

Macro Zoom Fluorescence Microscope System

MVX10

MacroView

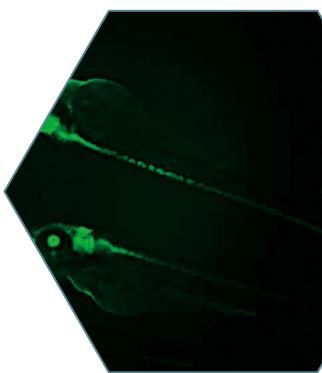
A True Macro Fluorescence Imaging System



High-Precision Macro Fluorescence Imaging

Researchers are interested in the impact of gene expression and protein function not only at the cellular level but also within whole tissues, organs, and organisms. Living creatures such as *C. elegans*, Drosophia, zebrafish, Xenopus, mice, or the arabidopsis plant are used as biological models for *in vivo* studies in many research applications. The introduction of naturally fluorescent protein makers, such as green fluorescent protein (GFP), was a significant breakthrough, enabling proteins to be labeled without influencing their function.

Microscopes designed to observe intact organisms using fluorescence must combine high detection sensitivity at low magnifications with a high magnification zoom to resolve fine details within organs, tissue, and cells. The Olympus MVX10 MacroView microscope brings both of these factors together with other advanced features to bridge the gap between macro and micro observation, providing excellent brightness, resolution, and precision.



- High fluorescence efficiency plus stereo observation
- Seamless observation from 4X to 125X
- Zoom factor up to 31 times
- Long W.D.(working distance) for observation at optimum magnification
- High specimen protection due to short exposure time
- Complete system solutions for optimized recordings

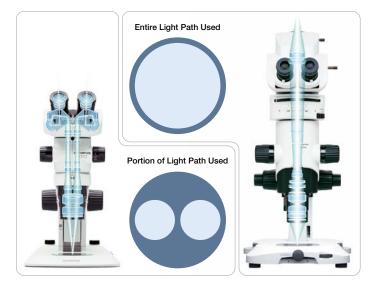


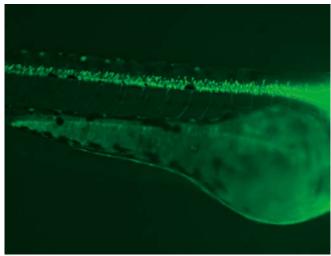
Bright Fluorescence Imaging with Seamless Macro-to-Micro Zooming

High Fluorescence Efficiency Plus Stereo Observation

Stereo microscopes are the instruments of choice for fluorescence observation at low magnifications. For the stereoscopic effect, two optical paths are used—one for the left eye and one for the right eye. Stereo microscopy, though, is not usually well suited to imaging the weak light generated by fluorescence since the light collected by the objective is split in two. The Olympus MVX10 MacroView microscope employs a single-zoom optical path with a large diameter, which is optimized to collect light with high efficiency and resolution at all magnifications. From fluorescent observation of whole organisms, such as zebrafish, at low magnification to the detailed observation of gene expression at the cellular level at high magnification—the MVX10 microscope helps you to see it all.

What's more, the MVX10 microscope features a unique pupil dividing mechanism in the light path to mimic the effect to stereo microscopy. So you can get the advantage of both worlds—high light efficiency and stereo observation—in one system just by moving a slider.





Zebrafish spinal cord expressing green fluorescent protein

Dedicated to Fluorescence

All components of the light path contribute to the phenomenal fluorescence performance of the MVX10 microscope. Using the latest technologies and new materials, the MVX10 objectives produce almost zero autofluorescence. Together with very high numerical apertures, this results in a very good signal-to-noise (S/N) ratio, helping ensure excellent contrast for observation of even the faintest fluorescence signals. Moreover, the S/N ratio is further enhanced by two novel proprietary features:

- A coating technique gives the Olympus HQ filters an exceptional edge steepness and very low autofluorescence.
- All the filter cubes are equipped to absorb stray light.

Light collection efficiency is also optimized with an aspherical fluorescence collector, which bundles the light for low intensity loss.



Reflected light fluorescence unit + fluorescence mirror unit

Smooth and Parfocal Objectives for Seamless Observation from Macro to Micro

Unique Objectives

The MVX10 microscope provides the same working distance and large field of view as stereo microscopes, but with much higher resolution due to the increased numerical aperture (NA). Specially designed for the MVX10, the 0.63X, 1X, and 2X planapochromatic objectives produce high image quality. All three objectives are pupil-corrected for outstanding image flatness and show high transmission to the near-infrared (NIR) and excellent chromatic aberration correction. This provides flexibility for efficient, fast, and precise fluorescence observation, screening, and imaging — from low to high magnification — over time.

Dynamic

The 0.63X objective has a maximum field of view of 55 mm, making it easy to track fast-moving specimens over time. With its exceptionally high NA of 0.15, fluorescence from large objects, such as whole embryos, can be viewed with outstanding brightness at all magnifications.



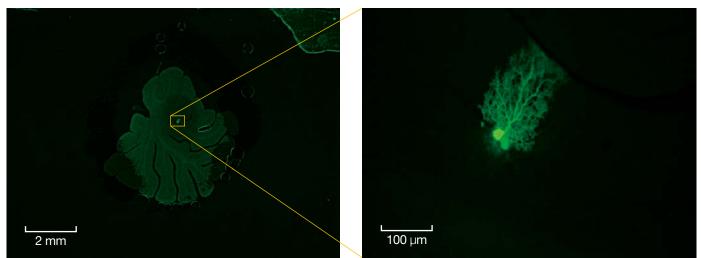
Objective lineup

Gentle

The high NA and S/N ratio of all of the optical components mean that specimens can be exposed to fluorescent light for shorter periods. This is also true at near-infrared wavelengths where the MVX10 microscope has excellent transmission properties, so fluorochromes throughout the entire spectrum can be used with minimal sample damage.

From Macro to Micro

Using the 2-position revolving nosepiece with the 0.63X and 2X objectives expands the usable zoom range up to 31:1. The objectives are parfocal corrected, making refocusing after objective switching quick and easy. Only a small amount of fine focusing is necessary to return to the optical focus position, making macro-to-micro changes seamless. The 2X objective is also equipped with an additional correction collar to adjust the image quality independently of the specimen medium.



Purkinje cell of sliced mouse brain with Lucifer Yellow injected, at 0.63X (left) and 12.5X (right) magnification

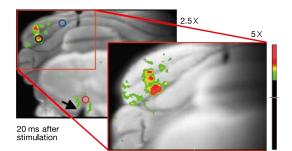
Long Working Distance (W.D.) Makes Screening and Observation More Efficient

In comparison with stereo microscopes, the MVX10 MacroView microscope provides the same working distance and a much higher NA (65 mm W.D. and maximum 0.25 NA when using a 1X objective). This makes fluorescence screening and verifying gene expression especially efficient, improves speed and precision, reduces judgment errors, and eliminates the need to switch back and forth between a stereo microscope and inverted microscope.

Optical Membrane Voltage Recording – From Sample Prep to Recording

25 ms after stimulation

With optimal fluorescence light throughput, the MVX10 microscope is highly effective for optical membrane voltage recordings that require the detection of minute changes in fluorescence. It can be used to make optical recordings at high speeds and high signal-to-noise ratios as well as utilized in the preparation of brain slices, tissue blocks, isolated hearts, in vivo animals, and other biological specimens. The interchangeable fluorescence filter cube unit enables you to make recordings using various fluorescent probes.

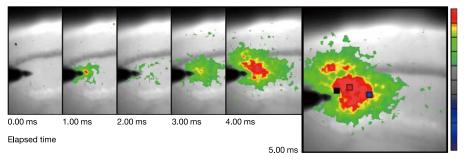


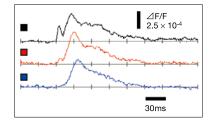
Optical Recording of Neuronal Circuits in Mice Cerebella An isolated P7 mouse cerebellum was stained with a membrane voltagesensitive dye (Di-2 ANEPEQ, Invitrogen Corp.) The principal olive (medial accessory olive) was stimulated to visualize the neuronal circuit structure. The images were acquired using the MVX10 microscope (MVPLAPO 2XC and 6.3X zoom) and a high-speed imaging system (MiCAM02-HR, Brainvision Inc.) at 200 frames per second, 192 × 128 pixels of spatial resolution, and 10 times averaging. Individual pixel size at this magnification is approximately 7–15 microns/pixel. The pseudo colors in the above image sample display both the intensity and propagation of electrical activity resulting from electrode stimulation of inferior olivary nuclei (indicated by the arrow). The numbers above the images represent zoom magnification, and the numbers below the images represent the time after stimulation. The waves (upper right) reflect the changes in fluorescence corresponding to the red-, black-, and blue-circled points on the image. The detailed structure of neuronal circuits can be recorded at high spatial and temporal resolutions using the MVX10 microscope and membrane voltage-sensitive dye.

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2.5×





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30ms

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Optical Recording of Neural Activity with Membrane Voltage- Sensitive Dyes

These images show the propagation of neural activity in a mouse hippocampus slice (400 micron thickness) resulting from electrical stimulation in the Schaffer collateral region. Membrane voltage-sensitive dye (Di-4 ANEPPS, Invitrogen Corp.) was used to image the minute changes in fluorescence. The images were acquired using the MVX10 microscope (MVPLAPO2 XC and 6.3X zoom) and a high-speed imaging system (MiCAM ULTIMA-L, Brainvision Inc.) at 10,000 frames per second, 100 × 100 pixels of spatial resolution, and 6 times averaging. Individual pixel size at this magnification is approximately 8 microns/

pixel. The pseudo colors in the above image sample display both the intensity and propagation of electrical activity resulting from electrode stimulation. The numbers below the images represent frame numbers and time after stimulation. The waves reflect the changes in fluorescence corresponding to the red-, black-, and blue-squared points on the image. Optimal signal-to-noise ratios can be recorded at extremely high speeds with the MVX10 microscope.

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Illuminators for Various Observation Methods

Quad-position LED transmitted light illumination base SZX2-ILLTQ

This illumination base enables the user to choose cartridges and to switch between brightfield (standard/high/low), oblique (standard/high/low), darkfield, polarized illumination, and the shutter with a simple rotation.

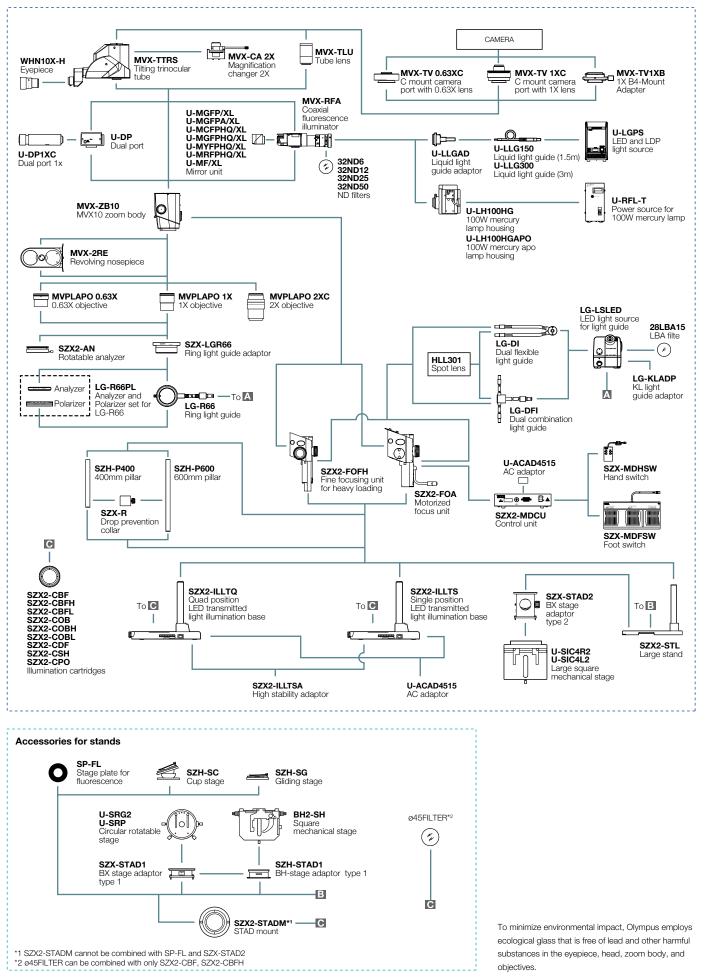


Large stand SZX2-STL

This stable stand with large base provides a spacious working area for observing large specimens. Attaching the motorized focus unit (SZX2-FOA) creates a more comfortable work environment.



MVX10 System Diagram

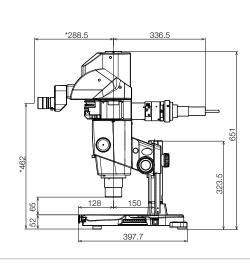


MVX10 specifications

Zoom microscope body MVX-ZB10	Zoom	Mono-zoom variable magnification system		
	Zoom ratio	10:1 (6.3x–0.63x)		
	Aperture iris diaphragm	Built-in		
Observation tube MVX-TTRS	Features	Tilting trinocular head that allows switching between standard and stereo observation		
	Field number (FN)	22		
	Tilting angle	0°-23° continuously variable system		
	Light path selection	2-step binocular 100%/photo 100%		
Reflected light fluorescence unit MVX-RFA	Illumination mode	Coaxial reflected light		
	Filter selection	Turret 3 filter + BF		
	Fluorescence mirror unit	For CFP, GFP, YFP, RFP separation high-quality mirror unit For GFP and GFP separation mirror unit		
	Light source	LED and LDP light source, 100 W mercury apo lamp housing and power source or, 100 W mercury lamp housing and power source		
Magnification changer MVX-CA2X	Magnification	1X, 2X selection		
Objectives (when used with eyepiece WHN10X-H)		MVPLAPO 0.63X	MVPLAPO 1X	MVPLAPO 2XC
	Total magnification	4.0X-40X	6.3X-63X	12.5X-125X
	Working distance W.D. (mm)	87	65	20
	Numerical aperture (NA)	0.15	0.25	0.5
	Field of view (mm)	55-5.5	34.9-3.5	17.6–1.7
Stand, Transmitted illumination bases	Stand, Transmitted illumination bases	Quad-position LED transmitted light illumination base SZX2-ILLTQ, Single-position LED transmitted light illumination base SZX2-ILLTS, Large stand SZX2-STL		
	Focusing unit	Fine focusing unit for heavy loading SZX2-FOFH, Motorized focusing unit SZX2-FOA		
	Stage	Large stage plate		

Dimensions

268.4 337.4



Weight: approx. 19 kg (41.9 lb) The length marked with an asterisk (*) may vary depending on interpupillary distance and tilting angle.

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