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To provide clarification, capillary chromatography columns are an acceptable alternative for any EPA method that allows flexibility in column choice. Although Method 300.1 gives the example of 2mm or 4mm in section 6.1.2 capillary columns are acceptable as long as all of the quality control parameters of the method are met. This flexibility is already built into the methods and does not require additional approval.

We appreciate your interest in the development of environmental monitoring methods. If you have any questions regarding this issue please contact Steve Wendelken by e-mail at: wendelken.steve@epa.gov or by telephone at: 513-569-7491.

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