# Multiformat plates (TLC and HPTLC) Multiple sizes in one single glass plate 

Merck Millipore multiformat glass plates are pre-scored for easy snapping with the fingers to smaller sizes.

- Easy snapping with the fingers
- Up to 7 formats in one plate

Multiformat plates utilize the same proven silica coating as the corresponding TLC or HPTLC plate delivering chromatograms that are identical to those on normal non-scored plates.

The number of possible plates depends on the scoring, for example: For a $20 \times 20 \mathrm{~cm}$ plate scored in segments of $5 \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$, up to seven different formats are possible: $20 \mathrm{~cm} \times 20 \mathrm{~cm}, 15 \mathrm{~cm} \times 20 \mathrm{~cm}, 10 \mathrm{~cm} \times 20 \mathrm{~cm}$, $5 \mathrm{~cm} \times 20 \mathrm{~cm}, 10 \mathrm{~cm} \times 15 \mathrm{~cm}, 10 \mathrm{~cm} \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$, $5 \mathrm{~cm} \times 10 \mathrm{~cm}$

Ordering information - Multiformat plates

| Product | Ordering No. | Scored <br> $[\mathrm{cm}]$ | Number of <br> plates possible | Contents of <br> one package |
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| Multiformat silica gel $60 \mathrm{~F}_{254}$ <br> ex $20 \times 20$ | 1.05620 .0001 | $5 \times 10$ | 200 | 25 plates |
| Multiformat silica gel $60 \mathrm{~F}_{254}$ <br> ex $20 \times 20$ | 1.05608 .0001 | $5 \times 20$ | 80 | 20 plates |
| HPTLC Multiformat silica gel $60 \mathrm{~F}_{254}$ <br> ex $10 \times 10$ | 1.05635 .0001 | $5 \times 5$ | 100 | 25 plates |
| HPTLC Multiformat silica gel 60 <br> ex $10 \times 10$ | 1.05644 .0001 | $5 \times 5$ | 400 | 100 plates |

$F_{254}$ : Green fluorescent indicator

## Application of multiformat plates

Classical silica TLC plates (TLC) For versatile and reliable routine analysis of a broad range of substances
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- High performance silica plates (HPTLC) For fast analysis of complex samples for manual or instrumental use
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- Preparative layer plates (PLC) For enrichment of target analytes in mg quantities and sample clean-up
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Note: To prevent the glass backing from uncontrolled and irregular breaking avoid putting plates directly on hot metal plates, drying cabinets or plate heaters after development or staining. When heat drying is necessary, use distance holders of low thermal conductivity between glass and hot metal plate i.e. glass rods or similar.

