

NMR_MAGRITEK

1. Preparing and loading a sample:

a) Put the sample in the NMR tube (Manual, page 15).

The sample volume is 300 – 500 μL (only up to the black marker line, **Fig. 1A**). Remove all solid particles. Solid particles can distort the magnetic field homogeneity because the magnetic susceptibility of a particle is different from that of the solution. A sample containing suspended particles thus has a field homogeneity distortion around every single particle. This causes broad lines and indistinct spectra that cannot be corrected.

b) Put the tube in a spinner, **Fig. 1B** (Manual, page 16).

c) Check sample level **Fig. 1A** (Manual, page 16).

d) Put tube and spinner into Spinsolve spectrometer, **Fig. 1C** (page 19).

NOTES:

- Use an Eppendorf tube or similar for sample preparation.
- You may use either deuterated or non-deuterated solvents. Non-deuterated solvents will give significant solvent residue peaks. This may overlap sample peaks in the spectrum. The sample concentration should be around 50 mM for this device.
- For 250 mM concentration, use a STANDARTSCAN mode (1 min). For 50 mM or lower concentration, use a POWERSCAN (10 min) mode.
- The sample must be soluble in a solvent. To prepare a homogenous solution, use a sonic bath, a heating gun (pay attention to the solvent's boiling point), or a syringe filter.
- Solvents available in the Chemical laboratory are chloroform, methanol, and benzene, located on the shelf under the fume hood. Work with solvent at room temperature (RT).
- During NMR measurement, it is forbidden to use vibration devices close to the NMR spectrometer (less than 1.5 m).

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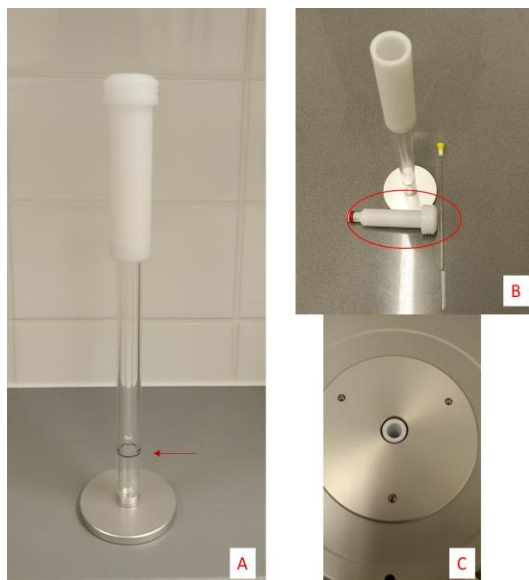


Fig. 1: (A) Sample level. (B) Spinner (labeled) and holder. Magnetic stirrer, centrifuge, and other magnetic. (C) The measurement cell.

2. Measurement:

- The front pillar's light indicator should always be green (Fig. 2A). If not, contact the responsible person.
- The instrument is in standby mode for the optimization of a permanent magnet. Push the STOP box (Fig. 2B).
- Leave the reference sample in the probe, and press the QUICKSHIM box (Fig. 2C). Wait until the end of shimming. Now the instrument is ready for measurement.
- Exchange reference sample to the measured one.
- Select a protocol at the top of the screen.
- Measured dates can be evaluated in the Spinsolve program (panels below the graph), exported to NOVA, or saved data.
- For more detail, use Manual or "Help" in the Spinsolve program. Measured data are automatically saved in the PC-Windows folder: (C): PROJECTS /DATA / 2023 – 01 (month) – 01 (date). Data save here.
- Saved data can be sent or saved on SharePoint (do not use a USB key).

NOTES:

- In the booking system, write the information about measurement in the Log Book for the NMR_MAGRITEK instrument.

Essential points for obtaining good results

- Well-prepared sample (homogenous). Remove all solid particles.
- Volume – better a little bit upper the black marker line in the sample holder (Fig. 1A) than lower.
- Correct position of an NMR tube in the sample holder.

3. Finish of measurement:

- Put the reference sample into the probe. Switch on the Standby mode.
- Remove the sample from the NMR tube, or it will be trashed. Put the NMR tube into the beaker labeled "Dirty BET + NMR".

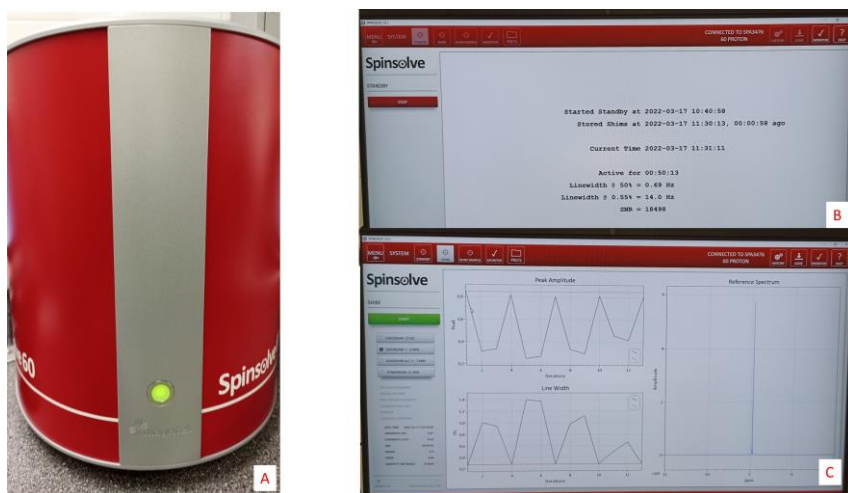


Fig. 2: (A) Ready instrument. (B): STOP standby mode. (C): Start shimming the reference sample.