

# AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping

An HPLC Column Technology for  
Faster Protein Biocharacterizations

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## Agilent BioHPLC Columns





# What Is Peptide Mapping?

- The chemical or enzymatic treatment of a protein to produce peptide fragments
- Separation and identification of these fragments in a reproducible manner
- For bio-therapeutic proteins and peptides peptide mapping is:

In-depth analysis that can identify minor and even isobaric differences in protein primary structure such as errors in the transcription of complementary DNA, point mutations., and PTMs



# Proteins and Monoclonal Antibodies – Complex Molecules, Complex Manufacturing

## Complex Molecules

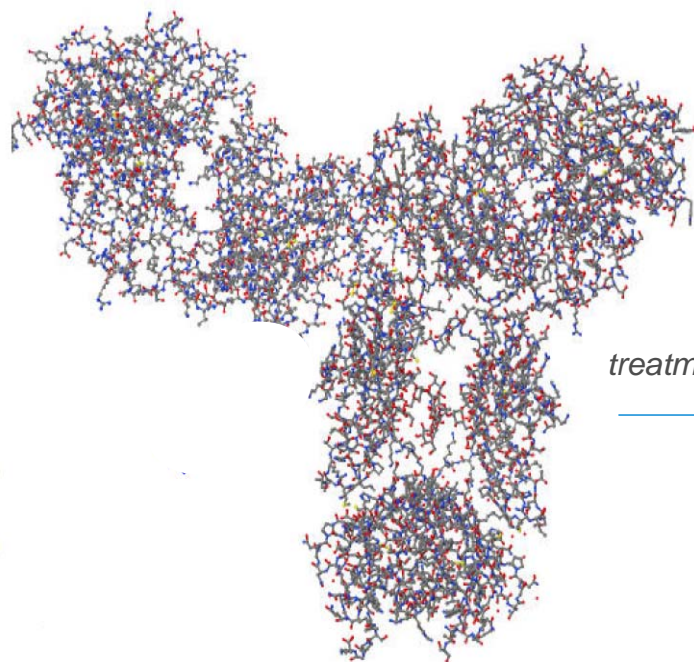
- Proteins have multiple layers of structure – primary, secondary, tertiary.., that all must be characterized
- Monoclonal antibodies/proteins have glycosylations/post-translational modifications that can vary

## Complex Manufacturing

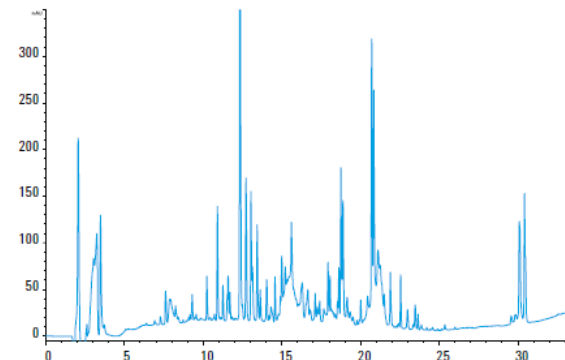
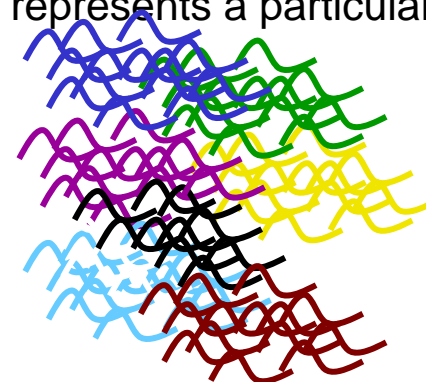
- Manufacturing requires living cells – which can vary, creating variable results
- Variation in process can change structures, post-translational modifications
- These changes need to be characterized

# Why peptide mapping?

- Analysis of a single modification on a large protein may not be possible because the change is too small to be seen in the large molecule
- Results in a collection of peptides of varying length & number depending on the protease used. The resulting peptides can be analyzed where each peak represents a particular peptide



*treatment with a protease enzyme*



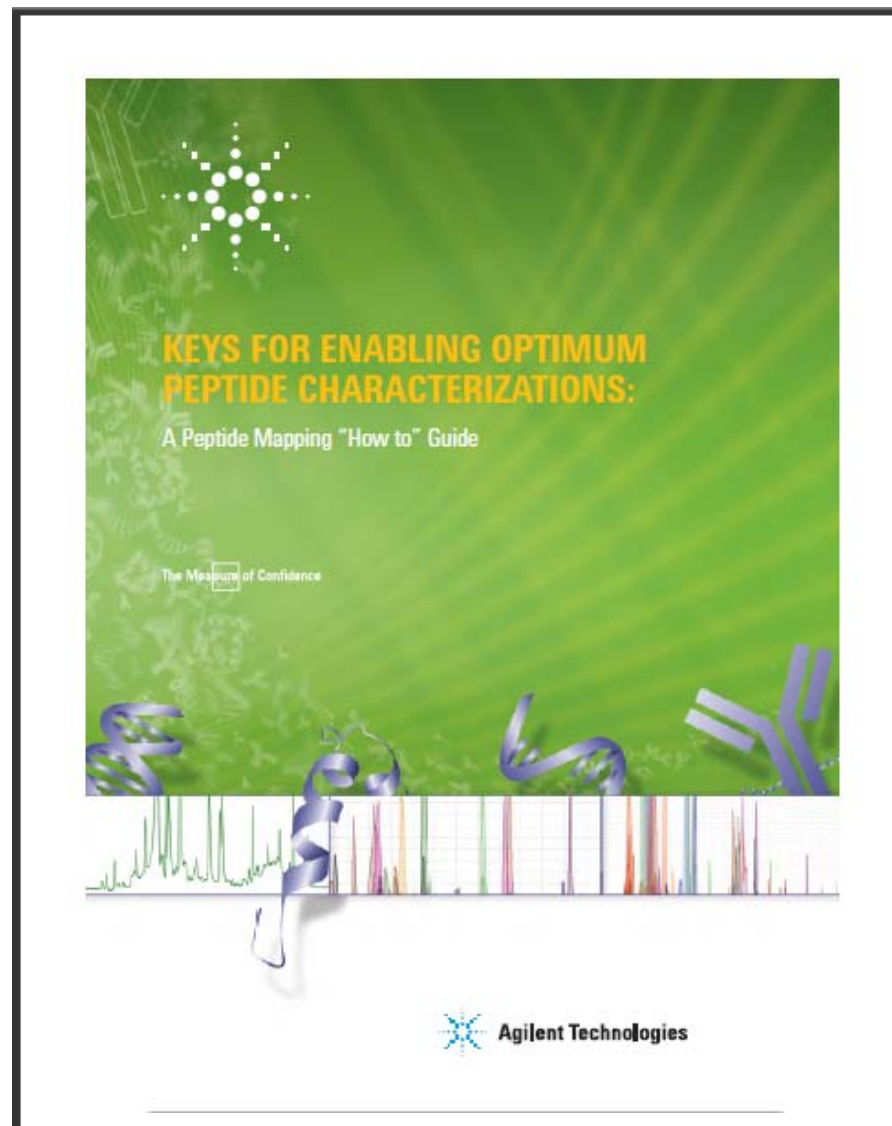


# Peptide mapping is the single most important technique in analytical characterization...

- Confirm primary structure by comparison of a product to a reference protein (detect point mutations, mis-translations & confirm genetic stability)
- Identify location of disulfide bonds
- Characterize & analyze degradation processes such as deamidation & oxidation
- Isolate digest fragments for sequencing or further identification
- Identify sites of glycosylation
- Drug substance identity test
- Drug substance purity test



## NEW: Peptide Mapping 'How To' Guide #5991-2348EN





# THE COLUMN

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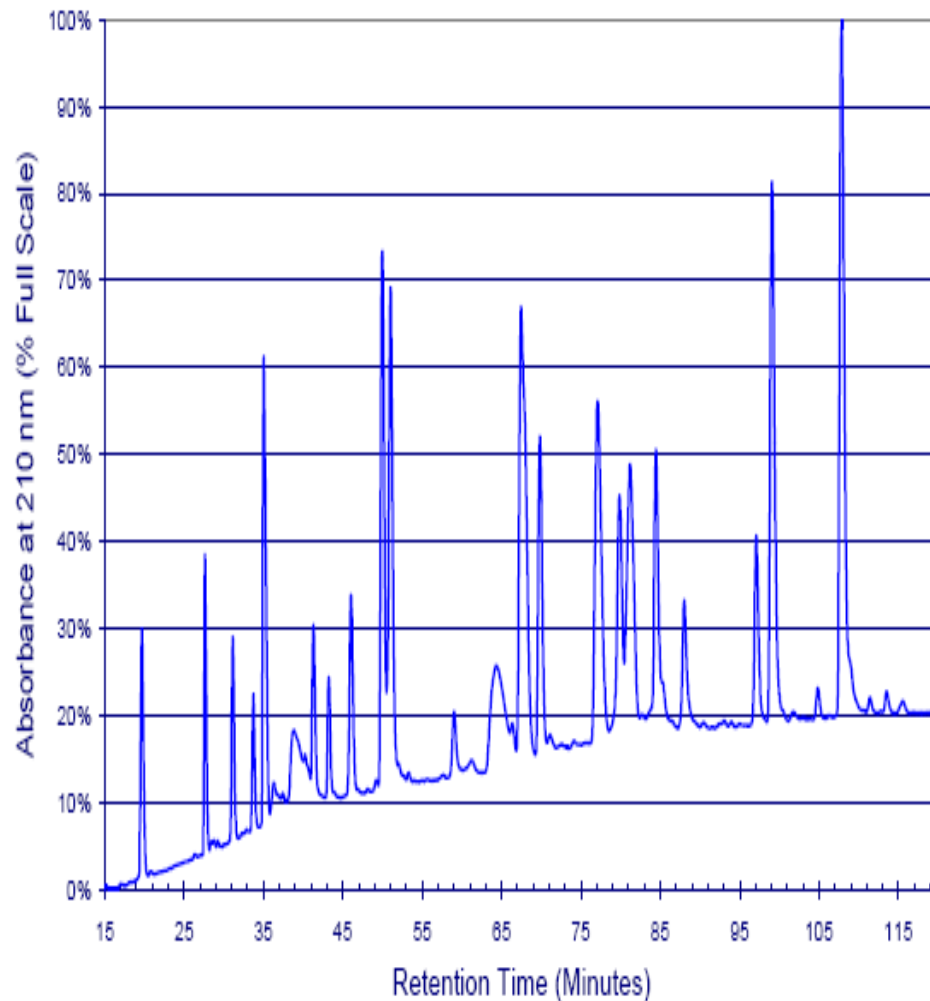
# This Talk Will Show That The AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column Allows You To:

1. Achieve high efficiency separation performance with rapid run times. Faster than traditional UV and LC/MS analysis times
2. Conserve the bio-characterization information content with accelerated run times
3. Achieve superior UV and LC/MS separation performance to competitive products
4. Achieve UHPLC-like speed and peptide mapping performance at HPLC operating conditions, in direct comparison to competitive uHPLC columns



# "Traditional" Peptide Map

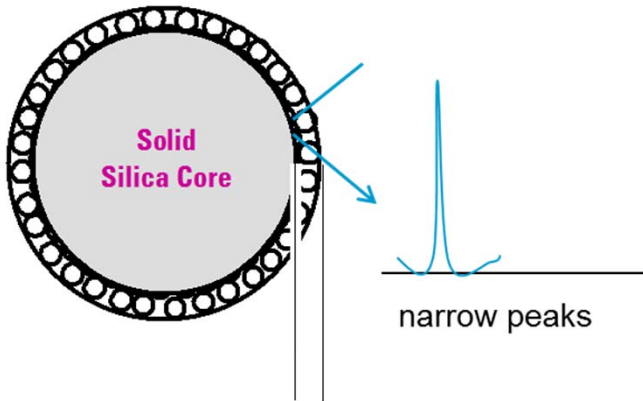
Column: 4.6 X 250 MM  
C18 stationary phase  
5 micron particle size,  
Mobile Phase: A= 0.1%TFA  
in water, B=0.1%TFA in ACN  
Gradient: 10% B to 90 B in  
100 minutes  
Runtime: 115 minutes  
Re-equilibration time: 20  
minutes



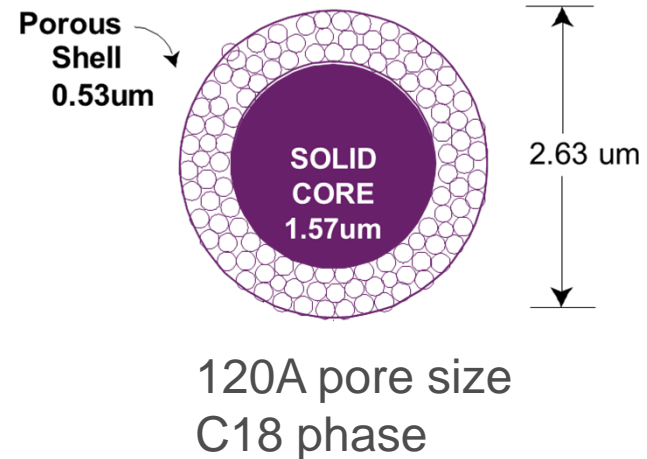
# AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column Technology

2.7um Superficially porous particle technology delivers UHPLC type column performance but without high column back pressures

Superficially porous (core-shell, poroshell, shell particle, etc)



Actual



Decrease the diffusion time for macromolecules and limit the diffusion path!

This results in more efficient mass transfer at increasing flows = sharper peaks during fast run times.

# AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column

**Primary Benefit** – Reduce Peptide Mapping Time without Losing Resolution

**What is It?** - A superficially porous column with a 2.7 $\mu$ m particle and C18 functionality which enables separation of hydrophilic through hydrophobic peptides to give superior resolution across the gradient range to efficiently resolve peptide fragments.

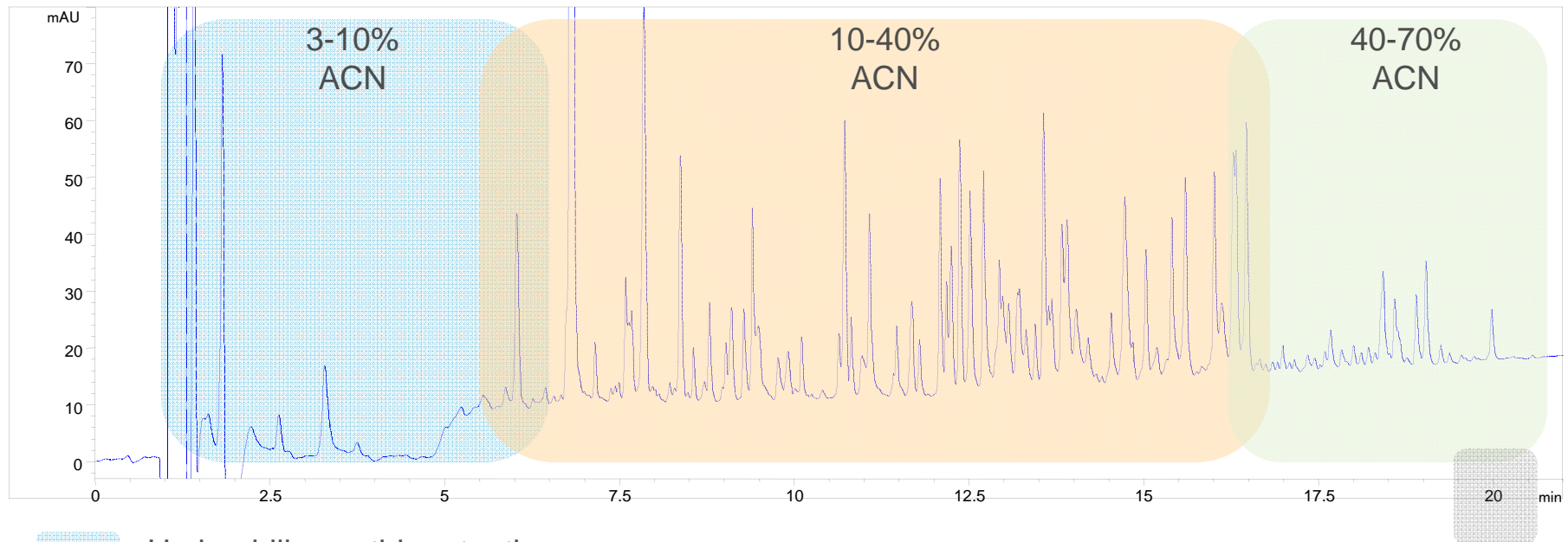
## **Major Features**

- High Resolution of the Peptide Map
- Fast Analysis Times
- Lower Pressure Drops than sub 2 $\mu$ m Columns
- Quality Checked for Peptide Performance



# AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column Technology

## BSA tryptic digest on 2.1 x 150mm AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column



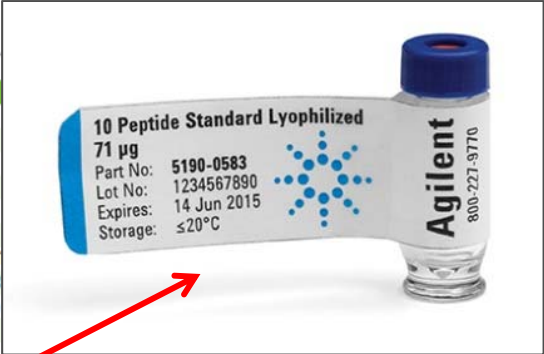
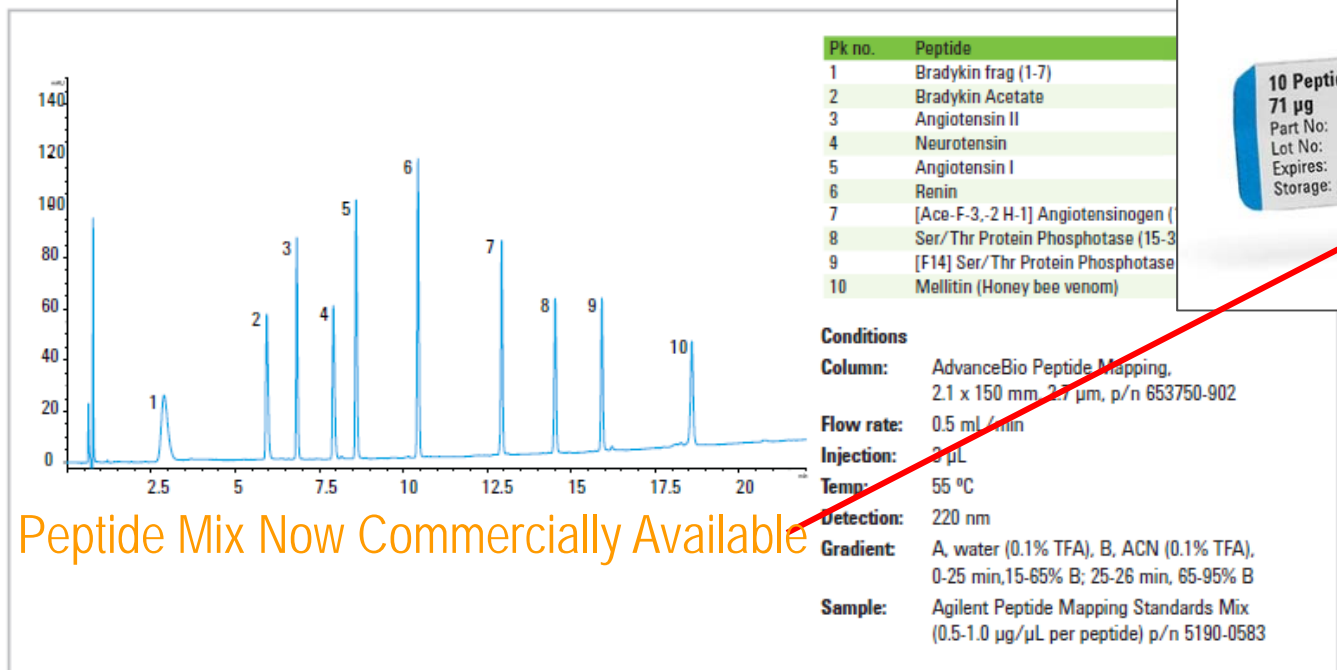
- Hydrophilic peptide retention
- Narrow Peaks w baseline resolution
- Hydrophobic peptide retention
- Reduced and fast analysis time



**Critical and desired peptide mapping components to achieve fast, selective and highly efficient peptide separations across a wide dynamic range.**

# Quality Assurance Testing with Agilent Peptide Mix

Test mix used for every batch of AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping media. The mixture contains 10 hydrophilic, hydrophobic, and basic peptides, ranging in molecular weight from 757 to 2845 Da. Every column is also tested with a small-molecule probe to ensure efficiency.



Peptide Mix Now Commercially Available

Ensures High quality batch-to-batch reproducibility  
 Confidence in separation performance (peak shape, Rs, selectivity)  
 Visualization: High performance Peptide Separation Column



## Decreasing Run Time

Initial experiment was to decrease run time from traditional 120 min to 75 min

While faster runtime is the goal, we start here to make sure we do not compromise resolution and provide same level of coverage

This is followed up with gradient, temperature, and column length optimization





# Temperature

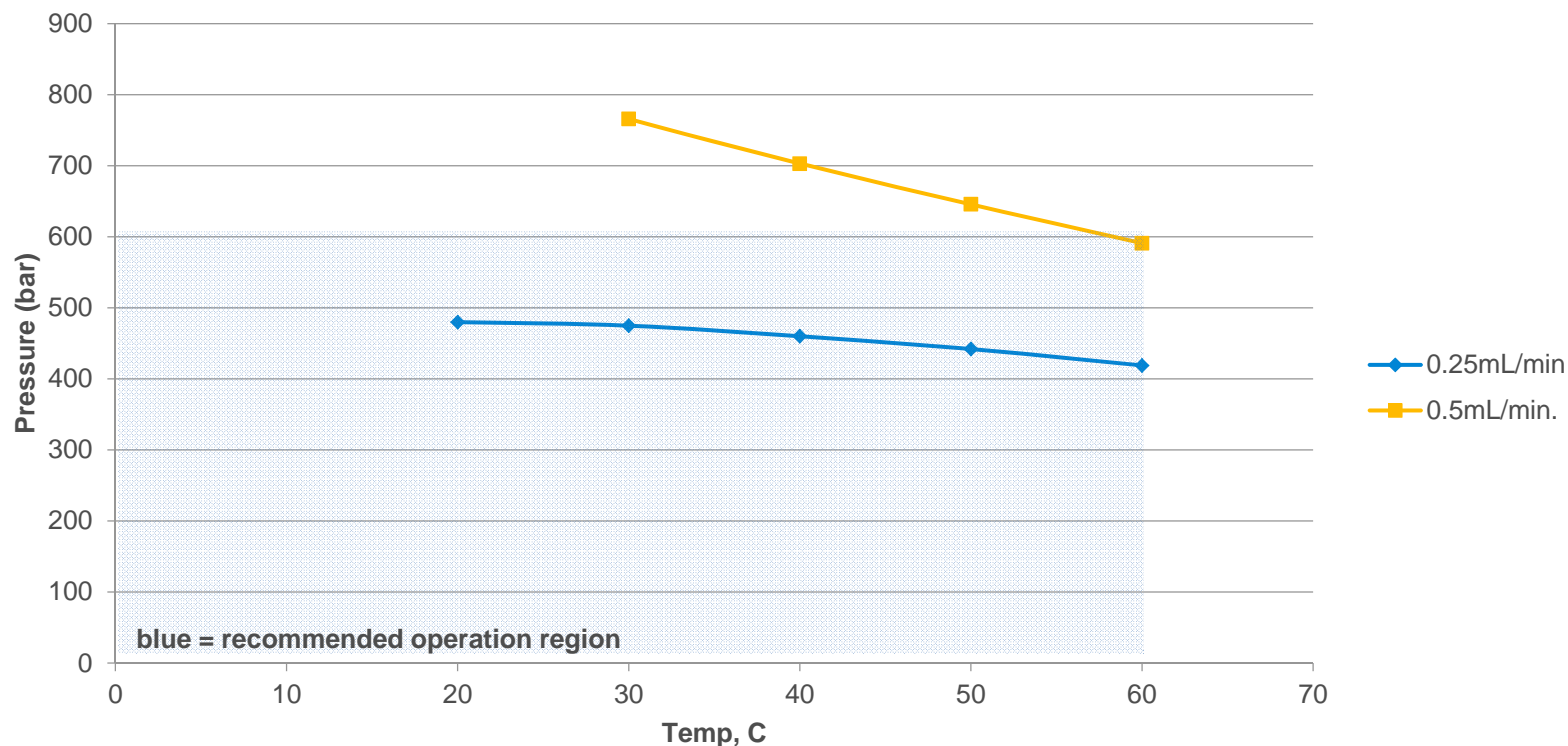
- ❖ Initial temp of 30-50 C recommended
- ❖ Optimal temp will be application dependent, effected by composition and digestion type
- ❖ Change in temp can change selectivity and result in RT switching
- ❖ Elevated temp produces narrower peak bands and lower pressure



# Column Characterization

*Linear Flow Analysis (back pressure)*

## 2.1 x 250mm Back Pressure Analysis 90\*/10 water/ACN linear gradient



**Column dim.:** 2.1 x 250mm

**Mobile phase:** A-water (0.1%TFA), B- ACN (0.08%TFA)

**Gradient:** 0-15min ,10-90%B

**Instrument:** Agilent Infinity 1290

\* Press reading obsv. (max)



# Gradient Optimization

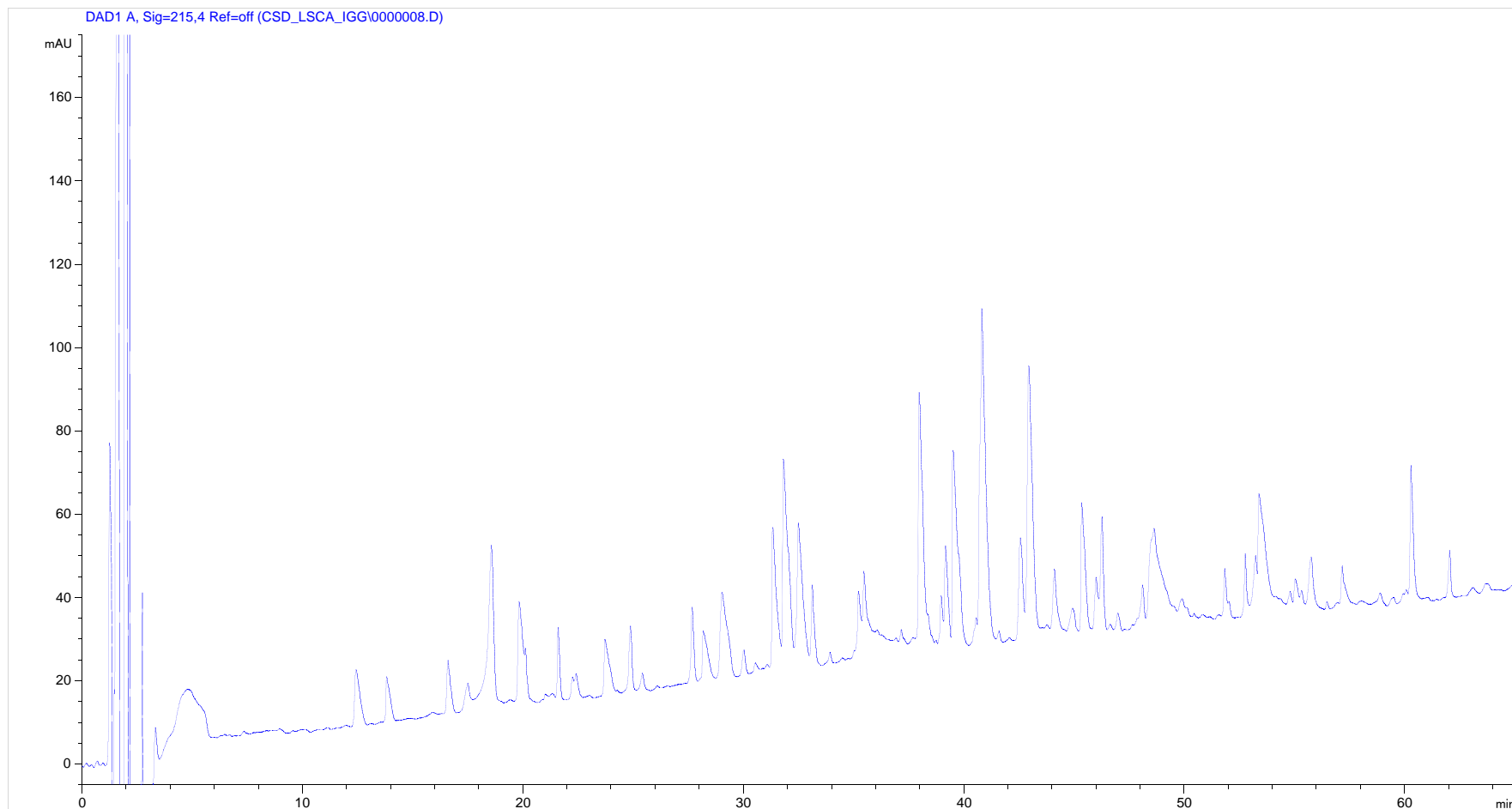
- ❖ Changes in gradient steepness can improve band spacing and change selectivity
- ❖ Varied by either changing the %B change over the same run time
- ❖ Or by keeping the % change in B the same, but changing the run time with flow rate change.





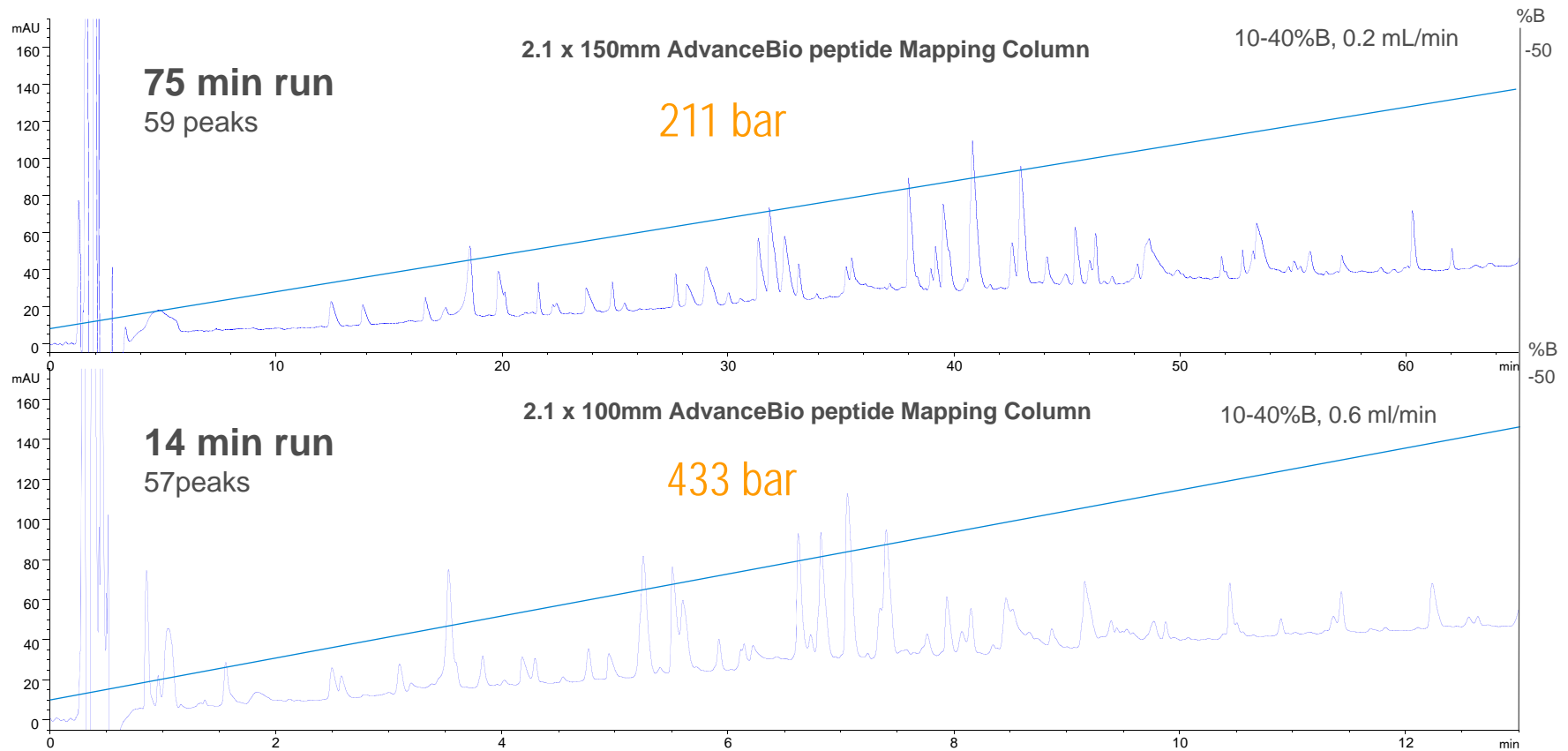
# 75 Minute Run IgG Tryptic Digest

## 0.2ml/min, 0-40% B



# IgG Tryptic Digest Peptide Mapping

Decreasing Analysis Times Without Sacrificing Separation Performance or Reaching Back Pressure Constraints



Keeping gradient change/column volume the same ensures selectivity remains constant



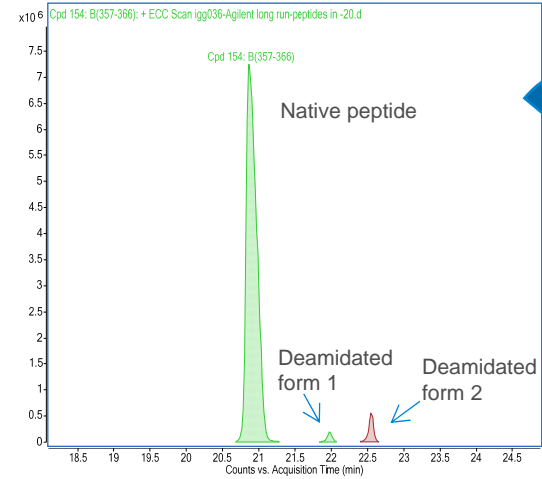
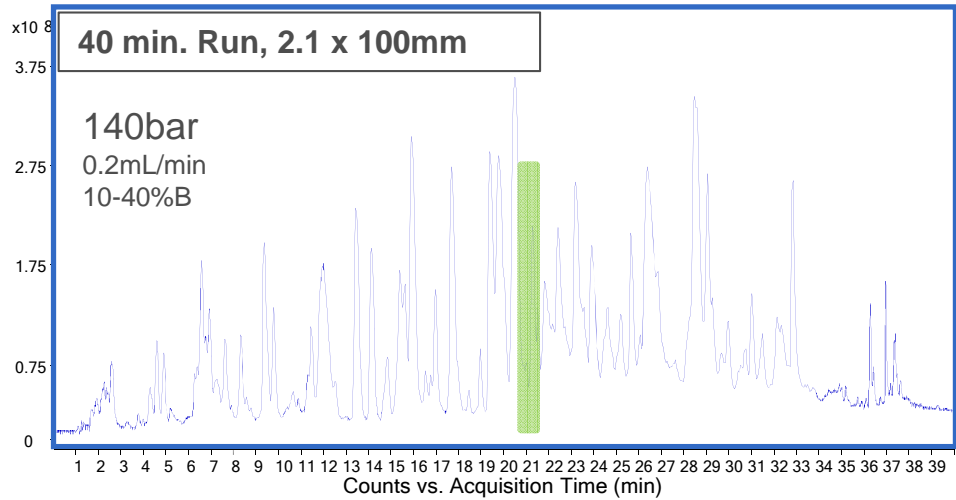
# DO WE LOSE ANY CRITICAL DATA WHEN WE SPEED THINGS UP?



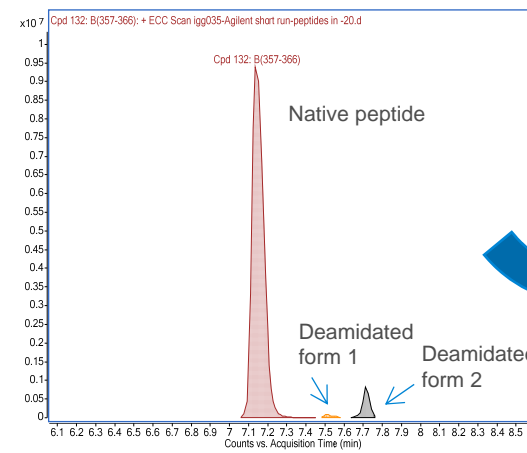
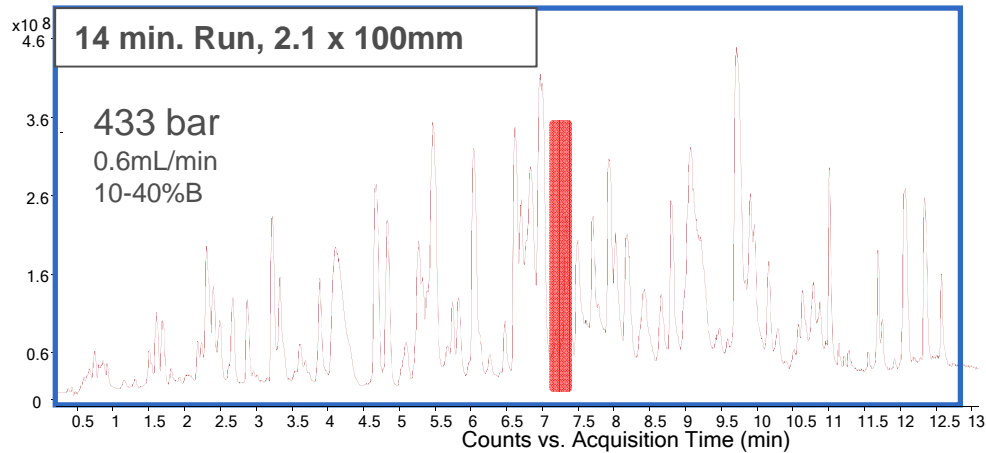


# Rapid LC/MS IgG Tryptic Digest Peptide Mapping

Critical Post Translational Modification (PTM) Conserved during Reduced Run Times

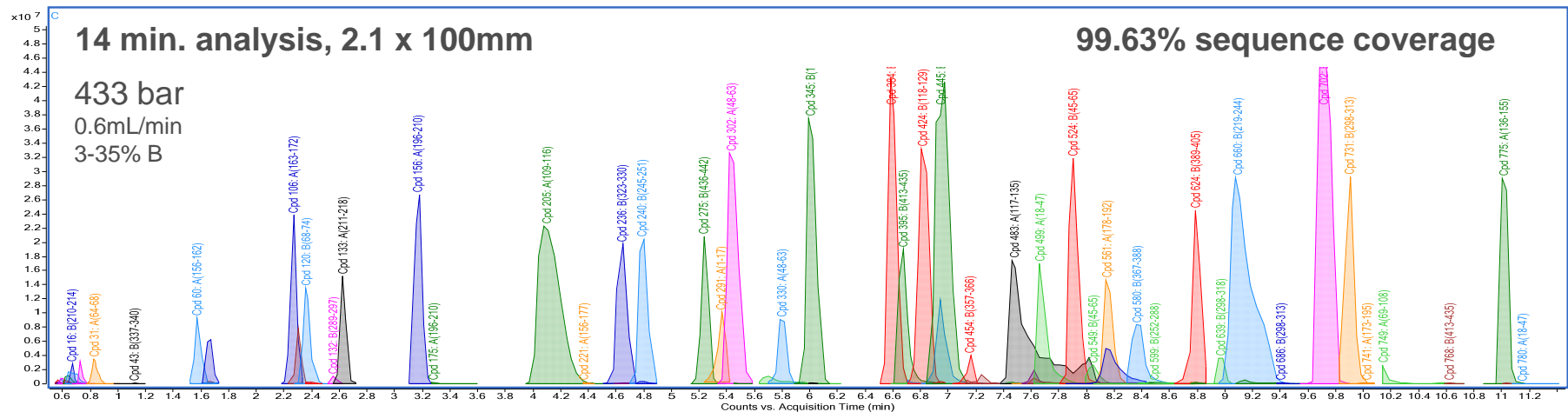
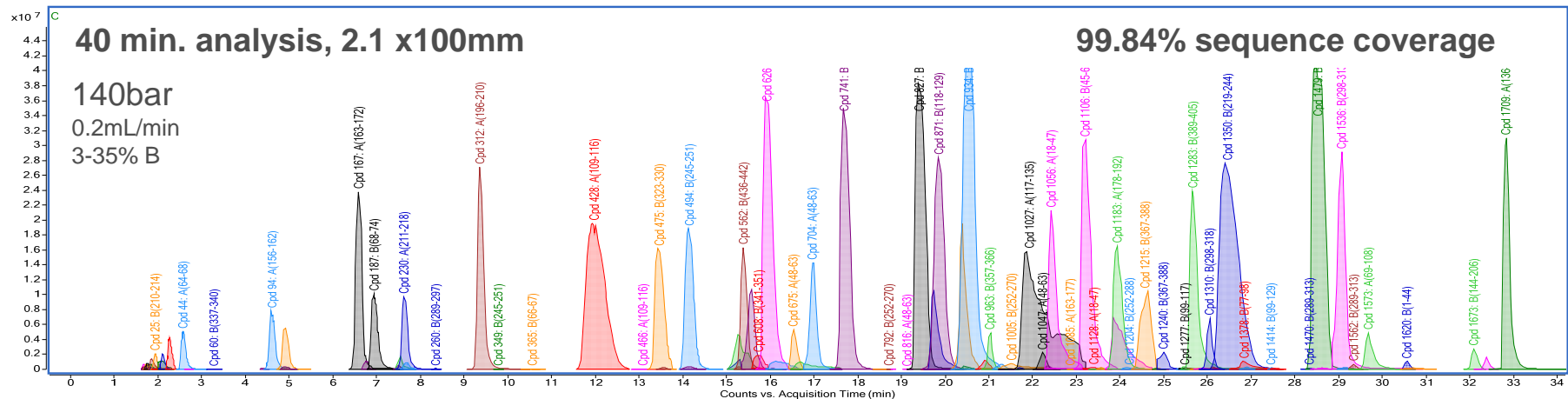


Heavy Chain Peptide  
357-366 and its two  
deamidated forms  
conserved



# Rapid LC/MS IgG Tryptic Digest Peptide Mapping

Sequence Coverage Remains Unchanged When Gradients are Shortened to increase Analysis Times



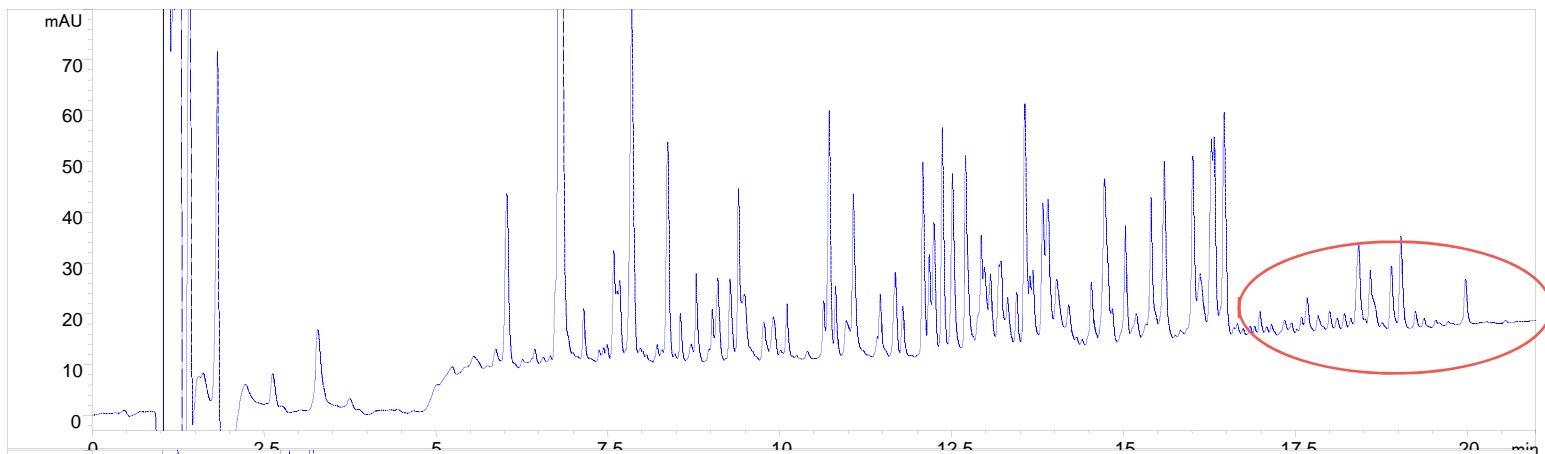


# How Does AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping compare to other options?

# Competitive Superficially Porous: Peptide Column

Higher Peak Capacity Achieved by AdvanceBio Peptide Column during 20 min. Rapid Run

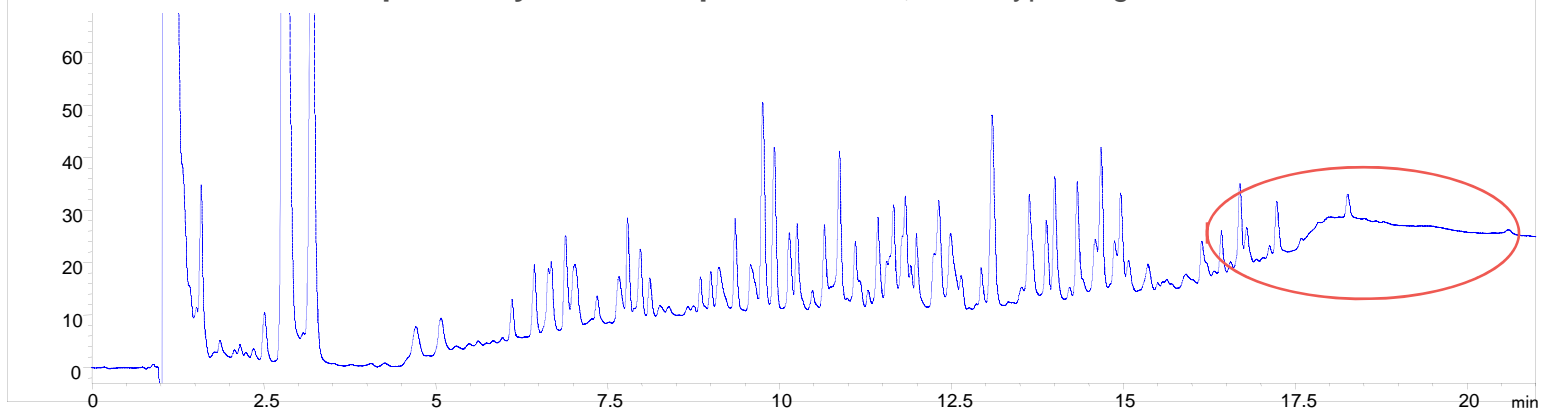
2.1 x 150mm AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column, BSA tryptic digest



**HPLC (UV)  
Results**

104 peaks  
319 bar

2.1 x 150mm 3.6um Superficially Porous Peptide Column, BSA tryptic digest



76 peaks  
166 bar

# Competitor Superficially Porous Peptide Column Comparison

Higher Sequence Coverage Achieved by AdvanceBio Peptide Column during 14min. Rapid Run

2.1 x 100mm AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column, IgG1 tryptic digest

**Mobile phase A:**  
water (0.1%FA)

**Mobile phase B:**  
90% ACN (0.1%FA)

**Inj.:** 15uL

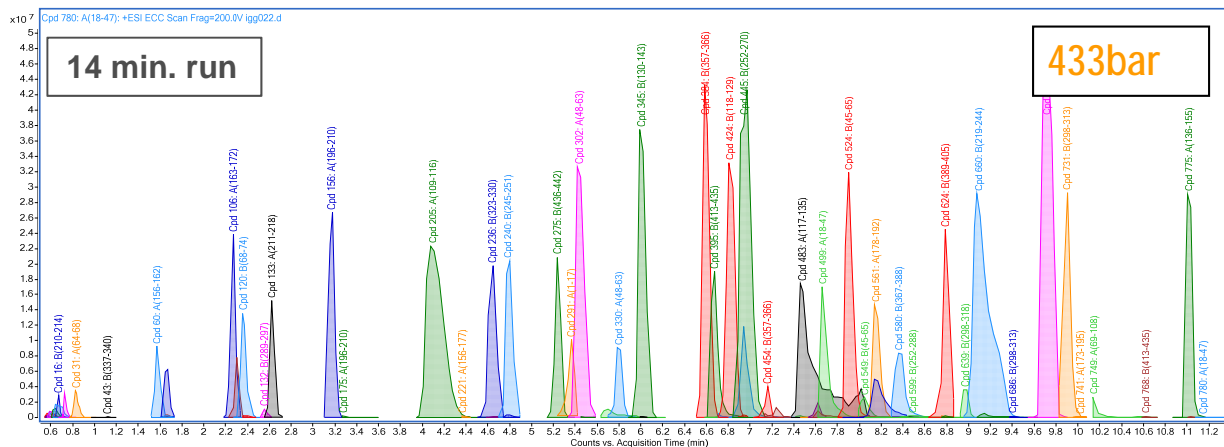
**Flow:** 0.6 ml/min

**Temp.:** 40 °C

**Gradient (14min.)**

Time(min.)	%B
0	3
10	35
12	90
14	90

**LC/MS:**  
Agilent 1290  
coupled to 6530  
QTOF

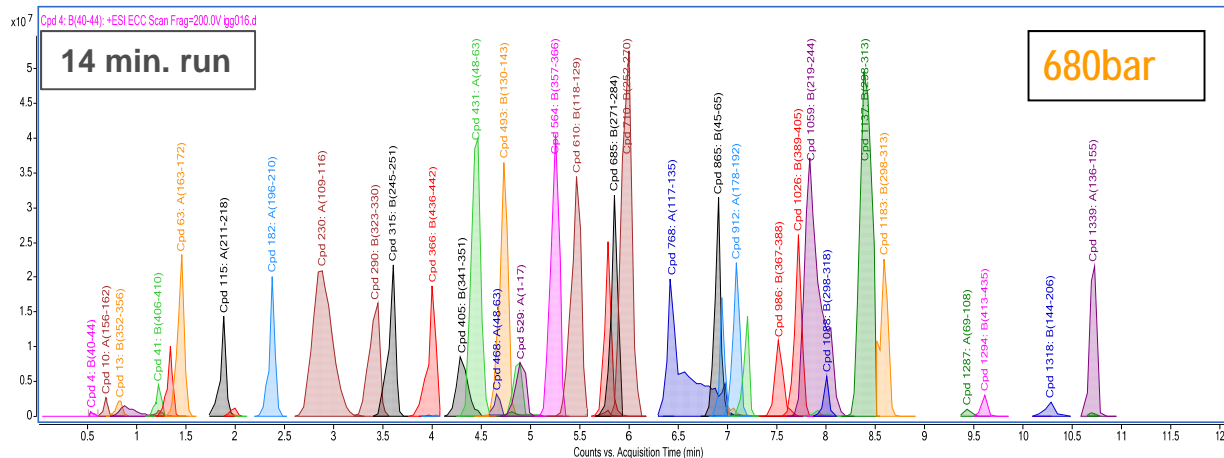


**Mapping Results**

**Tryptic peptides i.d.:**  
76 peptides

**Sequence coverage.:**  
99.63%

2.1 x 100mm 1.7um Superficially Porous Peptide Column, IgG1 tryptic digest



**Mapping Results**

**Tryptic peptides i.d.:**  
65 peptides

**Sequence coverage.:**  
89.54%



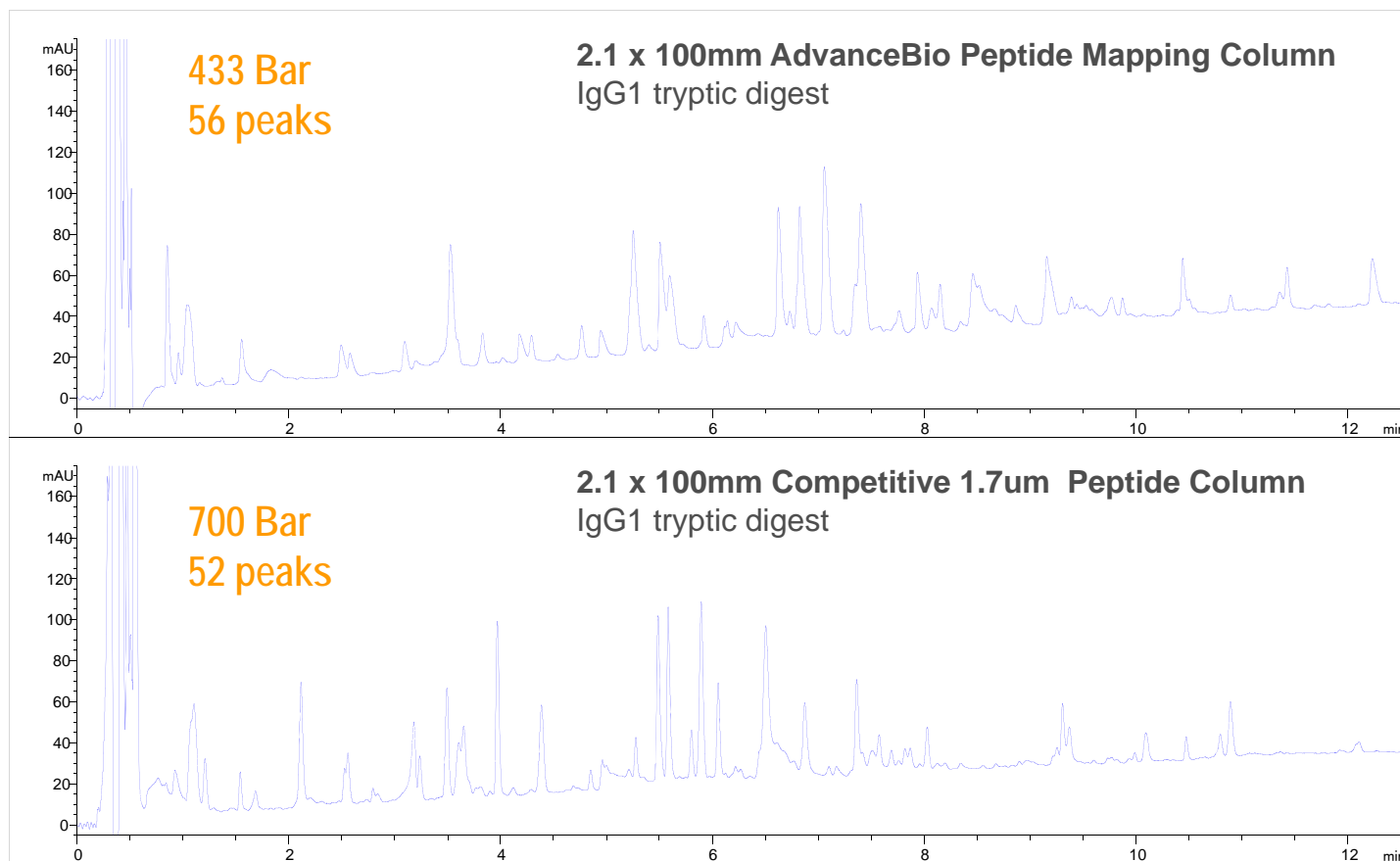
# Achieving UHPLC-like Speed and Peptide Mapping Performance at HPLC Operating Conditions





# Competitive UHPLC Peptide Column Comparison

Delivering UHPLC-type Speed and Separation Performance under HPLC Operation



**Mobile phase A:**  
water (0.1%FA)  
**Mobile phase B:**  
90% ACN (0.1%FA)

**Inj.:** 15uL  
**Flow:** 0.6 ml/min  
**Temp.:** 40 °C

**Gradient (14min.)**

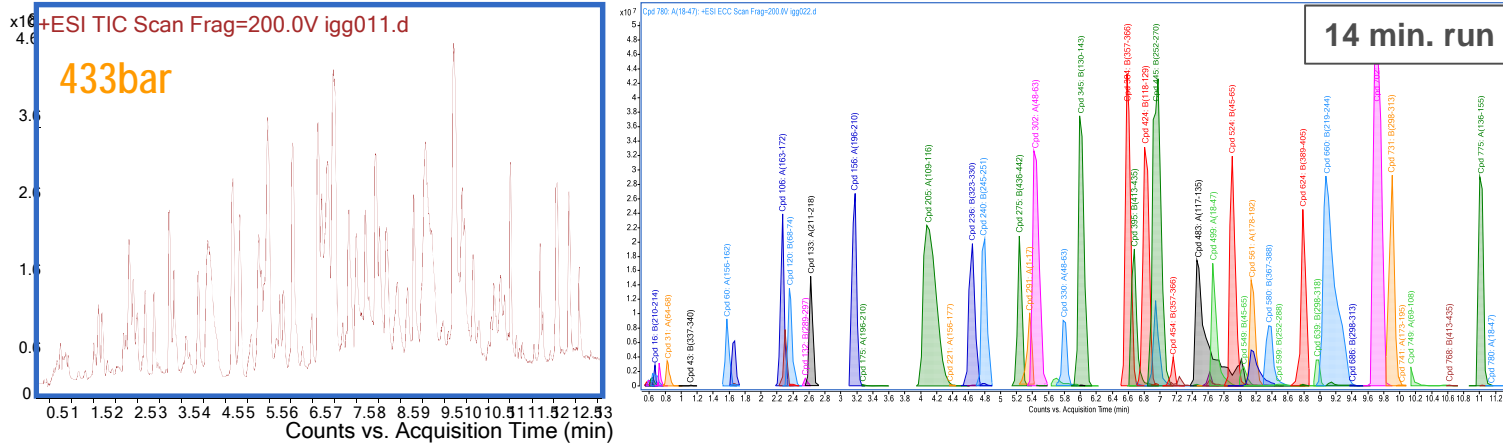
<u>Time(min.)</u>	<u>%B</u>
0	3
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12	90
14	90

**LC/MS:**  
Agilent 1290 coupled to  
6530 QTOF

# TOP Competitor UHPLC Peptide Column Comparison

## Mass Spec BioCharacterization Performance: UHPLC vs HPLC

### 2.1 x 100mm AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column, IgG1 tryptic digest



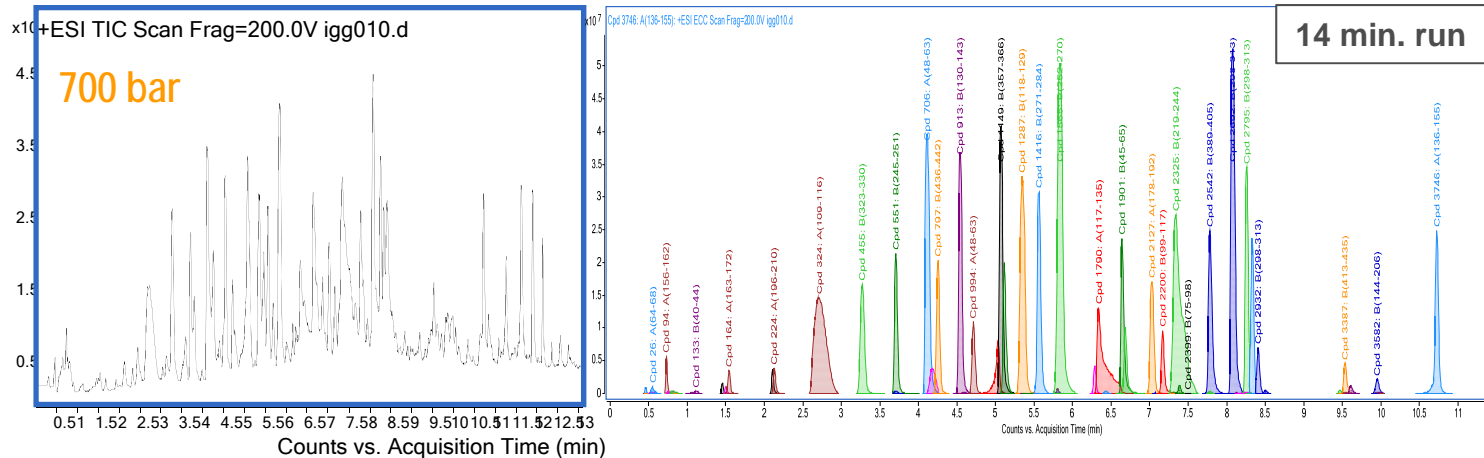
### HPLC Results

Tryptic peptides i.d:  
76 peptides

Sequence coverage.:  
99.63%

LC Pressure:  
433 bar

### 2.1 x 100mm Waters 1.7um CSH Peptide Column, IgG1 tryptic digest



### UHPLC Results

Tryptic peptides i.d:  
76 peptides

Sequence coverage.:  
99.00%

LC Pressure:  
700 bar

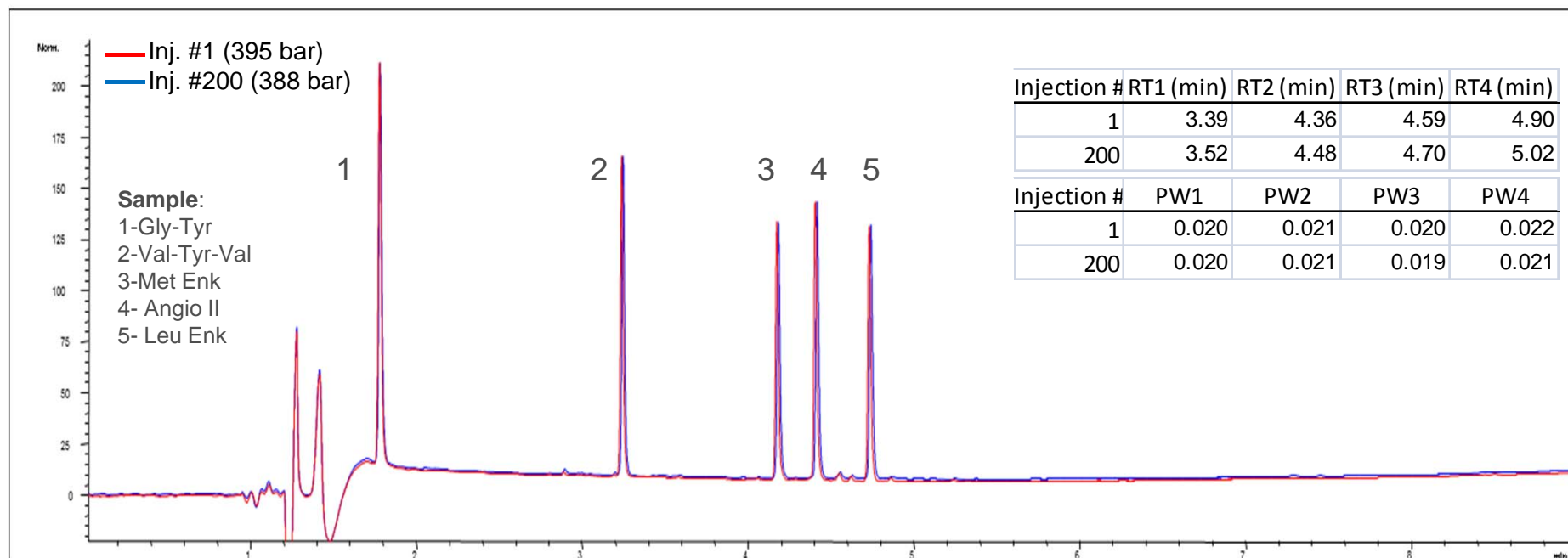


# ROBUSTNESS



## pH stability (phase)

200 repeated injections at pH 2.2 at 55C – continuous HPLC operation for 2.5 days



**Column dim.:** 2.1 x 250mm

**Conditions:** flow: 0.50ml/min., inj: 1uL, Temp: 55C, det:220nm,

**Mobile phase:** A-water (0.1%TFA), B- ACN (0.08%TFA)

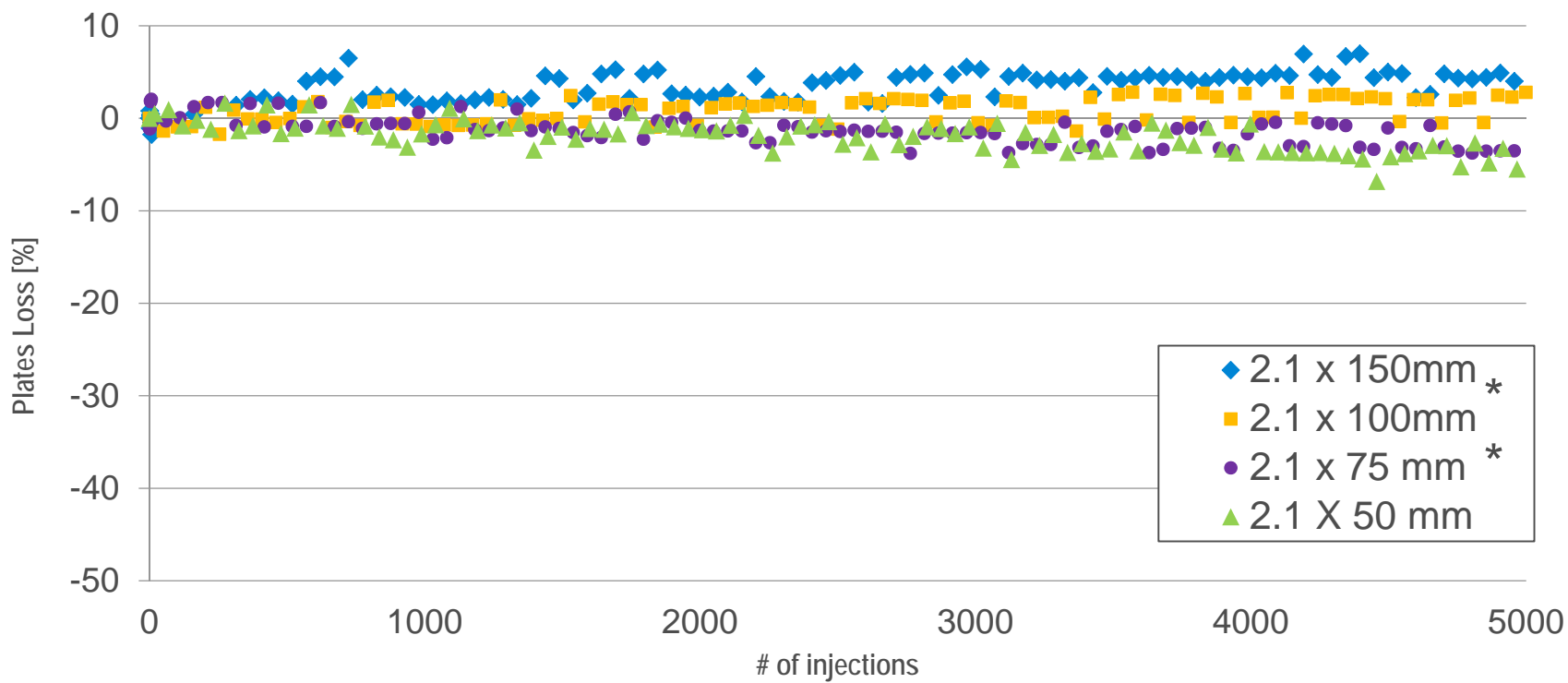
**Gradient:** 0-8min ,10-60%B; 8.1-9min, hold 95%B, re-equilibration time: 8 mins

**Instrument:** Agilent 1260 Bio-Inert



## Column Lifetime Efficiency (packed bed stability)

Lifetime: 5000 Injections at 550bar



**Conditions:** flow: varied for column length., inj: 1uL, Temp: 25C, det:280nm, isocratic run

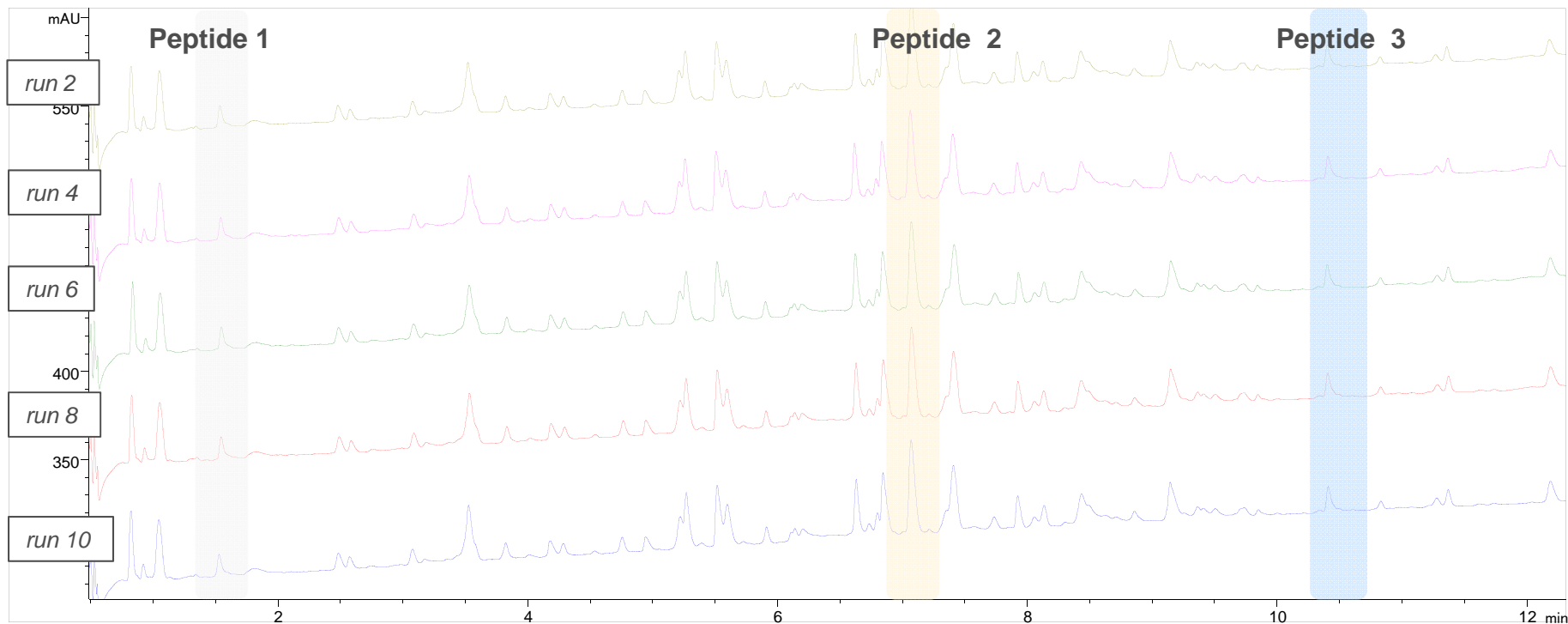
**Mobile phase:** 70%-water, 30%- MeOH, **Sample probe:** Napthalene

**Instrument:** Agilent 1200

\* stocked part #

# Rapid LC/MS IgG Tryptic Digest Peptide Mapping Reproducibility

10 Consecutive IgG injections on a 2.1 x 150mm AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column



Retention Time 1 hydrophilic		Peptide 1 Peak Area		Retention Time 2 Mid hydrophobic		Peptide 2 Peak Area		Retention Time 3 High hydrophobic		Peptide 3 Peak Area	
Mean (min)	% RSD	Mean (mAU/s)	% RSD	Mean (min)	% RSD	Mean (mAU/s)	% RSD	Mean (min)	% RSD	Mean (mAU/s)	% RSD
1.54	0.51	38.46	3.77	7.06	0.06	172.74	2.62	10.41	0.04	38.460	8.65

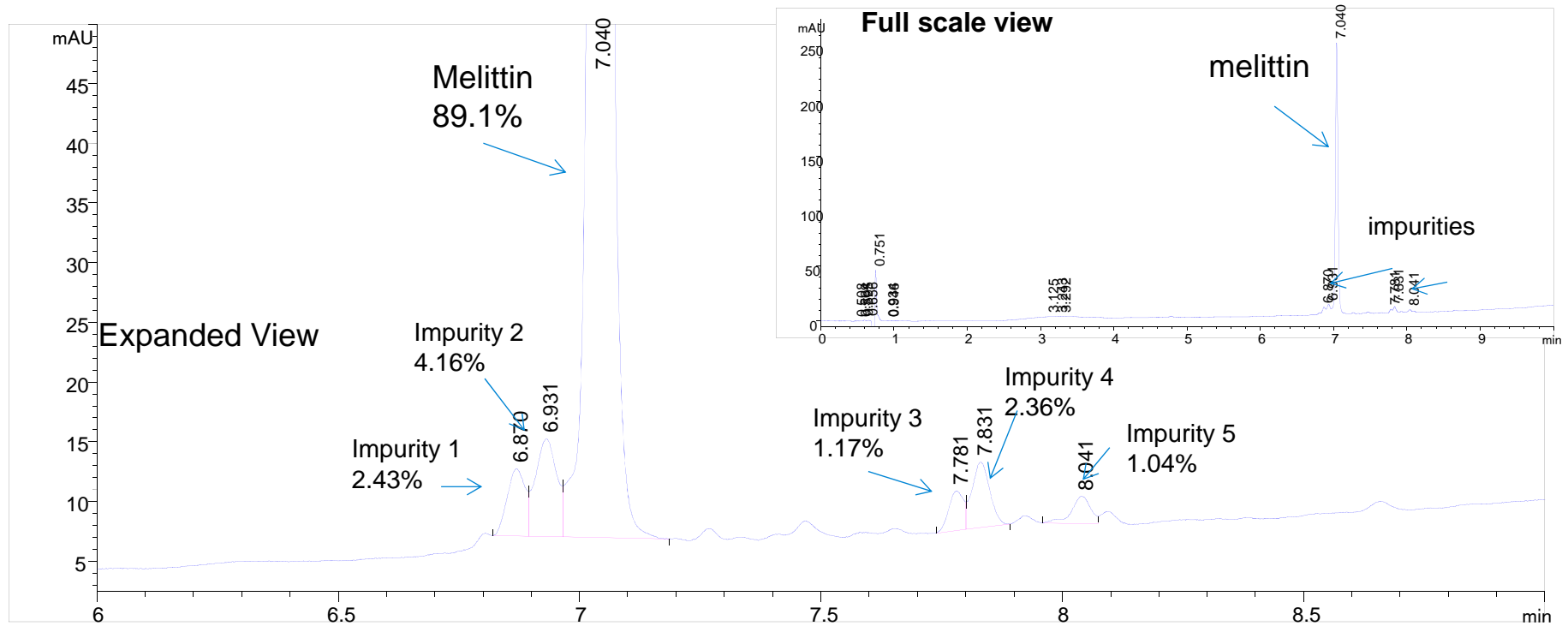


## CAN THIS COLUMN BE USED FOR OTHER PEPTIDE APPLICATIONS?



# Quantitative Peptide Analysis

## Melittin Analysis

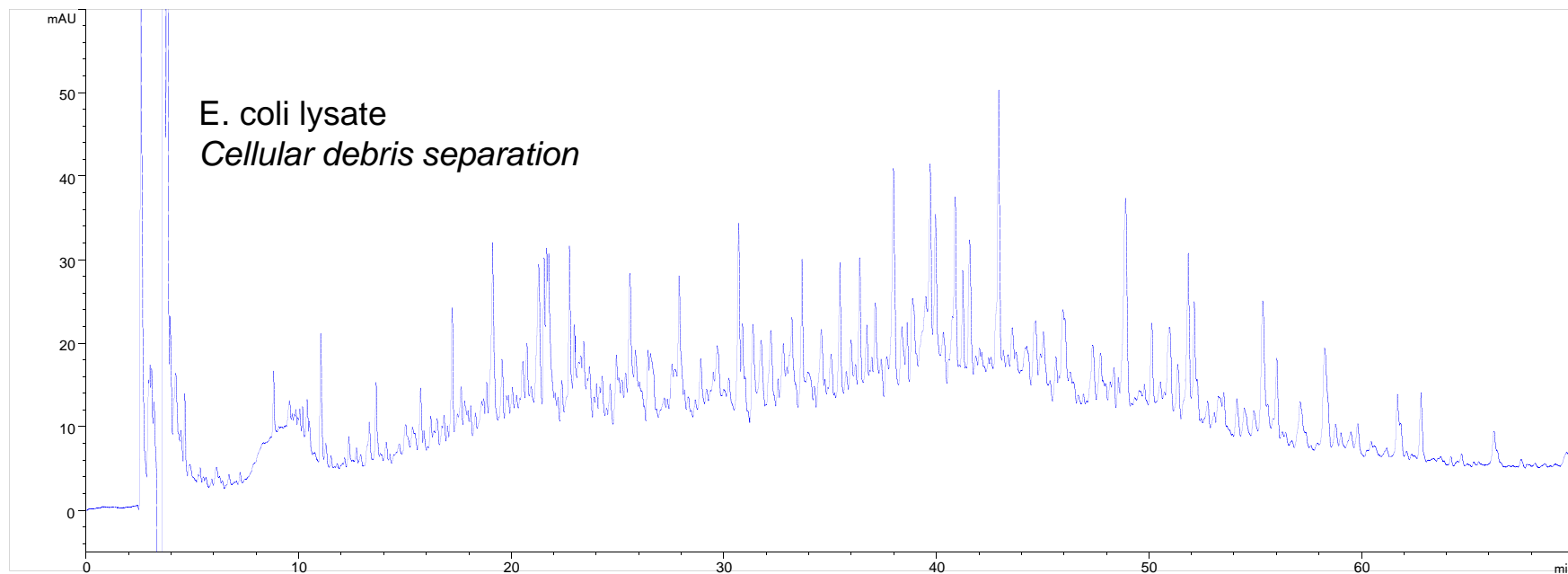


Melittin from bee honey (sigma) separated on a 2.1 x 150mm AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column  
Mobile phase: A-water (0.1%TFA), B- ACN (0.08%TFA), temp: 55C, Flow: 0.50mL/min

- Delivers excellent resolving power, sensitivity and selectivity for peptide impurity profiling
- Increased flow rate capability maintains resolution and increase analysis times while column back pressures remain below 500 bar .



## Complex Peptide Mixtures and Small Proteins



**E. Coli lysate separated on a 2.1 x 250mm AdvanceBio Pptide Mapping Column**  
**Mobile phase: A-water (0.1%TFA), B- ACN (0.08%TFA), temp: 65C, Flow: 0.25mL/min**

- Provides compatibility with TFA and Formic acid mobile phases for LC/MS analyses
- Delivers a wide range of separation capability to selectively and efficiently resolve peptides and small proteins with high resolution.



# AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column

## Summary:

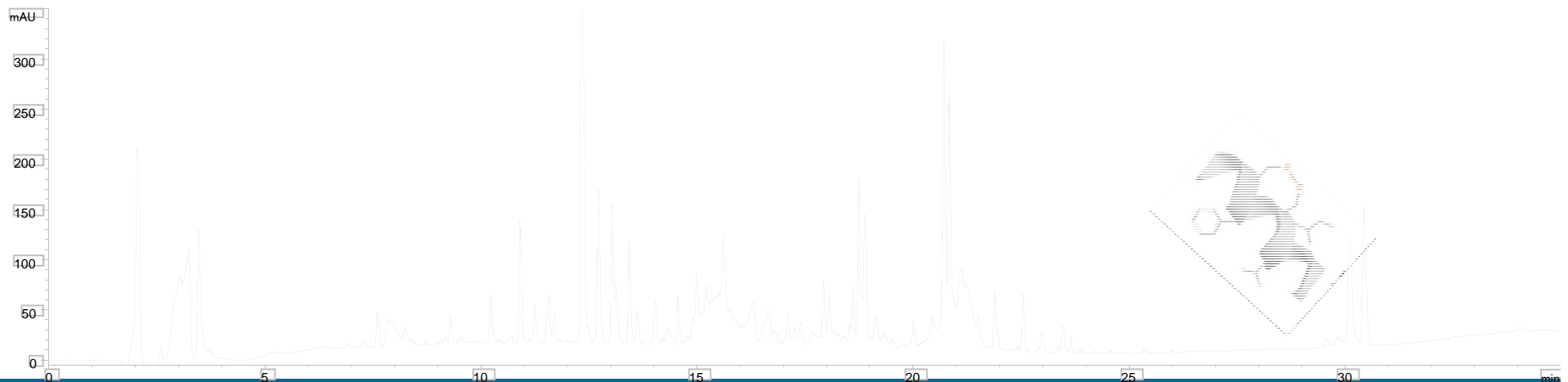
Peptide Mapping Separation Performance does not deteriorate when gradients are shortened and run times decreased

Critical PTM information is conserved with reduced LC/MS analysis times

Higher Sequence Coverage during rapid analysis in comparison to competitive Peptide column

UHPLC like speed and performance was achieved at traditional HPLC pressures and in comparison to competitive uHPLC Peptide Column.

High run to run reproducibility achieved on a complex biological





# AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column *Literature & Reference Materials*

## Agilent Peptide Mapping "How-To" Guide

Features AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column and How-to techniques/methods. **pub# 5991-2348EN**

## Agilent Biocolumns Selection Guide:

AdvanceBio Peptide Mapping Column configurations, part #s, etc

## 4 Application Notes (Martosella et. al.)

Glycoprotein EPO mapping

(1) **pub# 5991-2085EN**

(2) **pub# 5991-1813EN**

IgG1 mapping

(1) **pub# 5991-3585EN**

(2) **in-print**



# Thank you!

## QUESTIONS?

