

Speciation Analysis

Low Pressure Separation of As Species using the SC-FAST

Elemental Speciation



The form an element exists in can control its:

- Toxicity or nutritional value
- Environmental mobility and persistence
- Bio-availability
- Volatility
- Chemical reactivity

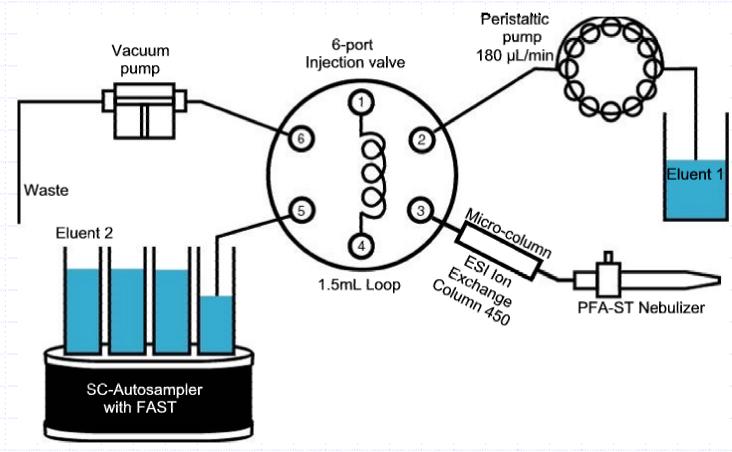
As Speciation



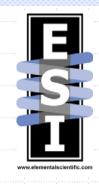
- Inorganic As is the main compound of arsenic in water, soil and sediment
- Both As(III) & As(V) are highly toxic with As(III) being particularly poisonous
- In living organisms, arsenic is methylated – detoxifying it
- MMA & DMA have intermediate toxicity
- AsBet & AsCho are considered non-toxic

SC-FAST for As Speciation Analysis





Instrument Parameters



Element 2 High Resolution ICP-MS				
Cool Gas	16.50 L/min			
Auxiliary Gas	0.94 L/min			
Sample Gas	0.790 L/min			
Additional Gas	0.215 L/min			
RF Power	1550 W			
Pump Speed	13 rpm			
Liquid Flow Rate	180 μL/min			
Resolution	Low			

Instrument Parameters



SC-FAST Set-up				
Spray Chamber	Quartz Cyclonic			
Nebulizer	PFA-ST			
Pump Tubing	Green-Orange			
Column	ESI Ion Exchange 450			
Loop Volume	1.5 mL			
Loop Fill Time	10 s			
Sample Inject Time	3 s (9 µL)			
Eluent 1 Inject Time	100 s			
Eluent 2 Inject Time	545 s			

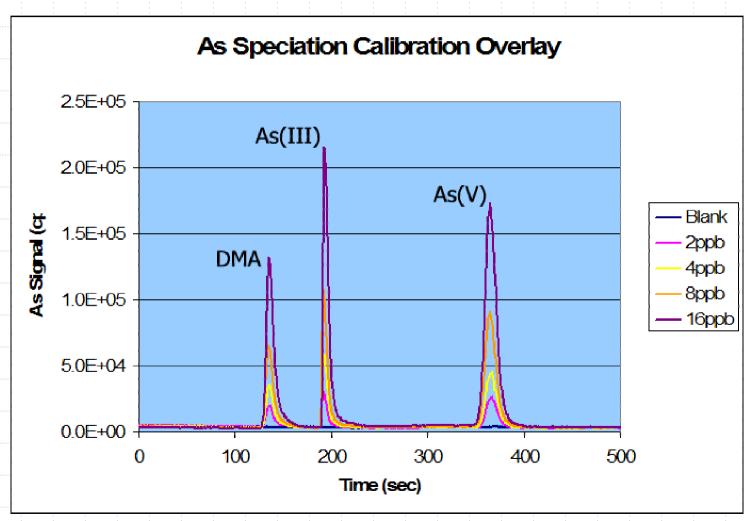
Separation & Calibration Studies



- Step Gradient Elution
- DMA, As(III) & As(V) separated
- Element 2 Time Resolved Software

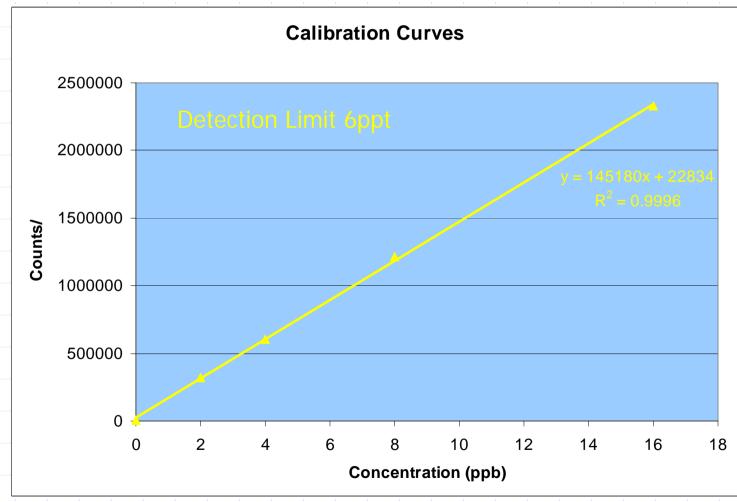
DMA / As(III) / As(V) Separation





Calibration Studies - As(V)

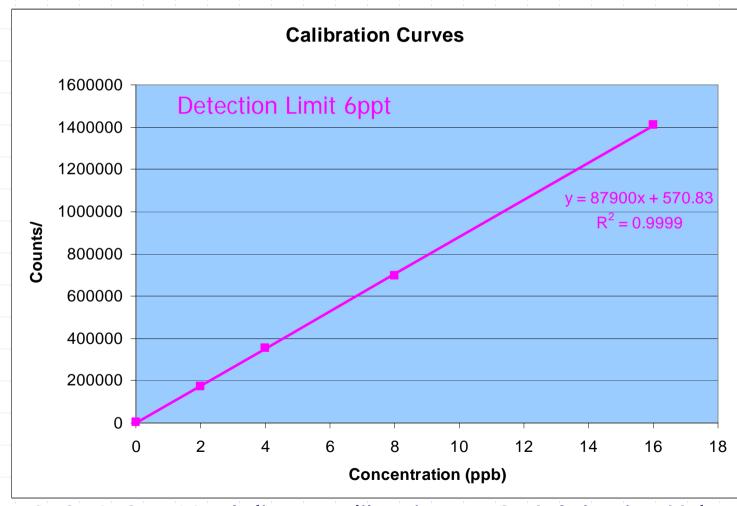




0, 2, 4, 8 & 16ppb linear calibration
 9 μL Injection Volume

Calibration Studies - As(III)

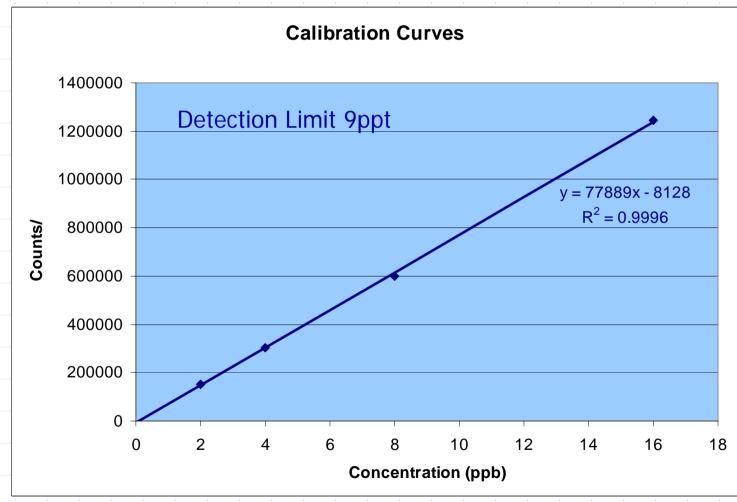




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Calibration Studies - DMA

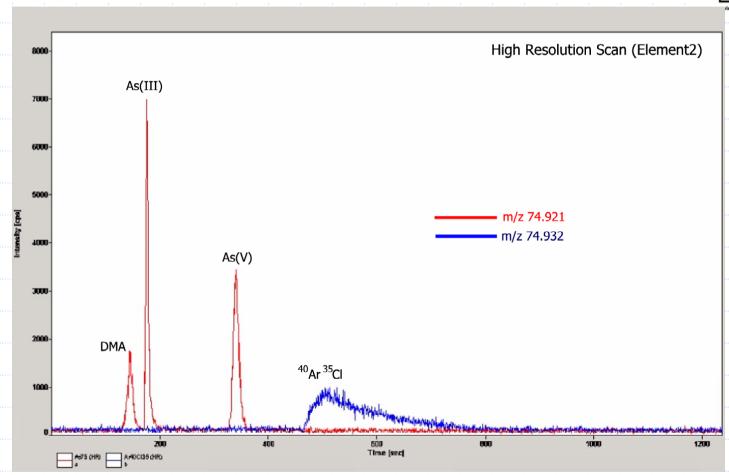




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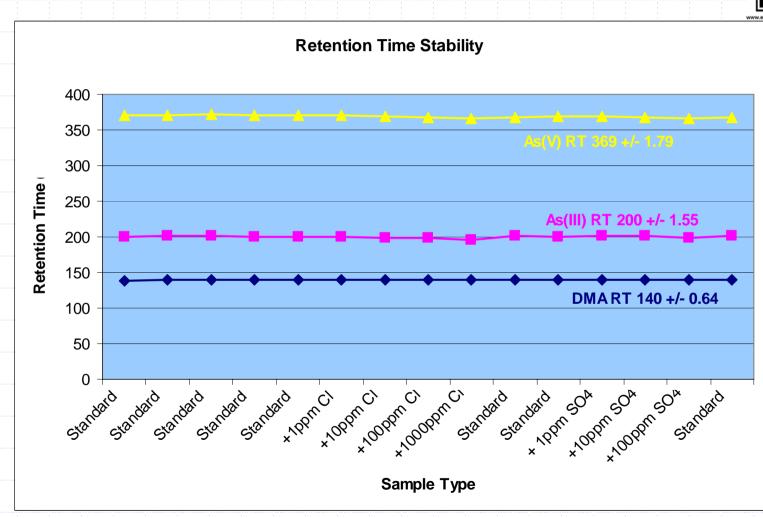
ArCI Interference Removal





Retention Time Stability





Spike Recoveries



	DMA		As(III)		As(V)	
	Conc. (ppb)	Rec. (%)	Conc. (ppb)	Rec. (%)	Conc. (ppb)	Rec. (%)
Sample 1	0.56		0.54		20.68	
Sample 1 + 5ppb Spike	5.24	93.6	4.97	88.6	25.03	87.1
Sample 2	0.37		0.60		20.63	
Sample 2 + 5ppb Spike	4.91	90.7	4.80	84.0	24.95	86.4
Sample 3	0.41		13.34		24.69	
Sample 3 + 5ppb Spike	5.61	104.0	17.84	90.0	29.53	96.9

Summary



- SC-FAST performs fully automated robust separation of elemental species.
- Simple to use
- Low pressure, low cost separation