



Shedding New Light On **MICROSCOPY**



# Silicone Immersion Objective Series

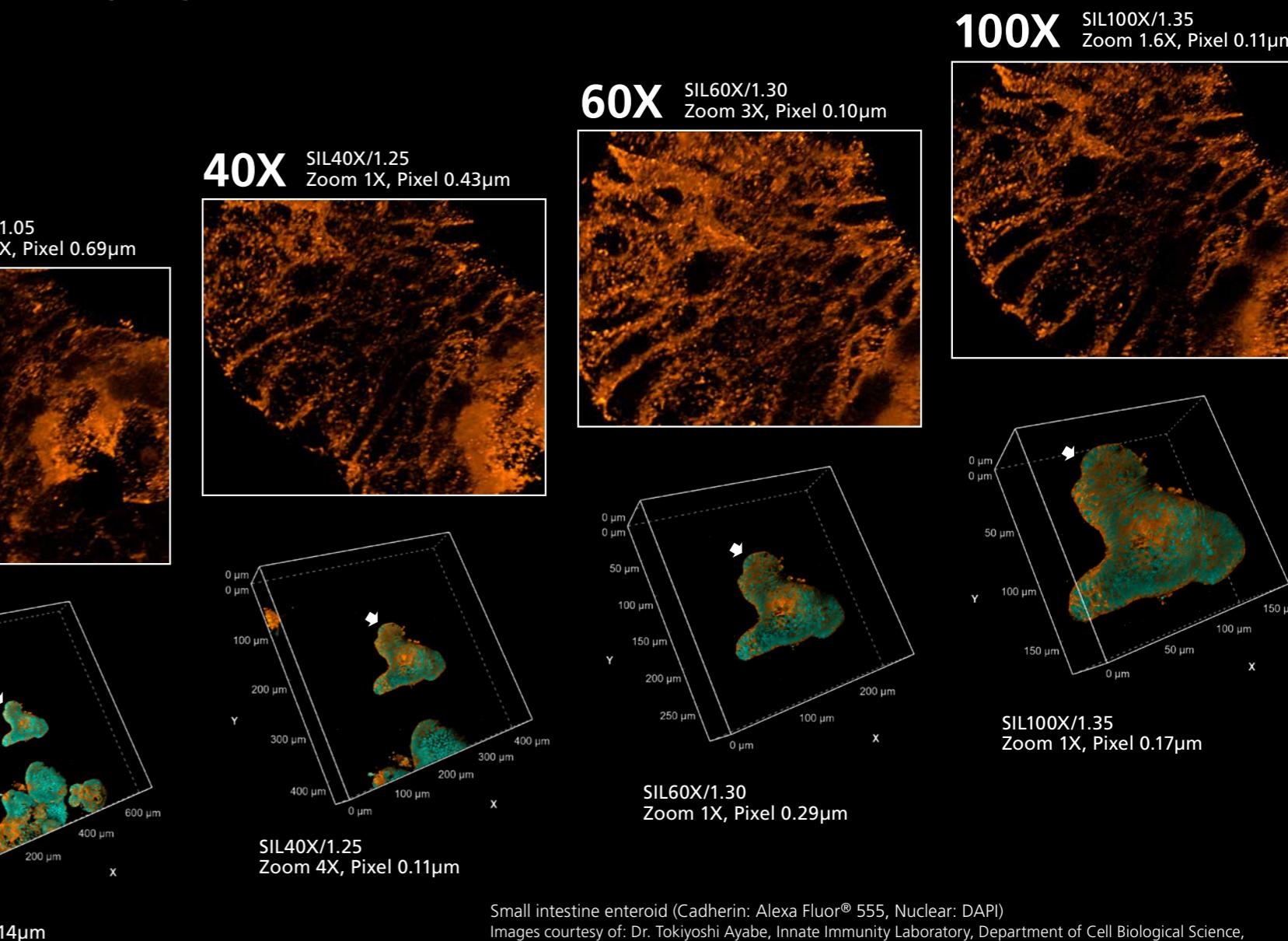
Perfect for imaging 3D cell cultures and thick tissue samples. Silicone lenses enable visualization of cellular dynamics clearly and brightly when imaging at depth.

Research applications in neuroscience and cell biology using brain tissue, spheroids, organoids, and 3D cultures continue to push the limits of imaging in thick specimens. The need to image deep into such samples has never been more apparent. Nikon's silicone immersion objectives enable clear observation with high signal-to-noise deep into living tissue. The silicone immersion lens series features wide fields of view, high resolution, and evaporation-resistant oil, facilitating observations with ease.

With the addition of the new 60X objective, which employs newly developed glass for enhanced chromatic aberration correction, quantitative imaging in thick living specimens has never been more attainable.

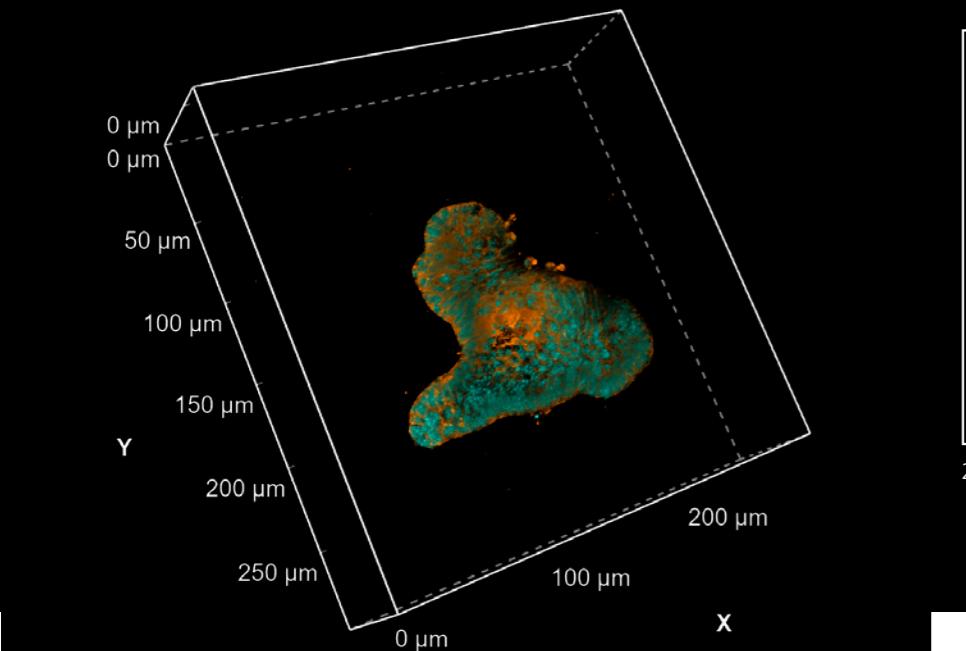


Efficiently switch magnification for macro-to-micro imaging without changing the immersion medium



Small intestine enteroid (Cadherin: Alexa Fluor® 555, Nuclei: DAPI)  
Images courtesy of: Dr. Tokiyoshi Ayabe, Innate Immunity Laboratory, Department of Cell Biological Science, Faculty of Advanced Life Science, Graduate School of Life Sciences, Hokkaido University, Hokkaido University

Make high-resolution deep observations of thick specimens such as 3D cell cultures, organoids, and tissues

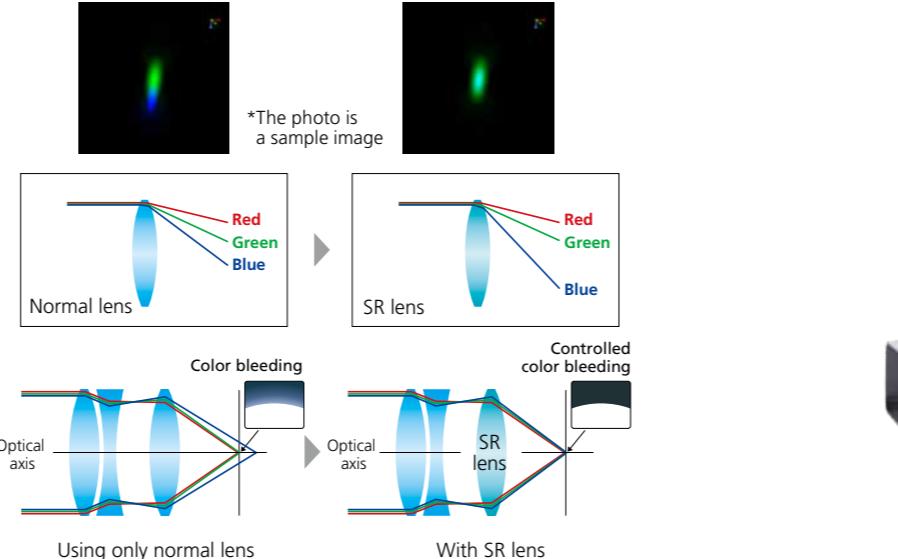


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### Newly developed Short-wavelength Refractive (SR) glass

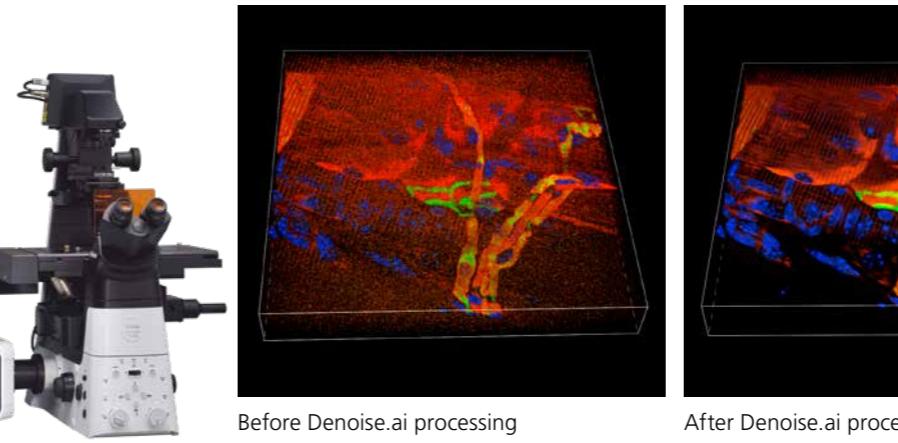
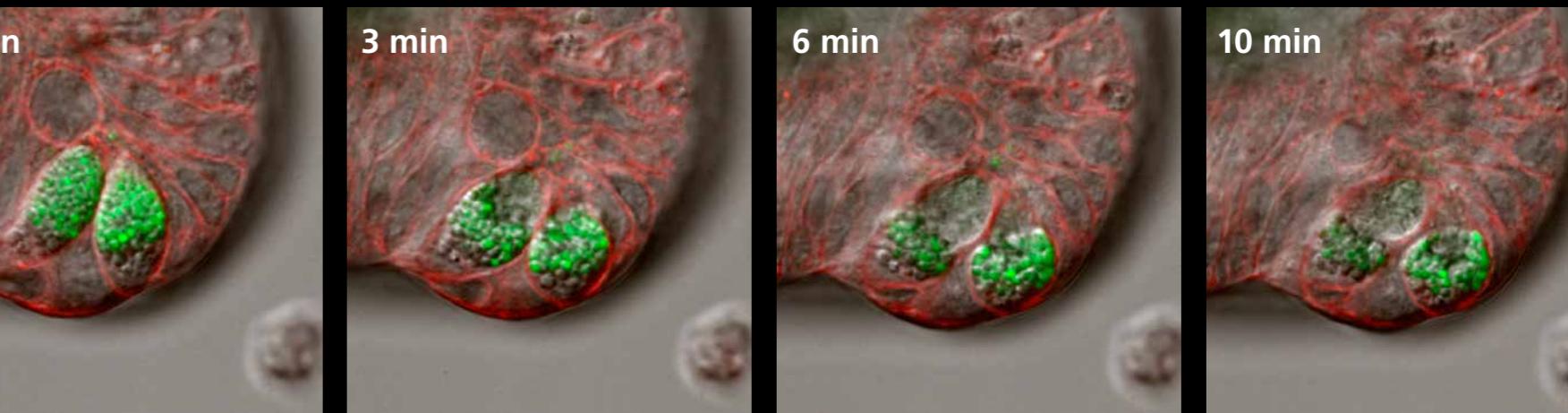
The new silicone immersion 60X objective employs high- and specialized-dispersion glass that was independently developed by Nikon and possesses extra low dispersion properties.

By refracting short-wavelength light to a higher degree, it is possible to collect a wider range of wavelengths, resulting in significantly enhanced chromatic aberration correction. In addition to axial chromatic aberrations, lateral chromatic aberrations can also be corrected.



Observe live samples over long periods of time

It is also best suited for long time-lapse imaging of live cells without the immersion medium evaporating because silicone oil has low volatility even at 37°C.



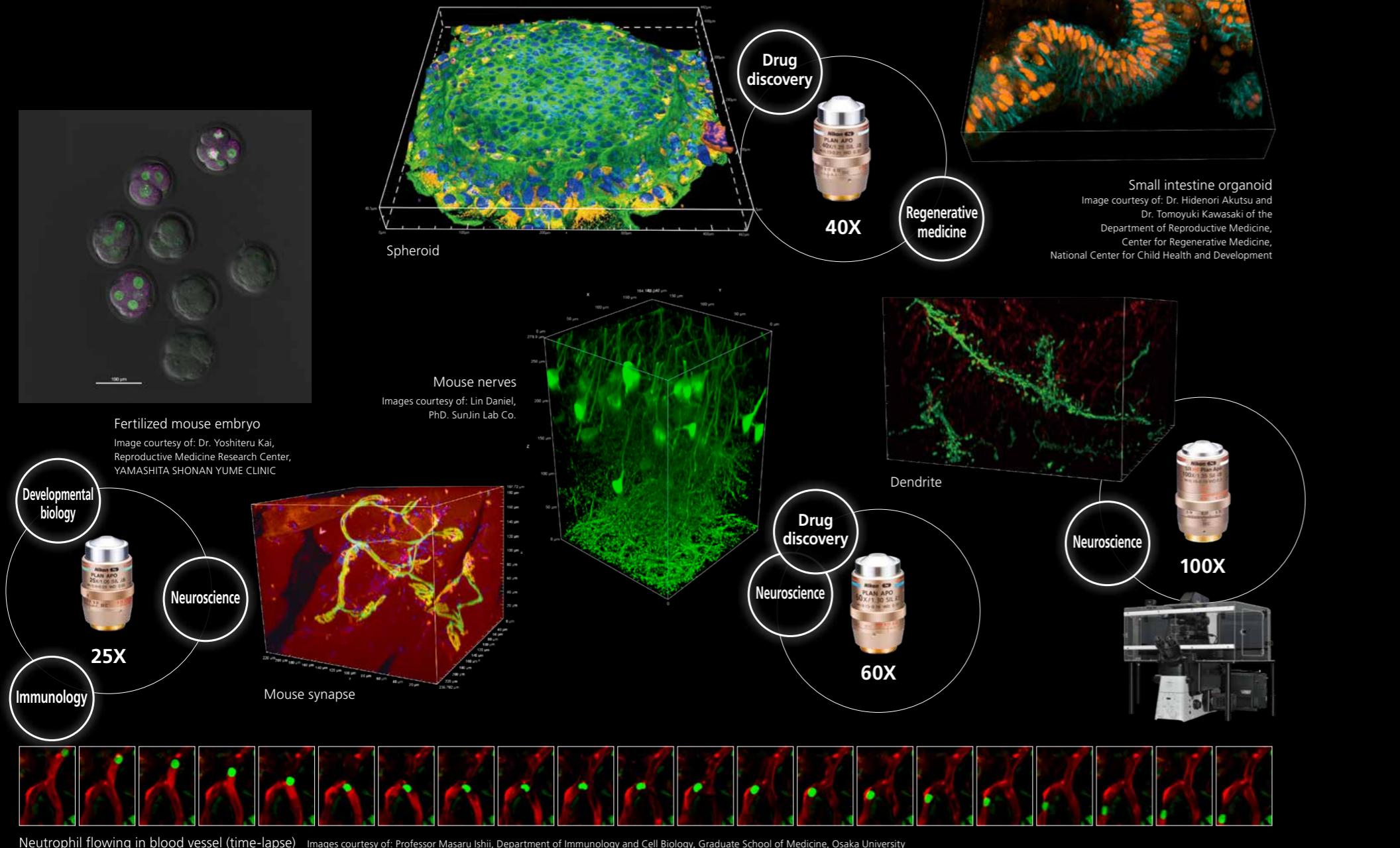
By using the Denoise.ai in conjunction with the AX confocal microscope, you can acquire even sharper images.

Details of examples are included in the application notes.

- High-speed, high-resolution 3D imaging using resonant scanning and Denoise.ai
- The Advantages of Resonant Scanning with Ultra Short Laser Exposure Times in Live Imaging
- In vivo Confocal Imaging of Mouse Organs that Clearly Captures Fast Dynamics (p.6)
- 3D Imaging of Intestinal Organoid (p.6)



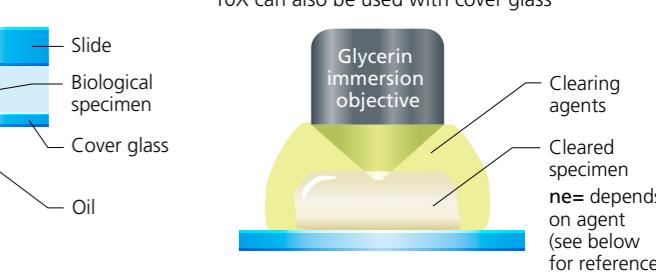
# Useful for a variety of scientific disciplines



# Comparison of immersion objective types

Comparison of immersion objective features				
Immersion medium (possible magnification range)	Water (20X-60X)	Silicone (25X-100X)	Oil (40X-100X)	Glycerin (10X-20X)
Immersion liquid refractive index	Water (ne=1.33)	Silicone (ne=1.41)	Oil (ne=1.52)	Glycerin (ne=1.47)
Appropriate live samples for observation	Cultured cells Animal tissue and organs (mouse brain, etc.) with low refractive index Observations that must be biocompatible (in vivo observations, etc.) Observations that require multi-point observations of multiple wells (use of water dispensers)	3D cell cultures (spheroid, organoid, etc.) Animal tissue and organs with high refractive index (liver, etc.) Long time-lapse observations	Cultured cells and tissue fragments that require high resolution (sample surface)	Cleared samples (spheroid, organoid, organs, etc.)
Appropriate anchored samples for observation	Anchored cultured cells Anchored organ fragments with low refractive index (mouse brain, etc.)	Anchored fragments, such as organs with high refractive index (liver, etc.)	Cultured cells (with mounting medium) Tissue fragment (with mounting medium)	Cleared samples (spheroid, organoid, organs, etc.)

For direct observation without cover glass.  
10X can also be used without cover glass.



## Glycerin immersion objective lens features

- Possible to make deep observations of cleared specimens because glycerin has a refractive index close to many common clearing agents
- Can use with a wide range of clearing agents
- Can optimize spherical aberration correction to match the refractive index of the clearing agent using the correction collar

Examples of clearing agents appropriate for glycerin immersion (for clearing objective lenses):  
SoluClear (n=1.38), CUBIC (n=1.48), LUCID (n=1.47), FocusClear (n=1.45), CRATY (n=1.45), SoluDef (n=1.48)

## Silicone immersion objective specifications

Model	Immersion	NA	W.D. (mm)	Cover glass thickness	Correction ring	Bright field	Dark field	DIC	Phase contrast	Fluorescence	Ti2-E PFS	
										UV		
CFI Plan Apochromat Lambda S 25XC Sil	Sil	1.05	0.55	0.11–0.23	✓	✓	Oil	✓		✓	✓	✓
CFI Plan Apochromat Lambda S 40XC Sil	Sil	1.25	0.30	0.13–0.21 (23°C) 0.15–0.23 (30°C)	✓	✓	Oil	✓		✓	✓	✓
CFI Plan Apochromat Lambda S 60XC Sil	Sil	1.30	0.30	0.15–0.19	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
CFI SR HP Plan Apochromat Lambda S 100X Sil	Sil	1.35	0.31–0.29 (23°C) 0.30–0.28 (37°C)	0.15–0.19	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓

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