



Title: Discontinuation of XAC-96 Automated 96 Tube Rack TPE Septum Capper	
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We are writing to inform you that due to limitations on acquiring parts from our sole supplier, we will be discontinuing the **XAC-96 Automatic 96 Tube Rack TPE Septum Capper** effective immediately, dated May 24th, 2019.

1. Affected Products:

This affects all XAC part numbers, including 46-5501 and XAC-96PRO.

Part number	Description
46-5501	Xac-96Pro Automatic 96 tube rack Capper, with Gas Purge Option for flushing with Nitrogen or Argon providing an inert atmosphere during storage or while tube is open Compatible with FLUIDX, Tubes with TPE Caps. For Integration and Benchtop use only, with full RS232 control. Use FLUIDX EasyCap Piercable septum seals 65-73000
XAC-96PRO	Xac-96Pro Automatic 96 tube rack Capper, with Gas Purge Option for flushing with Nitrogen or Argon providing an inert atmosphere during storage or while tube is open Compatible with FLUIDX, Tubes with TPE Caps. For Integration and Benchtop use only, with full RS232 control. Use FLUIDX EasyCap Piercable septum seals 65-73000

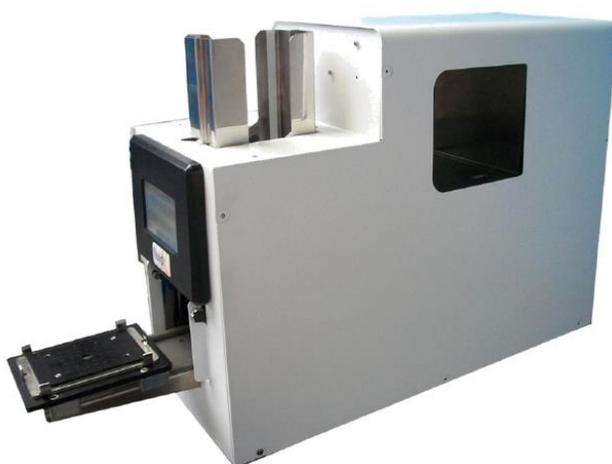


Figure 1: XAC Capper

2. Reason for change

Due to the obsolescence of key components for the XAC-96 by our suppliers, we have concluded that we can no longer adequately support this product range and therefore it is to be discontinued, effective immediately.

3. Replacement Products

There is no immediate and exact replacement product available from Brooks that can be integrated into a robotic system, but we will continue to supply our range of semi-automated TPE septum cappers for your consideration.

These include both the semi-automated FluidX eCapit and the FluidX Xcap.

These perform the same capping functionality as the XAC but require the user to manually align the TPE septum caps before the capping process begins, as well as peel off the backing mat after the process is complete.

See below for specifications.

4. Specifications of Suggested Replacement Product

	FluidX XAC Capper	FluidX eCapit	FluidX Xcap
Footprint (L x W x H)	760 x 220 x 440mm	205 x 129 x 290mm	275 x 181 x 310mm
Speed	80-90 seconds	10-20 seconds	10-20 seconds
Sample Tube Versatility	FluidX 1.4ml	Range of FluidX INT tubes, Micronic tubes, Thermo Matrix tubes	Range of FluidX INT tubes, Micronic tubes, Thermo Matrix tubes
Sample Cap Versatility	FluidX INT TPE Septum Caps	Range of FluidX INT TPE caps, Micronic Capmat, Thermo Matrix Sepraseal	Range of FluidX INT & EXT TPE caps, Micronic Capmat, Thermo Matrix Sepraseal
Process Method	Automatically applies, caps and removes cap mat	Manually apply, automatically cap, manually remove cap mat	Manually apply, automatically cap, manually remove cap mat
Connections	AC Power & Compressed Air	AC Power	AC Power



Figure 2: FluidX eCapit



Figure 3: FluidX Xcap

5. Date of change

The XAC-96 units as specified above will be made obsolete from May 24th, 2019.



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