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## Fosetyl aluminum analysis by Reversed Phase HPLC – Tips & Suggestions

## **Reversed Phase or Aqueous Normal Phase ANP method tips:**

You can use the Cogent Bidentate C18<sup>™</sup> column in Reversed Phase (*RP*) with a high water content method. According to a 2014 third-party research article, if the analysis is done by reversed phase an ion pair agent is recommended to increase retention and reduce peak tailing. Here, 8 mM sodium sulfate was used in a pH 4.3 phosphate **buffer** mobile phase. Cogent<sup>™</sup> columns work well with ion pair agents and will not be degraded. Also, the Bidentate C18<sup>™</sup> is more hydrophobic than other columns on the market due to the Cogent TYPE-C Silica<sup>™</sup> surface. Therefore you may obtain higher retention for this highly polar **analyte**.

As for detection methods, it was reported that direct detection with a UV detector can be achieved by the addition of a KOH solution to the sample. In this case, a narrow absorbance **band** was observed with  $\lambda_{max}$  at 200 nm. Indirect detection could also be used; in this case, you add a UV absorbing compound in the mobile phase and obtain a negative peak.

NOTE: If you try the method by Aqueous Normal Phase ANP, we suggest the Cogent Diamond Hydride<sup>™</sup> column. You will want to omit the ion pair agent in this case and use a high percent of acetonitrile in the mobile phase to obtain retention.



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