



# VALIDATE™ Permanent Marking for Glass Vials and Syringes

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## Topics Covered

- > Why the *VALIDATE*™ solution ?
- > *VALIDATE*™ marking solution, product mark characteristics
- > *VALIDATE*™ production solutions



## Why VAL/DATE™ Solution is needed?

- > Counterfeiting is an increasing problem
- > No competing marking solution offers a simple way for end users (consumers) to validate authenticity
- > RFID requires extensive infrastructure to implement
- > Ink jet technology can typically be copied by counterfeiters
- > RFID tags are still an expensive solution and not ideal for all products
- > Ink jet marks are erasable and messy in production
- > Ink jet printers with UV fluorescent inks are cleaning intensive
- > Marking glass with lasers is slow, potentially damaging to the glass and provides a low contrast image



# Counterfeiting Protection

- > Anti-Counterfeiting Marking System Needs
  - On-line in production facility
  - Tamper proof once marked
  - Must allow variable data to be marked with some legible features
  - Human and machine readable features
  - Verification of authenticity at end user point of use
  - Must allow electronic batch and lot acquisition
  - Supply chain control to provide maximum difficulty for counterfeiters to duplicate mark features on counterfeit product.



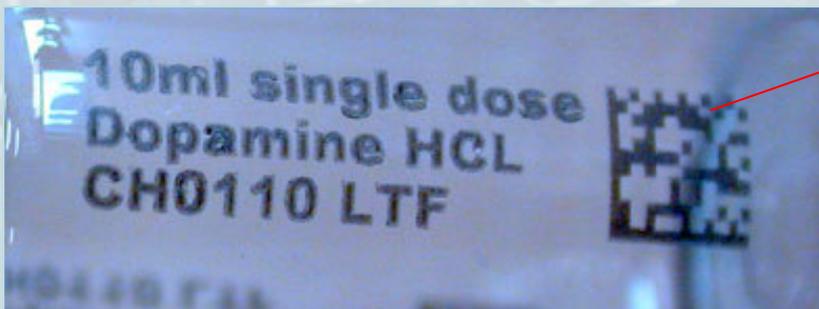
# ATS/TESA *VALIDATE*™ Marking Solution

- > ATS and TESA have partnered to provide a glass vial and syringe marking system
- > Product Name: *VALIDATE*™
- > Characteristics
  - Non-erasable mark allows end user verification of authenticity
  - Imbedded capability to apply overt and covert security features
  - Ability to mark glass without a separate label
  - Can mark either circumference or the bottom of the vial
  - Data traceability via 2D bar code
- > Ideal stand alone or as part of a two tiered anti-counterfeiting solution



## VALIDATE™ Mark Characteristics

- > Black colour, non erasable
- > Good contrast mark, easily human readable
- > Pigment imbedded in glass molecular structure
- > Human readable as well as 2D or RSS bar code
- > Variable information can be printed (eg. lot/date code)
- > Company or drug logos can be printed
- > Microscripting possible

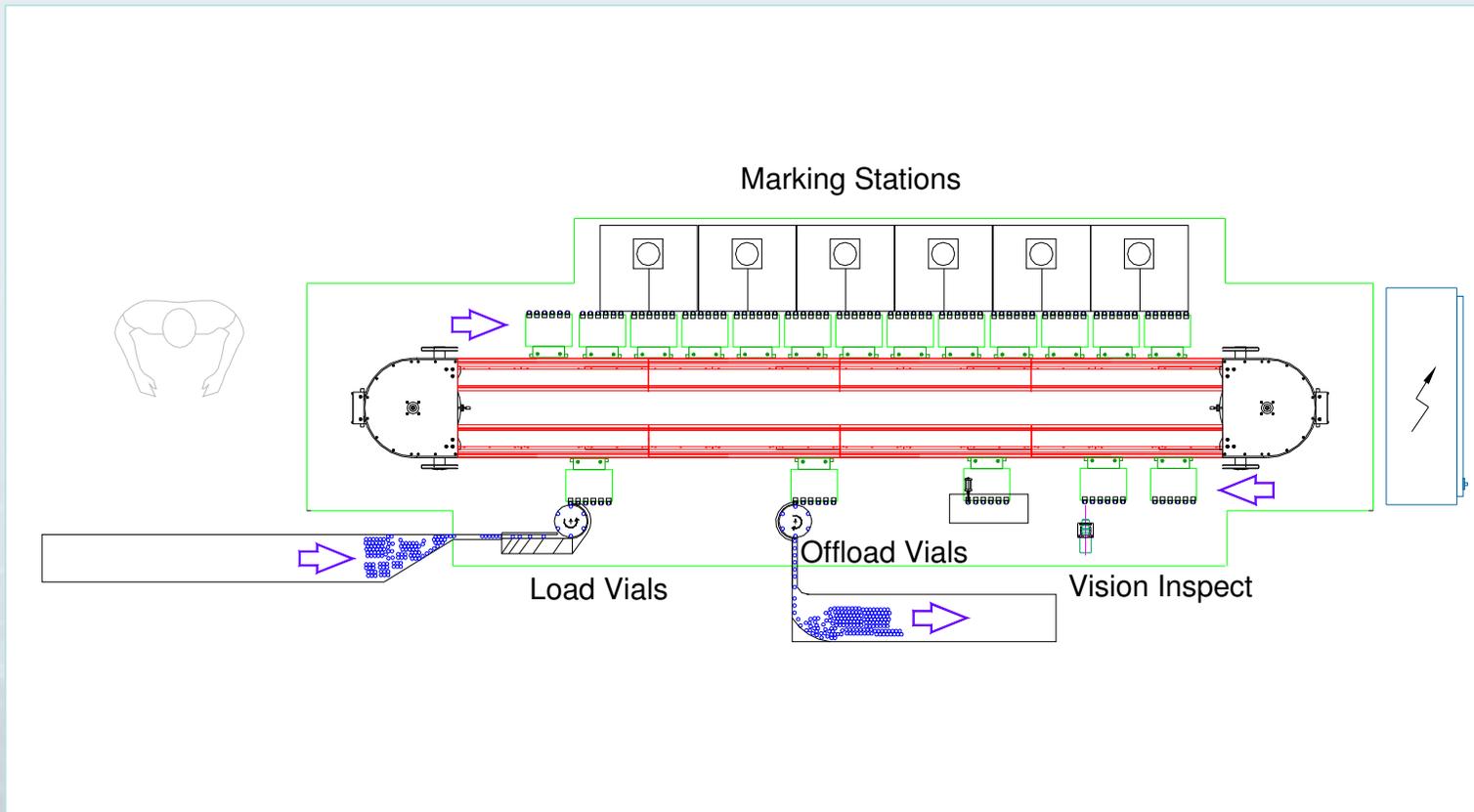


## Potential Applications

- > Vial marking after filling and capping
- > Integrated labeling station
- > Vial or syringe marking prior to washing station
- > Prefilled syringe marking including
  - Security markings
  - Label, logo etc.
- > Glass syringe marking of graduation marks
- > Mark can be put on side of vials/syringes or on bottom

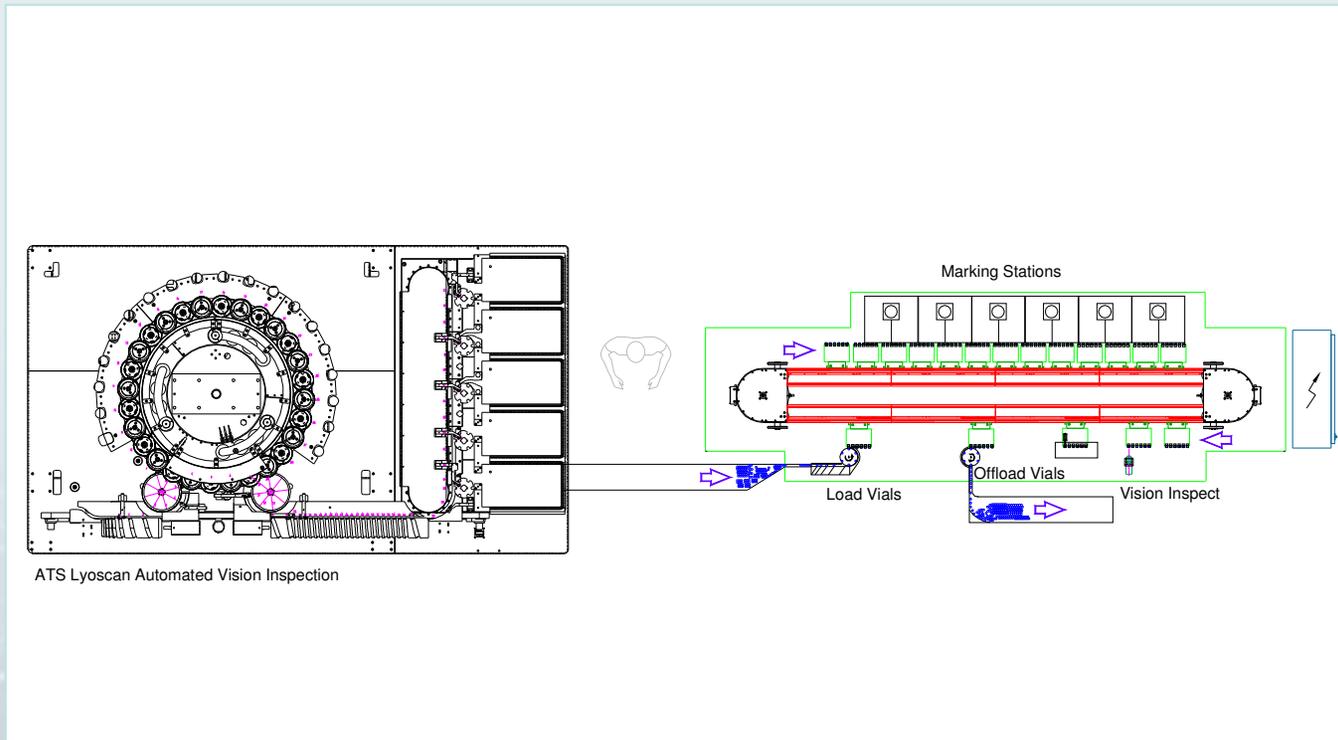


# Sample VAL/DATE™ Production Solution



- System concept configured for vials or syringes with marking on possible on many different glass areas

# VALIDATE™ Production Solution Integration



- System concept integrates with upstream or downstream filling and capping equipment and from ATS automated vision inspection technology

# VALIDATE™ Production Solution

## Manufacturing Equipment

- > Designed and built by ATS in North America and Europe.
- > Line speeds of up to 400 per minute
- > Information printed on the vial can be configured as the customer desires with lot, date and batch code tracking
- > Marking speed: variable depending upon nature of mark
- > **ATS Compliant Solutions** can provide up front consulting engineering for cGMP compliant manufacturing concept definition
- > Solutions tailored to suit individual customer and product needs
- > ATS Supertrak™ or Rotary transfer solutions used for material handling



## VALIDATE™ Production Solution

- > Lyoscan vision inspection solution can be integrated with the valIDate marking solution
- > Controls solutions: ATS MACS PC based or A-B ControlLogix
- > Complete data tracking and CFR21 Part 11 compliance
- > ATS provides complete cGMP compliant documentation and training
- > Integrates directly into the vial fill-finish line
  - Inline concept
  - Off to the side concept
  - After capping and vision inspection or before washing
- > System concept provides flexibility to handle variable line rates
- > Labeling solution can be integrated into the system concept

