

# Patents, Research Publications, Projects with Rainmaker Engineering Instrument, Microarray Focus

## Programmable Arrays

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## High Density Diffusion-Free Nanowell Arrays (featured on cover)

*Bharath R. Takulapalli, Ji Qiu, D. Mitchell Magee, Peter Kahn, Al Brunner, Kristi Barker, Steven Means, Shane Miersch, Xiaofang Bian, Alex Mendoza, Fernanda Festa, Karan Syal, Jin G. Park, Joshua LaBaer, and Peter Wiktor Journal of Proteome Research 2012 11 (8), 4382-4391 DOI: 10.1021/pr300467q (2013)*

Project Description – Rainmaker2 (RM2) & Rainmaker3 (RM3) Instruments and dispense heads: Engineering Arts (Phoenix Arizona) led development, construction and support of custom engineering prototype instruments. 16 Channel picoliter on-the-fly targeted nanowell printing. **The instruments have been in routine use over 10 years** at [ASU Biodesign](#). Most publications and patents in this section have utilized the RM2 and RM3 instruments. In 2021 we released the RM3 to production printing HD-NAPPA (14,000 wells per slide). In Feb, 2023 we released the UHD Silicon Nanowells slides, **doubling** our HD subarray printing density. In 2024 we will further reduce costs by doubling again, releasing a version with 40,000 nanowells per slide. See: [RM2 Video \(short\)](#) , [RM3.ASU](#), [UHD-NAPPA Print Video\(2023\)](#), [Protein Microarray Panel Discussion](#), [SPOC.BIO](#) (ASU spinout and RM3, Sensor Integrated Proteome on Chip).

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Industrial Microarray Printing with Rainmaker:



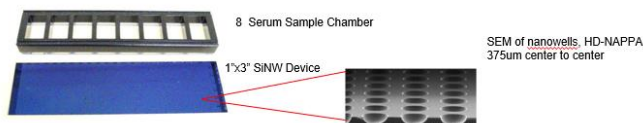
Research Specialist Ariene Ow visually inspects the tips on the Rainmaker3 before a piezo dispense print to produce a high density NAPPA. Photo by Andy DeLisle



**Microarray Manufacturing (formerly Applied Microarrays Inc):**

- Non-contact piezo spotting
- 136 slides or 128 plates per spotting build
- Custom fixtures for semiconductor devices
- Spot volumes from picoliter to microliter range
- 100% automated optical inspection
- Intelligent chip feature-finding software for semiconductor devices

- SiNW (Silicon Nanowell) Devices for HD-NAPPA
  - 14,000 wells per 1x3" device (HD-NAPPA)
  - 20,000 wells per 1x3" device (UHD-NAPPA), Released 2/2023



### Antiviral Antibody Profiling by High-density Protein Arrays

*Bian, X., Wiktor, P., Kahn, P., Brunner, A., Khela, A., Karthikeyan, K., Barker, K., Yu, X., Magee, M., Wasserfall, C. H., Gibson, D., Rooney, M. E., Qiu, J. and LaBaer, J., Proteomics, 15: 2136–2145. doi: 10.1002/pmic.201400612 (2015)*

### Microreactor Array Device

*Peter Wiktor, Al Brunner, Peter Kahn, Ji Qiu, Mitch Magee, Xiaofang Bian, Kailash Karthikeyan and Joshua LaBaer  
Scientific Reports 5, Article number: 8736 doi:10.1038/srep08736 (2015)*

### A Contra Capture Protein Array Platform for Studying Post-translationally Modified (PTM) Auto-antigenomes.

*Karthikeyan K, Barker K, Tang Y, Kahn P, Wiktor P, Brunner A, Knabben V, Takulapalli B, Buckner J, Nepom G, LaBaer J, Qiu J.  
Mol Cell Proteomics. 2016 Jul;15(7):2324-37. doi: 10.1074/mcp.M115.057661.  
(2016)*

### ABH-glycan microarray characterizes ABO subtype antibodies: fine specificity of immune tolerance after ABO-incompatible transplantation

*Mylvaganam Jeyakanthan, .. Lori J.  
West American Journal of Transplantation doi: 10.1111/ajt.13625 (2015).*

### Nanoprobe NAPPAs Arrays for the Nanoconductimetric Analysis of Ultra-Low-Volume Protein Samples Using Piezoelectric Liquid Dispensing Technology

*Eugenia Pechkova, Peter Wiktor, Nicola Bragazzi, Fernanda Festa, Claudio Nicolini  
NanoWorld Journal 04/2015; 1(1):26-31. DOI: 10.17756/nwj.2015-004*

### Measurement of Small Molecule Binding Kinetics on a Protein Microarray by Plasmonic-Based Electrochemical Impedance Imaging

*Wenbin Liang, S Wang, F Festa, P Wiktor, W Wang, M Magee, J LaBaer, Nongjian Tao  
Analytical Chemistry 08/2014; 86(19). DOI:10.1021/ac5024556*

### In situ electroporation of surface-bound siRNAs in microwell arrays

*Tilak Jain, Adrian Papas, Amol Jadhav, Ryan McBride and Enrique Saez  
Lab Chip, 2012, 12, 939*

Multiplexed Nucleic Acid Programmable Protein Arrays September 2017, *Theranostics* 7(16):4057-4070 Xiaobo Yu, Lusheng Song, et al.

## Patents, Research Publications, Projects with Engineering Arts Dispense Technology, CryoEM Focus

US Patent US9702795

Apparatus and method for producing specimens for electron microscopy

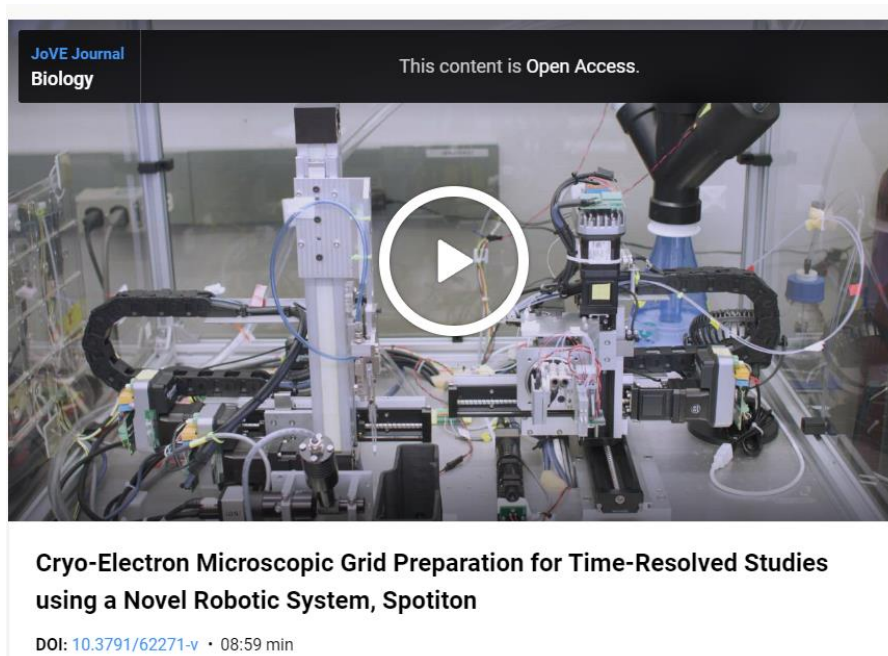
*Issued: 11 July, 2017*

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Cryo-Electron Microscopic Grid Preparation for Time-Resolved Studies using a Novel Robotic System, Spotiton

J Vis Exp. 2021(168):e62271 (JoVE Journal), DOI: [10.3791/62271-v](https://doi.org/10.3791/62271-v) , Peer Review Video Journal !!

Budell, W. C., Allegrì, L., Dandey, V., Potter, C. S., Carragher, B.



Project Description - Spotiton Instrument: Engineering Arts (Phoenix Arizona) designed and built the Spotiton instrument; custom engineering prototype Cyro-EM instrument in 2014 for the NYSBC team (NYC). **The instrument has been in routine use for 9 years.** Lead mechanical engineer was Terry Rohde (Engineering Arts). Custom control software was written by Peter Kahn (Engineering Arts) but all recent improvements have been led by NYSBC's local software development engineer (Luis Allegrì, NYC). The software development platform is C# .NET (Visual Studio, windows forms development). The NRAMM team (led by Chase Budell) has worked hard to continuously improve the instrument by adding capabilities throughout the years. Engineering Arts (Peter Kahn) was on site in 2019 to perform a major upgrade adding time resolved capability (ability to rapidly mix then freeze **two** samples on a grid) but other than that ....the NRAMM team has been self-sufficient with remote support from the Engineering Arts team provided from time to time. Most publications and patents in this section have utilized the Spotiton instrument. SPT has developed and offers a single channel commercial version of the instrument (Chameleon).

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## Time-resolved cryoEM using Spotiton

10 Aug 2020, Nature Methods, Brief Communication

*Venkata P. Dandey, William C. Budell, Hui Wei, Daija Bobe, Kashyap Maruthi, Mykhailo Kopylov, Edward Eng, Peter A. Kahn, Jenny E. Hinshaw, Nidhi Kundu, Crina M. Nimigean, Chen Fan, Nattakan Sukomon, Seth Darst, Ruth Saecker, James Chen, Brandon Malone, Clinton S. Potter, Bridget Carragher*

## Spotiton: New features and applications

*Journal of Structural Biology, Volume 202, Issue 2, (2018)*

*Venkata P. Dandey, Hui Wei, Zhening Zhang, Yong Zi Tan, Priyamvada Acharya, Edward T. Eng, William J. Rice, Peter A. Kahn, Clinton S. Potter, Bridget Carragher*

## A new method for vitrifying samples for cryoEM.

*Razinkov I, Dandey VP, Wei H, Zhang Z, Melnekoff D, Rice WJ, Wigge C, Potter CS, Carragher B*

*Journal of Structural Biology, 195(2):190-198. (2016)*

## Spotiton: A prototype for an integrated inkjet dispense and vitrification system for cryoTEM

*Tilak Jain, Patrick Sheehan, John Crum, Bridget Carragher, Clinton S. Potter Journal of Structural Biology, Volume 179, Issue 1, (2012)*

## A Microdroplet-Based Colorimetric Sensing Platform on a CMOS Imager Chip

*Kyle R. Mallires, Di Wang, Peter Wiktor, and Nongjian Tao*

*Analytical Chemistry 2020 92 (13), 9362-9369*

*DOI: 10.1021/acs.analchem.0c0175*

## SPT Chameleon Instrument Overview:

<https://www.sptlabtech.com/resources/chameleon-overview-video> , Commercial instrument further developed and released by SPT Labtech based on the Spotiton instrument and US9702795 patent license.



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