1) Inner Diameter of Column

Introduction

The table below shows general parameters for 1.0 mm to 50 mm I.D. COSMOSIL columns. It may help to scale up or down from the most commonly used 4.6 mm I.D. columns, depending on your application.

Inner Diameter (mm I.D.)	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.6	10	20	28	50
Flow Rate (ml/min)	0.05	0.2	0.4	1.0	5.0	19	37	70
Detector Cell, Injector	Semi-	-Micro	Analytical Preparative					
Tubing Internal Diameter (mm)	0.05	0.1	0.2-0.3			1.0		
Application		-MS e reduction	Solvent use reduction with conventional system		Preparative (medium scale)	Preparative (large scale)	Preparative (very large scale)	
Cross-Sectional Area (4.6 mm I.D. = 1)	0.05	0.19	0.43	1.00	4.73	18.90	37.05	118.15
Particle Size (µm)		5 or	lower		5		15 or higher	

Scale Down

When scaling down from a 4.6 mm I.D analytical column to a 3.0 mm I.D. or lower column of the same column length, sample loading is proportional to the cross-sectional area of column. 3.0 mm I.D. columns provide good sensitivity and reduce solvent use without the need to change existing equipment. Semi-micro columns (2.0 and 1.0 mm I.D.) provide higher sensitivity for analysis of trace components, but necessitate changing the tubing, injector, and detector cell.

Column Size	4.6 mm I.D. x 150 mm	3.0 mm l.D. x 150 mm	2.0 mm l.D. x 150 mm	1.0 mm 1.D. x 150 mm	
Chromatogram					
Flow Rate (ml/min)	1.0	0.4	0.4 0.2		
Pressure (MPa)	3.4	3.6	3.8	3.6	
Injection Volume (µI)	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.05	
Detector Cell · Injector	Anal	ytical	Semi-Micro		
Detector sensitivity (AUFS)	0.08		0.04		
Tubing Internal Diameter (mm)	0.2	25	0.10	0.05	
Column COSMOSIL 5C ₁₈ -MS- II Sample Mobile Phase Acetonitrile : Water = 70 : 30 1. Benzene 4. Propylbenzene					

Mobile Phase Flow Rate Temperature Detection

1.0 ml/min

30°C

UV 254 nm

3. Ethylbenzene

2. Toluene

4. Propylbenzene 5. Butylbenzene

6. Amylbenzene

Scale Up

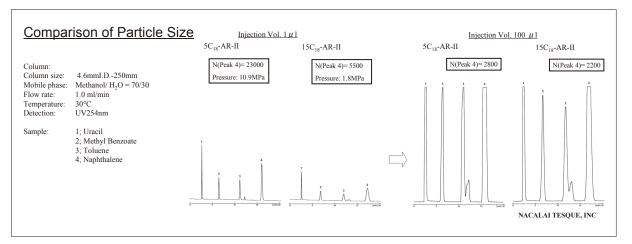
When scaling up from an analytical column to a preparative column of the same packing material (particle size) and length, sample loading capacity is proportional to the cross-sectional area of the column.

Column Size	4.6 mm I.D. x 250 mm	10 mm I.D. x 250 mm	20 mm l.D. x 250 mm
Chromatogram	0 10 15 20		
Flow Rate (ml/min)	1.0	5.0	18.9
Pressure (MPa)	5.5	5.9	5.8
Injection Volume (µI)	125	625	2,500
Detector Cell • Injector	Anal	Preparative	
Tubing Internal Diameter (mm)	0.2	1.0	

Column	COSMOSIL 5SL-II
Mobile Phase	Ethyl Acetate : Ethanol = 4 : 1
Temperature	30°C
Detection	UV 254 nm
Sample	Triton X–100

Changing Particle Size of Packing Material

When changing the particle size of the packing material from 5 μ m to 15 μ m, the number of theoretical plate (N) is reduced to one-third, and the pressure is reduced to one-ninth. As shown in the figure below, when a small amount of sample is injected, there is a big difference in the number of theoretical plates. However, when a large amount of sample is injected, there is not much difference between the two. Therefore, the low-pressure packing material (particle size 15 μ m) is recommended for preparative columns (28 mm I.D. or larger).



2) Core-Shell and Fully Porous Particles

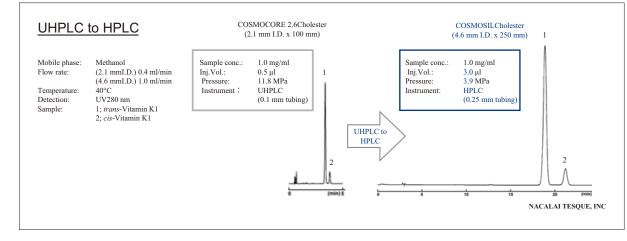
Scaling up from COSMOCORE 2.6Cholester to COSMOSIL Cholester

Changing conditions from UHPLC to HPLC

Column	COSMOCORE 2.6Cholester	COSMOSIL Cholester		
Silica Gel	Core-shell silica gel	Fully porous silica gel		
Average Particle Size (µm)	2.6	5		
Average Pore Size (Å)	90	120		
Surface Area (m ² /g)	150	300		
Bonded Group	Cholesteryl			
Column Size	2.1 mm I.D. x 100 mm	4.6 mm I.D. x 250 mm		
Instrument	UHPLC	HPLC		
Flow Rate (ml/min)	0.4	1		
Tubing Internal Diameter (mm)	0.1	0.25		

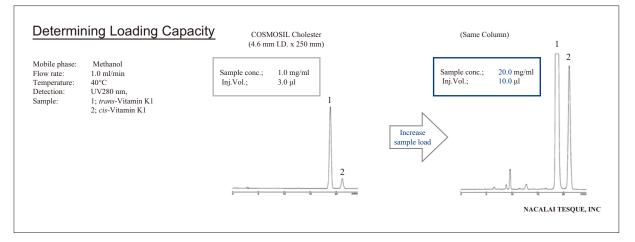
UHPLC to HPLC

By adjusting the analysis conditions, similar separation is achievable on both HPLC and UHPLC. When changing from COSMOCORE 2.6Cholester (2.1 mm I.D.) to COSMOSIL Cholester (4.6 mm I.D.), the injection volume was increased by a factor of more than 5.



Determining Loading Capacity

Before scaling up to a preparative column, gradually increase the sample load on an analytical column to determine the optimal sample load.



Transferring a Method to a Preparative Column

Internal diameter (mm I.D.)	mm I.D.) 4.6		20.0	28.0	50.0	
Standard flow rate (ml/min)	1	5	19	37	70	
Detector cell, injector	Analytical		Preparative			
Tubing Internal Diameter (mm)	0.2-0.3		1.0			
Application	Analytical	Preparative (small-scale)	Preparative (medium-scale)	Preparative (large-scale)	Preparative (very large-scale)	
Cross-sectional area relative to 4.6mm I.D. column	1	4.73	18.9	37.05	118.15	

Recommended conditions for different column diameters

Moving from analytical to preparative

When moving from a 4.6 mm I.D. column to a 10 mm I.D. column (same length), similar separation can be achieved by increasing both the mobile phase flow rate and the injection volume by a factor of about 5. For other diameters, the flow rate and sample load should be increased by the ratio of the cross-sectional areas (see table above).

