HyperShear[™] HPLC and UHPLC Mixers



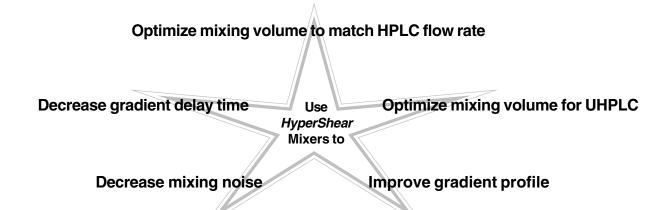
HyperShear[™] HPLC and UHPLC Mixer Features:

- Micro Flow, Low Flow, Analytical Flow, High Flow and Combo Series
- **Reduce baseline noise, increase sensitivity and improve gradient accuracy**
- □ UHPLC mixers are available in volumes ranging from 0.5 µL to 1.5 mL and pressure to 15,000 PSI
- Available for In-line, Binary and Ternary formats in Stainless Steel (SS) or PEEK
- □ Ideal for microbore HPLC, UHPLC and LC/MS
- **Compact design is easily integrated into any HPLC and UHPLC system**
- Increased reaction efficiency for post column derivatization
- **Decreased mixing and delay volume without sacrificing mixing efficiency**
- Mixing volume optimization is easy with interchangeable mixer cartridges

HyperShear[™] HPLC and UHPLC Mixers

ASI manufactures a wide range of Static Mixers to solve the most demanding high pressure mixing problems. ASI HyperShear Mixers incorporate a highly efficient cross-flow shearing mechanism which produces vortex shear mixing over a wide flow range. This mixing technology typically delivers between 25% to 200% better mixing efficiency compared to conventional packed bed or tortuous path mixers. HyperShear Mixers are available in a variety of housing formats including: inline, binary, and ternary inlets. Mixers are constructed from stainless steel or Biocompatible PEEK with volumes ranging from 0.5 μ L to 1.5 mL.

Within a given mixer flow series, mixer cartridges are interchangeable. The ability to swap mixer cartridges within a given mixer series makes selecting the optimum mixer volume easy and economical. This is not the case with UHPLC mixers. Since we warranty the pressure rating of 15,000 PSI on the factory tested mixer assembly (housing and cartridge), UHPLC mixers are only sold as complete mixer assemblies.



Specifications

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	Standard HPLC	UHPLC	Biocompatible PEEK
Pressure Rating	6,000 PSI	15,000 PSI	3,000 PSI
Female Port Geometry	10/32 Parker(1/16 CPI)	10/32 Parker(1/16 CPI)	10/32 Parker(1/16 CPI)
Wetted Materials	Stainless Steel and PEEK	Stainless Steel and PEEK	PEEK
Micro Flow Series 0.5, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 25 µL	available	available	available
Low Flow Series 50, 150 and 250 µL	available	available	available
Analytical Flow Series 350 and 500 μL	available	available	available (In-Line)
High Flow Series 800 µL, 1.0 and 1.5 mL	available	available	available (In-Line)
Combo Series 1 to 100 µL	available (In-Line)	available (In-Line)	available (In-Line)

Static Mixer Application Notes

Selecting the Right Size Mixer Cartridge

ASI offers static mixers with volumes that range from 0.5 microliters to 1,500 microliters. Choosing the right size mixer is a trade off between delay volume, mixing noise, gradient fidelity and chromatographic performance. *Please refer to the Charts on pages 64 and 65 for more information on gradient accuracy as a function of flow rate and mixing volume.*

The following observations will provide some guidelines to help choose the right size mixer.

- For any given flow rate, the more the mixing volume the better the mixing, and the lower the baseline noise.
- > The smaller the mixing volume, the better the definition and sharpness of linear gradients.
- >Multi-pump high pressure gradient systems typically require far less mixing volume than low pressure single pump gradient systems when running linear gradients.
- An ASI 150 µL in-line static mixer can be added in addition to the standard onboard mixer to further reduce mixing noise.

Multi-pump High Pressure Gradient Systems

Linear Gradients

If a larger mixing volume can be tolerated for a particular flow rate, the larger the volume will lower the mixing noise. The upper limits to mixing volume will be the maximum delay time that can be tolerated, and possible distortion (tailing) of the gradient at the beginning and end of the gradient. The lower limit will be defined by the amount of mixing noise that can be tolerated. *Please refer to a table, page 59 for specific recommendations.*

Binary or Ternary – Steady State Composition

Always select the largest volume that will still provide an acceptable delay volume. In general, the more mixing volume, the better the mixing will be. For most pump systems, a 150 μ L cartridge will provide adequate mixing.

Examples of this type of pump system include:

Shimadzu LC-10AD and LC-10ADvp Beckman System Gold[®] Gilson Model 305 Agilent Model 1100

Single-pump Low Pressure Mixing Gradient Systems

Linear Gradients

These systems generally require more mixing volume to perform linear gradients than multipump high pressure systems. The following will explain why this is the case. In a low pressure system the composition can only be changed once every pump stroke. Since the pump stroke volume of most pumps is 100 μ L, and it takes a mixer volume that is about 3 times the batch volume to provide adequate mixing, we need 350 μ L of mixer volume, at least, to do adequate mixing. More insoluble combinations may require even more mixing volume.

In general, choose the largest size mixer cartridge that will still provide an acceptable delay volume. For most applications this will be at least $350 \ \mu$ L.

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Examples of this type of pump system include:

Agilent 1090 Perkin Elmer series 200 TSP Spectra Vision[®] Waters model 626 Varian Star[®] 9000

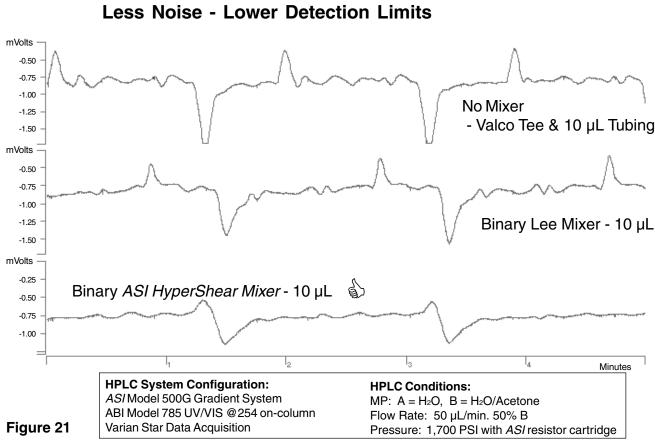
Mixer Cartridge Selection Guide for High Pressure Mixing

Linear Gradients - High Pressure Mixing

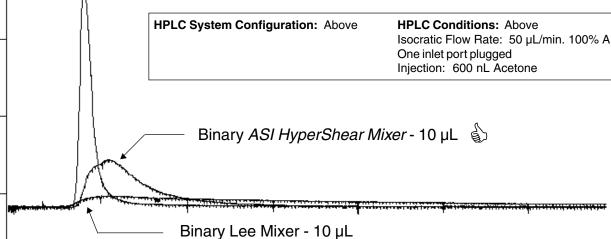
Larger mixing volume can be tolerated for a particular flow rate, with the larger the volume the lower the mixing noise. The upper limits to mixing volume will be the maximum delay time that can be tolerated, and possible distortion (tailing) of the gradient at the beginning and end of the gradient. The lower limit will be defined by the amount of mixing noise that can be tolerated. The following cartridge volumes are a compromise between these two limits.

Flow		Mixer Cartridge Volume	
0-5	micro liter/min.	5 micro liter	r
5-10		10	
10-20		25	
20-150		50	
150-500		150	
500+		250	

Table 1.



Binary Static Mixer Comparison



I_{1.5}

l_{2.0}

I_{1.0}

Superior Mixing with Less Gradient Dispersion

No Mixer - Valco Tee & 10 µL Tubing

Figure 22

mVolts

0.5

0.0

-0.5

-1.0

-1.3

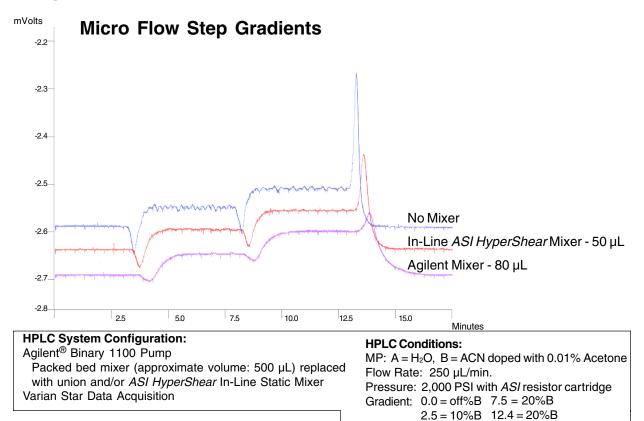
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l_{0.5}

Minutes

l_{2.5}

7.4 = 10%B 12.5 = 0.0%B and hold



Agilent Static Mixer Optimization



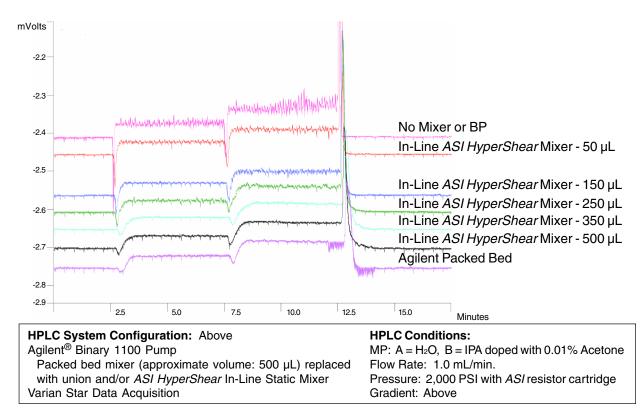
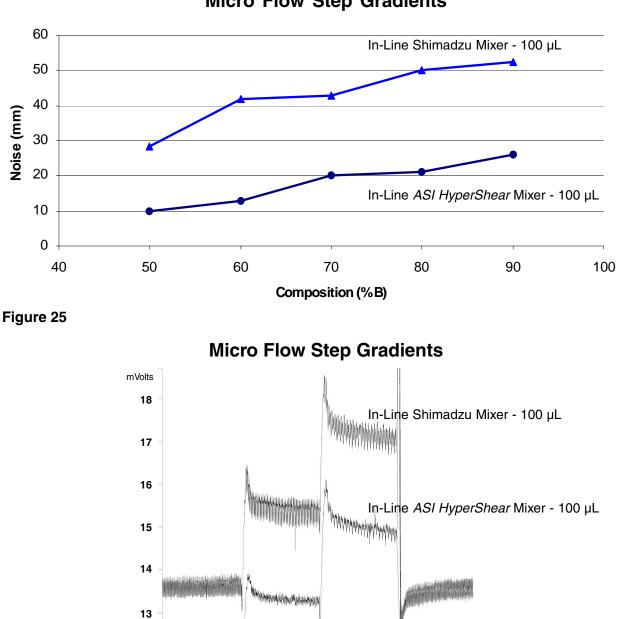


Figure 24



Shimadzu Static Mixer Optimization

Micro Flow Step Gradients

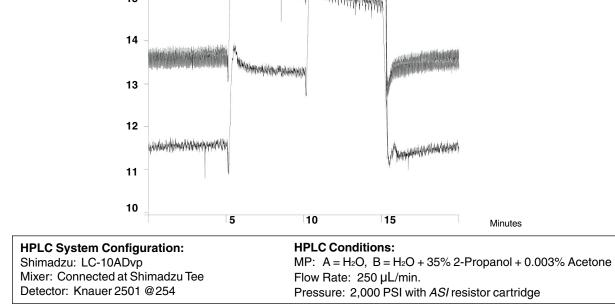
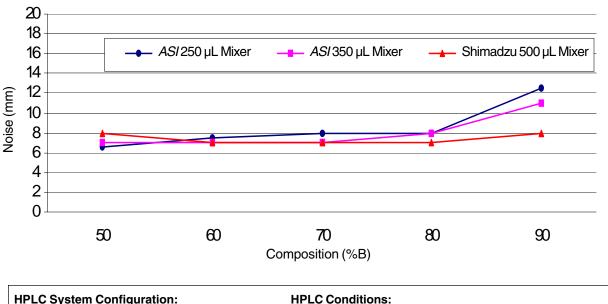


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Shimadzu Static Mixer Optimization

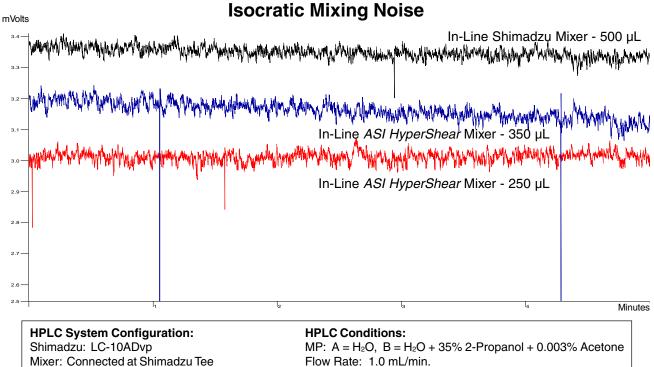


Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min.

Analytical Flow Step Gradients

HPLC System Configuration: Shimadzu: LC-10ADvp Mixer: Connected at Shimadzu Tee Detector: Knauer 2501 @254

Figure 27



Pressure: 2,000 PSI with ASI resistor cartridge

MP: A = H₂O, B = H₂O + 35% 2-Propanol + 0.003% Acetone

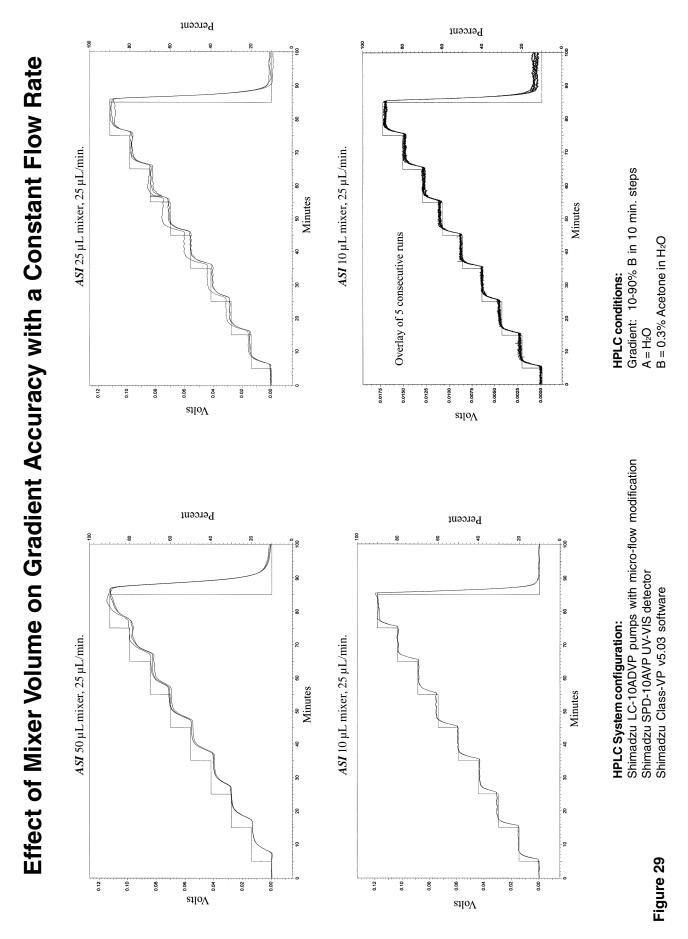
Pressure: 2,000 PSI with ASI resistor cartridge

Figure 28

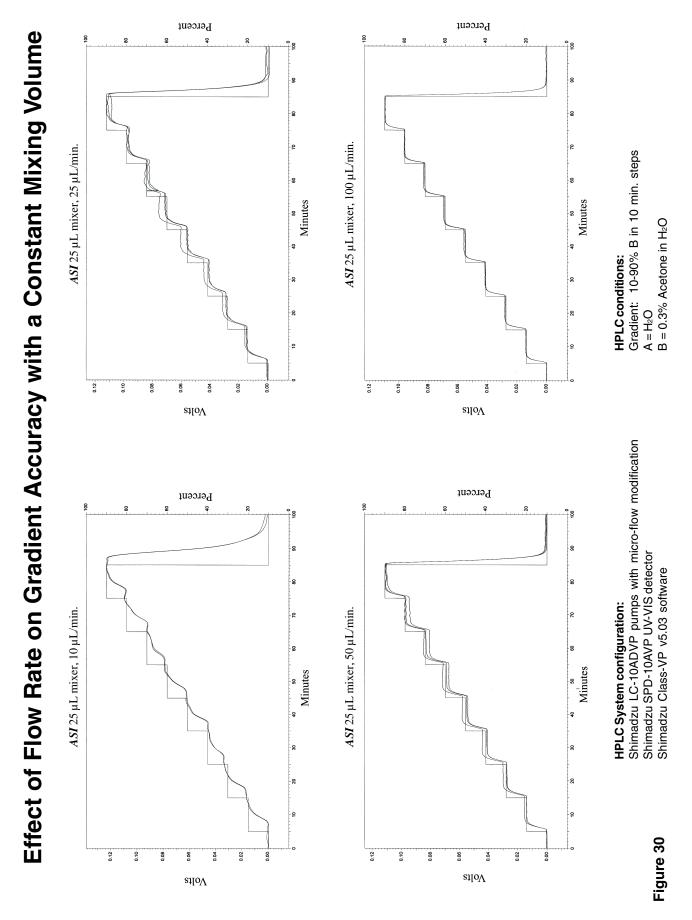
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