

**Instruction Manual** 

# PCI Express USB 2.0 Adapter Card

4-Port (Independent) PCI Express to High Speed USB 2.0 Adapter Card



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## Introduction

This StarTech.com 4-Port PCI Express USB 2.0 Adapter Card lets you connect four USB 2.0 external peripherals and to your computer system, with support for high speed USB data transfer rates of up to 480 Mbps per port. This high speed adapter card features four independent USB 2.0 ports capable of reaching transfer speeds of 480Mbps each, and can address 127 USB devices on each port, for a maximum of 508 USB devices.

#### **Packaging Contents**

- 1 x PEXUSB400 adapter card
- 1 x LP4 molex to SATA Power adapter cable
- 1 x Instruction Manual

#### **System Requirements**

- PCI Express enabled computer system with available slot
- Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows<sup>®</sup> 2000/XP/Server 2003/Vista/Server 2008 R2/7 (32/64-bit), or Apple<sup>®</sup> Mac OS<sup>®</sup> 10.4/10.5/10.6, or Linux<sup>®</sup>





## Installation

**WARNING!** PCI Express cards, like all computer equipment, can be severely damaged by static electricity. Be sure that you are properly grounded before opening your computer case or touching your PCI Express card. StarTech.com recommends that you wear an anti-static strap when installing any computer component. If an anti-static strap is unavailable, discharge yourself of any static electricity build-up by touching a large grounded metal surface (such as the computer case) for several seconds. Also be careful to handle the PCI Express card by its edges and not the gold connectors.

#### **Hardware Installation**

- 1. Turn your computer off and any peripherals connected to the computer (i.e. Printers, external hard drives, etc.). Unplug the power cable from the rear of the power supply on the back of the computer and disconnect all peripheral devices.
- 2. Remove the cover from the computer case. See documentation for your computer system for details.
- 3. Locate an open PCI Express slot and remove the metal cover plate on the rear of the computer case (Refer to documentation for your computer system for details.). Note that this card will work in PCI Express slots of additional lanes (i.e. x4, x8 or x16 slots).
- 4. Insert the card into the open PCI Express slot and fasten the bracket to the rear of the case.
- 5. Connect an LP4 molex power connector from the computer power supply to the LP4 connector on the card. An LP4 to SATA Power adapter cable in included, if only SATA Power connectors are available.

**NOTE:** The LP4 power is optional, as the card can draw power from the PCI Express bus, however the amount of power is limited. It is recommended to have the LP4 power connected when possible, to ensure that all USB peripherals are able to receive the full amount of power available.

- 6. If connecting an internal USB device or front panel port (single), connect the USB header cable to the header connector on the card, located just behind the top external USB port. The +5V pin is marked with a triangle (see photo on previous page). NOTE: This will disable the adjacent external port.
- 7. Place the cover back onto the computer case.
- 8. Insert the power cable into the socket on the power supply and reconnect all other connectors removed in Step 1.

#### **Driver Installation**

No driver installation is required for supported operating systems, as this USB 2.0 adapter card is natively supported, so the drivers are already installed.



#### **Verifying Installation**

#### Windows 2000/XP/Server 2003/Vista/Server 2008 R2/7

From the main desktop, right-click on "My Computer" ("Computer" in Vista/7), then select Manage. In the new Computer Management window, select Device Manager from the left window panel.



In the Device Manager, under the Universal Serial Bus Controllers category, you should see the new entries for the USB controller card.



# **Specifications**

Bus Interface	PCI Express rev. 1.1
	(x1 slot connector)
Chipset ID	MosChip MSC9990CV
Connectors	4 x USB type A female
	1 x 4-pin USB header (shared)
	1 x LP4 molex
LEDs	1 x LP4 Power connected (internal)
Form Factor	Full Profile
Supported Standards	USB 2.0 EHCI 1.0, OHCI 1.0a
Maximum Data Transfer Rate	USB 2.0: 480Mbps
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 70°C (32°F ~ 158°F)
Storage Temperature	-40°C ~ 85°C (-40°F ~ 185°F)
Humidity	5 ~ 95% RH
Dimensions	68.4mm x 87.0mm x 21.0mm
Weight	50g
Compatible Operating Systems	Windows 2000/XP/Server 2003/Vista/Server 2008 R2/7 (32/64-bit), Mac OS 10.4/10.5/10.6, Linux



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