



# Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges - Solid Phase Extraction Made Easier

Enhance your sampling technique for accurate and precise LC-MS analysis

Supel™ Swift HLB SPE is a polymeric stationary phase for solid phase extraction prior to instrumental analysis. It has both hydrophilic and lipophilic functional groups for the extraction of a broad range of compounds from aqueous samples. It retains analytes having different polarities and Log P values due to its hydrophilic and lipophilic balance (HLB) property. Benefits of Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges include:

- Suitable to the generic methodology
- Wide applicability
- Ideal for LC-MS and other workflows

# The possibility of 3-step SPE

Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges can reduce the number of steps in the solid phase extraction of your analyte from 5 to 3. You can directly load your sample onto the Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridge bed and potentially eliminate the need for cumbersome pre-conditioning steps. This feature of the Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges reduces the number of errors in sample processing and simplifies sample preparation.

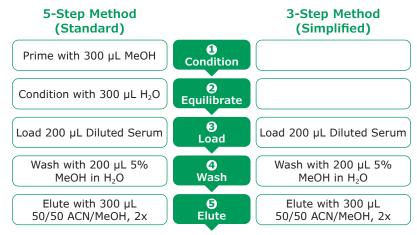


Figure 1. General processing of samples (serum 1:1 diluted) with Supel™ Swift HLB cartridges (30 mg/1 mL) using a 5-step method and a 3-step method

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# **Superior flow rates**

Flow rates are critical to SPE success during the load and elute step of SPE. Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridge has an optimized sorbent design to provide fast and efficient flow rates. It shows 20% faster flow rates than another broadly marketed fast-flow HLB cartridge in the SPE of diluted plasma (Table 1).

**Table 1.** Flow/processing time comparison vs another commercially available fast-flow HLB sorbent (n=3 cartridges) at same vacuum conditions

|                           | Supel™<br>Swift<br>HLB SPE<br>cartridge | Commercially<br>Available Fast-<br>Flow HLB product | Difference |
|---------------------------|---|---|------------|
| Processing time (seconds) | 36                                      | 45  | -20%       |
| RSD                       | 2.6                                     | 3.2   |            |
| RSD%                      | 7.2%                                    | 7.1%  |            |

# Excellent recovery for a wide range of compounds having different polarities and Log P values

Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges offers good recovery for a wide range of compounds and polarities. Figure 2 presents absolute recoveries of compounds ranging in log P from -0.9 to 4.8 using Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges with both the 3-Step and 5-Step methods from plasma.

All-in-all, the 5-Step method shows better recoveries as compared to the 3-Step process. In the 5-Step process, all twenty analytes had recoveries between 80% and 120%. However, eighty percent of the analytes still showed recoveries in the 80% to 120% range by the 3-Step process.

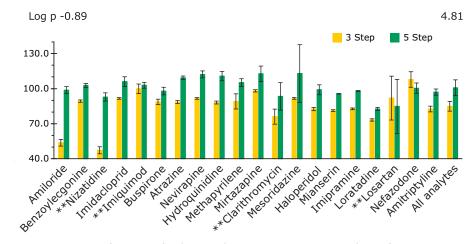


Figure 2: Summary of Recovery for the 3- and 5-Step Process using Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges. Analytes are ordered by increasing log P values.

# Reduced ion suppression/enhancement for better LC-MS analysis

Samples processed with Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges show minimal ionization impact across the compound testing range. The exceptional performance of Supel™ Swift HLB SPE cartridges for signal suppression or enhancement was in stark contrast to another HLB cartridge on the market, which exhibited signal suppression/ enhancement of more than 10% for most of the analytes tested.

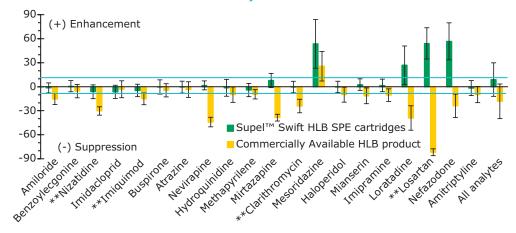


Figure 3. Signal suppression or enhancement effects for  $Supel^{TM}$  Swift HLB SPE cartridges and another commercially available HLB product using the 5-Step method. Analytes are arranged in order of their increasing log P values.

# See our complete offering of Supel™ Swift HLB SPE Products at:

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