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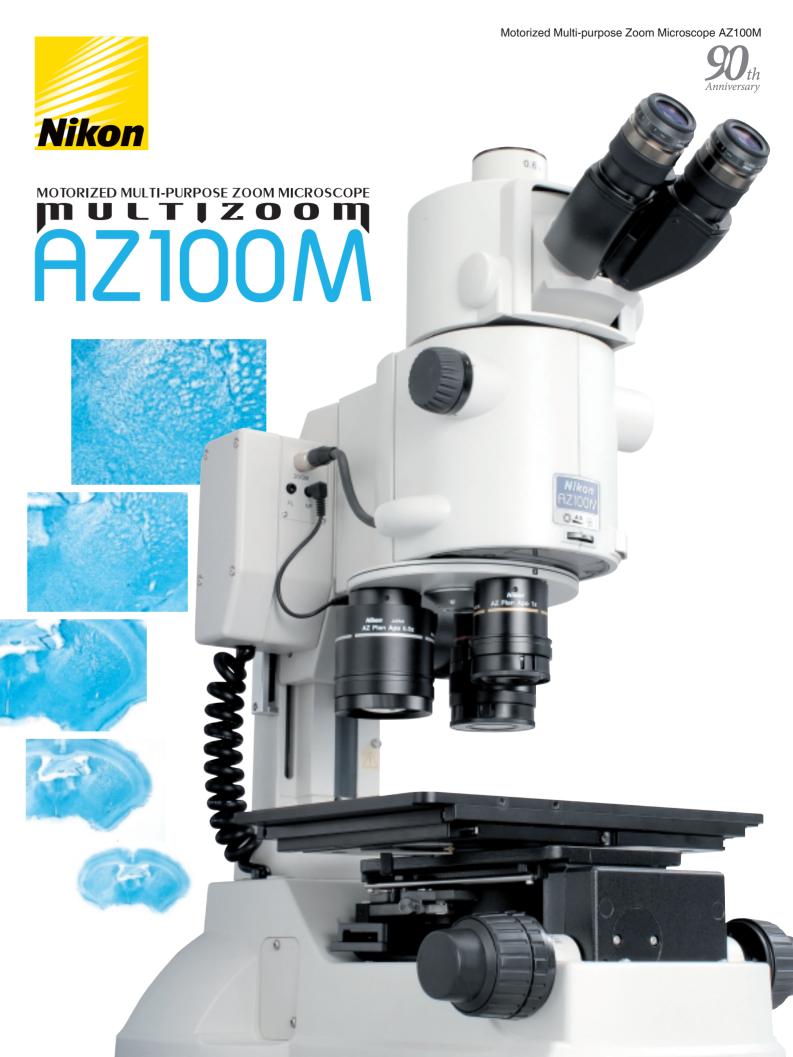
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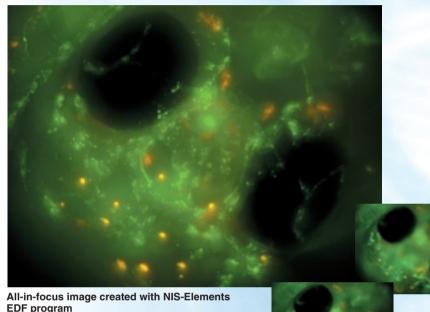
New motorized multi-purpose zoom microscope, ideal for obtaining high-quality macro images



MOTORIZED MULTI-PURPOSE ZOOM MICROSCOPE

Features motorized zoom and focus. When combined with a Digital Sight camera, microscope status data can be detected automatically.

Introducing the AZ100M, which adds motorized focusing and zoom to the AZ100 universal macrozoom microscope and is capable of Nomarski DIC observation at low magnifications and a wide range of other illumination techniques. When combined with a Digital Sight camera, it is now possible to easily create all-in-focus images with scale bars that reflect the zoom magnification. The AZ100M, with its computer-controlled motorization, supports a broad range of applications including developmental biology and the study of biological structures.



Different Z-axis images taken with notorized focus

EDF program Fluorescent images of transgenic Medaka (Oryzias latipes) embryo

AZ100M combined with epi-fluorescence and diascopic DIC accessories

MULTI-PURPOSE ZOOM MICROSCOPE

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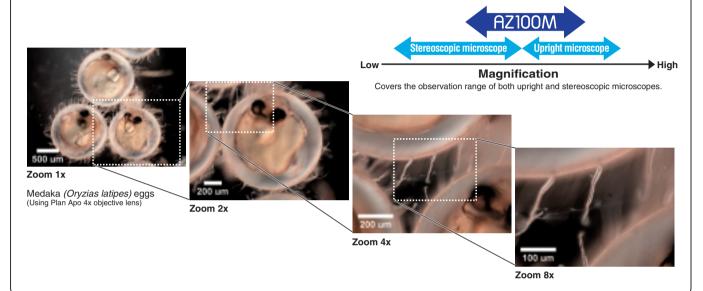
*Please refer to the AZ100 catalog for

AZ100 combined with diascopic DIC accessories

Enjoy the advantages of both upright and stereo zoom microscopes

Wide range of observation magnifications

In combination with the triple nosepiece, the motorized 8x zoom function allows a best-in-class observation magnification ratio of 80:1. Five types of objective lens are available, at 0.5x, 1x, 2x, 4x, and 5x magnifications. Combined with 10x eyepieces, the AZ100M covers a total magnification of 5-400x in a single microscope with precision zooming in units of 0.1x.

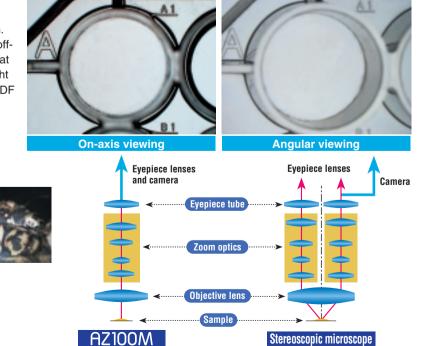


Non-angled, on-axis images

Since stereoscopic microscopes obtain threedimensional images using binocular vision, monocular images are angled in either direction. Therefore, images taken with a camera will be offaxis. However, the AZ100M acquires images that are on-axis, similar to those taken with an upright microscope. It is ideal for creating all-in-focus EDF images of thick samples.

All-in-focus EDF image

Oncotympana maculaticollis (Using Plan Apo 1x objective lens)



Well plate (Using Plan Apo 0.5x objective lens)

Comes standard with an aperture stop

The AZ100M includes a built-in aperture stop that allows you to easily control contrast and the depth of field, both visually and on your digital images.





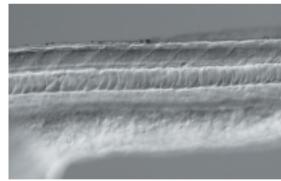


Aperture stop dial

Rat jaw Using Plan Apo 0.5x objective lens)

Various microscopy methods

Brightfield and a wide range of other observation methods are possible, including epi-fluorescence, Nomarski DIC, simple polarizing, and oblique illumination. The AZ100M enables the simultaneous combination of epi-fluorescence and diascopic DIC attachments, which allows for quick and convenient switching between observation modes.



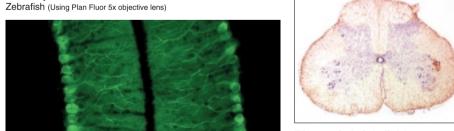
Rat skull base (Using Plan Apo 0.5x objective lens) Diascopic DIC



Oblique illumination



Anchovy otolith (Using Plan Fluor 5x objective lens)



Diascopic brightfield Rat spinal cord (Using Plan Apo 1x objective lens)



Episcopic brightfield Trichome of Arabidopsis thaliana

Mouse cerebellum (Using Plan Apo 4x objective lens)

PC-operated, from microscope control to image capture and processing

When used with NIS-Elements imaging software

Using the AZ100M with Nikon's NIS-Elements imaging software enables image capture and sophisticated image processing and analysis on a PC, in addition to basic operations such as focusing and zooming.



Create EDF (Extended Depth of Focus) images of thick samples

By controlling the Z-axis movement of the AZ100M with the NIS-Elements imaging software, you can capture a series of images with different focal planes. Then, simply combine them to create a single image that is completely in focus. *Requires EDF plug-in software.

Different Z-axis images taken with motorized focus









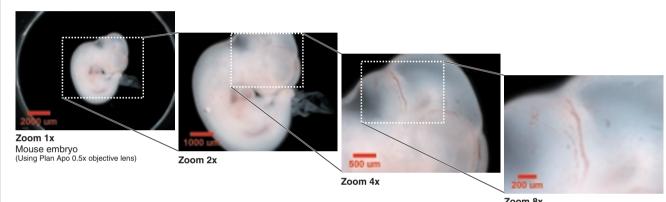
NIS-Elements creates a synthesized image of the portions in focus.



All-in-focus image Zebrafish embryo (Using Plan Fluor 5x objective lens)

The scale bar is displayed in conjunction with magnification changes When a Digital Sight camera is attached, the scale bar, which is linked to the objective lens magnification and variations in zoom,

changes automatically. You can save the scale with the image.



AZ100M + DS-Fi1-U2 + NIS-Elements

When used with NIS-Elements imaging software

The microscope and camera are synced together to enhance automated imaging acquisition and ease of use.

- Creating EDF images
- Display a scale that reflects the observation magnification
- Auto-record microscope status data with images Operate the microscope and camera from a PC



Simple image capturing without a PC

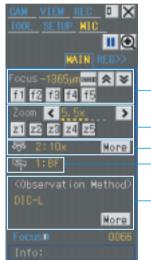
— Combined with a Digital Sight series digital camera DS-Fi1-L2

AZ100M + DS-Fi1-L2

Combined with the DS-L2 standalone control unit

The camera automatically detects microscope status data

- Display a scale reflecting the observation magnification
- Auto-record microscope status data with images
- Operate the microscope and camera from the controller



■ Microscope control GUI

⚠ Focus

3 Zoom (0.1x intervals)

Objective lens • Filter block

Observation method



Auto-recording of microscope status data with images

When a Digital Sight camera is attached, the camera automatically detects microscope status data at the time of image capture such as the objective lens magnification, zoom magnification, and fluorescence filter in use. The data is saved along with the captured image for efficient databasing of images.



Zoea (Using Plan Fluor 5x objective lens)

Save the microscope status data at the time of image capture with the images

A microscopy image capture system worthy of the Nikon name

Digital Sight series digital camera system

A flexible system that enables various configurations consisting of a camera head and a control unit to suit each sample or application.

Camera Heads



High-definition color camera head DS-Fi1

5-megapixel high-definition color. The DS-Fi1 offers advanced performance, including a high dynamic range and superior red sensitivity, and is optimal for brightfield, darkfield, and DIC image

*See the Digital Sight series catalog for more information.



High-sensitivity cooled monochrome camera head DS-Qi1

The definitive digital camera for time-lapse fluorescence observation. By combining low-noise electronics and a high-quantum efficiency detector, the DS-Qi1 can capture a wide dynamic range of intensities while maintaining quantitative linearity.

*See the DS-Qi1 catalog for more information.

Control Units

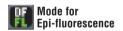


Standalone control unit DS-L2

The DS-L2 enables focusing and viewing of images on the built-in 8.4-inch LCD monitor without the need for a PC. Images can be transferred via a network and saved on a CF card or a microdrive. USB memory can also be used to save images.

Scene mode

Optimal camera settings have been preprogrammed for each observation method and are











PC-based Control Unit DS-U2

The DS-U2 allows image capture, control of microscope, image processing and analysis on a PC monitor using Nikon's imaging software NIS-Elements.



Imaging software NIS-Elements



Standard software for a combination of the AZ100M and DS-U2. It supports the simple acquisition requirements of color documentation, with basic measuring and reporting capabilities. Adding the EDF plug-in software (see p.6) allows you to operate the microscope and camera in synchronization, easily creating all-in-focus images. The following optional packages are also available for even more sophisticated research applications.

Ar For most advanced research applications supports up to 6D (X, Y, Z, T, Wavelengh, Multipoint) acquisition.

Supports up to 4D (such as X,Y,Z,T and X,Y, Z, Wavelength) acquisition.

*See the NIS-Elements catalog for more information.

Comprehensive line-up of accessories

Eyepiece tubes

The lineup includes the ergonomic tilting trinocular eyepiece tubes AZ-TE100 (beamsplit ratio 100:0/0:100) and AZ-TE80 (beamsplit ratio 100:0/20:80), as well as the vertical monocular tube (AZ-TP 0.6x). The 0.6x reduction optics built into photo port enable capturing of images with a wider field of view.

*Accepts ISO type C-mount Direct CCTV Adapters.



 AZ-TE100 Ergonomic Trinocular Tube 100 2 AZ-TE80 Ergonomic Trinocular Tube 80

AZ-TP DSC Tube 0.6x



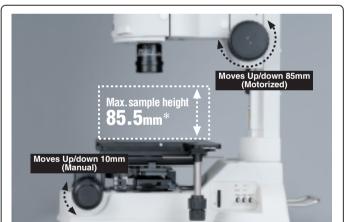
The AZ100M comes standard with tilting trinocular evepiece tubes that tilt from 0° to 30° to allow the optimal eye level for the observer's height and posture. Two different beamsplit ratios for the binocular and photo port can be selected: the 100:0/ 0:100 type, which is optimal for photo documentation, or the 100:0/20:80 type, which enables visual observation while displaying an image on a monitor.

Diascopic stand/Diascopic stage

Combining a variety of holders with a diascopic illumination stand and a stage makes various observation methods possible, including brightfield, Nomarski DIC, simple polarizing for everything from large samples to Petri dishes and glass slides.



1AZ-STDM Motorized Focusing Diascopic Stand 2AZ-STGD DIA Stage 3AZ-SG Stage Glass



The AZ100M stand combines motorized focus (stroke: 85mm) on the column side, and a comfortably operated manual focus conveniently located on the front stage side (stroke: 10mm), enabling observation of samples with a height up to a maximum of 85.5mm*. In addition, since the objective lens has long working distances, Petri dish observation is

*Differs according to the combination with objective lens.



2 AZ-SRP Rotatable Plate

Requires AZ-SDA dish holder adapter or AZ-SRP Rotatable Plate



O-HU Úniversal holder

1 Thermo Plate MATS-U505S (TOKAI HIT Co., Ltd.)

2 AZ-STA Thermo Plate Adapter

4 C-HSG Slide glass holder

Objective lenses

Nikon has developed new dedicated objective lenses with a high NA and low distortion. There are five lens types, each of which are capable of multiple illumination techniques.



2 AZ-Plan Apo 1x 3 AZ-Plan Fluor 2x 4 AZ-Plan Apo 4x

Objective lens specifications

	Plan Apo 0.5x	Plan Apo 1x	Plan Fluor 2x	Plan Apo 4x	Plan Fluor 5x (include correction ring)
		Parfocal			
'D	54mm	35mm	45mm	20mm	15mm
A	0.05	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5
IC	_	EPI/DIA	_	EPI/DIA	EPI/DIA
oi- iorescence	0	0	(UV excitation possible)	0	(UV excitation possible)
D illumination	0	0	_	_	_
oaxial umination	(with lambda plate)	(with lambda plate)	_	(with lambda plate)	(with lambda plate)

Diascopic DIC attachments

Thanks to these newly developed DIC prisms, high-contrast DIC images with uniform coloration are possible at any magnification. (The objective lenses capable of DIC observation are the Plan Apo 1x, Plan Apo 4x, and Plan Fluor 5x.)

Note: The AZ-FLDIC FL-DIC Prism Holder is required to simultaneously mount this accessory along with the AZ-FL epi-Fluorescence



1 AZ-DPS1 DIA DIC Prism Slider 1-4x

AZ-DPS5 DIA DIC Prism Slider 5x 3 AZ-AN DIA DIC Prism Holder with Analyze AZ-DP1 DIA DIC Prism 1x

6 AZ-DP4 DIA DIC Prism 4x AZ-DP5 DIA DIC Prism 5x

AZ-DL DIA DIC Lambda Plate

Episcopic DIC attachments



1 C-FI115/230 Fiber Illuminator AZ-ICI Coaxial Episcopic Illuminat 3 YM-ND25 ND4/ND16 4 AZ-NCB NCB Filter

5 AZ-EL EPI DIC Lambda Plate 6 AZ-EPS1 EPI DIC Prism Slider 1-4x A7-FPS5 FPI DIC Prism Slider 5x **3** AZ-PH EPI DIC Prism Holder

Epi-fluorescence attachments

Since the excitation light path of the AZ100M is separated from the observation optics, fluorescence images with high S/N ratio can be obtained, without being affected by the zoom optics. The newly developed Intensilight mercury pre-centered fiber illuminator minimizes thermal effects on the microscope itself, and there is no need for troublesome lamp-centering adjustment.

Note: For UV excitation, the lamp-housing type mercury lamp (5)



O-HGFI/HGFIE HG Precentered Fiber Illuminator (130W), HG Fiber 2 AZ-FL Epi-Fluorescence Attachment 3 AZ-HGFA Fiber Adapter

6 C-SHG1 Starter 100W, Lamphouse HMX-4B AZ-HGA HG Lamphouse Adapter



Lamphouse configuration





Oblique illumination slider

By inserting the sliding diaphragm at a conjugated position with the objective pupil, the center of the light beam is blocked allowing coherent light to be projected obliquely onto the sample. This allows observation of transparent colorless samples by applying relief-like contrast.



AZ-OI Oblique Illumination Slider

Diascopic simple polarizing attachments



Foot controllers

Motorized focusing and zoom adjustment via foot pedal is possible through AZ-FSW Foot Switch. Nikon also offers the AZ-PCR Photo Release for foot-operation of the DS-L2 camera controller. These controllers are especially handy when both hands are busy with the sample or the microscope.

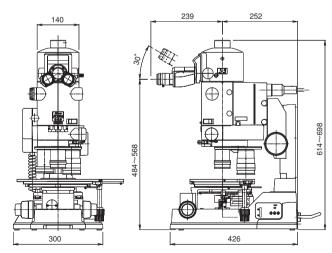
*The foot switch cannot be used when NIS-Elements is running



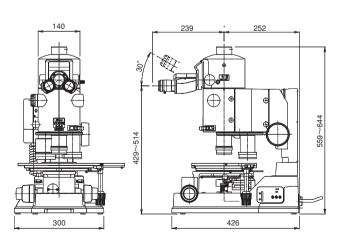
Specifications/Dimensions

Total magnification	5x to 400x (depends on the combination of eyepiece lenses and objective lens),			
	6.25x to 500x when a coaxial illuminator is mounted			
Zoom range	1 to 8 (zoom ratio: 8:1, motorized variable power zoom)			
Eyepiece tubes	AZ-TE100 Ergonomic Trinocular Tube 100 (beamsplit ratio 100:0/0:100, 0.6x reduction optics built into photo port)			
	AZ-TE80 Ergonomic Trinocular Tube 80 (beamsplit ratio 100:0/20:80, 0.6x reduction optics built into photo port)			
	AZ-TP DSC Tube 0.6x (direct tube type, 0.6x reduction optics built in)			
Inclination angle	0 to 30 degrees (eyepiece tube AZ-TE100/AZ-TE80)			
Interpupillary adjustment range	nge 50 to 75mm (eyepiece tube AZ-TE100/AZ-TE80)			
Eyepiece lens	AZ-W10x eyepiece 10x (FOV: 22mm)			
Focus mount adapters	AZ-FM AZ Focusing Mount Adapter			
Stands	AZ-STDM Motorized Focusing Diascopic Stand (Focus mount section: 85mm stroke, motorized vertical movement			
	Note: Manual operation is not possible while power is on.)			
Stages	AZ-STGD DIA Stage (150 x 100mm stroke)			
Objective lens mounts	AZ-NPI Triple Nosepiece I, AZ-NPS Single Nosepiece			
Objective lenses	AZ-Plan Apo 0.5x (NA: 0.05/WD: 54mm), AZ-Plan Apo 1x (NA: 0.1/WD: 35mm)			
	AZ-Plan Fluor 2x (NA: 0.2/WD: 45mm), AZ-Plan Apo 4x (NA: 0.4/WD: 20mm)			
	AZ-Plan Fluor 5x (NA: 0.5/WD: 15mm)			
Illuminators	C-FI115/230 Fiber Illuminator for transmitted light observation,			
	AZ-ICI Coaxial Episcopic Illuminator			
	(C-FI115/230 Fiber Illuminator: 12V 100W halogen lamp, device magnification: 1.25x)			
	AZ-LED LED Ring Illuminator			
Epi-fluorescence attachment	AZ-FL Epi-fluorescence Attachment (up to four filter cubes mountable)			
	AZ-FLDIC FL-DIC Prism Holder			
	(Use when simultaneously mounting epi-fluorescence and diascopic DIC attachments.)			
Light source for	C-HGFI HG Precentered Fiber Illuminator (130W mercury lamp), C-HGFIE HG Precentered Fiber Illuminator			
epi-fluorescence observation	(motorized, 100W mercury lamp), Earnphouse Tillix 45 (100W mercury lamp)			
Observation methods	Transmitted light: brightfield, Nomarski DIC, simple polarizing, and oblique illumination observation			
	Reflected light: fluorescence, Nomarski DIC, coaxial illumination, and LED illumination observation			
Weight	Epi-fluorescence + diascopic DIC configuration:			
	(when using AZ-STDM Motorized Focusing Diascopic Stand): approx.33kg			

Epi-fluorescence + DIC configuration



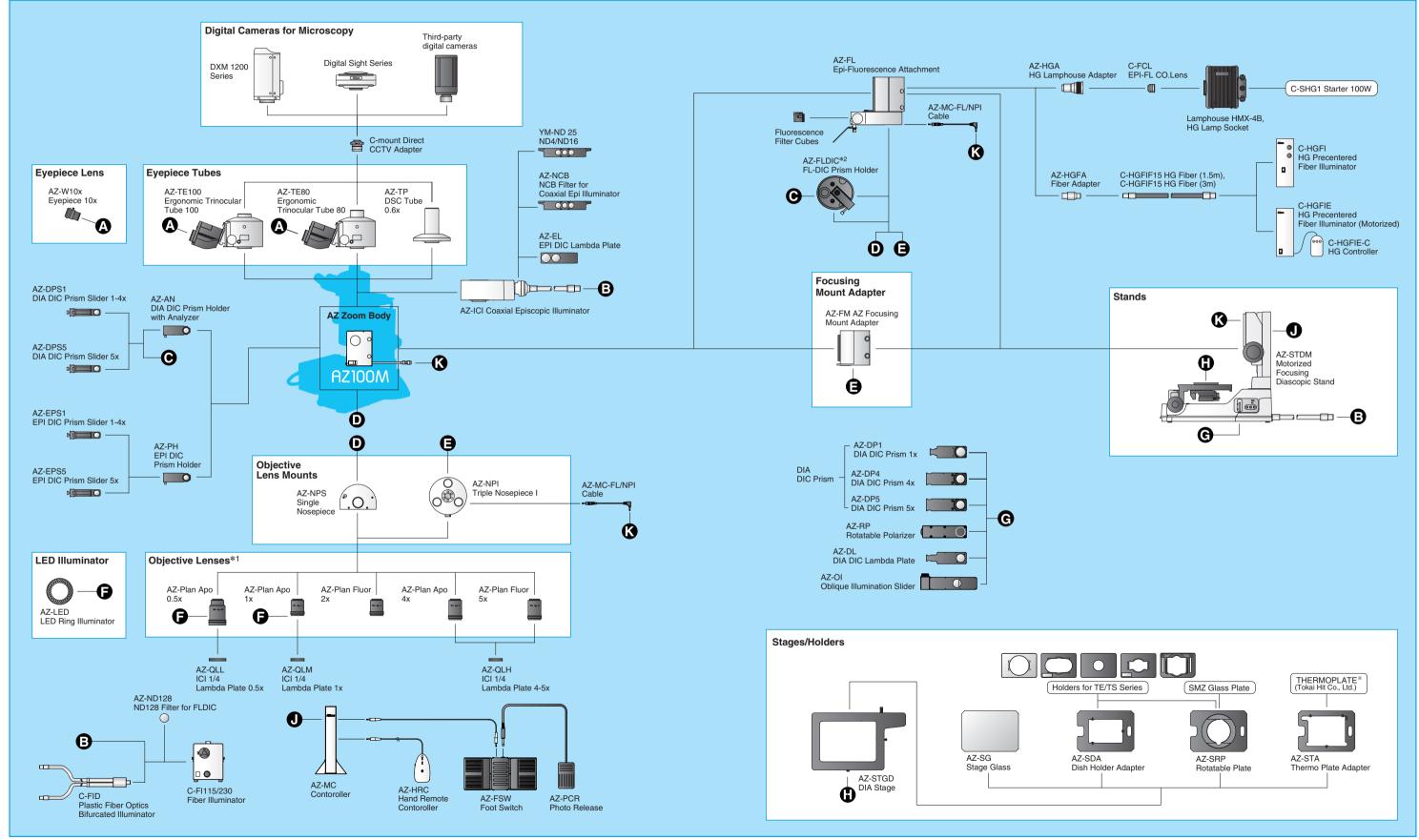
DIC configuration



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System Diagram



^{*1} See page 11 regarding combinations with illuminators. *2 Use when simultaneously mounting epi-fluorescence and diascopic DIC attachments. *3 Combination with coaxial illuminator is not possible.