Zyvex NanoEffector® Microgrippers

Micromachined silicon end-effectors for Zyvex Nanomanipulator Systems

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Features and Benefits

Zyvex's patented microgripper systems are active, micromachined silicon structures for micro- and nanoscale research, development, and production applications. With up to 50 µm of tip actuation available, these grippers are capable of manipulating microcomponents with features from 1 µm to 500 µm in size. Low voltage analog control permits the most delicate of micro-assembly operations to be performed.

Zyvex Microgrippers are available in a range of in-stock tip openings and thicknesses. Actuation of the gripper arms is available with power-on opening motion and power-on closing motion. These grippers are ideal for handling delicate microscale components and operate in both vacuum and ambient conditions. Refer to the Zyvex Instruments' Applications Package datasheet for information on the integrated software control.



- · Pick and place sub-micron structures
- Bundle separation
- Device fabrication
- Sample preparation
- Sample anchoring
- · Sample sorting
- Microassembly
- Application notes are available at www.zyvex.com

Technical Specifications

BB Microgrippers SM-BB Microgrippers Thickness $50 \pm 0.5 \mu m$ $5 \, \mu m \pm 0.5 \, \mu m$ Max gripping force 0.55 mN 0.21 mN 4.9 x 10⁻¹⁰ Joules 6.9 x 10⁻⁹ Joules Max mechanical potential Allowable in-plane deflection 55 µm 9 µm Out-of-plane stiffness 122 µN/µm $2.2 \mu N/\mu m$ Allowable out-of-plane deflection 25 µm In-plane gripper arm stiffness 22 µN/µm 27 μN/μm

Order Lead Time

• Up to 4 microgrippers 6 weeks

More than 4 microgrippers Call for lead time

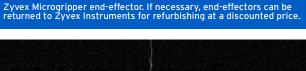
Note: There is a minimum order quantity of 4 microgrippers.

To place an order, call us toll-free at 1.877.ZYVEX99 (1.877.998.3999) ext. 271 or direct at 972.792.1671. For the most up-to-date information, please visit our web site at www.zyvex.com or email sales@zyvex.com.

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NanoEffector Microgrippers grasping a carbon nanotube bundle.

Model Number	Inside Opening (± 2 microns)	Powered	Outside Opening (± 2 microns)	
SM-BB-0	0	open	12	Λ
SM-BB-5	5	close	17	
BB-10	10	open	60	
BB-50	50	open	110	
BB-100	100	open	150	
BB-150	150	open	200	
BB-500	500	open	550	



Zyvex Microgrippers can grasp thin lamellas and other larger structures with thin aspect ratios.

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