

# Thermo Scientific Dionex ASE Extraction Thimbles

Filters and thimbles for Thermo Scientific™ Dionex™ ASE™ Extraction cells are used when extracting complex matrices, to prevent plugging and maximize separation of the solvent extract.



Extraction thimbles for the Dionex ASE extraction cells are used to hold solid and semi-solid samples when extracting analytes from complex matrices during accelerated solvent extraction technique, to prevent plugging of the fluid path. Additionally, extraction thimbles are used in the fields of air and waste gas analysis for collecting solid particles (dust). The thimbles are optimized in dimensions to the Dionex ASE extraction cells with tested mechanical strength and temperature stability when used with the Thermo Scientific™ Dionex™ ASE™ Accelerated Solvent Extraction systems. The Dionex ASE extraction thimbles are available in cellulose and glass fiber material and can be used to

- Make cell cleaning easier when extracting samples
  - That melt at high temperatures
  - That stick to the walls of the cell (e.g. polymer samples)
- Weigh samples directly into the thimbles to avoid sample loss during transfer
- Thimbles can also act as an additional filter when working with fine particulate samples that can clog the cell

Cellulose extraction thimbles are made from high alpha cellulose and have excellent mechanical strength and retention, and the high purity of the material gives reliable and reproducible analytical results. The dimensions of the thimbles are accurately matched to the Dionex ASE extraction cells to ensure an optimum fit during accelerated solvent extraction.

Glass fiber thimbles are made from high purity borosilicate glass fibers, completely free of binders and additives and can be used at temperatures up to 500 °C or when using solvents incompatible with cellulose thimbles.

## Specifications

Table 1. Dionex ASE 150/350 cellulose thimbles.

| Description of Extraction Thimble   | Internal Diameter | External Height | Wall Thickness  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 10 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose  | 12 mm +0/-2.0 mm  | 50 mm ± 1 mm    | 1.5 mm ± 0.5 mm |
| 22 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose  | 20 mm +0/-2.0 mm  | 50 mm ± 1 mm    | 1.5 mm ± 0.5 mm |
| 34 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose  | 25 mm +0/-2.0 mm  | 50 mm ± 1 mm    | 1.5 mm ± 0.5 mm |
| 66 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose  | 25 mm +0/-2.0 mm  | 100 mm ± 1 mm   | 1.5 mm ± 0.5 mm |
| 100 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose | 25 mm +0/-2.0 mm  | 150 mm ± 1 mm   | 1.5 mm ± 0.5 mm |

Table 2. Dionex ASE 150/350 glass fiber thimbles.

| Description of Extraction Thimbles   | Internal Diameter | External Height | Wall Thickness  | Temperature |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 10 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Glass Fiber | 12 mm ± 1 mm      | 50 mm ± 1 mm    | 2.0 mm ± 0.5 mm | MAX 500 °C  |
| 22 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose   | 19 mm ± 1 mm      | 50 mm ± 1 mm    | 2.0 mm ± 0.5 mm | MAX 500 °C  |
| 34 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose   | 24 mm ± 1 mm      | 50 mm ± 1 mm    | 2.0 mm ± 0.5 mm | MAX 500 °C  |
| 66 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose   | 24 mm ± 1 mm      | 100 mm ± 1 mm   | 2.0 mm ± 0.5 mm | MAX 500 °C  |
| 100 mL Dionex ASE 150/350 Cellulose  | 24 mm ± 1 mm      | 150 mm ± 1 mm   | 2.0 mm ± 0.5 mm | MAX 500 °C  |

### Results from a GC-MS Analysis of Thimbles Extracts to Check for Interfering Contaminating Peaks

The thimbles were extracted with different solvents using the following Accelerated Solvent Extraction Technique Parameters.

#### ASE Conditions

Oven Temperature: 100 °C

Pressure: 1500 psi

Oven Heatup Time: 5 min

Static Time: 5 min

Static Cycles: 1

Rinse Volume: 50%

Solvents Tested: Hexane/Acetone (1:1, v/v)  
Dichloromethane  
Dichloromethane/Acetone (1:1, v/v)

Analysis of the extracts were done by GC-MS using the following Instrumentation

- GC – Thermo Scientific™ TRACE™ 1300 GC Ultra
- Injector – PTV
- Detector – Thermo Scientific™ ISQ™ Series Quadrupole GC-MS

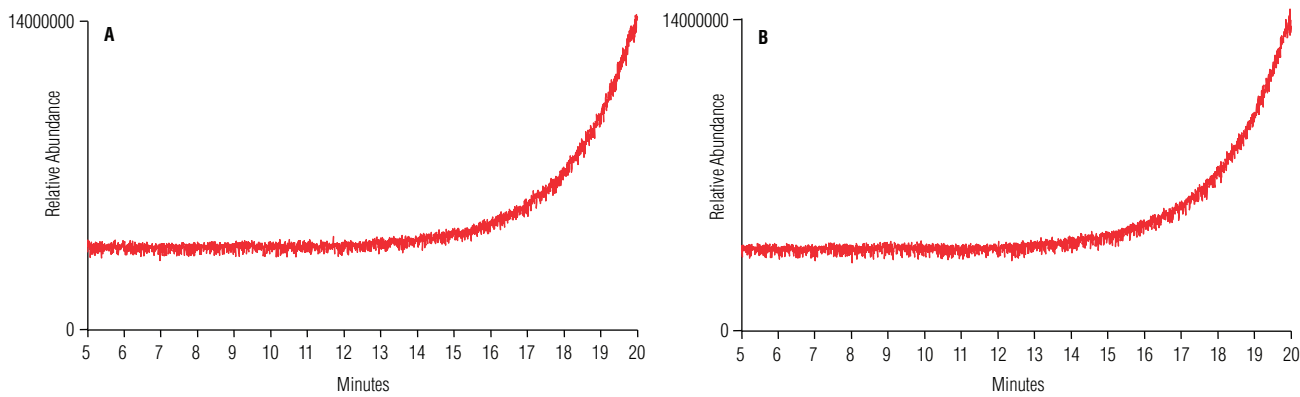


Figure 1. GCMS analysis of (A) Cellulose thimbles and (B) Glass Fiber thimbles using Hexane/Acetone as the extraction solvent (Data Courtesy of Ekong Bassey and Hua Yang).

Results from Dichloromethane Extractions of the Cellulose and Glass Fiber Thimbles

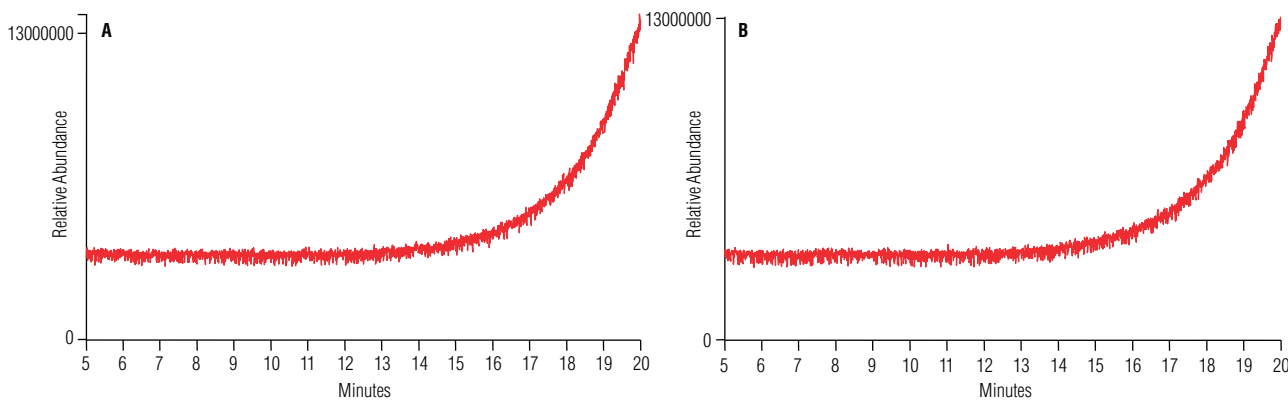


Figure 2. GCMS analysis of (A) Cellulose thimbles and (B) Glass Fiber thimbles using Dichloromethane as the extraction solvent (Data Courtesy of Ekong Bassey and Hua Yang).

Results from Dichloromethane/Acetone Extractions of the Cellulose and Glass Fiber Thimbles

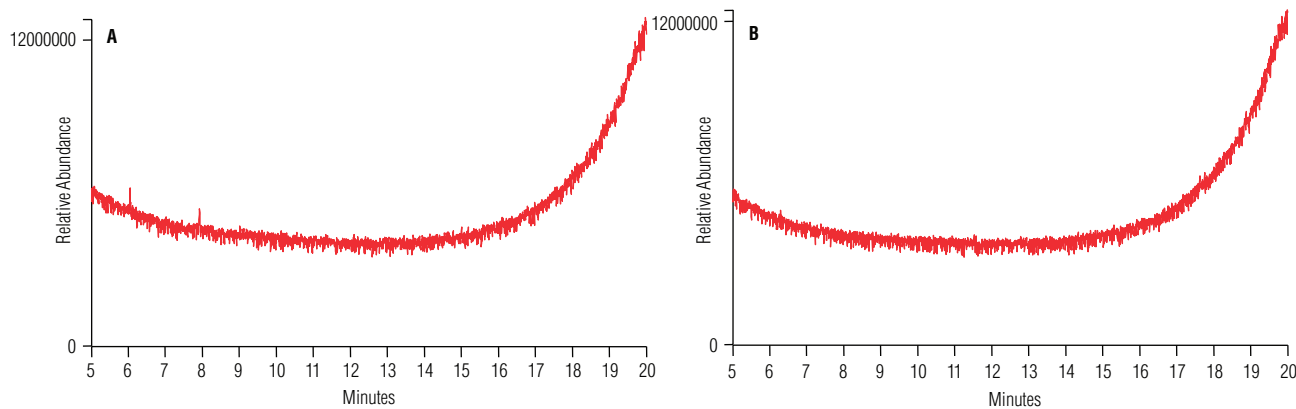


Figure 3. GCMS analysis of (A) Cellulose thimbles and (B) Glass Fiber thimbles using Dichloromethane/Acetone as the extraction solvent (Data Courtesy of Ekong Bassey and Hua Yang)

The results with all three solvents show no contamination peaks that could interfere with the analysis.

## Ordering Information for Thimbles and Other ASE 150/350 Consumables

In the U.S., call (800) 346-6390 or contact the Thermo Fisher Scientific Regional Office nearest you. Outside the U.S., order through your local Thermo Fisher Scientific office or distributor. Refer to the following part numbers.

| Product Description  | Part Number |
|--|-------------|
| Dionex ASE Prep Florisil Cartridges, 6 mL, 500 mg Resin, 30 Pack                 | 088428      |
| Dionex ASE Prep Alumina Neutral Cartridges, 6 mL, 500 mg Resin, 30 Pack          | 088430      |
| Dionex ASE Prep Alumina Base, 6 mL, 500 mg Resin, 30 Pack                        | 088434      |
| Dionex ASE Prep Alumina Acid Cartridges, 6 mL, 500 mg Resin, 30 Pack             | 088433      |
| Dionex ASE Prep MAP, Moisture Absorbing Polymer 200 g                            | 083475      |
| Diatomaceous Earth Dispersant for ASE, 1 kg Bottle                               | 062819      |
| Dionex ASE Prep CR, Na Form, Mineral Acid Neutralizer, 500 g                     | 080024      |
| Dionex ASE Prep CR H+ Form, Mineral Base Neutralizer, 400 g                      | 071397      |
| Thimbles Cellulose, 10 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                    | 088345      |
| Thimbles, Glass Fiber, 10 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                 | 088346      |
| Thimbles, Cellulose, 22 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                   | 088347      |
| Thimbles, Glass Fiber, 22 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                 | 088348      |
| Thimbles, Cellulose, 34 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                   | 088349      |
| Thimbles, Glass Fiber, 34 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                 | 088350      |
| Thimbles, Cellulose, 66 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                   | 088351      |
| Thimbles, Glass Fiber, 66 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                 | 088352      |
| Thimbles, Cellulose, 100 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                  | 088353      |
| Thimbles, Glass Fiber, 100 mL Dionex ASE 350 Cell                                | 088354      |
| Glass Fiber Filters for 1, 5, 10 or 22 mL Cells, Pkg of 100, Dionex ASE 150/350  | 068092      |
| Cellulose Filters for 1, 5, 10 or 22 mL Cells, Pkg of 100, Dionex ASE 150/350    | 068093      |
| Filters, Cellulose for 34, 66 or 100 mL Cells, Pkg of 100, Dionex ASE 150/350    | 056780      |
| Filters, Glass Fiber, for 34, 66, or 100 mL Cell, Pkg Of 100, Dionex ASE 150/350 | 056781      |

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