TECHNICAL NOTE

*A RAPID METHOD FOR MAKING INEXPENSIVE
SLIDE PROJECTOR TRANSPARENCIES*

Petre (1966) described a rapid method for making 2- by 2-in. slides for presenting visual stimuli to human subjects via Kodak or other slide projectors. His suggestion involved preparing stimulus sheets of medium opacity tracing paper which were then held between two pieces of transparent plastic. All three sheets were cut to 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ by 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. squares and mounted in 2- by 2-in. Kodak Ready-Mounts (Super-Slides) which were then sealed with a moderately hot iron.

The present method eliminates the need to handle three sheets of material and special coloring materials for each slide.

Transparencies for either Super-Slides or standard 35-mm cardboard slide mounts may be quickly prepared from a single piece of DuPont CRONAR. This drafting film is 0.004-in. thick with one slick surface and one mat surface. The mat surface may be inscribed with virtually any writing implement including regular or colored pencil, soluble or permanent ink, nylon-tipped or ballpoint pens, crayons, or typewriter. In each case, reasonable care will produce a clean line which projects a clear, sharp image. The film is resistant to tearing, is flexible, waterproof, and has about the same erasing properties as a good bond paper.

The material is available from the Charles Bruning Co., Inc., as catalogue item No. 44-301 (Polyester Drafting Film, Type C) in a wide variety of single sheet or roll sizes. The cost for 100, 9 by 12 in. sheets is \$18.10; a 20-yd roll, 36-in. wide costs \$40.40. Exact prices for other sheet or roll sizes in other thicknesses ranging from 0.002 in. to 0.007 in. may be obtained from Charles Bruning Co. (local address: 2546 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri).

Slides may be prepared by mounting appropriately sized pieces of CRONAR in slide mounts and then drawing appropriate images on them as they are needed for projection. In some cases it is preferable to prepare an entire sheet of the film in a typewriter and then cut the individual items to size for mounting. Slides made in this way have been in use for over a year with dependability equal to that obtained with any cardboard-mounted slide.

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