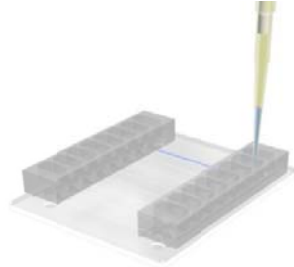


# Protocol to coat Channels of Vena8 Fluoro+ biochip with Collagen and to perform Thrombosis experiment using Venaflux Platform

## Protocol for Coating Vena8 Fluoro+ Biochips

### Step 1



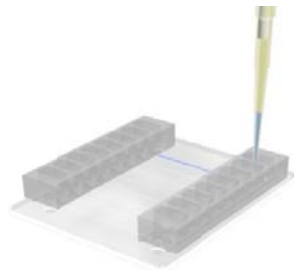
Vena8 Fluoro+ biochips are coated using a standard yellow tip pipette, by dispensing approximately 12 $\mu$ L of Fibrillar Collagen (200 $\mu$ g/mL, NYCOMED 1130630) into each channel. Note the excess of liquid on the entrance and exit ports.

### Step 2



The biochip is then placed in a humidified box and incubated overnight at 4°C.

### Step 3



After the incubation period, add 10 $\mu$ L of 10% BSA into each channel to ensure specificity of binding during the adhesion assay. The biochip is kept in the humidified box for a further 15 minutes at room temperature.

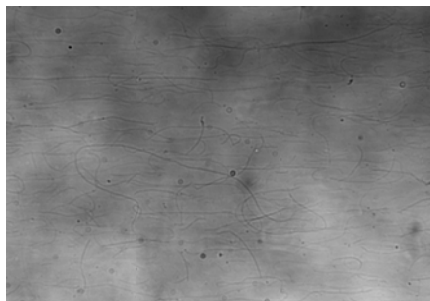
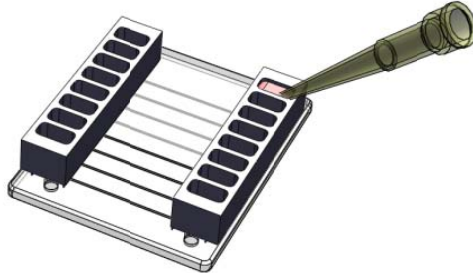


Image taken after overnight coating of Collagen (200 $\mu$ g/mL) in the channels of Vena8 Fluoro+ biochip (20X magnification)

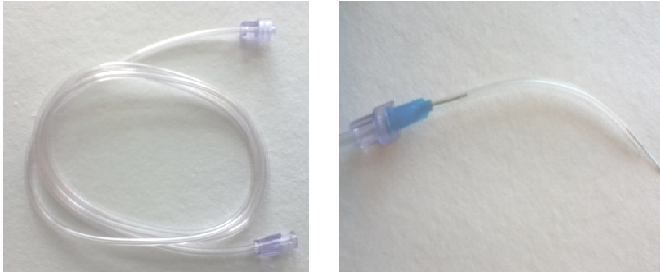
## Protocol for perfusion of whole blood through the channels of biochip

### Step 1



Add 40 $\mu$ L of media into the reservoir of the biochip before connecting the cable

### Step 2



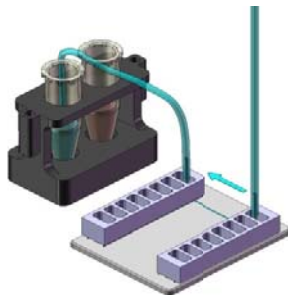
Connect one end of thrombosis cable (left image) to the output cable of the Mirus pump and the other end to the biochip inlet cable (right image).

### Step 3

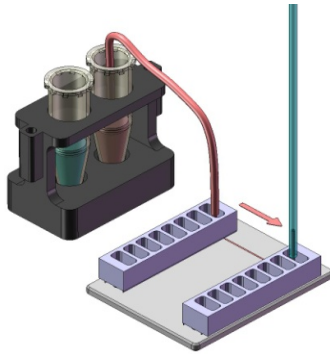


Dispense media through the output cable to form a drop of media at the tip of the biochip inlet cable. This is to avoid bubble formation while inserting the cable into the biochip channel.

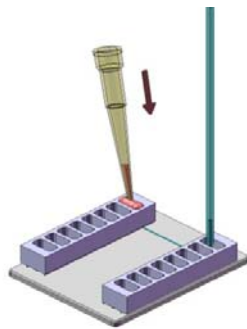
### Step 4



Gently insert the cable into the channel of the biochip. Wash the channel using Mirus pump. Collect the waste in an eppendorf tube.

**Step 5**

Gently insert the cable into the channel of the biochip. Wash the channel using Mirus pump. Collect the waste in an eppendorf tube.

**Step 6**

Disconnect the tubing from the blood sample tube after infusion of blood. Add buffer e.g PBS (100 $\mu$ L) into the reservoir using a pipette and pull (aspirate) the buffer at appropriate shear stress using Mirus pump. This is to wash whole blood from the channel.