

capillary column

in chromatography

A general term for columns having a small diameter. A capillary column may contain a packing or have the stationary phase supported on its inside wall. The former case corresponds to packed capillary column while the latter case corresponds to an open-tubular column. Due to the ambiguity of this term its use without an adjective is discouraged.

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PAC, 1993, 65, 819 (*Nomenclature for chromatography (IUPAC Recommendations 1993)*) on page 831