

# Reverse Hybridisation of DNA probe array with Crocodile miniWorkstation

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## Introduction

DNA arrays enable to detect a variety of specific targets in one single experiment, even with small sample material. Here we describe the characterisation of Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) types by reverse hybridisation on a DNA probe array on the bottom of a 96 well plate. Hybridisation requires various dispense, incubation and wash steps at different temperatures. Thus automation is highly recommended.

## Material & Methods

- HPV DNA Array (AID GmbH)
- HPV samples
- Crocodile miniWorkstation (Titertek-Berthold)
- ELISpot reader (AID GmbH)

After PCR HPV samples were transferred to the wells of the HPV DNA Array plate. Complete reverse hybridisation was processed automatically by using the Crocodile miniWorkstation. *Table 1, Picture 3* Signal analyzing was done by using ELISpot Reader with AIDot software. *Picture 4, Picture 2*

## Results

Various HPV types could be detected as each HPV type shows a different pattern.

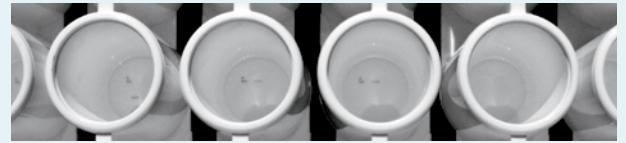
*Picture 5*  
Signal of HPV16-1, HPV06, HPV16 42 57 according to HPV type pattern



## Conclusion

The HPV DNA Array is an easy and fast method to characterize HPV types by reverse hybridisation. Various different HPV types can be detected using only one well of a 96 well plate. Crocodile miniWorkstation provides a convenient method for automation of reverse hybridisation. Total assay time for the automated assay is approximately the same as when the assay is performed manually but operator hands-on time is reduced from about 3 h to 20 minutes.

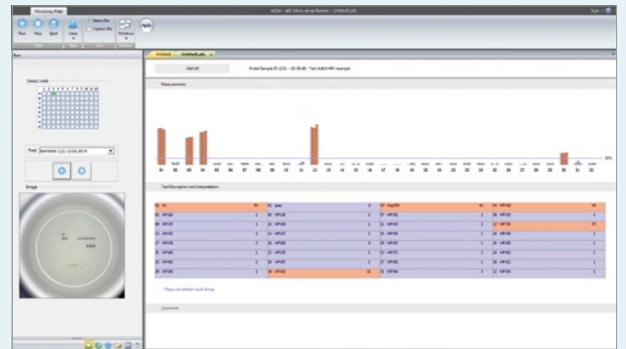
*Picture 1*  
HPV DNA Array with HPV specific probes printed on the bottom of the wells



*Table 1*  
Protocol of reverse hybridisation (shortform)

| Step               | Temp / Volume / Time |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Dispense Hybrid    | 200 µl               |
| Incubate           | 30 min at 47°C       |
| Stringent Wash     | 5x                   |
| Shake              | 30 sec               |
| Dispense Conjugate | 200 µl               |
| Incubate           | 30 min at RT         |
| Wash               | 3x                   |
| Shake              | 30 sec               |
| Dispense Substrate | 200 µl               |
| Incubation         | 10 min at RT         |
| Wash               | 3x                   |

*Picture 2*  
AIDot software



*Picture 3*  
Crocodile miniWorkstation



*Picture 4*  
ELISpot reader

