

Upper 6 show TLC



TLC does not stand for '*tender loving care*' but '*thin-layer chromatography*'!

Chromatography is a powerful analytical technique which is used in police forensics, food analysis, drug testing, research and other industrial applications to identify compounds. The word is derived from Greek and literally means chroma - colour and graphy - to write. This is because the first chromatography was used to separate the coloured components in pigments to produce a band of colours. Upper 6 were set the challenge of identifying the amino acid in an unknown sample by carrying out chromatography.

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