

# DISCOVER SP-X

Microwave Sample Preparation System  
for Organic Analysis

Fast, Accurate Results  
Up to 95% Reduction in Solvent Usage



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Foods and Feeds  
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Natural Products  
Textiles

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# It Doesn't Get Any Easier Than This!

## 1 WEIGH YOUR SAMPLE AND ADD SOLVENT.



## 2 SNAP ON THE CAP.



## 3 CHOOSE YOUR METHOD.



In 10 minutes, your sample  
is ready to be processed.

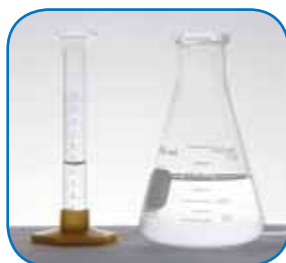


## The SP-X Advantage

CEM's new Discover SP-X is a sequential, automated microwave solvent extraction system that performs solid-liquid extractions on a wide variety of matrices. Microwave energy is used to quickly elevate the temperature and pressure inside the vessel, allowing the extraction to proceed faster than other techniques and reducing solvent usage by up to 95%. Stirring is used to increase surface area and ensure a more efficient extraction process every time.

**Extractions that take hours can be done in minutes with significant solvent savings...**

Technique	Average Extraction Time	Typical Solvent Amount
Sohxlet	4 - 48 hrs	150 - 500 mL
Sonication	30 mins	150 - 25 mL
SFE	1 hr	5 - 50 mL
ASE	20 - 30 mins	Up to 200 mL
<b>Discover SP-X</b>	<b>10 - 20 mins</b>	<b>5 - 25 mL</b>



### Solvent Reduction

The Discover SP-X uses 95% less solvent than conventional methods, making it good for the environment and great for your budget.



### Easy Operation

With CEM's patented snap-on cap technology, a technician weighs a sample into the vessel, adds the appropriate solvent(s), snaps on a cap and places it into the Discover SP-X. Programming is intuitive and the software is simple to navigate. The system requires no clamps or torque wrenches to operate.



### Faster Results

Using Focused Microwave technology and enhanced cooling, extractions are complete in minutes, not hours. It is the perfect solution for laboratories that receive "rush" samples for analysis.



### Load it and Leave It

Add an automation deck and your SP-X system will run unattended, even overnight. This permits technicians to work on other tasks while the SP-X continues to prepare samples. Imagine the productivity this provides for your laboratory.

## SP-X Applications

The Discover SP-X is a versatile system that can be used for a variety of extractions, hydrolysis, or derivitizations.



### Food & Feed Analysis

- Total Fat/Oil Analysis
- FAME Determinations
- Pesticide Residues
- Hydroxyproline Analysis

### Pharmaceutical Analysis

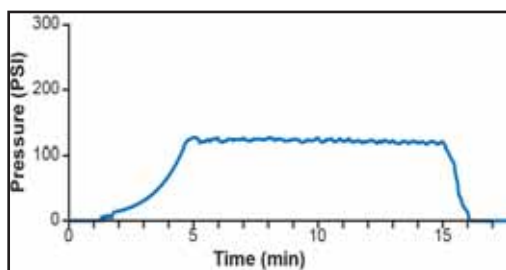
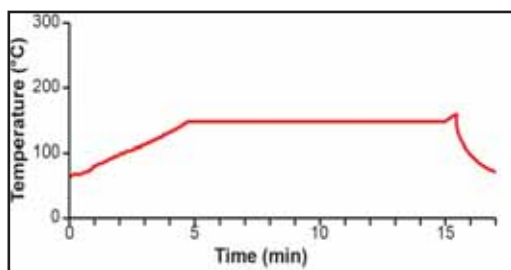
- Extractables & Leachables in Packaging
- Extraction of Active Ingredients

### Polymers/ Petrochemical Analysis

- Extractions of additives such as antioxidants, elastomers, stabilizers, slip and anti-static agents, etc.
- Plasticizers from PVR
- Extraction of oils from SBR

#### Extraction of Additives from HDPE

<b>Method Program</b>	HDPE
<b>Sample</b>	0.15 g HDPE
<b>Reagent</b>	5 mL Methanol
<b>Temperature</b>	150 °C
<b>Ramp Time</b>	5 min
<b>Hold Time</b>	10 min



Compound	Soxhlet Extraction		Microwave Extraction	
	Amount	RSD	Amount	RSD
UV Stabilizer	0.23%	8.5%	0.23%	1.5%
Antioxidant	0.83%	3.6%	0.87%	0.6%
Thermal processor	0.20%	6.2%	0.18%	4.5%

Analysis by GC/FID

# What type of extraction would you like to do?

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**The Discover SP-X is the fast and easy alternative to Soxhlet, sonication, and other extraction techniques.**



## **Discover SP-X**

Microwave Solvent Extraction System

- Extraction in minutes, not hours
- 95% reduction in solvent usage
- Full temperature control of every sample
- Stirring provides uniformity of sample mixture
- Documentation of every sample
- Works with all solvents – polar and non-polar
- Accommodates wide range of sample sizes
- Compact
- Optional automation deck – load it and leave it!



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