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## *Thermo Accela UHPLC*

### TWO SYSTEMS IN ONE— CONVENTIONAL ANALYTICAL HPLC AND U-HPLC AT 15,000 psi

Sample analysis is now faster, easier, and more reliable. The innovative Thermo Scientific Accela LC system performs separations over an expansive range of flow rates and pressures—all with a single instrument.

Accela is designed to optimize performance of sub-two micron particle columns. It provides seamless operation spanning conventional LC pressures from short LC columns, up to 15,000 psi for long-column separations of complex mixtures. Accela features a unique quaternary pump with only 65 microliters of delay volume, assuring rapid transfer of even the most complex gradients from the pump to the column.

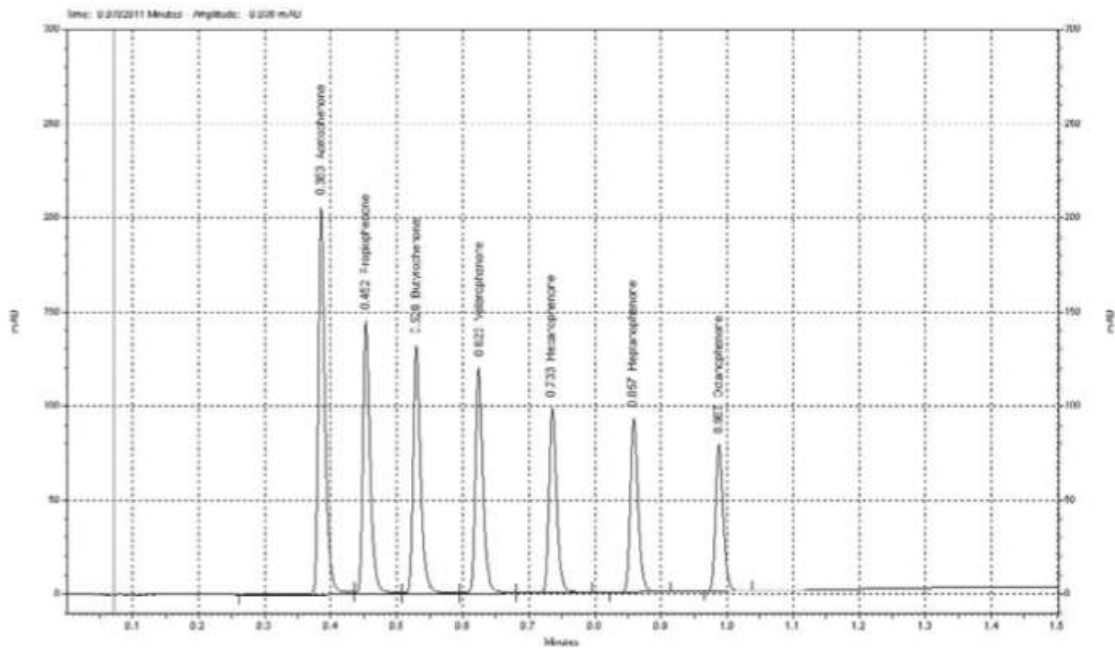
The autosampler integrates isothermal injection and separation to provide superior reproducibility by eliminating virtually all external environmental influences to the chromatography.

The “Total Temperature Management” system ensures the mobile phase, sample loop, injection valve, column and samples remain at the same consistent temperature providing maximum retention reproducibility. The photo diode array provides the highest sensitivity available with our patented LightPipe™ technology. Accela, coupled with sub-two micron particle columns, provides fast, controlled separations with high efficiency and resolution, accelerating LC and LC/MS applications.

**Maximize sensitivity and resolution for high speed, high throughput applications.**

Accela LC uses Hypersil GOLD™ small particle technology to achieve sharper, narrower chromatographic peaks with increased efficiency and throughput. Our patented LightPipe™ technology further increases data quality by providing five times the sensitivity of conventional photodiode array detectors. The fiber optic beam shaper technology in the Accela PDA collects and focuses the transmitted light from the lightpipe, maximizing resolution without light-reducing slits.

**The Accela High Speed LC system produces fast separations with excellent sensitivity and resolution. Illustrated below, seven phenones elute in less than 1 minute with a Hypersil GOLD 1.9 µm column using PDA detection.**



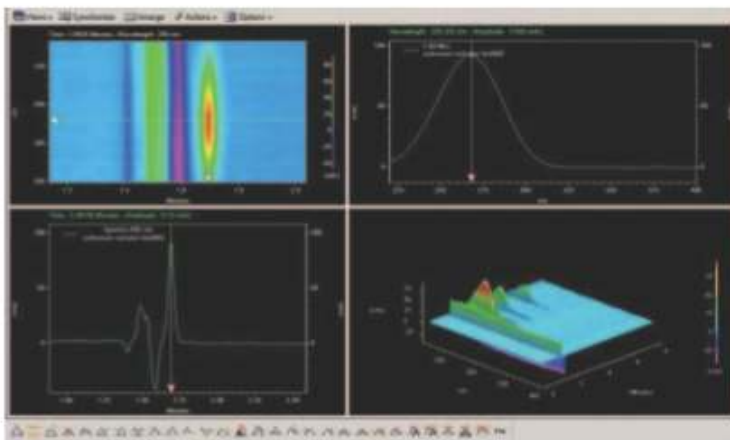
**Column:** Hypersil GOLD 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$ , 100 x 2.1 mm  
**Flow rate:** 1000  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
**Mobile phase:** A-- $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ; B-- $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$   
**Gradient:**

Time (min)	%B
0	65
1.0	95
1.5	95

**Temperature:** 40  $^\circ\text{C}$   
**Detection:** Photo Diode Array  
**Pressure:** 9,000 psi (620 bar)

Solute	N (plates/m)	Peak width (s)
Acetophenone	72677	1.08
Propiophenone	83369	1.16
Butyrophenone	110000	1.21
Valerophenone	145216	1.24
Hexanophenone	191286	1.26
Heptanophenone	252406	1.30
Octanophenone	334688	1.30

Use the Thermo Scientific ChromQuest™ Chromatography Data System (CDS) or Xcalibur™ Mass Spectrometry Data System to fully control Accela for LC or LC/MS applications. These advanced data systems ensure complete control of Accela instrument operation, data acquisition, comprehensive data analysis and reporting. Whether Accela is used as a stand-alone LC or as part of a tightly integrated LC/MS system, our comprehensive software solutions provide complete automation and data handling.



Accela's Photo Diode Array (PDA) detector provides the ideal LC detection for high speed chromatography performance. ChromQuest software can effectively collect all Accela PDA data and provide a variety of valuable data representation to assist in interpreting and analyzing the data.

Accela LC accelerates the capabilities of the world's fastest ion traps with reduced run times and increased sensitivity.

- Accela maximizes metabolic application flexibility by accommodating the back pressures of many different column lengths

Industry-leading MS/MS cycle speed provides more data in less time

Intelligent precursor ion selection with automated Data Dependent™ MS<sup>n</sup>

Provides data on targeted and unpredicted analytes

Accela routinely provides peak widths of one second and shorter (FWHM), which challenges the scan speeds and duty cycles of many mass spectrometers. Thermo Scientific's industry-leading linear ion trap mass spectrometry technology provides maximum data for even the sharpest chromatographic peaks without compromising data quality.

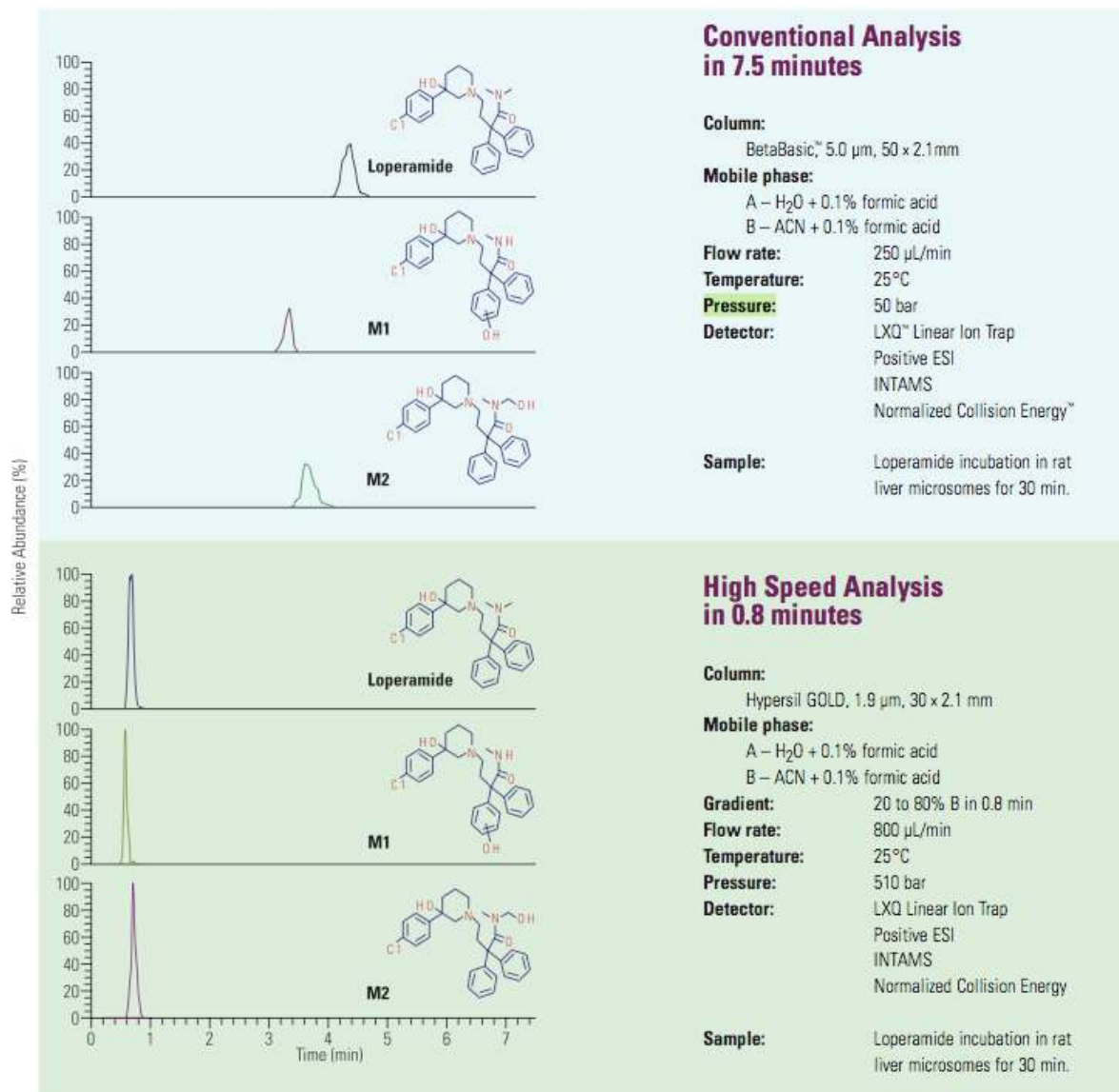
#### **LTQ XL™ High Performance Linear Ion Trap MS**

Powerful new tools generate extensive structural information for the most demanding proteomics and metabolism applications.

### Optimize the efficiency of MS<sup>n</sup> identification.

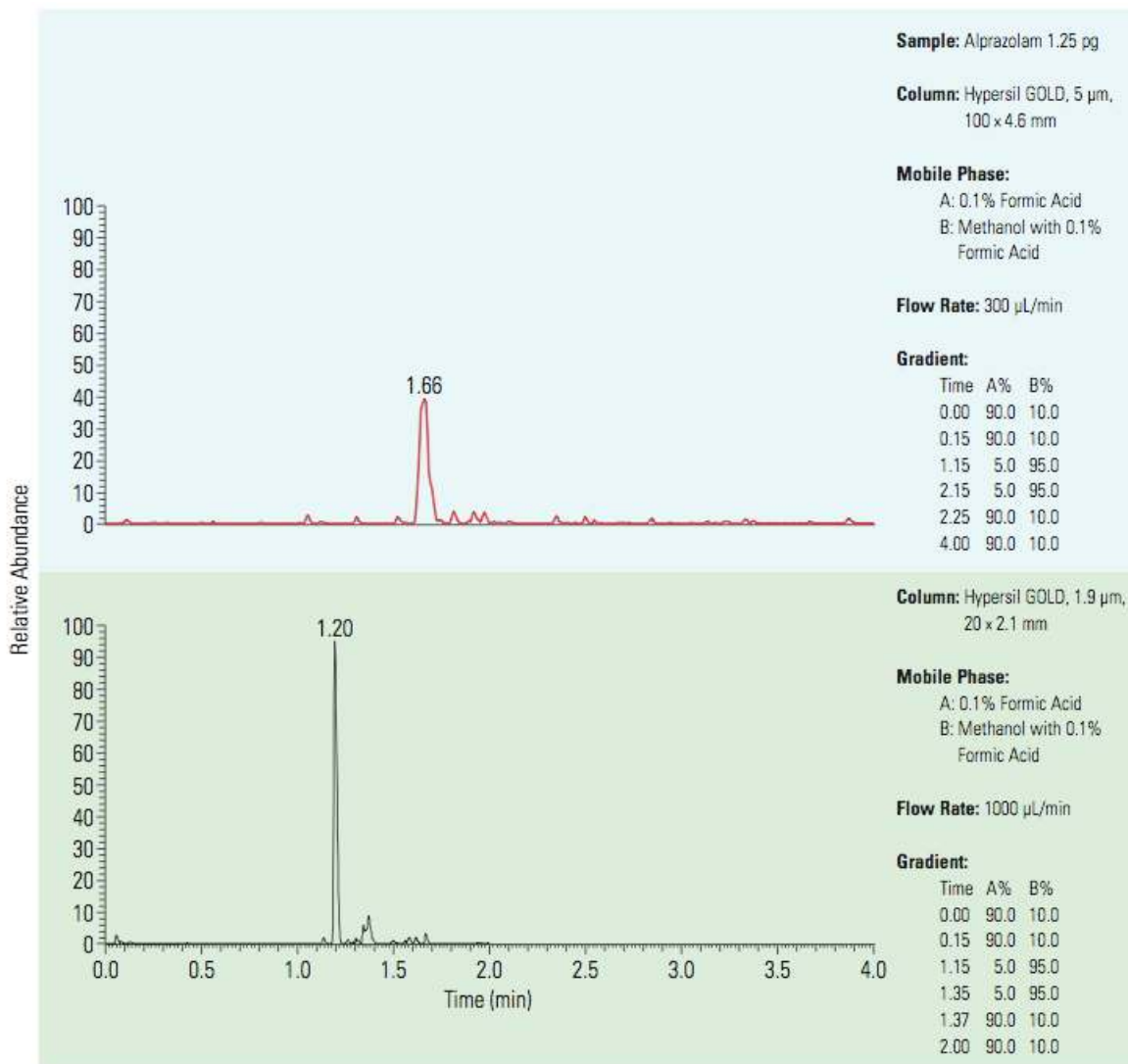
Accela is designed to optimize the efficiency of separation in the column regardless of column length. Whether short columns for targeted analysis, or long columns for complex mixtures, Accela easily handles the resulting backpressure, allowing you to work at optimal column flow rates using a variety of column lengths. Coupling Accela to a linear ion trap mass spectrometer provides fast, accurate MS<sup>n</sup> data of the most complex metabolic compounds and products.

**Qualitative metabolite identification provides unique challenges in sample complexity. Samples can range from several targeted analytes to thousands of unknowns. The conventional separation was accelerated from 7.5 minutes to 48 seconds with an increase in sensitivity of 8× and increase in speed of nearly 9×.**



Accela, coupled to Thermo Scientific’s quadrupole mass spectrometers provides sensitivity, specificity, and speed in quantitation.

The exceptional separation efficiency of Accela with Hypersil GOLD columns greatly enhances both speed and sensitivity of quantitation for high throughput analysis. The high chromatographic efficiencies of 1.9 µm Hypersil GOLD columns focus peaks into narrow bands providing enhanced signal to noise. Additionally, by separating the analyte from the matrix, charge competition in the API source is reduced, increasing ionization efficiency resulting in increased sensitivity.

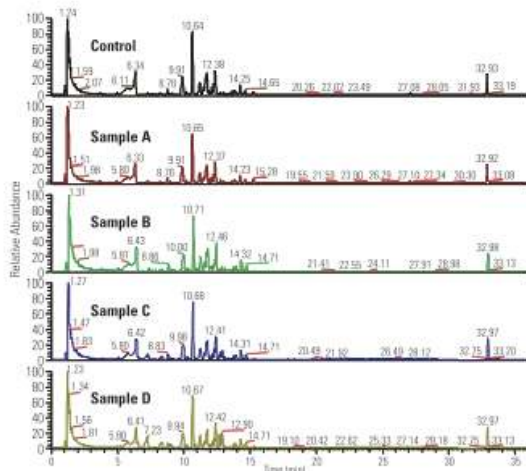


- Accurate mass capability for molecular weight related and MS/MS fragment signals
- Parallel scanning capability(Data DependentMS/MS on the LTQ while acquiring accurate mass MS in the Orbitrap)
- Very high mass resolution capability(>100,000 FWHM atm/z400) for separation of nominal mass signals

High speed chromatography provides an additional degree of separation to the LTQ Orbitrap™ with the benefit of sharp chromatography enhancing the dynamic range of even the most complex separations.

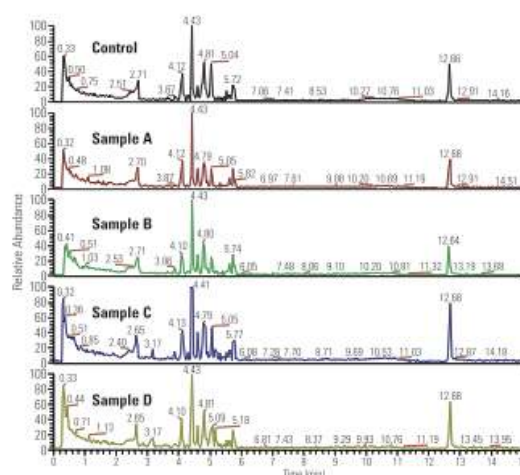
The inherent complexity of metabolic mixtures employs chromatographic and accurate mass separation techniques to provide structural information of individual components. The broad range of chemistries often requires multiple injections with different chromatographic or ionization conditions using long columns to achieve adequate separation, taking hours to complete. By coupling the Accela hyperbaric LC with the LTQ Orbitrap™, fast separations are easily achieved on long columns providing sharper peaks while greatly reducing run times.

In the analysis below, four urine samples were spiked with a drug mixture of primidones, opiates, and amphetamines. When the LTQ Orbitrap is coupled with the Accela LC and a 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$  Hypersil GOLD column, the run time is reduced by 20 minutes (from 33 to 13 minutes), providing a time savings with increased sensitivity and resolution.



**Conventional LC/MS in 33 minutes**

Column: Hypersil GOLD, 5  $\mu\text{m}$ , 100  $\times$  2.1 mm  
Flow Rate: 600  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$



**High Speed LC/MS in 13 minutes**

Column: Hypersil GOLD, 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$ , 50  $\times$  2.1 mm  
Flow Rate: 250  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$

Maximize separation efficiency with the ability to select the ideal column for your application.

Accela hyperbaric LC is designed to work from conventional to ultra-high pressures, maximizing the advantage of the superior efficiency and peak shape of the Hypersil GOLD column regardless of length. High speed separations of relatively simple mixtures using ballistic gradients are easily achieved using shorter columns. These columns generate very low backpressures easily handled by Accela. More complex separations like those often found in metabolite and biomarker analysis require longer columns for efficient separation of thousands of compounds. These columns generate high backpressures that are just as easily handled by Accela. Accela is designed to provide optimum performance from the column, period. Forget about the pressure. Select the ideal column for your analytical challenge and maximize the efficiency with Accela.

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Column: 50 x 2.1 mm, 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$   
Flow rate: 1000  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
 $t_{\text{g}}$  = 0.4 min; Temp.: 60  $^{\circ}\text{C}$



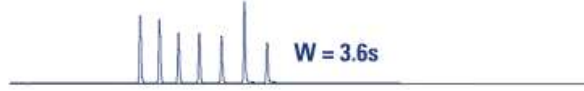
Column: 50 x 2.1 mm, 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$   
Flow rate: 1000  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
 $t_{\text{g}}$  = 0.4 min



Column: 100 x 2.1 mm, 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$   
Flow rate: 1000  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
 $t_{\text{g}}$  = 0.7 min



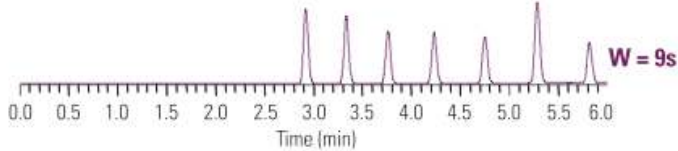
Column: 200 x 2.1 mm, 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$   
Flow rate: 600  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
 $t_{\text{g}}$  = 1.5 min



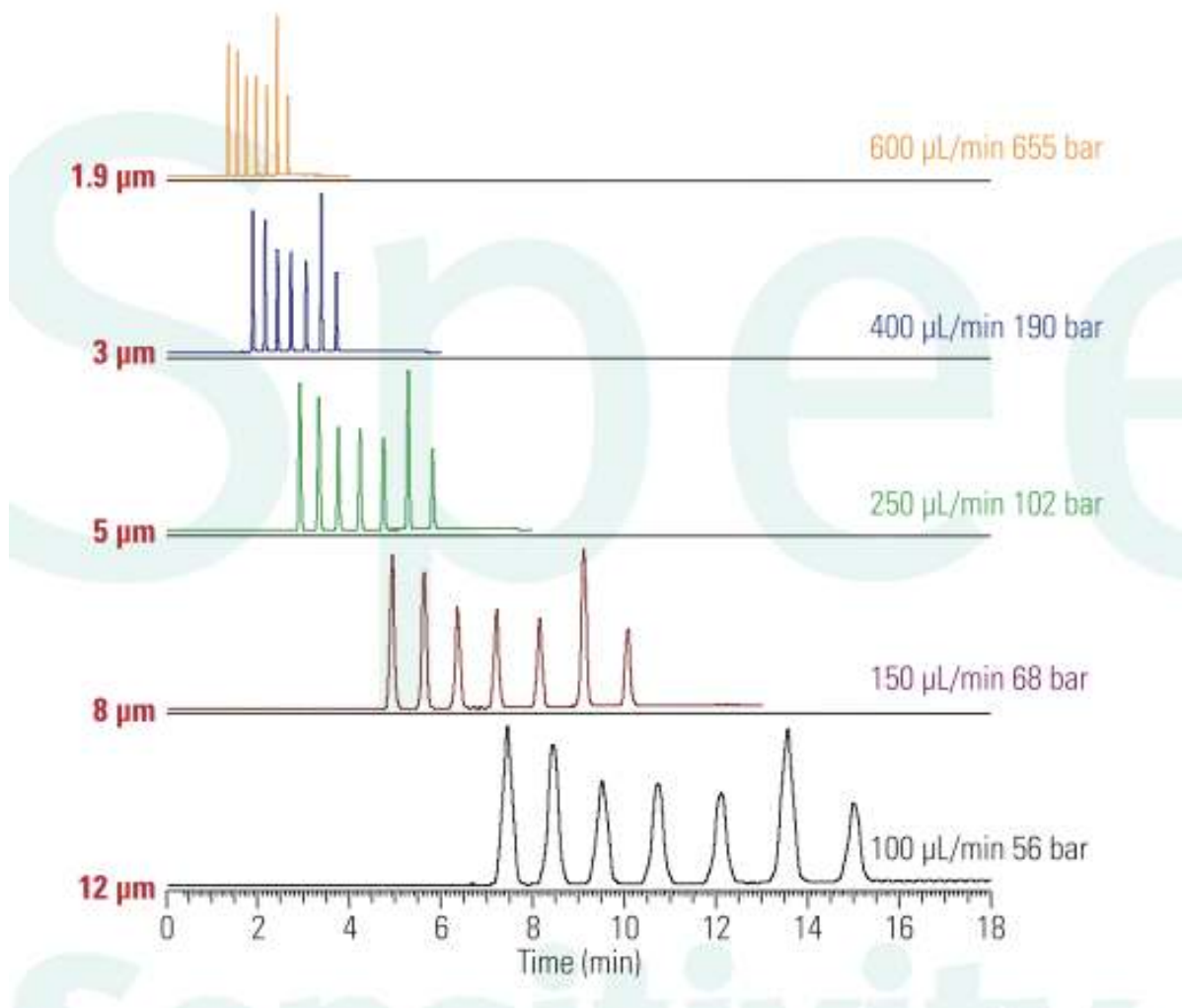
Column: 200 x 2.1 mm, 3  $\mu\text{m}$   
Flow rate: 400  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
 $t_{\text{g}}$  = 2.3 min



Column: 200 x 2.1 mm, 5  $\mu\text{m}$   
Flow rate: 250  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$   
 $t_{\text{g}}$  = 3.5 min



Columns: Hypersil GOLD  
Mobile phase: A -  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ; B - ACN  
Gradient: 65 to 95%B in  $t_{\text{g}}$   
Temperature: 40  $^{\circ}\text{C}$   
Detection: 247 nm (0.1s rise time)  
Injection volume: 0.2  $\mu\text{L}$   
HPLC System: Accela  
Analytes:  
Acetophenone  
Propiophenone  
Butyrophenone  
Valerophenone  
Hexanophenone  
Heptanophenone  
Octanophenone



### *Thermo Accela Autosampler*

The Accela High Speed Autosampler's optimized sample pathway ensures fast chromatographic separations. Complete temperature management enables the user to control the temperature of the sample, mobile phase, injector valve, and column, providing maximum reproducibility.

- Optimized for high-throughput applications and sub two micron column particles
- Isothermal injection and separation
- Multiple sample formats with 200 vials or 3 multi-well plates
- Specialized diamond coated high pressure valve
- Easy access with door mounted syringe

#### Isothermal Injection and Separation

The integrated temperature controlled column and valve compartment provides complete temperature control for superior separation efficiency and reproducibility. The 3  $\mu\text{L}$  mobile phase preheater quickly and efficiently heats the mobile phase to the same temperature as the sample and column, 5–95°C selectable in 1°C increments. This



temperature compartment enables the mobile phase and the sample to stay at one consistent temperature, eliminating all external environmental influences to the chromatography.

### Maximum Flexibility

The flexibility of the Accela Autosampler is maximized with the ability to accommodate multiple sample formats and multiple injection modes. This autosampler holds 200 standard 1.8 mL sample vials or three 96- or 384-well plates allowing a maximum of 1,152 samples. Multiple injection modes provide the user the flexibility to choose the best injection mode for their sample and method. Full loop injection mode delivers a sample that is commensurate with the sample loop. Partial loop injection mode enables the user to choose the exact amount of sample to deliver. No waste injection mode preserves limited sample by enabling the user to inject 1  $\mu$ L from as small as 5  $\mu$ L of sample. The Accela Autosampler's uniquely designed door mounted syringe provides easy access to the sample vials, wash station, and needle. The column holder enables one-handed column placement, providing fast and easy exchange of columns. This easy-to-use column holder allows for multiple column lengths and diameters.

### Sample Temperature Control

The Accela Autosampler provides integrated sample temperature control for a stable and uniform sampling environment. Method optimization is maximized with the ability to heat or cool the samples, 0–60°C selectable in 1°C increments. Integrated temperature management minimizes the effects of ambient temperature fluctuations.

### Specifications

#### **Vial Capacity**

200 vials with tray temperature control  
Three 96- or 384-well plates

#### **Variable Volume**

Injection Precision: 1.0% RSD at 5  $\mu$ L and higher

Minimum Sample Volume: 1  $\mu$ L can be injected from a 5  $\mu$ L sample

Injection Volume: 25  $\mu$ L loop standard, up to 1000  $\mu$ L injections with larger loops and syringe

#### **Sample Carryover**

< .005% with UV detection (254 nm) and a 1 mL 100% MeOH needle wash

#### **Needle Height**

Programmable in 0.1 mm increments.  
Active vial bottom search selectable on/off

#### **Column Oven**

5–95°C  $\pm$ 0.5°C selectable in 1°C increments

**Tray Temperature Control**

0–60 °C ±0.5°C selectable in 1°C increments

**Communications**

Remote Inputs: Pump Ready and Inject Hold

Remote Outputs: Pump Stop, Autosampler

Ready, Inject, and Gradient Start

4 Timed Events

**Remote Controls**

Ethernet interface for PC-based software control

**Sample Preparation**

Capacity for four 15 mL reagent vials for flushing, washing, sample dilution, and/or reagents for sample derivatization

**Ambient Environment**

10–40 °C, 5–95% relative humidity, non condensing

**Operating Temperature**

10 °C to 40 °C

**Dimensions**

37×36 ×50 cm (H ×W ×D)

**Weight**

30 kg

**Power Requirements**

100/120/220/240 Vac nominal;

550 VA, 50/60 Hz

**Product Certification**

EMC

CE

TUV-C/US

FCC (EMI)

**Ordering Information****Part Number Description**

60057-60030 Accela LC System

60057-60040 Accela PDA with 1 cm LightPipe™ flow cell

60057-60050 Accela PDA with 5 cm LightPipe flow cell

60057-60060 Accela System Kit

60057-60070 Hypersil GOLD™, 50 ×2.1 mm, 1.9 μm column

## *Thermo Accela Pump*

The Accela High Speed Pump provides rapid and reproducible transfer of even the most complex and aggressive gradients. This quaternary pump is capable of handling pressures up to 15,000 psi with a delay volume of only 65  $\mu\text{L}$ , enabling high speed chromatographic separations.

- 65  $\mu\text{L}$  delay volume ensures high speed separations
- Integrated, self-adjusting vacuum degasser assures reproducibility
- Two LC systems in one, spanning from standard LC pressures up to 15,000 psi
- Optimizes the performance of sub-two micron particle columns

### High Speed Solvent Delivery

The Accela Pump is designed for high speed chromatographic separations. With a delay volume of only 65  $\mu\text{L}$ , the pump ensures rapid transfer of complex gradients to the column. Accela provides the flexibility of quaternary solvent delivery with better performance than a binary pump. Specialized cams provide excellent flow reproducibility over the expansive pressure range, from conventional analytical LC pressures up to 15,000 psi for long- column separations. The Accela pump optimizes the performance of sub-two micron particle columns with the ability to pump precise gradient profiles over the entire pressure range.

### Integrated Vacuum Degassing

The Accela Pump has an integrated, self- adjusting constant vacuum level, membrane degasser that effectively removes dissolved oxygen from the mobile phase. This results in more stable flow rates, accurate gradient composition, low pulsation, and stable baselines.

### Ease of Use

Regular preventive maintenance is simplified with self-aligning piston chambers that ensure a perfect fit every time.

### Specifications

#### **Minimum Flow Rate**

1.0  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$

#### **Maximum Flow Rate**

1000  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$

**Flow Rate Resolution**

0.1  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$

**Pressure Range**

0 to 15,000 psi (0 to 1000 bar)

**Pressure Resolution**

0.15 psi (0.01 bar)

**Solvent Capacity**

Quaternary valve system

**Delay Volume**

65  $\mu\text{L}$

**Compositional Accuracy**

$\pm 1\%$  at a flow rate of 25–500  $\mu\text{L}/\text{min}$

**Primary Piston Volume**

24  $\mu\text{L}$

**Degasser Type**

Integral, self-adjusting, 4 channel vacuum membrane (Teflon®AF)

**Degasser Hold Volume**

< 500  $\mu\text{L}$  per channel

**Pulse Dampener**

3  $\mu\text{L}$ , dynamic

**Wetted Parts**

316SS, titanium, PEEK™, sapphire, TZP-ceramic, FEP, GFP, ruby

**Remote Controls**

Start, USB interface for software control

**Ambient Environment**

10–40 °C, 40–80% relative humidity, non-condensing

**Operating Temperature**

10 °C to 40 °C

**Dimensions**

18 × 36 × 47 cm (H × W × D)

**Weight**

12 kg

**Power Requirements**

100/120 Vac, 220/240 Vac nominal;  
500 VA max, 50 to 60 Hz

**Product Certification**

EMC

CE

TUV-C/US

FCC (EM)

**Software Control**

The Accela Pump can be controlled as a component of the Accela High Speed LC by either the Thermo Scientific ChromQuest™ Chromatography Data System or the Xcalibur™ Mass Spectrometry Data System. Both software solutions provide computer control of the pump to ensure automated data handling of the high speed system.

## *Thermo Accela PDA*

The Accela High Speed PDA Detector uses Thermo's patented LightPipe technology to ensure fast chromatographic separations with photo diode array detection.

- Patented LightPipe technology for highest sensitivity
- Specialized 1 cm path length, 2 µL LightPipe flowcell for fast separations
- Fiber-optic beam shaper provides maximum peak resolution
- Easy maintenance with integrated wavelength validation

**High Speed Sample Detection**

The Accela PDA is optimized for the detection of high speed chromatographic separations. The short 1 cm path length, combined with the incredibly minimized cell volume of 2 µL, renders this LightPipe flowcell as the premium choice for fast separations. The extremely low level of dispersion in the LightPipe enables the flowcell to retain the excellent peak shape and chromatographic resolution from the column.

The innovative fiber-optic beam shaper converts the circular beam of light exiting the flowcell into a vertical beam, emulating a slit while providing nearly 100% light throughput to the diodes. The maximization of the light throughput ensures the highest spectral resolution.

The combination of the patented LightPipe technology with the fiber-optic beam shaper provides the high sensitivity and resolution needed for high speed chromatographic applications.

## EasyMaintenance

The Accela PDA has an integrated holmium oxide solution-filled cuvette for validating wavelength accuracy. This holmium oxide in perchloric acid solution is immensely advantageous to the solid holmium oxide filters used by most manufacturers, because it provides wavelength verification across the entire spectral range.

## Specifications

### **Wavelength Range**

190–800 nm at 1 nm increment

### **Wavelength Accuracy**

±1 nm at 254 nm and 640 nm

### **Wavelength Calibration**

Using Holmium oxide solution

### **Wavelength Resolution**

1.2 nm (512 pixel array)

### **Absorbance Non-Linearity**

< 5% at 2.0 AU at 256 nm

### **Absorbance Range**

– 2.0 to + 4.0 AU, 20-bit resolution

### **Drift**

< 1 mAU/hr after warm-up at 254 nm at a stable temperature (±1°C)

### **Light Source**

Pre-aligned Deuterium and Tungsten lamps

### **Rise Time**

User selectable: 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1, 2, 5, or 10 sec

### **Scan Rate**

User selectable: 0.5, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10 or 20 Hz

### **Discrete Channels**

Three wavelength selectable channels

### **Short-Term Noise**

< 6 µAU/cm at 254 nm, using a 50 mm LightPipe flow cell

### **Warm-up Time**

90 min required to meet noise and drift specifications

### **Cell Dimensions**

10 mm, 2  $\mu$ L LightPipe flow cell  
50 mm, 10  $\mu$ L LightPipe flow cell

**Cell Pressure Range**

0–1000 psi

**Analog Outputs**

20-bit digital/analog conversion, unattenuated  
at 10 mV/AU, 100 mV/AU, or 1.0 V/AU

**Diodes**

512

**Diode Spacing**

1.2 nm

**Remote Controls**

Ethernet interface for PC-based software control

**Operating Temperature**

10 °C to 30 °C

**Ambient Environment**

10–40 °C, 5–95% relative humidity,  
non condensing

**Dimensions**

18 × 36 × 47 cm (H × W × D)

**Weight**

19.5 kg

**Power Requirements**

100/115 or 230 Vac, 50/60 Hz, 225 VA  
maximum power

**Product Certification**

EMC

CE

TUV-C/US

FCC (EMI)

**Software Control**

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