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Chromatographic separation of complex samples is a challenging task for every laboratory, particularly when the components span a wide polarity range. The AMD (Automated Multiple Development) offers a convenient and most efficient solution. It employs stepwise elution over increasing solvent migration distances with a gradient that can be designed according to the requirements of the sample.

Typical applications for AMD analysis are lipid analysis [1,2], routine analysis of drinking water [3], pigment formulations with a complex composition [4], and resins as well a heavy petroleum products [5], just to name a few.

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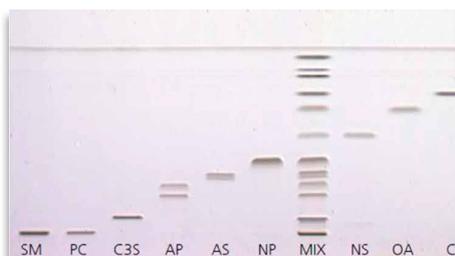
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## Automated Multiple Development with CAMAG AMD 2 – now controlled by *visionCATS*



AMD 2 chromatogram of stratum corneum lipids consisting of ceramides, cholesterol and fatty acids with an 8-step polarity gradient (CBS 105). The technique results in extremely narrow bands over the whole separation distance.



### The principle

- Multiple development over increasing solvent migration distances
- Each successive run uses a solvent of lower elution strength than the previous
- Between runs the layer is dried under vacuum

### The result

- Extremely narrow bands due to gradient elution with simultaneous focusing effect
- Enhanced separation capacity with base line separation of up to 40 components over a separation distance of 80 mm
- Highest resolution that can be attained with a planar chromatography system

For better understanding the AMD principle, imagine the following time-lapse sequence: All components of the analyte migrate with the solvent front. One fraction after the other falls out of the solvent front and stays more or less stationary, only focused by the next front passage. Selection of the solvents forming the elution gradient is made according to the composition of the analyte.

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