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RAPID RESPONDER: Hanby Kits Provide Real-Time Analysis in the Field

By: John D. Hanby, President and CEO, Hanby Environmental

Hanby Chemical Reaction Spectroscopy had its beginning with the observation in 1986 that a simple "spot" test method for aromatic compounds produced a strong color in the catalyst used in the reaction. The first application of the discovery was the development of a portable test kit that utilized a simple version of the method to perform environmental field test measurements of aromatics (Benzene, Toluene, etc.) and substances such as crude oils, fuels, solvents, etc. that contain these aromatic compounds. Two kits were designed for soil and water use. In March of 1989, both kits were used extensively during response efforts following the Exxon Valdez incident in Alaska. They were also widely employed in the large effort to discover and remediate the effects of the many leaking underground storage tanks that began in the 1970s.

Four fundamental actions necessary for effective response to accidental releases of harmful chemicals to the environment are analogous to typical responses to medical emergencies: 1. Stop the leak (stop the bleeding); 2. Assess the cause and overall extent of the container damage (what and where are the wounds); 3. Clean up the major sites of contamination (determine the major life-threatening trauma); and 4. Start initial clean up and remediation efforts (begin emergency and recuperative treatment).

Over 80 publications by the U.S. EPA since 1990 have noted the utility of Hanby Field Test Kits in rapid responses to environmental emergencies. One of the first, published by the Underground Storage Tank Division in September 1990, is entitled, "Field Methods: Dependable Data When You Need It." The report emphasized the accuracy, rapidity, and ease of use of the soil and water kits in the detection, removal, and cleanup of the thousands of leaking fuel tanks all over the United States. Of particular economy was the assistance to logistics planning for this massive effort.

In the winter of 1988 and the spring of 1989, two major environmental incidents occurred for which the Hanby

kits performed these necessary rapid assessment duties. The first occurred at the Ashland oil storage tank facility. Approximately one million gallons of #2 fuel oil spilled over the protective burm surrounding one of the tanks and entered the Monongahela/Ohio river system. John Hanby was contacted to bring his kits to accompany a team comprising members of the EPA, the Ohio River Authority, and the West Virginia Wildlife Agency, which was pushing a barge load of sampling and analytical equipment up the Ohio River to determine the advance of the oil into the waterway. Only one other water analytical device had been provided on the equipment barge: a fluorescence spectrometer. When a generator failed on the tug/barge system, the Hanby water kits were the only available modality for the immediate analysis of the dozens of surface and water column samples that were being collected.

The second incident was the massive spill in Alaska caused by the rupture of tanks on the Exxon Valdez when the vessel grounded on Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound. One of the more immediate concerns was the pending release of millions of salmon from the hatcheries that were located around the Sound. When he met with Dennis Kelso, the Environmental

Commissioner for Alaska, it was quickly decided to fly Hanby to three of the major hatcheries so that the release of the 2-in. hatchlings could be coordinated with relatively low levels of the oil at the release points. Water test kits were demonstrated to hatchery personnel and left at each of the facilities for the appropriate timing of the releases, which was indicated by tidal, current, wind, and other conditions in the Sound. It should be noted that subsequent harvests of these matured salmon set records and far exceeded the expected catch.

The obvious spectrometric potential of the method had been briefly examined in 1987 using a large bench instrument. The scans taken of a series of compounds and fuels revealed that broadband spectra of these substances generated "fingerprint" signatures from the ultraviolet through the visible portion. Also, precise quantitative information was available.

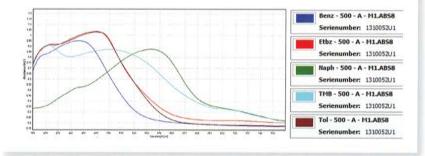
Recently, Hanby has developed a portable device that utilizes a spectrophotometer to read the sample and provides spectral fingerprint identification (qualitative); the concentration level is determined by an area under the curve calculation (quantitative). These are depicted in the charts shown. This will be a paradigm shift for the way analysis is done for both the environmental and oil & gas industries, putting a laboratory in the field that has real-time analysis, providing the most accurate results possible.

These environmental uses of this new chemical reaction method continue and are soon to be augmented by the spectrometric device that the company has been developing for the past several years. The qualitative and quantitative precision available with this new technology, Chemical Reaction Spectrophotometry (CRS), is currently being closely evaluated by the petroleum industry for its

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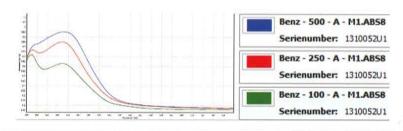
Aromatics – Qualitative

Fingerprint Identification - By Spectral Curve



Aromatics - Quantitative

Concentration - By Area Under Curve



potential for providing immediate data in exploration and production (E&P) to aid in more efficient, economical, and safe drilling. Also, in the past few weeks, much interest has been shown in this new technology by the Department of Oncology at a well-known cancer hospital in its development of molecular spectroscopic methods for cancer detection. For more inforation visit www.hanbyenvironmental.com.



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The Utilization of Strong Chemical Reactions to Enhance the Spectral Signature of Petroleum Substances Chemical Reaction Spectrophotometry

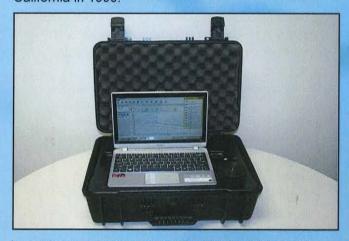
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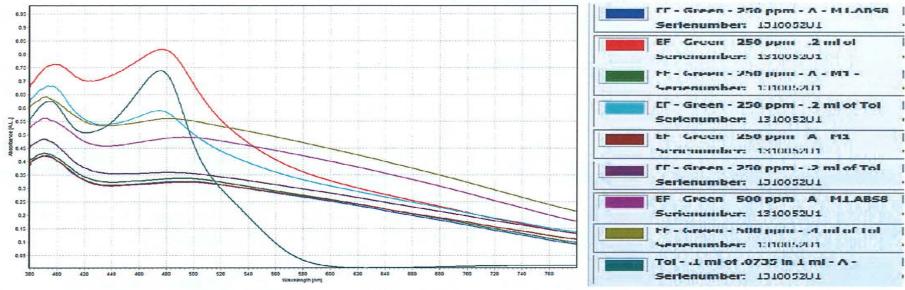


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Identification of Spectrograms according to Amount (mg) of Analyte

These are spectrograms taken, using the Hanby CRS method, of two analytes (Eagle Ford Oil and Toluene). The legend on the right side indicates the substances and spectrogram (from top to bottom, 1-9). The number of the spectrogram (1-9) is referenced at 500 nm (top to bottom) in Table 1. Table 2 indicates amounts of substances used in the preparation for the CRS procedure.

Table 1				Table 2 (mg of Analyte)		
Spectrogram Number	Spectrogram Color	<u>Analytes</u>		Eagle Ford	<u>Toluene</u>	Note: Spectrograms 1, 3, & 5 are
2	Red	EF & Tol		0.25	0.147	repeats of samples of 0.25 mg of
8	Camo Green	EF		0.5	0.010	Eagle Ford oil with no added
4	Cyan Green	EF & Tol		0.25	0.05	Toluene
7	Magenta	EF & Tol		0.50	0	
9	Medium Green	Tol		0	0.0735	
6	Purple	EF & Tol		0.25	0.005	

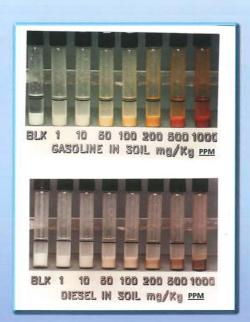
EVALUATIONS OF FIELD

The Hanby Test Kits and the visual methods of analysis are currently recognized by the U.S. EPA as a reliable field screening method for TPH in environmental matrices (EPA 1993)

The visual method of analysis, although subjective, was found to be reliable for identification of TPH contamination and for estimating concentration within an order of magnitude of the expected or certified value. (US Army Corps of Engineers 2000)

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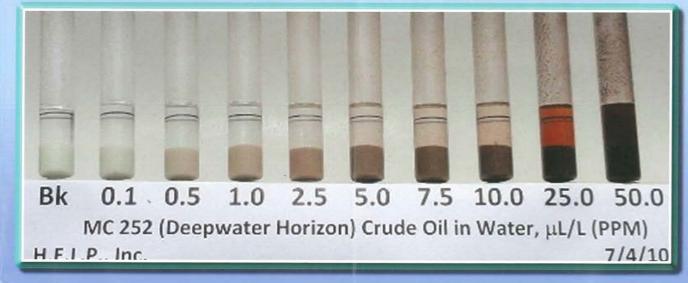
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multiple institutes around the world to explore specific changes in tissue biochemistry associated with cancer. The program will include the delivery of four Spero infrared microscopes and will leverage the high-resolution chemical imaging capabilities of the instrument to accelerate the users'

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Eppendorf's New Mastercycler Nexus X2 Provides a Multi-Block Solution for Simultaneous PCR Runs

Eppendorf has launched the latest offering in its range of molecular biology instruments. The new Mastercycler nexus X2 is ideal for researchers looking to carry out two PCR reactions simultaneously, without any compromise on the number of samples. The instrument com-

prises of two asymmetric blocks, consisting of 64 and 32 wells, which can be programmed and run completely independently, enabling two separate PCR protocols to be run in parallel.

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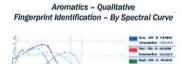
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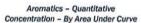


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Spectroscopy

Hanby Chemical Reaction Spectroscopy had its beginning with the observation in 1986 that a simple "spot" test method for aromatic compounds produced a strong color in the catalyst used in the reaction. The first application of the discovery was the development of a portable test kit that utilized a simple version of the method to perform environmental field test measurements of aromatics (Benzene, Toluene, etc.) and substances such as crude oils, fuels, solvents, etc., which contain these aromatic compounds. Two kits were developed designed for soil and water use. In March of 1989 both kits



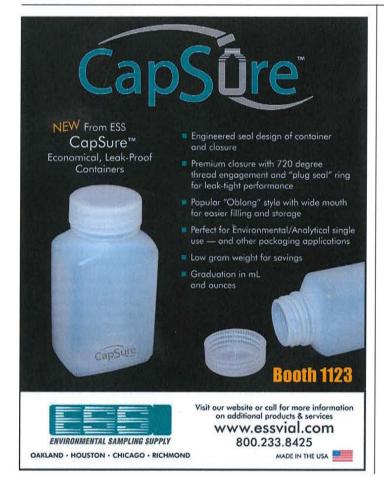


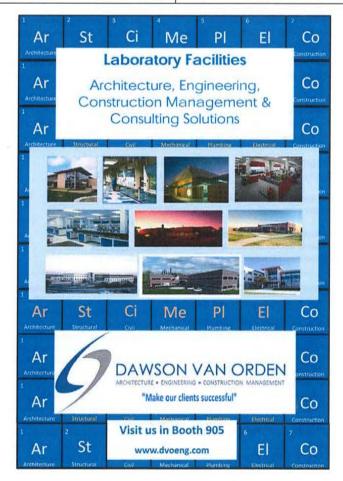


were used extensively in the Exxon Valdez incident in Alaska. They were also widely employed in the large effort to discover and remediate the effects of the many leaking underground storage tanks begun in the '70s.

The obvious spectrometric potential of the method had been briefly examined in 1987 using a large bench instrument. The scans taken of a series of compounds and fuels revealed that broadband spectra of these substances generated "fingerprint" signatures from the ultraviolet through the visible portion. Also, precise quantitative information was available.

Recently, they developed a portable device that utilizes a spectrophotometer to read the sample which provides spectral fingerprint identification (qualitative) and the concentration continued on page 25





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Gas Mass Flow Control in Bio Technology

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Vogtlin is a global designer and manufacturer of precision gas flow instrumentation based in Switzerland, Since 1986, we have been providing high-quality products and solutions for measuring and control tasks to companies around the world. Our thermal mass flow meters (MFM) and mass flow controllers (MFC) are offered with digital and analog output and IP67 (NEMA 6)/EX protection to serve a wide range of gas flow measurement applications, including: analytical, laboratory, pharmaceutical, scientific research, biotech/life science, and many other industrial applications.

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BIOS SYSTEM

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temperature fluctuations throughout a sample's lifetime in the system while ensuring integrity in a consistent -80 C environment.

"The expanded system allows us to manage more samples for research projects, which were previously stored in manual freezers and were not retrievable without affecting the remaining sam-

ples," said Niko Sahlberg, head engineer at the NIPH's Department of Biobank. "Maintaining the integrity of samples throughout the temporary unloading and reloading process has always been a risk. When we extended the BiOS system, the temperature in the existing chests with the previously stored samples was constantly monitored and did not show any significant changes.

"The BiOS system is helping the NIPH to actively share biological sam-

ples with global research partners, and the automated storage method provides confidence in sample integrity," said Dr. Martin Frey, director industrial solutions, Hamilton Bonaduz AG. "This installation and extension marks an important milestone and underlines the significant growth in biobanking requirements to

properly store and manage a growing amount of sensitive samples."

The BiOS system is being used to store and manage more than three million biological samples collected in the Norwegian Mother and Child Cohort Study which were previously stored in manually operated chest freezers.

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level is determined by an area under the curve calculation (quantitative). These are depicted in the charts below. This will be a paradigm shift for the way

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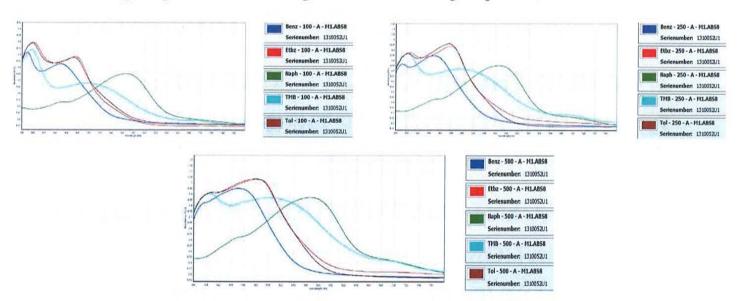
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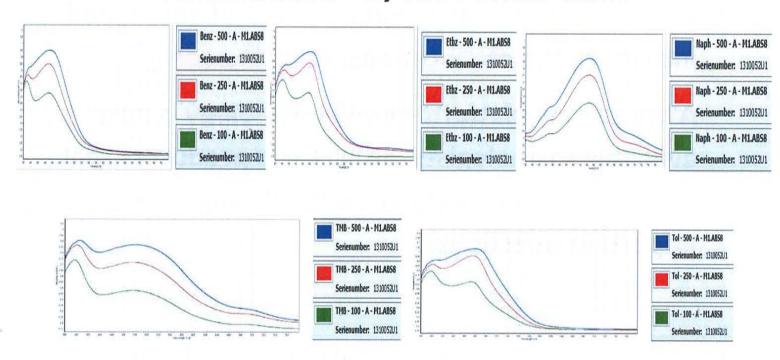
Aromatics – Qualitative

Fingerprint Identification - By Spectral Curve



Aromatics – Quantitative

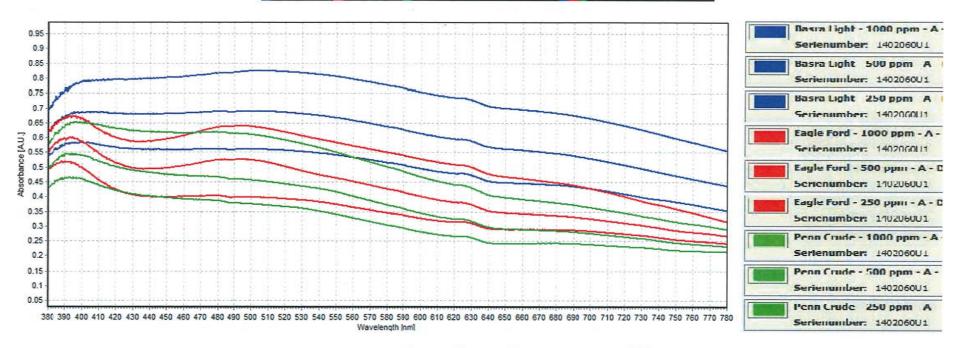
Concentration - By Area Under Curve







Chemical Reaction Spectrophotometry (CRS) Hydrocarbon ID



These nine spectrograms ("band" spectra) were acquired using Hanby Chemical Reaction Spectrophotometry (CRS) on 5/2/14. They represent three different crude oils, Basra light, Eagle Ford Shale and Pennsylvania Crude. Dilutions were prepared of each at 1000, 500, and 250 mgs/L (PPM). These dilutions are typical of oil/water concentrations seen in producing wells. Note the difference in curve shape between the Basra Light (B), Eagle Ford Shale (R) and the Pennsylvania Crude (G). These differences in shape correspond to the chemical differences in the crude oils which have been amplified by performing chemical reactions on the oils and then scanning the resulting reaction products (chromophores) from 380 nm through 780 nm (UV/vis) portion of the spectrum. The integrated area under each curve gives a precise quantitative value for the concentration of each oil.

The identification (qualitative analysis) and concentration (quantitative analysis) of geological formation fluids is critically important to efficient, economical and environmentally optimal production of petroleum. From prospect assessment, through E&P and product distribution the ability to precisely "fingerprint" crude oils and obtain precise reservoir quantity information will aid every phase of these operations. The Hanby PetroAnalysis CRS technology has been developed and configured for adaptability as a reservoir evaluation (wireline) device and as a logging-while-drilling device. This UV/vis band spectral technology represents a paradigm shift in downhole information technology.

