Shaping Tomorrow's Microbiology Solutions

The MALDI Biotyper® System

Microbial identification with unequaled speed and accuracy

Innovation with Integrity

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Accuracy, ease of use, and speed

At your fingertips

Fingerprint matching for accurate microbial identification

The MALDI Biotyper operates based on Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption/Ionization Time-of-Flight (MALDI-TOF) mass spectrometry. The principle involves creating a proteomic fingerprint spectrum of the unknown microorganism starting from colony material.
The unique pattern of this fingerprint is then matched to reference spectra of thousands of microorganisms, stored in the heart of the system, the reference library.

Unequaled speed and accuracy for fast and actionable results

- Analyze 95 isolates + 1 QC sample in ~5 minutes
- Identify more than 5,300 gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria, yeasts and molds
- Analyze filamentous fungi directly from agar with the easy MyT method and a dedicated library

The right and cost-effective fit for your lab

- Minimize maintenance with the integrated source cleaning, activated with a few mouse clicks
- Benefit from low training efforts, with a user-friendly software-guided workflow
- Supporting 21 CFR part 11 compliance
- Reduce the cost per identification by implementing the MALDI Biotyper as your in-house rapid microbiological method

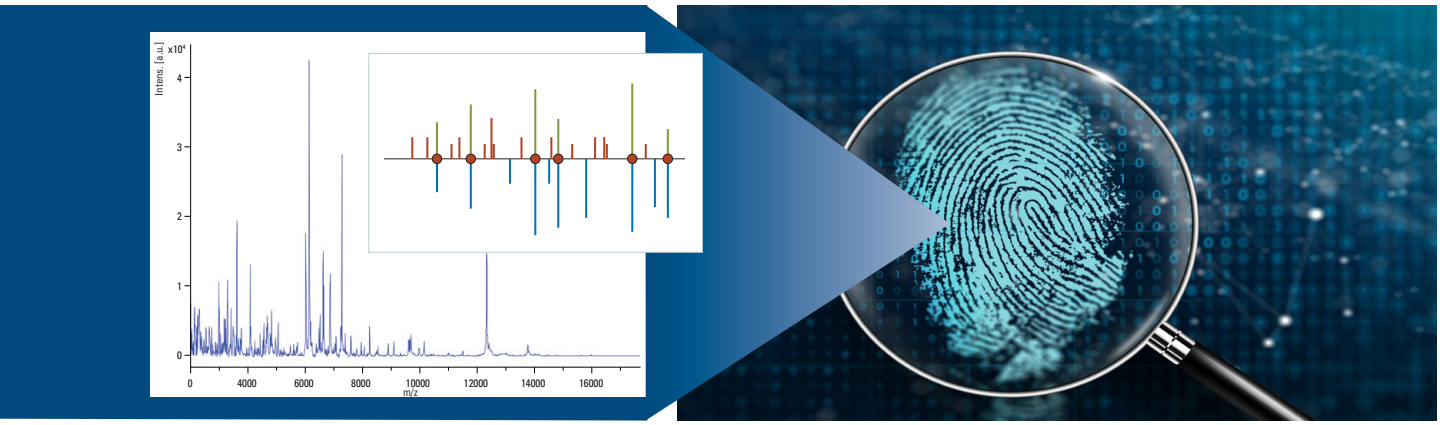
The beating heart of the system

Accurate fingerprint matching of the unknown

- Identification is based on matching the unique proteomic fingerprint spectrum of the unknown microorganism to a huge collection of reference spectra
- The expansive and up-to-date library gives you confidence in the results, ensuring fast and accurate decision-making

A reference library covering thousands of bacteria and yeast

- Access a library covering thousands of gram-positive/negative bacteria and yeast
- Each reference library entry is based on multiple measurements of a single defined strain, safeguarding true biological variability
- This library structure and powerful algorithms simplify expansion and validation of the library



Create your own libraries and run your data comparison

Laboratories that need to create their own libraries can easily compile customized microorganism entries by the optional MBT HT Library Creator Module and share or export libraries. These might be libraries with site-specific isolates and/or entries for important starters used for production.

Easy workflow: simplicity meets speed

Bacteria, yeast or mold: one easy workflow for all

- Efficient and user-friendly
- Fully traceable streamlined workflow with a few simple steps
- Typically starting from an isolated single colony from a culture plate
- Minimal hands-on time per isolate (only 20 seconds for most microorganisms)

Dedicated microbiology software

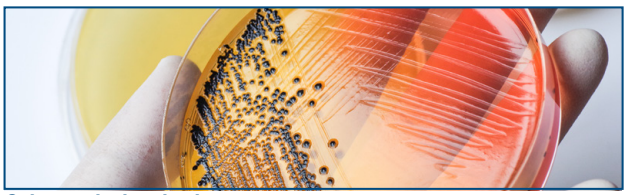
- Software-guided workflows provided by the MBT Compass HT Industry software deliver clear and fast results
- Rapid analysis of 95 isolates and 1 QC sample yields a complete identification report in ~5 minutes
- Identification results presented in an easy-to-interpret 'traffic light' color scheme
- Instant result display on the screen, no need even to wait for the final report

Faster than ever

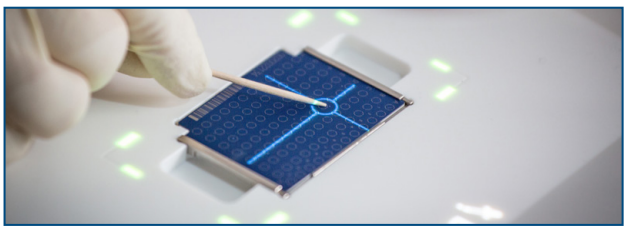
Sample preparation hands-on time:
- 1 isolate ~20 seconds
- 95 isolates < 20 min

System analysis time to ID result:
- 95 isolates + 1 QC sample ~ 5 min

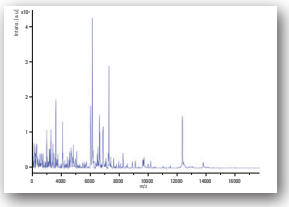
Add target plate to a MALDI Biotyper project list



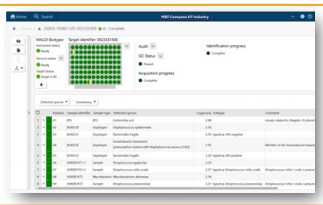
Select an isolated colony



Transfer sample onto the target plate and add matrix



MALDI-TOF spectrum automatically generated by the software



Spectrum instantly matched against the reference library to give identification

Range	Interpretation
2.00 - 3.00	High Confidence Identification
1.70 - 1.99	Low Confidence Identification
0.00 - 1.69	No Organism Identification Possible

Easy result reporting with "traffic light" color scheme

Hands-on time:
1 isolate ~20 seconds, 95 isolates + 1 QC sample < 20 min

95 isolates + 1 QC sample ~5 min

Improve your filamentous fungi workflow

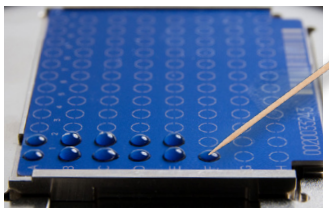
A mighty solution for molds

The easy yet powerful Mycelium Transfer (MyT) sample preparation procedure can be applied in most of the cases, when front mycelium is clearly visible and can be harvested easily, like in the example shown below. Hence, sample preparation is most often very straightforward while enabling a high identification success rate.

The workflow cleverly uses the surface structure of the MBT Biotarget 96. The slightly rough surface of the MBT Biotarget 96 ensures an intense homogenization and effective cell disruption of the fungal material on the MALDI target.
The MBT FAST™ Shuttle can conveniently be used to save time while drying the spots.

The dedicated MBT HT Filamentous Fungi Module includes a dedicated reference spectrum library, facilitating the identification of hundreds of filamentous fungi species/ species groups

A wooden inoculation pick is dipped into a droplet of formic acid, applied onto an MBT Biotarget 96. **1**



Sampling of the mold's front mycelium is improved by the wet wooden inoculation pick, while also already instantly enabling reaction of the acid with the mold. **2**

The mold is subsequently smeared in the formic acid droplet on the MBT Biotarget 96, liberating proteins which are - after drying and addition of a droplet of HCCA matrix - extracted into the solvent components of the matrix. **3**

MBT FAST™ Shuttle

Drying of the spots under controlled conditions at elevated temperature, using the MBT FAST™ Shuttle, ensures standardized crystallization of the matrix while speeding up the drying process. **4**

Boost your productivity: Efficiency & Standardization

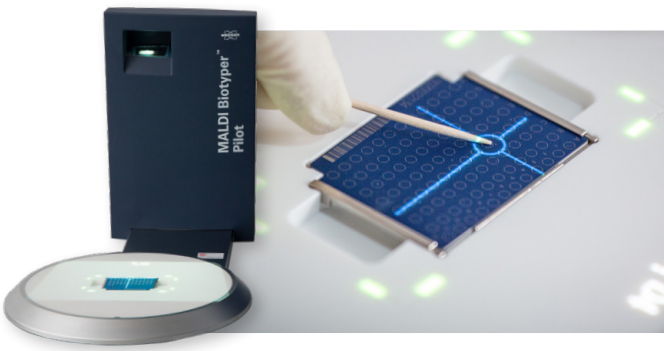
Your modular pathway to a standardized and fully transparent workflow

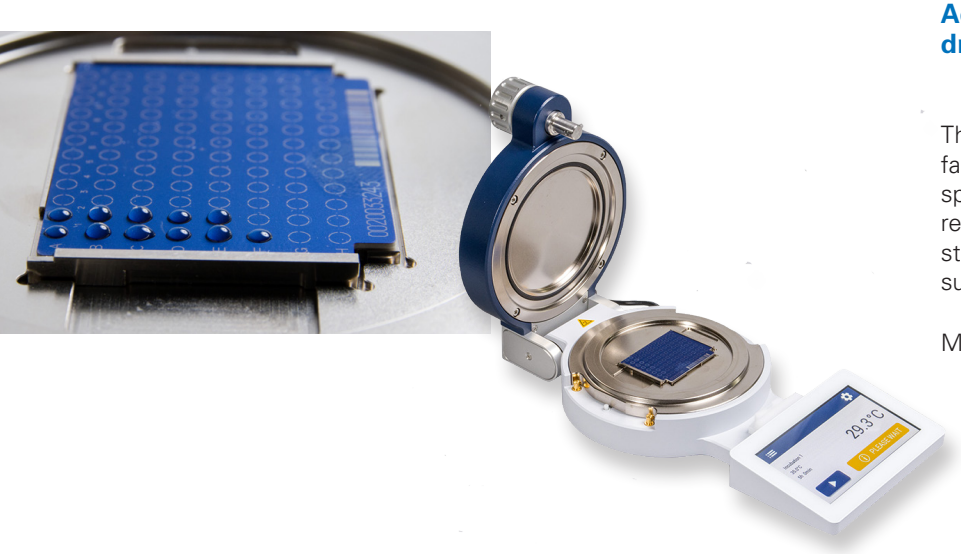
Every microbiology laboratory operates differently. That's why Bruker offers optional workflow solutions designed to enhance consistency, improve process efficiency, and support transparent laboratory operations. Combine the solutions that fit your needs and build a workflow tailored to your laboratory.

Guided manual preparation of MALDI target plates

The MBT Pilot® System offers guided sample positioning reducing the risk of errors during sample transfer. This simplifies your workflow and offers a paperless, fully documented and traceable procedure.

MBT Pilot® System / Part No. 1822041





Accelerated & Standardized liquid drying

The MBT FAST™ Shuttle enables 2-3 times faster sample and matrix crystallization, speeding up your sample preparation. The resulting more homogeneous matrix crystallization improves the sample quality and subsequently the identification rate.

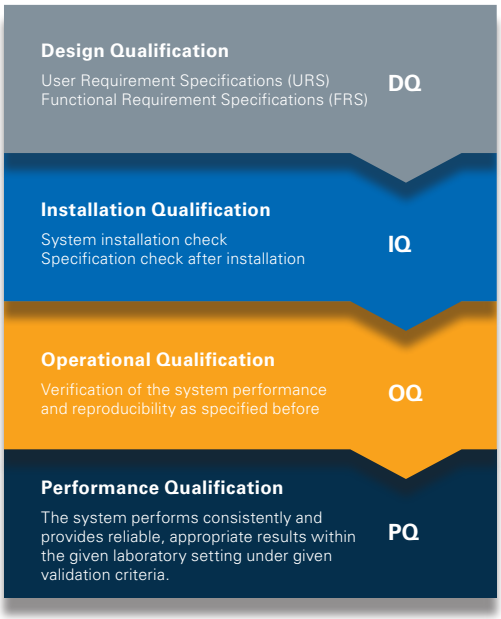
MBT FAST™ Shuttle / Part No. 1872847

Enjoy smart and stress-free operation

Qualification of the MALDI Biotyper

Experience peace of mind knowing that Bruker supports the qualification process of the MALDI Biotyper system in your pharmaceutical laboratory.

With Bruker's MALDI Biotyper system, you gain more than just a reliable and accurate microbial identification solution. Our commitment to providing the required documentation for IQ, OQ, and PV, coupled with support for 21 CFR Part 11 compliance, ensures a streamlined qualification process for your pharmaceutical laboratory.



Supporting 21 CFR part 11 compliance

Bruker understands the significance of regulatory compliance, particularly when it comes to electronic records and signatures.
Our documentation supports your lab's adherence to 21 CFR Part 11 requirements, giving you the necessary tools to maintain data integrity and secure electronic records throughout the qualification process.
The MBT Compass HT Industry software has been designed to support compliance with the rules of regulated environments, addressing the following aspects:

- Authentication and user management
- User rights management
- Data integrity and archiving
- Audit trail including reason entry and timestamps
- Digital signatures

Continuous operation

The integrated ion source cleaning permits continuous high performance with minimized maintenance requirements. Cleaning the source using the separate IR-laser is performed easily by a few clicks in the software, without breaking vacuum.

Optimal performance secured by zero-effort IDealTune™

Experience peak performance without the hassle - thanks to automated tuning!

- No extra tuning samples
- No extra time
- No extra costs
- Focus on results!

The zero-effort IDealTune feature on our MALDI Biotyper sirius systems automatically finetunes the key parameters of the MALDI-TOF system, ensuring stable data quality. Without any user intervention, IDealTune is performed systematically in the background while analyzing the Bacterial Test Standard, which is anyway part of a sample run.
The quick and simple Bacterial Test Standard quality check, performed before each run, ensures the highest standard of run-to-run reproducibility.
Forget about tedious preparation of dedicated tuning samples, forget about time-consuming manual tuning, forget about extra costs.
Relax knowing that machine-driven tuning is in place, and focus on results!

MALDI Biotyper GP System overview

Benchtop MALDI-TOF system

- **MALDI Biotyper® sirius GP System**

System implementation and qualification

- IQ and OQ/PV
- MBT HT Compliance Assistant Module to support 21 CFR part 11 compliance

Identification of gram +/- bacteria, yeasts

Software
- MBT Compass HT Industry software, including the MBT Compass HT Library
- MBT HT Library Extension, covering highly pathogenic species

Consumables
- Bruker Matrix HCCA, portioned
- Bruker Bacterial Test Standard
- MBT Biotarget 96
- MBT Easy T® Kit

Filamentous fungi identification (optional)

Integrated software module
- MBT HT Filamentous Fungi Module
- MBT Filamentous Fungi Library Extension

Custom library creation (optional)

Software
- MBT HT Library Creator Module

Workflow optimization & automation (optional)

- MBT Shuttle ergonomic target holder
- MBT FAST™ Shuttle for standardized and accelerated drying of matrix and other liquids
- MBT Pilot® System for guided sample transfer

Please contact your local Bruker sales representative for availability of the optional MBT system components in your country.

The original

Often imitated, never duplicated

Also looking for QC and source tracking with same-day results?

Here's the answer: The IR Biotyper®

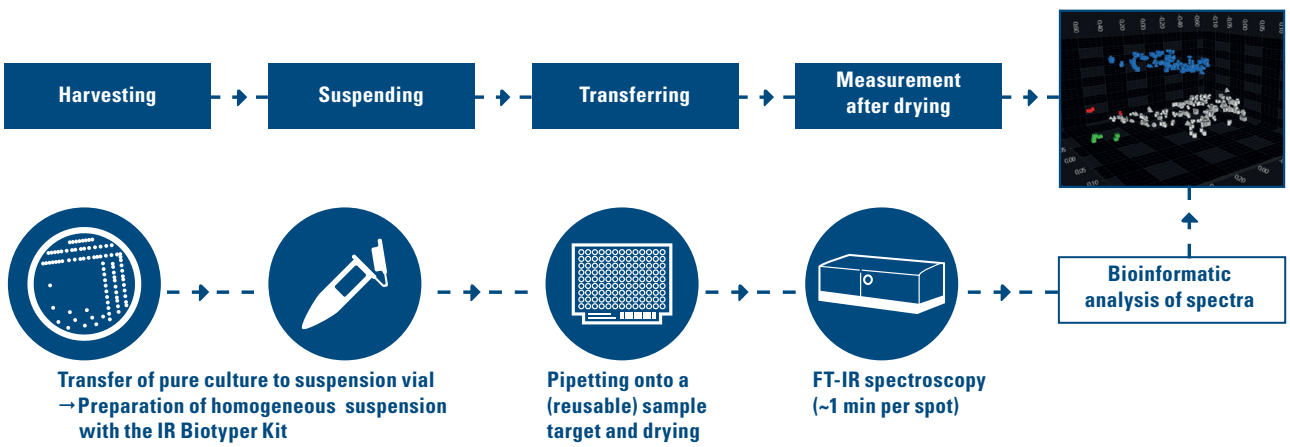
Until now, the identification of bacterial outbreaks or analysis of transmission routes has required subculturing the suspect followed by monoclonal antibody techniques, pulsed-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE), multi-locus sequence typing (MLST) or whole genome sequencing (WGS). All these approaches are associated with lengthy delays in obtaining results. Complementary to the MALDI Biotyper, the IR Biotyper addresses this challenge by using infrared spectroscopy to classify microorganisms based on their 'molecular fingerprint', also starting with colony material. This approach is fast, easy to use and economical, making it ideal for sample prescreening, strain discrimination, and cluster analysis, with minimal hands-on time.

- An individual spot is measured in about a minute
- Using 3 replicates per isolate (plus standards), up to 30 isolates can be harvested, prepared, measured and analyzed in 3 hours
- Standards are part of Bruker's IR Biotyper Kit

Benefits of using the IR Biotyper

Implementing the IR Biotyper in your laboratory:

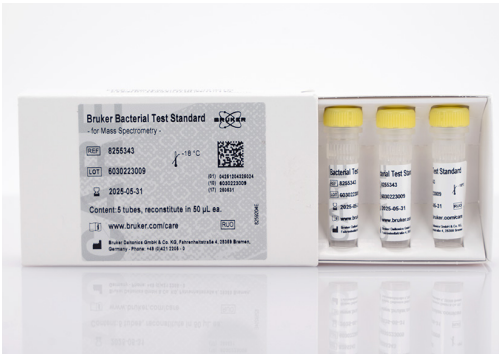
- Allows cluster analysis and strain discrimination on subspecies level, of bacteria and yeast found on surfaces or staff as well as in water, ingredients or products
- Speeds up classification by bringing the initial screening step in-house, with same-day results starting from colony material
- Enables development of in-house screening classifiers and methods
- In conjunction with the MALDI Biotyper, allows development of workflows that identify microorganisms at the genus, species and serogroup levels.



Using the IR Biotyper workflow, an entire batch of about 30 isolates (each with three replicates), plus standards, can be harvested, prepared and analyzed in about 3 hours.

MALDI Biotyper consumables

Bruker Bacterial Test Standard (BTS)



The BTS is an *E. coli* extract spiked with two high molecular weight proteins and has been developed for the quality control process of the MALDI Biotyper System. Its specific composition covers the entire mass range of proteins used for precise identification of microorganisms. Mandatory for maintaining optimal performance of the MALDI Biotyper with IDealTune™.

Content: One box consisting of 5 tubes providing
50 µL per tube / Part No. 8255343

Bruker Matrix HCCA, portioned

The HCCA matrix is specifically designed for microbial identification with the MALDI Biotyper. It is supplied in stable, pre-dried portions, ensuring freshness whenever it is needed. The HCCA undergoes a rigorous purification process and stringent quality control to deliver highly sensitive and reliable measurements. Its exceptional purity reduces the accumulation of debris in the instrument's ion source, helping to minimise maintenance requirements and prevent unnecessary downtime.

Content: One box consisting of 10 tubes providing
250 µL per tube / Part No. 8255344

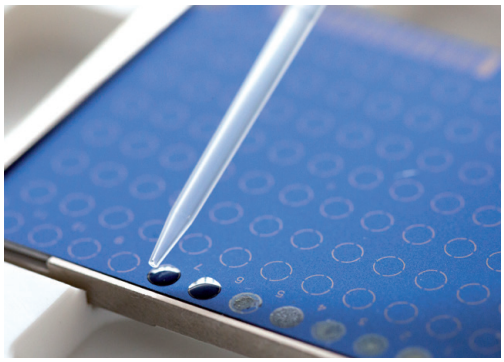
MBT Easy T® Kit

The MBT Easy T Kit is an all-in-one reagent and consumables solution for MALDI Biotyper microbial identification workflows. By combining standardized solvents, ready-to-use formic acid solution, and sample applicators in a single, quality-controlled kit, it helps laboratories achieve consistent results while reducing complexity in daily operations.

Content: One MBT Easy T Kit is for processing up to 2,000 samples and dissolving 10 tubes HCCA Matrix, portioned, and up to
10 tubes BTS / Part No. 1916359

Disposable MBT Biotargets

The ready-to-use disposable MBT Biotargets offer 96 positions and a unique barcode for full traceability in paperless workflows. The AnchorChip™ effect makes it easy for users to achieve consistent preparation of the target and obtain reproducible results.



MBT Biotarget 96

Pack of 20 individually barcoded MALDI Biotyper target plates, 96 positions each / Part No. 1840375

MSP adapter for MBT Biotarget 96

Adapter required to use MBT Biotargets with MALDI Biotyper instruments / Part No. 8267615

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