

Biology 3333/5433 - Advanced Microscopy Techniques, Dr. Sheffield (2018 – Tentative)

Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30-1:50, BLS 423 - and scheduled labs in BLS 348

Recommended Textbooks:

Murphy, Douglas and Davidson, Michael, Fundamentals of Light Microscopy and Electronic Imaging, 2nd Edition. Wiley-Blackwell, 2013. Note, it is the Second Edition that is recommended, not the first.

A useful guide to ImageJ can be found here, and is included on your flash drive:

http://blogs.qub.ac.uk/ccbg/files/2014/05/2014-05_Analyzing_fluorescence_microscopy_images.pdf

The purpose of this course is to investigate the variety of image transforms that are possible using the light and electron microscope. The first half of the course, approximately, will cover basic principles of optics - the nature of light, diffraction, refraction, etc., the nature of lenses, and the design of the light microscope. We will discuss phase contrast, dark field, interference contrast, and modulation contrast, as well as polarization and fluorescence microscopy. We will also discuss the use of different labeling procedures to obtain more information about samples. We will then consider several scanning microscope systems, including the scanning confocal microscope and the scanning electron microscope. These systems will be demonstrated in laboratory experiences.

The second half will be devoted to digital transformation of images. We will discuss the nature of digital images, the concepts of LUTs and transforming filters, as well as image mathematics. We will also consider the application of conventional image processing programs to microscopic samples.

Each student will be also expected to select a microscopy project. Time will be divided between laboratory experiences with the different microscopes, and class discussion of the projects in process. Examples of projects by students in the past can be found on the course server, more about that as the class proceeds.

Much of the resource material will be on the flash drive that is distributed in class, although I will expect you to use additional resources when appropriate.

Grading will be based on two exams, and the results of the project. The results of the project will be presented orally at the regularly scheduled Final Exam time (Thursday 5/4 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm (and possibly more). You will be expected to return the flash drive, with your collected images, and the final presentation, at the end of the class.

The fine print:

First class: Tuesday, Jan. 16

Last day to drop (tuition refund available): Monday, January 29

Spring recess: No classes are held during the week March 5-11.

Last day to withdraw (no refund): Wednesday, March 21.

Last Class: Thursday, April 26.

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| Date | Topic | Reference |
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| Jan 16 | Introduction, properties of light. Resolution | General Reference: \primer\index.html : General Properties of Light: \primer\lightandcolor\index.html Resolution: \www.microscopyU.com\articles\formulas\formulasresolution.html |
| Jan 18 | Refraction, Image formation by convex lenses | Refraction: \primer\lightandcolor\refraction.html Convex Lenses: \primer\lightandcolor\lensesintro.html |
| Jan 23 | Convex lenses, continued, Lens Aberrations - Spherical, chromatic, etc | Lenses: \primer\java\lenses\converginglenses\index.html Aberrations: \primer\anatomy\aberrationhome.html |
| Jan 25 | aberrations redux, the enlargement system of a microscope, microscope objectives. Kohler Illumination, Inverted microscope | Overall Structure of the Microscope: \primer\anatomy\components.html Fixed Tube Length: \primer\java\components\fixedtubelength\index.html Infinity Tube Length: \primer\java\components\infinitymicroscope\index.html Objectives: \primer\anatomy\objectives.html \primer\anatomy\specifications.html Role of immersion oil: \primer\java\microscopy\immersion\index.html Condenser Illumination: \primer\java\components\condenser\index.html Koehler Illumination: \primer\anatomy\kohler.html |
| Lab 1. (Jan 30-Feb 1) | Lab Exercise on elements of the light microscope - room 348 | Handouts, "Diffkit" program on course disk. |
| Jan 30 | Oculars, More on conjugate planes, the objective back focal plane. | Oculars: \primer\anatomy\oculars.html Image Formation: \primer\anatomy\image.html |

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| Feb 1 | Contrast: Special microscopy techniques -manipulating the light within the microscope. phase contrast, darkfield, Hoffman modulation | <p>Contrast: \www.microscopyU.com\articles\formulas\specimencontrast.html</p> <p>Phase Objects: \www.microscopyU.com\tutorials\java\phasecontrast\phasespecimens\index.html \primer\java\contrast\rounded\index.html</p> <p>\primer\java\darkfield\cardioid\index.html</p> <p>The Phase Microscope</p> <p>\www.microscopyU.com\articles\phasecontrast\phase microscopy.html</p> <p>Alignment: \www.microscopyU.com\tutorials\java\phasecontrast\microscopealignment\index.html</p> <p>Hoffman: \primer\techniques\hoffmanindex.html</p> |
| Lab 2 (Feb 6-8) | Lab exercise on Phase Contrast microscopy - room 348 | |
| Feb 6 | DIC (Differential Interference Contrast), Polarization microscopy, Fluorescence microscopy. | <p>Polarization : \primer\java\polarizedlight\filters\index.html \primer\techniques\polarized\polarizedhome.html</p> <p>DIC: \primer\techniques\dic\dicoverview.html</p> <p>\primer\java\dic\lightpaths\index.html \primer\techniques\dic\dicintro.html</p> |
| Feb 8 | Fluorescence Microscopy 1 | <p>Comparison of Phase and DIC \primer\techniques\dic\dicphasecomparison.html</p> <p>Fluorescence:</p> <p>/primer/techniques/fluorescence/introduction.html /primer/java/jablonski/index.html /primer/techniques/fluorescence/excitation.html</p> <p>The microscope:</p> <p>/primer/techniques/fluorescence/reflectlightpaths.html</p> <p>/primer/java/microscopy/fluorescence/index.html</p> |

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| Lab 3 (Feb 13-15) | Lab exercise on Fluorescence microscopy and DIC - room 348. | |
| Feb 13 | Fluorescence Microscopy 2 | |
| Feb 15 | Scanning confocal microscopes 1 | /www.microscopyU.com/articles/confocal/index.html /Confocal/theory/index.html Basic Info http://www.physics.emory.edu/~weeks/confocal Minsky Paper: Check Blackboard Multiphoton /primer/java/multiphoton/excitationbleaching/index.html |
| Lab 4 (Feb 20-22) | More on Fluorescence Microscopy | |
| Feb 20 | Confocal Microscopes II | |
| Feb 22 | Superresolution I – STED, SIM | |
| Lab 5 (Feb 27-Mar 1) | Critical Focus, Image characteristics | |
| Feb 27 | Exam 1 | |
| March 1 | Capturing Images - Photography | primer\photomicrography\index.html |
| Lab 6 (March 13-15) | Capturing images. | |
| March 13 | Digital Imaging - capture, spatial resolution, bit depth, image histograms. Brightness/contrast, file | Intro\primer\digitalimaging\digitalimagebasics.html Sampling Frequency - spatial resolution |

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| | <p>types.</p> <p>Note that we will use an image processing program in class for parts of this section of the course. We will use ImageJ, which will be installed on the laptop computers. You should also install the program at home. Be aware of the changes that will be mentioned during class.</p> <p>The web site for ImageJ is:http://rsb.info.nih.gov/ij/</p> | <p>\primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\samplefrequency\index.html</p> <p>\primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\spatialresolution\index.html</p> <p>Bit Depth</p> <p>\primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\bitdepth\index.html</p> <p>Image Histograms</p> <p>\primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\histogramstretching\index.html</p> |
| March 15 | Image manipulations 1.,,LUTs, pseudocolor, image math, Background subtraction | \primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\backgroundsubtraction\index.html |
| Lab (March 20-22) | Image manipulation with captured images. | background subtraction. |
| March 20 | Image manipulations 2. Convolutions, unsharp mask, Fourier analysis | <p>\primer\digitalimaging\imageprocessingintro.html</p> <p>Kernels</p> <p>\primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\convolutionkernels\index.html</p> <p>Fourier Transformation</p> <p>\primer\java\digitalimaging\processing\fouriertransform\index.html</p> |
| March 22 | Plugins Deconvolution | See lab manual pp33-33 |
| Lab (March 27-29) | Instruction on Confocal Microscope. Image manipulation with captured images. | 2 people on confocal, others work on background subtraction. |
| March 27 | Image Manipulations 3. Stacks, 3-D imaging., confocal revisited | |

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| March 29 | Image manipulations 4. More on Stacks, Time lapse, Labels, calibration, scale bar | |
| Lab (Apr 3-Apr 5) | Instruction on Confocal Microscope - | 2 people, others work on Lab #7 in Manual |
| Apr 3 | Quantitation | |
| April 5 | Quantitation continued, | |
| Lab (April 10-12) | Work on Projects | Lab Exercise #9 |
| April 10 | Binary, Masks, | |
| April 12 | superresolution: PALM, STORM STED, SIM | |
| Lab (April 17-19) | Instruction on Confocal Microscope (if needed) | Work on Projects |
| April 17 | TIRF Light Sheet Microscopy | |
| April 19 | Colocalization Introduction to Scanning Electron Microscopy | |
| Open Lab (April 24-26) | Work on Projects | |
| April 25 | Review | |
| April 27 | Exam 2 | |
| Open Lab | Work on Projects. | |
| May 3 | 10:30-12:30 Class presentations, Pizza Party | |