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SilTite FingerTite is the next generation ferrule system for gas chromatography systems delivering an easy, leak free installation for capillary columns without the use of any tools.

What Is SilTite FingerTite?

It's a GC ferrule that has been designed to be installed only with the force of your fingers (no tools required) delivering an easy, leak and maintenance free seal.

How Is It a 'Next Generation' Connection?

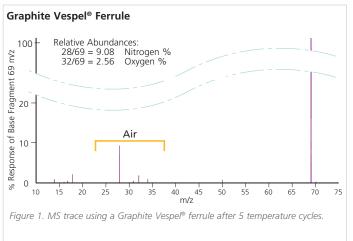
	100 % Graphite	Graphite Vespel [®]	SilTite FingerTite
Mechanical strength	Soft	Hard	Hard
Temperature limit	450 °C	350 °C	No practical limit
Grip strength on column	Soft	Moderate	Strong
Doesn't need retightening after installation	\checkmark	х	✓
Ideal for GC-MS applications (minimal porosity)	Х	\checkmark	✓
No tools required for installation and removal	Х	Х	✓
Permanent positioning of ferrule	Х	x / 🗸	✓
No deterioration	х	Х	✓
Cannot break the capillary column with over-tightening	Х	Х	✓
No column creep	Х	Х	✓
Chemically inert	Х	Х	✓

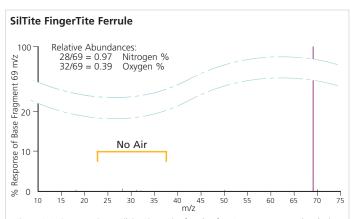
Who Will Benefit From This Product?

If you are running a capillary column equipped gas chromatography system, SilTite FingerTite will simplify your column installation process giving you less hassle and more time for chromatography.

GCMS users

SilTite FingerTite has been developed with the unique, leak and air free properties of SilTite ferrules, resulting in superior air tightness to reduce background noise in sensitive MS applications so you can use them with confidence.





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Figure 2. MS trace using a SilTite FingerTite ferrule after 5 temperature cycles. (Using an MS, no leaks can be detected, even after 400 temperature cycles between 70 °C and 400 °C).

How Do I Install SilTite FingerTite?

The SilTite FingerTite ferrule requires a unique adapter to enable the finger force connection. Purchase one of the following starter kits with the corresponding adapters for your system, complete the once off 5 minute install using the instructions provided and you are ready to go!

The system requires no permanent instrument modifications, so if you need to switch back to conventional connections this can be done quickly and easily.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q1 Can I reuse the ferrules?

A1 Once the SilTite FingerTite ferrule is crimped onto the tubing using the ferrule installation tool, the fitting is permanent. However, the column can be removed and reinserted multiple times without tools.

Q2 Can I break my column if overtighten the nut?

A2 No - with the SilTite FingerTite system you cannot generate enough force with your fingers to break the column. Never use pliers or any other tool on the nut or you will possibly damage the adapter as well as break the column.

Q3 Can I touch the nut even when the oven is at 200 °C?

A3 No - the nut will be at the oven temperature so it will be too hot to touch. However, the nut is designed to dissipate the heat from the injector/detector/transfer line, so that when the oven is cool you can change the column without waiting for the injector/detector to cool down. For Mass Spectrometers always follow the manufacturer's recommendations to vent the system.

Q4 Can I reuse the SilTite FingerTite nuts?

A4 Yes, the nuts can be reused although the nuts will be permanently fixed to the column when the ferrule is in place. Spare nuts can be purchased if more are required.

Q5. What's included in the starter kit?

parts A5 Each starter kit includes all the necessary to convert one GC system (one injector and one detector) to the SilTite FingerTite system suitable for installing 0.1 - 0.25 mm ID capillary columns. In addition there are five matching SilTite FingerTite nuts, one packet (10 ferrules) of 0.4 mm ID SilTite FingerTite ferrules and a ferrule install tool which allows you to seat the ferrule in the correct position on the capillary column.

Q6 Can I use any dimension of GC capillary column?

A6 SilTite FingerTite is suitable for any GC capillary column of nominal ID 0.1 - 0.25 mm (0.4 mm ID SilTite FingerTite ferrule) and 0.32 mm (0.5 mm ID SilTite FingerTite ferrule).





Description		Part Number
SilTite FingerTite Agilent		
INJ / FID Starter Kit		073610
INJ / MS Starter Kit		073612
INJ Base Seal Pk 2	Replacement Items	073640
Capillary Adaptor		0736101
Injector		0736104
FID Detector		0736103
MS Adaptor		0736102
SilTite FingerTite Thermo		
INJ / DET Starter Kit		073614
INJ / MS Starter Kit		073616
INJ /GC-MS ISQ Starter Kit 0.4		073615
SilTite FingerTite Varian		
INJ / FID Starter Kit		073618
INJ / MS Starter Kit		073619
SilTite FingerTite Shimadzu		
2010 INJ / FID Starter Kit		073620
2010 INJ / MS Starter Kit		073621
17a INJ / FID Starter Kit		073628
17a INJ / MS Starter Kit		073629
SilTite FingerTite PerkinElmer		
INJ / FID Starter Kit		073622
INJ / MS Starter Kit		073623
SilTite FingerTite		
Starter Kit 0.5*		0736105
Starter Kit 0.4*		0736100
Ferrule 0.4 mm Pk10	Replacement Items	073630
Ferrule 0.5 mm Pk10	Replacement Items	073631
Blanking Ferrule Pk 2	Replacement Items	073633
Female Nut Pk 5	Replacement Items	073636

* 0.4 and 0.5 Starter Kits include 10 ferrules for either 0.1 - 0.25 mm ID capillary columns (0.4 Kit) or 0.32 mm ID capillary columns (0.5 Kit) plus 5 SilTite TM FingerTite nuts and the ferrule install tool.

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