

Stability of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients Under High Temperature Liquid Chromatography Conditions

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Outline

- Advantages of high temperature HPLC
- What is temperature programmed HPLC?
- Thermal decomposition of analytes
- DCP
- Thermal decomposition of API's
- Conclusions



Faster and More Efficient Separations

- **Speed**
 - Flatter van Deemter curves allow operation at flow rates many times optimal velocity
- **Higher efficiency - better resolution**
 - Increased diffusion rates provide lower plate heights at higher flow rates
 - Lower viscosity and back pressure permits higher flow rates with smaller particle size packings



Better Chromatography with Temperature Gradient Programming

- **Change retention through temperature gradient programming**
 - Replace solvent gradients with temperature gradients
 - Water less polar and more like methanol so less organic modifier needed



The Selerity Polaratherm Total Temperature Controller

- Forced air oven and chiller
- Isothermal and thermal gradient operation
 - Sub-zero to 200°C
 - Flow rates up to 10.0 mL/min
 - Thermal gradient up to 30°C/min
- Mobile phase preheating
- Peltier effluent cooling
- Vapor sensor
- Compatible with any HPLC system



Analysis Conditions for Dicumyl Peroxide

Column: ZirChrom PBD 100 x 4.6 mm

Mobile Phase: 40:60 acetonitrile:water, isocratic

Detection: UV@ 254 nm

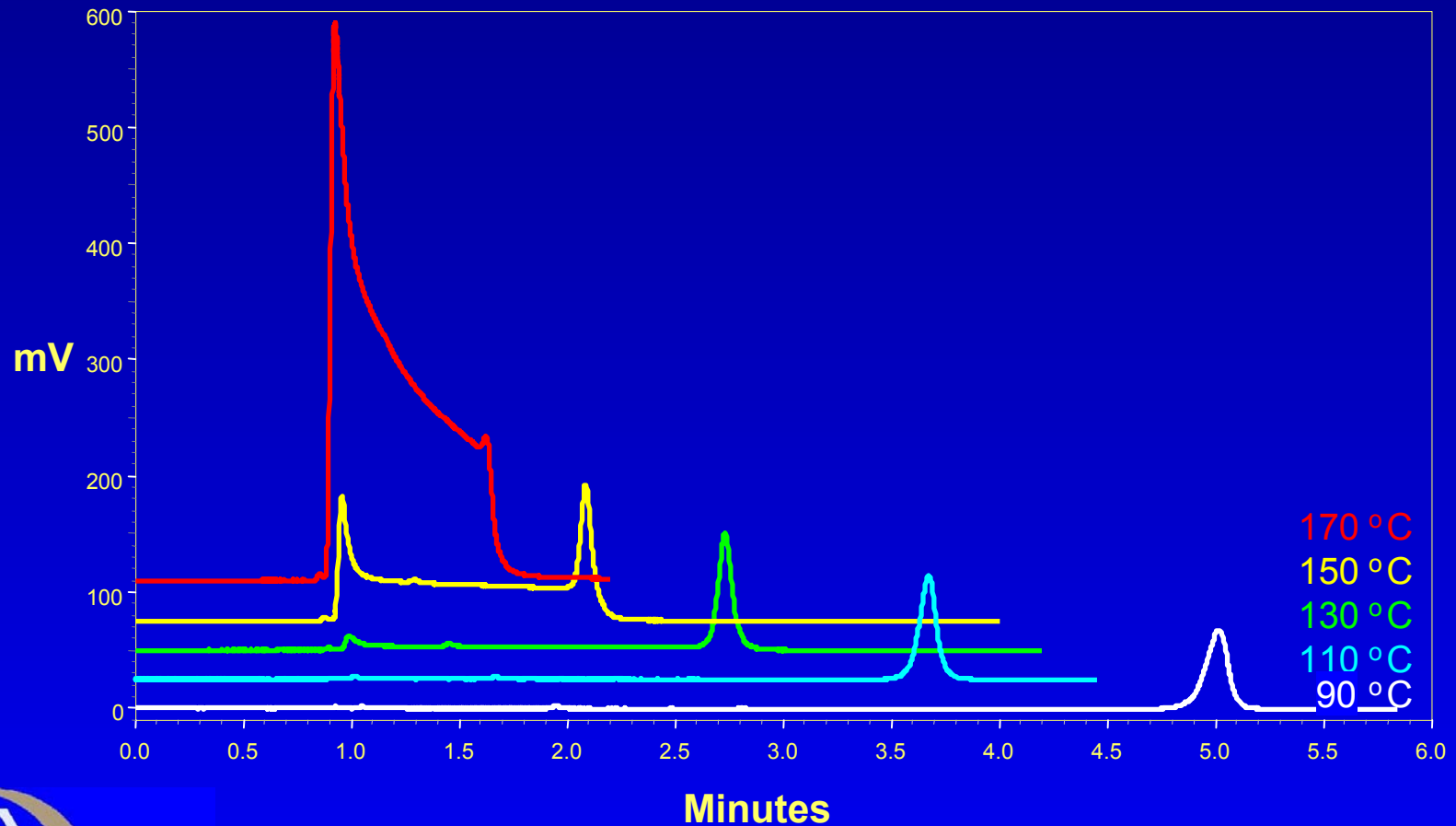
Injection: full loop (2.5 uL)

Flow Rates: 1.0, 2.0, 4.0 mL/min

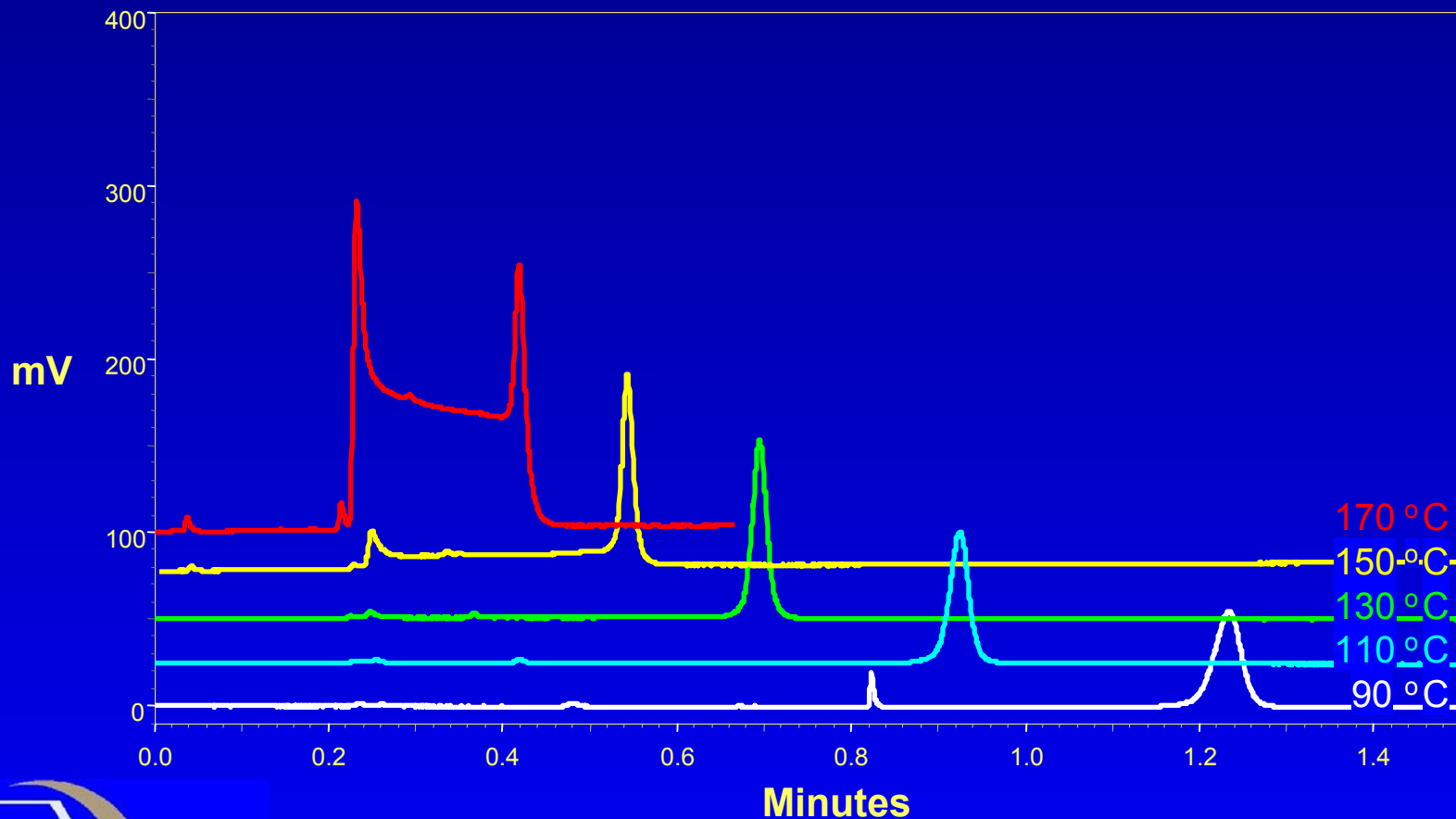
**Temperatures: 90 °C, 110 °C, 130 °C, 150 °C,
170 °C, isothermal**



Dicumyl Peroxide at Five Temperatures at 1.0 mL/min



Dicumyl Peroxide at Five Temperatures at 4.0 mL/min



Normalized Percent of Dicumyl Peroxide Remaining

Temp.	Flow Rate		
	1.0 mL/min	2.0 mL/min	4.0 mL/min
90 °C	100%	100%	100%
110 °C	100%	99%	98%
130 °C	88%	87%	98%
150 °C	71%	77%	77%
170 °C	6%	23%	45%



Analysis Conditions for API's at High Temperature

Column: Blaze C₈, 3 μm, 150 x 4.6 mm

Mobile Phase: 35:65 acetonitrile:water, isocratic

Detection: UV@ 254 nm

Injection: full loop (5.0 uL)

Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min

Temperatures: 40°C, 50°C, 60°C, 70°C, 80°C, 90°C
and 100°C isothermal

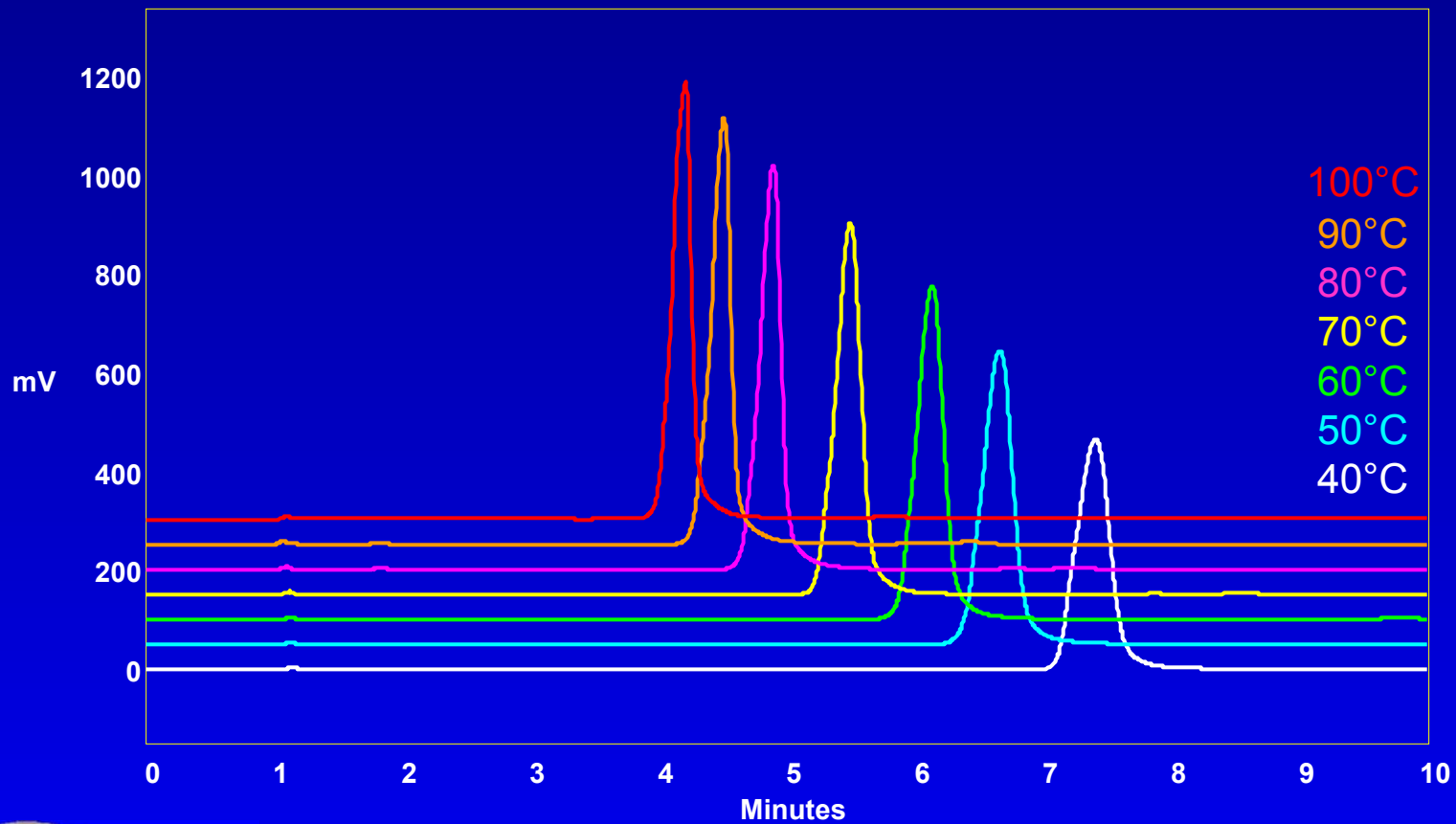


Analysis of Dexamethasone

- Decadron, Dexameth, Dexone, Hexadrol
- Anti-inflammatory
 - glucocorticoid class of hormones (steroids)
 - same family as cortisone and prednisone
- Recommended storage for API is 2-8°C
- Storage for medication is room temp



Analysis of Dexamethasone



Analysis of Dexamethasone

Temperature	Peak Area
40°C	9,997,556
50°C	10,387,062
60°C	10,777,056
70°C	9,991,160
80°C	9,609,552
90°C	9,911,457
100°C	9,745,998
Mean	9,987,856
%RSD	6.97%

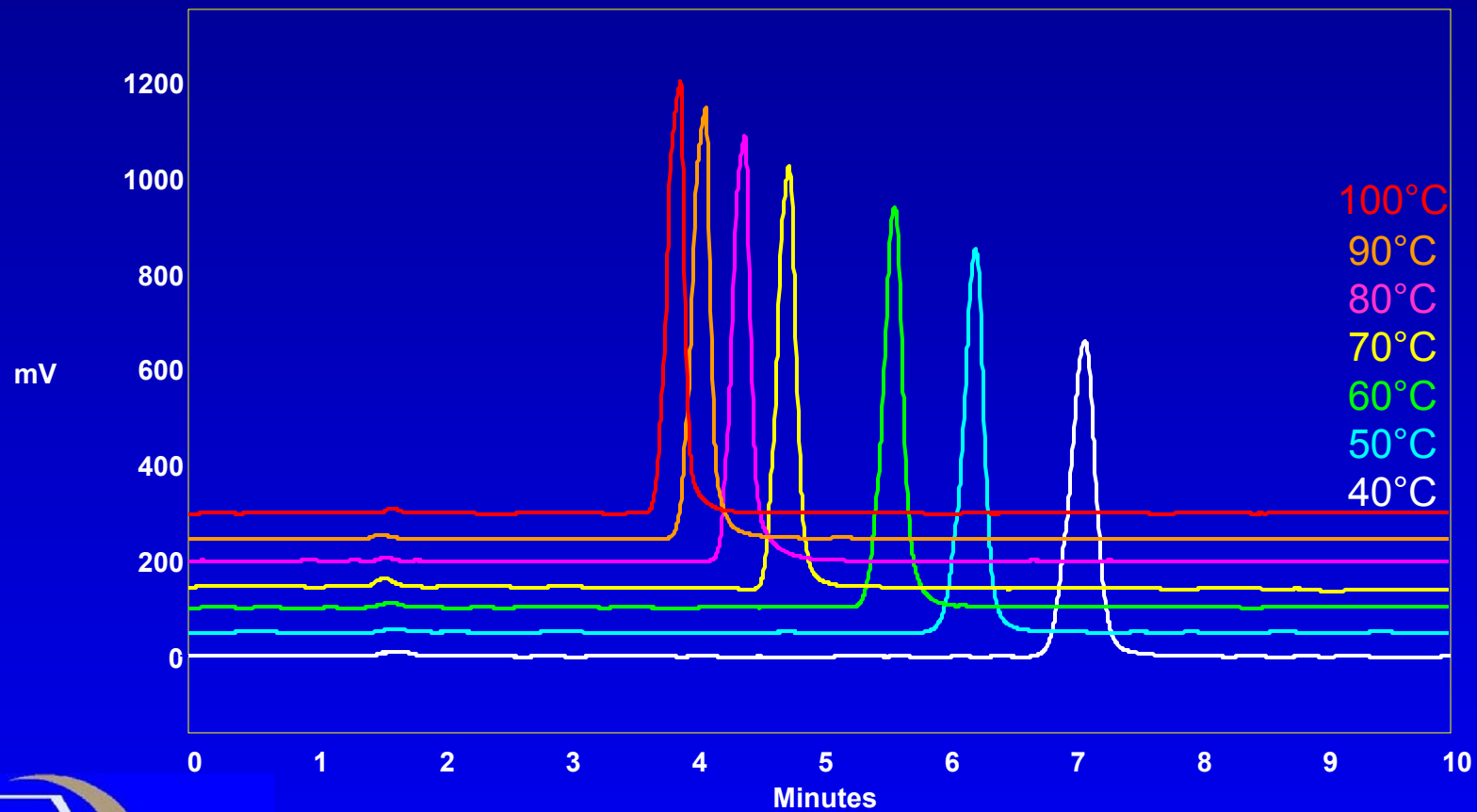


Analysis of Carbamazepine

- Atretol, Epitol, Tegretol
- Anticonvulsant
 - Used to treat epilepsy/seizures
 - Chewable tablets or liquid suspension
 - Light sensitive
 - Recommended storage for API is 2-8°C
 - Storage for medication is room temp



Analysis of Carbamazepine



Analysis of Carbamazepine

Temperature	Peak Area
40°C	10,122,934
50°C	10,078,074
60°C	9,941,243
70°C	9,785,801
80°C	9,749,546
90°C	9,348,786
100°C	9,835,455
Mean	9,837,405
%RSD	2.99%

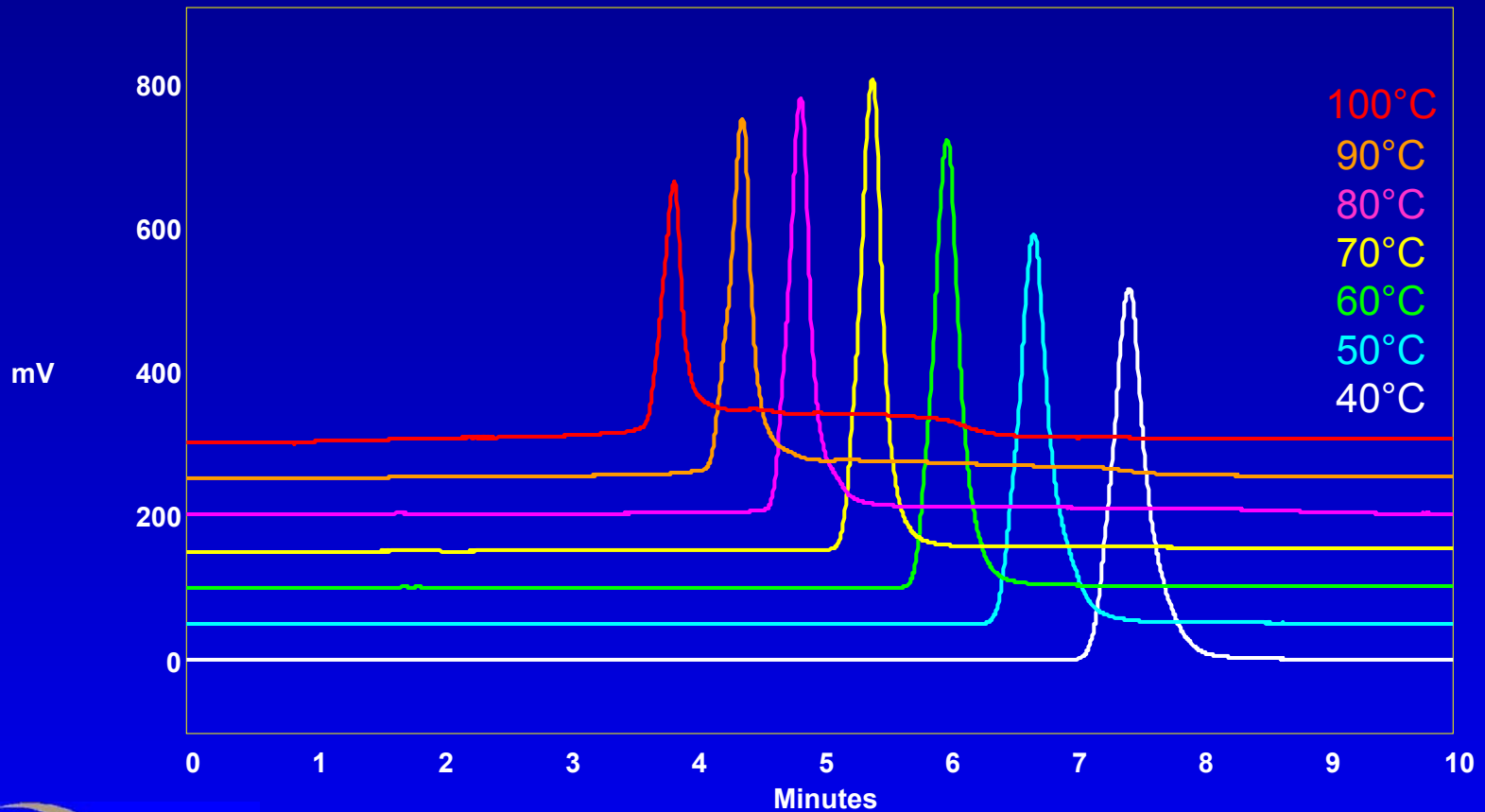


Analysis of Lansoprazole

- Prevacid
- Inhibits gastric acid secretion
- Melts with decomposition at 166°C
- Degrades in aqueous solution
 - rate of degradation increases with decreasing pH
 - $T_{1/2}$ is approximately 0.5 hour at pH 5.0 and approximately 18 hours at pH 7.0 at 25°C
- Storage temp for API is 2-8°C, room temp for medication



Analysis of Lansoprazole



Analysis of Lansoprazole

Temperature	Peak Area
40°C	10,507,929
50°C	10,194,359
60°C	9,851,429
70°C	9,070,418
80°C	7,513,678
90°C	5,977,033
100°C	4,082,027



Sample Prep for Sildenafil Analysis in 100 mg Viagra and Offshore Tablet

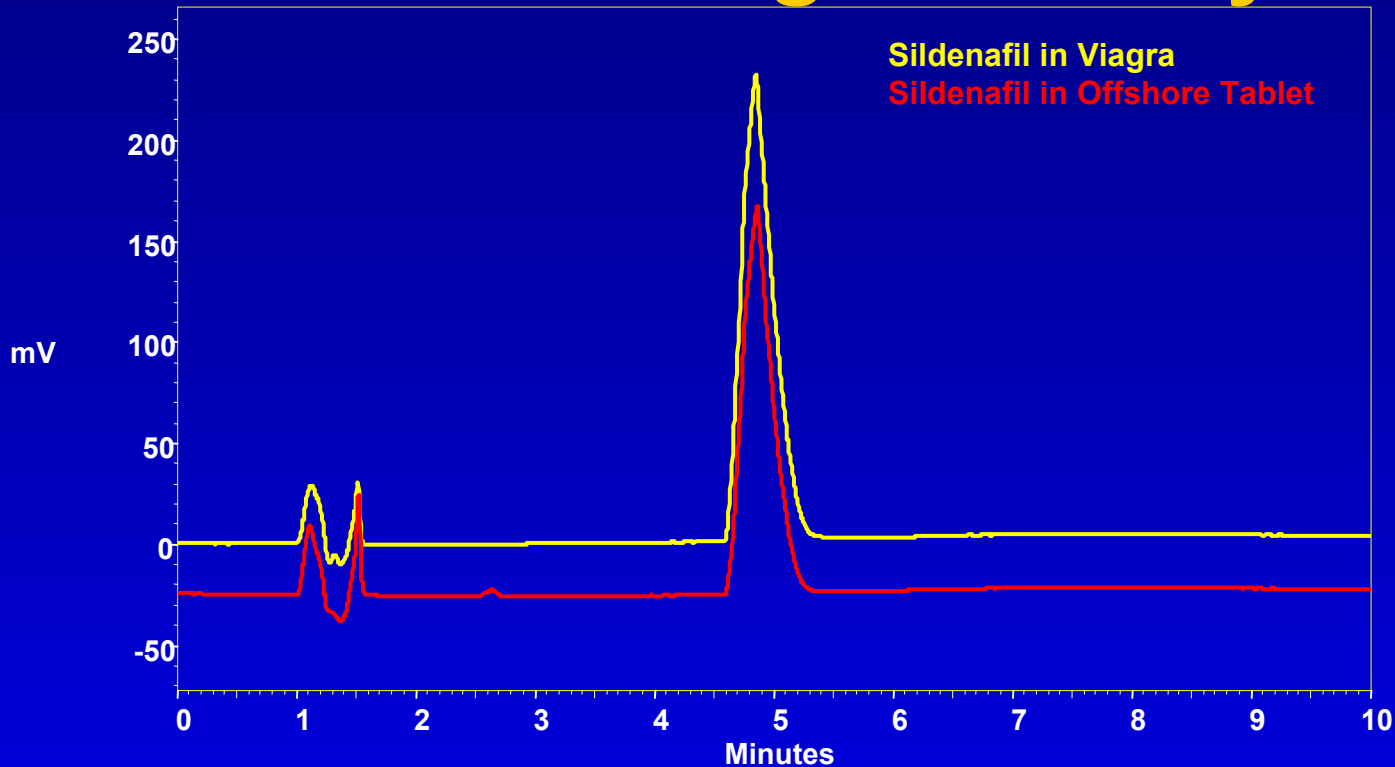
- Ground tablet in mortar and pestle
- Extracted with 30 mL 50:50 methanol:water by sonicating for 20 minutes
- Centrifuged at 3000 rpm for 15 minutes
- Diluted supernatant to 100 mL with 50:50 methanol:water (rinsed three times)
- Filtered through 0.45 μ m nylon prior to injection



Tseng and Lin, *J. of Food and Drug Analysis*, 10, 112-119 (2002)



Analysis of Sildenafil in Viagra and Offshore Tablet Using a Selerity Blaze C8



Column: Selerity Blaze C8 100 x 4.6 mm, 3 μ m

Mobile Phase: 35:65 acetonitrile:water with 0.1% TFA.

Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min

Detection: UV 220 nm

Temperature Program: hold at 40°C for two minutes, ramp to 100°C at 15°/min, hold for six min.



Analysis of Sildenafil in Viagra and Offshore Tablet Using a Selerity Blaze C8

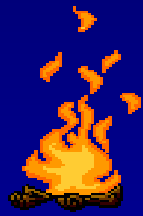
- Assume Pfizer Viagra tablet contains **100 mg** of Sildenafil
- Compare peak areas
- Correct for amount of tablet used
- Offshore tablet contains about **80 mg** of Sildenafil



Conclusions

- Thermal decomposition of analytes is strongly dependent upon flow rate.
- Faster run times at higher temperatures minimizes decomposition because of limited exposure of the analyte to temperature extremes
- Many compounds can be analyzed at high temperatures, but some analytes will decompose.





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