

3D Printed Multi Pump System

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Aldric Negrier, a maker and builder in Portugal, designed an open source syringe pump system that can be 3D printed and assembled for ~\$300 USD. The system contains five pumps which may hold 5mL, 10mL, or 20mL syringes. Each pump may be programmed to function independently of the others, and it is possible to set up the rack so that there is continuous flow system between any two pumps, allowing for a smooth transition between syringes. These features, along with the low price, make it a useful tool for any lab looking to administer precise

volumes, whether it be for administering fluid rewards, tastants, IV drug administration, and more.

Each pump uses an Arduino Nano V3 in order to run a stepper motor, which is used to dispense the liquid slowly, and with extreme precision (0.5µL for a 10mL syringe). The stepper is run on the Acellstepper library and uses Java C++ language. A general code is used for each pump, and command line inputs are needed to specify the number of steps, speed, and direction (dispensing or taking up liquid) of each pump. The entire pump rack can also be controlled simultaneously using a USB Hub.

An incredibly detailed protocol to build and implement this multipump system is available on Instructables.com!

This research tool was created by your colleagues. Please acknowledge the Principal Investigator, cite the article in which the tool was described, and include an RRID in the Materials and Methods of your future publications. RRID:SCR_023575

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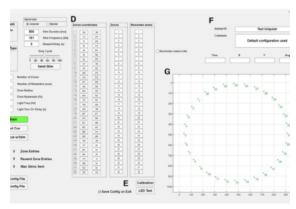
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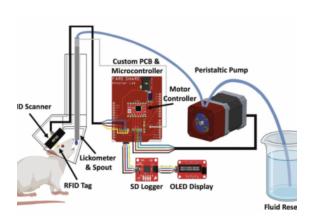
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Check out this Hackaday.io article about the development of this pump system and it's developer Aldric Negrier!

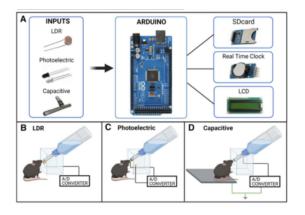
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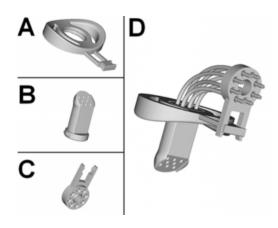
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