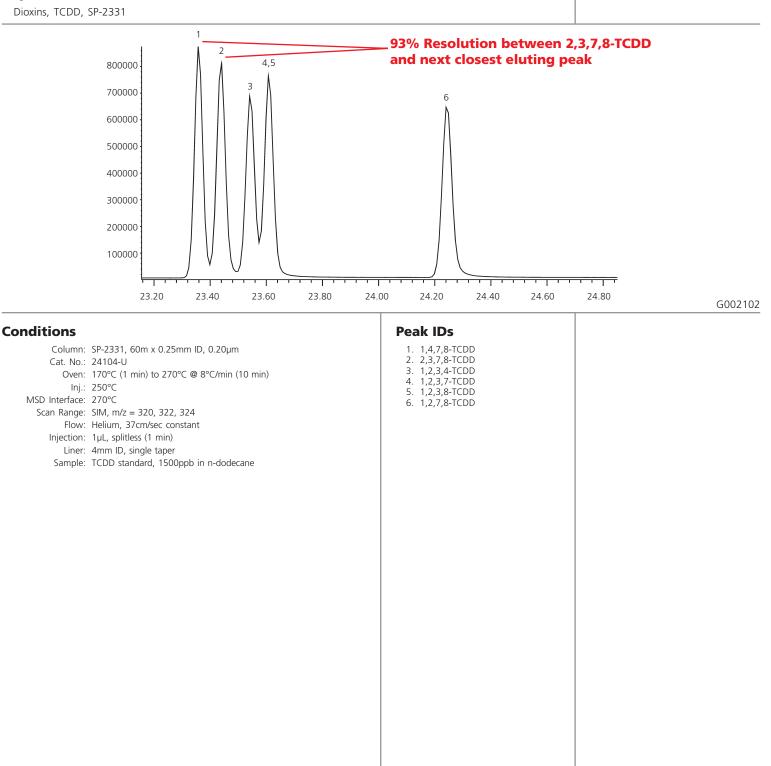
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## **TCDD** Isomers on the SP-2331

Dioxins are byproducts of several different industrial processes, including incineration and paper bleaching. The toxicity of several of these compounds has made their analysis in environmental samples increasingly important. The most toxic of these compounds is 2,3,7,8-Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD). To confirm the presence of this compound in environmental samples it is often necessary to use a capillary GC column capable of separating it from other tetrachlorinated isomers. The SP-2331 is a highly polar cyanosilicone phase capillary column that offers the selectivity necessary to provide this isomer specificity. Each column is specifically tested using the mix shown in this application. In this application, 93% resolution was achieved between 2,3,7,8-TCDD and the next closest eluting isomer 1,4,7,8-TCDD.

## **Key Words**



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