

## did you know?

Restek's advanced packed column technology provides columns with unmatched inertness and efficiency.

### Packed Column Reduction Fittings

We will weld tubing reducers or VCR fittings to your column. Call Customer Service (ext. 3) or your Restek representative for pricing and availability.



Welded Tubing Reducers



Welded VCR Fittings

## also available

For more information on micropacked columns, see **page 137**.

### Packed Column Tubing

Restek offers a wide range of tubing choices for our packed columns, including SilcoSmooth® (Siltek®-treated stainless steel), stainless steel, PTFE, nickel, copper, and Hastelloy® tubing. SilcoSmooth® and stainless steel tubing are our two most popular column materials. SilcoSmooth® tubing is an excellent replacement for fragile glass columns. Stainless steel tubing works well with most applications for nonreactive compounds.

#### SilcoSmooth® Tubing

If your analysis involves reactive compounds, you can use SilcoSmooth® tubing, which combines the inertness of glass with the strength and flexibility of stainless steel. Made from ultra-smooth, seamless 304 stainless steel and treated with the innovative Siltek® process, SilcoSmooth® tubing can replace glass columns for virtually any application.

#### Stainless Steel Tubing

If you are analyzing hydrocarbons or nonreactive compounds, you can use our rugged, flexible, and economical stainless steel columns. Restek® stainless steel columns are made from high-quality welded and drawn tubing.

#### Hastelloy® Tubing

Hastelloy® tubing is a nickel-chromium alloy with excellent inertness. It is normally used only for highly corrosive or oxidizing compounds or gases.

#### Nickel Tubing

Nickel tubing is often used for analyses of caustic or oxidizing compounds or gases.

#### Copper Tubing

Copper is a general-purpose tubing that is only recommended for inactive compounds.

#### PTFE Tubing

PTFE tubing is often used for reactive compounds or other special applications. Note that this tubing is permeable to gases.

**Table I:** Packed and Micropacked Column Tubing Dimensions

Material	Packed				Micropacked		
	1/4-inch OD x 5.3 mm ID	3/16-inch OD x 3.2 mm ID <sup>1</sup>	1/8-inch OD x 2.0 mm ID <sup>2</sup>	1/8-inch OD x 2.1 mm ID	1/16-inch OD x 1.0 mm ID <sup>3</sup>	0.95 mm OD x 0.75 mm ID <sup>4</sup>	0.74 mm OD x 0.53 mm ID
SilcoSmooth	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Stainless Steel	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Hastelloy				✓			
Nickel				✓			
Copper	✓			✓			
PTFE				✓			

<sup>1</sup> 3/16-inch OD x 3.2 mm ID replaces 1/4-inch OD x 4 mm ID glass columns.

<sup>2</sup> 1/8-inch OD x 2.0 mm ID replaces 1/4-inch OD x 2 mm ID glass columns.

<sup>3</sup> 1/16-inch OD x 1.0 mm ID micropacked columns are designed for packed column injection systems.

<sup>4</sup> 0.95 mm OD x 0.75 mm ID micropacked columns are designed for capillary injection systems.

## please note

We do not offer glass packed columns. SilcoSmooth® columns offer the inertness of glass, without the breakage problems.