

## prepared for pras testing

#### Fast and High-Resolution LC-MS Separation with Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS HPLC Columns

PFAS (Per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances) are persistent, man-made organic compounds, widely found in the environment. Recent awareness has brought attention to the toxicity of these substances. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have initiated actions against PFAS. For determination of PFASs, liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC-MS) is a commonly used technique.

The new Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS HPLC column, with its Fused-Core<sup>®</sup> technology and a particle size of 2.7  $\mu$ m, delivers fast and high-resolution separations with excellent selectivity, peak shape, and necessary retention to perform in EPA methods 537.1, 533 and 8327.

## Key benefits of Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS columns include:

- 2.7 µm Fused-Core<sup>®</sup> particle for reliable and high efficiency separations and lower column back pressure compared to sub-2 µm particles.
- Excellent suitability for MS detection
- Application-related Lot analysis and single column performance testing
- Pressure limit: 600 bar

#### Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS HPLC columns enable precise MS results

The Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS HPLC column is designed for the separation of novel and legacy short chain and long chain PFAS compounds containing branched and linear isomers, whilst adhering to EPA methodology requirements. Furthermore, a specific PFAS delay column prevents background PFAS contamination from interfering with the sample results in quantitative LC-MS methods.



The highly retentive endcapped silane of the Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS Delay column provides high retention of PFAS compounds across various mobile phase conditions and is used to delay background instrument

PFAS contamination from interference with analyzed samples. For this reason, the Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS Delay column is placed upstream of the sample injector and after the mixer.



#### Analysis of PFAS Compounds in EPA 537.1:

#### **LC Conditions:**

Analytical Column	Ascentis <sup>®</sup> Express PFAS, 2.7 µm, 10 cm x 2.1 mm, 90A
Delay Column	Ascentis <sup>®</sup> Express PFAS Delay, 2.7 µm, 5 cm x 3 mm
Mobile Phase	A: 10 mM Ammonium Acetete B: Methanol
Flow Rate	0.4 mL/min
Pressure	485 bar
Temperature	35 °C
Injection Volume	2.0 µL
Sample Solvent	Methanol (96%) Water (4%)

#### Gradient

Time	% В
0.0	33.0
18.0	98.0
18.1	100.0
21.0	100.0
21.1	33.0
26.0	End

#### **MS Condition:**

Detection	-ESI MS/MS
ESI LCMS system	Shimadzu LCMS-8040
Spray Voltage	-2.0 kV
Nebulizing gas	2 L/min
Drying gas	15 L/min
DL temp	250 °C
Heat Block	400 °C



Peak No	Compound	Transition	Retention Time (min)
1	PFBS	299.0000>80.0000	3,789
2	PFHxA	313.0000>269.0000	5,639
3	HFPO-DA	285.0000>169.0000	6,307
4	PFHpA	363.0000>319.0000	7,723
5	PFHxS	399.0000>80.0000	7,936
6	ADONA	377.0000>250.9000	7,978
7	PFOA	413.0000>369.0000	9,368
8	PFNA	463.0000>419.0000	10,715
9	PFOS	499.0000>80.0000	10,762
10	9CI-PF3ONS	530.9000>351.0000	11,439
11	PFDA	513.0000>469.0000	11,857
12	N-MeFOSAA	570.0000>419.0000	12,336
13	PFUnA	563.0000>519.0000	12,822
14	N-EtFOSAA	584.0000>419.0000	12,827
15	11CI-PF3OUdS	630.7000>451.0000	13,311
16	PFDoA	613.0000>569.0000	13,690
17	PFTrDA	663.0000>619.0000	14,435
18	PFTeDA	713.0000>669.0000	15,083

#### **Ordering Information**

#### Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Express PFAS, 2.7 µm

Length (mm)	ID (mm)	Cat. No.
50 ×	2.1	53557-U
100 ×	2.1	53559-U
150 ×	2.1	53560-U
250 ×	2.1	53562-U
50 ×	3	53563-U
100 x	3	53564-U
150 x	3	53565-U
250 x	3	53570-U

#### Ascentis® Express PFAS Delay columns, 2.7 µm

Length (mm)		ID (mm)	Cat. No.
50	х	3	53572-U
50	х	4.6	53573-U

## Typically, the delay column is used with a larger ID than the analytical column:

Analytical column	-	Delay Column
2.1 mm ID	-	3 mm ID
3 mm ID	-	4.6 mm ID

To place an order	or receive technical	assistance
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# PFAS analysis requires precision at every step.

MilliporeSigma has products specifically developed to support PFAS analysis including:

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- Millipore® PFAS-free Membrane Filters
- Supelco<sup>®</sup> Sample Prep Solutions
- Supelco<sup>®</sup> Reference Materials
- Sigma-Aldrich<sup>®</sup> Solvents for PFAS Analysis
- Milli-Q<sup>®</sup> Lab Water Solutions
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