

## FERMENTATION ANALYSIS, ORGANIC ACIDS, ALCOHOLS, AND CARBOHYDRATES

The ion-exclusion mode is ideally suited for the separation of monosaccharides, organic acids, or sugar acids. The column packings are sulfonated styrene divinylbenzene resins in the hydrogen form (IC-Pak Ion-Exclusion or SH-1011), and the mobile phase is a dilute acid such as 0.01 N phosphoric acid using column temperatures of 50–60 °C.

In this mode, the Fast Juice column can effectively separate glycerol, acetic acid, and ethanol in grape or other fruit juice. The column can also analyze the degree of microbial defect, the extent of natural fermentation in grapes, and the amount of sulfite in various foods and beverages. The IC-Pak Ion-exclusion Column can separate a wide range of organic acids while the Shodex SH Column separates acids as well as larger carbohydrates.

The analysis of alcohols and organic acids is important, for they typically help determine the flavor characteristics of beverages such as wine, beer, and some distilled spirits. The presence of alcohols in fruit juices can indicate product deterioration. The Shodex KC-811 Column, which provides ion-exchange and reversed-phase chromatography modes, is packed with a sulfonated, rigid, styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer. With high efficiency, this packing separates low-molecular-weight organic acids and water-soluble organics such as alcohols, aldehydes, and nitriles. The column provides ion-exclusion and reversed-phase mode of chromatography. Typical mobile phases, run at 1 mL/min at 45–80 °C, are composed of aqueous solutions containing 1% phosphoric acid, acetic acid, or perchloric acid.

Shodex KC-811 Column Retention Chart for Organic Acids

Sample	Retention Time	Sample	Retention Time
Oxalic Acid	5.20	β-Hydroxypropionic Acid	8.60
Maleic Acid	5.80	D-Glucuronic Acid	8.65
a-Ketoglutaric Acid	5.90	Fumaric Acid	8.95
Citric Acid	6.20	Formic Acid	9.20
Tartaric Acid	6.55	Acetic Acid	9.80
Pyruvic Acid	6.65	Adipic Acid	9.80
trans-Aconitic Acid	6.95	Levulinic Acid	10.00
Glyoxylic Acid	7.00	Mesaconic Acid	10.40
Malic Acid	7.05	Pyroglutamic Acid	10.70
Malonic Acid	7.07	Propionic Acid	11.25
Citraconic Acid	7.20	Acrylic Acid	11.60
Succinic Acid	8.00	Pivalic Acid	14.05
Glycolic Acid	8.40	Methacrylic Acid	14.10
Itaconic	8.50	trans-Crotonic Acid	15.65
Lactic Acid	8.60		

Eluent: Water with 0.1% phosphoric acid, Temperature: 60 °C, Flow rate: 1 mL/min.

### Ordering Information

#### Columns for Fermentation Analysis, Organic Acids, Alcohols, and Carbohydrates

Description	Dimension	Qty.	P/N
Fast Fruit Juice Analysis	8.0 × 100 mm	1/pk	WAT010639
Fast Fruit Juice Guard-Pak Inserts	—	10/pk	WAT015207 <sup>1</sup>
IC-Pak Ion-Exclusion	7.8 × 300 mm	1/pk	WAT010290
SC-1011 Column	8.0 × 300 mm	1/pk	WAT034238
SC-1011P Pre-column	6.0 × 50 mm	1/pk	WAT034244
KC-811	8.0 × 300 mm	1/pk	WAT034298
KC-811 Pre-column	6.0 × 50 mm	1/pk	WAT035501

<sup>1</sup>Requires 7.8 × 10 mm Cartridge Holder, p/n: 186000708.