## Performance Testing for Axygen® Automation Tip (RRP-200-CBK-R)

**Application Note** 



## Method

The Varispan™ arm on the Perkin Elmer Janus® liquid handling workstation was used to assess precision as coefficient of variation (% CV), and accuracy as percent deviation (% D), for Axygen 200 µL tips.

To test the ability of the tip to dispense accurately and precisely at two dispense volumes, 20  $\mu$ L and 200  $\mu$ 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 20  $\mu$ L test volume, each tip aspirated 20  $\mu$ L of Range B solution (Artel Cat. No. MVS-204) and dispensed 20  $\mu$ L into 180  $\mu$ L

of diluent solution (Artel Cat. No. MVS-202) in each well. For the 200  $\mu L$  test volume, each tip aspirated 200  $\mu L$  of Range A solution (Artel Cat. No. MVS-203) and dispensed 200  $\mu L$  into 0  $\mu L$  of diluent solution in each well. To determine the volume of liquid dispensed in each well, absorbance readings for the solutions (diluted Range B solution for 20  $\mu L$  dispense and Range A solution for 200  $\mu L$  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. Evaluation criteria include % D from the set dispense volume and % CV of the measured dispense volume for the 48 tip dispenses.

## **Results**

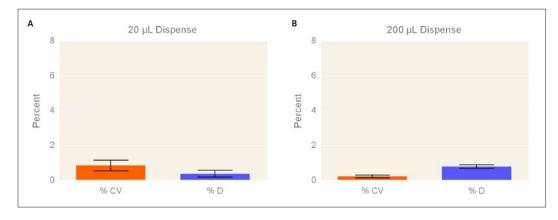


Figure 1. Analysis of RRP-200-CBK-R tip with aqueous dispense. The precision (assessed by % CV) and accuracy (assessed by % D) of Axygen RRP-200-CBK-R tips dispensing (A) 20 μL and (B) 200 μL volumes using the Varispan arm on the Perkin Elmer Janus liquid handling workstation were determined using the Artel MVS® system. The % CV and % D were below 1% for both 20 μL and 200 μL dispenses, n = 48.

Table 1. Aqueous Dispense Results

| Target Volume (μL) | 20          | 200             |  |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| n                  | 48          | 48              |  |
| % CV               | 0.87 ± 0.31 | 0.24 ± 0.08     |  |
| % D                | 0.40 ± 0.20 | $0.81 \pm 0.10$ |  |
| Outliers           | 0           | 0               |  |

## **Conclusion**

The % CV and % D for the Axygen automation RRP-200-CBK-R tips dispensing 20  $\mu$ L and 200  $\mu$ L were 5% or below. Therefore, Axygen automation RRP-200-CBK-R tips can precisely and accurately dispense volumes as low as 20  $\mu$ L and as high as 200  $\mu$ L for aqueous solutions using the Varispan arm on the Perkin Elmer Janus liquid handling workstation.



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