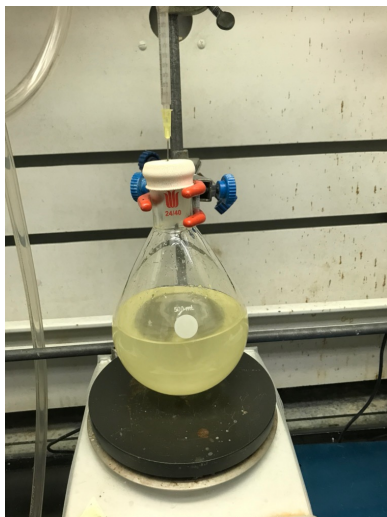
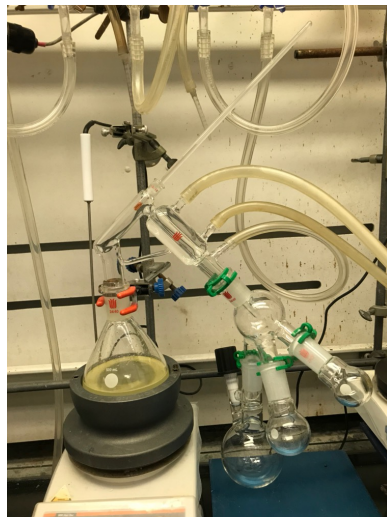


Part I: Vacuum Distillation



1. Stir solvent with CaH_2 (100 mg/L) overnight



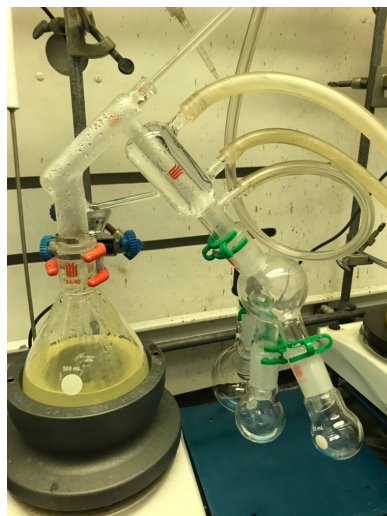
2. Assemble distillation apparatus under nitrogen



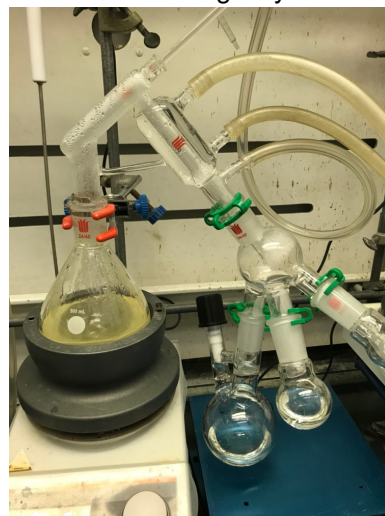
3. Gradually open the system to vacuum so that solvent bubbles gently



4. Gradually increase heat until vapor front reaches the condenser



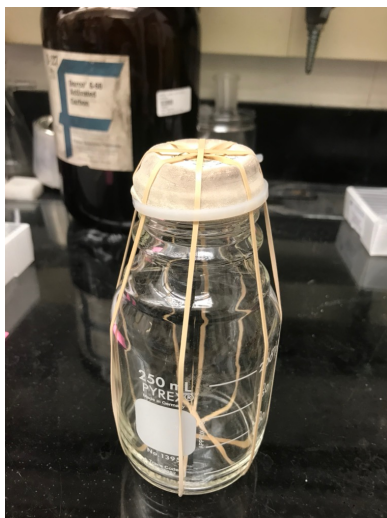
5. Collect a pre-run sample



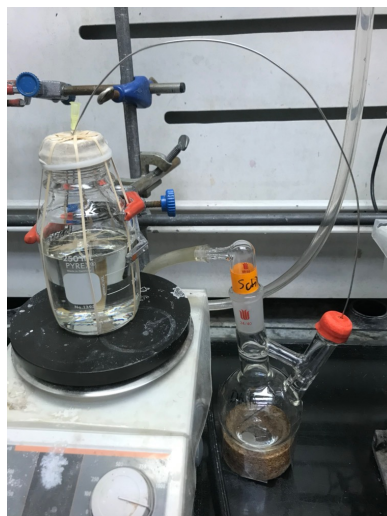
6. Rotate the system to collect solvent in a Schlenk flask



Part II: Sparging with Argon



1. Secure a septum over an oven-dried glass jar



2. Canula transfer solvent from the schlenk to the jar



4. Sparge with argon while sonicating for 30 min



5. Quickly remove the septum and cap the jar



5. Bring the jar into glovebox with 10 half-cycles



6. Store in the glovebox