

HU-FRIFDY COLORVUE® BIOTYPE PROBE

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FACT

Biotype-based periodontal therapy is growing in awareness amongst clinicians as focus grows around maintaining the integrity and conservation of the patient's tissue.¹⁻³ This therapy provides greater patient comfort and promotes optimal oral health.⁴⁻⁵

CHALLENGE

Until now, non-invasive clinical instruments specifically designed to objectively evaluate the gingival biotype have not existed.

SOLUTION

Hu-Friedy now offers a reliable, high quality solution to gingival biotype evaluation. The Colorvue® Biotype Probe system makes it easy and painless to quickly classify your patients' biotype as thin, medium or thick, thus aiding you in your selection of the proper treatment protocol.

POINTS OF PERFORMANCE

- Colorvue® Biotype Probe tips are designed for up to 30 uses*
- Colorvue Biotype Probes fit in Hu-Friedy's ergonomic, Satin Steel handle that can be reused or recycled
- · The resin tips are safe and gentle to use on all patients
- · Each colored tip is also numbered to aid in differentiation between colors

*Colorvue Probes are multi-use disposable products. Markings will wear with normal use.

Biotype Part codes

Starter Kit with 3 handles and 12 tips | PBTPKIT12 (4 green, 4 blue, 4 white) 12 blue probe tips | PBTPB

12 green probe tips | PBTPG

12 white probe tips | PBTPW





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INSTRUCTION FOR USE

The Colorvue Biotype Probe System features three different colors: White, Green and Blue







Using the **white** probe first, insert it in the gingival sulcus with < 30g of pressure. If it is visible, meaning you can see the color through the gingival tissue, the biotype is thin.

If the white is not visible, use the **green** probe in the same manner. If the color is visible, it is a medium biotype. If the green isn't seen through the gingival tissue, use the blue probe. If the **blue** is the only color visible through the gingival tissue, the biotype is thick. If no color, even the blue, is visible, the biotype will be very thick.



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