



shaping the future of optics

# Optotune

## Microscopy

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- Company presentation
- Why tunable lenses for microscopy?
- Tunable lens technology
- Integration of tunable lenses
- Application examples
- Conclusion

# Optotune on one page



**Established in 2008**

**Leader in tunable optics**

**27 sales partners in 30 countries**

**~80 employees in HQ in Zurich, Switzerland  
~70 employees in Factory in Trnava, Slovakia**

**Two major businesses**

- Industrial
- Consumer

**Privately owned**



Vision Systems Innovator Award 2016 >

Swiss Economic Award 2014 >

No. 1 Startup in Switzerland 2011 >

Prism Award 2011 >

Swiss Technology Award 2010 >

Winner of Venture 2008 >

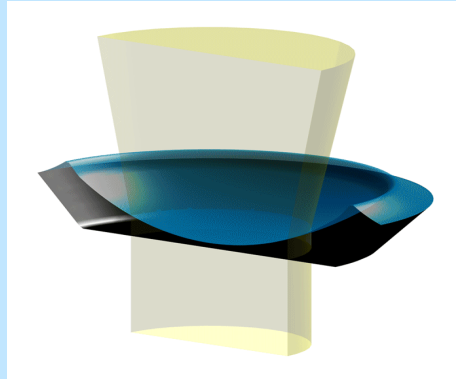
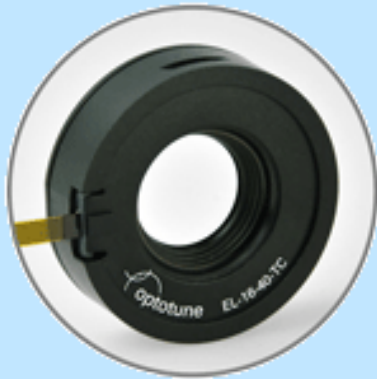
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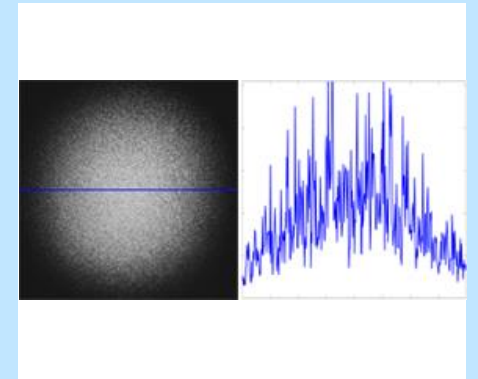
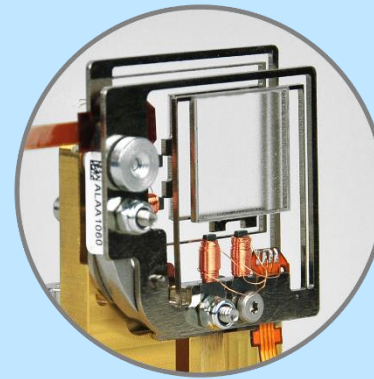
# Optotune provides four core product lines



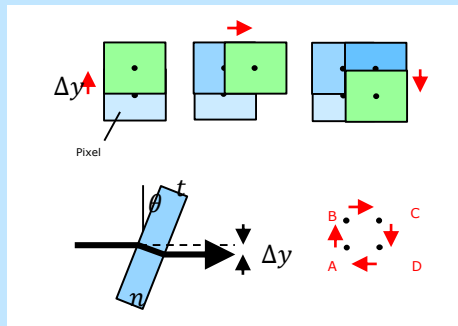
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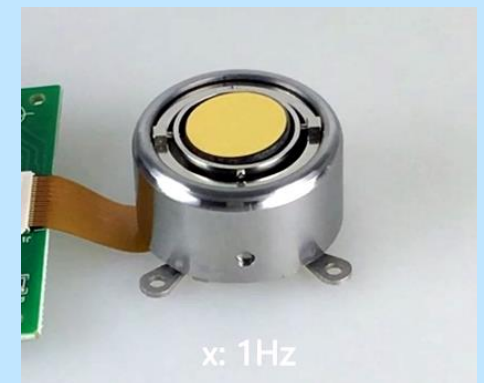
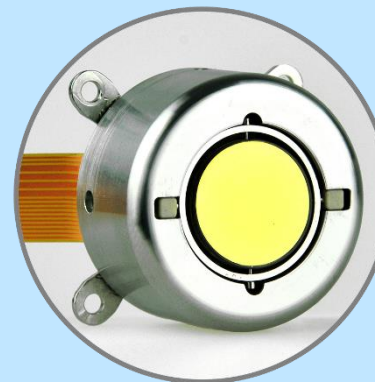
## Laser speckle reducers



## Extended pixel resolution actuators



## 2D mirrors



# Expansion of product portfolio over the years



Enabling optical innovations

Beam steering devices

Laser speckle reducers

Focus tunable lenses

What can we innovate for you?

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

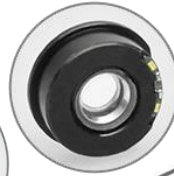
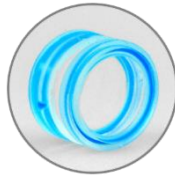
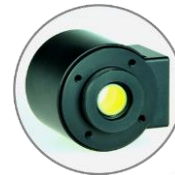
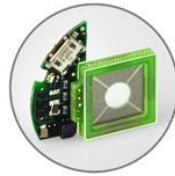
2013

2014

2015

2016

2017



# Our vision: Enable optical innovations



## Enables product innovation

- Compact & fast autofocus
- 3D laser processing
- Laser-based cinema

## By delivering key components

- Tunable lenses
- Laser speckle reducers
- Beam steering devices

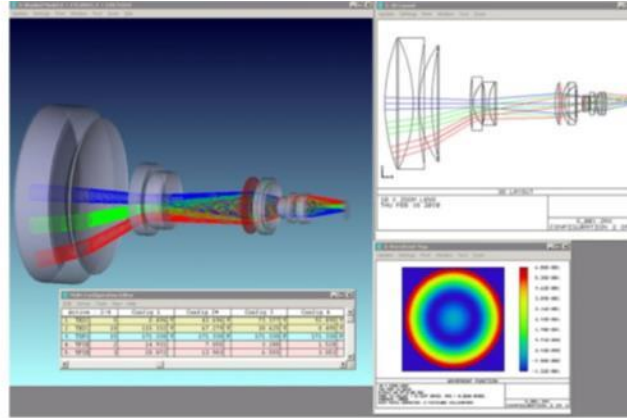
## Based on platform technologies

- Membranes & liquids
- Electroactive polymers
- Reluctance force actuators

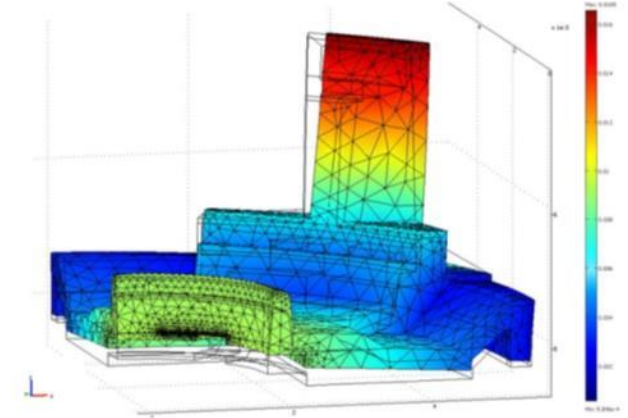
# Expertise in house from R&D to production



**Materials Research**



**Optical Design**



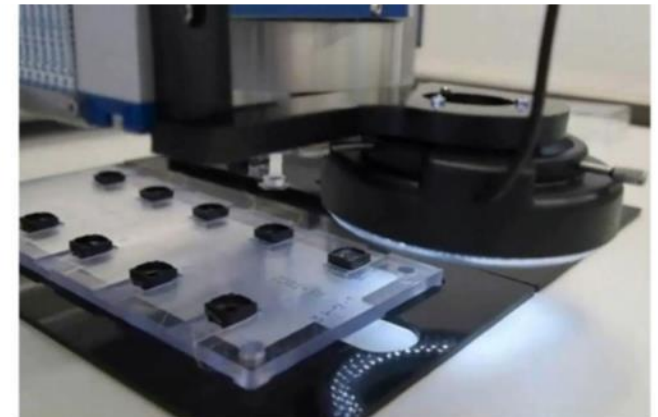
**Mechanical Design**



**Prototyping**



**Testing**



**Production**

# Optotune's market focus



## Laser projection

- ✓ High-resolution, speckle-free projections
- ✓ Ultra-compact solution with no mechanics
- ✓ Low power consumption



## Machine vision

- ✓ Focus within milliseconds
- ✓ Working distances from infinity to 50mm
- ✓ Maximal flexibility



## Laser processing

- ✓ Fast control of Z-axis
- ✓ Compact, reliable design with less mechanics
- ✓ Easy to integrate



## Medical

- ✓ Compensation of visual defects
- ✓ Continuous adjustment in real-time
- ✓ +/- 20 diopters spherical, +/- 10 diopters cylindrical



## Microscopy

- ✓ Axial focusing over several 100um within milliseconds
- ✓ Backward compatibility with several types of microscopes
- ✓ Speckle-free laser illumination



## Custom design

- ✓ What is your application?



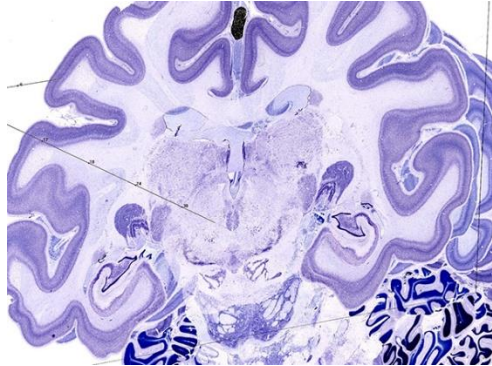
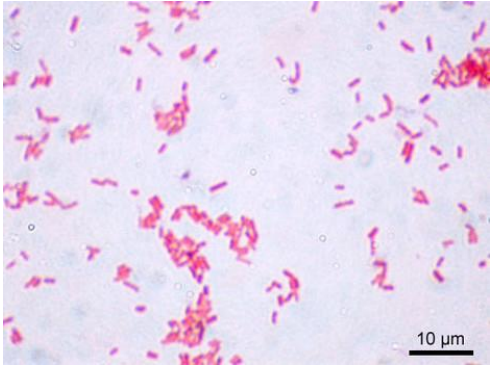
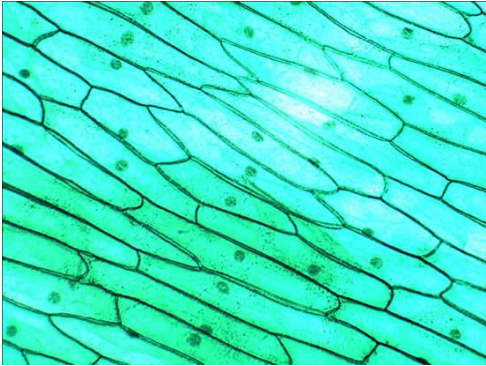


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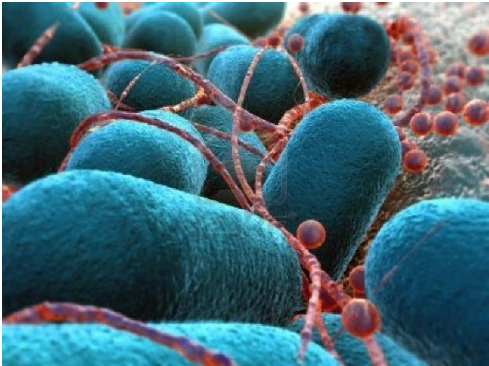
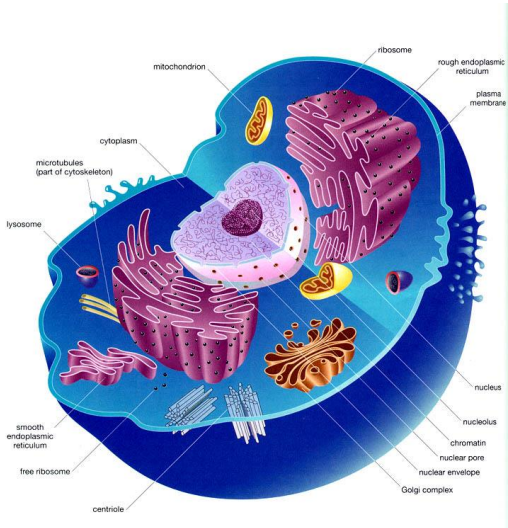
# Starting point



Today, most microscopes take 2D images, but ...



...Life is 3-dimensional !!



# Starting point

## Modern biology wants

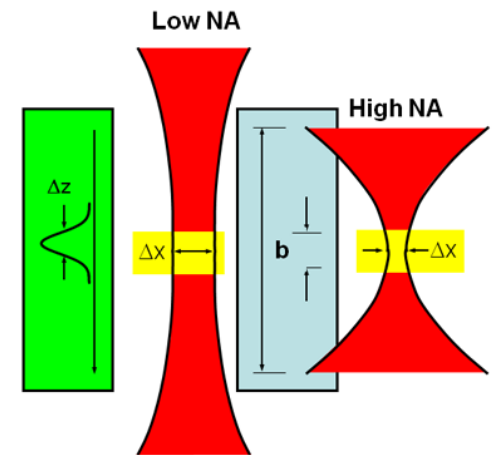
- Imaging of 3D cell cultures
- Imaging of whole embryos
- In-vivo imaging in living animals

## Issue:

- Microscopes have a limited “depth of field” (DOF)
- The higher the lateral resolution, the smaller the DOF

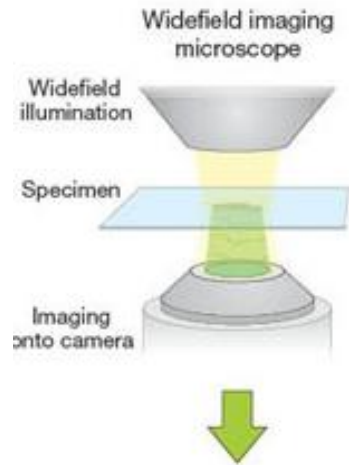
## Solution:

- 3D microscope

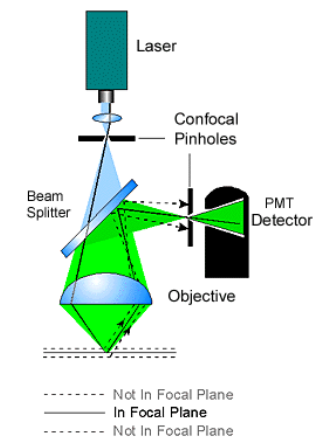


$$\text{DOF} = \frac{n\lambda}{2\text{NA}^2}$$

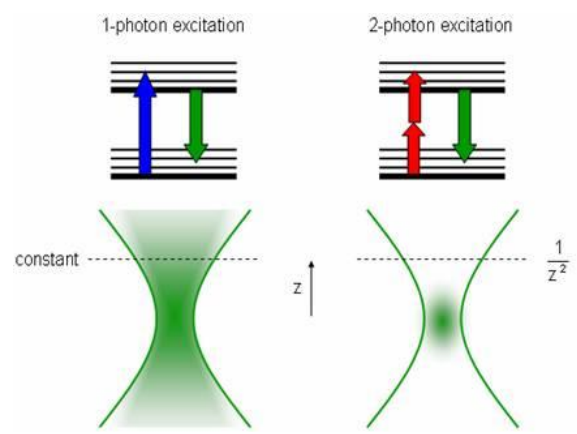
# 3D microscopy techniques



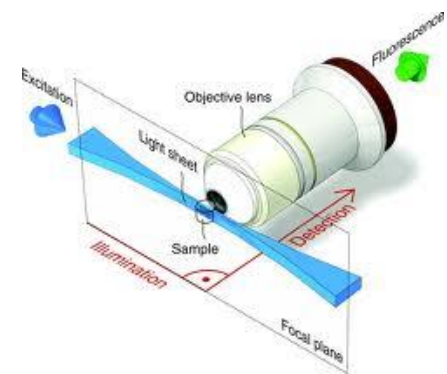
**Wide-field microscopy**



**Confocal microscopy**



**Two-photon microscopy**



**Light-sheet microscopy**

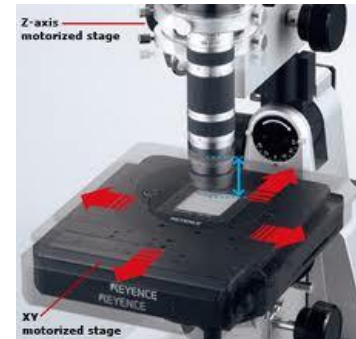
# Need to scan along z-axis



## Solutions:

### ➤ Motorized stages

- ▶ Slow
- ▶ bulky



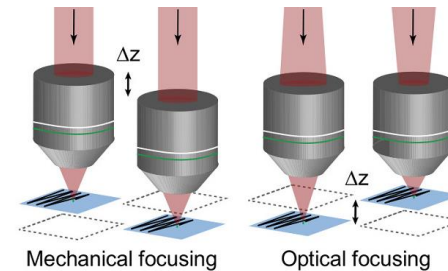
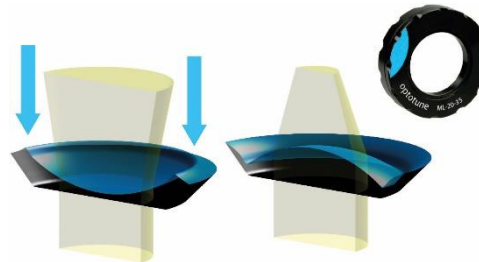
### ➤ Piezo-stages

- ▶ small travel
- ▶ expensive



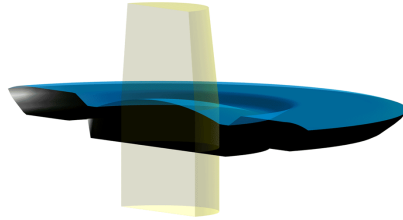
### ➤ Focus tunable lenses

- ▶ Fast
- ▶ Compact
- ▶ accurate



# USP for 3D microscopy

- Fast ( $> 100$  Hz), compact and accurate 3D scanning



- $> 100x$  Faster than motorized solutions

- $> 3x$  cheaper than piezo stages

- Larger z-range than with piezo stages (up to  $600\ \mu\text{m}$  with 40x objective)

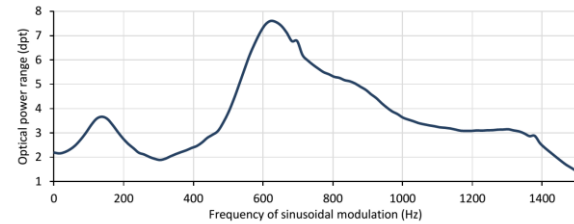
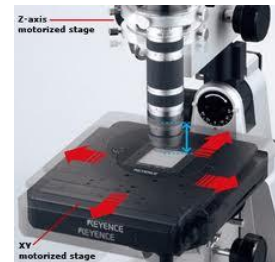


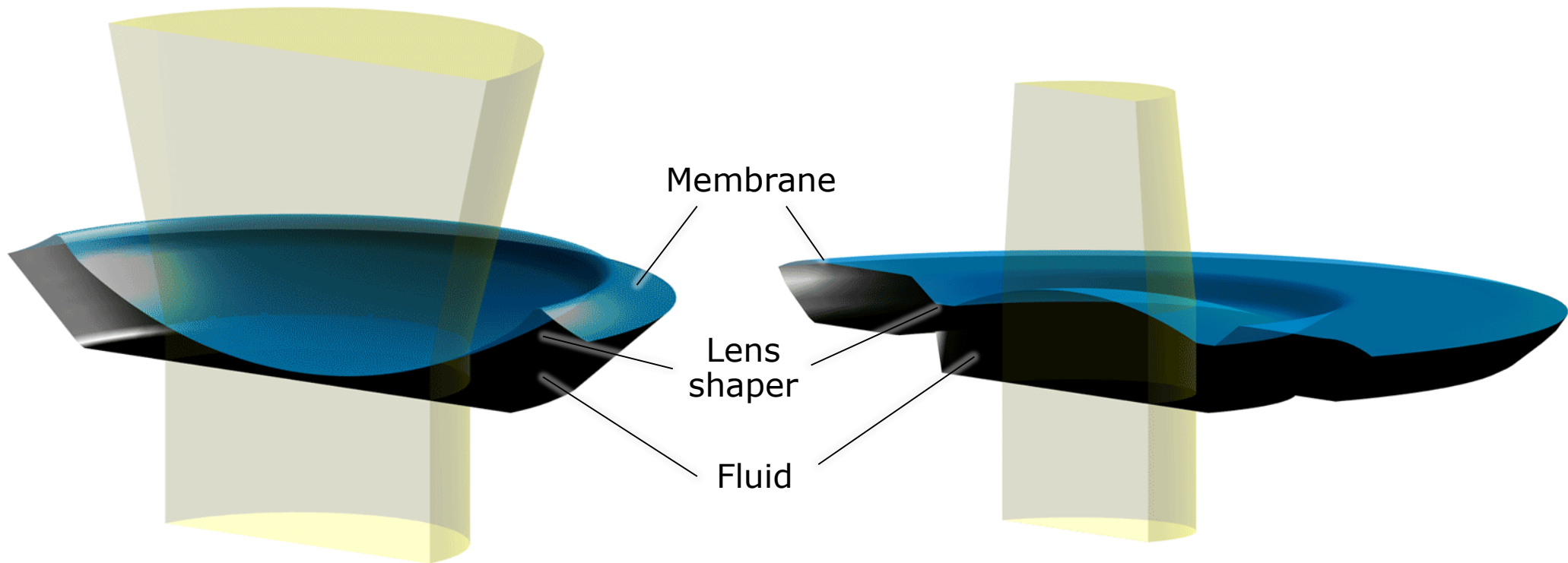
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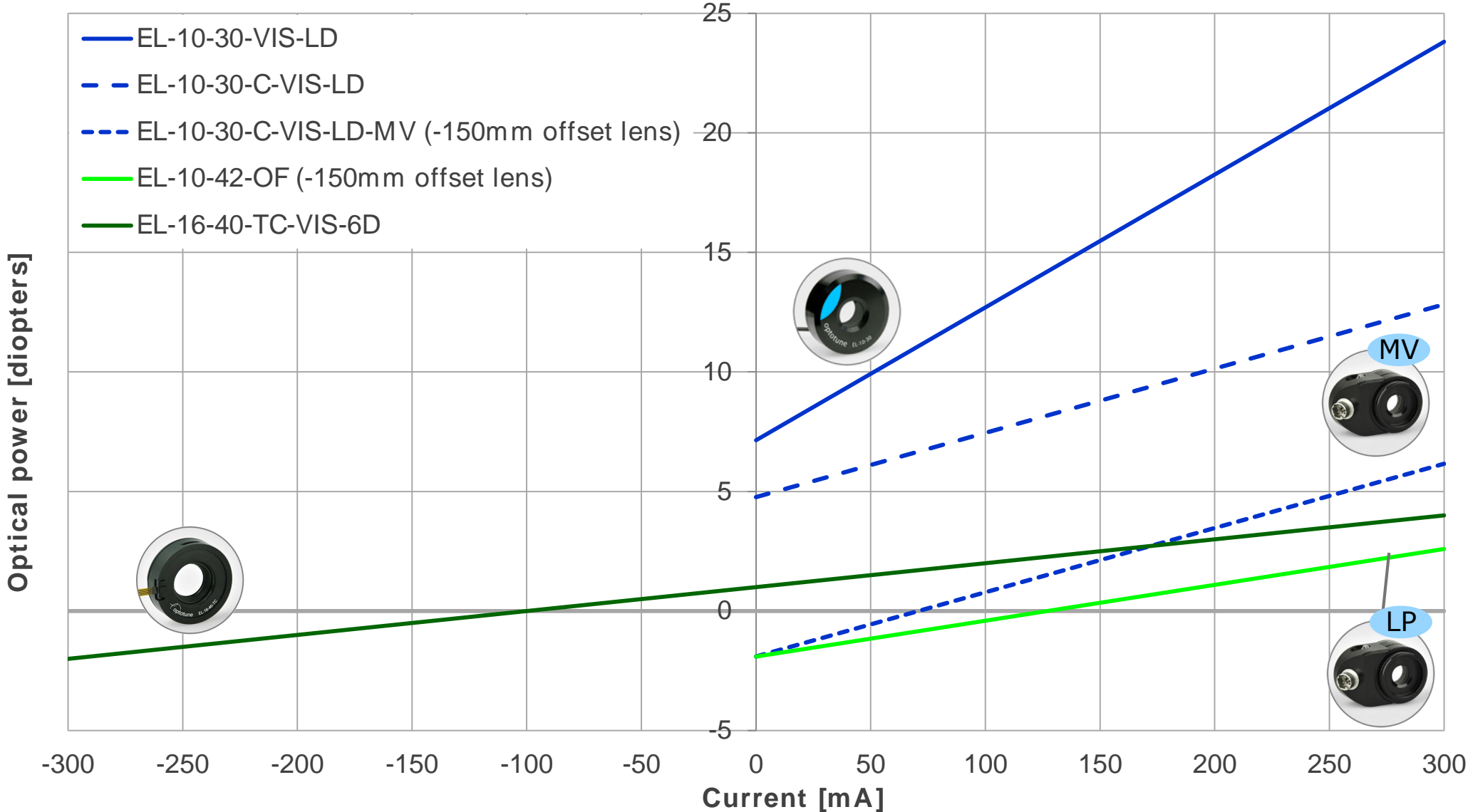
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# How does it work?



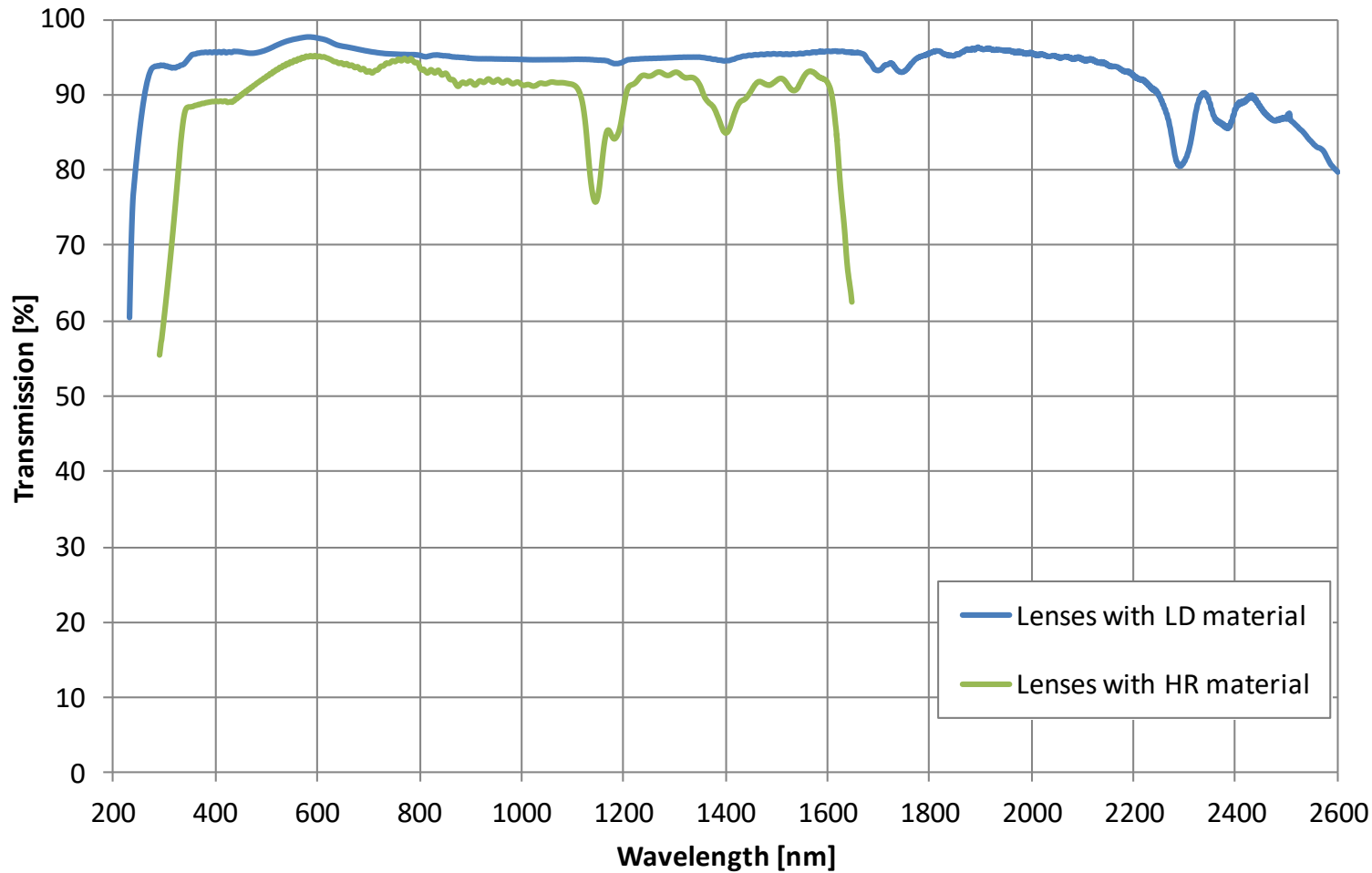


# The focal power ( $D = 1/f$ ) of Optotune's lenses is controlled by current

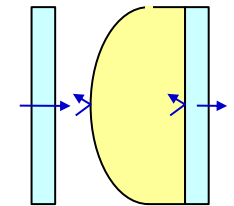


Note: This curve varies from lens to lens. However, it is reproducible once calibrated

# Focus tunable polymer lenses for multi-spectral applications



Lens schematic



*Transmission of the EL-10-30 assuming 100% transparent cover glasses.*

# Response time of $\sim 10\text{ms}$

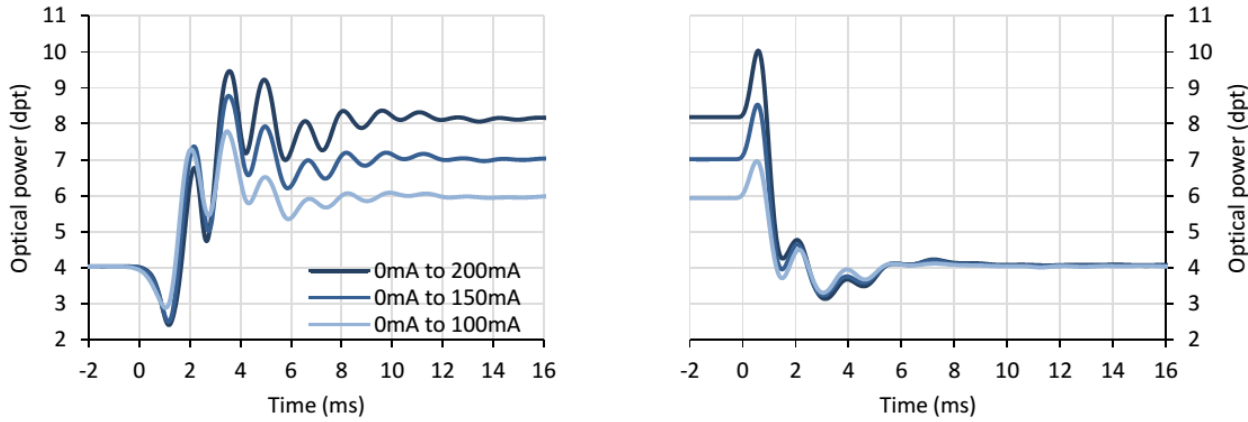


Figure 12: Typical optical response of the EL-10-30-C to a current step.

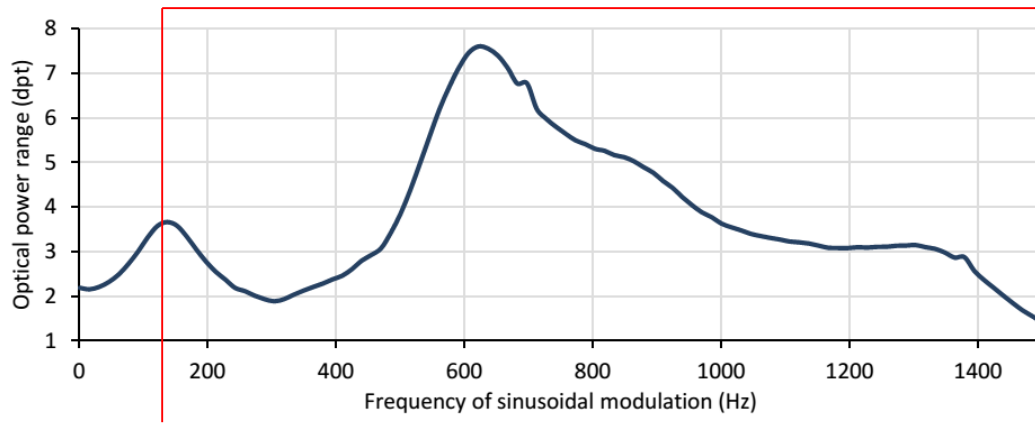
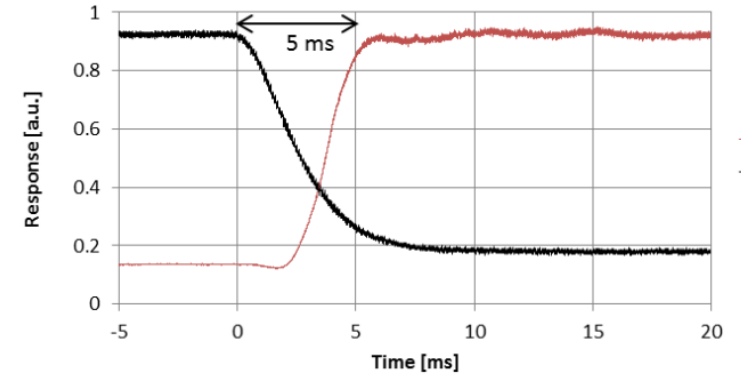
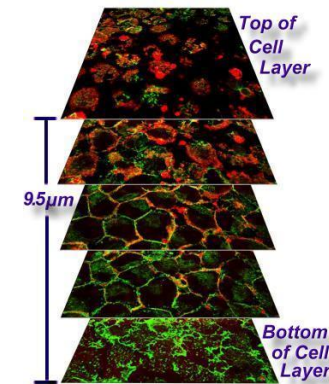


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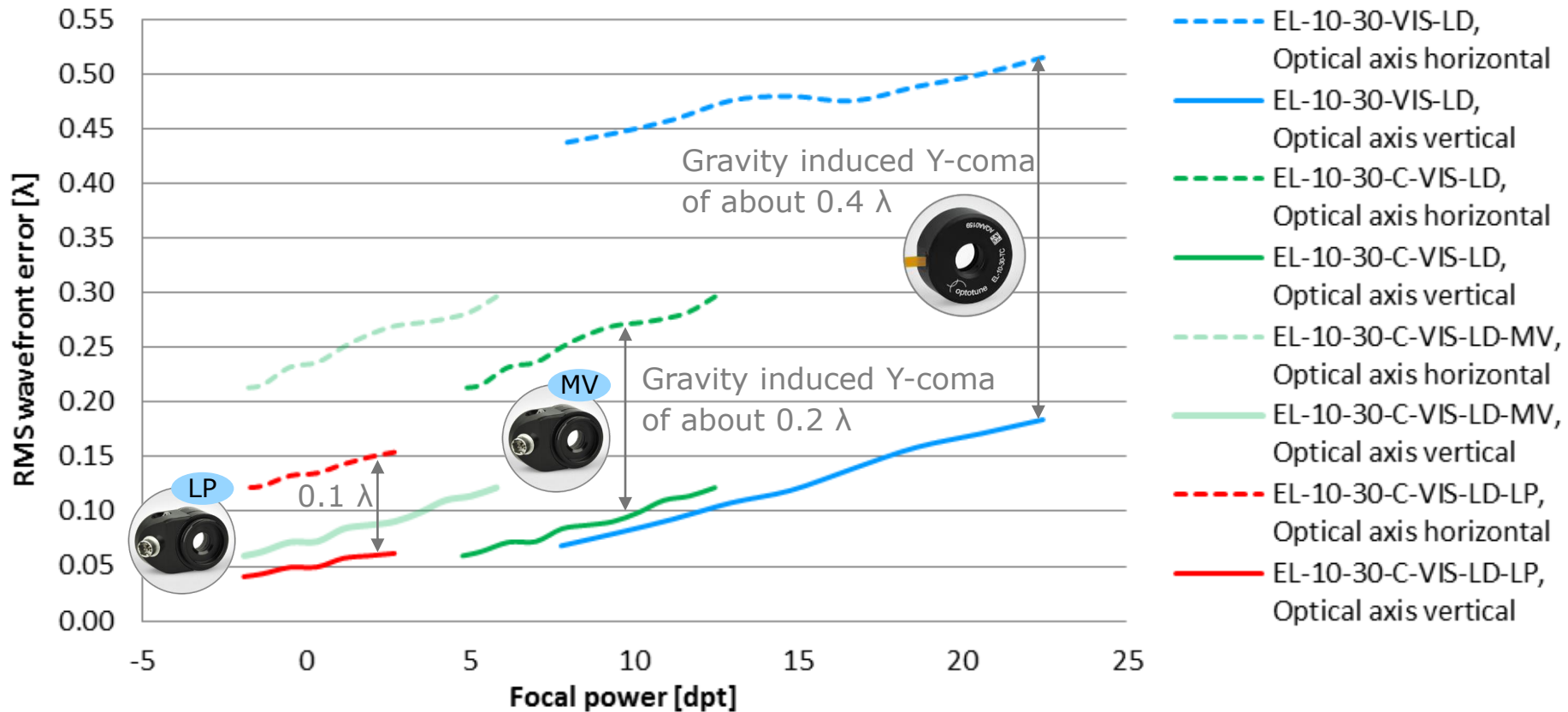
Low-pass filtered:



Oscillation mode  
→ fast image stacking



# Typical wavefront quality of the EL-10-30



- Precision optics quality if optical axis is vertical
- Wavefront error in horizontal axis dominated by a Y-coma, due to gravity  
→ This can be reduced using stronger membranes

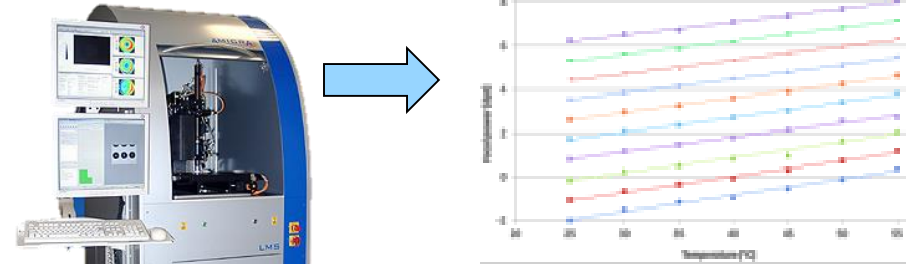
Note: All measurements conducted at 80% of clear aperture; Wavelength is 525nm

# Focal power mode for good reproducibility



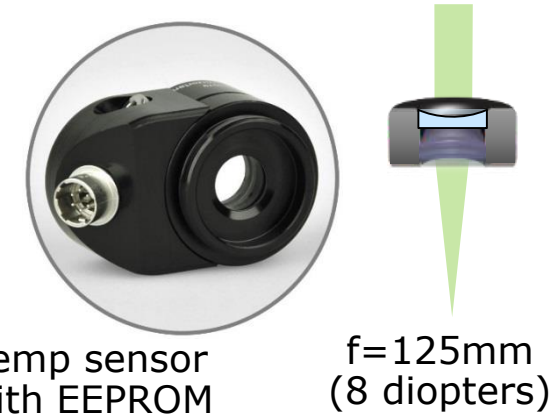
- Why it is important:
  - The focal power of our lenses drifts with temperature by about 0.06 diopters / °C (depends on lens model)
- Typical accuracy achieved: +/- 0.1dpt

Lens characterization  
f vs T vs I



↓  
Lens calibration  
curve stored on  
lens internal  
memory

Temperature  
compensated  
control current  
to adjust lens  
to 8 diopters



"I need a lens  
with  $f=125\text{mm}$   
(8 diopters)"

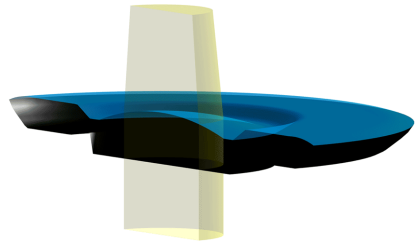
Use focal  
power mode to  
set lens to 8  
diopters



↻  
Lens calibration table  
and temperature read  
by lens driver



# Optotune's electrically focus tunable lenses



	EL-3-10	EL-10-30-TC	EL-10-30-C(i)	EL-16-40	EL-10-42-OF
Focal power range*	-13 ... 13 Dpt	8 ... 22 Dpt	-1.5 ... 3.5 Dpt	-2 ... +3 Dpt	-10 ... +10 Dpt
Clear aperture	3mm	10mm	10mm	16mm	16mm
Outer diameter	10mm	30mm	30mm	40mm	40mm
Wavefront quality RMS @525nm**	<0.15 / 0.15 $\lambda$	<0.25 / 0.5 $\lambda$	<0.15 / 0.25 $\lambda$	I: <0.15/ 0.5 $\lambda$ II <0.25 / 0.5 $\lambda$	I: <0.25 / 2.5 $\lambda$ II: <0.5 / 2.5 $\lambda$
Absolute focal power accuracy	N/A	< 0.1 Dpt	< 0.1 Dpt	< 0.1 dpt	< 0.1 dpt
Built-in sensors	None	Temperature	Temperature	Temp./Optical feedback	Temp./Optical feedback
Applications	Machine Vision Ophthalmology	Microscopy Ophthalmology	Machine vision	MV/Microscopy Ophthalmology	MV/Microscopy Ophthalmology

\* Depends on selected optical fluid    \*\* vertical / horizontal optical axis

# Focus tunable polymer lenses are reliable



Test	Test conditions	Status
<b>Mechanical cycling</b>	40 million full-range cycles (0 to 300 mA rectangular, at 10 Hz) 5 billion sinusoidal cycles at resonant frequency	Passed
<b>High temperature test</b>	85±2°C; rel. hum. <6% for 168 hours, non-operational	Passed
<b>Temperature cycling test</b>	-40°C / +85°C for 30 min each, 3 min transition time, 100 cycles	Passed
<b>Damp heat cycling test</b>	25°C / 55°C at 90-100% relative humidity, 3 hour transition time, 24h per cycle (9h plus transition time each), 18 cycles	Passed
<b>Shock test:</b>	800g for 1ms duration, 5 pulses in each direction (30 pulses in total)	Passed
<b>Solar radiation test:</b>	1120 W per m <sup>2</sup> (IEC 60068-2-5), 8 h irradiation & 16 h darkness, 10 cycles	Passed



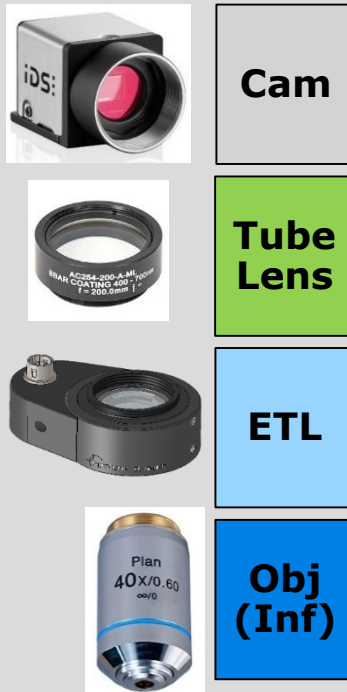
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# Digital microscopy configurations

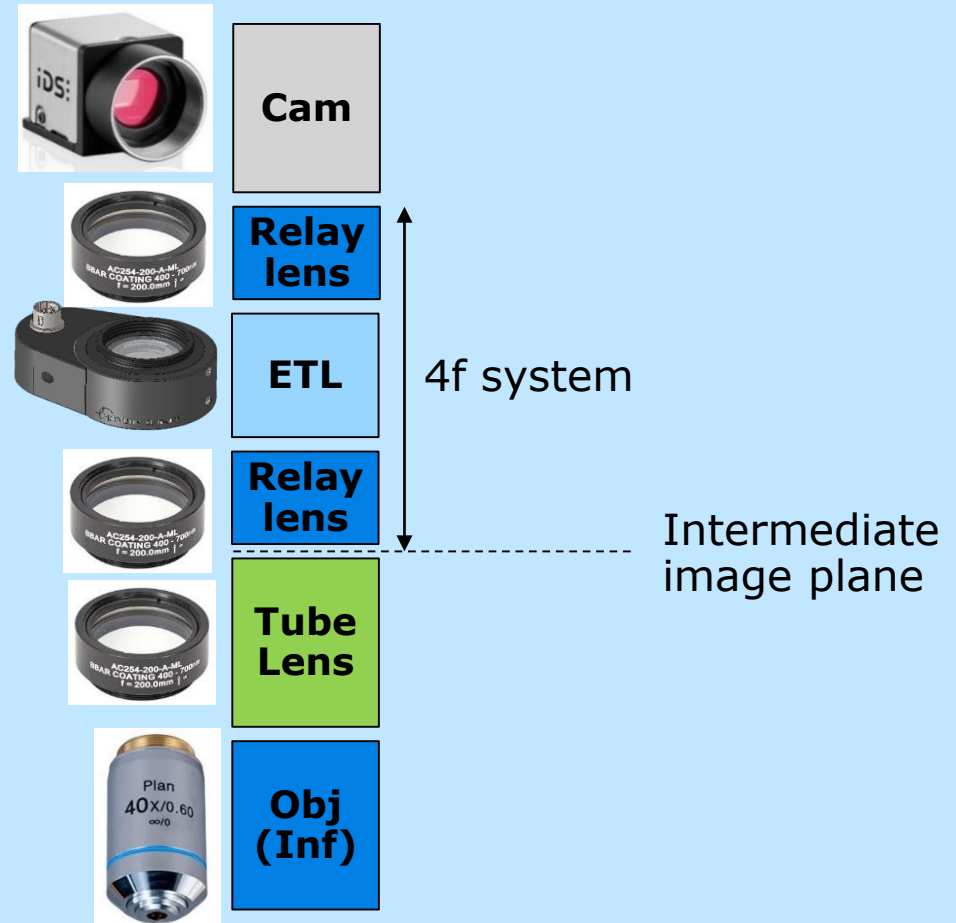


## Mag. change



- Large z-range

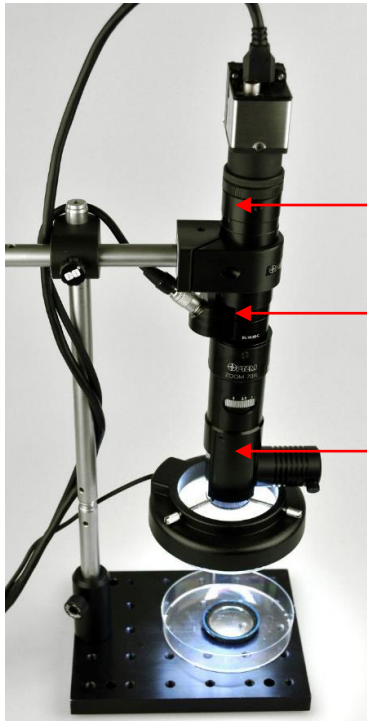
## No Mag change



# How to integrate the EL



## Digital inspection microscope

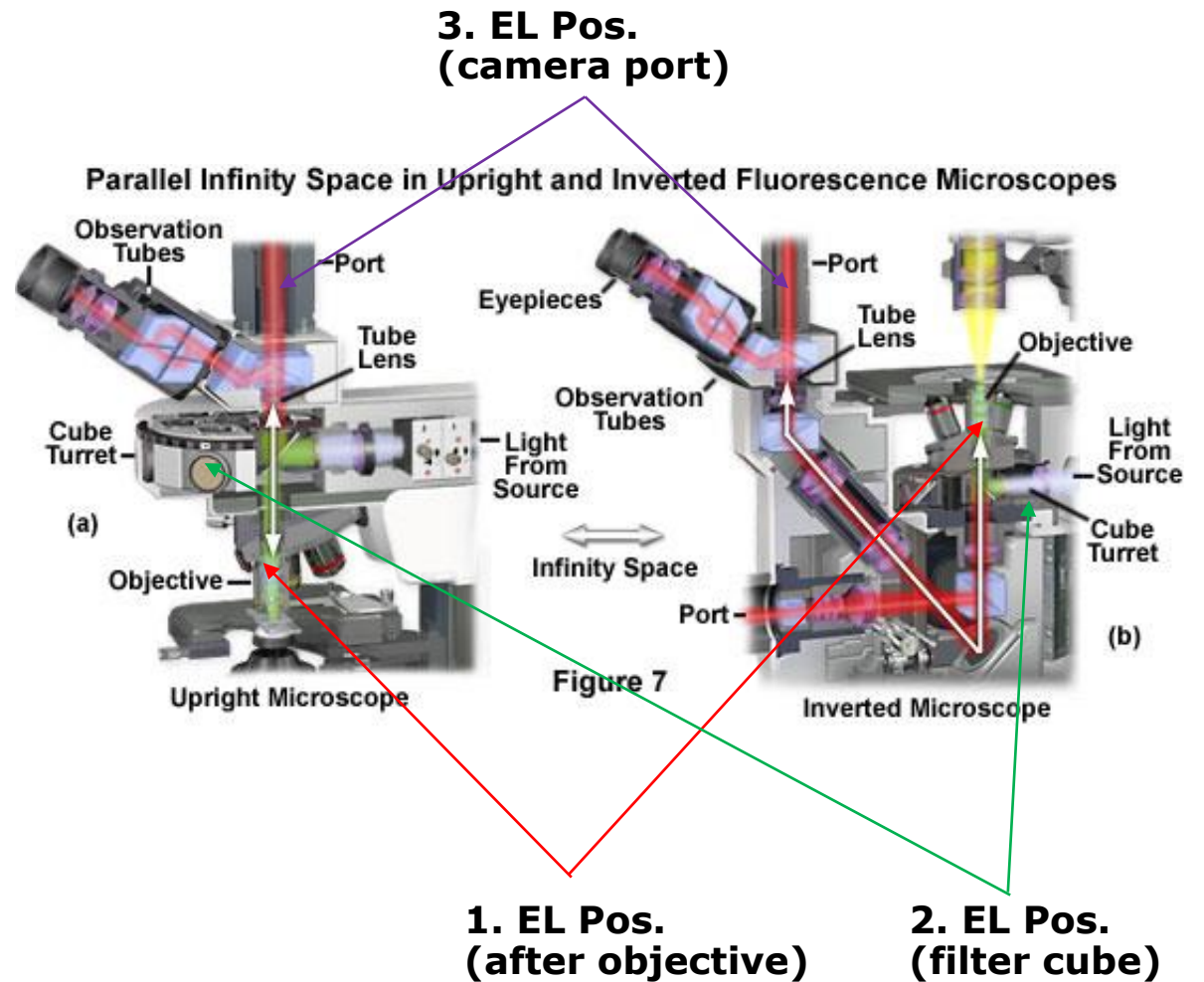


Tube lens

Optotune EL

Zoom lens

## Scientific microscope



# Non-telecentric autofocus configuration: EL on top of objective



## Zeiss Axioskop

<http://labs.pbrc.edu/cellbiology/documents/AxioskopManual.pdf>

- Zeiss Neofluar, 10x/0.3 Inf./0.17
- Zeiss LD Achromplan 20x/0.4 Korr Ph2 Inf./0-1.5
- Zeiss Plan-Neofluar 40x/0.75 Inf/0.17

## Camera

Teledyne Dalsa Genie TS-C1920

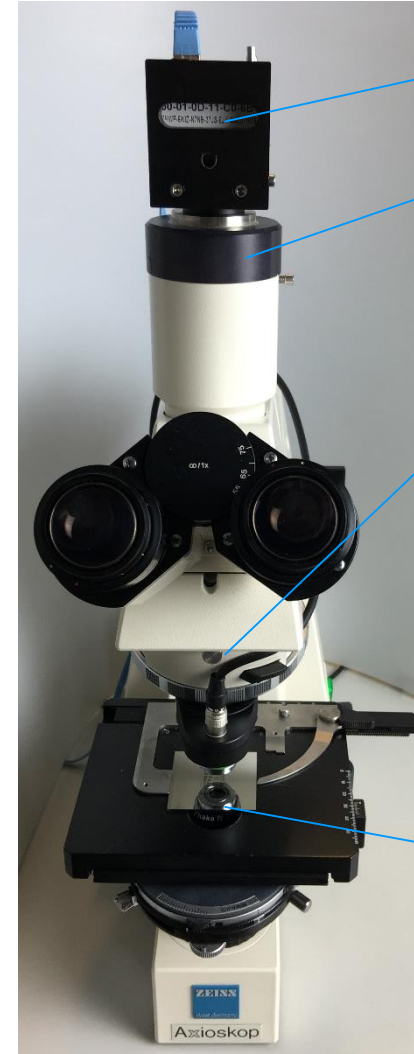
## Optotune Lens

EL-16-40-TC-VIS-20D, ANAA0380

Mounted with C-mount RMS adapters from Thorlabs

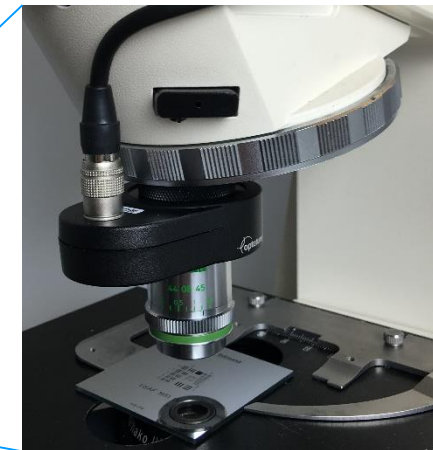
- RSA6 - Adapter with External RMS Threads and Internal C-Mount Threads

- RSA5 - Adapter with External C-Mount Threads and Internal RMS Threads



camera

C-mount adapter



# Non-telecentric autofocus configuration: EL on top of objective



Mag	-2 dpt	0 dpt	+3 dpt
10x	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 10x magnification with a defocus of -2 diopters. The chart features various patterns of horizontal and vertical lines, some labeled with numbers 1 through 9. The lines are slightly blurred due to the defocus.	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 10x magnification with a defocus of 0 diopters. The lines are sharp and well-defined.	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 10x magnification with a defocus of +3 diopters. The lines are significantly blurred and less distinct.
20x	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 20x magnification with a defocus of -2 diopters. The lines are more densely packed and show more blur than the 10x images.	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 20x magnification with a defocus of 0 diopters. The lines are sharp.	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 20x magnification with a defocus of +3 diopters. The lines are very blurred and difficult to distinguish.
40x	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 40x magnification with a defocus of -2 diopters. The lines are very dense and highly blurred.	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 40x magnification with a defocus of 0 diopters. The lines are sharp.	Micrograph showing a resolution test chart at 40x magnification with a defocus of +3 diopters. The lines are extremely blurred and mostly indistinguishable.

# Non-telecentric autofocus configuration: EL on top of objective



- The tunable lens was operated between -2dpt and +3 dpt (nominal tuning range)
- Compact autofocus solution without the need of mechanical translation
- However, in such a configuration, the field-of-view (FOV) and numerical aperture (NA) changes while focusing (non-telecentric behavior)

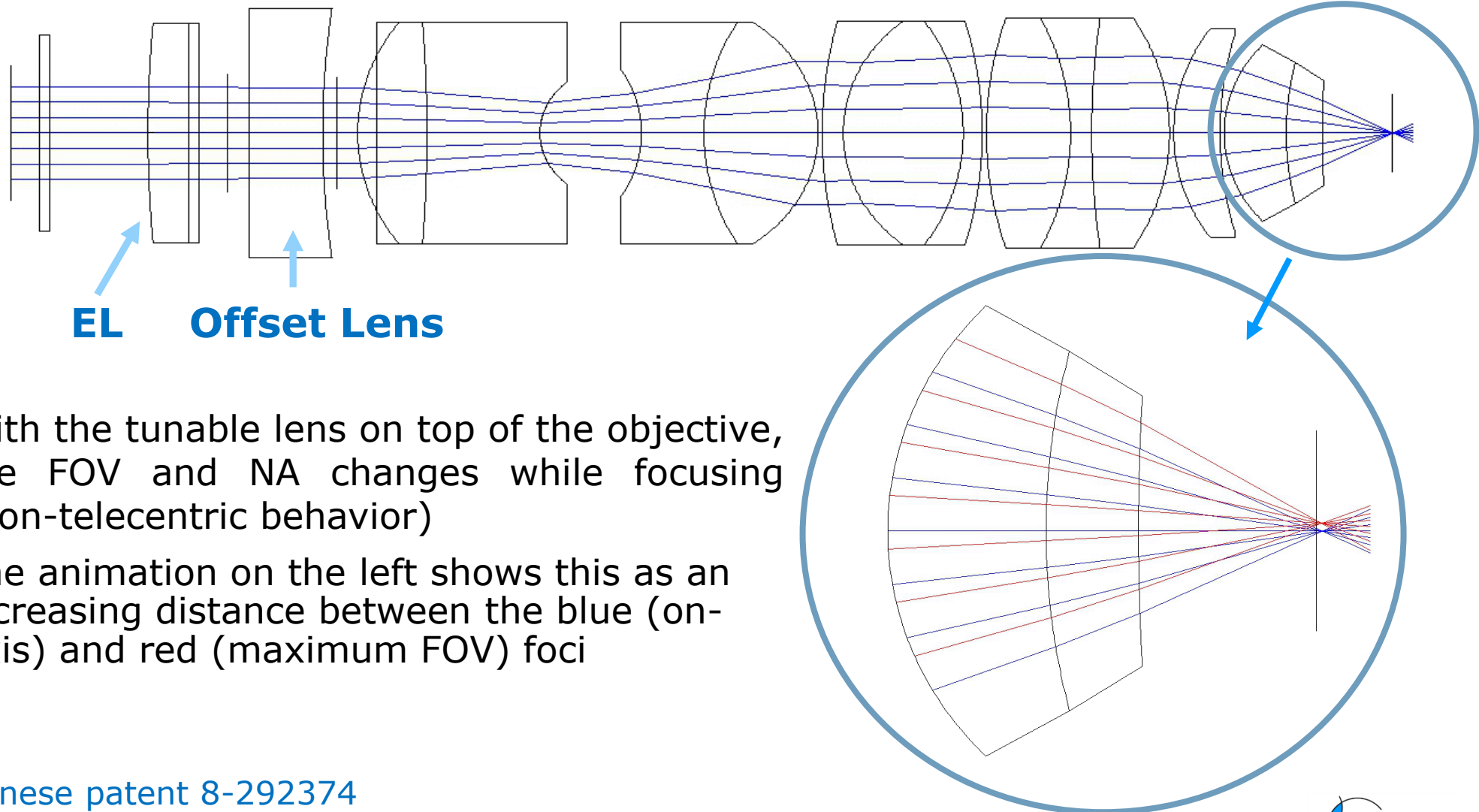
	Z-range	Mag change
<b>10x</b>	2.56mm (20D: 10.24)	7.5 %
<b>20x</b>	0.64mm (20D: 2.56 mm)	12.2%
<b>40x</b>	0.16mm (20D: 0.64mm)	23.7%

# Non-telecentric autofocus configuration: optical layout



## Objective (Olympus 40x NA 0.8)\*

Image plane  
without EL



**EL**      **Offset Lens**

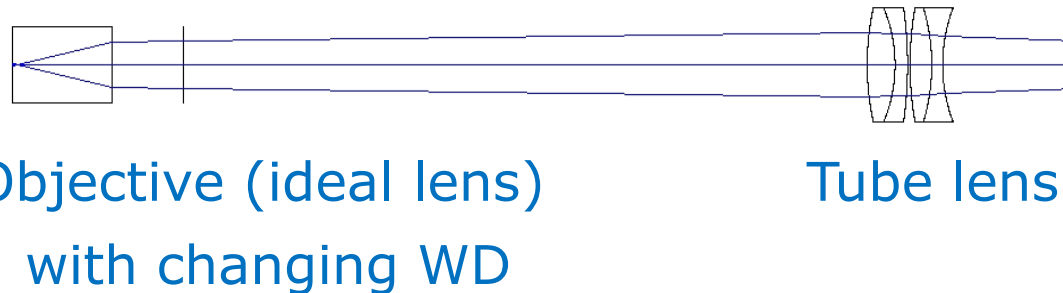
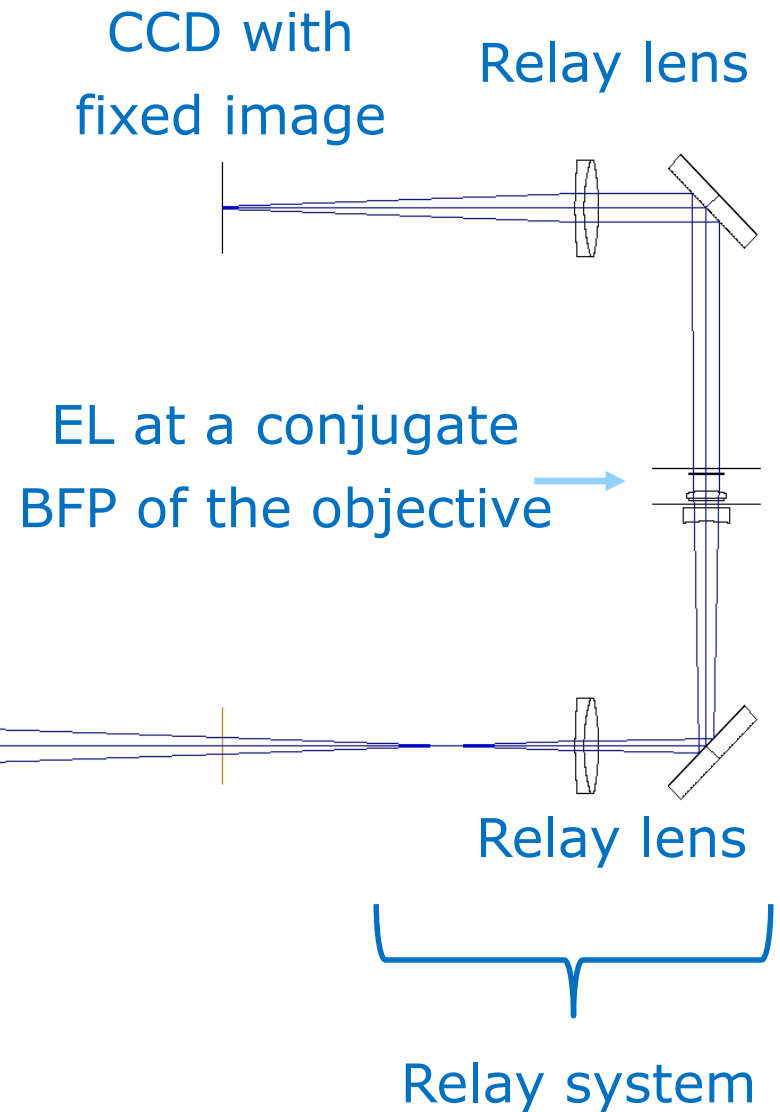
- With the tunable lens on top of the objective, the FOV and NA changes while focusing (non-telecentric behavior)
- The animation on the left shows this as an increasing distance between the blue (on-axis) and red (maximum FOV) foci

\* Japanese patent 8-292374

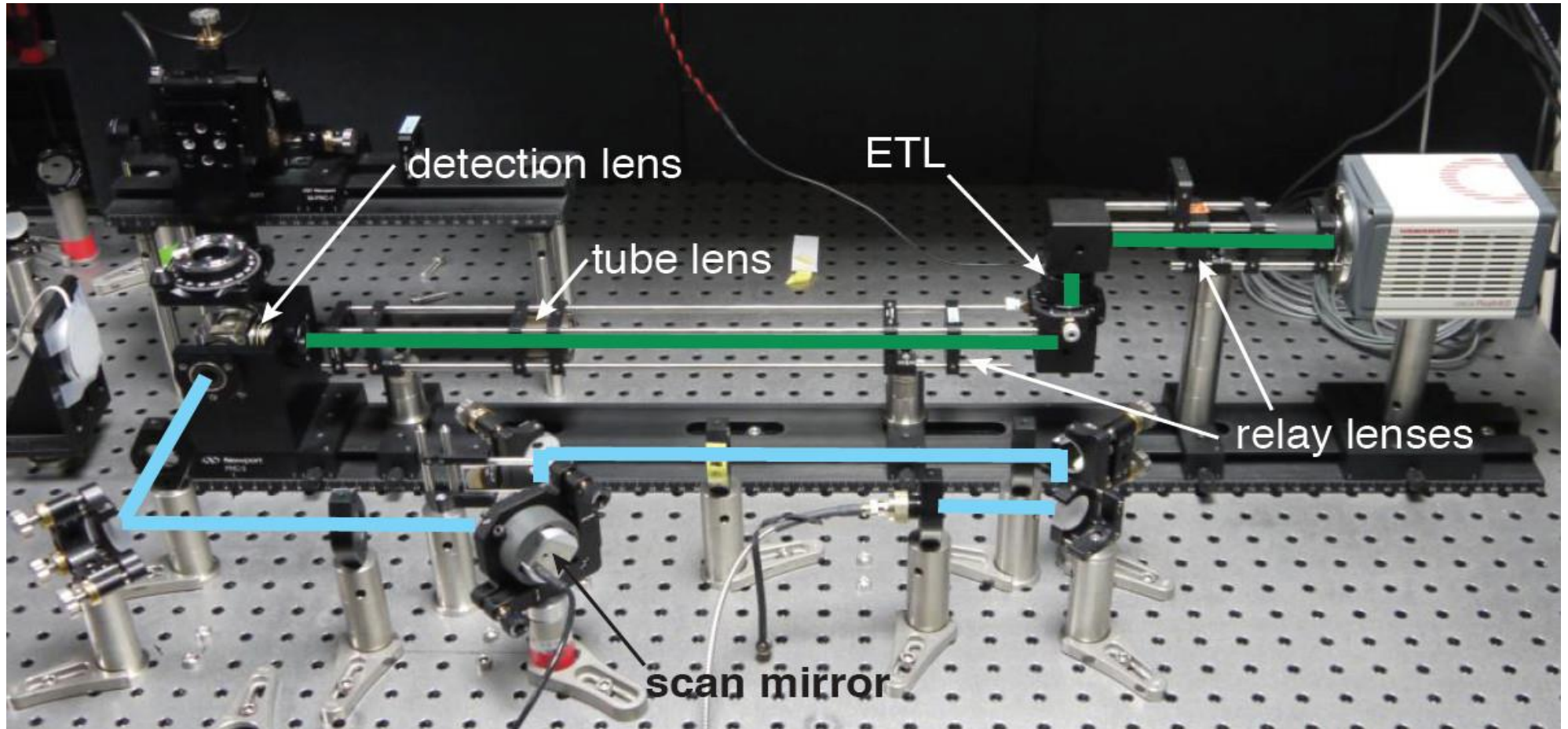
# Telecentric autofocus configuration: tunable lens EL with a relay system



- By inserting a relay system, composed of two lenses (a 4f-system), the back focal plane (BFP) of the objective can be reimaged to an accessible location
- When the EL is placed at that position, the system stays telecentric while focusing



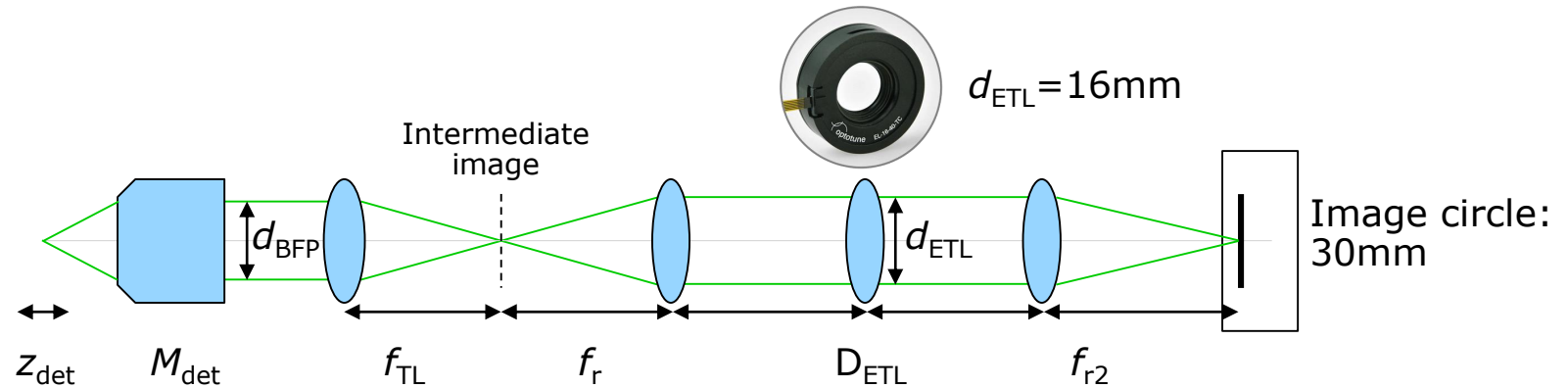
# Exemplary setup of a telecentric microscope with a tunable lens autofocus solution



This design principle can be found in this EL-lightsheet microscope (Fahrbach et al., Optics Express 2013)



# Axial scan range



- The displacement of the image plane is given by

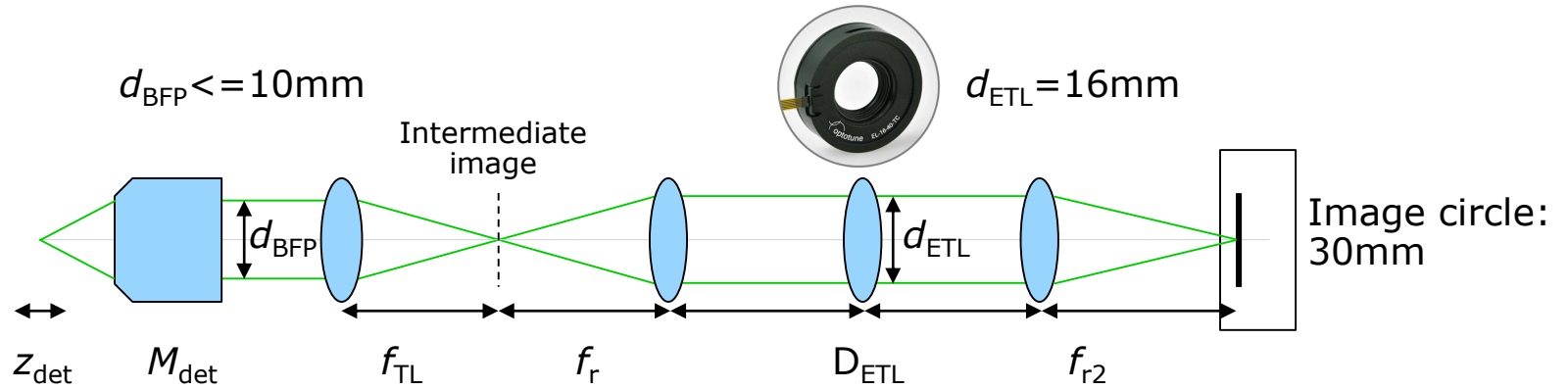
$$\delta z_{det} = -\frac{1}{M_{det}^2} \cdot \frac{n f_r^2}{f_{ETL,eff}}$$

where  $n$  is the refractive index of the immersion medium,  $M_{det}$  is the magnification of the microscope objective,  $f_r$  is the focal length of the relay lens and  $f_{ETL,eff}$  is the effective focal length of the Optotune lens ( $1/f_{ETL,eff} \approx 1/f_{ETL} + 1/f_{OL}$ ) and  $f_{OL}$  is the focal length of a possible offset lens.

- To maintain the full NA of the detection lens, the ratio of the focal lengths of the relay lens  $f_r$  and the tube lens  $f_{TL}$  must not be larger than the ratio of the aperture of the ETL  $d_{ETL}$  and the diameter of the BFP of the detection lens  $d_{BFP}$ , i.e.

$$f_r \leq f_{TL} \cdot \frac{d_{ETL}}{d_{BFP}}$$

# Axial scan range examples



## Scenarios:

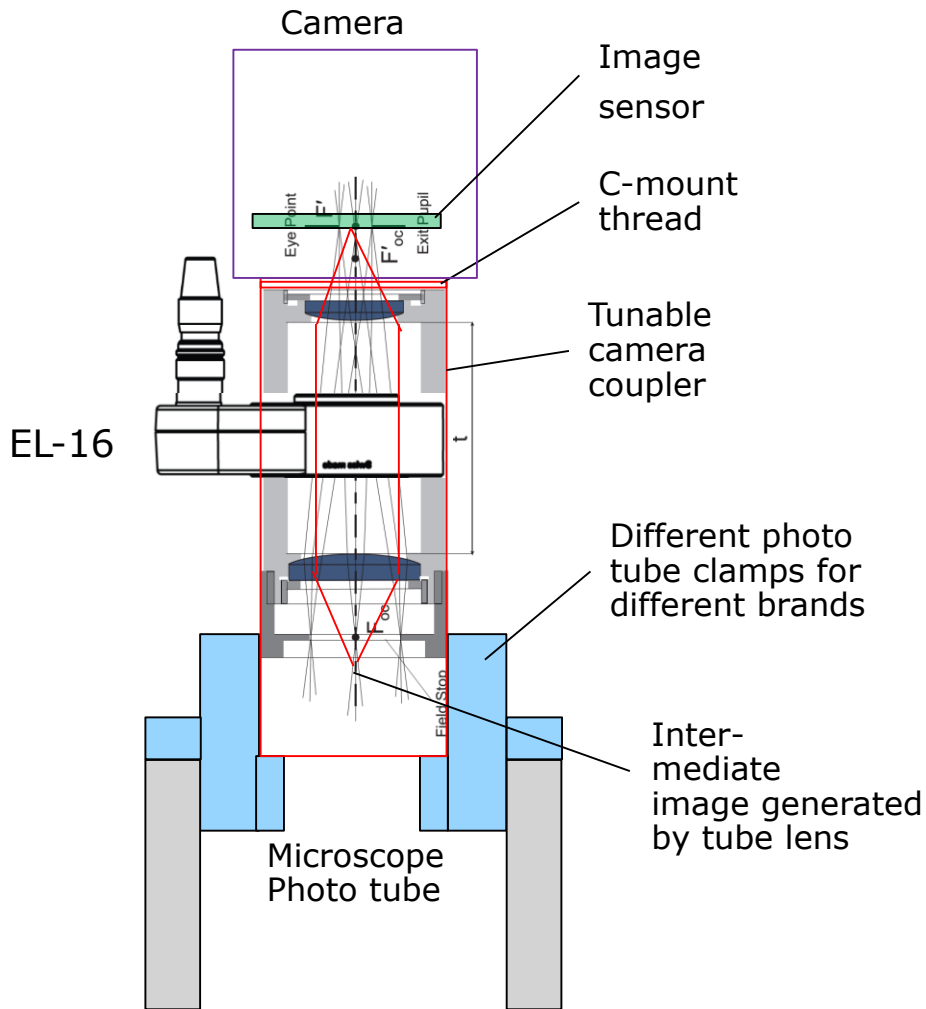
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20X, long relay, 5D:	500um	20x	200mm	200mm	5D	200mm	1X	30mm	1100mm
Shorter relay lenses:	250um	20x	200mm	141mm	5D	141mm	1X	30mm	864mm
10D lens:	500um	20x	200mm	141mm	10D	141mm	1X	30mm	864mm
1" sensor:	500um	20x	200mm	141mm	10D	70mm	0.5X	15mm	744mm
Microscopy adapter prototype (5D):	12um	40x	200mm	62mm	5D	31mm	0.5X	12mm	~450mm

$$\delta z_{\text{det}} = -\frac{1}{M_{\text{det}}^2} \cdot \frac{n f_r^2}{f_{\text{ETL,eff}}}$$

$$f_r \leq f_{\text{TL}} \cdot \frac{d_{\text{ETL}}}{d_{\text{BFP}}}$$

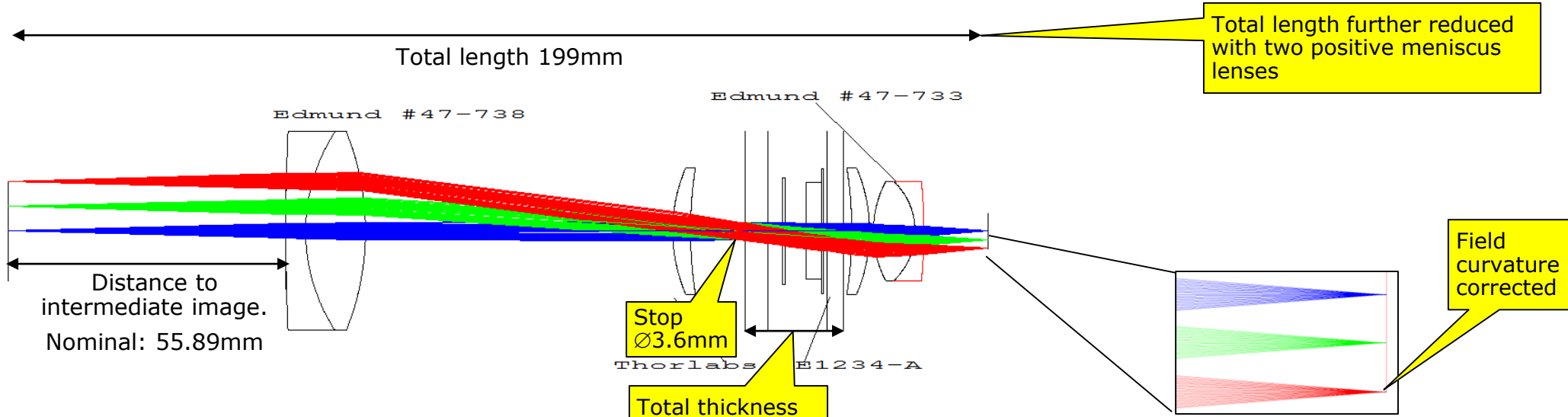
$$D_{\text{ETL}} = 1/f_{\text{ETL}} \quad \text{Mag}_{\text{Relay}} = f_r / f_{r2}$$

# Example: Tunable camera coupler retrofitted to microscope



- Retrofit to existing microscope possible
- Automatic user independent parfocality between eye and camera port
- Fast autofocus
- Focus on region of interest by clicking into image
- Wide-field 3D imaging (image stacking)

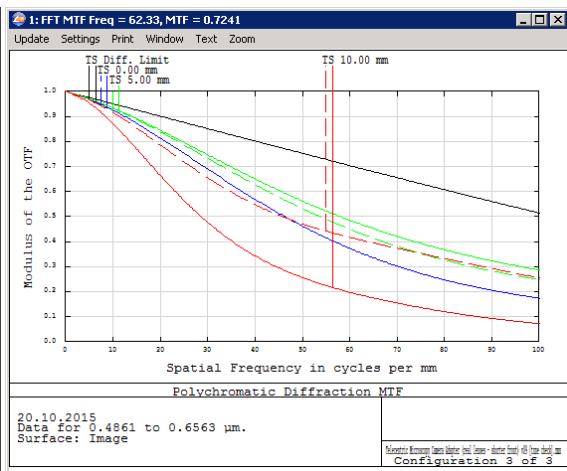
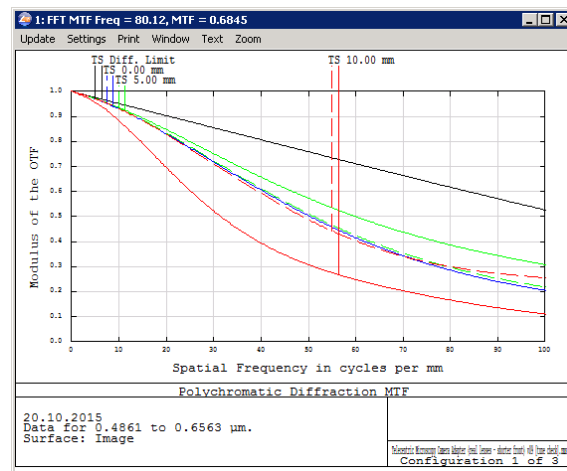
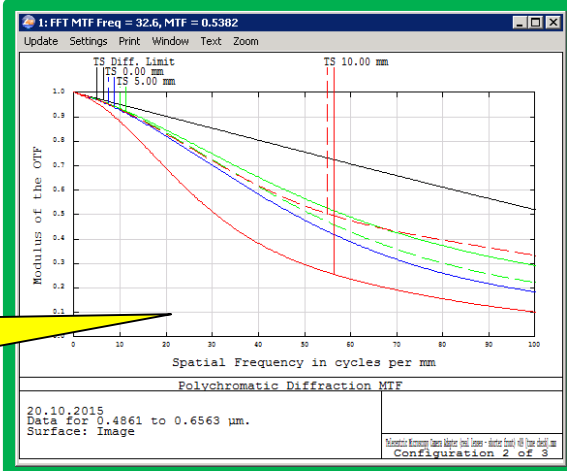
# Optical design with off-the-shelf catalog lenses for 1/2" sensor



Distance to intermed image	Nominal	Nominal -4.0mm	Nominal +4.0mm
Distance to intermed image [mm]	55.89	51.89	59.89
Image magnification	0.35	0.35	0.35

Magnification stays the same when tuning EL-16

Image quality ok. Same over entire sensor.





# Almost no magnification change

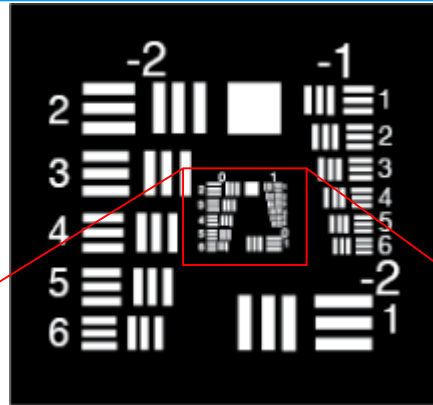


	10x	20x	40x
10 dpt			
0 dpt			
-10 dpt			

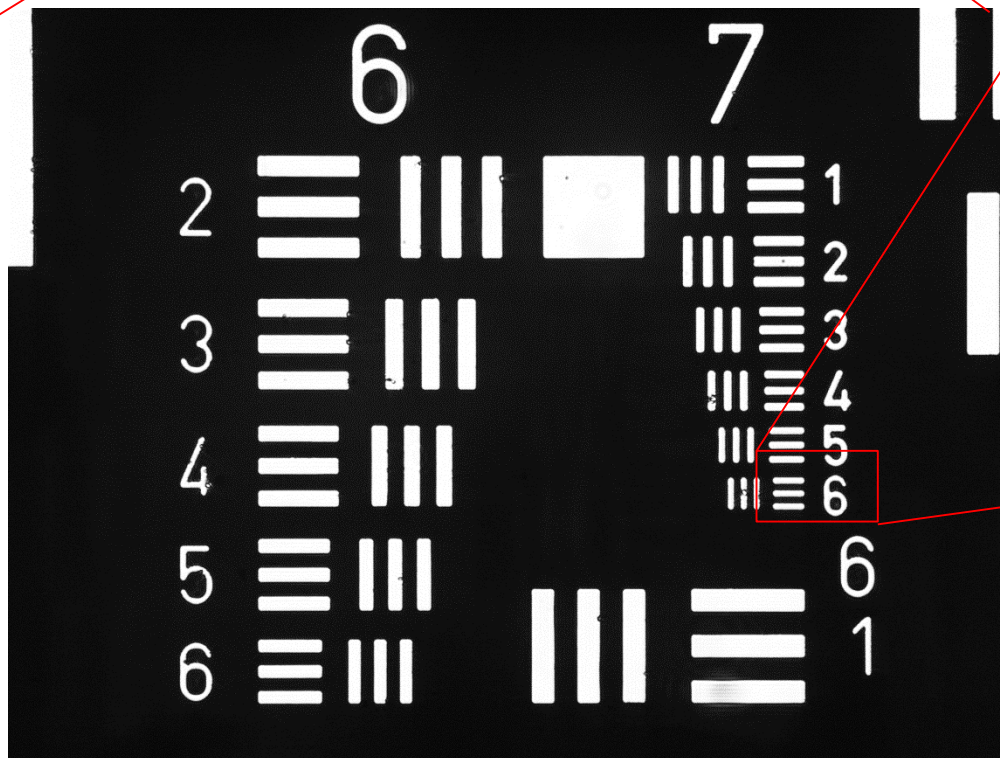
# Optical quality is good!



**1951 USAF target**



**Zoom-in**

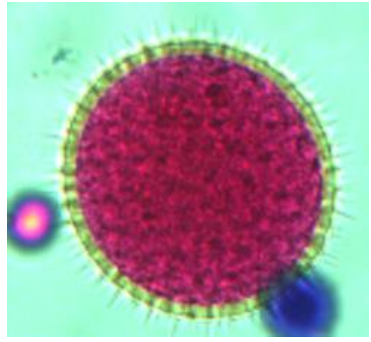
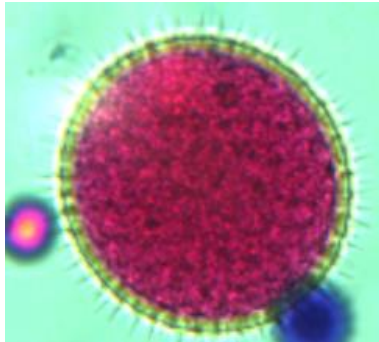
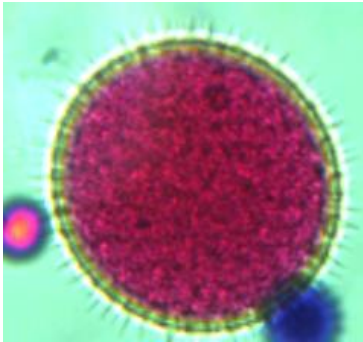
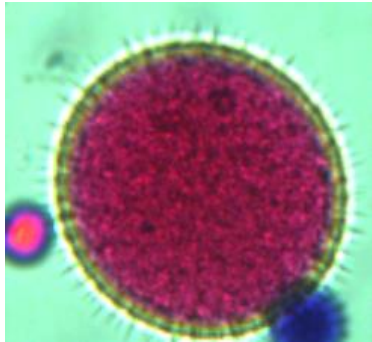
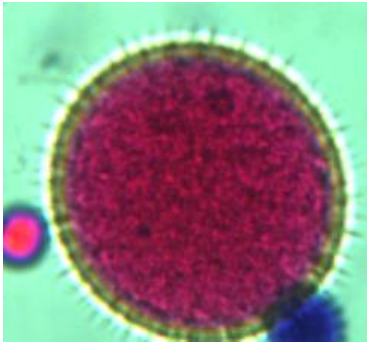


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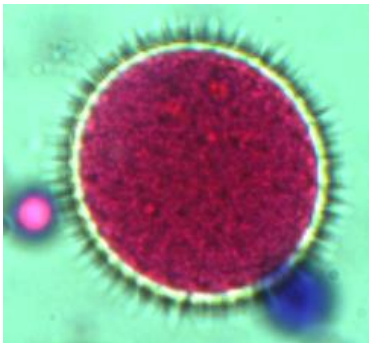
# Stacking of pollen images



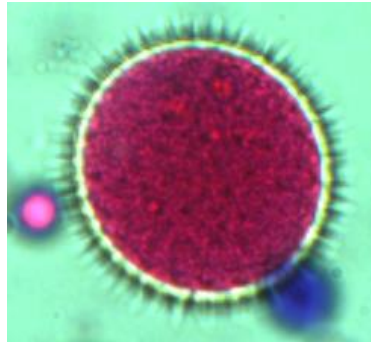
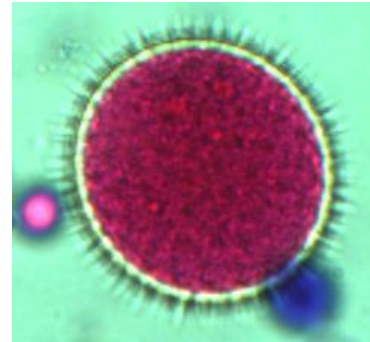
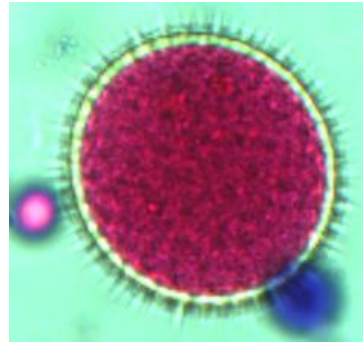
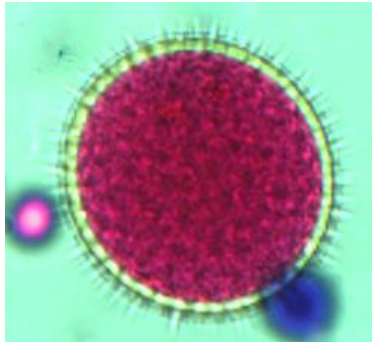
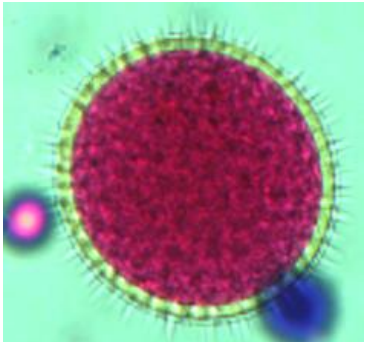
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-10 dpt



0 dpt

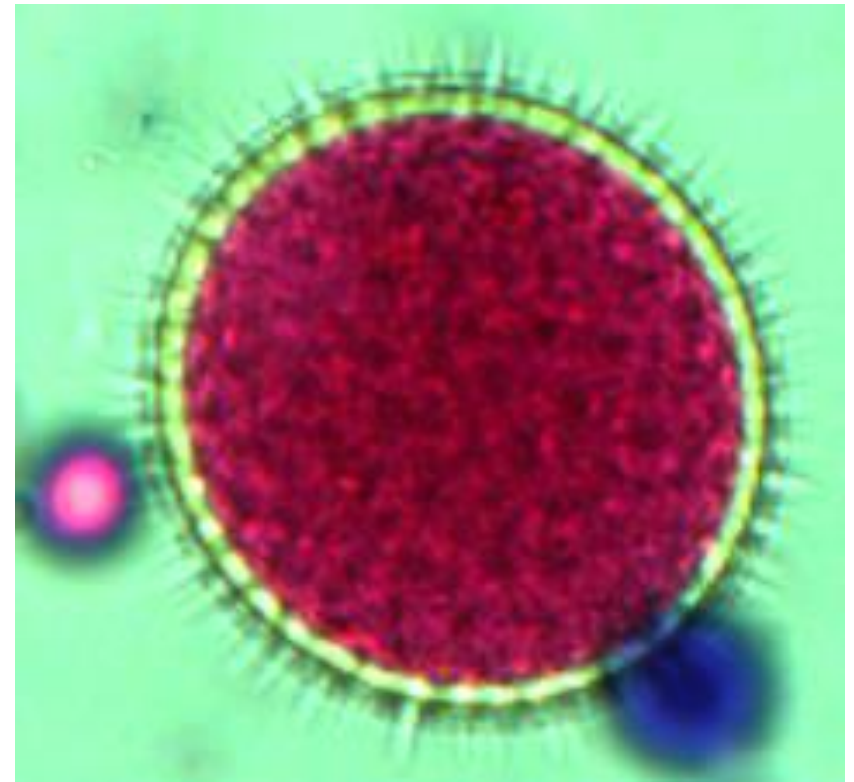
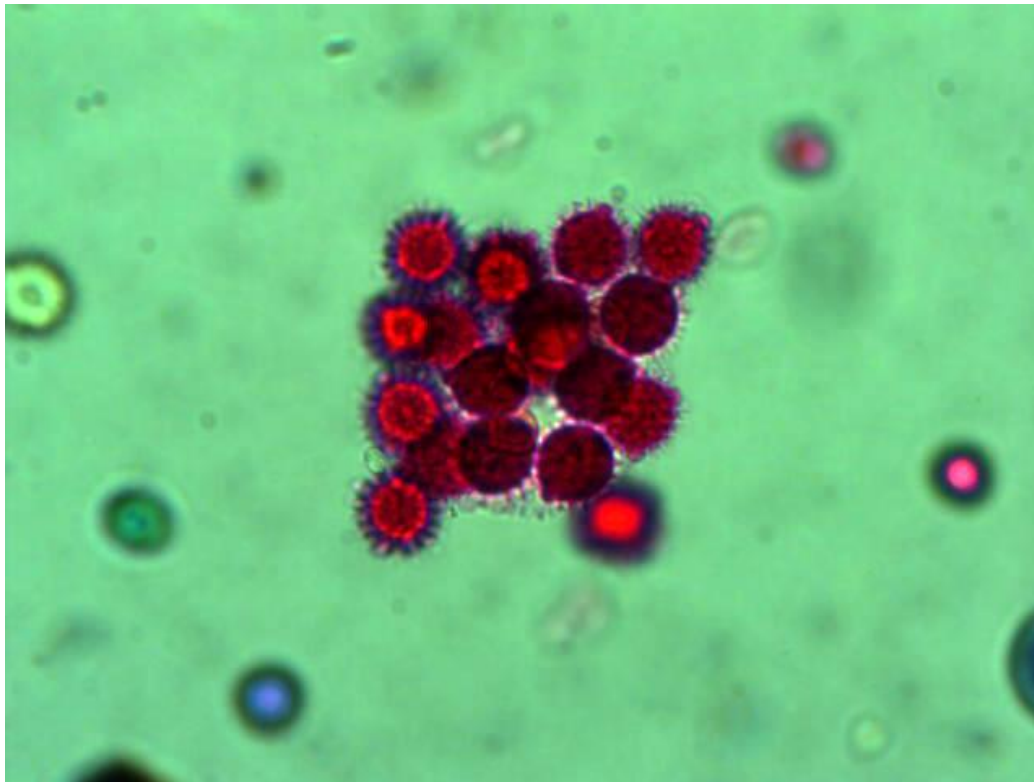


+10 dpt





**40x**





- Company presentation
- Why tunable lenses for microscopy?
- Tunable lens technology
- Integration of tunable lenses
- Application examples
- Conclusion

# 18 publications using Optotune lenses for microscopy



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Y. Nakai, M. Ozeki, T. Hiraiwa, R. Tanimoto, A. Funahashi, N. Hiroi, A. Taniguchi, S. Nonaka, V. Boilot, R. Shrestha, J. Clark, N. Tamura, V. M. Draviam and H. Oku, *Rev. Sci. Instrum.* 86, 013707 (2015).

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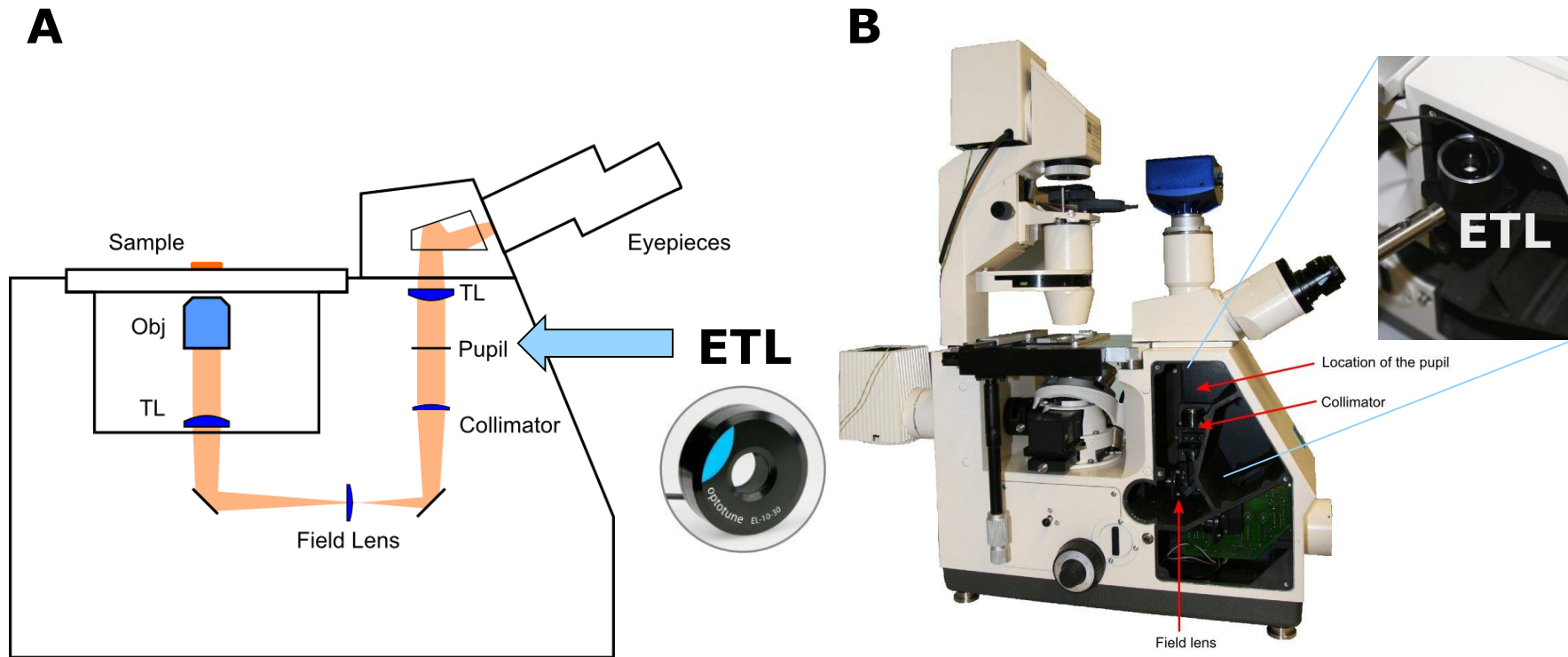
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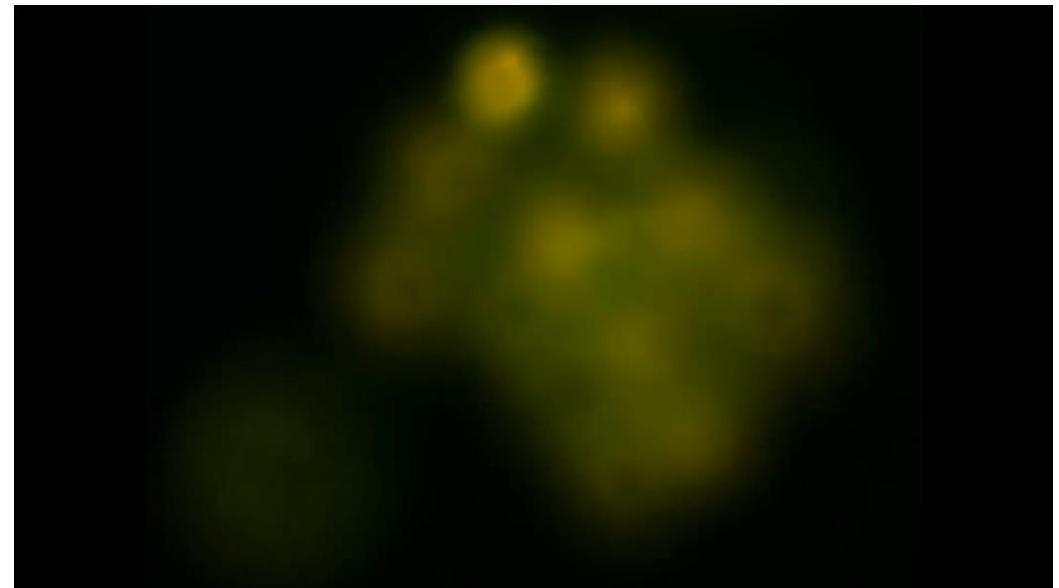
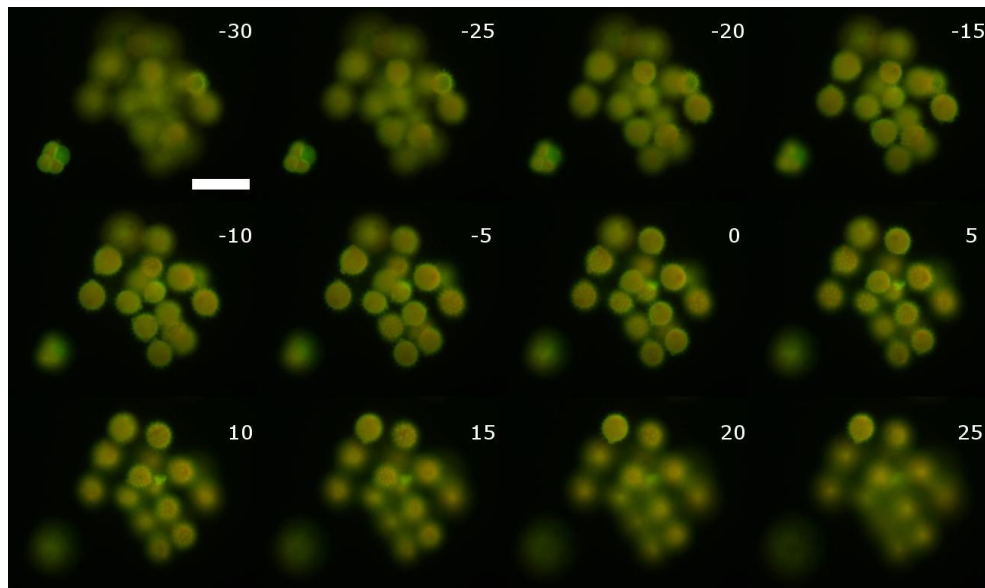
# Wide-field microscopy



**Optical path of the Axiovert 35 microscope. The ETL/OL assembly can be placed at the pupil without inserting an additional relay system. TL: Tube lens.**

Images courtesy of F. F. Voigt, Department of Neurophysiology, Brain Research Institute, University of Zurich

# Wide-field microscopy

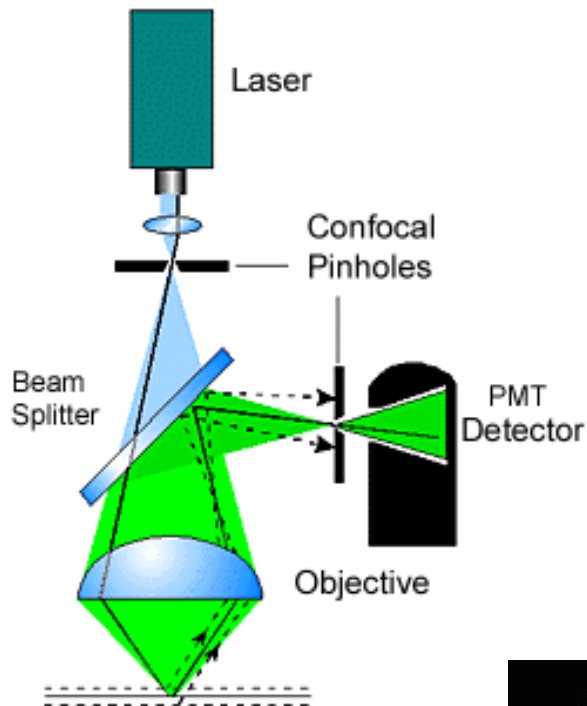


**ETL-based focusing through a group of pollen grains.**

[Video](#)

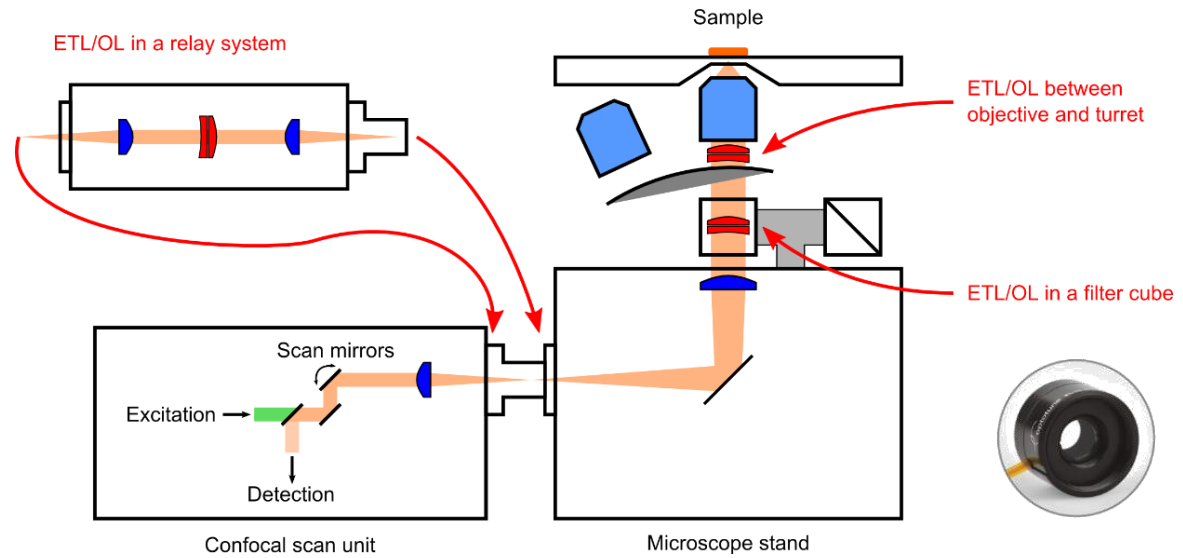
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# Confocal microscopy

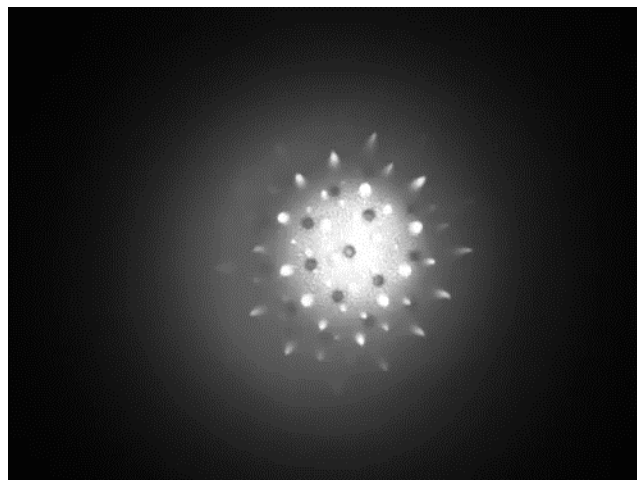


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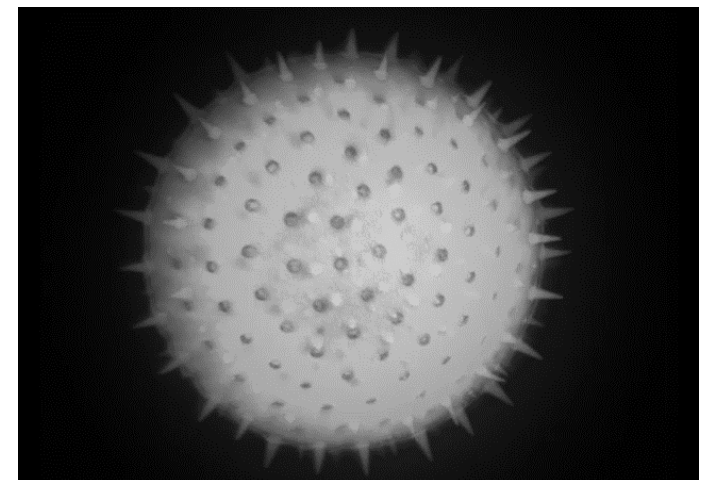
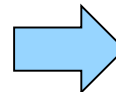
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**Max. intensity projection of a pollen corn**

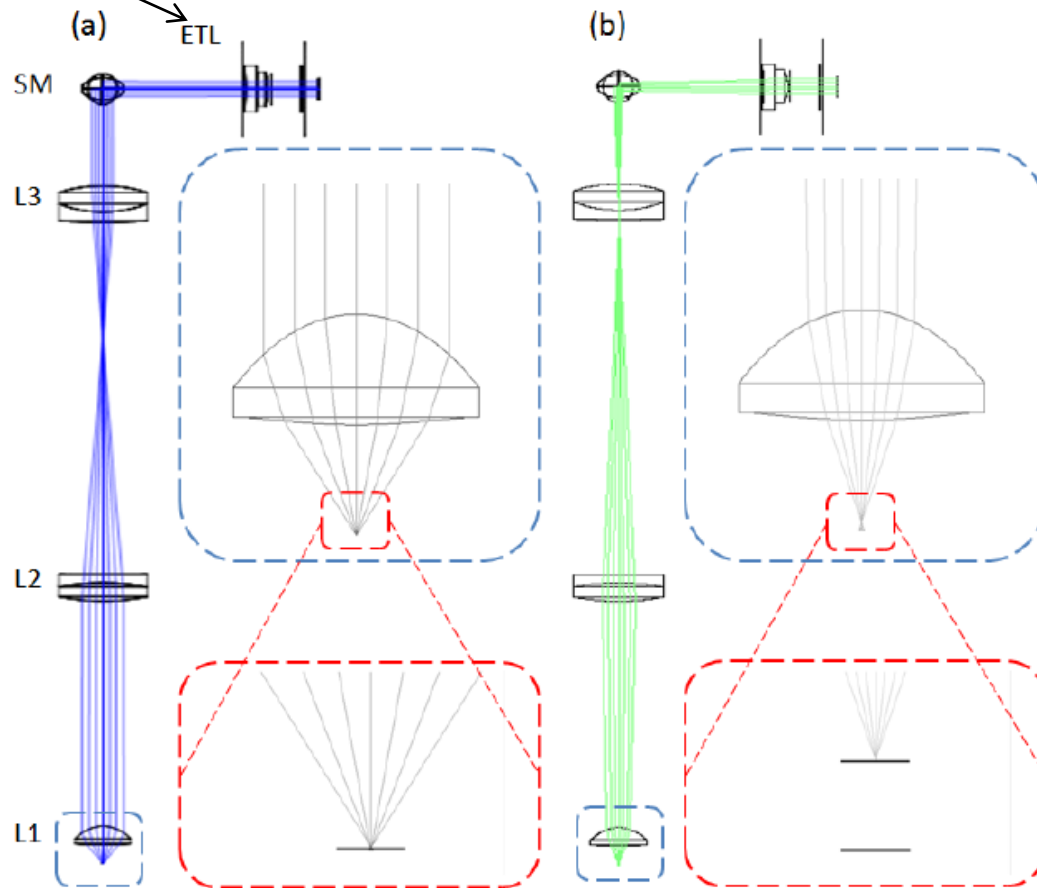


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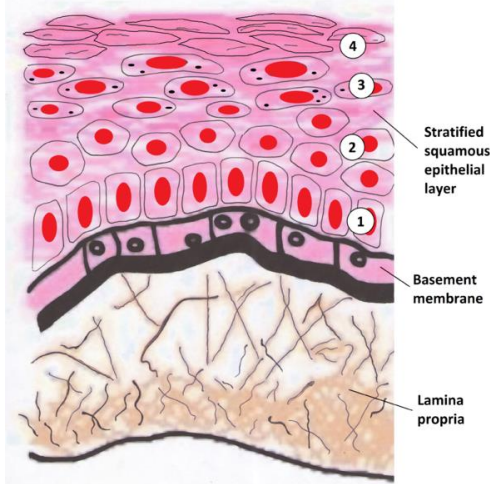
# Confocal endomicroscopy



Focal power range	-127 mm to +44.3 mm
Axial scan range @ sample	700 $\mu$ m

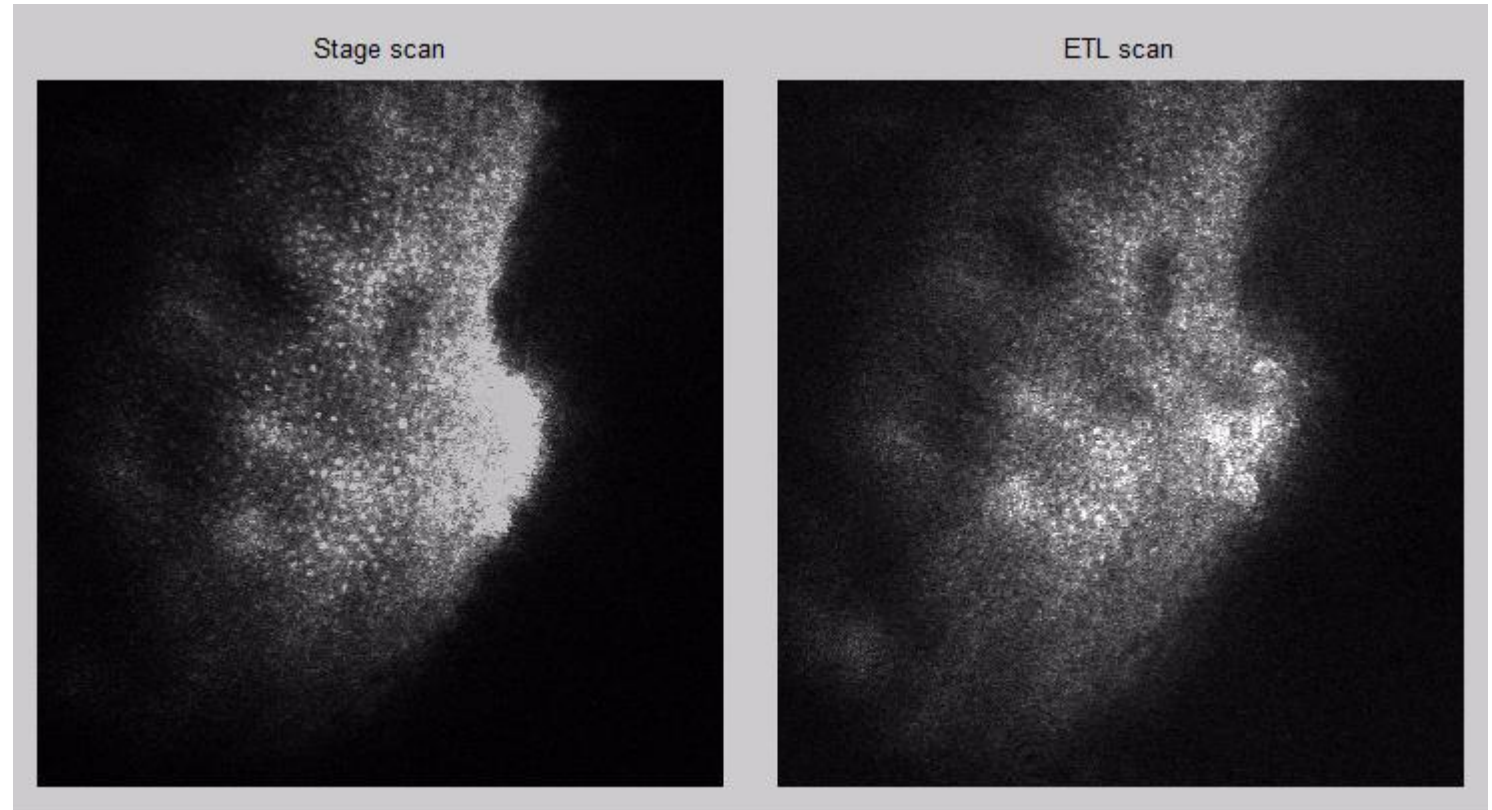
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# Confocal endomicroscopy



## Traditional approach

## Optotune approach



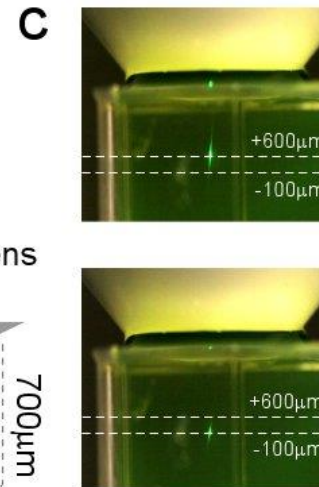
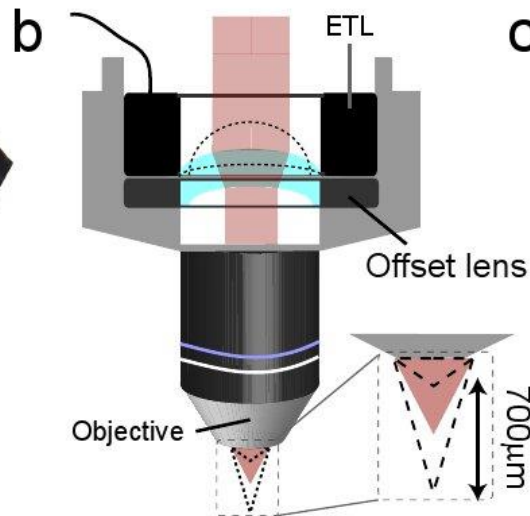
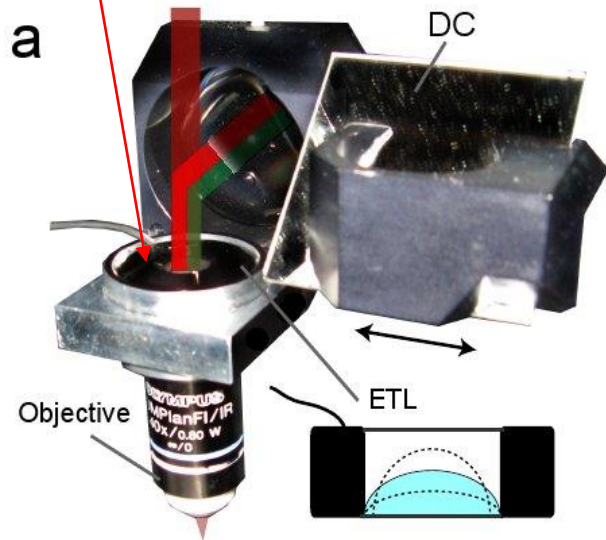
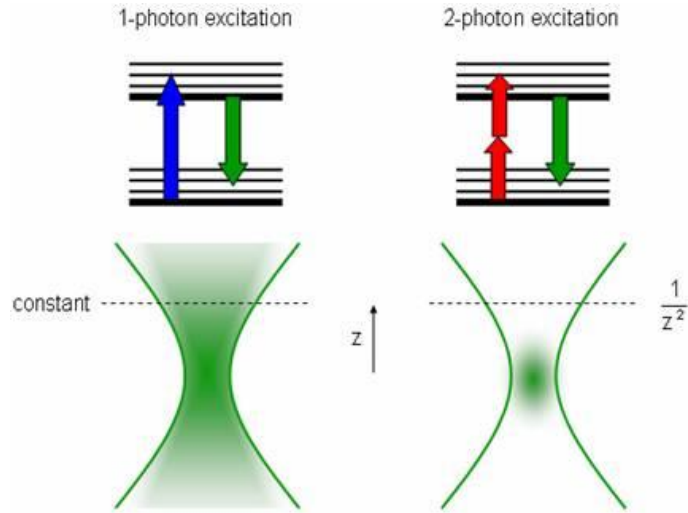
Scan through oral mucosa *ex vivo*

[Video](#)

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# Two-photon microscopy

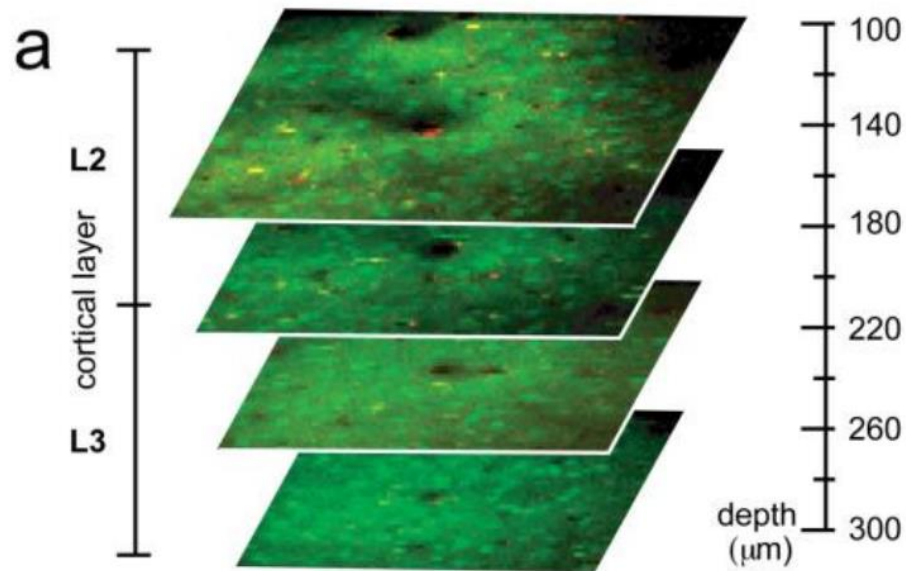


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# Two-photon microscopy



Example: Two-photon two-layer calcium imaging in mouse neocortex

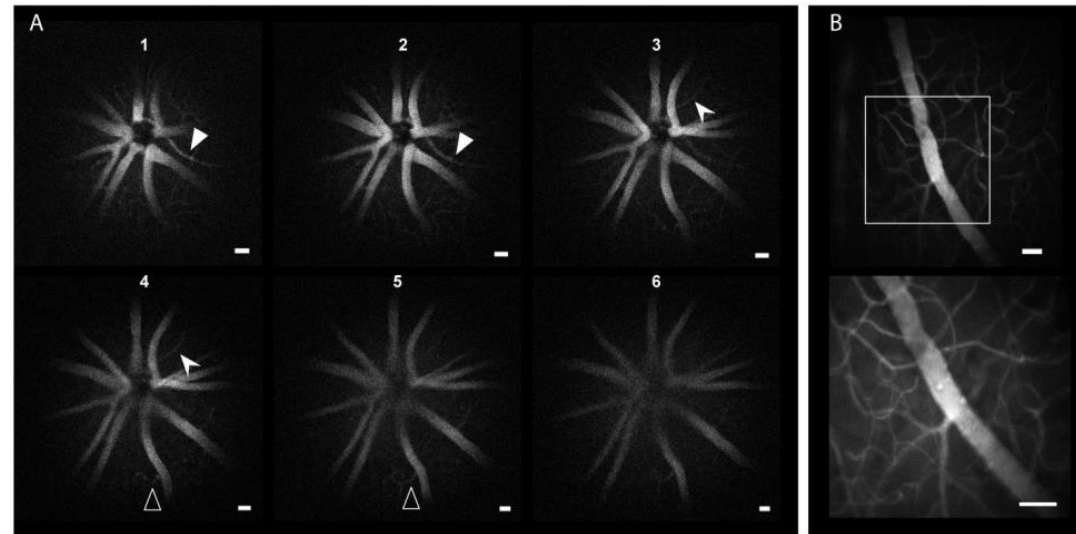
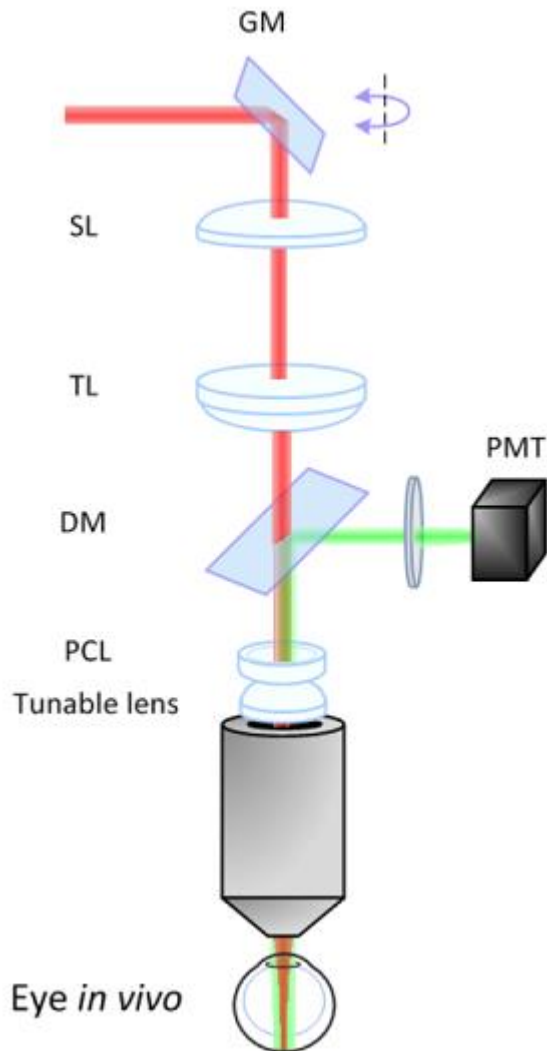


**Two-photon images of a stained neuronal cell population (green)**

[Video](#)

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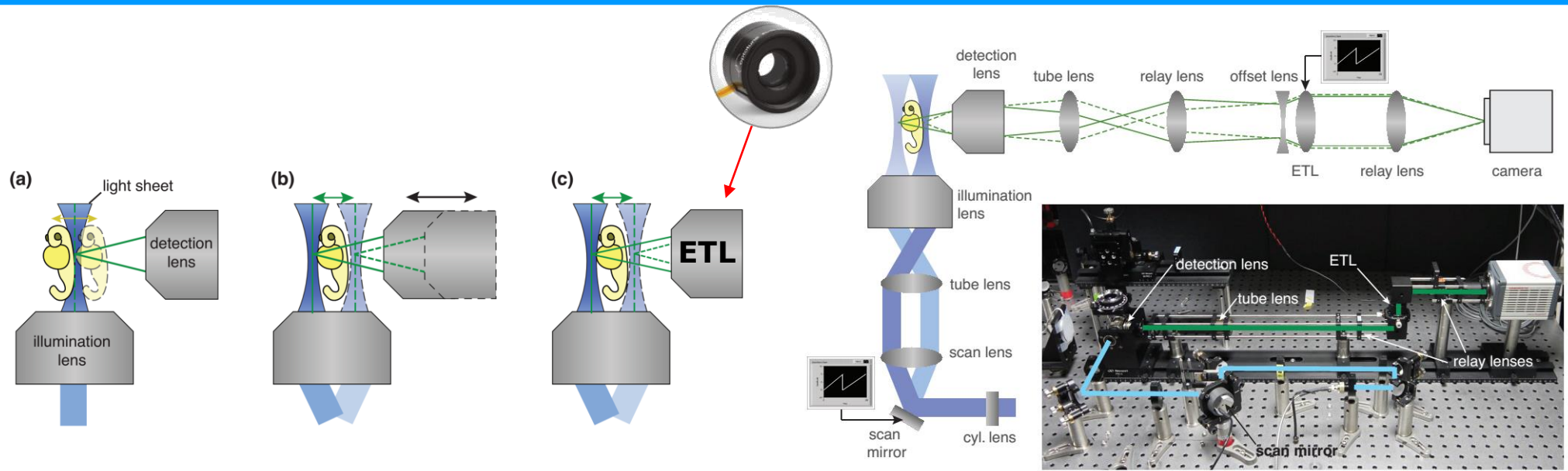
# Two-photon in-vivo imaging of retinal microstructures



**Optical sectioning in mouse 2P fluorescence angiography. A.** Two-photon images of the optic disc. The microscope objective lens and mouse were held in place, and each image was acquired at different ETL currents (10mA interval between successive images; each image is an average over 30 frames acquired at 1 fps). Arrowheads point to blood vessels visible in only a few images, but not in others. **B.** Images of blood vessels outside the optic disc, acquired at different scan zooms (average over 100 and 200 frames; different animal than A). The FOV of the lower image is marked by a white box. Scale bars = 50  $\mu\text{m}$ .

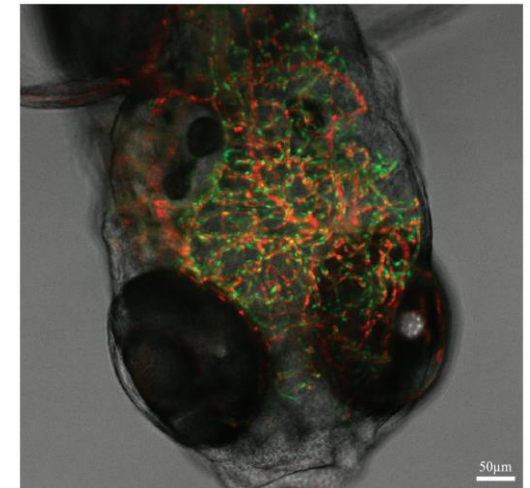
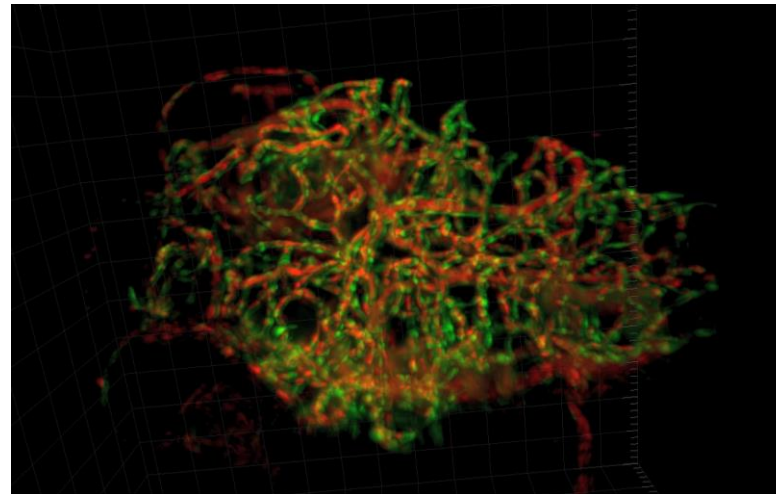
Adi Schejter, Proc. SPIE 8948, Multiphoton Microscopy in the Biomedical Sciences XIV, 894824 (February 28, 2014); doi:10.1117/12.2039375

# Light-sheet microscopy



Vascular system in the brain of a zebrafish

[Video](#)

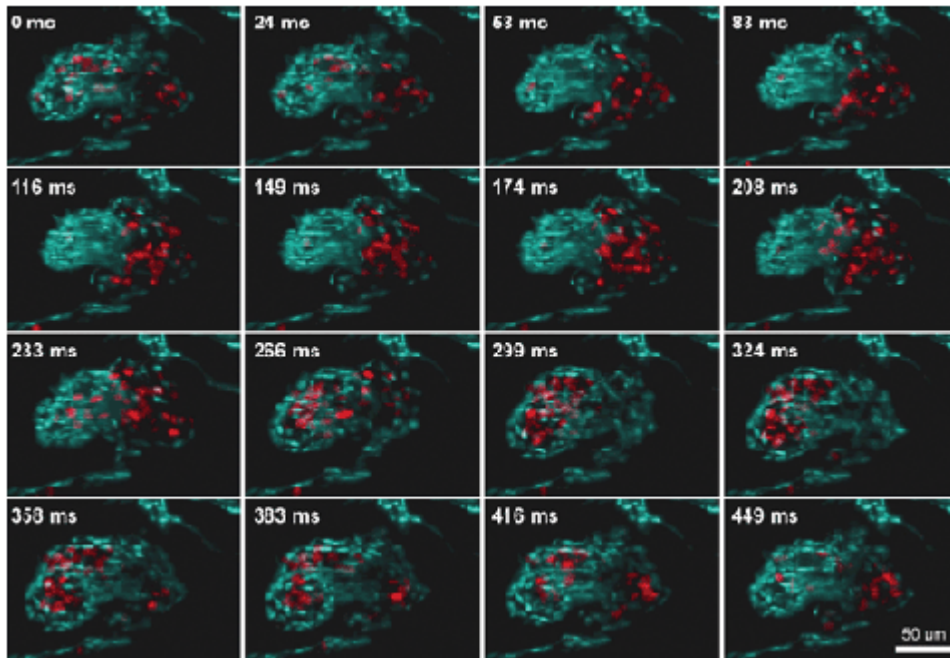


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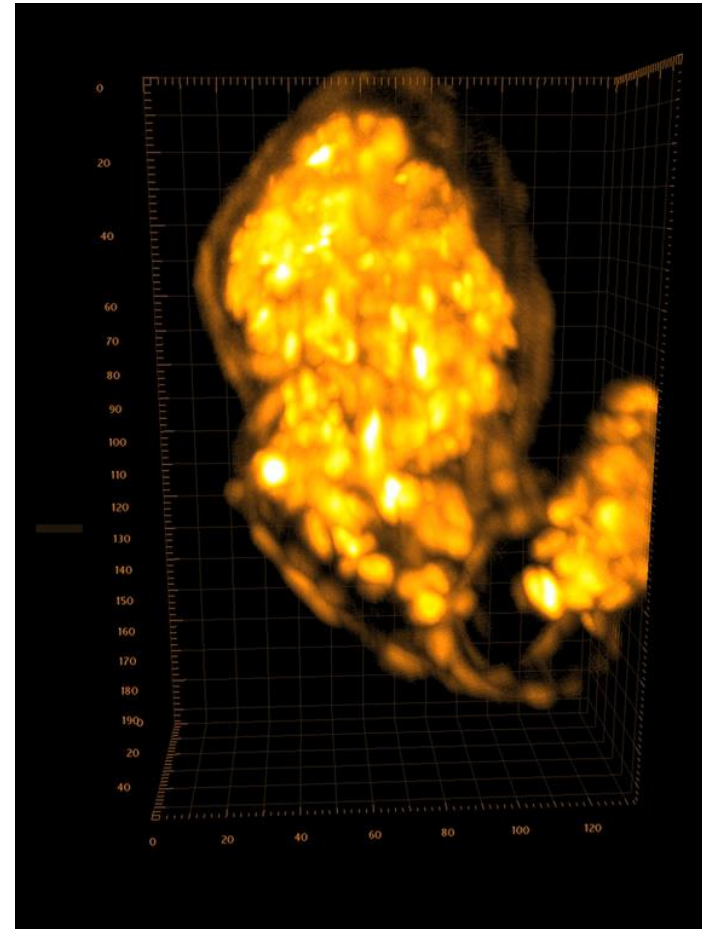
# Light-sheet microscopy



## Large volume scan with an ETL through the heart of a zebrafish (10x magn.)



Courtesy of Florian Fahrbach, Michaela Mickoleit and Jan Huisken.



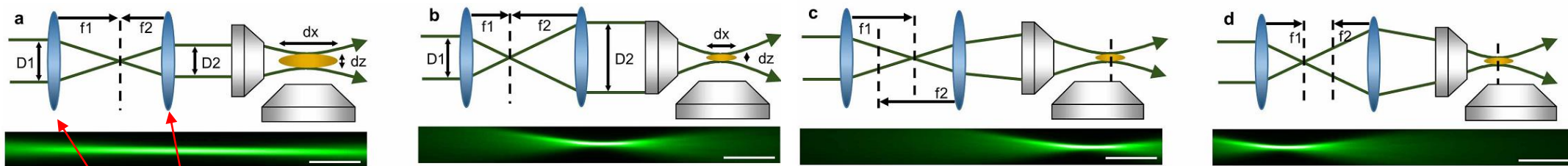
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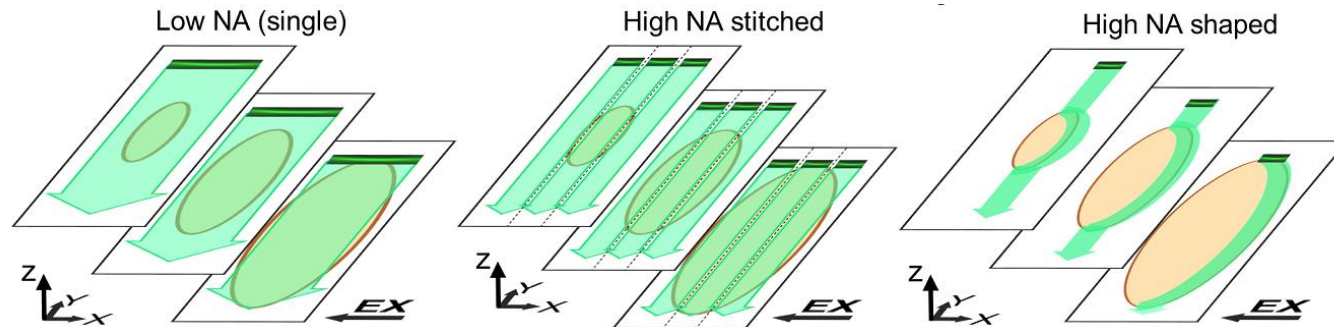
# Light sheet microscopy



- Goal: *Optimize with help of tunable lenses the illumination light-sheet to the requirement at hand.*
- A telescope composed of two electrically tuneable lenses enable to define thickness and position of the light-sheet independently but accurately within milliseconds, and therefore optimize image quality of the features of interest interactively.
- This technique proved compatible with confocal line scanning detection, further improving image contrast.



2x

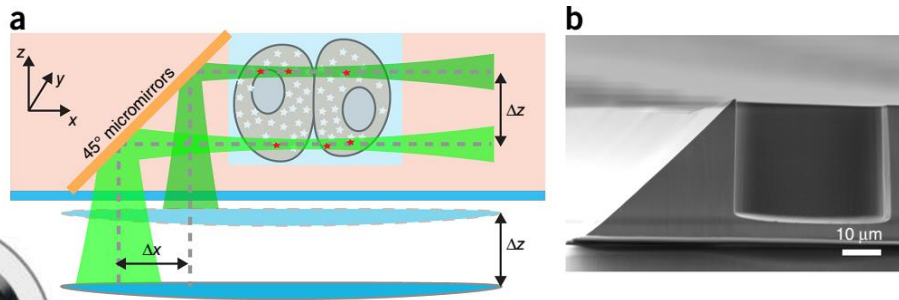


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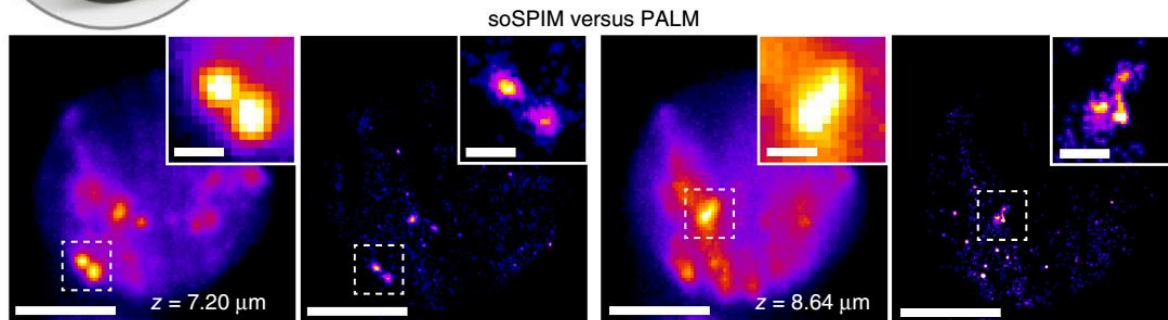
# 3D High- and super-resolution imaging using single-objective SPIM



- Single-objective selective-plane illumination microscopy (soSPIM) is achieved with micro-mirrored cavities combined with a laser beam-steering unit installed on a standard inverted microscope.
- Based on custom EL-C-10-30 focus-tunable lens (TL) from  $-80$  mm to  $+1,000$  mm.



**Figure 1** | Principle and 3D high-resolution capabilities of the soSPIM method. (a) Schematic representation of soSPIM. A light sheet is created by reflection from a  $45^\circ$  mirror. The excitation-beam displacement ( $\Delta x$ ) along the mirror combined with the axial positioning of the objective ( $\Delta z$ ) enables 3D-volume imaging.

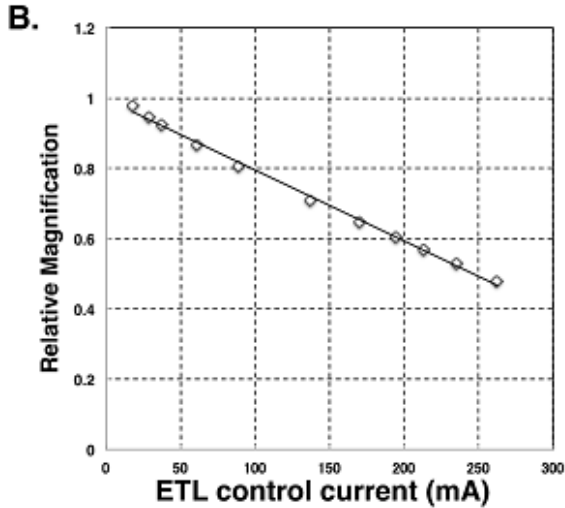
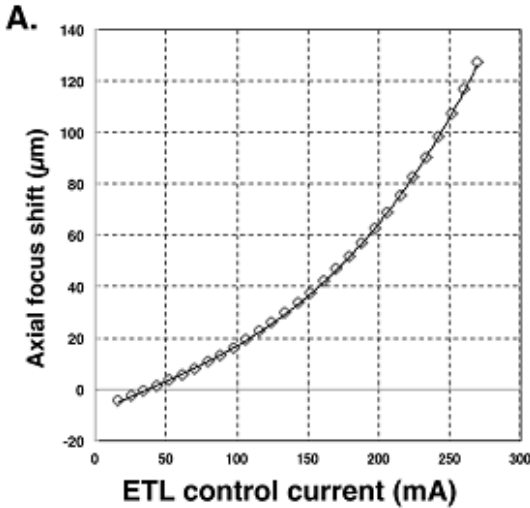


**Figure 2** | 3D super-resolution capabilities of the soSPIM method. (a) High-resolution (two leftmost panels) and PALM super-resolution (two rightmost panels) images of a U2-OS cell nucleus expressing the nucleolus protein fibrillar-Dendra2 at two different planes  $1.44 \mu\text{m}$  apart (representative images;  $n = 15$ ).

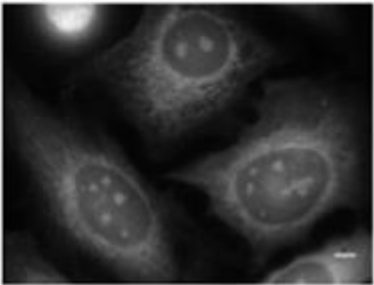
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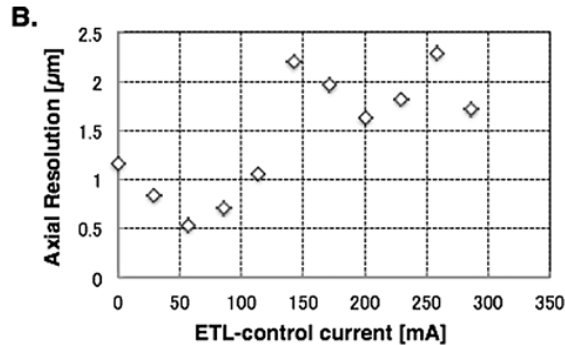
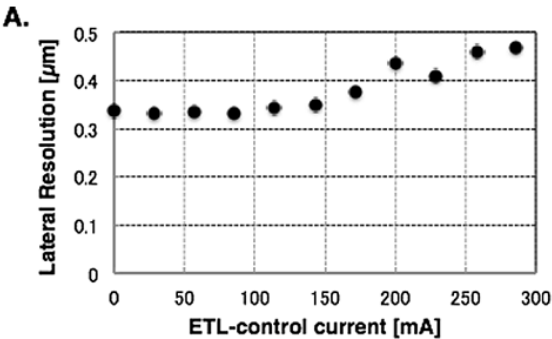
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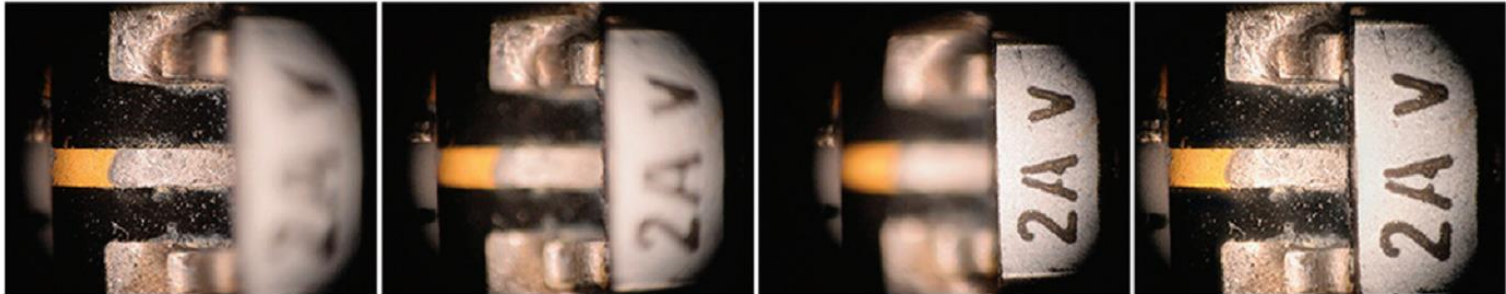


microtubules in HeLa cells

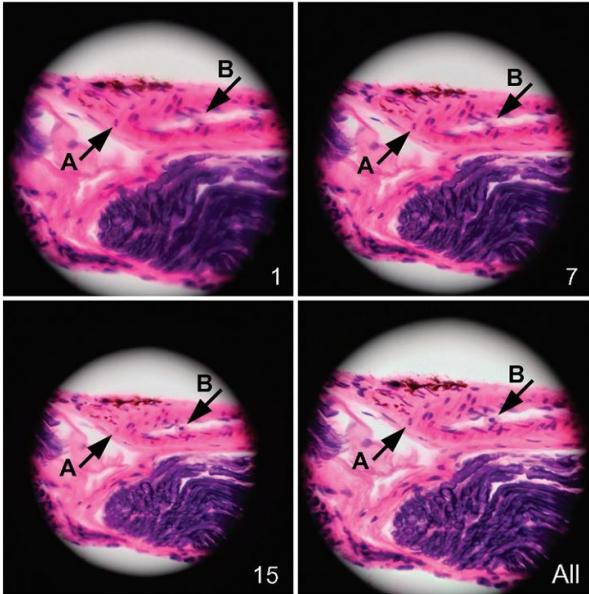




# A Rapid Image Acquisition Method for Focus Stacking in Microscopy



**Figure 9:** The circuit board. Left to right: the circuit board in focus, halfway between the circuit board and the top of the component, the top of the component, and the processed image completely in focus. 5× objective, stack of 27 images, final image diameter  $\approx 3.0$  mm, acquisition time = 0.45 sec.



D. Clark, *Microscopy Today* / Volume 23 / Issue 04 / July 2015, pp 18-25 Copyright  
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**Figure 12:** Mammalian tissue specimen. Image 1 is focused at the lowest level where feature A is in focus. Image 7 is focused near the center of the specimen. Image 15 is focused at the top where feature B is in focus. Image All is a processed image showing all features in focus. 50× objective, stack of 15 images, final image diameter  $\approx 0.3$  mm, acquisition time = 0.25 sec.

# Image Stacking example (Python + Helicon Focus)



C-mount camera

Empty C-mount tube,  
40-60mm long

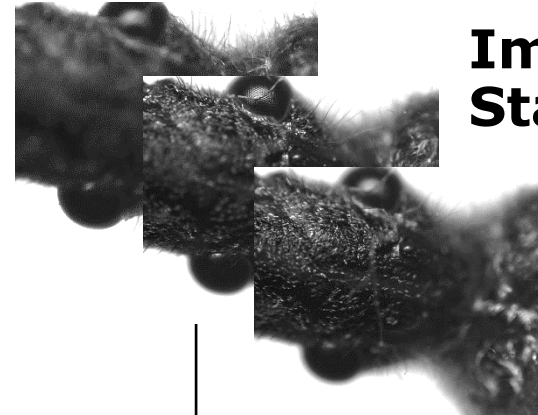
**Optotune lens  
EL-10-30-Ci-VIS-LD**

M22 to C-mount adapter

25mm lens (reversed!)  
Edmund Optics 85358

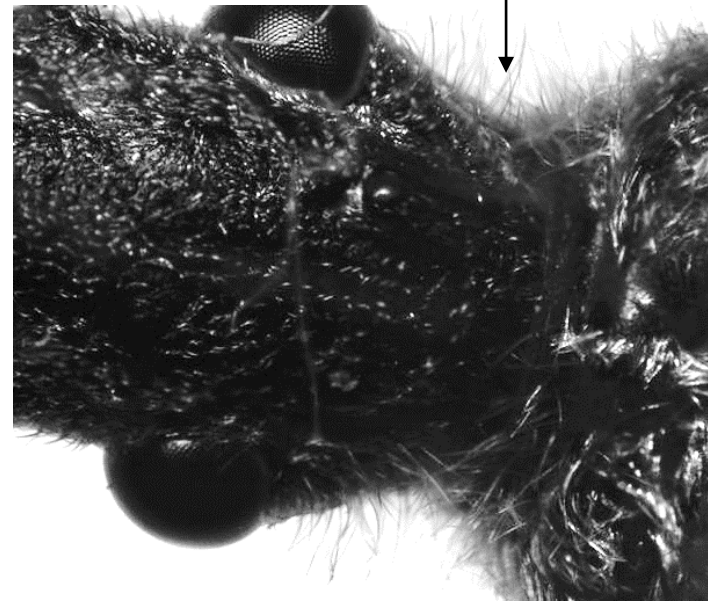
Working distance: ~20mm

**Python  
Script**



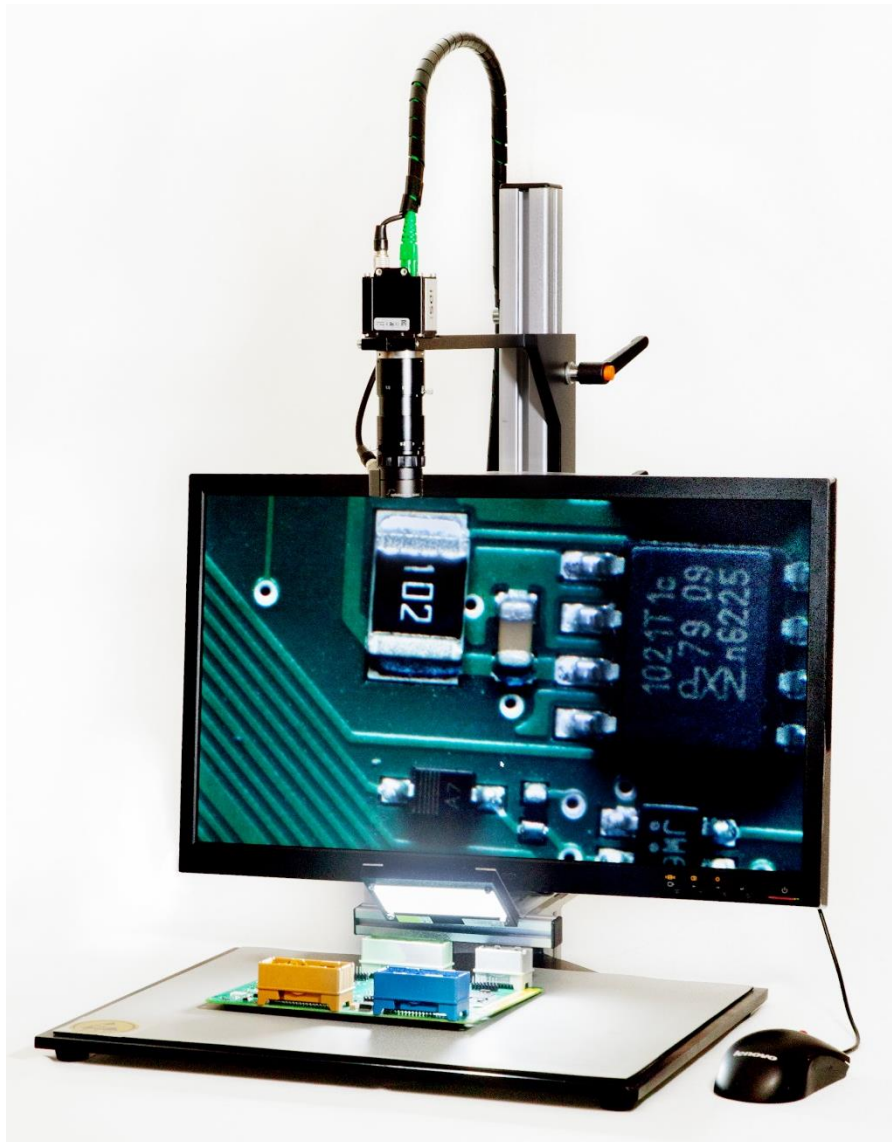
**Image  
Stack**

**Helicon  
focus**



**Hyperfocus  
Image**

# Sanxo scope: Inspection at HD

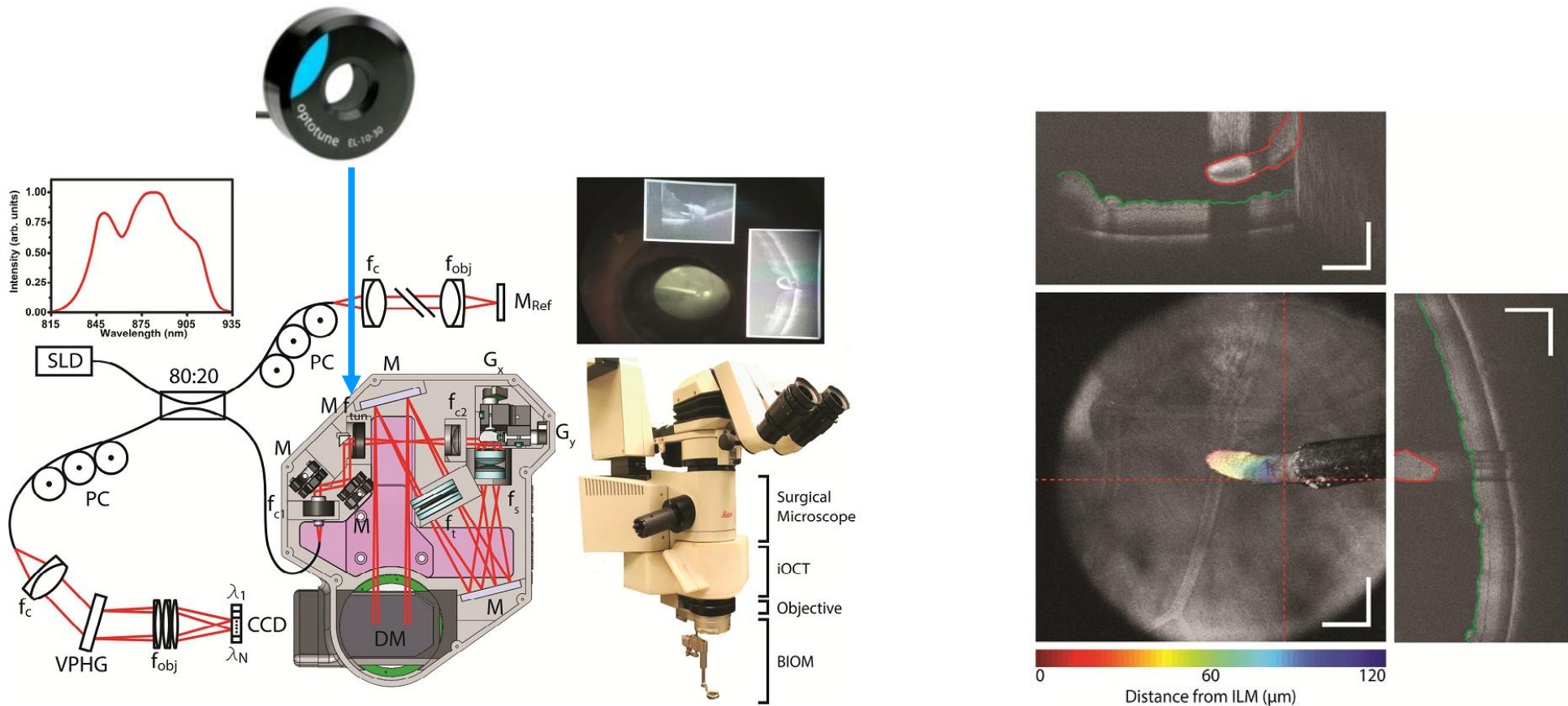


- Inspection station with 10MP camera
- EL-10-30-Ci in front lens configuration with 25mm lens
- Driver integrated in machine vision software "Modular X"
- Features:
  - Click to autofocus
  - Focal sweep with 3D rendering

# Microscope-integrated intraoperative OCT



- Optotune's electrically tunable lens EL-10-30-NIR-LD allowed real-time adjustment of the OCT focal plane to maintain parfocality with the microscope view.
- Potential for iOCT-guided maneuvers and clinical decision-making in ophthalmic surgery



Y. K. Tao *et al.*, BIOMEDICAL OPTICS EXPRESS (2014), 5, (6), pp. 1877.

# Autofocus for high magnification with EL-10-30-C and Optem® 70XL by Qioptiq



C-mount camera  
1/2.5" 5MP sensor

1.5x mini tube lens  
P/N 29-90-28-000

Optotune lens  
EL-10-30-Ci-VIS-LD-MV

Optem 70XL zoom (0.75x-5.25x)  
P/N 399510-309

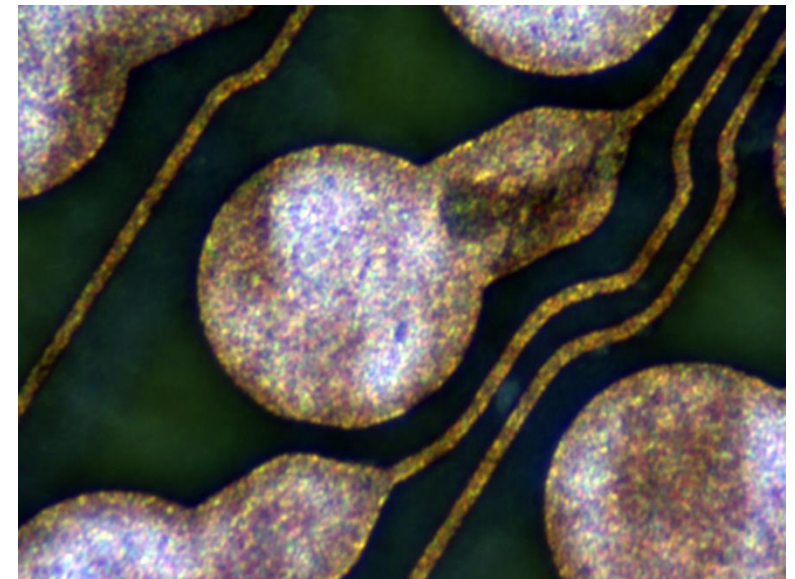
Coaxial lighting unit with lens  
P/N 296515-310

LED ring light (used instead)

Working distance: ~90mm

Results:

Magnification	1.1x	3.5x	7.9x
Z range	400mm	40mm	8mm
Z resolution	100µm	10µm	2µm
DOF (approx.)	1mm	0.3mm	0.1mm
HFOV	4.5mm	1.4mm	0.65mm

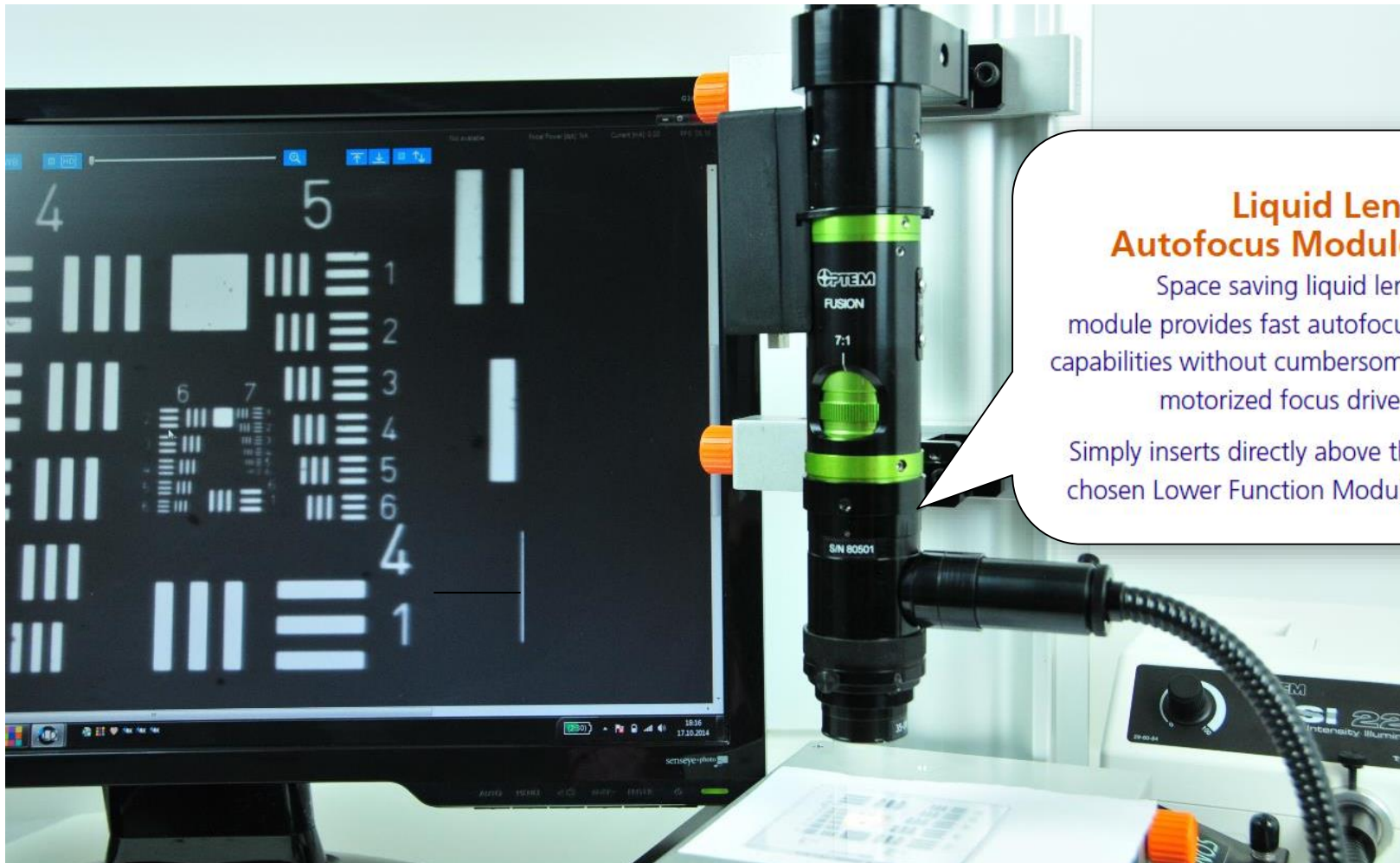


- No vignetting
- Off-the-shelf components

# Qioptiq Optem Fusion industrial microscope with EL-16-40-TC autofocus module



- The zoom is parfocal as the EL is placed BELOW the zoom



## Liquid Lens Autofocus Module

Space saving liquid lens module provides fast autofocus capabilities without cumbersome motorized focus drives.

Simply inserts directly above the chosen Lower Function Module.



# Low cost AF microscope with fixed mag



C-mount camera

Empty C-mount tube,  
40-60mm long

Optotune lens  
EL-10-30-Ci-VIS-LD

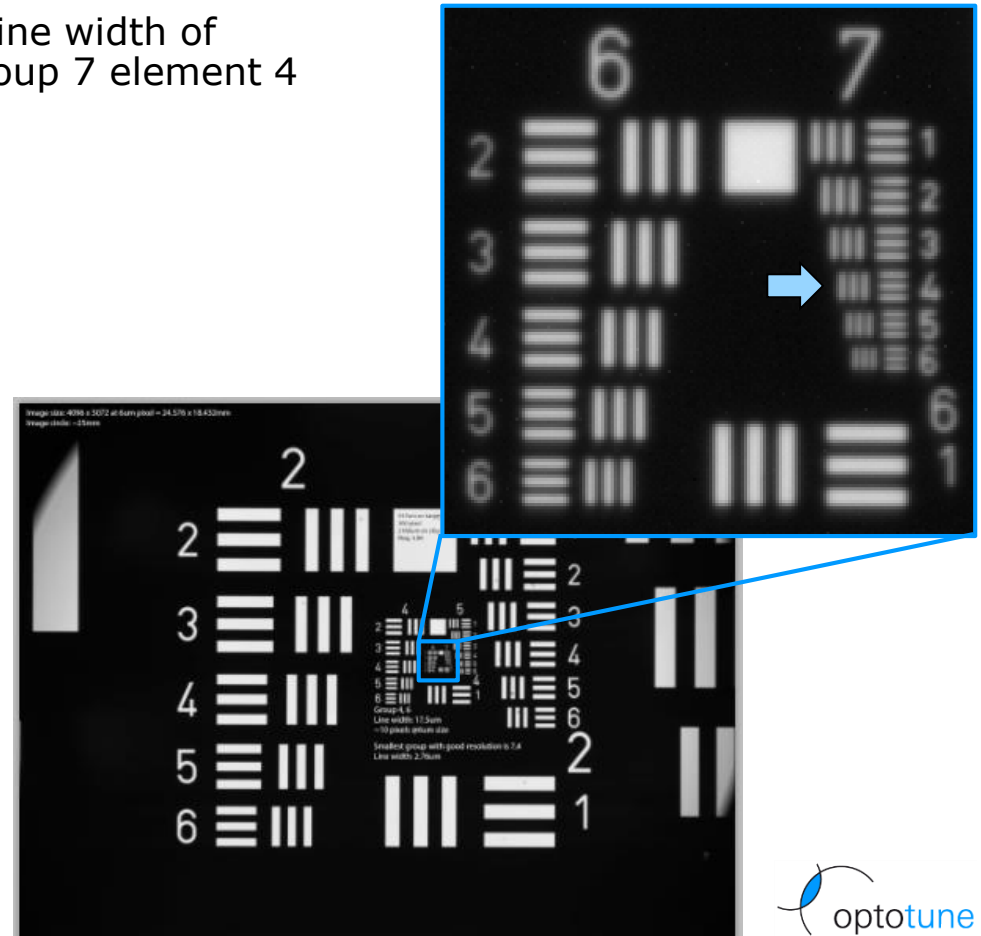
M22 to C-mount adapter

25mm lens (reversed!)  
Edmund Optics 85358

Working distance: ~20mm

Tube length	40mm	60mm
Magnification	3X	4X
Z-range:	~3mm	~2mm
Resolution*:	3.7um	2.8um
Image circle	25mm	25mm

\*Line width of  
group 7 element 4



# Z-stepping solutions for microscopes and industry based on EL-10-30

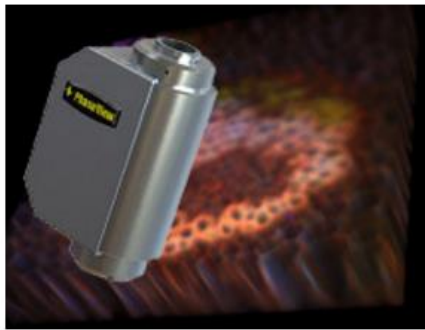


## Life Sciences & Scientific Imaging

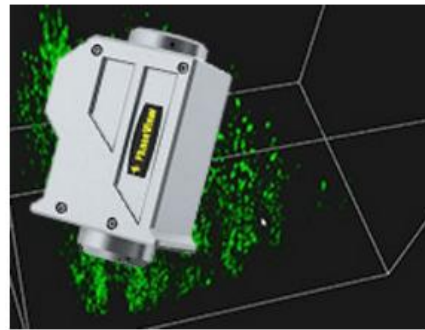
Microscopy Volume Imaging Solutions

## Industries & Quality Control

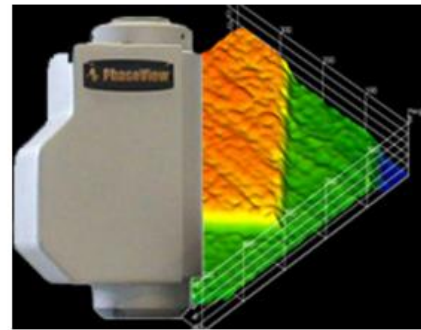
3D Solutions For Microscopes And Automated Vision Systems



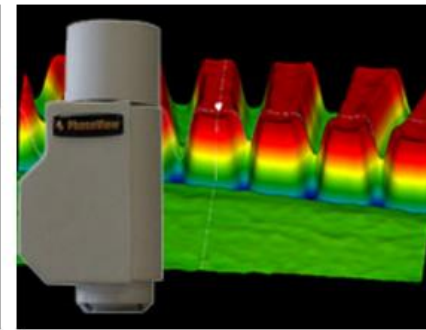
**NeoScan**  
*Fast Volume Scanning*



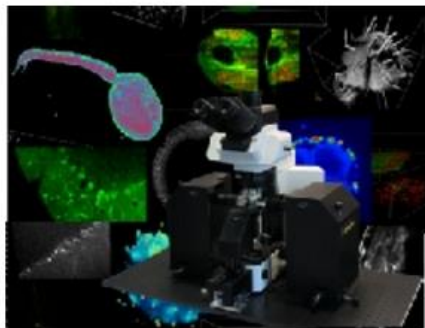
**ThunderScan**  
*Ultra High Speed Scanning*



**ZeeScan**  
*3D Add-On for microscopes*

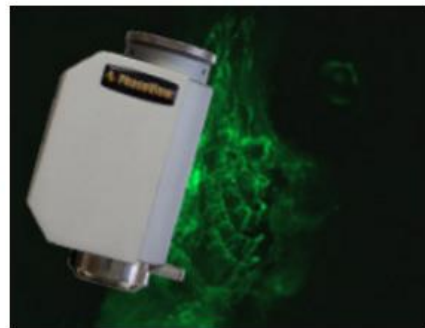


**ZeeCam**  
*3d microscope camera*

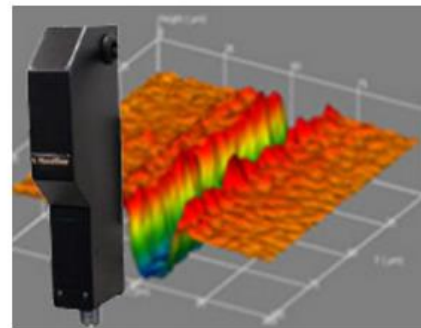


**Alpha<sup>3</sup>**  
*Light Sheet Microscope*

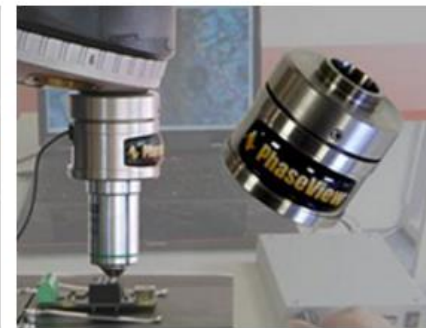
[www.phaseview.com](http://www.phaseview.com)



**InSight**  
*Real Time 3D Acquisition*



**ZeeScope**  
*3d measurement microscope*



**SmartScan**  
*Motorless focus control*



# Edmund optics dynamic focus VZM with the EL-10-30-Ci-VIS-LD-MV integrated



- Very large focus range as EL is placed close to aperture stop
- The zoom is NOT parfocal, however, as the EL is placed above the zoom

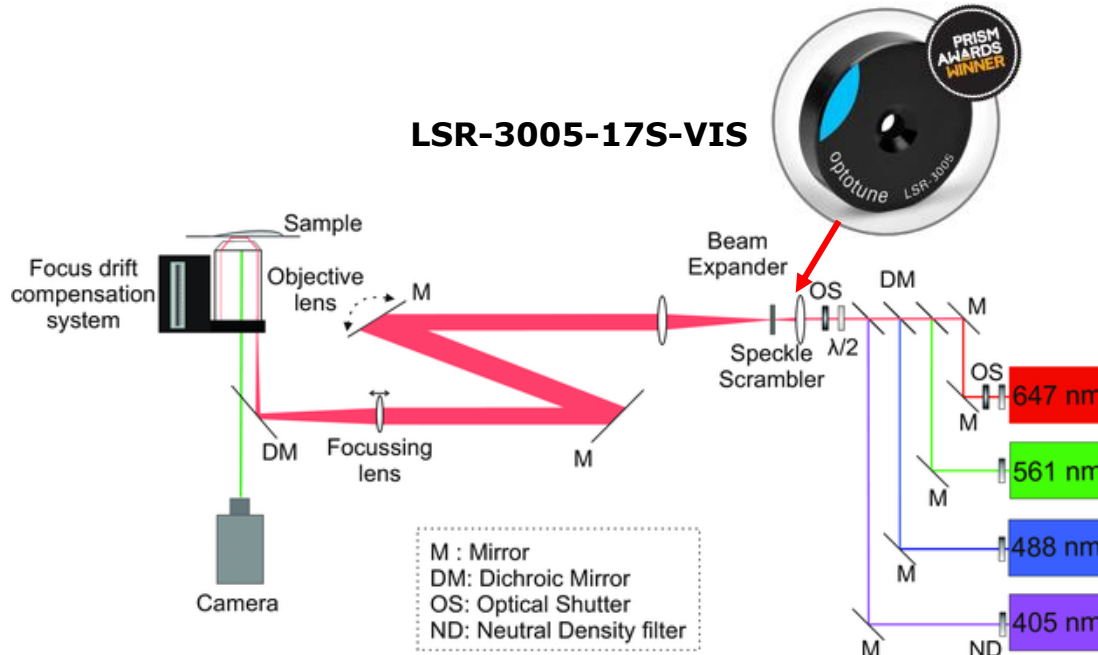


Magnification setting	0.75X	1X	2X	3X	4X	4.5X
Magnification range	0.65X - 1.15X	0.9X - 1.2X	1.5X - 2.0X	2.4X - 3.0X	3.2X - 4.0X	3.7X - 4.6X
Working distance (mm)	20 - 101	20 - 100	54 - 90	75 - 90	82 - 90	84 - 90
Horiz. FOV (1/2" sensor)	9.8 - 5.6	7.1 - 5.3	4.3 - 3.2	2.7 - 2.1	2.0 - 1.6	1.7 - 1.4

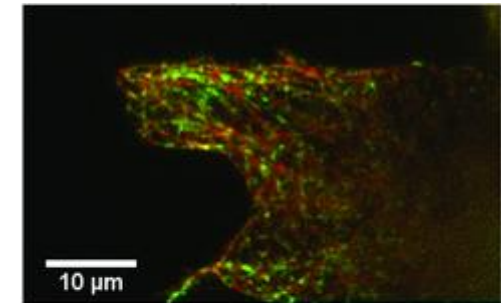
# Optotune's LSR boosts image quality in super-resolution fluorescence microscope (STORM)



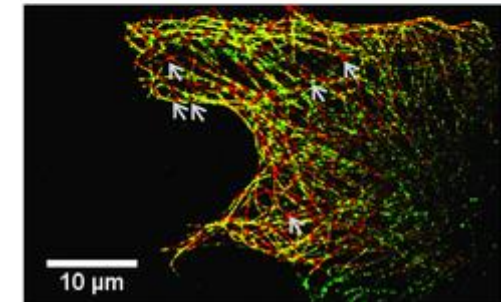
## Setup:



LSR off

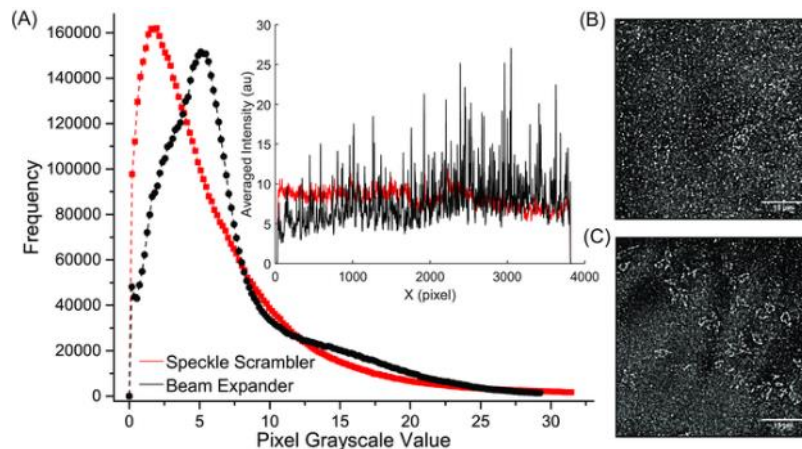


LSR on



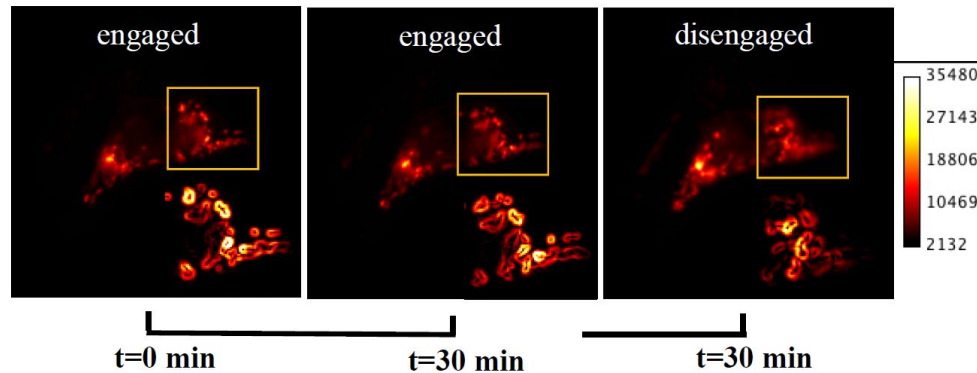
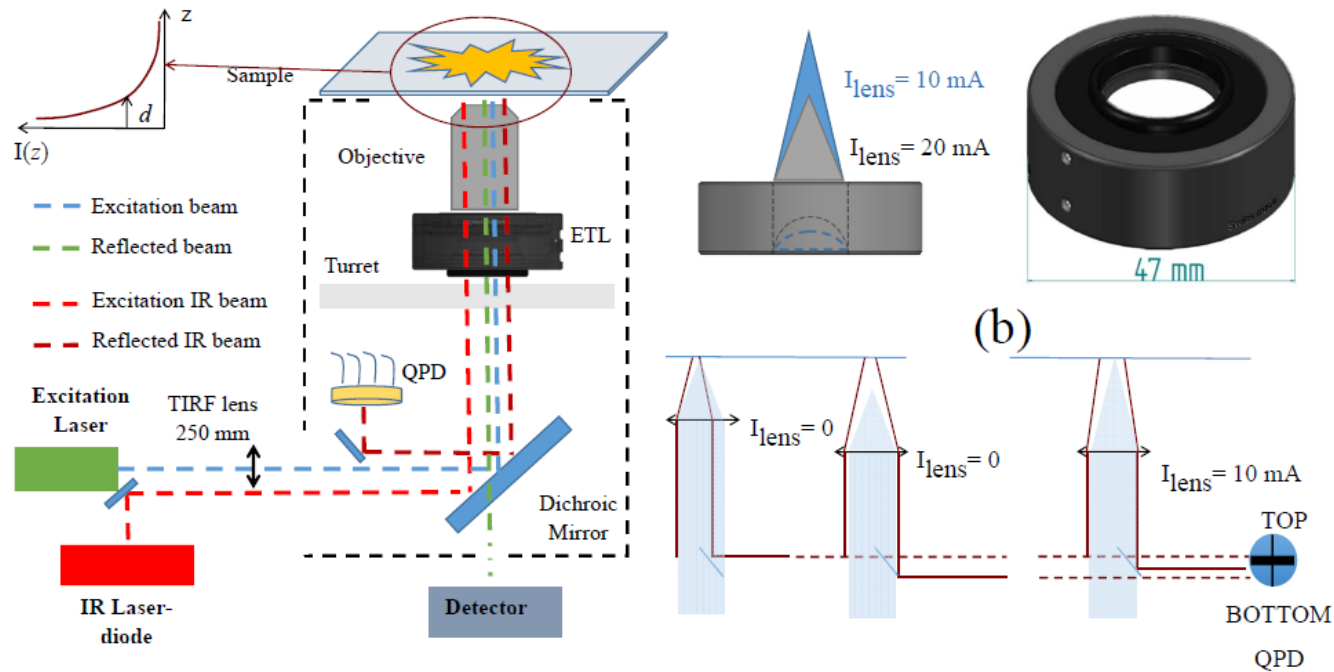
**MRC5 cells stained with Alexa Fluor 647**

## Distribution of pixel greyscale values:



Ref: P. Georgiades et al., Journal of Microscopy (2016), <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/jmi.12453/full>

# All-optical microscope autofocus based on an ETL and a totally internally reflected IR laser



<https://www.osapublishing.org/oe/abstract.cfm?uri=oe-26-3-2359>



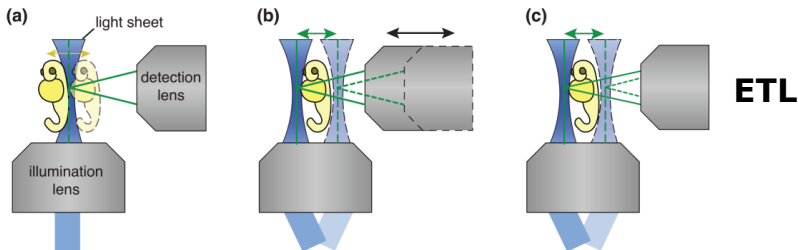
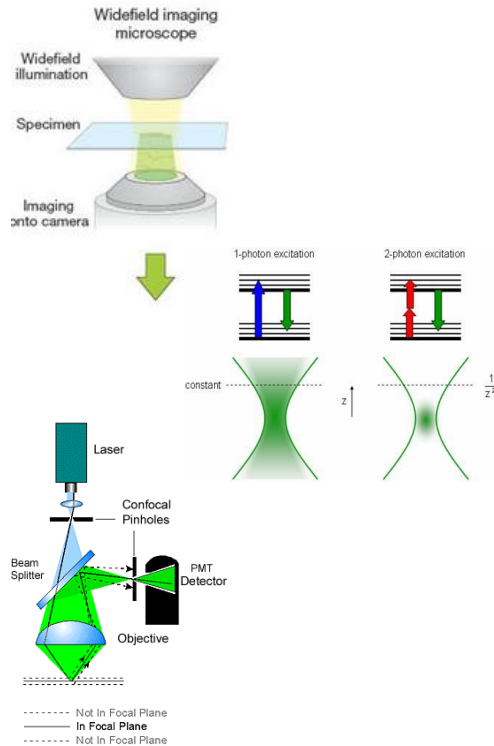
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- Why tunable lenses for microscopy?
- Tunable lens technology
- Integration of tunable lenses
- Application examples
- Conclusion

# Microscopy application overview



## 3D microscopy

- Wide-field microscopy
- Two-photon microscopy
- Confocal microscopy
- Light-sheet microscopy



## 2D microscopy

- Digital microscopy



- Adapter for video port



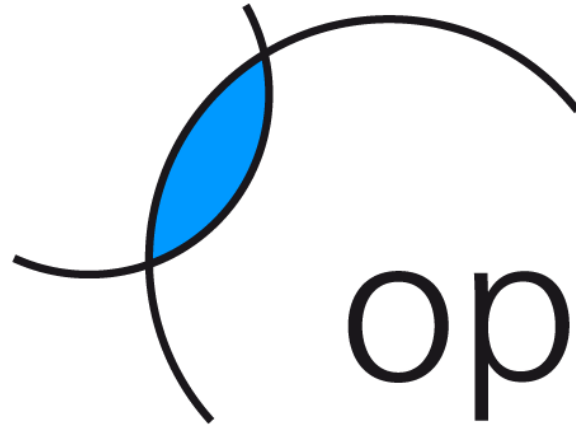
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# Conclusion



- Trend towards 3D biomedical imaging
- Focus tunable polymer lenses are compatible with
  - Wide-field microscopy
  - Confocal microscopy
  - Two-photon microscopy
  - Light-sheet microscopy
- Tunable lenses:
  - Fast
  - Compact
  - Large tuning range
  - Vibration-free
  - Broadband



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