# THORLABS

# Overview

- Complete Confocal Imaging Microscopes
   Upgradeable Single-Channel Systems
  - Fully Equipped Upright or Inverted Four-Channel Systems
- Full-Frame 4096 x 4096 Pixel Images
  - 4096 x 4096 Pixel Uni-Directional Scans
    2048 x 2048 Pixel Bi-Directional Scans
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- Galvo-Galvo or Galvo-Resonant Scanners
- Upright Systems Based on Modular Cerna<sup>®</sup> Microscope System to Support Expansion:
  - Widefield Viewing Accessories
  - Epi-Illumination
  - DIC or Dodt Imaging
  - XY Movement of Microscope and/or Sample
  - Other Modular Cerna Components
- Add-On Confocal Upgrade Available for Inverted Research-Grade Microscopes from Other Manufacturers



Wild-type mouse brain section (30 µm) tagged with DAPI (405 nm), Alexa 488 anti-S100B, Alexa 555 anti-Neurofilament, and Alexa 633 anti-GFAP. Acquired with a 4-channel inverted confocal microscope. Sample courtesy of Lynne Holtzclaw, NIH/NICHD/MIC.

Thorlabs' Confocal Systems are designed to meet the needs of a wide variety of labs and range from single-channel to fully-equipped multi-channel configurations. The microscopes can have up to four excitation and detection channels, galvo-galvo or galvo-resonant scanners, and multialkali or high-sensitivity GaAsP PMTs.

#### Upgradeable Single-Channel Confocal Systems

Thorlabs' Single-Channel Confocal Microscopes are available in configurations for GFP fluorescence or reflected light imaging. Each system is a complete upright confocal microscope and includes a laser, PMT detector, objective, and

motorized Z-axis control. Based on our Cerna® Modular Microscopy Platform, these upright confocal systems can be easily upgraded and customized with Cerna components, a range of sample mounts, and Thorlabs' cage construction accessories. The modular design simplifies future system upgrades, such as adding more detection and excitation channels, a 16-position motorized pinhole wheel, and a dichroic mirror for epifluorescence image acquisition.



This upgradeable single-channel confocal system for GFP fluorescence imaging includes a computer, DAQ card, and ThorImage®LS Data Acquisition Software. The optical table and rack are sold separately.

# -Specifications -

Item #	System Type	Laser Wavelength	Scan Head	Objective	Pinhole	Filters	PMT Detection	Price
CM100	Reflected Light	660 nm (Red)	- Galvo-Galvo -	RMS20X	Ø75 µm, Optimized for Included 20X Objective	50:50 Beamsplitter with Polarizers & Quarter-Wave Plate	One Multialkali PMT	\$37,851.54
CM201	GFP Fluorescence	488 nm (Blue)		N20X-PF		MD498 Dichroic with MF525-39 Emission Filter		\$44,269.98

#### 4-Channel Confocal Systems

Thorlabs' complete, fully equipped confocal systems are available with galvo-galvo or galvo-resonant scan heads to support a variety of confocal imaging applications. Select up to four excitation lasers with wavelengths from 405 nm to 642 nm, all integrated into a fiber-coupled housing. Each system can be equipped with up to four multialkali or high-sensitivity GaAsP PMTs housed in a detection module with interchangeable filter cubes. Each system includes emission, excitation, and dichroic filter sets selected to complement the wavelengths in the multi-channel laser source and the emission wavelengths of the fluorophores of interest.



Neurofilaments (Red), Glia (Green), and Nuclei (Blue) in a Rat Hippocampus

#### **Confocal Upgrade to Existing Microscopes**

In addition to our complete confocal systems, Thorlabs also offers an upgrade package designed to add confocal imaging capabilities to research-grade inverted microscopes. This add-on includes all the necessary parts for converting your existing microscope into a confocal system: a laser source, a scan head with a scan lens, a motorized pinhole wheel, and a PMT detection module.

## - Acquire Images with ThorImage®LS

- Included with Every Confocal Purchase
- Synchronize and Trigger External Hardware and Events
- Multi-Dimensional Data Acquisition and Display
- Region of Interest Scanning Including XY, XYZ, and XYZT Scanning Modes
- Scripting and Image-Tiling Capability
- Multi-User Operation
- Open Source
- Lifetime Support and Updates

### -Features

- Upright or Inverted Configurations
- Single Mode Fiber-Coupled Laser Source with up to 4 Excitation Channels
   Wavelengths from 405 nm to 642 nm
- Galvo-Galvo Scanner: Up to 2 FPS for 512 x 512
   Pixel Bi-Directional Scans
- Galvo-Resonant Scanner: High-Speed Imaging (400 FPS) at 512 x 32 Pixels
- Up to 4 Detection Channels with Multialkali or High-Sensitivity GaAsP PMTs
- Exchangeable Fluorescence Filter Sets
- Motorized Pinhole Wheel with 16 Round Pinhole Sizes from Ø25 µm to Ø2 mm
- XY Microscope Translator
- Transmitted Illuminator with DIC



Stitched confocal fluorescence image of rat retina stained with DAPI, Alexa Fluor® 555, and Alexa Fluor® 633. Sample courtesy of Dr. Jennifer Kielczewski, National Eye Institute, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD.



Screenshot of ThorImageLS Workspace

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