Aminosilane coating
NEXTERION® Slide A+

Introduction
Aminosilane-coated slides remain the most popular choice for printing PCR products, and long oligonucleotides, despite the emergence of innovative three-dimensional microarray surfaces, and other “active” surface chemistries, such as epoxysilane.

Aminosilane surfaces provide available amine groups for initial ionic attachment of the negatively charged phosphate groups in the DNA backbone. The density of the amino-groups on NEXTERION® Slide A+ remains constant over the entire surface of the slide and is adjusted to yield optimal binding.

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| Aminosilane 2-D surface | Ionic interaction followed by cross-linking via an additional UV or baking step | - Long oligonucleotides  
- PCR products  
- BACs | Slide A+  
None  
Laser  
Barcode option | 1064875  
1064877 | 25  
25 | Item number  
Slides per pack |

**Key product features**
- Printed slides have a long shelf life
- Compatible with a wide range of spotting buffers
- Coatings with uniform aminosilane density
- Regular spot uniformity and morphology

**Typical applications**
- ArrayCGH
- Transcriptional profiling
- SNP genotyping
- Splice variant detection
- DNA methylation profiling

**Suitable probe types**
- BACs or PACs
- Oligonucleotides ≥ 40 mers
- PCR fragments
- cDNA
**Immobilization chemistry**

NEXTERION® Slide A+ has a high concentration of primary amino-groups available at the surface. These groups become protonated and therefore positively charged when placed in contact with a near-neutral, aqueous solution. Negatively charged probe molecules, such as DNA, will initially form multiple ionic interactions with the positively charged amino surface coating. Additional amino-modifications of the nucleic acids are not required, but such modifications do not interfere with the immobilization. After spotting, the probes are covalently linked to the slide surface by either heating, or a brief exposure to ultraviolet (UV) light. Other types of negatively charged biomolecules may also be coupled to aminosilane surfaces.

**Product details**

**Reproducible results**

SCHOTT slides are manufactured from a high quality, low intrinsic fluorescence borosilicate glass. The glass slides are cleaned and coated in a class-100 environmentally controlled clean room to ensure contamination and artifact-free surfaces. The aminosilane coating is applied using a unique and innovative method developed and optimized by SCHOTT, that allows the production of large lot sizes with excellent intra-lot, and inter-lot reproducibility. Each slide lot is tested using both physical and functional quality control checks. The density of the aminosilane groups in the coating remains uniform over the entire surface of the slides, and is optimized to maximise the DNA binding capacity. The surface hydrophobicity is tightly controlled to optimize the performance with both contact and non-contact microarray printers.

NEXTERION® Slide A+ is compatible with the most commonly used aminosilane protocols and a wide range of spotting buffers. This makes it easy to evaluate and switch to the NEXTERION® aminosilane slides from competitor slides.
Packaging and storage
NEXTERION® Slide A+ are packaged in specially developed compatible plastic boxes, and sealed under an inert atmosphere, to ensure the substrates have a long and stable shelf life. The slides are ready-to-use from the box, and are stable for up to 9 months when stored at room temperature in the sealed packaging.

Format
NEXTERION® Slide A+ are available in packs of 25 slides with optional code 128 barcodes enabling automated sample tracking. The NEXTERION® A+ coating is also available in multi-well slide and microplate formats. For further information, refer to the section on “Multi-well formats”.

Protocols
NEXTERION® Slide A+ protocols are available on the NEXTERION® website.

Compatible reagents

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<td>Spotting</td>
<td>NEXTERION® Spot (1066029)</td>
<td>NEXTERION® Spot A HD (Composition can be provided)</td>
<td>Recommended Spotting Concentrations: Oligonucleotides 2 – 20 µM PCR Products 0.5 – 1 mg/mL Recommended Spotting Conditions: Constant 40 – 50% relative humidity at 20 to 25 °C</td>
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<td>Hybridization</td>
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<td>3 – 5x SSC + 0.1 % SDS</td>
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