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Confocal Scanner Unit

CSU-W1

Wide and Clear

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Confocal scanner unit CSU has evolved!

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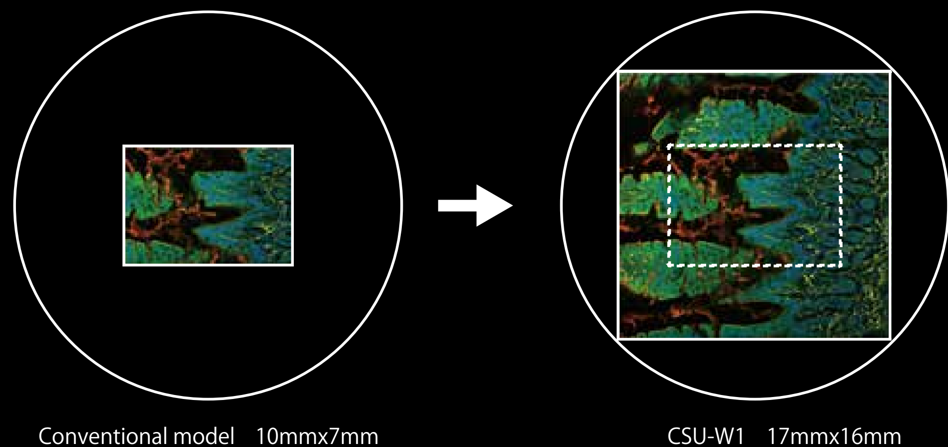
Advantages of the Evolution

Wide and Clear

Confocal Scanner Unit, CSU series, have been improved from the original CSU10 to the most recent CSU-X1, which are widely recognized as the de facto standard tool for live cell imaging, due to fast scanning and low photo-bleaching capability.
CSU-W1 is our answer to the researchers' request for "Wider FOV" and "Clearer Images".

Wide

Widest FOV confocal! Provides 4 times wider FOV than the conventional model.



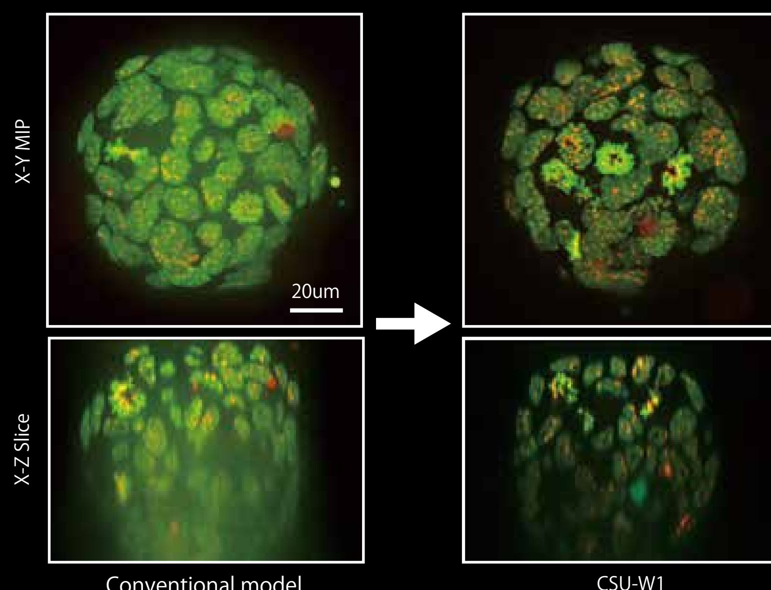
Conventional model 10mmx7mm

CSU-W1 17mmx16mm

Clear

Newly designed disk unit offers much improved image quality.

Due to significantly reduced pinhole crosstalk, CSU-W1 enables clear observation much deeper into thick samples.



Conventional model

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Mouse ES cell colony
Fluorescent probe:
H2B-EGFP (Excitation: 488nm)
mCherry-MBD-NLS (Excitation: 561nm)
Objective lens: 60x silicone
Z-sections/stack: 100µm (0.4µm/251slices)

By courtesy of Jun Ueda, Ph.D. and Kazuo Yamagata, Ph.D.,
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Points of the Evolution

Original and Flexible

Original

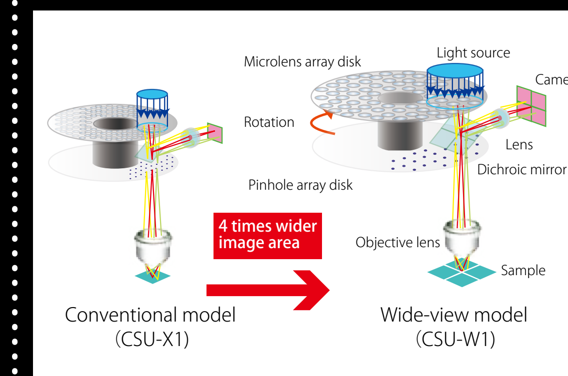
Newly designed disk unit to achieve wider FOV and much improved image quality

Large diameter disks

The large diameter disks offer 4 times wider FOV to compare with our conventional model. This wide FOV matches with most advanced wide-field cameras.

Newly designed pinhole (Nipkow) disk

Wider inter-pinhole distance for the CSU-W1 offers considerably reduced pinhole crosstalk and thus provides clearer images.



Microlens enhanced dual Nipkow disk scanning method

A Nipkow spinning disk containing many pinholes placed in the constant pitch helical pattern and a second disk containing the same number of micro-lens to focus excitation laser into each pinhole are mechanically fixed with a motor, and very rapidly raster scan the field of view with a large number of laser beams. The multi-beam scanning method offers not only high-speed imaging but also significantly reduced photo-toxicity and photo bleaching because of very reduced laser power of each beamlet.

Flexible

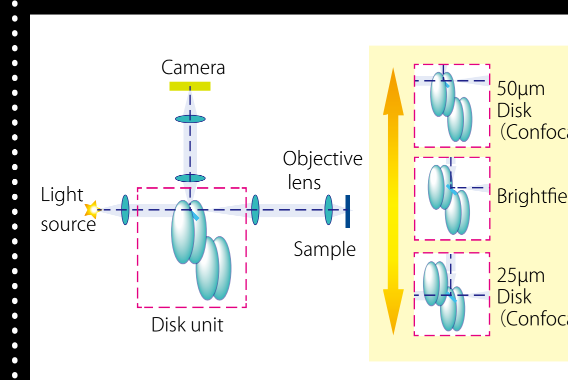
Flexibly selectable functions to meet versatile applications

New bright field path (Default)

New mechanism to move the disks out of the light path allows much easier projection of confocal and non-confocal images such as phase contrast .

High confocality pinhole (Optional Component)

In addition to our conventional 50µm pinhole size, 25µm pinhole size with higher confocality is available.
You can select either one or the both pinhole size, with easy-to-use motorized disk exchange mechanism.



	The standard of selection
25µm pinhple	･Low magnification (~40x) ･Low contrast (higher crosstalk) samples
50µm pinhole	･Hgh magnification (60x~) ･Low signal samples

Simultaneous dual color imaging mechanisms (T2 and T3 Models)

CSU-W1 offers single camera split-view model, in addition to the dual camera model which are much improved from those for the CSU-X1. Thanks to the wide FOV, even the split-view offers 2 times wider image area than with older model.By using various dichroic mirrors, it is possible to select various dye-combinations for dual-color imaging*1 with both the two camera model and split-view model.

*1 Appropriate excitation lasers are necessary to utilize each dichroic mirror.

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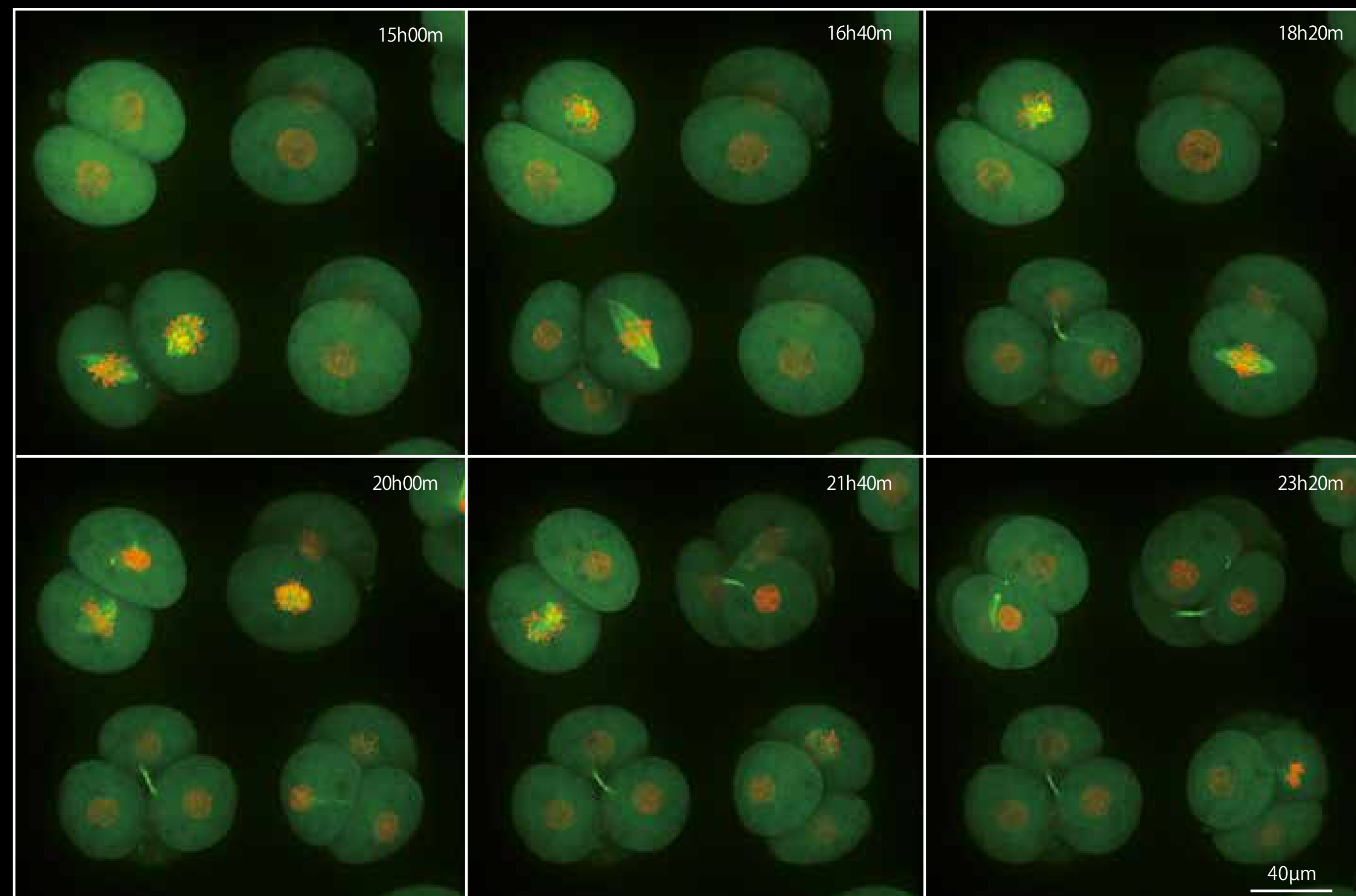
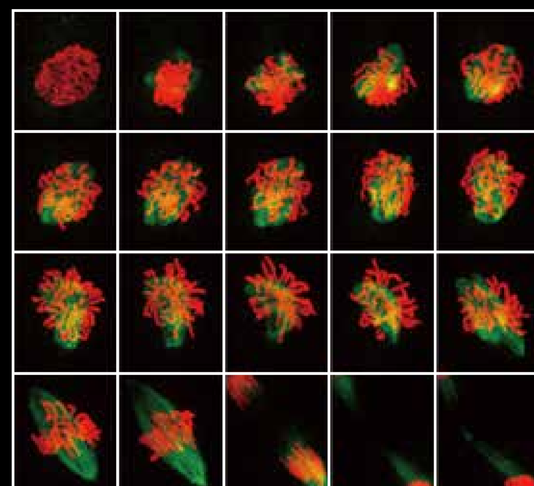
Image gallery -Wide-

Wide FOV without compromising the resolution offers most effective long-term observation of various biological events in a large tissue or many cells.

Early stage mouse embryo





Upper : Excerpts from time-lapse data (MIP)
Lower: Excerpts from time-lapse data (MIP of chromosome)
Fluorescent probe : H2B-EGFP (Excitation: 488nm), mCherry-MBD-NLS (Excitation: 561nm)
Pinhole: 50μm
Objective lens : 60x silicone
Z-sections/stack : 100μm (1μm/101slices)
Total time: 48 hours (Interval : 10mins)

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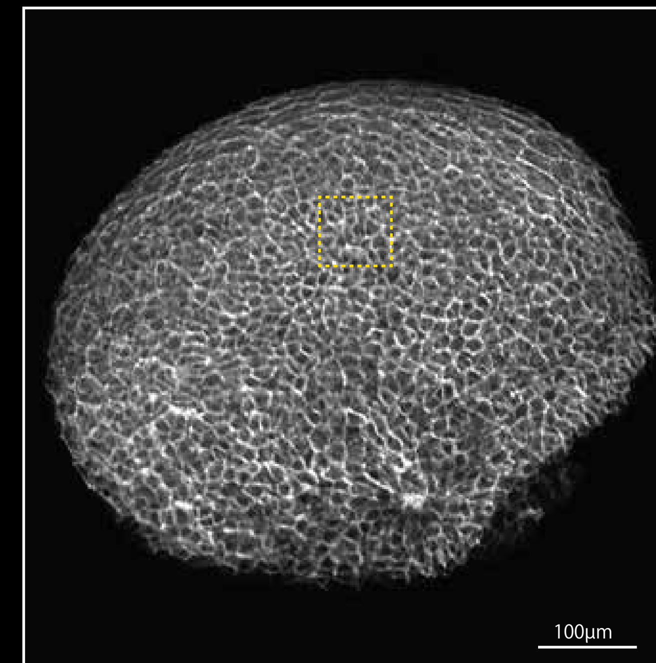
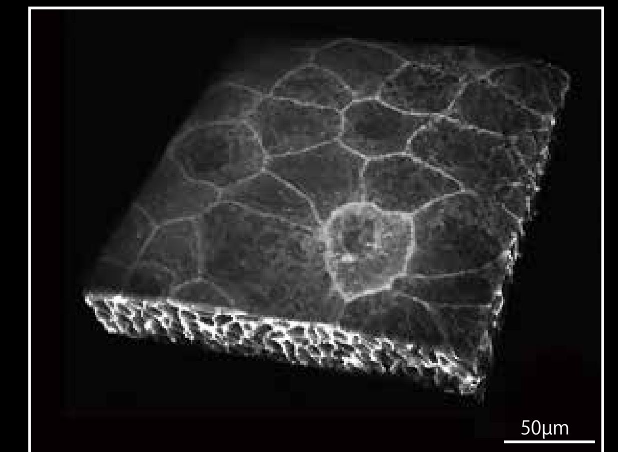
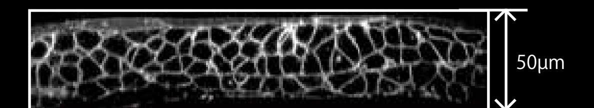
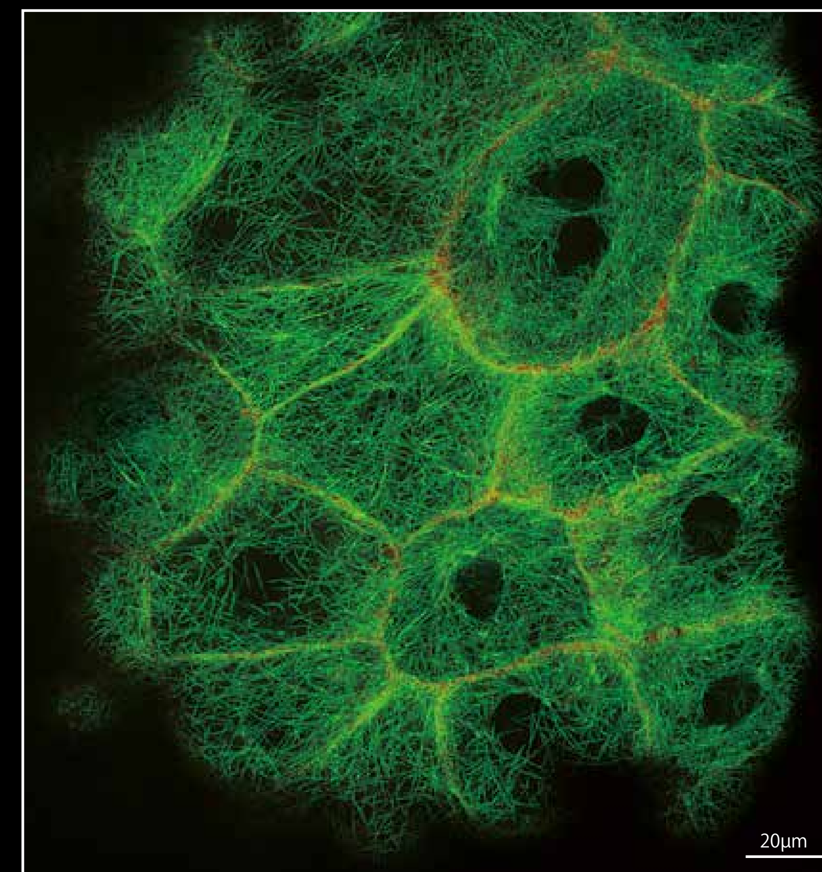
Zebra fish embryo

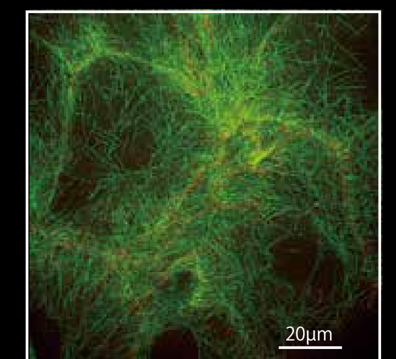






Left : 3D reconstructed image of whole embryo
Upper right : 3D reconstructed embryo (partial, at high magnification)
Lower right : XZ image
Fluorescent probe: membrane RFP (Excitation: 561nm)
Pinhole: 50μm
Objective lens : 20x dry(Left), 60x water(Upper right, Lower right)
Z-sections/stack : 99μm (1μm/100slices)(Left)
50μm (0.5μm/101slices)(Upper right, Lower right)





Left : Time-line MIP of time-lapse images
Right : Image by our conventional model
(x1.25 Camera port)
Fluorescent probe:
EB3-GFP (Excitation: 488nm)
membrane RFP (Excitation: 561nm)
Pinhole: 50μm
Objective lens : 60x water
Total time: 200sec (Interval : 1sec)

By courtesy of Makoto Suzuki, Ph.D. and Naoto Ueno, Ph.D.,Division of Morphogenesis, National Institute of Basic Biology

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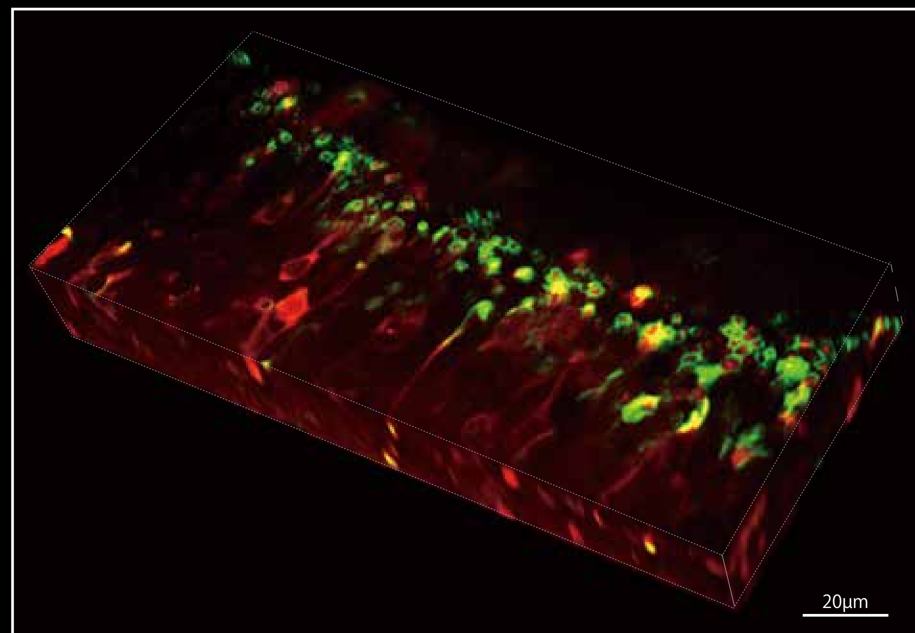
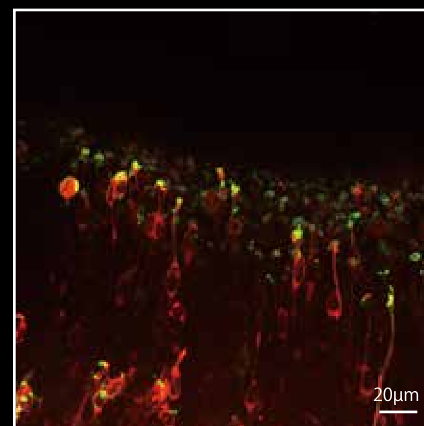
Image gallery -Clear-

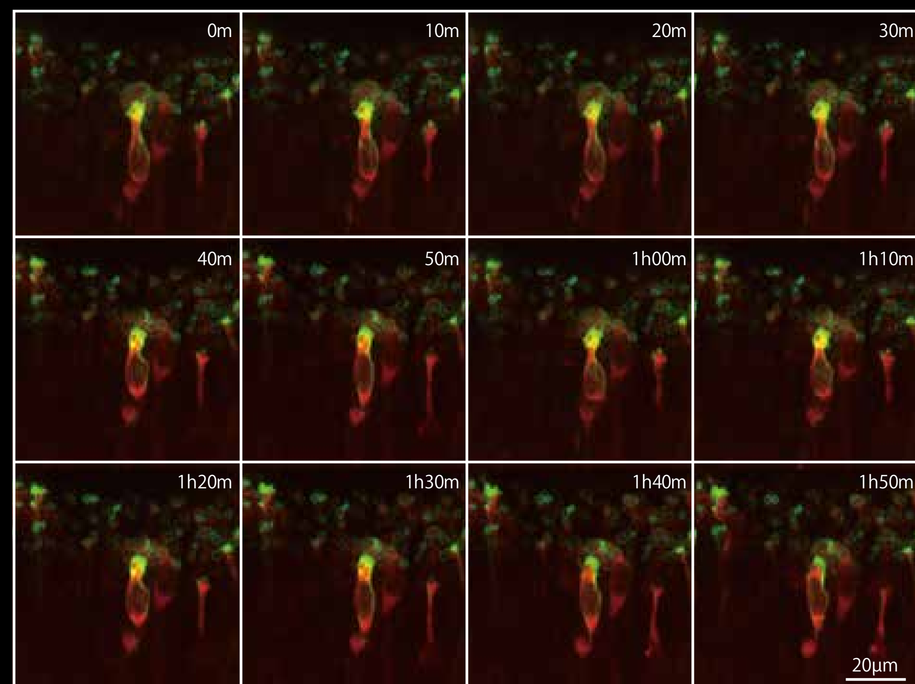
Most suitable for clear and thorough imaging of thick specimen, even tissues or small animal body, for a long time.
Selection of the optimal pinhole disk provides high level of confocality at both high and low magnification to give most detailed 3D reconstructions of live specimen.

Brain slice of mouse fetus





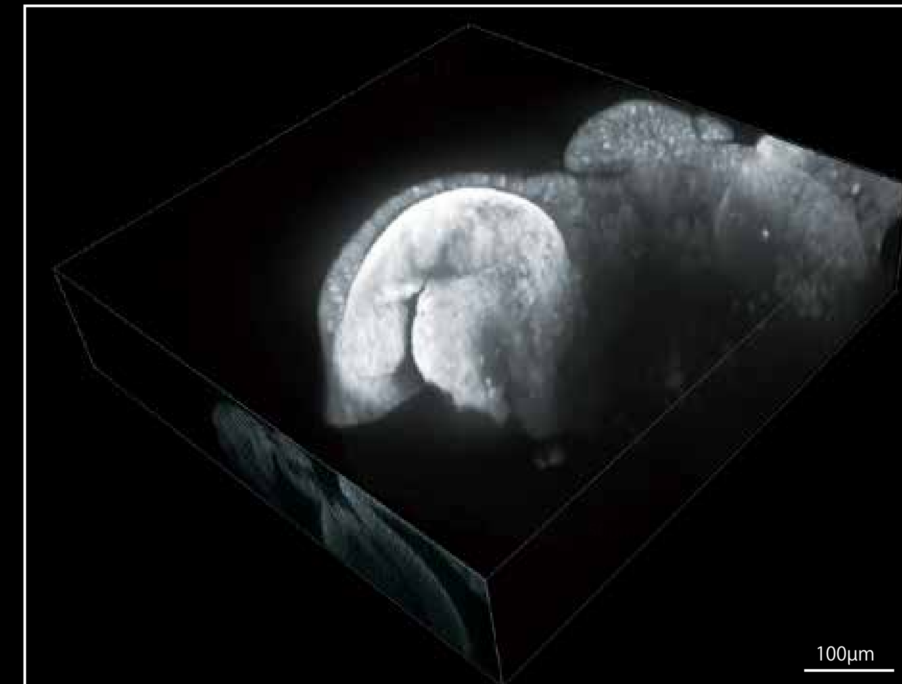
Left: 3D reconstructed slice (partial)
Right: 3D reconstructed image of whole slice
Fluorescent probe: GFP (Excitation: 488nm)
RFP (Excitation: 561nm)
Pinhole: 50μm
Objective lens: 60x water LWD
Z-sections/stack: 29.5μm (0.5μm/60slices)

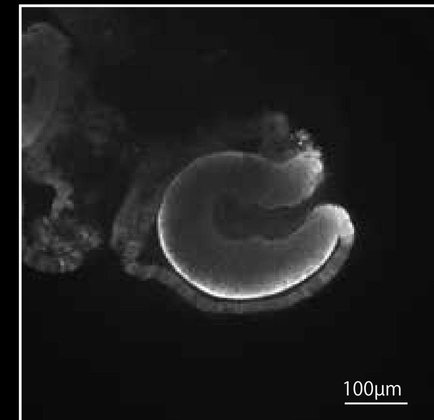


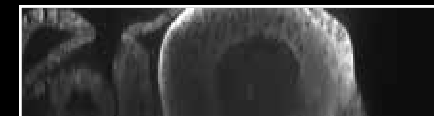
Excerpts (10 minuets' interval) from Time lapse(MIP)
Fluorescent probe: GFP (Excitation: 488nm)
RFP (Excitation: 561nm)
Pinhole: 50μm
Objective lens: 60x water LWD
Z-sections/stack: 15μm (0.5μm/31slices)
Total time: 2hours (Interval : 1min)

By courtesy of Atsunori Shitamukai, Ph.D., Laboratory for Cell Asymmetry, Center for Developmental Biology, RIKEN

Ocular cup organ regenerated from mouse ES cells







Left: 3D image
Upper right: MIP   Lower right: YZ plane
Fluorescent probe: Cy5 (Excitation: 640nm)
Pinhole: 25μm
Objective lens: 20x dry
Z-sections/stack: 100μm (2μm/51slices)

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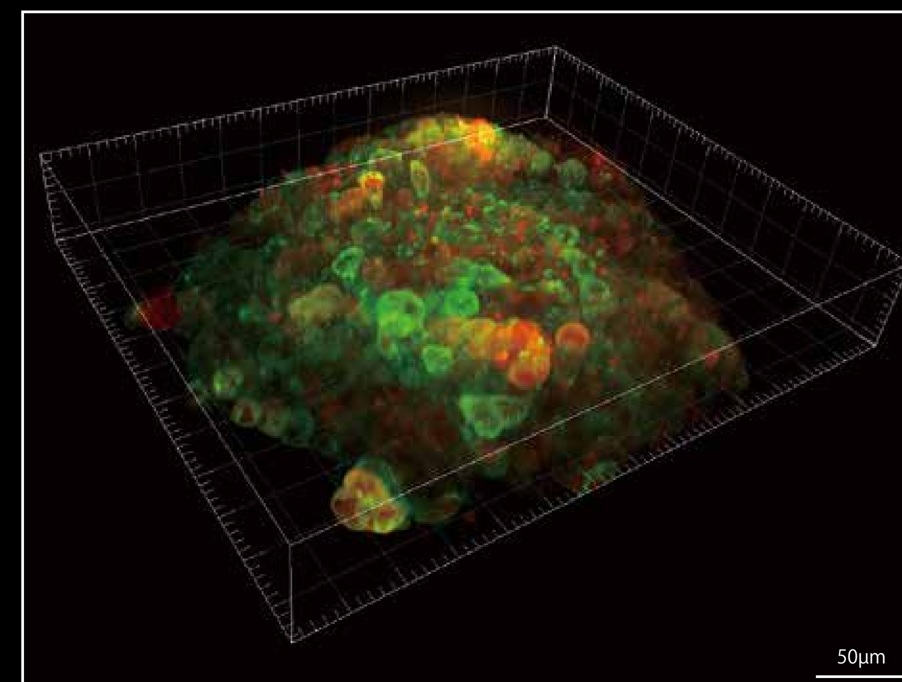
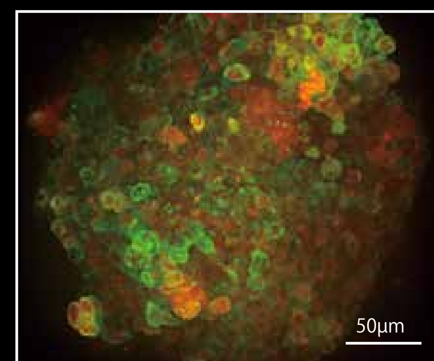
ES cell colony





Left: 3D image   Right: MIP
Fluorescent probe:
GFP (Excitation: 488nm)
mCherry (Excitation: 561nm)
Pinhole: 50μm
Objective lens: 60x oil
Z-sections/stack: 50μm (1μm/51slices)

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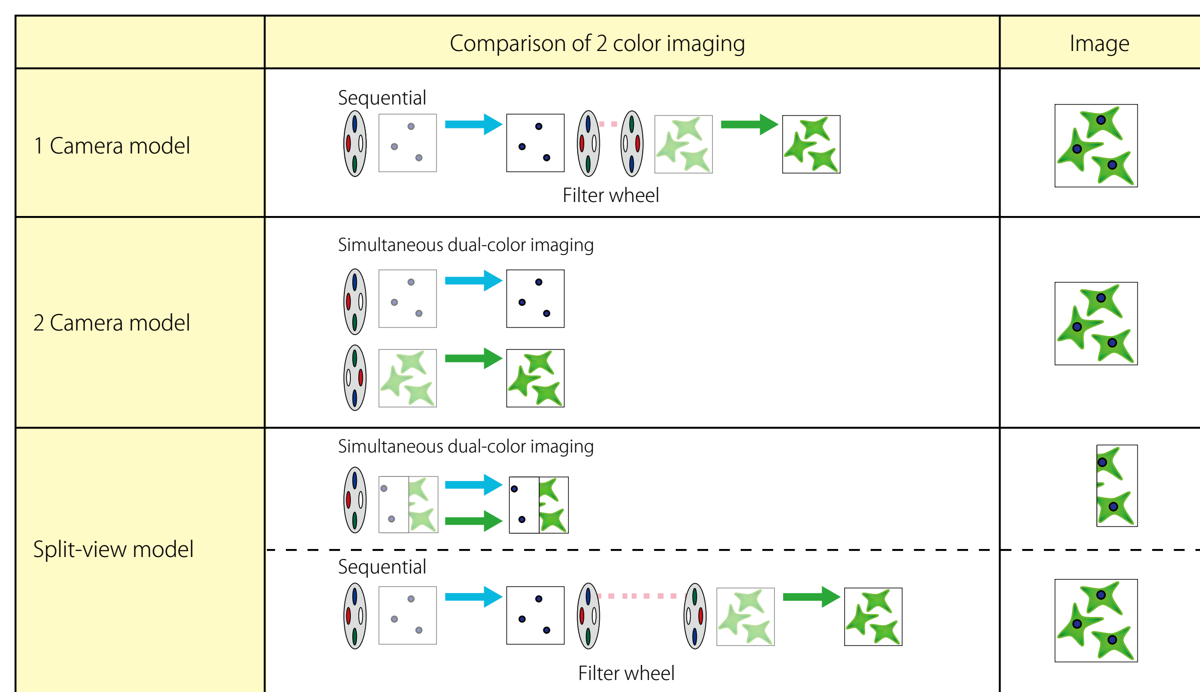
Basic Configurations and Option

CSU-W1 offers selection from a total of three basic configurations, two pinhole sizes, options for near infrared observation and an external light path which is useful for versatile applications such as photo bleaching, while bright field light path is now a standard feature. All switching mechanisms in the CSU-W1 are fully motorized and thus ready for automated experiments.

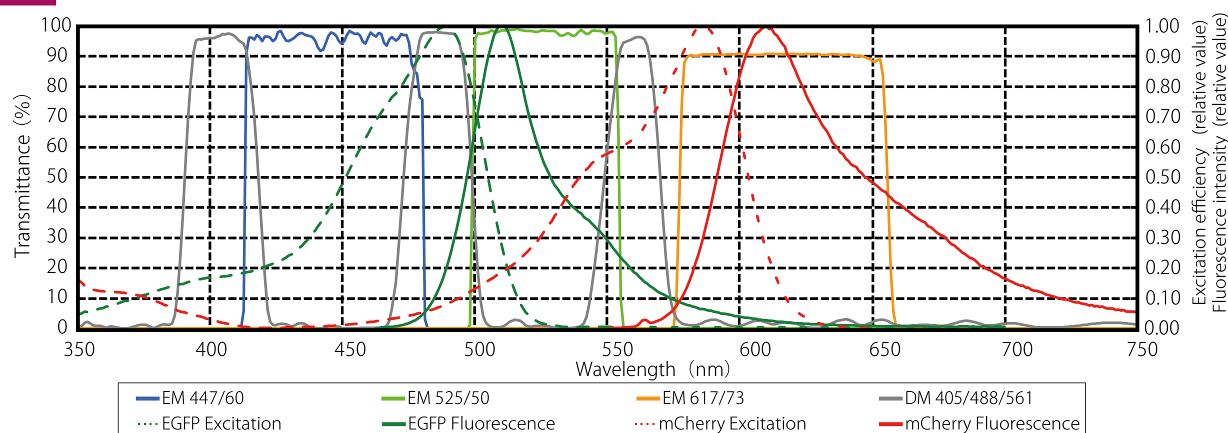
Basic Configurations

CSU-W1 provides a total of three basic configurations for multi-color imaging; 1) Sequential imaging with one camera and a filter wheel, 2) Simultaneous two-color imaging with two cameras, and 3) Split-view two color imaging with one camera shared by 2 optical paths. All features are upgradable after installation.



	Comparison of 2 color imaging	Image
1 Camera model	Sequential Filter wheel	
2 Camera model	Simultaneous dual-color imaging	
Split-view model	Simultaneous dual-color imaging	
	Sequential Filter wheel	

Filter



Spectral curve example of filter combination

Option

■ **Near Infrared (NIR) Port**

NIR port provides up to 785nm excitation capability to allow less-invasive deep imaging. The NIR laser is introduced via a dedicated optical fiber in the same way as visible lasers. It is possible to combine NIR and visible lasers within the CSU-W1 unit to allow simultaneous excitation.

■ **External light path**

External light path provides the direct path bypassing the disks to microscope. Versatile applications such as photo activation are available by introducing an external light scanner through this port.

■ **Lens switcher**

Newly designed motorized lens switcher between 2 relay lenses is useful for fitting CSU-W1 image size with various camera types, and also for easy magnification change without exchanging objective lenses.

■ **Variable aperture** *1

Variable aperture to change laser illumination area, and thus the imaging area by the CSU-W1, is useful to minimize laser damages in the specimen.

Selectable option

Option	1 Camera model	2 Camera model	Split-view model
NIR port	○	○	○
External light path	○	○	○
Variable aperture	○	○	-
Camera port lens	Selectable from 0.83x, 1x	Selectable from 0.83x, 1x (1st camera) 0.83x, 1x (2nd camera)	Selectable from 0.83x, 1x
Additional lens to Lens switcher	Selectable from 0.83x, 1x, 2x	Selectable from 0.83x, 1x, 2x	-

*1 1 Camera model, 2 Camera model

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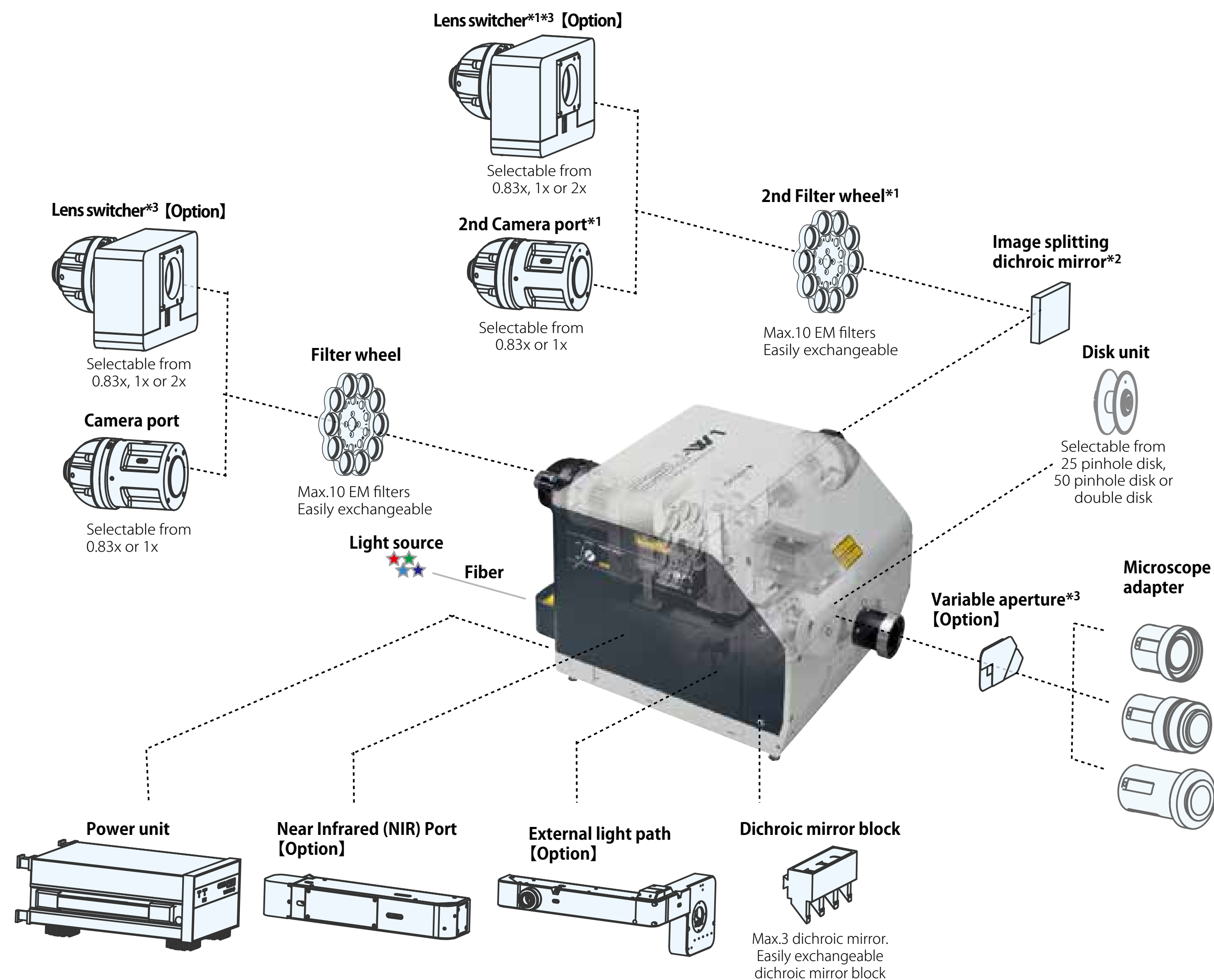
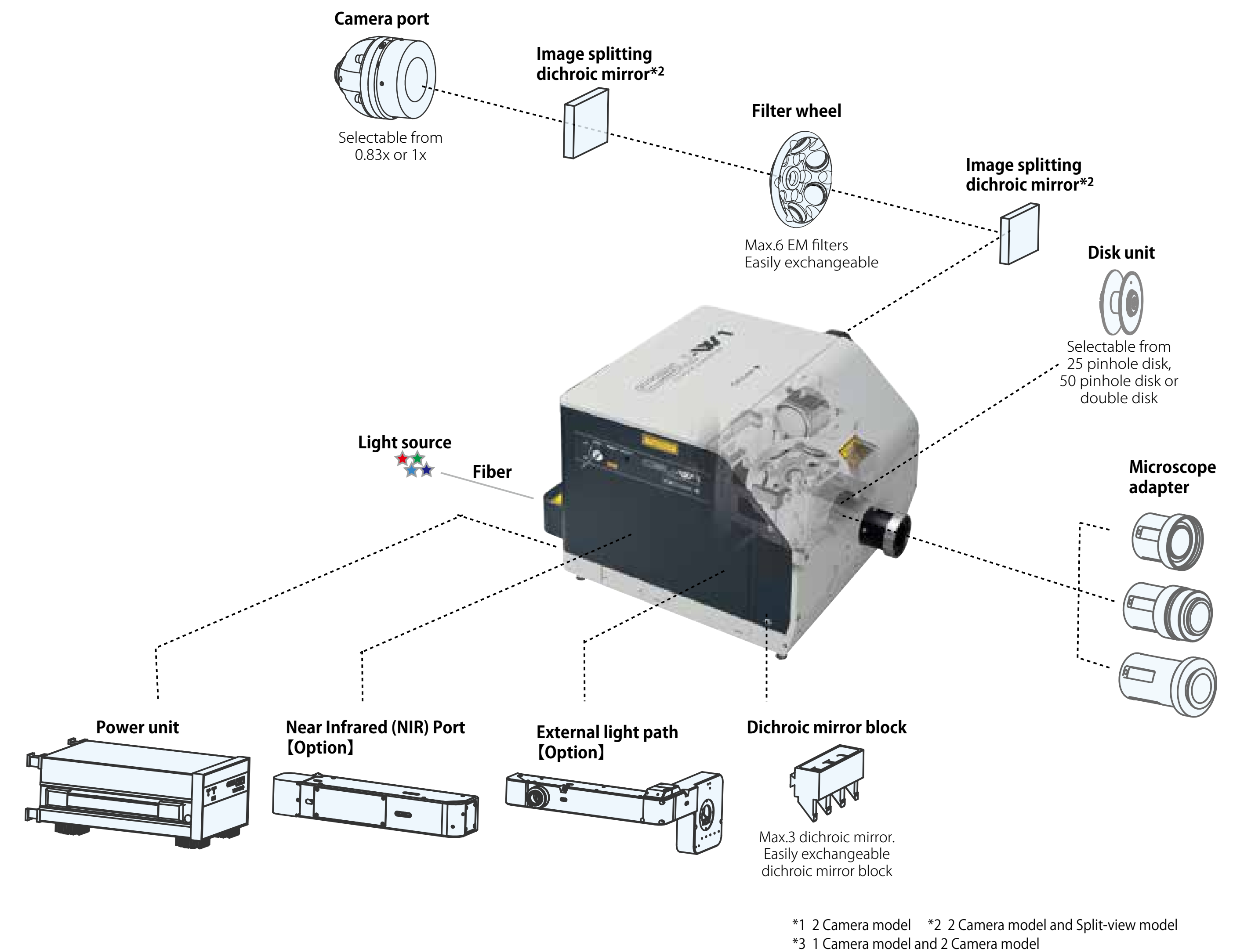
System configuration

2 Camera model, 1 Camera model



Split-view model



*1 2 Camera model *2 2 Camera model and Split-view model
*3 1 Camera model and 2 Camera model

Microscope-setup

Zeiss Axio Observer

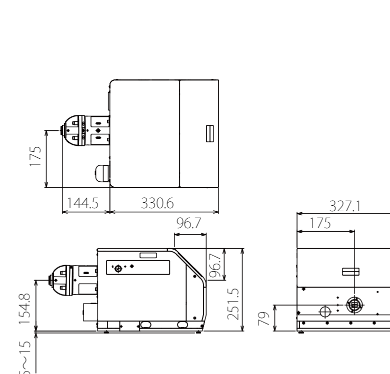
Nikon ECLIPSE Ti2

Olympus IX83

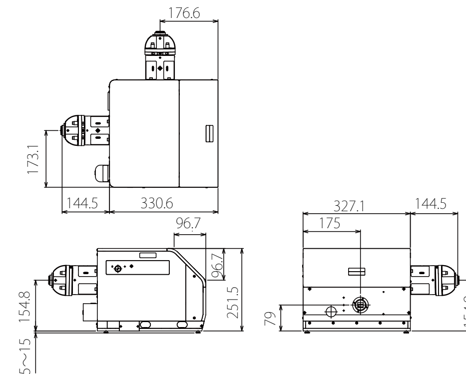
Leica DMi8

External Dimensions

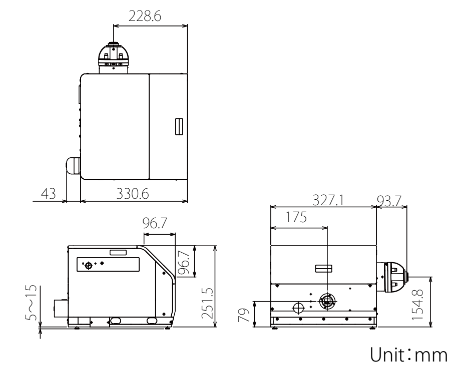
1 Camera model (T1)



2 Camera model (T2)



Split-view model (T3)



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General Specifications

Model		1 camera model（T1）	2 camera model（T2）	Split-view model(T3)
Confocal scanning method		Microlens-enhanced Nipkow disk scanning		
Spinning speed		1,500rpm ～ 4,000rpm（75fps ～ 200fps）		
External synchronization		Scan-speed synchronization through pulse signals Input/output : TTL level 300Hz up to 800Hz		
Disk unit		Selectable up to 2 disks from pinhole size 50μm and 25μm : Motorized switching		
Bright field		Motorized switching between confocal and brightfield		
Effective FOV		17×16mm 【Optoin】Variable aperture		17×16mm adjustable in longer side
Excitation wavelength		405nm ～ 785nm		
Laser introduction		Yokogawa's standard fiber*[1], Beam shaping optics VIS port (405 ～ 647nm) 【Option】NIR port (685 ～ 785nm)		
Excitation shutter		Built-in shutter, Opening and shutting time : 30msec or less, Opening and shutting cycle : 10Hz or less		
Observation wavelength		420nm ～ 850nm		
Dichroic mirror switching		Motorized switching 3-position (Dichroic mirror block can be exchanged)		
Emission filter wheel		10-position filter wheel		6-position filter wheel
	Filter size	ϕ25mm		ϕ25mm
	Switching speed	100msec max.（Standard mode） 40msec max.（High speed mode）		100msec max.
Camera port		C mount, selectable from 0.83x or 1x		
Lens switcher		【Option】Motorized switching, 2-position selectable from 0.83x, 1x or 2x		
External light path		【Option】Port for external scanner		
External control		RS-232C (CSU-X1 command upper compatible)		
Operating environment		15 ～ 35ºC , 20 ～ 75% No condensation		
Power		Input :100 ～ 240 VAC ±10%, 50 / 60Hz, Power consumption : 250VAmax		
External dimensions	Main unit	480(W)×327(L)×252(H)mm	480(W)×476(L)×252(H)mm	425(W)×374(L)×252(H)mm
	Power unit	213(W)×438(L)×132(H)mm		
Weight	Main unit	17kg	20.5kg	18kg
	Power unit	5kg		
Microscope connection		Yokogawa original specific adapter for Olympus IX series, Nikon ECLIPSE Ti series, Zeiss Axio Observer and Leica DMi8 *[2]		

*1 Each CSU-W1 head is optimized with its fiber at factory. Please inquire about fiber exchange if necessary.
*2 Some microscopes/options could limit the FOV of CSU-W1 or connection with CSU-W1, please inquire.

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Safety Precautions

* Read the user's manual carefully in order to use the instrument correctly and safely.
* If used in combination with a laser light source, this product falls under the category of class 3B laser products. Do not look directly into the beam and avoid touching it or any other direct exposure to it.

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