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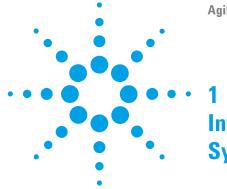
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# Introduction to the 2200 TapeStation System

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This chapter gives an introduction to the system



# Overview of the System

The Agilent 2200 TapeStation system is a revolutionary tape-based platform for simpler, faster and more reliable electrophoresis. It is made up of three elements: a consumable tape (ScreenTape), an instrument (the 2200 TapeStation) and an analysis software. The system is very straightforward to use, simply place the sample tubes and ScreenTape in to the 2200 TapeStation and let it load, separate, image, analyse and present the results.



Place ScreenTape and some tips in the 2200 TapeStation.



Place your samples in the 2200 TapeStation and click **Start** on the controller software.



View your analysed results in around 1 min per sample.

This User Manual guides the operation of ScreenTape, the 2200 TapeStation and software for the analysis of DNA, RNA and protein samples. The contents of the ScreenTape System are detailed below.

Information pertaining to the 2200 TapeStation can be found in:

- 2200 TapeStation Technical Specification
- 2200 TapeStation Components
- Installing the 2200 TapeStation

Information pertaining to sample and ScreenTape requirements can be found in:

- ScreenTape Architecture
- · Operating Procedure

## **ScreenTape Architecture**

Barcode: The unique barcode tracks lane usage within individual ScreenTape and

allows traceability of results.

**Buffer chamber:** The buffer chamber is located at the top of the channel and contains

optimised buffers for the effective separation of nucleic acid fragments or

proteins.

**Electrodes:** The integrated electrodes apply a current across the ScreenTape and

eliminate the need for any additional electrophoresis equipment.

Gel: The gel contained within ScreenTape has been developed specifically to

resolve nucleic acids or proteins.

ScreenTape product

details:

The information is unique to each consumable item. This includes: ScreenTape type, product expiry date and a unique serial number.

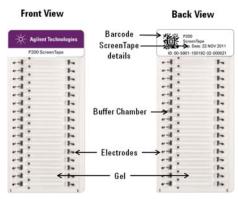


Figure 1 Example: P200 ScreenTape

**Overview of the System** 

# **Agilent 2200 TapeStation Components**

**Lid:** The 2200 TapeStation lid must be closed each time the instrument

controller software is initialized, and whilst the instrument is in operation.

**LED:** The LED will illuminate once the instrument is on. When the LED is

flashing slowly, the instrument is in use and the lid should not be opened, rapid flashing indicates that the TapeStation requires some attention.

Sample Block: There are 2 sample blocks provided that can either hold 0.2 mL sample

tube strips or a 96 well plate.

Tip Holder: The tip holder can accommodate up to 16 TapeStation loading tips at any

one time.

ScreenTape: The tape must be placed into the holder with the barcode towards the

front of the instrument, facing towards the right.

**USB Socket:** The USB connector is inserted into the USB socket to link the laptop to the

2200 TapeStation.

Power-cable socket: The power cable must be connected to the 2200 TapeStation and the

relevant mains electricity outlet.

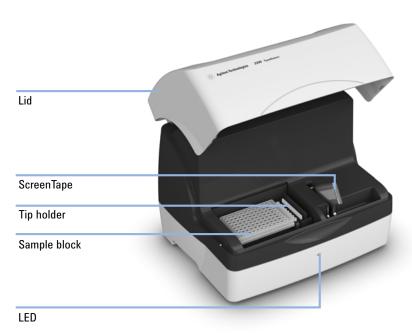


Figure 2 2200 TapeStation (front view)

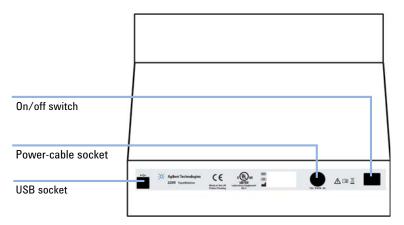


Figure 3 2200 TapeStation (back view)

1 Introduction to the 2200 TapeStation System

Overview of the System



This chapter provides information on specifications.

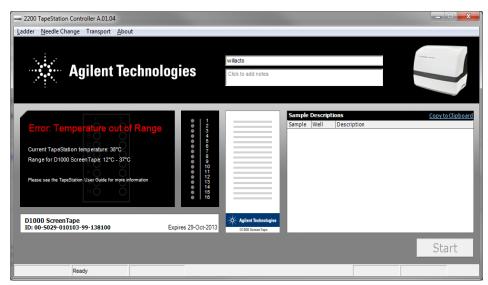
# **Technical Specifications**

2200 TapeStation				
Input voltage:	12 V DC			
Power consumption:	40 W (VA)			
Current:	3 A			
Interface:	USB cable (PC comms.)			
Instrument Housing:	UL94/VO rated flame retardant cast polyurethane			
Dimensions:	400 x 310 x 310 mm			
Weight:	12.5 kg			
Power Supply				
Input voltage:	100 – 240 V AC			
Input frequency:	50 – 60 Hz			
Phase:	1			
Current:	0.45 – 1.1 A			
Environmental conditi	on			
Optimal operating temperature	23 °C (73.4 °F).			
Instrument operating temperature <sup>1</sup>	12 – 37 °C (53.6 – 98.6 °F) for D1000 ScreenTape 17 – 37 °C (62.6 – 98.6 °F) for High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape 15 – 30 °C (59.0 – 86.0 °F) for Genomic DNA ScreenTape 14 – 30 °C (57.2 – 86.0 °F) for RNA and High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape 10 – 33 °C (50.0 – 91.4 °F) for P200 ScreenTape			

Instrument operating temperature may be higher than ambient lab temperature, especially after prolonged use.

NOTE

If the instrument is out of the recommended temperature range for the ScreenTape inserted the following error message will appear in the controller software:



- If the quoted current temperature is above the specified range, please move the system out of direct sunlight and away from any windows. Check that any air conditioning is functioning.
- If the quoted current temperature is below the specified range please allow the instrument to equilibrate to the ambient temperature, and avoid using in a cooled area.

# **ScreenTape Specifications**

# Specification (D1000 ScreenTape Assay)

Analytical Specifications	D1000 ScreenTape and Reagents	
Sizing Range	35 – 1000 bp	
Typical Resolution	35 — 300 bp: 15 % 300 — 1000 bp: 10 %	
Sensitivity <sup>1</sup>	0.1 ng/μL	
Sizing Precision	5 % CV	
Sizing Accuracy <sup>2</sup>	±10 %	
Quantitative Precision	0.1 – 1 ng/μL: 15 % CV 1 – 50 ng/μL: 10 % CV	
Quantitative Accuracy <sup>3</sup>	±20 %	
Quantitative Range	0.1 – 50 ng/μL	
Physical Specifications		
Analysis Time	16 samples: <20 min 96 samples: ≈100 min	
Samples per consumable	16	
Sample volume required	1 μL	
Kit stability	4 months	
Kit size	112 samples	

signal-to-noise >3 (single peak)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sizing Accuracy for software ladder: ±20%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Measured against 2100 Bioanalyzer

# **Specification (High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay)**

High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape and Reagents	
35 – 1000 bp	
35 – 300 bp: 15 % 300 – 1000 bp: 10 %	
5 pg/μL	
5 % CV	
±10 %	
15 % CV	
±20 %	
10 − 1000 pg/µL	
16 samples: <20 min 96 samples: ≈100 min	
16	
2 μL	
4 months	
112 samples	

signal-to-noise >3 (single peak)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sizing Accuracy for software ladder: ±20%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Measured against 2100 Bioanalyzer

### 2 Specifications

**ScreenTape Specifications** 

# **Specification (Genomic DNA ScreenTape Assay)**

Analytical Specification	Genomic DNA ScreenTape and Reagents	
Sizing Range	200 bp to > 60000 bp	
Sensitivity	0.5 ng/μL	
Sizing Precision <sup>1</sup>	200 – 15000 bp: 15 % CV	
Sizing Accuracy <sup>1</sup>	200 – 15000 bp: ±10 %	
Quantitative Precision <sup>2</sup>	15 % CV	
Quantitative Accuracy <sup>3</sup>	±20 %	
Linear Concentration Range	10 − 100 ng/µL	
Carry Over	N/A	
Physical Specification		
Analysis Time	16 samples: < 25 min 96 samples: < 150 min	
Samples per consumable	16	
Sample Volume Required	1 μL	
Shelf Life	4 months	
Box/Kit size	112 samples/box	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Determined using the Genomic DNA Ladder as sample

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Average result from various genomic DNA sample types

# **Specification (RNA ScreenTape Assay)**

Analytical Specification	RNA ScreenTape and Reagents
Quality Score	RIN <sup>e</sup>
Quantitative Range	25 – 500 ng/μL
Quantitative Precision (%CV) <sup>1</sup>	5 %
Quantitative Accuracy	20 %
Sizing Range	100 – 6000 nt
Sensitivity <sup>2</sup>	5 ng/μL
Analysis Type	Eukaryotic or Prokaryotic Total RNA QC
Maximum sample buffer strength	200 mM Tris 20 mM EDTA or 50 mM NaCl
Physical Specifications	
Analysis Time	16 samples < 16 min 96 samples < 100 min
Samples per consumable	16
Sample volume required (µL)	1
Kit Stability	4 months
Kit Size	112 samples

### For total RNA samples

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Within a ScreenTape <sup>2</sup> Signal/noise >3 in water and TE

### 2 Specifications

**ScreenTape Specifications** 

# **Specification (High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay)**

Analytical Specification	RNA ScreenTape and Reagents
Quality Score	RIN <sup>e</sup>
Quantitative Range	500 – 10000 pg/μL
Quantitative Precision (%CV) <sup>1</sup>	10 %
Quantitative Accuracy	30 %
Sizing Range	100 – 6000 nt
Sensitivity <sup>2</sup>	100 pg/µL
Analysis Type	Eukaryotic or Prokaryotic Total RNA QC
Maximum sample buffer strength	10 mM Tris 1 mM EDTA
Physical Specifications	
Analysis Time	16 samples < 30 min 96 samples < 180 min
Samples per consumable	16
Sample volume required (µL)	2
Kit Stability	4 months
Kit Size	112 samples

### For total RNA samples

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Within a ScreenTape <sup>2</sup> Signal/noise >3 in water and TE

# **Specification (P200 ScreenTape Assay)**

Analytical Specification	P200 ScreenTape and Reagents	
Sizing range	10 – 200 kDa	
Resolution <sup>1</sup>	15 %	
Typical Sizing Accuracy	±10 % (CAII, Lysozyme, beta lactoglobulin)	
Sizing Precision	3 % CV	
Quantitative Range/precision	100 – 1000 ng/μL for lgG; 15 % CV	
Qualitative Range	5 – 5000 ng/μL BSA, Lysozyme; 12.5 – 5000 ng/μL lgG	
Sensitivity <sup>2</sup>	5 ng/μL Lysozyme; 12.5 ng/μL lgG	
Physical Specification		
Sample volume needed	2 μL	
Analysis Time	16 samples: <15 min	
Samples/consumable	16	
Kit Size	112 Samples	
Kit Stability	4 months	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> determined using P200 Lader as sample

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> signal :noise ratio > 3

# 2 Specifications

**ScreenTape Specifications** 



This chapter gives information about how to install the system.

# **Unpacking the System**

### **Unpacking the Agilent 2200 TapeStation**

#### **Prerequisites**

Do not attempt to unpack the 2200 TapeStation instrument until you have read the accompanying Site and Safety Manual.

#### CAUTION

Condensation within the instrument

Condensation will damage the system electronics.

→ If your instrument was shipped in cold weather, leave it in its box and allow it to warm slowly to room temperature to avoid condensation.

### **CAUTION**

"Defective on arrival" problems

If there are signs of damage, please do not attempt to install the instrument. Inspection by Agilent is required to evaluate if the instrument is in good working condition.

- → Notify your local Agilent Representative and the Technical support channel.
- → An Agilent service representative will inspect the instrument at your site and initiate appropriate actions.

### WARNING

### **Personal injury**

The TapeStation is heavy.

- → Enlist the aid of a co-worker to share the lifting load to avoid personal injury.
- 1 Remove the TapeStation from the packaging and place on a clean, dry, flat surface.
- **2** Allow the TapeStation to acclimatise to the ambient temperature of the operating environment.

**3** Remove the label covering the tape holder, as shown in the image below.



Figure 4 Remove before use

# **Delivery Checklist**

Ensure all parts and materials have been delivered with your system. The delivery checklist is shown below.

Please report any missing or damaged parts to your local Agilent Technologies sales and service office.

# **Contents of the ScreenTape System**

# The Agilent 2200 TapeStation

 Table 1
 The Agilent 2200 TapeStation System (G2964AA, G2965AA)

Product	Volume	Properties	
Agilent 2200 TapeStation	1 x	Instrument for loading, electrophoresing, imaging and analysing: 2200 TapeStation System (G2964AA) or 2200 TapeStation Nucleic Acid System (G2965AA)	
TapeStation Software Setup Disc	1 x CD	The software is required to drive the 2200 TapeStation and visualise the ScreenTape analysis	
Laptop	1 x Laptop	Instrument Control Laptop	
USB Cables/Power supply units	1 x USB cable 2 x power cords	1 x USB cable to connect the laptop to the TapeStation 1 x Power supply unit for the laptop 1 x Power supply unit for the TapeStation	
Sample Block	1 x 0.2 mL strip and 1 x 96 well plate	A removable sample block for the correct loading of samples within the TapeStation	
Tip Holder	2 x	A removable cartridge for pipette tips placed in the TapeStation	
TapeStation loading tips	1 x 384 tips	Pipette tips to use in the 2200 TapeStation	
TapeStation - compatible 0.2 mL tube strips and lids	1x box of 120 tubes and caps	Tube strips for placing samples mixed with loading buffer into the 2200 TapeStation	
96 well plates	pack of 10		
96 well plate foil seal	pack of 100		
Loading tip transfer tool (optional)	1 x		
IKA Vortexer and associated PCR plate (optional)	1 x	Vortexer for mixing samples and reagents	
Guides		Site Safety guide and Quick Guides (G2964AA - Protein, DNA and RNA; G2965AA - DNA and RNA)	

# **ScreenTape Products**

### Kit Components (High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay)

Part Number	Name	Color	Amount
5067-5584	High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape		7 ScreenTape
5067-5585	High Sensitivity D1000 Regents		2 vials
	<ul> <li>High Sensitivity D1000 Ladder</li> </ul>		20 μL
	High Sensitivity D1000 Sample Buffer		300 μL
5067-5587	High Sensitivity D1000 Ladder		1 vial
			20 μL

### Kit Components (D1000 ScreenTape Assay)

Part Number	Name	Color	Amount
5067-5582	D1000 ScreenTape		7 ScreenTape
5067-5583	D1000 Reagents		2 vials
	<ul> <li>D1000 Ladder</li> </ul>		10 μL
	D1000 Sample Buffer		400 μL
5067-5586	D1000 Ladder		1 vial
			10 μL

### Kit Components (Genomic DNA ScreenTape Assay)

Part Number	Name	Color	Amount
5067-5365	Genomic DNA ScreenTape		7 ScreenTape
5067-5366	Genomic DNA Reagents		2 vials
	<ul> <li>Genomic DNA Ladder</li> </ul>		75 μL
	Genomic DNA Sample Buffer		1350 μL

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**Contents of the ScreenTape System** 

### Kit Components (High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay)

Part Number	Name	Color	Amount
5067-5579	High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape		7 ScreenTape
5067-5580	High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Sample		1 vial
	Buffer		250 μL
5067-5581	High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Ladder		1 vial
			10 μL

### Kit Components (RNA ScreenTape Assay)

Part Number	Name	Color	Amount
5067-5576	RNA ScreenTape		7 ScreenTape
5067-5577	RNA ScreenTape Sample Buffer	•	1 vial 600 μL
5067-5578	RNA ScreenTape Ladder	•	1 vial 10 μL

### Kit Components (P200 ScreenTape Assay)

Part Number	Name	Color	Amount
5067-5371	P200 ScreenTape		7 ScreenTape
5067-5372	P200 Reagents		
	<ul> <li>P200 5X Labeling Dye</li> </ul>		70 μL
	<ul> <li>P200 Labeling Buffer</li> </ul>		350 μL
	<ul> <li>P200 Reducing Sample Buffer</li> </ul>	0	550 μL
	P200 pH Buffer	clear	1000 μL
	<ul> <li>P200 Non-Reducing Sample Buffer</li> </ul>	•	550 μL
	<ul> <li>P200 Markers (pre-stained)</li> </ul>		270 μL
	<ul> <li>P200 Ladder</li> </ul>	_	40 μL

# **Installing the System**

### **Software Installation**

The software for your Agilent 2200 TapeStation system is preinstalled on the system laptop.

NOTE

For updates, or if you have to change the laptop, you may download the latest version of the software from the update server http://www.agilent.com/genomics/tapestation.

For details on installation of the software refer to the readme.txt file on the installation CD Agilent 2200 TapeStation Software TAPESTATION INSTRUMENT CONTROL AND DATA ANALYSIS.

## **Agilent 2200 TapeStation Set Up**

Hardware required

Laptop

Software required

Agilent 2200 TapeStation Software (already installed)

### WARNING

### Personal injury, explosion or fire

- → Do not operate the instrument in an atmosphere containing explosive gases or near flammable volatile liquids.
- → Only approved mains cord set supplied with the instrument must be used with this instrument and if an extension lead is required, the lead must be earthed.
- → If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

### NOTE

For general safety information, please refer to the 2200 TapeStation System - Site and Safety Manual.

### WARNING

#### Use of unsupplied cables or power adaptors

Using cables or power adaptors not supplied by Agilent Technologies can lead to damage of the electronic components or personal injury.

- Never use cables or power adaptors other than the ones supplied by Agilent Technologies to ensure proper functionality and compliance with safety or EMC regulations.
- **1** Connect the supplied USB cable between the port on the back of the instrument and your laptop.
- **2** Power the instrument with the supplied power lead and adaptor.
- **3** Turn the instrument on using the power switch located at the back of the TapeStation.
  - When powered and idle, the instrument will have a blue LED visible on the front of the case.

- **4** Windows may display a **Found New Hardware** wizard once the software has loaded. In this instance, always perform the following steps:
  - **a** Select **No, not this time** to prevent connecting to Windows Update and searching for software.
  - **b** In the next window select **Install the Software automatically**.
  - **c** If a window appears, indicating the software did not pass the windows logo testing, click **Continue Anyway**.

A window appears, indicating that the hardware has been successfully installed. The TapeStation system will function.

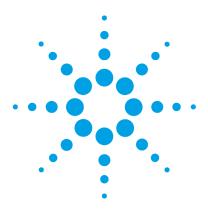
#### NOTE

As there is more than one driver that can be detected and installed, you may need to follow these steps more than once.

You may need to follow these steps if you change the USB port on the laptop for the TapeStation connector cable.

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This chapter explains the intended use of the 2200 TapeStation System.

# **Intended Use of the 2200 TapeStation System**

The 2200 TapeStation system (Agilent 2200 TapeStation Software) carries out electrophoretic separation of Nucleic Acids and proteins. The system detects:

- · Fluorescently stained double stranded DNA including genomic DNA
- Fluorescently stained total RNA (Eukaryotic and Prokaryotic)
- Fluorescently labelled proteins

### 4 Using the 2200 TapeStation System

**Performance Limitations of Use** 

## **Performance Limitations of Use**

The 2200 TapeStation System (Agilent 2200 TapeStation Software) can analyse a maximum of 16 samples at any one time, more samples can be run using a 96 well plate and multiple ScreenTape.

The user is responsible for establishing performance characteristics necessary for upstream and downstream applications. Appropriate controls must be included in any upstream application requiring analysis on the 2200 TapeStation System (Agilent 2200 TapeStation Software).

# **Additional Components Required by the User**

# Additional Consumables required for the 2200 TapeStation instrument

- Loading tips, (5067-5152) / Loading tips, (5067-5153)
- Optical Tube 8x Strip, Box of 120, (401428) and Optical Cap 8x Strip, Box of 120, (401425) or -well Sample Plates, Pack of 10 plates (5067-5150) and -well Plate Foil Seal, Pack of 100 foils (5067-5154)
- Vortex mixer (See note below)

### **Additional Material Required (Not Supplied)**

- Volumetric pipette
- Centrifuge
- · Heating block or PCR machine

### NOTE

#### Mixing recommendations

- TapeStation instruments are supplied with an optional IKA MS3 vortexer which includes a 96 well plate adaptor suitable for both 96 well PCR plates and 8 way strips.
- This vortexer is recommended for use with the following applications:
  - D1000 ScreenTape Assay
  - High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay
  - RNA ScreenTape Assay
  - High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay
- It is recommended that all current TapeStation users purchase this instrument direct from IKA for use with these assays. Please quote part numbers 5067-5700 and 4674100 when ordering.
  - Agilent Technologies will not sell these parts separately.
- If an IKA MS3 vortexer is not available, please ensure thorough manual vortex mixing 10 seconds on maximum speed.

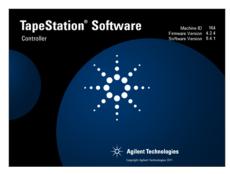
# **Operating Procedure**

1 Double click the 2200 TapeStation controller icon be on the desktop and follow the instructions on the screen.

NOTE

Always ensure you are using the most up-to-date Controller software. Please check for the latest version.

You will now see the startup splash.



2 Insert the tube strip sample block into the TapeStation.



OR

Insert the plate sample block into the TapeStation.



**3** Place loading tips into the loading tip holder as shown and insert into the TapeStation.



NOTE

If any used tips are left in the tip-buckets, a pop up window will ask for the discarded tips to be removed. The 2200 TapeStation will not run until all the tip buckets are empty.

## NOTE

A Loading tip transfer tool (G2964-60000) is available.

#### NOTE

Ensure that all 16 loading tips are inserted into the tip holder.

The laptop utilised for performing any previous use(s) of the ScreenTape must be utilised for all further re-use.

## CAUTION

Damage to the 2200 TapeStation and impact on performance

Failure to use the correct consumable components can cause damage to the instrument.

- → Use the recommended loading tips.
- → Use the recommended foil plate seal.
- 4 Remove ScreenTape from the foil packet.

**Operating Procedure** 

**5** Hold the tape with the ScreenTape label facing you and gently flick the top of the tape.

If there are any small bubbles present then this will move them to the top of the chamber.

#### NOTE

The presence of small bubbles within the buffer chamber of the ScreenTape is normal. These bubbles often occur at the gel/buffer interface and need to be displaced prior to running.

Failure to remove bubbles from the gel/buffer interface is detrimental to the performance of the ScreenTape.

**6** Insert the ScreenTape into the TapeStation, with the label towards the front of the instrument and the barcode facing right.



#### NOTE

Protect the individual gel lanes within the ScreenTape from excessive force. Do not bend or flex ScreenTape and store in the provided packaging at the recommended temperature, when not in use.

#### NOTE

TapeStation instrument will not recognize the screen tape if inserted incorrectly.

#### NOTE

The TapeStation will automatically recognise the sample plate type and ScreenTape and load the required parameters.

- **7** Prepare samples according to type as detailed in "How to prepare your samples" on page 48 or the appropriate Quick Guide.
- **8** Place samples into the sample block inside the TapeStation.

#### **CAUTION**

Damage to the 2200 TapeStation and impact on performance

- → Ensure the lids have been removed from the sample tubes.
- **9** Select the tubes or wells you wish to run by clicking and dragging the mouse over the sample locations.
  - · Selected wells will change colour from white.
  - · Selected lanes on the controller ScreenTape image will change colour.
  - · Lanes which have been run previously will appear grey.

#### NOTE

For best sizing precision and accuracy, the user should run the appropriate ladder with the samples.

If 16 samples are to be analysed in parallel, the user may insert a software ladder for each application in the 2200 TapeStation analysis software. However, sizing may not be as accurate with a software ladder.

No software ladder is available for genomic DNA applications.

#### NOTE

ScreenTape can be used up to 2 weeks after first use if it has been stored upright between  $2-8\,^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Simply select the samples in the same manner as whole ScreenTape. The first sample selected will automatically appear in the first available lane.

#### NOTE

Partially used ScreenTape (those that contain lanes run on previous occasions) should be returned to the box and stored vertically between 2-8 °C for a maximum of 2 weeks.

#### **DNA Reagents**

Store from 2-8 °C.

#### **RNA Sample Buffer**

Store from 2-8 °C.

#### RNA Ladder

Store below –20 °C.

#### **P200 Reagents**

Store from -30 to -20 °C.

**Operating Procedure** 

**10** The sample selection can be deleted by right clicking on the sample plate image.

A menu will appear with the following options:

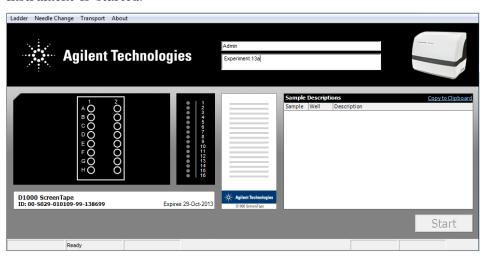
- $Clear \ All \ Selections$  this will clear ladder well and all sample wells selected
- **Clear Last Selection** this will only clear the last samples to be highlighted

NOTE

Pressing **Escape** on the keyboard will also cancel the current selections.

# **Add Experiment Notes**

**1** If required, notes can be manually entered into the software before the instrument is started.



**Operating Procedure** 

# **Describe Samples**

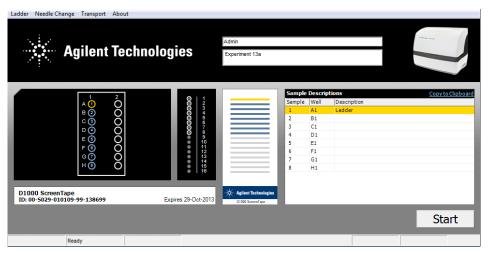
1 Sample descriptions can be manually entered into the software before the instrument is started and whilst the TapeStation is operating, before analysis software is launched.

OR

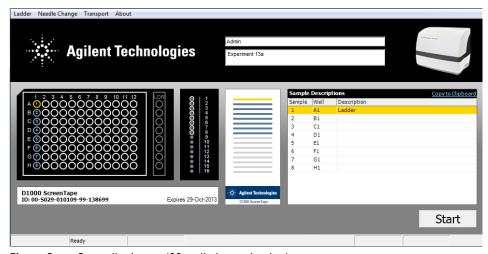
Sample data can be copied and pasted from an Excel table.

NOTE

The entered Sample descriptions data can be copied to clipboard by using the Copy to Clipboard link in the top right hand corner of the **Sample Description** table.



Controller image (8 way strip selection) Figure 5



Controller image (96 well plate selection) Figure 6

In the 96 well plate sample selection screen the panel labeled LDR is not available for NOTE selection.

All information entered in the control software will appear in the analysed results. NOTE

# **Start the TapeStation Run**

1 Click the start button.

This will produce a Save As window.

As a default the file name starts with the date, in reverse order, and a run counter. When run continuously, the save function auto increments the counter part of the file name.



**2** Type in the name that you wish the analysis to be saved as. Do not include a full stop ( . ) in file names.

# **Final Check**

#### ScreenTapeController:



- **1** Lift the lid of the TapeStation.
- **2** Ensure that there are fresh tips in the tip holder and that all the samples have been correctly loaded with lids removed and correspond to the sample selection on the screen.
- **3** Close the lid.

NOTE

Lifting the lid of the TapeStation after this time will abort the experimental run.

# **Running System**

# WARNING

#### **Exposure to potentially dangerous mechanical parts**

Do not open the lid whilst the front LED is flashing.

# **Abort the TapeStation Run**

- **1** If, for any reason, you wish to abort an experiment, click the abort button on the pop-up controller. The instrument will ask:
  - **a** If you want to reset the instrument to begin another experiment this will return the controller software and TapeStation to the beginning of the next experiment.
  - **b** If you want to close down the controller this will close the controller software and keep the TapeStation temporarily locked in its current state.

NOTE

Aborting the experiment will irretrievably discard any progress made and samples loaded.

# **Complete TapeStation Run**

When finished, a pop up will ask for removal of the tip cartridge and tape.

- 1 Remove tip cartridge and tape.
- 2 Click OK.

**Operating Procedure** 

# **Empty Tip Buckets**

1 Empty tip buckets.



NOTE

Used loading tips must be removed from the tip buckets before the next experimental run. The TapeStation will not start if tips are detected in the buckets.

Used ScreenTape, sample strips and tips should be disposed of in accordance to local regulations.

# **How to Use the Agilent TapeStation Software**

NOTE

For further information please refer to the software help.

This can be accessed by selecting the question mark (?) button in the top right hand corner of the 2200 TapeStation Analysis Software.

# **Shutdown and Restarting Procedure**

#### **Shutdown Procedure**

## NOTE

The controller software, TapeStation instrument and laptop should be shut down when not in use (preferably at the end of every working day).

# Ensure that the TapeStation System is shut down in the following order:

- 1 Exit the TapeStation Controller Software.
- 2 Turn off the TapeStation instrument.
- **3** Power down the laptop.

## **Restarting Procedure**

Ensure that the ScreenTape System is restarted in the following order:

- **1** Power up the laptop.
- **2** Turn on the TapeStation.
- **3** Start the TapeStation Controller Software.

# How to prepare your samples

#### WARNING

#### **Toxic agents**

The handling of solvents, samples and reagents can hold health and safety risks.

- When using/handling the ScreenTape and working with these substances observe appropriate safety procedures (for example by wearing goggles, safety gloves and protective clothing).
- → Always follow good laboratory practices and adhere to the guidelines established in your laboratory.
- → Refer to product material safety datasheets for further information.
- → The volume of substances should be reduced to the minimum required for the analysis.

## **CAUTION**

Damage to the 2200 TapeStation instrument

→ Use only the recommended consumables and reagents with the 2200 TapeStation system.

#### NOTE

- When pipetting sample buffer, ensure that excess buffer droplets are removed from the tip before transfer to the sample tubes. Care must be taken due to viscosity of Sample Buffers.
- When pipetting small volumes ensure that no sample remains within the tip.
- When adding sample buffer to sample, please ensure that they are mixed correctly by following assay instructions.
- Improper mixing can lead to quantification errors.
- Once mixed briefly centrifuge to collect the contents at the base of tubes.
- For best results ensure that all reagents are allowed to equilibrate to room temperature for 30 minutes prior to use.

## NOTE

For successful loading, the sample solution must be placed at the bottom of the tube or well without any air-bubbles. The 2200 TapeStation will load a sample from a minimum of  $3 \mu L$  onto ScreenTape.

## **Ladder Options**

#### NOTE

In **Ladder** mode in the controller software, a ladder should be loaded into the first available lane.

Alternatively the user can choose to run a software ladder. This is done by choosing **No ladder** in the 2200 TapeStation Controller software ladder menu, then running the instrument as normal. A software ladder can then be inserted in the 2200 TapeStation Analysis software. However, sizing may not be as accurate with a software ladder.

Ladders not run in the first available position, or in **No ladder** mode can later be assigned as ladder using the 2200 TapeStation Analysis Software.

# Good Measurement Practices for Analysing DNA on the Agilent 2200 TapeStation

# Quantification

#### **Protocol**

Ensure that sample and sample buffer volumes are from the correct protocol. Ensure that the reagents are used with the corresponding ScreenTape type. Ensure correct pipetting technique. When pipetting sample buffer, ensure that excess buffer droplets are removed from the tip before transfer to the sample tubes.

## **Correct Mixing**

Sample and sample buffer must be vortex mixed according to protocol, followed by centrifugation to remove any bubbles.

Insufficient mixing can cause discrepancies in quantification.

#### Mixing Protocols:

- D1000 and High Sensitivity D1000:
   Vortex mix using IKA vortexer and adaptor at 2000 rpm for 1 minute
- Genomic DNA:
   Manually vortex mix for 5 seconds on maximum speed

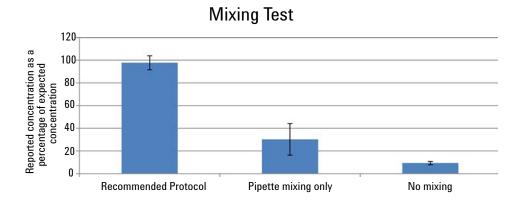


Figure 7 Effect of sample mixing on quantification results

# **Peak Integration**

Ensure that the upper marker is properly integrated. This is used for quantification.

Sample peaks should also be adjusted as required (see Figure 8 on page 51).

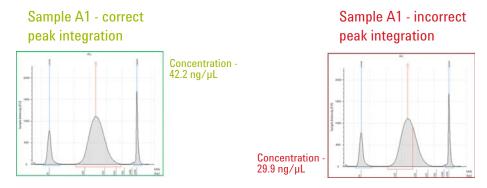


Figure 8 Peak integration (examples for correct and incorrect integration)

# **Quantitative Range**

For accurate quantification, ensure that the sample is within the range of the chosen ScreenTape.

- The quantitative range for D1000 ScreenTape is  $0.1-50~ng/\mu L$
- The quantitative range for High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape is 10  $1000~pg/\mu L$

NOTE

In extreme cases, overloading the ScreenTape will result in a loss of the bottom marker.

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#### Other Issues

Residual AMPure beads from SureSelect protocol can give signal which runs with the upper marker (see figure below).

Any signal under the upper marker affects quantification.

Removal of the beads removes the signal under the upper marker.

NOTE

This can be achieved using a magnetic plate as detailed in the Sure Select protocol. If you see this signal please increase the duration of this step.

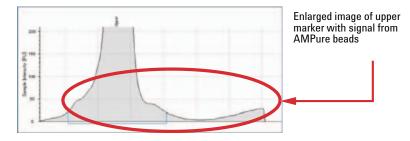


Figure 9 Upper marker with signal from AMPure beads

NOTE

Over amplification can also cause signal to run concurrently with the upper marker.

# **Sizing**

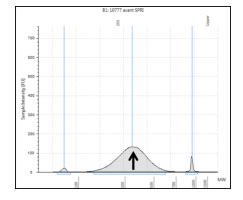
## Analysis software mode

Within the 2200 TapeStation analysis software sizing can be found in both electropherogram and region mode.

The sizing methods used in electropherogram and region mode will provide different sizing information.

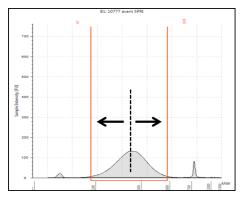
#### **Electropherogram View**

- · Calculates data for a peak
- The size reported is that of the highest point in the peak



#### **Region View**

- Calculates data for a smear or region
- Size given is that of the centre of the region's mass



# Lower and upper marker

Always ensure that the upper and lower markers have been identified correctly.

The markers are used as internal references to determine the molecular weight size of the sample.

NOTE

Incorrect identification will lead to miscalculations in reported sizing values.

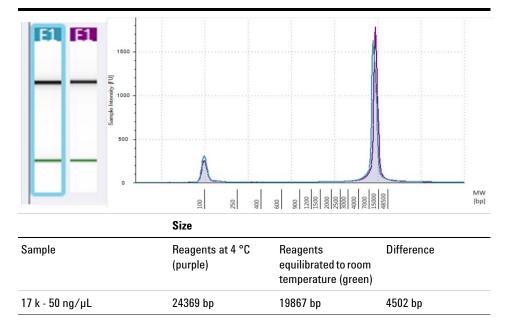
**Good Measurement Practices for Analysing DNA on the Agilent 2200 TapeStation** 

# **Genomic DNA**

# **Equilibrate Reagents to Room Temperature**

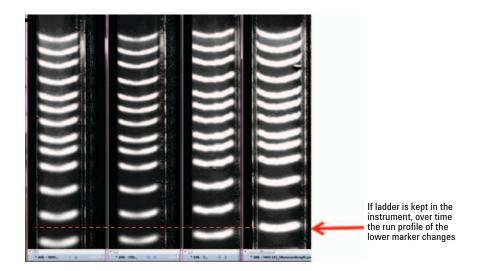
- Reagents must be equilibrated to room temperature for 30 minutes before use
- · Failure to do so can affect sizing results

 Table 2
 Genomic DNA: Effect of temperature on sizing results



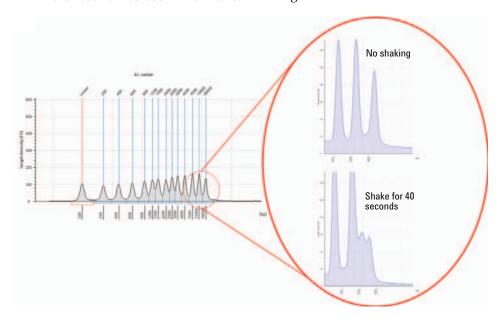
#### Use fresh ladder

- Ladder must be prepared fresh for each run, and run in the first available position
- Run profile decreases as ladder warms up and evaporates in the instrument
- · Will affect sizing results
- · No software ladder will be available for genomic DNA



# **Shaking Effect on Ladder**

- Manually shaking Genomic DNA Ladder vial by repeatedly inverting the tube results in degradation of the lambda DNA fragment
- · This effect is not seen with vortex mixing



**Good Measurement Practices for Analysing DNA on the Agilent 2200 TapeStation** 

# Molarity

# **Molarity**

Molarity is determined from both size and quantity.

NOTE

Errors in sizing and quantification will result in erroneous molarity calculations.

Always ensure that the good measurement practices for sizing and quantification have been followed to ensure accurate molarity values.

# **DNA Sample Preparation**

## NOTE

- When pipetting sample buffer, ensure that excess buffer droplets are removed from the tip before transfer to the sample tubes. Care must be taken due to viscosity of Sample Buffers.
- When pipetting small volumes ensure that no sample remains within the tip.
- When adding sample buffer to sample, please ensure that they are mixed correctly by following assay instructions.
- · Improper mixing can lead to quantification errors.
- Once mixed briefly centrifuge to collect the contents at the base of tubes.
- For best results ensure that all reagents are allowed to equilibrate to room temperature for 30 minutes prior to use.

#### NOTE

When using 96 well plates, the use of a 96 well plate vortex adaptor is advised to ensure correct sample mixing. Improper mixing can lead to quantification errors.

As with samples in PCR strips, briefly centrifuge after vortexing to collect the contents at the base of the tubes before placing into the TapeStation.

**DNA Sample Preparation** 

#### NOTE

#### Mixing recommendations

- TapeStation instruments are supplied with an optional IKA MS3 vortexer which includes
  a 96 well plate adaptor suitable for both 96 well PCR plates and 8 way strips.
- This vortexer is recommended for use with the following applications:
  - D1000 ScreenTape Assay
  - High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay
  - RNA ScreenTape Assay
  - High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay
- It is recommended that all current TapeStation users purchase this instrument direct from IKA for use with these assays. Please quote part numbers 5067-5700 and 4674100 when ordering.
  - Agilent Technologies will not sell these parts separately.
- If an IKA MS3 vortexer is not available, please ensure thorough manual vortex mixing 10 seconds on maximum speed.

#### NOTE

For successful loading, the sample solution must be placed at the bottom of the tube or well without any air-bubbles. The 2200 TapeStation will load a sample from a minimum of  $3~\mu L$  onto ScreenTape.

#### NOTE

For best sizing precision and accuracy, run the appropriate ladder with the samples.

If 16 samples need to be analysed in parallel, you may choose to insert a software ladder in the 2200 TapeStation analysis software. However, sizing may not be as accurate with a software ladder.

No Software ladder is available for the Genomic DNA application.

# Sample Preparation D1000 ScreenTape Assay

# **Prepare TapeStation D1000**

#### Parts required p/n Description

5067-5582 D1000 ScreenTape

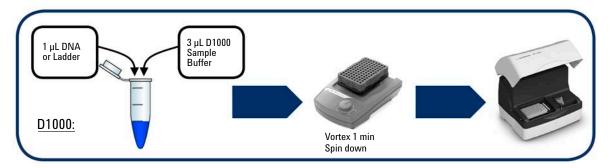
- 1 Launch the Agilent 2200 TapeStation software.
- 2 Load D1000 ScreenTape and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation.

# Sample Preparation D1000 ScreenTape Assay

#### Parts required p/n Description

5067-5583 D1000 Reagents (D1000 Ladder, D1000 Sample Buffer)

- 1 Allow reagents to equilibrate at room temperature for 30 min
- **2** Vortex mix before use
- 3 If running ladder, add 3 μL D1000 Sample Buffer ( ) to 1 μL D1000 Ladder ( )
- 4 Add 3 μL D1000 Sample Buffer ( ) to 1 μL DNA sample
- 5 Vortex using IKA vortexer and adaptor at 2000 rpm for 1 min
- 6 Spin down to position the sample at the bottom of the tube.



# Sample Preparation High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay

# **Prepare TapeStation**

#### Parts required p/n Description

5067-5584 High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape

- 1 Launch the Agilent 2200 TapeStation software.
- **2** Load High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation.

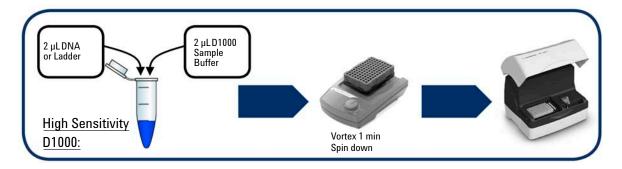
## Sample Preparation High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay

#### Parts required p/n Description

5067-5585 High Sensitivity D1000 Reagents (High Sensitivity D1000 Ladder, High

Sensitivity D1000 Sample Buffer)

- 1 Allow reagents to equilibrate at room temperature for 30 min
- **2** Vortex mix before use
- 3 If running ladder, add 2 μL High Sensitivity D1000 Sample Buffer ( ) to 2 μL High Sensitivity D1000 Ladder ( )
- **4** Add 2 μL High Sensitivity D1000 Sample Buffer ( ) to 2 μL DNA sample
- **5** Vortex using IKA vortexer and adaptor at 2000 rpm for 1 min
- **6** Spin down to position the sample at the bottom of the tube.



# Sample Preparation Genomic DNA ScreenTape Assay

# **Prepare TapeStation**

#### Parts required

p/n Description

5067-5365 Genomic DNA ScreenTape

- 1 Launch the Agilent 2200 TapeStation software.
- **2** Load Genomic DNA ScreenTape and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation.

### Sample Preparation Genomic DNA ScreenTape Assay

#### Parts required

p/n Description

5067-5366 Genomic DNA Reagents

- 1 Equilibrate all reagents to room temperature for 30 min.
- **2** Prepare Ladder
  - **a** Aliquot a minimum of 3  $\mu L$  Genomic DNA Ladder ( ) into the first tube/well.

#### NOTE

Use a fresh ladder for each run. If using 96-well plates, always run the ladder in first selected position. No software ladder is available for the Genomic DNA assay.

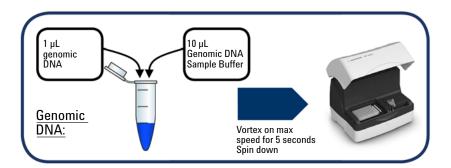
#### NOTE

Do not shake ladder vial. This could result in degradation of the Genomic DNA ladder.

- **3** Prepare Sample
  - **a** Mix 1  $\mu$ L genomic DNA sample (10 100 ng/ $\mu$ L) with 10  $\mu$ L Genomic DNA Sample Buffer ( $\bullet$ ).
  - **b** Spin down, then vortex on maximum speed for 5 s.
  - **c** Spin down to position the sample at the bottom of the tube.

**DNA Sample Preparation** 

**4** Load sample plate, tips, ScreenTape and Samples into the TapeStation as detailed in operating procedure section.



# **RNA Sample Preparation**

## CAUTION

#### Sample degradation

- → Ensure all working areas, reagents and plastic ware are RNase free.
- → Handle RNA samples with care.
- Wear gloves at all times.
- Thaw RNA samples on ice.
- → Vortex and centrifuge all samples before use.
- → Store RNA samples on ice throughout the ScreenTape analysis procedure.

#### NOTE

- It is important to place the samples on ice directly after the denaturation step as this
  aids complete and stable denaturation of the RNA.
- To ensure optimal performance of the RNA ScreenTape platform samples should be analysed, using the 2200 TapeStation, within 3 h of the denaturation step when left on the 2200 TapeStation system. Beyond 3 h, denatured samples should be stored on ice, or in a suitable freezable sample block.

#### NOTE

- For best results ensure that all reagents are allowed to equilibrate to room temperature prior to use.
- When pipetting Sample Buffer, ensure that excess buffer droplets are removed from the tip before transfer to the sample tubes.
  - Care must be taken due to the viscosity of Sample Buffers.
- When pipetting small volumes ensure that no sample remains within the tip.
- When adding Sample Buffer to sample, please ensure thate they are mixed correctly. To achieve this, gently mix several times with additional pipetting, then cap the tubes, vortex mix using IKA vortexer and adaptor at 2000 rpm for 1 min.
- Briefly centrifuge to collect the contents at the base of the tubes.
- Improper mixing can lead to quantification errors.

**RNA Sample Preparation** 

#### NOTE

#### Mixing recommendations

- TapeStation instruments are supplied with an optional IKA MS3 vortexer which includes
  a 96 well plate adaptor suitable for both 96 well PCR plates and 8 way strips.
- This vortexer is recommended for use with the following applications:
  - D1000 ScreenTape Assay
  - High Sensitivity D1000 ScreenTape Assay
  - RNA ScreenTape Assay
  - High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay
- It is recommended that all current TapeStation users purchase this instrument direct from IKA for use with these assays. Please quote part numbers 5067-5700 and 4674100 when ordering.
  - · Agilent Technologies will not sell these parts separately.
- If an IKA MS3 vortexer is not available, please ensure thorough manual vortex mixing 10 seconds on maximum speed.

# Sample Preparation RNA ScreenTape Assay

# **Prepare TapeStation**

#### Parts required

p/n Description 5067-5576 RNA ScreenTape

- 1 Launch the Agilent 2200 TapeStation software.
- 2 Load RNA ScreenTape and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation.
- 3 Select RNA Protocol (Eukaryotic RNA or Prokaryotic RNA)

### Sample Preparation RNA ScreenTape Assay

#### Parts required

p/n	Description
5067-5577	RNA ScreenTape Sample Buffer
5067-5578	RNA ScreenTape Ladder

- 1 Allow reagents to equilibrate at room temperature for 30 min
- **2** Vortex mix before use

- 3 Thaw total RNA samples on ice
- 4 Add 5 μL Sample Buffer ( ) to 1 μL RNA sample or RNA Ladder ( )



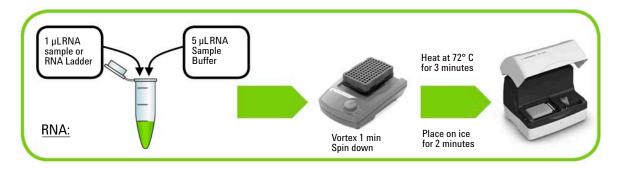
## NOTE

For best results, use the reverse pipetting technique.

- **5** Vortex using IKA vortexer and adaptor at 2000 rpm for 1 min
- 6 Spin down to position the sample at the bottom of the tube.

**RNA Sample Preparation** 

- **7** Sample denaturation
  - a Heat samples to 72 °C for 3 min
  - **b** Place samples on ice for 2 min
  - c Centrifuge to collect samples in the base of the tubes



# Sample Preparation High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay

#### **Prepare TapeStation**

#### Parts required

p/n Description

5067-5579 High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape

Description

- 1 Launch the Agilent 2200 TapeStation software.
- 2 Load High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation.
- 3 Select RNA Protocol (Eukaryotic RNA or Prokaryotic RNA)

## Sample Preparation High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Assay

#### Parts required

p/n	Description
5067-5580	High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Sample Buffer
5067-5581	High Sensitivity RNA ScreenTape Ladder

- 1 Allow reagents to equilibrate at room temperature for 30 min
- **2** Vortex mix before use
- **3** Thaw total RNA samples on ice
- 4 Prepare Ladder solution by diluting to 20 μL with RNase free water
- 5 Add 1 μL Sample Buffer ( ) to 2 μL RNA sample or diluted RNA ScreenTape Ladder (-)

#### NOTE

For best results, use the reverse pipetting technique.

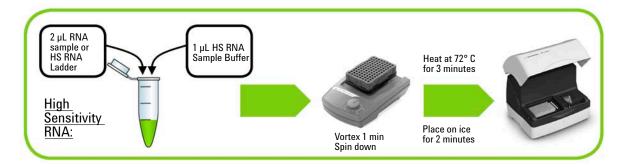
#### NOTE

Freeze any unused Ladder at -20 °C

- 6 Vortex using IKA vortexer and adaptor at 2000 rpm for 1 min
- 7 Spin down to position the sample at the bottom of the tube.

**RNA Sample Preparation** 

- **8** Sample denaturation
  - a Heat samples to 72 °C for 3 min
  - **b** Place samples on ice for 2 min
  - c Centrifuge to collect samples in the base of the tubes



# **Protein Sample Preparation**

#### NOTE

- When pipetting sample buffer, ensure that excess buffer droplets are removed from the tip before transfer to the sample tubes. Care must be taken due to viscosity of Sample Buffers.
- When pipetting small volumes ensure that no sample remains within the tip.
- When adding sample buffer to sample, please ensure that they are mixed correctly by following assay instructions.
- Improper mixing can lead to quantification errors.
- Once mixed briefly centrifuge to collect the contents at the base of tubes.
- For best results ensure that all reagents are allowed to equilibrate to room temperature for 30 minutes prior to use.

#### NOTE

When using 96 well plates, the use of a 96 well plate vortex adaptor is advised to ensure correct sample mixing. Improper mixing can lead to quantification errors.

As with samples in PCR strips, briefly centrifuge after vortexing to collect the contents at the base of the tubes before placing into the TapeStation.

#### NOTE

For successful loading, the sample solution must be placed at the bottom of the tube or well without any air-bubbles. The 2200 TapeStation will load a sample from a minimum of  $3 \mu L$  onto ScreenTape.

#### NOTE

For best sizing precision and accuracy, run the appropriate ladder with the samples.

If 16 samples need to be analysed in parallel, you may choose to insert a software ladder in the 2200 TapeStation analysis software. However, sizing may not be as accurate with a software ladder.

No Software ladder is available for the Genomic DNA application.

# Sample Preparation P200 ScreenTape Assay

#### **Protein Sample Analysis**

#### Parts required p/n Description

5067-5371 P200 ScreenTape 5067-5372 P200 Reagents

- 1 Launch the Agilent 2200 TapeStation software.
- **2** Load P200 ScreenTape and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation.

### Sample Preparation P200 ScreenTape Assay

#### Parts required p/n Description

5067-5372 P200 Reagents

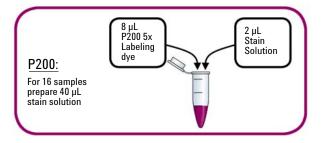
- **1** Prepare the P200 stain solution.
  - a Dilute P200 5X Labeling Dye ( ) at a ratio of 1:5 with P200 Labeling Buffer ( )

#### NOTE

The prepared stain solution is best used on the day of formulation, however it can be stored for up to one week below -20 °C.

For normal applications, 2  $\mu$ L of formulated stain solution is required for 2  $\mu$ L of sample. For 16 samples 8  $\mu$ L of 5X Stain would be diluted with 32  $\mu$ L of Stain Buffer. The resultant stain solution should be thoroughly mixed before use.

For certain applications, particularly with high protein concentrations, higher concentrations of stain can be used in combination with altered ratios of stain to sample.



#### 2 Stain protein sample or ladder.

#### NOTE

The P200 ladder ( ) should be processed through the P200 sample preparation procedure in the same manner as your samples.

In **Ladder** mode, selected in the ladder options in the controller software, P200 ladder is automatically selected as the first sample in the TapeStation controller.

The user can also select to run no ladder, and then to insert a software ladder in the 2200 TapeStation Analysis software. However, sizing may not be as accurate with a software ladder.

- **a** Place 2 μL of P200 stain solution (prepared above) into a PCR tube strip or 96 well plate.
- **b** Pipette 2  $\mu$ L of the protein sample or ladder into the tube, mix and attach the lids or foil cover to prevent evaporation.
- **c** Heat for 7 min at 75 °C.
- **d** After heating, remove condensation from the lids (or foil cover) of the tubes by centrifugation.

#### NOTE

P200 pH buffer (clear) is supplied to allow the user to dilute samples to alleviate issues with staining efficiency caused by low pH. The use of P200 pH Buffer resolves these issues in most circumstances. For further information on buffer compatibility, contact your Agilent Technologies representative.

- **3** Denaturate sample.
  - a Choose which sample buffer is required: P200 Reducing Sample Buffer (O) or P200 Non-reducing Sample Buffer (D).

#### NOTE

It is recommended that P200 Reducing Sample Buffer is used for the denaturation of P200 Ladder.

- **b** Add 4  $\mu$ L of the relevant P200 sample buffer to the stained sample and replace the lids or foil cover.
- c Mix then heat at 75 °C for 5 min.
- **d** Remove condensation from the lids (or foil cover) of the tubes by centrifugation.
- 4 Add 2 μL of P200 Marker (•) to each sample and to the P200 ladder.

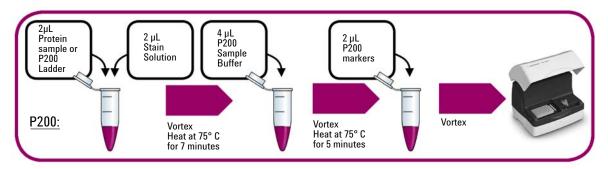
**Protein Sample Preparation** 

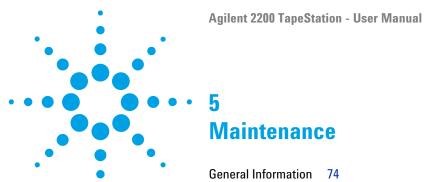
**5** Mix the solution well, and centrifuge to ensure that the sample is at the bottom of the tube, ready for analysis on the TapeStation.

## NOTE

P200 Marker is formulated with a high percentage of glycerol. Due to the high density of this reagent, the user must ensure that the samples are adequately mixed prior to analysis on the TapeStation. Failure to do so may result in unsatisfactory analysis results.

**6** Load sample plate, tips, ScreenTape and Samples into the TapeStation as detailed in operating procedure section.





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This chapter describes the maintenance of the TapeStation system.

### 5 Maintenance

**General Information** 

# **General Information**

Annual Preventative Maintenance (PM) is essential for the TapeStation as it has many moving parts.

This PM should be arranged with your local Agilent representative and consists of

- · Fan Filter replacement
- Needle replacement
- Electrophoresis probe replacement
- Internal instrument inspection for wear, foreign objects and general clean inside and out

In addition to the above, the engineer will check that the instrument is functional by running a full ScreenTape.

For customers with exceptionally high usage the needle replacement procedure as detailed in the section below can also be performed between annual PM services.

# **Changing the Needle**

It is important to know which TapeStation system you have before changing the needle(s), in order to purchase the correct needle cartridge.

 Table 3
 Overview TapeStation Configuration - Needle Cartridge

Product Number	TapeStation Configuration	Pump	Needle Cartridge Ordering Code	
ST007	TapeStation for ScreenPlex			
ST008	TapeStation for DNA	Single	G2960-60062	
ST009	TapeStation for Nucleic acids			
ST017	TapeStation for ScreenPlex			
ST019	TapeStation for Nucleic acids	Twin	G2960-60063	
ST010	TapeStation for Protein / Combined TapeStation			
G2960A	2200 TapeStation System			
G2961A	2200 TapeStation Nucleic Acid System			
G2964AA	2200 TapeStation System	Twin	G2960-60063	
G2965AA	2200 TapeStation Nucleic Acid System			
G2966AA	2200 TapeStation ScreenPlex System			

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### Needle change intervals:

- After 3840 (7680 lanes in a Dual loading system) pierces, the controller software will inform the user that a needle change is pending. The word Needle will appear in the bottom of the controller software inside a yellow box.
- After 4160 pierces (8320 lanes in a Dual loading system), a needle change is recommended. The box around the word Needle will change from yellow to red.
- After 4480 pierces (8960 lanes in a Dual loading system), the needle has completed its lifetime and must be changed before the TapeStation will start.

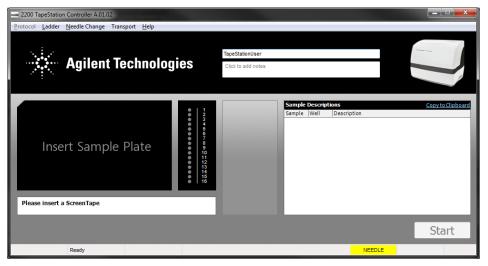


Figure 10 Controller software indicating a Needle change is recommended

Parts required	#	p/n	Description
	1	G2960-60062	Needle cartridge (for use in single pump systems) For use with product numbers ST007, ST008 and ST009
OR	1	G2960-60063	Needle cartridge (for use in dual pump systems) For use with product numbers ST017, ST019, ST010, G2960A, G2961A, G2964AA, G2965AA and G2966AA

#### NOTE

New needles cartridges can be ordered at any time from Agilent Technologies by contacting your local sales agent.

For details on correct needle cartridge for your TapeStation model, refer to Table 3 on page 75.

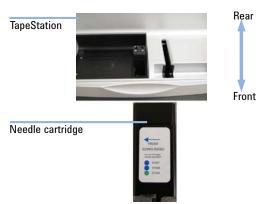
#### Change the needle cartridge

- 1 Remove the sample plate and tip holder.
- **2** Remove the foil tab from the top of the needle cartridge.

### NOTE

Care must be taken to keep the needle cartridge level after removing the foil tab

**3** Insert the needle cartridge into the tip holder space, using the label for orientation. The cartridge should be placed so that the label faces to the right, and the printed arrow points to the front of the TapeStation.



- **4** Close the lid.
- ${f 5}$  Go to Needle Change on the Controller software toolbar and select Run.

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**Changing the Needle** 



This chapter provides addition information.

### 6 Appendix

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This product has a sound pressure emission (at the operator position) < 70 dB.

- Sound Pressure Lp < 70 dB (A)
- · At Operator Position
- Normal Operation
- According to ISO 7779:1988/EN 27779/1991 (Type Test)

# The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive

#### Abstract

The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive (2002/96/EC), adopted by EU Commission on 13 February 2003, is introducing producer responsibility on all electric and electronic appliances starting with 13 August 2005.

### NOTE

This product complies with the WEEE Directive (2002/96/EC) marking requirements. The affixed label indicates that you must not discard this electrical/electronic product in domestic household waste.

**Product Category:** 

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### NOTE

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