Performance Testing for Axygen® Automation Tip (TTF-1000-CBK-HTR-S)

Application Note



Method

The liquid handling arm (LiHa) on the Tecan® Freedom EVO® liquid handling workstation was used to assess precision as coefficient of variation (% CV), and accuracy as percent deviation (% D), for Axygen 1,000 μ L tips.

To test the ability of the tip to dispense accurately and precisely at two dispense volumes, 100 μ L and 1,000 μ L, a column of 8 tips aspirated from an Axygen low profile reservoir (Corning Cat. No. RES-SW96-LP) and dispensed into a Corning® 96-well, black, clear bottom microplate (Corning Cat. No. 3631).

For the 100 μ L test volume on the LiHa, a column of 8 tips were arranged so that each tip aspirated 100 μ L of Range A solution (Artel Cat. No. MVS-203) and dispensed 100 μ L into 100 μ L

of diluent solution (Artel Cat. No. MVS-202) in each well. For the 1,000 μ L test volume on the LiHa, a column of 7 tips were arranged so that each tip aspirated 1,000 μ L of Range HV solution (Artel Cat. No. MVS-214) and dispensed 250 μ L into 0 μ L of diluent solution in each well. To determine the volume of liquid dispensed in each well, absorbance readings for the solutions (diluted Range A solution for 100 μ L dispense and Range HV solution for 1,000 μ L dispense) were measured using an Artel ELx800NB® plate reader (Artel Cat. No. 1311197). Each study was performed 6 independent times for a total of 48 tip dispenses for the 100 μ L test volume and 3 independent times for a total of 21 tip dispense for the 1,000 μ L test volume. Evaluation criteria include % D from the set dispense volume and % CV of the measured dispense volume for the tip dispenses.

Results

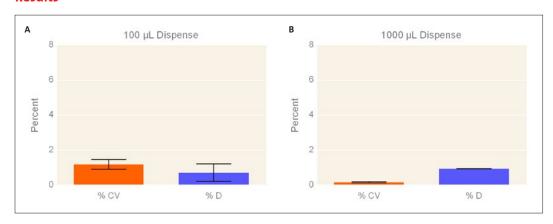


Figure 1. Analysis of TTF-1000-CBK-HTR-S tip with aqueous dispense. The precision (assessed by % CV) and accuracy (assessed by % D) of Axygen TTF-1000-CBK-HTR-S tips dispensing (A) 100 μL and (B) 1,000 μL volumes using the LiHa on the Tecan Freedom EVO liquid handling workstation were determined using the Artel MVS® system. The % CV and % D were below 1.5% for both 100 μL and 1,000 μL dispenses.

Table 1. Aqueous Dispense Results

Target Volume (μL)	100	1,000	
n	48	21	
% CV	1.19 ± 0.28	0.17 ± 0.03	
% D	0.72 ± 0.50	0.95 ± 0.01	
Outliers	0	0	

Conclusion

The % CV and % D for the Axygen automation TTF-1000-CBK-HTR-S tips dispensing 100 μ L and 1,000 μ L were 5% or below. Therefore, Axygen automation TTF-1000-CBK-HTR-S tips can precisely and accurately dispense volumes as low as 100 μ L and as high as 1,000 μ L for aqueous solution using the LiHa on the Tecan Freedom EVO liquid handling workstation.



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