



PZ-FLIM-110

Piezo Scanning FLIM System

Based on bh's Megapixel FLIM Technology

Complete FLIM Microscopes

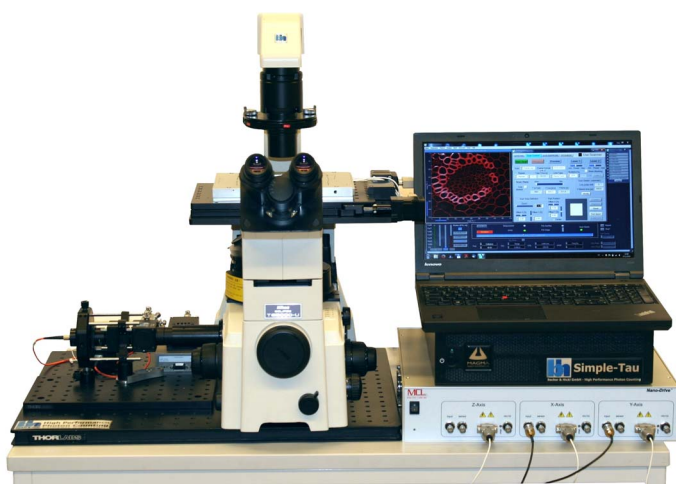
FLIM Upgrades for Existing Microscopes

Multidimensional TCSPC technique

Sample Scanning by Piezo Stage

Compact Electronics, Controlled by Laptop Computer

Fully Integrated Scanner Control



Confocal detection

Suppression of out-of-focus light

Suppression of lateral scattering

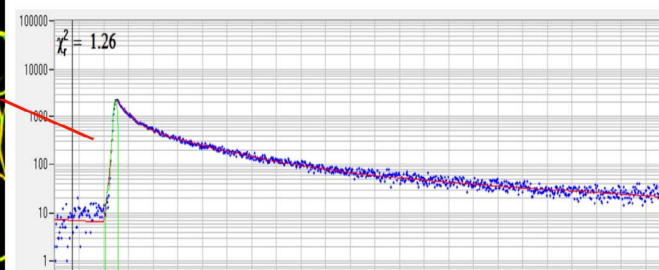
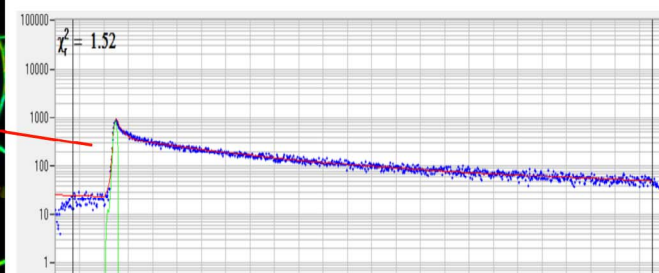
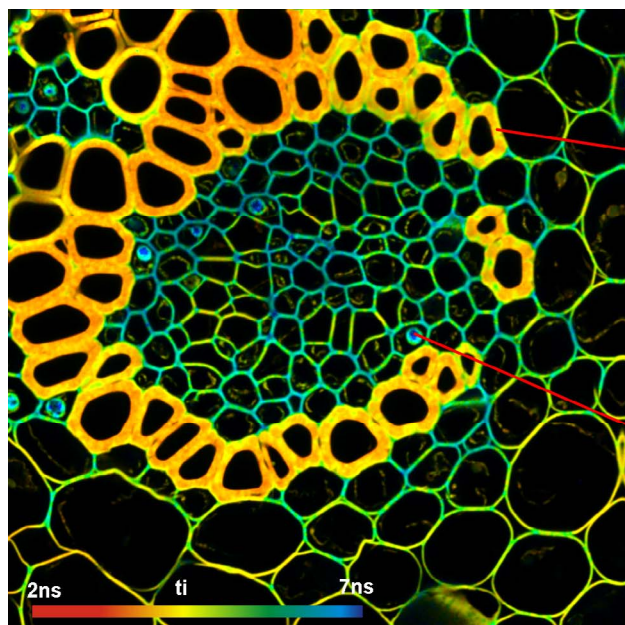
Excellent contrast and resolution

Excitation by bh BDL or BDS series
picosecond diode laser

Laser wavelengths 375nm, 405 nm, 445 nm,
473 nm, 488 nm, 515 nm, 640 nm, 685 nm,
785 nm

Compatible with supercontinuum lasers

64-bit SPCM Software for Windows 7, 8, 10



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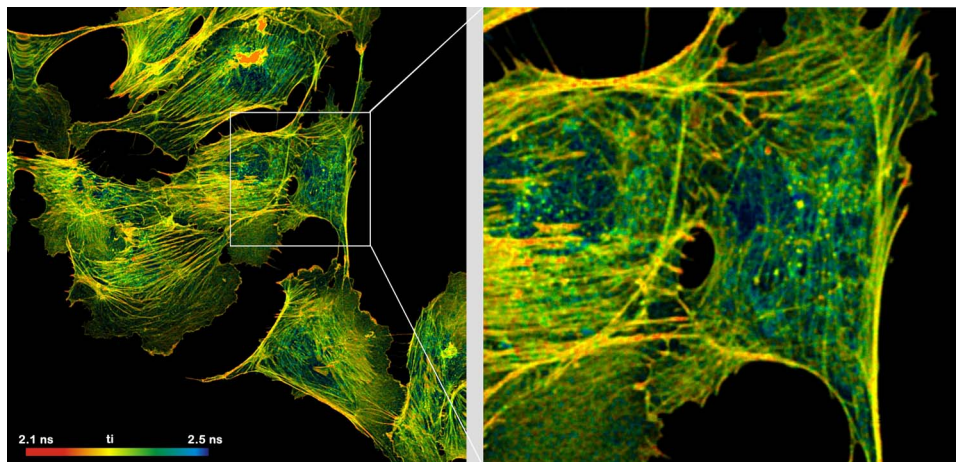
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Megapixel FLIM Technology

Record Images with up to
2048 x 2048 pixels

Record FLIM data of a large
number of cells under identical
conditions

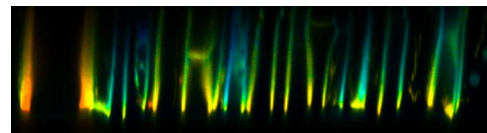
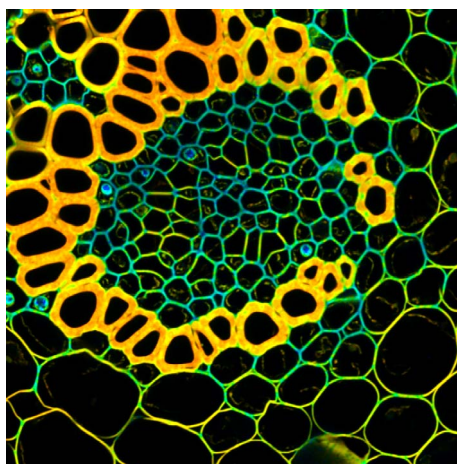
Select regions of interest from
recorded data of a large field of
view



Lateral and Vertical Scanning

Select between a scan in the x-y
plane or a scan in the x-z plane

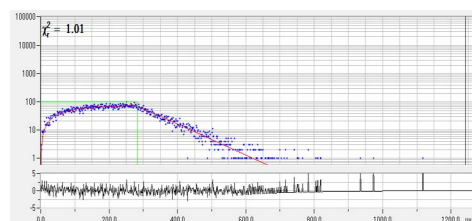
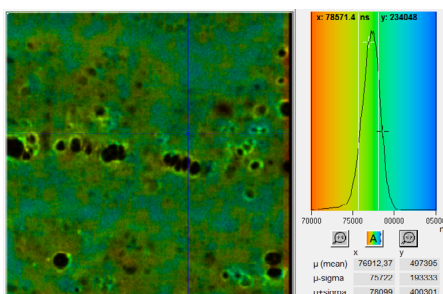
Run a vertical scan within a
fraction of the time needed for
a full Z stack



Phosphorescence Lifetime Imaging Simultaneously with FLIM

Obtain unprecedented PLIM
sensitivity by multi-pulse
excitation

Record phosphorescence and
fluorescence lifetime images
simultaneously



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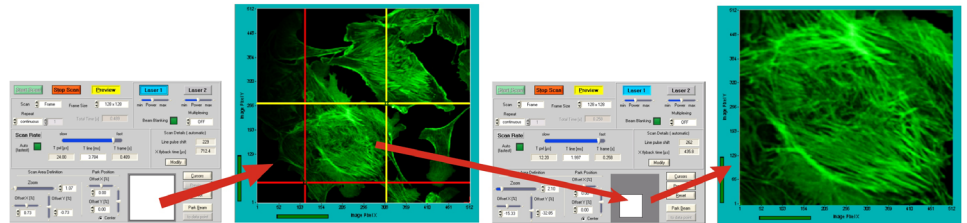
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Interactive Scanner Control

Conveniently select scan field, pixel numbers, and scan speed

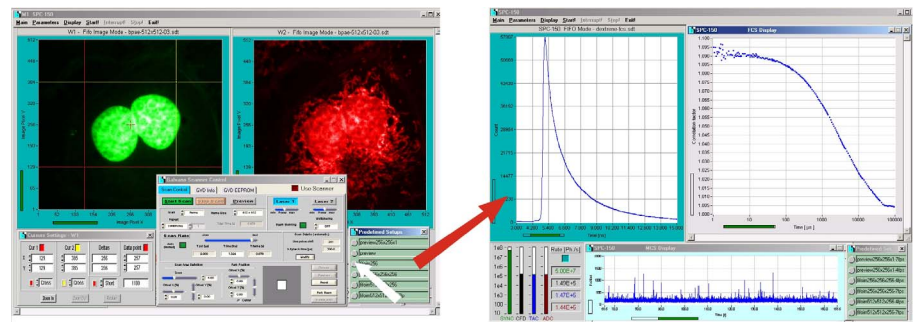
Select a region of interest within a previously recorded image

Record an image of the region selected



Predefined Setups

Pass from one operation mode or system configuration to another by selecting from a list of 'Predefined Setups'



Precision FLIM and PLIM Data Analysis

Analyse FLIM and PLIM data pixel by pixel

No need to record an IRF

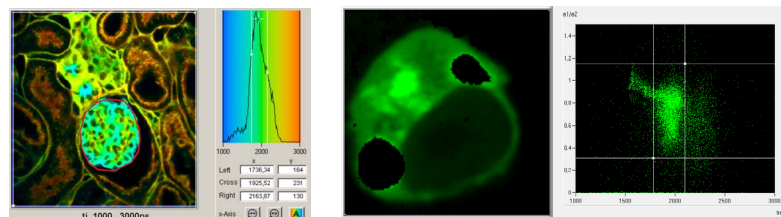
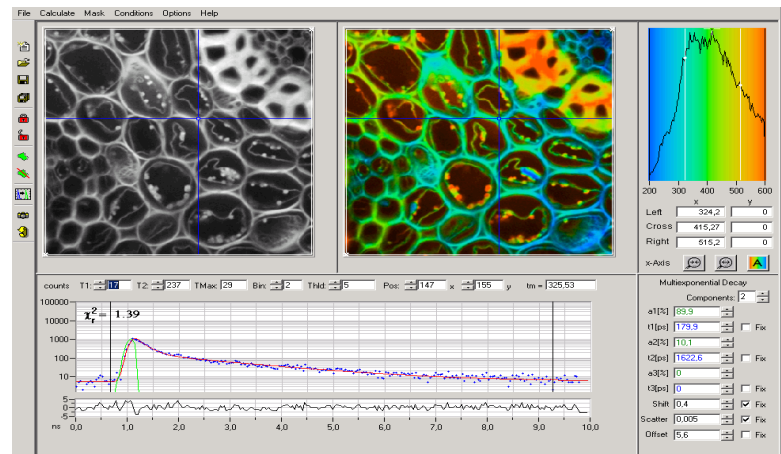
Up to three exponential decay components

Calculate lifetimes and amplitudes of decay components

Calculate ratios of lifetimes or amplitudes, fractional intensities, FRET efficiencies

Calculate 1D and 2D histograms of decay parameters over the pixels

Analyse large data volumes by batch processing



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System Components

Laser

High power
High repetition rate
Single-mode fibre coupling

BDL-SMN series



BDS-SM Series



Repetition rates

20 MHz, 50 MHz, 80 MHz, CW

20 MHz, 50 MHz, CW

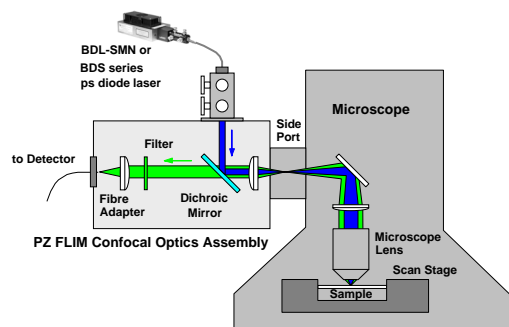
Available wavelengths

375nm, 405 nm, 445 nm, 473 nm, 488 nm, 515nm, 640nm, 685nm, 785nm

Pulse width

typ. 60 ps, depending on wavelength version and power

PZ FLIM Confocal Optics Assembly

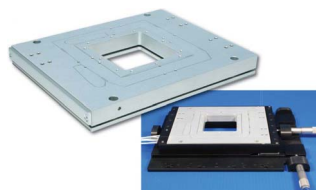


Laser input
Excitation / Emission Beamsplitter
Emission Filter
Output to detector
Confocal pinhole

Qioptiq Kineflex fibre manipulator
Dichroic, different transition wavelength available
In filter slider, long-pass and bandpass filters available
Multi-mode fibre, FCS connector
Core diameter of detector fibre

Scan Stage

Mad City Labs Nano View 200-3¹



Detector

Id 100-50-FC SPAD (Standard)



HPM-100-40 (optional)⁴



MW FLIM GaAsP (optional)⁴



Wavelength Range

400nm to 1000nm

400 nm to 700 nm

400 nm to 700 nm

Wavelength Channels

1

1

16

TCSPC Module

SPC-150 (Standard)



SPC-150N (Optional)



SPC-160 (Optional)



Scan Control Module



GVD-120

Generation of scan signals
Image size
Laser multiplexing
Laser on/off for PLIM
Beam park function

Hardware, digital signal synthesis
16 x 16 to 2048 x 2048 pixels
Inside pixel, line by line, or frame by frame²
Selectable in % of pixel time
Any location within scan area

System Computer and Electronics Box



Lap-top PC with
PCI-extension box

Also available:

Extension box contains:
SPC-150, SPC-150N, SPC-160 TCSPC modules
GVD-120 scan controller
DCC-100 detector controller (optional)
SPC, GVD, and DCC modules installed in standard PC



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Specifications

Scanning

Optical principle
Laser input
Output to detector
Main beamsplitter
Pinhole
Emission filter
Connection to microscope

Mad City Labs Nano-View 200-3 ¹

Sample scanning by piezo stage, confocal detection
Single-mode fibre coupled, Qioptiq fibre coupling system
Fibre coupling, FC connector, multi-mode fibre
Dichroic Mirror
Pinhole is core of detection fibre
Filter slider
adapter to left side port

Scan Controller

Principle
Scan waveform
Scan format
Frame size, frame scan
Line scan
X scan
Y scan
Laser power control, electrical
Laser multiplexing ²
Beam blanking
Scan rate
Fastest scan rate with piezo stage ³
Scan area definition
Beam park position
Laser control

bh GVD-120

Digital waveform generation, scan waveforms generated by hardware [1]
Linear ramp with cycloid flyback. Parameters configurable for different scanners
line, frame, or single point
16x16 to 2048x2048 pixels
16 to 2048 pixels
continuous or pixel-by-pixel
line by line
via electrical signal to lasers
frame by frame, line by line, or within one pixel
during flyback and when scan is stopped
automatic selection of fastest possible rate or manual selection
5 lines / second
via zoom and offset or interactive via image cursors
selectable via cursor in FLIM image
On/off, power, wavelength multiplexing ²

Excitation Source

Available Wavelengths
Pulse width, typical
Pulse frequency
Power in picosecond mode
Fast on/off modulation

bh BDL-SMC Series or BDS-Series picosecond diode laser

375nm, 405nm, 445nm, 473nm, 488nm, 510nm, 640nm, 685nm, 785nm
40 to 70 ps
BDL-Series: 20MHz, 50MHz, 80MHz BDS Series: 20 MHz, 50 MHz
Typ. 0.2 mW to 2 mW injected into fibre. Depends on wavelength version
< 1µs, for PLIM and excitation wavelength multiplexing ²

Detector (standard)

Spectral Range
Peak quantum efficiency
IRF width with bh diode laser
Background count rate, thermal
Power supply

Id Quantique id100-50-FC SPAD

400 to 1000 nm
50%
70 to 130 ps
Typ. 100 to 200. LN version with <10 available
6V wall-mounted power supply

Detector (optional)

Spectral Range
Cathode type
Peak quantum efficiency
IRF width with bh diode laser
Background count rate, thermal
Background from afterpulsing
Power supply and overload shutdown

bh HPM-100-40 hybrid detector [1] ⁴

400 to 700nm
GaAsP
40 to 50%
120 to 130 ps
300 to 2000 counts per second
not detectable
via DCC-100 controller of TCSPC system

Detector (optional)

No. of wavelength channels
Wavelength channel width
Spectral Range
Cathode type
IRF width with bh diode laser
Power supply and overload shutdown

bh Multi-Wavelength MW-FLIM Detector [1] ⁴

16
12.5 nm, other on requests
200 nm within a range of 400 to 700nm
GaAsP
250 ps
via DCC-100 controller of TCSPC system



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TCSPC System

Principle

Electrical timing jitter

Electrical IRF width

Minimum time channel width

Dead time

Saturated count rate

Dual-time-base operation

Source of macro time clock

Input from detector

Reference (SYNC) input

Synchronisation with scanning

Scan rate

Synchronisation with laser multiplexing ²

Recording of multi-wavelength data ⁵

Basic acquisition principles, see [1]

Operation modes, see [1]

bh SPC-150, SPC-150N, or SPC-160 module, see [1] for details

Advanced TAC/ADC principle

2.3 ps rms

6.8 ps FWHM

813 fs

100 ns (80 ns for SPC-160)

10 MHz (12 MHz for SPC-160)

via micro times from TAC and via macro time clock

internal 40MHz clock or from laser

constant-fraction discriminator

constant-fraction discriminator

via frame clock, line clock and pixel clock pulses

any scan rate ³, automatic accumulation of frames

via routing function

simultaneous in all wavelength channels, via routing function

on-board-buildup of photon distributions

buildup of photon distributions in computer memory

generation of parameter-tagged single-photon data

online auto or cross correlation and PCH

f(t), oscilloscope, f(txy), f(t,T), f(t) continuous flow

FIFO (correlation / FCS / MCS) mode

Scan Sync In imaging, Scan Sync In with continuous flow

FIFO imaging, with MCS imaging, mosaic imaging ⁶, time-series imaging ⁶

Multi-wavelength operation ⁵, laser multiplexing operation ²

cycle and repeat function, autosave function

Max. Image size, pixels (SPCM 64 bit software)

2048x2048

1024x1024

512x512

256x256

Max. no of time channels, see [1]

256

1024

4096

4096

SPCM Data Acquisition Software, please see [1] for details

Operating system

Windows 7, Windows 8, or Windows 10, 64 bit

Loading of system configuration

single click in predefined-setup panel

Start / stop of measurement

by operator or by timer, starts with start of scan, stops with end of current frame

Online calculation and display, FLIM, PLIM

in intervals of Display Time, min. 1 second

Online calculation and display, FCS, PCH

in intervals of Display Time, min. 1 second

Number of images displayed simultaneously

max 8

Number of curves (Decay, FCS, PCH, Multiscaler)

8 in one curve window

Cycle, repeat, autosave functions

user-defined, used for

for time-series recording ⁶, Z stack FLIM ⁶,

microscope-controlled time series

User command or autosave function

Saving of measurement data

Optional saving of parameter-tagged single-photon data

Link to SPCImage data analysis

automatically after end of measurement or by user command

SPCImage FLIM and PLIM Data Analysis, please see [1] for details

Data types

FLIM, PLIM, single fluorescence or phosphorescence decay curves

Decay models

Single-, double-, triple-exponential decay models, incomplete decay models, first moment

Procedure

Iterative convolution or direct calculation by first moment

Batch processing for multi-file FLIM data

Parameters delivered by analysis

lifetimes of components, amplitudes, ratios of amplitudes or lifetimes,

FRET efficiency, fractional intensities of decay components

Display

Colour-coded images of decay parameters

Histogram of decay parameters over pixels

2D histograms of decay parameters, phasor plot

Remarks

1. Other scan stages on request. Stage controller must have analog inputs.
2. Laser multiplexing requires second laser and single-mode beam combiner.
3. Limited by piezo stage. Fastest system scan rate depends on stage type. Configurable for different stages.
4. Requires DCC-100 detector controller card.
5. Requires MW FLIM detector.
6. Limited applicability due to slow scan rate of piezo stage.



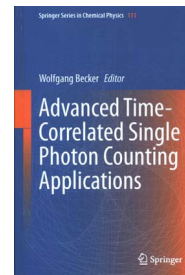
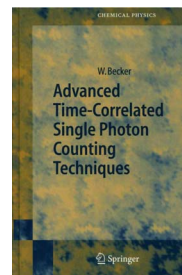
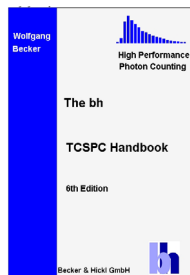
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Related Products

DCS-120 Confocal Scanning FLIM Systems

- Scanning by fast galvanometer mirrors
- 2 laser channels, 2 detector channels
- FLIM, Multi-Wavelength FLIM, PLIM, Z Stack FLIM, Fast Time-Series by temporal mosaic FLIM

DCS-120 MACRO System

- Imaging of cm-size objects
- Scanning by fast galvanometer mirrors
- 2 laser channels, 2 detector channels
- FLIM, Multi-Wavelength FLIM, PLIM, Z Stack FLIM, Fast Time-Series by temporal mosaic FLIM

Modular FLIM Systems for Zeiss LSM 710 / 780 / 880 Family Laser Scanning Microscopes

- Fast galvanometer scanning
- One or two ps diode lasers
- Multiphoton excitation by Ti:Sa laser
- Confocal detection or NDD detection
- One, two, three, or four detection channels
- FLIM, Multi-wavelength FLIM, PLIM, Lateral Mosaic FLIM, Z Stack FLIM, Fast Time-Series by temporal mosaic FLIM

Modular FLIM Systems for Zeiss LSM 510 NLO Family Laser Scanning Microscopes

- Fast galvanometer scanning
- Multiphoton excitation
- One or two NDD detection channels
- FLIM, Multi-wavelength FLIM, Lateral Mosaic FLIM, Z Stack FLIM, Fast Time-Series by Temporal Mosaic FLIM

Modular FLIM Systems for Leica, Nikon, Olympus Laser Scanning Microscopes

- Fast galvanometer scanning
- Diode laser excitation and multiphoton excitation
- Various system configurations, please see Handbook [1]

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