BIO 201 Lab 1 Experiments 1, 2, 3

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Overview

- Exp. 1: Introduction to the Microscope
- II. Exp. 2: Survey of Microbes
- III. Exp. 3: Collection of Microbes

Purpose: To review the use & care of the compound light microscope

Fig. 3.1 Textbook

Primary lenses that magnify the specimen

Stage Holds the microscope slide in position

Condenser Focuses light through specimen

Diaphragm Controls the amou of light entering the condenser

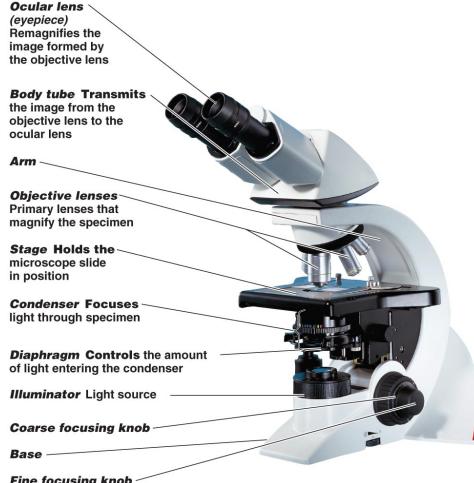
Illuminator Light source

Coarse focusing knob

Base

Fine focusing knob

(a) Principal parts and functions



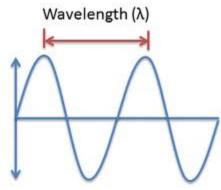
- Compound Binocular Light Microscope
 - (2) Sources of Magnification:
 - Eyepiece or Ocular (10x)
 - Objectives (4):
 - Scanning Power: 4 x
 - Low Power: 10x
 - High Power: 40x
 - Oil Immersion: 100x
- Parfocal: ability to go from one objective to another with minimal focusing

- Total Magnification: TM
 - TM=Magnification of Eyepiece X
 Magnification of Objective

	Eyepiece Magnification	Objective Magnification	ТМ
Scanning	10X	4X	40X
Low	10X	10X	100X
High Dry	10X	40X	400X
Oil Immersion	10X	100X	1000X

- Resolution or Resolving Power (RP)
 - Ability to distinguish detail clearly
 - To be able to tell 2 points as separate points and not one point

Wavelength of light (nm)Red light = 700 nmBlue light = 400 nm



- $RP_{red} = 700 \text{ nm} = 350 \text{ nm}$ 2(1)
- RP _{blue} = $\frac{400 \text{ nm}}{2(1)}$ = 200 nm
- Lower the resolution, better the clarity
- Blue filter provides the best resolution with a halogen light bulb
- Blue filter NOT needed with microscopes that have a LED light bulb

- Numerical Aperture (NA): describes the cone of light that enters the lens so as to see fine detail. Two things make up NA:
 - Angular Aperture: angle of light as it goes through the lenses & filters of the condenser & into the objective (Constant)
 - Refractive Index: how light travels through a medium
 - Refractive Index of Air = 1.0
 - Refractive Index of Oil = 1.5

RP _{air} =
$$\frac{400 \text{ nm}}{2(1.0)}$$
 = 200 nm

$$RP_{oil} = 400 \text{ nm} = 133 \text{ nm}$$

2(1.5)

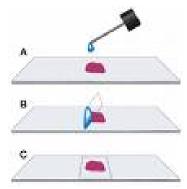
Better resolution with oil



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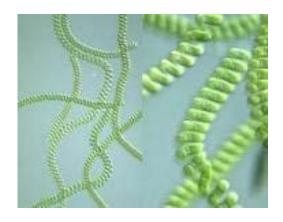
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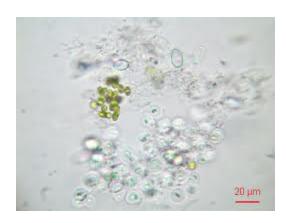
- Purpose: To become familiar with using a microscope & to view various microbes
 - Wet Mount: observing living cells
 - Focus on edge of coverslip
 - Scanning-dim light using diaphragm
 - Move toward center of slide
 - Observe under Low & High Powers
 - Slides will dry out quickly

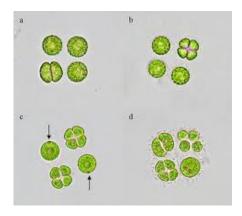


4 Slides: Largest to smallest microorganisms

1. Pond Water: algae-much variation







- 2. Protozoa: single celled eukaryotic microbes that move by different methods that belong to the Protista kingdom.
 - Pseudopods: false feet

Amoeba



CiliaParamecium

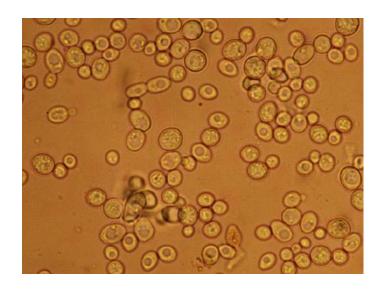


Flagella

Euglena



- 3. Yeast: single celled eukaryotic microbes that belong to the Fungi kingdom
 - Ovoid & irregular
 - Budding: method of reproduction
 - Brownian movement
 - Smaller than protozoa
 - Larger than bacteria



- **4. Bacteria (Hay infusion)**: single celled prokaryotic microbes that belong to the Monera kingdom.
 - Must view under 400x
 - Very small
 - Motile & non-motile
 - Looks like specks of sand
 - Hard to discern shape
 - Smaller than yeast& protozoa
 - Protozoa may be present in the sample

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- Purpose: To collect and grow microbes from the environment for observation
 - Procedure to be described by lab instructor