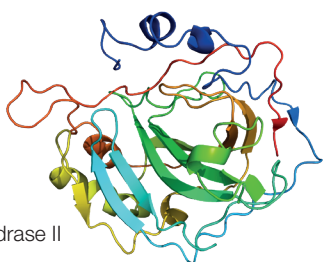


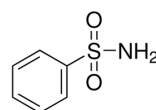
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Detection of low molecular weight molecules can be useful especially for pharmaceutical and agri-food applications. This application note is focused on the detection of a 157 Dalton molecule, the benzenesulfonamide, using the XelPleX system. XelPleX™ is the new generation of label-free interaction analysis platform.

The benzenesulfonamide is an inhibitor of the human Carbonic Anhydrase enzyme type II (CAII). The CAII catalyzes the hydration of carbon dioxide. Its role is to maintain acid-base balance in blood and tissues. Defects in this enzyme are associated with osteopetrosis and renal tubular acidosis. Renal CAII allows the reabsorption of sodium ions in the proximal tubule.



Carbonic Anhydrase II



Benzenesulfonamide

Figure 1: Studied model

Materials and Method

CAII immobilization using SPRi-CFM on a CMD200MD SPRi-Biochip™

The CMD200MD SPRi-Biochip™ is a hydrogel made of carboxymethyl dextran. The CMD200MD SPRi-Biochip™ is characterized by a thickness of 200 nm and a medium density. The CMD-200MD SPRi-Biochip™ is activated using an EDC/NHS solution in preparation for amine coupling.

CAII prepared in 10 mM sodium acetate at pH 5.0 and at a concentration of 2 μM was immobilized on the SPRi-Biochip™ activated surface using the SPRi-Continuous Flow Microspotter (SPRi-CFM).

The SPRi-CFM uses continuous flow deposition to immobilize up to 48 molecules in a single printing run. Three printing runs can be performed on a single biochip (up to 144 spots per chip can be generated). The microfluidic immobilization improves the spot homogeneity and gives a higher immobilization level. For this experiment, the flow rate of the SPRi-CFM was set to 15 μL/min and the contact time to 15 minutes.

A reference protein was also immobilized in the same conditions for referencing purposes. Each protein was immobilized in six replicates. After the immobilization procedure, the SPRi-Biochip™ was blocked using 1M ethanolamine.



Blue spots correspond to CAII
Pink spots correspond to reference spots.

Figure 2: Image of the printed SPRi-Biochip™.

SPRi Experimental Details

The printed SPRi-Biochip™ was then inserted into the XelPleX™ system. The running buffer was 10 mM PBS pH 7.4 3 % DMSO and the working temperature was set to 25°C.

Then, 400 μL of benzenesulfonamide was injected at a flow rate of 100 μL/min. The benzenesulfonamide was injected at five increasing concentrations following a three-fold dilution series: 1, 4, 11, 33 and 111 μM.

