Three-dimensional thin film coating
NEXTERION® Slide P

**Introduction**

SCHOTT specifically developed NEXTERION® Slide P as a dedicated slide surface for printing arrays for comparative genomic hybridization (aCGH), as it is ideally suited for the covalent immobilization of long amino-modified DNA molecules such as BAC and PAC clones.

NEXTERION® Slide P produces excellent signal-to-background ratios and an exceptionally wide dynamic range compared to conventional “two-dimensional” coatings through a unique combination of low non-specific binding characteristics, and high probe loading capacity. Since its introduction, the slide coating has also been successfully used for printing antibody and other protein arrays.

The permeable polymer coating has a large immobilization capacity, and helps to preserve the native three-dimensional structure of complex bio-molecules, thus maintaining conformation and functionality. The robust coating matrix is fully compatible with commercial microarray printers and scanners. Simple and robust protocols are available, making NEXTERION® Slide P easy to use.

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<td>• Amino-linked BACs, PACs</td>
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**Key product features**

- Ideal substrate for printing amino-modified BACs and antibody microarrays
- High probe loading capacity
- Exceptionally wide dynamic range
- Extremely low non-specific binding characteristics
- Optimal preservation of native structure and biological activity of protein probes
- Compatible with all common microarray printers and scanners

**Typical applications**

- Array comparative genomic hybridization (aCGH)
- Antibody profiling
- Protein expression profiling
- Functional protein arrays
- Characterization of binding molecules
- Biomarker discovery
- Substrate profiling

**Suitable probe types**

- Amino-modified BACs, PACs and PCR products
- Amino-modified oligonucleotides
- Antibodies
- Functional proteins such as enzymes or receptors
- Peptides
- Glycans
Immobilization chemistry
The coating on the SCHOTT NEXTERION® Slide P is a three-dimensional hydrophilic polymer activated with N-Hydroxy-succinimide (NHS) esters to provide covalent immobilization of amine groups. All NEXTERION® microarray slides are manufactured from a high quality, low-fluorescence glass coated with low-fluorescence coatings. However, the non-specific binding of assay components still remains an important contributor to the off-feature background for many microarray applications. For most types of slide coatings the post-print processing protocol involves a method of adsorptive blocking to reduce non-specific binding. However, these procedures are difficult to perform in a consistent manner.

Product details
Highly reproducible coating
NEXTERION® Slide P is fabricated using a proprietary thin-film deposition process developed by SCHOTT to produce a uniform and reproducible polymer coating on one side of a high quality borosilicate glass slide. All slides are individually examined for physical defects and the presence of particles before and after coating. The surface is applied in tightly controlled, class 100 clean room facility, resulting in coated slides with highly uniform surface properties and low auto-fluorescence.

Excellent spot morphology and signal-to-background ratios
NEXTERION® Slide P provides excellent spot morphologies and reproducible spot sizes over a wide range of probe concentrations for protein, oligonucleotide and other bio-molecule microarray applications.

Coating chemistry of NEXTERION® Slide P
The NEXTERION® Slide P coating has been engineered to exhibit an extremely low intrinsic non-specific background without the need for blocking. This was achieved by using a special polymer that is extremely resistant to non-specific binding. During in-house tests run by SCHOTT, NEXTERION® Slide P had the lowest background signal of any microarray slide coating ever tested. The polymer coating has a three-dimensional structure, with NHS-ester reactive groups attached to a hydrophilic polymer backbone. The terminal amino group of amino-modified nucleic acids react immediately and irreversibly with the NHS-ester groups to form a covalent bond. Proteins and other complex bio-molecules bind via surface-exposed amino-groups. The polymer coating maintains the immobilized bio-molecules in a quasi-liquid environment that maintains the protein specificity and chemical conformation. The three-dimensional polymer structure, combined with the end-point attachment chemistry, orients the immobilized bio-molecules away from the glass, facilitating the interactions of the attached bio-molecules with their binding targets in a solution.

Figure shows scanned images of NEXTERION® Slide P evaluated in an anti-IgG/IgG interaction study over a range of probe concentrations dissolved in NEXTERION® Spot PB and a phosphate print buffer.

Packaging and storage
NEXTERION® Slide P are packaged in chemically stable plastic boxes and sealed under an inert atmosphere. The slides are ready-to-use from the box, and are stable for 12 months in the sealed packaging when stored at –20 °C.

Format
NEXTERION® Slide P is available in packs of 25 slides with code 128 barcodes enabling automated sample tracking. The identical P coating is also available in a 16-well slide and 96-well microplate formats. For further information, refer to the section on “Multi-well formats”.

Protocols
Separate NEXTERION® Slide P protocols are available for DNA and protein microarray applications.
## Compatible reagents

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<td>Spotting (Protein)</td>
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<td>150 mM phosphate, pH 8.5, 5% glycerol, 0.1 mg/mL BSA, 0.01% sarcosyl or Tween20&lt;sup&gt;®&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Protein concentration 0.1 to 1 mg/mL</td>
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<td>NEXTERION&lt;sup&gt;®&lt;/sup&gt; Spot PB (composition can be provided)</td>
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<td>Spotting (DNA)</td>
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<td>100 mM borate (pH 8.0), 50% DMSO</td>
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<td>Hybridization (DNA)</td>
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<td>2x SSC containing 0.1% SDS and 0.1% salmon sperm DNA</td>
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### Important information about patents

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