



## New Technology for Sulfur Detection

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  - **GC, GC/MS, HPLC**
  - **ICP-OES, ICP-MS, AA**
  - **UV/Vis, FTIR, FT Imaging**
- **Research new technologies**
  - **New instrument development for total and speciated sulfur monitoring**
- **New sulfur detection technology – patents filed**

## ***Summary of Key Technical Results***



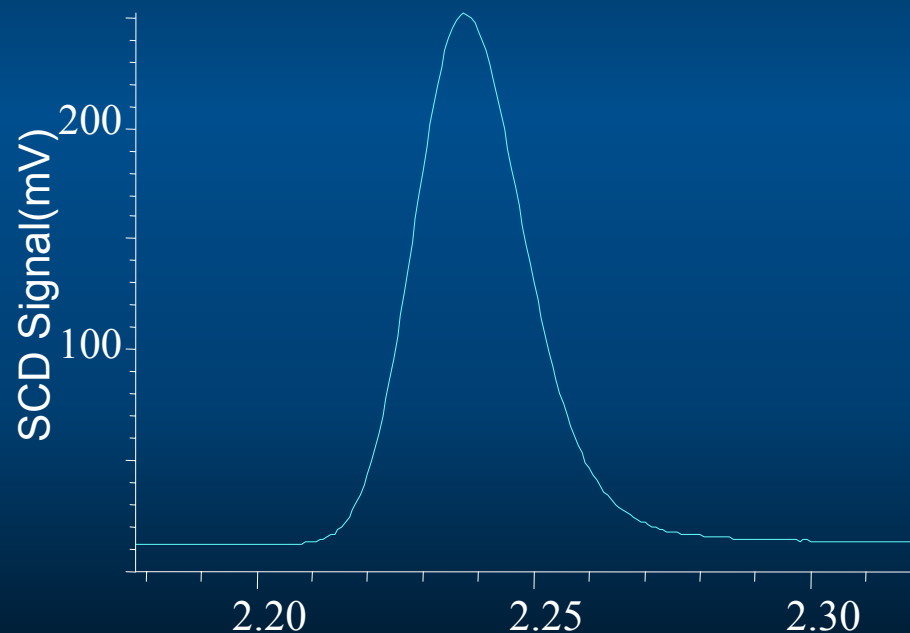
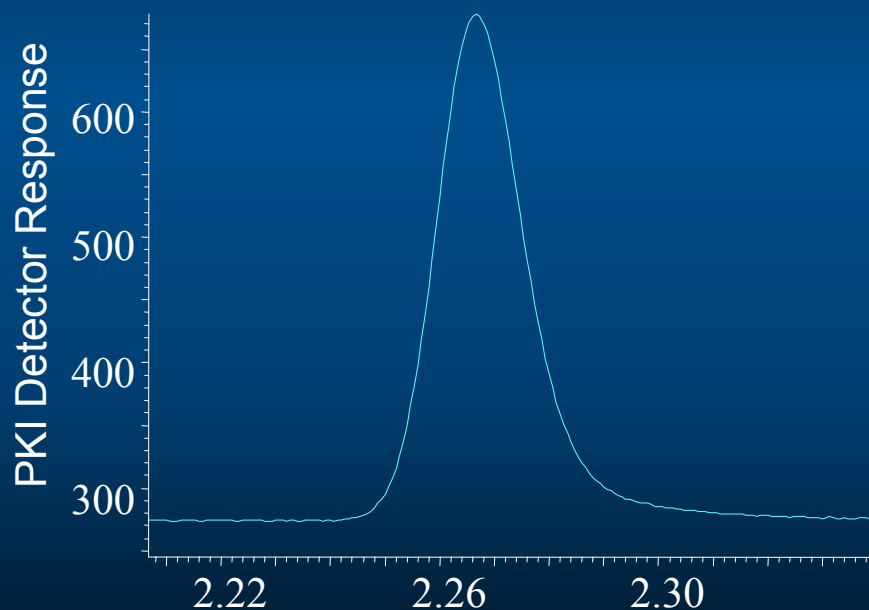
- **Resolution - 0.15 pgmS/s; sample used for the study: thiophene**
- **Response Time - PWHM: 0.95 sec**
- **Selectivity - versus HCs is  $> 10^6$**
- **Precision -  $< 3\%$  for 10 runs**
- **Stability - drift  $< 5\%$  per day**
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- **Linear Dynamic Range -  $10^5$  (concentration range with linear response)**

# Thiophene Response with PKI and SCD Detectors



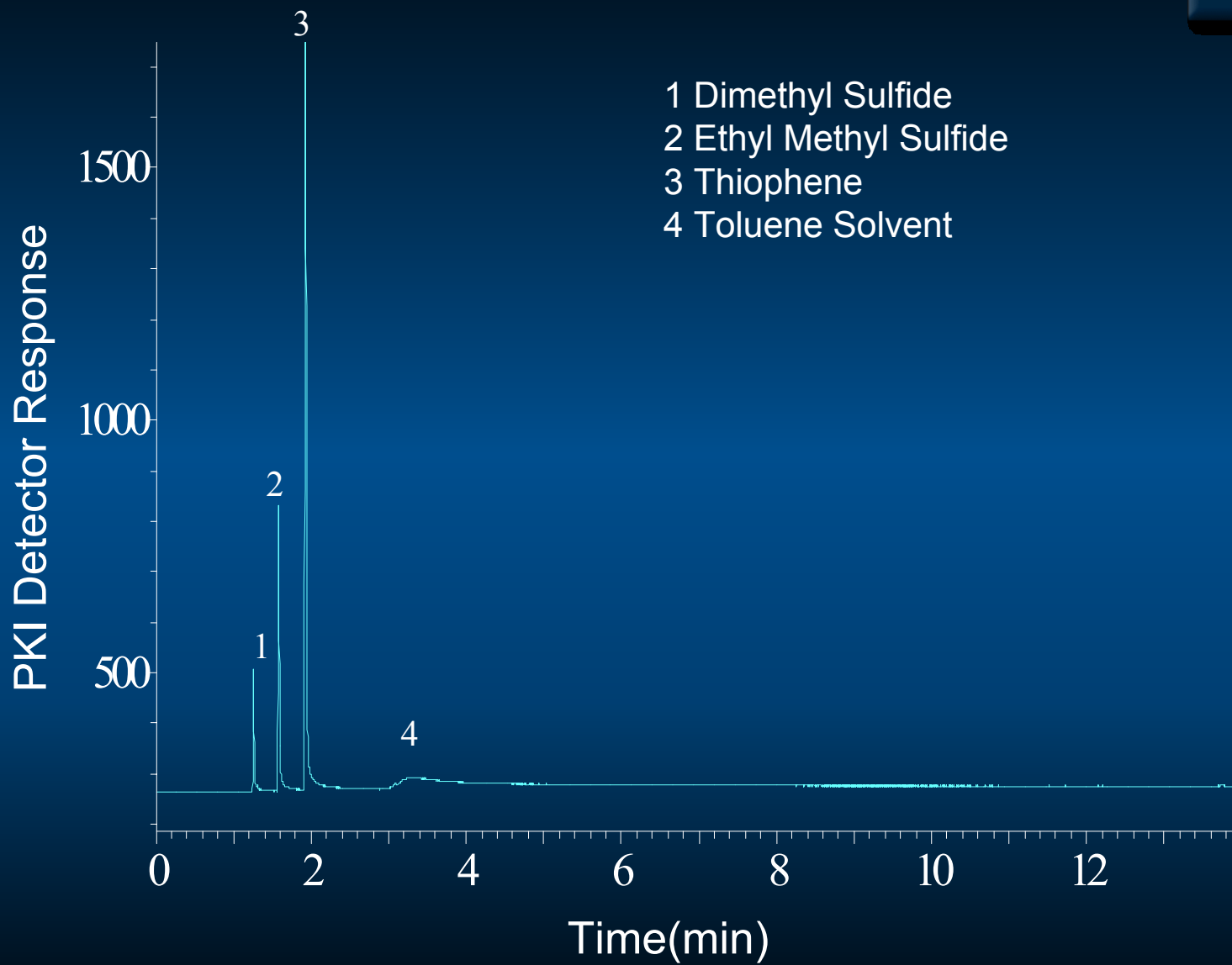
Amount Injected 0.5  $\mu$ L  
Concentration: 200 ppm Thiophene  
Split Ratio: 100:1  
PWHM=1.2 s  
Signal/Noise = 5400  
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Amount Injected 0.5  $\mu$ L  
Concentration: 200 ppm Thiophene  
Split Ratio: 100:1  
PWHM=1.4 s  
Signal/Noise = 4700  
Peak Asymmetry factor at 5 % = 1.22

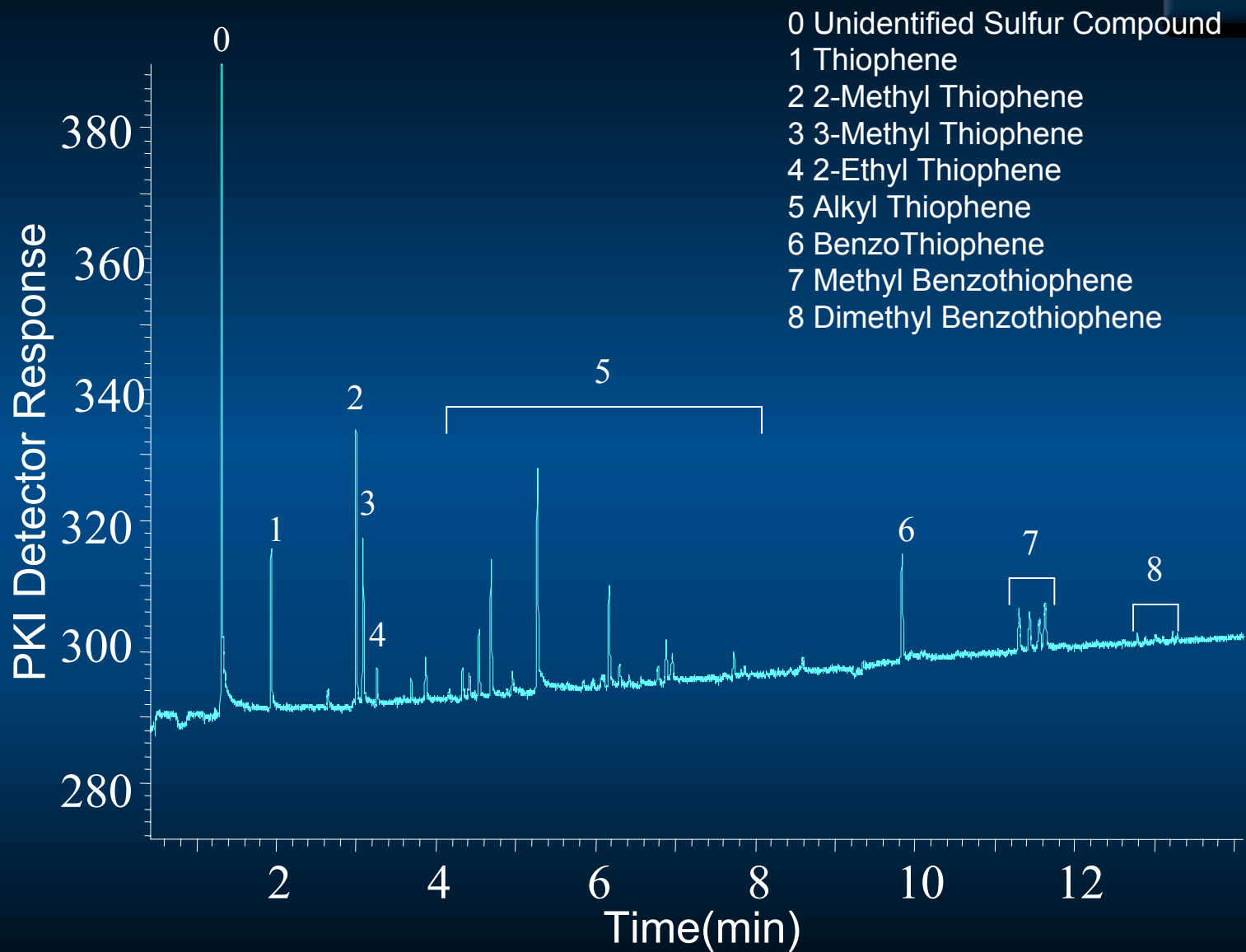


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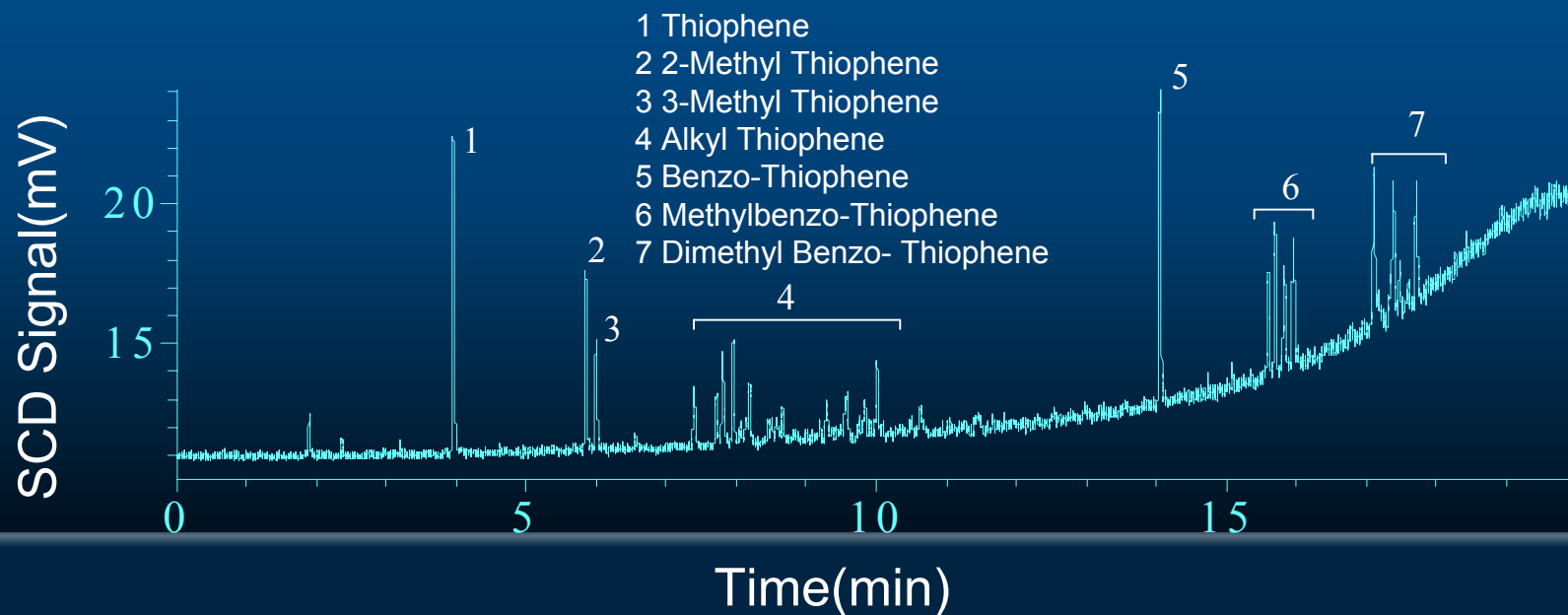
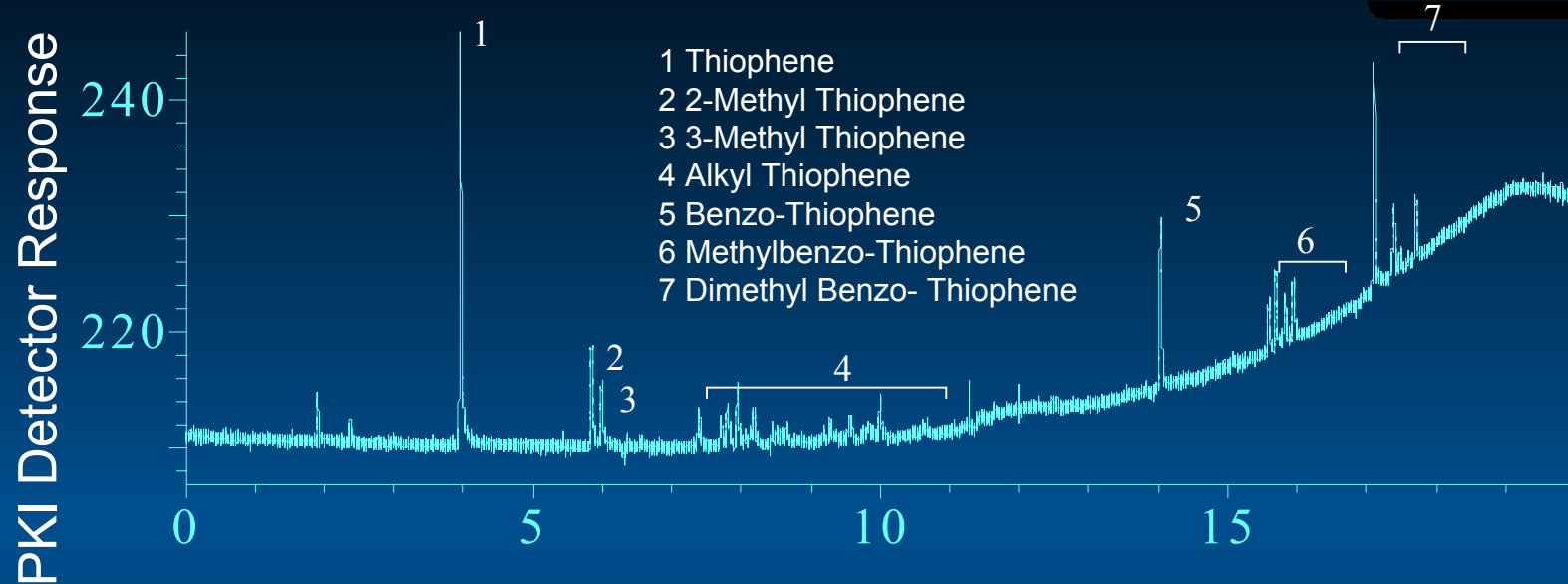
# Sulfur Compound Standard from Sievers: Results with PKI Detector



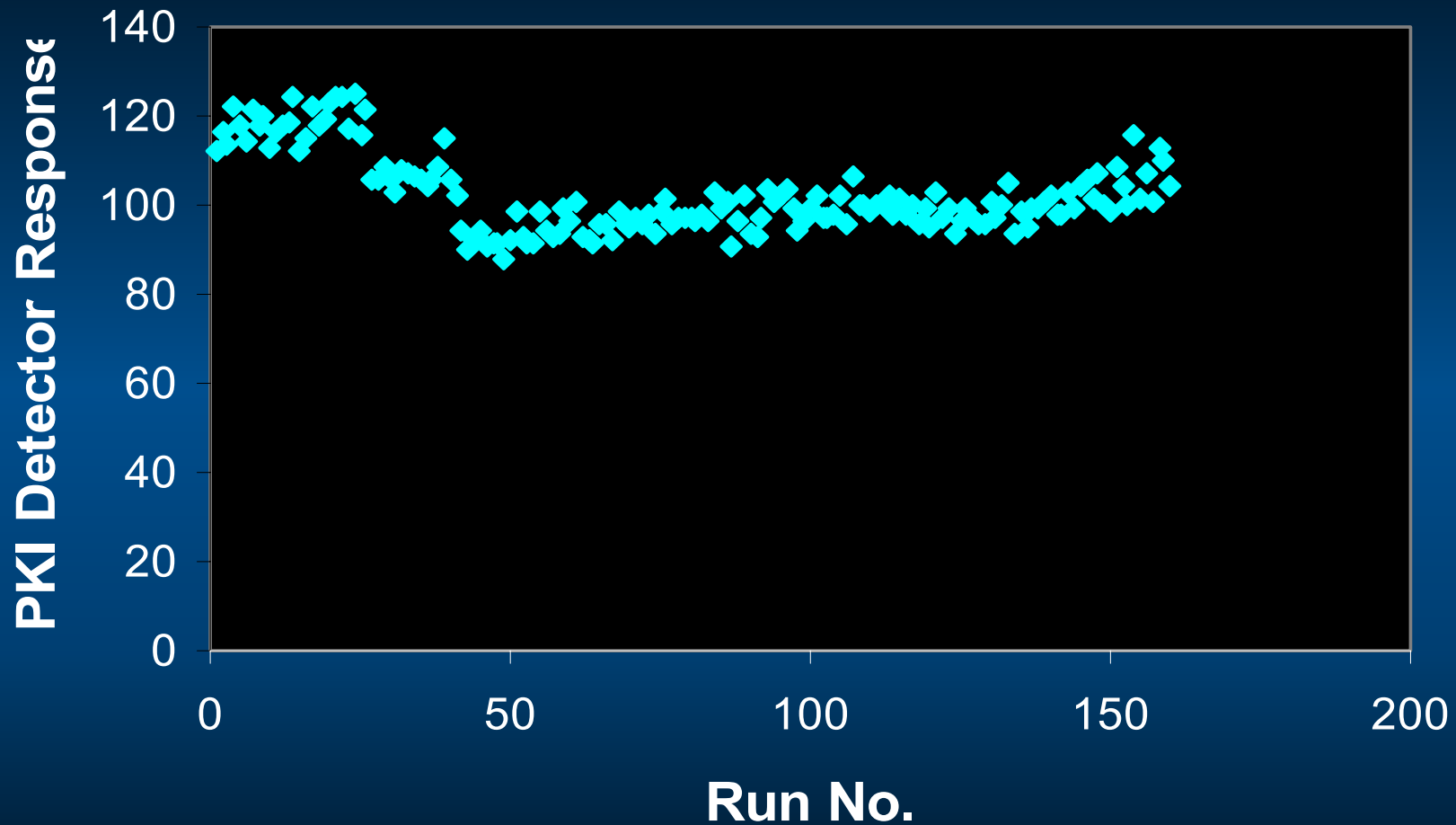
# Gasoline Sample



# Gasoline Response with PKI and SCD Detector



# Long-Term Stability - Gasoline

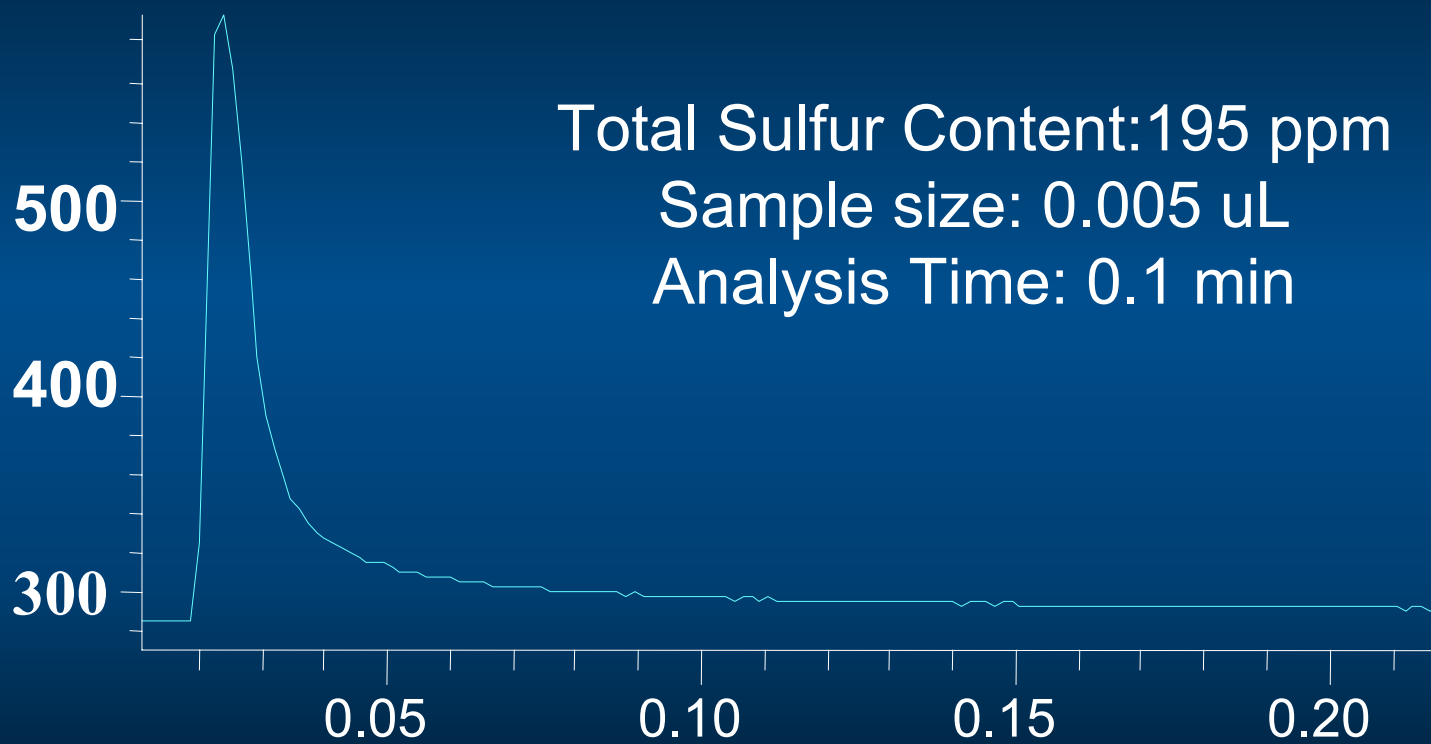




# Total Sulfur Measurement in Gasoline



PKI Detector Response



Time(min)

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