



## **PROTOCOL**

## **Example Method for the Extraction of Weak Acids**

The Microlute® CP strong anion exchange (SAX) uses a quaternary ammonium chemistry immobilised on a polymeric base with a pK<sub>a</sub> of >18, making it ideal for the capture of weak acidic analytes through anion exchange. As with all Microlute® CP products, the polymeric base offers a secondary retention mechanism for neutral compounds.

		Solvent	10 mg Volume	2 mg Volume
	Condition	MeOH	500 μL	200 μL
2	Equilibrate	0.1% ammonium hydroxide in H <sub>2</sub> O	500 μL	200 μL
3	Load	Sample diluted with 0.1% ammonium hydroxide in $\rm H_2O$	500 μL*	100 μL*
4	Wash 1	0.1% ammonium hydroxide in H <sub>2</sub> O	500 μL	200 μL
5	Wash 2	0.1% ammonium hydroxide in MeOH	500 μL	200 μL
6	Elute	2% formic acid in MeOH	500 μL	2x 50 μL
7	Analyse	Dilute eluent, directly inject or evaporate eluent and reconstitute in a more suitable solution for analysis.		

This method is an ideal starting point for several applications and for samples containing a wide range of components. Method development may be required to obtain optimal recovery and reproducibility.

<sup>\*</sup>The wells can hold up to 1 mL for the 2 mg product and 1.5 mL for the 10 mg product. However, the actual volume of the sample that can be loaded is determined by its concentration and how much it has been diluted.



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