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Chiral Selector Screening and Regeneration of Novel Brush and Polysaccharide-Type Zirconia Chiral Stationary Phases

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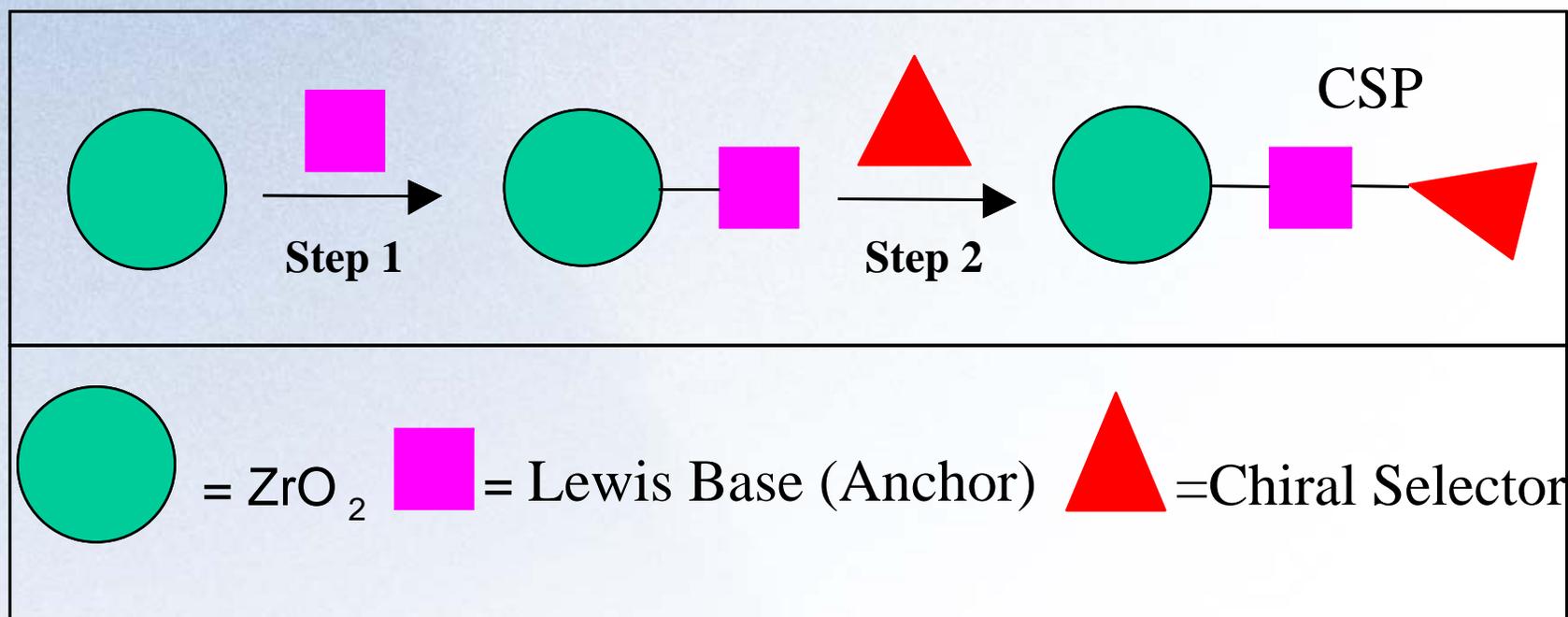


Outline

- A New Approach to Chiral HPLC Columns
 - Surface Chemistry
 - Building a zirconia-based CSP
- Brush-Type Chiral Stationary Phases (CSPs) on Zirconia
- Stability Study of Brush-Type CSPs
- New Cellulosic CSPs on Zirconia
- Column Regeneration Study
- **Key Conclusion** – A carefully selected anchor group allows for a stable CSP under routine conditions that can be stripped off under high pH condition and regenerated. This general approach allows for a variety of different regenerable CSPs based on a zirconia particle platform.



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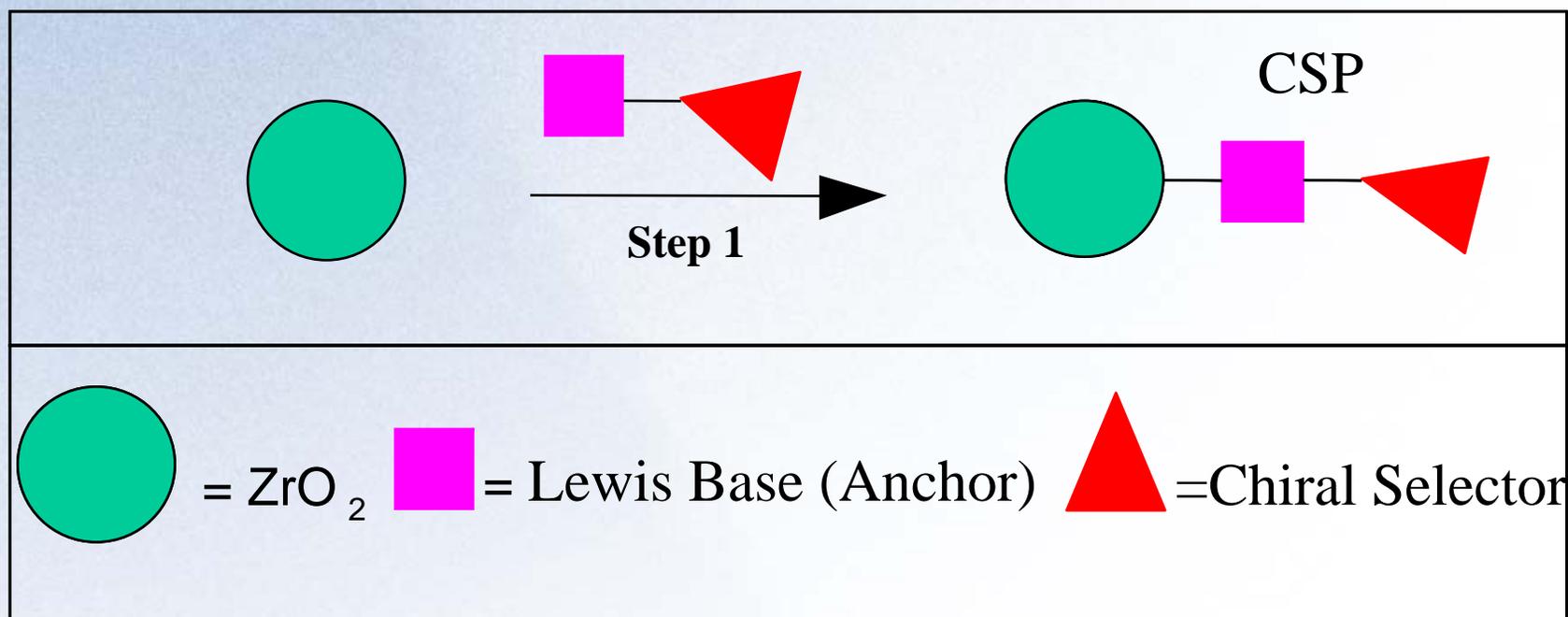


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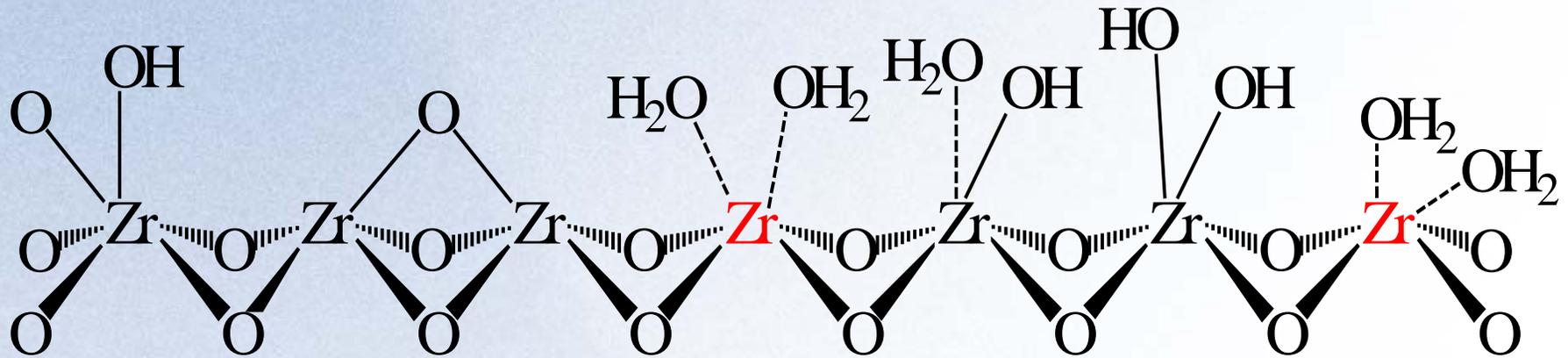


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Surface Chemistry of Zirconia



Zirconia chemistry is dominated by Lewis acid-base reactions



Other Lewis base examples: PO_4^{3-} , RCO_2^- , Catechol



Interaction Strength of Lewis Bases with Zirconia¹

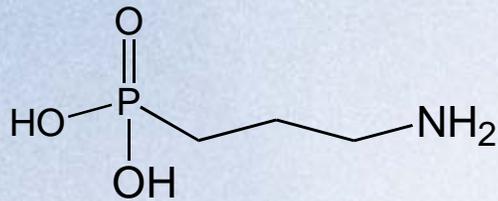
Interaction Strength	Lewis Base (L)
Strongest  Weakest	Hydroxide Phosphate Fluoride Citrate Sulfate Acetate Formate Nitrate Chloride Water

Small Lewis bases with high electron density and low polarizability interact more strongly with Zr atoms.

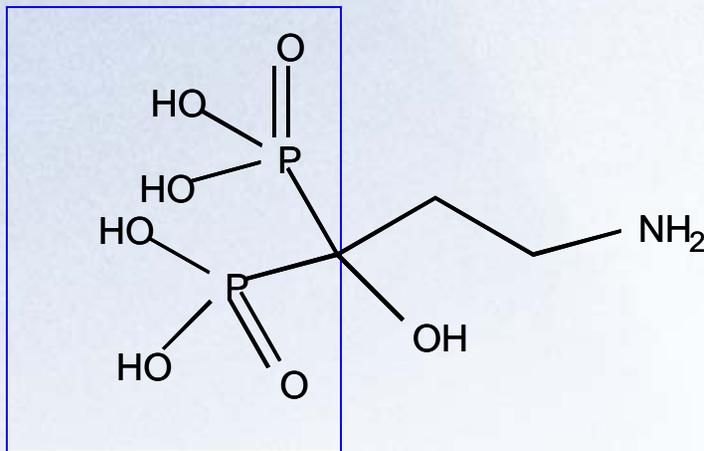
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A Bidentate Phosphonate Anchor– the Key to Improved Stability¹



Aminopropylphosphonic acid (APPA)



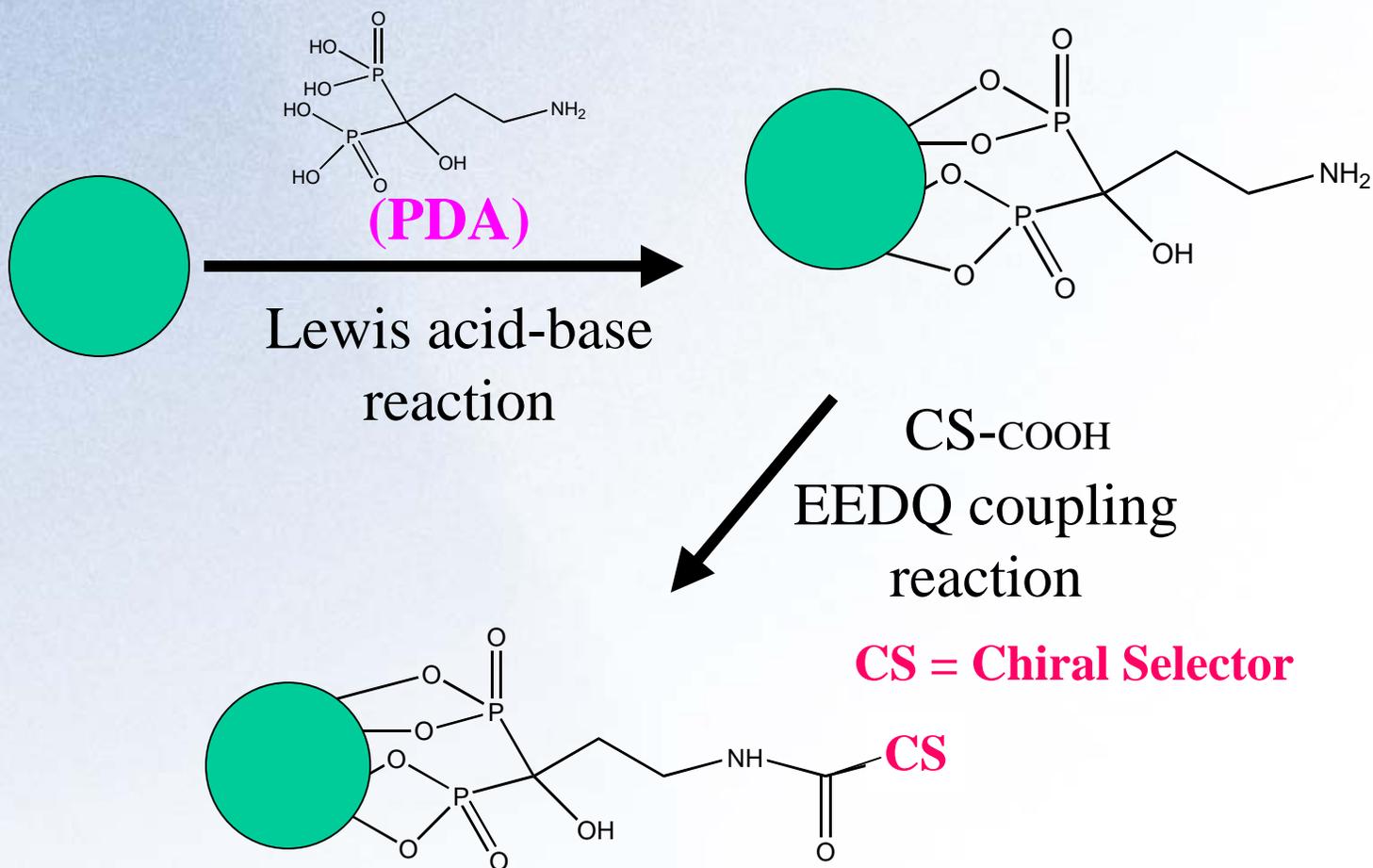
**Pamidronic acid (PDA)¹
(Phase II Anchor)**

Bidentate anchor

1. Phase II SBIR (NIH).



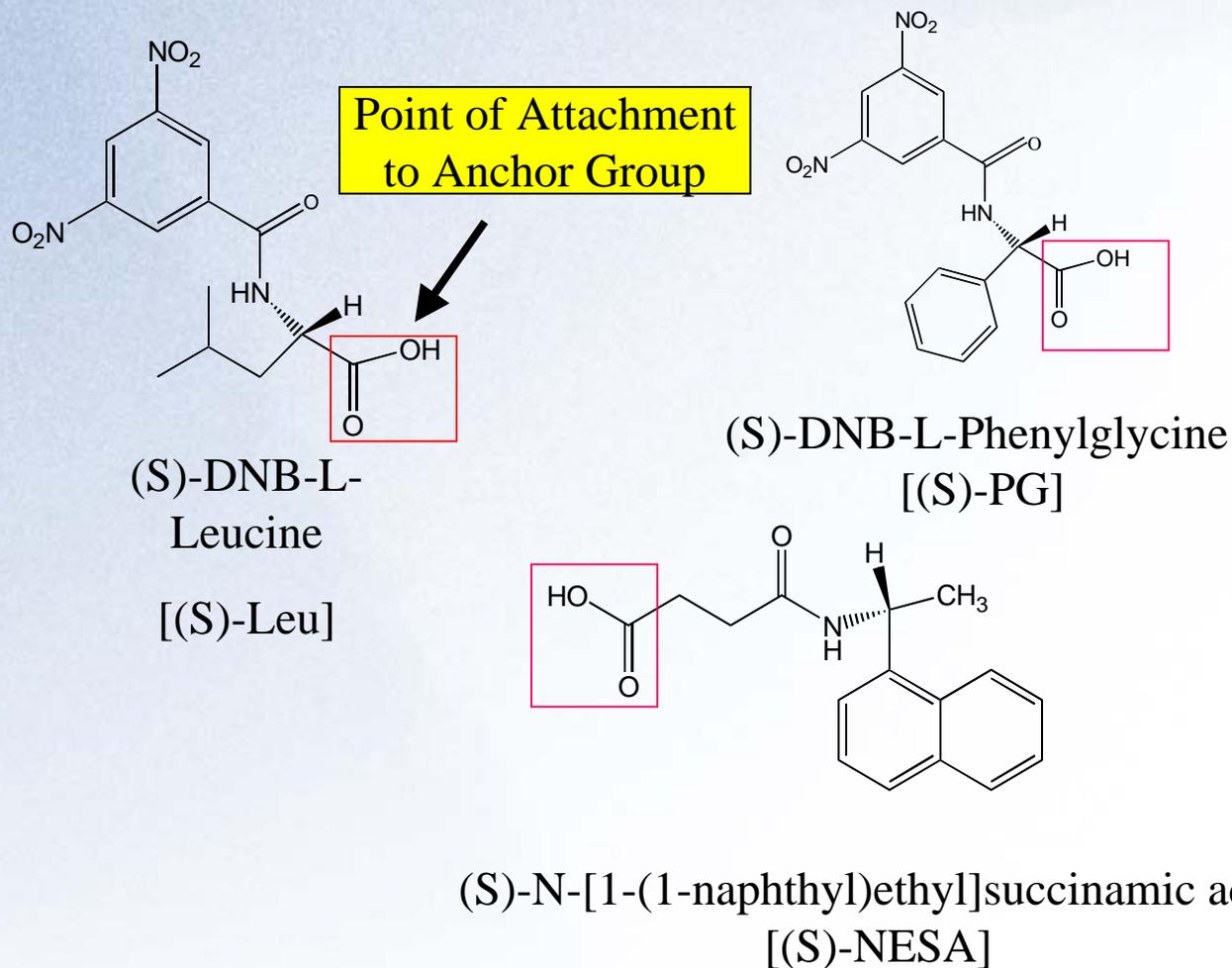
Zirconia CSP 2-Step Synthesis with Bidentate Anchor (PDA)





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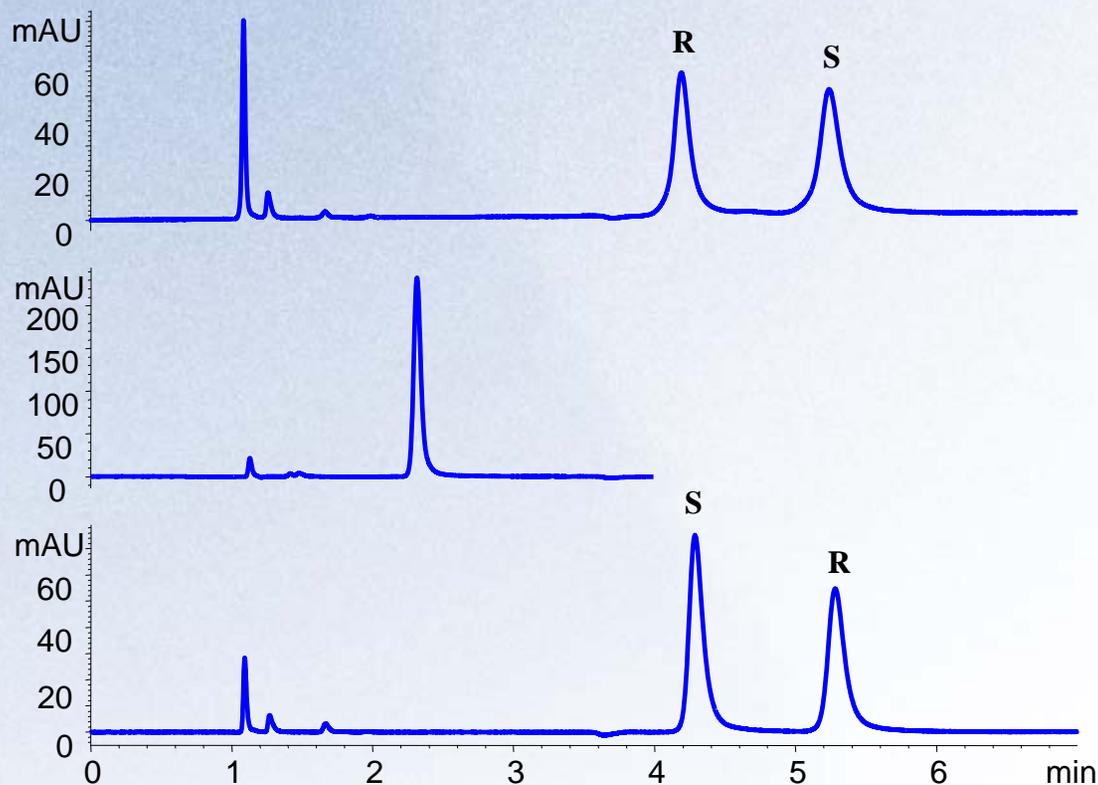
Chiral Selectors Evaluated¹



1. Phase II SBIR (NIH)



Changing (S) to (R)-Phenylglycine CSP on Same Zr Column



2-Step Load (S)-PG CS

$$k'(\text{less}) = 2.84$$

$$k'(\text{more}) = 3.81$$

$$\alpha = 1.34$$

Strip (S)-PG CS

No separation.

2-Step Load (R)-PG CS

$$k'(\text{less}) = 2.92$$

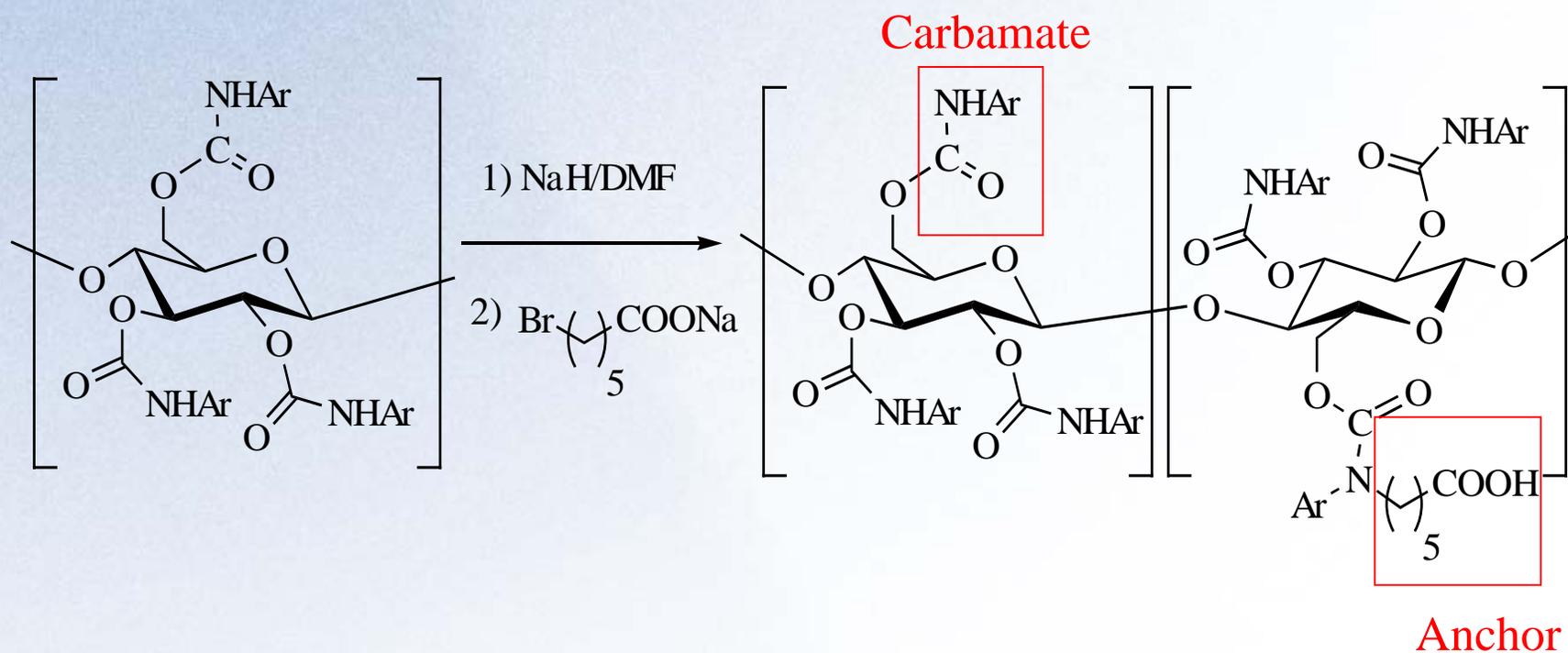
$$k'(\text{more}) = 3.83$$

$$\alpha = 1.34$$

Pre-mixed 98/0.5/1.5 Hexane/TFA/IPA, F=1 ml/min, rm °C, 254 nm, Column: ZirChrom PDA-(S)-PG, S/N SPG122005D and ZirChrom PDA-(R)-PG, S/N RPG020806A (100 × 4.6 mm, 3 μm, Running HPLC coated on PHASE110805A, batch#: 52-132). Solute: 1,3,5-Tri-t-butyl-benzene, (R orS)-2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(9-anthryl) EtOH. 5 μl injection.



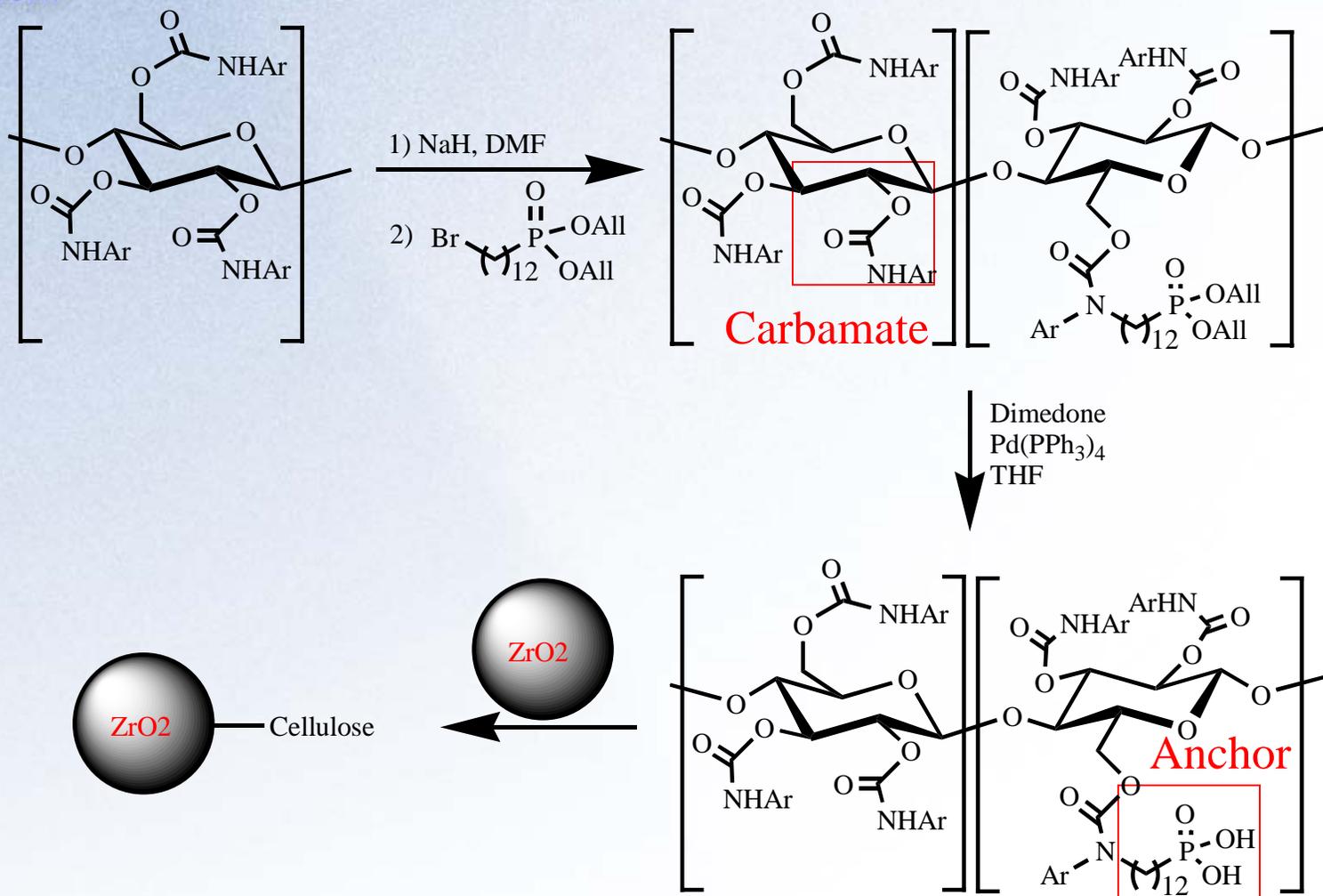
Carboxylate Modified Cellulose Based CSP on Zirconia





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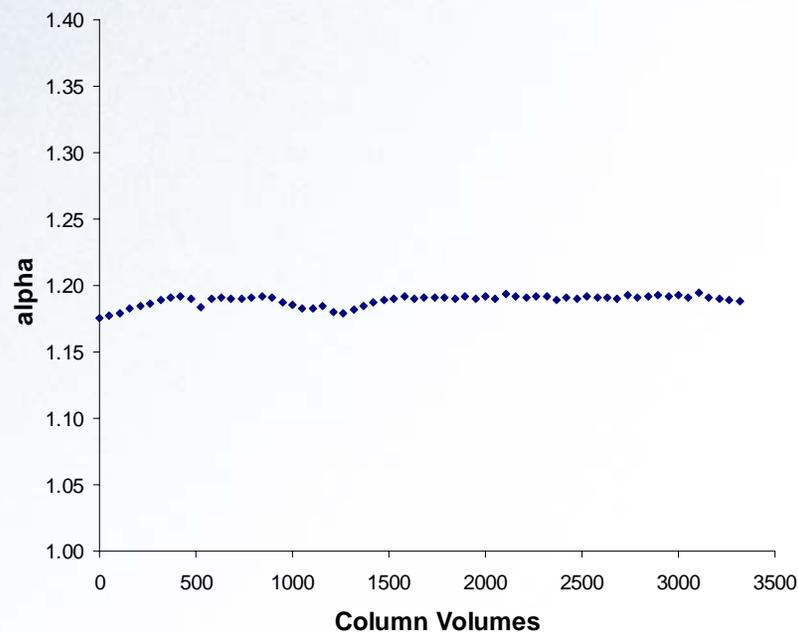
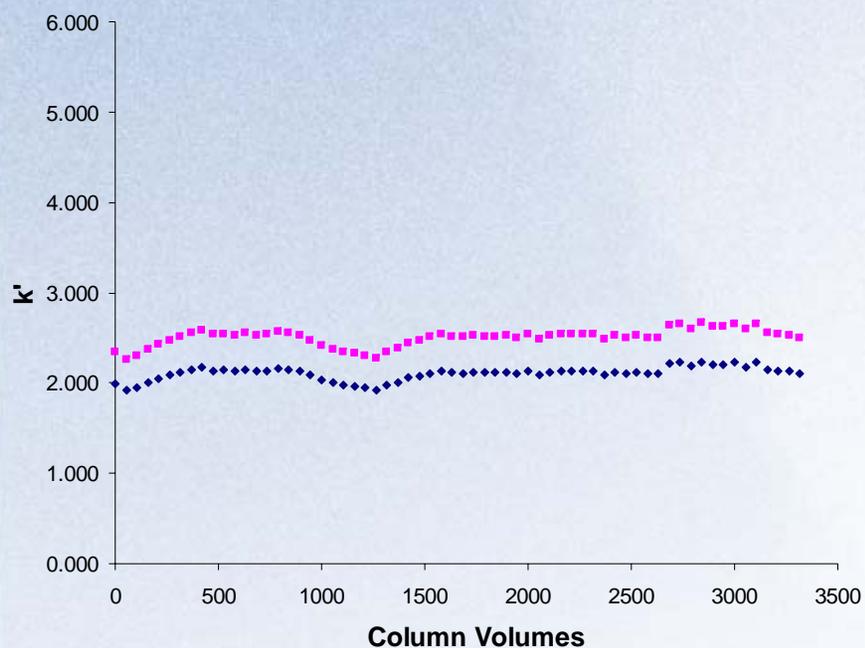
Phosphonate Modified Cellulose Based CSP on Zirconia





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Cellulose – pH 2 Stability

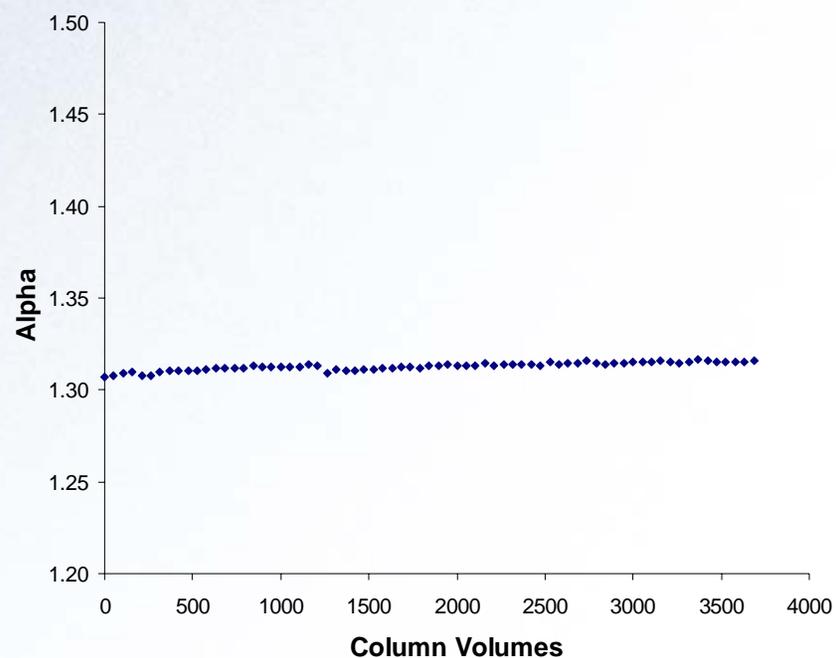
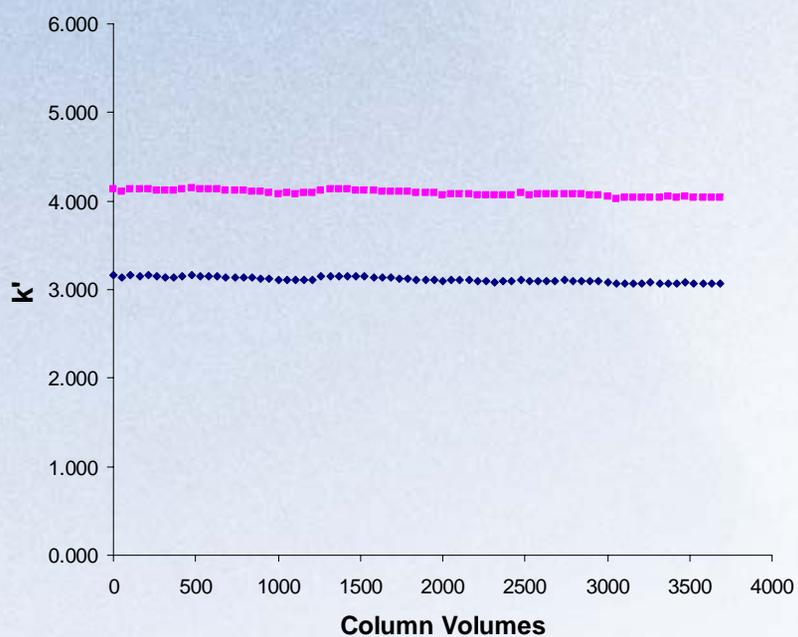


Column ID: R020907W, Mobile phase: 20/80 ACN/0.01 M TFA pH 2, Temperature: 30 °C. Injection volume: 5 ul, Wavelength: 254 nm. Probe solutes: Benzoin.



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Cellulose – pH 8 Stability

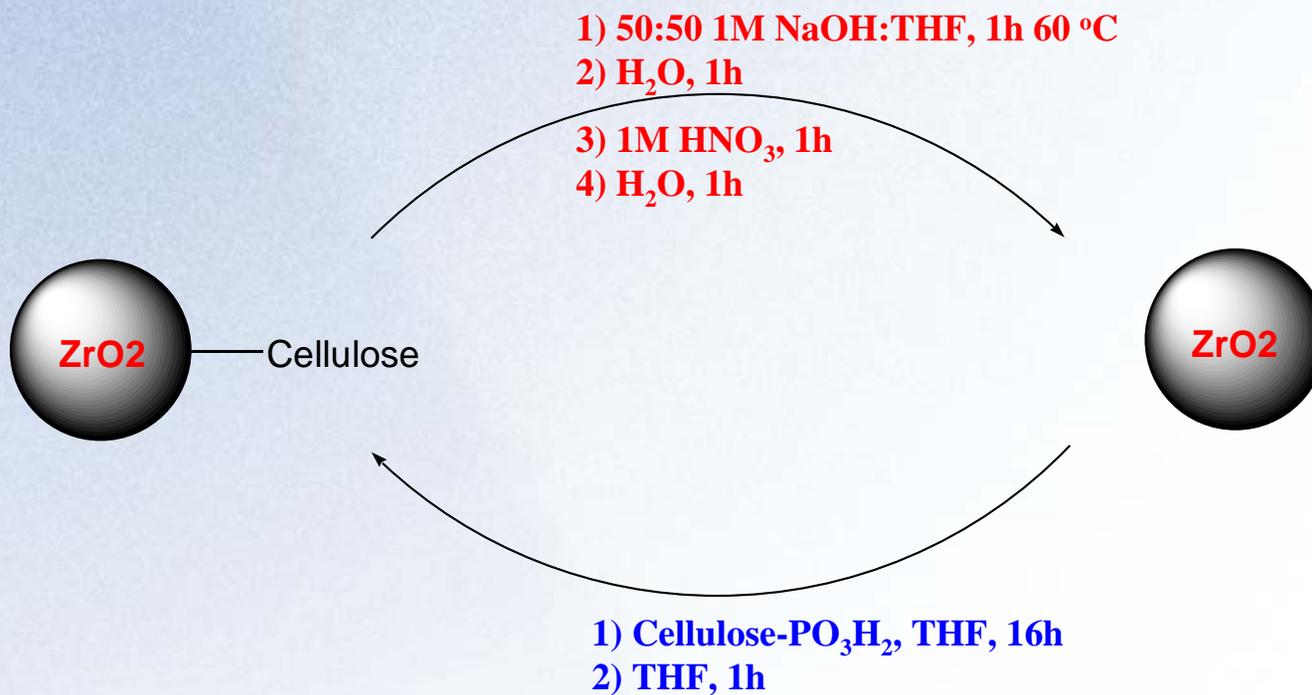


Column ID: R031607W, Mobile phase: 35/65 ACN/5mM NH₄HCO₃
pH 8, Temperature: 30 °C. Injection volume: 5 ul, Wavelength: 254 nm.
Probe solute: (RS)-trifluoroanthrylethanol.



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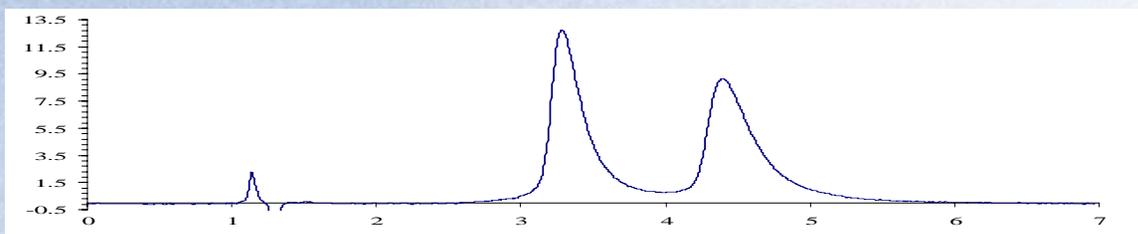
Cellulose Phase Regeneration





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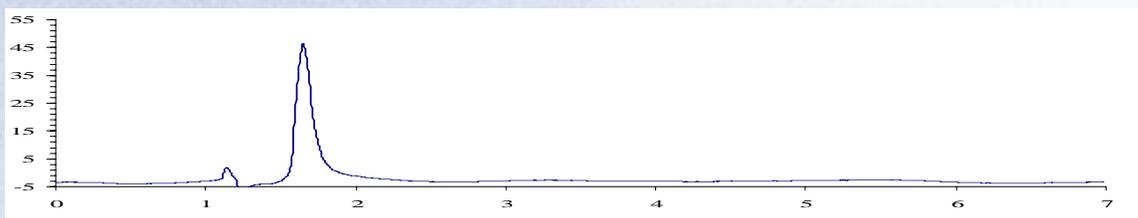


Original Cellulose

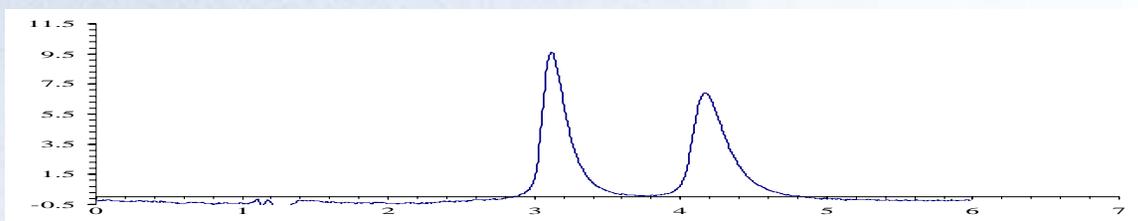
$$k'(\text{less}) = 1.73$$

$$k'(\text{more}) = 2.67$$

$$\alpha = 1.54$$



Remove Cellulose
No separation.



Reload Cellulose

$$k'(\text{less}) = 1.59$$

$$k'(\text{more}) = 2.47$$

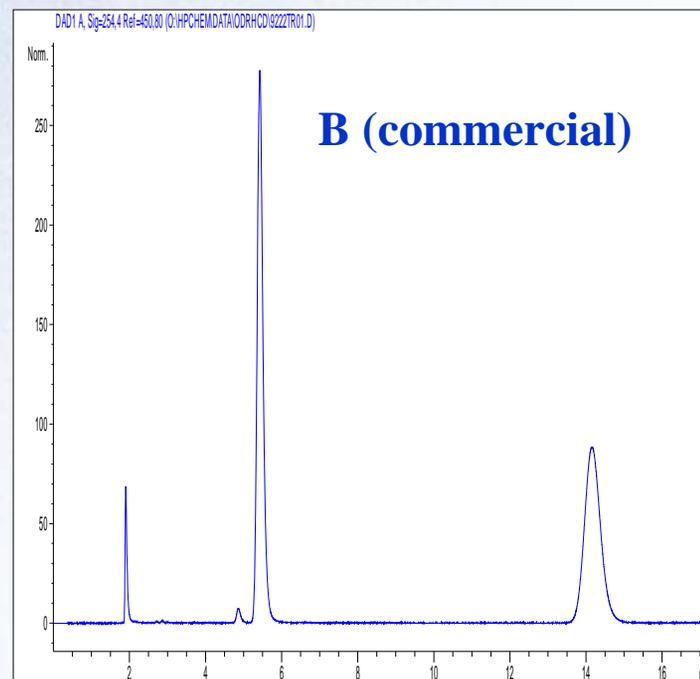
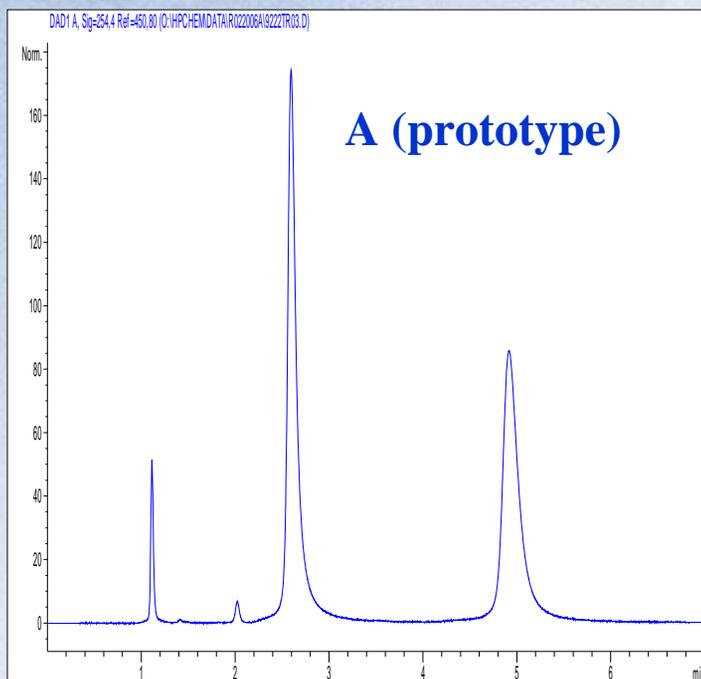
$$\alpha = 1.55$$

Pre-mixed 90/10 Hexane/IPA, F=1 ml/min, rm °C, 254 nm, Column: ZirChrom-CelluloZe, S/N R020907W (100 × 4.6 mm, 5 μm, batch 67-C46). Solute: a-Burke, 10 μl injection.



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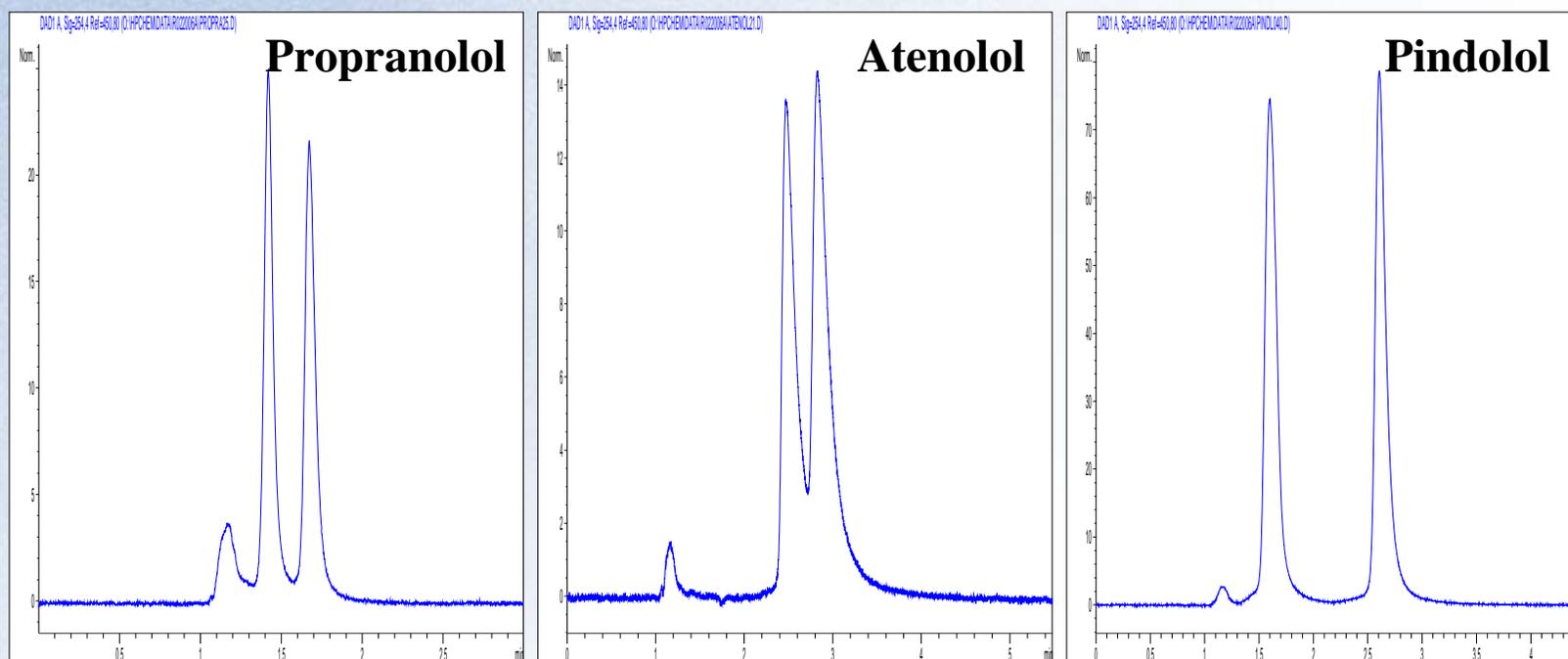
Comparison of Zirconia and Silica Cellulosic Phases



Columns, (A) CelluloZe™ (Celu022006A), 100 × 4.6 mm, 3 μm Zirconia, (B) Silica-based column, 150 × 4.6 mm, 5 μm Silica, Solute (RS)-(\pm)-2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(9-anthryl) EtOH, Mobile phase 90 / 10 Hexane / IPA, Flow Rate, 1 mL/min, Column temperature, ambient.



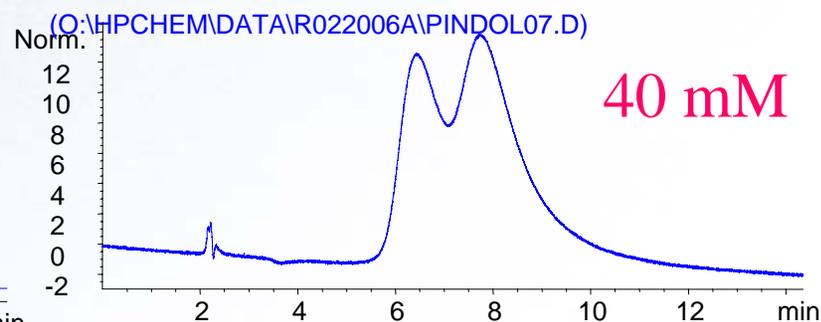
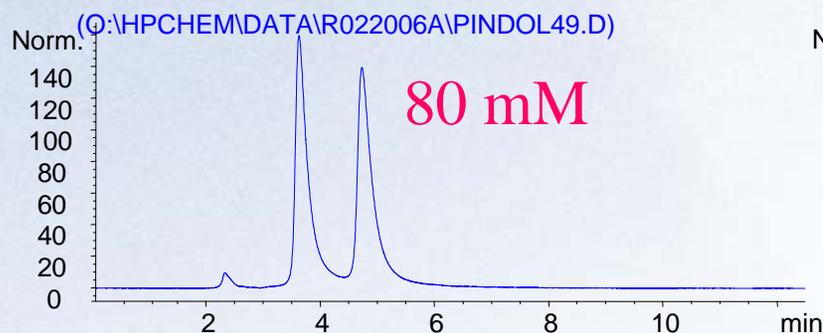
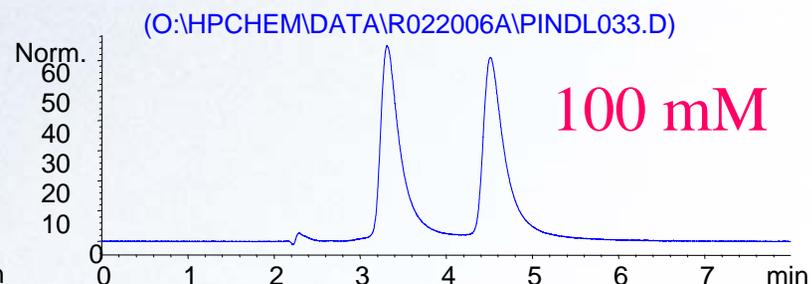
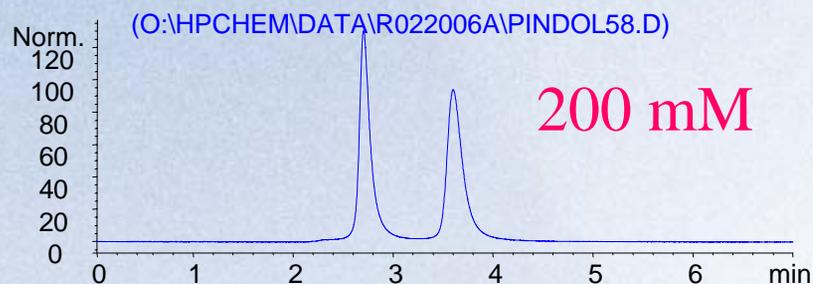
Separation of Basic Drugs on Zirconia Phosphonated Cellulose CSP



Column, CelluloZe™ (Celu022006A), 100 × 4.6 mm, 3 μm Zirconia,
Mobile phase, = 50/50 Heptane/IPA (100 mM NH₄OAc in IPA),
Flow Rate, 1 mL/min, Column temperature, ambient.



Effect of Ionic Strength on Zirconia Phosphonated Cellulose CSPs



Increasing ammonium acetate increases the selectivity and decreases retention and improves peak shape for Pindolol. This is likely due to suppression of cation-exchange retention mechanism that occurs for *basic molecules*.



Effect of Ionic Strength on Zirconia Cellulosic CSPs

41-C54, J04-175, 3,5-dimethylphenyl, $-C_{11}H_{22}PO_3H$

Ion Strength/ Selectivity	Ammonium Acetate in IPA (mM)			
	200	100	80	40
Pindolol	2.87	2.10	1.79	1.30
Propranolol	1.55	1.53	1.35	1.10
Atenolol	1.26	1.12	1.09	1.00
Nadolol	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

Increasing ammonium acetate increases enantio-selectivity.

LC Conditions: Agilent 1100 with Chemstation, flow rate 0.5 mL/min., UV 254, mobile phase = 100% IPA with specified concentration of ammonium acetate, temperature = ambient, column dimension 10 cm x 4.6 mm id, 3 micron particles.



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Conclusions

- **Brush-type CSPs were attached to zirconia using a multi-dentate chelate, pamidronic acid (PDA).**
- **Zirconia-based CSPs were shown to be reproducible, stable and have comparable chromatographic performance to commercial silica-based Brush-type CSPs for a range of chiral compounds.**
- **The new zirconia-based cellulosic CSPs showed similar resolving power to commercial silica-based cellulosic CSPs for selected chiral compounds; increased ionic strength improved resolution of basic chiral compounds by suppressing cation exchange.**
- **Zirconia-based CSPs can offer users the ability to replace or regenerate the chiral stationary phase.**



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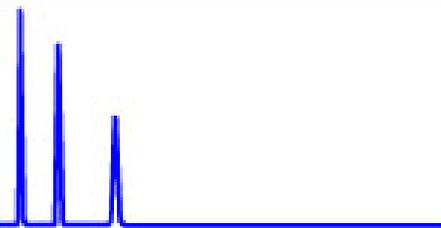


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