

nCounter® **Analysis System**



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Faster than qPCR. Simpler than NGS.

The nCounter[®] platform provides a simple and costeffective solution for multiplex analysis of up to 800 RNA, DNA, or protein targets from your precious samples.

Save Time

- Expertly curated pre-formatted panels for human. mouse and non-human primate
- 15-minutes total hands-on time with no amplification, cDNA conversion or library prep required
- Sample to Publication ready figures in ~24 hours

Save Sample

• Optimized performance on difficult sample types including FFPE, tissue, lysates and biofluid samples

Save Resources

- Advanced analysis tools reduce the need for **Bioinformatics support**
- Digital gene expression eliminates need for technical replicates

Molecules That Count®

HIGHLY MULTIPLEXED SINGLE MOLECULE COUNTING

NanoString's patented molecular barcodes provide a true digital detection technology capable of highly multiplexed analysis*.



HYBRIDIZE

Two probes hybridize directly to a target molecule in solution. The Reporter Probe carries the fluorescent barcode and the Capture Probe contains a biotin moiety that immobilizes the hybridized complex for data collection.

PURIFY + IMMOBILIZE

After hybridization, samples are transferred to an nCounter instrument which removes excess probes. Purified target-probe complexes are bound, immobilized and aligned on the imaging surface of the nCounter cartridge.

EXCESS PROBES REMOVED





COUNT

Sample cartridges are scanned by an automated fluorescence microscope. Barcodes are counted for each target molecule and the data are exported as a simple CSV file.



SOLUTION PHASE HYBRIDIZATION



HYBRIDIZED PROBES BIND TO CARTRIDGE



COMPLEXES ARE IMMOBILIZED AND ALIGNED ON CARTRIDGE



BARCODES COUNTED



nCounter[°] Systems



AN INSTRUMENT FOR EVERY NEED	integrated benchtop system for Research Labs	for Core Labs and high sample throughput	for Translational Labs and clinical applications
nCOUNTER LIFE SCIENCE ASSAYS	\checkmark	S	\bigcirc
nCOUNTER ELEMENTS™	\checkmark		\bigcirc
EXPANDABLE with Additional Prep Station	No	⊘	S
ENTERPRISE PACKAGE	No		\bigcirc
PROSIGNA optional add-on	No	No	S
RUNS PER DAY	2	4*	4*
THROUGHPUT (LANES PER DAY)	24	48-96*	48-96*
HANDS ON TIME	10 min	15 min	15 min
		* Additional Pr	ep Station required for > 24 lanes per day.
TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DATA POINTS EVERY DAY	# of Genes per Run	Samples per Day	Data Points per Day
nCOUNTER SPRINT (1 sample per lane)	800 genes ×	24 samples	= 19,200
nCOUNTER FLEX (1 sample per lane)	800 genes ×	48 samples	= 38,400
nCOUNTER MAX (2 Prep Stations; 1 sample per lane)	800 genes ×	96 samples	= 76,800
nCOUNTER MAX (2 Prep Stations; 4 samples per lane)	200 genes ×	384 samples	= 76,800
INCREASE SAMPLE THROUGHPUT WITH nCOUNTER PLEXSET™	# of Genes per Run	Samples per Day	Data Points per Day

CHEMISTRY

nCOUNTER MAX (2 Prep Stations; 8 samples per lane)

24 genes

nCOUNTER SPRINT (2 prep stations; 8 samples per lane)

24 genes

Exceptional Reproducibility and Performance



Faster than qPCR, simpler than NGS



Strong analytical performancesensitive, precise and quantitative digital data

Single tube multiplexing-

Easy-to-use-fully automated,

intuitive user interface

800+ targets







Data analysis—generate publication quality figures quickly and easily with nSolver™ Analysis Software and the cloud-based ROSALIN™D Platform

Flexible samples—optimized

performance with most sample

Quality assurance—One platform

for both basic and translational research; GMP compliant/ISO

types including FFPE, PBMCs

and FACS samples

13485 certified



Amplification Free Analysis*

Most nCounter assays do not require amplification of target sequence for detection and can be performed with 25-100 ng of input material which is ideal for investigators working with precious samples.

This amount is equivalent to a single curl of FFPE tissue and data are comparable to that generated with matched fresh-frozen material.

*Samples run with the Low RNA Input Kit (enables analysis from 1 ng of RNA, 10 ng from FFPE) require amplification prior to sample processing and data collection.

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Run		Samples per Day		Data Points per Day
	×	768 samples	=	18,432
	×	192 samples	=	4,608

One Chemistry Many Applications

NanoString's molecular barcoding technology uses color-coded molecular barcodes that can hybridize directly to many different types of target molecules. It is ideal for a range of applications requiring efficient, high-precision quantitation of hundreds of target molecules across a sample set. All nCounter assays generate high-quality results from challenging sample types, including FFPE and crude cell lysates.

Gene Expression Analysis

- Rapidly analyze 800+ genes simultaneously
- No RT, no enzyme and no amplification*
- Lyse and Go protocols for cells, blood and FFPE

miRNA Expression Analysis

- Multiplexed target profiling of miRNA in a single reaction
- Targeted miRNA discovery and validation on one platform
- Excellent specificity: accurately distinguish between highly similar miRNAs

miRGE[™] Expression Analysis

- Simultaneously profile miRNA and mRNA expression in a single reaction
- No RT, no amplification and fewer pipetting steps

Fusion Gene Analysis

- Identify fusion events without knowledge of partner genes
- Characterize specific fusions by probing the junction sequence
- Study fusions and gene expression targets in the same assay

IncRNA Expression Analysis

- High precision, digital quantification of IncRNAs
- Analyze up to 800 IncRNAs in a single reaction with no amplification















Copy Number Variation (CNV) Analysis

- Custom and cancer-specific panels
- Internal controls including invariant genomic regions and spike-in process controls
- Analyzes 0-4 bi-allelic and multi-allelic CNVs

Protein and Phospho-protein Expression Analysis

- Multi-plex content focused on key areas in oncology research
- Profile 30 proteins simultaneously
- Customizable panels with our protein barcoding service
- Compatible with primary cells and FFPE

Panels to Accelerate Your Research

NanoString's pre-made panels are available for a number of important pathway and research areas. All panels are created with input from industry experts and current research topics and are updated regularly.

nCOUNTER PANEL SPECIFICATIONS

GENE EXPRESSION PANELS	
DESCRIPTION	NO. OF GENES HU/MS
PanCancer IO 360	770/770
PanCancer Pathways	770/770
PanCancer Immune Profiling	770/770
PanCancer Progression	770*
Breast Cancer 360	776*
Tumor Signaling 360	780/780
CAR-T Characterization	780*
ADC Development	770/770
Canine IO	800**
TCR Diversity	129*
Metabolic Pathways	768/768
Immune Exhaustion	785/785
Neuropathology	770/770
Neuroinflammation	770/770
Alzheimer's Disease (made on-demand)	770/770
Glial Profiling	770/770
Myeloid Innate Immunity	770/754
Immunology	594/561

GENE EXPRESSION PANELS			
DESCRIPTION	NO. OF GENES HU/MS		
Inflammation	255/254		
Autoimmune Profiling	770/770		
Fibrosis	770/770		
Human Organ Transplant	770*		
Non-Human Primate (NHP) Immunology	770***		
Immunology	594/561		
Host Response	785/785		
Stem Cell Characterization	770/770		

miRNA TARGETED DISCOVERY PANELS		
DESCRIPTION	NO. OF miRNAS	
Human v3	827	
Mouse v1.5	577	
Rat v1.5	423	

HUMAN CANCER CNV	
DESCRIPTION	NO. OF GENES
CNVs (~3 probes per region) commonly amplified or deleted in cancer	87

nCOUNTER[®] VANTAGE 3D[™] HUMAN ASSAYS

RNA PANELS		PROTEIN PANELS	
DESCRIPTION	NO. OF GENES	DESCRIPTION	NO. OF PROTEINS
Adaptive Immunity	192	Immune Cell Profiling for cell suspensions	30
Innate Immunity	192	Immune Cell Signaling for cell suspensions	26
Cancer Metabolism	192	Solid Tumor for FFPE	26
Intracellular Signaling	192	Heme for FFPE	35
Cellular Profiling	192		
Wnt Pathways	192		
DNA Damage and Repair	192		
MAPK-PI3K Pathways	192		
Heme	192		
Lung Fusion	63		
Leukemia Fusion	42		

nCOUNTER[®] VANTAGE 3D[™] ASSAYS - PRE-MATCHED

COMBINATION PANELS
DESCRIPTION
RNA:Protein Immune Cell Profiling for cell suspensions
RNA:Protein Immune Cell Signaling for cell suspensions
RNA:Protein Solid Tumor for FFPE

*Human Only **Canine Only ***Non-Human Primate Only

up to 800 plex



Insight from Difficult Samples

nCounter assays can accept samples such as purified total RNA, raw cell or blood lysates and formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded (FFPE) extracts with no loss in precision. Even severely degraded RNA can be a viable sample input.

Crude Cell Lysates

Three cell lysates (2,500, 5,000, and 10,000 cells) were compared to 100 ng of purified total RNA. Results using cell lysates were highly correlated with purified RNA (R2 > 0.97 for all three) and demonstrated that comparable data can be achieved with either protocol

10,000 cells 5.000 cells 1,000 ▲ 2.500 cells 100 10.000 100 1.000 Total RNA Counts

10.000

10.000

1.000

100





Two PAXgene[™]-lysed whole blood replicates compared to 100 ng of matched purified total RNA. Results using blood lysates were highly correlated with purified RNA (R2 > 0.96 and R2 > 0.97) and demonstrated that high quality data can be obtained using PAXgene-lysed whole blood. (PAXgene is a trademark of QIAGEN®.)

Formalin-Fixed paraffin-embedded tissue

FFPE-derived and purified total RNA compared to matched purified total RNA from fresh tissue. Results using FFPE-derived tissue were highly correlated with purified RNA (R2 > 0.97) and demonstrated that high quality data can be achieved from FFPE.

Expanded Options with nCounter Low RNA Input Kit (1-10 ng)

The nCounter Low RNA Input Kit enables high quality gene expression profiling of up to 800 gene targets from as little as 1 ng of sample. The kit is optimized for use with RNA from Formalin Fixed Paraffin Embedded (FFPE) tissue as well as crude cell lysates. Additionally, the kit can be utilized in the study of low expressing genes. The streamlined, user friendly workflow and reliable results enable gene expression studies of small samples or low expressing genes to be completed quickly and efficiently.



Fold Change Standard assay (100 ng) UHR/HRB

Powerful **Data Analysis**

VISUALIZE RESULTS WITH nSOLVER™ **ANALYSIS SOFTWARE**

nSolver Analysis Software is an integrated analysis platform for storage, custom QC, and custom normalization of nCounter data. Generate highly-customized exports, basic statistical outputs, and publication-quality figures quickly and easily with the no incremental cost.

- Recommended quality control on samples/lanes
- Tunable normalization and fold-change measurements
- Statistical significance testing
- Compatible with standard analysis programs including; Ingenuity Pathway Analysis, Partek Genomics Suite, BioDiscovery Nexus Copy Number, Advaita iPathwayGuide

SIMPLE, ADVANCED DATA ANALYSIS

nCounter Advanced Analysis is a free, wizard-based addon to nSolver™ Analysis Software for deeper data insights based on robust R statistics. Examine experimental trends, identify pathway-specific responses, and profile immune cell populations in shareable HTML reports.

- Support for all mRNA and protein CodeSets, including custom reagents and panels
- Quick Analysis option for one-click data QC, normalization, and differential expression testing
- Automatic incorporation of biological annotations and logical defaults for each panel







Customize your **Solution**

Build Your Own Custom Gene Expression!

Or

Panel Plus: Customizable Add-on to a Panel

DESIGN A CUSTOM CODESET SPECIFIC TO YOUR RESEARCH

- Standard chemistry enables processing of up to 96 samples/day x 800+ targets (depending on system)
- PlexSet™ chemistry enables sample multiplexing of up to 8 samples per lane, increasing sample throughput

CUSTOMIZE A PANEL

Add up to 55 additional genes or a collection of specific controls to make your panel unique to that experiment.

SELECT GENES

Submit your RefSeq IDs for up to 800 target genes to NanoString.

LEAD TIME Customer-defined

2 PROBE DESIGN

NanoString designs probes then creates and sends a Design Report.

LEAD TIME

Custom GEx: 3-5 days Custom CNV: 10-15 days

3 CUSTOMER REVIEW

Customer reviews and approves Design Report.

LEAD TIME Customer-defined

4 MANUFACTURE AND SHIP

NanoString manufactures and ships CodeSet to customer.

LEAD TIME

3-5 weeks (dependent on gene number and scale)



For Example

nCounter® ADC Development Panel



Build Content that is Customized for Any Gene, Any Organism



Turnkey Solution for Any Project

- Maximum target number: 800
- Daily sample throughput: 24-96
- Highest performance



Increased Flexibility for Smaller Projects

- Maximum target number: 216
- Daily sample throughput: 24-96
- Optimized for validation projects
- Highest flexibility



High-Throughput Chemistry

- Maximum target number: 96
- Daily sample throughput: up to 480
- Optimized for screening projects
- Highest flexibility

Panel Pro Selection Tool

https://www.nanostring.com/products/ncounter-assays-panels/panel-selection-tool/

Your Trusted Advisor

A team of highly dedicated support and service personnel are available to ensure your success with all nCounter products.

- Field Applications Scientists and Technical Services Scientists are highly trained experts who are available to assist you before, during and after your project.
- Field Service Engineers will ensure your system is operating at peak performance and will qualify your instrument as needed through a variety of service offerings.

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Experimental Design Strategies	New System Training	Technology Overviews
Application Design	New Application Training	New Technologies
Product Selection Strategies	Data Analysis/Advanced Analysis Training	

TROUBLESHOOTING	SERVICE	DATA ANALYSIS
Assay Optimization	Tiered Service Contracts	Basic Analysis Support
Log File Interpretation	IQ/OQ/PQs	Data Analysis Project Services (for fee)

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Many thanks for taking care of us and your support. Again, I have to say that the NanoString Support is superb, and other companies should use it as a role model. -NanoString customer







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