# IonPac® CS5A Column & MetPac™ Reagents



The IonPac CS5A is a high resolution ion-exchange column for the determination of transition and lanthanide metals. The MetPac PDCA and Oxalic Acid Eluent Concentrates are ready-to-dilute reagents that improve ease-of-use and ensure eluent consistency. The MetPac PAR Postcolumn Reagent Diluent provides simple postcolumn reagent preparation. Together, the IonPac CS5A and MetPac reagents provide a complete, targeted solution for transition metals analysis.

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# Rapid, Routine Analysis of Transition Metals in Diverse Samples

The IonPac CS5A cation-exchange column permits the simultaneous determination of common transition metals in less than 11 minutes using a unique bifunctional pellicular resin (see Figure 1). Transition metals are detected following complexation with 4-(2-pyridylazo) resorcinol (PAR), the postcolumn reagent. The resulting PAR

derivative is detected at 520–530 nm. Lanthanides can also be determined using the IonPac CS5A with an oxalic acid/diglycolic acid eluent (see Figure 2). Acidic samples, including acid digested samples, can be injected without neutralization (see Figure 3).



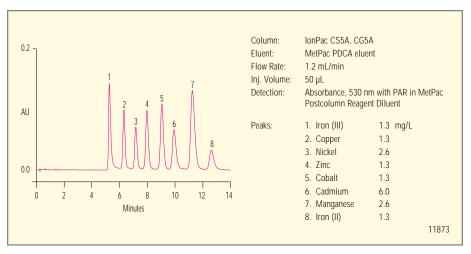


Figure 1. Separation of transition metals by anion exchange using the MetPac PDCA Eluent Concentrate. The postcolumn reagent, 4-(2-pyridylazo) resorcinol, is delivered using the PC10 Postcolumn Delivery System.

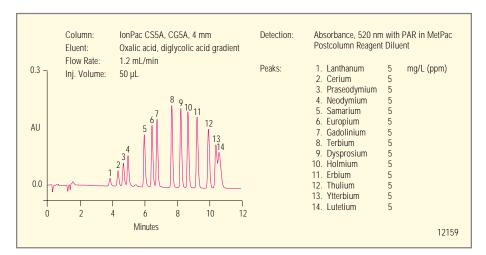


Figure 2. Separation of lanthanide metals using oxalic acid/diglycolic acid as the complexing agent.

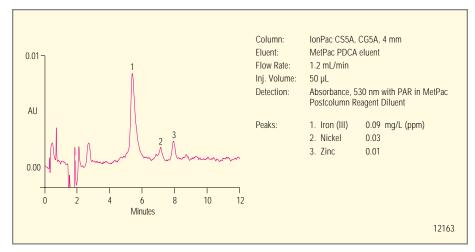


Figure 3. Determination of transition metals in HPLC-grade phosphoric acid (1:20 dilution)

# Two Eluent Concentrates for Maximum Flexibility

Ready-to-dilute eluent concentrates are available to easily optimize the IonPac CS5A selectivity for a range of applications. The MetPac PDCA eluent uses pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylic acid as a strong complexing agent that separates the metal complexes by anion exchange. PDCA eluent is best suited for the separation of iron (II) and iron (III), copper, nickel, zinc, cobalt, cadmium, and manganese (see Figure 1).

The MetPac Oxalic Acid eluent uses oxalic acid as a moderate-strength complexing agent to separate metals by a mixed mode mechanism. The oxalate eluent separates lead, copper, cadmium, cobalt, zinc, and nickel (see Figure 4).

### Easy-to-Use Postcolumn Reagent

The MetPac PAR Postcolumn Reagent Diluent is ready to use as a diluent for 4-(2-pyridylazo) resorcinol. The PAR Diluent has controlled pH and low metal contamination to ensure reliable and convenient preparation of the PAR postcolumn reagent. This reagent, added through a mixing tee, reacts with a wide range of metals and offers detection limits in the low  $\mu g/L$  (ppb) range (see Figure 5).

# Rugged, Reliable Analyses with Guaranteed Performance

The polymeric IonPac CS5A has a highly crosslinked structure to ensure a long column life and effective column cleanup.

The entire manufacturing process, including resin synthesis and packing of the chromatography columns, is carefully controlled in the Dionex ISO 9001-registered facility to ensure that every IonPac CS5A column delivers reproducible performance. Only reagents with the lowest metal contamination available are used to produce the MetPac reagent products. All IonPac and MetPac products are tested to ensure lot-to-lot performance.

#### **Economical Microbore Operation**

The IonPac CS5A column is available in the 2-mm format for microbore separations to offer the advantage of reduced operating costs (see Figures 6 and 7).

- Ideal for limited sample volumes due to higher mass sensitivity compared to 4-mm separations
- Three- to fourfold reduction in eluent and postcolumn reagent consumption
- 4-mm applications can be directly transferred to the 2-mm format
- Optimized 2-mm PC10 Postcolumn Delivery System

# Chelation Chromatography Sample Pretreatment

Chelation concentration chromatography can be used to eliminate alkali and alkaline earth interferences prior to the determination of transition or lanthanide metals by IC, AA, ICP, or ICP-MS. The IonPac CS5A is fully compatible with chelation concentration chromatography.

Chelation concentration ion chromatography combines the selectivity of chelation concentration sample pretreatment with the separation and sensitivity of ion chromatography, and is ideal for determining transition metals and lanthanides in complex matrices, such as seawater, brines, soils, acid digests, chemicals, and biological fluids.

Sample pretreatment and concentration can be automated using the MetPac CC-1, a special chelating concentration column. The MetPac CC-1 column selectively concentrates the analytes of interest and eliminates interfering alkali and alkaline-earth metals. This technique is ideal for the concentration of transition metals from high ionic strength matrices.

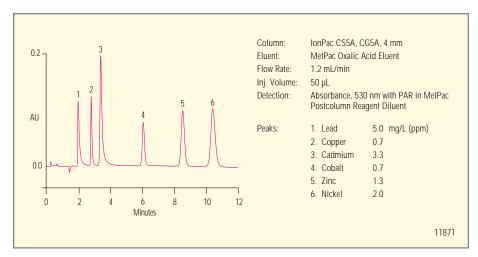


Figure 4. Separation of transition metals by a mixed mode mechanism using oxalate as a complexing agent.

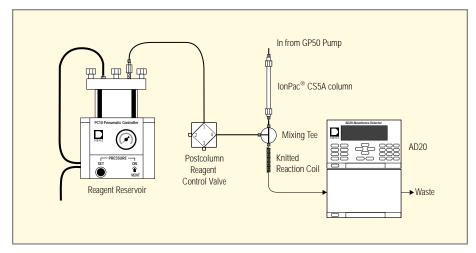


Figure 5. Schematic of the PC10 Postcolumn Delivery System.

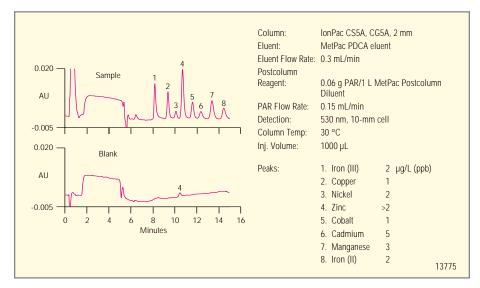


Figure 6. Large sample loop injection of  $\mu g/L$  levels of transition metals in a 2-mm system with PC10 pneumatic postcolumn delivery.

The concentrated transition metals are then eluted onto the TMC-1, a high-capacity cation concentrator column. The TMC-1 column concentrates transition metals eluted from the MetPac CC-1 concentrator column, which are then eluted onto the IonPac CS5A analytical column.

For complete information on chelation ion chromatography, please refer to the following Dionex documents:

- Technical Note 27: Determination of Lanthanide Metals in Digested Rock Samples by Chelation Ion Chromatography
- Technical Note 28: Ion Chromatography/Inductively Coupled Argon
   Plasma (IC/ICAP): A New Technique for Trace Metal Determinations
- Technical Note 29: Automated Sample Preconcentration of Metals in Drinking Water for Inductively Coupled Argon Plasma (ICAP) Spectroscopy

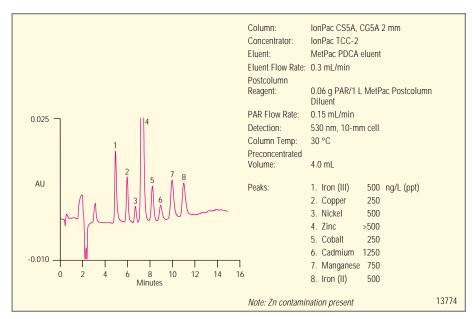


Figure 7. Preconcentration of ng/L levels of transition metals using 2-mm transition metal system with reagent pump postcolumn delivery.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### Dimensions:

Analytical Column:

 $4 \times 250 \text{ mm}$  and  $2 \times 250 \text{ mm}$ 

Guard Column:

4 x 50 mm and 2 x 50 mm

Maximum Operating Pressure: 17.3 MPa (2500 psi)

Chemical Compatibility:

Typical HPLC solvents to 50%

Column Construction:

PEEK with internal style 10-32 threaded ferrule-style end fittings. All components are nonmetallic.

### Resin Composition:

Bead diameter: 9 µm

Crosslinking (% DVB): 55%

### MicroBead™ Latex:

Bilayer of anion-exchange and cation-exchange latex

### Anion Exchange:

Latex Diameter: 76 nm

Crosslinking: 2%

Capacity:

 $40 \mu eq/column (4 x 250 mm)$ 

10 μeq/column (2 x 250 mm)

### Ion-Exchange Group:

Quaternary ammonium

### Cation-Exchange:

Latex Diameter: 140 nm

Crosslinking: 10%

Capacity:

20 μeq/column (4 x 250 nm)

5 μeq/column (2 x 250 nm)

Ion-Exchange Group:

Sulfonic acid

# ORDERING INFORMATION

In the U.S., call 1-800-346-6390, order online at http://dstore.dionex.com, or contact the Dionex regional office nearest you. Outside the U.S., order through your local Dionex office or distributor. Refer to the following part numbers.

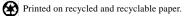
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(4 x 250 mm)	Columns and Reagents
IonPac CG5A Guard Column (4 x 50 mm)	IonPac CS5A Analytical Column
(4 x 50 mm)	
IonPac CS5A Analytical Column (2 x 250 mm)	
(2 x 250 mm)	
IonPac CG5A Guard Column (2 x 50 mm)	·
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MetPac PDCA Eluent Concentrate, 5X concentrate (1000 mL)	
MetPac Oxalic Acid Eluent Concentrate, 10X concentrate (500 mL)	MetPac PDCA Eluent Concentrate, 5X concentrate
MetPac PAR Postcolumn Diluent (1000 mL)	(1000 mL)
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Required for delivery of postcolumn regents in 2-mm i.d. systems. Includes: PC10 Reagent Organizer; PC10 Pneumatic Controller; Pressurizable Reservoir Chamber; 1-L Reagent Container; 125-µL Knitted Reaction Coil; Mixing Tee (2 mm); and required tubing and fittings.  Knitted Reaction Coil, 125 µL, unpotted	· · · ·
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PC10 Automation Kit	PC10 Automation Kit
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