

THE PEAK OF MAGNIFIED OBSERVATION

MICROSCOPE LENS

LINEUP CATALOG



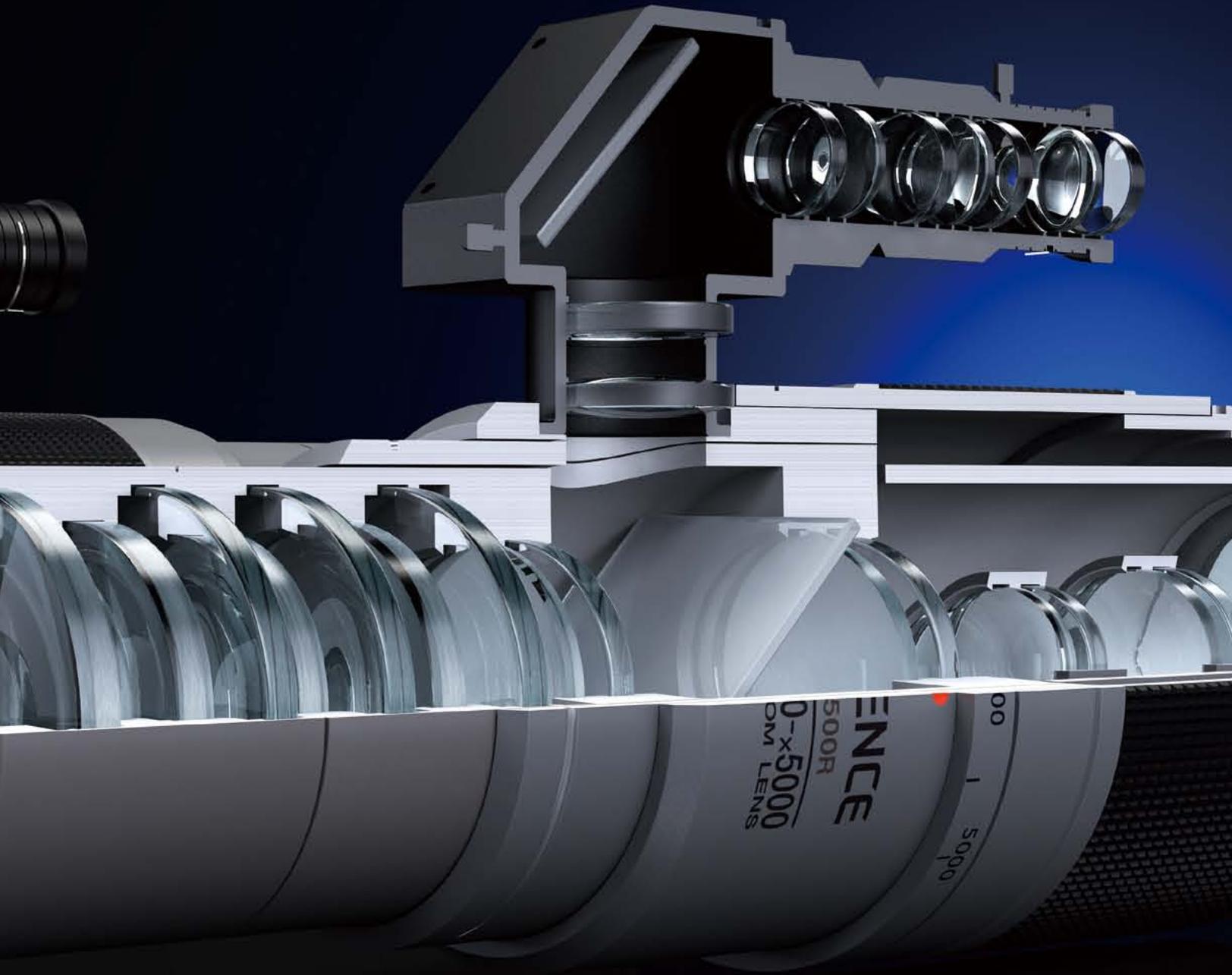
KEYENCE Optical lenses continue to evolve

To take you beyond high resolution to enhanced ease of operation

Since selling our first laser photoelectric switch, KEYENCE has launched numerous products equipped with laser optic technology. Laser displacement sensors, machine vision, 3-Axis control laser markers, laser microscopes, and digital microscopes. All of these products are equipped with optical lenses. We continually ask ourselves: What can we do to deliver the best observation image? What is required to achieve the highest level of operability? KEYENCE's optical design technology is the result of our many years of experience.

All of this technology is poured into our optical microscope lenses.





THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF LENS DEVELOPMENT

The resolution of the observed image in a microscope depends on the optical lens properties. Mindful of their critical role, KEYENCE has worked to develop lenses that meet the highest standard of perfection. The RZ-LENS is the result of our commitment and boasts the highest level of resolution in the industry.



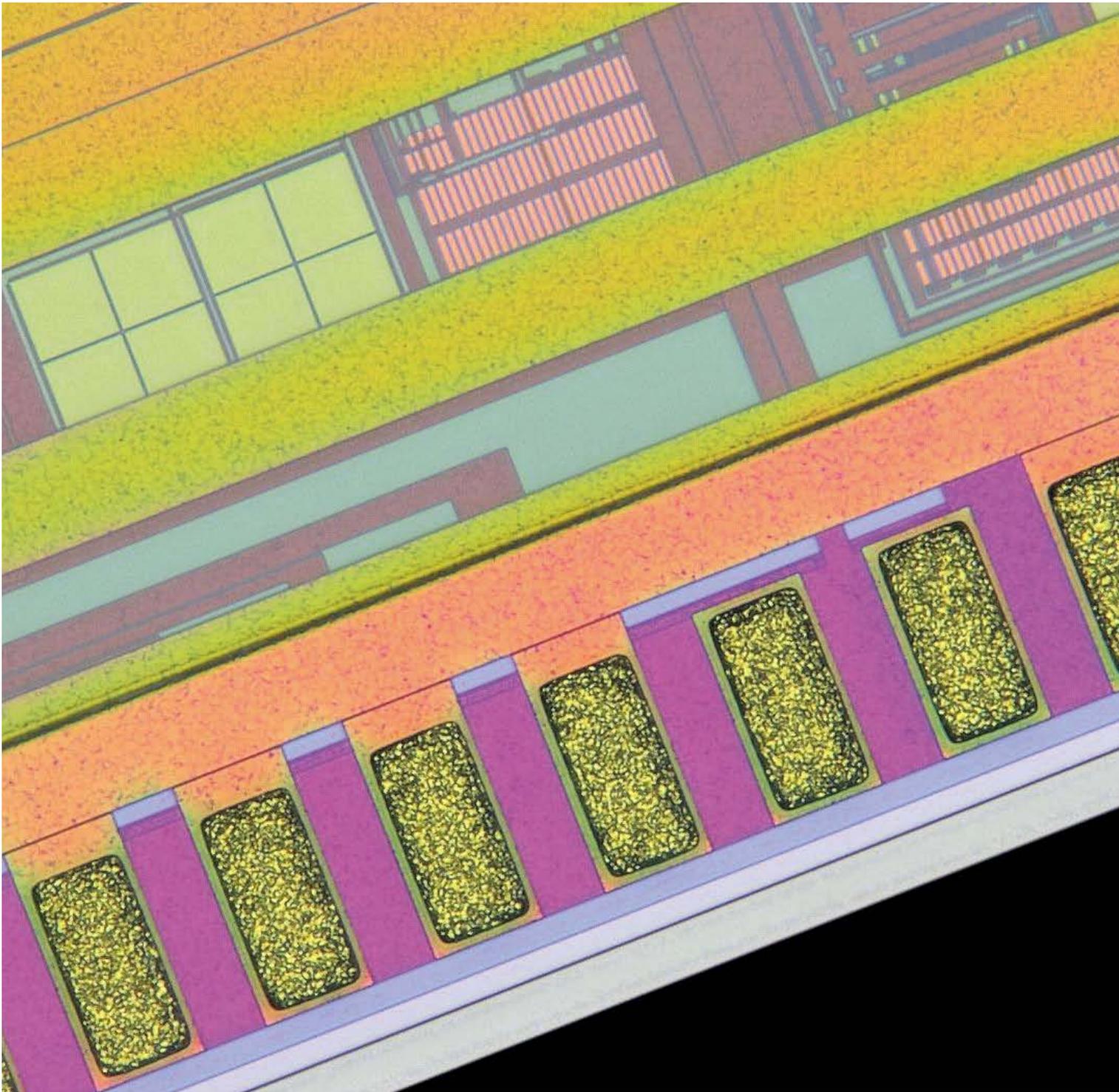
Fixed lenses



Zoom lenses

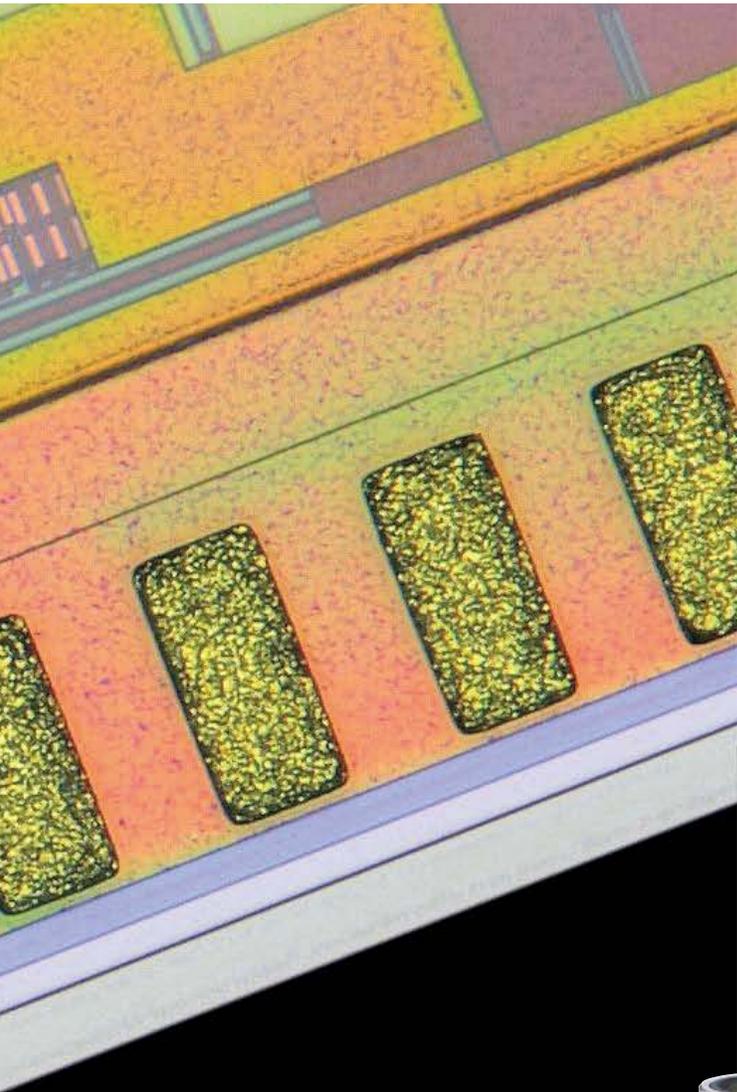


High resolution RZ lenses



Bump (500x)

RZLENS



Challenging the limits of resolution.

When designing a lens, error dispersing lenses such as low-dispersion lenses, high-dispersion lenses, and fluorite lenses are essential to correcting chromatic aberration and other problems. The KEYENCE RZ lens uses a fluorite lens and multiple extra low-dispersion lenses (called ED lenses) to eliminate differences in focal length over a broad wavelength band. This translates into a lens with extremely low chromatic aberration that delivers stable optical performance. By using advanced optical theory and special optical materials, the RZ lens delivers a high resolution with up to 0.82 numerical aperture with 4.4 mm [0.17"](#) of working distance.

Highest resolution in the industry **RZ LENS** SERIES





RZ LENS

Sophisticated polishing and assembly technology enables high-resolution observation

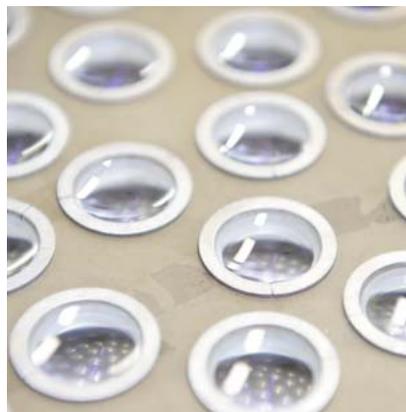
The RZ Lens Series boasts a maximum optical magnification of 5000 times. This level of performance demands the most exacting levels of machining and assembly technology.

Every process from lens polishing and coating to the machining of parts like the lens tube and cam, as well as the assembly and quality inspection, are performed as an integrated process. Strict quality checks in each process ensure exceptional performance and quality.

For example, look at the objective glass lens, considered the heart of the lens. It is polished using an ultra-fine polishing process precise enough to keep the margin of error in the height of an area the size of the Alamodome to the thickness of a single sheet of copy paper. Skilled technicians using advanced assembly techniques assemble this precision-polished lens and precision-finished lens tube. This high level of optical technology supports the inherent ability digital microscopes have for revealing every detail.



Inspecting surface roughness with an interferometer



Surface coating



Hand-assembled lens

Ergonomically superior operability

Look at the VH-Z20R for example.

While a larger diameter would have been more advantageous in terms of optical characteristics, the easier to handle $\varnothing 38$ mm $\varnothing 1.50$ " diameter lens was chosen for ergonomic comfort, whether stand-mounted or hand-held. In addition, chromatic aberration was corrected by selecting the best suited lens materials from dozens of choices, in order to maintain high resolution and deep depth of field. It takes sophisticated optical techniques to maintain brightness within a limited lens diameter. KEYENCE overcame the difficulties associated with machining and assembling zoom mechanisms by developing the ultra small $\varnothing 38$ mm $\varnothing 1.50$ " zoom lens.

Coupling sensor technology with optical technique

Automatic Lens/Zoom Recognition, DOUBLE'R

KEYENCE coupled its years of experience in sensor technology with the optical technology of digital microscopes. Changes in lens power are sensed and signaled to the controller. When the controller receives this signal, it automatically updates internal calibration data and changes the power notation and scale display.





RZLENS



RZLENS

Quick-connect lenses

KEYENCE microscope optic lenses use an original Bayonet mount for quick-connect and disconnect from the camera. The lens can be removed and attached by twisting the tabs. This makes lens replacement easier than with threaded mounts. The design also supports C-mount lenses.

Dual light system

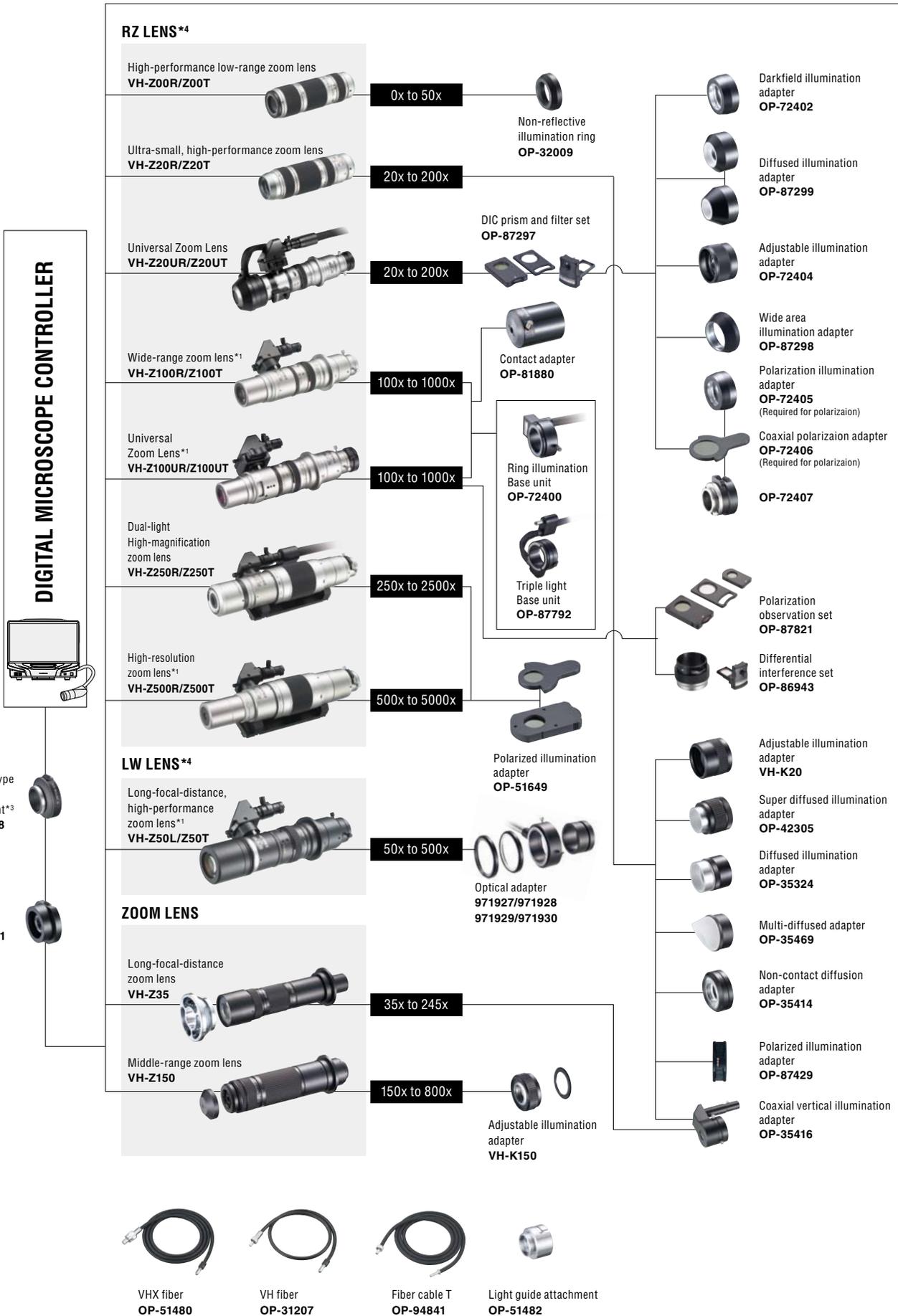
Look at the VH-Z250R for example.

It is the industry's first lens to incorporate both coaxial vertical illumination and ring illumination, a feature made possible with KEYENCE's original optical technology. Because there is no need to replace the lens or illumination, anyone can easily and quickly switch between lighting methods.

Optical 10x zoom lens

The RZ lenses cover a wide zoom range from 0.1x to 5000x, each with an optical 10x zoom range. To achieve an optical 10x zoom, highly skilled assembly techniques are required to eliminate the tiniest amount of error in the zoom mechanism. The wide range design of the RZ lens allows seamless viewing of targets from macro-view to micro-view. It also maintains a fixed observation distance over the full zoom range, making it easy to work with. This all-around zoom lens is suitable for any application.





BORESCOPE LENS*5

VH-B100



VH-B55



VH-B40



VH-B27



VH-B18



VH-BA

Bayonet-type C-mount attachment
OP-51479

FIBERSCOPE*2

VH-F61



VH-F111



VH-F

OPTION



Free-angle
observation system
(XYZ-axis motorized
with transmitted
illumination)
VHX-S550E



Free-angle
observation system
(Z-axis motorized,
manual XY)
VHX-S500E



Free-angle
observation
system
VHX-S30F/S30B



Free-angle
observation
system
(Z-axis automatic)
VHX-S90F/S30B



X-Y
measurement
system
VH-M100



High-precision stand
(with X-Y stage and
transmitted
illumination)
VH-S5



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stand
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XY stage
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*1. The optional light guide dedicated to the VHX Series is required. OP-51480: VH-Z100R/Z100UR/Z500R/Z50L

*2. The optional light guide attachment (OP-51482) dedicated to the VHX Series is required.

*3. For the VH-Z50L/VH-Z100R/VH-Z250R/VH-Z500R, OP-51647 is required.

*4. TRIPLE'R compliant lenses VH-Z00T/Z20T/Z20UT/Z100T/Z100UT/Z250T/ Z500T/Z50T are fitted with Automatic Lens/Zoom Recognition units, respectively.

*5. The optional bore fiber cable (OP-87201) is required.

VH-Z00R/Z00T

- ▮ Capable of capturing the entire target in the field of view with the infinite observation method
- ▮ Ultra-small zoom lens with 95 mm 3.74" working distance for excellent workability
- ▮ 0.1x to 50x optical 10x zoom

Ring Illumination



VH-Z00R



VH-Z00T

Fitted with automatic lens/
zoom recognition unit

View targets from macro-view to micro-view

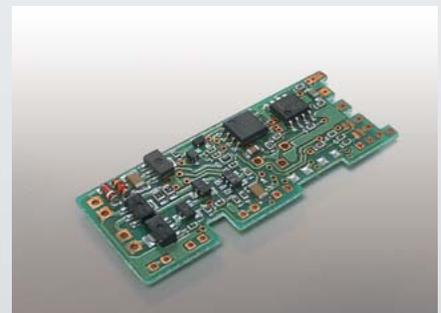
Targets can be viewed from a macro-level to a micro-level over the entire 0-50x zoom range. This high-performance macro lens excels in workability with click-style magnification, an aperture mechanism, and an observation distance of 95 mm 3.74" or more.



Bearing (50x)



Plastic nozzle tip (50x)



PC board (5x)

Macro Observation (infinite observation)

The VH-Z00 Series supports macro observation. This refers to the act of widening the field of view by moving the lens away from the target (increasing the observation distance), and focusing on the entire image displayed in the view. Widening the observation distance allows observation at an infinite depth of field.



Ring illumination

This observation method is used to observe light reflected off the target by projecting light from the sides of the lens. Referred to as dark-field observation, this observation method makes profiles clearly visible by casting shadows at projections and depressions on the target.

OPTION

Non-reflective ring OP-32009

This ring cuts the amount of light that directly hits the target to allow observation with less reflection.

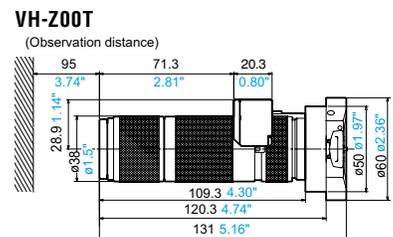
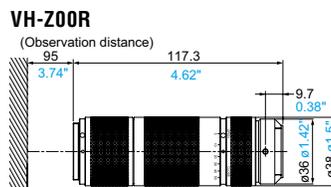
LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹	0.1 x	0.5 x	1 x	5 x	10 x	30 x	50 x
Field-of-view (mm /inch)	Horizontal	3200 126"	640 25.2"	320 12.6"	61 2.40"	30.5 1.20"	6.1 0.24"
	Vertical	2400 94.49"	480 18.9"	240 9.45"	45.5 1.79"	22.8 0.80"	4.6 0.18"
	Diagonal	4000 157.5"	800 31.5"	400 15.75"	76.2 3"	38.1 1.5"	7.6 0.30"
Working distance (mm /inch)	Approx. 7700 303.1"	Approx. 1500 59.08"	Approx. 720 28.35"	95 3.74"			

1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.

DIMENSIONS

Unit: mm /inch



VH-Z20R/Z20T

- The ultimate level in depth of field, approximately twice that of conventional lenses
- Suitable for hand-held observation, offers highly flexible observation
- Uniform 25.5 mm 1.00" working distance over the full 20-200x zoom range

- Coaxial vertical illumination
- Ring illumination
- Diffused illumination
- Variable illumination
- Polarized illumination



VH-Z20R



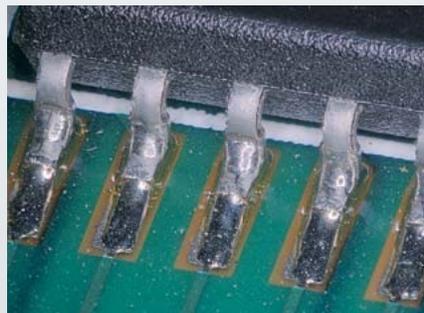
VH-Z20T
Fitted with automatic lens/
zoom recognition unit.

High resolution, ultra-small lens

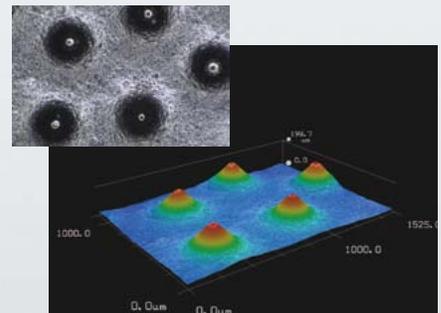
The VH-Z20R/T offers high-resolution observation at the most commonly used magnifications from 20x to 200x. It also has an enhanced depth of field which is a standard feature of our existing lenses. It offers good telecentricity for exceptionally clear, comprehensive images, even when constructing 3D images or using depth composition.



Connector (50x)



PC board (50x)



File in 3D (50x)

Depth of Field

When displaying a target through a lens, a range exists where the target appears in focus even if the distance between it and the lens changes slightly. In other words, there is an acceptable range of the focal position of the lens in which the target appears in highest clarity, known as the depth of field. In this range, the target remains in focus even if the lens is moved closer or farther away. A lens with a wide acceptable range is referred to as a lens with a deep depth of field. Because the VH-Z20 Series is designed with a deep depth of field, it allows you to easily observe targets with height differences and to observe the entire target accurately and quickly.

OPTIONS

Variable illumination adapter



The variable illumination adapter is attached to the end of the lens and has a ring that, when turned, changes the incident angle of light from vertical to flanking illumination (approx. 10 degrees). This allows easier observation of minute height differences or scratches.

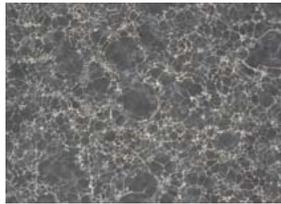


VH-K20

Sponge (50x)



Standard illumination



Variable illumination

Diffuse illumination adapter

The diffuse illumination adapter is attached to the end of the lens to provide an even amount of light over the target. It uses a frosted optical filter to diffuse the domed light source.

OP-42305 OP-35414

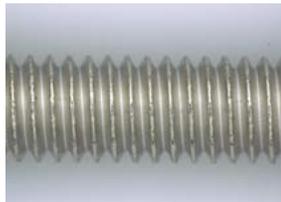


OP-35469 OP-35324

Screw threads (30x)

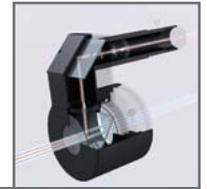


Standard illumination



Diffuse illumination

Coaxial vertical adapter

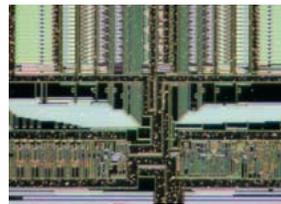


This adapter uses a half mirror to align the axis of light illuminated on the target with the optical axis of the lens. This increases the amount of regular reflection and is used for bright-field observation.

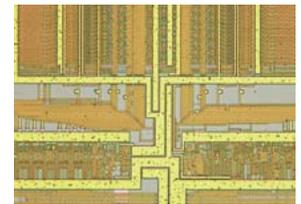


OP-87790

IC circuit (1000x)



Without adapter (dark-field)



With adapter (bright-field)

Polarized illumination adapter

Passing polarized illumination through a polarized filter turned 90 degrees cuts only regular reflected light.

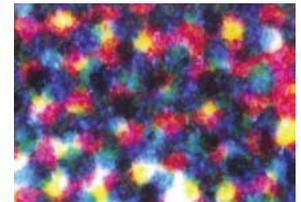


OP-87429

Coated surface (200x)



Standard illumination



Polarized illumination

Contact adapter

OP-74986



Non-contact adapter

OP-74985



LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹	20x	30x	50x	100x	150x	200x	
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	15.24 0.60"	10.16 0.40"	6.10 0.24"	3.05 0.12"	2.03 0.08"	1.52 0.06"
	Vertical	11.40 0.45"	7.60 0.30"	4.56 0.18"	2.28 0.09"	1.52 0.06"	1.14 0.04"
	Diagonal	19.05 0.75"	12.70 0.50"	7.62 0.30"	3.81 0.15"	2.54 0.10"	1.91 0.08"
Depth of field (mm inch) ²	34 1.34"	15.5 0.61"	6.0 0.24"	1.6 0.06"	0.74 0.03"	0.44 0.02"	
Working distance (mm inch)	25.5 1"						

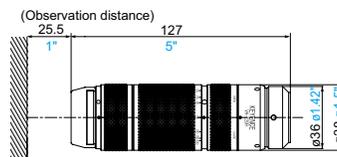
1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.
2. The value when the lens is set with priority to depth of field.
The depth of field changes depending on the setting for the iris diaphragm ring.

DIMENSIONS

Unit: mm inch

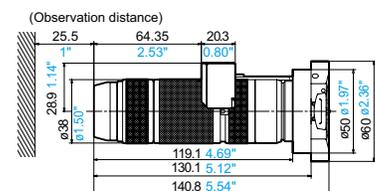
VH-Z20R

With non-contact light ring



VH-Z20T

With non-contact light ring



WIDE-RANGE ZOOM LENS



VH-Z100R/Z100T

- The ultimate level in depth of field, approximately twice that of conventional lenses
- Supports the Triple Light mechanism (quick changeover between bright-field and dark-field)
- Uniform 25 mm 0.98" working distance over the full 100-1000x zoom range

Coaxial vertical illumination

Ring illumination

Diffused illumination

Variable illumination

Polarized illumination



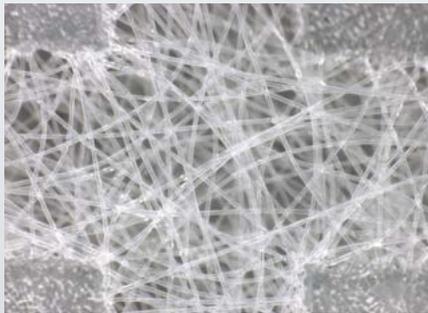
VH-Z100R



VH-Z100T
Fitted with automatic lens/
zoom recognition unit.

Fitted with automatic lens/zoom recognition unit

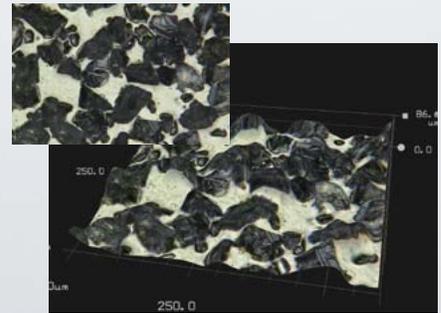
This innovative lens offers a wide zoom range from 100-1000x, and establishes a new standard in lenses by meeting the contradictory needs of high resolution and extremely deep depth of field.



Non-woven cloth (200x)



Metal structure (400x)



Grindstone in 3D (500x)

Optical Aberration

Light entering the lens converges into a single point at the focal position of the lens. However, because light has different wavelengths, it does not converge into an actual point at the focal position. Rather, a certain amount of error known as aberration exists. Aberration causes the image to form at a different point which can impart coloration to the image or blur the color of the image. The image may develop a tail that extends from the light axis or it may appear distorted. As such, the less aberration a lens has, the better it is considered to be. Aberration is commonly more pronounced at the periphery than at the center. The VH-Z100 Series D is designed using a combination of multiple lenses made of materials with opposing properties that cancel the aberration of each individual lens and reduce degradation of the picture quality.

Triple Light Unit OP-87792

This light unit incorporates two lighting mechanisms: coaxial vertical illumination (bright-field observation) and ring lighting (dark-field observation). Users can switch between the two with a single operation. The optical adapter on the end can be replaced for observation using other lighting techniques.



Laser engraving (1000x)

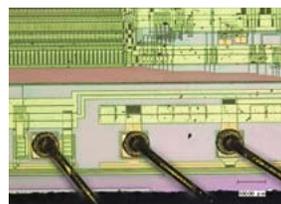


Bright-field

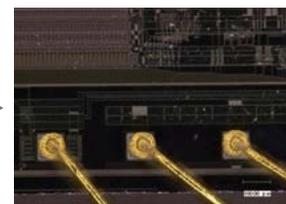


Dark-field

IC (500x)



Bright-field



Dark-field

OPTIONS

Ring illumination adapter
OP-72402

Variable illumination adapter
OP-72404

Diffuse illumination adapter
OP-87299

Contact adapter
OP-81880

Polarized illumination adapter
OP-72405
OP-72406
OP-72407

Fiber cables
OP-31207
OP-51480

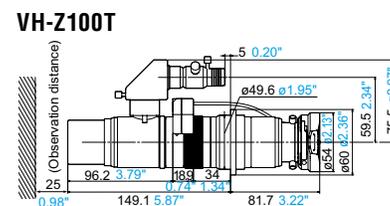
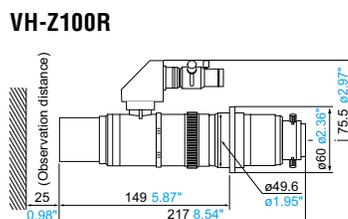
LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹	100x	200x	300x	500x	700x	1000x	
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	3.05 0.12"	1.53 0.06"	1.02 0.04"	0.61 0.02"	0.44 0.02"	0.30 0.01"
	Vertical	2.28 0.09"	1.14 0.04"	0.76 0.03"	0.46 0.02"	0.33 0.01"	0.23 0.01"
	Diagonal	3.81 0.15"	1.90 0.07"	1.27 0.05"	0.76 0.03"	0.54 0.02"	0.38 0.01"
Working distance (mm inch)	25 (20 ²) 0.98" (0.79 ²)						

1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.
2. The Dual Light Base Unit (OP-84430) and the Adjustable Illumination (OP-72402) are attached.

DIMENSIONS

Unit: mm inch



VH-Z100UR/Z100UT

- ▮ Performs bright-field, dark-field, polarization, and differential interference observation
- ▮ The ultimate level in depth of field, approximately twice that of conventional lenses
- ▮ Uniform 25 mm 0.98" working distance over the full 100-1000x zoom range

- Coaxial vertical illumination
- Ring illumination
- Diffused illumination
- Variable illumination
- Polarized illumination
- Differential interference



VH-Z100UR



VH-Z100UT
Fitted with automatic lens/
zoom recognition unit.

Supports various observation techniques

The VH-Z100UR inherits the optical design of the VH-Z100R, which offers a 25 mm 0.98" observation distance over the 100-1000x zoom range. It supports high-resolution observation in bright-field and dark-field over a wide zoom range, and can be used in various applications including polarization and differential interference observation.



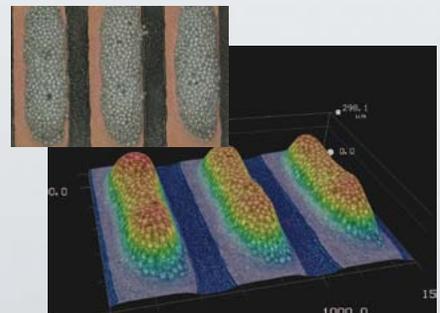
Color filter (500x)



Bright-field
Dents in metal (300x)



Differential interference
observation



Soldering in 3D (200x)

Differential Interference

Using this method, a high-contrast DIC prism inserted into the lens separates the light into two paths. Both paths reflect off of projections and depressions on the target at different lengths, which when overlapped highlight the differences with contrast. This method visualizes minute projections, depressions, and transparent targets with contrast that is otherwise invisible with a normal lens.

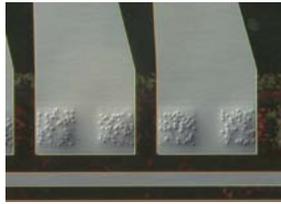
Reveals projections and depressions invisible with bright-field observation

The high-contrast DIC prism separates light into two paths that are reflected and made to interfere, making minute projections and depressions on the target clearly visible. This technique allows clear observation of scratches in metal or glass, and waviness or unevenness in film.

ACF surface



Bright-field (500x)



Differential interference (500x)

Magnetic tape



Bright-field (200x)

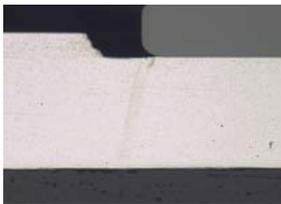


Differential interference (200x)

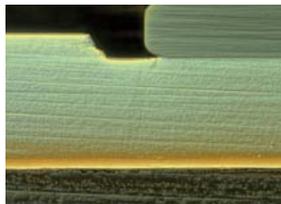
Using color to discern height differences

This technique combines an analyzer, polarizer, and λ plate to cause changes in the phase of reflected light polarized onto the target. The changes in height appear as color, visually highlighting minute projections and depressions in the target.

Cross-section of metal

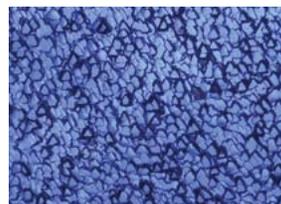


Bright-field (300x)

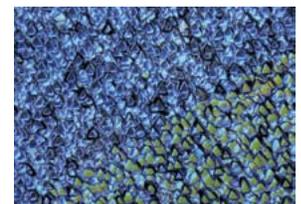


Differential interference (300x)

Solar cell



Bright-field (150x)



Differential interference (150x)

OPTIONS

SCP filter set OP-87821 	DIC prism set OP-86943 	Fiber cables OP-31207 OP-51480 	
Variable illumination adapter OP-72404 	Ring illumination adapter OP-72402 	Diffuse illumination adapter OP-87299 	Contact adapter OP-81880 

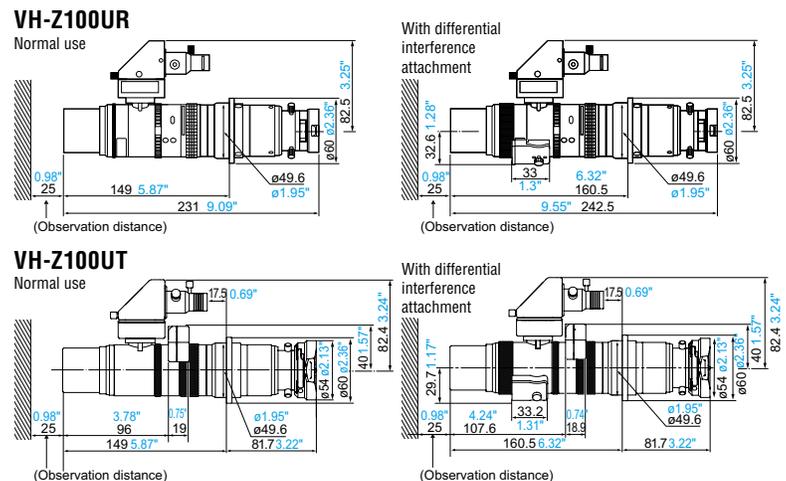
LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹	100x	200x	300x	500x	700x	1000x
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	3.05 0.12"	1.53 0.06"	1.02 0.04"	0.61 0.02"	0.44 0.01"
	Vertical	2.28 0.09"	1.14 0.04"	0.76 0.03"	0.46 0.02"	0.33 0.01"
Diagonal	3.81 0.15"	1.90 0.07"	1.27 0.05"	0.76 0.03"	0.54 0.02"	0.38 0.01"
Working distance (mm inch)	25 (20 ²) 0.98" (0.79 ²)					

1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.
 2. The Dual Light Base Unit (OP-84430) and the Adjustable Illumination (OP-72402) are attached.

DIMENSIONS

Unit: mm inch



DUAL LIGHT HIGH-MAGNIFICATION ZOOM LENS

250 ▶ 2500

VH-Z250R/Z250T

- Equipped with the Dual Light mechanism (quick changeover between bright-field and dark-field)
- Capable of dark-field observation to a maximum 2500x
- Uniform 6.5 mm 0.26" working distance over the full 250-2500x zoom range

Coaxial vertical illumination

Ring illumination

Polarized illumination



VH-Z250R



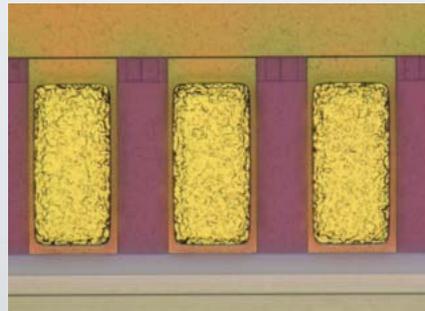
VH-Z250T
Fitted with automatic lens/
zoom recognition unit.

During observation, illumination for dark field and bright field can be easily switched

This lens incorporates dual illumination mechanisms: coaxial vertical illumination and ring illumination.



Cross-section of photo film (250x)



Bump (1000x)



Probe dent (2000x)

Dual Light

The dual light lens is a high magnification lens equipped with coaxial vertical illumination and standard-mounted ring illumination on the end. The 6.5 mm 0.26" observation distance enables dark-field observation, which is otherwise difficult at high magnification ranges due to the short observation distance to the target. The quick illumination changeover makes this particularly easy for anyone to use.



Dual light

Two lighting methods are integrated into the lens: coaxial vertical lighting and ring lighting. This eliminates the need for lens or light replacement and greatly reduces observation time.

Laser engraving (1000x)

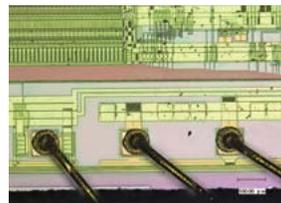


Bright-field

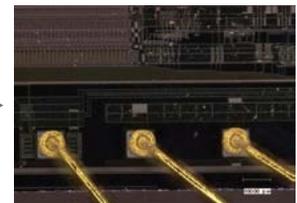


Dark-field

IC (500x)



Bright-field



Dark-field

OPTION

Polarized illumination adapter

OP-51649



LENS PERFORMANCE

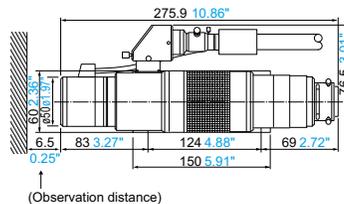
Magnification ¹	250x	300x	500x	1000x	1500x	2000x	2500x
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	1.22 0.05"	1.02 0.04"	0.61 0.02"	0.31 0.01"	0.2 0.005"	0.15 0.004"
	Vertical	0.92 0.04"	0.76 0.03"	0.46 0.02"	0.23 0.01"	0.15 0.005"	0.11 0.004"
	Diagonal	1.52 0.06"	1.27 0.05"	0.76 0.03"	0.38 0.01"	0.25 0.009"	0.19 0.007"
Working distance (mm inch)				6.5 0.26"			

1. When displayed on a standard 15-inch monitor.

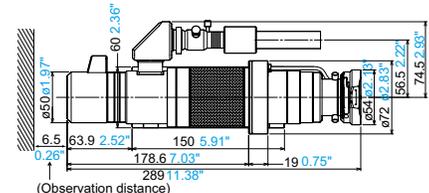
DIMENSIONS

Unit: mm inch

VH-Z250R



VH-Z250T



HIGH-RESOLUTION ZOOM LENS

500 ▶ 5000

VH-Z500R/Z500T

- Highest resolution in its class, 0.82 numerical aperture
- Uniform 4.4 mm 0.17" working distance over the full 500-5000x zoom range
- Accepts polarized illuminations

Coaxial vertical illumination

Polarized illumination



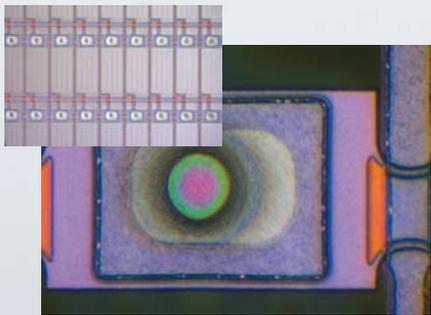
VH-Z500R



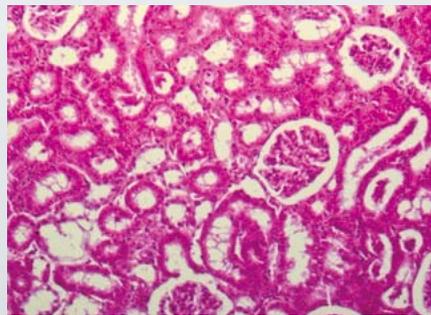
VH-Z500T
Fitted with automatic lens/
zoom recognition unit.

This zoom lens is the pinnacle of optical lenses

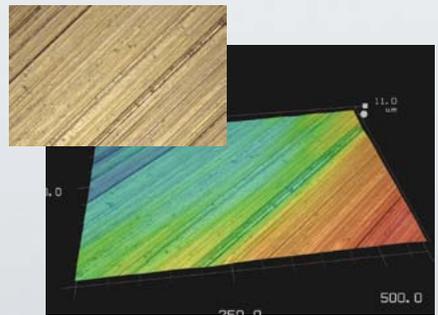
This zoom lens incorporates high-quality fluorite optics to provide the highest resolution in its class. The advanced 3D display function precisely reproduces images.



TFT (5000x)



Cell (2000x)



Metal surface in 3D (500x)

Numerical Aperture (N.A.)

The numerical aperture for the VH-Z500 Series is 0.82. Numerical aperture is often abbreviated as N.A. Its value indicates the brightness and resolution of the optical system. Numerical aperture is defined by $N.A. = N \sin\theta$ (N: refractive index of the medium around the target/ N is 1 in air), where θ is the effective diameter of the lens that receives incident light from the target on the optical axis. When the observation medium is air, the closer the N.A. is to 1, the higher the resolution and sharper the image will appear.



Coaxial vertical illumination

This adapter uses a half mirror to align the axis of light illuminated on the target with the optical axis of the lens. This increases the amount of regular reflection and is used for bright-field observation.

OPTIONS

Fiber cables

OP-31207
OP-51480

Polarized illumination adapter

OP-51649

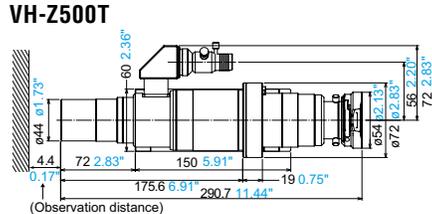
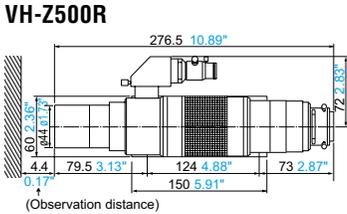
LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹		500x	1000x	2000x	3000x	5000x
Field-of-view (μm Mil)	Horizontal	610 24.02	305 12.01	152 5.98	102 4.02	61 2.4
	Vertical	457 17.99	229 9.02	114 4.49	76 2.99	46 1.81
	Diagonal	762 30	381 15	191 7.52	127 5	76 2.99
Working distance (mm inch)				4.4 0.17		

1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.

DIMENSIONS

Unit: mm inch



VH-Z50L/Z50T

- 85 mm 3.35" observation distance at up to 500x zoom
- 50x to 500x optical 10x zoom lens
- Deep depth of field, approximately three times that of conventional lenses

- Coaxial vertical illumination
- Ring illumination
- Diffused illumination
- Polarized illumination

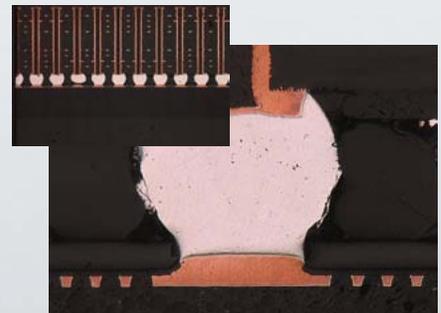


Long Range Lens with a 85 mm 3.35" Working Distance

This lens uses cutting-edge optical design and advanced illumination technology to maintain an 85 mm 3.35" observation distance even at the maximum 500x magnification. It can capture recesses in the target clearly and it offers ample working space for dramatically improved observation efficiency.



Metal surface (300x)



Cross-section of a BGA (500x)

Long Working Distance

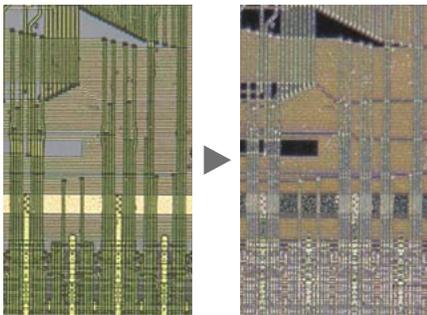
The VH-Z50 Series has an observation distance of 85 mm 3.35" at 500x magnification. Thanks to a sophisticated lens design, this lens allows distant targets to be observed in high-magnification, inconceivable with conventional optical microscopy. By coupling a large diameter objective lens with advanced assembly techniques and the latest in illumination technology, the VH-Z50L achieves three times the depth of field of conventional lenses, well beyond the limits of the conventional microscope.

Z50L/T OPTICAL ADAPTER



RING ILLUMINATION

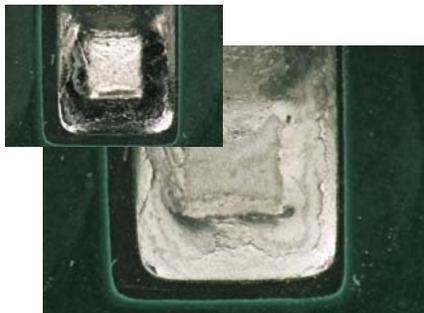
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IC (500x)

DIFFUSE ILLUMINATION

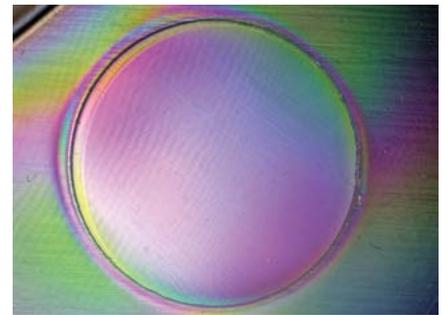
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Soldering (200x)

POLARIZED ILLUMINATION

971930



Plastic gate section (50x)

OPTIONS

Fiber cables

- OP-31207
- OP-51480



Polarized illumination adapter

- OP-72406
- OP-72407



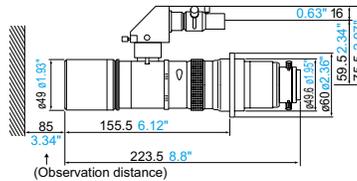
LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹		50x	100x	200x	300x	400x	500x
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	6.09 0.24"	3.05 0.12"	1.53 0.06"	1.02 0.04"	0.76 0.03"	0.61 0.02"
	Vertical	4.57 0.18"	2.28 0.09"	1.14 0.04"	0.76 0.03"	0.57 0.02"	0.46 0.02"
	Diagonal	7.62 0.30"	3.81 0.15"	1.90 0.07"	1.27 0.05"	0.95 0.04"	0.76 0.03"
Working distance (mm inch)		85.0 3.35"					

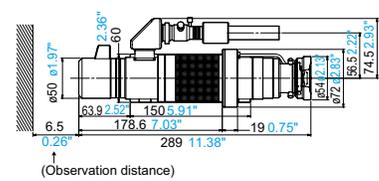
1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.

DIMENSIONS

VH-Z50L



VH-Z50T



LONG-FOCAL-DISTANCE ZOOM LENS

35

245

VH-Z35



OPTION

Coaxial vertical illumination adapter

OP-35416



35x to 245x magnification at a distance of 54 mm 2.13"

With a observation distance of 54 mm 2.13" and extremely large depth-of-field, this lens provides a convenient way to monitor a target with height differences on the surface and greatly increases monitoring efficiency. With a single lens, you can view from a low magnification (35x) to a high magnification (245x), allowing the desired point to be quickly enlarged.

LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹	35x	50x	100x	150x	200x	245x	
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	8.71 0.34"	6.10 0.24"	3.05 0.12"	2.03 0.08"	1.53 0.06"	1.24 0.04"
	Vertical	6.50 0.26"	4.55 0.18"	2.28 0.09"	1.52 0.05"	1.14 0.04"	0.93 0.04"
	Diagonal	10.89 0.43"	7.62 0.3"	3.81 0.15"	2.54 0.1"	1.90 0.07"	1.56 0.06"
Depth of field (mm inch)	8.3 0.33"	5.0 0.2"	1.0 0.04"	0.5 0.02"	0.4 0.02"	0.3 0.01"	
Working distance (mm inch)	54.0 2.13"						

1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.

MIDDLE-RANGE ZOOM LENS

150

800

VH-Z150



OPTION

Adjustable illumination adapter

VH-K150



150x to 800x magnification, ideal for monitoring reflective surfaces

This middle-range zoom lens allows continuous changes in magnification of between 150x and 800x. It can be used to monitor at a distance 12 mm 0.47" at 800x magnification. The illumination head can be switched to a coaxial vertical illumination type to enable detailed observation of microstructure of metal or a semiconductor surface.

LENS PERFORMANCE

Magnification ¹	150x	200x	500x	800x	
Field-of-view (mm inch)	Horizontal	2.03 0.07"	1.53 0.06"	0.61 0.02"	0.38 0.014"
	Vertical	1.52 0.06"	1.14 0.04"	0.46 0.02"	0.28 0.011"
	Diagonal	2.54 0.1"	1.90 0.07"	0.76 0.03"	0.48 0.018"
Working distance (mm inch)	12.0 0.47" ²				

1. Magnification on a 15-inch monitor.

2. 6.5 mm 0.25" when the coaxial vertical illumination ring is attached.

BORESCOPE LENS

VH-B18/B27/B40/B55/B100 **NEW**



Double the brightness than conventional models

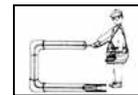
It becomes possible to switch from a direct view to a lateral view by installing the 90° lateral view tube on the borescope lens. The extensive lineup of five types, $\phi 1.8$, $\phi 2.7$, $\phi 4$, $\phi 5.5$, $\phi 10$, allows for the most suitable selection of the borescope according to the application. In addition, the Borescope Lens Zoom Attachment has a 3x optical zoom mechanism which produces observation with higher resolution.

Model	Borescope	VH-B18		VH-B27		VH-B40		VH-B55		VH-B100	
	Lens attachment	VH-BA									
Outer diameter ¹ (mm inch)		$\phi 1.8$ ($\phi 2.0$) ($\phi 0.08$ "*)	$\phi 2.0$ ⁵ $\phi 0.08$ "	$\phi 2.7$ ($\phi 3.0$) ($\phi 0.12$ "*)	$\phi 3.0$ ⁵ $\phi 0.12$ "	$\phi 4.0$ $\phi 0.16$ "	$\phi 4.4$ ⁵ $\phi 0.17$ "	$\phi 5.5$ $\phi 0.22$ "	$\phi 5.9$ ⁵ $\phi 0.23$ "	$\phi 10.0$ $\phi 0.39$ "	$\phi 10.5$ ⁵ $\phi 0.41$ "
	Effective length (mm inch)		95 3.74*	185.3 7.30*	141.5 5.57*	276 10.87*	276 10.87*				
View direction ²	Direct view	0°									
	Lateral view	90°									
View angle		30°		32°		30°		35°		35°	
Working distance (mm inch)		3 or more 0.12" or more		3 or more 0.12" or more		5 or more 0.20" or more		5 or more 0.20" or more		3 or more 0.12" or more	
Maximum observation magnification ³		360x		150x		140x		125x		135x	
Minimum view range (mm inch) ⁴		0.8 0.03*		2 0.08*		2 0.08*		2.4 0.09*		2.2 0.09*	
Ambient temperature		0 to 40°C 32 to 104°F									

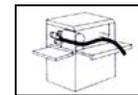
1. The value in parenthesis is when the Guard tube is installed. 2. 0°: When the borescope lens alone/With the Guard tube installed, 90°: When the Lateral view tube is installed
3. The magnification at around the center of a 15-inch monitor. 4. Horizontal view angle
5. The value is when the Lateral tube is installed.

FIBERSCOPE

VH-F61/F111



Inspecting pipes



Inspecting the inside of a photocopier

Model	Borescope	VH-F61	VH-F111
	Lens attachment	VH-F	
Outer diameter (mm inch)		$\phi 6.1$ $\phi 0.24$ "	$\phi 11$ $\phi 0.43$ "
Effective length (mm inch)		1000 39.37*	1500 59.06*
View direction		Direct view	
View angle		65°	55°
Observation depth (mm inch)		10 to ∞ 0.39" to ∞	20 to ∞ 0.79" to ∞
Bendable sleeve angle		120° up/down	120° up/down, 100° right/left
Ambient temperature		10 to 80°C 50 to 176°F	
Operating atmospheric pressure		1 atm	
Oil & waterproof		Machine oil and light oil	

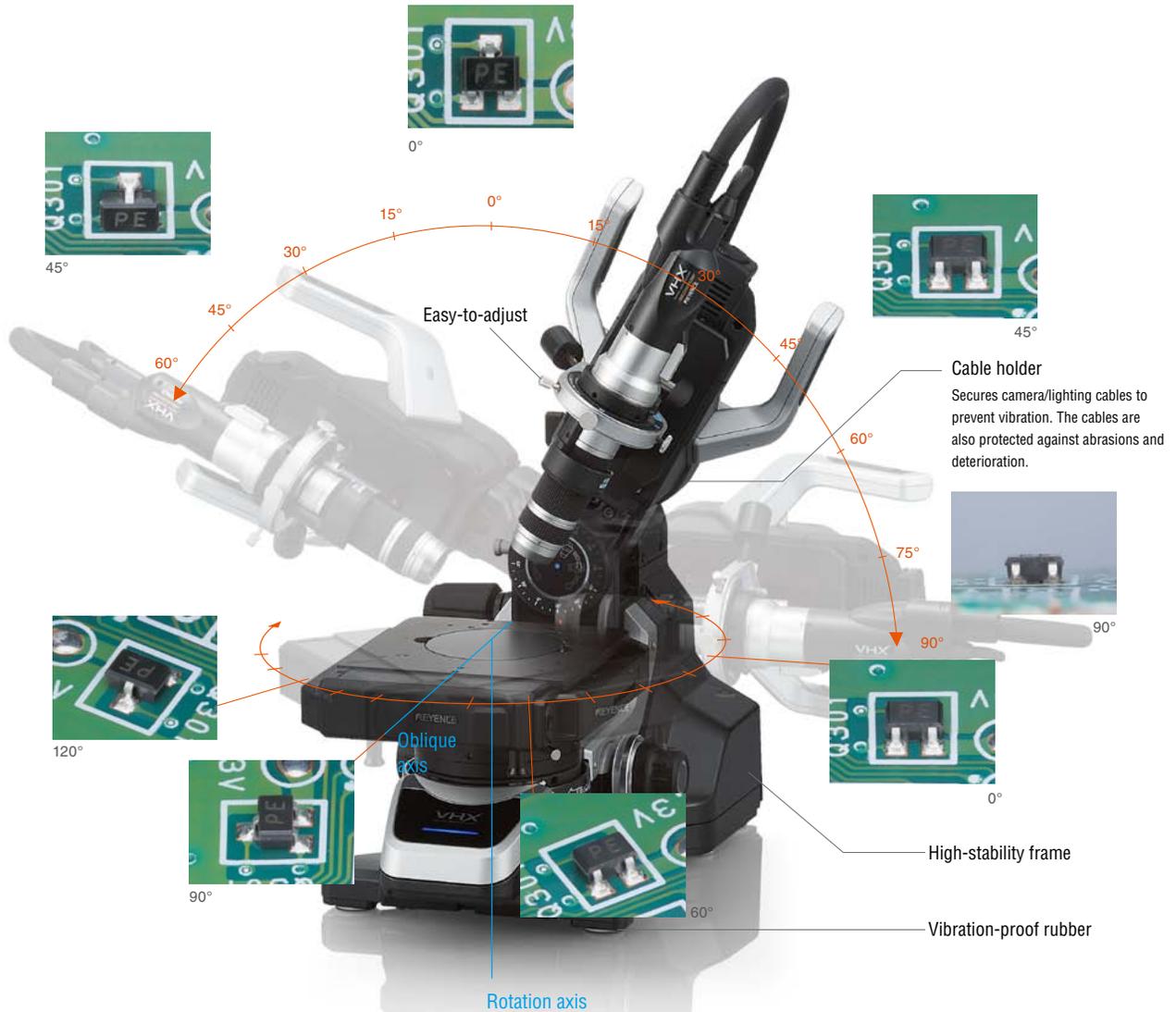
Monitoring a complicated shape

The fiberscope allows you to monitor places where conventional lenses cannot be used, such as the inside of a complicated machine or a narrow, bending pipe. You can even monitor blind spots by changing the angle of the tip of the fiberscope remotely.

FREE-ANGLE OBSERVATION SYSTEM (XYZ MOTORIZED)

VHX-S550E

This versatile stand includes XY and Z axes controls for adjusting position and focus, and the stage can be rotated freely. A custom mechanism allows the camera and lens to be tilted around the object being viewed, while still keeping that object perfectly centered in the field-of-view.



Faster Z-Axis Movement

The maximum speed of the motorized Z-axis stage has increased to 17 mm $0.67''/\text{sec}$. This significantly improves the auto-focus and depth composition speeds.

Improved Vibration Resistance

By using an aluminum die-cast frame for the stand, vibration-resistance has increased twofold over previous models.

Better Viewing Repeatability

A new locking mechanism has been incorporated into the stand to ensure that the lens is set to 0 degrees.

Built-In Tilt Angle Sensor

A built-in sensor detects the tilt angle of the stand. Now it is possible to display the angle on the observation screen or to save the condition during recording.

FREE-ANGLE OBSERVATION SYSTEM

VHX-S30F/S30B

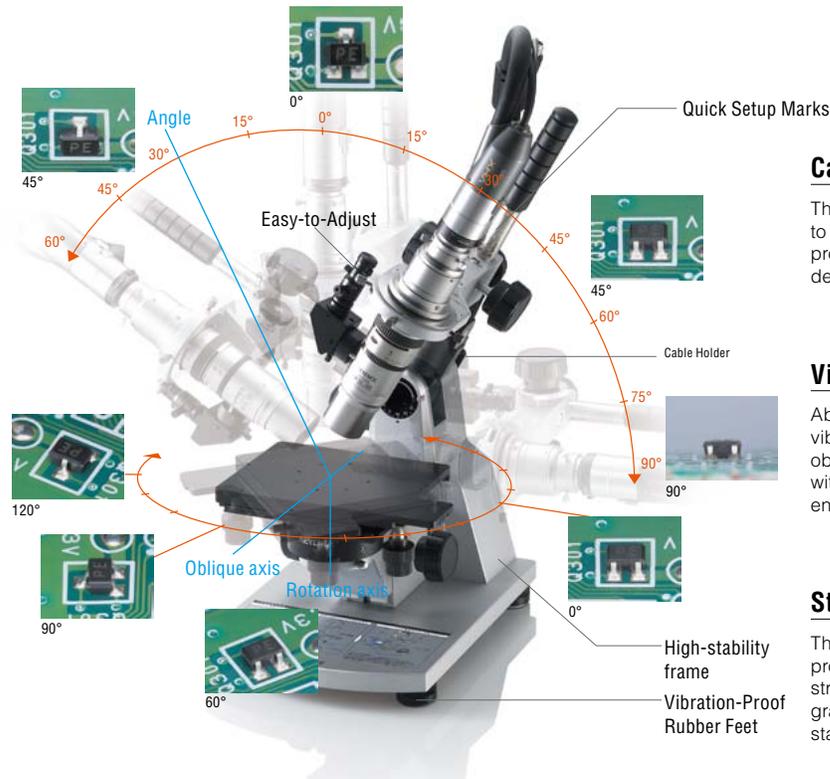
Simple, versatile and intuitive operation - Motorized Free-Angle Stand

Easy-to-Adjust

Easy focus adjustment, X-Y stage movement, rotation and oblique axis motion. A custom mechanism allows the target to stay centered in the field of view, even when the lens unit is inclined or rotated.

Quick Setup Marks

The ideal setting position for different lenses is indicated on the arm.



Cable Holder

The cable is held in place to prevent vibrations and protect against abrasions and deterioration.

Vibration-Proof Rubber

Absorbs low to high frequency vibration, allowing for observation of specimens without interference from environmental vibration.

Stability

The die-cast main body provides a highly rigid structure with a low center of gravity that allows for more stable observations.

VIBRATION-PROOF, HIGH-MAGNIFICATION OBSERVATION SYSTEM

VH-S5

High stability through a low center of gravity

Vibration-Proof Rubber

A special vibration proof material has been selected to insulate the VHX-S50/VH-S5. It is designed to absorb a broad range of vibrations in order to provide stable images of highly magnified objects.

Anti-Vibration System

Vibration-Proof Rubber

Anti-Vibration System

The cable is tightly held in place, completely eliminating subtle vibrations during high-magnification observation.

3-Axis (X/Y/ θ) Rotation Mechanism

This mechanism helps everyone to perform fine position adjustments in high-magnification observations. Furthermore, removing the stage enables transmitted illumination.

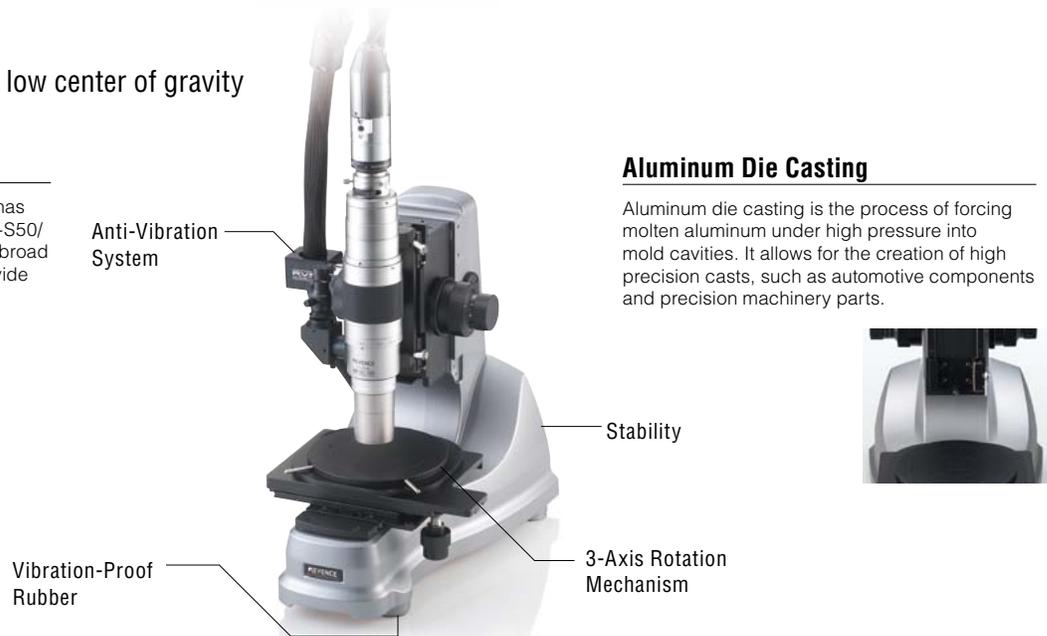
Aluminum Die Casting

Aluminum die casting is the process of forcing molten aluminum under high pressure into mold cavities. It allows for the creation of high precision casts, such as automotive components and precision machinery parts.

Stability

Stability

The die-cast main body provides a highly rigid structure that allows for more stable observations.

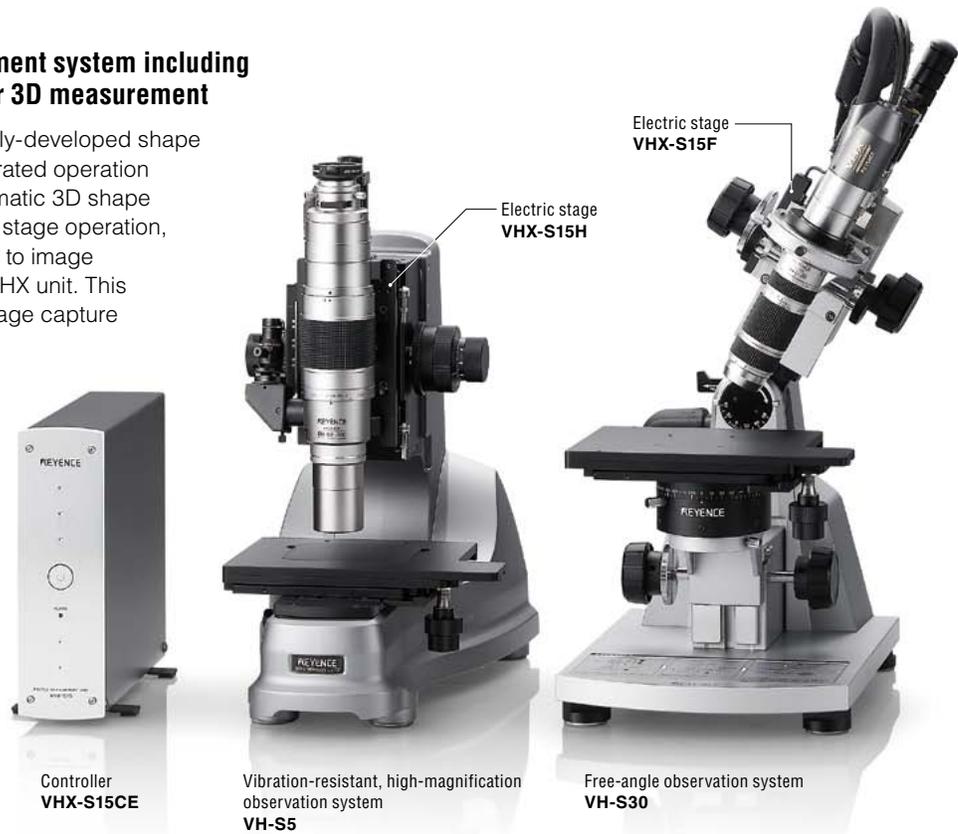


3D PROFILE AUTOMATIC MEASUREMENT UNIT

VHX-S15 Series

All-in-one 3D profile measurement system including a precision motorized stage for 3D measurement

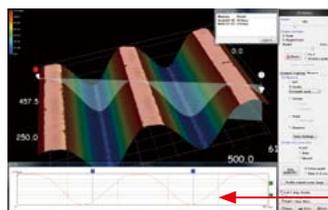
The precision linear stage and newly-developed shape measurement functions allow integrated operation of magnified observation and automatic 3D shape measurement. All of the steps from stage operation, magnified observation, 3D analysis to image saving can be controlled with the VHX unit. This integration significantly reduces image capture and analysis time.



Easy, on-screen 3D profile measurement*

The VHX Series creates a 3D image based on automatically captured images, and it calculates height profile data on a desired measuring line. Height, width and height difference data on the measuring line are plotted on a graph. Since the profile graph is related to the cursor position in the image display area, you can see the current measuring point easily.

*The function of optional measurement software.



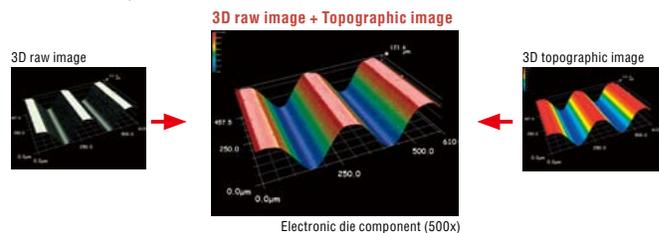
With the horizontal/vertical cursor, the height and width can be measured. The 2-line comparative mode can simultaneously display comparative analysis profile data on two parallel lines.

Electronic die component (500x)

Color topographical overlay allows you to see height differences at a glance*

Color bars that indicate height are displayed on a 3D image. The highest position is displayed in red, and the lowest position is displayed in blue, allowing you to see a height difference at a glance. The height data can be superimposed on a raw image. Furthermore, the X-axis, Y-axis and Z-axis scales are calculated automatically and displayed according to the image size and the 3D rotation angle.

*The function of optional measurement software.



SPECIFICATIONS

Model		VHX-S15CE/H (VHX-S15F) ²
Stage stroke distance		15 mm 0.59"
Motor		5-phase stepping motor
Resolution		0.05 μm 0.002 mil/pulse
Positioning accuracy ¹		6 μm 0.23 mil
Repeatability ¹		±0.5 μm ±0.02 mil
Ratings	Power supply voltage	100 to 240 VAC, 50/60 Hz
	Power consumption	70 VA
Ambient temperature		5 to 40°C 41 to 104°F
Relative humidity		35 to 80%, No condensation
Weight		VHX-S15CE (Controller): 3 kg, VHX-S15H (Electric stage): 1.3 kg, VHX-S15F (Electric stage): 3.2 kg
Load capacity		5 kg

1. Positioning accuracy and repeatability specifications apply to the motorized stage
2. The motorized stage for the VH-S30 is the VHX-S15F.

OPTION

Digital indicator set

OP-51610

Digital indicator for direct measurement of the lens stroke distance, ensuring easy calibration.



XY MEASUREMENT SYSTEM

VH-M100 Series

The Measuring Microscope System for measuring with fine precision on all microscopes

Stage meets traceability requirements of international standards

Measures over long strokes with fine precision. The stage travel can also be calibrated, just like stages for conventional measuring microscopes.

Measurement range of 100 x 100 mm **3.94" x 3.94"** measures large workpieces

The VH-M100 measures the travel of the work-mounted stage as it moves by turning X and Y handles. Large workpieces that were outside the view of conventional microscopes can also be measured.



X-Y measurement system
VH-M100E

SPECIFICATIONS

Model	VH-M100E	
Stage stroke distance	100 mm (3.94") in the X and Y directions, respectively	
Display resolution	0.1 µm	
Movement accuracy	4 + 0.02L (µm)*	
Ratings	Power supply voltage	100 to 240 VAC 50/60 Hz
	Current consumption	50 VA
Environmental resistance	Ambient temperature	5 to 40°C 41 to 104°F
	Relative humidity	35 to 80%, No condensation
Weight	18 kg	
Load capacity	3 kg	

* "L" means movement distance (mm).

OPTION



Transmission illumination unit
OP-84484
Clearly projects edges of a target.



Display unit
OP-84483
The display unit is useful when the moved distance cannot be confirmed on the monitor.



For the VH-M100
Lens holder
(For manual low-power zoom)
OP-84486



For the VH-M100
Lens holder
(For manual high-power zoom)
OP-84487



Lens holder for the
VH-M100
(For motorized zoom)
OP-84488

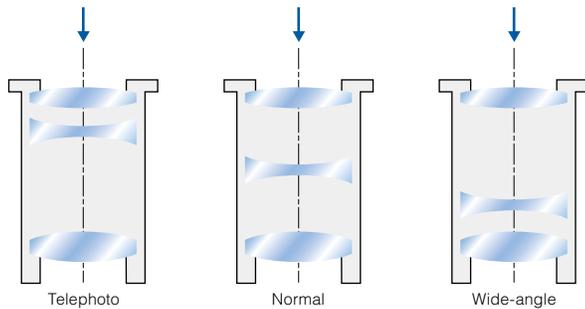
ZOOM LENS

A zoom lens allows for fast observation as the magnification can be adjusted by simply rotating a zoom ring. A typical microscope is equipped with only 3 to 4 different lenses to choose from, but a zoom lens can be gradually adjusted from low to high magnification. It is more compact and less costly than using several lenses.

Operation of a Zoom Lens

In optical discussions, a single lens is called a "simple lens", while a lens designed with added functionality using multiple lenses is called a "compound lens". KEYENCE lenses are made of complex lenses using sophisticated lens design technology to dramatically increase their functionality. In a zoom lens, the distance between each constituent lens is changed to alter the focal length which, in turn, makes the lens wide-angle or telephoto.

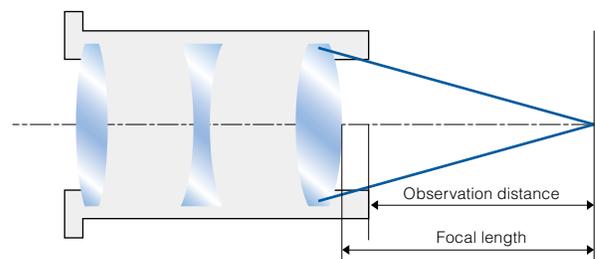
Design of a zoom lens



Focal Length and Working distance

The focal length refers to the distance between the target and the lens when the lens is in focus and the target appears clearest. Observation distance, also known as working distance (WD), refers to the distance from the tip of the lens (including lighting adapters, etc.) to the target. Observation distance is slightly shorter than the focal length. Accordingly, more attention is paid to observation distance in a lens specification.

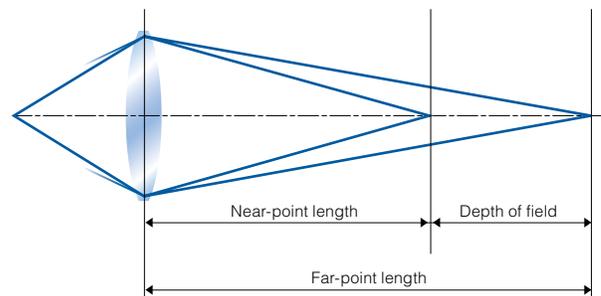
Focal length and observation distance



Depth of Field

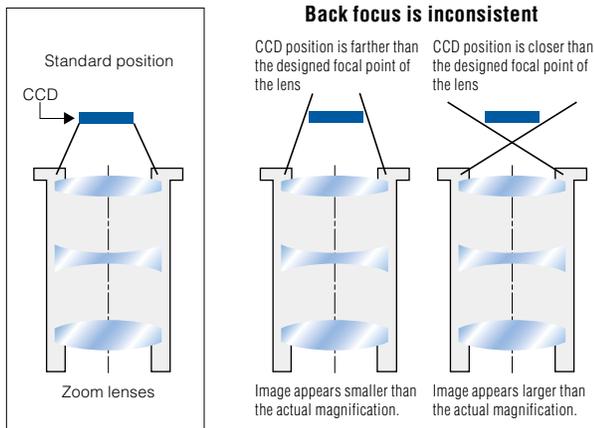
When observing an object with a lens, the object is most clearly observed when it is at the focal position of the lens. If the distance between the object and the lens is slightly changed, it can still be clearly observed within a tolerance area. The tolerance within which the object is in focus is called the depth-of-field. A lens with large tolerance has a large depth-of-field and a lens with little tolerance has a shallow depth-of-field. When using a lens with a large depth-of-field, it is possible to precisely and quickly observe an entire object with projections and depressions.

Diagram of depth of field



Back Focus

Back focus refers to the distance from the surface of the camera to the focal point of the optical lens. The back focus on all KEYENCE zoom lenses is designed to be a fixed length. Therefore, it is possible to always observe at the same working distance and magnification reference, saving time and eliminating measurement errors caused by back focus.



Optical Aberration

The image formed by light that actually passes through the lens differs slightly from the ideal image. This difference is called aberration. Aberration causes the image to form at a different point which can impart coloration to the image or blur the color of the image. The image may develop a tail that extends from the axis of light or it may appear distorted. As such, the less aberration a lens has, the better it is considered to be. Aberration is commonly more pronounced at the periphery than at the center. While it is not possible to completely eliminate aberration, it is possible to reduce degradation of the picture quality by using a combination of multiple lenses made of materials with properties to cancel the effects of aberration.

Chromatic Aberration

White colored light is a combination of various colors. When light passes through a lens, the refractive index of each color in the light differs, thus causing different convergence positions. This effect is called chromatic aberration. A lens with chromatic aberration will cause the colors away from the center of the screen to bleed.

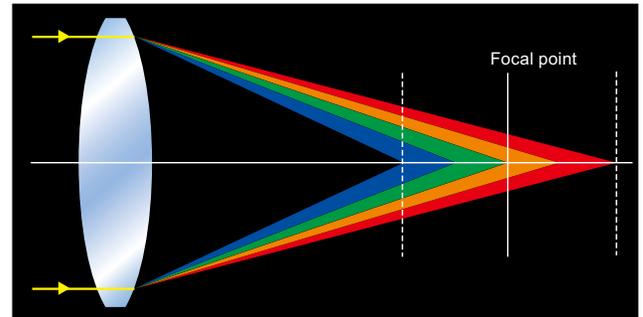
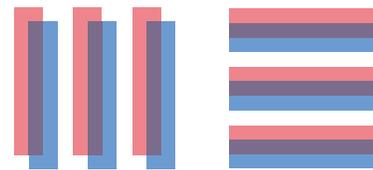


Chart image when there is chromatic aberration
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To reduce chromatic aberration, a convex lens that has a low refractive index for color can be used with a concave lens that has a high refractive index for color, or a combination of multiple lenses made from different materials can be used.

LENS KNOWLEDGE 2 LENS INFORMATION

Fluorite Lens

Lenses are commonly made from optical glass, a type of glass that has a uniform refractive index and low light absorption. In addition to glass, natural elements such as crystal may be used. There are various types of crystal, with fluorite (CaF₂) considered particularly suitable for lens-making.

Crystal/quartz (SiO₂)

Crystal is a quartz with a high crystalline structure. It is colorless and transparent, and light passes through it easily. Today, it can be made through artificial means and is actually used to make optical fiber.

Fluorite (CaF₂)

Fluorite is characterized by its ability to pass light of long wavelengths, and is good at passing light from ultra-violet to infra-red. Although it is ideal for lens-making, fluorite is relatively expensive due to its rarity and processing difficulty.

Halite (NaCl), Silicon (Si), Germanium (Ge)

These elements pass infra-red rays well, and are traditionally used in infra-red equipment designed to analyze matter.

When fluorite is made into a lens, it removes residual chromatic aberration (secondary spectrum) which is what disturbs the sharpness in a captured image. Compared to an optical glass lens, the refractive index is lower so the lens has extremely low dispersion.

Numerical Aperture (N.A.)

Often abbreviated as "N.A.", its value indicates the brightness and resolution of the optical system. Numerical aperture is defined as follows:

$$NA = n \sin \theta$$

where N is the refractive index of the medium around the target (N = 1 in air)

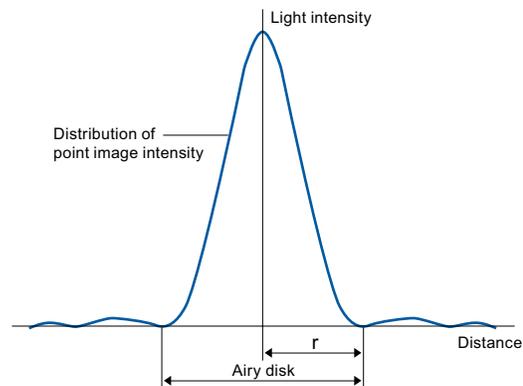
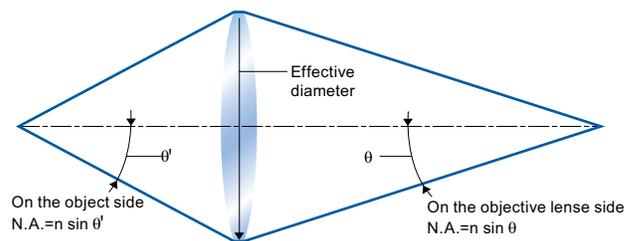
Light exhibits a wave-like spreading effect known as diffraction. This is what causes it to spread in a disk-shaped pattern rather than converging at a single point even when a high-performance lens with no aberration is used. Numerical aperture indicates the light-condensing limit or diffraction limit of a lens without optical aberration, a concept thought to come from light's wave-like behavior. This disk-shaped wave is called an Airy disk. The radius r (width) of an Airy disk is calculated using the formula below.

$$r = 0.61\lambda / N.A.$$

(λ: wavelength of light, N.A.: numerical aperture, 0.61: constant)

The value derived using this formula is called "resolution". Based on this formula, the larger the numerical aperture the smaller the radius of the Airy disk, which implies that a larger numerical aperture will produce a sharper image. This is a common criterion used to evaluate lenses.

Figure defining numerical aperture



$$\text{Radius of Airy disk } r = \frac{0.61\lambda}{N.A.}$$

LENS PRODUCTION

It takes many steps to produce a lens product. Polishing is not the only factor that determines the performance and quality of a lens. Rather, it is the culmination of each step taken to make the lens. This is why all KEYENCE lenses are made using an integrated process.

1. Optical and Mechanical Design

The lens system, from simple lenses to compound lenses, is assembled using computer simulation. The mechanical design for the lens tube and zoom mechanism is made to match the lens system. To produce a lens that meets the level of sophistication afforded by computer-based optical designs, polishing, machining, and assembly technology is also required.

2. Optical Glass Material

Most optical glasses are cylindrical before grinding. The cylinder is sliced into disks and then goes through a machining process. The KEYENCE RZ lens uses materials with various optical properties, each designed to contribute to forming an ideal image. The optical glass still lacks transparency at this stage.

3. Rough Cut

This process cuts the glass disks into lens blanks. Machines such as the Oscar grinder and curve generators are used to grind the lens to its rough radius of curvature, dimension, and shape. The Oscar grinder uses a polishing disk made by pouring coal tar, called pitch, on the polishing plate. At this stage, the lens still has a frosted appearance.

4. Grinding Using Pellets and Resin

Pellets are abrasive grains made of diamonds that are implanted on a small, thin, disk-shaped grindstone. Several of these grindstones are cemented to the disk to polish the lens. Next, a resin grindstone is used to polish the lens further.

5. Polishing

This process uses an abrasive to polish the surface of the lens more delicately. The lens is finished by repeatedly polishing and checking the mirror surface finish. The finished lens will be clear after this process. The most important point during lens polishing is, in addition to the abrasive, the use of temperature-controlled water. Failure to keep the water at the optimum temperature will result in a lens surface that does not meet the design specifications. The surface finish is measured using an interferometer.

6. Cleaning

After the polishing process is done, the lens is put through an ultrasonic cleaner to remove abrasives and other matter.

7. Centering

This is the final polishing stage. The center of the lens is clamped in the cutting machine and spun at high speed while the periphery is ground so that the optical axis centers in the lens.

8. Coating

The lens is coated to prevent diffuse reflection and improve light transmittance. A vacuum depositor located in the clean room is used to deposit the coating on the lens. This treatment is what makes the lens transmit only light of a fixed wavelength.

9. Assembly

The completed lenses are now assembled in a clean room into a single lens by one technician. To ensure the lens resolves highly from low to high magnification, not only must each lens be precision-made, they must also be assembled with precise skill to ensure they are concentric and free of play when zoomed.

10. Final Inspection

The lens must pass more than 20 final inspection tests before it can be shipped as an "RZ Lens".



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