

# **USER EXPERIENCE IN DEPLOYING AUTOMATION FOR IMPLEMENTING PAT**

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# What is PAT?

PAT stands for **Process Analytical Technology**

FDA perspective.

FDA issued a guidance for industry in Sep' 2004.

The CDER, CVM, ORA worked closely with industry and held workshops and seminars to give a way forward on following:

- Challenges for PAT system implementation,
- Computer compliance/ Electronic records,
- PAT for drug substance PSD monitoring,
- Validation perception that may slow down development and implementation,
- Validation of Rapid microbial testing systems.

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# What is PAT?

## Other References,

- **ASTM standards,**
- **GAMP guideline, issued in Dec' 2003,**
- **PDA, issued TR-33 in May/ June 2000; “Evaluation, Validation and Implementation of new rapid microbial testing methods.**
- **PDA journal of pharmaceutical sciences and Technology 54(3), supplement TR-33.**

# What is PAT?

## Definition-

### **Process Analytical Technology**

**A system for designing, analyzing, and controlling manufacturing through timely measurements (i.e., during processing) of critical quality and performance attributes of raw and in-process materials and processes with the goal of ensuring final product quality.**

**It is important to note that the term *analytical* in PAT is viewed broadly to include chemical, physical, microbiological, mathematical, and risk analysis conducted in an integrated manner.**

**PAT application v/s process validation**

# Process Analytical Technology tools

**There are many current and new tools available that enable scientific, risk-managed pharmaceutical development, manufacture, and quality assurance.**

**In the PAT framework, these tools can be categorized as:**

- **Multivariate data acquisition and analysis tools**
- **Modern process analyzers or process analytical chemistry tools**

# Process Analytical Technology tools

- **Process and endpoint monitoring and control tools**
- **Continuous improvement and knowledge management tools**

**An appropriate combination of some, or all, of these tools may be applicable to a single-unit operation, or to an entire manufacturing process and its quality assurance.**

# **A desired goal of the PAT framework**

**Gains in quality, safety and/or efficiency will vary depending on the product and are likely to come from:**

- **Non-intrusive and non-destructive sampling of RM.**
- **Reducing production cycle times by using on-, in-, and/or at-line measurements and controls.**
- **Preventing rejects, scrap, and re-processing.**
- **Considering the possibility of real time release.**
- **Increasing automation to improve operator safety and reduce human error.**

# Process Understanding

**A process is generally considered well understood when :**

- 1. All critical sources of variability are identified and explained.**
- 2. Variability is managed by the process**
- 3. Product quality attributes can be accurately and reliably predicted over the design space established for materials used, process parameters, manufacturing, environmental, and other conditions.**

# A desired goal of the PAT framework

- **Facilitating continuous processing to improve efficiency and manage variability**
  - **Using small-scale equipment (to eliminate certain scale-up issues) and dedicated manufacturing facilities.**
  - **Improving energy and material use and increasing capacity.**

# Application of PAT in pharma industry

- **Granulation, by image processing**
- **FBD granulation, by NIR**
- **Determination of tablet hardness, by NIR**
- **Determination of formaldehyde induced cross-linking in hard gelatin caps, by NIR**
- **Determination of cumulative PSD of MCC, by NIR**
- **Determination of CU, Assay, ID by NIR**
- **Rapid Microbiological Testing by NIR**

# Application of PAT in pharma industry

- **In line moisture measurement, by NIR**
- **Determination of Indomethacin crystallinity, by NIR**
- **Determination of residual moisture in lyophilized protein pharmaceuticals, by NIR**
- **Determination of of polymorph composition in physical mixtures, by NIR**

# Introduction - NIR

- **Near-Infrared Spectroscopy (NIR) is a valuable tool in the analysis of Raw materials, intermediates, fresh and Recovered solvents.**
- **The NIR spectroscopy extends from 780 to 2500 nm (~12800 - 4000cm<sup>-1</sup>).**
- **NIR is used for both qualitative and quantitative assessment of the chemical composition of samples. It may also sensitive to physical properties of the sample.**

# Principle - NIR

- **NIR measurement are based on passing light radiation through or into a sample and measuring attenuation of emerging (Transmitted, Scattered, or reflected) beam.**

# NIR- Light Source/ Detector

- **NIR spectrometers consist of a suitable light source such as quartz or tungsten lamps**
- **Silicon, Lead sulphate, Indium gallium arsenide and deuterated triglycine sulphate are commonly used detector materials.**

# Sampling Device-NIR

- **Conventional cuvette sample holders, Fiber optics probes, Transmission dip cells, and spinning or Transversing sample holders are some common sampling arrangements.**
- **Fiber-optic technology is readily implemented in the NIR range, which allow monitoring of processes in inaccessible, remote, and challenging environments. Limitation is the cable length.**

# About NIR system

**FOSS**

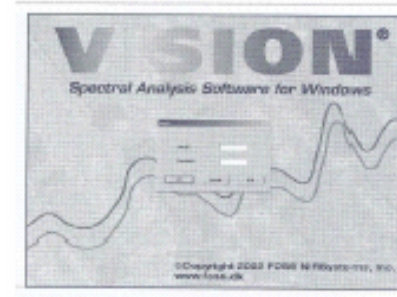
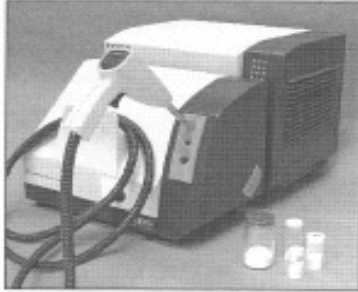
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**Model : XDS Smart Probe Analyzer (Shown in fig.1.0)**

**Software : VISION (Shown in fig.2.0)**

**Probe : The probe is attached with Optical fiber bundle  
length 3-meter (Shown in Fig. 3.0)**

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**The instrument uses near-infrared (NIR) spectral energy to illuminate the sample.**

**By measuring the energy refelected off (or passing through) the sample, chemical information and composition may be determined.**

**This information may be used for Quantification of constituents, or for comparison to a library of known materials, providing identification and Qualification of materials**

# About NIR system

## About Software

**Software used in FOSS-NIR is 'VISION' version 3.1; it is fully validated and suitable for use on computers system in a validated environment.**

**The 'VISION' software is complying 21 CFR part 11.**

# Identification of Raw Material



## **Sample selection :**

**For identification of raw material, select minimum 10 previously approved batches**

**Previously analyzed and released by conventional technique.**

# Identification of Raw Material

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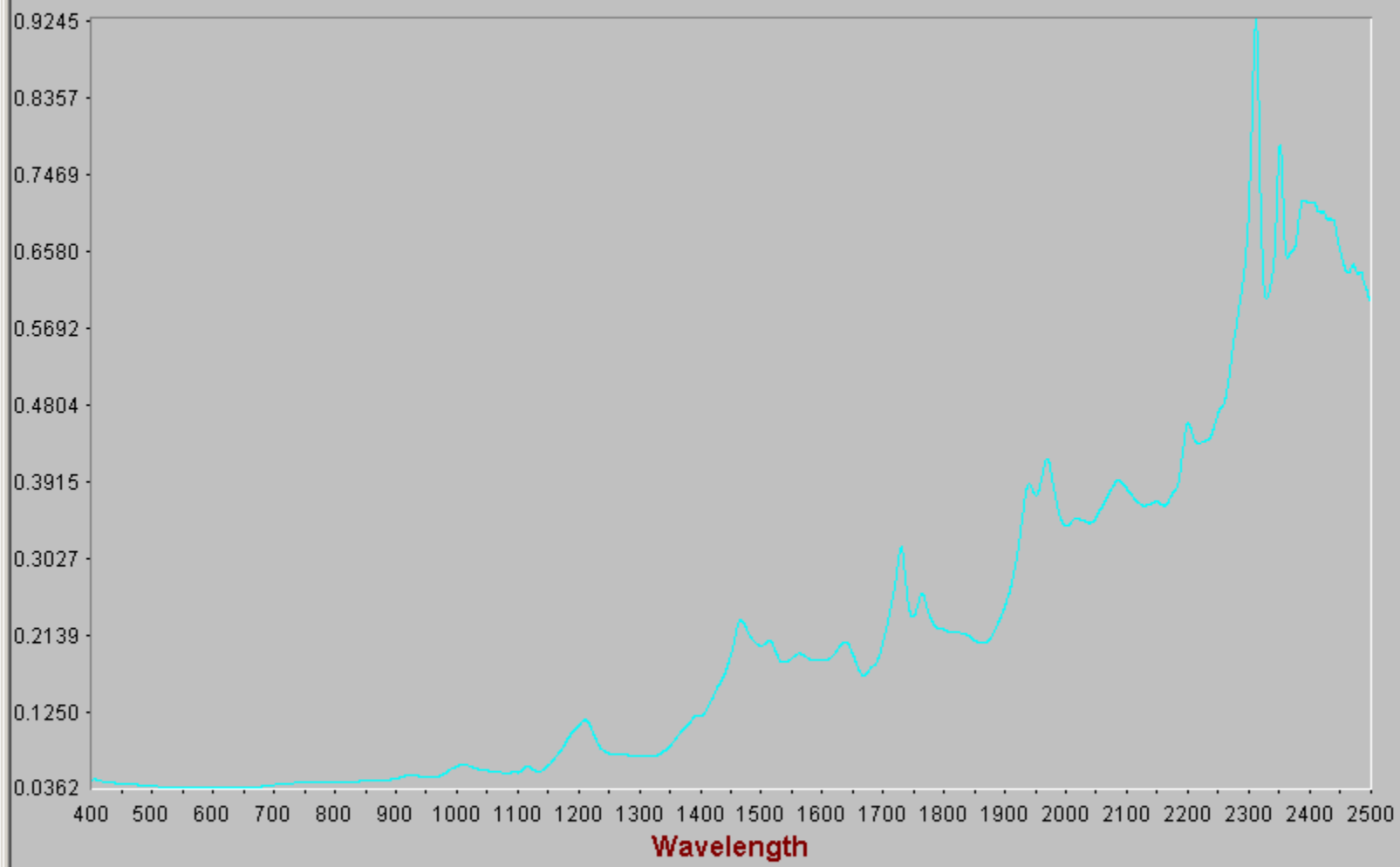
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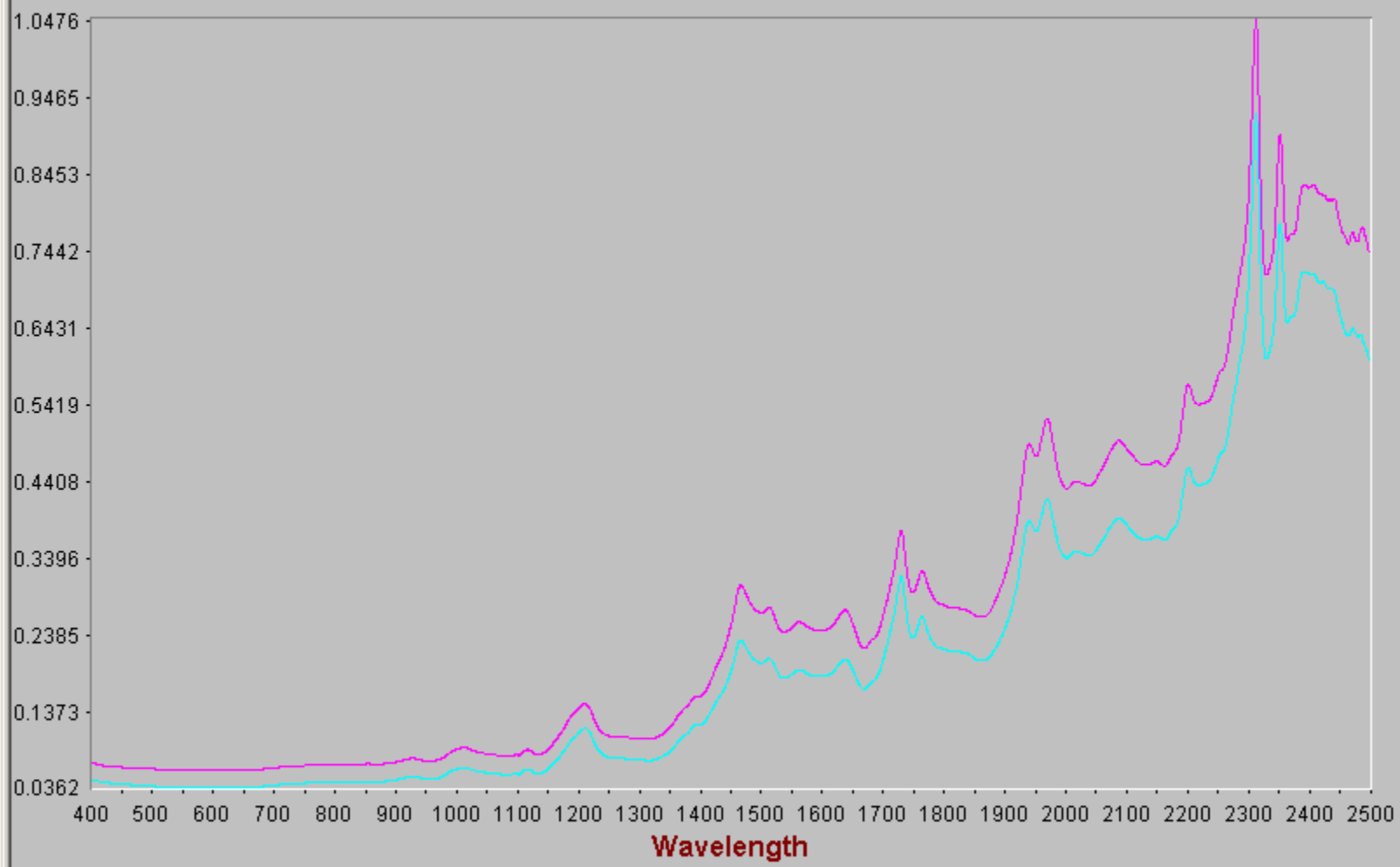
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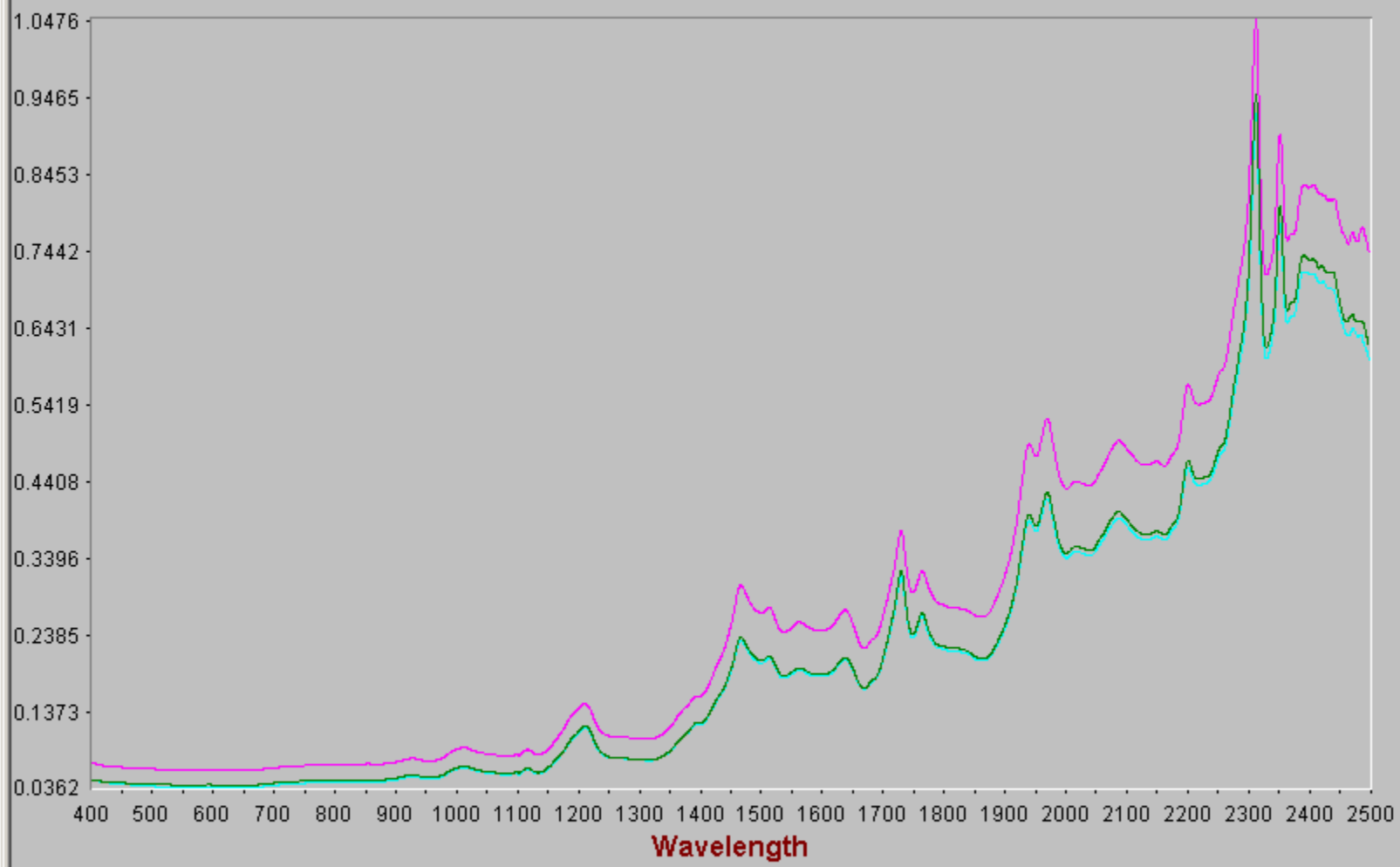
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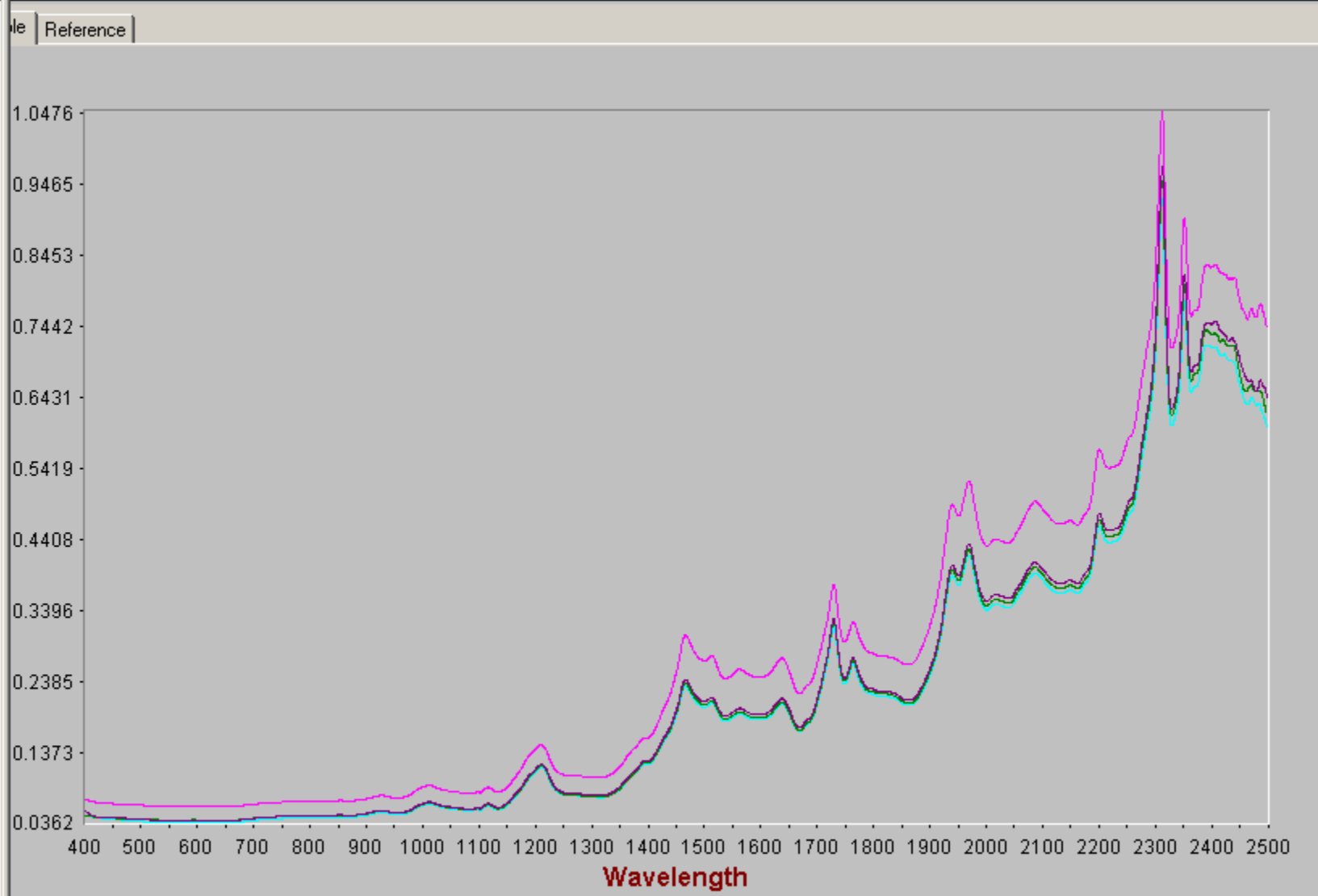


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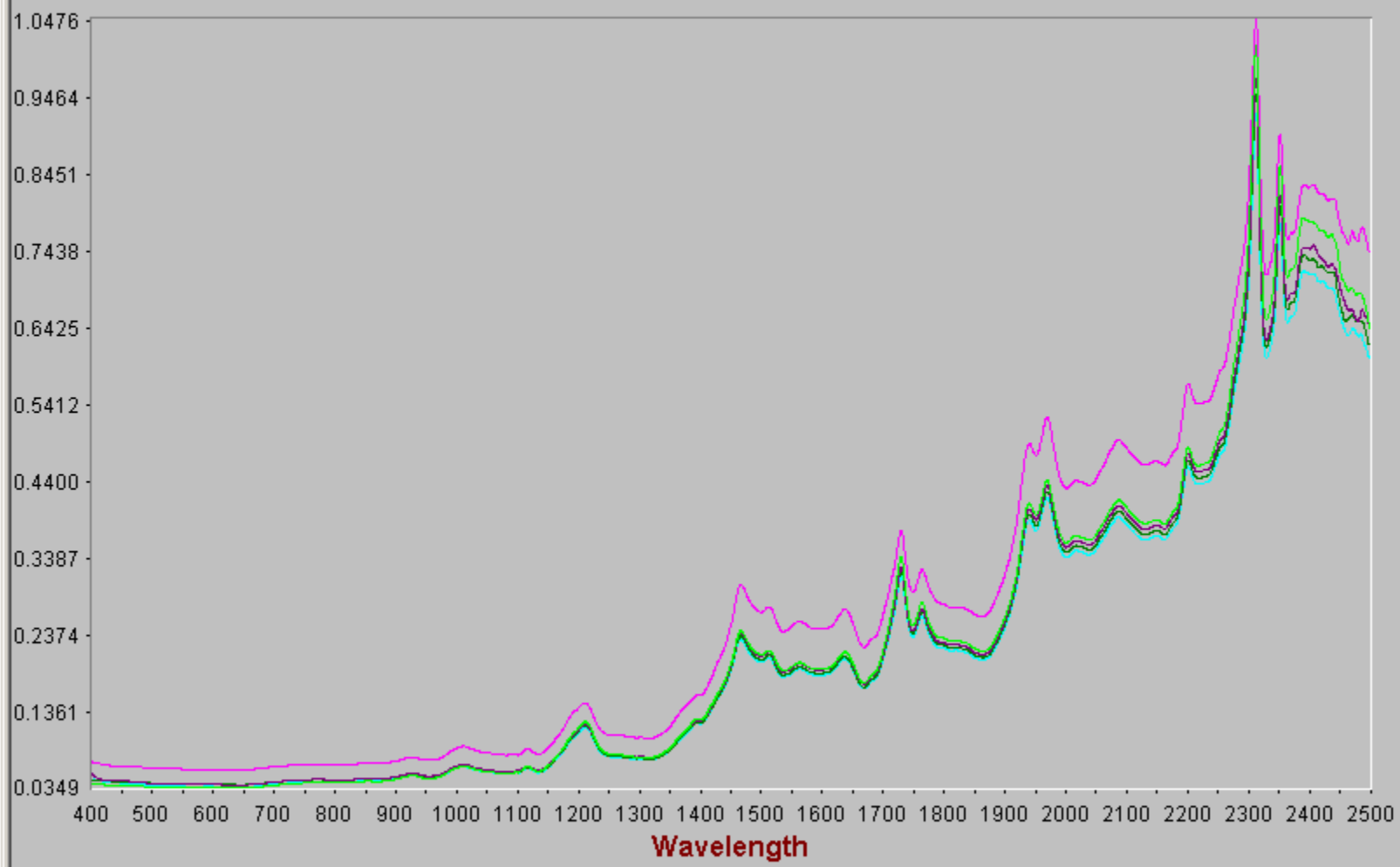
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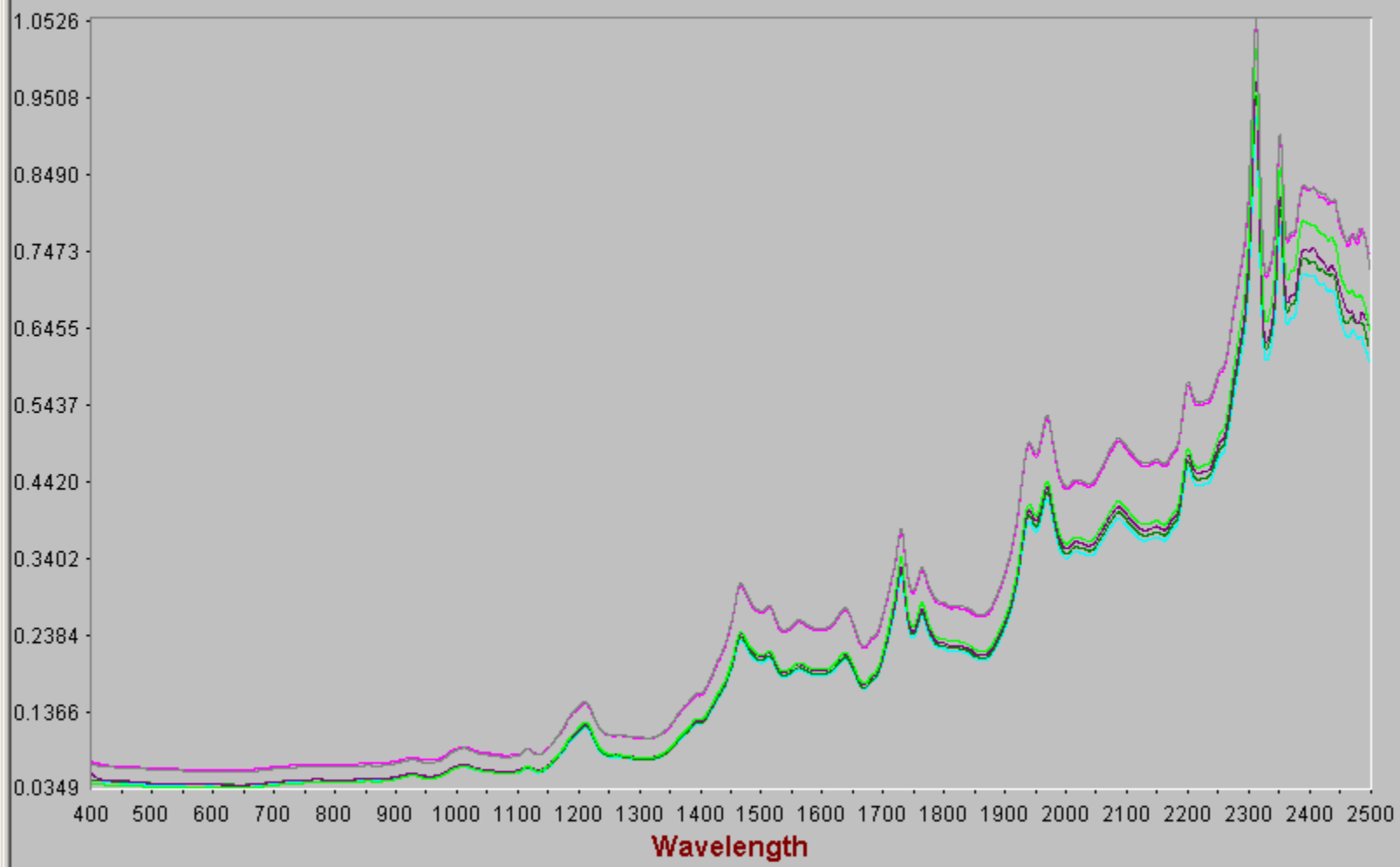
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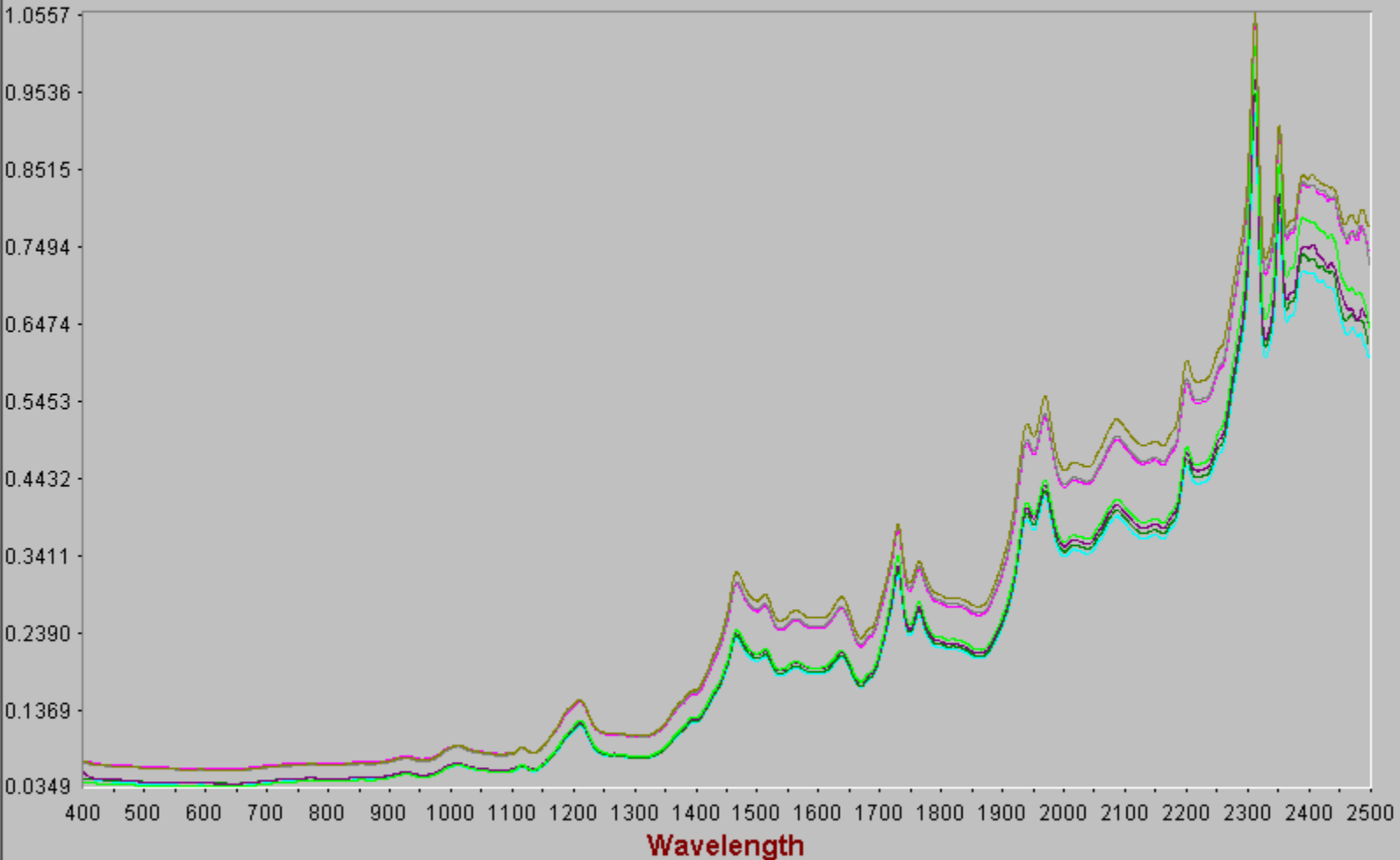


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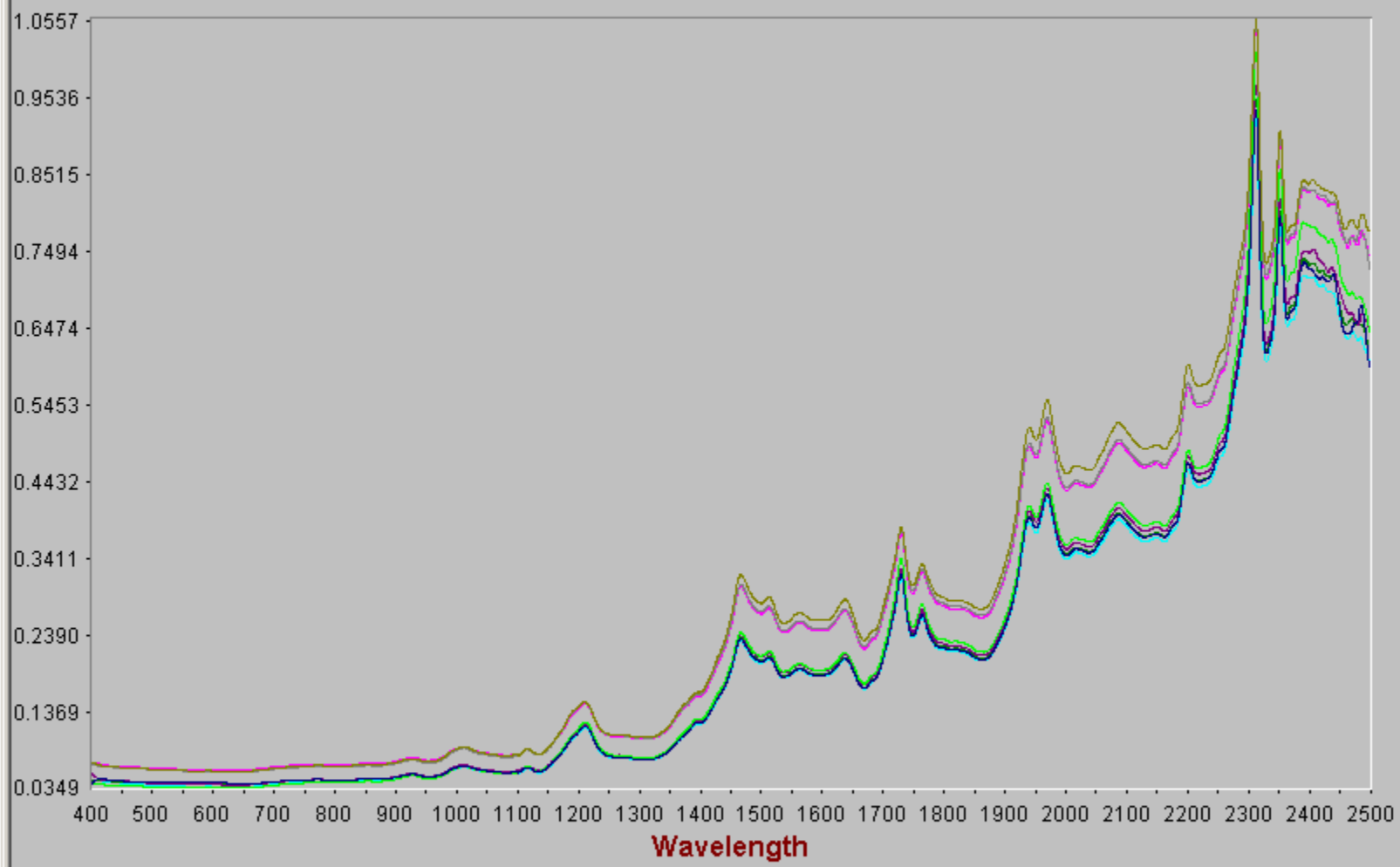


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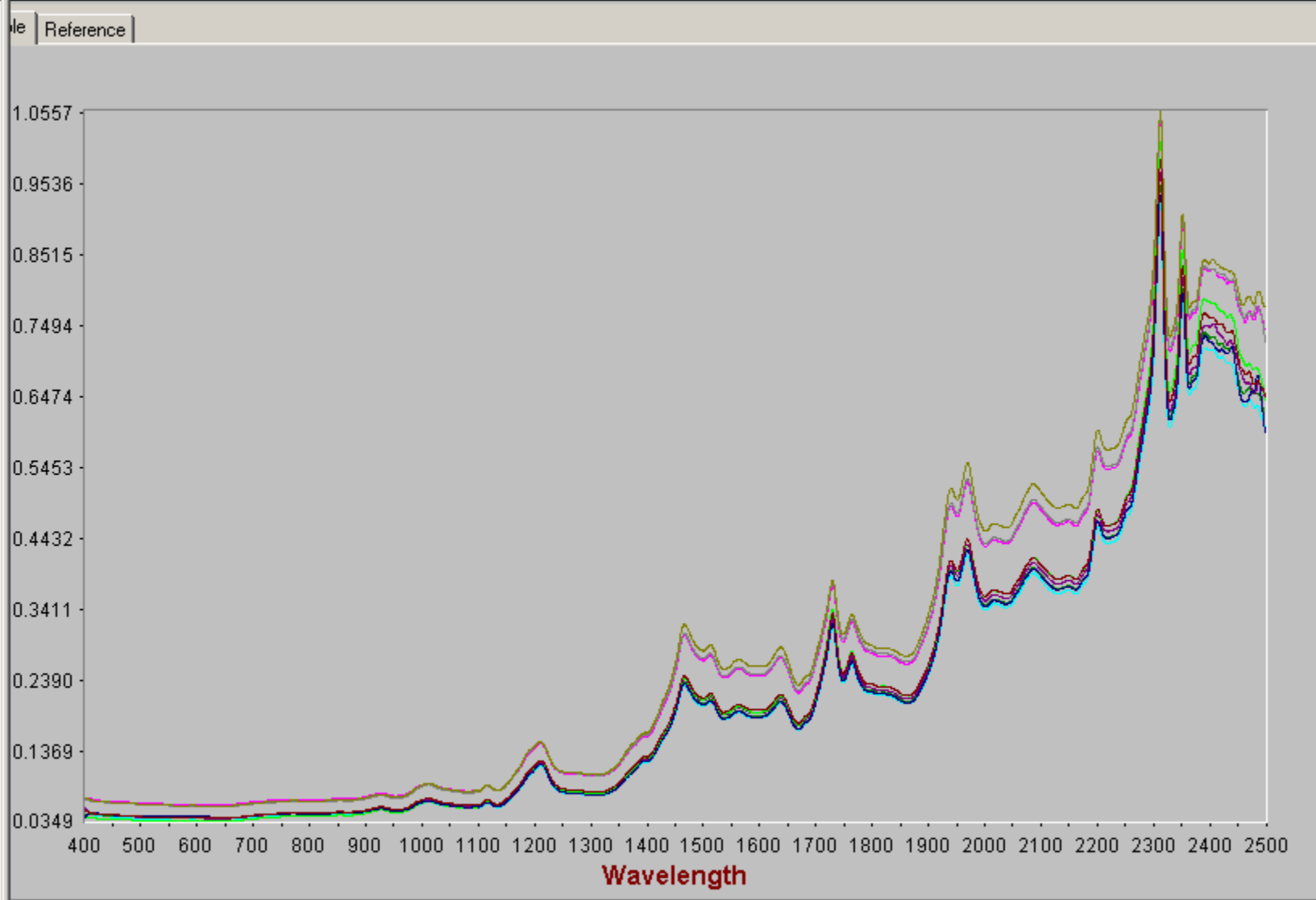


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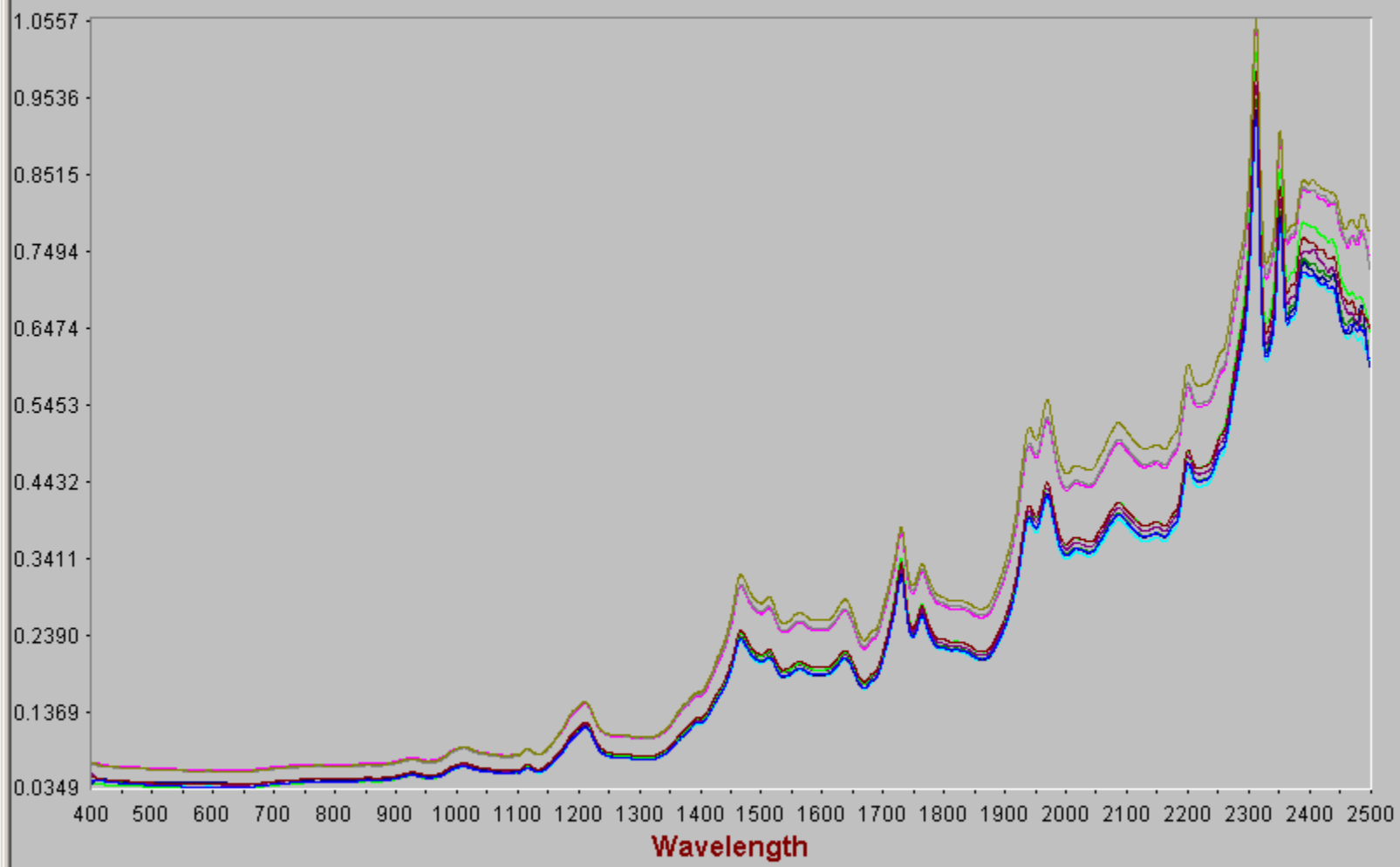
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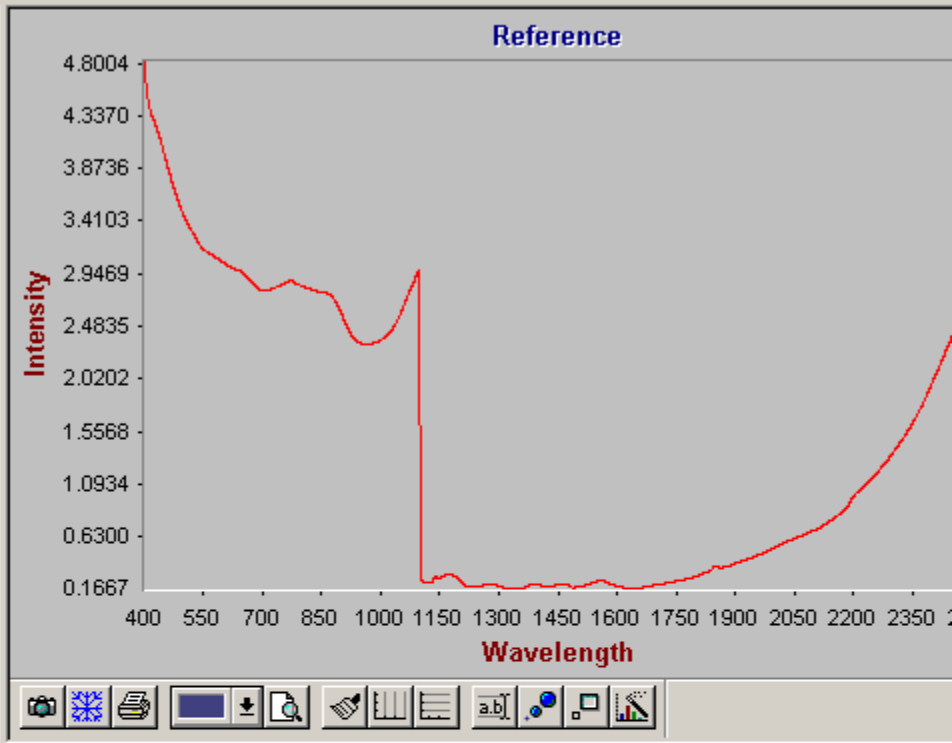
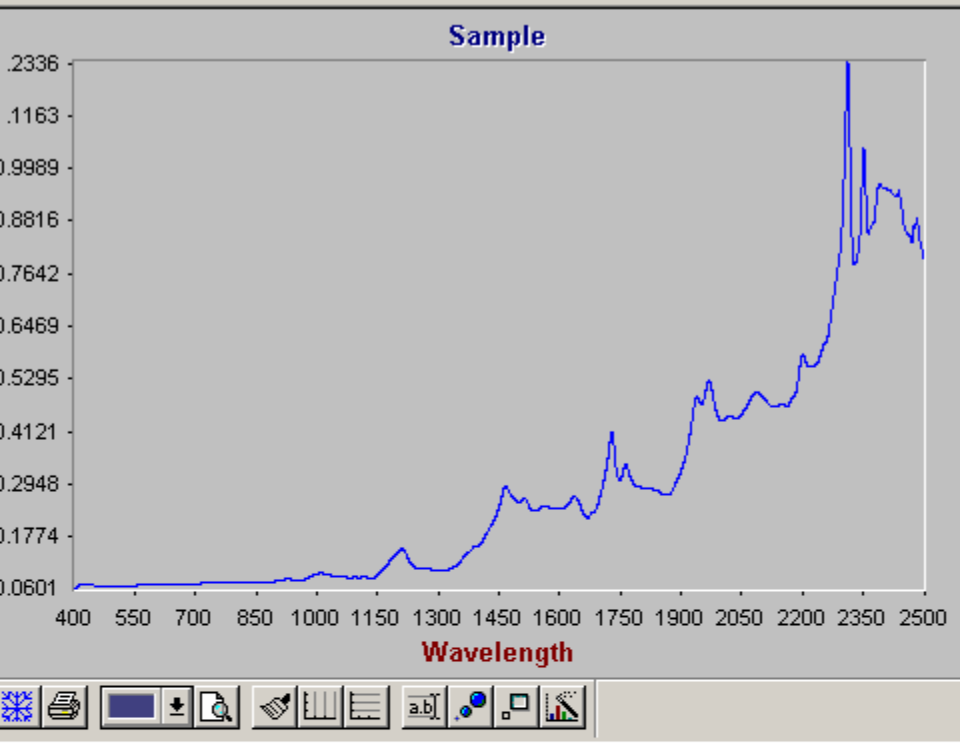
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## **Benefits of PAT – Reducing the Cost of Capital**

- ❑ Investment projections from industry leaders indicate that CAPEX spending will represent an average 11% of sales**
- ❑ For the top 10 pharmaceutical companies, this represents an average spend of \$3.2 billion**
- ❑ 2004 average CAPEX spending amounted to 5.3% of sales (or \$1.6 billion) among the top 10 pharmaceutical companies**
- ❑ Looking into the future, PAT technology could become a key enabler to move from batch to continuous manufacturing**
- ❑ Keeping production volumes same, continuous manufacturing would require significantly smaller space and equipment. It is likely that a several fold reduction factor could be achieved**

## Drug Quality System & Product Performance

Overall product quality is good, but a gap exists between the level of performance of product quality systems and the level of performance of manufacturing processes.

Drug quality systems currently perform at about a 5.5 sigma level (about 30 defects per one million opportunities), drug production process lag behind at around 2.5 sigma.

A high level of process understanding and PAT implementation are key to pushing the sigma level of the production processes higher. An improvement in overall quality performance and a reduction in quality costs would be possible with a 4.5 sigma production capability, achievable with process understanding.

# The Pharmaceutical Industry is Delivering 5.5 Sigma Quality Products to the Market Using Process Generating Less Than 3 Sigma Quality

- ❑ The cost of quality includes rejects, rework, investigations and more
- ❑ In the pharmaceutical industry, the number of defective products generated during production averages 2.5 sigma or 15.87%
- ❑ Through finished product testing and inspection, the number of defects that reach the marketplace is reduced to 5.5 sigma or 0.003%

Sigma Level	Defects per Million Opportunities	Defects %
1	690,000	69
2	308,537	31
3	66,807	6.7
4	6,210	0.6
5	233	0.023
6	3.4	0.00034

# Benefits of PAT – Reducing the Cost of Quality

## The Cost of Quality

**Each sigma shift  
Provides a 10%  
Net income  
improvement**

Sigma Level	Defects per Million Opportunities	Defects %	Cost of Quality
1	690,000	69	N/A
2	308,537	31	30 - 40
3	66,807	6.7	20 - 30
4	6,210	0.6	15 - 20
5	233	0.023	10 - 15
6	3.4	0.00034	10

- ❑ **Using the generally accepted figure of 25% of Sales as the current cost of quality, the top 10 pharmaceutical companies spend on average \$7.6 billion each year on quality**
- ❑ **Assuming that process quality increases to 5.5 sigma level, the cost of quality would be reduced to approximately 10% of sales.**
- ❑ **This amounts to average savings of \$4.6 billion annually for each of the top 10 pharmaceutical companies across all functions or about \$ 1.5 billion for non clinical R&D and manufacturing.**

**Thank you**