ACQUITY UPLC H-Class PLUS System

The Waters[™] ACQUITY[™] UPLC[™] H-Class PLUS System delivers the flexibility of quaternary solvent blending with the advanced performance of UPLC separations. The system's holistic design is targeted for routine analysis and method development use and is perfectly suited for running both HPLC and UPLC applications while still realizing the improved resolution and sensitivity of UPLC separations. The system is comprised of a Quaternary Solvent Manager (QSM), a Sample Manager with Flow-Through Needle (SM-FTN-H) design, and offers a choice of column compartment products.

ACQUITY UPLC H-CLASS PLUS SYSTEM FEATURES

Total system bandspread [†] , 5σ	≤12 µL (default configuration)	
Dwell volume (total system) [†]	≤400 μL (includes standard 100 μL mixer)	
Gradient delay volume ⁺	≤300 µL (includes standard 100 µL mixer)	
Integrated leak management	Leak sensors, as standard, and safe leak handling	
Quantum synchronization	Injection synchronization between pump and sample manager enhances retention time reproducibility	
Settable flow rate range	0.010 to 2.000 mL/min, in 0.001 mL increments (firmware version 1.5x and earlier) 0.010 to 2.200 mL/min, in 0.001 mL increments (firmware version 1.60) 0.001 to 2.200 mL/min in 0.001 mL increments (firmware version 1.65 and later)	
Maximum operating pressure	15,000 psi up to 1.0 mL/min, 9000 psi up to 2.0 mL/min (firmware version 1.5x and earlier) 15,000 psi up to 1.0 mL/min, 7800 psi up to 2.2 mL/min (firmware version 1.6x and later)	
pH range [†]	1 to 12.5	
Unattended operation	Leak sensors and safe leak handling, full 96-hour diagnostic data display through console software	
Cycle time	≤30 s inject-to-inject	

QUATERNARY SOLVENT MANAGER (QSM)

Number of solvents	Blend up to four solvents in any combination (standard)	
	Expanded solvent choices with optional six-port solvent select valve	
Solvent degassing	Integrated vacuum degassing, four chambers	
	One additional chamber for the SM-FTN-H purge solvent	
Solvent blending	Automated, on-line pH, ionic strength, and organic modifier blending from pure solvents	
	with Auto•Blend Plus™ Technology	
Gradient formation	Low-pressure mixing, quaternary gradient	
Gradient profiles	11 gradient curves (including linear, step [2], concave [4], and convex [4])	
Primary check valve	Intelligent Intake Valve (<i>i</i> ² Valve), standard	
	Passive check valve (optional)	

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Pressure pulsation [†]	≤1.0% or 25 psi, whichever is greater	
Flow accuracy [†]	±1.0% at 0.5 to 2.0 mL/min using 100% A (with <i>i</i> ²Valve)	
Flow precision ⁺	\leq 0.075% RSD or ±0.01 min SD, whichever is greater, based on six replicates (with <i>i</i> ² Valve)	
Composition ripple ⁺ (baseline noise)	≤1.0 mAu (≤0.1 mAU with optional 250 μ L mixer) (with <i>i</i> ² Valve)	
Composition accuracy ⁺	\pm 0.5% absolute (full scale) from 5% to 90% from 0.5 to 2.0 mL/min (with <i>i</i> ² Valve)	
Composition precision [†]	≤0.15% RSD or ±0.02 min SD, whichever is greater, based on six replicate injections (with <i>i</i> ²Valve)	
Compressibility compensation	Continuous	
Priming	Wet priming can run at flow rates up to 4 mL/min	
Pump seal wash	Equipped with an automated wash system to flush the rear of the high pressure seal and the plunger	
Flow ramping	Range: 0.01 to 30.00 min to reach 2.00 mL/min Default: 0.45 min to reach 2.00 mL/min	
Primary wetted materials	316L stainless steel, PPS, fluoropolymer, fluoroelastomer, UHMWPE blend, sapphire, ruby, zirconia, Nitronic 60, DLC, PEEK and PEEK blend, titanium alloy	

SAMPLE MANAGER - FTN (SM-FTN-H)

Injection volume range	0.1 to 10.0 μL as standard, up to 1000.0 μL with optional extension loops	
Accuracy (aspiration)	$\pm 0.2~\mu L$ (measured by fluid weight removed from vial with 10 μL injections averaged over	
	20 injections using standard 100 µL syringe)	
Linearity [†]	≥0.999 (standard needle)	
Precision [†]	≤1% RSD, 0.2 to 1.9 μL	
	≤0.5% RSD 2.0 to 4.9 μL	
	≤0.25% RSD 5.0 to 100.0 μL	
Number of sample plates	Any two of the following:	
	 96 and 384 microtiter plates 	
	 48 position 2.00-mL vial plates 	
	 48 position 0.65-mL micro-centrifuge tube plates 	
	 24 position 1.50-mL micro-centrifuge tube plates 	
Maximum sample capacity	768 in two 384-well plates or 96 in 2-mL vial holders, four additional positions for	
	dilution functions	
Sample compartment	4.0 to 40.0 °C, settable in 0.1 °C increments	
Temperature accuracy	±0.5 °C at sensor	
Temperature stability	±1.0 °C at sensor	
Sample manager heat time	≤30 min ambient-40 °C	
Sample manager cool time	≤60 min ambient-4 °C	
Injection needle wash	Integral, active, programmable	

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Minimum sample required	3 μL residual, using total recovery 2-mL vials (zero offset)	
Sample carryover [†]	≤0.002% caffeine (UV) ≤0.002% sulphadimethoxine (MS)	
Advanced Sample Manager capabilities	es Auto-dilution, auto-addition, and load-ahead	
Primary wetted materials	316L stainless steel, gold plated stainless steel, Vespel SCP, PEEK blend, DL	

COLUMN HEATER (CH-A AND CH-30A)

Column capacity	CH-A: Single column, up to 4.6mm internal diameter (I.D.), up to 150mm in length with filter or guard column CH-30A: Single column, up to 4.6mm internal diameter (I.D.), up to 300mm length with filter or guard column	
Column compartment temperature range	20.0 to 90.0 °C, settable in 0.1 °C increments	
Column compartment temperature accuracy	±0.5 °C at sensor	
Column compartment temperature stability	±0.3 °C at sensor	
Column compartment heat time	≤15 min ambient-60 °C	
Solvent conditioning	Active pre-heating as standard Passive pre-heating (optional in CH-A only)	
Column tracking	eCord™ Technology column information management tracks and archives column usage history	

COLUMN MANAGEMENT (CM-A AND CM-AUX)

Column capacity	CM-A: Two columns, as standard (maximum length of 150 mm with filter or guard column) or four columns (maximum length of 50 mm) can be supported with optional tubing kit, up	
	to 4.6 mm internal diameter (I.D.)	
	CM-Aux: Two columns (maximum length of 150 mm, with filter or guard column) – up to	
	two CM-Aux units can be configured with one CM-A for support of up to six columns	
Switching valves	Two nine-port, eight-position valves (CM-A only); provides programmable, automatic,	
	random access switching, waste and bypass positions for rapid solvent changeover	
Column compartment(s)	4.0 to 90.0 °C, settable in 0.1 °C increments. Two independent heat/cool zones per module,	
temperature range	up to six zones in stacked configuration	
Column compartment(s)	±0.5 °C	
temperature accuracy		
Column compartment(s)	±0.3 °C	
temperature stability		

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Column compartment heat time	≤15 min ambient-60 °C	
Column compartment cool time	≤15 min 60-20 °C	
Solvent conditioning	Active pre-heating as standard	
Column tracking	eCord Technology column information management tracks and archives column usage history	
2D support	Optional	

SAMPLE ORGANIZER		
Sample plate capacity	Sample plate capacity is configured based on the types and combinations of plates being used:	
	 Maximum of 19 standard microtiter plates, up to 15.5 mm high, or, 	
	Maximum of nine intermediate height plates (or 2-mL vial holders), up to 40.0 mm high, or	
	 Maximum of six deep well plates (or 4-mL vial holders), up to 47.0 mm high 	
Maximum sample capacity	Maximum of 7296 samples in nineteen 384-well plates	
Sample compartment	4.0 to 40.0 °C, settable in 0.1 °C increments	
Temperature accuracy	±1.0 °C at the sensor	
Temperature stability	±1.0 °C at the sensor	

INSTRUMENTAL CONTROL

External control	Empower™ Software, MassLynx™ Software, UNIFI™ Scientific Information System, or standalone through console software	
External communications	Ethernet interfacing via RJ45 connection to host PC	
Event inputs/outputs	Rear panel contact closure and/or TTL inputs/outputs	
Connections INSIGHT™	Provides real-time monitoring and automatic notification of instrument performance and diagnostic information allowing for quicker problem resolution	

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS

Acoustic noise	≤62 dBA, system	
Operating temperature range	4.0 to 40.0 °C (39.2 to 104.0 °F)	
Operating humidity range	20% to 80%, non-condensing	

ELECTRICAL	SPECIFICATIONS
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Power requirements	100 to 240 VAC
Line frequency	50 to 60 Hz
Power consumption	QSM: 360V SM-FTN: 400V CM-A: 400V

PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

ACQUITY UPLC H-Class PLUS System: Width: 34.3 cm (13.5 in.)		
Quaternary Solvent Manager,	Height: 71.1 cm (28.0 in.)	
Sample Manager-FTN-H	Depth: 71.2 cm (28.0 in.)	
Column Heater, and Solvents Tray		
ACQUITY UPLC H-Class PLUS System:	Width: 34.3 cm (13.5 in.)	
Quaternary Solvent Manager,	Height: 79.6 cm (31.4 in.)	
Sample Manager-FTN-H	Depth: 71.2 cm (28.0 in.)	
Column Manager, and Solvents Tray		
Sample Organizer	Width: 25.4 cm (10 in.)	
	Height: 96.5 cm (38.0 in.)	
	Depth: 71.1 cm (28.0 in.)	

⁺ For specific test conditions, contact your Waters sales representative.



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