

Analyze Trace Polar Hydrocarbons  
More Accurately and Reliably With  
**Alumina BOND/MAPD PLOT Columns!**

- Reproducible, predictable responses for reduced calibration frequency.
- Exceptional sample loading capacity, which improves resolution and response.
- Highest temperature stability—application range extended to 250 °C.

Available  
in both fused  
silica and metal  
MXT® tubing!



# Restek® MAPD Column Technology Improves Trace Analysis of Polar Hydrocarbons

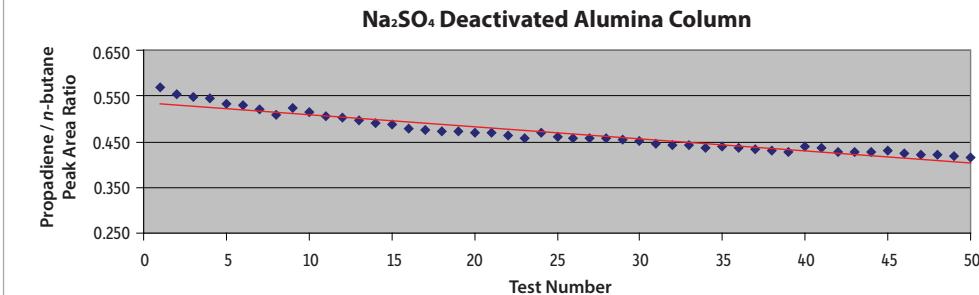
The chromatographic analysis of light hydrocarbons, including unsaturated isomers, is common in the petrochemical industry. Adsorption chromatography using alumina stationary phases has proven to be very effective for the separation of these compounds. However, challenges still exist, particularly for trace analysis of polar hydrocarbons like propadiene, acetylene, and methyl acetylene. Successful analysis of these compounds is highly dependent on the deactivation of the alumina. For example, responses for these analytes are highly variable on sodium sulfate deactivated columns (Figure 1). While some columns, known as MAPD columns (for methyl acetylene and propadiene), have been developed specifically for these compounds, existing MAPD column solutions show limitations in response, reproducibility, capacity, and temperature stability.

Restek has solved these problems by developing a line of MAPD alumina columns with a unique, high-performance deactivation. These columns—the Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD (fused silica) and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD (metal) columns—offer several significant improvements over conventional MAPD columns:

- Reproducible, predictable responses for reduced calibration frequency.
- Exceptional sample loading capacity, which improves resolution and response.
- Highest temperature stability—application range extended to 250 °C.

These features are a significant step forward in MAPD column technology and have resulted in improvements in column performance compared to other MAPD columns. New Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD columns are not only perfect for analysis of polar hydrocarbons such as acetylene, methyl acetylene, and propadiene, but also perform well for generic light hydrocarbon analysis.

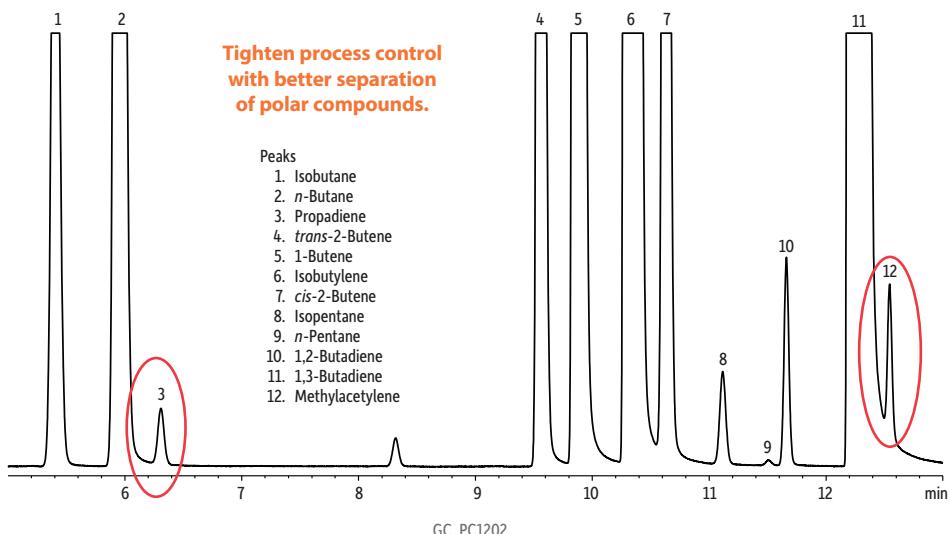
**Figure 1:** Conventional Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> deactivated columns show poor response stability over time.



## Key Application: Separation of Methyl Acetylene (MA) and Propadiene (PD)

Since small amounts of methyl acetylene and propadiene can interfere with the conversion of propylene, ethylene, or 1,3-butadiene into polypropylene, polyethylene, or synthetic butadiene rubber, respectively, separation and quantification of these compounds at trace levels is critical. The new Rt®- and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD columns not only provide excellent separation of these analytes (Figure 2), but also elute them with high peak responses due to the inertness of the column. This makes light hydrocarbon purity methods more sensitive and accurate, allowing much tighter process control.

**Figure 2:** Excellent separation of methyl acetylene and propadiene from 1,3-butadiene and other hydrocarbons.

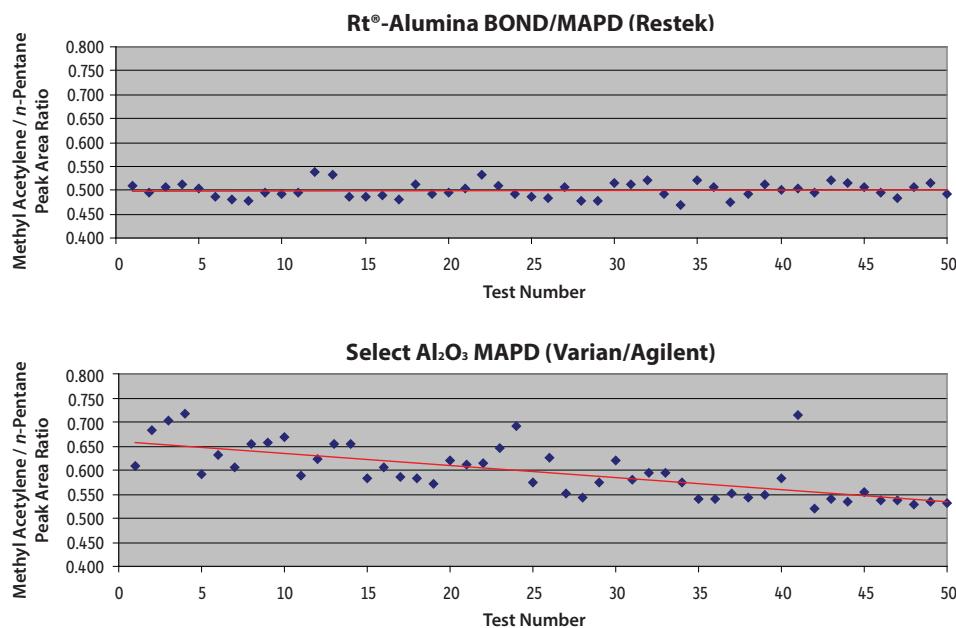


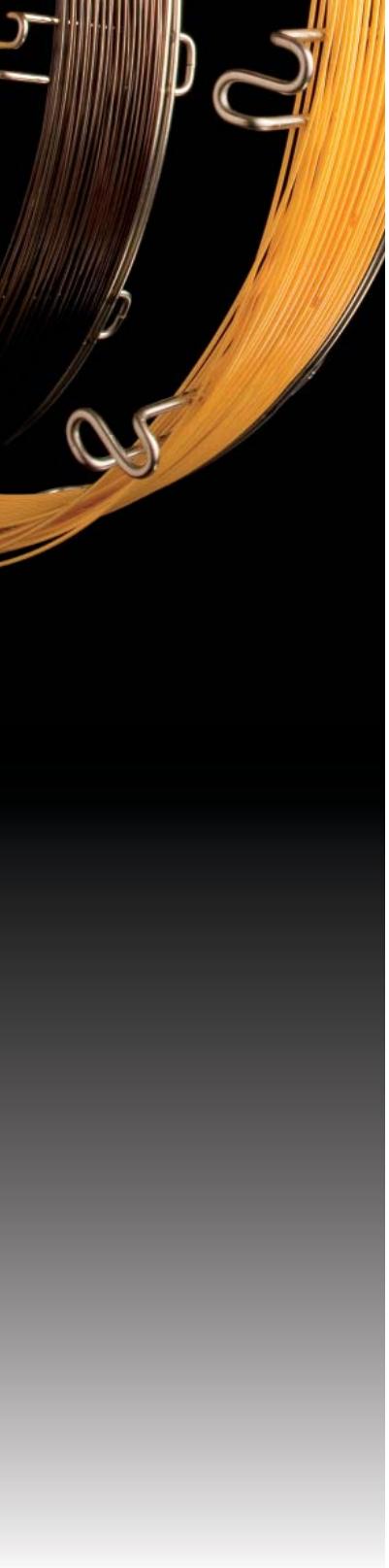
**Column:** Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD, 50 m, 0.53 mm ID, 10  $\mu$ m (cat.# 19778); **Sample:** crude 1,3-butadiene; Diluent: none; **Injection:** Inj. Vol.: 5  $\mu$ L split; Liner: 2 mm ID straight inlet liner (cat.# 20712); Inj. Temp.: 200 °C; Split Vent Flow Rate: 45 mL/min; **Oven:** Oven Temp: 70 °C (hold 5 min) to 200 °C at 10 °C/min (hold 10 min); **Carrier Gas:** He, constant pressure (20 psi, 137.9 kPa); Temp.: 70 °C; **Detector:** FID @ 200 °C; Make-up Gas Flow Rate: 30 mL/min; Make-up Gas Type: N<sub>2</sub>; Data Rate: 20 Hz; **Instrument:** HP5890 GC

### Reproducible Responses Reduce Calibration Frequency

The technology employed in making Restek's new alumina BOND/MAPD columns ensures more consistent, predictable responses for critical compounds like methyl acetylene over many injections. As shown in Figure 3, methyl acetylene response is much more reproducible when using a Restek alumina MAPD column compared to other commercially available MAPD columns. Greater response stability reduces the frequency of recalibration, which is a key benefit for process-type applications.

**Figure 3:** Restek® Rt®- Alumina BOND/MAPD columns provide more reproducible, reliable results.





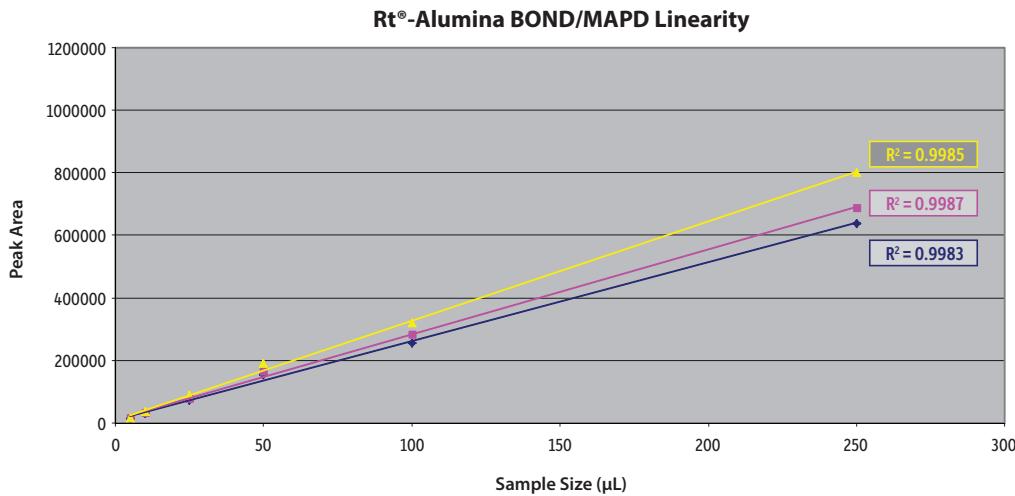
## Exceptional Sample Loading Capacity Improves Resolution and Response

In gas-solid chromatography, phase overload produces tailing peaks, an issue that is further complicated by activity on adsorptive surfaces like alumina. This activity, which is defined by the nature of the alumina, contributes to the behavioral differences observed between different brands of alumina columns. The new Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD columns are designed to maintain the retention characteristics of a typical alumina column, but with much greater sample loading capacity. As shown in Table I, the Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD column shows less tailing (i.e., higher capacity) over a broad range of on-column amounts compared to another commercially available alumina MAPD column. Less tailing results in higher signal-to-noise ratios, which produces better separations and higher responses. In addition, the Restek alumina BOND/MAPD column produces excellent response linearity over a wide range of on-column amounts (Figure 4).

**Table I:** Peak asymmetry comparison. Poor capacity is evident even at 25 µL on a conventional Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> MAPD column, while the new Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD column shows higher capacity over a broad concentration range.

Sample Size (µL)	Rt®-Alumina Bond/MAPD	Select Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> MAPD	Rt®-Alumina Bond/MAPD	Select Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> MAPD
5	1.02	1.08	1.11	1.13
10	1.06	1.13	1.18	1.23
25	1.16	1.22	1.37	1.52
50	1.29	1.39	1.69	1.90
100	1.48	1.55	2.14	2.53
250	2.15	2.22	3.44	4.11

**Figure 4:** Not only does the Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD column show higher loading capacity, but it also produces excellent linearity for propadiene (blue line), acetylene (pink line), and methyl acetylene (yellow line) over a wide range of on-column amounts.



## Higher Temperature Stability Extends Application Range

Conventional alumina PLOT columns have a maximum temperature of 200 °C, but Restek® alumina BOND/MAPD PLOT columns are stable up to 250 °C. This higher maximum temperature means higher molecular weight hydrocarbons can be eluted quickly, extending the typical application range of alumina PLOT columns. In addition, the higher temperature tolerance allows faster column regeneration to remove adsorbed water, shorter conditioning times, and the flexibility of operating two columns in one oven up to 250 °C.

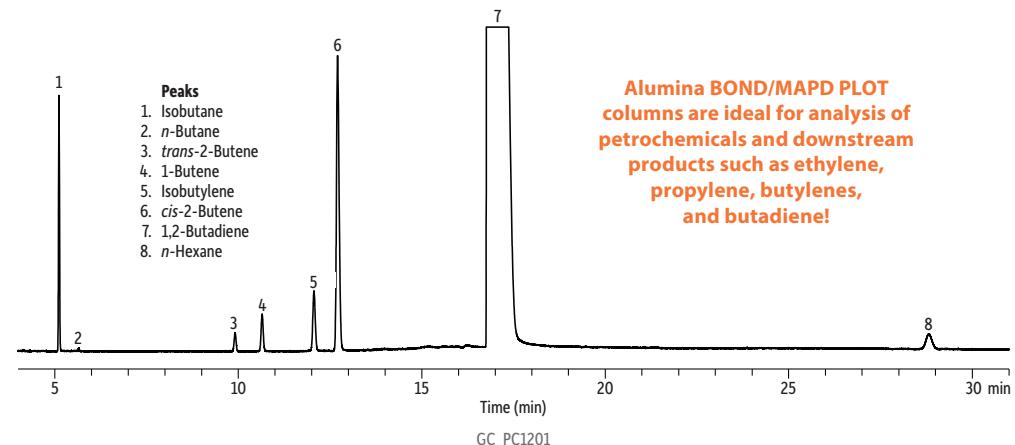
## Restek Alumina BOND/MAPD Columns—

### The Best Choice for Polar Hydrocarbon Analysis!

The proprietary deactivation technology used for Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD columns results in improved analysis of trace polar hydrocarbons like acetylene, methyl acetylene, and propadiene in typical C1-C5 hydrocarbon streams. Figures 2 and 5 show real-world examples of column performance. The new deactivation produces a highly inert column that offers superior response reproducibility, which allows analysts to maximize the number of samples analyzed before recalibration is required. Significantly higher capacity reduces peak tailing, further improving the separation and response of target compounds.

In addition, only Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD columns are stable up to 250 °C, extending the application range beyond what conventional MAPD columns offer. This means higher molecular weight hydrocarbons can be eluted more quickly, and it also reduces regeneration time when the column is exposed to water from samples or carrier gases. Whether you use fused silica columns in a laboratory environment or require stainless steel columns for process GCs or field instruments, Restek® alumina BOND/MAPD columns are the best choice for polar hydrocarbon analysis.

**Figure 5:** 1,2-butadiene analyzed on an Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD column.



**Column:** Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD, 50 m, 0.32 mm ID, 5.0 µm (cat.# 19780); **Sample:** Crude 1,2-butadiene; **Diluent:** none; **Injection:** Inj. Vol.: 1 µL split; **Liner:** 2.0 mm ID Straight Inlet Liner (cat.# 20712); **Inj. Temp.:** 200 °C; **Split Vent Flow Rate:** 80 mL/min; **Oven:** Oven Temp: 100 °C (hold 31 min); **Carrier Gas:** H<sub>2</sub>, constant linear velocity; **Linear Velocity:** 17.40 psi, 120.0 kPa @ 100 °C; **Detector:** FID @ 200 °C; **Make-up Gas Flow Rate:** 30 mL/min; **Make-up Gas Type:** N<sub>2</sub>; **Data Rate:** 20 Hz; **Instrument:** HP5890 GC



Traces of water in the carrier gas and sample will affect the retention and selectivity of alumina. If the column is exposed to water, the retention times will shorten. Alumina columns can be regenerated by conditioning for 15-30 minutes at 200-250 °C under normal carrier gas flow. Periodic conditioning ensures excellent run-to-run retention time reproducibility.

The maximum programmable temperature for Rt®- and MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD columns is 250 °C. Higher temperatures cause irreversible changes to the porous layer adsorption properties.

# Chromatography Essentials for Hydrocarbon Analysis



## Alumina BOND/MAPD PLOT Columns

### Rt®-Alumina BOND/MAPD Columns (fused silica PLOT)

ID	df	temp. limits	30-Meter cat.#	50-Meter cat.#
0.25 mm	4 µm	to 250 °C	19781	—
0.32 mm	5 µm	to 250 °C	19779	19780
0.53 mm	10 µm	to 250 °C	19777	19778

### MXT®-Alumina BOND/MAPD Columns (Siltek®-treated stainless steel PLOT)

ID	df	temp. limits	30-Meter cat.#	7" diameter 11-pin cage 30-Meter
0.53 mm	10 µm	to 250 °C	79728-273	79728



## Restek® Thermolite® Septa

- Usable to 340 °C inlet temperature\*.
- Precision molding assures consistent, accurate fit.
- Excellent puncturability.

- Preconditioned and ready to use.
- Packaged in ultra-clean blister packs\*\*.
- A Restek exclusive!

Septum Diameter	50-pk.	100-pk.
5 mm (1/16")	27121	27122
6 mm (1/16")	27124	27125
7 mm	27127	27128
8 mm	27130	27131
9 mm	27133	27134
9.5 mm (5/32")	27136	27137
10 mm	27139	27140
11 mm (11/64")	27142	27143
11.5 mm	27145	27146
12.7 mm (1/2")	27148	27149
17 mm	27151	27152
Shimadzu Plug	27154	27155



## PLOT Column Particle Trap

- Includes two Press-Tight® connectors and a 2.5 m column.
- Protects detector and valves; connects between column and detector or valve.
- Eliminates detector spikes and scratches in valve rotors.

The technology used to adhere particles in PLOT columns is excellent; however, there is still a possibility for particles to dislodge when extreme pressure shocks and gas flow changes are anticipated. This sometimes happens when valve switching or backflush is used. In those cases, using particle traps is recommended.

Description	qty.	cat.#
PLOT Column Particle Trap, 2.5 m, 0.32 mm ID with 2 Press-Tight Connectors	ea.	19753
PLOT Column Particle Trap, 2.5 m, 0.53 mm ID with 2 Press-Tight Connectors	ea.	19754



## Restek Electronic Leak Detector

Description	qty.	cat.#
Leak Detector With Hard-Sided Carrying Case and Universal Charger Set (U.S., UK, European, Australian)	ea.	22655
Small Probe Adaptor for Leak Detector	ea.	22658
Dynamic Duo Combo Pack (Restek Leak Detector and ProFLOW 6000 Flowmeter)	kit	22654
Soft-Sided Storage Case for Leak Detector or ProFLOW 6000 Flowmeter	ea.	22657

Avoid using liquid leak detectors on a GC! Liquids can be drawn into the system and/or into the leak detector.

\*Caution: The Restek electronic leak detector is designed to detect trace amounts of hydrogen in a noncombustible environment. It is NOT designed for determining leaks in a combustible environment. A combustible gas detector should be used for determining combustible gas leaks under any condition. When using it to detect hydrogen, the Restek electronic leak detector may only be used for determining trace amounts in a GC environment.

## Restek® ProFLOW 6000 Electronic Flowmeter

Flowmeters that can measure flammable gases are becoming mandatory due to the increased use of hydrogen in chromatography. With its Ex rating, the Restek® ProFLOW 6000 flowmeter is designed specifically with explosive and flammable gases in mind.

The Restek® ProFLOW 6000 is the only flowmeter you need for any type of chromatography gas measurement because of its wide range of capabilities. The ProFLOW 6000 is an electronic device capable of measuring volumetric flow for most gases. Real-time measurements can be made for various types of flow paths, including continually changing gas types. This portable unit is designed for easy handheld use, and the stand adds benchtop convenience.

Description	qty.	cat.#
Restek ProFLOW 6000 Electronic Flowmeter With Hard-Sided Carrying Case	ea.	22656
ProFLOW 6000 Recalibration Service	ea.	22656-R
Soft-Sided Storage Case for Leak Detector or ProFLOW 6000 Flowmeter	ea.	22657

\*The flowmeter is designed to measure clean, dry, non-corrosive gases.

Patented.



## Restek® Super-Clean Gas Filter Kits and Replacements

- High-purity output ensures 99.9999% pure gas (at max. flow of 2 L/min).
- “Quick connect” fittings for easy, leak-tight filter cartridge changes.
- Glass inside to prevent diffusion; polycarbonate housing outside for safety.
- All traps measure 10 5/8" x 1 3/4" (27 x 4.4 cm).
- Each base plate unit measures 4" x 4" x 1 7/8" (10.2 x 10.2 x 4.8 cm).

Description	qty.	cat.#
Carrier Gas Cleaning Kit	kit	22019
Includes: mounting base plate, 1/8" inlet/outlet fittings, and oxygen/moisture/hydrocarbon triple gas filter		
Fuel Gas Purification Kit	kit	22021
Includes: mounting base plate, 1/8" inlet/outlet fittings, and hydrocarbon/moisture fuel gas filter		
Ultra-High Capacity Hydrocarbon Filter	ea.	22030
Ultra-High Capacity Moisture Filter	ea.	22028
Ultra-High Capacity Oxygen Filter	ea.	22029
Replacement Triple Gas Filter (removes oxygen, moisture, and hydrocarbons)	ea.	22020
Replacement Fuel Gas Filter (removes moisture and hydrocarbons)	ea.	22022
Helium-Specific Carrier Gas Cleaning Kit	kit	21983
Includes: mounting base plate, 1/8" inlet/outlet fittings, and oxygen/moisture/hydrocarbon helium-specific filter		
Replacement Helium-Specific Gas Filter (removes oxygen, moisture, and hydrocarbons)	ea.	21982
Gas Filter Bundle Kit	kit	22031
Includes: one triple gas filter (cat.# 22020) and two fuel gas filters (cat.# 22022)		



## Restek® Filter Base Plates

- End fittings available in brass or stainless steel.
- Base plates fit all stand alone Super-Clean gas filters offered.



Description	qty.	Brass		Stainless Steel	
		cat.#	cat.#	cat.#	cat.#
Filter Base Plate, Single-Position	ea.	22025		ea.	22344
Filter Base Plate, 2-Position	ea.	22026		ea.	22345
Filter Base Plate, 3-Position	ea.	22027		ea.	22346

## Sample Cylinders

- All cylinders have  $\frac{1}{4}$ " female NPT threads on both ends.
- TPED compliant cylinders available for EU community.

Swagelok® sample cylinders are made of 304L and 316L stainless steel to resist corrosion and DOT rated to 1,800 and 5,000 psig (TPED cylinders rated to 1,450 and 4,350 psig), which allows sampling at gas wellheads as well as on-site refineries. Each cylinder is hydrostatically tested to at least 5/3 the working pressure.

### Sample Cylinders, Ultra-High Pressure

(Stainless Steel & Sulfinert® Treated)

- 316L stainless steel; DOT rating to 5,000 psig (TPED cylinders to 4,350 psig).
- Range of cylinder sizes, 150 cc to 500 cc.

5,000 psig (34,474 kPa), 316L SS		TPED, 4,350 psig (29,997 kPa), 316L SS	
Stainless Steel	Sulfinert Treated	Stainless Steel	Sulfinert Treated
Size	cat.#	cat.#	cat.#
150 cc	22927	22111	22927-PI
300 cc	22928	22112	22928-PI
500 cc	22929	22113	22929-PI
			22113-PI

### Sample Cylinders, High Pressure

(Stainless Steel & Sulfinert® Treated)

- 304L stainless steel; DOT rating to 1,800 psig (TPED cylinders to 1,450 psig).
- Range of cylinder sizes, 75 cc to 2,250 cc.



1,800 psig (12,411 kPa), 304L SS		TPED, 1,450 psig (9,997 kPa), 304L SS	
Stainless Steel	Sulfinert Treated	Stainless Steel	Sulfinert Treated
Size	cat.#	cat.#	cat.#
75 cc	22921	24130	22921-PI
150 cc	22922	24131	22922-PI
300 cc	22923	24132	22923-PI
500 cc	22924	24133	22924-PI
1,000 cc	22925	24134	22925-PI
2,250 cc	22926	21394	22926-PI
			21394-PI

## Sample Valves

(Stainless Steel & Sulfinert® Treated)

- Multiple valve configurations, including dip tube and rupture disks.
- Large, durable, Kel-F® seat ensures leak-free operation.
- Temperature range: -40 °C to 120 °C

Description	Stainless Steel cat.#	Sulfinert Treated cat.#
<b>3,500 psig (24,132 kPa) DOT Pressure Rating</b>		
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT	26297	21400
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT	26298	26299
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male Compression	26300	21401
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT w/5.25" Dip Tube*	26301	21402*
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT w/1,800 psi (12,411 kPa) Rupture Disc	26302	26303
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT w/1,800 psi (12,411 kPa) Rupture Disc	26304	26305
Replacement Rupture Disc, 1,800 psig (12,411 kPa)	26320	—
<b>5,000 psig (34,474 kPa) DOT Pressure Rating</b>		
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT	26306	26307
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT	26308	26309
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male Compression	26310	26311
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$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT w/2,850 psi (19,650 kPa) Rupture Disc	26314	26315
$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT x $\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT w/2,850 psi (19,650 kPa) Rupture Disc	26316	26317
Replacement Rupture Disc, 2,850 psig (19,650 kPa)	26324	—

\*To order a sample cylinder valve with dip tube, please call Customer Service at 1-800-356-1688, ext. 3, or contact your Restek representative. Specify dip tube length or % outage when ordering (maximum length = 5.25" / 13.3 cm). Note: End of part will not be treated after cutting tube to length.

### Sample Cylinder Accessories

Description	Fittings	qty.	cat.#
Sample Cylinder Carrying Handle, 304 SS for 1.9" & 2" OD Cylinders (Includes handle and two attachment rings)		ea.	26373
Sample Cylinder Carrying Handle, 304 SS for 3.5" & 4" OD Cylinders (Includes handle and two attachment rings)		ea.	26374
Sample Cylinder 316 SS End Pipe Plug, Stainless Steel	$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT	ea.	26375
Sample Cylinder 316 SS End Pipe Plug, Sulfinert Treated	$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT	ea.	26376
Sample Cylinder 316 SS Hollow Hex Plug	$\frac{1}{4}$ " Male NPT	ea.	26377
Sample Cylinder SS Pipe Cap w/Lanyard	$\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT & 20" Lanyard	ea.	26378
Sample Cylinder SS Pipe Cap, Stainless Steel	$\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT	ea.	22969
Sample Cylinder SS Pipe Cap, Sulfinert Treated	$\frac{1}{4}$ " Female NPT	ea.	22970

SS = Stainless Steel

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