Supporting Information for

# Continuous Co-crystallization as a Separation Technology: The Study of 1:2 Co-crystals of Phenazine-Vanillin

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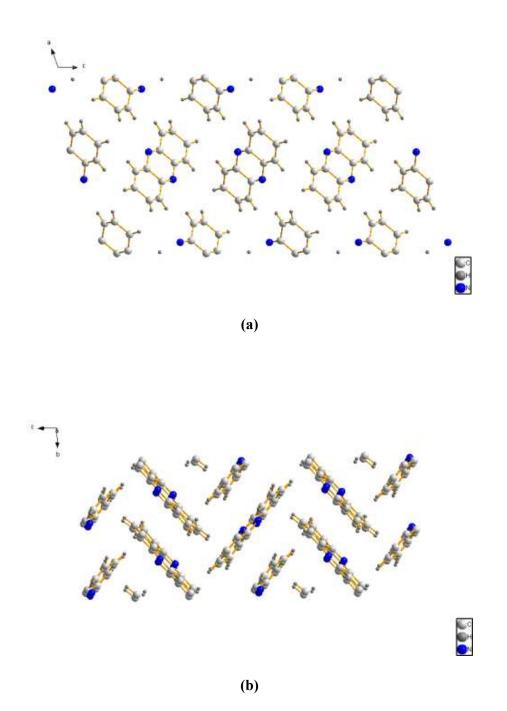
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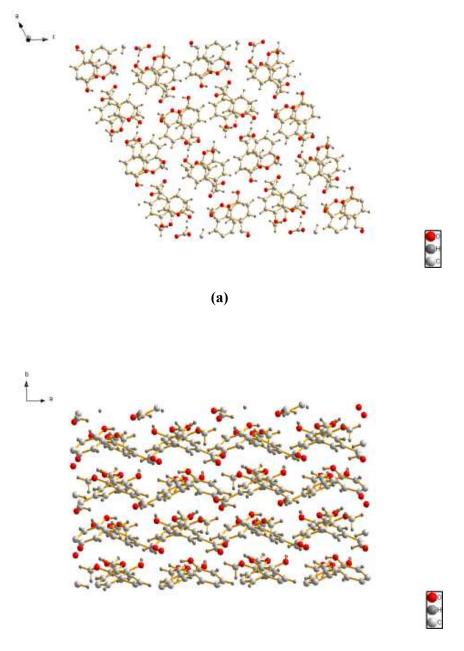
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**Figure S1.** View of the crystal structure of phenazine Form  $\alpha$  (a) along the *b*-axis, and (b) along the *a*-axis.

Fig. S2. Lee et al.



**(b)** 

**Figure S2.** View of the crystal structure of vanillin Form I (a) along the *b*-axis, and (b) along the *c*-axis.

**Table S1.**Materials balance for continuous crystallization with a flow rate of 90mL/min and batch crystallization of 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

	Toluene Volume (ml)	Total Weight Of Starting Materials (g)	Residence Time (s)	Co-crystal Weight Retained on Sieves	Yield (wt%)	Mother Liquor Volume (ml)	Mother Liquor Concentration (g/l)	Co-crystal Weight in Mother Liquor (g)	Total Co-crystal Weight (g)
Continuous	150	24.1±0.1	196	<b>(g)</b> 8.5±0.08	51.2±0.7	141.7±0.6	87.8±8.9	12.4±1.2	20.9±1.2.
Batch with no agitation	150	24.1±0.04	196	5.8±0.05	34.9±0.4	145.0±0.1	117.2±4.2	17.0±0.6	22.8±0.6
Batch with stirring	150	24.0± 0.001	196	9.5±1.3	57.7±8.1	141.0±6.8	90.0±7.4	12.6±0.7	22.2±1.5

1. Yield = Solid weight retained on sieves  $\div$  (Total weight of starting materials – Toluene volume  $\times$  50 mg/mL at 25°C)  $\times$  100%

2. Co-crystal weight in mother liquor = Mother liquor volume × Mother liquor concentration

3. Total co-crystal weight = Co-crystal weight retained on sieves + Co-crystal weight in mother liquor

### Table S2. Lee et al.

**Table S2.** Mass retained in sieve analysis for continuous crystallization with a flowrate of 90 mL/min of 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

Sieve (Mesh)	Size of Mesh (mm)	Cumulative Percent	
	. ,	Retained	
35	0.5		
50	0.3	26±3.6	
60	0.25	44.3±5.0	
100	0.15	63.7±2.5	
120	0.125	82.3±2.5	
200	0.075	100±0	

## Table S3. Lee et al.

**Table S3.** Population density distribution data obtained from sieve analysis for continuous crystallization with a flow rate of 90 mL/min of 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

Sieve (Mesh)	Average Size Retained (mm)	Difference, ∆L (mm)	In (Population Density)
50	0.4	0.2	10.6±0.19
60	0.275	0.05	13.5±0.13
100	0.2	0.1	13.8±0.23
120	0.1375	0.025	16.3±0.15
200	0.1	0.05	16.5±0.14

### Table S4. Lee et al.

**Table S4.** Mass retained in sieve analysis for batch crystallization with no agitation of 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

Sieve (Mesh)	Size of Mesh (mm)	Cumulative Percent Retained
35	0.5	
50	0.3	65.7±5.5
60	0.25	81.3±5.7
100	0.15	91.3±3.8
120	0.125	95.3±2.1
200	0.075	100±0

#### Table S5. Lee et al.

**Table S5.** Population density distribution data obtained from sieve analysis for batch crystallization with no agitation of 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

Sieve (Mesh)	Average Size Retained (mm)	Difference, ΔL (mm)	In (Population Density)
50	0.4	0.2	10.6±0.07
60	0.275	0.05	13.0±0.06
100	0.2	0.1	12.7±0.2
120	0.1375	0.025	14.0±0.41
200	0.1	0.05	14.6±0.43

### Table S6. Lee et al.

**Table S6.** Mass retained in sieve analysis for batch crystallization with stirring of1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

Sieve (Mesh)	Size of Mesh (mm)	Cumulative Percent Retained
35	0.5	
50	0.3	73.35±5.9
60	0.25	82.84±3.1
100	0.15	95.95±1.5
120	0.125	97.61±0.6
200	0.075	100±0

#### Table S7. Lee et al.

**Table S7.** Population density distribution data obtained from sieve analysis forbatch crystallization with stirring of 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine-vanillin in toluene.

Sieve (Mesh)	Average Size Retained (mm)	Difference, ΔL (mm)	In (Population Density)
50	0.4	0.2	17.5±0.17
60	0.275	0.05	17.9±0.36
100	0.2	0.1	18.6±0.10
120	0.1375	0.025	18.9±0.63
200	0.1	0.05	19.6±0.19

# The Mixed Suspension, Mixed Product Removal (MSMPR) Formalism for the Population Density

To approximate G and  $B^0$  based on the sieve analysis developed for an

MSMPR crystallizer at steady state:

$$\tau \frac{d(Gn)}{dL} + n = 0 \tag{S1}$$

where n is population density, L is characteristic size. If G is not a function of L, the result becomes:

$$\frac{dn}{dL} = -\frac{n}{G\tau}$$
(S2)

If the boundary condition of  $n^0$  representing zero-sized particles is employed, i.e.,  $n(0) = n^0$ , the final result is:

$$n = n^0 \exp\left(-\frac{L}{G\tau}\right)$$

(S3)

Therefore, the growth rate, G, can be determined from the slope of ln(n) vs. L:

$$\ln n = -\left(\frac{1}{G\tau}\right)L + \ln n^0 \tag{S4}$$

If  $B^0$  is the rate of appearance of near zero-sized particles,

$$B^{0} = \frac{dN}{dt}\Big|_{L \to 0} = \left[\frac{dN}{dL} \cdot \frac{dL}{dt}\right]_{L \to 0} = n^{0}G$$

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where *N* is the number data. The cumulative sieve data are reduced to the population density by:

$$n = \frac{\Delta m}{k_v \rho \overline{L^3}(\Delta L)}$$
(S6)

where  $\Delta m$  is the weight retained on a sieve,  $k_{\nu}$  is the volumetric shape factor,  $\rho$  is the crystal mass density,  $\overline{L}$  is the mean size of the sieve on which the particles are retained and the sieve above it in the stack, and  $\Delta L$  is the size difference between the two sieves just mentioned.

For example, the crystals average size retained on the 60 mesh in Table S2 is calculated to be: average size retained,  $\overline{L_{60}} = \frac{0.3 + 0.25}{2} = 0.275$  mm, and the mesh size difference is,  $\Delta L = 0.3 - 0.25 = 0.05$  mm for the 60 mesh sieve in Table S3. The cumulative sieve data are then reduced to population density by eq S6. The suspension density,  $\rho$ , is calculated from Table S1 as: co-crystal weight retained on sieves  $\div$  toluene volume = 56 g/l for continuous co-crystallization, and 39 g/l for batch co-crystallization. We will assume  $k_{\nu} = 10$  for the needle-shaped 1:2 co-crystals of phenazine:vanillin and  $\rho = 1.4$  g/cm<sup>3</sup> from the crystal lattice density of co-crystals as determined by SXD in Table 1. The population density, *n*, for the 60 mesh sieve in Table S3 is calculated as:

$$n = \frac{\Delta m}{k_v \rho \overline{L}^3 \Delta L} = \frac{(0.443 - 0.26) \times 56\frac{g}{l}}{10 \times 1.4\frac{g}{cm^3} \times \frac{1cm^3}{1000mm^3} \times (0.275\frac{mm}{no.crystals})^3 (0.05mm)}$$

Thus, n = 703951.9 no. crystals/mm·l and ln(n) = 13.5. The remaining values are

given in Table S3.