



**3i** Intelligent  
Imaging  
Innovations

# VIVO SDC

## Upright Intravital Spinning Disk Confocal Microscopy System

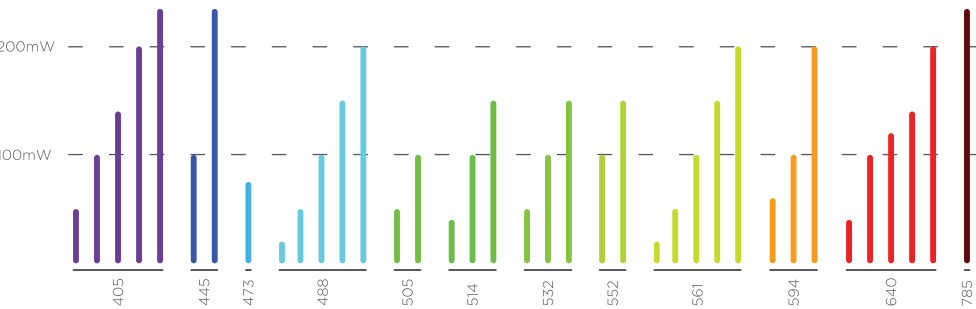


# VIVO Spinning Disk Confocal

The VIVO SDC platform incorporates advanced optics, cameras, fast excitation sources, computers and proprietary electronics to achieve high speed, precision and flexibility in intravital image acquisition. The configuration of the VIVO system is designed to allow the presentation of surgically prepared animals and live tissue slices without compromising high-sensitivity imaging at fast speeds. Seamless integration of ablation lasers and photoactivation/photoconversion devices allows for complex photomanipulation experiments.

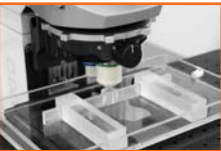
## LaserStack

Modular laser combiner  
Up to eight lasers



## Fiber Switcher

Up to four fiber outputs  
Millisecond path switching



## Surgical Trays

Custom-designed surgical trays for presentation of exteriorised tissue and for stabilization of tissue presentation using cranial windows

## TTL Sync

Millisecond timing and trigger  
Control of multiple devices



## Vector2

Modular high-speed X/Y scanner for accurate, diffraction-limited photomanipulation events



## Spinning Disk Confocal

Intravital 3D confocal imaging  
Super-resolution dual microlens disk

## Telecorr

Focus extender for correct spinning disk confocal excitation

## Phasor

Computer generated holography  
1-photon and 2-photon



## Fully Automated Research Microscope

Motorized z-drive (with optional fast piezo)  
Long working distance water dipping objectives  
Large, easily accessible sample space

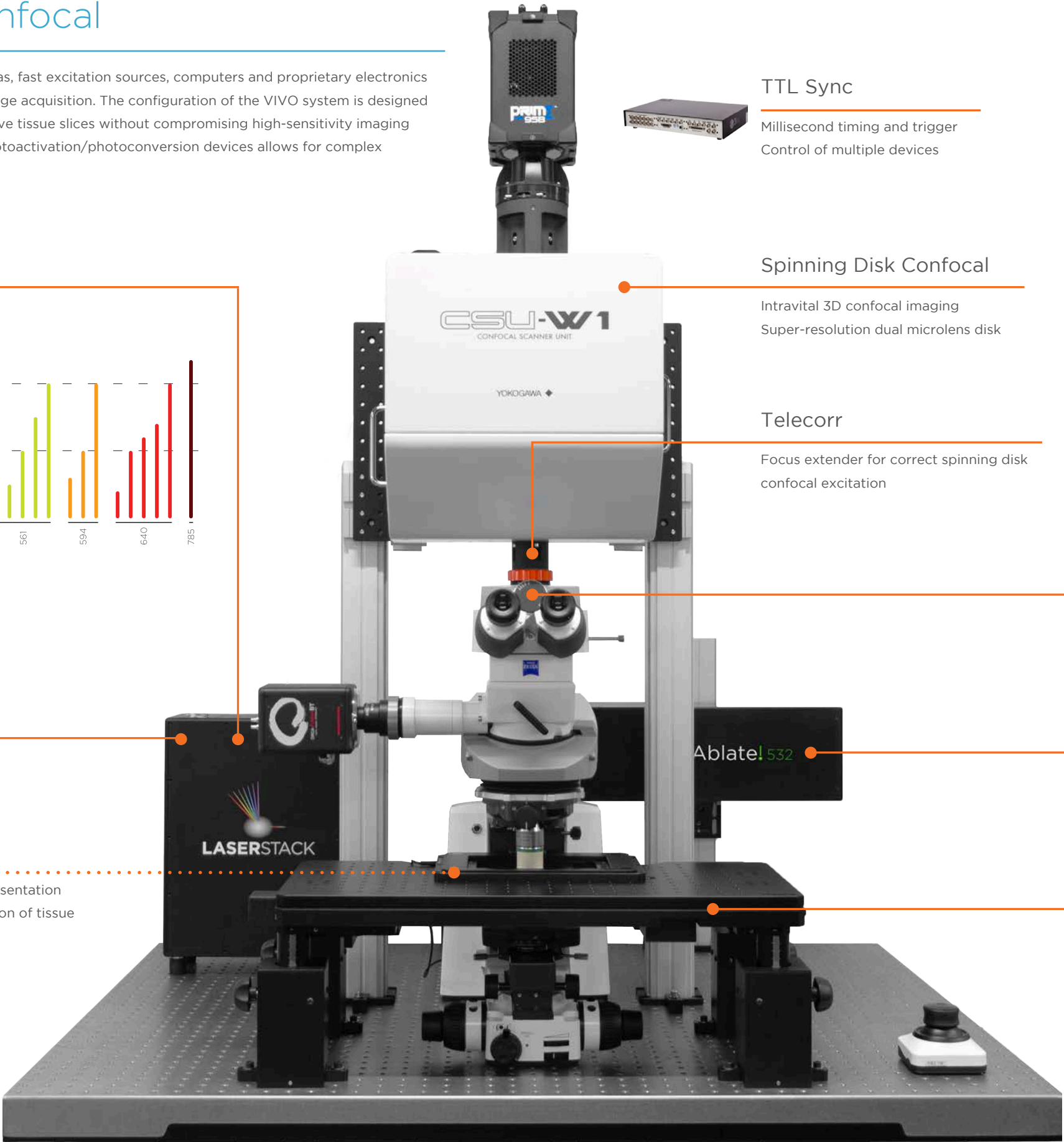
## Ablate!

355nm and 532nm pulsed laser system  
Fixed point or galvo-scanned for fast targeting

Ablate! 532

## Platform Stage

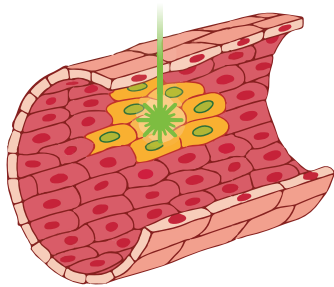
Accommodates intravital imaging trays and life support systems for long-term animal imaging





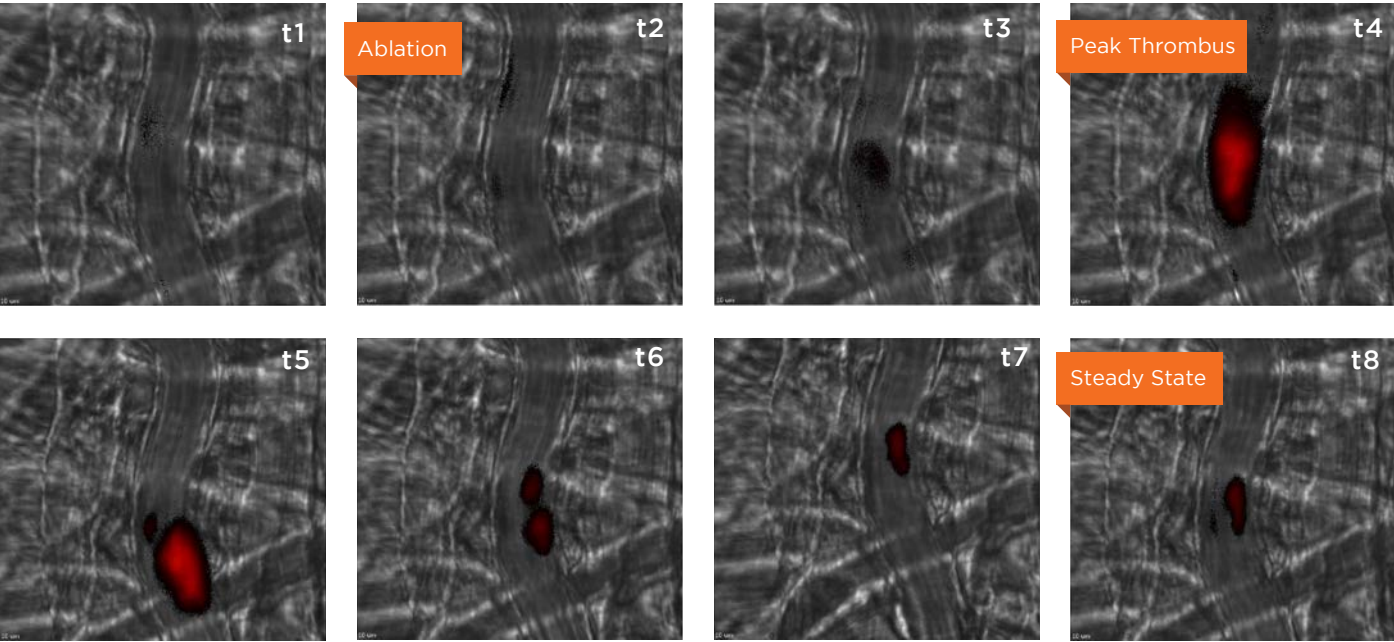
# Complete Cardiovascular Imaging Platform

VIVO SDC is designed around fast imaging of the mouse vasculature for thrombosis and inflammation studies. Over the past two decades, dozens of high-impact journal articles have been published with the VIVO SDC system focusing on platelet and leukocyte biology in numerous murine vascular beds including dermis/skin-flap, mesentery, cremaster, cerebral-microvessels (via cranial window) and for imaging of larger vessels including the femoral and carotid arteries. 3i applications scientists can offer training and guidance from experimental design to publication based on extensive personal experience in animal preparation, surgical techniques, intravital imaging and data analysis.

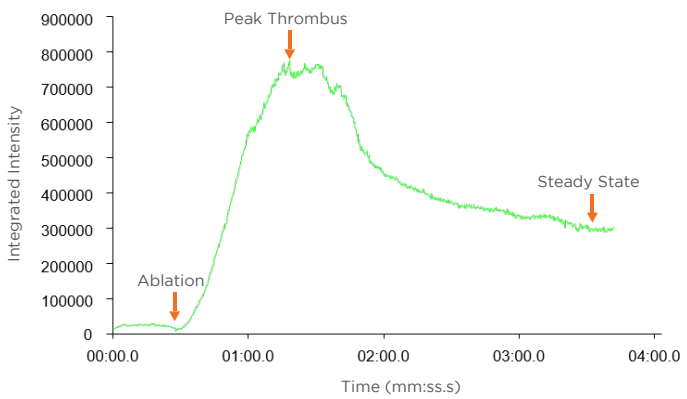


## Intravital Thrombosis Imaging

The Ablate! laser system is used to trigger gentle and reproducible damage to the endothelial cells in live blood vessels to induce platelet adhesion and thrombus formation. Consistent pulses from the laser allow for tissue ablation before and after addition of an agonist or inhibitor for detailed kinetic studies of novel therapeutic targets. Power can be easily titrated from cell activation to multi-cell ablations with a diffraction-limited spot for precise targeting.

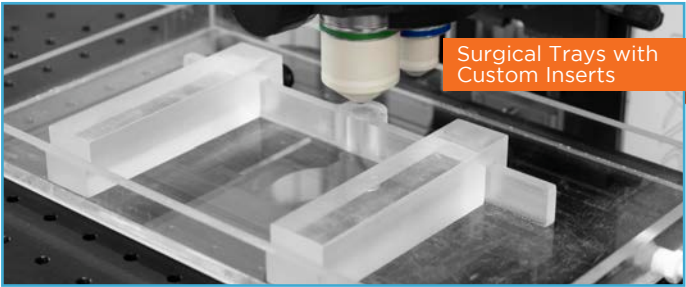


Platelet thrombosis formation is at the center of many cardiovascular diseases, including heart attacks, strokes and deep vein thrombosis (DVT). VIVO SDC equips researchers with a reproducible laser-induced thrombosis model *in vivo* by implementing a sensitive camera, fast LED brightfield & fluorescence illumination, Ablate! pulsed laser and easy-to-use SlideBook software. In this experiment the murine cremaster muscle is visualized in brightfield and platelets are fluorescently labeled in red. After the ablation event a thrombus forms and stabilizes inside of the arteriole. SlideBook offers advanced masking, segmentation and statistical analysis that makes quantifying thrombosis data easy.



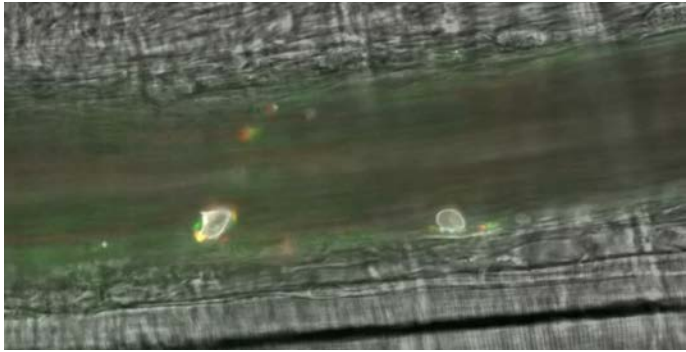
## Surgical Equipment & Training Resources

3i offers extensive equipment lists and recommendations for experimental setups. Training videos and journal articles offer researchers a quick starting point for performing advanced cardiovascular imaging experiments. Surgical trays for tissue presentation with custom inserts are available for multiple animal models.



## Preclinical Research Pipeline

Intravital imaging has become essential in several fields including thrombosis & hemostasis, immunology, vascular biology, angiogenesis, biochemistry, gene therapy and cancer biology. Real-time imaging of cardiovascular events adds powerful *in vivo* results to studies of novel molecular mechanisms, accelerating drug discovery and decreasing the time to patient treatment. Intravital imaging with the VIVO SDC system is now being used to investigate and develop new therapies targeting hemophilia, leukemias and other cancers with circulating tumor cells, ischemic events, inflammation and other cardiovascular diseases.



**THROMBOINFLAMMATION**  
The inflamed cremasteric venules of a WT mouse showing crawling neutrophils (white) capturing and releasing platelets (red) expressing CD62P (green). Courtesy of Dr. Vinatha Sreeramkumar & Dr. Andrés Hidalgo, CNIC.

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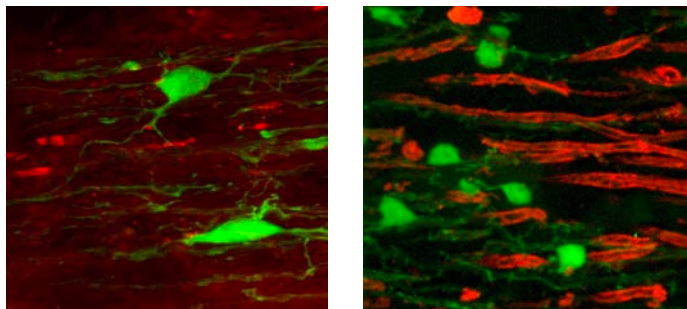


- Rapid 4D imaging** Accomodates high-speed confocal imaging by synchronizing the camera with a piezo Z stage.
- Fast ablation targeting** Click-to-fire ablation anywhere in the field of view for laser pulsing between tissue movements.
- Particle tracking** Acquire and automatically segment, track and quantify adherent and rolling leukocytes.

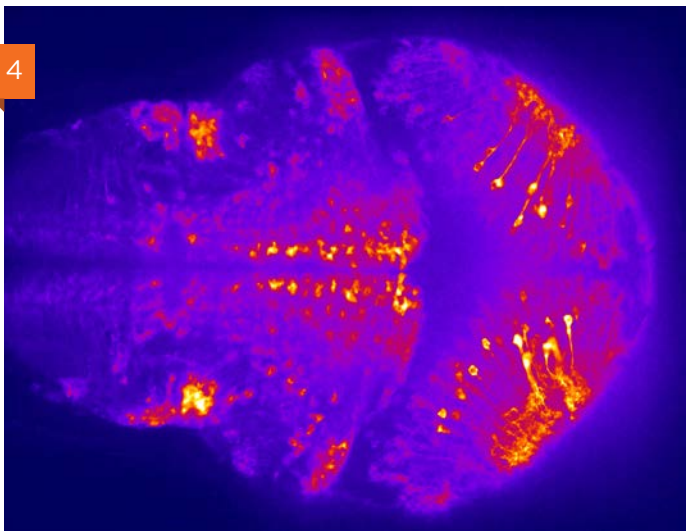
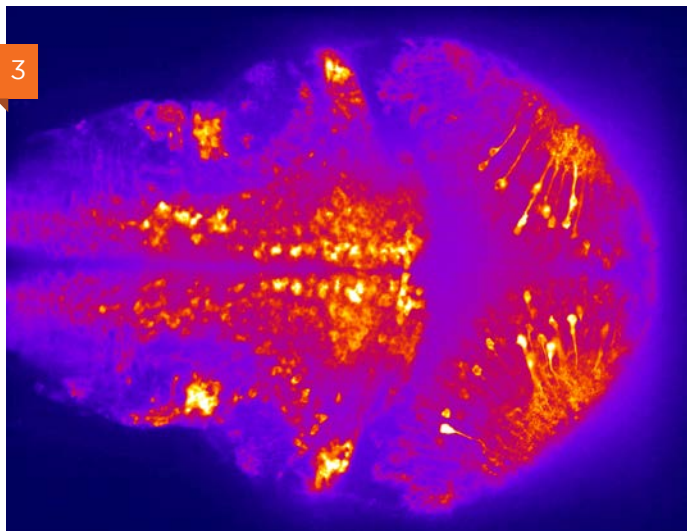
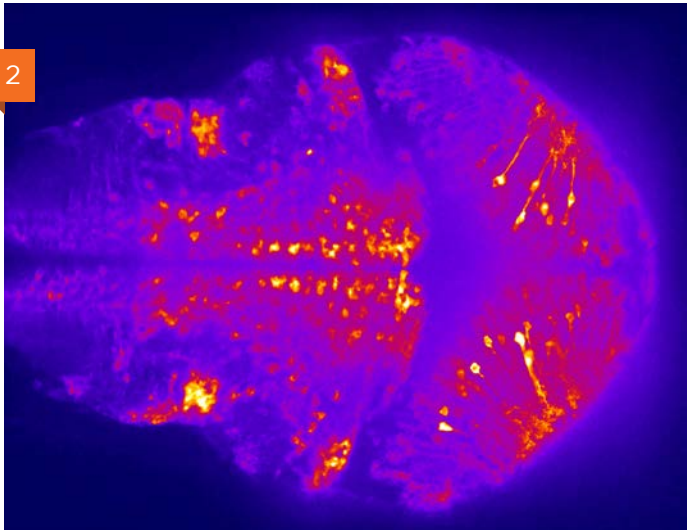
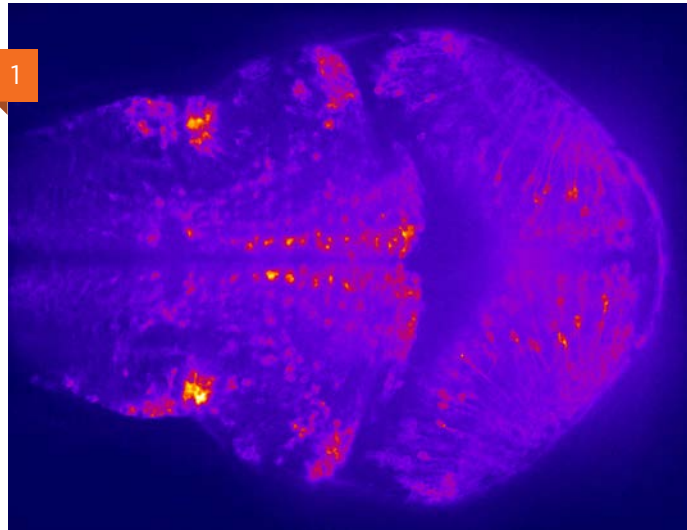


# Flexible and Robust Neuroscience System

Imaging the brain and nervous system of live organisms requires a gentle, fast and high-resolution system. VIVO SDC systems are used to image structure and calcium flux in live brain tissue slices as well as zebrafish and *Drosophila* brains. A large platform stage offers room for micromanipulators for neuronal patch clamp electrophysiology, paired with fluorescence imaging modalities through software triggering and synchronization capabilities. The addition of Phasor holographic photomanipulation enables rapid optogenetic stimulation while imaging.



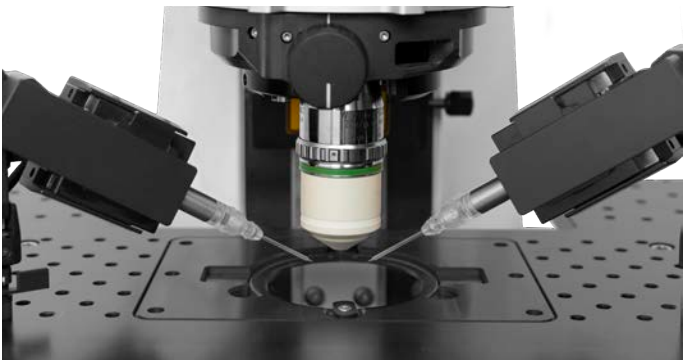
**NEURONS IN SPINAL CORD TISSUE**  
GFP expressing neurons in spinal cord tissue. Sample courtesy Dr. Wolfram Tetzlaff, University of British Columbia.



**PTZ-INDUCED SEIZURES IN THE BRAIN OF ZEBRAFISH LARVA**  
Calcium signals from the brain of Zebrafish larva in resting conditions (1) and after PTZ-induced seizures (2, 3, 4). The transgenic line is Tg(NeuroD:GCaMP6f). Image courtesy of Laura Desban, Andrew Prendergast and Claire Wyart.

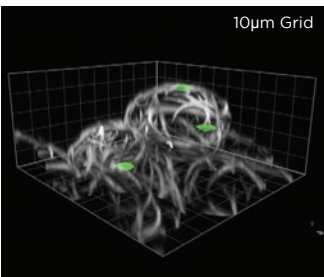
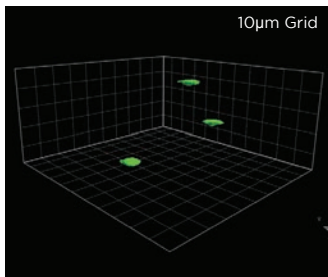
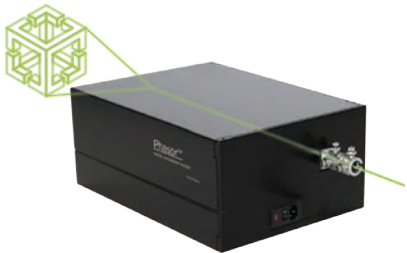
## Patch Clamp Electrophysiology

Patch clamp electrophysiology may be preferred for direct measurement of current and voltage changes taking place across the membrane in neural tissue. Several combinations of stages and micromanipulators can be paired with VIVO SDC systems including existing electrophysiology equipment.



## Phasor Holographic Photomanipulation

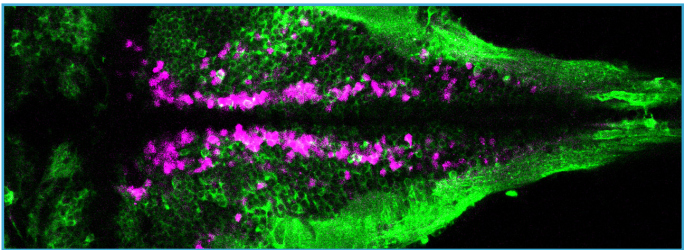
- Spatial light modulator-generated holography for optogenetics stimulation/FRAP/voltage imaging
- Simultaneous 3D stimulation of multiple, separate regions
- Visible and multiphoton stimulation without scanning



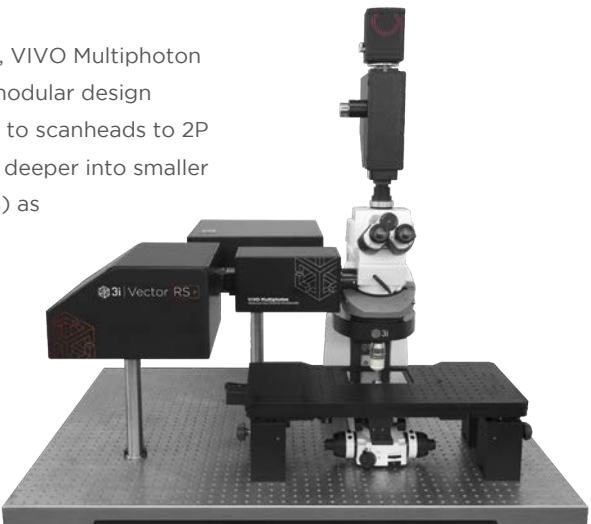
**3D PHOTOSTIMULATION**  
3D illumination pattern (left) applied to a 3D specimen (right) to stimulate multiple regions simultaneously.

## Increasing Imaging Depth with VIVO Multiphoton

An intravital imaging system for brain slice and *in vivo* multiphoton imaging, VIVO Multiphoton Upright is available as an upgrade to the VIVO SDC system. A flexible and modular design allows for the integration of best-in-class components from platform stages to scanheads to 2P holographic photomanipulation. VIVO Multiphoton is optimized for imaging deeper into smaller model systems (*Drosophila*, *C. elegans*, zebrafish, brain slices and organoids) as well as rodent animal models.



**ZEBRAFISH**  
A maximum intensity projection of ciliated cerebrospinal fluid-contacting neurons (magenta) contacting the central canal in the spinal cord of a larval zebrafish. Cilia are labeled in green. Courtesy of Jenna Sternberg, Wyart lab, Institut du Cerveau et de la Moelle Épinrière.





# Spinning Disk Confocal

Yokogawa spinning disk confocals utilize a dual Nipkow disk with microlenses for the best optical sectioning and minimal pinhole crosstalk. This proven technology is the best solution for intravital imaging where optical sectioning and speed are both critically important.



## CSU-X1

- Highest speed imaging at up to 2000fps
- Field of view for 7mm x 10mm detectors
- 50µm pinhole disk with microlenses
- Manual and motorized versions

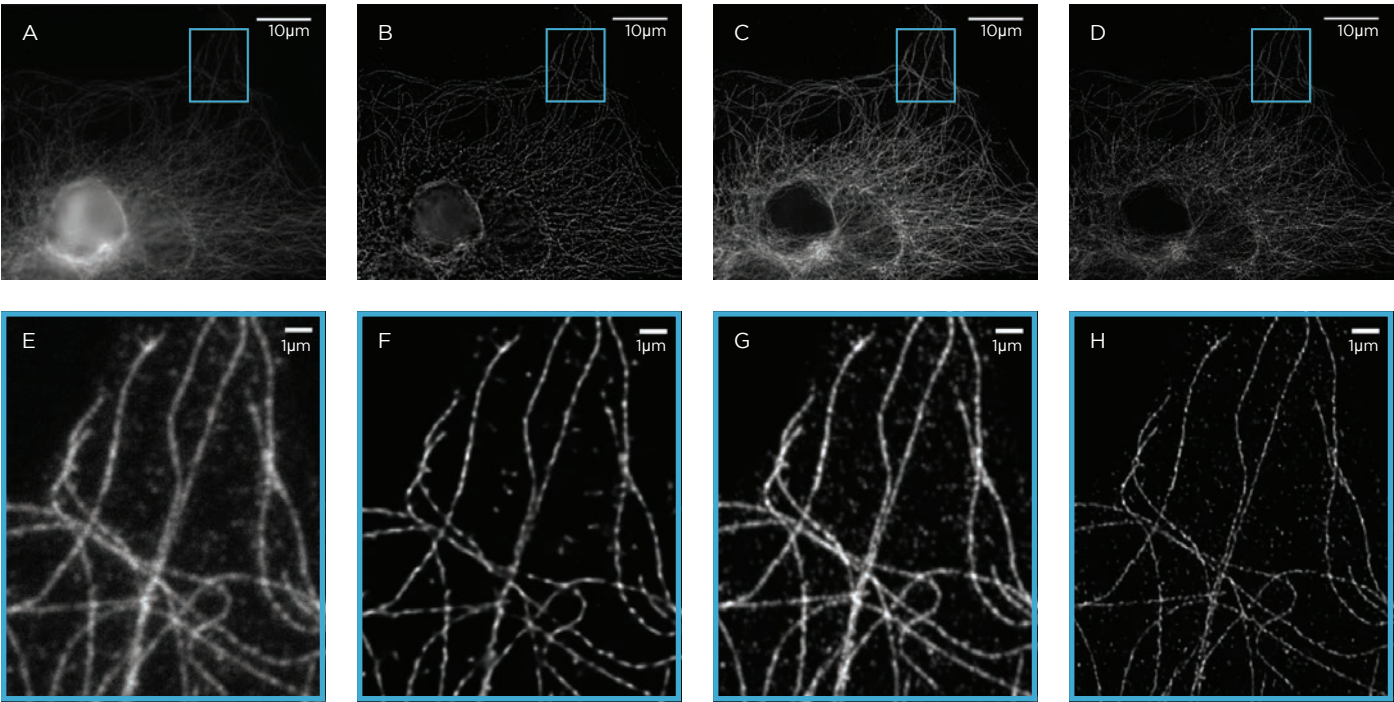


## CSU-W1

- High speed imaging up to 200fps
- Wide field of view 16mm x 17mm
- 25µm and 50µm pinhole disks for lower and higher magnification objectives
- Motorization including disk exchange, variable aperture, camera port selection and camera port magnification
- Options for split-view imaging, NIR imaging, illumination field flattening and super-resolution imaging

## CSU-W1 SoRa

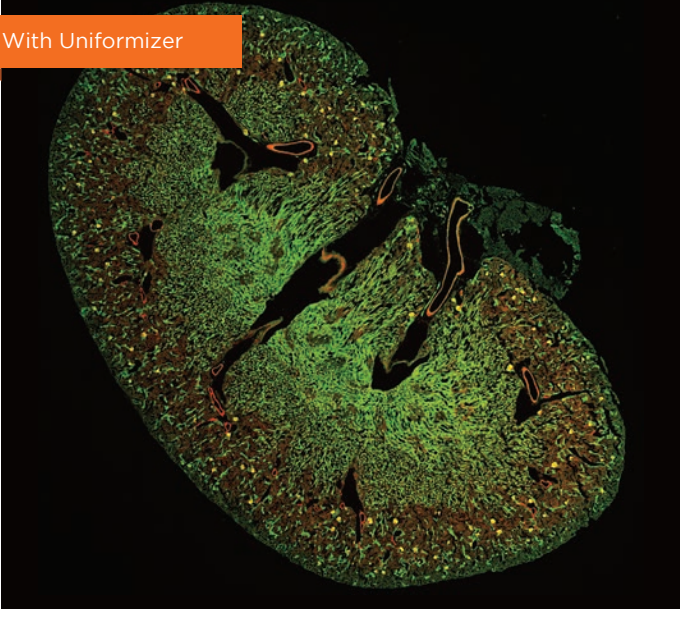
CSU-W1 SoRa is an easy-to-use super-resolution microscopy solution utilizing a dual Nipkow disk assembly with microlenses on both the illuminating and pinhole disks. SoRa images have a 1.4x resolution improvement and deconvolved SoRa images have a 2x resolution improvement compared to standard spinning disk data. With a maximum speed of 200fps, low phototoxicity and no limitation on dyes or fluors, SoRa is ideal for super-resolution intravital imaging. SoRa is also available as an upgrade to existing CSU-W1 systems.



Imaging of microtubules in fixed bovine pulmonary artery endothelial cells. Azuma, T. and Kei, T. (2015) Super-resolution spinning-disk confocal microscopy using optical photon reassignment. Opt Express. Jun 1;23(11):15003-11. doi: 10.1364/OE.23.015003.

## Uniformizer | Illumination Field Uniformity

For exceptionally even illumination across the entire field, Uniformizer conditions the gaussian beam from the illumination fiber optic to distribute light evenly across the field. Using a set of microlens arrays, Uniformizer flattens the field to as little as 1% variance and boosts overall intensity up to 50%.





SlideBook software supports research microscopy through the entire experimental process. By managing everything from instrument control to image processing and data analysis, SlideBook allows scientists to focus on investigation rather than instrumentation. SlideBook controls hundreds of instruments in and around the microscope from dozens of manufacturers enabling researchers to integrate their preferred components and upgrade to the latest devices once available.

## User-Selectable App Appearance

Select a color scheme from dozens of options  
Switch on-the-fly from dark to light themes

## SlideBook Open File Format

Directory-based open file format for big data and high performance computing applications

## Volume Rendering

3D and 4D volume view visualization tools support a user-specified bounding box and a storyboard interface where multiple perspectives can be assembled into a single movie

## NVIDIA CUDA GPU Acceleration

GPU acceleration of computationally-intensive operations such as deconvolution

## VAST Integration

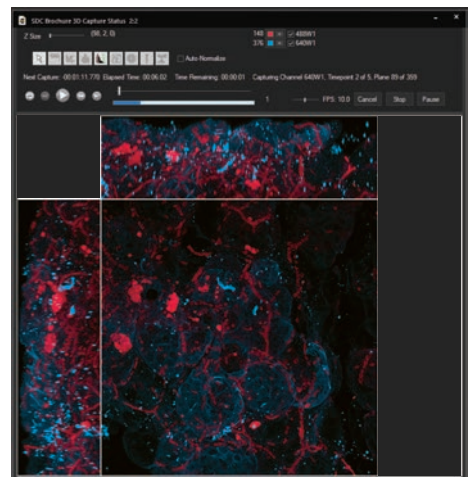
SlideBook communicates with the VAST BioImager platform for automated micron-level positioning of large specimens

## Montage

Acquire and stitch 3D volumes across multiple fields of view

## 3D Capture Status

Volumetric projection during 4D capture supported across all instruments



## Capabilities



### Capture

Control hundreds of devices including microscopes, stages, lasers, wheels, piezos, scanners, shutters and much more.



### View

Visualize data through any numbers of portals, from single images to z-stacks, time lapse, color channels and 4D views.



### Analyze

Analyze images and extract statistical data via a wide variety of algorithms while maintaining original data integrity.



### Scripting

Macro scripting for capture and analysis enhances the flexibility and power available to users.



### Communicate

Present and export data easily as 16-bit TIFFs, 3D movies, graphs or spreadsheets. Data is directly portable to MATLAB and Excel and adheres to Open Microscopy Environment (OME) standards.

## Partners



### MATLAB

Through hierarchical and conditional capture, user-supplied MATLAB programs can control experimental workflows.



### Aivia

Aivia is an innovative and complete 2D-to-5D image visualization, analysis and interpretation platform with artificial intelligence-guided image analysis.



### Microvolution

Microvolution® software delivers nearly instantaneous deconvolution by combining intelligent software programming with the power of a GPU.



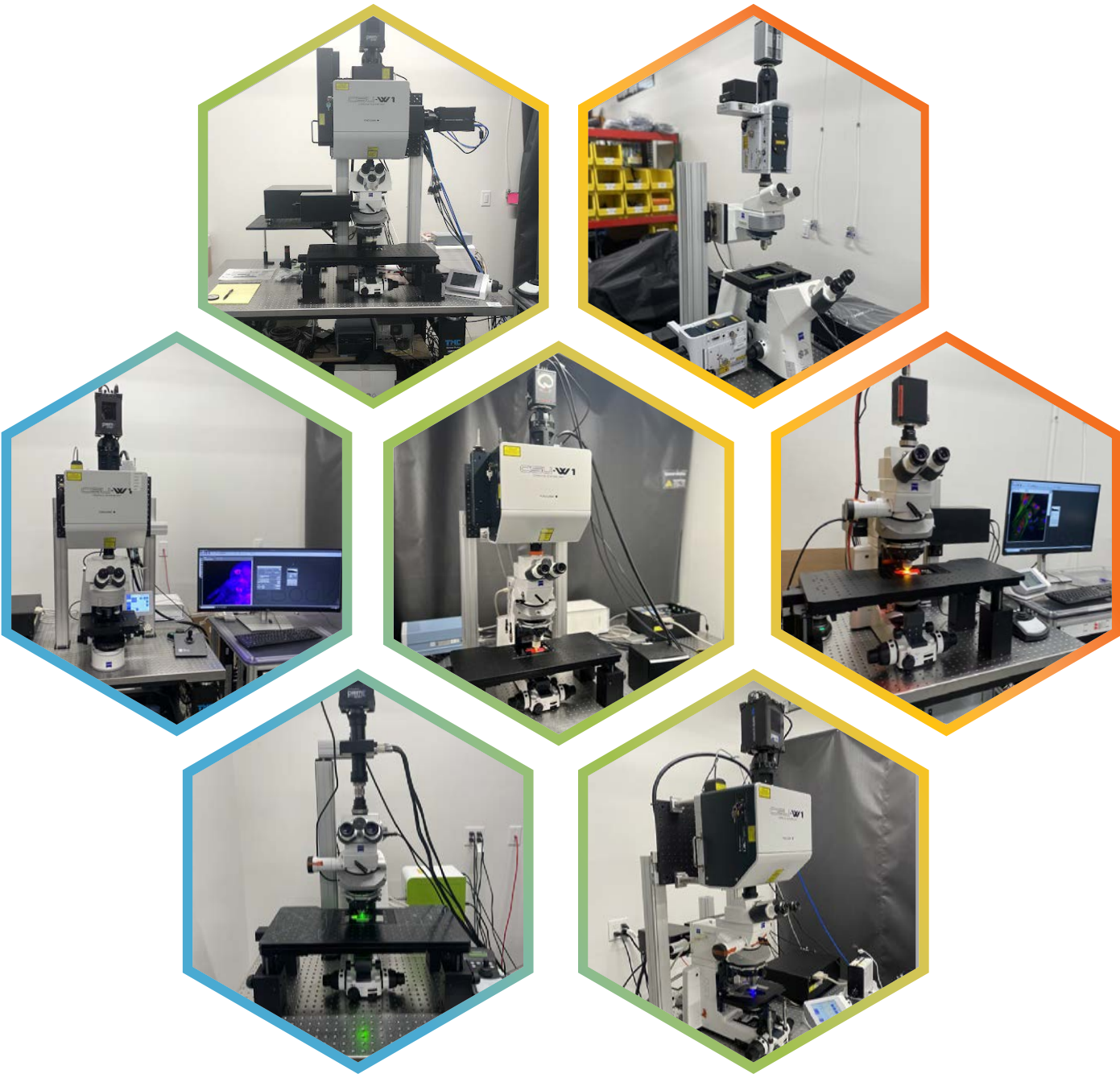
### Dell

The latest high-power computer workstations control all microscope hardware and enable high-speed processing, segmentation and volume rendering of terabyte (TB) datasets.



# Systems Engineering

3i's Systems Engineering department designs, builds and extensively tests every customer system. From spinning disk confocal to multiphoton to lightsheet and photomanipulation, 3i has delivered over a thousand custom, cutting-edge microscopy systems to help answer some of the most complex scientific questions.



## Application Knowledge | Scientific Consulting

A team of PhD scientists meet with each client to document and better understand the scientific context of the user group to ensure that the capabilities of the delivered system match the underlying research goals.

## Performance Criteria | Targeted to Experiments

Understanding key experiments and imaging paradigms allows Systems Engineering to apply targeted testing criteria to every system.

## Customized Hardware | Novel Light Creation

No matter how complex or customized a light path may be for imaging or photostimulation, our engineers ensure that light is manipulated and directed to where it is needed, when it is needed.

## Custom Test Plan | Assure Experiment Success


When a technically advanced experiment requires specific system performance to succeed in the lab, a custom test plan assures the system meets that mark prior to delivery.

## System Integration | Synchronization of Dozens of Instruments

Systems Engineering combines institutional knowledge and scientific consultation to ensure that the instruments in each system are configured for experimental success in the lab.

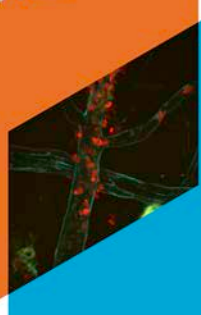
## System Test Report | Guaranteed Performance

Performance metrics and results of the custom test plan are documented in a System Test Report delivered with each system.



System Test Report

**Drs. Bruce and Barbara Furie**  
Harvard Medical School  
Division of Hemostasis and Thrombosis  
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center




General System Testing	Initials
Confirm presence of all system components from quoted order	
Verify correct configuration hardware properties, optical paths, and objectives in SlideBook settings	
Confirm parfocality across objectives	
Test field flatness	
Generate Point Spread Function for high NA objectives (83x)	

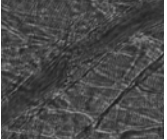
LaserStack	Initials
Verify correct lasers and correct power rating are present	
Verify laser power out of head matches Manufacturing Test Sheet	
Measure laser power at fiber input and output	
Measure laser power at back aperture	
Measure laser power at objective output (all wavelengths with 63x)	
Calculate system throughput	

Motorized XY Stage	Initials
Level stage insert	
Validate motorized travel set distances with stage micrometer	
Double-click to center calibration	
Confirm accuracy of XY multipoint acquisition	

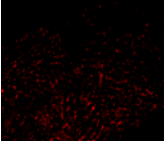
Zeiss Z-Drive	Initials
Test z-position repeatability	



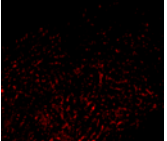
System Test Report



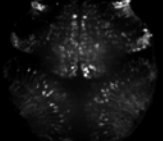
Mouse cremaster tissue



Platelet plug formation



Adherent platelets in lung microvasculature



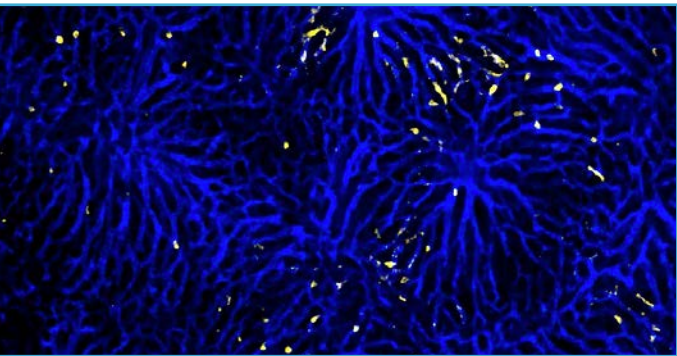
Zebrafish brain expressing GCaMP

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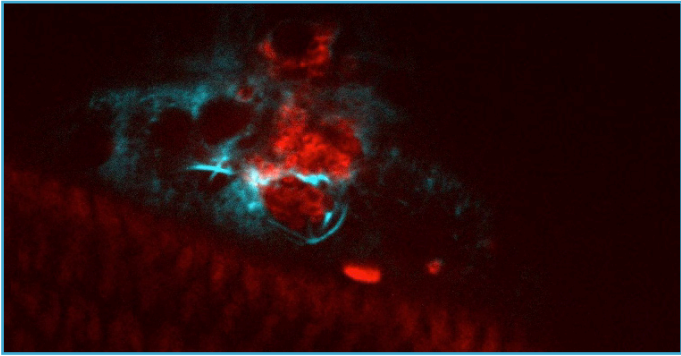
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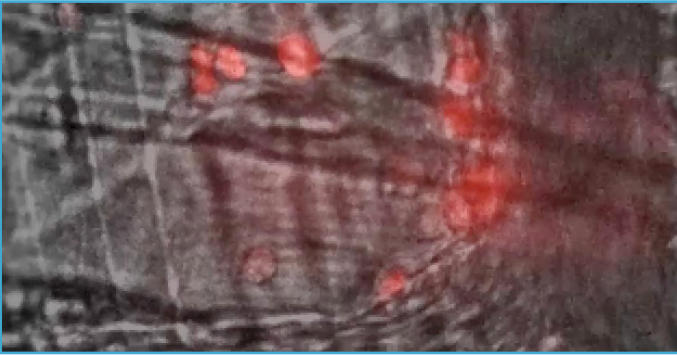
Application Data



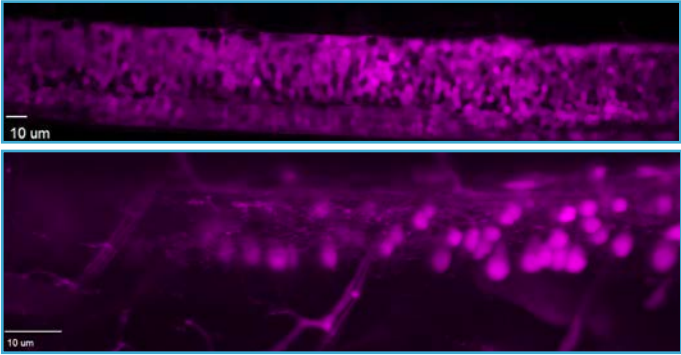
**PULMONARY INFLAMMATION**  
Large vascular beds, as seen in the murine lung, allow for macroscale imaging of leukocyte adhesion, accumulation and transmigration in real time. Mouse lung vasculature (CD31, blue) and leukocytes (yellow). Image courtesy of Dr. Dean Kavanagh, University of Birmingham.



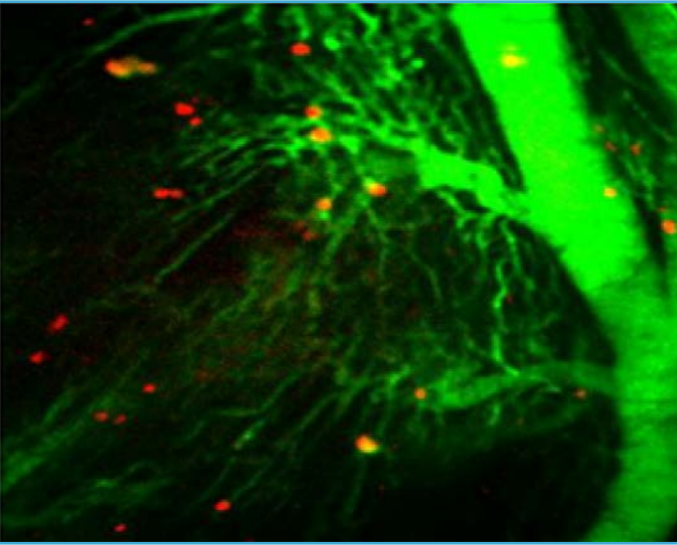
**THROMBOSIS**  
High-speed 3D imaging is required for visualizing thrombosis formation *in vivo*. Platelets (red) and fibrin (cyan) imaged after laser-induced thrombus formation. Image courtesy Dr. Vivien Chen, University of Sydney.



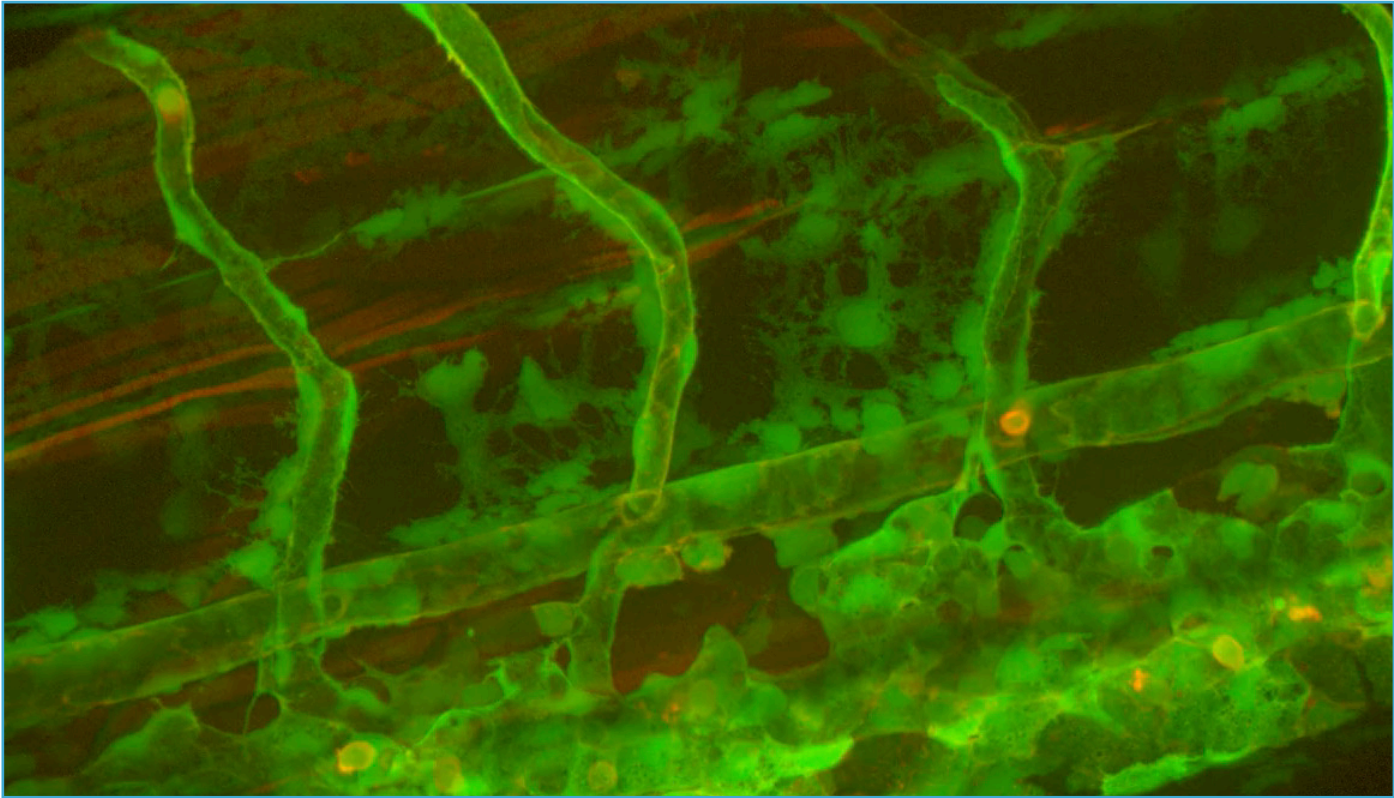
**TRANSMIGRATION AND EXTRAVASATION**  
The inflammatory response begins with neutrophil recruitment to the site of infection and/or injury. Leukocytes (red) after leaving cremaster microvasculature following perfusion of chemoattractant.



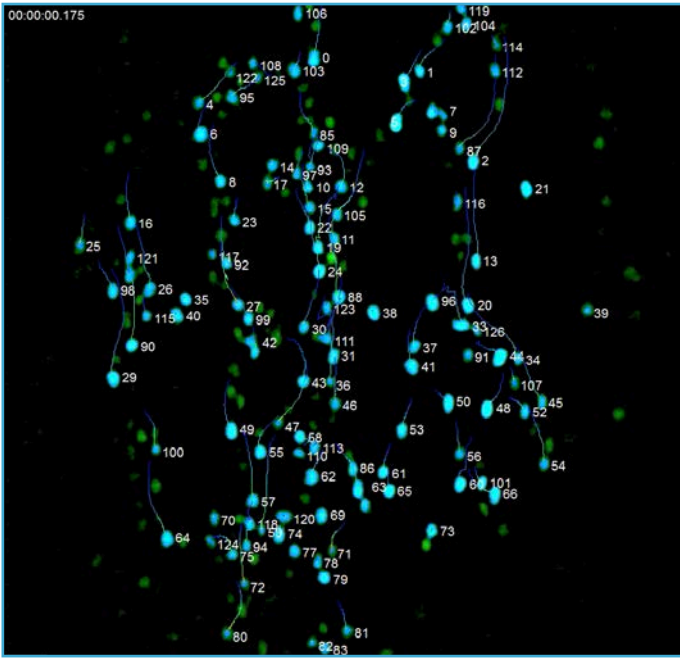
**NEURONAL NETWORKS**  
Neurons in the spinal cord of an adult zebrafish expressing GFP.



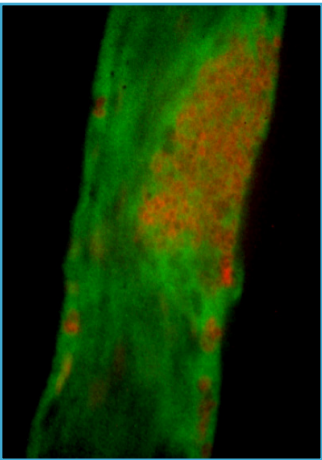
**CARDIAC CIRCULATION**  
Murine heart vasculature visualized with FITC-BSA (green) and leukocytes with anti-Gr-1 antibodies (red). Image courtesy Dr. Dean Kavanagh, University of Birmingham.



**ZEBRAFISH VASCULAR NETWORK**  
Small model organisms are a great substitute for mouse imaging while still offering insight into the inflammatory response. Zebrafish vascular system (green) and leukocytes (red).



**CELL SEGMENTATION AND TRACKING**  
Neutrophil rolling and crawling inside of mouse vasculature can be easily labeled and quantified using the robust particle tracking tools in SlideBook.















**THROMBOSIS**  
Mouse cremaster arteriole after laser-induced thrombus formation. Vasculature (green) and platelets (red).



# Support and Maintenance

A variety of software and equipment support levels help keep systems running well for years. A Software Support Agreement allows labs to run the latest version of SlideBook with new acquisition and analysis features. It includes direct access to 3i staff via email, phone and video chat. A System Maintenance Agreement adds an annual preventative maintenance visit, 3i service visits and 3i coordination of any repairs, although repair and replacement parts are not included. A System Extended Warranty adds full coverage for repairs and replacement parts. Additionally, 3i application scientists may provide in-person and webinar-based application training.

	Software Maintenance	System Maintenance	System Warranty
Phone, Email and Video Chat Support			
SlideBook Software Releases			
Service Visits and Annual PM Visit			
Repairs Coordinated by 3i			
Application Training   In-Person or Online			
Full Warranty Coverage of all System Hardware			

## BUILT BY SCIENTISTS FOR SCIENTISTS

3i designs and manufactures technologies for living cell, live cell, and intravital fluorescence microscopy including superresolution, computer-generated holography, spinning disk confocal, multi-photon and lightsheet. SlideBook software manages everything from instrument control to image capture, processing and data analysis. 3i was established in 1995 by a group of cell biologists, neuroscientists, and computer scientists to provide advanced multi-dimensional microscopy platforms that are intuitive to use, modular in design, and meet the evolving needs of investigators in the biological research community.



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