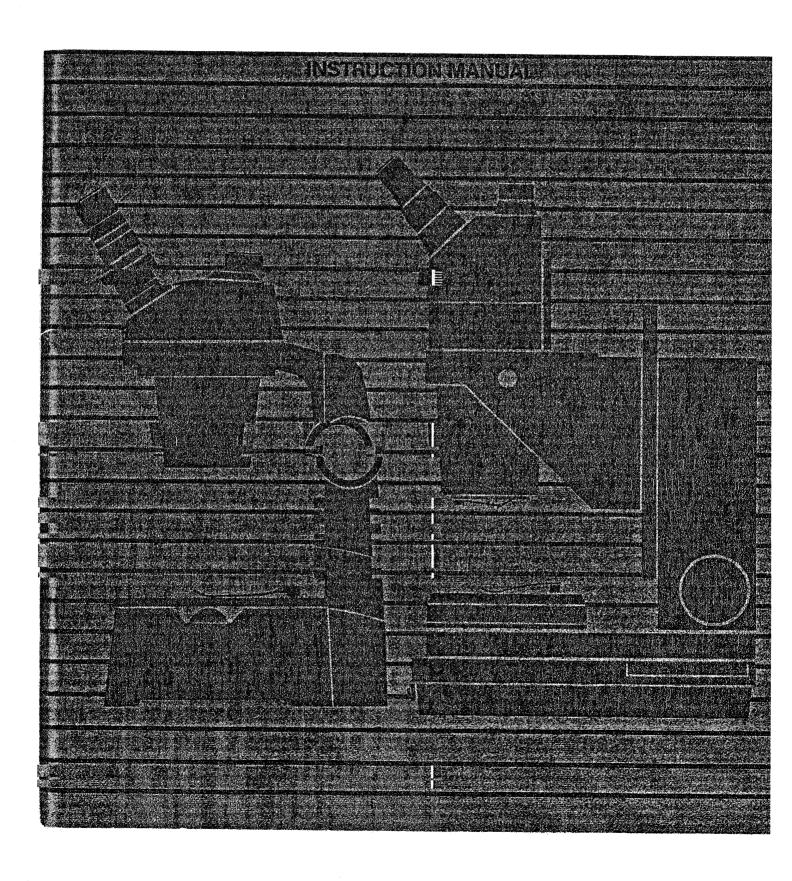


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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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Introduction

Image excellence, rugged construction and exceptional versatility are the hallmarks of the Cambridge Instruments StereoZoom® series of stereo microscopes. These features are in keeping with a tradition of quality Cambridge Instruments has maintained for more than 100 years as a microscope manufacturer. The StereoZoom series, introduced in the 1950's, has become the world standard for stereo microscopes.

Since its introduction, the StereoZoom series has undergone constant improvements and expansion through the development of new models and accessories. Interchangeability between Power Pods, Stands, Eyepieces, Supplementary Lenses and a host of special accessories provides the user with a nearly limitless choice of feature combinations which permit the exact tailoring of the StereoZoom equipment to the requirements of the task.

The StereoZoom series can be used to advantage for nearly any visual task requiring 3-D observation at moderate magnifications. Frequently, the StereoZoom series offers the most economical approach to providing microscope magnification even when there is no requirement for 3-D observation.

Six Power Pods form the nucleus of the StereoZoom series. Two of these are fixed power while four of them provide continuously variable magnification by means of operator controlled zoom systems. Eyepieces and Supplementary Lenses extend the magnification ranges of these Power Pods both upward and downward. All optical elements are sealed into the Power Pods so that all Pods may be interchangeably mounted on any one of the thirteen Stands and Arms offered as part of the StereoZoom series. For viewing convenience, the Pods may be turned 180 degrees for conventional or reversed eyepiece orientation.

Other accessories include a wide choice of illuminators and illumination modes, mechanical stages and stage plates, polarizing accessories, reticles and photographic equipment.

Selection of the right combination of components involves consideration of cost, magnification range, field of view, working distance, eye relief, specimen illumination requirements and convenience of use. With this in mind, descriptive data on the StereoZoom series components are presented in Section 9.0 of this manual both to assist you in interpreting the instructions presented here and to help you more fully utilize the StereoZoom equipment you already have purchased. For more detailed information, send for the latest edition of Cambridge Instrument's StereoZoom Microscope Catalog.

Safety Precautions

Many of the StereoZoom series microscope equipments are equipped with halogen illuminators. Please note the type with your equipment and follow the WARNING set forth below.

WARNING: The Halogen-Cycle Lamp is pressurized and may shatter. *DO NOT* operate lamp in excess of rated voltage as this will increase lamp pressure and the risk of shattering. Protect the lamp against abrasions and scratches and against liquids when lamp is operating. Replace *only* with specified replacement lamp.

To guard against personal injury, wear protective glasses and clothing when handling lamp. Turn power off when installing and before removing lamp. Allow lamp to cool before removing. Dispose of lamp with care.

Do not operate in proximity of substance or material that is flammable or adversely affected by heat or drying.

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Unpacking

Each of your StereoZoom series microscopes and accessories have been carefully packaged to insure that they reach you in the best possible condition. Do not discard any packing material or shipping containers until you have assembled your equipment and checked carefully for any small items that may have been overlooked.

Preparation For Use

Note: Parts and controls referred to in this section can be identified by referring to the photographs and legend preceding Section 1.0 and to Section 8.0.

MOUNTING THE POWER PODS

Power Pods can be mounted on any Stand or Arm, except the R Stands, by simply swinging out the two Lock Levers at either side of the Arm, inserting the Pod so that it faces either forward or backward, and swinging the Lock Levers shut. The fit between Pods and Arms is intentionally snug to prevent movement during use. Therefore, be sure the Pod is fully seated in the Arm.

On R Stands, the Power Pod is retained in the Arm by two Thumb Screws instead of the Lock Levers.

CHANGING STAND WORKING DISTANCE

The Stands have provisions for a wide range of working distances when Supplementary Lenses are added to the Pods. Increased working distance can be accommodated on the A and B Stands by removing the four screws from the underside of the Stand, inserting the 31-27-03 Elevator between the Base and Upright and securing with the four screws supplied with the Elevator.

The R Stands incorporate a built-in provison for variable working distance. To change working distance, remove the four screws which secure the Focusing Slide, reposition the Arm in the desired location and reinstall the four screws. Three positions are available.

MOUNTING THE ILLUMINATORS

All Illuminators for StereoZoom microscopes, except the Coaxial, Ring, Eyepiece and Spot Illuminators, can be mounted in a variety of ways, either free standing or attached to a Power Pod or to a Stand. Refer to the Instruction Manual provided with your Illuminator for specific instructions.

TRANS-ILLUMINATION BASE

The B Stand for StereoZoom series microscopes is designed for use with both opaque and transparent

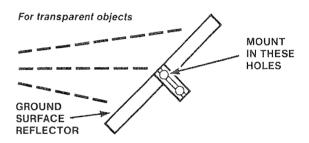


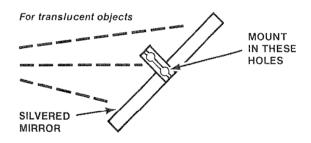
specimens. This stand is identical to the A Stand except with the addition of the Trans-Illumination Base, which includes a Clear Glass Stage Plate and a 3-Way Mirror.

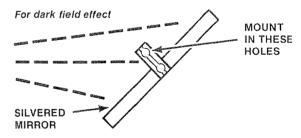
The 3-Way Mirror, when used in conjunction with a Nicholas or General Purpose Illuminator inserted in the Port Hole in the rear of the Base, can be used to provide three types of transmitted illumination for the examination of a wide variety of transparent/translucent specimens.

When looking at transparent objects, it is recommended that the ground surface of the 3-Way Mirror be used by placing the Mirror Axles of the Base in the lower pair of Mirror holes. If the object to be examined is translucent, rotate the Mirror to use the reflective surface.

If the specimen is transparent, and a dark field illumination effect is desired, place the Mirror Axles in the upper pair of holes.







These diagrams illustrate the mounting positions for the 3-way mirror.

For the examination of translucent living specimens, the use of the cool, white-light Fluorescent Illuminator is recommended. Refer to the Instruction Manual supplied with this Illuminator for installation instructions.

Operation

INTERPUPILLARY DISTANCE ADJUSTMENT

To set the Eyepieces for your proper interpupillary distance, grasp each Eyepiece Adapter while looking into the microscope and move the Eyepieces together or apart until you see the full field of view with both eyes. Check this by closing one eye and then the other without moving your head.

Each observer must adjust the interpupillary distance to their individual requirements and should recheck it each time they use the microscope.

EYEPIECE LOCKING FEATURE OF StereoZoom 5

The StereoZoom 5 Power Pod incorporates an Eyepiece locking feature which lets you lock the Eyepiece directly into the Power Pod while allowing free rotation of the Eyepieces.

First, roatate the inner Eyepiece Lock Ring until the Set Screw lines up with the access hole in the Eyepiece Ring, then insert the hexagonal Wrench (supplied with the Power Pod) into the Set Screw. Insert the Eyepiece completely, making sure that it seats properly on its locating shoulder, and tighten the Set Screw.

Repeat the above procedure for the other Evepiece.

FOCUSING FIXED POWER PODS

- Illuminate a flat specimen and then, using the right eye only, look through the right Eyepiece and focus on the specimen turning the Focusing Knob until the image is sharp.
- 2. Look through the left Eyepiece, and using only the left eye, rotate the Eyepiece Adjusting Ring clockwise or counterclockwise until the image is sharp.

Each observer must focus the microscope to their individual requirements and should recheck it each time they use the microscope.

FOCUSING VARIABLE POWER PODS

- Set the Magnification Knob to the lowest power, illuminate and center a flat specimen within the field of view. Turn the Focusing Knob until the best image is obtained.
- Set the Magnification Knob to the highest power and, using only your right eye, adjust the Focusing Knob until the image is sharp. The right Eyepiece is now properly focused.

Note: depth of field decreases as magnification increases. It is many times greater at low power than it is at high power. This means that while it is quicker and easier to bring the specimen into focus at low power, the most critical focus can only be achieved at high power.

 Reset the Magnification Knob to low power and, using only the left eye, turn the Eyepiece Adjusting Ring until the image is clear and sharp. Make sure the Eyepiece shoulder maintains contact against the Adjusting Ring shoulder. The left Eyepiece is now properly focused.

The microscope will now be properly focused for

both your eyes throughout the magnification range.

Each observer must focus the microscope to their individual requirements and should recheck it each time they use the microscope.

Note: Operators who normally wear glasses with a correction of 2 or more Diopters, and don't wear them when using the microscope may find refocusing necessary when changing magnification.

CHANGING THE MAGNIFICATION OF FIXED POWER PODS

The magnification provided by the Fixed Power Pods may be varied by using different Eyepieces and/or Supplementary Lenses.

Total Magnification = Fixed Power × Eyepiece Power × Supplementary Lens Power.

CHANGING THE MAGNIFICATION OF VARIABLE POWER PODS

The Variable Power Pods allow you to change the power continuously to exactly the best magnification for a given specimen by simply turning the Magnification Knob located on the top of the Power Pod. The StereoZoom Microscopes allow you to scan an object at a lower power and then concentrate on some particular detail by increasing the power gradually to the desired value.

The power range can be further extended by using different Eyepieces and/or by adding Supplementary Lenses below the Objective.

Total Magnification = Variable Power \times Eyepiece Power \times Supplementary Lens Power.

MEASURING PROCEDURE

StereoZoom Microscopes may be used as measuring instruments by inserting a Reticle in one of the Wide Field Eyepieces. A variety of linear and grid patterned Reticles are available for particualr applications as well as Stage Micrometers for calibrating the microscope. These are described in Section 9.0.

SELECTING A RETICLE DISC

Select the magnification that will enable you to see the necessary detail and yet cover as much total area of the specimen as is required. Greatest accuracy will result from measurements made within the central %rds of the field of view in a north-south direction. After the magnification has been selected the appropriate reticle disc should then be selected. First, decide what unit you desire to measure the specimen by, then use the following formula to determine what reticle will provide that unit:

$S \times M = K$

- S = Dimension each division is to equal in the specimen plane.
- M = Magnification of the Power Pod only.
- K = Actual dimension of each smallest division on the reticle.

Example: Desired dimension on specimen, S = .002"

Magnification of Power Pod, M = 2X

Actual dimension of division on reticle (equal to .002" on the specimen) would be K = .004" (approximately 0.1mm).

INSERTING THE RETICLE DISC

Caution

Before installing a Reticle be sure it is free of dust, lint, smears, etc. To clean the Reticle wipe its surfaces with a cotton pad moistened with a mild soap. Rinse and dry without pressure using a soft lintless cloth.

- Remove the black cylindrical Field Diaphragm by unscrewing it from inside the smaller diameter end of the Eyepiece (refer to the Assembly Views on page 8.14).
- 2. Place the Reticle into the thin metal rim on top of the Field Diaphragm so that the scale will face towards the inside of the Field Diaphragm.
- 3. The thin metal rim will extend beyond the surface of the glass. Using a pencil with eraser, or thumbnail or similar object, press against the outside of the rim to force it inward and downward against the Reticle. If the Reticle is to be temporarily installed, bend in the metal rim at three points around the glass. If the Reticle is to be permanently installed, do this at three points around the circumference and then bend the rim over the Reticle around the whole circumference by holding the mount at a 45° angle and rolling it on a hard surface such as a table top.
- 4. Replace the Field Diaphragm and Reticle assembly by screwing it in until the scale comes into sharp focus when viewed through the Eyepiece.
- To remove the Reticle, press against the scale side of the Reticle and push it out of its mount.

CALIBRATING THE RETICLE

After the correct Reticle has been selected it must be calibrated. If the Reticle is to be calibrated in inches a 31-16-89 or 31-16-87 Stage Micrometer should be used. If the Reticle is to be calibrated in millimeters a 31-16-90 or 31-16-99 Stage Micrometer should be used.

For the most accurate calibration and measurements, the Reticle and the Stage Micrometer both should be positioned in the north-south direction.

The Reticle must be calibrated for each objective power that it is used with and must also be calibrated for each StereoZoom microscope that it is used with.

- It is recommended that the Eyepiece containing the Reticle be placed in the right Eyepiece Adapter.
- 2. Place the appropriate Stage Micrometer on the Microscope Stage Plate.
- Focus carefully so that you see the Stage Micrometer scale sharply in focus at the same time as the Reticle scale is sharply in focus.
- 4. Align the Reticle scale with the Stage Micrometer scale so that they may be compared.
- 5. Read the number of scale intervals "b" on the Stage Micrometer which correspond to the number of intervals "a" on the Reticle. One interval of the Reticle then corresponds to b/a intervals of the Stage

Micrometer. Compute this ratio and use it to make measurements in the specimen plane.

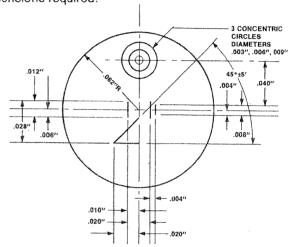
SPECIAL RETICLES

Often industrial or experimental applications require special custom made scales such as a Reticle that could be used as a "GO - NO GO" gauge.

For a quotation on special reticles to your specifications write:

Cambridge Instruments
Optical Systems Division
Special Products
P.O. Box 123
Buffalo, New York 14240-0123

In your request state the objective magnification you prefer to work with and model of Wide Field Eyepieces in which the reticle will be placed. An accurate drawing of the pattern you need, fully dimensioned, must be submitted. The example below illustrates the kinds of dimensions required.



TYPICAL PATTERN FOR RULING RETICLE DISC

INSTALLATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY LENSES

Until you are familiar with the installation procedure it is recommended that you first remove the Power Pod from its Stand and remove the Eyepieces, turn the Power Pod upside down and install the Supplementary Lens as noted, then insert the Power Pod back in its Stand and replace the Eyepieces.

Once you have become familiar with the procedure, the Supplementary Lens may easily be installed without removing the Power Pod from the Stand.

Stereo 1 &	Working	
Cat. No.		Distance
31-27-41	0.3X	247mm
	Supplementary Lens	(9¾'')
31-26-18	0.5X	178mm
	Supplementary Lens	(7")
31-26-19	2.0X	38mm
	Supplementary Lens	(11/2")
31-27-42	0.75X	105mm
	Supplementary Lens	(4")
31-27-43		44mm
	Supplementary Lens	(1¾")

To mount one of these Supplementary Lenses, simply screw it into the large diameter thread located on the bottom of the Power Pod housing. Make sure it is threaded securely against the shoulder.

NOTE: If the threads start to seize-up during installation, apply a *very small* amount of oil to the Lens thread, wipe away the excess and reassemble.

The 0.3X and 0.5X Lenses are retricted to use on those Stands where the working distance is attainable as on K, KT, S or SK, or the A and B Stands when used in conjunction with the 31-27-03 Elevator.

The 0.75X and 1.5X lenses can be used on all stands.

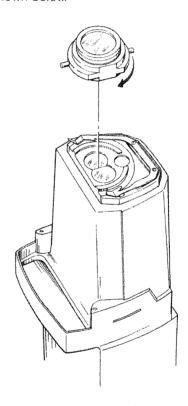
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		Working
Cat. No.		Distance
31-27-08	0.25X	266mm
	Supplementary Lens	(101/2")
31-27-04	0.5X	127mm
	Supplementary Lens	(5")
31-27-05	1.5X	32mm
	Supplementary Lens	(11/4'')
31-27-06	2.0X	14mm
	Supplementary Lens	(9/16")

CAUTION

When installing or removing a Supplementary Lens, be careful that its pins do not scratch the objective lenses in the Power Pod.

 Position the Supplementary Lens so that the longer pin projects perpendicular to the flat face of the Power Pod as shown below.



- 2. Seat the Supplementary Lens in the shallow semicircular recess in the Power Pod and rotate it clockwise 90° until it clicks into position. Check to see that it is properly mounted and make sure that the flat side of the Supplementary Lens is aligned with the flat face of the Power Pod.
- 3. To remove the Supplementary Lens, rotate it counterclockwise 90° and then remove it carefully from the Power Pod.

Maintenance & Service

PROTECTING THE MICROSCOPE AND ACCESSORIES

The primary rule to follow with respect to proper care of microscopes and accessories is to keep them as free from dust and dirt as possible. Dust, fingerprints or a smear on the optics will degrade the image. When the equipment is not in use, cover it with a plastic cover.

CLEANING THE OPTICS

The Power Pods have been factory aligned, cleaned and sealed. DO NOT attempt to disassemble them. Within each Eyepiece Adapter is a glass dust cover. The Eyepieces should be kept in place to prevent dust from settling on these covers. However, if dust does accumulate, it can be removed by unscrewing the Eyepiece Adapter and wiping the dust cover with a soft clean cloth. If the dust is gritty, it should be blown off with an air syringe or wiped off with a cloth or cotton swab moistened with soap and water or alcohol followed by a thorough wiping with a dry cotton swab.

CAUTION

Avoid excessive use of solvents, as flowing solvents may cause cement run-in on cemented optics, making cleaning a tedious job.

ADJUSTING FOCUS TENSION ON ARMS AND STANDS

Both Arms and all Stands except the R, S and SK Stands have two hex socket-head Gib Screw B's which can be used to adjust the tension of the focusing mechanism. By turning these screws slightly clockwise or counterclockwise, the tension can be increased or decreased. When making this adjustment, be sure to adjust the screws in the same direction and about the same amount.

Each R Stand is factory adjusted to establish the proper balance between the tension of the focusing mechanism and the load carrying capacity. After considerable use, a slight readjustment may be needed. To increase the focusing tension, tighten the hex socket-head screw in the center of the left Focusing Knob about 1/12 of a turn clockwise using a 7/64-inch hex wrench. To decrease the tension, loosen the screw about 1/2 turn counterclockwise and pull the left knob outward to reduce the tension. Then tighten the screw gradually until the desired tension is established.

LUBRICATION

Power Pods and R Stands are permanently lubricated at the factory and generally do not require periodic lubrication. If cleaning and relubrication become necessary as a result of abnormal use or exposure to unusually harsh environments, the equipment should be returned to the factory or serviced by qualified maintenance personnel.

The Focusing Slide on all stands other than R stands should be wiped clean occasionally, using a solvent such as Xylol or alcohol, and relubricated with a light coating of grease. Alvania #2 grease, which is available at Shell service stations, is recommended for this purpose.

SERVICE

All optical, electrical and mechanical equipment requires periodic servicing to keep it performing properly and to compensate for normal wear.

Establishing a schedule of regular preventive maintenance will help to assure long life and sustained optimum performance for your instrument. It will also help to avoid unexpected trouble and the necessity of having the instrument serviced at inconvenient times.

A program of planned preventive maintenance, involving a thorough cleaning, checking and adjustment of mechanisms is recommended for all instruments.

This work should be performed by qualified personnel with the proper training and equipment. Your authorized Cambridge Instruments dealer, or Cambridge Instruments, can arrange this service.

IMPORTANT

If unexpected trouble is experienced with your instrument, contact your Cambridge Instruments dealer. He may be able to suggest simple remedies to correct the apparent difficulty without your having to send the instrument out for servicing.

Should it become necessary to send your instrument out for service:

Please pack the instrument carefully in a crush resistant carton with at least three inches of shock absorbing, dustless material surrounding it to prevent transit damage. Saving the original carton in which your instrument is received will prove helpful for this purpose. If a suitable carton is not available, one may be ordered from the factory at nominal cost.

Include a detailed letter in the shipping carton, preferably fastened to the instrument, describing the trouble experienced. This information will enable the service technician to effect required repairs promptly and at least expense.

ILLUMINATING THE SPECIMEN

The full potential of your stereomicroscope can be realized only if the microscope is equipped with the right kind of illumination system. Equally important considerations are operator comfort and efficiency, which also depend upon specimen illumination.

Providing optimum illumination is complicated by the great variety of specimens which are examined under stereomicroscopes and by the very nature of stereomicroscope design. A StereoZoom microscope embodies two separate and complete microscope systems mounted at different viewing angles with respect to the specimen, and optimum viewing requires a critical balance between the illumination supplied to the two microscope systems.

No single Illuminator is capable of satisfying the requirements for all kinds of specimens. For this reason Cambridge Instruments offers a number of different Illuminators. Each Illuminator is suitable for a variety of speciment types, but usually there is a "best" Illuminator for each specimen. Following are some general suggestions for Illuminator selection; however, it may be necessary to do a little experimenting before the optimum solution is reached for some particularly difficult specimens.

TRANSPARENT AND TRANSLUCENT SPECIMENS

For these specimens a properly equipped B or R Stand is recommended. The R Stands are available in five models, two of which have built-in Base Illuminators and Transformers and no additional equipment is required. The R Stands are especially recommended for photomicrography with the StereoZoom 7 Power Pod.

The Fluorescent Illuminator is recommended for use with the B Stand when highly diffuse illumination is required (not suitable for color photomicrography). For more intense directional illumination, the B Stand with its built-in 3-Way Mirror and an attached Nicholas or General Purpose Illuminator is recommended. The focus feature of the General Purpose Illuminator makes it the better choice. Care should be exercised with both Illuminators to align both the Reflector and the Illuminator so that balanced illumination is provided for both halves of the microscope. For completely transparent specimens, the diffuse side of the Reflector should face the Illuminator because full aperture illumination cannot be achieved with the mirror side at low magnification levels.

DIFFUSE OPAQUE SPECIMENS

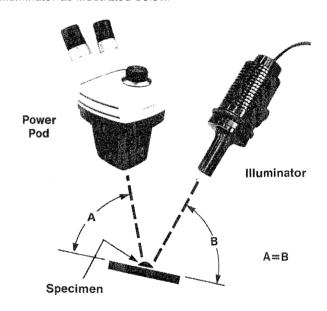
In general, any Illuminator will make this kind of non-reflective specimen visible in the microscope; however, the choice of Illuminators will have a profound effect on the visibility of specimen detail. Contours can be made visible by the shadows cast when the specimen is illuminated from one side only and at a large angle of incidence. Changing the Illuminator position will enhance some details while suppressing others. When desirable, shadows can be eliminated completely by the simultaneous use of two or more Illuminators or by using

Illumination

an omni-directional source such as the Ring Illuminator. The Ring, General Purpose and Reflector Illuminators are recommended for use on large objects such as minerals, coins, electronic and mechanical components, gems and powders and for dissecting and other work involving the manipulation of tools under the microscope.

SPECULAR SPECIMENS

Bright field illumination of specular (highly reflective) surfaces demands that the optical Law of Reflection be taken into account. The axis of the Illuminator must be positioned so that after reflection from the specimen surface, the direction of the image-forming rays will coincide with the axes of the microscope. This condition can be fulfilled by tipping the specimen and orienting the Illuminator as illustrated below.



The out-of-focus condition of large areas of the specimen image which results from this method of illumination can be avoided completely on Stereo 1 & 2 or StereoZoom 3, 4 & 5 Power Pods by use of a Spot Illuminator or a Vertical Illumination Attachment. A StereoZoom 7 Pod equipped with a Coaxial Illuminator will also eliminate this problem.

The Coaxial illumination system used in conjunction with the StereoZoom 7 Power Pod is applicable to nearly all kinds of specular specimens, with the images of polished specimens appearing exactly the same as when viewed through a metallograph or metallurgical microscope.

Somewhat less effective illumination for specular specimens may be attained with all StereoZoom series microscopes by adding a Vertical Illumination Attachment to the Power Pod and by employing either a General Purpose, Nicholas or Reflector Illuminator

attached to the Stand or Power Pod. This can also be achieved by using a Spot Illuminator on a Stereo 1 or 2, or StereoZoom 3, 4 or 5 Power Pod. A StereoZoom microscope equipped for vertical illumination is shown on page 7.3.

CAVITIES

Special illuminators are generally required when viewing any kind of opaque or translucent surface located on the side or at the bottom of a deep cavity. The Spot Illuminators are designed primarily for cavity illumination or wherever a compact vertical illuminator is required. They can be used on all Power Pods except the StereoZoom 7. Three models are available, each being





GENERAL PURPOSE ILLUMINATOR WITH IRIS DIAPHRAGM









GENERAL PURPOSE
ILLUMINATOR WITH IRIS
DIAPHRAGM AND FILTER
HOLDER



GENERAL PURPOSE ILLUMINATOR WITH IRIS DIAPHRAGM, NICHOLAS ATTACHMENT AND FILTER HOLDER designed for a particular working distance and magnification factor as described on page 7.2.

The Vertical Illumination Attachment combined with either the Nicholas or General Purpose Illuminator is another solution. The Vertical Illuminator Attachment will work with all StereoZoom Pods.

ILLUMINATORS

There are many types of illuminators which may be used with StereoZoom microscopes.

Nicholas Illuminator
General Purpose Illuminator
Fluorescent Illuminator
Reflector Illuminator
Ring Illuminator
Spot Illuminators
Coaxial Illuminator
Eyepiece Illuminator
Fiber Optic Annular Illuminator

Fiber Optic Bifurcated Illuminator Fiber Optic Four-Point Illuminator

The type of illuminator chosen is determined by the type of specimen, the area of the specimen which must be illuminated and the intensity of the desired illumination. Whenever possible, mount the illuminator to the microscope so that the illumination stays centered as the microscope is focused on specimens of different thickness.

NICHOLAS ILLUMINATOR provides a directional concentrated beam of relatively high intensity light. It can be supplied with an adjustable Linkage and a three-step variable Transformer. The Nicholas Illuminator may be mounted in the hole in the arm of the A Stand, or in the Stationary Arm, or in the hole at the rear of the B Base. It may also be mounted to the Linkage which may be attached to either of the two holes in the Power Pod or R Stand, or fastened directly to the threaded hole in the top of the Transformer and used as a movable source to bring light in from any direction. In its various positions, it can be used to examine opaque-diffuse materials, translucent materials, and transparent materials.

GENERAL PURPOSE ILLUMINATOR provides an intense spot of light which is concentrated in a relatively small field and focusable from three inches to infinity.

It can be supplied with a 3-step, variable Transformer and an adjustable Linkage. When equipped with a Linkage, the General Purpose Illuminator may be mounted directly to the StereoZoom Power Pod or R Stand, or to the Transformer. Four accessories have been designed for use with the General Purpose Illuminator:

- The adjustable Iris Diaphragm is an aperture control which regulates brightness. Used with the Nicholas Attachment, it is a field diaphragm which regulates the size of the spot of light.
- The Filter Holder holds two-inch round or square filters and can be attached to the basic illuminator, the Iris Diaphragm, or the Nicholas Attachment.
- 3. The Nicholas Attachment contains a focusable telephoto type projection lens system which can

image the field diaphragm from six inches to infinity. It can be used with or without the Iris Diaphragm and the Filter Holder.

4. The Cone Adapter attaches to the illuminator housing or the Iris Diaphragm permitting the illuminator to be mounted in the E Arm, A stand, B Base or the Nicholas Adapter on an ER Arm.

FLUORESCENT ILLUMINATOR provides a cool diffuse light of daylight character.

When it is mounted in the base of the B stand, it may be used to examine transparent specimens. When it is mounted on the Linkage, it may be used to examine opaque materials. It is especially effective where surfaces are highly reflective. The Fluorescent Illuminator is particularly useful for examining live specimens because its light is cool.

REFLECTOR ILLUMINATOR gives moderately directional lighting of a fairly high intensity. It illuminates a general area. It is a versatile illuminator and can be used with opaque-diffuse materials and translucent materials.

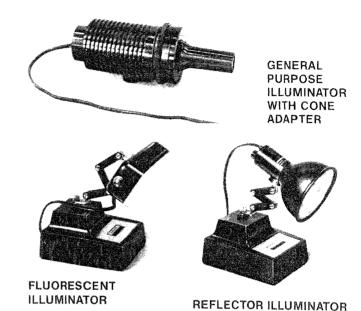
RING ILLUMINATOR The source is a dual concentric ring fluorescent tube providing cold light of daylight quality. The lamp is mounted on a StereoZoom Power Pod by means of a coupler and on the StereoZoom 7 by means of a converter and coupler.

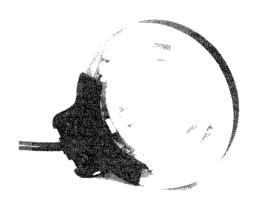
Use in conjunction with the Coaxial Illuminator System results in very effective shadowless illumination of the specimen.

SPOT ILLUMINATORS are available in three models to provide vertical illumination for all StereoZoom series Power Pods except the StereoZoom 7.

The three models offer a range of working distance from 3" to 10" with magnification factors of 1.0X, 0.5X and 0.3X to provide vertical illumination for the examination of P. C. boards, cracks, crevices and holes up to a depth of 10". These compact illuminators attach to the bottom of the Power Pods by means of a threaded adapter and provide an uncluttered work space above and around the specimen.

COAXIAL ILLUMINATOR for StereoZoom 7 only is an ideal illuminator for viewing flat, highly reflective specimens, and is a compact unit which allows complete flexibility of the StereoZoom 7 Microscope. It is equipped with green, yellow, and daylight blue filters in a unique rotating turret. The easily changed lamp is





RING ILLUMINATOR

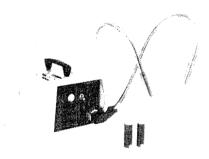


powered by a three-tap Transformer. The Coaxial Illuminator must be installed to the StereoZoom 7 Power Pod at the factory.

EYEPIECE ILLUMINATOR—designed primarily for use with the StereoZoom 7 Power Pod when equipped with a photomicrographic system or viewing screen. It provides the same efficient illumination as a Coaxial Illuminator for precise examinations of multilayer, flat, and opaque objects in semiconductor and electronics applications. Includes a built-in filter holder for accepting any of several available 13/16" diameter filters.



EYEPIECE ILLUMINATOR



FIBER OPTIC
BIFURCATED ILLUMINATOR

FIBER OPTIC ILLUMINATORS are available in five models depending on the Power Pod and lenses you are using. The 150-watt Quartz-Halogen fan-cooled light source is rheostat-controlled, making daylight filters, color temperature meter and other accessories unnecessary. All systems are multi-positionable and focusable, providing consistently even illumination with low noise and low vibration.

VERTICAL ILLUMINATION ATTACHMENT

If straight top lighting is necessary to bring out surface detail, one of the external illuminators already mentioned may be used in combination with the Vertical Illumination Attachment. This Attachment has no light source of its own. Instead, it has a mirror system which reflects light directly downward on the specimen.

The Vertical Illumination Attachment is especially useful for examining interior surfaces of castings or machined parts, cracks, holes and crevices. The Vertical Illuminator Adapter is attached to the bottom of the Power Pod in the same manner as a Supplementary Attachment Lens, oriented as necessary and clamped in place by a thumb screw.



VERTICAL ILLUMINATION ATTACHMENT WITH GENERAL PURPOSE ILLUMINATOR