





DIGITAL CAMERA SYSTEM FOR MICROSCOPY

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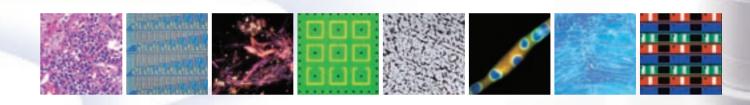




DS-Qi1



# Build an imaging system optimized for your application



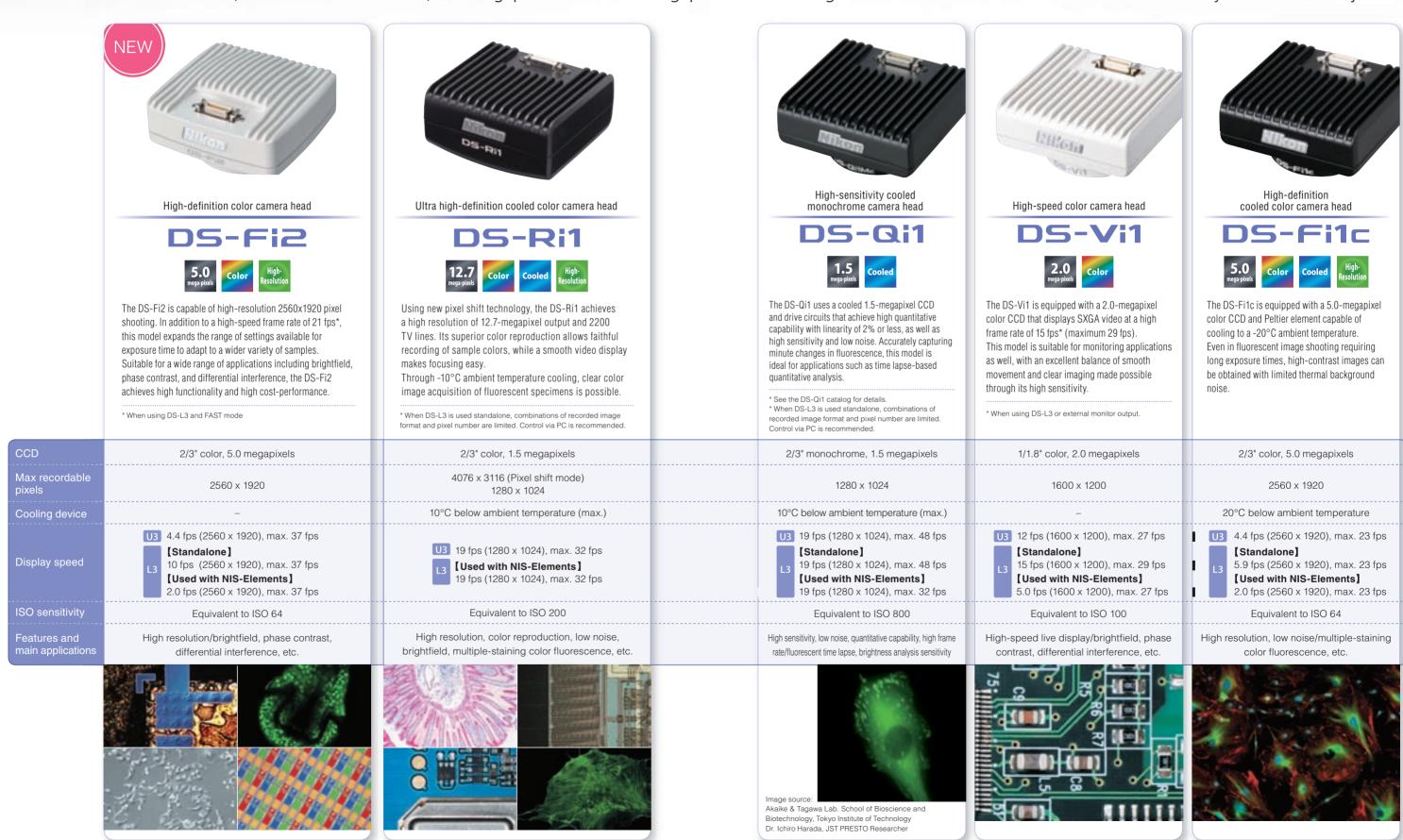
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With 5 cameras to choose from, you can select the optimum camera from the extensive lineup to suit a wide range of applications for microscopic imaging. The Digital Sight (DS) camera system allows you to freely combine camera heads with stand-alone or PC-based control units.

The DS series offers outstanding functionality and a wide range of incorporated functions, all in a compact design. You can build an optimal microscopic digital imaging system for any biomedical or industrial application, from documentation to advanced image processing and analysis.

# A full lineup of camera heads suited to all microscopy samples.

Color and monochromatic, cooled and non-cooled, 5.0-megapixel CCD and 2-megapixel CCD – a range of features in a choice of 5 models to suit every observation subject





Stand alone control unit



Equipped with a large touch panel monitor and a rich feature set, the DS-L3's ease of operation enables quick image acquisition even without a PC or computer monitor.

#### High-definition touch panel monitor

Built-in 8.4" 1024 x 768 monitor. Easy to see and easy to use, the large touch-panel monitor allows simple setting and operation of the camera head with a touch of a finger or stylus.



#### **GUI for intuitive operation**

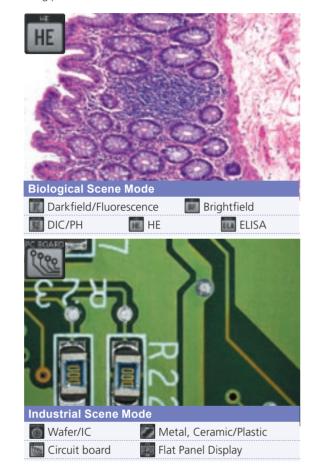
The DS-L3's icon-based menu screens offer excellent recognizability. From image acquisition to setting of shooting parameters, measurement, and export of image data, all operations can be performed easily by touching the screen.



Main menu/Tool menu GUI

#### Scene mode

Optimal imaging parameters for each sample type and observation method can easily be set through the icons. A choice of five modes for biological imaging and four modes for industrial imaging are available, and up to seven custom modes with freely configurable shooting parameters can be set.



#### Improved image processing performance

The DS-L3 reduces or eliminates diagonal line jaggedness in images and improves color reproduction as well, reducing unevenness in sample colors caused by cameras.



#### **Integration with microscopes**

When used with a microscope equipped with motorized units or state detection units, the microscope motor functions and peripheral equipment can be controlled through the DS-L3, with automatic detection of information such as objective lens magnification.

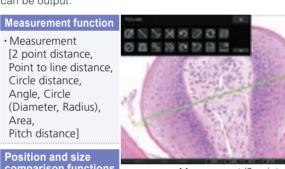


Used with ECLIPSE Ni-E



#### A wide variety of tools

The DS-L3 enables the conducting of simple measurements on images, with input of lines and comments. These can also be written onto and saved with the image, and measurement data can be output.

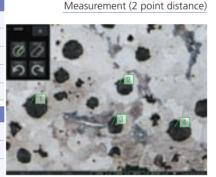


Position and size comparison function

- Scale indication
- Cross-hairs
- Grid
- ·XY scale
- ·XY measurement

#### Drawing functions

- Count marking
- Text input
- Pen drawing (Straight line, Curved line)



# Configuration of ECLIPSE Ni-U

#### Controllable via PC

The DS-L3 can be controlled via PC using the NIS-Elements software (available separately; see page 8). The DS-L3 can also be used as is for complicated analysis and image processing.

#### Saving and printing functions

Saving to a wide range of media (CF cards, Microdrive, USB memory devices, etc.) is possible, as is network transfer. Direct printing to PictBridge printers is a standard feature. Print scaling can be set and adjusted.

#### **Network functions**

Images acquired or under observation can be viewed simultaneously on the DS-L3, a projector, a PC monitor, etc. Through split-screen display, simultaneous comparative observation of an acquired image and a live image is possible, as is upload of shot images to an FTP server.



## Interface for a full range of peripheral equipment

Interface	Connector, Type	Connected device	Signal format	Features, etc.	
CF card	CF card slot	CF card Typel	FAT16/32 format	Data storage	
	USB Type A (2 ports)	USB mouse, USB keyboard	2.0/1.1 compatible	Camera operation	
USB (host)		USB bar code reader	2.0/1.1 compatible	Bar code reader (file/directory names)	
		USB memory stick	2.0/1.1 compatible, FAT16/32 format	Data storage	
		Microscope	2.0/1.1 compatible	Microscope state detection/control	
USB (device) (mode selection) USB Type B	LISR Type R	PC	2.0/1.1 compatible, PTP	Data transfer	
			2.0/1.1 compatible, Vendor unique	Controlled via NIS-Elements series	
	Printer	2.0/1.1 compatible, PictBridge	Printing possible at set magnification ratios (real 10 mode) with direct printing/specified relay lens combination		
Network	RJ-45	PC, network hub	10Base-T/100Base-TX compatible IP address automatically acquirable via DHCP	HTTP/FTP/telnet server (data transfer and camera operation), FTP client (data storage)	
External monitor output	DVI-I	PC monitor, Projector	Analog RGB/DVI	Image display Resolution SXGA/XGA/720p switchable	
External sync input/output	φ3.5 stereo pin-jack	External microscope, etc.	(Input) 4.7 kΩ pull-up (Output) TTI Level	Video syncing with external device	



# PC control-based control unit **DS-U3**

From display and shooting of live images to advanced image processing and analysis, the DS-U3 allows the control of all functions from a PC and is flexibly adaptable to a wide range of applications.

#### Adaptable to a wide range of applications

Using NIS-Elements imaging software, you can perform image acquisition, processing, and analysis with integrated control of the camera and microscope peripherals.

#### Integration with microscopes

The DS-U3 enables the control of a motorized microscope system (turning of nosepiece or filter turret, etc.) and automatic detection of objective magnification using a state detection nosepiece



Configuration of ECLIPSE Ti



# Integration with the

comprehensive imaging software series

## Free package

The bundled free package offers functions for the display of scale on live images, full-screen display, and more. The simple operation screen makes shooting easy.

#### Documentation package

The documentation package is equipped with measurement and report creation functions. It enables general microscopic image acquisition in fields from biomedical to industrial, and is expandable through optional added features such as EDF and databases.

#### Br Ar Research package

The research package enables the construction of advanced image acquisition systems, including multidimensional imaging (up to 4 dimensions for Br, 6 dimensions for Ar), through integration with systemized microscopes. Sets equipped with a rich range of image processing and analysis functions are available for every application.

#### **Compatible OS**

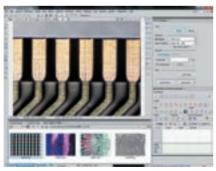
DS-U3 Windows® 7 Pro 32/64bit

DS-L3(Vendor unique) Windows® 7 Pro 32/64bit

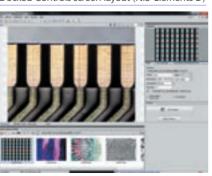
\* Nikon provides confirmed compatible PCs with up-to-date specifications. Contact Nikon for details.

### Operation screen

Screen layout is selectable according to purpose. Using easy to understand buttons and tabs, the position of each window can be freely changed or its display turned on or off, providing a comfortable operating environment.



Docked Controls screen layout (NIS-Elements D)



Simple Control screen layout (NIS-Elements D)

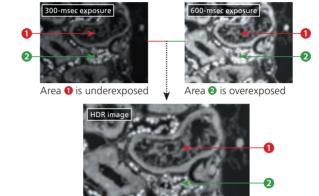
Nikon uses the NIS-Elements series as control software. NIS-Elements allows functions from basic imaging to control of the microscope and peripheral devices to be performed, as well as the measurement, analysis, and management of acquired images. Four basic packages and a variety of optional modules are available to suit every application and objective.

\* See the NIS-Elements Catalog for details.



#### HDR (High Dynamic Range) image acquisition | Ar Option Br D

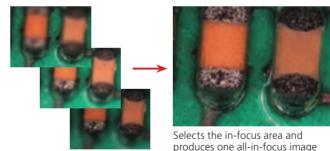
HDR creates an image with appropriate brightness in both the dark and bright regions in a sample by combining multiple images acquired with different exposure settings. It is also possible to create HDR image using multiple captured images.



Captures both areas 1 and 2 with optimal exposure

#### EDF (Extended Depth of Focus) Option Ar Br D

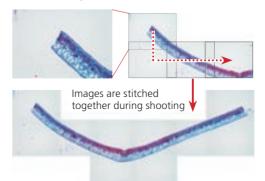
Creates a single, all-in-focus image from images of differing focus. Viewing from various angles as a pseudo three-dimensional image is also possible.



#### **Image stitching** (Large Image)

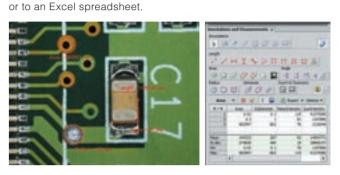
Ar Br D

Stitches together images from multiple fields of view during shooting to create an image with wide field of view. Images already acquired can also be stitched together.



#### Manual measurement and image annotation Ar Br D

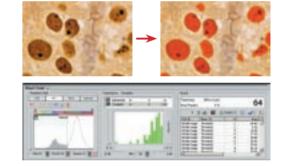
Manual Measurement allows easy measurement of length and area by drawing lines or an object directly on the image. The results can be attached to the image, and also exported as text



#### Auto measurement (Object Counting)

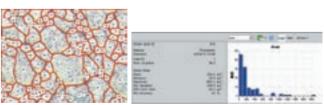


Performs binarization on images using previously set thresholds to measure the number, area, brightness, etc. of identified objects.



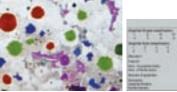
#### Grain size analysis

Detects and measures grains in one and two phase samples according to JIS G0551 or ASTM E112-96/E1382-97 standards.



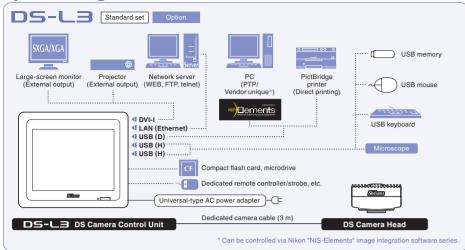
#### **Cast iron analysis**

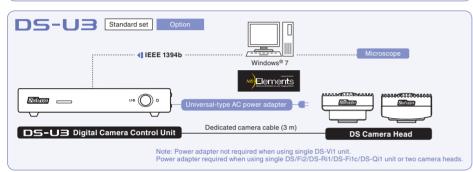
Detects, measures and classifies graphite content as well as ferrite content in graphite-corrected samples according to JIS G5502 or ASTM A247-06 standards.





# System Digram

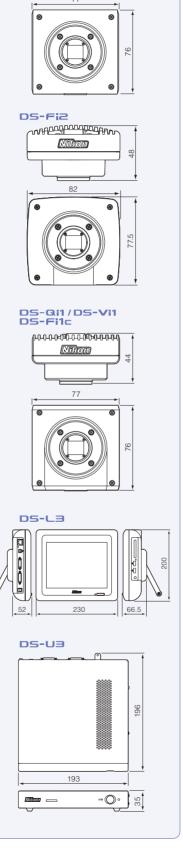




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Main featu	res for each package	F	D	Br	Ar
lmage display	Enlarge/reduce, full screen, and magnifying glass	0	0	Br  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	0
	Capture thumbnail	0	0	0	0
	Scale, annotation, and profile	(Live)	0	0	0
	Grid		0	0	0
	LUT, histogram		0	0	0
	3D surface view (EDF)		•	Br  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	•
mage	Auto-capture	0	0	0	0
capture	Multidimensional image capturing		Up to 3D	Up to 4D	Up to 6D
	Time-lapse image capturing		Single	Variable	Variable
	Z-series image capturing, Multipoint image capturing		•	0	0
	Large image		0	0	0
	Live-stream compare		•	•	0
	RAM capture				0
Data formats	BMP, TIFF, JPEG, AVI, JPEG2000	0	0	Up to 4D Variable  Multichannel  Multichannel	0
	GIF, PNG, ICS/IDS, Nd2		0		0
lmage	White balance	0	0	0	0
processing	LUT, shading correction		0	0	0
	Contrast, hue/saturation correction	0	0	0	0
	Edge enhancement, averaging, and smoothing		0	0	0
	EDF, real time EDF		•	Br  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	•
	HDR (High Dynamic Range) image capture		•		0
	2D/3D deconvolution				•
mage editing	Crop	0	0	0	0
	Image overlay	3 (RGB)	4 (RGB+α)	Multichannel	Multichann
	Cut, copy, paste, rotate, invert, and resize		0	0	0
	Component extraction		0	Br  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	0
	Pseudo-color		0	0	0
mage analysis	Calibration (length)	0	0	0	0
	Manual measurement (count, length, area, angle, circle, and ellipse)		0	Br  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	0
	Auto measurement (binarization, object count)		•		0
	3D measurement		•		•
	Time measurement			Br  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	0
Peripheral	Microscope control		0		0
device control	Non-Nikon peripheral device control		•	Up to 4D Variable  O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	•
Screen control	Organizer layout		0	0	0
	Layout manager		0	0	0
	Simple control mode		0		
Other	Printing, PDF output, mail transmission	0	0	0	0
	Optical Configurations		0	_	0
	Report generator		0		0
	Macro		0		0
	Database				

# Dimensions

DS-Ri1



# Specifications

Camera Head	DS-Ri1	DS-Fi2	DS-Fi1c	
CCD	2/3 in. square pixel CCD; Total number of pixels: 1.5 megapixels (effective 1.45 megapixels)	2/3 in. high-density CCD; Total number of pixels: 5.24 megapixels (effective 5.07 megapixels)		
Recordable pixels	1280 x 1024, 640 x 512, 320 x 256 (4076 x 3116, 3840 x 3072, 1920 x 1536 (ROI mode) with DS-L3 vendor unique and DS-U3)	2560 x 1920, 1280 x 960, 640 x 480		
CCD cooling device	Peltier Device, 10°C below ambient temperature (max.)	_	Peltier Device, 20°C below ambient temperature (max.)	
ISO Sensitivity (recommended exposure index)	Equivalent to ISO 200 (switchable sensitivity equivalent 100 to 2000)	Equivalent to ISO 64 (Can be varied between ISO 32-1250 equivalent)		
Live display mode (DS-L3 Standalone mode)	1280 x 1024 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 32 fps), ROI mode (max.32 fps) *Display reduced or enlarged to SXGA/XGA	2560 x 1920 (max. 10 fps), 1280 x 960 (max. 21 fps), ROI mode (max. 37 fps) *Display reduced or enlarged to SXGA/XGA	2560 x 1920 (max. 5.9 fps), 1280 x 960 (max. 12 fps) ROI mode (max. 23 fps) *Display reduced or enlarged to SXGA/XGA	
Live display mode (DS-L3/Used with NIS-Elements)	1280 x 1024 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 512 (max. 19 fps), 320 x 256 (max. 19 fps), ROI mode (max. 32 fps)	2560 x 1920 (max. 2.0 fps), 1280 x 960 (max. 7.8 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 21 fps), ROI mode (max. 37 fps)	2560 x 1920 (max. 2.0 fps), 1280 x 960 (max. 7.8 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 12 fps), ROI mode (max. 23 fps)	
Live display mode (DS-U3)	1280 x 1024 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 512 (max. 19 fps), 320 x 256 (max. 19 fps), ROI mode (max. 32 fps)	2560 x 1920 (max. 4.4 fps), 1280 x 960 (max. 18 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 21 fps), ROI mode (max. 37 fps)	2560 x 1920 (max. 4.4 fps), 1280 x 960 (max. 12 fps) 640 x 480 (max. 12 fps), ROI mode (max. 23 fps)	
Lens mount	C-mount			
Exposure time	1/1000 to 600 sec, 1/1000 to 60 sec (pixel-shifting mode)	130 μsec to 60 sec	1/1000 to 600 sec	
Dimensions	77.0 (W) x 76.0 (D) x 44.0 (H) mm	82.0 (W) x 77.5 (D) x 48.0 (H) mm	77.0 (W) x 76.0 (D) x 44.0 (H) mm	
Weight	Approx. 350 g	Approx. 270 g	Approx. 290 g	

Camera Head	DS-Qi1	DS-Vi1	
CCD	2/3 in. square pixel CCD; Total number of pixels: 1.5 megapixels (effective 1.45 megapixels)	1/1.8 in. high-density CCD: Total number of pixels: 2.11 megapixels (effective 2.01 megapixels)	
Recordable pixels	1280 x 1024, 640 x 512, 640 x 480, 320 x 240	1600 x 1200, 800 x 600, 400 x 300	
CCD cooling device	Peltier Device, 10°C below ambient temperature (max.)	_	
ISO Sensitivity (recommended exposure index)	Equivalent to ISO 800 (switchable sensitivity equivalent to ISO 400 to 8000)	Equivalent to ISO100 (Can be varied between ISO 50-2000 equivalent)	
Live display mode (DS-L3 Standalone mode)	1280 x 1024 (max. 19 fps), 1280 x 720 (max. 24 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 32 fps), 320 x 240 (max. 48 fps), ROI mode (max. 32 fps) *Display reduced or enlarged to SXGA/XGA	1600 x 1200 (max. 15 fps), 800 x 600 (max. 27 fps), 800 x 560 (max. 29 fps), Center Scan (max. 29 fps) *Display reduced or enlarged to SXGA/XGA	
Live display mode (DS-L3/Used with NIS-Elements)	1280 x 1024 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 512 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 32 fps), 320 x 240 (max. 48 fps), ROI mode (max. 32 fps)	1600 x 1200 (max. 5.0 fps), 800 x 600 (max. 27 fps), ROI mode (max. 15 fps)	
Live display mode (DS-U3)	1280 x 1024 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 512 (max. 19 fps), 640 x 480 (max. 32 fps), 320 x 240 (max. 48 fps), ROI mode (max. 32 fps)	1600 x 1200 (max. 12 fps), 800 x 600 (max. 27 fps), ROI mode (max. 15 fps)	
Lens mount	C-mount		
Exposure time	1/1000 to 600 sec	1/1000 to 60 sec	
Dimensions	77.0 (W) x 76.0 (D) x 44.0 (H) mm		
Weight	Approx. 290 g	Approx. 260 g	

Control Unit	DS-L3 (Standalone)	DS-L3 (Used with NIS-Elements)	DS-U3	
Exposure control	Program AE, Shutter-priority AE, Focus AE, Manual with AE lock function  Auto / Manual			
Exposure correction	Correction range: ±2.0, Step: 1/3			
Digital zoom	Up to 16x (8 steps) 10 to 1200%			
Interval shooting	10 sec 6 hr. intervals	_		
Exposure metering	Average metering, Peak hold metering			
Exposure metering range	Position/size adjustable			
White balance	Set method, Color balance adjustable			
Image adjustments	Gamma correction, shading adjustment, black level adjustment, Chroma, hue adjustment, color saturation adjustment			
Recordable image file format	RGB 8 bit (DS-Qi1: RGB 8 bit/monochrome 12 bit)	RGB 8 bit (DS-Qi1: monochrome 8 bit/ 12 bit), DS-Ri1: RGB 8 bit/16 bit)	RGB 8 bit/16 bit (DS-Qi1: monochrome 8 bit/12 bit)	
Storage format	BMP, TIFF, JPEG (3-step compression)	BMP, TIFF, JPEG, JPEG2000 etc., selectable in NIS-Elements		
Interface	USB device port x 1 (Printer, PTP support, Vendor unique / switching) USB host port x 2 (USB mouse, USB memory stick, USB keyboard, bar code reader, microscope connection), External sync input/output, Camera I/F x 1		IEEE1394b(bilingual) x 1 (computer control connection), External sync input/output, Camera I/F x 2	
Power supply	AC100-240V 50/60Hz			
Power consumption	70 VA		36 VA	
Dimensions	230 (W) x 66.5 (D) x 200 (H) mm		193 (W) x 196 (D) x 35 (H) mm	
Weight	approx. 1800 g		approx. 1400 g	
Operating environment	0-30°C, 80% RH max, 30-40°C, 60% RH max. (without condensation)			
Networking	Ethernet (10/100Base-TX), DHCP compatible, HTTP, TELNET or FTP server, FTP client	-	_	
LCD monitor	8.4-in. TFT color LCD XGA (1024 x 768, 60Hz)	-	_	
External monitor output	DVI-I (Digital: Conforms to DVI 1.0/Analog: 0.7 Vpp (75 Ω) SXGA/XGA/720p)		_	
Storage media	USB memory stick, CompactFlash™ card		_	

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