



Disposable Pipette Extraction

**NOT !**  
another “me too” SPE  
consumable

# DPX TIP



- Pipette Tip

- Barrier

- Loose Sorbent

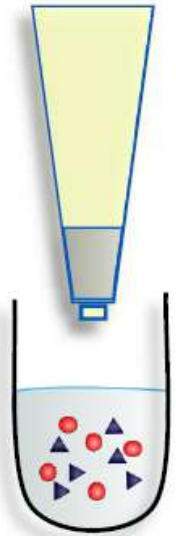
- Metal Screen

# Extractions is Seconds!



- **DPX** - is a novel solid-phase extraction technique that enables rapid extraction of analytes from liquid solutions, combining **minimal use of solvent** with **high recovery**.
- **DPX** is based on **loosely** contained **sorbent** placed inside a pipette tip. Sample is drawn into the pipette tip where it gains direct contact to the solid phase. The phases are very efficiently **mixed** by allowing **air** to be drawn through the tip. **Air bubble mixing** is extremely efficient, enabling fast extractions for improved **productivity and throughput**

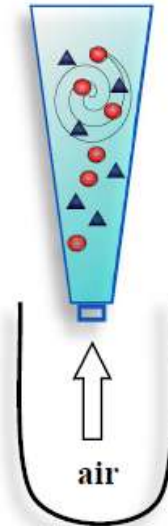
# Manual Extraction Process:



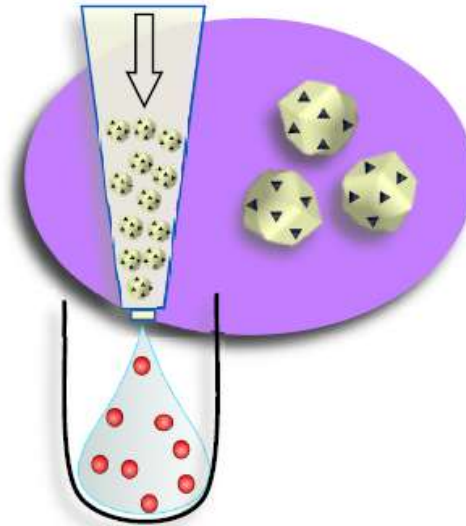
No conditioning step required



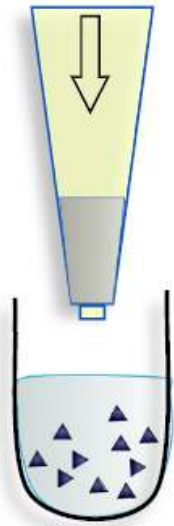
- Aspirate sample into tip from bottom



- Mix by drawing in air  
- Wait 30 sec. for equilibration  
- Then discharge sample



- Optional wash step



- Elute to gc vial

# GREEN CHEMISTRY

Saving the world 1 tip at a time!

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DPX is promoting greener chemistry by reducing the amount of solvent waste generated by labs in daily sample prep analysis.

This is an extremely marketable advantage that DPX has in today's environmentally conscious world.

Throughout this presentation you will see the logo to the left, showing where using DPX results in greener chemistry

# The **mixing** advantage

(Over standard SPE cartridges)

★ **No conditioning steps are necessary** 🍏

Saving labs time and Money by using less solvent

★ **High extraction efficiencies**

Loosely contained sorbent allows for maximum surface area contact with analyte when solution is mixed with air.

★ **Rapid extraction times (< 5min/sample)** 🍏

No Conditioning step, No vacuum Manifold & ability to readily automate greatly cut down on sample time.



## ★ Minimal elution solvent volumes

Saving money by requiring less solvents for every sample processed

## ★ No solvent evaporation step

Use GERSTEL CIS-4 to concentrate analyte directly in the GC injection port. No need to evaporate large volumes of solvent into the atmosphere, causing air pollution and increasing analysis time.

## ★ Increased throughput

GERSTEL automation permits DPX extraction during the chromatographic analysis of the previous sample. This is referred to as "ready for analysis sample preparation". Ex. as Sample 2 is being extracted Sample 1 is being analyzed..

Also, semi-automation, which processes 20 samples simultaneously, can be coupled directly to the GERSTEL MPS-2 by utilizing a MPS tray for the DPX elution step.

# Study done by the S.C. Dept of Agriculture Comparing DPX to the LL Luke method

“ The results have been excellent and the cost saving will be great per sample. We are now running DPX and a very modified Micro Luke Method we developed in our Chemical Residue Lab. The DPX / Micro Luke Extraction method is the best. It is not only half as expensive to run as the Old Luke Method but also faster and more sensitive. We will be able to do twice as many samples for half the cost and detect more Chemical Residues at lower levels.

**Example: Old Luke Extraction took 2.83 hours and cost \$14.53 per sample.**

**DPX / Micro Luke Extraction takes 1.42 hours and cost \$7.37 per sample.**

**Our Estimated savings in Cost and Chemist Time for 1536 samples per year.**

**Old Luke method would take----- 4,347 hours of Chemist Time and Cost \$22,318.00.**

**New DPX / Micro Luke would take- 2,181 hours of Chemist Time and Cost \$11,320.00.**

**Saving Per Year**

**2,166 hours of Chemist Time and**

**\$10,998.00.** ”

In this example by Sherry Garris of the S.C. Dept of Agriculture,  
using DPX over the Luke Liquid Liquid method  
saved almost :

- **50% off Cost per Sample**
- **50% off labor costs as well**





# Contents of Tips

## Sizes of Tips

- 1mL DPX Tip contains
  - 30mg of sorbent
- 5mL DPX Tip Contains
  - 60mg of sorbent

## Particle Size

- RP - 90 um particle size
- CX - 10-20 um
- WAX - 10-20 um

# DPX TIP FORMATS

- **CX, Cation Exchange**
- **RP, Reverse Phase**
  - sdvb material not C-18
- **Q, QuEChERS**
- **Qg, QuEChERS w/  
Graphitized Carbon**
- **WAX, Weak Anion  
Exchange**



## **DPX-CX (Cation Exchange) 1ml & 5ml**

Tips contain a sulfonated polymeric material. Analytes containing an amine group will bind with great efficiency. High recoveries of greater than 90% are typically achieved due to strong ionic binding with protonated amine groups.

DPX-CX also contains RP characteristics via mixed mode. Hence, acidic/neutral and basic drugs can all be analyzed with high recoveries (most greater than 90%) with this single product.

**Cocaine and Benzoyllecgonine - Morphine -  
6MAM - Codeine - Oxycodone - Amphetamine -  
Methamphetamine - MDMA - PCP - Methadone -  
Meperidine - Methaqualone - Benzodiazepines  
MELAMINE**

# DPX-RP (Reverse Phase) 1ml & 5ml

This is a non-polar (sdvb) material used to extract analytes from polar solutions such as water.

This mechanism also provides high recoveries of acidic compounds from acidic sample solutions.

**Organochlorine**  
**Organophosphate**  
**Pesticides**  
**Pyrethroids**

**THC and COOH-THC**

- from whole blood and urine

**Barbiturates from urine**

# **DPX-WAX (Weak Anion Exchange) 1ml & 5ml**

Tips contain a poly-amino sorbent that selectively binds compounds containing COOH. This product is ideal for removing fatty acids, which are the major sample matrix interferences found in grain products (food safety) and tissue specimens (toxicology and food safety). In this manner, the tips are used for "clean up" and are referred to as CU-Tips! The extractions take about 30 to 60 seconds to perform because there are no wash or elution steps involved, just simply mix the solution and dispense into the GC (or HPLC) vial.

These tips could also be used to directly analyze compounds containing COOH groups, such as fatty acids and drugs such as COOH-THC.

**Comprehensive Pesticides in grain and other foods (as CU-Tips)**

**Fatty Acids**

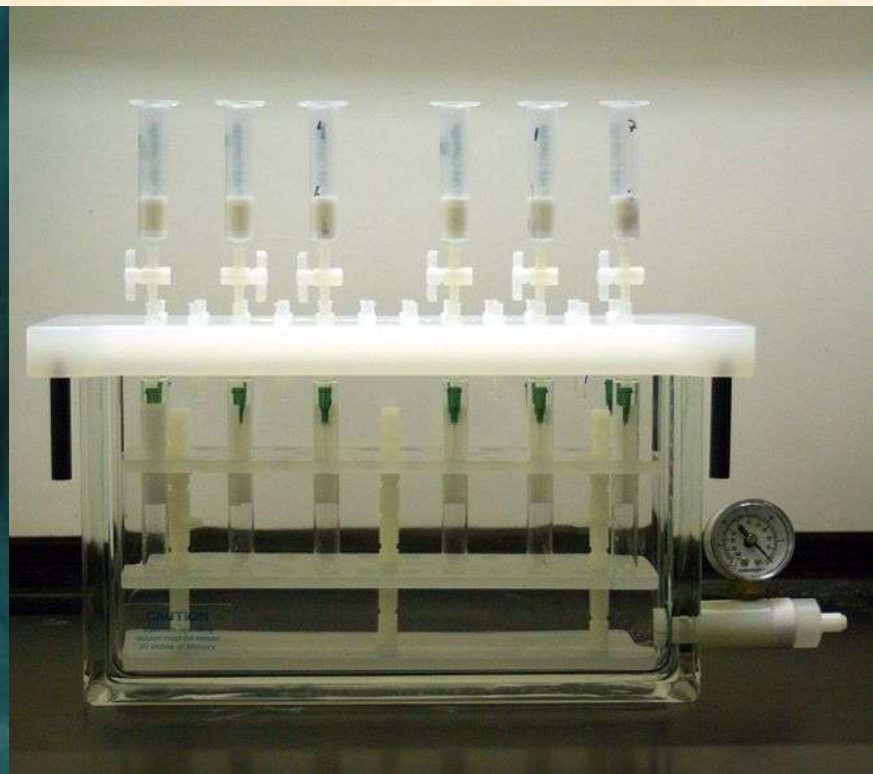
**COOH-THC**

**Comprehensive Drugs in tissue specimens (as CU-Tips)**

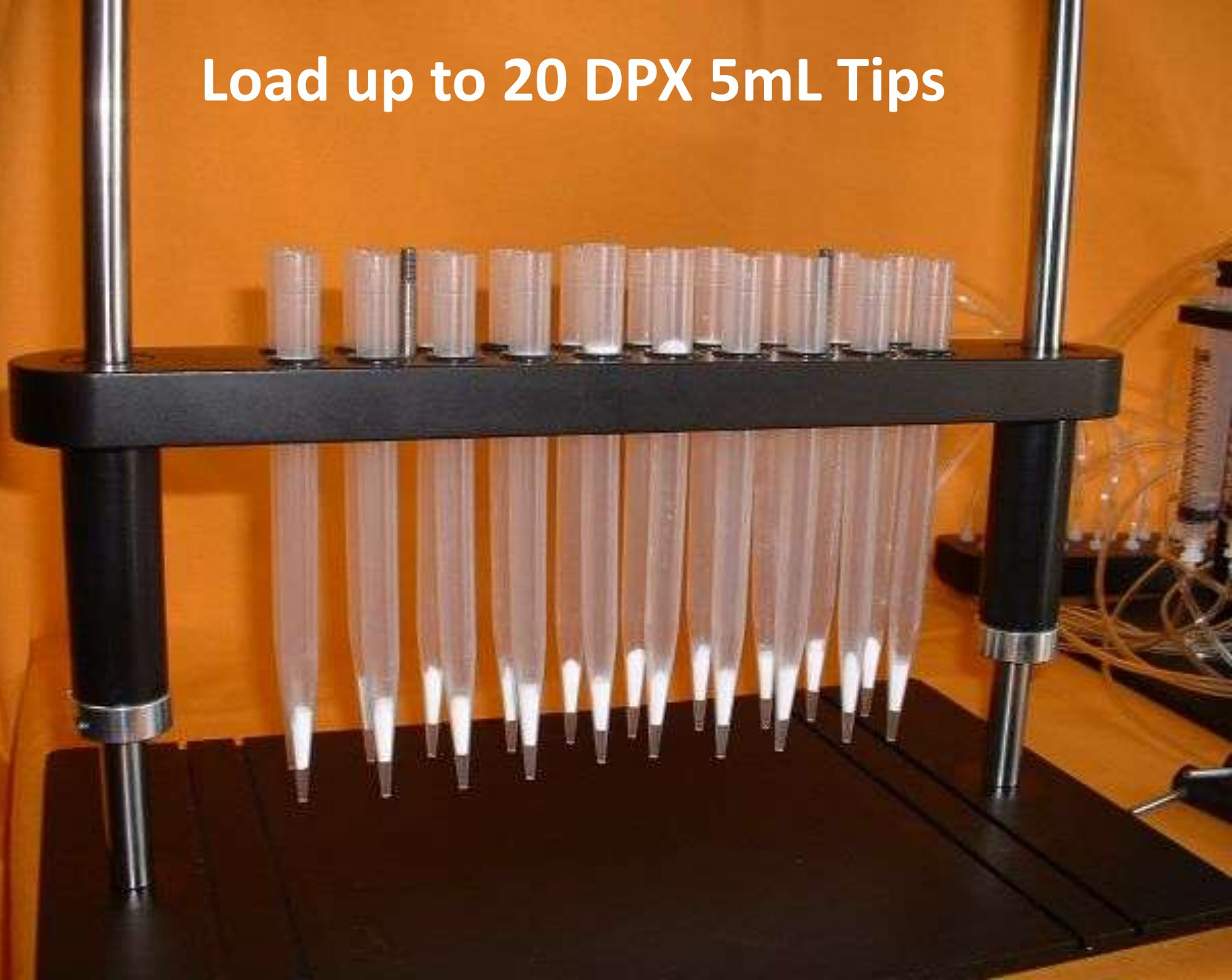
# DPX Tips vs Standard SPE Cartridges

**DPX Lever Press Extractor**  
You control the flow rate!

**Vacuum manifold**  
Flow rate controls YOU!



**Load up to 20 DPX 5mL Tips**



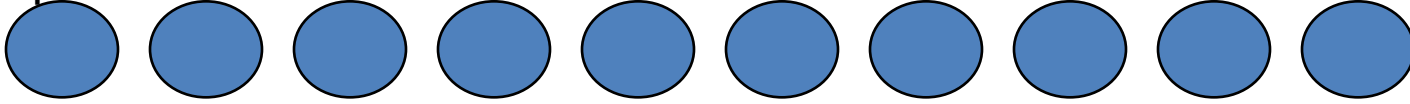


**Load test tube rack with samples**

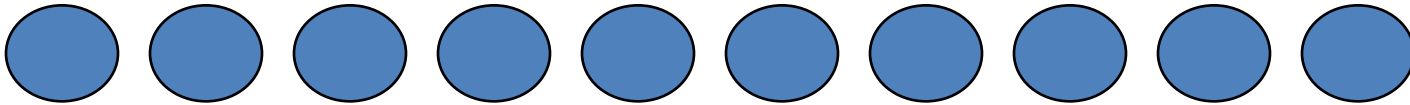
# Test tube rack with test tube solutions for DPX

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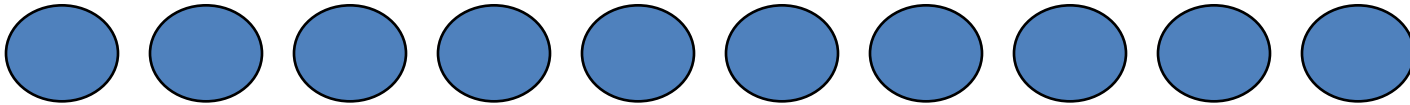
samples



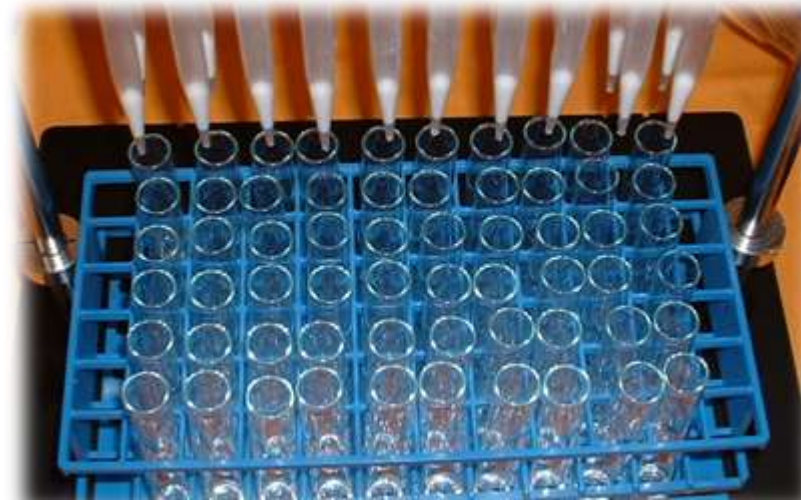
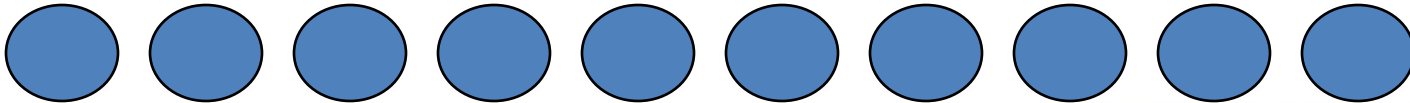
condition/wash solutions



elution solvent

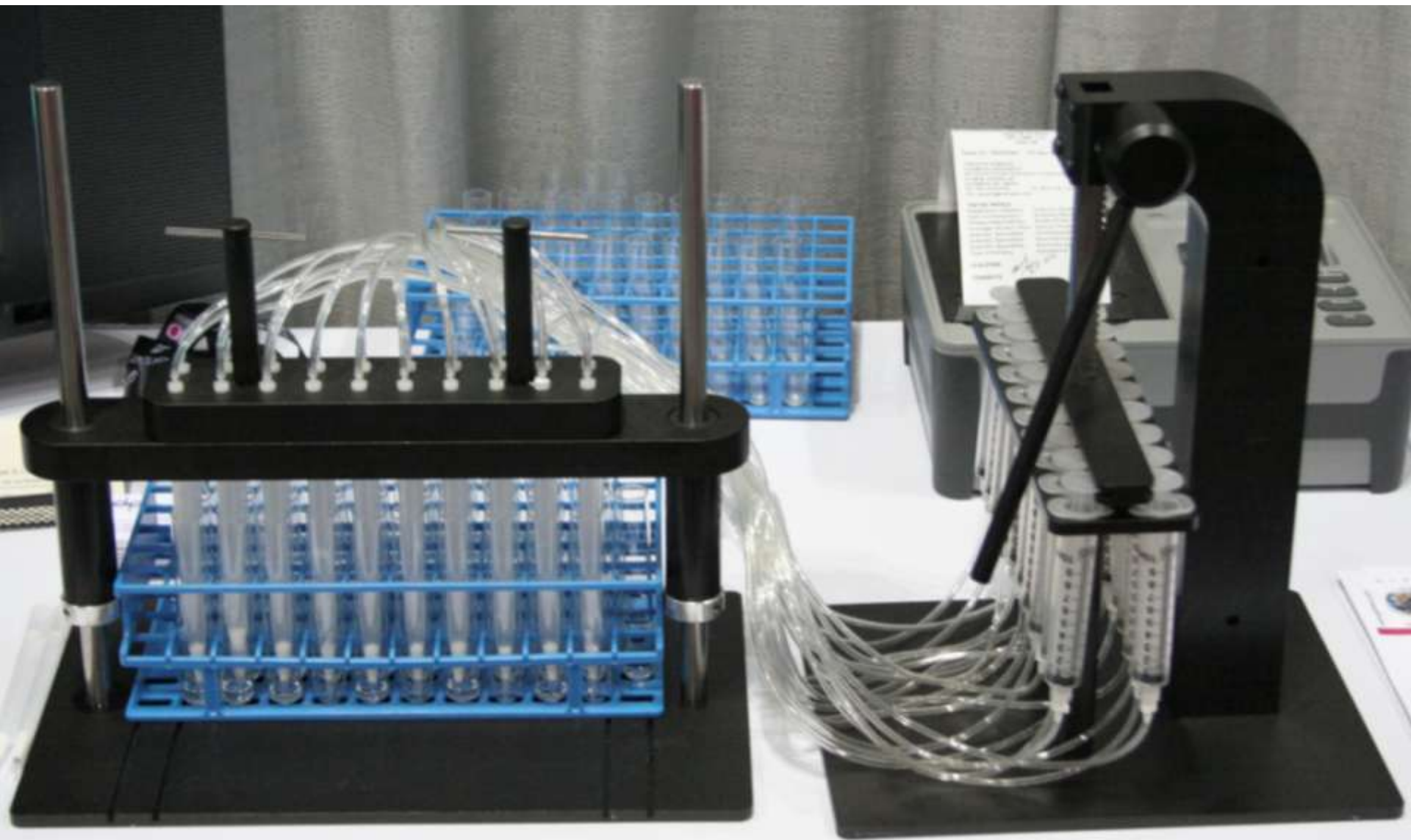


Tubes or GC vials (labeled\*)





**Push tips down into Sample and Press  
up on lever to draw sample into tips**



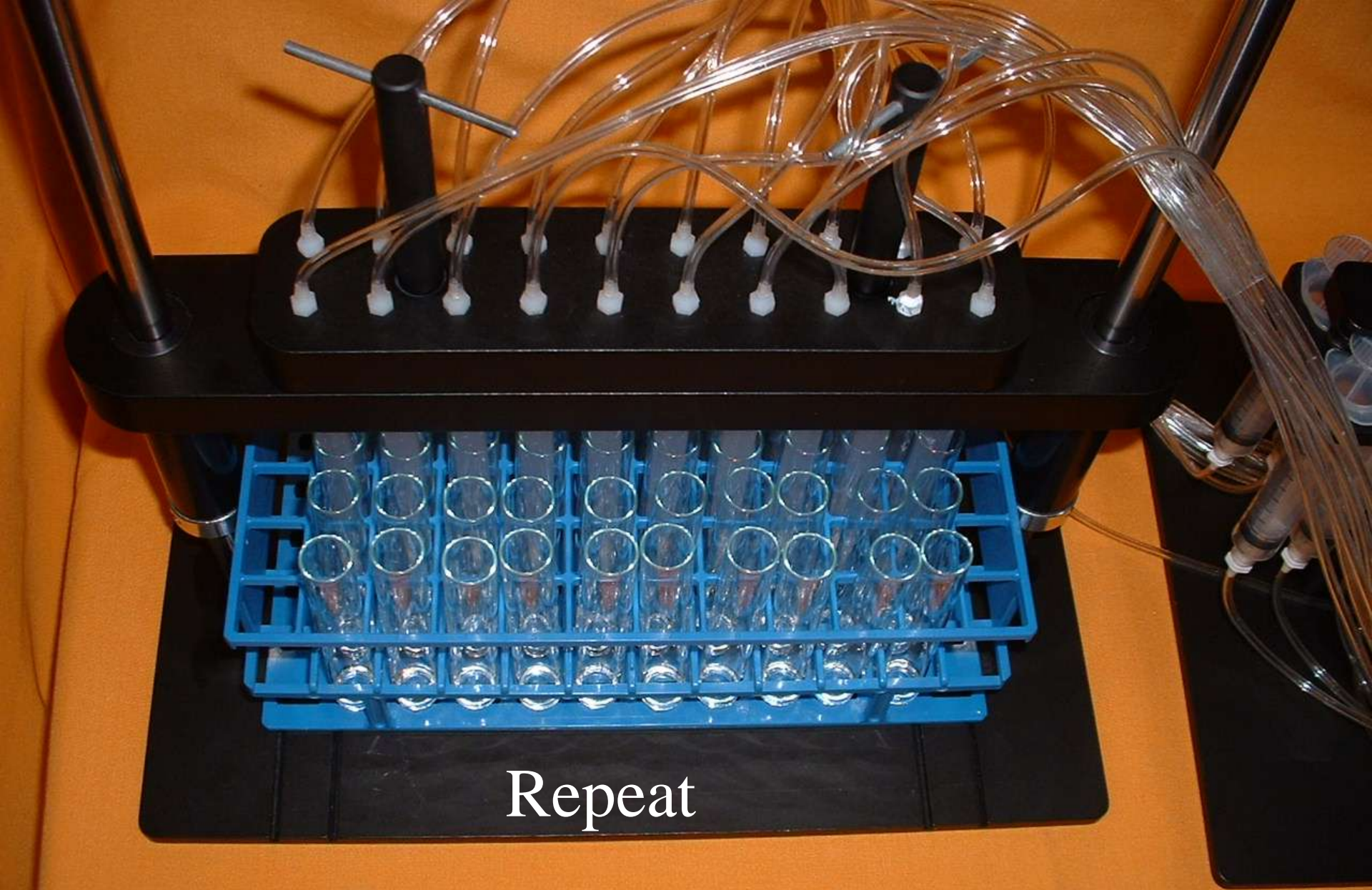
Lever in down position



Lever in up position



Pull tray forward



Repeat

# GERSTEL Automation

