Plate 107 Neurotoxins: Chromatography  Prairie rattlesnake's mouth. View of the open mouth and fangs of the northern Pacific prairie rattlesnake (*Crotalus viridis oreganus*). This is a subspecies of the prairie rattlesnake that lives in the north-western parts of North America. The fangs are seen enclosed by a membrane at the tip of the snake's upper jaw. These snakes feed mainly on small rodents, which they kill by injecting venom with these fangs. The prairie rattlesnake is widely distributed throughout western North America, with many subspecies existing. Their venom is dangerous and potentially fatal to humans. (Reproduced with permission from Science Photo Library.)