



Leica DVM6 User Manual

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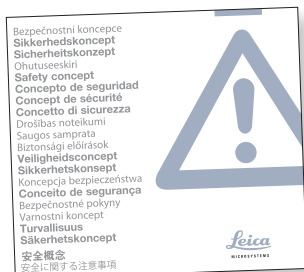
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General Instructions

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Safety concept

Before using your Leica microscope for the first time, please read the "Safety Concept" brochure included with your instrument. It contains additional information on handling and care.



Cleaning

- Do not use any unsuitable cleaning agents, chemicals or techniques for cleaning.
- Never use chemicals to clean colored surfaces or accessories with rubberized parts. This could damage the surfaces, and samples could be contaminated by abraded particles.

Servicing

- Repairs may only be carried out by Leica Microsystems-trained service technicians. Only original Leica Microsystems spare parts may be used.

Responsibilities of person in charge of instrument

- Ensure that the Leica microscope is operated, maintained and repaired by authorized and trained personnel only.

Important Safety Notes

User manual

The Leica DVM6 C/S/A is a standalone product and designed as a VDU workstation. It can be configured with various objectives and a variety of accessories.

The Leica DVM6 M (zoom module and adapter) can be configured within the Leica product range in a wide variety of ways. You can find information on individual system components on the interactive CD-ROM together with all relevant user manuals in additional languages. Keep this CD-ROM in a safe place, where it is available to the user. User manuals and updates are also available for you to download and print from our website www.leica-microsystems.com. This User Manual describes the special functions of the Leica DVM6 digital microscope system and contains important instructions for its operational safety, maintenance and accessories.

The "Safety Concept" booklet contains additional safety information regarding the service work, requirements and the handling of the microscope, accessories and electrical accessories as well as general safety instructions.

In order to maintain the instrument in its original condition and to ensure safe operation, the user must read and understand the User Manual before assembly, instrument setup and use. In particular, please follow all safety instructions, notes and warnings.

Symbols Used

Warning! Safety hazard!



This symbol indicates especially important information that is mandatory to read and observe.

Failure to comply can cause the following:

- Hazards to personnel
- Functional disturbances or damaged instruments

Warning of hazardous electrical voltage



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- Hazards to personnel
- Functional disturbances or damaged instruments

Danger due to hot surface



This symbol warns against touching hot surfaces, e.g. those of light bulbs.

Important information



This symbol indicates additional information or explanations that are intended to provide clarity.

Safety Instructions

Description

The individual systems fulfill the highest requirements for observation and documentation with the Leica DVM6 digital microscope.

Intended use

Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet

Non-intended use

Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet

The Leica DVM6 and its components must never be used for medical and/or IVD applications, because they are not intended for these applications.

The instruments and accessory components described in this User Manual have been tested for safety and potential hazards. The responsible Leica Microsystems affiliate must be consulted whenever the instrument is altered, modified or used in conjunction with non-Leica components that are outside of the scope of this manual!

Unauthorized alterations to the instrument or non-compliant use shall void all rights to any warranty claims.

Place of use

- Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet
- Electrical components must be placed at least 10 cm away from the wall and from flammable substances.
- Avoid large temperature fluctuations, direct sunlight and vibrations. These conditions can distort measurements* and microscopic images.
- In warm and warm-damp climatic zones, the individual components require special care in order to prevent the build-up of fungus.

* Measurement results depend on used objective, zoom and microscope settings.

Responsibilities of person in charge of instrument

Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet

Ensure that:

- The Leica DVM6 digital microscope and accessories are operated, maintained and repaired by authorized and trained personnel only.
- All operators have read, have understood and observe this User Manual, and particularly the safety regulations.

Safety Instructions (Continued)

Repairs, service work

Avoid contact with powered electrical circuits, which can lead to injury.

Transport

- Use the original packaging for shipping or transporting the Leica DVM6 digital microscope and the accessory components.
- In order to prevent damage from vibrations, disassemble all moving parts that (according to the User Manual) can be assembled and disassembled by the customer and pack them separately.

Integration in third-party products

The Leica DVM6 is not permitted for integration in third-party products.

Disposal

Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet

Legal regulations

Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet

EC Declaration of Conformity

Refer to "Safety Concept" booklet

Health risks

Workplaces with microscopes facilitate and improve the viewing task, but they also impose high demands on the eyes and holding muscles of the user. Depending on the duration of uninterrupted work, musculoskeletal problems may occur. For this reason, appropriate measures for reduction of the workload must be taken:

- Optimal arrangement of workplace, work assignments and work flow (changing tasks frequently).
- Thorough training of the personnel, giving consideration to ergonomic and organizational aspects.

The ergonomic optics concept and the design of the Leica DVM6 digital microscope aim to limit the strain on the user to the lowest possible level.



The microscope illumination is in risk group 2 according to EN 62471:2008 when used according to its intended use.



Never look directly into the LED beam of the illumination equipment – either with or without optical instruments. Failure to observe this notice poses a risk of eye damage.

Introduction

Congratulations!

Congratulations on purchasing the Leica DVM6 digital microscope by Leica Microsystems. The special design of the Leica DVM6 makes it a universal, highly versatile and easy-to-operate tool for viewing, documenting and analyzing microscopic samples.

The Leica DVM6 is available in various instrument variants with various objectives.



Sample images of the instrument in this User Manual depict the Leica DVM6 A with the PlanAPO FOV 12.55 objective.

High-resolution display on the screen

The Leica DVM6 is connected to a computer through the integrated USB output. The microscope camera image is shown on the monitor.

Leica Application Suite X

Your Leica DVM6 digital microscope includes the "Leica Application Suite X" (LAS X) software. LAS X is required for displaying and editing the images from the Leica DVM6 and for controlling the Leica DVM6 and selected accessories. This means you will be perfectly equipped for any situation, including: Working on a computer, during presentations, training sessions, trade show appearances, during materials testing and more.

There are additional (optionally available) LAS X modules to choose from if you want to perform demanding image analyses.

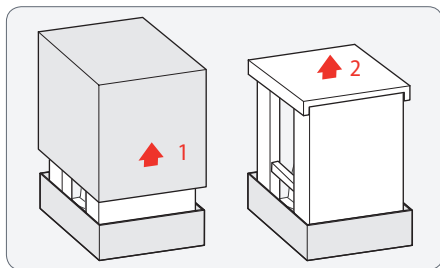
User-friendly even in the smallest detail

Like every digital camera, the Leica DVM6's integrated camera reacts differently to different light sources. However, the white balance is matched to LED illumination from Leica at the factory. This means that if you use a Leica LED illuminator, you automatically obtain the best results!

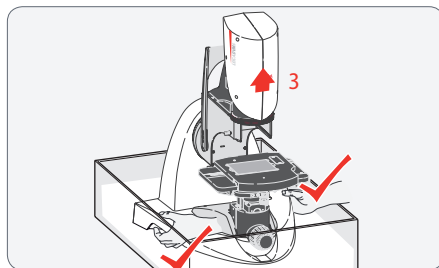
The Leica DVM6 and its integrated light sources, i.e. LED ring light illumination and coaxial illumination, are factory-set to ensure you receive the best results automatically.

Packing and Unpacking

Unpacking



1. Pull up the cardboard sleeve.
2. Remove the foam.



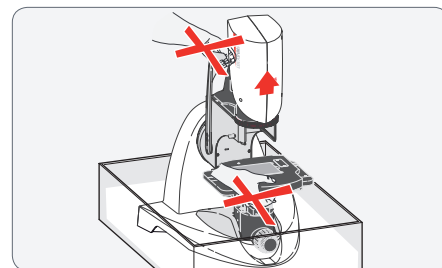
3. Reach your hands into the grip cutouts under the microscope and lift it upwards out of the packaging.



Proceed with caution because the microscope weighs approximately 20 kg.



Keep the original packaging. Always use the original packaging to transport the Leica DVM6.

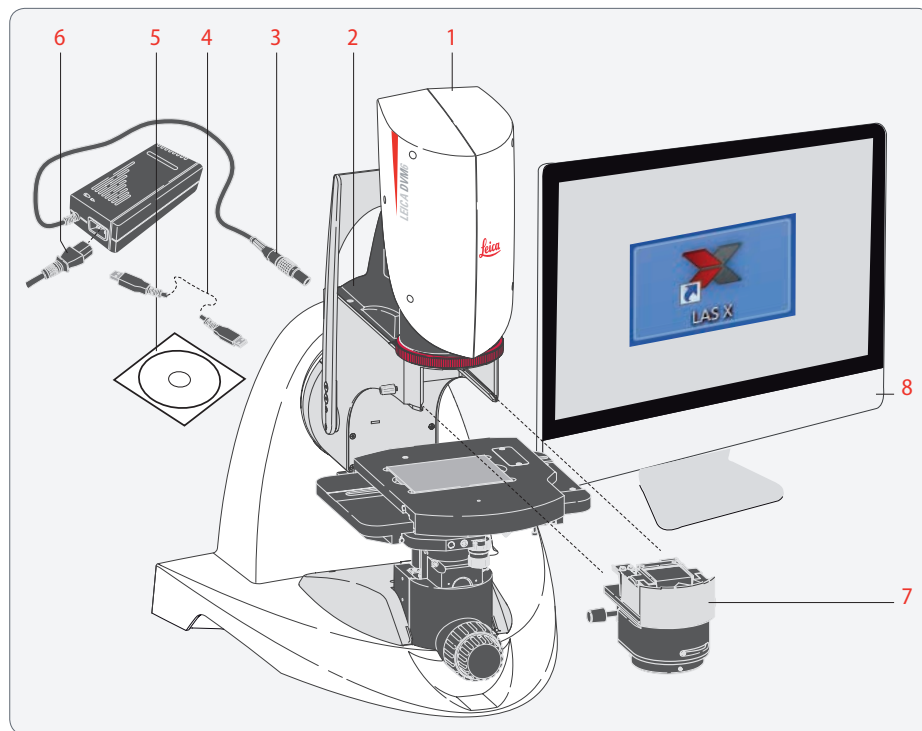


To avoid damaging the Leica DVM6, never hold it by the rocker arm or the XY stage.

The objective and optional accessories are delivered packaged separately. Remove the parts of the packaging, but leave them in their additional transport protection, e.g. the dust protection bag.

Standard Delivery and Accessories

Standard delivery and required accessories



The standard delivery of the Leica DVM6 digital microscope includes:

1. Zoom module, without objective
2. Leica DVM6 microscope
3. Power supply unit for supplying power
4. USB cable, for connection to the computer
5. "Leica Application Suite X (LAS X)" software DVD

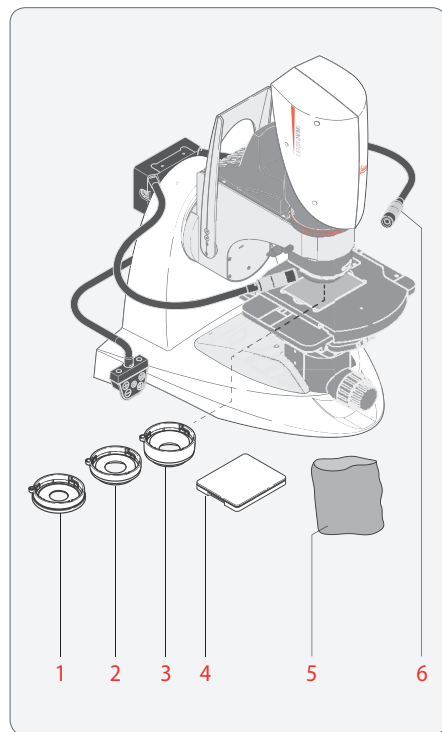
Required accessories

6. Country-specific power cable
7. Objective
8. Windows computer with Windows 7 operating system (64 bit)



Additional information about working on the computer and with Leica Application Suite X (LAS X) is provided in the software's online help.

Optional accessories



The following are the optional accessories available for the Leica DVM6 digital microscope:

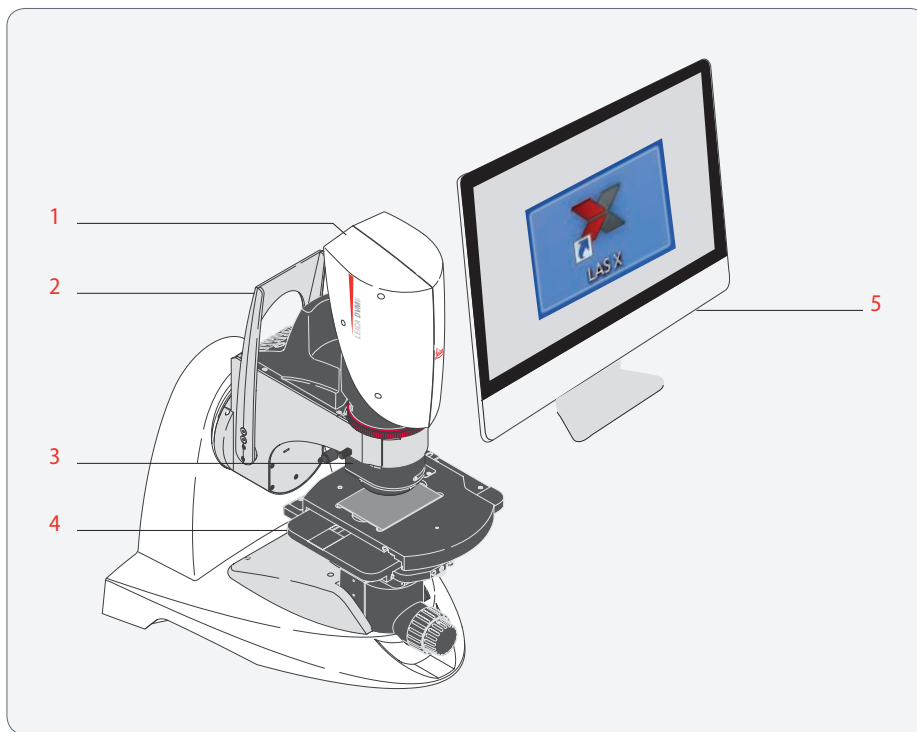
1. *Polarizer*
2. *Diffuser*
3. *Side light adapter*
4. *Transmitted light stage*
5. *Dust cover*
6. *Flexible Leica LED5000 SLI point light source*

For information on additional accessories, such as objectives and adapters, illumination or the dust cover for the microscope, please contact your Leica Microsystems authorized dealer.



You can find detailed descriptions of different accessories in their corresponding user manual.

System Overview

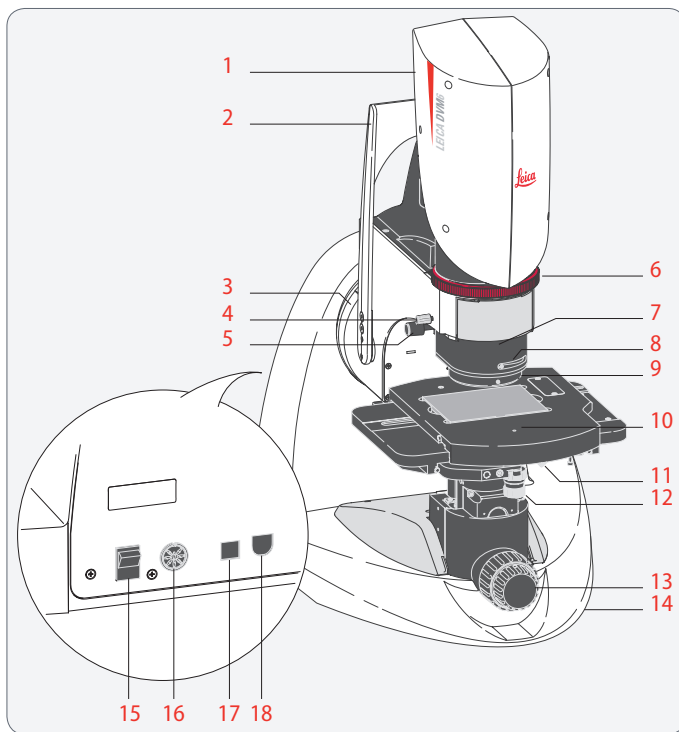


This overview shows the Leica DVM6 in an example application with additional components.

1. *Zoom module*
2. *Tilting stand with rocker arm*
3. *PlanAPO FOV 12.55 objective*
4. *XY stage with stage plate*
5. *Windows computer with LAS X software*

Overview of the Instrument

Instrument Components



1. *Leica DVM6 (zoom module)*
2. *Rocker arm*
3. *Tilting axis*
4. *Fastening screw for objective*
5. *Relief contrast controller, on both sides*
6. *Zoom ring for setting the sample section*
7. *Objective; three different objectives are available for selection*
8. *Contrast dial for coaxial incident light illumination, for PlanAPO FOV 12.55 and FOV 3.60 objectives*
9. *LED ring light illumination, coaxial illumination*
10. *XY stage, manual or motorized*
11. *Table rotation click stop*
12. *X and Y adjuster wheels, for manual XY stage*
13. *Focus drive, coarse and fine adjustment, manual*
14. *Base with tilting stand*
15. *On/Off switch*
16. *Power supply connection*
17. *USB connection*
18. *Connection for Leica LED5000 SLI external illumination*

Leica DVM6 C



On the Leica DVM6 C (10 450 701), the focus drive and XY stage are encoded (i.e. equipped with a position measuring system) and can only be operated manually.

Illumination and image acquisition are controlled exclusively via the Leica LAS X software.

Leica DVM6 S



On the Leica DVM6 S (10 450 702), the focus drive is encoded and can be operated both motorized and manually; the XY stage is encoded and can only be operated manually.

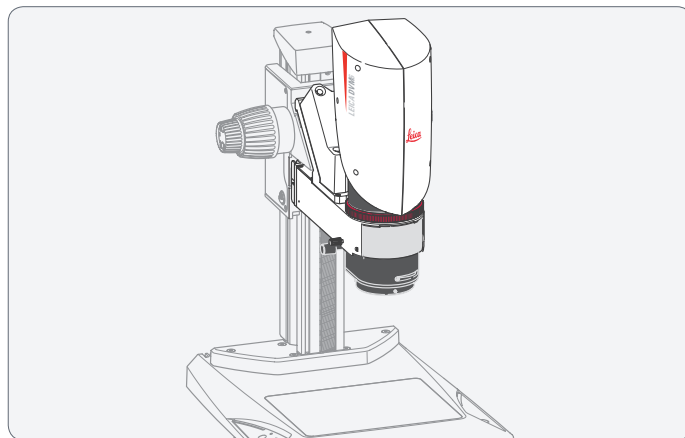
Illumination and image acquisition are controlled exclusively via the Leica LAS X software. An autofocus function is used to bring the sample into sharp focus using the motorized focus drive.

Leica DVM6 A



On the Leica DVM6 A (10 450 703), the focus drive and XY stage are encoded and can be operated motorized or manually. Illumination and image acquisition are controlled exclusively via the Leica LAS X software. An autofocus function is used to bring the sample into sharp focus using the motorized focus drive. The exact position of the sample can be controlled on the screen in the precise detail.

Leica DVM6 M



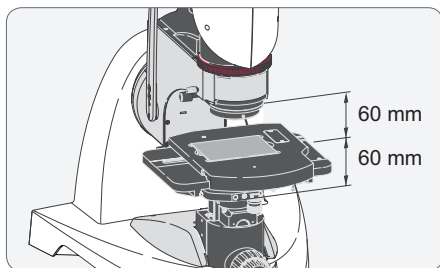
The Leica DVM6 M consists of the zoom module and can only be used with a special interface adapter. Combined with one of the three available objectives, the Leica DVM6 M can be used with selected stands from Leica's range of accessories to examine very large or very tall samples.



For more information on using the Leica DVM6 M, please contact your Leica Microsystems authorized dealer.

Objectives

For low magnification levels

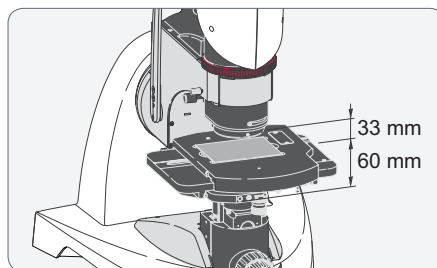


The Leica PlanAPO FOV 43.75 (10 450 704) objective is the objective for large image fields and is suitable for samples with large height differences.

It has a working distance of 60 mm.

Using the zoom ring, you can select the visible sample section, ranging from a maximum of 35.0 mm × 26.3 mm to a minimum of 2.19 mm × 1.64 mm.

For medium magnification levels

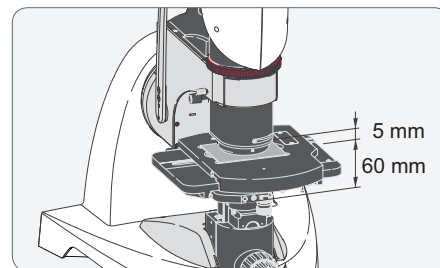


The Leica PlanAPO FOV 12.55 (10 450 705) objective is the objective for medium magnification levels.

It has a working distance of 33 mm.

Using the zoom ring, you can select the visible sample section, ranging from a maximum of 10.04 mm × 7.53 mm to a minimum of 0.63 mm × 0.47 mm.

For maximum magnification levels



The Leica PlanAPO FOV 3.60 (10 450 706) objective is the objective for the highest magnification levels.

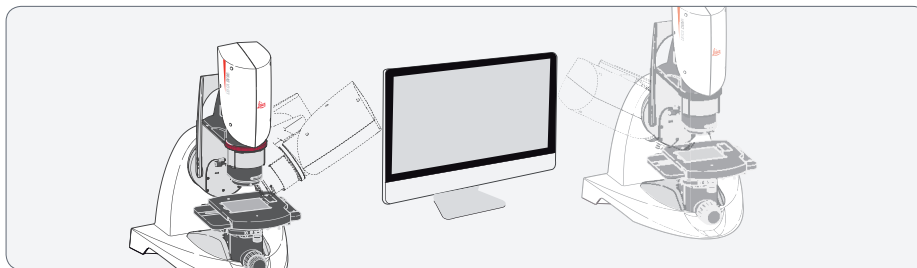
It has a working distance of 5 mm.

Using the zoom ring, you can select the visible sample section, ranging from a maximum of 2.88 mm × 2.16 mm to a minimum of 0.18 mm × 0.14 mm.


Installation/Assembly


Setting up Leica DVM6


Leica DVM6 and monitor



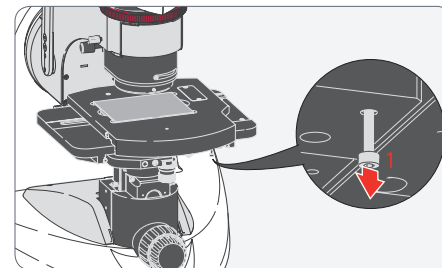
1. Position the Windows PC and computer monitor such that you have an optimum working position in front of the screen.
2. Position the Leica DVM6 next to the monitor so that you can easily reach the rocker arm, zoom ring, manual focus drive and XY stage.


 Depending on your preference, you can position the Leica DVM6 to the right or left of the computer monitor.

 Ensure that the Leica DVM6 is far enough away from the screen to ensure the tilting movement of the microscope.


 The Leica DVM6 microscope is designed as a VDU workstation; the microscope image is always and only displayed on the computer monitor!

Transport anchor




 The transport anchor has to be removed before switching on the microscope for the first time, specifically for the Leica DVM6 A with motorized XY stage.


1. Remove the transport anchor screw and keep it for subsequent use.

 Re-insert the transport anchor for subsequent transport; failure to do so could result in severe damage to the Leica DVM6.

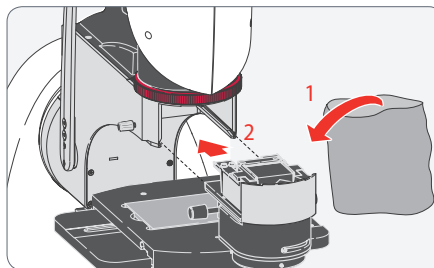
Installing the PlanAPO Objective


General instructions

 According to the order, the Leica DVM6 digital microscope is delivered in a pre-assembled state. The desired objective and optional accessories have to be assembled onsite.

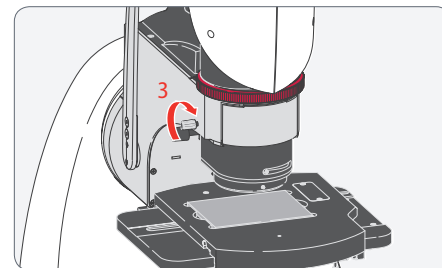
 Make sure not to touch optical and electrical parts.

Installing the objective




 The objective weighs approximately 2 kg. Therefore, hold it firmly during assembly and disassembly. Remove any samples from the XY stage before assembly.

1. Take the objective out of the dust protection bag.
2. Attach the sliding guide of the objective to the dovetail guide and push it in as far as it will go.



3. Fasten the objective using the clamping screw.

 Keep the delivery packaging in a safe place; it also serves as a means of storing the objective.

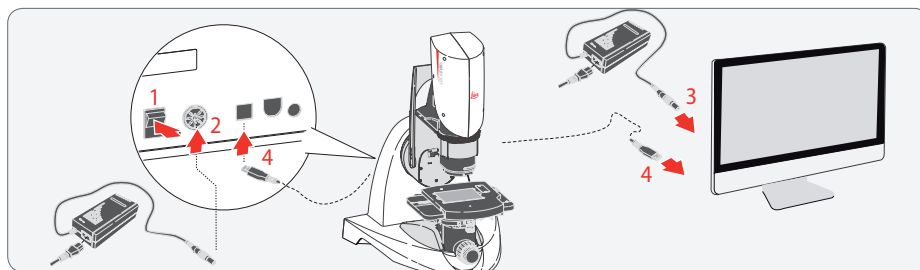
Cables and Terminals

General Instructions



Please only connect the provided power supply. Using an incorrect voltage can substantially damage the Leica DVM6.

Power supply and computer



1. Make sure that the Leica DVM6 is switched off.
2. Connect the Leica DVM6 to a suitable power socket using a power supply and power cable.
3. Connect the Windows PC to the power supply.
4. Using the USB cable, connect the Leica DVM6 to the Windows PC.



If you are not using an all-in-one computer, connect the monitor and computer to the power supply and connect the monitor to the computer. Then connect the Leica DVM6 to the computer via USB.

Optional Accessories

Polarizer

Instructions for safe assembly



Hold the polarizer firmly during assembly and disassembly so that it does not fall onto the XY stage.

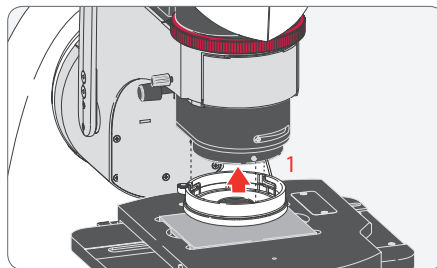


The polarizer 10 450 708 is not included in the standard delivery of the Leica DVM6.



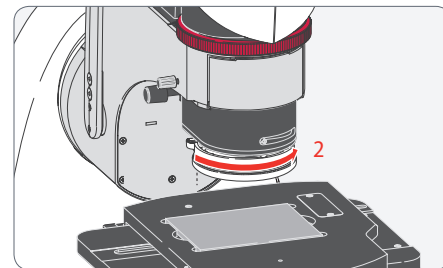
You do not have to switch off the Leica DVM6 or the illumination when installing accessories.

Assembly



To prevent possible damage to the samples, remove them from the XY stage. Rotate the focus drive downwards to create more room for assembly.

1. Attach the polarizer so that it perfectly fits onto the objective.



2. Lock the polarizer on the objective by turning it slightly until it engages. The polarizer is detected by the LAS X software automatically.



The polarizer is used to polarize the ring light illumination; the analyzer is already installed in the Leica DVM6 zoom module. Rotating the polarizers changes the polarization direction, e.g. to suppress direct reflections.

Diffuser

Instructions for safe assembly



Hold the diffuser firmly during assembly and disassembly so that it does not fall onto the XY stage.

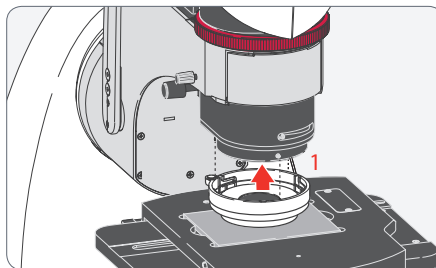


The diffuser 10 450 709 is not included in the standard delivery of the Leica DVM6.



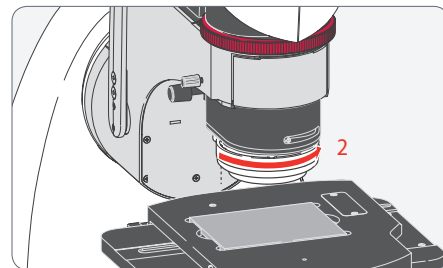
You do not have to switch off the Leica DVM6 or the illumination when installing accessories.

Assembly



To prevent possible damage to the samples, remove them from the XY stage. Rotate the focus drive downwards to create more room for assembly.

1. Attach the diffuser so that it perfectly fits onto the objective.



2. Lock the diffuser on the objective by turning it slightly until it engages. The diffuser is detected by the LAS X software automatically.



Using the diffuser, the light is distributed in a uniform manner to minimize bright spots on shiny glossy or reflective sample surfaces.

Side Light Adapter

Instructions for safe assembly



Hold the side light adapter firmly during assembly and disassembly so that it does not fall onto the XY stage.



The side light adapter 10 450 711 is not included in the standard delivery of the Leica DVM6.

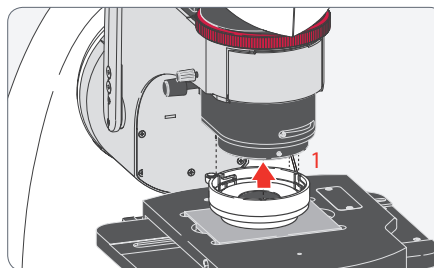


You do not have to switch off the Leica DVM6 or the illumination when installing accessories.



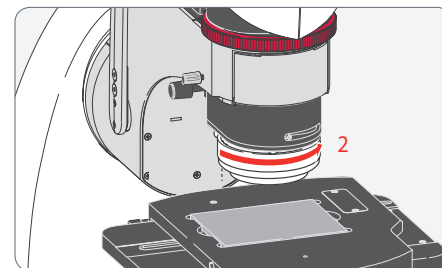
The side light adapter reduces the distance to the sample.

Assembly



Remove the samples from the XY stage to prevent possible damage. Rotate the focus drive downwards to create more room for assembly.

1. Attach the side light adapter so that it perfectly fits onto the objective.



2. Lock the side light adapter on the objective by turning it slightly until it engages. The side light adapter is detected by the LAS X software automatically.



Using the side light adapter, light is directed onto the sample at a shallow angle. Irregularities in the sample surface (e.g. waviness or scratches) are accentuated.

Transmitted Light Stage

Instructions for safe assembly



Never touch the electrical contacts of the transmitted light stage.



Hold the transmitted light stage firmly during assembly and disassembly so that it does not fall onto the XY stage.

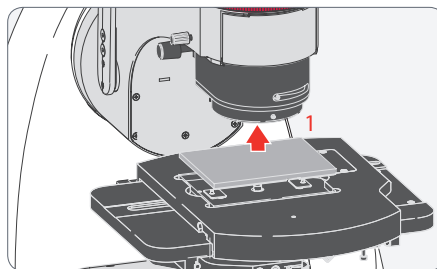


The transmitted light stage 10 450 712 is not included in the standard delivery of the Leica DVM6.



You must switch off the illumination when installing or removing the transmitted light stage.

Assembly

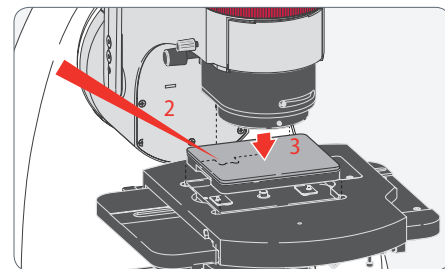


Remove any samples from the XY stage. Rotate the focus drive downwards to create more room for assembly.

1. Remove the stage plate from the XY stage.



The stage plate is secured to the XY stage by magnets. It may take a certain amount of force to remove them as a result.



2. Ensure correct orientation. The socket on the transmitted light stage has to meet the contact pins in the XY stage.

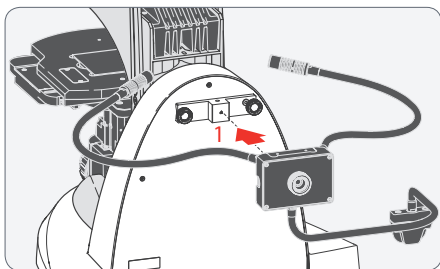
3. Insert the transmitted light stage into the XY stage so that it fits properly.




Please note that the transmitted light stage is larger and taller than the stage plate.


Leica LED5000 SLI External Illumination

Assembly on the Leica DVM6

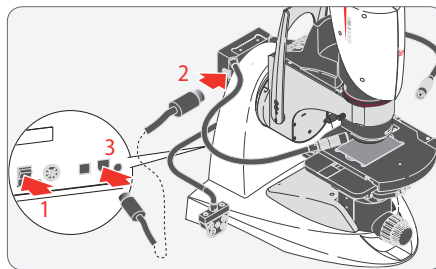


1. Screw the spot illumination onto the adapter.


 The spot illumination 10 450 548 is not included in the standard delivery of the Leica DVM6.


 The adapter 10 450 718 is mounted on the rear side of the base. For more information, please contact your Leica Microsystems representative.

Power supply via Leica DVM6




1. Make sure that the Leica DVM6 is switched off.
2. Connect the provided cable to the Leica LED5000 SLI. The right and left side of the spot illumination both have a socket.
3. Connect the cable to the Leica DVM6.

 The spot illumination is powered using the cable from the Leica DVM6.

 The spot illumination can be controlled using Leica LAS X software or its own controls.


Personalizing the Computer and Installing Software

Windows PC


 The appropriate version of the LAS X software comes installed on the Windows PC if the computer was delivered together with the DVM6 microscope from Leica.


1. You have to personalize the Windows PC the first time you start it. As usual for Windows PCs, this requires that you set the country, time zone, language and other options if necessary.

2. Follow the instructions on the computer.


 For instructions on installing and using the software, refer to the DVD provided with the Leica DVM6.

Computer provided by the customer

 The appropriate version of Leica Application Suite X (LAS X) must be installed on the computer provided by the customer in order to use the Leica DVM6. The computer also has to have sufficient free hard drive space.

 Please note the computer system requirements.

1. Place the provided DVD into the computer's disk drive and follow the instructions for installing the software.

 For instructions on installing and using the software, refer to the DVD provided with the Leica DVM6.

	System requirement	
	Minimum	Recommended
Operating system	Windows 7 / 10, 64-bit	Windows 7 / 10, 64-bit
CPU	Intel Core i7 CPU 4-Core 4.0 GHz	Intel Core i7 CPU 4-Core 4.0 GHz
RAM	16 GB DDR3-1867 MHz	16 GB DDR3-1867 MHz
Hard disk drive	128 GB SSD/1TB HDD (or full SSD min. 512 GB, Windows and LAS X are to be installed on the SSD drive)	128 GB SSD/2TB HDD (or full SSD min. 512 GB, Windows and LAS X are to be installed on the SSD drive)
Video	AMD Radeon R9 (2 GB)	AMD Radeon R9 M390 (2 GB)
DirectX 11 version	DirectX 11	DirectX 11

Image output



- The image from the Leica DVM6 is always output in a 4:3 aspect ratio.
- A monitor with a 16:9 or 16:10 aspect ratio is recommended for displaying the image using LAS X. This leaves a sufficient amount of space on the monitor next to the live display for the LAS X software control elements.

The following resolutions can be set for displaying the camera image:


- The live display of the Leica DVM6 is set to $1,600 \times 1,200$ pixels (2 megapixels) by default.

- Various formats can be selected for image acquisition:

2 megapixels: $1,600 \times 1,200$ pixels

5 megapixels: $2,592 \times 1,944$ pixels

10 megapixels: $3,664 \times 2,748$ pixels

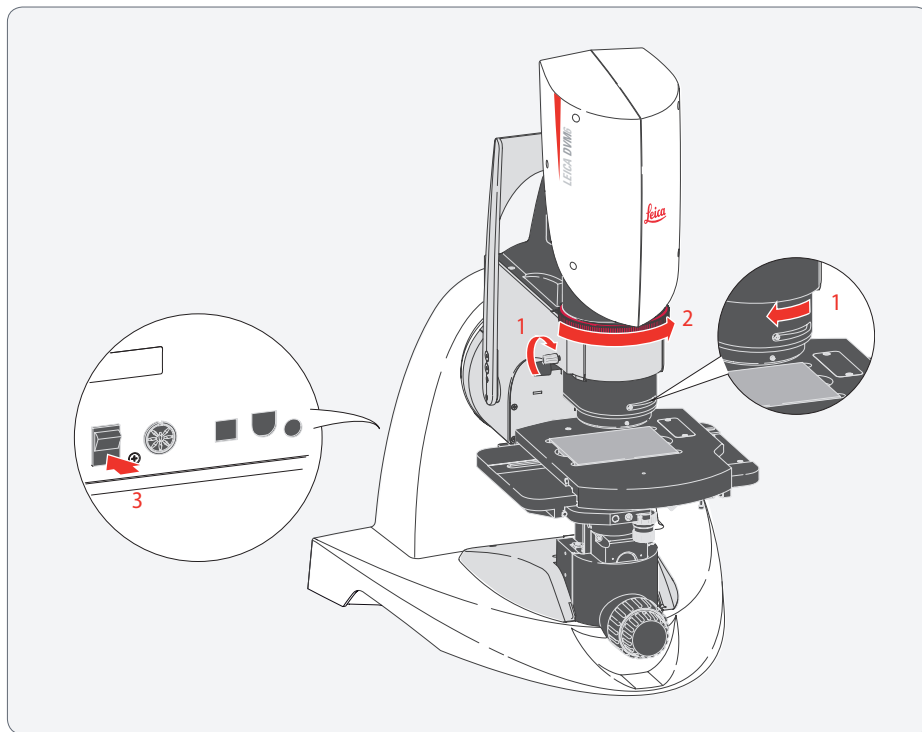
 Additional information about working on the computer and with Leica Application Suite X (LAS X) is provided in the software's online help.

Instrument Setup

Leica DVM6

Switching on the Leica DVM6

Switching on the Leica DVM6



Ensure that the objective is inserted on the microscope and is securely in place.

1. For the PlanAPO FOV 12.55 and FOV 3.60 objectives: Rotate the relief contrast controller all the way forward (open) and set the contrast dial to the normal position (left stop).
2. Rotate the zoom ring to its clockwise stop position to set the lowest magnification.
3. Set the on/off switch to "1" to switch on the Leica DVM6.

Switching on the Computer and Starting the LAS X Software

General instructions



The light from the Leica LED illumination can be very bright. Avoid looking directly into the LEDs.

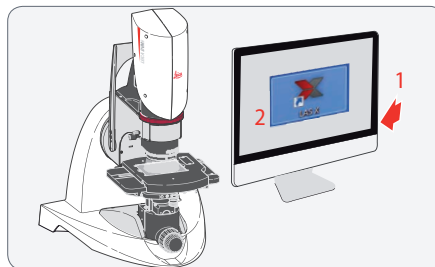


The objective is equipped with a safety shut-off for the integrated illumination. Removing the objective from the microscope switches off the illumination, preventing accidental operation in an unmounted state.



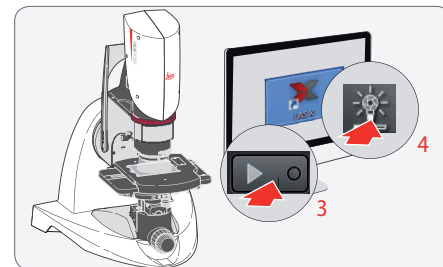
Ensure that the objective is inserted on the microscope and is securely in place, the microscope is switched on and the microscope is connected to the computer via USB.


Use



1. Switch on the Windows PC and the monitor.

2. Start the LAS X software .



3. Press the "Play" button  to display the live image.

4. Switch on the LED ring light illumination using the LAS X software.



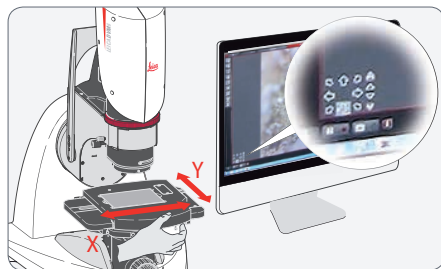
The intensity of the illumination can be adjusted in ten increments using the software.



In addition to the LED ring light illumination, you can also use the coaxial illumination as needed.

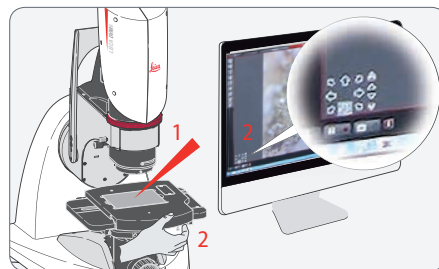
Placing the Sample and Positioning the Stage

Notes for the XY stage




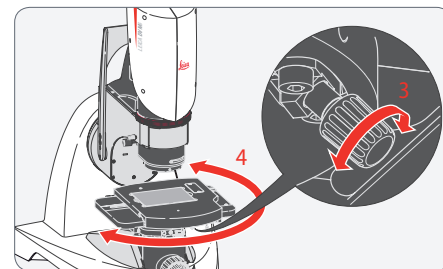
- The XY stage (manual or motorized) can move up to 70 mm in the X direction and up to 50 mm in the Y direction.
- The LAS X software is used to control a Leica DVM6 A with a motorized XY stage.
- The motorized XY stage can be moved by hand to orient the sample quickly. To move it by hand, grab it by the upper plate and push it into the desired position.

Placing and positioning the sample





1. Place the sample to be examined on the center of the stage plate.
2. Now you can move the stage manually or using the LAS X software until the desired section is displayed in the live image.

 On a Leica DVM6 with motorized XY stage, double-clicking on any point in the image centers the sample/image on that point. Alternatively, you can also position the XY stage using drag and drop in the live image.



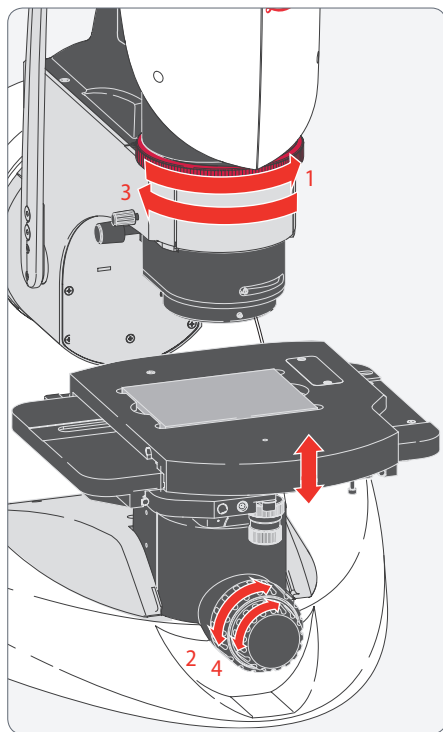
3. The XY stage is locked in place at the zero position. The knurled screw can be used to adjust the strength of the click stop effect.
4. Rotate the XY stage in the desired direction.

 Even on a microscope with a motorized XY stage, the stage is always rotated by hand.

 Fix the XY stage in place before beginning a new examination at its zero position.

Focusing

Focusing



Focusing raises or lowers the XY stage using the focusing drive. Focusing is manual or motorized depending on the instrument version. The sample detail is brought into sharp focus as soon as it is at the focal point.

1. Set the lowest magnification level. Turn the zoom ring clockwise as far as it will go.
2. At the lowest magnification level, use the coarse/fine adjustment to focus.
3. Use the zoom ring to set the highest magnification level.
4. At the highest magnification level, use the coarse/fine adjustment to focus. Now the sample is in focus at every magnification setting.

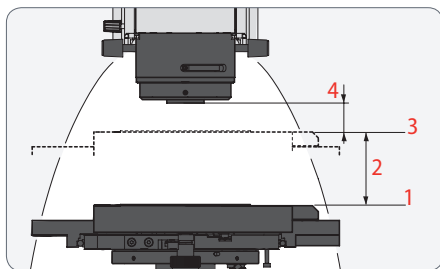


The LAS X software is used to control a Leica DVM6 A with a motorized focus drive. The focus can also be adjusted by hand at any time despite this.





For a Leica DVM6 with a motorized focus drive, the stage height can only be adjusted if the instrument is powered.


Focal plane



1. XY stage upper edge (in the lowest setting)
2. Maximum XY stage height adjustment (= focusing range)
3. Focal plane
4. Working distance, for FOV 12.55 planapochromatic objective

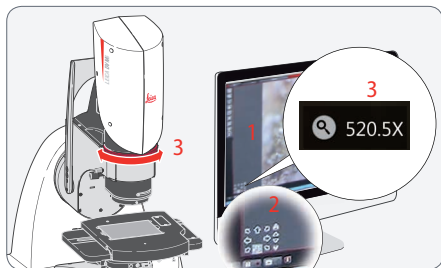
 The working distance for the PlanAPO FOV 12.55 objective is shown in the image. You can see the working distance for other objectives on [page 69](#).

 The maximum focusing range is 60 mm.


 If the XY stage is in the uppermost position, then the focal plane is 2 mm below the upper edge of the XY stage.


Changing the Magnification


Changing the magnification (zoom)



1. Observe the live image on the monitor.
2. Focus on the sample.
3. Rotate the zoom ring until the desired magnification is configured. While changing the magnification, the current value is displayed in the live image.
4. Refocus if necessary.

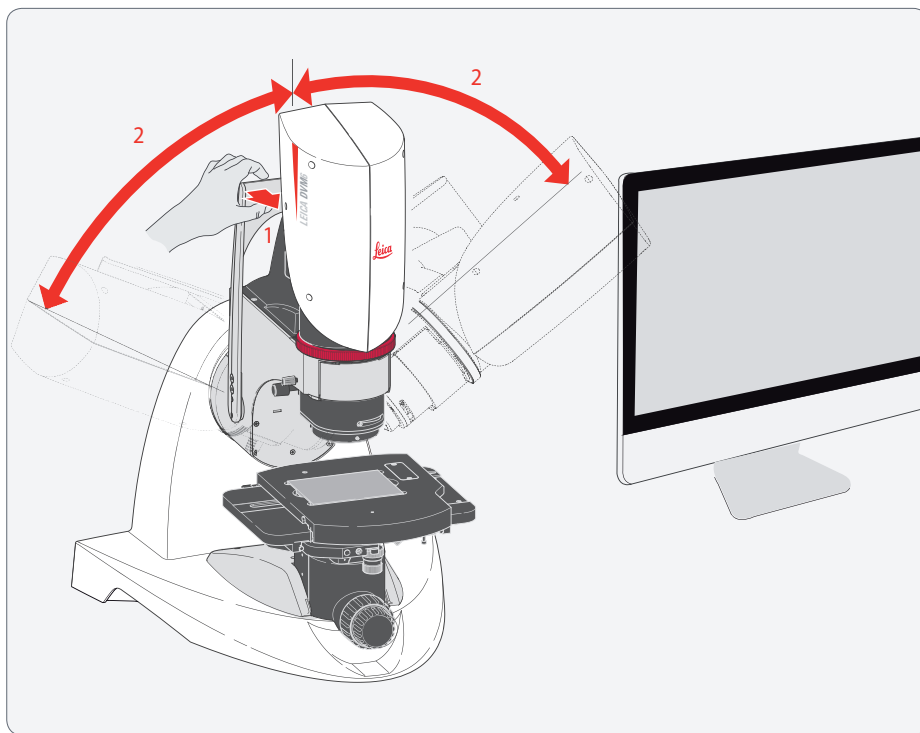
 The Leica DVM6 provides you with infinitely variable adjustment for changing the magnification level.

 Parfocality: The Leica DVM6 is parfocally matched. If the sample is in focus at the highest magnification level, this remains true across the entire magnification range.


 A magnification display is shown on the screen while zoomed in. The displayed magnification corresponds to the ratio of the size shown on the screen to the real structure size on the sample.


Using a Tilting Stand

Tilting the stand

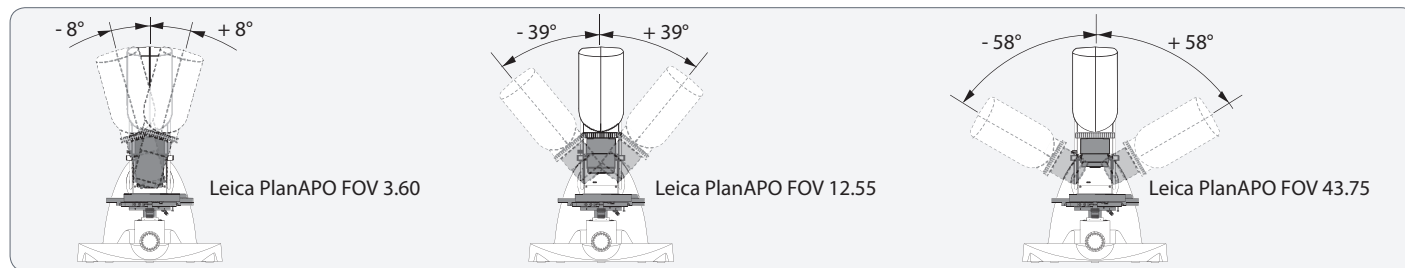


1. Pull the rocker arm toward the zoom module.
2. Now you are free to tilt the tilting stand with the zoom module and objective in a range from 0° to $\pm 60^\circ$.

 The maximum tilting angle depends on the objective being used and the size and height of the sample.

 The Leica DVM6 compensates for the weight of the instrument at every tilting angle, which makes it easy and comfortable to control throughout the entire tilting range.

Notes on tilting





The rocker arm has two engagement levels:

- Pulling on the rocker arm slightly releases the holding brake and lets you tilt the stand. Tilting past the zero position moves an index pin over a click stop and a quiet clicking sound can be heard. This allows you to easily put the tilting stand in its upright zero position.
- Pulling the rocker arm all the way fully disengages the index pin. This makes it possible to evenly and easily tilt the stand past the zero position. This can be useful when recording a video.

An audible warning sounds before the objective collides with the XY stage while the microscope is being tilted.

- The warning tone triggers based on the assumption that you are using a flat sample. Exercise caution when using uneven or protruding samples.
- The microscope automatically detects the objective type and adjusts the triggering angle for the audible warning signal according to the various working distances.

 Despite the audible warning from the Leica DVM6, always exercise caution when tilting the microscope.

 The holding brake is engaged automatically when you release the rocker arm and prevents any further accidental tilting. This avoids damage to the sample or Leica DVM6 even if the rocker arm is released by accident.

Application

Leica DVM6 Application Example

Leica DVM6

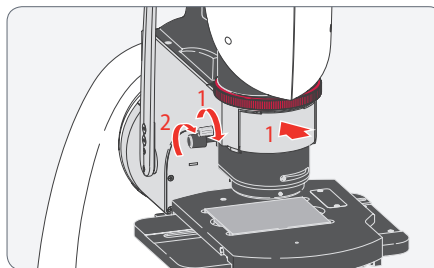
General instructions

- The Leica DVM6 is designed as a VDU workstation.
- It is a universal microscope with a wide range of uses.
- It provides a large working distance, making it ideal for examining even relatively large samples that can be observed at very high magnification levels without special preparation.
- The Leica Application Suite X (LAS X) software lets you control the Leica DVM6, change settings and record images or videos.

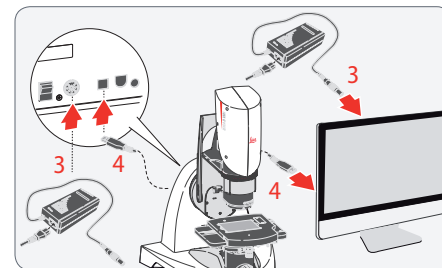


Following you will find a brief description of a typical workflow.

Preparations

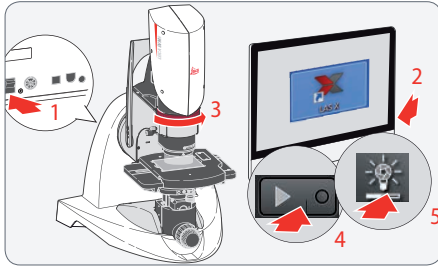





1. Check that the objective is correctly inserted and secured.
2. Ensure that the relief contrast is turned all the way towards the bottom.

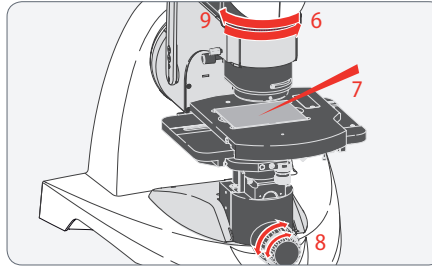


3. Check that the microscope and computer are properly connected to the power supply.
4. Check the USB connection between the microscope and computer.

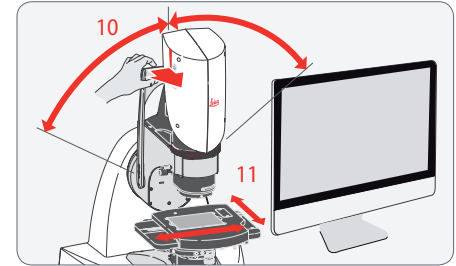
Initial steps



1. Switch on the Leica DVM6.
2. Switch on the computer and start the LAS X software .
3. Set a low magnification level.
4. Press the "Play" button  to display the live image.
5. Switch on the LED ring light illumination  using the LAS X software.



6. Set the lowest magnification level. Turn the zoom ring clockwise as far as it will go.
7. Position the sample on the stage plate. You may have to move and rotate the sample.
8. Focus using the coarse and fine adjustment.
9. Now increase the magnification level and refocus if necessary.



10. Tilt the tilting stand as necessary. The sample stays in focus while tilting and the same sample section is shown.
11. You may have to rotate and move the sample.



The XY stage moves up when a Leica DVM6 with a motorized focus drive is restarted. Remove samples and other objects from the XY stage to avoid damaging the objective in use.

Changing the Objective

Instructions for safe assembly



The objective weighs approximately 2 kg. Therefore, hold it firmly during assembly and disassembly. Remove any samples from the XY stage before changing the objective.

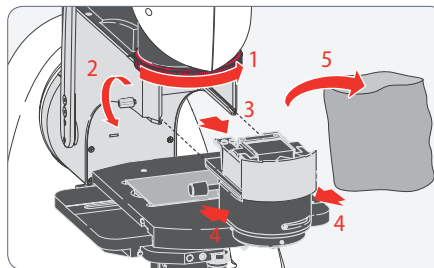


Make sure not to touch optical and electrical parts.

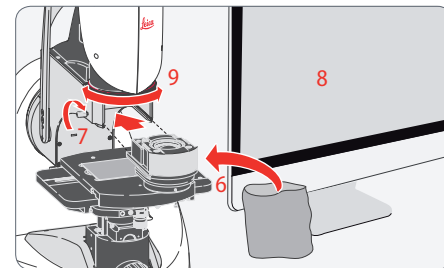


The objective is changed during ongoing operations (hot swap). You do not need to switch off the Leica DVM6 or the Leica LAS X software to change the objective.

Objective change



1. Set the lowest magnification level.
2. Unscrew the clamping screw.
3. Remove the objective by pulling it straight forward. The length of the guide prevents the objective from falling.
4. Hold the objective with both hands before pulling it completely off of the guide.
5. Store the removed objective in a dust protection bag.



6. Take the new objective out of the dust protection bag.
7. Attach the sliding guide of the objective to the dovetail guide. Push the objective as far as it will go and secure it in place with the clamping screw.
8. The Leica DVM6 and the Leica LAS X software automatically detect the objective. Confirm the display with OK.
9. Now you can adjust the magnification level and refocus if necessary.

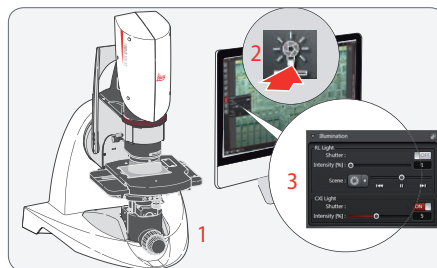
Coaxial Illumination

General instructions

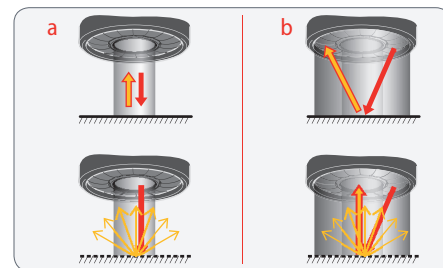
The coaxial illumination

- illuminates the sample directly from above
- is switched on and off via the Leica LAS X software and the brightness is adjusted
- can be adjusted to the reflection properties of the sample using the contrast dial
- can be influenced using relief contrast
- can be used independent of the LED ring light illumination
- is available for the two PlanAPO FOV 12.55 and FOV 3.60 objectives


Switching on the coaxial illumination



1. Focus on the sample.
2. Switch on the coaxial illumination using the Leica LAS X software.
3. You can also regulate the brightness of the coaxial illumination using Leica LAS X software.

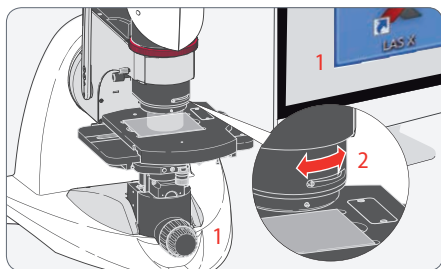


The image shows a schematic diagram of how the coaxial illumination (a) and LED ring light illumination (b) work: The top shows reflective/shining sample surfaces and the bottom shows matte/diffuse sample surfaces.

 The LED ring light illumination is recommended for matte/diffuse sample surfaces; the coaxial illumination is recommended for reflective/shining sample surfaces.

Coaxial Illumination (Continued)

Contrast dial



1. With the coaxial illumination switched on, bring the sample into focus.
2. Adjust the contrast dial to regulate the image brightness of reflective sample surfaces under the coaxial illumination.

i If, when turning the dial, the image becomes dark for a short period of time, wait a moment until the exposure correction has compensated for the brightness of the image.

i The contrast dial should only be turned out of the normal position for flat, shining samples to improve the image quality.

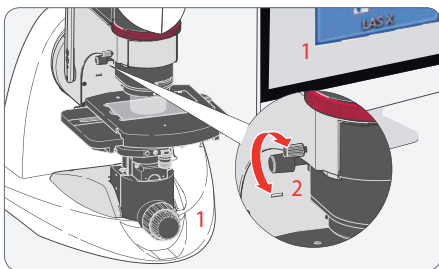
i For suitable samples with shining surfaces, e.g. semiconductor chips, the contrast dial can be used to show the colors of the surface.

i The contrast dial for coaxial incident light illumination is available for the PlanAPO FOV 12.55 and FOV 3.60 objectives.

i The contrast dial and relief contrast can be used at the same time.

Coaxial Illumination (Continued)

Adjusting relief contrast



i Using the control dial for relief contrast, "mask" a part of the coaxial illumination. This makes the light hit the sample at a slight angle and creates shadows on subtle surface irregularities to convey a spatial impression.

1. With the coaxial illumination switched on, bring the sample into focus.
2. Use the control dial to adjust the coaxial illumination until the image shows the desired spatial effect.

i Adjusting the relief contrast has an influence on the coaxial illumination.

i Adjusting the relief contrast can be used to generate a depth effect in the image for flat samples, for example, to better detect contamination.

i The contrast dial and relief contrast can be used at the same time.

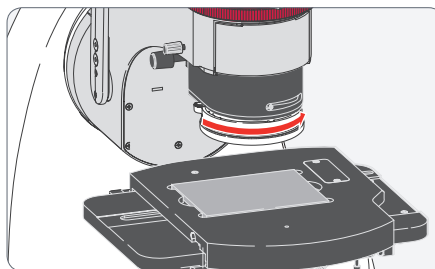
Using Accessories

Polarizer, Diffuser



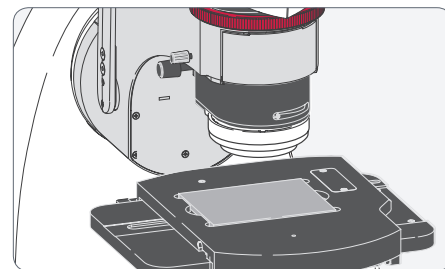
You can find detailed descriptions of different accessories in their corresponding user manual.

Polarizer



- The polarizer (10 450 708) influences the ring light illumination.
- Rotate the polarizer to change the polarization direction of the LED ring light illumination.
- This can display low-contrast samples with high contrast. Potential material errors or other visible defects can be identified quickly and reliably.

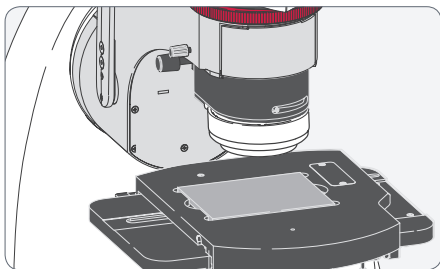
Diffuser



- The diffuser (10 450 709) influences the ring light illumination.
- The diffuser generates a "soft" light that helps generate a meaningful (more visible) image for highly reflective samples.

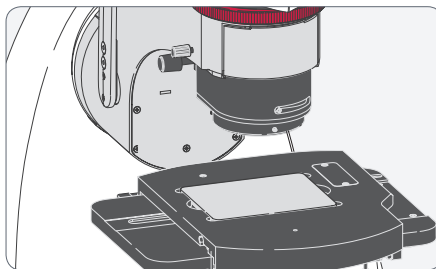
Side Light Adapter, Transmitted Light Stage

Side light adapter



- The side light adapter (10 450 711) influences the ring light illumination.
- The side light adapter reduces the distance to the sample.
- Using the side light adapter, light is directed onto the sample at a shallow angle. This accentuates irregularities on the sample surface (e.g. waviness or scratches).

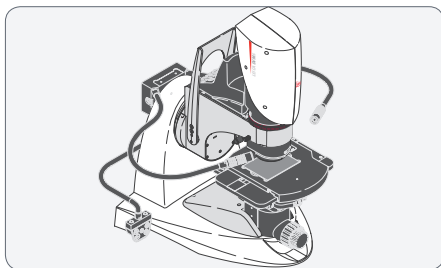
Transmitted light stage



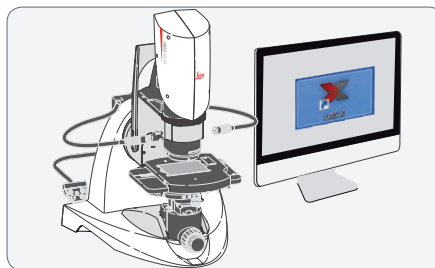
- When using the transmitted light stage (10 450 712), the light is directed through the sample from below.
- The transmitted light stage is used for transparent or thinly cut samples.
- The transmitted light stage is also suitable for "backlighting" openings or drilled holes.

Leica LED5000 SLI External Illumination

General instructions

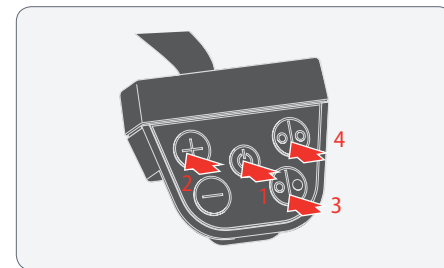







- The Leica LED5000 SLI (10 450 548) is an optional, external illumination option for incident light applications.
- Its flexible double-armed gooseneck and integrated LED spotlights ensure maximum versatility when adjusting the contrast.
- Steep LED position for low contrast and more uniform illumination, or flat LED position for stronger shading and contrast.




- The Leica LED5000 SLI is controlled using the Leica LAS X software.
- The intensity of the illumination can be adjusted in 10 increments.
- It can also be operated using the separate gooseneck with integrated control unit.

Control unit



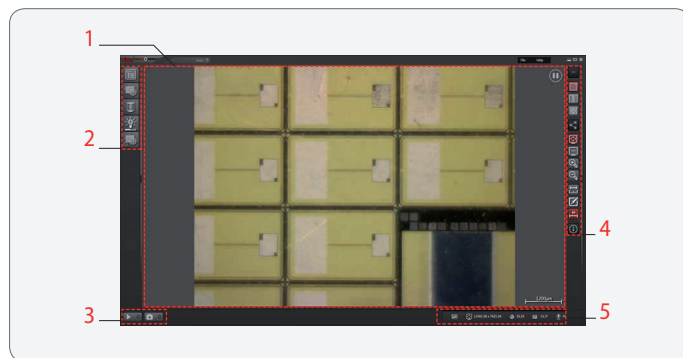
1. Use the  key to switch the illumination on or off.
2. Use the  or  keys to adjust the brightness in 10 increments.
3. Touch the  key to switch to single spot mode.
4. If only one spotlight is active, you can enable both spotlights using the  key.


 When pressing the buttons, hold the keypad between your thumb and index finger. Avoid tapping the keypad with just one finger if possible.

Software Application

Leica LAS X Basic Functions

Basic functions with the Leica DVM6



The LAS X software is started via the LAS X icon  on the Windows desktop.




Once the LAS X user interface has loaded, the screen is subdivided into the following areas:

1. *Image area*
2. *Left toolbar*
3. *Work space*
4. *Right toolbar*
5. *Status bar*






The LAS X software provides various functions for the different Leica DVM6 types (C, S, A). These differences are not listed in this User Manual.

Image area

- The current image is shown in the image area. The displayed status indicator on the top right indicates whether a live image , a paused image  or a stored image  is currently displayed.
- A scale can be displayed in the bottom right image area; this scale adjusts automatically if the magnification changes. The button on the right-hand toolbar is used to display the scale.

Work space

- In the work space, you can switch on a live image  or pause the live image .
- You can use the capture switch  to initiate image acquisition.

Leica LAS X Basic Functions (Continued)

Left-side toolbar

Here, you can prepare image acquisition or adjust the default values.



Under Project, specify the storage location for images or retrieve previously saved images.



Under Camera, specify the camera settings and activate the image preview.



In the microscope menu, retrieve the current magnification and specify whether the system should be optimized for the best depth of field or the best image resolution.



In the illumination menu, control the illumination of the DVM6.



In XY mode, expand the image area by moving the XY stage; in Z mode, you can create an image with an expanded depth of field.

Right-side toolbar

Buttons sorted into four groups are located on the right-side toolbar. The buttons slide out when you move the mouse to the edge of the screen.



Display of a 3D image if suitable image data is available. Tools for measurement in the image and

for labels and comments.



Displaying several image views for tasks such as comparing images.



Tools for changing the display on the screen (adapt to the screen size, reduce or

enlarge the display).



Information on the image currently shown. Show a scale in the image.

Status bar

The current instrument status is shown in the status bar.



For more information, a detailed description of the individual functions and controls is available in the help menu (top right in the title bar).

Service

Care, Maintenance, Contact Persons

General

We hope you enjoy using your high-performance microscope. Leica microscopes are renowned for their robustness and long service life. Observing the following care and cleaning tips will ensure that even after years, your Leica microscope will continue to work as well as it did on the very first day.

Warranty benefits

The guarantee covers all faults in materials and manufacture. It does not, however, cover damage resulting from careless or improper handling.

Contact address

If your instrument no longer works perfectly, contact your Leica representative. You can find information on worldwide Leica representatives on the Leica website: www.leica-microsystems.com.

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Care, Maintenance, Contact Persons (Continued)

Care

- Keeping all optical components clean is important for maintaining good optical performance.
- If any optical surface becomes badly coated with dust or dirt, flush the surface using a syringe or by brushing it off with a camel hair brush or with dry compressed air (pneumatic pump, compressed air spray) before attempting to wipe it clean.
- Optical surfaces should be cleaned using a lint-free cloth, lens cloth or cotton swab moistened with a commercially available glass cleaner. Do not use alcohol.
- Avoid excessive use of solvents. The lint-free cloth, lens cloth or cotton swab should be soaked with solvent, but not so wet that solvent runs over the lens.
- Protect your microscope from moisture, fumes and acids and from alkaline, caustic and corrosive materials and keep chemicals away from the instruments.
- Plugs, optical systems and mechanical parts must not be disassembled or replaced, unless doing so is specifically permitted and described in this User Manual.
- Protect your microscope from oil and grease.
- Do not grease guide surfaces or mechanical parts.

Protection from dirt

Dust and dirt will affect the quality of your results.

- Put an optionally available dust cover over the microscope when it will not be used for a long time.
- Keep accessories in a dust-free place when not in use.

Care, Maintenance, Contact Persons (Continued)

Cleaning polymer components

Some components are made of polymer or are polymer-coated. They are, therefore, pleasant and convenient to handle. The use of unsuitable cleaning agents and techniques can damage polymers.

Permitted measures

- Clean the microscope (or parts of it) using warm soapy water, then wipe using distilled water.
- Remove dust with a bellows and a soft paintbrush.
- Clean the objectives with special optics cleaning cloths and a commercially available glass cleaner.

Servicing

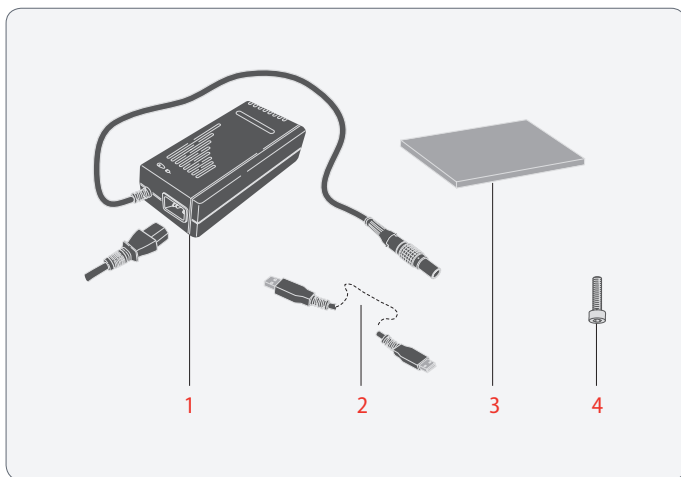
- Repairs may only be carried out by Leica Microsystems-trained service technicians. Only original Leica Microsystems spare parts may be used.

Danger of electric shock



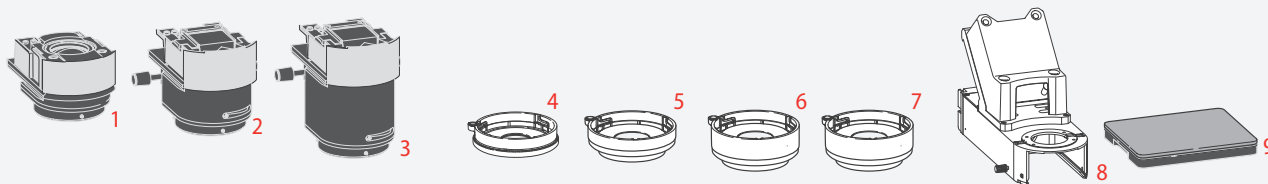
Risk of electric shock. Removing the cover of the Leica DVM6 exposes electrically live parts, which, if touched, can cause potentially fatal injuries. Have technical service carried out by a Leica Microsystems authorized dealer.

Spare parts



Item	Leica article number	Designation
1	19 002 518	Power supply
2	19 005 838	USB3.0 cable (2 m)
3	19 005 829	Stage plate
4	10 725 566	Fastening screw for objectives

Accessories



Item	Leica article number	Designation
1	10 450 704	DVM6 PlanAPO FOV 43.75 objective
2	10 450 705	DVM6 PlanAPO FOV 12.55 objective
3	10 450 706	DVM6 PlanAPO FOV 3.60 objective
4	10 450 708	Polarizer adapter for DVM6 objective FOV 43.75 & FOV 12.55 objectives
5	10 450 709	Diffuser adapter for objective FOV 43.75 (provides dome-like illumination when used with FOV 12.55 objective)
6	10 450 717	Diffuser adapter for objective FOV 12.55 (can also be connected to objective FOV 43.75)
7	10 450 711	Low angle illumination for DVM6 PlanAPO FOV 12.55 objective
8	10 450 707	Interface module for Leica M series focusing column
9	10 450 712	DVM6 BLI transmitted light illumination

Specifications

Specifications

System configurations

Components		DVM6 C (10 450 701)	DVM6 S (10 450 702)	DVM6 A (10 450 703)
Zoom module		✓	✓	✓
XY stage	Manual	✓	✓	--- 1
	Motorized	---	---	✓
Focus drive	Manual	✓	✓	✓
	Motorized	---	✓	✓
Tilting stand		✓	✓	✓
LAS X software		✓	✓	✓
Combinable objectives				
PlanAPO FOV 43.75 (10 450 704)		o	o	o
PlanAPO FOV 12.55 (10 450 705)		o	o	o
PlanAPO FOV 3.60 (10 450 706)		o	o	o
Transmitted light option (10 450 712)		o	o	o

Explanation of symbols:

✓ Included in the delivery package

o Available optionally as accessories

--- Not available

1) Manual stage positioning possible

Technical Data (Continued)

Zoom module

	Value/Description
Zoom	
Zoom ratio	1 : 16
Magnification	Continuously encoded detection
Optical correction	Achromatic
Iris diaphragm	Software-controlled
Camera	
Sensor grade	CMOS, 1/2.3"
Resolution	3,664 × 2,748 pixels
Pixel size	1.67 × 1.67 μm
Exposure time	0.5 to 500 ms
Frame rate, live (1,600 × 1,200 pixels)	Maximum: 37 frames per second
Image acquisition, resolution	2 megapixels: 1,600 × 1,200 pixels 5 megapixels: 2,592 × 1,944 pixels 10 megapixels: 3,664 × 2,748 pixels

	Value/Description
Design engineering	Multi-layered tempered optics system with single beam path, lead-free
	Zoom module can be removed from the tilting stand



The zoom module is identical for the Leica DVM6 C/S/A.

Technical Data (Continued)

Objectives

	PlanAPO FOV 43.75	PlanAPO FOV 12.55	PlanAPO FOV 3.60
Design engineering	Main objective, multi-layered tempered, lead-free		
Correction	Planapochromatic		
Connection	Quick-change system with slide-in mechanism		
Magnification range	Low	Medium	High
Working distance	60 mm	33 mm	5 mm

Technical Data (Continued)

Objectives (continued)

			PlanAPO FOV 43.75	PlanAPO FOV 12.55	PlanAPO FOV 3.60
		Zoom position	Values for iris priority: Best resolution		
Display magnification		V max	190:1	675:1	2350:1
		V min	12:1	42:1	147:1
System resolution limit ¹		V max	415 lp/mm	1,073 lp/mm	2,366 lp/mm
		V min	26 lp/mm	90 lp/mm	315 lp/mm
Workable magnification range ^{1, 2}		V max	69 to 138	179 to 358	394 to 789
		V min	4 to 9	15 to 30	53 to 105
Object field ³	wSys	V max	2.19 mm	0.63 mm	0.18 mm
		V min	35.0 mm	10.04 mm	2.88 mm
	hSys	V max	1.64 mm	0.47 mm	0.14 mm
		V min	26.3 mm	7.53 mm	2.16 mm
Depth of field ¹		V max	42 μm ⁴	6 μm	1.3 μm
		V min	10532 μm ⁴	874 μm ⁴	72 μm ⁴

- 1) Information in accordance with ISO/DIS 18221, at $\lambda=546\text{ nm}$
- 2) At a viewing distance of 350 mm to 700 mm from the screen

- 3) Screen display set to "fit to window"
- 4) The perceived depth of field is typically larger than the specified value since the

system resolution is not limited by the optical resolution capacity.

Technical Data (Continued)

Objectives (continued)

			PlanAPO FOV 43.75	PlanAPO FOV 12.55	PlanAPO FOV 3.60
		Zoom position	Values for iris priority: Maximum depth of field		
Display magnification		V max	190:1	675:1	2,350:1
		V min	12:1	42:1	147:1
System resolution limit ¹		V max	101 lp/mm	253 lp/mm	579 lp/mm
		V min	6 lp/mm	22 lp/mm	77 lp/mm
Useful magnification range ^{1,2}		V max	17 to 34	42 to 84	96 to 193
		V min	1 or 2	4 to 7	13 to 26
Object field ³	wSys	V max	2.19 mm	0.63 mm	0.18 mm
		V min	35.0 mm	10.04 mm	2.88 mm
	hSys	V max	1.64 mm	0.47 mm	0.14 mm
		V min	26.3 mm	7.53 mm	2.16 mm
Depth of field ¹		V max	722 μm	115 μm	22 μm
		V min	188,927 μm	15,685 μm	1,238 μm

- 1) Information in accordance with ISO/DIS 18221, at $\lambda=546$ nm
- 2) At a viewing distance of 350 mm to 700 mm from the screen
- 3) Screen display set to "fit to window"

Technical Data (Continued)

Objectives: Illumination options and accessories

		PlanAPO FOV 43.75	PlanAPO FOV 12.55	PlanAPO FOV 3.60
Ring illumination		Integrated		
Number of segments		4	4	4
Selectable segments		✓	✓	✓
Light source		LED	LED	LED
Coaxial incident light		---	Integrated	Integrated
Light source		---	LED	LED
Contrast dial, $\lambda/4$ plate, rotatable		---	✓	✓
Relief contrast		---	✓	✓
Ring light illumination accessories				
Diffuser	Adapter	o	o	---
Polarizer	Adapter	o	o	---
Dome light	Adapter	o	o	---
SLOw angle illumination	Adapter	---	o	---

Explanation of symbols:

✓ Included in the delivery package

o Available optionally as accessories

--- Not available

Technical Data (Continued)

Stand

		DVM6 C	DVM6 S	DVM6 A
XY stage				
Positioning range	X-direction	70 mm		
	Y-direction	50 mm		
Drive	Manual	✓	✓	--- ¹
	Motorized	---	---	✓
Resolution		1 µm	1 µm	1 µm
Load capacity		2 kg		
Rotating angle		-180° to +180°		
Zero position rotation		Indexed		
Focus drive				
Focusing range	Z-direction	60 mm		
Drive	Manual	coarse/fine		
	Motorized	---	✓	✓
Resolution		0.5 µm	0.25 µm	0.25 µm

	DVM6 C	DVM6 S	DVM6 A
Tilting stand			
Tilting angle	-60° to +60°		
Zero position (= vertically)	Indexed		
Locking	at any tilting angle		
Actuation	Single-hand operation		
Angle sensor resolution	1°		
Total weight			
Stand, without objective	20.2 kg		
Power supply	0.85 kg		

Explanation of symbols:

- ✓ Included in the delivery package
- o Available optionally as accessories
- Not available

1) Manual stage positioning possible

Technical Data (Continued)

Electrical interfaces

	DVM6 C	DVM6 S	DVM6 A
Connections			
On/off switch	Rear side of tilting stand		
USB3.0, type B	Rear side of tilting stand		
Power supply	Rear side of tilting stand		
CTL2, for Leica LED 5000SLI	Rear side of tilting stand		
Power supply			
Input	100 V AC to 240 V AC, 3.2 A		
Output	33 V DC, 3.93 A max.		

Miscellaneous

	DVM6 C	DVM6 S	DVM6 A
Temperature range			
Operation	+10 °C to +40 °C		
Storage	-20 °C to +50 °C		
Relative humidity (mode)	10 % to 90 %		
CE Declaration of Conformity	Available		
Illumination risk class, according to EN 62471:2008	2		

Software

Software	DVM6 C	DVM6 S	DVM6 A
Leica LAS X software			
Operating system	Windows 7 / 10, 64 bit		
Leica LAS X software modules			
LAS X Core	✓	✓	✓
LAS X Live Image Builder XY	✓	✓	✓
LAS X Live Image Builder Z	✓	✓	✓
LAS X 2D Measurements	✓	✓	✓
LAS X 2D Annotations	✓	✓	✓
LAS X Image EDF including 3D Surface Viewer	---	✓	✓
LAS X 3D surface measurements	---	✓	✓
LAS X Tilescan	---	---	✓
LAS X Mark & Find	---	---	✓
LAS X Spiralscan	---	---	✓

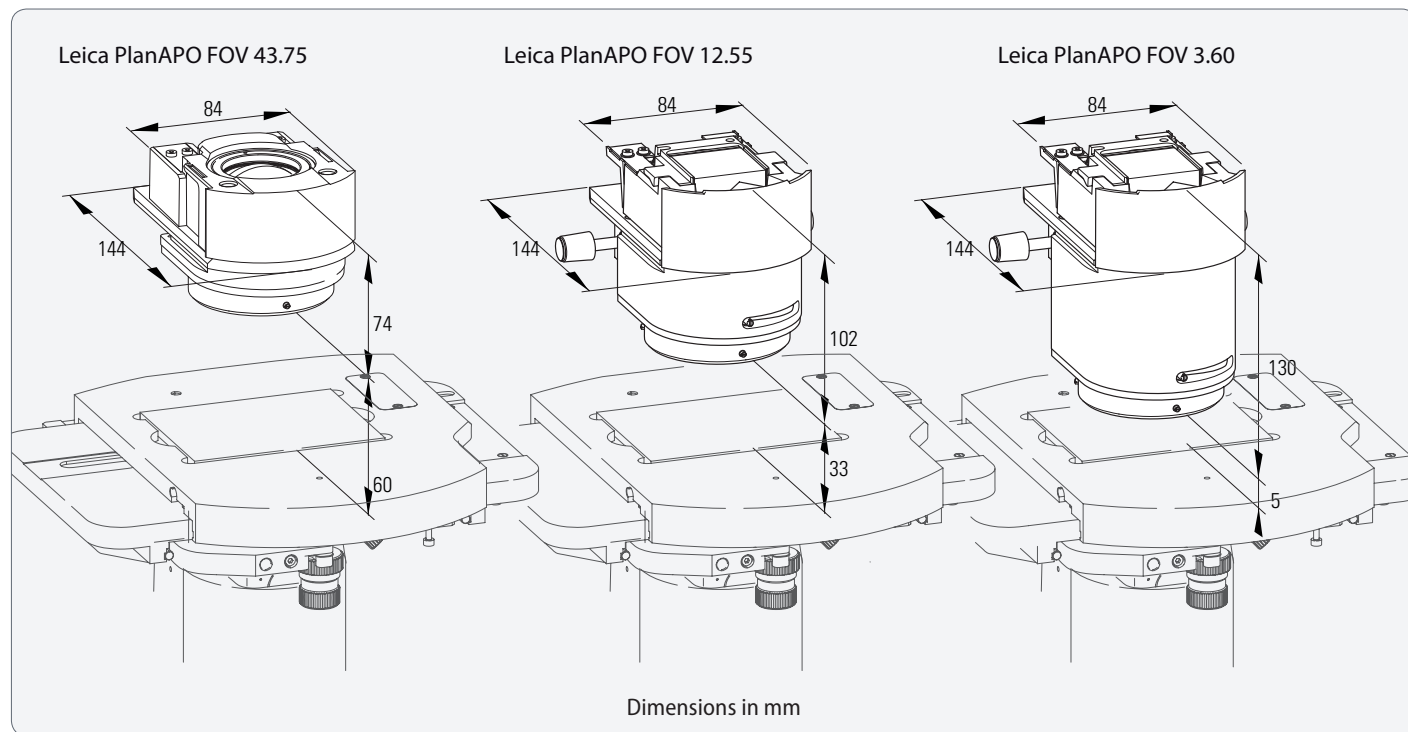
Explanation of symbols:

✓ Included in the delivery package

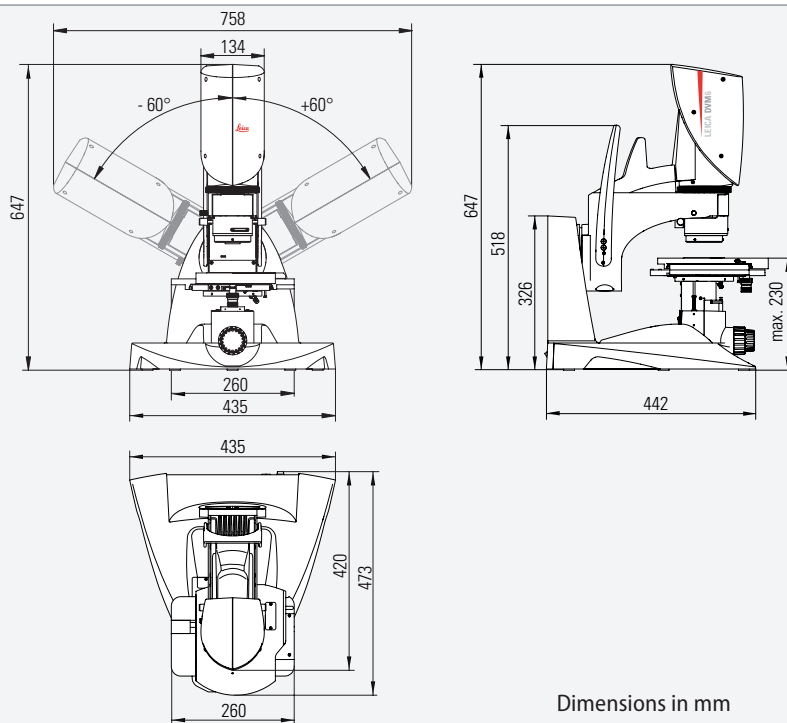
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Dimensional Drawings

Objectives

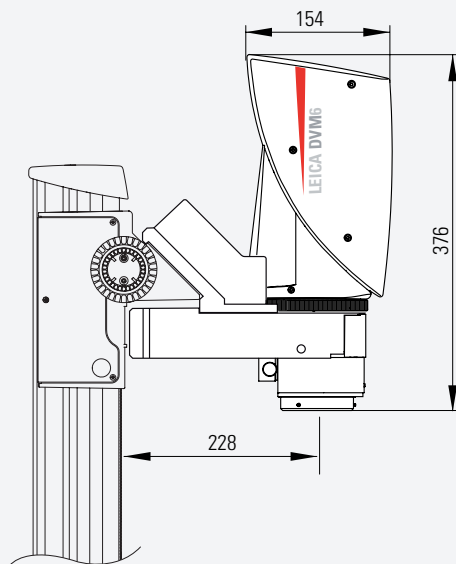


Leica DVM6 C/S/A



Dimensions in mm

Leica DVM6 M



Dimensions in mm

Terms Used

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Apochromatic optics

An improved achromat. While achromatic optics are only corrected for the colors of red and blue, apochromatic optics correct for three colors (red, blue and green). This significantly reduces blurring caused by color seams compared to the achromats.

Working distance

The free distance between the objective and the sample surface if the microscope is in focus.

Resolution capacity (resolution)

The ability of a microscope to reveal fine details. It is specified as the smallest distance between two lines or points that can still be seen separately and not appear as an individual smudged object.

The resolution capacity is a function of the wavelength of the light used and the numerical aperture.

Diffuser

The diffuser illuminates the samples from a large range of angles. This illuminates reflective samples in a more uniform manner and prevents glares in the image.

Focus

The point at which the light beams passing through a lens intersect to form an image.

Calibration

Determination of the deviation of the measuring system from normal.

Coaxial illumination

This illumination mode is used to illuminate the sample directly from above from direction of viewing. This is primarily advantageous for flat, reflective surfaces. The contrast dial is used to suppress unwanted reflections by rotating a $\lambda/4$ plate. The normal position of the controller is the extinction position. The bright setting should only be used by experienced users for flat samples (e.g. metal sections, semiconductors or coatings).

Units of measure

1 meter [m] = 1,000 mm

1 millimeter [mm] = 0.001 m

1 micron [μm] = 0.001 mm

1 mil = 0.001 inch = 25.4 μm

Terms Used (Continued)

Numerical aperture

The numerical aperture, abbreviated nA, describes the half-angle of the light cone received by the microscope from each sample point.

A high nA means high luminous intensity and high resolution but also low depth of field at the same time. The actual nA depends on the zoom position, the position of the iris diaphragm and the selected objective.

Planapochromatic (PlanAPO)

This specifies that the objective, in addition to apochromatic correction, also features an even image field up to the border area.

Polarized light

Polarized light only vibrates in a single plane. Light emitted normally is a mix of light waves that vibrate in all directions and can be polarized through reflection, birefringence, selective absorption or scattering.

Polarization can be used to differentiate changes in the structure and the composition of the material that cannot be detected with ordinary light.

Reflection

Light returns from an optical surface to the same medium it came from.

Depth of field (DOF)

The depth of field is a measure of the extent of the focal range in an microscope's object space. The higher the magnification is, the lower the depth of field.

Field of view, object field (FOV)

This is the area shown by the microscope if the sample is in focus. It is normally expressed in mm as a visible diagonal measurement. It can be determined very easily by focusing on the image of a scale (mm scale).

The field of view has an inverse relationship with the magnification level. The higher the magnification, the smaller the visible field of view.

Side light adapter

The side light adapter illuminates the sample at a shallow angle. This emphasizes surface errors.

Terms Used (Continued)

Magnification

There are three recognized types of magnification in digital microscopy according to ISO/DIS 18221:

- **Optical magnification:** This corresponds to lateral magnification of an image projected onto an image converter. It is specified as a ratio, e.g. 10:1.
- **Display magnification:** This corresponds to lateral magnification of an image shown on a monitor. It is specified as a ratio, e.g. 100:1. Note: The M_{dis} display magnification is the ratio of a given distance on an image on a monitor to the corresponding distance on the object.
- **Visual display magnification:** This corresponds to the lateral display magnification when viewing a digital image on a monitor. It is given in numeric form with a multiplication sign, e.g. 50 \times . Note: The visual display magnification depends on the viewing distance.

The best microscopes do more than just provide magnification. Refer also to "Empty magnification". The magnified or enlarged image is not helpful if the process does not make more details visible as well (resolution).

Empty magnification: Magnifications where the size of the image continues to increase without highlighting any additional details because the resolution capacity is limited.

Troubleshooting

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Possible errors

Error	Correction
No image on the monitor	Switch on the Leica DVM6, Windows PC and the monitor. Connect the DVM6 to the computer via USB 3.0.
	Ensure that the objective is present on the DVM6 and is inserted all the way.
	Start the LAS X software and activate the live display.
	Switch on one of the available illumination options (visual inspection).
	Lengthen the exposure time in the LAS X software or switch it to automatic.
	Use the focus drive to move the sample surface into the working distance area of the objective being used and set the zoom ring to the lowest magnification level.
	When using a coaxial illumination, set the relief contrast to the OPEN setting.
The motorized focus drive cannot be activated in the LAS X software	Ensure that the DVM6 is powered by the power supply and that the power switch is switched on before starting the LAS X software.
	Ensure that the DVM6 is connected to the computer via USB 3.0. You may have to restart the LAS X software after the USB connection has been made.
The motorized XY stage cannot be activated in the LAS X software	Ensure that the DVM6 is powered by the power supply and that the power switch is switched on before starting the LAS X software.
	Ensure that the DVM6 is connected to the computer via USB 3.0. You may have to restart the LAS X software after the USB connection has been made.

Troubleshooting (Continued)

Error	Correction
Uneven image brightness when using the coaxial illumination	Set the relief contrast to the OPEN position. Otherwise there may be a perceptible change in brightness within the image, particularly at low magnification levels.
	Set the contrast dial for the $\lambda/4$ plate to the Normal position.

Warnings



If the Leica DVM6 with motorized XY stage is re-initialized, the stage moves to the end position. Ensure that there are no obstacles in the stage's range of movement.



The XY stage moves up when a Leica DVM6 with a motorized focus drive is restarted. Remove samples and other objects from the XY stage to avoid damaging the objective in use.

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