

Accuracy of Quadra4 with a 450µL head

The theoretical minimal volumetric displacement for 450uL head is 1μ L. However, the 450 μ L pipette accuracy falls off for volumes less than 10μ L. Hence, data is only presented for volumes from 100μ L to 10μ L.

The following aqueous pipetting data (Head1 – Head8), was acquired from eight (8) new Quadra4 - 450μ L heads. All testing was done at 23° C – 50% Relative Humidity. The data presented was obtained by measuring individual well volumes via a colorimetric assay method. New pipettes were used for each run. The raw data is available upon request.

100μL	Average	Head1	Head2	Head3	Head4	Head5	Head6	Head7	Head8
CV%	0.63%	0.75%	0.47%	1.27%	0.57%	0.46%	0.48%	0.53%	0.47%
ΑΕ μL	0.62 μL	0.74	0.46	1.27	0.58	0.45	0.48	0.53	0.47
Average μL	99.63 μL	98.87	99.60	99.98	100.54	98.84	100.97	98.92	99.34
50μL	Average	Head1	Head2	Head3	Head4	Head5	Head6	Head7	Head8
CV%	0.64%	0.57%	0.67%	1.48%	0.46%	0.40%	0.70%	0.45%	0.37%
ΑΕ μL	0.32 μL	0.28	0.34	0.74	0.23	0.20	0.35	0.23	0.18
Average μL	49.81 μL	49.41	49.94	50.03	50.37	49.20	50.35	49.65	49.49
25μL	Average	Head1	Head2	Head3	Head4	Head5	Head6	Head7	Head8
CV%	0.67%	0.59%	0.60%	1.51%	0.57%	0.39%	0.54%	0.51%	0.66%
ΑΕ μL	0.17 μL	0.15	0.15	0.38	0.14	0.10	0.14	0.13	0.17
Average μL	25.10 μL	24.85	25.10	25.43	25.34	24.63	25.27	25.19	24.95
10μL	Average	Head1	Head2	Head3	Head4	Head5	Head6	Head7	Head8
CV%	1.03%	1.10%	1.16%	1.16%	0.72%	0.68%	1.78%	0.78%	0.83%
ΑΕ μL	0.11 μL	0.11	0.12	0.16	0.07	0.07	0.18	0.08	0.09
Average μL	10.01 μL	10.12	10.11	9.71	10.33	9.97	9.78	9.79	10.23
Maximum value Minimal value									

Conclusion - 450µL Test

The "Average" data noted above is based on a simple average across the eight heads. As one might expect, the data shows that the coefficient of variation increases as the volume drops towards $10\mu L$ and conversely the absolute error decreases. Overall, the data shows that the $450\mu L$ head maintains extremely consistent results over the stated volumes. However, as expected the variation between wells increases to >1% as volumes drop below $10\mu L$.



