Agilent Captiva EMR—Lipid and Captiva EMR—Lipid HF Method Guide

General instructions for 3 and 6 mL cartridge formats:

Agilent Captiva EMR—Lipid and Captiva EMR—Lipid HF in 3 and 6 mL cartridges allow simple passthrough removal of lipids, fats, and other interferences from complex fatty samples. These formats accommodate larger volumes of complex sample extracts including those from meat, fish, oils, dairy products, and other foods of animal origin. After completing a QuEChERS or direct solvent extraction, the crude sample extract is mixed with a small volume of water and then loaded onto a Captiva EMR—Lipid or EMR—Lipid HF cartridge for passthrough cleanup. The EMR—Lipid sorbent chemistry provides selective and efficient lipid/matrix removal without negatively impacting analyte recovery. High matrix removal assures minimal ion suppression on target analytes, which significantly improves method reliability and ruggedness.

Captiva EMR-Lipid HF is an excellent choice when a vacuum manifold or positive pressure manifold is not available. Designed for high flow (HF) rates using gravity, this product significantly reduces sample processing time for complex samples such as meat and fish.



Operating instructions and tips for Agilent Captiva EMR-Lipid and Captiva EMR-Lipid HF 3 and 6 mL Cartridges



Mix with 10 to 20% water and vortex

*Skip this step if the crude sample extract already contains 10 to 20% water



Drain the sample

Optimal flow rate of 2 to 4 sec/drop



For Captiva EMR-Lipid: Gravity or vacuum/positive pressure assisted elution can be used

For Captiva EMR-Lipid HF: Gravity flow is recommended.

For both products, we recommend applying high pressure or vacuum at the end to drain the sorbent bed completely.



- QuEChERS extraction
- . Solvent extraction

Acetonitrile is preferred



User Tips

Recommended loading	3 mL (300 mg) cartridge: 2 to 3 mL sample extract mixture	
volume (including water premix)	6 mL (600 mg) cartridge: 4 to 6 mL sample extract mixture	
Preferred extraction methods	QuEChERS, solvent extraction	
Sample treatment	Premix crude sample extract obtained from QuEChERS or solvent extraction with 10 to 20% water. If hydrophobic target analytes are included, mixing with only 10% water is recommended. If the food sample is extracted with a 80:20 organic/water mixture, no dilution with water is necessary and the crude sample extract can be added directly to the cartridge.	
	Water-miscible solvents are required when using Captiva EMR-Lipid products. Acetonitrile or acidified acetonitrile is the preferred extraction solvent, as it significantly reduces matrix co-extractives relative to methanol. For very hydrophobic targets, a solvent mixture of 80:20 ACN/ethyl acetate can be used to improve extraction efficiency.	
Steps	Mix crude sample extract with 10 to 20% water by volume in a separate tube. Mix with a pipette or invert the tube several times. Do not vortex the sample, as it can result in phase separation of the sample mixture.	
	Load the appropriate sample mixture onto the Captiva EMR—Lipid or EMR—Lipid HF cartridge.	
	3. Allow the extract to flow through the cartridge with flow control. The optimal flow rate is 2 to 4 sec/drop.	
	For Captiva EMR—Lipid, passthrough cleanup is achieved with vacuum/positive pressure or gravity.	
	For Captiva EMR—Lipid HF, passthrough cleanup is achieved with gravity.	
	When the extract reaches the top frit, drain the cartridge by applying high positive pressure or vacuum for 1 to 2 minutes.	
Additional elution	An additional elution with a mixture of organic/water that matches the original loaded sample (for example: $80:20~\text{ACN/H}_20$) can improve the recovery of some compounds.	
Sample post treatment	For LC applications: Dilute with water prior to injection. If concentration is required, dry and reconstitute.	
	For GC applications: Dry with anhydrous MgSO ₄ or perform a solvent back extraction with isooctane prior to injection. If concentration is required, dry and reconstitute.	

Agilent Captiva EMR—Lipid ordering information

Part number	Description	Quantity
5190-1003	Captiva EMR–Lipid cartridge 3 mL 300 mg	100/pk
5190-1004	Captiva EMR–Lipid cartridge 6 mL 600 mg	50/pk
5610-2235	Captiva EMR–Lipid HF cartridge, 3 mL 300 mg	100/pk
5610-2236	Captiva EMR–Lipid HF cartridge, 6 mL 600 mg	50/pk

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