

ST-80 MICROSCOPE

With Electronic Eyepiece #6810

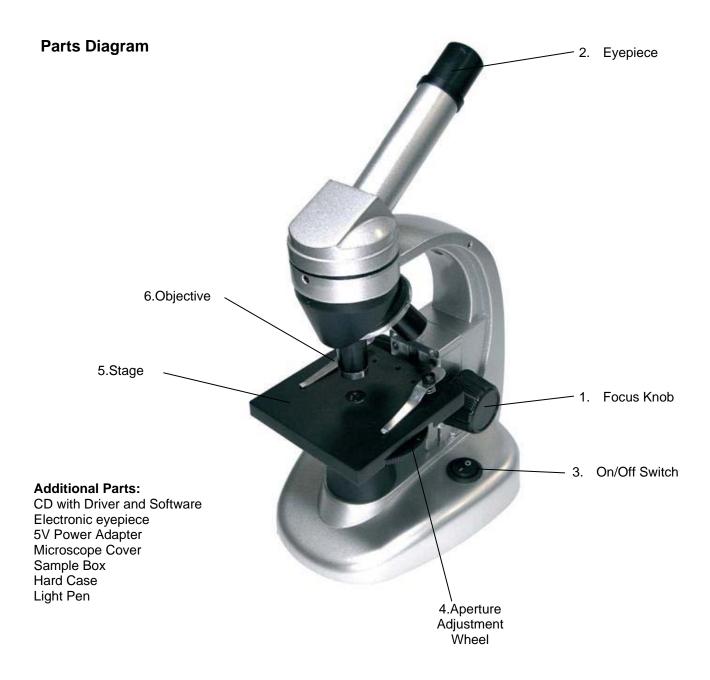
User Guide



The ST-80 Microscope

Thank you for purchasing your student microscope from iOptron[®]. The ST-80 Microscope is both versatile and easy to use with the ability to magnify objects 4x to 1024x. In addition, it comes with an

electronic eyepiece to allow you to directly view and capture images or videos onto your computer. The ST-80 Microscope makes studying plant and insect samples easy and fun.



Caution: This device includes some sharp objects. Adult supervision is required when children are using device.

Setting Up Your Microscope



Step 1. Setting the monocular.

Loosen the fastening screw (need picture), twist the monocular attachment to the desired position, and retighten the fastening screw.



Step 2. Setting the objective.

Rotate the revolving nosepiece to select the 4x objective.

Do not rotate the nosepiece by the objectives. Instead, use the ring the above the objectives



Step 3. Setting the mechanical stage.

Raise the stage with the focusing knob until it cannot go any further.

Focusing knob



Step 4. Setting the illumination unit.

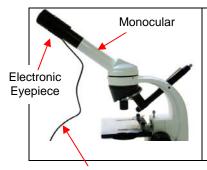
Spin the illumination wheel to the lowest setting.



Step 5. Connecting the power.

Connect the power adapter to the microscope before plugging into the wall outlet.

Setting Up Your Electronic Eyepiece



Step 1. Removing the eyepiece.

Remove the original eyepiece AND eyepiece attachment tube (inside) the monocular. Insert the electronic eyepiece into the monocular tube (as shown in picture here).

Step 2. Connecting the electronic eyepiece to the computer via the USB cable.

Transmission Microscopy

Light is transmitted through the sample. (For transparent or translucent samples)



Step 1. Turning on the illumination unit.

Turn on the illumination unit by pressing the on-off switch.



Step 2. Setting the slide.

Place the desired sample slide on the stage, and push it under the holding clamps. Alternatively, press down on the back of the holding clamp (see red arrow).

Step 3. Centering the slide.

Adjust the sample slide, so that the sample is in the light cone from the illumination unit.



Step 4. Focusing the image.

Look through the eyepiece and focus image by slowly lowering the stage using the focusing knob.

Focusing knob



Aperture Adjustment wheel

Step 5. Increasing the magnification.

Change objective to 10x or 40x, or change the eyepiece to 16x WF Ocular for a more detailed view. Readjust the focus as necessary.

Step 6. Perfecting the image.

After having selected the desired magnification, try to increase or decrease the illumination intensity and to rotate the aperture adjustment wheel. Readjust the focus as necessary.

A smaller aperture opening increases the contrast, but reduces resolution. A larger aperture opening increases the resolution, but reduces contrast.

Aperture diaphragm

Reflection Microscopy

Light is reflected off the sample. For opaque samples



Step 1. Setting up light pen.

Open the light pen by unscrewing the cap. Insert two (2) AAA batteries in the orientation as indicated in the photo. Place the cap back on the light pen.

Step 2. Attaching the light pen.

Insert light pen into the opening for light pen, and turn on the light pen. Adjust the light pen until the beam is over the opening on the stage. Tighten the fastening screw with a 2mm Allen wrench (not included) until the light pen is secure.

Step 3. Getting the image you want.

To focus the image -- repeat steps 2 through 6 above in *Transmission* microscopy.

User Guide for installing driver and software

1. Installing the Driver (use a. or b.)

a. For Windows Vista and Windows 7:

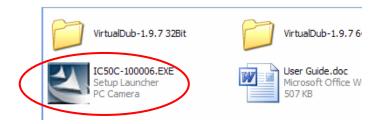
Please plug in the electronic eyepiece into the computer via its USB cord.

Windows Vista and Windows 7 will automatically detect the camera and search for appropriate driver to download and install.

If Windows cannot find the correct drive, follow the procedure for Windows XP users.

b. For Windows XP or earlier versions:

In the CD that came along with the product, please find IC50C-100006.EXE file.



Double click on the file, and follow the installation instructions.

2. Installing the software

It is unnecessary for you to install the VirtualDub.exe. To run the software, you can simply double click VirtualDub.exe (32 bit users) in VirtualDub-1.9.7 32Bit folder or VirtualDub64.exe in VirtualDub-1.9.7 64Bit folder.

If you do not wish to keep running the software from the CD, feel free to copy the **VirtualDub-1.9.7 32Bit** folder or **VirtualDub-1.9.7 64Bit** folder to a location of your preference on your computer. Run the software in the same way as you would on the CD.

3. How to record your experiment

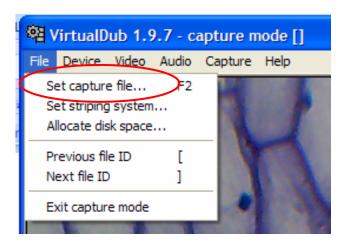
Open VirtualDub software.

Under File Menu, select Capture AVI... to enter Capture Mode.

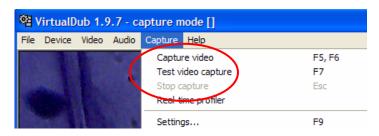


In Capture Mode, under Device Menu, select Basic WebCam.

In **Capture Mode**, under **File** Menu, select **Set Capture File...** and save the file to an easily found location of your choice. Later, that file will hold the raw record that you will capture.

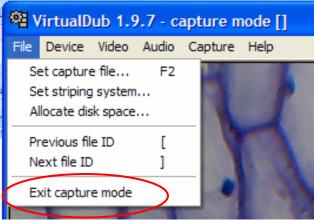


In **Capture Mode**, under **Capture** Menu, select **Capture Video** to start recording your experiment.



In Capture Mode, under Capture Menu, select Stop Capture to stop recording your experiment.

In Capture Mode, under File Menu, select Exit capture mode to return to main window.



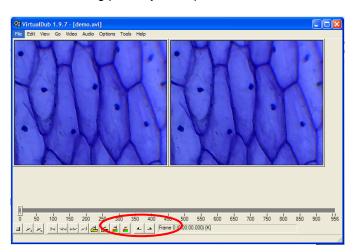
4. How to create a video or image sequence of your experiment

In the main window, under **File** Menu, select **Open Video File** and open the file that you set earlier.



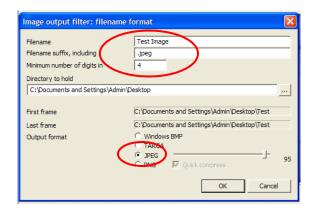
You can use the buttons on the bottom and arrow keys to play and move through your video. Use the

Mark in and Mark out buttons to select the most interesting part of your experiment.



Under File Menu, in Export, select Image Sequence... to show the selected section of your experiment in a series of image files. Set the desired Filename, Directory, and JPEG output format to select where you want save your images.





5. Saving and Exporting Files

Under **File** Menu, select **Save as AVI...** to save the selected section of your experiment and make an individual video.

The enclosed CD includes a free video/image software, VirtualDub for demonstration. You can also use other software to do video/image capturing. VirtualDub is a video capture/processing utility for 32-bit and 64-bit Windows platforms, licensed under the GNU General Public License (GPL). Please visit www.VirtualDub.org for more information.

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