



TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix

Operating instructions

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Description	Models
TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix	94700, 94701, 94702

comply with:

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Low Voltage Equipment	2006/95/EC	20.04.2016	2014/35/EU
Electromagnetic Compatibility	2004/108/EC	20.04.2016	2014/30/EU
Restriction of Hazardous Substances	2011/65/EU		
Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment	2012/19/EU		
Battery Directive	2006/66/EC		

EU Regulations

Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)	1907/2006
Capacity Labelling of Portable Secondary Batteries	1103/2010
Ecodesign - Power supplies	278/2009

Standards for EU

Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - General requirements.	EN 61010-1: 2010
Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - EMC requirements.	EN 61326-1: 2013

Standards for Canada and USA

Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - General requirements.	CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1
Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - General requirements.	UL 61010-1
Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.	Part 15 of the FCC Rules Class A

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1 Introduction

1.1 Intended use

TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix is a pipette controller designed for aspirating and dispensing aqueous solutions with plastic or glass pipettes of 1 to 100 ml volumes. It is intended for measurement, control and laboratory use. Any use of this instrument in a medical or IVD setting is under the sole responsibility of the user.

1.2 Safety notes

- 1) Do not use or charge TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix in an atmosphere with danger of explosion. Also, do not pipette highly flammable liquids such as acetone or ether.
- 2) When handling dangerous substances, comply with the material safety data sheet (MSDS) and with all safety guidelines such as the use of protective clothing and safety goggles. Never point a pipette in anyone's direction.
- 3) Avoid pipetting of liquids whose vapours could attack the materials PA (polyamide), POM (polyoxymethylene), FPM (fluor-rubber), NBR (nitrile-rubber), CR (chloroprene), silicone. Corrosive vapours could also damage metallic parts inside the device.
- 4) Use an original TPP mains adapter only and protect it from moisture, otherwise TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix might be damaged.
- 5) Prolonged exposure of TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix to UV-light can cause discolouration and/or yellowing of the plastic housing. However, this will not affect the performance of the device in any way.
- 6) Old Li-ion batteries may cause a safety risk. We recommend to replace the battery after 3 years of use. Also replace the battery if the charging intervals are unusually short or if the charging takes much longer than usual (4 hours or more). These are indicators that the battery has reached the end of its life-cycle.
- 7) Li-ion technology bears the risk of thermal runaway and cell rupture if the battery was damaged. Do not expose the battery to heat (> 60°C) and avoid mechanical stress. Batteries which were subject to deep discharges may develop internal short circuits, leading to an increased self-discharge rate and heating during battery charging. This may also result in thermal runaway and cell rupture.
- 8) To extend the battery life-cycle, it is recommended to charge the battery every 2 months if the pipette controller is not used regularly. If the pipette controller is not used for more than 6 months, remove the battery from the instrument.

Regardless of the listed safety notes, additionally applicable regulations and guidelines of trade associations, health authorities, trade supervisory offices, etc. must be observed.

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2 Description of the device

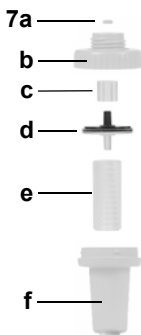
2.1 Scope of delivery

- TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix device
- 1 rechargeable Li-ion battery
- Mains adapter
- Wall mount
- Hydrophobic sterile filter 0,45 µm (spare)
- Quick Start Guide

2.2 Overview of TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix



- 1 Aspiration button
- 2 Dispensing button
- 3 Thumb wheel to set maximum speed
- 4 Battery charge indicator
- 5 Socket for mains adapter cable
- 6 Handle
- 7 Nose piece



- 7 Nose piece "Stabifix"
- 7a O-ring
- 7b Nose piece housing, upper part
- 7c Filter rubber
- 7d Hydrophobic filter
- 7e Pipette mount
- 7f Nose piece housing, lower part

3 Installation

3.1 Charging the battery

A full charge takes 3.5 hours. Before the first use, TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix should be charged until the battery charge indicator (4) turns green, showing that the battery is full.

When the battery charge indicator (4) starts flashing red, TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix can be used for around 100 pipetting cycles before shutting down. It should thus be recharged immediately.

TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix has an integrated protection: it will not overcharge even if it is connected to power for indefinite time. To avoid unnecessary power consumption, it is recommended to unplug the power supply when the charge indicator is green. TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix can be used while it is being charged.

The battery charge indicator provides various information:

Battery charge indicator	Battery status and information
Flashes red	Battery is low. Charging is needed.
Is red and power supply is connected	Battery is being charged.
Is green and power supply is connected	Battery is fully charged.
Flashes alternately red and green	Battery error. Check if the correct type of battery with correct polarity (+/-) and/or power supply are used.

3.2 Replacing the battery



- 1) Move the lid of the battery compartment upwards and remove it (a).
- 2) Replace the old battery with an original TPP rechargeable battery (Li-ion, min. 500 mAh) and make sure that it is inserted with the correct polarity (+/-).
- 3) Close the battery compartment with the lid (a).

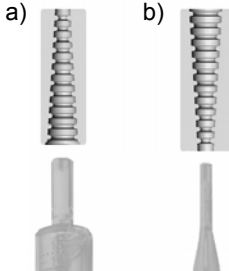
3.3 Mounting of the wall mount

The wall mount serves to park TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix.

To mount the wall mount, remove the protective foil from the adhesive tape at the back of the holder. Hold it with the sign <up> facing upwards and press it to the desired place. Make sure that the surface onto which the wall mount is mounted is smooth, clean and grease-free. Wait 24 hours before using the wall mount for the first time. Alternatively the wall mount can be fixed with the included screws.

4 Operation

4.1 Inserting the pipette



The silicone pipette mount (7e) has a special conical channel to guarantee a firm and leak-proof grip of the pipette independently of its diameter.

Disassemble the nose piece (see “5.1 Cleaning and servicing” on page 10) and orient the pipette mount:

- a) with the large opening facing down for pipettes > 2 ml (factory setting), or
- b) with the small opening facing down for pipettes < 2 ml.



WARNING

Do not insert pipettes with force into TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix, because they can break and cause injury, particularly thin pipettes made of glass.

4.2 Pipetting

Press the aspiration button (1) to fill the pipette and the dispensing button (2) to empty it.

The aspiration and dispensing speed can be controlled in two manners:

- Fine speed adjustment by varying the finger pressure on the buttons (1, 2).
- Step-less presetting of the maximum pump speed by turning the thumb wheel (3) to optimally match the pipette volume (turning to the left = slower pump speed, for small pipettes; to the right = faster, for large pipettes).

To empty the pipette by gravity force, press the dispensing button only slightly in order to avoid reaching the trigger point where the pump starts running. Gravity dispensing is used for “to deliver” (TD) pipettes that are not of the “blow-out” type (blow-out pipettes have two thin rings or a frosted band around the neck).

TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix is featured with a “TURBO” mode. Plug the mains adapter cable into the pipette controller and turn the thumb wheel completely to the right for maximal speed.

4.3 Troubleshooting

Problem	Probable cause	Remedy
Pipette drips (leak in the system).	<p>Pipette is damaged or not fully inserted in the nose piece (Z).</p> <p>The inside of the pipette mount (Ze) is damaged resulting in insufficient sealing of the pipette neck.</p> <p>The filter rubber (Zc) or the filter (Zd) in the nose piece are damaged or missing causing a leak.</p>	<p>Reinsert a new pipette and push it all the way into the nose piece. Make sure that the pipette mount orientation is correct (see section 4.1).</p> <p>Replace the pipette mount.</p> <p>Replace the filter rubber and/or the filter.</p>
Reduced aspiration efficiency or no liquid aspiration.	<p>The filter (Zd) is wet or dirty.</p> <p>The nose piece (Z) is not tight.</p> <p>The battery is discharged (battery charge indicator flashes red).</p> <p>The battery is missing.</p> <p>The battery is defective.</p> <p>The battery is wrongly inserted.</p> <p>The battery is worn.</p>	<p>Replace filter.</p> <p>Tighten the nose piece, or replace defective parts.</p> <p>Charge the battery.</p> <p>Insert the battery, or connect the instrument to the mains adapter.</p> <p>Replace the battery.</p> <p>Insert correctly, note polarity (+) and (-).</p> <p>Replace the battery.</p>
Reduced operating time with fully charged battery.	Wrong battery type is inserted.	Use only original Li-ion battery (#94756).
Extremely long charging time of battery.	Wrong mains adapter is used.	Use only original mains adapter.
Extremely short charging and operating time.	Wrong battery type is inserted.	Use only original Li-ion battery (#94756).

Problem	Probable cause	Remedy
Battery is not charging.	The battery is wrongly inserted.	Insert correctly, note polarity (+) and (-).
	Wrong battery type is inserted.	Use only original Li-ion battery (#94756).
	Wrong mains adapter is used.	Use only original mains adapter (see chapter 6.1).
Battery operation not possible.	The battery is wrongly inserted.	Insert correctly, note polarity (+) and (-).
	Wrong battery type is inserted.	Use only original Li-ion battery (#94756).
	The battery is missing.	Insert the battery.

5 Maintenance

After maintenance work, perform a leak test to ascertain correct functioning of TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix: liquid should not leak out of a filled pipette before the dispensing button is pressed.

5.1 Cleaning and servicing

TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix can be cleaned with a cloth moistened with soapy water or with a 70 % ethanol.

Disassembly of the nose piece:



Unscrew the nose piece (7) from the handle by turning it counter clockwise. Hold the upper part of nose piece housing (7b), press the lower part (7f) firmly against the upper part (7b) and turn it counter clockwise (left). The lower part of nose piece housing (7f) will disengage after about 1/8th of a turn.

Remove the pipette mount (7e), the filter (7d) and the filter rubber (7c), if required.

It is recommended to change the hydrophobic filter (7d) every three months. Should the filter get wetted or soiled, it has to be changed immediately. The filter must be oriented with the blue (0.45 µl) / red (0.2 µl) side facing upwards towards TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix.

5.2 Dekontamination

The nose piece housing (7b, 7f), the pipette mount (7e) and the filter rubber (7c) can be autoclaved at 121 °C, 1 bar overpressure for 20 minutes. Silicone may become brittle after extensive autoclaving. Replace the pipette mount and filter rubber if they are damaged.

If the housing of the TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix have been in contact with biohazardous material, it must be decontaminated in accordance to good laboratory practice. Do not spray directly on the instrument but use a lint-free cloth, lightly soaked with a disinfectant and wipe dry directly after decontamination. Never use acetone or other solvents! Follow the instructions provided by the disinfectant manufacturer.

5.3 Equipment disposal



TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix device must not be disposed of with unsorted municipal waste. Do not dispose of the device in a fire.

TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix contains a Li-ion battery. Do not modify the battery in any way. Dispose of the TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix device and the battery separately in accordance with the laws and regulations in your area governing disposal of devices containing Li-ion batteries.

6 Technical data

6.1 Specifications

Pipetting speed	max. 13.5 ml/s (with a 50 ml serological pipette)
Battery	Type: rechargeable, Li-ion, min. 500 mAh Typical charging time: 3.5 hours Charging cycles: 500–1000 (when charging as indicated) Running time: at least 5500 cycles of aspiration and dispensing of 25 ml.
Electricity supply	Mains adapter input: 100–240 VAC, 50/60 Hz Device Input: 16–19 VDC, 3.1 W
Materials	Housing: PA Nose piece housing: POM Pipette mount: Silicone Filter rubber: Silicone
Dimensions (H x W x D)	125 x 130 x 35 mm
Weight	195 g
Ambient conditions	Operation: 5–40°C, max. 80% RH Storage: -10–50°C, max. 95% RH

6.2 Chemical compatibility

The table below lists TPP Pipettor Turbo-Fix parts that come into contact with the aspirated liquid or its aerosols and vapors, and rates the compatibility of these parts to a few of the chemicals commonly used in laboratories. To determine the compatibility of a component to a chemical not listed in the table, please consult one of the several tables available on the internet. Note that the rating refers to soaking in the concentrated chemical; however, more relevant here is the attenuated effect resulting from vapors and the diluted chemical. It is recommended to test the compatibility of relevant components to a specific chemical prior to extensive use.

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Chemical compatibility chart

Parts	Materials	JAVEL (e.g. NaClO)	Acetic acid	Ethanol	Isopropyl alcohol	NaCl saturated	Sodium hydroxide (50%)	Sodium acetate (3M, pH 5.2)	Hydrochloric acid (20%)	Chloroform	Acetone
Handle	PA	A	C	B	A	A	A	A	C	C	A
Nose piece housing	POM	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A
Pipette mount, Filter rubber, tubings	Silicone	A	B	A	A	A	A	C	A	C	C
Internal parts (e. g. pump)	FPM	A	A	A	A	A	C	C	A	A	C
	NBR	A	B	B	A	A	A	A	A	C	C
	CR	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	B	A
	Metal	C	C	A	A	B	C	A	C	A	A

Compatibility ratings:

A = Good: no or minor effects.

B = Fair: moderate effects, not recommended for continuous use.

C = Critical: not recommended, suitability to be determined by test.

7 Spare parts

Spare part	Part No.	
Mains adapter for	EU version: type C plug, 2-pole	94760
Turbo-Fix (100-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz)	US/JP version: type A plug, 2-pole	94761
	UK version: type G „Commonwealth“ plug, 3-pole	94762
Nose piece “Stabifix” (7)	complete set with filter 0.45 µm, unsterile	94750
Wall mount	for holding Pipettor Turbo-Fix on the wall	94751
Filter 0.45 µm (7d)	sterile	94752
Filter 0.22 µm (7d)	sterile	94753
Pipette mount (7e)	silicone, to fix the pipette in the nose piece “Stabifix”	94754
Filter rubber (7c)	silicone, to fix the filter in the nose piece “Stabifix”	94755
Battery Li-ion	Lithium polymer, min. 500 mAh	94756
Battery compartment lid	transparent, TPP yellow	94757
Housing (6)	transparent, TPP yellow	94758