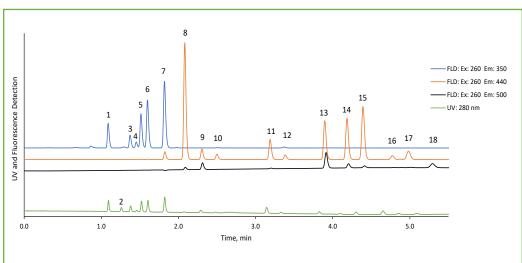


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Separation of PAH Compounds using UV and Fluorescence Detection





TEST CONDITIONS:

Column: HALO 90 Å PAH, 2.7 μm, 4.6 x 50 mm

Part Number: 92844-412 Mobile Phase A: Water

B: Acetonitrile

Gradient: Time %B 0.0 50 4.0 100

5.0 100 6.0 100

Flow Rate: 1.8 mL/min Initial Back Pressure: 256 bar Temperature: Ambient

Detection: FLD: Ex: 260/ Em: 350/440/500

UV: 280 nm

Injection Volume: 0.3 µL Sample Solvent: Methanol LC System: Shimadzu Nexera X2

PEAK IDENTITIES

- 1. Naphthalene
- 2. Acenaphthylene
- 3. 1-methylnaphthalene
- 4. 2-methylnaphthalene
- 5. Acenaphthene
- 6. Fluorene
- 7. Phenanthrene
- 8. Anthracene
- 9. Fluoranthene
- 10. Pyrene
- 11. Benzo[a]anthracene
- 12. Chrysene
- 13. Benzo[b]fluoranthene
- 14. Benzo[k]fluoranthene
- 15. Benzo[a]pyrene
- 16. Dibenzo[a,h]anthracene
- 17. Benzo[g,h,i]perylene
- 18. Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene

Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) are a group of more than 100 chemicals released from the combustion of coal, oil, gasoline, tobacco, and wood. They can also be found in cooked food. PAHs are persistent chemicals and must be closely regulated for early detection/monitoring to minimize hazardous exposure in the environment and/or use of contaminated raw materials in different industries. These compounds can be detected several ways including a UV and/or a fluorescence detector (FLD). A rapid separation of the 16 compounds specified in EPA 610 and an additional 2 PAH compounds that are regularly analyzed is demonstrated using a UV and fluorescence detector. The FLD gain in sensitivity compared to the UV is associated to the advantage of no background for FLD and the ability to select both an excitation and emission wavelength; which can be optimized further with systematically testing the S/N as a function of the detector's gain parameter. Slight retention time and peak width increases for the FLD response are due to the greater tubing volume of this detector.