

Maximizing on-press efficiencies and reducing costs

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What is important to a brand

- Optimised packaging
 - Least amount of colors (reduced costs)
 - Cost effective printing
- Designs that deliver the brand's message and inform
- Shelf Impact
 - Key is having a consumer noticing the product on shelf
- Sustainability is becoming a key influencer to a consumer
 - Anything that helps with the sustainability narrative is important
- If efficiency, speed to market, quality are up and costs are down
 - Is the print process important?
 - Originally Gravure was selected as the best option for quality
 - There is now a choice







Today Flexography can achieve the same visual impact as Gravure



The challenge

- Traditional Flexo cannot maintain the full tonal range for each colour
 - Need for a minimum dot
 - Cannot fade to zero
 - Lower densities
 - Smaller colour Gamut

Gravure

Traditional flexo

Traditional flexo will start to fill in at 85% and require a minimum dot of 2%*

Kodak Flexcel plates eliminate both issues

*This is determined by the smallest dot that can be formed and maintained on the plate. Physically this is around 15 micron

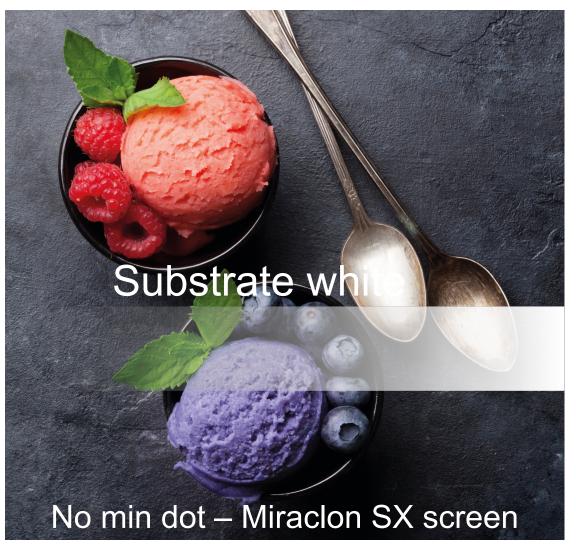
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0.4% AM screen dot 175# line screen is 8 micron, 1.4% is 15 micron

Fade to zero – normal for Digital and Gravure 5

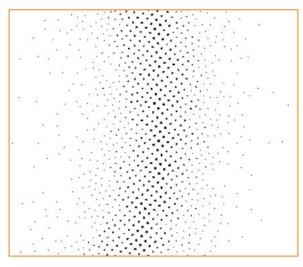
Clean whites and clean colors



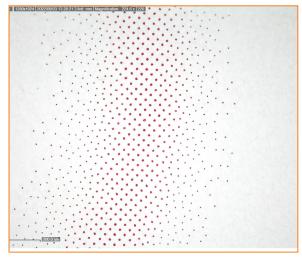


Maintaining highlight detail

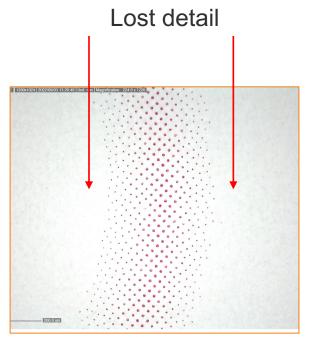
- Crucial to have 1:1:1 reproduction
 - What is on the file is imaged to the plate and printed
- Traditional Flexo plates "lose" important highlight detail
 - Gravure can as well due to ink being difficult to get out of cell



File



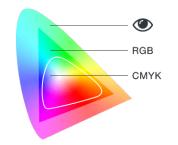
Flexcel NX plate print



Traditional plate print



Colour vibrance with process (CMYK)



- Low or standards-based process densities in Flexo do not match the vibrance of Gravure
 - Typically 60% of Pantone colours can be achieved with "standards-based" densities
- Increase Flexo to match Gravure in densities and ink laydown
 - Increases achievable Pantone colours to 70%
 - Improves image vibrance to match Gravure
- Opportunity to produce work from Optimised Gamut CMYK
- Use of Optimised Gamut NX-CMYK OGV (ECG)
 - Achieves up to 90% of Pantone colours
- Requires printers to have their own standardised process to achieve the print
 properties consistently, and matching print proofs for colour and content each time,
 achieving optimised packaging.
- This requires a Colour Management solution to be used

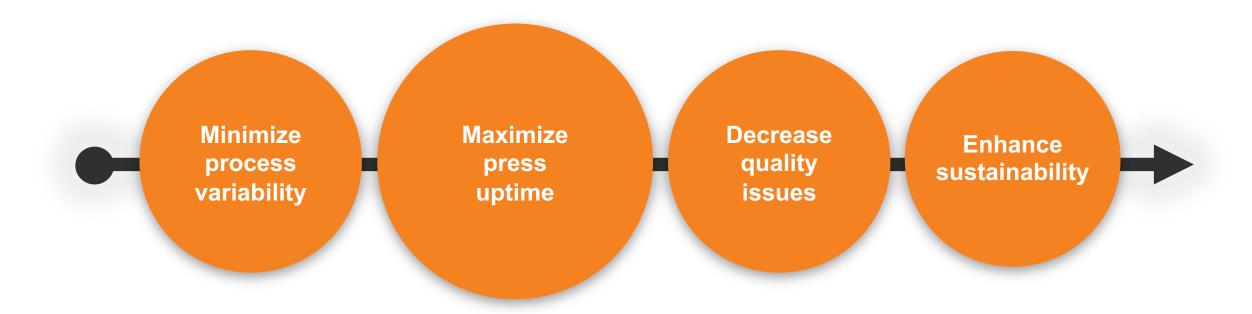


Flexo complexity intensifies industry pressures.





Choosing the right plate simplifies your flexo processes...



so you can add more value.



FLEXCEL NX Solutions.



The performance-driving power of the plate:



FLEXCEL NX Technology is more than a plate.

An integrated technology ecosystem intentionally designed to solve your challenges.

- standardize flexo processes
- achieve greater efficiencies
- provide investment protection

Imaging

Get consistently accurate 1:1 image reproduction, every time

Software

Apply precision patterning for optimal ink interaction across applications



The Plate

Maximize gains



Support

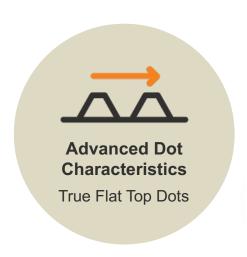
Maintain gains over time

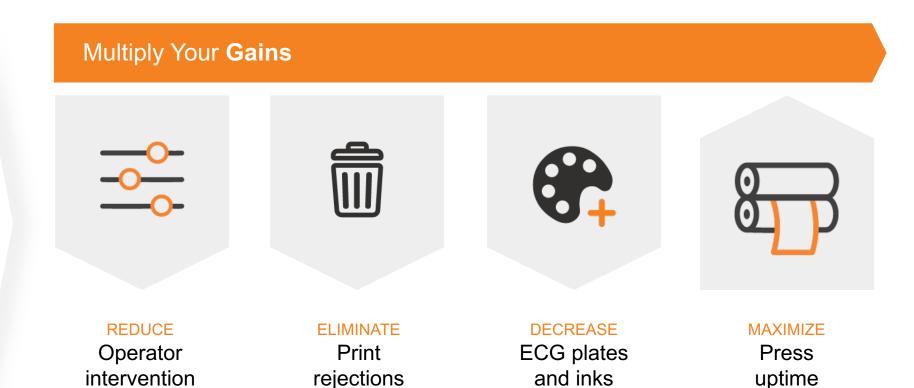




Simply Efficient Color Consistency: Stay in color. Across every print run.

Our unique flat top dots maintain their structure across long runs so color + density are always accurate.

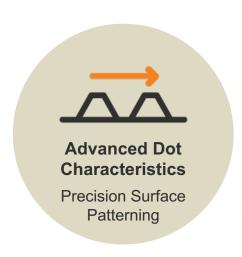






Simply Efficient Press Runs: Slash downtime. On every print run.

Our unique precision patterning **optimizes ink flow + transfer** to improve press performance.



Multiply Your Gains (a)

REDUCE
Plate cleaning +
stoppage waste

Ink use

Press speed

Plate life



Our press efficiencies can add up to real savings:





Simply Sustainable:

Sustainable production. Sustainable products.

FLEXCEL NX Plates
help you achieve
increasingly important
goals on press without
compromising quality.







MAXIMIZE Resource use



RUN Recyclable substrates



MINIMIZE Waste



Water-based inks





Efficiencies throughout your flexo processes:

























Optimized plate layout

Fewer bad plate remakes

Less plate Inventory

Faster press setup

Fewer plates + inks for ECG

Less ink use

Faster press speed

Longer plate life

Fewer press stops

Fewer print rejects / waste

PureFlexo[™] Printing

Control unwanted ink spread



Decrease waste with less cleaning and press stoppages!

Eliminate dirty print, tone gain and dot bridging, and fill in of reverse imagery



Widen your press operating window for flexo production



Maximize plant output and efficiency

Leverages years of research in highly controlled ink transfer methods

Optimized for Wide Web Flexible Packaging Applications with Solvent Ink,

Now available for Narrow Web, Aqueous-based Label Applications





The simple choice to enhance your label printing

Introducing UV Choice Printing

New patterns specially tailored for UV applications

Increase print performance and print stability across a wider range of print conditions

Additional efficiencies in platemaking



Increase density with optimized ink transfer by up to

15%*



Decrease press setup times by

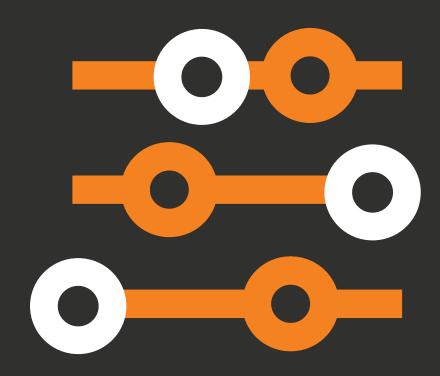
5-20%*



Achieve faster imaging by up to







Decrease press setup times by

5-20%

UV Choice Printing simplifies press setup

Come up to color faster.

- · Match to proof predictability
- Produce more short run jobs in a shorter window

More flexible press conditions.

- Maintain print consistency & quality
- Increased latitude with lower volume anilox
- Friendly for older equipment and less experienced operators



Print Suite for Trade Shop

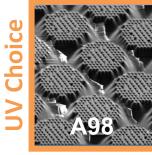
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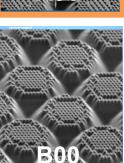
Print Suite for Flexible Packaging - Printer

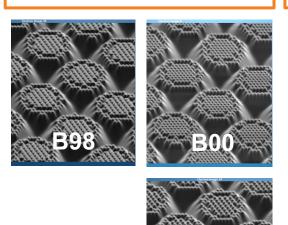
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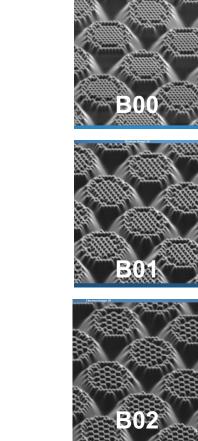
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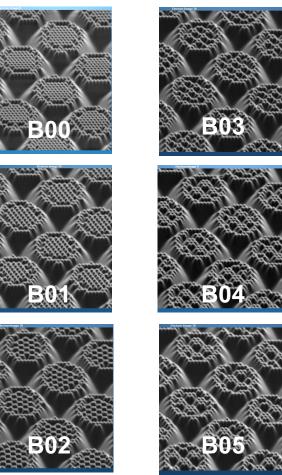
Solvent Inks









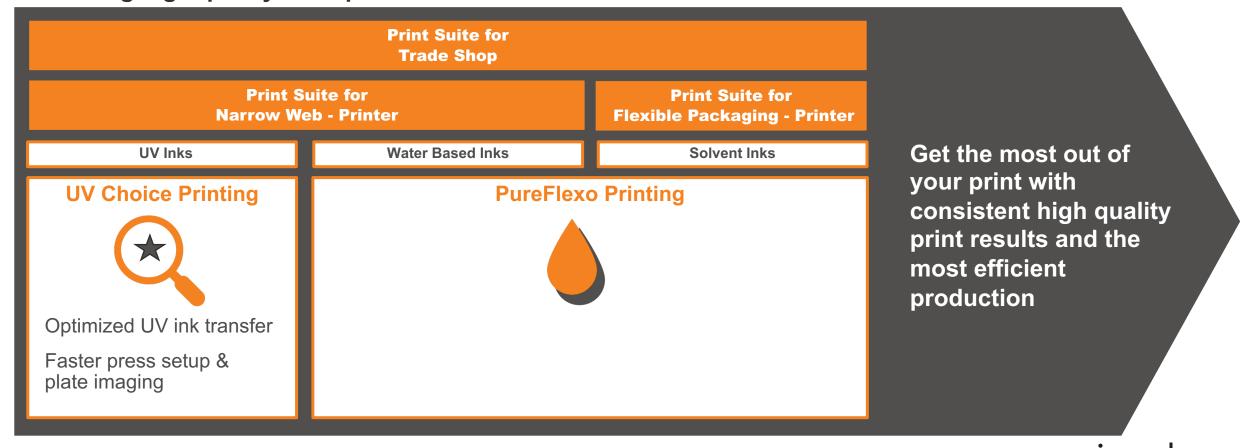




FLEXCEL NX Print Suite

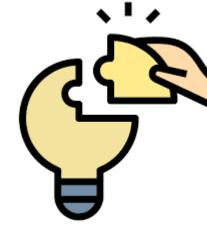
Simply boost your flexo performance

Solutions tailored for specific applications, creating greater efficiencies in achieving high quality flexo print.



Optimized Flexible Packaging (OFP)

- With OFP Miraclon aims to become the "trusted advisor" of the flexo printer
- OFP offers an end-to-end methodology to simplify and standardise the flexo printing process and make it more cost-effective, predictable and sustainable
- OFP accomplishes Visual Parity On Shelf! independent of the printing process – gravure, digital, flexography
- OFP utilizes "optimized process printing", 4-color or 7-color Extended Color Gamut to eliminate the use of spot color inks
- OFP promotes print to match a "certified proof"
- OFP teaches modern flexo printing technology and the use of the benefits of flexo (and digital) for visual parity on shelf to the converter (technical and sales teams) and brand owner







Please visit the Miraclon tabletop to know more!