- Separation of linkage isomers



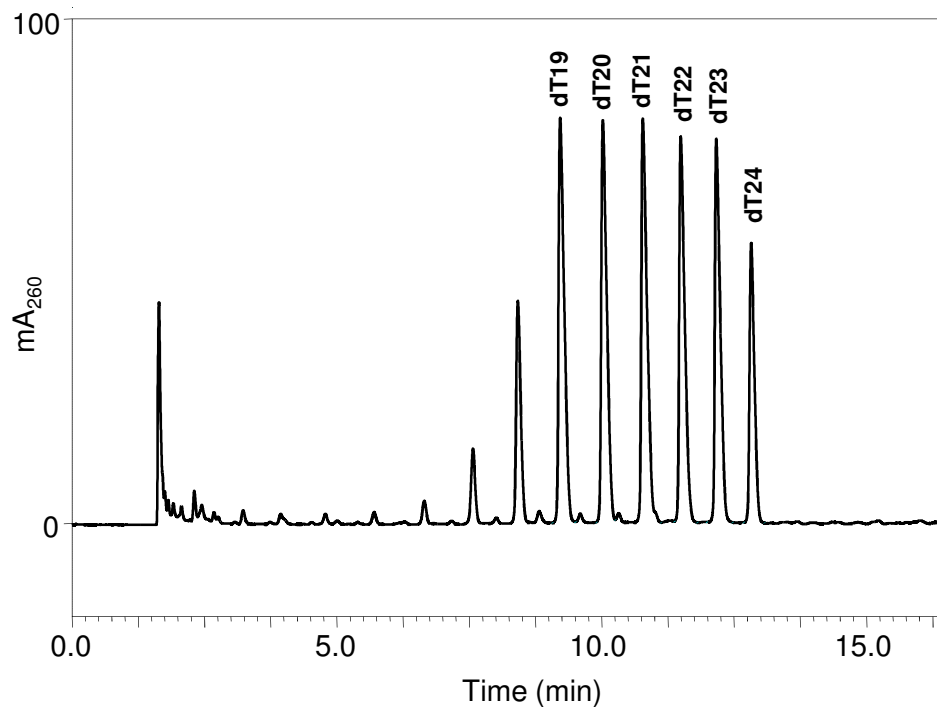
Phosphodiester Linkage Isomers



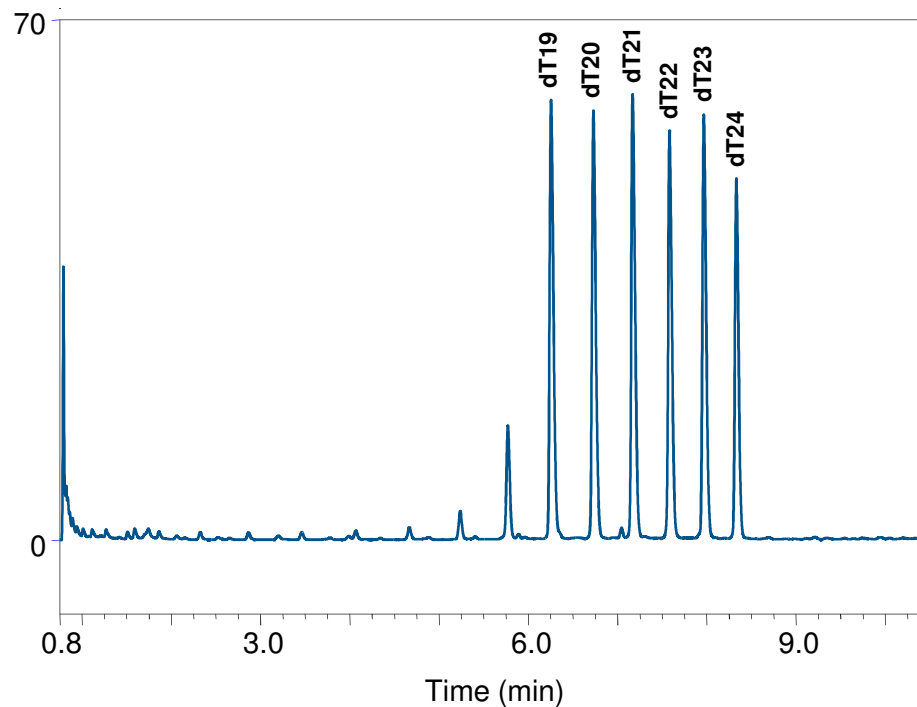
Phosphorothioate Diastereoisomers

Separation of dT19-24

DNAPac PA200 (4.0 × 250 mm)



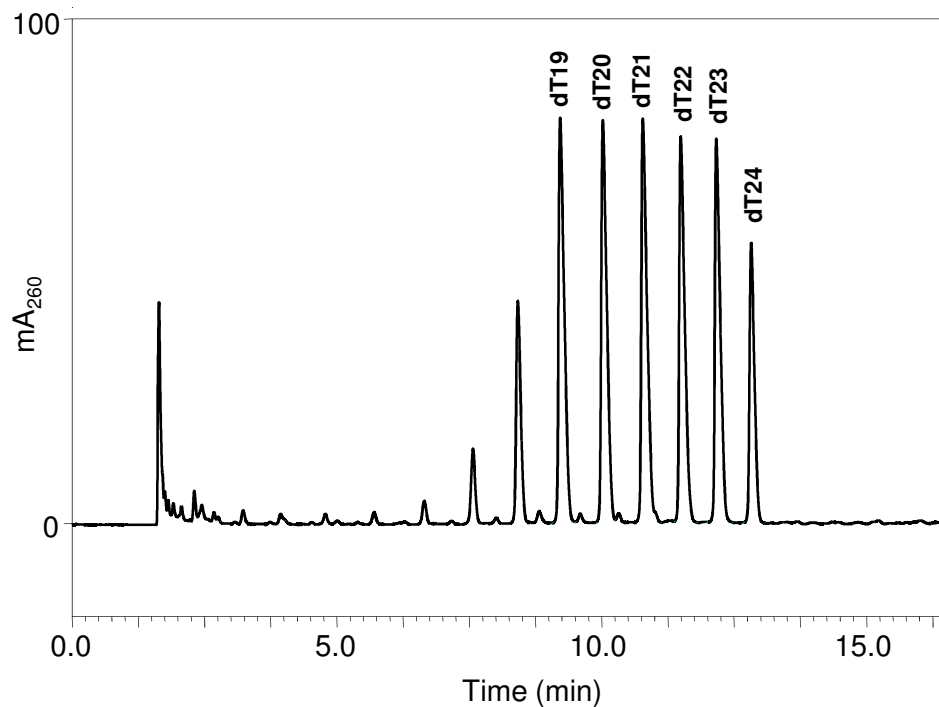
DNAPac PA200 RS (4.6 × 150 mm)



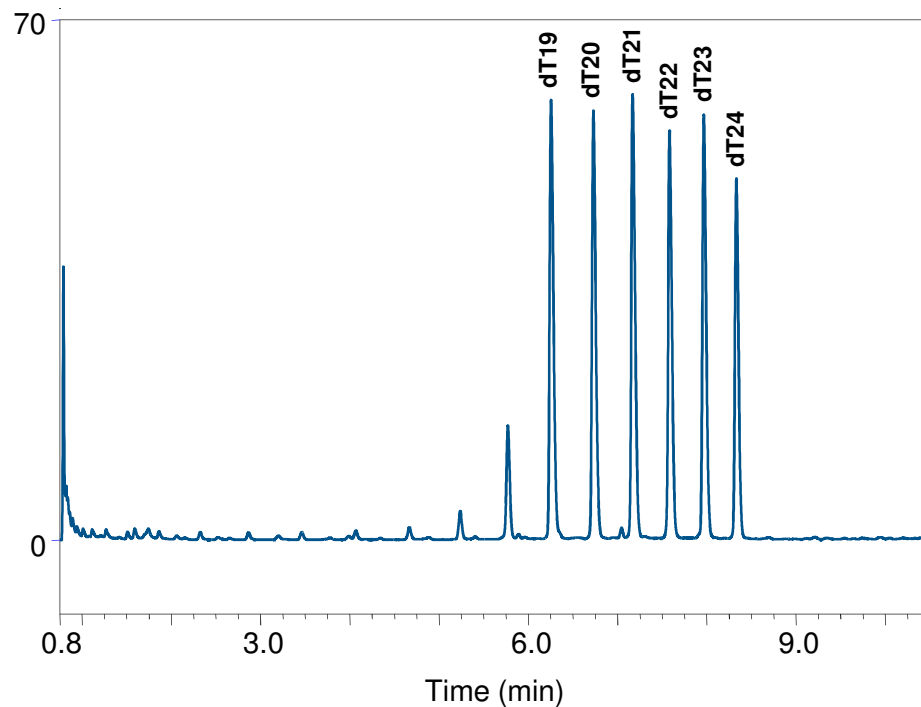
Column	Flow (mL/min)	Pressure (psi)	RT (dT 23)	PW (5%)	Rs (19/20)	Rs (21/22)	Rs (22/23)	RT ratio (22/23)
DNAPac PA200	0.850	1,655	10.92	0.056	4.8	4.4	4.1	0.94
DNAPac PA200 RS	1.120	4,736	7.97	0.050	6.1	5.3	5.0	0.95

Separation of dT19-24

DNAPac PA200 (4.0 × 250 mm)



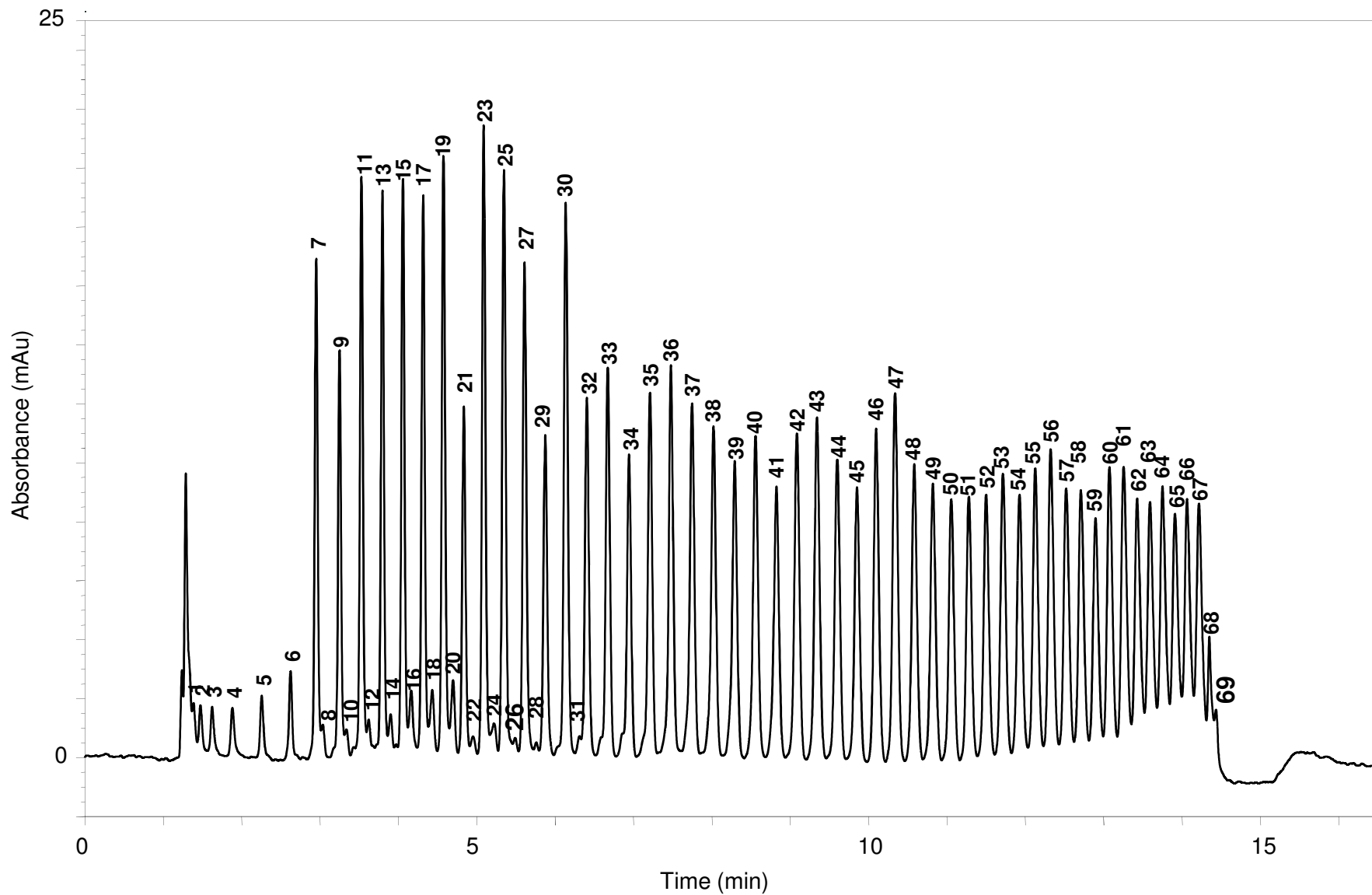
DNAPac PA200 RS (4.6 × 150 mm)



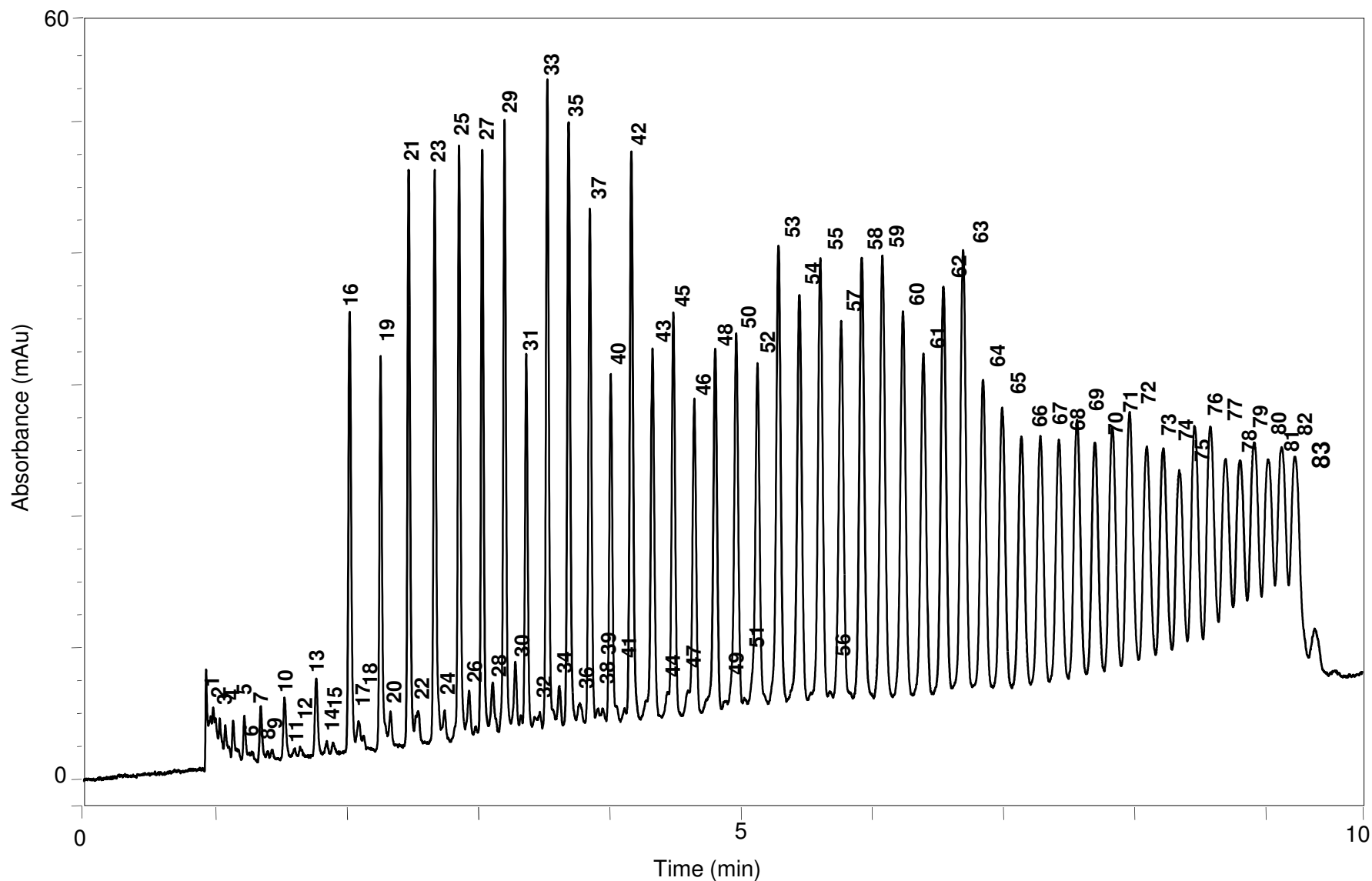
DNAPac PA200 RS with smaller particles shows:

- Improved Peak Width
- Improved Resolution
- Similar selectivity

DNAPac PA200: Resolution of dT12-60

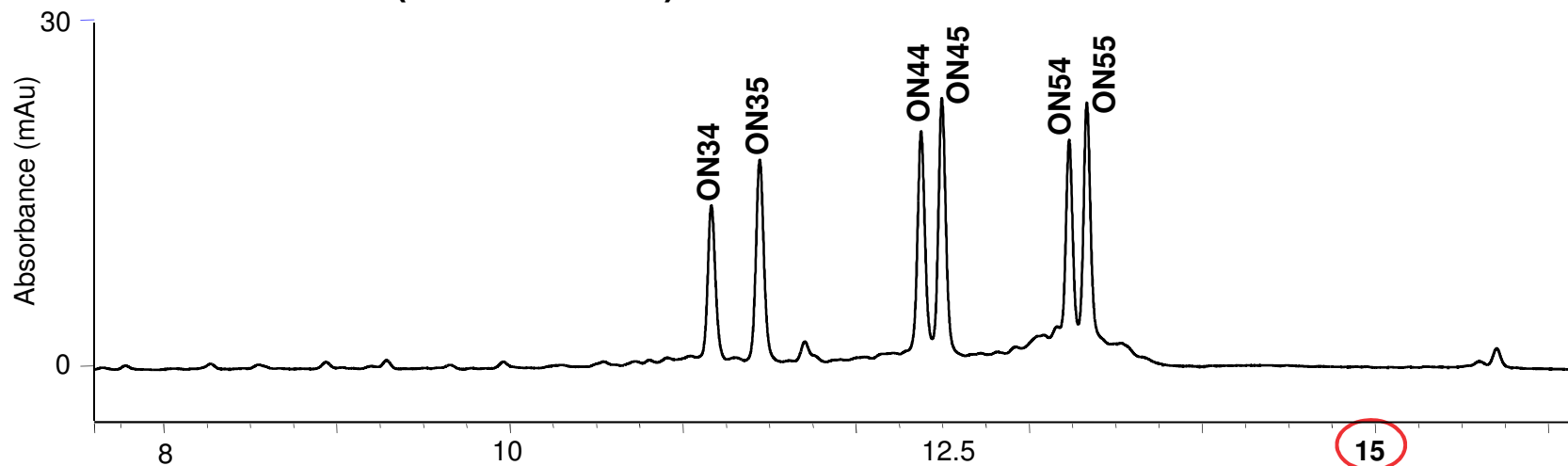


DNAPac PA200 RS: Resolution of dT12-60

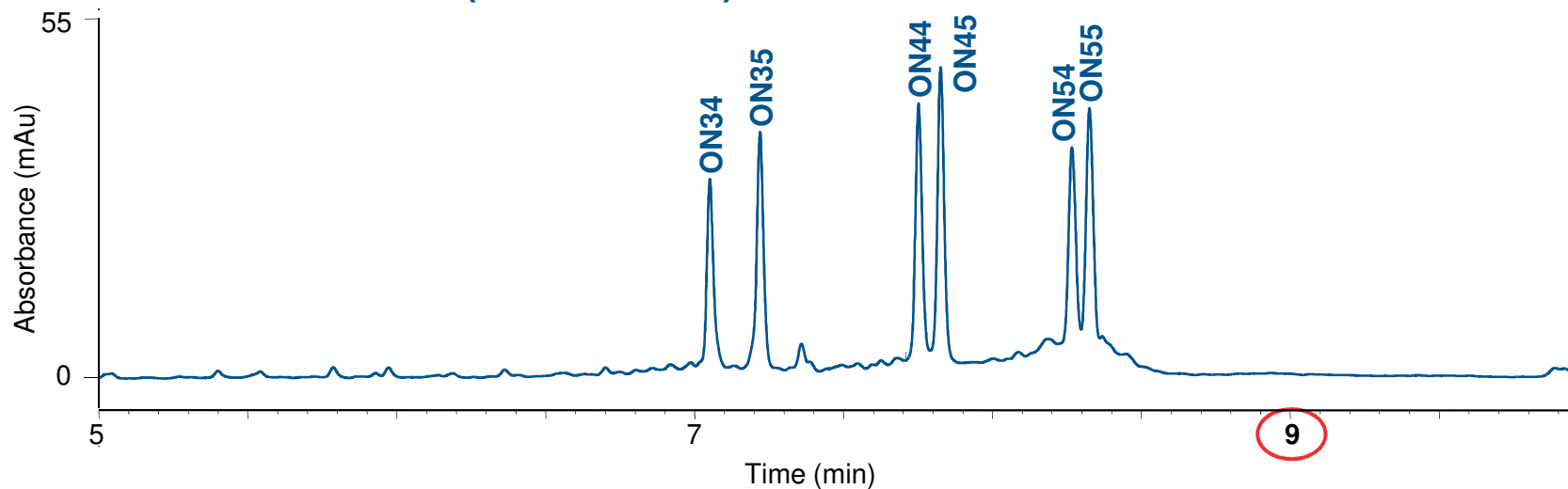


Resolution by Length: Mixed-Base ONs

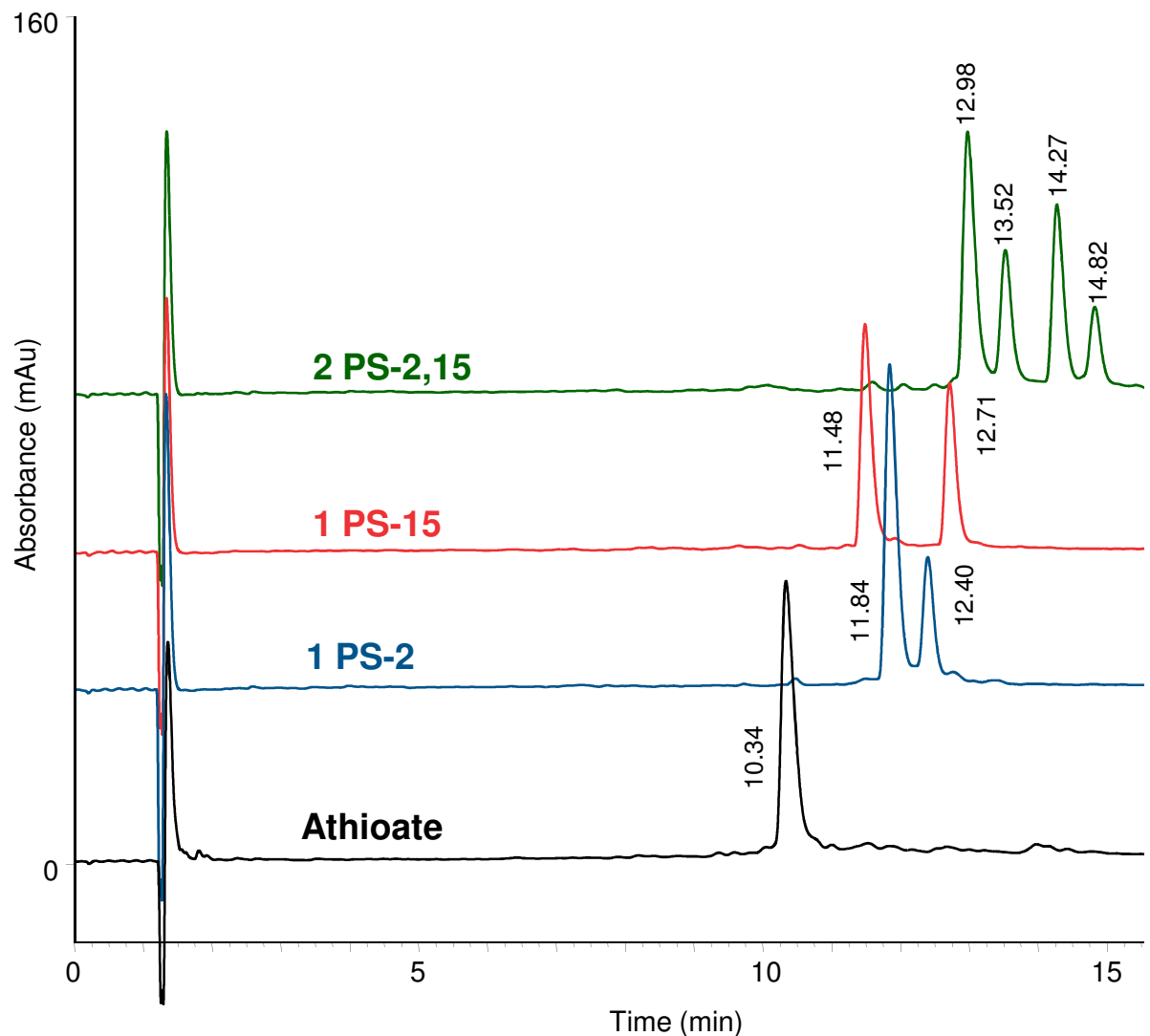
DNAPac PA200 (4.0 × 250 mm)



DNAPac PA200 RS (4.6 × 150 mm)



Differential Elution of PS RNAs

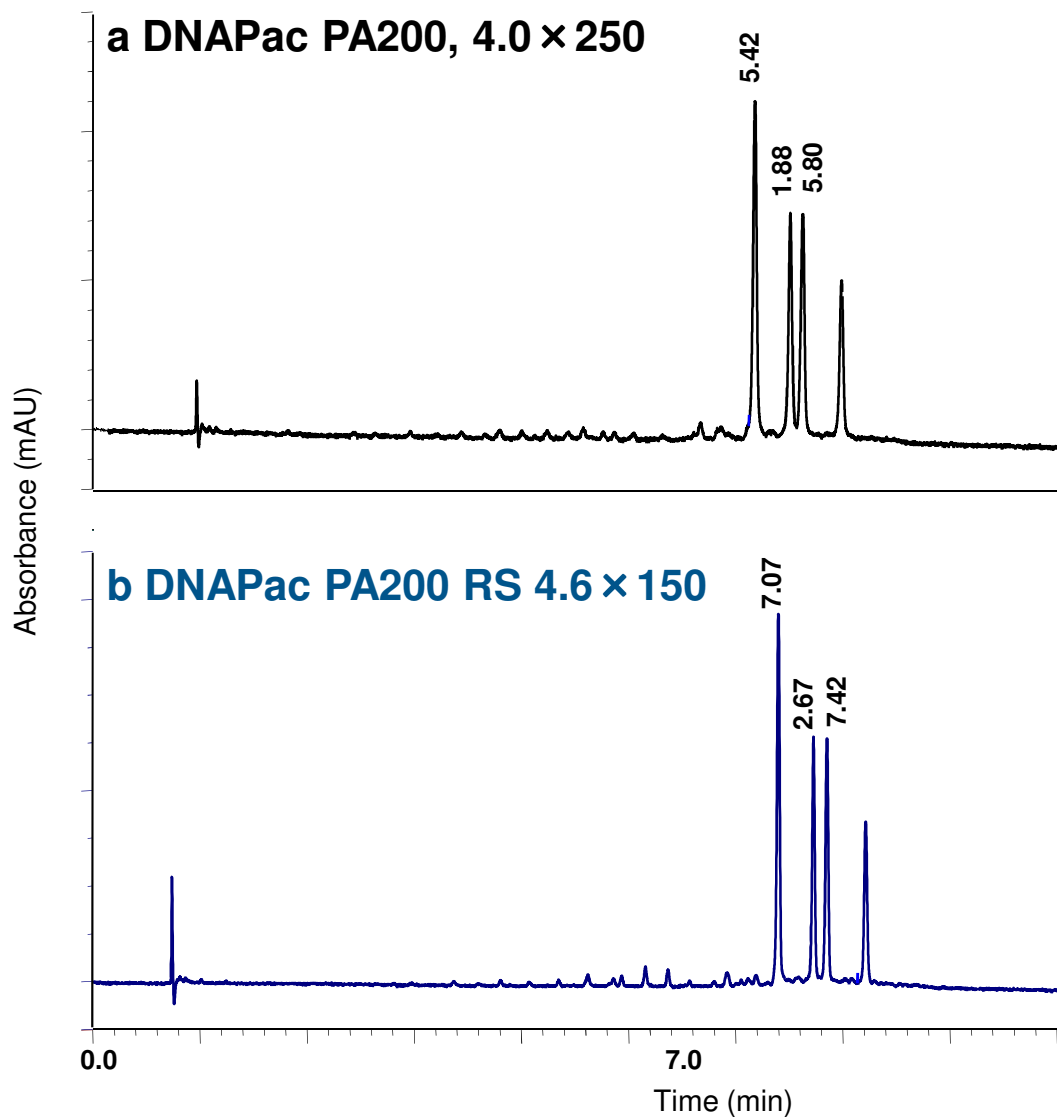


Column: DNAPac PA200, 8 μ m
 Format: 4.6 \times 250 mm
 Mobile phase A: 40 mM Tris, pH 7.0
 Mobile phase B: 40 mM Tris, 1.0 M NaCl
 Gradient:

Time (min)	%A	%B
-10.0	60.0	40.0
0.0	60.0	40.0
14.6	48.7	51.3
22.0	20.0	80.0

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min
 Temperature: 41 $^{\circ}$ C
 Detection: UV (260 nm)
 Sample: 37mer aptamer RNA
 (phosphorothioate at 2, 15)
 Peak label: Ret. Time

Comparison of RNA Diastereoisomer Resolution



Column: a) DNAPac PA200, 8 μ m
b) DNAPac PA200 RS, 4 μ m

Format: a) 4.0 × 250 mm
b) 4.6 × 150 mm

Mobile phase A: 40 mM Tris, pH 8.0

Mobile phase B: 40 mM Tris, 1.0 M NaCl

Gradient:

a)	Time (min)	%A	%B
	-10.0	70.0	30.0
	0.0	70.0	30.0
	12.8	37.5	62.5
	13.3	20.0	80.0

b)	Time (min)	%A	%B
	-10.0	65.0	35.0
	0.0	65.0	35.0
	10.0	32.5	67.5
	10.4	20.0	80.0

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min

Inj. volume: 12 μ L (~1 μ g)

Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C

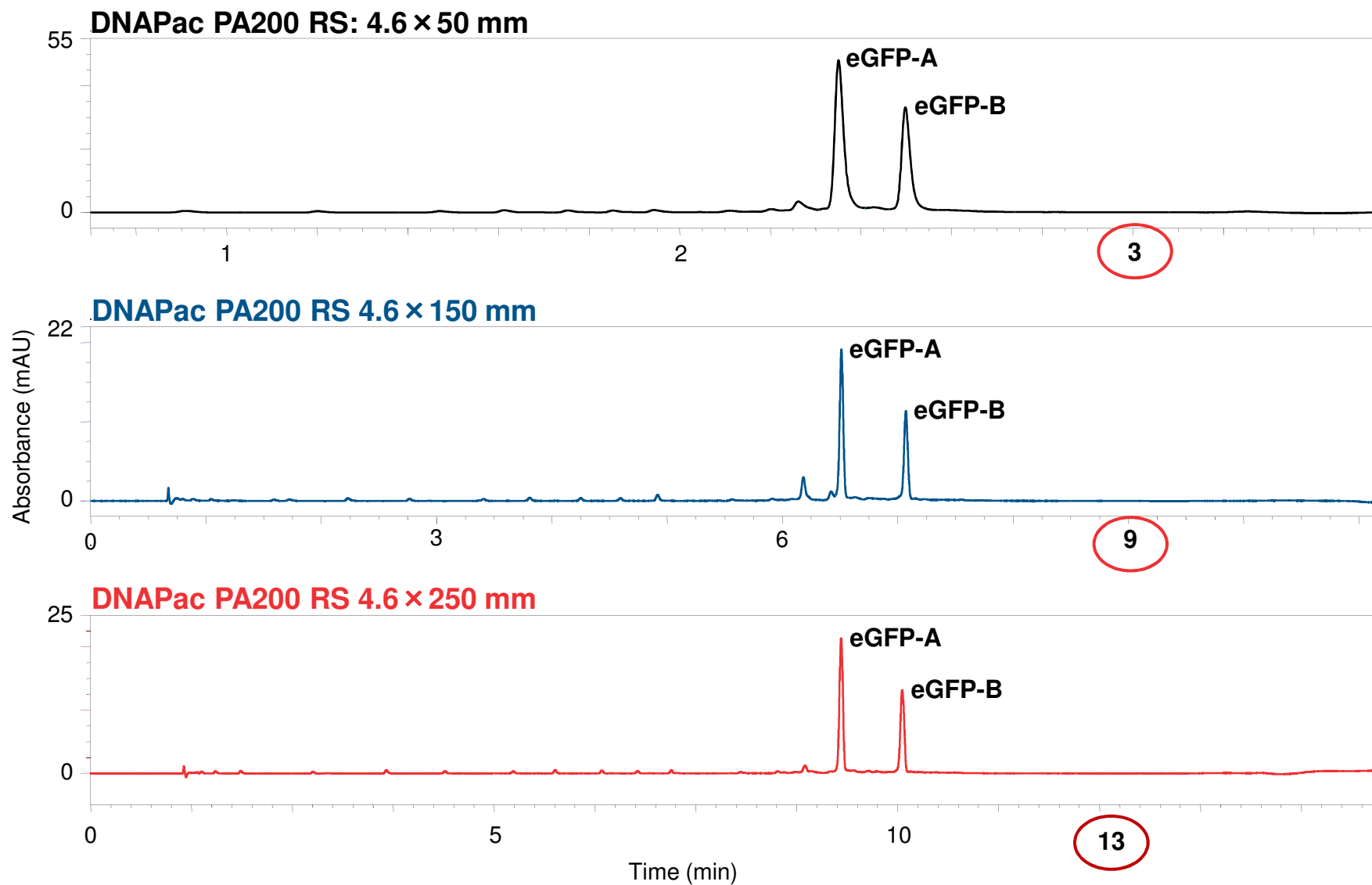
Detection: UV (260 nm)

Sample: eGFP sense strand with two phosphorothioates (6,14)

Sequence: AGC UGA_s CCC UGA AG_sU
UCA UdCdT

Peak label: Resolution (ep)

Separation of Phosphorothioate Diastereoisomers



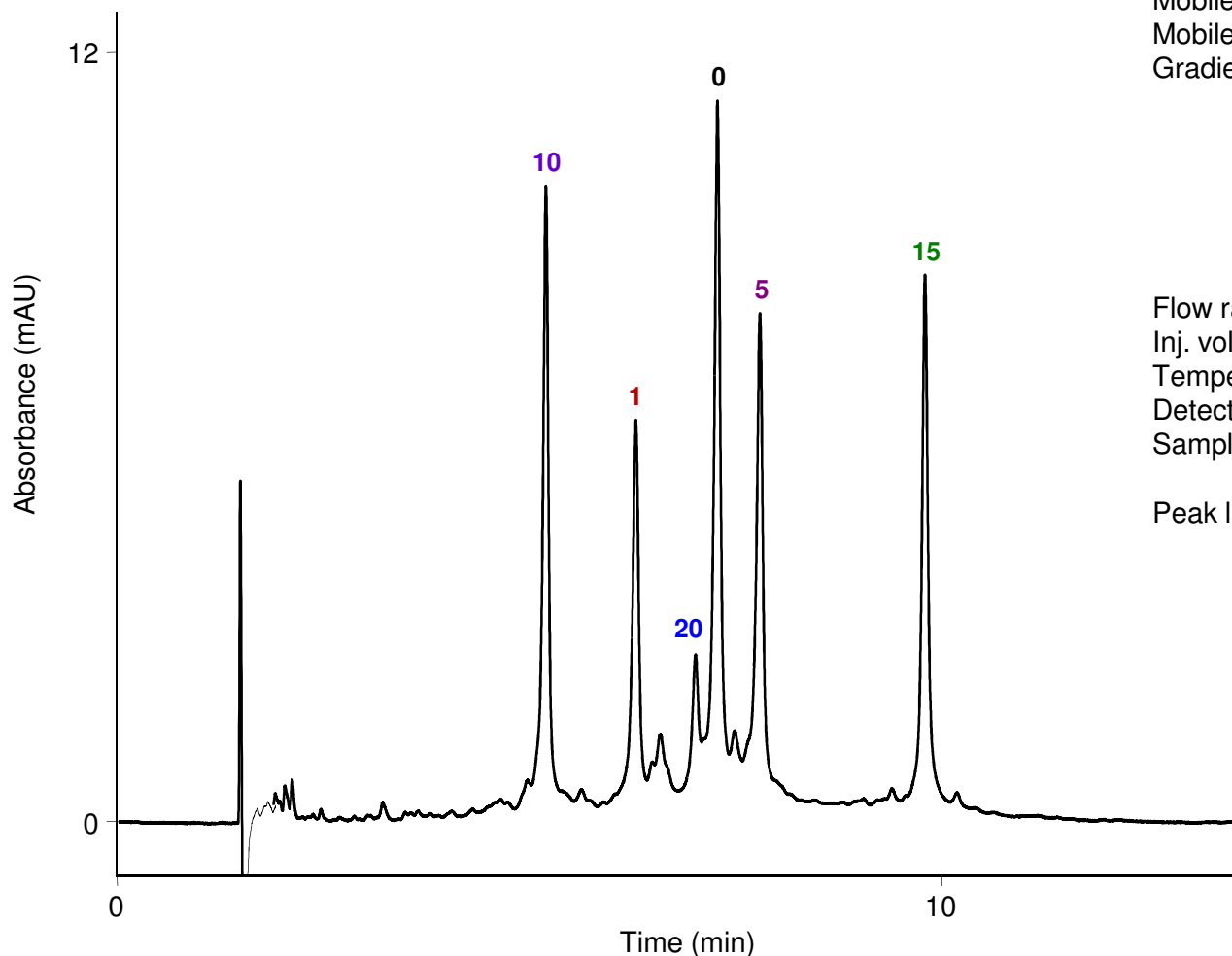
Separation of 2',5'-Linkages at Different Positions

0 = no aberrant linkage

5' -AUG AAC UUC AGG GUC AGC UUG-3'

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑

1 5 10 15 20



Column: DNAPac PA200 RS, 4 μ m
 Format: 4.6 \times 250 mm
 Mobile phase A: 40 mM AMP, pH 9.5
 Mobile phase B: 40 mM AMP, 1.25 M NaCl
 Gradient:

Time (min)	%A	%B
-10.0	51	49
0.0	51	49
19.5	30	70
20.5	20	80

Flow rate: 1.0 mL/min
 Inj. volume: 8 μ L
 Temperature: 30 $^{\circ}$ C
 Detection: UV (260 nm)
 Sample: 21-nt RNA with 2',5'-linkages at sites (50 μ M each)
 Peak label: Location of 2',5'-linkages

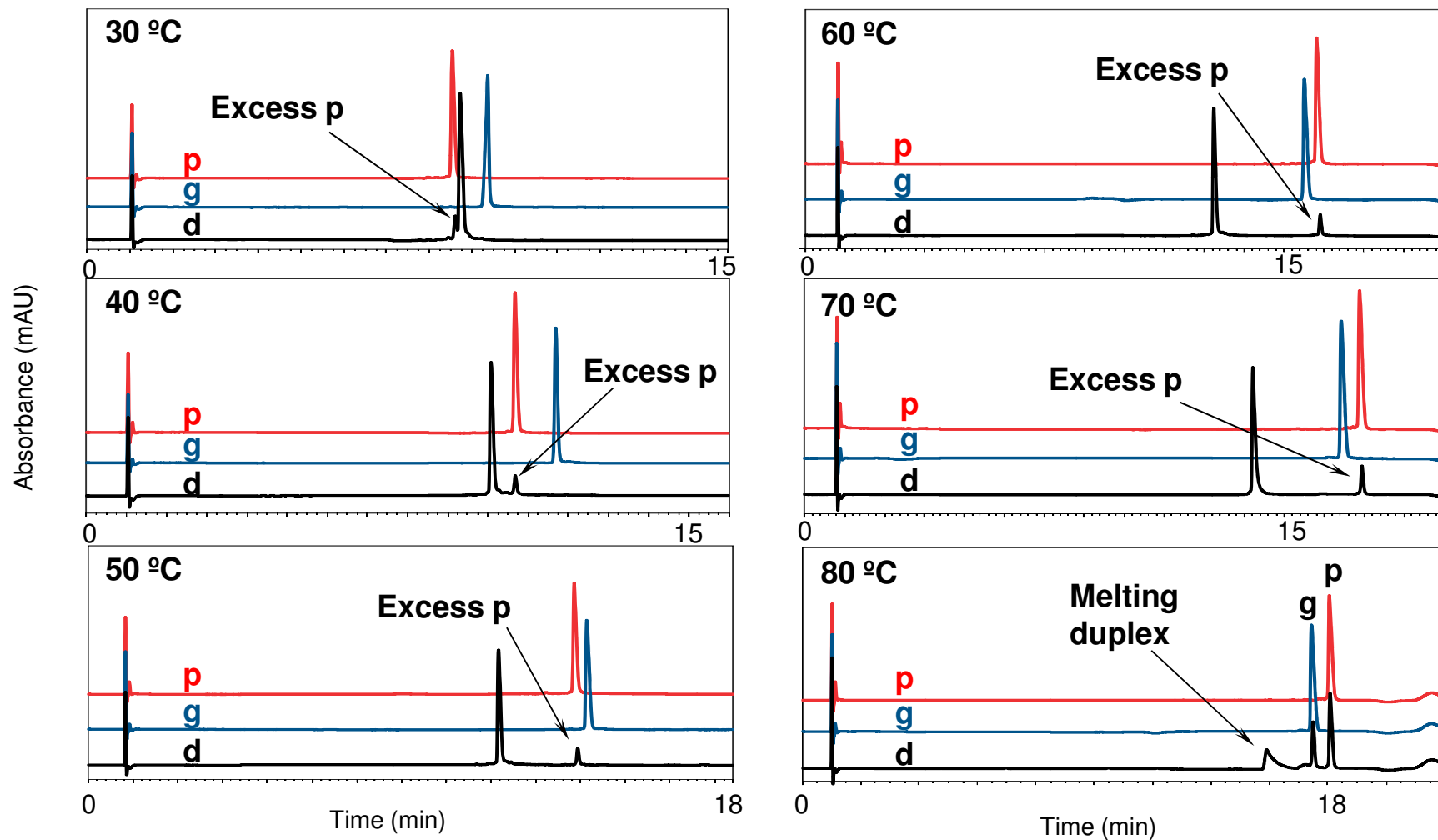
Analysis of Duplex, Guide and Passenger Strands of siRNA

DNAPac PA200, NaCl gradient, pH 7

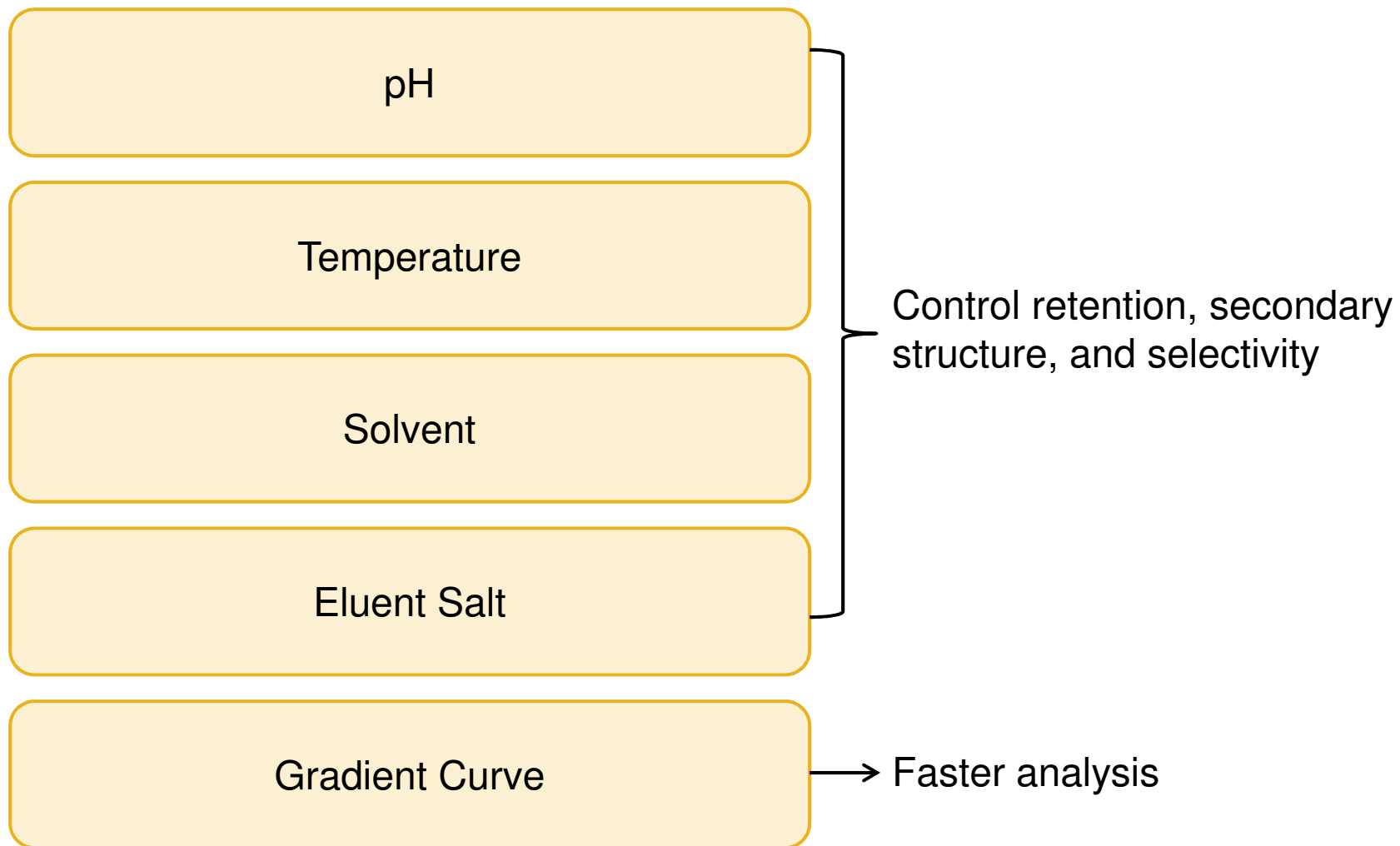
eGFP passenger RNA (p)

eGFP guide RNA (g)

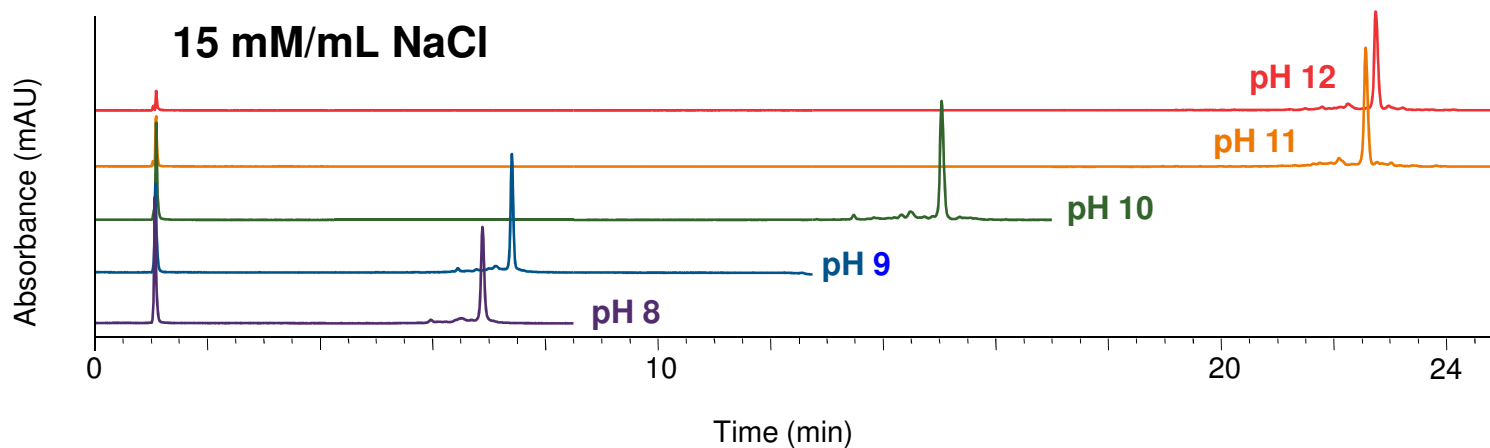
eGFP duplex RNA (d)



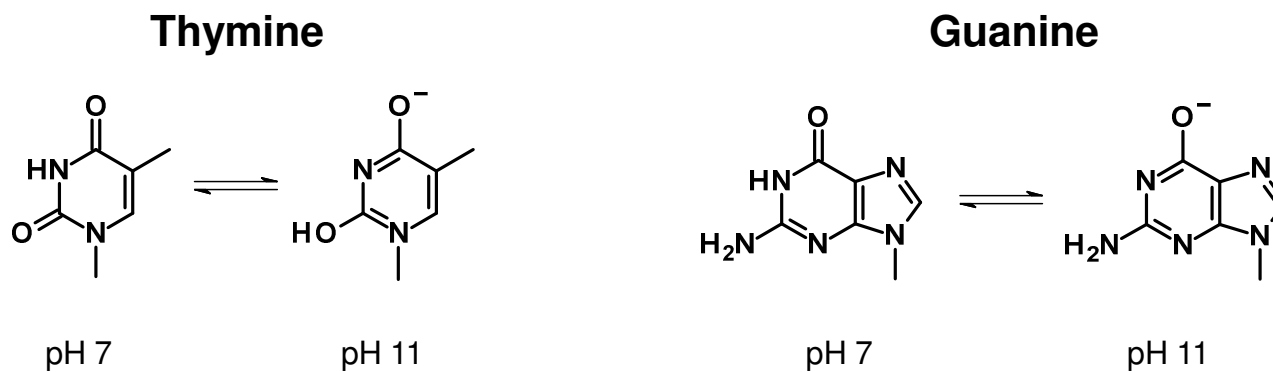
Levers for Control of Retention, Resolution, and Selectivity



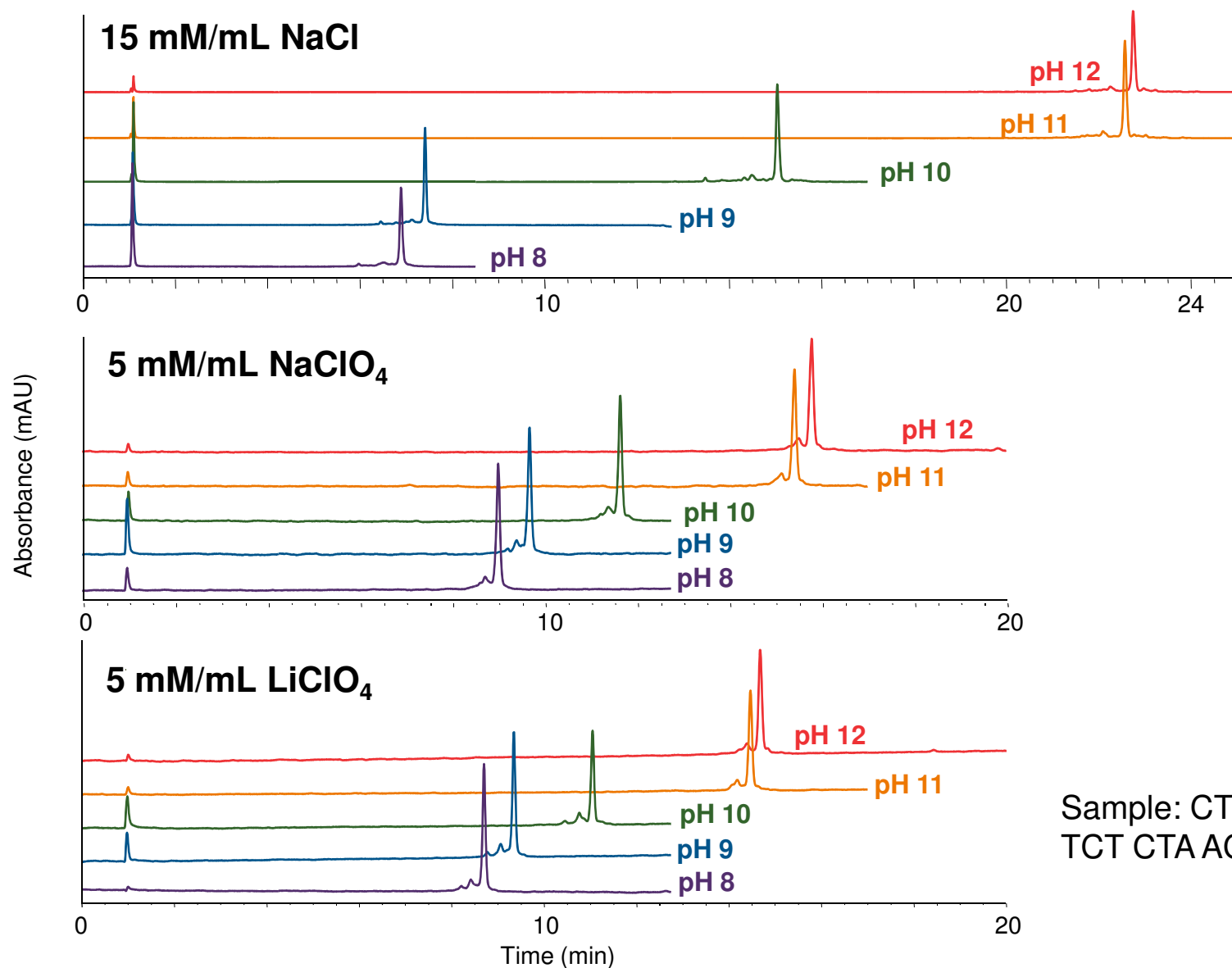
Effect of Eluent Salts on pH-Induced Retention



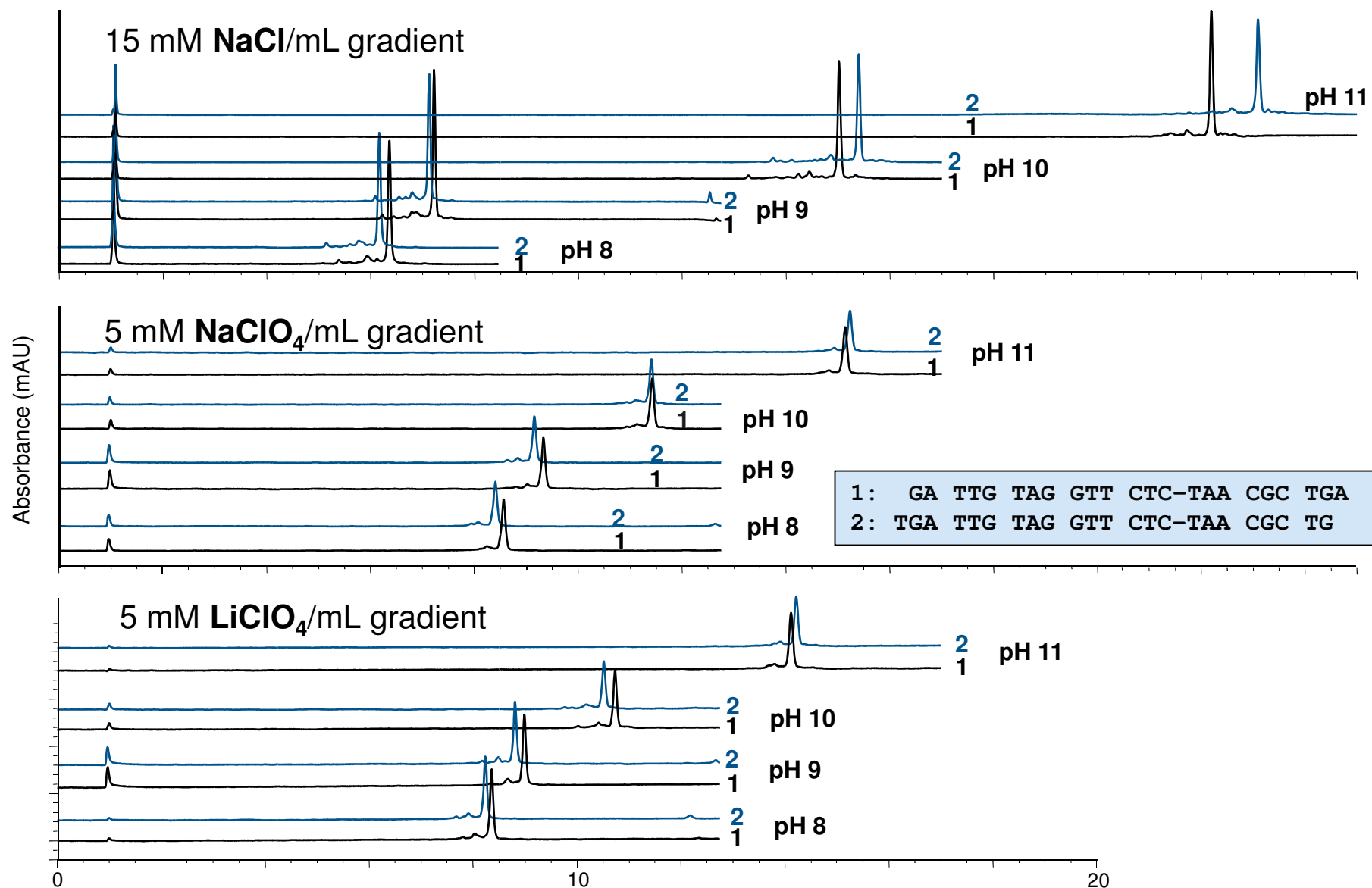
Sample: CTG ATT GTA GGT TCT CTA ACG CTG A (25mer)



Effect of Eluent Salts on pH-Induced Retention

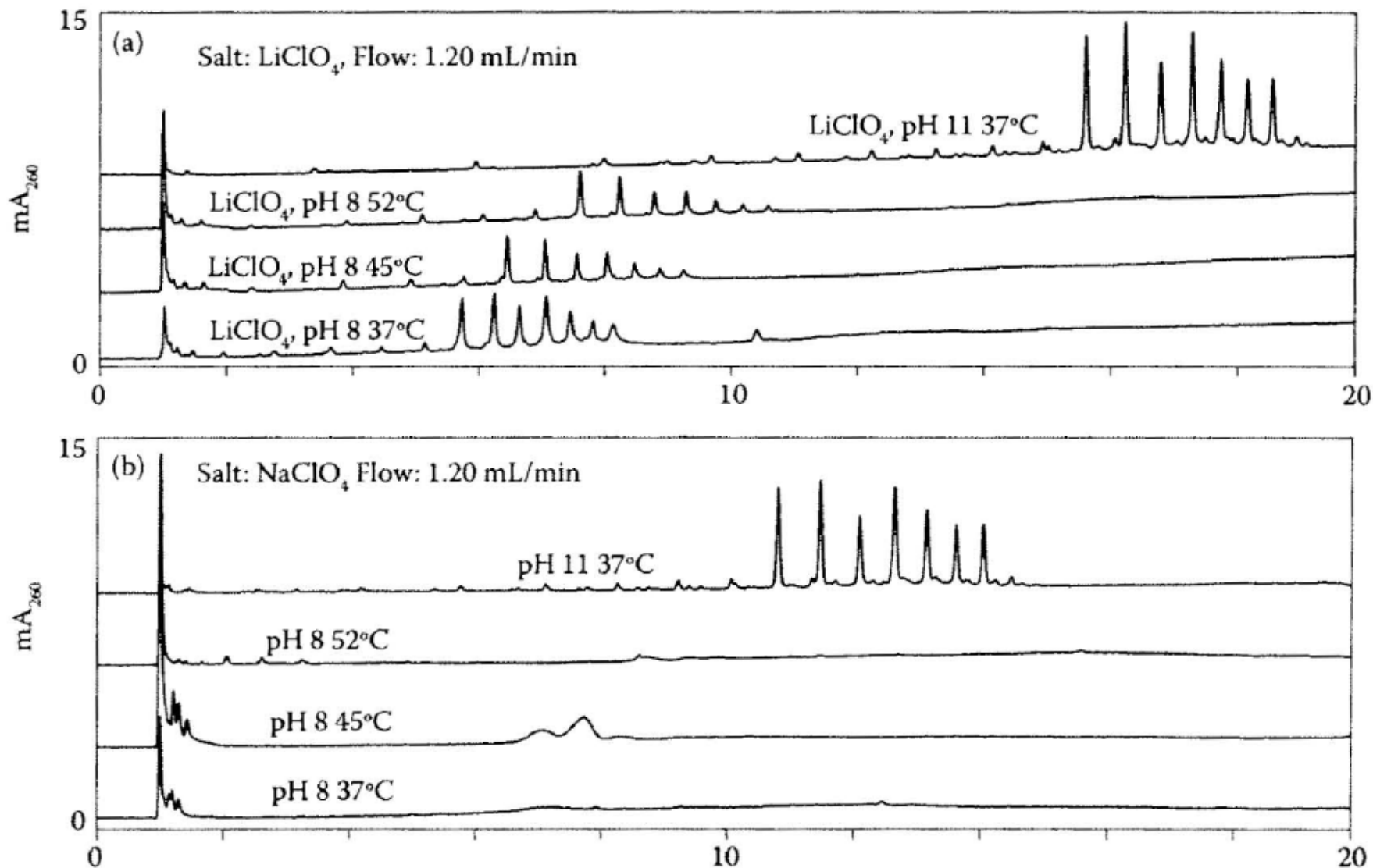


Effect of Eluent Salt on pH-Dependent Selectivity

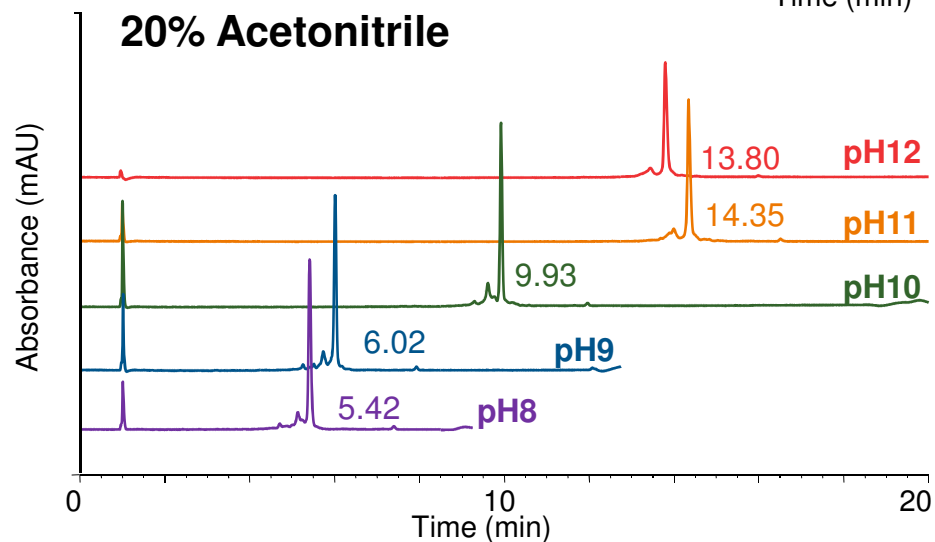
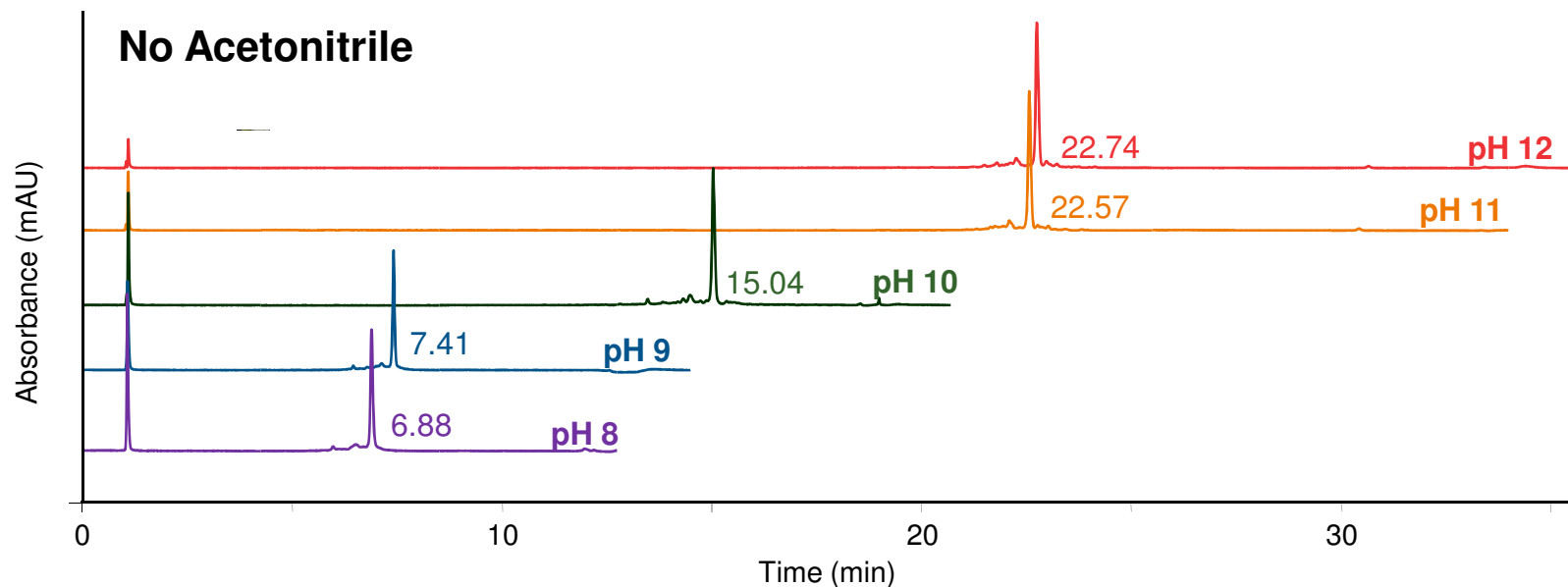


Effect of pH and Eluent Salt on Secondary Structure

Sample: dG12-18



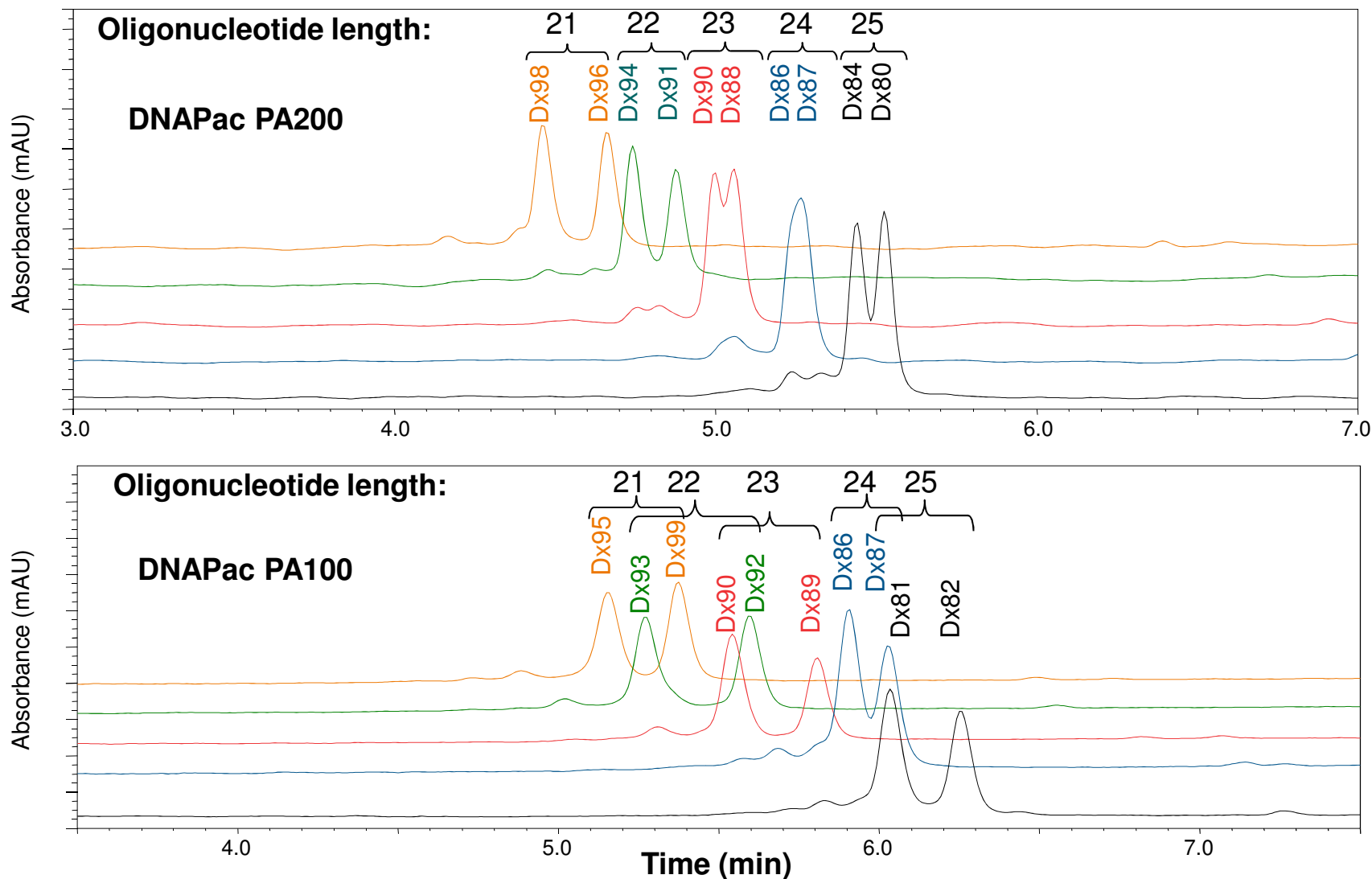
Effect of Solvent on Retention



Eluent Salt: NaCl
Sample: CTG ATT GTA GGT TCT CTA ACG
CTG A (25mer)

Oligonucleotide Elution Based Primarily on Length

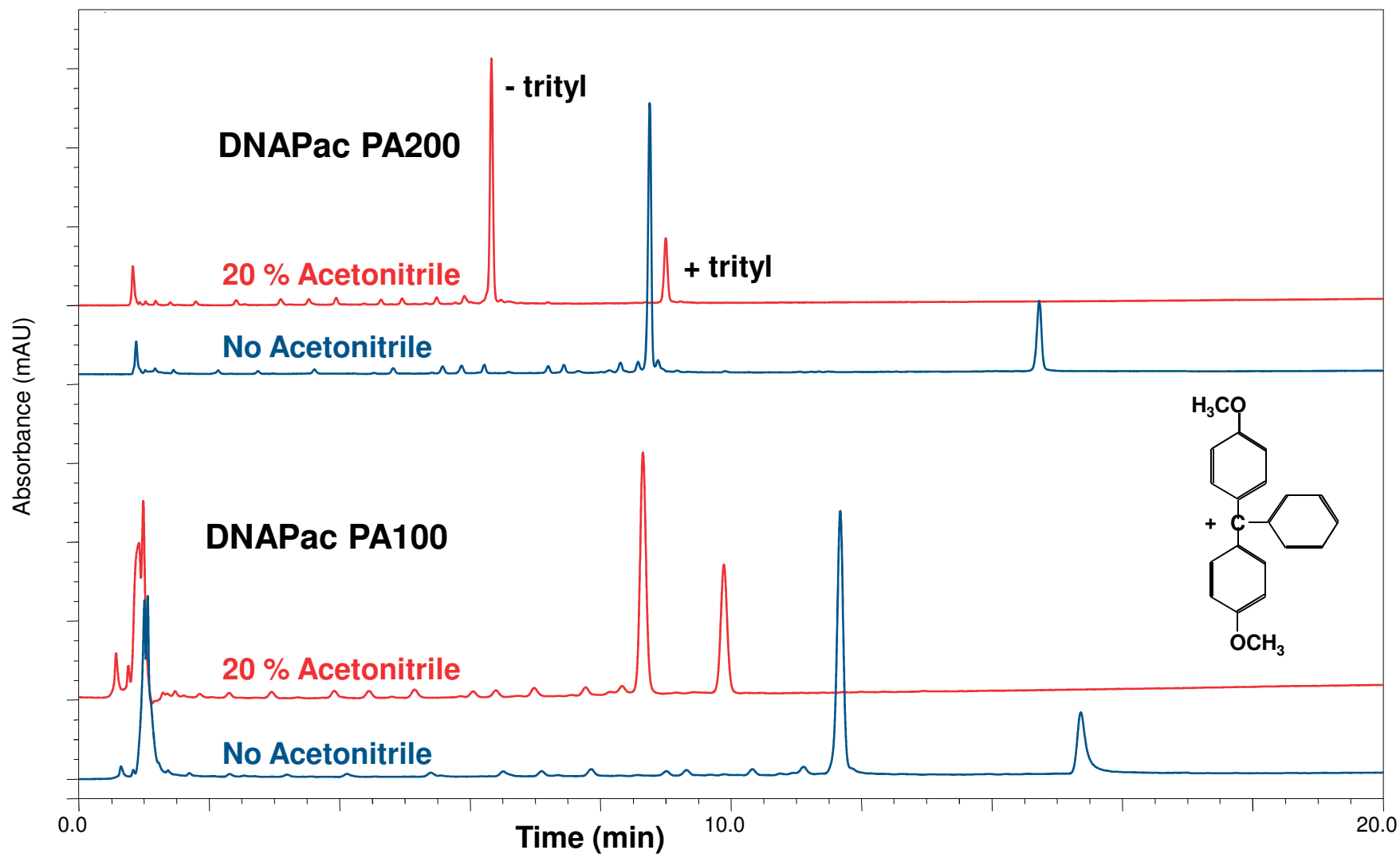
Elution in NaClO_4 , pH 6.5, 20% Acetonitrile, 30 °C



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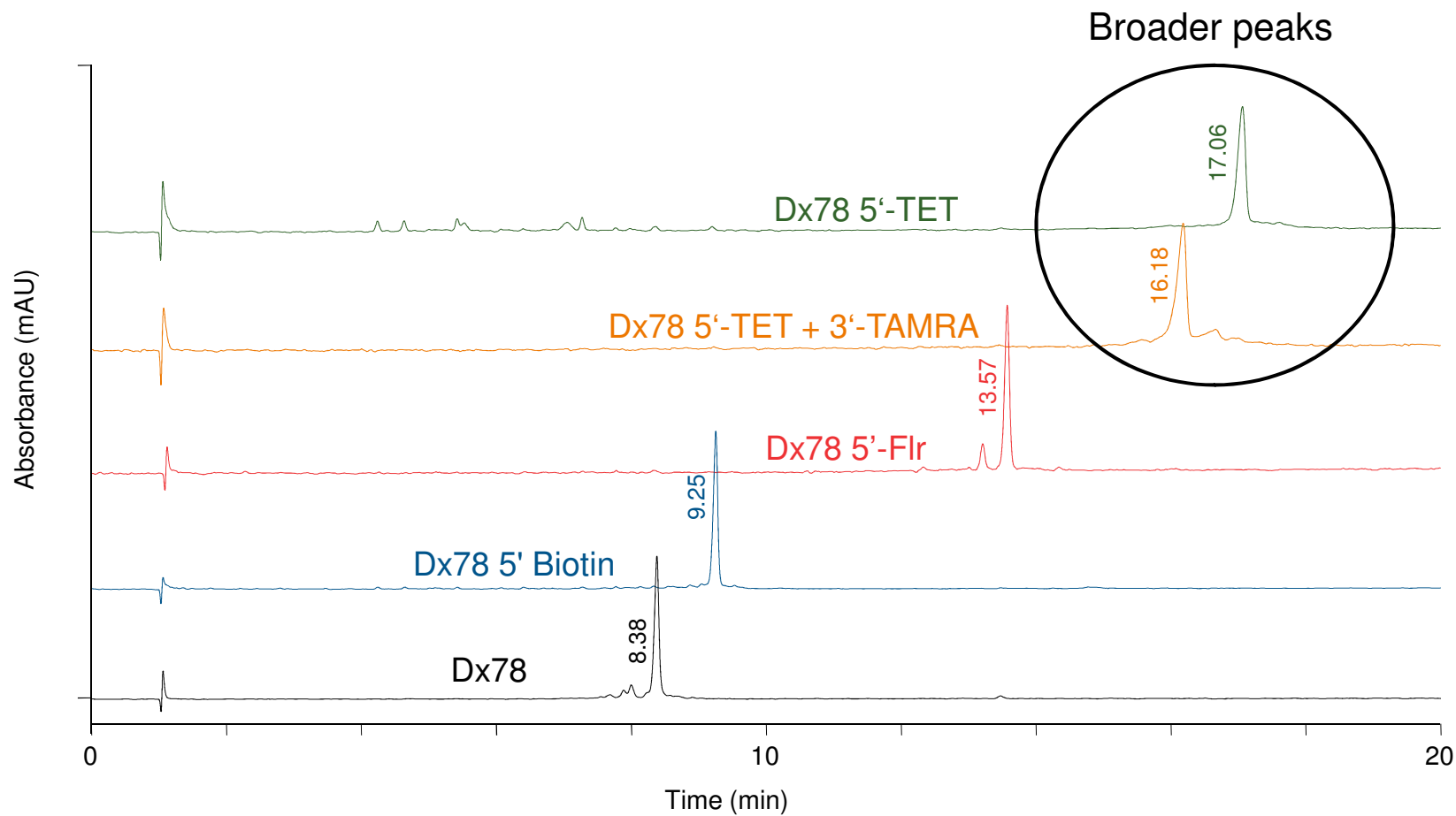
Effect of Solvent on Retention in DNAPac columns

Relative elution of 25mer \pm Trityl-group, pH 8, 30 °C, 15 mM NaCl /mL



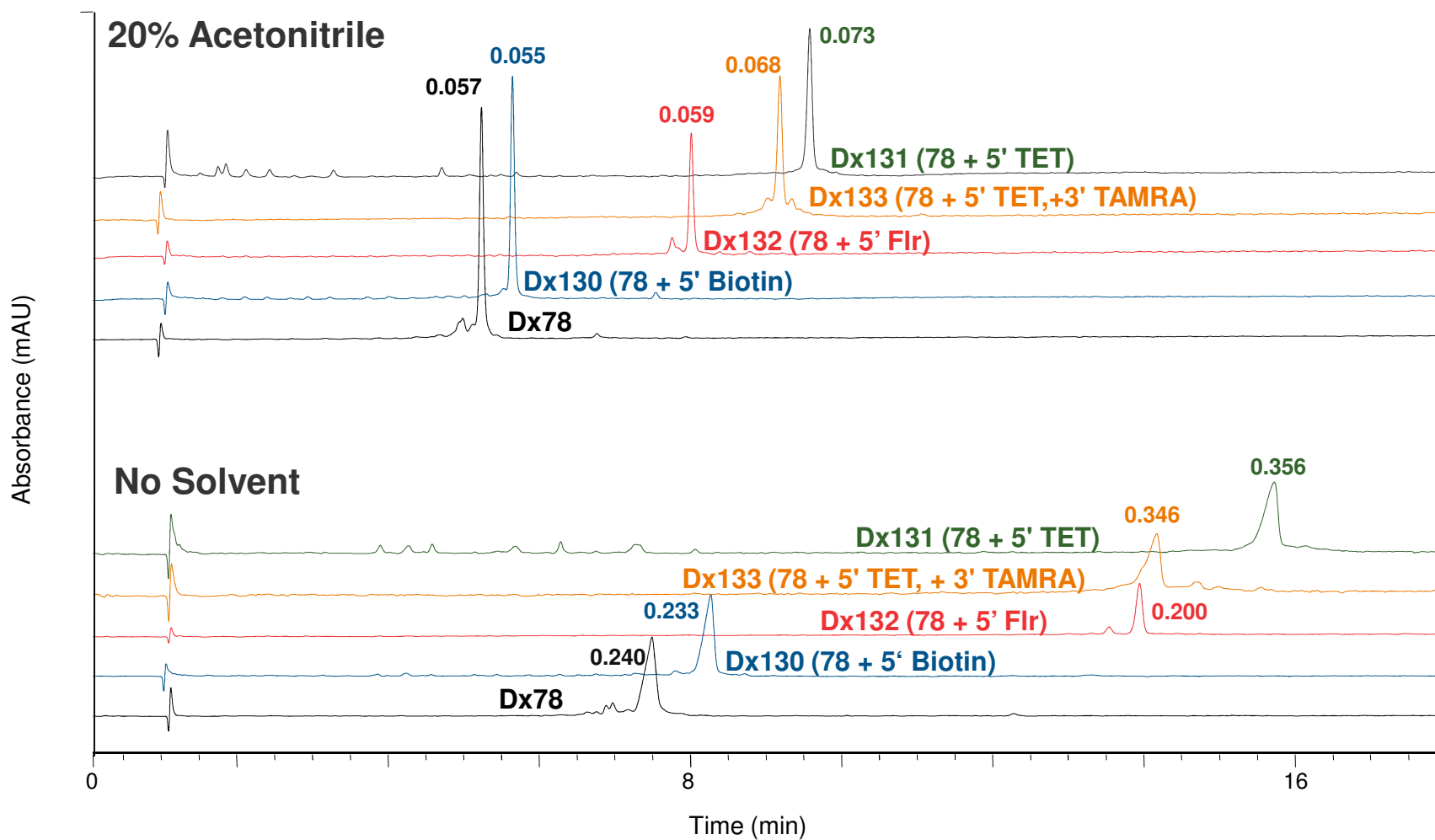
Elution of Derivatized Oligonucleotides

DNAPac PA200, NaCl, mixed-base 25mers, pH 8, 45 °C



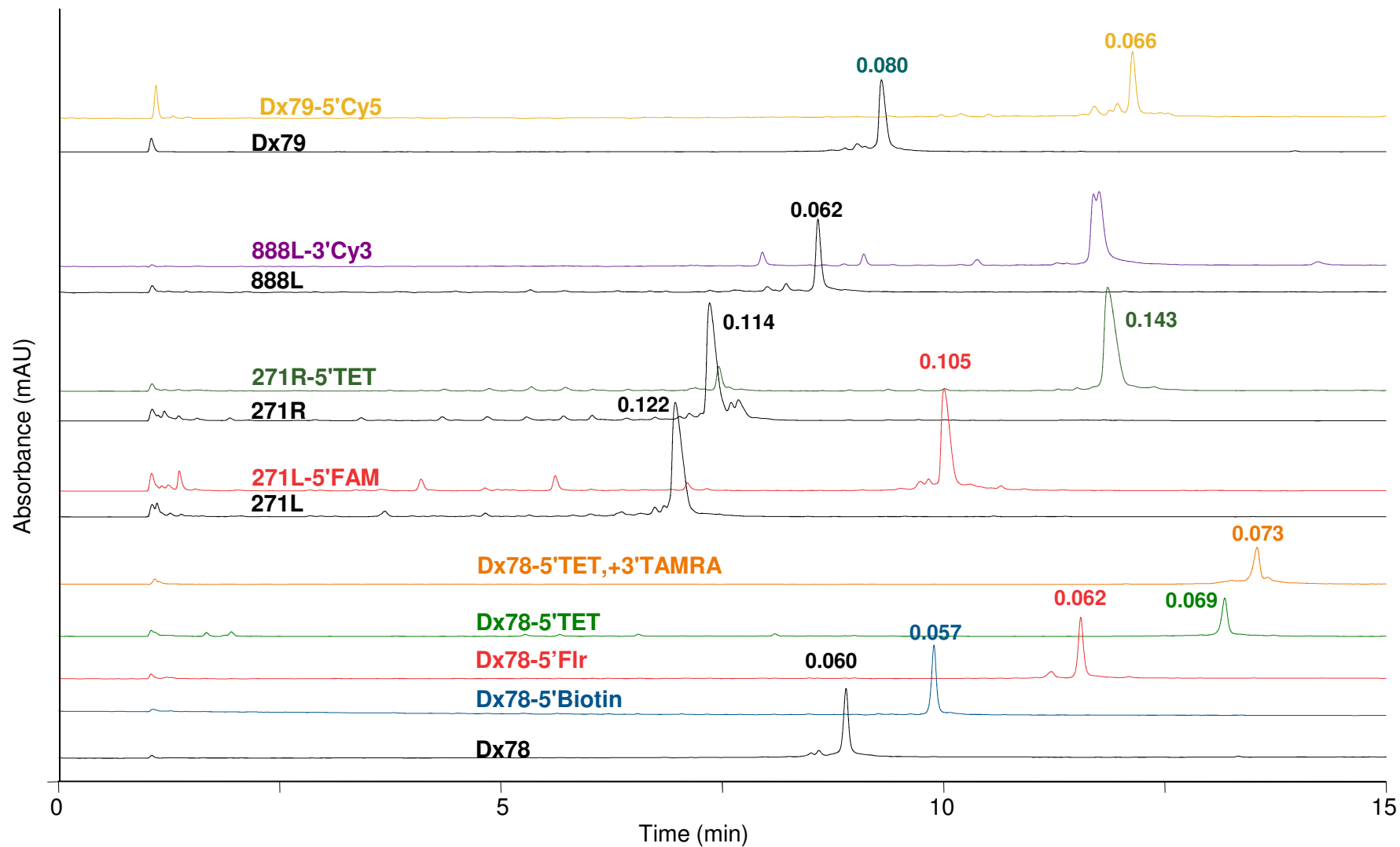
Effect of Solvent on Derivatized ON's Peak Width

DNAPac PA200, pH 8, 35 °C, NaCl



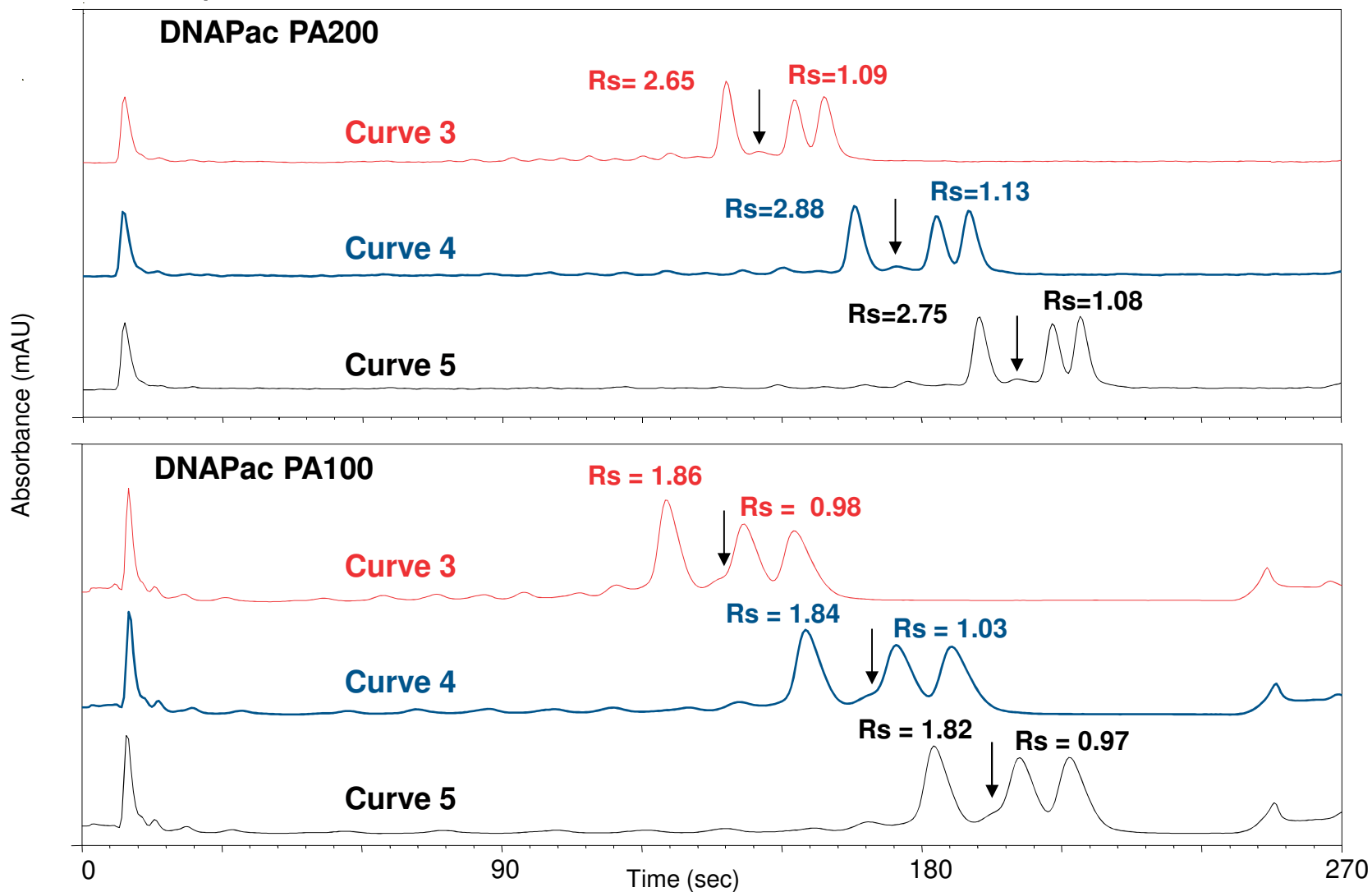
Effect of NaClO₄ on Derivatized ON's Peak Width

DNAPac PA200 pH 8, 35 °C



Adjustment of Gradient Curve for Faster Analysis

Separation of 21, 22 and 23mer ONs



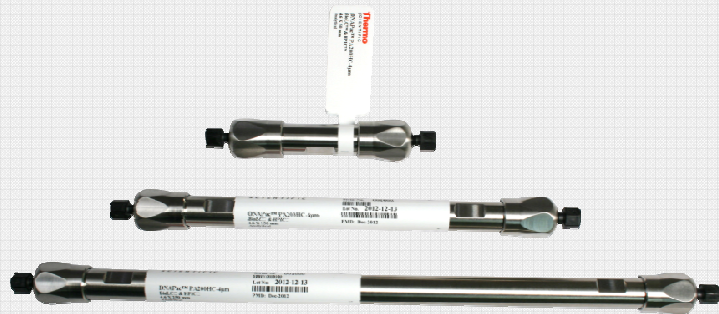
Summary

- DNAPac PA200 has higher efficiency and better phase stability at high pH and elevated temperatures compared to DNAPac PA100.
- High throughput oligonucleotide separation capability can be achieved using DNAPac PA200 RS column.
- DNAPac PA 200 column can separate phosphorothioate diastereoisomers and linkage isomers not resolved by MS.
- Oligonucleotide retention and secondary structure can be controlled by pH, eluent salt, temperature and solvent.
- Resolution of identical length oligonucleotides with different, but related base sequences can be achieved by tuning selectivity.
- NaClO_4 allows elution of oligonucleotides primarily in order of oligonucleotide length.
- Labeled oligonucleotides requires solvent or NaClO_4 for good peak shape and resolution.

Anion Exchange Chromatography

Analytical Columns

DNAPac PA100
DNAPac PA200
DNAPac PA200 RS



Semiprep Columns

DNAPac PA200
9 × 250 mm
22 × 250 mm

DNASwift SAX-1S
5 × 150 mm

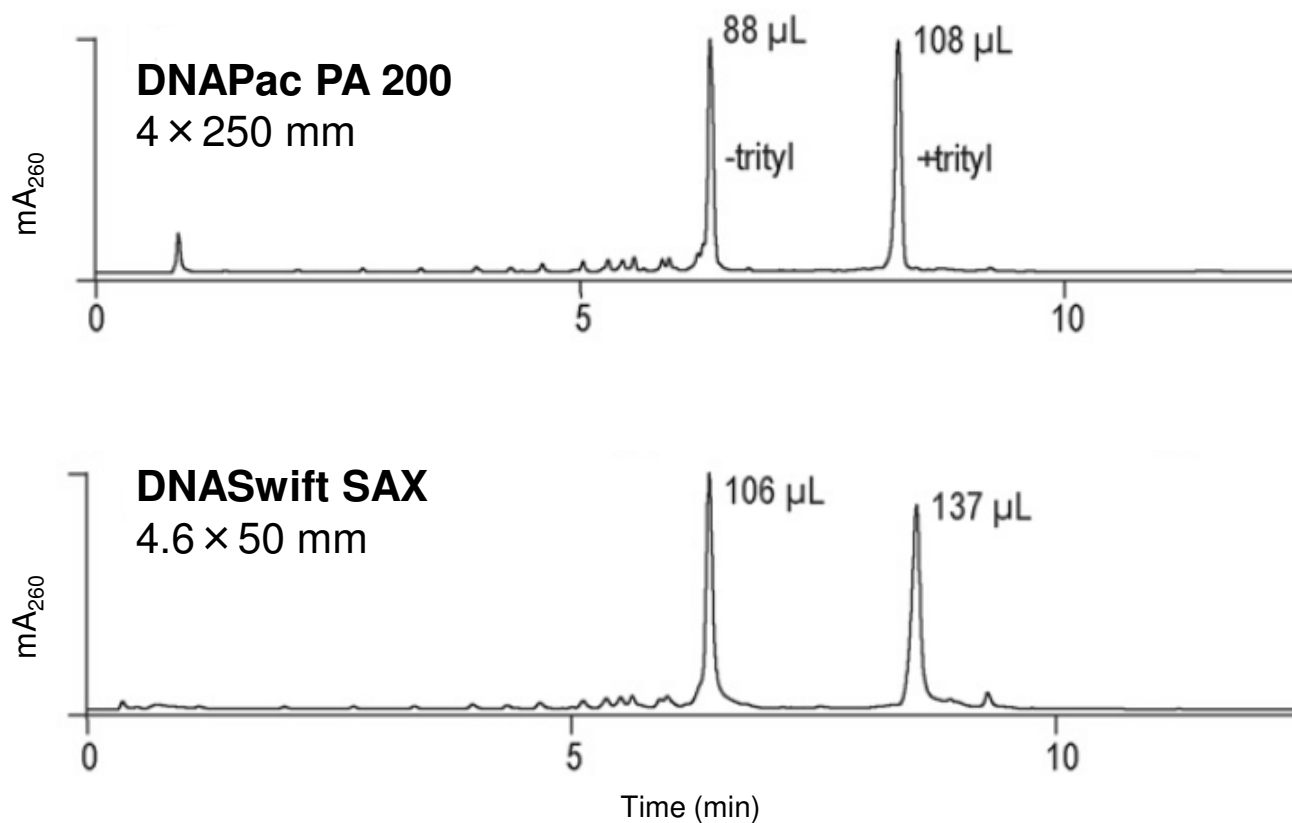
Semiprep Columns

	DNAPac PA200	DNASwift SAX-1S
Format	22×250 mm	5×150 mm
Capacity	~3 mg	~50 mg*
Particle Size	8 µm	Monolithic support
Column Chemistry	Non-porous polymer with quaternary amine functionalized latex beads	Monolithic support with quaternary amine functionalized latex beads
pH Range	4-10 (up to 12.5 if [salt] > 5x [sodium hydroxide])	6–10 (12.5 if [salt] >5× [sodium hydroxide]) 2–14 for cleaning <i>Note: Keep [salt] >5× [sodium hydroxide]</i>
Temperature Range	≤35 °C at pH 8.5-12.5 ≤85 °C at pH < 8.5	
Pressure Maximum	4,000 psi (276 bar)	1,500 psi (103 bar)

*Breakthrough capacity

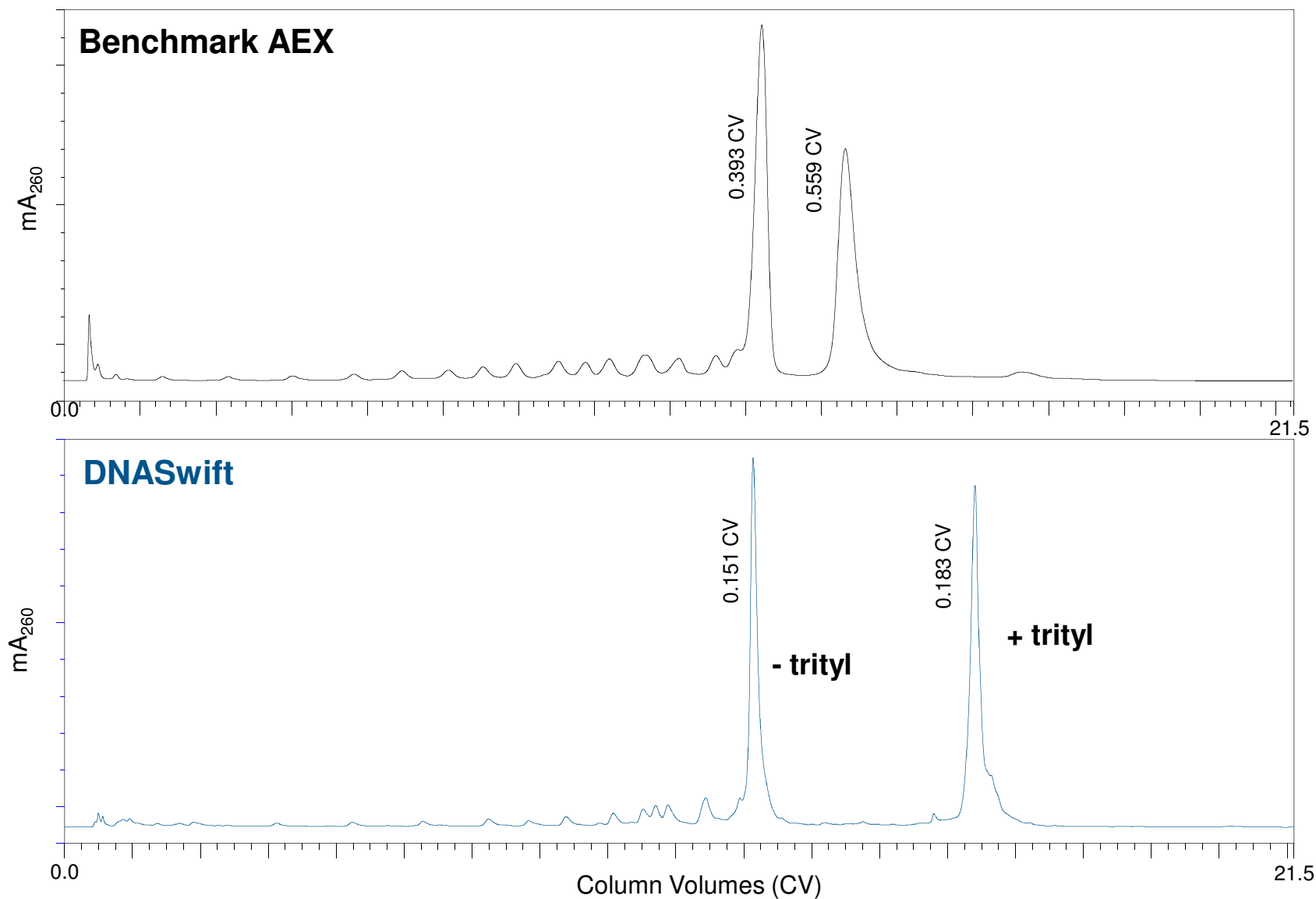
Comparison of DNAPac PA200 and DNASwift

Sample: 20mer DNA with/without trityl group



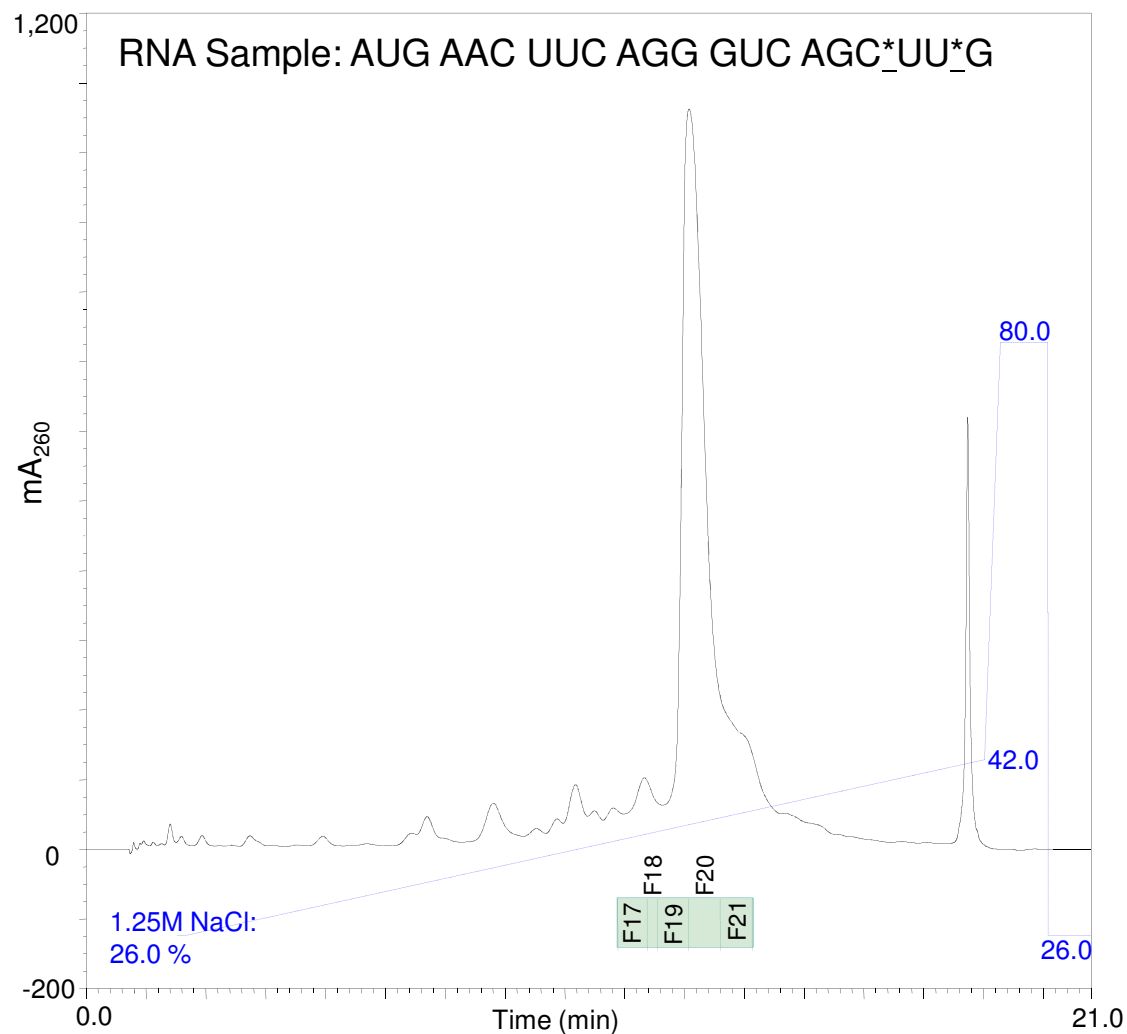
Comparison of Benchmark and DNASwift

20-mer, 100-800 mM in 21.5 Column Volumes (CV), Linear velocity 1.5mm/sec

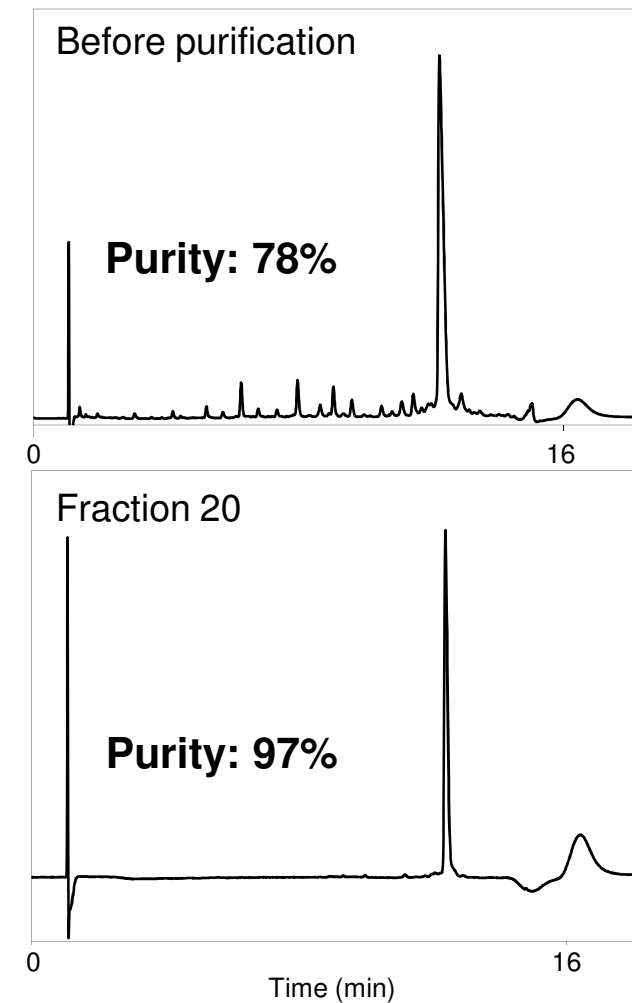


Purification of a 21mer RNA

325 – 525 mM NaCl in 10 CV, pH 7, 30 °C 1.5 mL/min, 125 µg sample

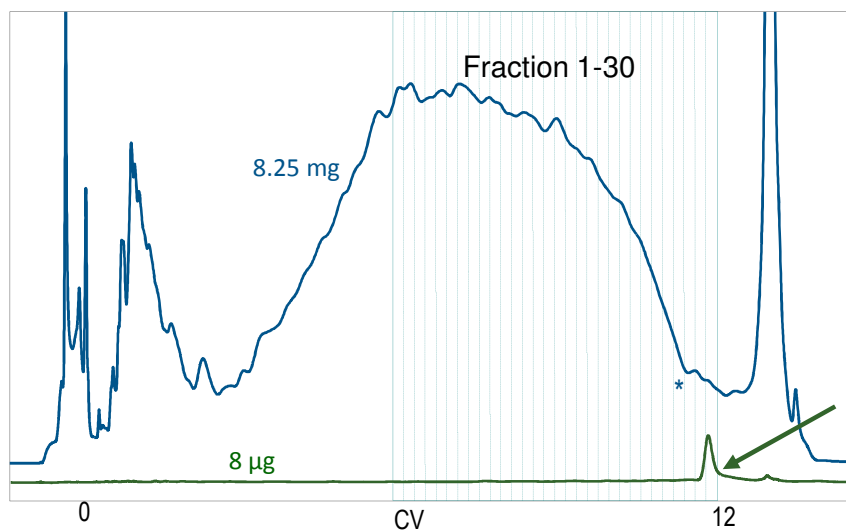


DNAPac PA200 purity assessments

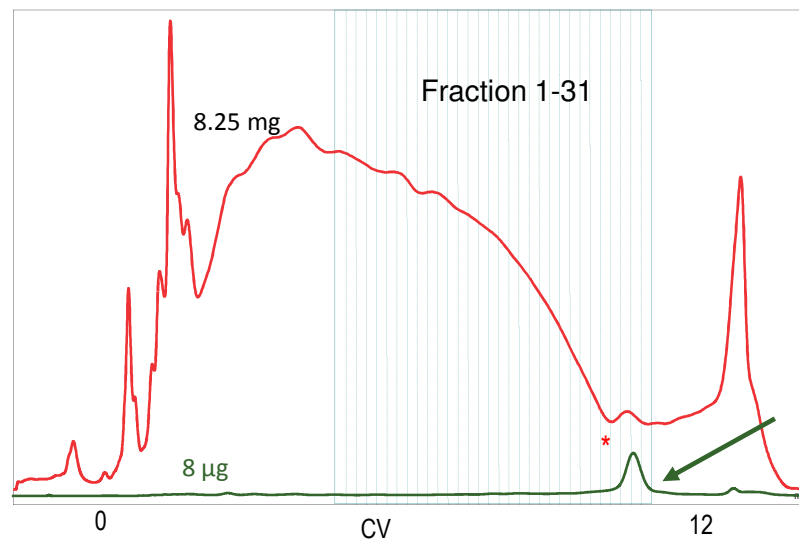


Yield Purity Curves for Sample Displacement at pH 12: 8.25mg

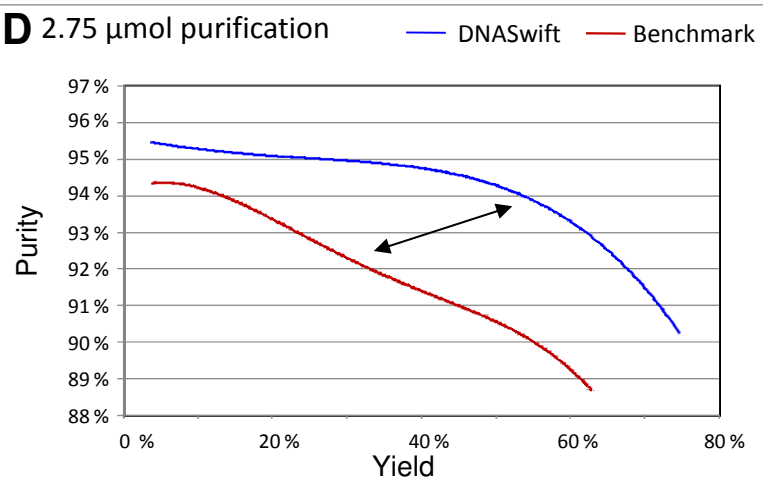
A DNASwift



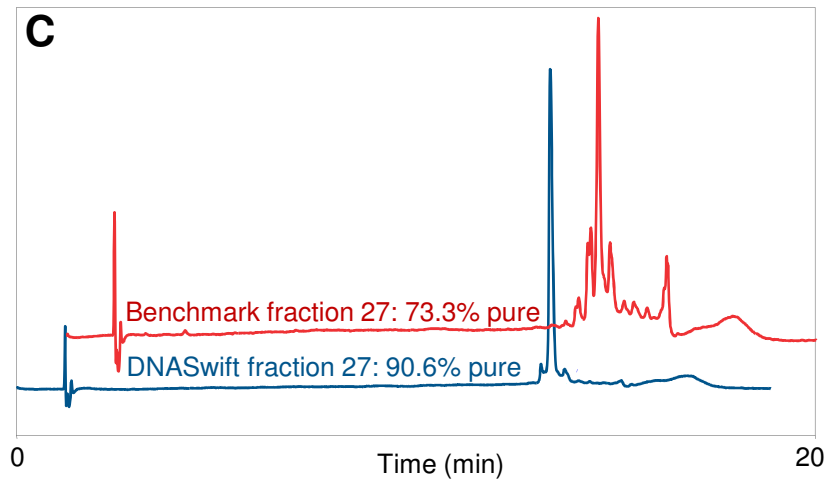
B Benchmark AEX



D 2.75 μmol purification



C



Chromatography Conditions

A

Column: Benchmark AEX
Format: 5 × 50 mm
Mobile phase A: Water
Mobile phase B: 0.2 M NaOH
Mobile phase C: 1.25 M NaCl

Gradient:

Time (min)	%A	%B	%C
0.0	83.7	10	6.3
0.39	45.9	10	44.1
7.05	27	10	63.0
7.25	10	10	80.0
7.65	10	10	80.0
7.84	83.7	10	6.3

Flow rate: 1.77 mL/min
Inj. volume: 0.55 µL
Temperature: 30 °C
Detection: UV (260 nm)
Sample: 25mer DNA
CTGATTGTAGGTTCTCTAACGCTGT

B

Column: DNASwift
Format: 5 × 150 mm
Mobile phase A: Water
Mobile phase B: 0.2 M NaOH
Mobile phase C: 1.25 M NaCl

Gradient:

Time (min)	%A	%B	%C
0.0	70	10	6.9
1.0	48	13	48.3
17.74	10	10	69.0
18.25	10	10	80
19.25	70	10	80.0
19.74	10.0	10	6.9

Flow rate: 1.77 mL/min
Inj. volume: 0.55 µL
Temperature: 30 °C
Detection: UV (260 nm)
Sample: 25mer DNA
CTGATTGTAGGTTCTCTAACGCTGT

Thank You!

