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Service Manual

Model Dash Micro Centrifuge

Model Dash Apex 4 Centrifuge



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1 PREFACE

- 1.1 The purpose of this manual is to provide the service technician with information for troubleshooting, testing, and repair of laboratory centrifuge model Dash Micro and Dash Apex 4. Only qualified technically trained personnel should attempt any of the servicing described in this document. Failure to follow the procedures in this document may result in personal injury or instrument damage. Drucker Diagnostics will not be held liable for any injury or damage as a result of improper servicing.
- 1.2 Information contained within this manual is subject to change without notice.

2 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR COMPONENTS

- 2.1 Motor: Brushless DC Motor
- 2.2 Printed Circuit Board: The PCB is the microcontroller based control center of the centrifuge. All control signals are generated in the PCB.
- 2.3 Lid Locking Tray Assembly: The lid tray assembly contains a solenoid and limit switch that are used to determine the state of the lid (Open or Closed) and to keep the lid locked during centrifugation cycles.
- 2.4 Rotor: The centrifuge rotor is the main component that spins in the centrifuge. The rotor is loaded with samples for processing.

3 WARRANTY INFORMATION

3.1 Drucker Diagnostics warrants its centrifuges to be free from defects in workmanship and parts for two years.

4 SPECIFICATIONS

	Dash Micro	Dash Apex 4
Maximum Speed	8300 RPM	8500 RPM
Maximum RCF	4236 xg	4440xg
Maximum Capacity	4 Tubes (6mL)	4 Tubes (6mL)
Dimensions (in)	6.87 (H) x 7.0 (W) x 7.0 (L)	6.87 (H) x 7.0 (W) x 7.0 (L)
Ambient Temperature	5 – 40 deg C	5 – 40 deg C
Typical Noise Level (At Maximum Speed)	< 59 dB A	< 59 dB A
Incoming to Power Supply		
Supply Voltage	100 – 240 (+/- 10%)	100 – 240 (+/- 10%)
Supply Frequency	50 – 60 Hz	50 – 60 Hz
Current Consumption	1.3 – 0.6A	1.3-0.6A
Incoming to Centrifuge		
Voltage	24VDC	24VDC
Current Consumption	3.75A	3.75A

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5 TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
	No Power	Check line cord.
	No Power	Check external power supply.
	No Power	Check wall outlet.
	Lid tray is unplugged from PCB or defective	Requires service.
The lid does not open	PCB is damaged	Requires service.
The hu uses hot open.		To gain access to the rotor – Insert the provided tool
		through the hole located on the side of the centrifuge front
		panel. Press in through this hole and into the cabinet to
		engage the emergency unlock. Once the emergency unlock
		is engaged, the lid will pop open.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
	Rotor improperly loaded	Load equally filled tubes symmetrically in the rotor. All carriers and/or tube holders must be present in the rotor, whether loaded, or empty.
	Debris lodged within the rotor or tube carriers	Carefully inspect all rotor pockets, tube holders and crevasses for debris.
Excessive vibration	Centrifuge housing is loose	Requires service.
	Missing/damaged feet	Requires service.
	Motor failure	Requires service.
	Rotor windshield damage	Requires service.
	Rotor damaged	Replacement required.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
	No Power	Check line cord.
	No Power	Check external power supply.
	No Power	Check wall outlet.
Rotor does not spin	Lid not properly latched	Press lightly on the front edge of the lid. An audible "click" will indicate the lid is fully closed.
	Internal connection failure	Requires service.
	PCB failure	Requires service.
	Motor Failure	Requires service.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Clicking noise during braking	Rotor is loose	Tighten rotor screw.

PROBLEM POSSIBLE CAUSE		SOLUTION
	Debris in air intake / exhaust ports	Remove power before clearing debris.
Whistling noise while running	Gasket failure	Requires service.
	Gasket failure	Requires service.

6 SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Cleaning

- a) Use appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- b) The cabinet, rotor top and accessories shall be thoroughly cleaned using soap and water, isopropyl alcohol, or a mild bleach solution.
- c) Apply cleaning solutions with a dampened towel or cloth ONLY. Do not spray or pour cleaning solution directly onto or into the centrifuge. Do not saturate or submerge the centrifuge in water or other cleaning solutions as this will cause damage, create a safety risk; and void the warranty.
- d) Under no circumstances should any of the following be used: Fully/Partially Halogenated Hydrocarbons, Ketones and Esters.
- e) Use of any chemicals not prescribed by the manufacturer may cause damage to the rotor and tube carriers / holders and shall not be used.

6.2 Maintaining the Rotor

- a) Keep the rotor clean; any corrosive materials must not be allowed contact with the rotor and should be cleaned immediately.
- b) The rotor should be checked periodically for signs of wear.
- c) Remove the rotor from service if any of the following are found: cracks, deep scratches, corrosion or discoloring.

6.3 Rotor Screws

a) If the rotor screw needs to be tightened, use a # Screwdriver bit and tighten to 2.0 Nm.

6.4 Speed Calibration

- a) Check the centrifuge speed periodically, at least every two years is recommended.
- b) No calibration adjustment of speed can be made, only a verification of rotor speed.

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6.5 Removing the Front Panel Assembly

- a) There are four screws that fasten the centrifuge front panel to the cabinet.
- b) Begin by unplugging the centrifuge and waiting 10 minutes for internal voltages to dissipate.
- c) Use a #2 screwdriver to remove the cabinet screws.
- d) Gently remove the Front Panel Assembly from the Cabinet.
- e) To reinstall the Front Panel Assembly, push the front panel assembly onto the cabinet. The top edge of the front panel will sit on ledge on outside of cabinet.
- f) Secure the front panel to the cabinet using four screws.

6.6 Replacing the User Interface Board

- a) The Interface Board is accessible once the cabinet front panel assembly is removed.
- b) The Interface Board is held in place with four screws.
- c) Use a #2 Phillips screwdriver to remove the four screws on the inside of the Front Panel Assembly.
- d) Gently remove the interface cable from the Interface Board .
- e) To install the User Interface Board, reverse steps above.

6.7 <u>Replacing the Lid Tray Assembly</u>

- f) The lid tray assembly is accessible once the cabinet front panel assembly, rotor and guardbowl are removed.
- g) Gently remove the lid tray wire harness from the PCB and pull the wires through the hole located at the bottom of the cabinet.
- h) The lid tray assembly is held in place with two screws.
- i) Use a #2 Phillips screwdriver to remove the two lid tray screws on the inside of the cabinet
- j) To install the lid tray, reverse steps E through C above
- k) Complete the installation by gently plugging the lid tray wire harness into the PCB.

6.8 Replacing the Main PCBA

- a) The PCB is accessible once the Rotor and Guard Bowl have been removed.
- b) The PCB has capacitors that will remain charged for a period after the centrifuge is unplugged. Make certain to use standard precautions for handling potentially charged capacitors when working with the PCB.
- c) The PCB is held in place with four screws.
- d) Use a #1 screwdriver to remove the PCB screws.

- e) To install the PCB, align the PCB with the mounting standoffs in the cabinet.
- f) Use a #1 screwdriver to install the PCB screws.
- g) Important: over tightening the PCB screws can cause malfunction by stripping the screw threads away from the plastic mounting boss.

h) Ensure to connect the Power Jack Harness, User Interface Board, and Lid Latch Assembly Harness to the main PCBA Board

6.9 Replacing the Rotor

- a) The rotor is held in place with three rotor screws.
- a) Use a # Screwdriver bit to loosen the three (3) rotor screw.
- b) Lift the rotor core straight up and off the motor shaft.
- c) To install the rotor core reverse steps A and B above.
- d) Tighten the rotor screw with a # screwdriver bit to 2.0 Nm.

6.10 Replacing the Motor Assembly

- h) The Motor is accessible once the Rotor and Guard Bowl have been removed.
- a) Remove the motor connector wires (rainbow) from the Main PCBA.
- b) On the underside of the cabinet remove the 3 screws to remove the Motor Mount Assembly
- c) To Install the new motor mount, Orient the motor mount assembly in cabinet with the seam of the motor mount facing the front of the unit.
- d) While holding the motor mount in place, secure assembly to cabinet from underside, using 3 screw.
- e) Connect motor connector (rainbow) to main PCBA.
- f) IMPORTANT: Ensure excess rainbow ribbon wire is pushed under main PCBA.

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7 ASSEMBLY DRAWINGS – Dash Micro Centrifuge

7.1 FINAL CENTRIFUGE ASSEMBLY

7.1.1 Reference drawing 01-050-109-000



7.2 CABINET ASSEMBLY

7.2.1 Reference drawing 02-002-0-0150



7.3 Motor Mount Assembly

7.3.1 Reference drawing 02-005-0-0000



7.4 MOTOR ASSEMBLY

7.4.1 Reference drawing 02-005-1-0018



7.5 Front Panel Assembly

7.5.1 Reference drawing 02-002-1-0141



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8 ASSEMBLY DRAWINGS – Dash Apex 4 Centrifuge

8.1 FINAL CENTRIFUGE ASSEMBLY

8.1.1 Reference drawing 01-053-109-000



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8.2 CABINET ASSEMBLY

8.2.1 Reference drawing 02-002-0-0154



8.3 Motor Mount Assembly

8.3.1 Reference drawing 02-005-0-0000



8.4 MOTOR ASSEMBLY

8.4.1 Reference drawing 02-005-1-0018



8.5 Front Panel Assembly

8.5.1 Reference drawing 02-002-1-0148



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