# **FAST FACTS**

# Aldehyde/Ketone DNPH Analysis

# For CARB 1004, ASTM Method D5197, and US EPA Methods TO-11A and 8315

- Convenient concentrations for most ambient air methods.
- · Certificate of Analysis lists both aldehyde/ketone and DNPH derivative concentrations.
- Fast analysis Allure® AK HPLC column separates 13 carbonyl compounds in less than 15 minutes.

Carbonyl compounds, including low molecular weight aldehydes and ketones, are receiving increased attention from the regulatory community. Formaldehyde in automobile exhaust accounts for 50-70 percent of the total atmospheric carbonyl burden. Motor vehicles emit reactive hydrocarbons that undergo photochemical oxidation in the atmosphere, producing formaldehyde and other carbonyls. Short-term exposure to formaldehyde and other specific aldehydes (acetaldehyde, acrolein, crotonaldehyde) causes irritation of the eyes, skin, and mucous membranes of the upper respiratory tract. Formaldehyde is also a major promoter in the formation of photochemical ozone.

CARB (California Air Resources Board) Method 1004 is used by the automotive industry to monitor a range of carbonyl compounds in engine exhaust. In this method, sample collection cartridges impregnated with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine (DNPH), or impingers containing acidified DNPH, are used to sample the exhaust. After conversion to the DNPH derivatives, the carbonyl compounds are analyzed by HPLC. US EPA Compendium Method TO-11A and Method 8315 target formaldehyde, but at least 14 other carbonyl compounds also can be detected and quantified. Method TO-11A modifies the sampling procedures outlined in earlier Method TO-5; the newer method is based on the specific reaction between carbonyl compounds and the DNPH coating on a silica gel adsorbent (packed in cartridges), in the presence of a strong acid catalyst. The reaction produces stable, colored hydrazone derivatives.

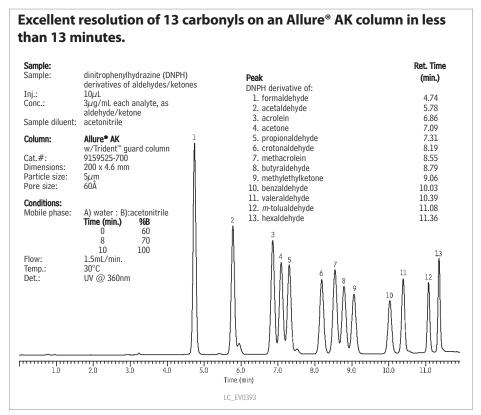
To meet the needs of analysts monitoring these compounds, Restek offers a 13-component calibration standard, suitable for CARB 1004 testing. Additionally, we offer a 15-component calibration mix for US EPA Compendium Method TO-11A and Method 8315.

The compound concentrations in these mixes are optimized for the respective methods and are suitable for most ambient air work. For convenience, our Certificate of Analysis lists concentrations for both the aldehydes/ ketones and the DNPH derivatives.

We developed the Allure® AK HPLC column specifically for the analysis of aldehydes and ketones. With a single 200mm column, excellent resolution of 13 carbonyl compounds can be achieved in less than 13 minutes. While C18 phases often cannot separate butyraldehyde and methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), the Allure® AK column shows excellent resolution of this difficult pair.

# **Additional Information**

Formaldehyde and Other Aldehydes Committee on Aldehydes, Board of Toxicology and Environmental Hazards, National Research Council, National Academy Press, Washington, DC, 1981.



# CARB 1004 Aldehyde/Ketone-DNPH

Calibration Standard (13 components)

acetaldehyde-2,4-DNPH acetone-2,4-DNPH acrolein-2,4-DNPH benzaldehyde-2,4-DNPH *n*-butyraldehyde-2,4-DNPH crotonaldehyde-2,4-DNPH formaldehyde-2,4-DNPH hexaldehyde-2,4-DNPH methacrolein-2,4-DNPH methyl ethyl ketone-2,4-DNPH propionaldehyde-2,4-DNPH *m*-tolualdehyde-2,4-DNPH valeraldehyde-2,4-DNPH

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 $3\mu$ g/mL each in acetonitrile, 1mL/ampul cat. # 33093 (ea.)

#### **DNPH Reference Materials**

100µg/mL in acetonitrile, 1mL/ampul

		Individual
Compound	CAS#	cat.#
acetaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	1019-57-4	33074
acetone-2,4-DNPH	1567-89-1	33075
acrolein-2,4-DNPH	888-54-0	33076
benzaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	1157-84-2	33077
2-butanone-2,4-DNPH	958-60-1	33078
n-butyraldehyde-2,4-DNPH	1527-98-6	33079
crotonaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	1527-96-4	33080
2,5-dimethylbenzaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	152477-96-8	33081
formaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	1081-15-8	33082
glycolaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	_	33091
hexaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	1527-97-5	33083
isobutyraldehyde-2,4-DNPH	2057-82-1	33084
isovaleraldehyde-2,4-DNPH	2256-01-1	33085
methacrolein-2,4-DNPH	5077-73-6	33095
propionaldehyde-2,4-DNPH	725-00-8	33086
m-tolualdehyde-2,4-DNPH	2880-05-9	33088
o-tolualdehyde-2,4-DNPH	1773-44-0	33087
p-tolualdehyde-2,4-DNPH	2571-00-8	33089
valeraldehyde-2,4-DNPH	2057-84-3	33090

### Formaldehyde-DNPH Mix

formaldehyde-DNPH

 $500\mu \mathrm{g/mL}$  in acetonitrile, 1mL/ampul

cat. # 31837 (ea.)

#### Aldehyde-Ketone-DNPH TO-11A Calibration Mix

(15 components)

acetaldehyde-DNPH formaldehyde-DNPH hexaldehyde-DNPH acetone-DNPH acrolein-DNPH isovaleraldehyde-DNPH benzaldehyde-DNPH propionaldehyde-DNPH n-butyraldehyde-DNPH *m*-tolualdehyde-DNPH crotonaldehvde-DNPH o-tolualdehyde-DNPH 2,5-dimethylbenz p-tolualdehyde-DNPH valeraldehyde-DNPH aldehyde-DNPH

 $15\mu \mathrm{g/mL^*}$  each in acetonitrile, 1mL/ampul cat. # 31808 (ea.)

#### **Allure® AK HPLC Columns**

**Physical Characteristics:** 

particle size: 5μm
pore size: 60Å
pH range: 2.5 - 7.5
temperature limit: 80°C

5μm Column, 3.2mm
200mm with Trident™ Inlet Fitting
5μm Column, 4.6mm
200mm with Trident™ Inlet Fitting
200mm with Trident™ Inlet Fitting
200mm with Trident™ Inlet Fitting

#### **Ultra C18 HPLC Columns (USP L1)**

Ultra C18 HPLC columns separate aldehydes and ketones well and are also suitable for a wide range of other analyses. See our website for more information.

#### **Physical Characteristics:**

particle size: endcap: fully endcapped 3μm or 5μm, spherical pH range: 2.5 to 7.5 pore size: 100Å temperature limit: 80°C carbon load: 20%

5µm Column, 4.6mm	cat. #	
150mm	9174565	
150mm with Trident™ Inlet Fitting	9174565-700	

## also available

For guard cartridges for these columns, visit our website at **www.restek.com**.







<sup>\*</sup>Concentration calculated as aldehyde.