## **History of Varian Gas Chromatographs**

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Have you ever wondered where the number 3800 in Varian 3800 Gas Chromatograph comes from? The Varian 3800 is based on the developments of over 81 distinct gas chromatograph models produced by Varian, Inc., and its predecessors Varian Associates and Wilkens Instruments. The Varian 3800 is the latest in a sequence of 3300, 3400, 3500, 3600, and 3700 Chromatographs, and has a significant heritage from the Varian Models 1800 and 2800.

It all started with efforts by Keene Dimick, a USDA chemist in Albany, California, to capture the essence of strawberries by constructing a new fangled analytical tool inspired by the 1955 Nobel Prize recipients Archer Martin and Richard Synge. After Dimick published his novel treatises is 1956<sup>1,2</sup>, the world came knocking to duplicate his efforts. With so much clamor, Dimick saw a business opportunity and, to avoid governmental restrictions, set up his brother-in-law, Ken Wilkins, to manufacture the new devices. The first was the Model A90, introducing the brand of Aerograph. As technology rapidly expanded in the 1960s and 1970s<sup>3</sup>, and even through the 1980s and 1990s, Wilkins Instruments and Varian both made significant changes in the instrument design and introduced multiple instruments reflecting the enhancements with solid-state electronics, microelectronics, microprocessors, new detector technologies, and new column advancements. The culmination of that effort is evident in the performance, flexibility and adaptability of the Varian Model 3800. This history goes something like this:

# ANALYTICAL GC VERSIONS

These instruments were typically set up for single dedicated applications and were designed for simple operations and ruggedness. Often they were implemented into smaller chassis, but could frequently match the performance of their "research" cousins.



#### 1957 - **A-90-C**

4-filament TCD

- oven temperature: ambient to 300 °C
- heated stainless steel injector block
- TCD cell volume: 150 µl
- filaments tungsten



A-90-C

1957 – **A-100-C** 

 same as A-90-C, but with built-in Varian A-115 -5" recorder with two chart speeds

A-100-C

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dimick, K. P., and Makower, Benjamin, "Volatile Flavor of Starwberry Essence," *Food Technol.*, **10**, 73 (1956).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Dimick, K. P., and Corse, J., "Gas Chromatography, A New Method for the Separation and Identification of Volatile Materials in Foods," *Food Technol.*, **10**, 360 (1956).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Varian Associates purchased Wilkins Instruments in 1966.

## 1957 – **A-110-C**

 – same as A-90-C, but with built-in A-120 Brown-Honeywell 11" recorder, with four chart speeds

#### 1961 – **A-90P**

- TCD Only
- dial thermometer
- built-in 12VDC transistorized power supply
- manual column temperature programmer
- separate heaters for column oven, detector, and injector
- air circulating fan in column oven
- built-in 12 VDC transistorized power supply



A-90P

## 1961 – A350B Dual-Column System

- balance column bleed
- linear temperature programmable column oven -9 rates
- TCD only
- differential flow controllers



A-110-C



A-350-B



## 1961 – **A-600 - HyFI**<sup>4</sup>

- A90P modified to accept FID
- new cabinet
- column and detector in same oven -
- new selected thermally stable vacuum tube power supply for long term trouble-free operation
- isothermal; manual programming at non-linear rates
- column temperature range: ambient to +400 °C
- separate H2 and air connections for flame ionization detector
- dial thermometer
- detectors: flame ionization, electron capture (tritium), cross-section, phosphorus

A-600-HyFI

- 1962 **A-90-P2** 
  - pyrometer readout for injector, column, detector and collector temperatures
  - manual column temperature programmer
  - air circulating fan in column oven
  - separate temperature settings for injector and detector
  - built-in 12 VDC transistorized power supply



A-600-B-HyFI



A-90-P2

## 1962 – **A-600-B HyFl**

- similar to A-600
- gold-plated FID flame head
- interchangeable FID or electron capture detectors
- rapid heating, low mass column oven

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Wilkins Instruments used the acronym "HyFI" for early <u>Hy</u>drogen <u>F</u>lame <u>I</u>onization gas chromatographs.

## 1962 – Autoprep 700

- based on A-90-P2
- TCD only
- fully automatic preparative scale
- injection size 0.1 ml to 2 ml
- automatic column temperature programmer
- motorized 8-bottle automatic collector
- automatic injector
- waste position



Autoprep 700



660 HyFI Moduline

## 1963– **A-600-C HyFI**

- similar to A-600-B
- electrometer with feedback circuit
- measure down to  $10^{-12}$  amperes
- improved attenuation controls

 $1963 - \textbf{660} - \textbf{HyFl}_2 - \textbf{Moduline}$ 

- interchangeable functional components
- field upgradeable modules
- separate detector oven, heats to 400 °C
- stainless steel column oven, heats 40 °C/min
- dual channel FID/ECD with effluent splitter
- dual channel electrometer
- manual or linear temperature programmer
- cross-section detector
- air-cooled
- electronic cabinet



#### A-600-C HyFI



## 1964 – **A-600-D - HyFl**

- similar to A-600-C
- electrometer sensitivity to 3 X 10 <sup>-12</sup> amps/mv

## 1964 – **90P3**

- compact single-column instrument
- check valve in carrier to prevent sample flash-back
- column oven 6,390 cm<sup>3</sup>
- expanded stainless steel column oven
- column oven to 400 °C
- cooling rate 300 °C to 100 °C in 8 minutes
- temperature monitor thermocouple pyrometer with parallax correction
- adjustable column oven limit
- thermal conductivity detector only
- four-filament tungsten, constant current
- isothermal column oven
- differential flow controller with needle valve
- four tungsten/rhenium TCD filaments
- constant TCD filament current



90P3



## 1964 – 705 AutoPrep

- FID
- fully automatic preparative GC
- post-column variable splitter to collect most of the sample but divert a small amount to the FID
- low cost nitrogen, instead of helium carrier

Autoprep 705

## 1964 – Autoprep 711

- large scale preparative and analytical GC with FID
- column oven 33,300 cm<sup>3</sup>
- column oven proportionally controlled isothermally or linear temperature programmable at 0.5 °C/min to 20 °C/min
- post column splitter
  - 1964 Option 328
    - temperature controller with platinum probe
    - isothermal or temperature programming
    - oven control to 0.2 °C
    - adaptable to any HyFI column oven



#### Option 328 with 600 HyFI



#### 680 Pestilyzer

## 1965 - 680 Pestilyzer

- specifically designed for analysis of chlorinated pesticide and herbicide residues
- all glass column system
- removable Pyrex injector insert
- single channel electrometer
- built-in 2" chart recorder with pressure-sensitive paper
- concentric tube electron capture detector
- feedback stabilized electrometer
- thermostatic cast aluminum oven
- plug-in jack for external recorder

#### 1965 – **Autoprep 712**

- automatic pneumatic injector 0.1 ml to 5 ml
- automatic repetitive injection and collection of samples
- full proportional oven temperature control
- FID with built-in splitter
- 15-position automatic collector
- four-unit timer module



Autoprep 712



## 1965 - 900 Simulated Distillation

- completely self-contained
- linear column temperature programmer
- low mass column heater assembly
- flame ionization detector and electrometer
- integrator, printer and recorder included
- column oven to -60  $^{\circ}C$  with LCO<sub>2</sub>

### 1966 - Autoprep 713

- automatic time pressure injector and control module for reproducible injections of wide volume ranges
- sample capacity 500 ml
- injection volume 0.1 to 30 ml
- sample preheater for viscous samples



715 Autoprep Mark II



Autprep 713

## 1966 – 715 Autoprep Mark II

- similar to 713
- baseline drift corrector
- refrigeration unit and dewar to -60  $^{\circ}\text{C}$
- dewar elevator
- hydrogen and air generator included
- wheeled cart

## 1966 - 1200 - HyFI3

- low-cost, compact size, and versatile
- single channel FID or ECD
- whole new cabinet
- all transistor electronics
- solid-state operational amplifiers
- isolation of critical high impedance input circuits
- separate injector and detector ovens
- linear temperature programmable column oven
- column oven 7,964 cm<sup>3</sup>
- cooling rate from 400 °C to 100 °C in 5 minutes
- universal base for ionization detectors

### 1966 – **1210**

- electron capture version

#### 1966 – **1220**

- specifically designed for capillary
- independently heated capillary injector splitter
- linear reproducible splitter
- make-up gas plumbing
- reproducible retention times with programming
- FID



1200 – HyFI III



#### 1967 – **1400**

- FID or ECD only
- single column
- column oven 6,614 cm<sup>3</sup>
- column temperature range ambient to +400C
   injectors on-column or flash vaporization
- column cooling from 400 °C to 40 °C in 6 minutes
- thermocouple pyrometer
- linear temperature programming or isothermal
- automatic cooldown and reset to initial temperature
- electrometer completely solid-state with JFET input for minimum drift and unsurpassed reliability
- 220 volts only, even in US

#### 1967 - **1420**

- TCD
- dual column
- all thermal zones thermally isolated with individual temperature controls
- differential flow controllers for constant flow through both flow systems

#### 1968 - **1440**

- 120 volt version for US
- single column
- universal detector base
- column oven 6,614cm<sup>3</sup>
- 1968 1450 ECD H<sup>3</sup>
- 1968 1475 ECD Ni 63
- 1968 1485 Alkali FID

#### 1968 – **2440**

- dual channel FID
- dual heated injector ports
- linear temperature programmer
- dual/differential electrometer



920

## 1974 - **940**

- FID Only
- compact multipurpose instrument
- 5390 cm<sup>3</sup> column oven
- solid-state isothermal proportional controller for column oven
- flame ionization detector only
- solid-state electrometer, ranges 10<sup>-11</sup>, 10<sup>-10</sup>, 10<sup>-9</sup> amp/mv
- individual proportional controls for injector, detector and column ovens
- fine metering valves for carrier, hydrogen and air



1440

## 1974 – **920**

- -TCD Only
- compact multipurpose instrument
- column oven 5,390 cm<sup>3</sup>
- solid-state isothermal proportional controller for column oven
- thermal conductivity detector only
- solid-state detector electronics
- individual proportional controls for injector, detector and column ovens
- differential flow controller and fine metering valve for carrier
- fine metering valves for reference flow



940



#### 1984 - **3400**

- microprocessor controlled
- inboard data handling (IBDH) and printer
- AutoSampler<sup>TM</sup> control through keyboard
- column oven: -99 °C to 400 °C
- column oven 10,100 cm<sup>3</sup>
- 4 step column temperature programmer
- two detectors and electrometers
- two injector spaces
- subambient temperature programmable capillary injector
- on-column packed, flash packed and split/splitless capillary
- universal ionization detector base
- FID, TCD, ECD, TSD, FPD, PID, ELCD, and Saturn MS detectors
- heated pneumatics compartment
- 4 external events
- 4 heated zones

3400 (shown with 8100 AutoSampler)

- 1985 **3300**
- low cost version of 3400
- single method
  - no IBDH
  - no AutoSampler<sup>™</sup> control
  - 1 external event

#### 1988 - 3410

- high temperature version of 3400
- column and detector temperatures: -99 °C to 420 °C

## 1995 - **3350**

- single channel only version of 3400



#### 1998 - **3380**

- dual channel version of 3800
- manual pneumatics for injector
- manual detector flow controllers
- column oven 15,568 cm<sup>3</sup>
- seven external events
- 5 heated zones

#### 1999 - **3900**

- FID/TCD only
- detector electronic flow controllers
- split/splitless capillary injector only
- column oven 5,637 cm<sup>3</sup>
- electronic flow control for injector
  AutoSampler<sup>TM</sup> control through keyboard



3380

3900





# **RESEARCH GC VERSIONS**

These systems are set for the maximum performance available and readily adaptable in the field for new applications or hardware. Construction is generally modular for easy field-upgrading. Injectors and detectors are frequently interchangeable due to universal bases and ovens.

## 1963 – **202 – Moduline**

- TCD version
- two on-column or flash vaporized injectors
- dual columns
- linear column temperature programmer
- rapid cool-down from 400 °C to 100 °C in 4 minutes
- dual/differential flow controllers with two independent needle valves
- column oven:  $\sim$ 9,000 cm<sup>3</sup>
- fan for electronics cabinet cooling
- on-column or flash vaporization packed injectors
- separately heated detector oven
- adjustable temperature limiting device for column oven

## 1963 – **204 – Moduline**

- dual flame ionization detectors
- dual/differential electrometer
- optional ECD, micro cross-section, and sodium thermionic detectors





## 1963 – **1520**

- dual columns, dual flame ionization and thermal conductivity column oven  $17,900 \text{ cm}^3$
- matrix multi-level temperature programmer
- automatic oven cool-down and reset to start temperature
- on-column or flash vaporized injection
- dual injectors with separate temperature controls
- dual/differential electrometer and TCD electronics
- separate detector and column ovens with proportional temperature control of detector oven
- two-position manual sample collector

#### 1520

1963 - 1521 - TCD only, but upgradeable to add FID

1963 - 1522 - FID only, but upgradeable to add TCD

## 1963 – **205 Pestilyzer**

- dual columns
- dual flow controllers
- Pyrex injector inserts and columns
- dual ECD
- two-channel electrometer
- dual rotometers for carrier gas
- dual electron capture detectors



205 Pestilyzer

## 1965 – 202-1B – Moduline B

- dual columns
- TCD with WX filaments
- solid-state Wheatstone bridge
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>





202-1B

## 1965 – 204-1B – Moduline B

- dual columns
- dual FIDs
- two independent electrometers

204-1B

## 1965 – **1520B**

- larger oven and cabinet
- dual columns, dual FIDs, dual TCD
- matrix temperature programmer for multi-level programming
- automatic column oven door opener for cooldown
- dual/differential electrometer for two independent electrometers or differential mode for compensation for column bleed
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>
- interchangeable injectors
- cooling rate 400 °C to 100 °C in 3 minutes
- adjustable temperature limiting device for column oven



1520B

#### 1965 – 1525B Preparative

- automatic injection and collection of samples (collects 15 samples)
- can be used as analytical or preparative GC
- automatic sample injection 0.025 ml to 1.5 ml



1532



1525B

### 1965 – 1532 – Trace Gas Analyzer

- dual helium ionization detectors
- tritium ionization source
- isothermal proportional controller for column oven
- liquid nitrogen trap for helium carrier
- detection to low ppb V/V for many gases

## 1966 - 2100 - "4 columns for U"

- specifically designed for biomedical field and pesticide work
- four injectors/four detectors
- common detector base for interchangeability
- floor mounted column oven
- U-columns to avoid "race track" effect
- column oven 47,950 cm<sup>3</sup>
- total glass system
- two solid-state dual/differential electrometers for four detector operation





1967 – 202-B Natural Gas Analyzer

- dual TCD
- gas sampling valve
- two backflush valves

202B Natural Gas Analyzer

2100

### 1967 – **1520C**

- hybrid electrometer - solid state + tube input

#### 1967 - **204-1C**

- hybrid electrometer - solid state + tube input

### 1968 – 1720 - Moduline D

- TCD only
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>
- platinum resistance temperature probes (RTD)
- four filament tungsten-rhenium hot wire
- isothermal proportional control or ballistic temperature programming

## 1968 – 1732 Trace Gas Analyzer

- no injectors
- helium ionization detector

### 1968 - 1740 - Moduline D

- FID or ECD only
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>
- new JFET solid state dual differential electrometer
- single or dual capillary capability
- solid-state temperature programmer: 0.5 °C/min to 20 °C/min
- total glass system
- detector temperature limit for <sup>3</sup>H ECD detector

## 1968 - 1800 (1520D)

- TCD and FID
- new temperature controller with Pt Probe
- completely solid-state electrometer with JFET
- optional 4-digit digital display of temperature setpoint in 0.1 °C
- computer compatible, with remote start and ready signals
- program rates 0 to 31.75 °C/min in 0.25 °C/min increments
- new matrix MLTP (solid state electronics)
- automatic oven cool-down and reset to start temperature
- 20 step column temperature programmer
- two memory circuits for temperature programs
- column temperature range: -100 °C to +400 °C
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>

#### 1970 - 1828 Preparative

- dual column, dual TCD

#### 1970 - 1848 Preparative

- dual ionization detectors

## 1970 - 1868 Preparative

- dual TCD and dual FID



1720







## 1970 – **2720**

- TCD only
- all thermal zones thermally isolated with individual temperature controls
- dual, separately heated injector ports
- automatic linear temperature programmer
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>
- column oven temperature range: ambient to +400 °C
- cooling rate: +400 °C to +100 °C in 3 minutes
- temperature limit adjustable from +150 °C to +400°C

## 1970 – **2740**

- ionization detectors only
- detector temperature limit for <sup>3</sup>H ECD detector
- hydrogen and air individually controlled with needle valves
- thermocouple pyrometers with parallax correction
- dual/differential electrometer for ionization detectors
- dual, separately heated injector ports
- automatic linear temperature programmer
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>
- column oven temperature range: ambient to +400 °C
- cooling rate: +400 °C to +100 °C in 3 minutes
- temperature limit adjustable from +150 °C to +400°C
- alkali FID for phosphorus, ECD scandium, later ECD nickel 63

## 1970 – **2800**

- FID and TCD
- new JFET solid-state dual electrometer
- dual, separately heated injector ports
- automatic multi-linear temperature programmer
- automatic oven cool-down and reset to start temperature
- dual, separately heated injector ports
- column oven temperature range: ambient to +400 °C
- column oven 17,500 cm<sup>3</sup>
- cooling rate: +400 °C to +100 °C in 3 minutes
- temperature limit adjustable from +150 °C to +400°C
- optional alkali FID for phosphorus, ECD scandium, later ECD Ni<sup>63</sup>

#### 1970 - 2828 Preparative

dual column, dual TCD

#### 1970 - 2848 Preparative

dual ionization detectors

## 1970 - 2868 Preparative

- dual TCD and dual FID





2720

## 1975 - 3700 Series

- single chassis, fresh redesign, completely new injectors and injectors, designed to later accept capillary (when restrictive patent expired in 1979)
- modular flexibility
- Self Monitoring Electro-Sensor Panel (ESP)
- large oven 22,122 cm<sup>3</sup>
- big pneumatics compartment
- 5 independent temperature zones
- versatile, adaptable injector system
- column temperature range: -99 °C to 420 °C
- two digital flow controllers with on/off valves in heated oven, with pressure gauges



3760

- universal ionization detector base for easy interchange of detectors
- digital automatic linear temperature programmer, also externally controllable from data system
- rapid column heat up/ cool down: 50 °C to 250 °C in 5 min. and 250 °C to 50 °C in 9 min., including 2 min. stabilization
- subambient column oven: LN<sub>2</sub> to -99 °C, or CO<sub>2</sub> to -60 °C
- temperature-controlled pneumatics compartment
- two independent electronic bays for separate electrometers, or electrometer and TCD electronics

#### 1975 – **3720**

- TCD version, field upgradeable to 3760
- constant mean temperature filament operation
- carrier loss protection with He and H<sub>2</sub>
- TC cell 140 µl 4 tungsten/rhenium filaments
- linear range >  $10^5$  butane

## 1975 - **3740**

- ionization detector version, field upgradeable to 3760 FID noise: 2X  $10^{-12}$  amperes; FID linearity > $10^{7}$
- general radioactive license for ECD; no site licensing required
- ECD constant current, pulsed mode; cell geometry asymmetric cylinder, 300 µl
- ECD carrier gas N<sub>2</sub>
- ECD linear range >10<sup>4</sup> for lindane
- TSD linearity:  $\tilde{N}$  10<sup>5</sup>; P 10<sup>4</sup>



- TSD Selectivity N/C >  $5X10^4$ , N/P > 0.5
- FPD dual flame optical emission
- FPD dynamic range P 10<sup>5</sup>; S 10<sup>3</sup>
- FPD selectivity:  $P/C > 10^5$  gC/gP; S/C  $10^3$  to  $10^6$  gC/gS

#### 1975 – **3760**

- TCD/ionization version of 3700

#### 1976 - **3711**

- automatic gas chromatograph
- includes CDS111 Chromatography Data System
- computer control of temperature programming, detector settings and AutoSampler<sup>™</sup>

3711

## 1978 - Vista 4600

- full microprocessor control of all operating parameters
- large column oven 22,122 cm<sup>3</sup>
- -TCD plus ionization detectors
- detectors same as 3700
- control of two AutoSampler<sup>™</sup> through instrument
- faceless; control only through with Vista 401
- 6 independent temperature zones; 8 external events



6000



3500

## 1997 - **3800**

- three injectors, three detectors
- large column oven 15,568 cm<sup>3</sup>
- Ethernet communications with Workstation
- 7 independent temperature zones
- 7 external events
- electronic flow controllers
- single electrometer range 100µV to 1 kV
- detector electronic flow controllers
- automatic flame-out/reignition for FID

- Vista 4600 with CRT display/keyboard
- stand alone GC

#### 1979 – Vista 64

- Vista 6000 with Vista 401

#### 1980 – Vista 6500

- satellite GC
- controlled through 6000
- adds two more injectors, detectors and Auto-Samplers<sup>™</sup> to system
- 1986 **3500** 
  - 3400 box for capillary only
  - miniaturized detectors; 0.01" flame tip
  - on-column capillary injector (1090)
  - column oven 10,100 cm<sup>3</sup>
  - electronic readout of split flow
  - electronic pressure readout of column headpressure

3800

#### 1986 - **3600**

- large box version of 3400
- large column oven 19,600 cm<sup>3</sup>
- spatially separated injectors
- 6 independent thermal zones
- 4 external events
- "twin towers" dual AutoSamplers<sup>™</sup>





6500





Vista 44 with 4600

# DATA HANDLING DEVICES

## 1960 - Disc Integrator

- area measurement on same paper as peak tracing
- inexpensive area computation
- manual computation by counting excursions





**Disk Integrator** 



**Duo-counter** 

#### **Duo-Counter**

- digital readout for disc integrator
- mechanical accumulator
- manual recording of areas
- no printer

#### 1965 – 450 Baseline Drift Corrector

 miniature computer with memory, logic and integrating circuits to automatically correct baseline drift



450

#### 1965 – **470**

- built-in automatic baseline corrector
- peak sensor meter
- automatic peak area printout
- automatic retention time printout

#### 1965 - **471**

- similar to 470
- auto-extended input range
- visual data display





470

## 1966 – **475**

- automatic digital baseline drift corrector
- integrated microcircuitry
- automatic peak detection and filtering
- wide dynamic range (0-1400 mv)
- unattended operation







#### 1966 – **476**

- similar to 475, but without digital display

476

#### 1967 – **477**

- low cost electronic integrator
- simple operation
- dynamic range 0 to 140 mv
- digital printout peak area







## 1968 - 200 GC Data System

- on-line computer dedicated to GC data handling
- process data from 10 GC simultaneously
- linear range of 1,000,000
- autoranging preamplifier
- Varian Data Machine 620i minicomputer,16 bit word, 8 K RAM
- teletype and paper tape input/output

200 GCDS

#### 1974- **485**

- built-in printer
- separate slope sensitivity and filtering controls
- automatic peak detection, peak integration and baseline correction
- automatic mode for unattended operation
- store data on punched tape
- optional display of retention time and peak area

## 1974 – **CDS101**

- first microprocessor chromatography data system
- automatically quantitates most chromatograms entirely on its own
- accurately measures areas of all peaks, both simple and complex
- automatically calculates results to any of 6 different methods – internal standard, external standard, calibration factor, relative response factor, area % and normalized %.
- stores up to 9 complete method files for immediate use

## 1976 – **CDS111C**

- similar to CDS101
- control of Model 3700 temperature programming, detector settings and Model 8000 AutoSampler<sup>™</sup>

#### 1978 – Vista 401

- floppy disk storage of raw data chromatograms and methods (first implementation in any chromatography data system)
- two optional independent floppy disk drives
- 16K RAM (80K RAM optional)
- full multi-tasking memory AND multi-tasking floppy disk
- full independent control of 4 Vista GCs and Vista LCs
- full QWERTY alpha-numeric keyboard plus number pad
- built-in dual plot printer with plots of dual live runs, stored
  - versus live and dual stored runs
- high speed line printer (120 characters per sec.)
- optional remote dual plot printer
- 12" CRT display (16 lines of 64 characters) for method entry and report review
- input data range: -400 mV to +1 volt
- printer: 120 characters per second; 90 lines per min.
- independent control of two 8000 AutoSampler<sup>™</sup>
- replot of chromatograms with assigned baselines
- point-by-point blank baseline subtraction, stored with method
- RS 485 single cable connection from instrument module to mainframe

#### 1981 – Vista 402

- similar to Vista 401
- RAM memory increase to 144K
- optional multi-tasking double-sided, dual density floppy drives





Vista 401

## 1985 – **DS601**

- single channel data system
- automatic call up of any of 8 methods on 3400 and 3600
- multi-tasking hard drive
- Thinkjet printer/plotter with dual plots
- built-in BASIC programming

#### 1985 – **DS604**

- four channel data system
- similar to DS601

#### 1987 – **DS651**

- similar to DS601
- new color monitor
- interactive graphics

## 1987 – **DS654**

- similar to DS604
- new color monitor
- interactive graphics

**Star System Control** 

## 2002 - Galaxie Workstation

- client-server or workstation protocol
- full control of Varian 3800 and 3900
- control of other manufacturers' GCs



DS654

## 1989 – Star Workstation

- chromatography workstation based on PC and Windows operating system.
- full control of Varian 3400, 3600, 3800 and 3900 GCs
- control of four simultaneous GCs and LCs
- 10 Base 2 Ethernet communications with 3800



#### **Galaxie Status Overview**

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