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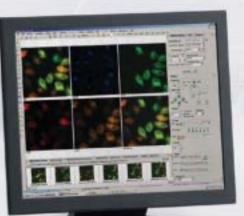
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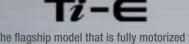


At the Center of Your Research Discoveries

The Essence of Cutting-edge Microscopy Research

Microscopes are critical tools for cutting-edge research in biology, medical and pharmaceutical sciences. To satisfy the demands of today's high-end research, Nikon has developed the new Ti series of microscopes. Combined with NIS-Elements imaging software, the Ti supports diverse image acquisition and analysis methods such as multi-dimensional time-lapse imaging to acquire temporal, spatial and spectral information of fast, dynamic live cell processes. Intelligently designed automation and further expansion of Nikon's powerful modular approach make the Ti ideal for applications such as confocal, FRET, High Content Analysis (HCS), and photobleaching/photo activation to study interaction of fluorescence protein molecules in living cells and tissues. Nikon's exclusive Perfect Focus System (PFS) is now incorporated into the nosepiece unit and allows for the simultaneous use of two separate levels for additional illuminators or detectors. The newly developed "full intensity" phase contrast unit enables acquisition of incredible phase contrast images without the use of light-attenuating phase contrast objectives.





The flagship model that is fully motorized for automated multimode image techniques and acquisition

Advanced functions of Ti-E dramatically expand research imaging possibilities



Fast and Automated

High-speed motorized components allow fast, coordinated and seamless image acquisition [P4]

Screening

Multimode scanning of well plate at an unprecedented speed [P5]

Lime-lapse Imaging

Built-in Perfect Focus System (PFS) for automatic focus correction [P6]

High-quality Phase Contrast Observation

Newly developed "full intensity" optical components enable phase contrast with high NA non-phase-contrast objectives [P8]

Multiple Cameras

Image acquisition and analysis with multiple side ports and back port cameras [P9]

Motorized Laser TIRF (Total Internal Reflection Fluorescence) Observation

Alternate time-lapse observation between widefield fluorescence and TIRF (NA 1.49) images by fast illumination switching and motorized control of laser incident angle [P10]

Photo Activation

The photo activation unit allows cell marking and dynamic analysis using photoactivatable and photoswitchable proteins such as PA-GFP and Kaede [P11]

Confocal Imaging

Seamless integration with confocal microscope systems for high-performance spectral confocal imaging [P18]



ECLIPSE T/-S

The basic model that can be dedicated to specific tasks, built with two output imaging ports

The universal model that comes standard with four output ports and potential for motorized components

Ti: Stress-Free Operation

High-speed Motorized Control and Acquisition

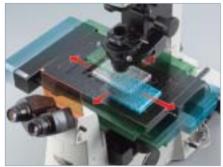
The synchronized control of many motorized components such as the nosepiece, fluorescence filters, shutters, condenser turret and stage, allows researchers to use the microscope for a wide range of automated multi-dimensional experiments. Faster device movement and image acquisition decrease overall light exposure and subsequent photo-toxicity, leading to more meaningful data.



Enhanced speed of individual motorized components

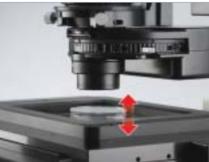
Operation and/or changeover speed of objectives, filter cubes, XY stage, excitation/barrier filters has been greatly enhanced, realizing stress-free operational environment that enables researchers to focus on observations and image capture routines. The newly developed controller that memorizes and reproduces observation conditions and the joystick that enables stage control at will make the microscope feel like an extension of your eyes and hands.

High-speed XY stage movement



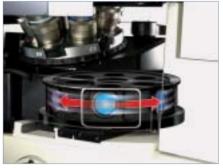
Nikon-exclusive high-speed encoded stage

High-speed Piezo Z stage movement



Nikon-specified Piezo Z specimen stage

High-speed epi-fl filter changeover



Nikon filter dichroic cube turret

Newly developed digital Controller Hub significantly increases motorized accessory speed by reducing the communication overhead time between components, boosting total operation speed.

PC control and automation of the Ti's motorized components are optimized to reduce the respective communication time between action commands and movements producing high-speed total control. By adding firmware intelligence to the microscope, total operation time of the motorized components is reduced. For example, the total time for continuous image acquisition in three modes (two-channel fluorescence and phase contrast) with illumination shutter control is greatly reduced enhancing cell viability.

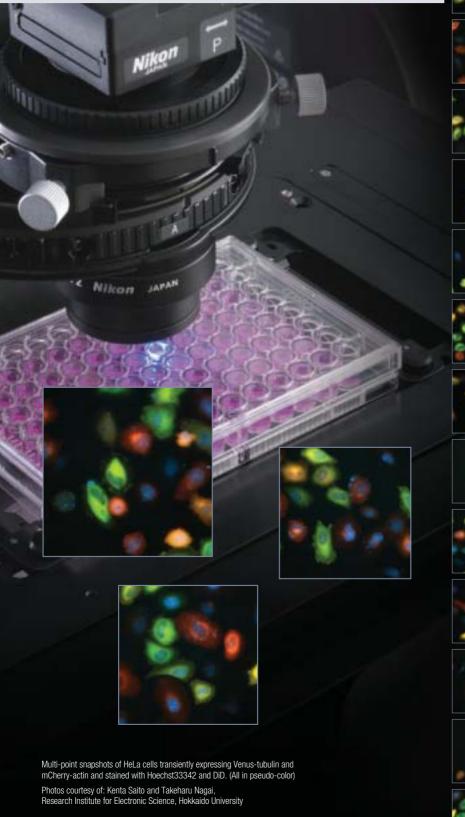
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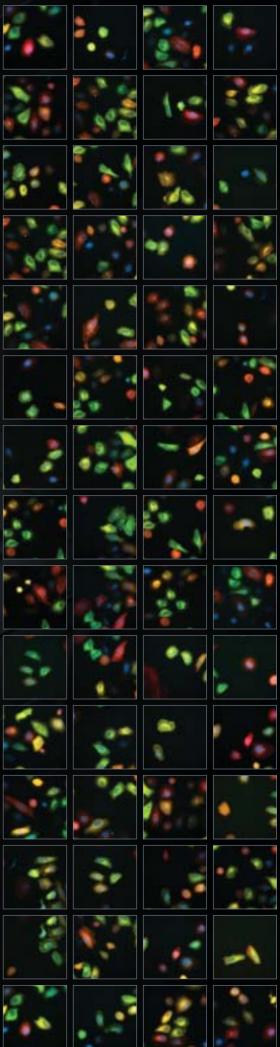
Conventional model

| Signal communicat | ion | Stage mo | vement | Signal communication | PFS correction | Signal communication | Filter changeover | Signal communication | Image capture | | | |
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| Ti-E | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Signal communicat | ion | Stage movement | PFS correction | Filter changeover | Image capture | | | | | | | |

Remarkably Fast Image Acquisition!

Screening image capture of 96 wells in three modes (two-channel fluorescence and phase contrast) is possible at a speed of more than twice that of conventional models.





Ti: Reliable Time-Lapse Observation

PFS and NIS-Elements Realize Stable and Reliable Imaging

Nikon's exclusive and integrated Perfect Focus System (PFS) eliminates focus drift

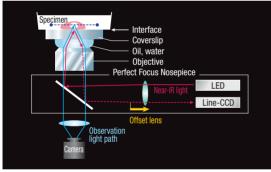
Focus drift is one of the biggest obstacles in time-lapse observation. Nikon's PFS design corrects focus drift during long-term observation and when reagents are added. Even with high magnification, high NA objectives and techniques like TIRF, your images are always in sharp focus. Additionally, incorporating PFS in the nosepiece unit saves space and does not limit the use of the Ti expanded infinity space stratum structure (see page 9).



Real-time focus correction

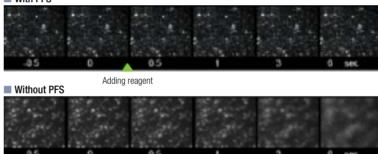
The PFS employs high-performance optical offset, making real-time correction in the desired Z-plane possible. The state of the PFS is prominently displayed on the front of the microscope. Moreover, when the PFS is not in use, the optical component of the PFS can be simply retracted from the optical path.

Concept of the Perfect Focus System



The diagram shows the case when an immersion type objective is used. A dry type objective is also available.

Correction to focus drift when reagents are added With PFS

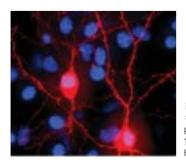


Adding reagent

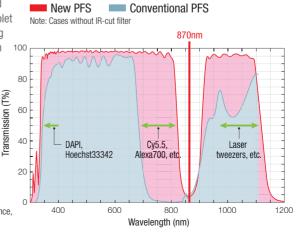
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Compatible with diverse fluorescence dyes with improved performance in broader wavelength range

By now employing 870nm wavelength for the coverglass interface detection, near-infrared fluorescence dyes including Cy5.5 can be used. As the optical characteristics from ultraviolet to infrared range are also improved, the number of usable objectives is increased, realizing stable focus in applications requiring a wide range of wavelengths from Ca²⁺ concentration 1 measurement in the UV to laser tweezers in the IR.



Live imaging of primary rat cortical neurons stained with Hoechst33342 and DiR Photo courtesy of: Ippei Kotera, Shinya Hosaka and Takeharu Nagai, Research Institute for Electronic Science, Hokkaido University

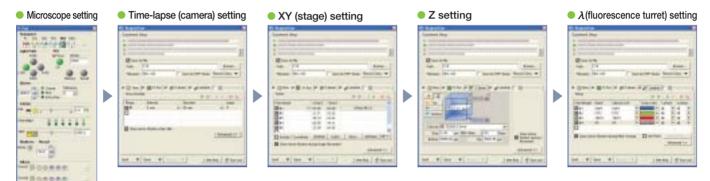




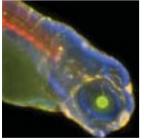
Comprehensive Imaging Software NIS-Elements Provides Secure System Control



Nikon's original imaging software NIS-Elements provides an integrated control of the microscope, cameras, components and peripherals and allows the programming of automated imaging sequences. The intuitive GUI makes setting of the experiment parameters easy and reproducible. NIS-Elements offers many tools and controls to facilitate flexible and reliable data acquisition, paired with a diverse suite of analysis tools for measurement, documentation and databasing.

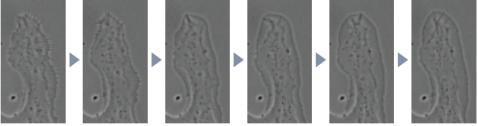


Intuitive GUI and efficient workflow of NIS-Elements make 6D (X, Y, Z, t (time), Lambda (wavelength), multipoint) image acquisition that requires complex settings easy to perform. Simply by choosing the necessary parameters for each dimension, images are automatically captured and a multi-dimensional ND2 file is generated, which can be seamlessly viewed, analyzed, and exported. Converting the format of the captured multi-dimensional image to standard formats is also easy to accomplish.



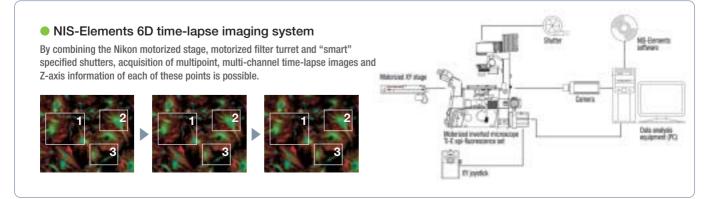
Zebrafish larva transgenically expressing lens specific GFP and stained with Hoechest33342, acetylated tubulin-Alexa555 and phalloidin-Alexa647

Photo courtesy of: Kazuki Horikawa and Takeharu Nagai, Research Institute for Electronic Science, Hokkaido University



NG108 cell Photos courtesy of: Satoe Ebihara, Kaoru Katoh,

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Ti: Revolutionary Phase Contrast System

High-quality Phase Contrast Images with High NA Lens, as well as Bright Fluorescence Images

Nikon's world-leading optical designers have developed the unique "full intensity" external phase contrast unit. With this revolutionary system, a phase ring is incorporated in the microscope body instead of the objective lens, allowing the use of specialized objectives without phase rings and acquisition of high-quality images with high NA objectives. Moreover, using the objectives without a phase ring enables capturing of "full intensity" bright fluorescence images.

Phase ring is incorporated in the microscope body

Incorporating a phase ring—that was normally positioned within the phase contrast objective lens—into the external phase contrast unit optically allows use of specified high NA objectives to produce high-resolution phase contrast images. Four types of phase contrast rings are available according to the objectives used. (common for Ti-E/U/S)





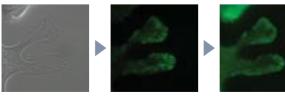
Changing the conventional concept of phase contrast

Unprecedented high resolution

Nikon's high-performance objective lenses, including the 60x and 100x TIRF objectives with the world's highest numerical aperture of 1.49 incorporating spherical aberration correction collars, deliver high-resolution phase contrast images that can not be captured with any standard phase contrast objective.

Bright fluorescence image using same objective

Because there is no light loss due to a phase ring, bright "full intensity" fluorescence, confocal and TIRF images can be captured using the same objective as well as providing phase contrast observation.



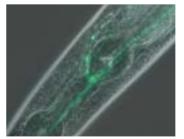
NG108 cell: Growth cone stained with EGFP-fascin Photos courtesy of: Satoe Ebihara, Kaoru Katoh, The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)

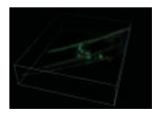
Use of laser tweezers without changing lens

Because an objective without a phase ring can be used for phase contrast observation, use of laser tweezers is possible without changing the objective lens.

• Phase contrast observation with water immersion objective

It is now possible to use a water immersion objective for phase contrast observation. Clear, high-resolution—refractive index matched—phase contrast images with minimal aberration of deep specimen areas can be captured.





C. elegans: Touch neurons stained with EGFP Photos courtesy of: Motomichi Doi and Kaoru Katoh, The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)

• High resolution effective for image analysis

Because phase contrast observation is also possible with the same objective used for TIRF observation as well as DIC observation, phase contrast images with less oblique background shading than that of DIC observation are captured, allowing high-precision data processing and image analysis such as cell contour definition of TIRF image specimen.

Ti: Maximum Flexibility & Expandability

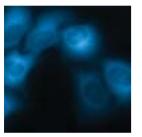
Multiport and Stratum Structure Support Advanced Research

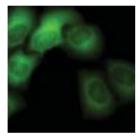
Multiple image port design with left, right, and bottom* ports for optical output enables a camera or detector to be attached to each port. Furthermore, the expanded space stratum structure enables addition of an optional back port. These features allow simultaneous image capture with multiple cameras using two-tier dichroic fluorescence filter turrets.

*Available with Ti-E/B and Ti-U/B models with bottom port

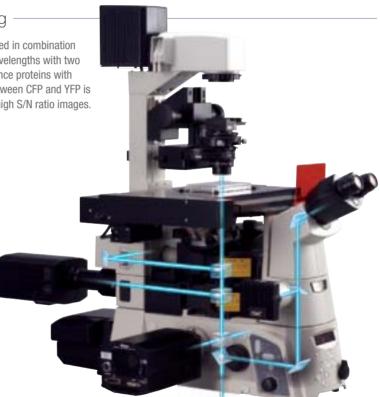
Back port enables multiple camera imaging

Use of an optional back port expands the image capture capability. Used in combination with the side port it allows simultaneous image acquisition for two wavelengths with two cameras. For example, when observing interaction between fluorescence proteins with FRET (Förster Resonance Energy Transfer) and intensity difference between CFP and YFP is great, individual camera sensitivity adjustment allows comparison of high S/N ratio images.





ECFP image from YC3.60 cp173Venus image from YC3.60 Photos courtesy of: Kenta Saito and Takeharu Nagai, Research Institute for Electronic Science, Hokkaido University



Back port can be attached as an option.

Stratum structure enables flexible extendibility

The Ti employs the stratum structure that takes advantage of infinity optics. In addition, the PFS is incorporated in the nosepiece unit, allowing two optical component levels in addition to the PFS to be attached by using the "stage up position set." Simultaneous mounting of laser tweezers and photo activation unit as well as multiple stacked epi-fluorescence filter turrets is possible. Each of the tiered motorized filter cube turrets can be controlled individually.



Example: In addition to the PFS, a photo activation module (upper tier) and a back port (lower tier) are mounted.

Ti: Advanced Applications

Advanced Fluorescence Illumination Functions Respond to Leading Bio-imaging from Live Cell to Single Molecule

The Ti series provides a diverse choice of fluorescence illuminators to support cutting-edge research of cell biology, molecular biology and biophysics using the new imaging and photo activation technologies.

Motorized laser TIRF for observation of cell membrane dynamics and single molecule

TIRF (Total Internal Reflection Fluorescence)

When a specimen is exposed to laser illumination at an incident angle greater than a critical angle, total internal reflection occurs. Under these conditions an evanescent wave is only generated within a couple of hundred nm from the coverslip-specimen interface. By using this light to excite coverslip-specimen interface, fluorescence images with an extremely high S/N ratio can be acquired. This is the principle of TIRF. Nikon's objective lenses for TIRF observation feature high NA of 1.49, at nearly the theoretical limit for standard oil immersion, and the high S/N technique can capture even single molecule fluorescence images.

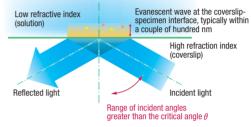


Motorized TIRF attachment

Newly developed motorized laser TIRF illumination unit allows laser incident angle adjustment, shutter control and switching to widefield fluorescence excitation with the control pad or NIS-Elements software. The laser incident angle can be stored with a single touch of the control pad button. Stored laser incident angles can be easily reproduced. This enables alternate time-lapse recording between fluorescence and multi-wavelength TIRF images.



Remote controller



Overview of TIRF



CFI Apochromat TIRF 60x Oil, NA 1.49 (left) CFI Apochromat TIRF 100x Oil, NA 1.49 (right)



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TIRF

NG108 cell: Growth cone stained with EGFP-fascin

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Photo activation for PA-GFP observation

When fluorescence proteins such as Kaede and PA-GFP are exposed to 405nm illumination, fluorescence characteristics change. For example, Kaede changes fluorescence colors from green to red, and PA-GFP increases fluorescence intensity 100 times. Kaede and PA-GFP are used, respectively, for selectively highlighting cells and proteins of interest within live specimens and studying their dynamics. The Ti series features a specialized photo activation illuminator that allows fluorescent time-lapse observation of dynamic events following photo activation or photo conversion.



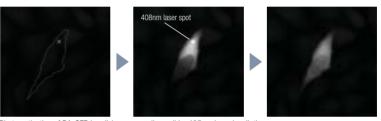


Photo activation of PA-GFP in a living mammalian cell by 405nm laser irradiation Photos courtesy of: Tomoki Matsuda and Takeharu Nagai, Research Institute for Electronic Science, Hokkaido University

Photo activation unit

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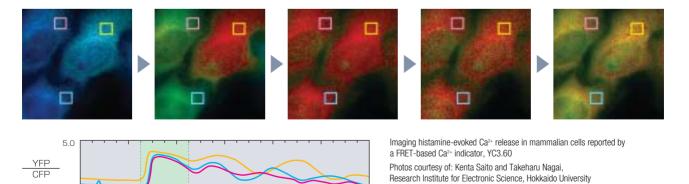
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FRET for analysis of intracellular Ca²⁺ concentration

Using FRET (Förster Resonance Energy Transfer) technique, intermolecular interactions between molecules within close proximity of one another can be detected and measured. Using the optional back port, each FRET channel can be separated by wavelength and sent to separate cameras. This enables the capture of high-resolution images in the entire frame for each wavelength. Even when intensity difference between wavelengths is large, a high-quality FRET image can be captured by adjusting camera sensitivity for each wavelength.



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100

White light TIRF utilizing mercury or arc lamp illumination

60

Time (sec)

Mercury arc lamp illumination can be used for TIRF observation. The specialized epi-fl illuminator unit with white light TIRF allows multi-spectral TIRF to be accomplished without multiple lasers. The wide wavelength band of mercury illumination makes multiple wavelength TIRF observation possible by simply changing filter cubes.

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Ti: Excellent Imaging

Use of Optimal Optical Technology for Each Observation Method Allows **Uncompromised Image Capture**

Nikon's uncompromising optical technologies provide diverse multi-modal visual information of a specimen using any observation method, delivering the full range of cellular details to researchers.

Nomarski DIC

The perfect balance of high contrast and high resolution is imperative for the observation of smaller structures. Nikon's unique DIC system is designed to achieve uniform high-resolution images even at low magnifications. The new DIC sliders (dry types) include high-resolution and high-contrast choices.

Motorized analyzer cube

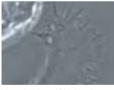
A filter cube style DIC analyzer can be mounted on the motorized filter turret to minimize switching time between DIC observation and fluorescence observation



Filter cube style DIC analyzer

Phase contrast

For critical phase contrast observation, the CFI Plan Fluor ADH 100x (Oil) objective is available. This objective reduces halos and doubles the contrast of minute cell detail compared to conventional phase contrast objectives. It enables phase contrast observation of specimens with low-contrast minute structures within the cell.





Viewed with an ADH objective

Viewed with a conventional phase contrast objective



100x (Oil) objective

CFI S Plan Fluor ELWD phase contrast objectives

CELS Plan Fluor FLWD ADM 20x (left)

CFI S Plan Fluor ELWD ADL 60x (right)

CELS Plan Fluor FLWD ADM 40x (middle)

Darkfield

Use of high NA condenser allows darkfield observation. Long-term observation of nanoparticles without photobleaching is possible.



Photo courtesy of: Jan Liphardt, University of California Berkelev

Highly parallel single-molecule DNA bending assay using darkfield microscopy. Each bright green spot is a single plasmon ruler, composed of a pair of DNA-linked gold nanoparticles. Enzymatic DNA bending or cleavage can be monitored by following the intensity and color of the plasmon rulers. For more information see Reinhard et al, PNAS (2007)

Hoffman Modulation Contrast®

The combination of dedicated HMC objectives and HMC condenser components creates high contrast 3D-like images without halos. of living transparent specimens grown in plastic dishes.



Photo courtesy of: YS New Technology Inst. Inc., Japan

Bovine ovum

Note: Hoffman Modulation Contrast and HMC are registered trademarks of Modulation Optics, Inc

Objectives simultaneously developed with Nikon Ti series

CFI S Plan Fluor ELWD/ELWD phase contrast objectives

Newly developed broadband multilayer coating realizes high transmittance from near-ultraviolet (Ca2+) to near-infrared wavelengths, with improved chromatic correction. The correction collar ring allows these objectives to be used with a diverse range of culture vessels and specimen thicknesses. High-quality images with no aberrations can be obtained under a broad range of illumination techniques.



 CFI S Plan Fluor ELWD objectives CELS Plan Fluor FLWD 20x (left) CFI S Plan Fluor ELWD 40x (middle) CFI S Plan Fluor ELWD 60x (right)



Plan Apochromat VC objective 20x

The new 20x objective is added to the Nikon's exceptional VC objective series that are effective for digital imaging with complete aberration correction to the very edge of the captured field of view. With this new objective, axial chromatic aberration has been corrected to the violet range (405nm), making it ideal for confocal observation and photo activation.



Ti: High Performance with User-Friendly Operation

Enhanced Operability Enables Comfortable Observation

All buttons and control switches for motorized operation are designed considering ease of operation, visibility and understandability. Users can concentrate on their research without being hindered by microscope operations.



Fast and comfortable operation with motorized components

Operation buttons on both sides of microscope body

Fluorescence filter changeover, objective changeover, objective retraction, Z-axis coarse/fine changeover, PFS on/off control and offset storage, diascopic illumination on/off control can be operated quickly with easy-toidentify buttons on the microscope body.



High-speed position changing of the filter cubes in 0.25 second

Newly developed joystick and ergonomic controllers

High-speed motorized XY stage and Z-axis can be controlled using the joystick or ergo controller units. The joystick also allows a custom programmed speed adjustment with precise and natural operational feel.



Joystick unit



Ergonomic controller

Joystick and ergonomic controllers can not be used simultaneously; they are offered to provide a personal choice of control. VFD screen and operation buttons on front of microscope body

Microscope status including attached objective information and on/off condition of the PFS can be confirmed on the display at a glance.



Visual conformation of the buttons can be clearly viewed in the dark

PFS offset dial

The PFS offset is within easy reach to facilitate control. Coarse/fine switching is possible with simple button operation.



PFS offset dial

Sophisticated original slant design

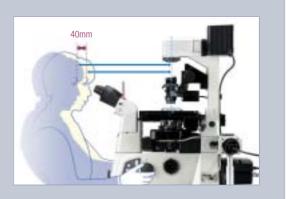
By inclining the front part of the microscope's body slightly backward the distance between the operator's eyepoint and the specimen has been reduced by about 40mm, improving visibility and ergonomic design.

Remote controller touch panel and preset buttons

The microscope can be operated and microscope status is confirmed with icons. Also, observation conditions can be memorized with preset buttons. This enables switching observations from phase contrast to fluorescence with a single touch of a button, allowing the user to concentrate on observation without stress or averting attention from the task.



Remote controlle



Motorized Elements for Comfortable Observation

Fast, automatic operation by integrated control with NIS-Elements software

Microscopes have evolved from merely observation devices to software-controlled data acquisition devices. Nikon's Ti series not only features fast and comfortable motorized operation, but it also realizes acquisition of reliable data by controlling all motorized components for automatic imaging with the NIS-Elements imaging software.

Nikon Motorized XY stage



Fast and precise positioning is possible. Suitable for multipoint timelapse observation. (Available as encoded or non-encoded versions)

Motorized nosepiece



Six objective positions can be changed. (Photo shows motorized PFS nosepiece)

Motorized condenser turret



Motorized condenser changeover is possible.

Motorized barrier filter wheel



Fluorescence barrier filter positions (8 positions—using 25mm filters) can be changed at a high speed of 0.15 sec. per position.



High-speed, precise Z-axis control is possible. (Manufactured by Mad City Labs, Inc.)

Motorized filter rotating turret



Position of fluorescence filter cubes can be changed in 0.3 sec. per position. (Photo shows high-performance type)

Remote controller



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Microscope status can be confirmed with icons. The microscope can be operated via the touch panel.

Ti-E can be fully motorized with the HUB-A

Communication speed is dramatically increased through proprietary motorization algorithms, innovatively accelerating the sequence of operation. The Ti-E assures more reliable and efficient data acquisition in the research field.



HUB-A

Four components of Ti-U/S can be motorized with the HUB-B

By attaching HUB-B unit to the Ti-U/S, two optional motorized components, such as fluorescence filter turret and condenser turret, in addition to the stage and nosepiece, can be motorized, greatly enhancing flexibility.



HUB-B



Motorized control of laser incident angle and repositioning by memory settings are possible.

Motorized shutter "Smart shutter"



High-speed shutter for fluorescence excitation and brightfield illumination (Manufactured by Sutter Instrument Company)

Motorized HG precentered fiber illuminator "Intensilight"



Controls shutter on/off and intensity of fluorescence excitation light.

Motorized excitation filter wheel



Fluorescence excitation filters (8 positions — using 25mm filters) can be changed at a high speed of 0.15 sec. per position.

Ergonomic controller



Multiple operations are possible with manual controller.

PFS offset dial



Real-time offset amount of Z-axis depth can be controlled after PFS setting.

Joystick unit



Flexible positioning of the motorized stage is possible.

Compact, High-Performance CCD Cameras

Digital Sight series digital cameras for microscopes

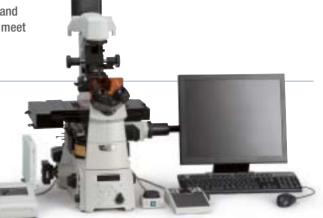
These camera systems allow for smooth integration with a microscope and other products. Different combinations of camera head and control unit meet the requirements for any microscopic image acquisition.

Camera heads



DS-Qi1

Definitive camera for fluorescence time-lapse imaging features high sensitivity, low noise, superior quantitative linear response and quantum efficiency, wide dynamic range and high frame rate.





DS-5Mc

High-definition 5.0-megapixel cooled color camera head. Cooling mechanism retains CCD at room temperature minus 20° C and realizes low noise.



DS-Fi1

High-definition 5.0-megapixel color camera head features high frame rate, high red sensitivity, high resolution and accurate color reproduction.



DS-2MBW

High-sensitivity, high-speed 2.0-megapixel monochrome camera head.

Control units



DS-U2

USB2.0 PC-use control unit is suitable for operations from advanced image capture to image processing and analysis by integrating control of camera, peripherals and microscope with NIS-Elements imaging software.



DS-L2

DS-2MBWc

DS-2Mv

Standalone control unit with high-resolution large 8.4-in. LCD monitor allows image capture without a PC. Pre-programmed imaging modes realize optimal imaging settings by choosing icons of the illumination method. Annotation, calibration and measurement tools are provided. Various digital interfaces and networking function enable images to be shared. Various USB 2.0 media storage, HUB and host control are provided.

High-sensitivity, high-speed 2.0-megapixel cooled mono-

chrome camera head. Cooling mechanism retains CCD at

High-speed 2.0-megapixel color camera head displays

smooth, high-quality live images.

room temperature minus 20°C and realizes low-noise images.

Comprehensive Imaging & Analysis Software

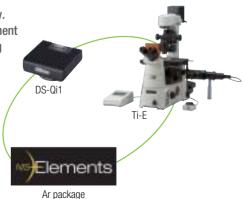
Imaging software NIS-Elements

NIS-Elements has been developed by Nikon, a leader in microscope and camera technology. It allows automated operations from advanced image acquisition to analysis and measurement by integrating control of microscope, camera and peripherals. It is Nikon's modular imaging software ideally integrated for all microscopy applications.

6D/4D packages selectable depending on purpose

Ar (advanced research) package that allows image acquisition up to 6D (X, Y, Z, time, Lambda (wavelength), multipoint) and analysis and Br (basic research) package that allows up to 4D image acquisition are available depending on research purposes and specimens. Upgrades are also possible by adding diverse optional modules.

NIS-Elements D, designed for easy image acquisition yet powerful and economical, is also available.



Cutting-Edge Fluorescent Imaging Illuminators

Diverse illumination options support advanced fluorescence observation

A broad range of illuminators using laser or mercury light sources are available depending on research requirements. These illuminators have excitation lights of various wavelengths and can deliver high NA, high-contrast fluorescence images during observation of single molecules or whole cells, medication experiments and photo activations.

Motorized/Manual laser TIRF illuminator unit

This unit allows total internal reflection fluorescence observation of specimens such as cell focal adhesions or single molecules in-vitro using laser illumination. When used with a high-sensitivity camera, images with extraordinarily high S/N ratios that allow observation of single molecule can be captured. The motorized illuminator enables control and storage of laser incident angles as well as automated control of the TIRF/widefield reflector.

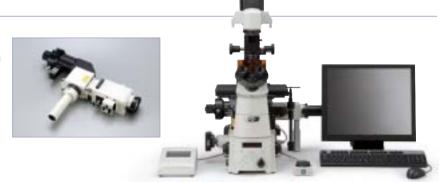
Epi-fl illuminator unit with white light TIRF

This unit allows high-performance yet cost-effective total internal reflection fluorescence microscopy as well as oblique and standard widefield fluorescence techniques using mercury illumination. By changing fluorescence filters, wavelength of excitation light can be freely selected.



Photo activation illuminator unit

This unit realizes photo activation of an arbitrary determined spot in the experiment using fluorescence protein such as Kaede and PA-GFP.



Fluorescence illuminator unit

Chromatic aberration in broad wavelength range is corrected to provide sharper and brighter fluorescence images.



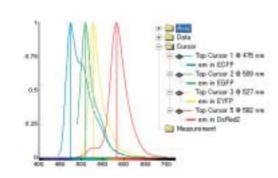
Advanced confocal laser microscopes optimally match the Ti-E

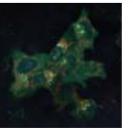
Confocal laser scanning microscope C1 series

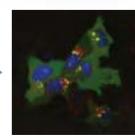
The basic C1plus can capture high-quality images in three fluorescence channels and DIC observation. The C1si allows capture of a wide 320nm band of wavelength spectra at 10nm resolution with a single high-sensitivity scan for advanced spectral analysis. The compact, personal confocal laser microscope C1 series responds well to diverse and high-performance confocal observation requirements.



• Ti-E with C1si







HeLa cell in which nucleus is labeled with CFP, actin-related protein (Fascin) labeled with GFP, Golgi body labeled with YFP, and mitochondria labeled with DsRed. Spectral image captured with 408nm and 488nm laser exposure (left). The fluorescence spectra of the captured image are unmixed using reference spectra (right).

Photos courtesy of: Kaoru Katoh and Ayako Kojima, Neuroscience Research Institute, The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)

Accessories

• T-88-V3 micromanipulator system

A packaged set of compact instrumentation—about half the size of a conventional model—for cellular micromanipulation, the NT-88-V3 is ideal for IVF (in-vitro fertilization), ICSI (intracytoplasmic sperm injection), electrophysiology, or transgenic biotechnology applications. Hanging joystick design provides superior ergonomics and operability. Remote oil hydraulic operation minimizes pipette vibration. An index of the coarse manipulator enables easy position adjustment of the pipette.

Manufactured by Narishige Co., Ltd.



• Stage incubation system INU series

It sustains the internal temperature at 37°C with humidity of 90% and CO_2 of 5% to keep the specimen in a stable and precise condition for about three days. A special technique is employed to minimize focus drift caused by thermal expansion of a stage. The glass heater on top of the chamber prevents condensation and enables clear images.

Manufactured by Tokai Hit Co., Ltd.



• Thermal plate warmer ThermoPlate MATS series

A temperature controllable stage ring with a glass heating plate keeps the specimen at a set temperature. Temperature is adjustable from room temperature to 50° C in 0.1°C increments.

Manufactured by Tokai Hit Co., Ltd.



Incubator

With an acrylic plastic enclosure providing easy access to the specimen area, this accessory utilizes warm air circulation and maintains the temperature of the interior at 37°C. The temperature is also adjustable from room temperature to 40°C.

Accessories

Ergonomic Eyepiece Tube



Eyepiece inclination is adjustable from 15° to 45°. Includes darkslide shutter and Bertrand lens.

Eyepiece Tube Base Unit/Phase Contrast



High-resolution imaging with "full intensity" external phase contrast system is possible. TV port is incorporated.

Stage Up Position Set



Stage height can be raised by 70mm to mount multiple components utilizing expanded stratum structure.

High NA Condenser (Oil/Dry)



Perfect for observation with high NA objectives

Stage Ring



Acrylic ring (left) features superior objective lens visibility and the glass ring (right) features less thermal expansion ideal for time-lapse observation.

Binocular Eyepiece Tube D



Observation of conoscope image with incorporated Bertrand lens (phase telescope) is possible and darkslide shutter is provided.

Eyepiece Tube Base Unit/Side Port



TV port is incorporated.

Stage Base



Stage base for configuration without diascopic illumination

CLWD Condenser



For high NA long working distance objectives

Epi-fluorescence Attachments



Light source and illumination optics for high S/N images

Binocular Eyepiece Tube S



Standard model

Plain Eyepiece Tube Base Unit



Standard model

Back Port Unit



Combined use with stage up riser allows a camera to be mounted on a back port.

HMC Condenser



For Hoffman Modulation Contrast® observation

Double Lamphouse Adapter



For attaching two light sources

Specifications

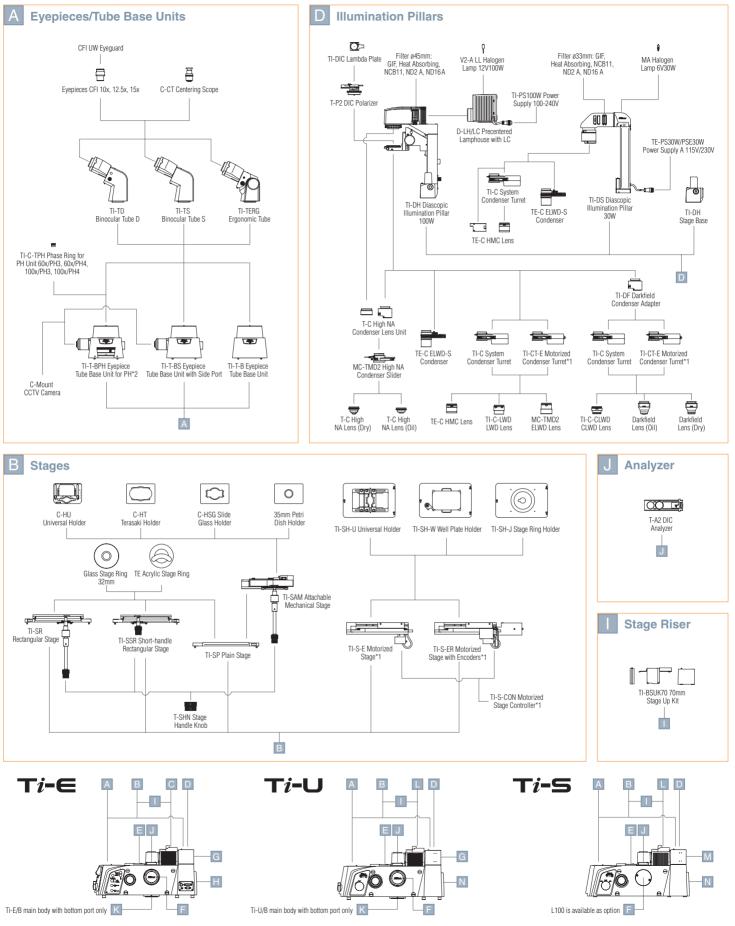




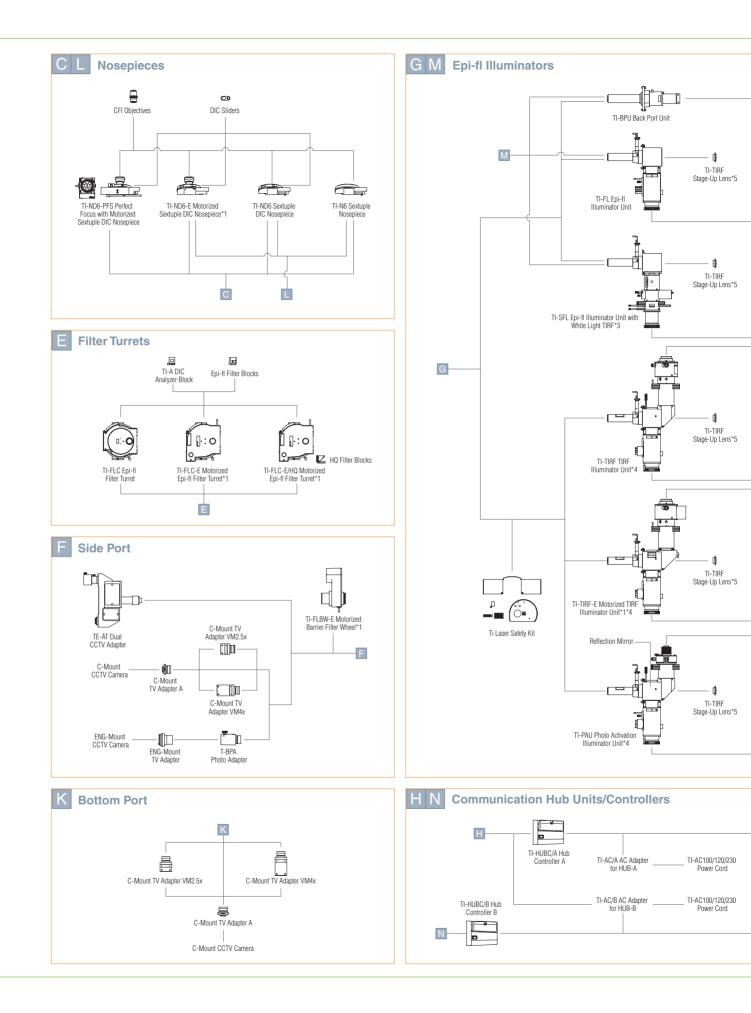


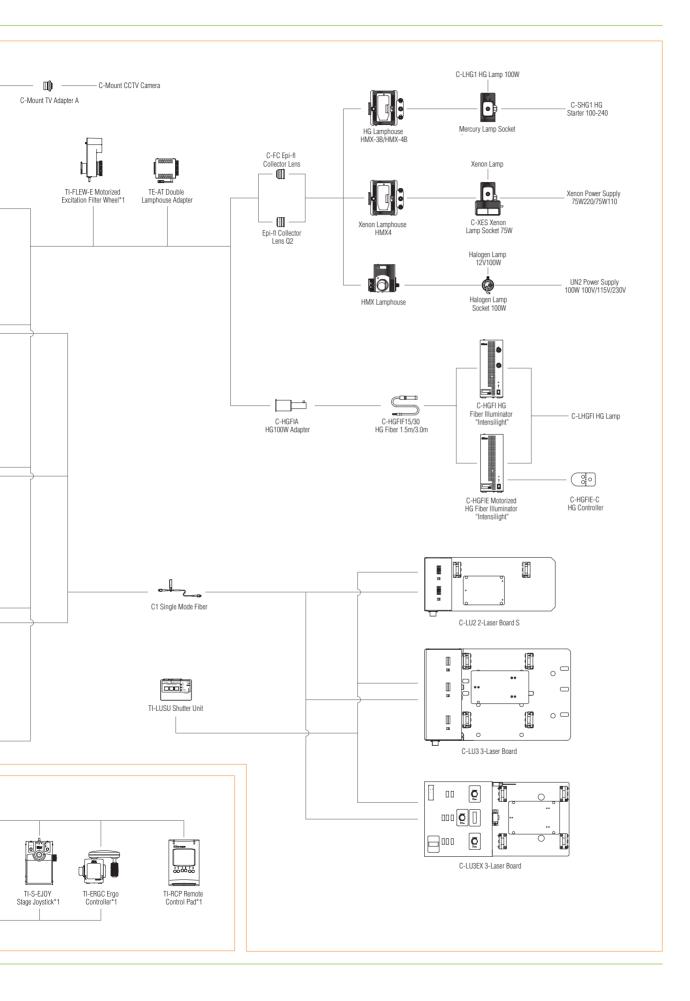
| | | Ti-E, Ti-E/B | Ti-U, Ti-U/B | Ti-S, Ti-S/L100 | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Main body | Port | 4 | 4 | 2 | | | | |
| | | Ti-E: eyepiece 100%, left 100%, right 100%, | Ti-U: eyepiece 100%, left 100%, | Ti-S: eyepiece 100%, | | | | |
| | | eyepiece 20%/left 80% | right 100%, optional | eyepiece 20%/left 80% | | | | |
| | | Ti-E/B: eyepiece 100%, left 100%, right 100%, | Ti-U/B: eyepiece 100%, left 100%, | Ti-S/L100: eyepiece 100%, left* 100% | | | | |
| | | bottom 100% | right 100%, bottom 100% | Manual port switching | | | | |
| | | Motorized port switching | Manual port switching | *Changeable to right as option. | | | | |
| | | Two ports (tube base unit with side port, back port) can be added optionally. | | | | | | |
| | Focusing | Via motorized nosepiece up/down movement Via nosepiece up/down movement | | | | | | |
| | | Stroke (motorized): up 7.5mm, down 2.5mm | Stroke (manual): up 8mm, down 3mm | | | | | |
| | | Motorized (pulse motor) | Coarse stroke: 5.0mm/rotation | | | | | |
| | | Minimum step: 0.025µm | Fine stroke: 0.1mm/rotation | | | | | |
| | | Maximum speed: 2.5mm/sec or higher | Minimum fine reading: 1µm | | | | | |
| | | Motorized escape and refocus mechanism (coarse) | Coarse refocusing mechanism | | | | | |
| | | Coarse/fine switchable | | — | | | | |
| | Intermediate | | | | | | | |
| | magnification | 1.5x | — | | | | | |
| | Other | Light intensity control; Light on/off switch, | | 1 | | | | |
| | | VPD on front of body, Operation with controller | - | _ | | | | |
| Eyepiece | Eyepiece tube body | TI-TD Binocular Tube D, TI-TS Binocular Tube S, TI-TERG Ergonomic Tube | | | | | | |
| tube | Eyepiece tube base | TI-T-B Eyepiece Tube Base Unit, TI-T-BPH Eyepiece Tube Base Unit F/PH, TI-T-BS Eyepiece Tube Base Unit w/ Side Port | | | | | | |
| | Eyepiece lens | CFI 10x, 12.5x, 15x | | | | | | |
| Illumination pillar | | TI-DS Diascopic Illumination Pillar 30W, TI-DH Diascopic Illumination Pillar 100W | | | | | | |
| Condenser | | ELWD condenser, LWD condenser, HMC condenser, ELWD-S condenser, High NA condenser, Darkfield condenser, CLWD condenser | | | | | | |
| Nosepiece | | TI-ND6-E Motorized Sextuple DIC Nosepiece, TI-N6 Sextuple Nosepiece, TI-ND6 Sextuple DIC Nosepiece, | | | | | | |
| | | TI-ND6-PFS Perfect Focus w/ Motorized Sextuple DIC Nosepiece | | | | | | |
| Objectives | | CFI60 objectives | | | | | | |
| Stage | | TI-S-ER Motorized Stage with Encoders, TI-S-E Motorized Stage—Cross travel: X110 x Y75mm, Size: W400 x D300mm (except extrusions) | | | | | | |
| | | TI-SR Rectangular Mechanical Stage—Cross travel: X70 x Y50mm, Size: W310 x D300mm | | | | | | |
| | | TI-SP Plain Stage—Size: W260 x D300mm | | | | | | |
| | | TI-SAM Attachable Mechanical Stage—Cross travel: X126 x Y84mm when used with TI-SP Plain Stage | | | | | | |
| Motorized functions | | Focusing, Port switching, Coarse focusing — | | | | | | |
| Epi-fluorescence attachment | | Sextuple fluorescence filter cube rotating turret, Filter cubes with noise terminator mechanism, | | | | | | |
| | | Field diaphragm centerable, 33mm ND4/ND8 filters, 25mm heat absorbing filter | | | | | | |
| | | Option: Motorized sextuple fluorescence filter cube rotating turret, Motorized excitation filter wheel, Motorized barrier filter wheel | | | | | | |
| Nomarski DIC system | | Contrast control: Senarmont method (by rotating polarizer) | | | | | | |
| | | Objective side prism: for individual objectives (installed in nosepiece) | | | | | | |
| | | Condenser side prism: LWD N1/N2/NR (Dry), HNA N2/NR (Dry/Oil) types | | | | | | |
| Weight (approx.) | | Phase contrast set: 41.5kg | Phase contrast set: 38.5kg | Phase contrast set: 29.6kg | | | | |
| | | Epi-fl set: 45.4kg | Epi-fl set: 42.3kg | Epi-fl set: 33.4kg | | | | |
| Dowor conc | umption (max.) | Full set (with HUB-A and peripherals): approx. 95W | Full set (with HUB-B and peripherals): a | | | | | |

System Diagram

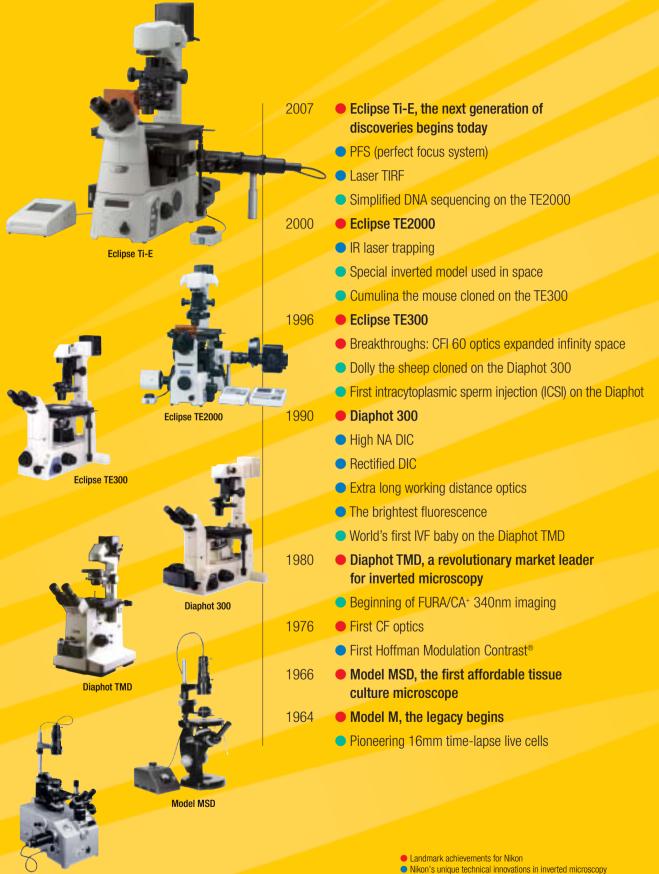


*1: Requires a Communication Hub Controller *2: Cannot be used with stage riser *3: Combination with C-HGFI/HGFIE Fiber Illuminator "Intensilight" is not recommended *4: Cannot be attached to Ti-S *5: Necessary for incorporating an illuminator unit in lower tier of the stratum structure





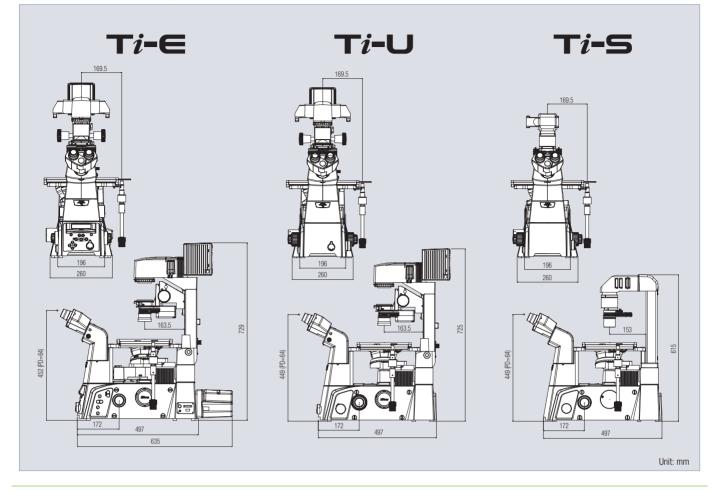
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Dimensional Diagram



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