



# **ESTINGER**

Powerful Single Colony Picker



Up to 40% of lab time is lost on repetitive, menial tasks. Automate your random colony picking and high-throughput screening with speed, accuracy and versatility. Combine the Stinger and the ROTOR to bring your zombies back from the dead.



#### SINGLE COLONY PICKING

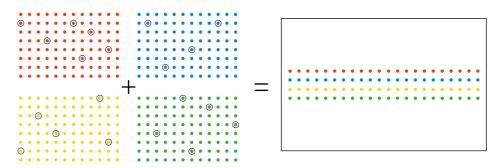


WHAT IS IT? The Stinger is an automated modular extension to the ROTOR HDA robot for easy, ultra-fast rearrangement of high-density library arrays of yeast, other fungi, bacteria, and algae from colonies grown on solid agar or in liquid culture. It is designed for the picking and spotting of user-specified colonies from high-density arrays onto solid agars in 96-, 384-, 1536-, and 6144-density format.

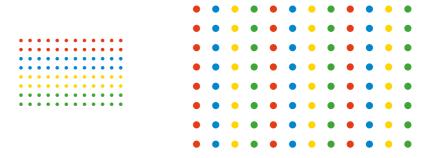
WHAT DOES The Stinger expands the functionality of the ROTOR HDA robot by enabling the re-arraying of specific individual colonies of interest from high-density agar plates and multi-well dishes. The Stinger allows researchers to easily and accurately produce custom arrays comprising functionally related strains/ mutants, or to generate a subset of library arrays to follow-up with initial screening results.

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### THE STINGER PINNING EXAMPLES



· Individually picked colonies from four separate 96-density source plates are combined onto one target plate. This example can be applied at all pinning densities of source and target plates, from 96 to 1536.



· Colonies from a 96-density plate are re-arrayed to produce customised arrangement at the same or different density.

HOW DOES The Stinger uses re-usable, autoclavable pins to sample microbial colonies. In conjunction with in-built ROTOR HDA software, users can select source colonies to be picked, and then re-array those colonies. Flexible colony selection methods, either by importing .csv files or by manual selection on the intuitive Cherry Picker software, are suited for a wide range of tasks, from picking a few strains of interest to rearranging the entire arrays.

> "IT'S A HUGE IMPROVEMENT FROM PICKING COLONIES MANUALLY, PLUS THE ACCURACY GAINED IS VITAL."

· Gudion Olafsson MRC National Institute for Medical Research England





- WHAT CAN I · Selectively re-array groups, or individual colonies from large USE IT FOR? microbial arrays.
  - · Produce custom arrays comprising of functionally related strains/mutants.
  - Generate subset of library arrays to follow-up with initial screening results.
  - · Accurately and reliably pick colonies from high-density arrays.
  - · Pin large arrays of a single strain from a source library.
  - · Quickly and easily mate specific colonies of interest from highdensity arrays.



THE SHUTTLE The Shuttle is an accessory to The Stinger that has been designed to rapidly speed up the time between pinning cycles. The Shuttle holds two individual pin cartridges and fits easily into the ROTOR pad rim. When the Shuttle is enabled, The Stinger will take sterile pins from one cartridge and once used, reload them into the second cartridge ready to be autoclaved. Without the Shuttle, pins would need to be manually loaded into the cartridge to be reused after sterilisation.



### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

### STANDARD SET-UP

#### MODEL:

THE STINGER™

#### PRODUCT CODE:

STR-001

#### TECHNICAL SPECS:

Width: 95 mm Length: 129 mm Height: 64 mm Weight: 308 g

· Voltage: 110 – 240V AC

Pinning accuracy: ± 50 microns Pin-tip size: 0.75 mm diameter Pins are Stainless Steel so can be repeatedly autoclaved. The working end

is long enough to reach the bottom of a standard multi-well plate and it weighs

765 mg.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- · The Stinger
- Set of 400 stainless steel pins
- Pin cartridge

#### OPTIONAL EXTRAS

#### STINGER PINS

SPI-400

Extra set of 400 stainless steel pins increases throughput of the Stinger, alleviating the sterilisation bottleneck.

#### THE STINGER SHUTTLE

SSH-001

The Shuttle holds two Stinger pin cassettes, automating the loading and unloading of Stinger Pins for walkaway operation. Supplied with one empty pin cartridge.

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