

Arcturus^{XT} Laser Capture Microdissection System:

Optimized Protocol for Laser dissection of living cells and Microgenomics

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Agenda

- Introduction to Laser Capture Microdissection (LCM)
 - Why Use LCM?
 - LCM Technology
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- Arcturus® LCM System Applications
- The Microgenomics Process
- LCM Consumables



Why Use Laser Capture Microdissection (LCM)?

"Pure populations"

versus

"mixed populations"

To help reveal accurate, cell-specific data otherwise obscured in mixed cell samples



See What You've Been Missing



Whole tissue biopsy or tissue section



Microdissected cells



LCM uncovers molecular signatures hidden by whole biopsies and tissue scrapes



Differential Gene Expression

Normal Breast Tissue

Breast Carcinoma



LCM reveals breast cancer-specific molecular signatures



The LCM Process







After LCM



Captured LCM Cells



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How LCM Works

- Near-Infrared (IR) laser activates thermoplastic polymer transfer film
 - Thermoplastic film:
 - > Absorbs IR laser energy
 - Prevents laser energy from reaching sample
 - Laser energy never directly absorbed by sample
 - > Becomes adhesive
 - Polymer film activates and melts near 70° C
 - Sticks to cells of interest
 - > Increasing IR energy increases activated film area
 - > Distends predictably, evenly, reproducibly to enable selective targeting
 - > Adhesion overcomes opposing forces to enable selective capture
- Cell(s) removed with polymer



Arcturus^X^{T™} LCM Instrument



Flexible and Modular Dual IR and UV LCM System



Advantages of Arcturus LCM

- Low energy near-IR laser does not damage proteins or nucleic acids
- Single cells, small # of cells and intricately shaped areas are easily captured
- Maintains the morphology of captured cells
- Adjacent tissue is neither altered nor destroyed
- Contact capture method: cells are precisely located, inspected and imaged after microdissection

Never lose custody of your sample!





After LCM



CapSure® Cap

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Arcturus[®] LCM System Process



from target cells





Mechanical Forces of LCM





The LCM "Spot"

- Activated film must contact the specimen
 - Adjust IR laser power and duration settings to ensure polymer film touches the glass
 - If film touches glass, IR laser and LCM cap are ready for for capture









CapSure[®] LCM Caps

- CapSure[®] Macro LCM Caps
 - Macro Cap ideal for large area capture, many cells
 - Contacts specimen surface for optimal adhesion
 - 50 microliters of extraction volume needed
 - Couples directly with 0.5 microfuge tubes





- CapSure[®] HS LCM Caps
 - "HS" = High Specificity
 - 12 µm stand-off rails
 - Optimal for smaller #'s of cells, especially rare single cells
 - Only 10 microliters of extraction volume needed
 - Captures cells with speed and high specificity
 - Use of ExtracSure Device, Alignment Tray, Incubation Block

→ CapSure LCM caps maintain custody of the sample at all times



Arcturus LCM Instruments The Best of Both Worlds

• Arcturus LCM systems are the <u>only</u> commercially available platforms to offer **both** IR and UV lasers

- IR Laser Capture (LCM)

- > Exclusive to Arcturus LCM
- Delivers a gentle technique, ensuring bio-molecule integrity
- > Best choice for single cell or small number of cells
- > Allows reliable use of plain glass slide preparations
 - Never lose custody of your sample!

- UV Laser Cutting

- > Provides additional speed and flexibility
- > Ideal for non-soft tissues and large number of cells
- > Allows use of membrane slide preparations
 - Contact or non-contact microdissection



Before LCM



After LCM



CapSure Cap



Arcturus[®] LCM Instruments

Enables sample preparation flexibility



- Allow for unique applications
 - Hydrated or dehydrated
 - Contact or non-contact microdissection
- Help to standardize difficult tissues
- Arcturus^{XT} LCM System is only instrument that enables efficient use of all slide formats



Arcturus[®] LCM Instruments

Multiple Slide Formats Allow LCM and LC/LCM operation



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When to Use IR Capture (LCM) vs. UV Cutting ?

Depends on.....

- Sample type
- Sample area
- Number of cells
- Downstream application



Rapid Large Area Capture



UV laser cutting: quick dissection of **large areas** and **hard** and **thick** tissues



Precise Small Area Capture

IR - Laser Capture



IR Laser Capture preserves RNA quality for small areas and single cell dissections



UV - Laser Cutting

Arcturus^{XT} **Instrument– Key Features**

- Arcturus exclusive IR laser-enabled LCM and UV laser cutting for ultimate microdissection flexibility
- High-performance Nikon[®] Eclipse T*i*-E inverted research microscope base
- Intuitive user interface
- Phase contrast and Differential Interference Contrast (DIC)
- Superior optics: 2X 100X (air and oil)
- Binoculars for standard microscope functions
- Optional high resolution imaging camera, including MetaVue[®] Imaging System
- Optional AutoScanXT[™] Image Analysis Software simplifies and automates identification of areas for LCM
- Validated Systems for Microgenomics[®] with full applications support



LED Brightfield Illumination



Nikon Phase Contrast Illumination



Arcturus^{*XT*[™]} **Instrument– Key Features**



- Open, modular design each system tailored to user needs
- Can be used as a stand-alone research microscope
 - Contrast illumination (Phase and DIC)
 - Epi-fluorescence
 - Manual or motorized

Fully extendable to grow as the research grows, and to incorporate future offerings













Arcturus^{XT} Instrument– Contrast Imaging

- Phase contrast and Differential Interference Contrast (DIC)
 - Manual or motorized condenser
 - Optional DIC Analyzer cube
- Ideal for live cell applications and unstained tissue
 - Living cells can be examined in natural state without being killed, fixed, and stained
 - Retain nucleic acid integrity in tissue samples by skipping staining steps
- Compatible objectives
 - Phase contrast: 4X, 10X, 20X, 40X, 60X
 - DIC: 10X, 20X, 40X, 60X

Learn more at: http://www.microscopyu.com/

HeLa Cell Culture





Images courtesy of Nikon



Arcturus^{XT} Instrument– High Performance Optics

- Motorized six-position objective turret
- Standard objectives: 2x, 10x, 40x
 - Optional objectives
 - > 4X, 20X, 60X, 100X Air, 100X Oil
- Nikon[®] CFI60 objectives
 - Optimized for universal applicability
 - Brightfield, Fluroescence, Phase Contrast, DIC, UV transmission
- Super Plan Fluor objectives: 20x, 40x, 60x
 - Increased working distance
 - Improved transmission
 - Lower chromatic aberration



Colon tissue, H&E stain, visualized at 40X and 60X



Human chromosome metaphase spread, giemsa stained and visualized at 100X.

100X



Arcturus^{XT} Instrument– Fluorescence

- Higher signal-to-noise ratio by eliminating stray light
 - Nikon's exclusive "Noise Terminator" technology
 - Eliminates possibility of stray light escaping from the fluorescence filter cube, reducing contrast and introducing photon noise into the image path
- 6-position filter turret
 - Manual or motorized turret
 - Red, Blue and Green included
 - UV filter cube optional
 - Triple dichroic filter cube optional
- Filter cubes allow easy changing and modification



Triple labeled bovine pulmonary artery endothelial (BPAE) cells. Mitochondria = red, F-actin=green and Nuclei= blue. Visualized simultaneously using an Omega triple band dichroic filter.



Human Breast Carcinoma, anticytokeratin/Cy3.



Cultured HELA cells exposed to BCECF, a cytoplasmic pH indicator.



Arcturus^{XT} **Software Graphical User Interface**



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AutoScanXT Image Analysis Module Human Breast Carcinoma: IHC with DAB, anti-Cytokeratin



Selection of Regions of Interest (ROI) \bigodot and Background \fbox



Post-AutoScan Analysis Items identified green outline



2 Items (blue outlined) selected for Microdissection





Post-Microdissection: Tissue



Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Materials Handling

- Easily accessible materials
 - Load up to three slides
 - Load up to four caps
- Modular stage insert for alternate sample formats
 - Petri dish
 - Wide slide format





Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Neurological Slide Stage Insert

- Optimized for Neurobiology
 - Large format slide stage insert
 - Common neurological slide preparations
 - User-adjustable positions
 - > 25 mm, 38 mm and 50 mm





Arcturus^{XT} **Instrument Petri Dish Stage Insert**

- Optimized for:
 - Live cell imaging
 - Live cell microdissection
- Stage insert accommodates 50mm x 7mm petri dishes
- Easy swap out for live cell or tissue based applications







Arcturus LCM Instruments and Microgenomics Reagents

Fueling Discovery in Diverse Research Areas

Key Research Areas

- Oncology
- Developmental Biology
- Neuroscience
- Proteomics
- Inflammation
- Cardiovascular
- Diabetes
- Hard tissues (bone, skin, cartilage)
- Sub-cellular structures (chromosomes, organelles, etc)

Emerging Application Areas

- Live cells / stem cells
- Forensics
- Plant biology



LCM of Single Cells

Frozen Rat Brain HistoGene® Kit stained Single Neurons





LCM of Single Cells

Human Blood Cells




LCM of Adjacent Cells



Small Dorsal Root Ganglion Rat Neurons, Nissl stained



Large Dorsal Root Ganglion Rat Neurons, Nissl stained

Courtesy of Dr. Lin Luo and Dr. Mark Erlander, R. W. Johnson Pharmaceuticals



LCM of Single Cells

Proliferating Rat Hepatocytes Immunostained (IHC)



Source: Dr. Nicola Wallis, Zeneca Pharmaceuticals, Inc.



LCM Only

Prostate Epithelium Immunostained for bcl-2





LCM Only

Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma Immunostained for keratin



Source: Dr. Margaret Gulley, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Dr. Mark Burton, Wilford Hall Medical Center, and Dr. Barbara Schneider, Louisiana State University Medical Center



LCM Only

Rat FFPE kidney section Paradise® PLUS Reagent Kit stain





LCM and UV Laser Cutting

Hard Tissue Microdissection - Human Bone Marrow FFPE Cresyl Violet - Stained





LCM and UV Laser Cutting Developmental Biology

Fluorescence Microdissection - Drosophila Embryo X-gal-Stained





LCM and UV Laser Cutting Plant Biology

Live Plant Microdissection - Blade of Grass Whole mount preparation on frame membrane slide





LCM and UV Laser Cutting Plant Biology

Plant Tissue Microdissection – Arabidopsis Seedling FFPE X-GIcA Substrate-Stained





LCM and UV Laser Cutting Cytogenetics

Sub-Cellular Microdissection – Human Chromosome Peripheral Lymphocyte, Giemsa stained





LCM and UV Laser Cutting Forensics

Sperm from mixed forensic smear Christmas tree stain





Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Live Cell Microdissection

Application Note #11

Isolate living cells for re-culture or molecular analysis



- 2. Metal Frame Membrane Slide
- 3. Live Cells in Media
- 4. Oversized Glass Cover Slip



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Before LCM



After LCM



CapSure[®] Cap

3T3 cells visualized with DIC optics

ArcturusXT Instrument Live Cell Microdissection Protocol

- 1. Cells cultured in a PEN membrane "growth chamber"
 - 1. Standard sterile culture conditions
 - Growth chamber inside closed Petri dish
 - 2. Growth chamber containing live cells placed inside covered Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Petri dish
 - Silicone-coated dish
 - Done in culture hood
 - Covered Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Petri dish / growth chamber brought to Arcturus^{XT} Instrument



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3. When finished with microdissection:

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4. After microdissection:

- 1. Cells left to outgrow in Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Petri dish
- 2. Growth chamber can be discarded, or
 - Placed into another Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Petri dish for additional microdissection, **or**
 - Kept for continued culturing of the cells





Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Live Cell Microdissection (Petri Dish)



→ Microdissection does not affect cell or nucleic acid viability 53 | Life Technologies | 6/22/2011



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Cell Quantities and Downstream Applications

Molecule Methodology/assay Cellular yield/area of microdissection References DNA Loss of heterozygosity 100-1,000 cells 50,53 DNA Imprinting/DNA methylation 200 cells 48 77 qDNA Genetic mosaic analysis 2.000 cells RNA cDNA library construction 25,000 cells (93 ng total RNA) 54,55 5,000 cells (14.7-18.6 ng total RNA) RNA Gene-expression arrays 100 cells from FFPE 57 RNA Real-time RT-PCR 1.400 cells 15.56 $0.8\text{--}1.0\times10^{6}\,\mu\text{m}^{2}$ 80 58 200 and 1,000 cells 22,000 cells/37.5 ng RNA 81 10,000 cells/40 ng RNA from maize 30 single cell 82-84 RNA ORT-PCR 100 cells/1 reaction or 2,000 cells/200 µl 59 4,000-5,000 œlls 15 Protein Western blot 500 cells (optimized blotting procedure) 64 2,500 cells 63 62 8,000-10,000 cells 50.000-100.000 cells 5 Protein 2D gel electrophoresis 3.7 mm² area 85 10,000 cells (100-200 µg in 350 µl) 86 87 20.000-25.000 cells 63 50,000 cells Protein 2D-DIGE 30,000 cells/40 µl 88 Protein Molecular profiling: reverse-phase protein microarray 5,000-30,000 cells 12, 19, 20, 22, 59 Protein Mass spectrometry: MALDI or LC/MS-MS 50,000-100,000 cells (ICAT and LC/MS) 89 10,000-15,000 cells 90 25,000 µm² 90 300 microvessels 91 Protein Mass spectrometry: SELDI 1.500 cells 66 3,000-5,000 œlls 67

TABLE 1 Recommended cellular yields from microdissected tissue for downstream analyses.

Source: Espina V et al, "Laser-Capture Microdissection", Nature Protocols (1:2), 2006

http://www.nature.com/nprot/journal/v1/n2/pdf/nprot.2006.85.pdf

Challenges of Small Sample Research

LCM

- Collect a pure cell population from heterogeneous tissue
- Obtain enough material for analysis
- Minimize sample loss during processing
- Maintain biomolecule integrity
- Reproducible analysis

• Quality control

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What is Microgenomics?

Microgenomics

Quantitative genomic (and proteomic) molecular analysis of single cells or small groups of cells

Systems for Microgenomics®

Integrated and complete sets of instruments, reagents and protocols for the study of microgenomics



The Microgenomics Process



Tissue Sections (frozen, FFPE), FACS sorting, smears, cell culture

Frozen: HistoGene[®], Standard and IF FFPE: Paradise[®] PLUS

Arcturus^{XT™} LCM Instrument

Frozen: PicoPure[®] RNA, DNA Kits FFPE: PicoPure DNA, Paradise[®] PLUS Reagent Kit Frozen: RiboAmp[®] PLUS Kit FFPE: Paradise PLUS Reagent Kit

Turbo Labeling[™] Kits: Biotin, Cy3, Cy5 dyes

Microarray, PCR, real-time PCR, Tissue Array, 2-DGE, LC/MS, etc.

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HistoGene® LCM Frozen Section Staining Kit HIGH QUALITY mRNA **Mouse Intestine** AND PROTEIN **FROM FROZEN** SECTIONS Mouse Kidney



HistoGene® LCM Immunofluorescence Kit

RNA PRESERVATION & EXCELLENT VISUALIZATION



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HistoGene® LCM Immunofluorescence Kit







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PicoPure[®] DNA Extraction Kit

OPTIMIZED FOR SMALL SAMPLE RECOVERY



Cycle thresholds for the PicoPure Kit samples were 28.9 ± 0.28 and 32.4 ± 1.35 for the column-purified samples, respectively. Samples amplify earlier (more DNA present) Samples amplify more consistently (less sample variation)



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PicoPure RNA Isolation Kit

OPTIMIZED FOR SMALL SAMPLE RECOVERY



Replicate samples of 1, 10, 100, and 1000 cells were microdissected using the PixCell IIe LCM Instrument. RNA was isolated using the PicoPure RNA Isolation Kit, reverse-transcribed and subjected to a QRT-PCR assay for GAPDH using a LightCycler (Roche). Quantifiable message can be detected from a single cell, and the fluorescence signal is proportional to the cell number for all samples studied.

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PicoPure RNA Isolation Kit

Quantitative Recovery of Total Cellular RNA

- Isolate total RNA from one or more cells
- Maintain high quality of total cellular RNA
- Retains low abundance messages
- Columns designed to bind up to 140 micrograms
- 10 µl elution volume allows optimal integration into down-stream processes such as reverse transcription and linear amplification



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RiboAmp^{Plus} **RNA Amplification Kits**

Amplify enough RNA for microarray analysis consistently and robustly from a few nanograms of sample

RiboAmp $\stackrel{Plus}{\longrightarrow}$ \rightarrow 5 ng - 40 ngRiboAmp HS $\stackrel{Plus}{\longrightarrow}$ \rightarrow 100 pg - 5 ng

aRNA yields enough material for a microarray (up to 50 µg) with 2 rounds of amplification

RiboAmp <u>PLUS</u> is available in a wide variety of configurations customized for your research:

- → Biotin labeling
- → Cy3 Labeling
- → Cy5 Labeling
- \rightarrow Amino-allyl incorporation
- → Natural nucleotides
- → qrtPCR







Which RiboAmp PLUS Kit Should I Choose?

	RiboAmp HS PLUS		RiboAmp PLUS	
	100pg to 5ng of Total RNA (10 to 500 Cells)		greater than 5ng Total RNA (> 500 cells)	
Microarray Platform	Turbo	Alternative Labeling	Turbo	Alternative Labeling
Biotin based platforms	KIT0515B	KIT0528	KIT0511B	KIT0526
(Illumina, Affymetrix, CodeLink)				
Cy3, Cy5 based platforms	KIT0515C	KIT0525aa	KIT0511C	KIT0525aa
(Agilent, BlueGnome, NimbleGen, Oligonucleotide arrays)	KIT0515D	KIT0528	KIT0511D	KIT0526
QRT-PCR (ABI, Fluidigm, BioTrove)	100pg to 5ng of Total RNA		greater than 5ng Total RNA	
few genes	KIT0528		KIT0526	
many genes	KIT0525		KIT0521	

*aa = for amino allyl

Gene Expression Analysis of Formalin-Fixed Tissue

- The Problem:
 - Cross-links nucleic acids and proteins
 - Interferes with RNA Amplification and RT processes



- The Solution: Arcturus' Paradise[®] Plus FFPE Reagent System
 - Gene expression studies of FFPE samples are possible
 - Retrospective and prospective studies
- The Paradise Plus system is analogous to:
 - HistoGene Staining,
 - PicoPure RNA isolation and
 - RiboAmp PLUS Amplification

... In one kit optimized for FFPE material



Paradise[®] Plus Reagent System



Paradise available with options customized for your research:

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FFPE Tissue staining, extraction, isolation, amplification, and microarray labeling – all in one convenient kit
Paradise[®] Plus Product Family

Paradise[®] Plus Reagent System -

- Gene Expression Analysis for FFPE Specimens and LCM Samples
- Paradise[®] Plus QC Kit
 - Qualify your FFPE samples

Paradise[®] Plus Quantitative Real Time PCR (qRT-PCR) Kit

Quantify Your Genes of Interest

 Paradise[®] Plus Whole Transcript Reverse Transcription (WT-RT) Reagent System

- Formulated for Real-Time PCR (RT-PCR)





Which kit to chose? ParadisePLUS Amplfication Kits

Paradise	minimum 5ng Total RNA	
Microarray Platform	Turbo	Alternative Labeling
Affymetrix	KIT0312B	KIT0311
(biotin based platforms)		
Agilent	KIT0312C	KIT0314
oligoarrays	KIT0312D	KIT0311
(Cy3, Cy5 based platforms)		
qRT-PCR	minimum 5ng Total RNA	
1 round amplification	KIT0310	
FFPE sections	KIT0315	

- KIT0314 amino allyl
- KIT0315 (WT-RT) is RNA extraction and cDNA synthesis only (no amplification)



The Microgenomics Process



Turbo Labeling™ Kits



- Non-enzymatic technology for labeling of DNA or RNA for any microarray application including Oligo, cDNA and CGH arrays
 - Easy protocol takes less than an hour
 - Allows splitting samples for comparative studies and differential labeling
- Especially useful when sample needs to be amplified
 - Enables using natural nucleotides in the amplification process
 - Results in unmodified aRNA with higher yields and longer aRNA fragments
 - Better representation of the mRNA transcript for downstream analysis
 - Higher %P calls



Turbo Labeling[™] – Features and Benefits

- Non-enzymatic labeling done after amplification
- Labels aRNA generated from both frozen and FFPE samples
- Labels any nucleic acid:
 - Total RNA
 - Amplified RNA (aRNA or cRNA)
 - Genomic DNA
 - cDNA
- By labeling post amplification, customer is not committed to a particular array platform
- Samples can be split for comparative studies:
 - Using different array platforms (Affymetrix vs. Agilent)
 - Array versus qRT-PCR
- Labeling can be done using a simple protocol (< 30 minutes)



Arcturus[®] System LCM Consumables

- CapSure[®] LCM Caps
 - Macro LCM Caps
 - HS LCM Caps
- Tissue Microdissection Slides
 - Membrane Glass Slides
 - Membrane Frame Slides
- Live Cell Microdissection
 - Membrane Frame Slides (Untreated)
 - Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Live Cell Growth Chamber, Sterile
 - Arcturus^{XT} Instrument Microdissection Petri Dish, Sterile











Integrated Systems for Microgenomics®



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