

Workshop

Automated Sample Preparation and Introduction for the Analysis of Unknowns

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HP 5970 GC/MS (1984)



Agilent 7200 GCqTOF



MultiFlex GCqTOF



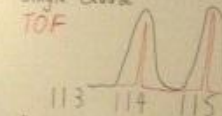


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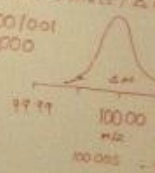
TOF

MS Resolution

Single Quad
TOF



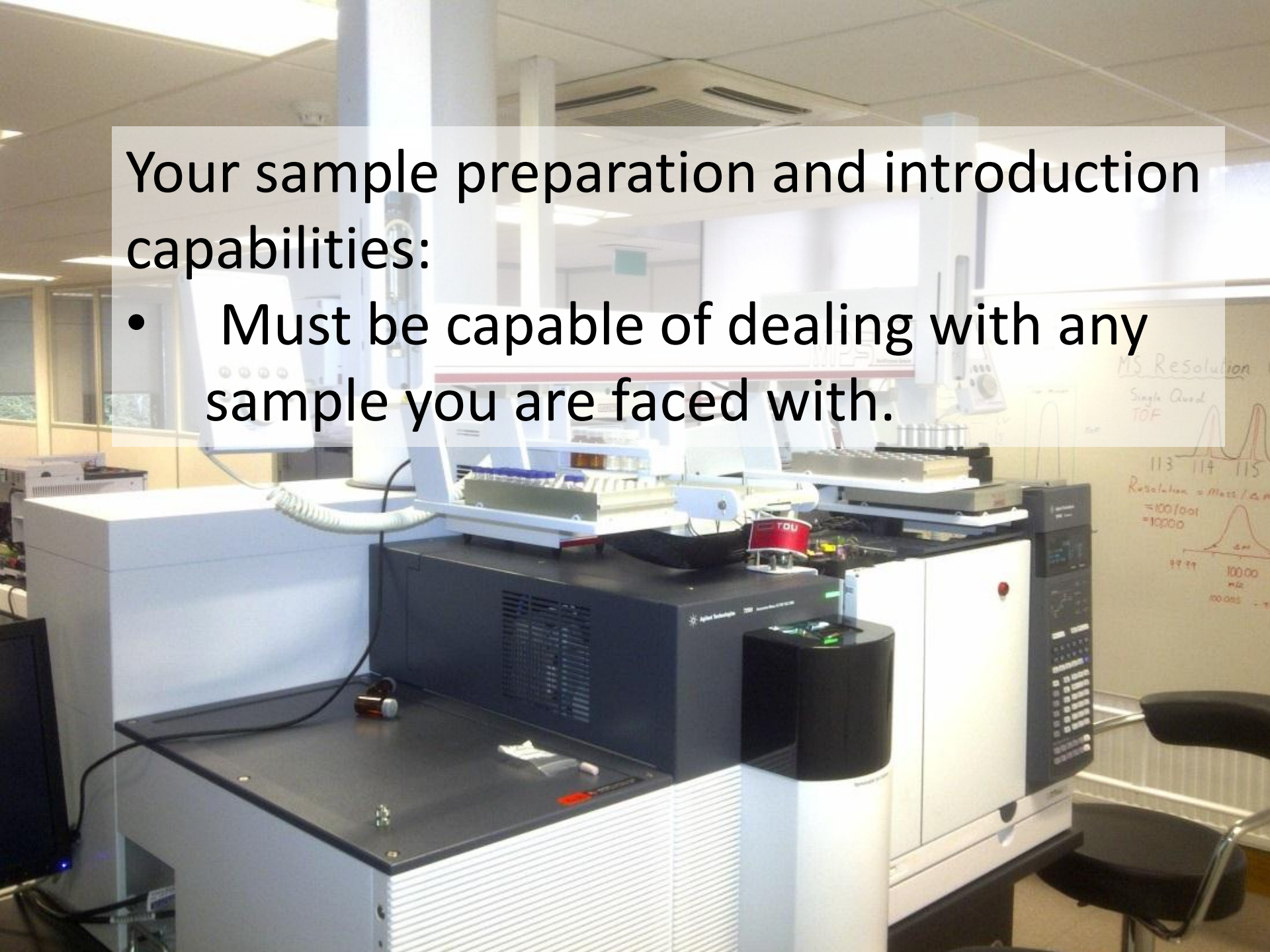
$$\text{Resolution} = \frac{m_{\text{res}}}{\Delta m}$$
$$= \frac{100}{0.01}$$
$$= 10000$$



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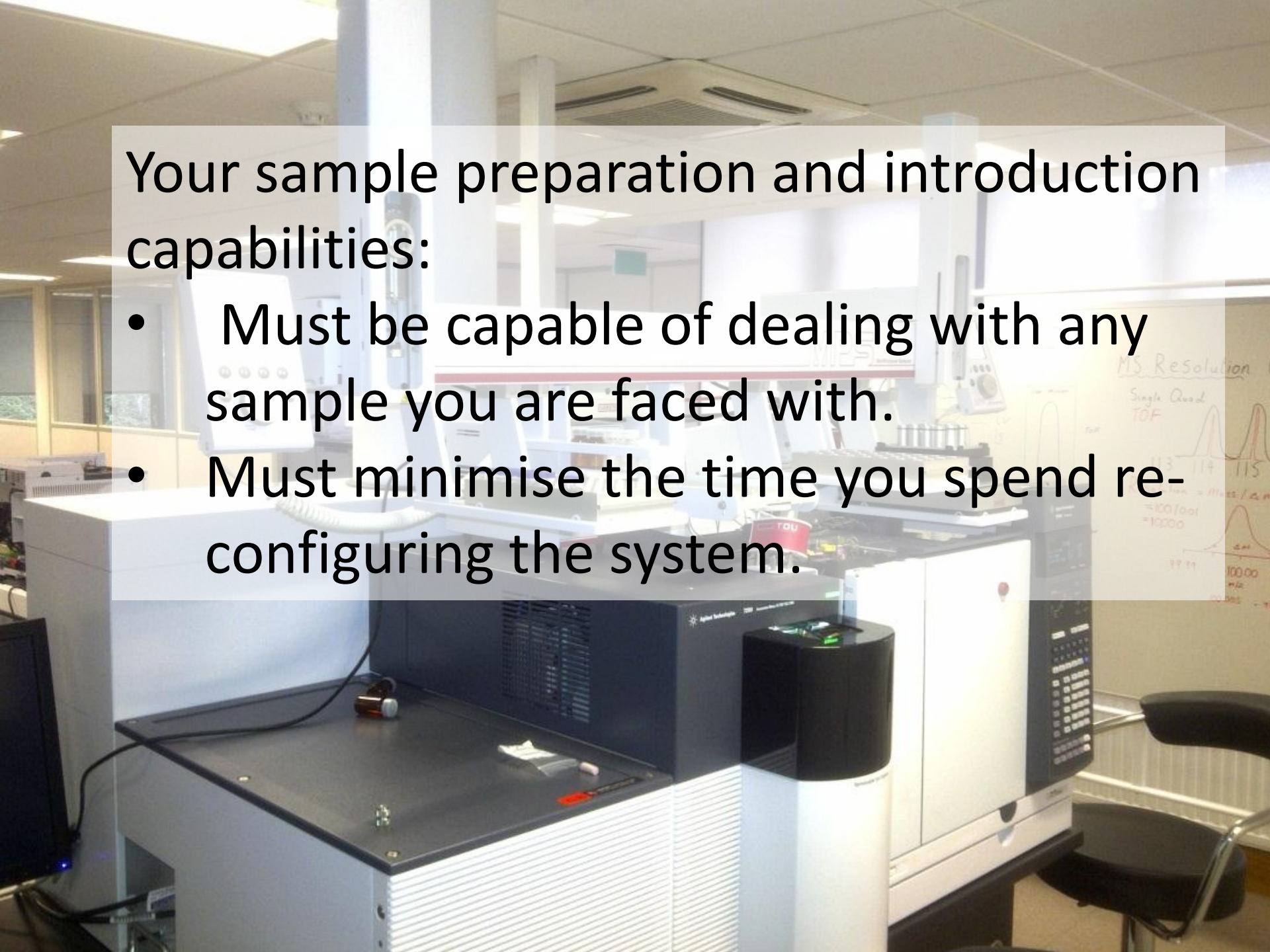
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A laboratory setting featuring a mass spectrometer in the foreground. In the background, a whiteboard displays a graph titled "MS Resolution" with the text "Single Quad TOF" and "100/0.1" and "10000". The graph shows two peaks, one at 113 and one at 115, with a resolution of 10000. The text "100/0.1" and "10000" is written in red. The whiteboard also has "MS Resolution" written in blue. The mass spectrometer has a red "TOF" label. The laboratory has a white ceiling with recessed lights and a white wall with a window.

Your sample preparation and introduction capabilities:

- Must be capable of dealing with any sample you are faced with.
- Must minimise the time you spend re-configuring the system.
- Must be suitable for the analysis of unknowns

GERSTEL MultiFlex Comprises

- CIS4 Cooled Injection System
- TDU Thermal (Twister) Desorption System
- Dual Head Multi-Purpose Sampler
- Maestro Software for control and system integration
- Important Option: DHS Dynamic Headspace System

What Does the MultiFlex Support?

- Volatile organics by gas phase extraction techniques
- Semi-volatile organics by liquid (or Solid Phase) extraction
- ***Semi-volatile organics by gas phase, thermal extraction (using ATEX)***

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But:

- *You have to limit the amount of water entering the system*
- *You have to prevent involatile material from entering the system*

Non-Selective Sample Introduction

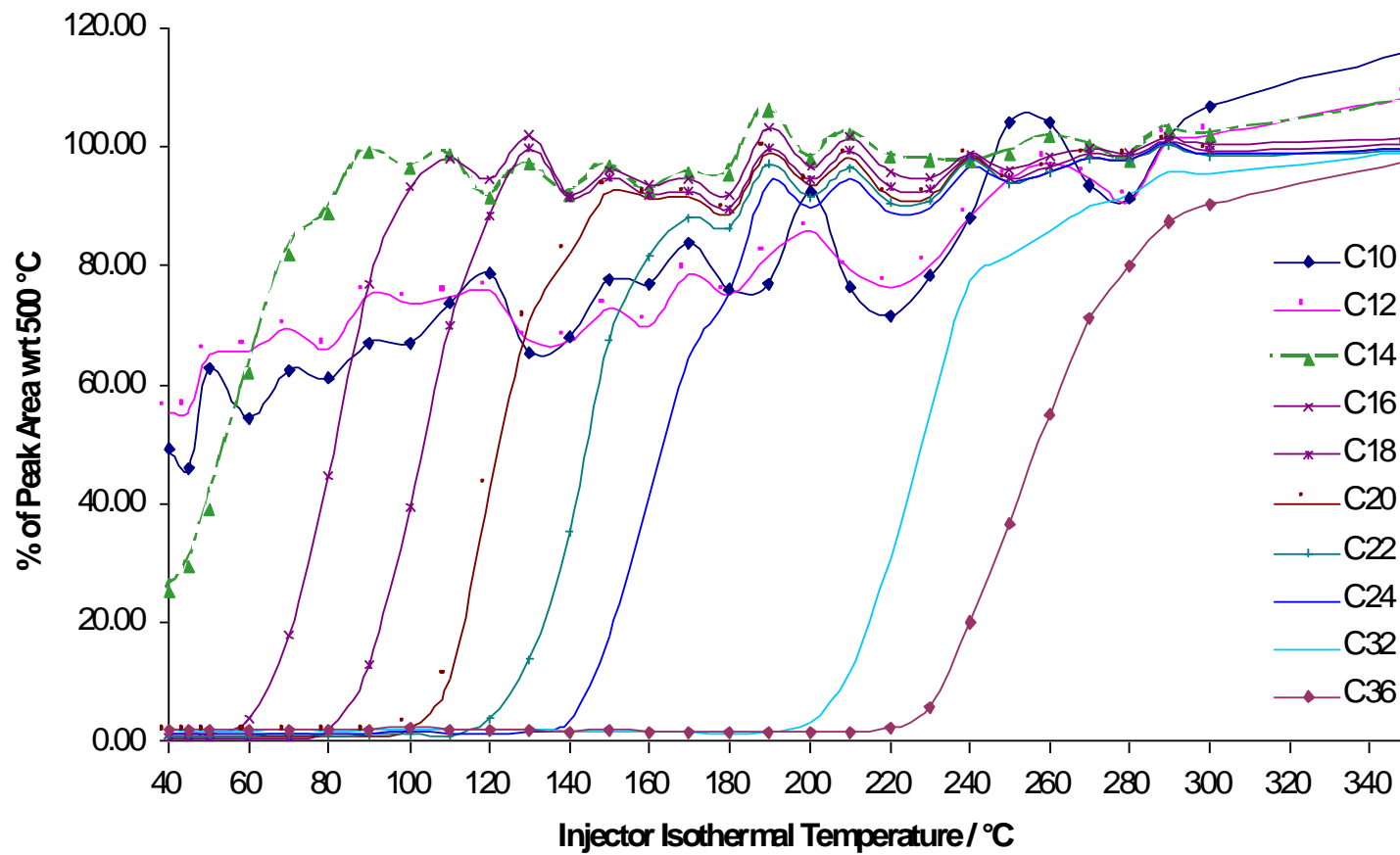
- Thermal Extraction with selective exclusion for liquids and solids
- Multiple Dynamic Headspace Extraction

ATEX

Thermal Extraction with Selective
Exclusion

What problem is ATEX aimed at solving?

Temperature Profile



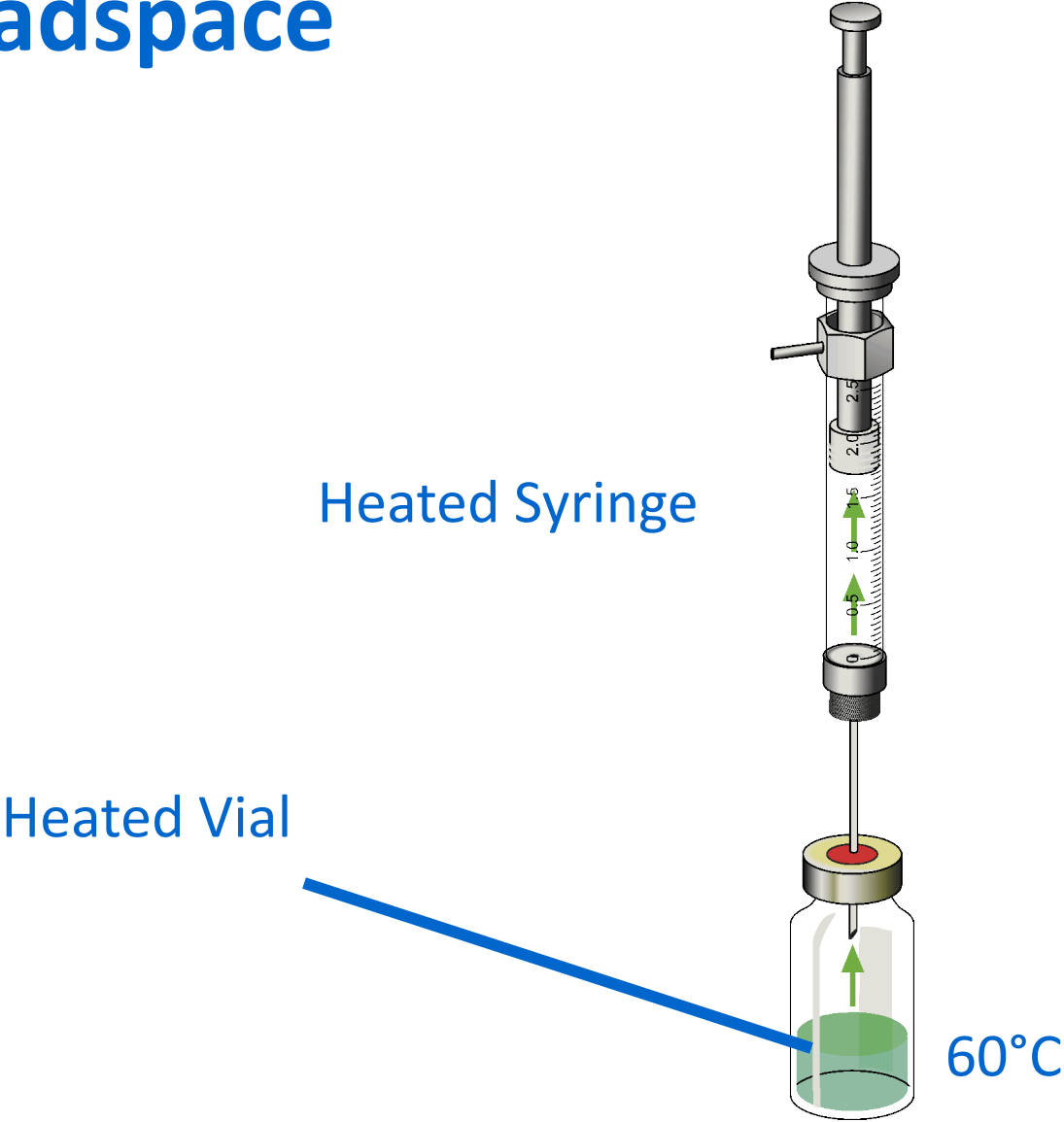
Automated Tube Exchange

ATEX

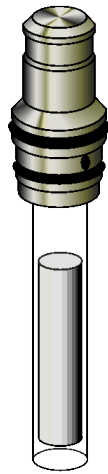
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Dynamic Headspace Sampling DHS Multi Sampling

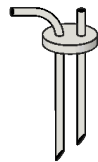
Static Headspace



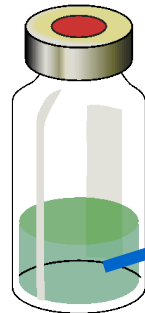
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TDU Adsorbent Tube



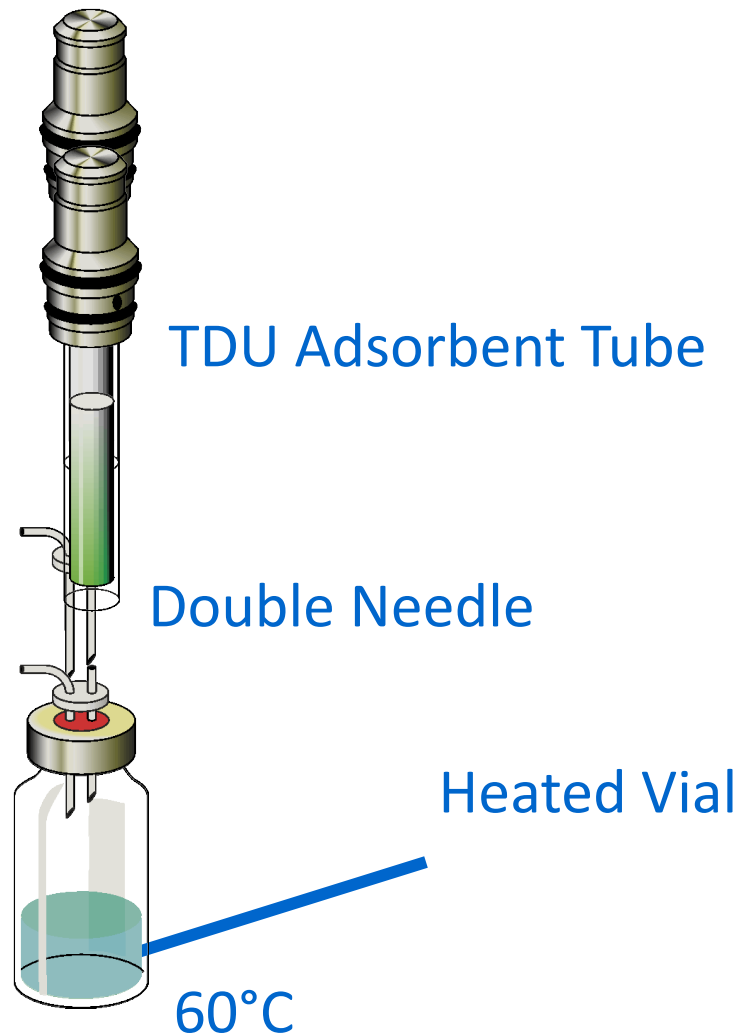
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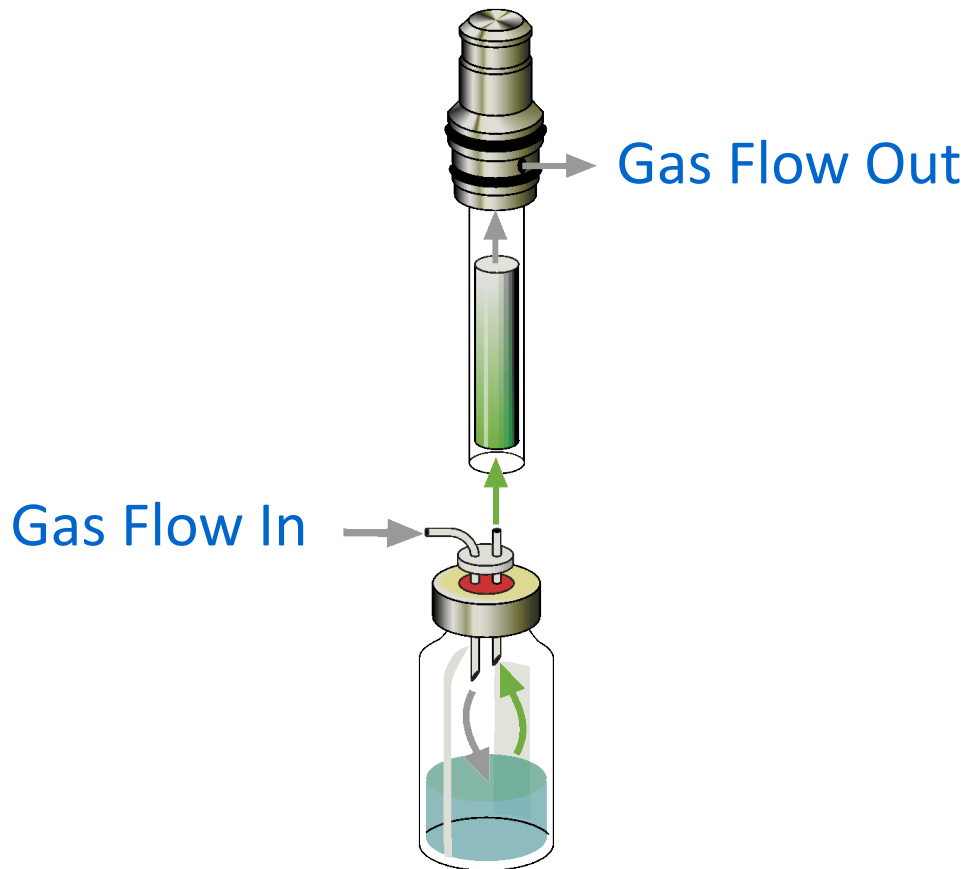
Heated Vial

60°C

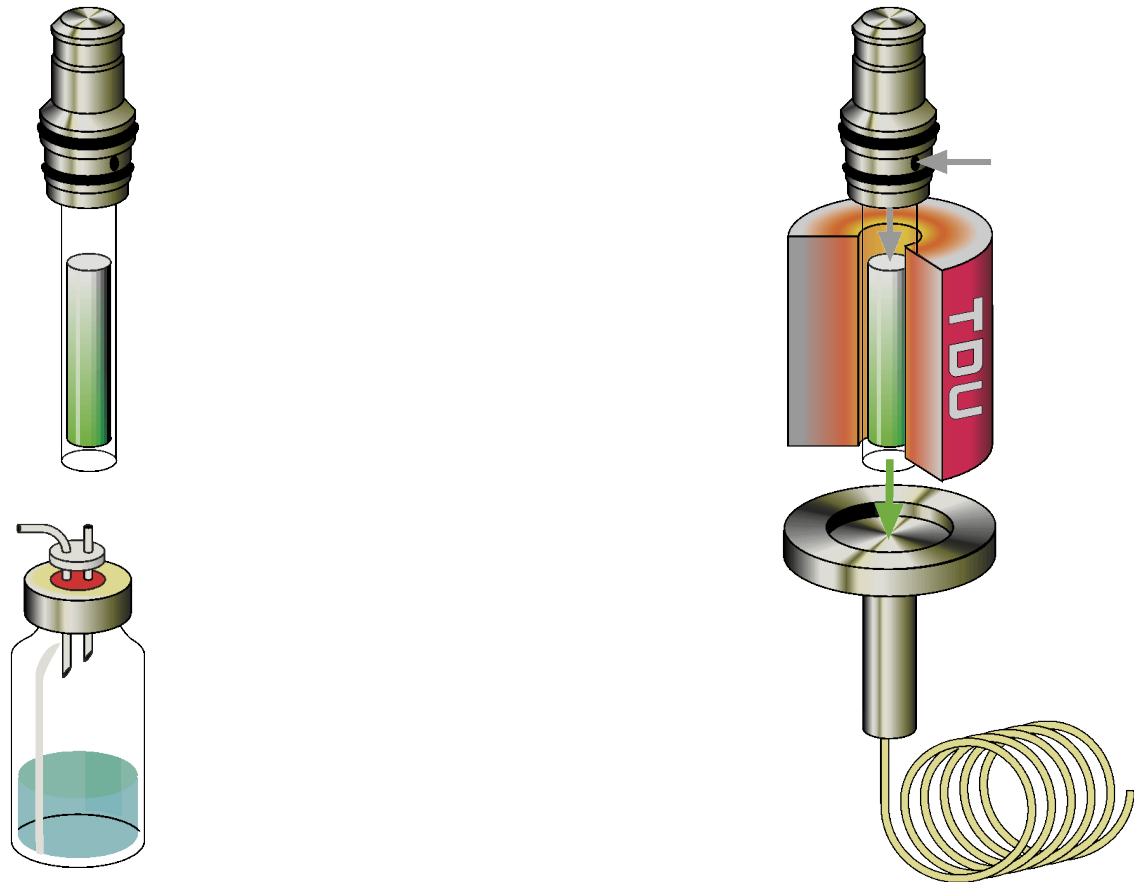
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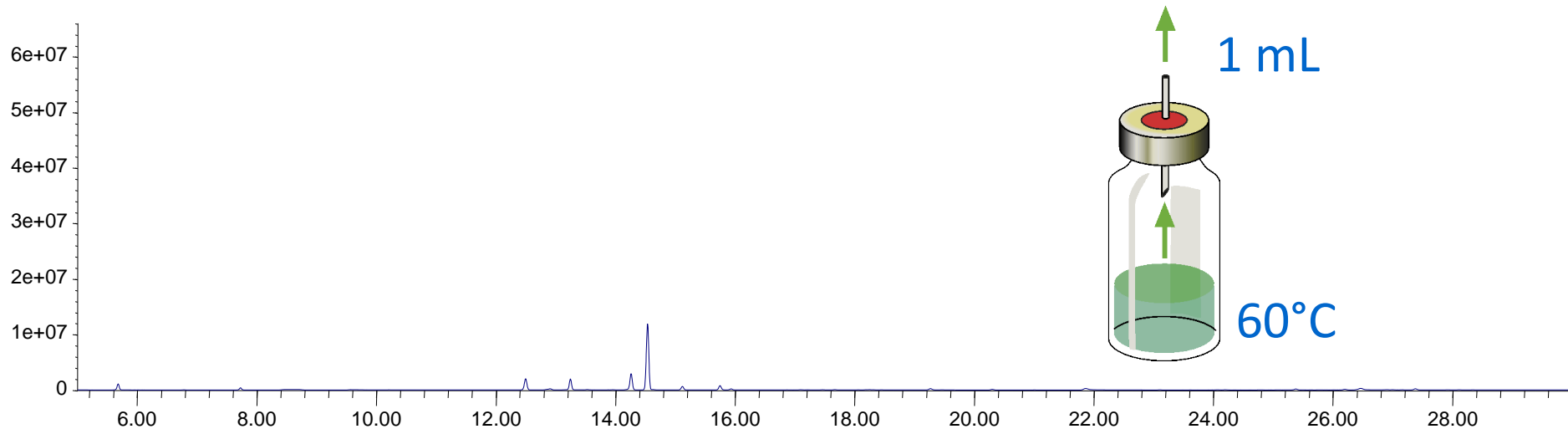
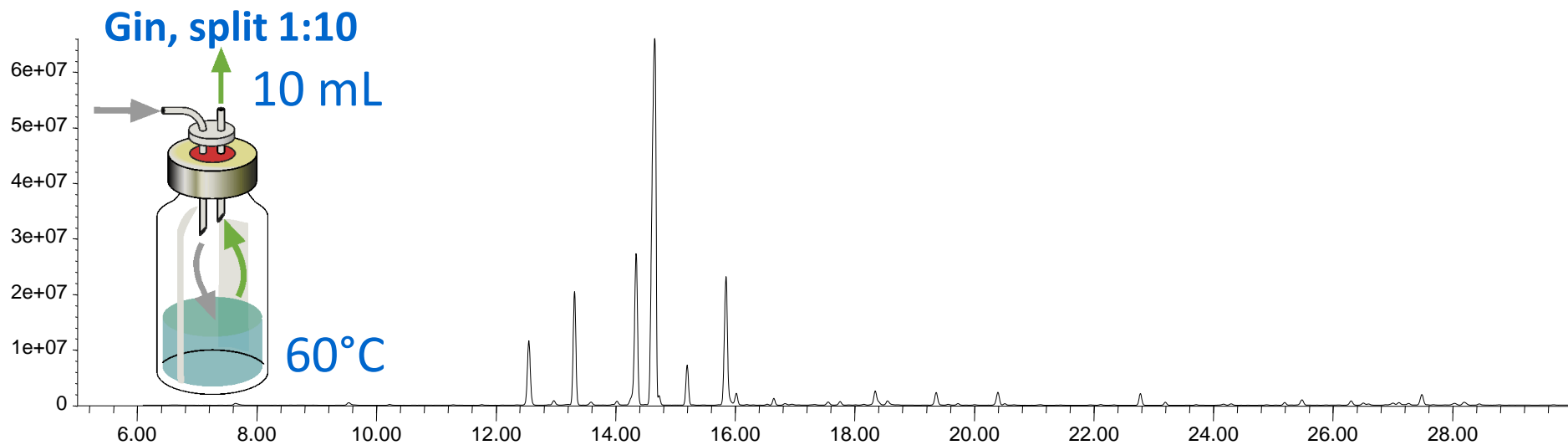
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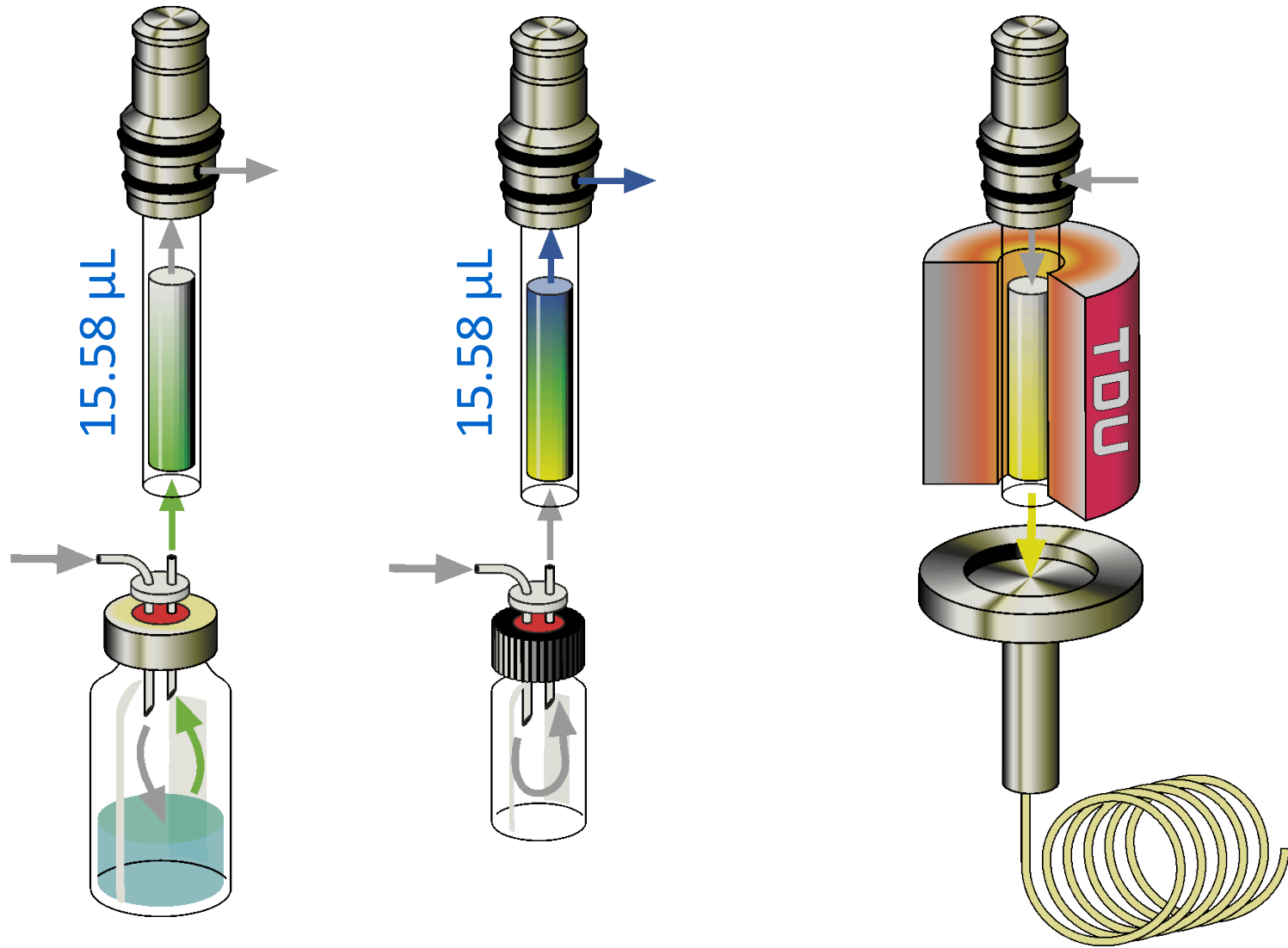


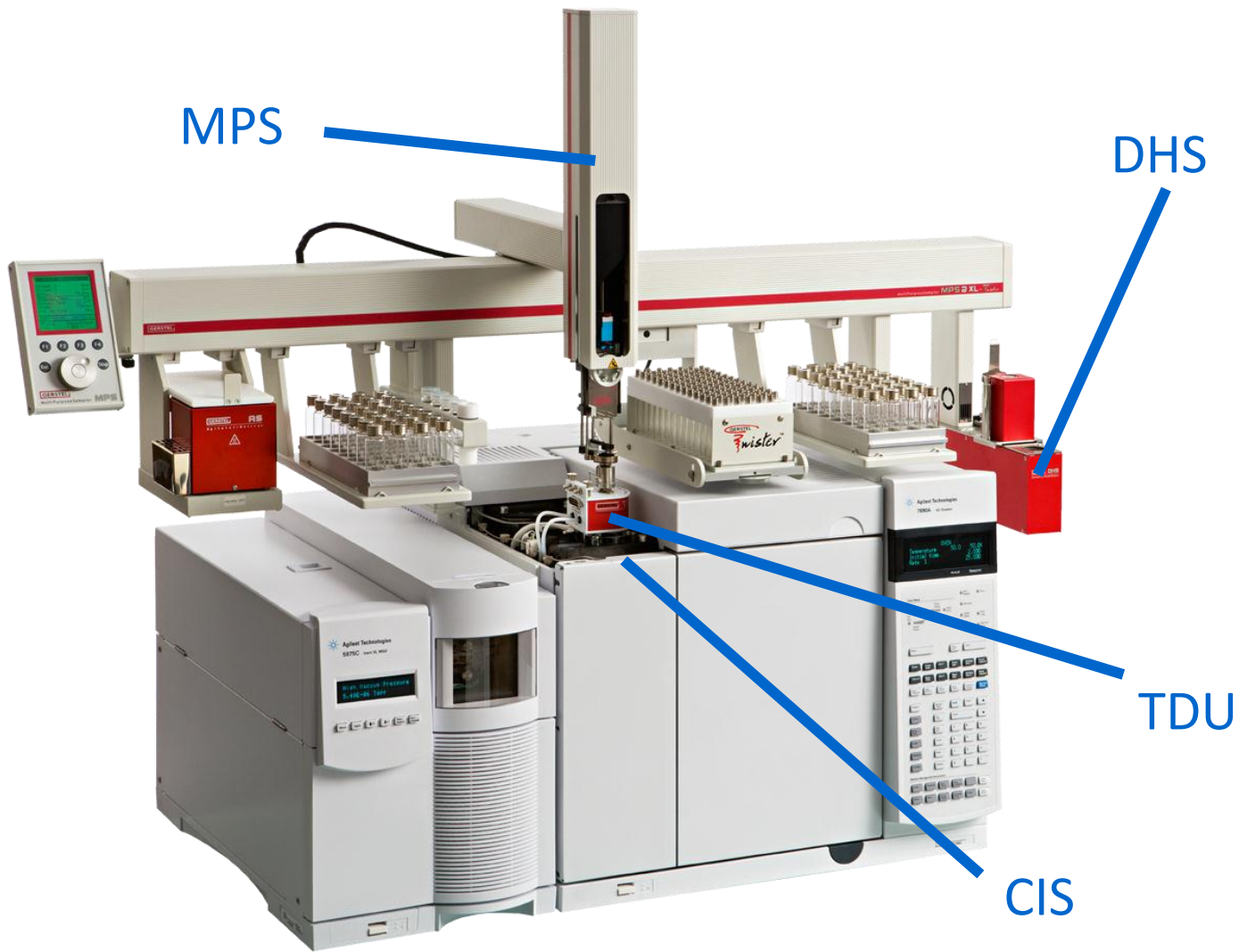
Dynamic Headspace



Compared Dynamic / Static







MPS

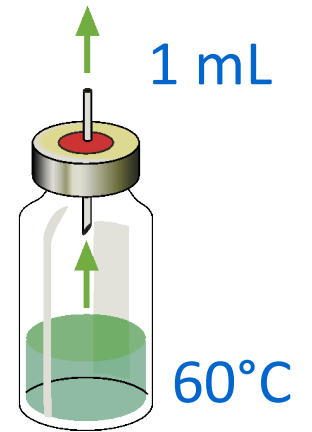
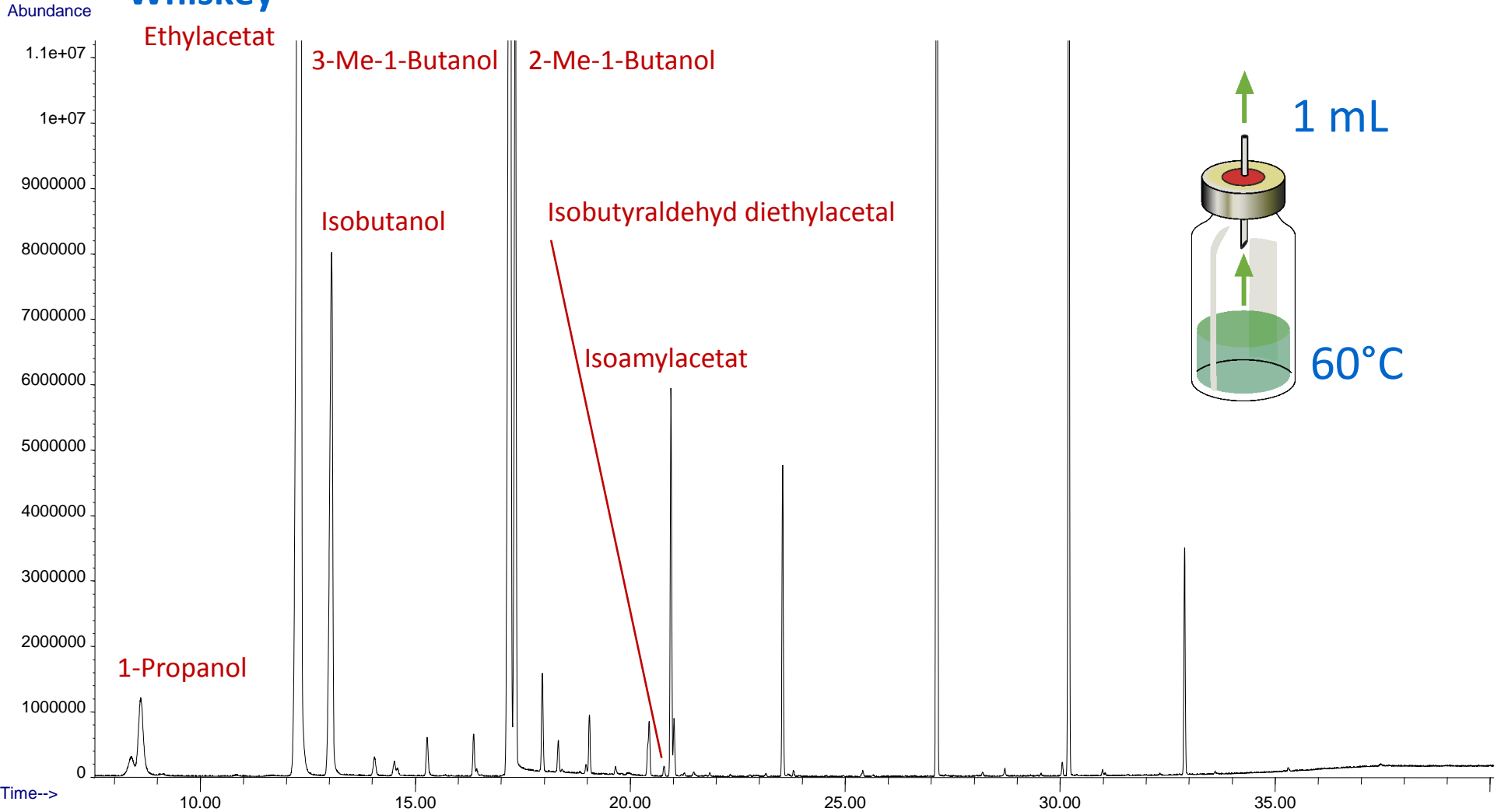
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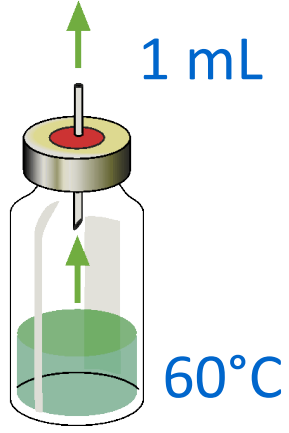
TDU

CIS

Static Headspace

Whiskey



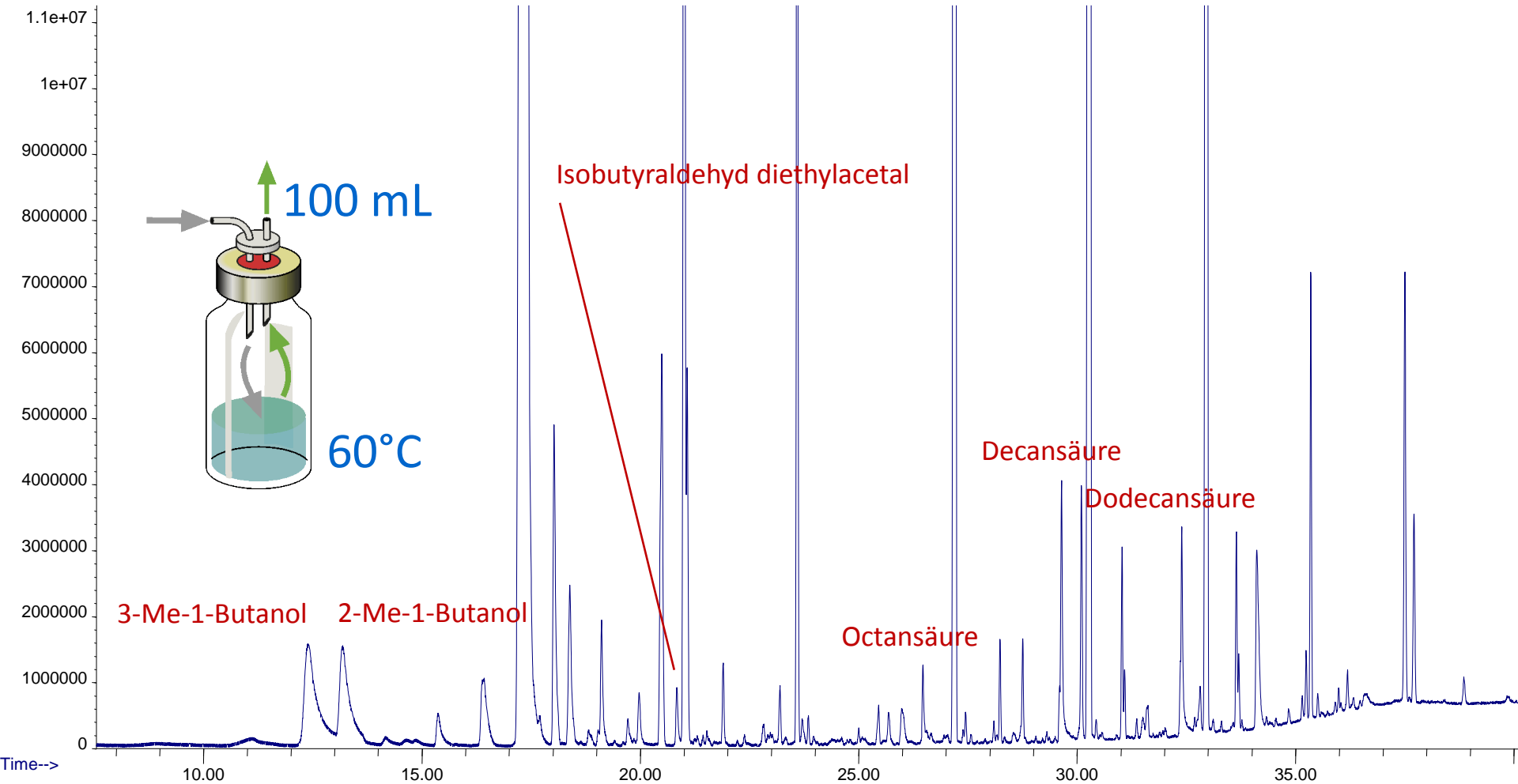


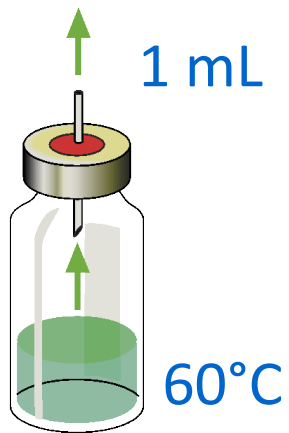
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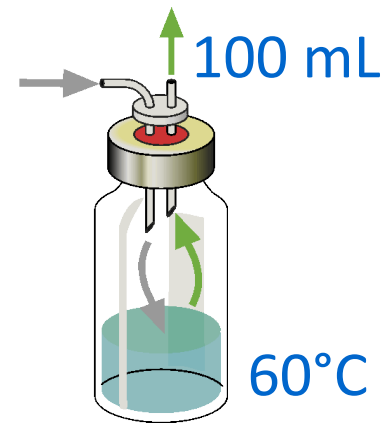
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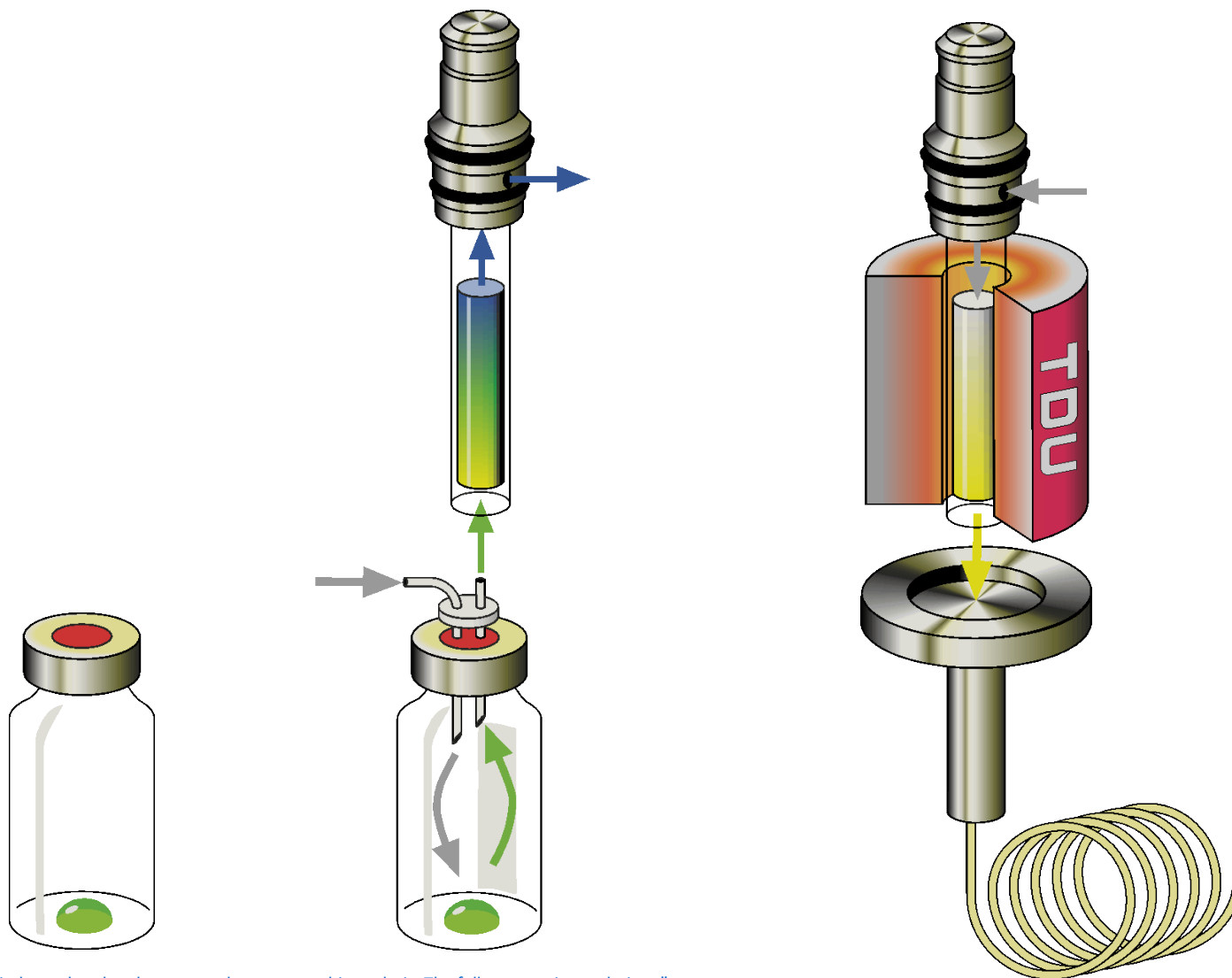




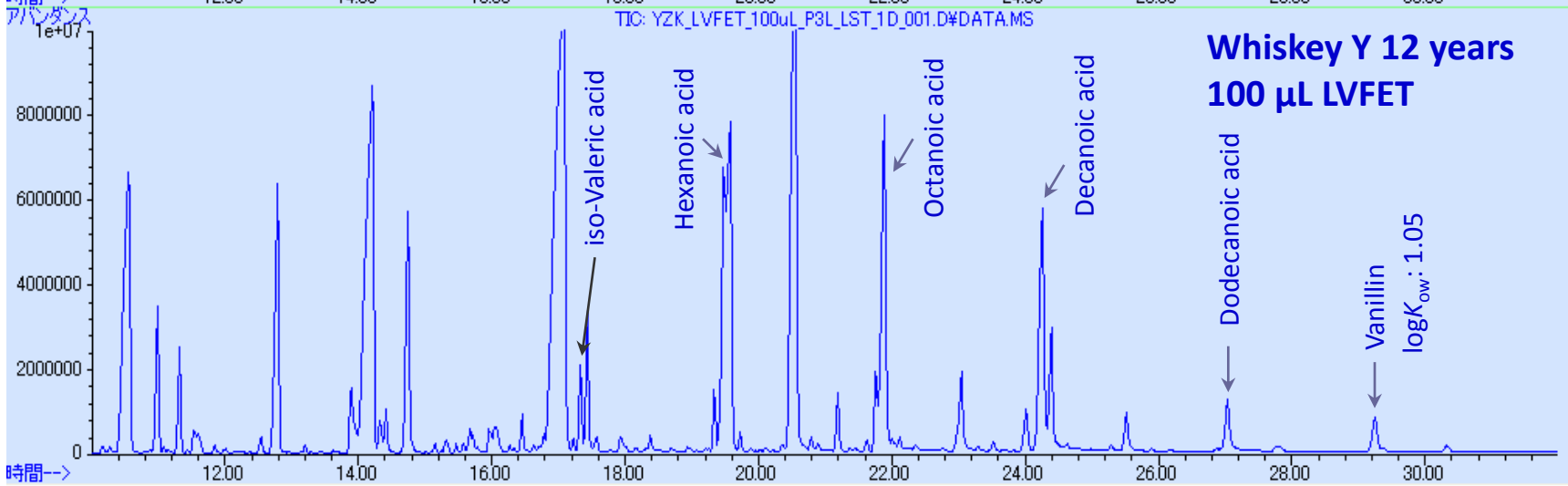
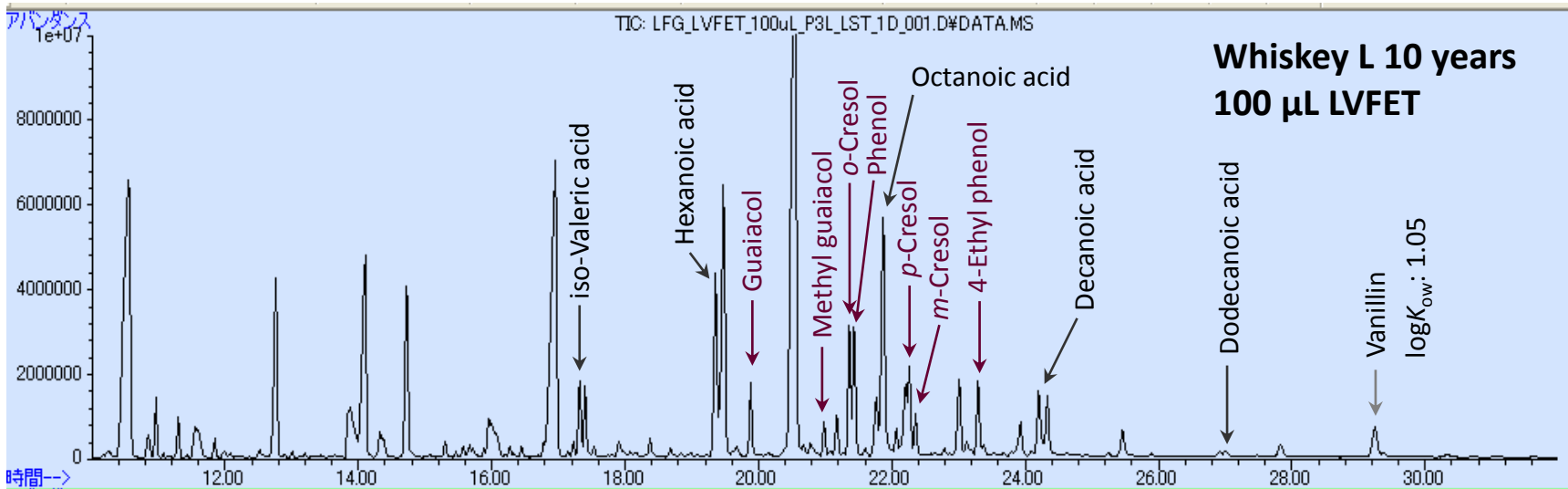
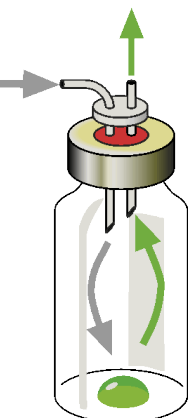
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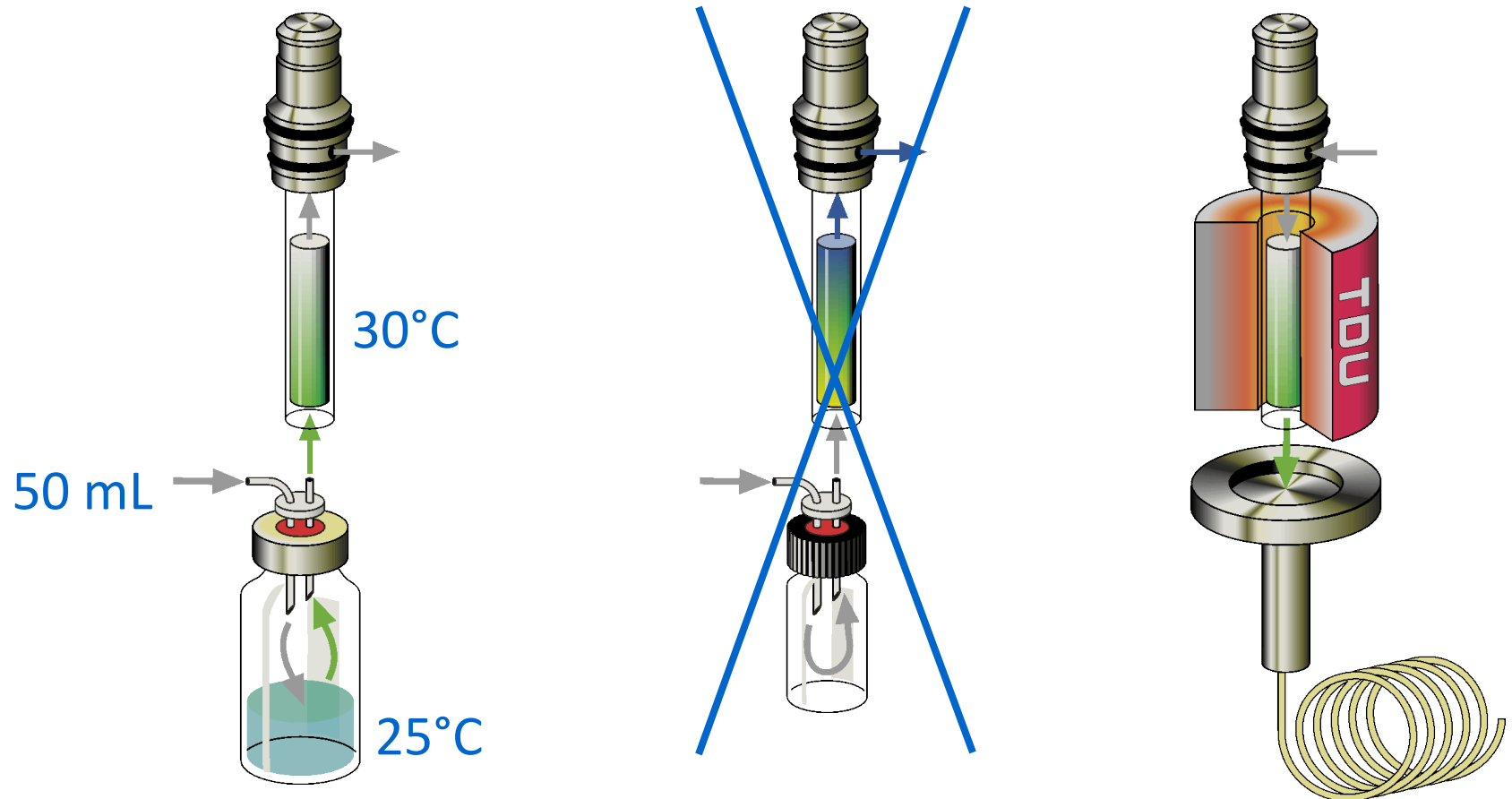


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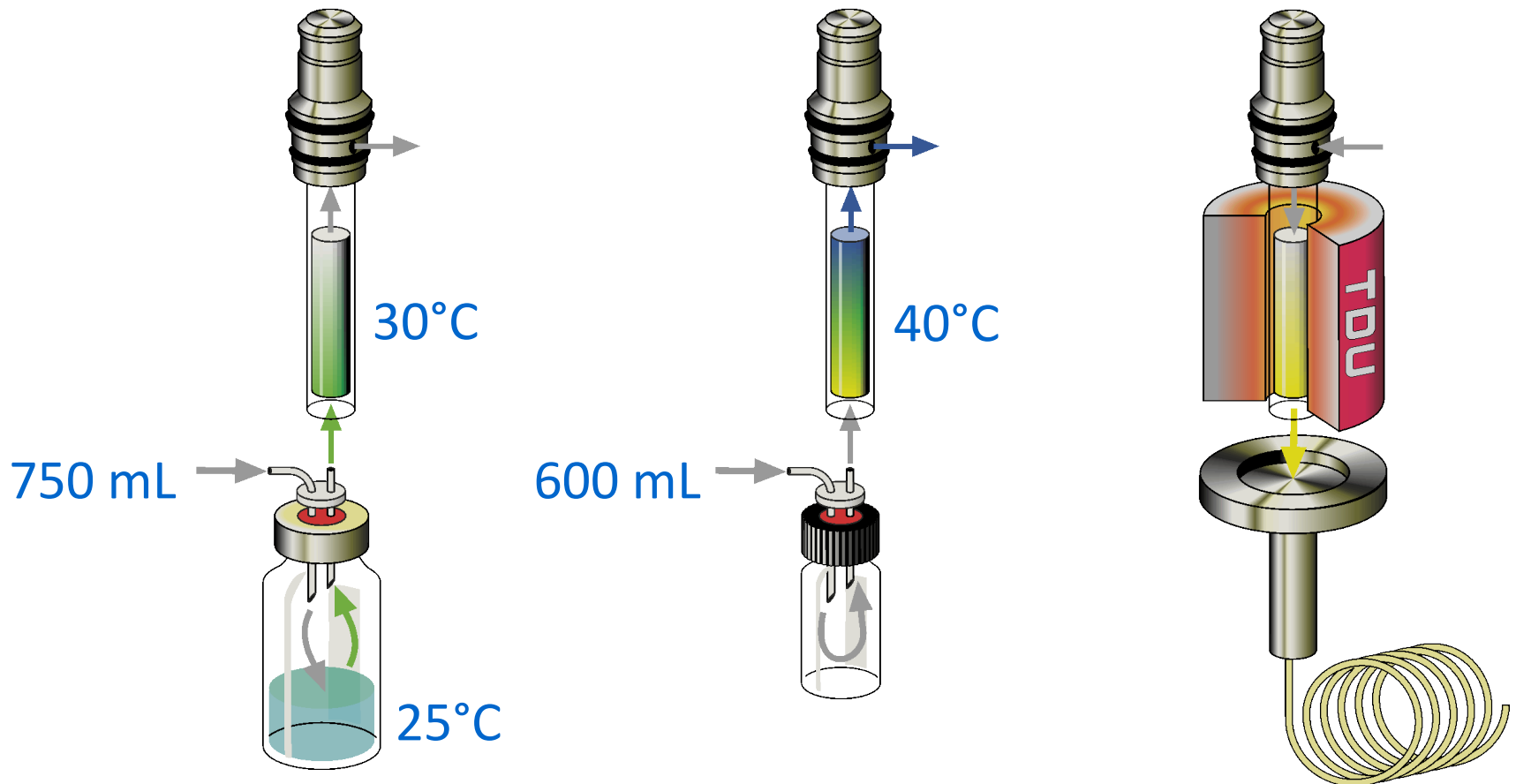
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Method 1: Very Volatile Analytes



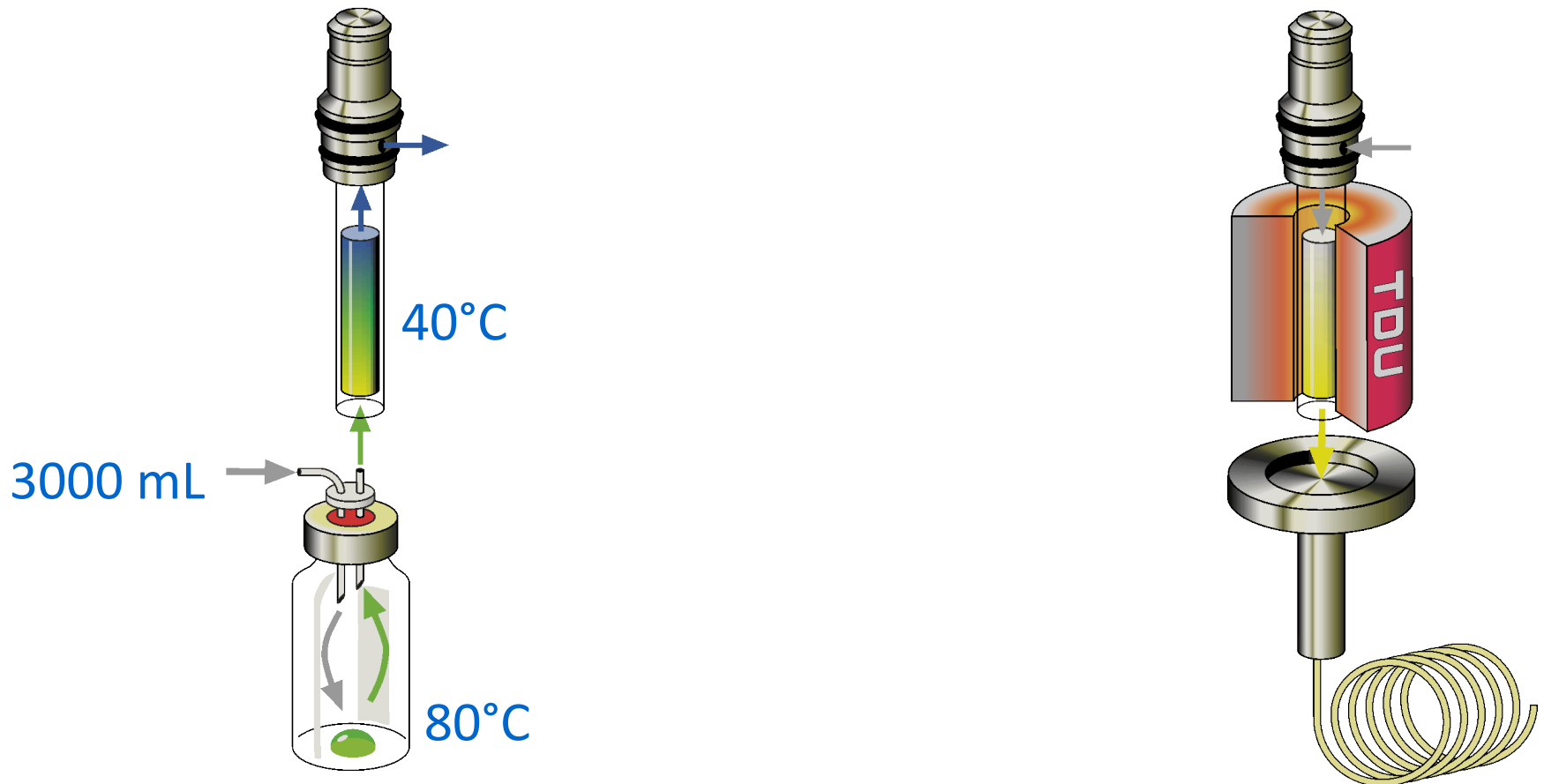
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Method 2: Volatile or Semi Volatile Analytes



Dynamic Headspace

Method 3: Volatile, non volatile and hydrophilic analytes



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Summary

- It is important to match a powerful GC-MS with an equally powerful sample preparation and introduction system.
- The MultiFlex GC/qTOF is an example of such a combination.
- The MultiFlex offers some unique capabilities for working with non-targeted analysis