



FLIPVIEW™

LCD DIGITAL HANDHELD MICROSCOPE



INSTRUCTION MANUAL

MODEL #44314, 44315

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Celestron FlipView™ Handheld LCD Digital Microscope with a 5 MP sensor and flip out 3.0-inch full color TFT LCD screen. Your microscope is a precision optical instrument, made of the highest quality materials to ensure durability and long life. It is designed to give you a lifetime of pleasure with a minimal amount of maintenance.

FlipView provides low power viewing up to 120x using the built-in LCD screen. For additional magnification (up to 300x), connect the microscope to your PC. (Magnification depends on monitor size.)

FlipView is a low magnification microscope, mainly suited for examining specimens like coins, stamps, rocks, electronics, insects, and other 3D objects. Specimens on slides can be viewed with top illumination, but this microscope is not ideal for this purpose. For high power viewing of slide specimens, see our full line of microscopes at Celestron.com.

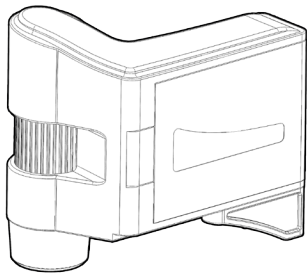
FlipView does not use an eyepiece like a traditional microscope. Instead, the built-in camera sensor "sees" the specimen and the image is then displayed on the high-resolution color LCD screen. This makes

viewing fun, reduces neck and eyestrain, and allows for easy sharing with others. You can also view on external monitors, projectors and TV screens with the included AV out cable.

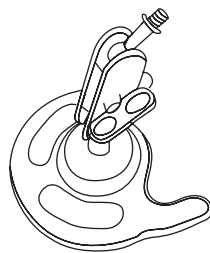
Saving, transferring and sharing your image files is quick and easy with FlipView. Save to your Micro SD card for transferring later, or use the included USB cable to directly connect to your computer.

Before attempting to use your microscope, please read through the instructions and reference the diagrams below. Take some time to read the simple care, maintenance, and troubleshooting tips in this manual to ensure that your FlipView microscope provides you with years of quality performance.

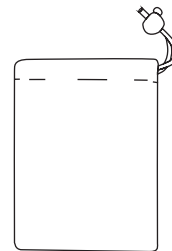
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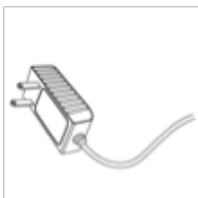
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Carry bag (1)



AC Adapter (1)



Lithium Battery (1)



USB cable (1)



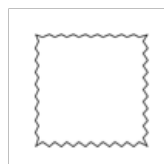
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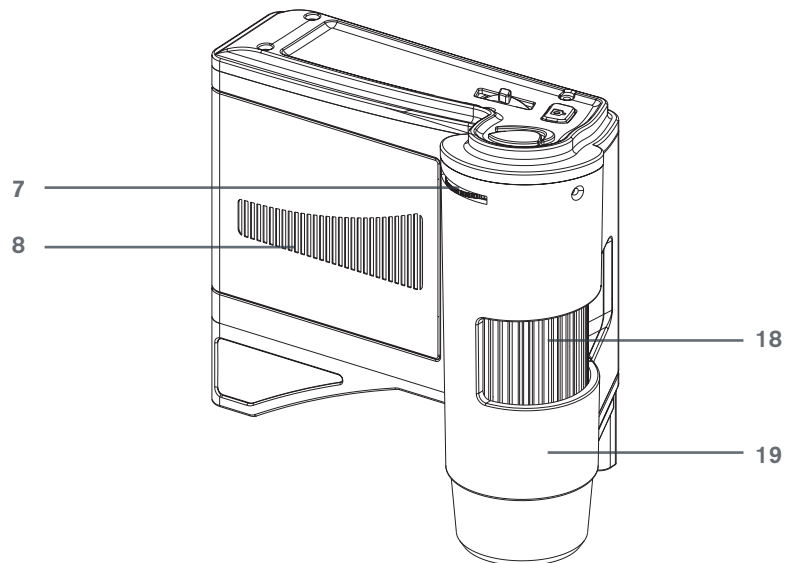
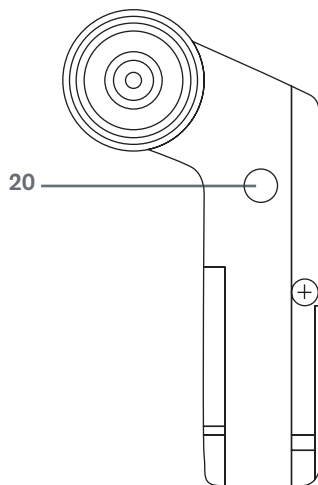
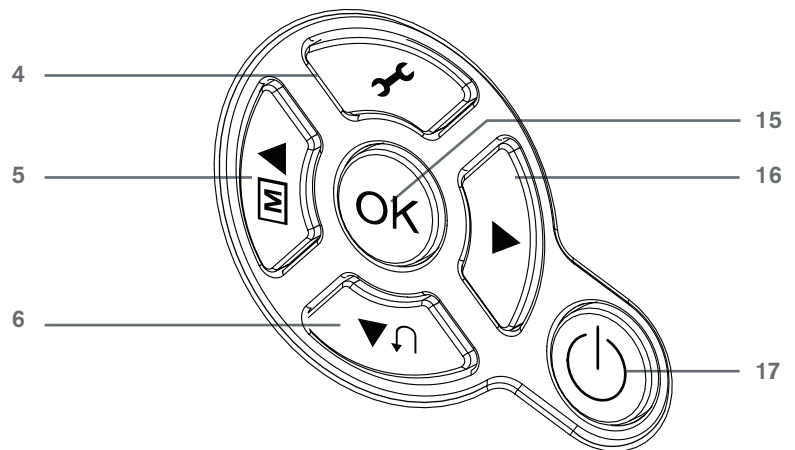
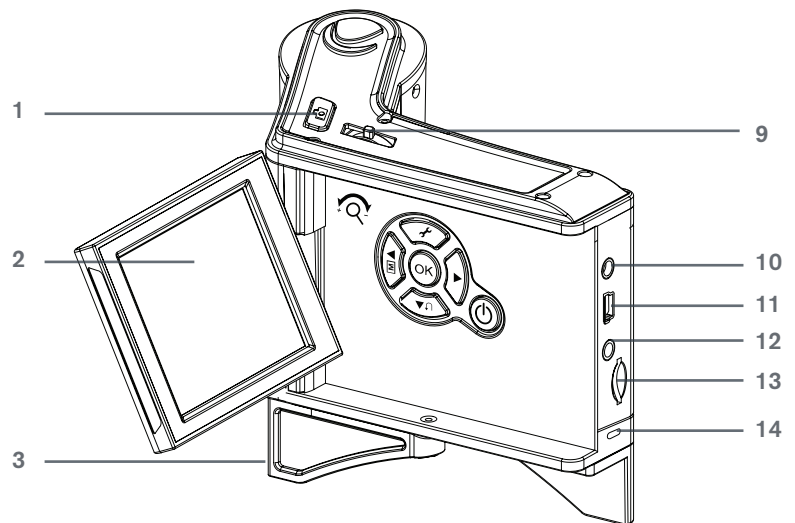
Cleaning Fabric (1)



Calibration Ruler (1)

PARTS

1. Shutter trigger
2. Flip out LCD screen
3. Flip out leg
4. Settings button
5. Color mode button/up button
6. Playback/left button
7. Illuminator adjustment wheel
8. Battery compartment
9. Zoom control button
10. 5 V AC in port
11. Mini USB port
12. Video out port
13. Micro SD card slot
14. Battery charge indicator
15. OK button
16. Down button
17. On/Off switch
18. Focus wheel
19. Microscope barrel
20. 1/4-20" threaded insert



SPECIFICATIONS

Magnification Range	10x-120x (up to 300x when using PC)
Sensor	5 MP CMOS 1/3.2 in
LCD screen	3.0-inch full color TFT LCD screen (hinges in both X (90°) and Y (180°) axes)
Lens	5 element IR Cut (infrared reducing) high quality glass lens Effective Focal Length: 15.8 mm Image distortion: 0.10% FOV: 13.0°
Focuser Range	Manual focus from 10 mm to 300 mm
Illumination	8 adjustable white LEDs in ring configuration
Shutter trigger	On housing
Still Image Resolution	5 MP, 3 MP, 1.3 MP, VGA (12 MP interpolation)
Video Capture Resolution	VGA, 30 fps
Video Compression Format	MJPEG
Video Output	Video out cable (included)
PC connection Interface	USB 2.0 cable (included)
OS systems supported	Windows XP/Vista/7/8 Mac OSX 10.6-10.9
Memory	Micro USB card slot (supports up to 32 GB) (Micro SD card NOT included)
Power	Internal rechargeable lithium ion battery (1050 mAh) AC adapter universal input 100 to 240 volt 50/60 Hz (44315- EU version has multi-plug)
Measuring Software	Celestron Portable Capture Pro software with note taking capabilities. Calibration tool included.
Software languages supported	English, German, French, Spanish, Russian, Italian, Portuguese, Dutch, Japanese, Korean, Chinese
Dimensions	Microscope: 4.625 in x 2.5 in x 4.25 in (117.5 mm x 63.5 mm x 108 mm) Stand: 3.0 in x 1.75 in x 2.75 in (76.2 mm x 44.5 mm x 70 mm)
Weight	Microscope: 7.4 oz/212 g Microscope and stand: 11.2 oz/317 g

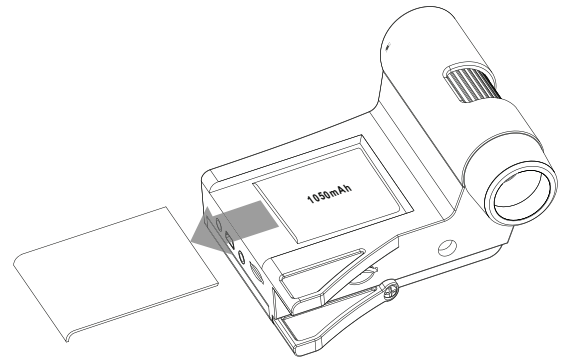
NOTE: Interpolation refers to software adding pixels to an image to artificially make it larger. This can be beneficial when printing in larger formats.

2. SETUP

INSTALL BATTERY

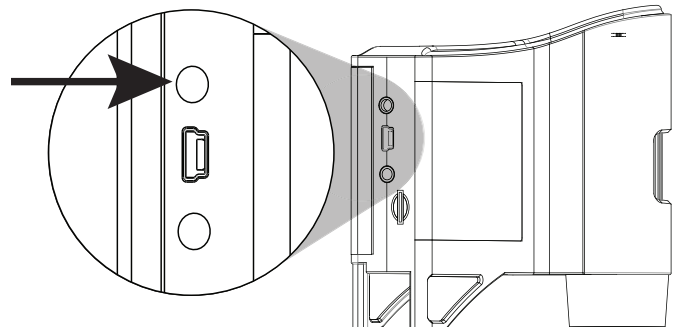
Open the battery compartment (8) and insert the battery, making sure to align the connection points correctly.

NOTE: FlipView's battery ships with a partial charge. However, if you are going to use the microscope with the battery only, be sure to charge the battery fully before the first use.



CHARGING THE BATTERY

- Plug the small end of the power adapter into the 5 V/AC in port (10) on the back of the microscope. Plug the other end into a standard AC wall outlet.
- * The battery charge indicator LED (14) will light up red to show the battery is charging.
- * When battery is fully charged, the battery charge indicator LED will turn off. You can now unplug FlipView and use it without an external power source for up to 2 hours.
- * You can monitor the battery power level on the LCD screen. Look for the battery power indicator icon described later in this section.

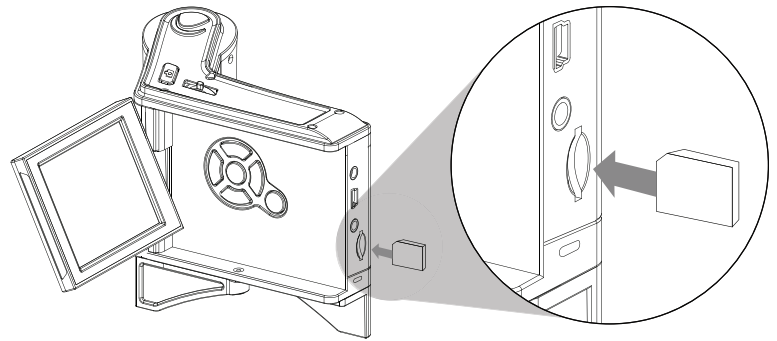


INSERT MICRO SD CARD

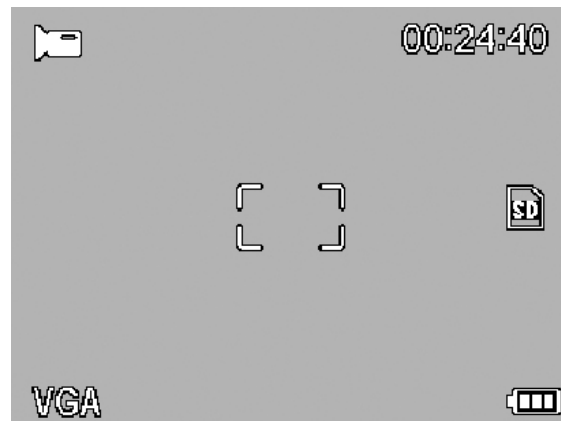
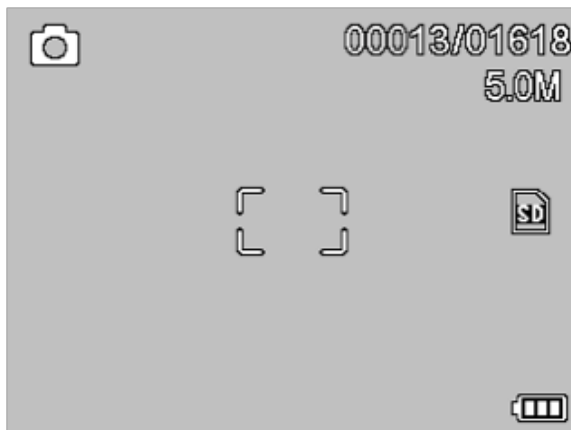
To capture images with your microscope while not connected to a computer, insert a Micro SD card in the card slot (13) on the back of the unit. Press firmly until the card clicks into place.

NOTE: A MicroSD card is NOT included. To capture images without a MicroSD card, see section 7 in this manual for instructions on installing the computer software and saving images directly to your computer.

NOTE: Format your MicroSD card before use. See section 4 for details on formatting the card.



DISPLAY ICONS



	Small Image Capture
	Video Capture
	Time Lapse Capture
00013/01618	Number of Images Taken/Number of Images Remaining
00:24:40	Video Capture Time Remaining (Hours:Minutes:Seconds)

	MicroSD Card Recognized
VGA	Video Capture Setting
5.0M	Current Resolution Setting
	Battery Power Indicator

NOTE: The display icons can be turned off by pressing down on the zoom control button

3. OBSERVING AND CAPTURING IMAGES: DIGITAL IMAGING

VIEW A SPECIMEN

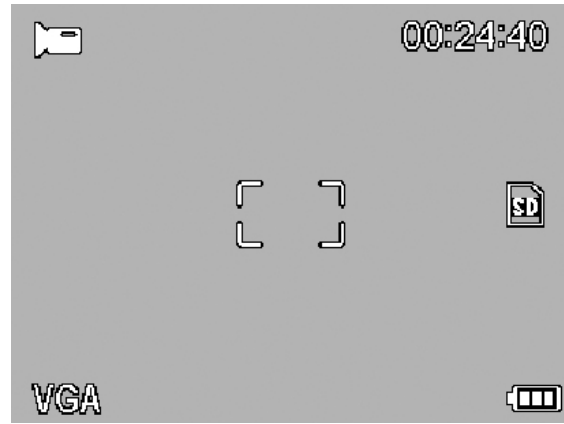
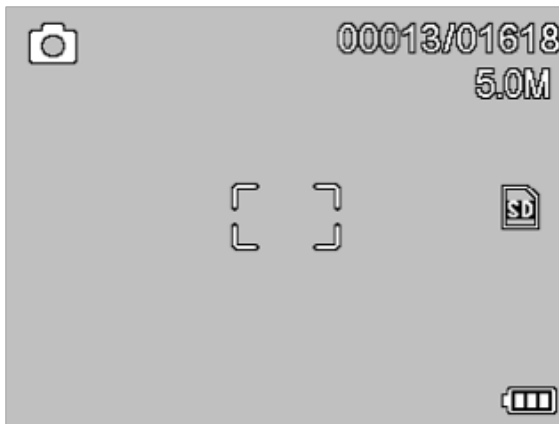
Power FlipView on and aim it at your specimen. Adjust the illuminator by rotating the illuminator adjustment wheel (7). Adjust the focus wheel (18) until the specimen is in focus.

CAPTURE AN IMAGE

To capture a still image, press the shutter trigger (1).

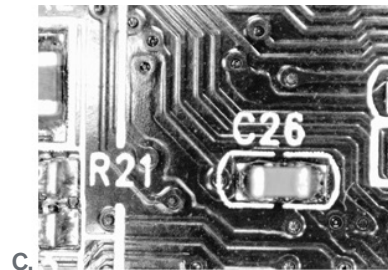
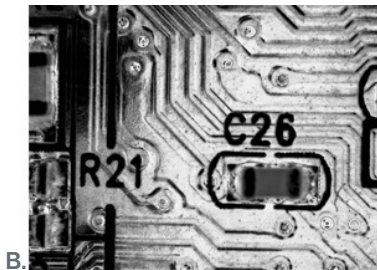
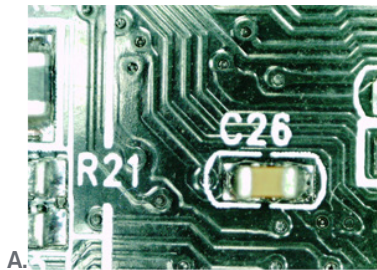
CHANGE MODE

To toggle between still image, video and preview modes, press the playback button (6). From still image press twice to get to video mode. To determine the current mode, look for the icons in the upper left corner of the LCD screen.



CHANGE COLOR MODE:

To change between color, negative and B&W streaming preview modes, press the color mode button (5).



ADJUST DIGITAL ZOOM:

When observing your specimen, you can zoom in and out using the zoom control button (9)

CAPTURE VIDEO:

In video mode, press the shutter trigger (1) to start recording. Press it again to stop recording.

REVIEW IMAGES

Press the playback button (6) once from still image mode or twice from video mode. Videos and still images will be displayed with the last image or video displayed first. Press the up button (5) or down button (16) to scroll through images/videos.

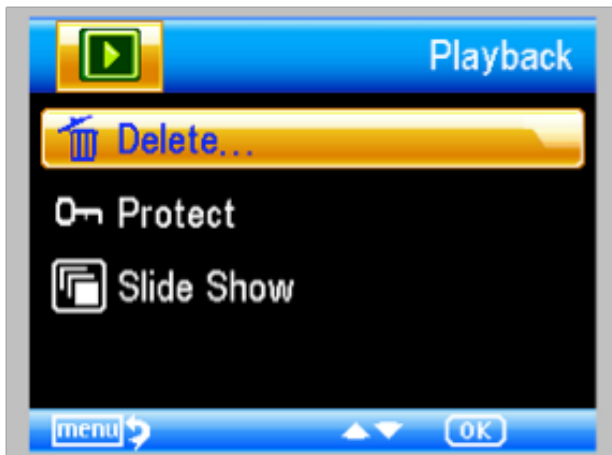
PREVIEW VIDEO

When a video file is displayed, press the OK button (15) to start the video. Press it again to stop the video.

DELETE IMAGES

To delete a still image or video file, press the setup button (4) to bring up the menu. Press the down button (16) to scroll to "Delete." Press OK.

You will be prompted to select "This Image" or "All." Use the down button again to scroll through the choices and select OK. You will be asked one more time if you want this to be completed. Select "Execute."



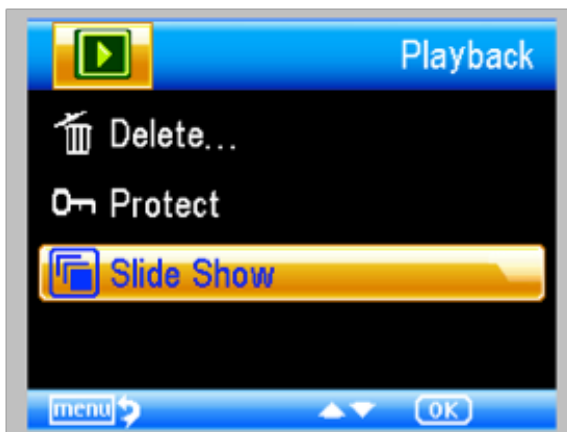
PROTECT IMAGES

This feature protects images or videos from being deleted from the MicroSD card. To protect an image or video file, press the the setup button (4) to bring up the menu. Press the down button (16) to scroll to "Protect." Press OK. Follow the prompts and select "OK" when done.




SLIDE SHOW

Use this feature to preview all the images on the SD card. Use the buttons to choose the desired interval between images.



4. SOFTWARE MENU INTRODUCTIONS

MENU

From the preview mode, press the setup button  (4) to enter the main menu. The menu choices will vary depending on the mode you are in: still image or video. Use the down button (16), the up button (5) and the OK button(15) to navigate the menu.

When in still image mode, you will see the following settings:

1. Resolution
2. Time Lapse
3. Quality
4. Sharpness

There is only one setting in video mode:

1. Resolution



RESOLUTION SETTINGS

In still image mode, the choices are:

1. 12.0 MP (interpolated*)
2. 9.0 MP
3. 5.0 MP
4. 3.0 MP
5. 1.3 MP
6. VGA

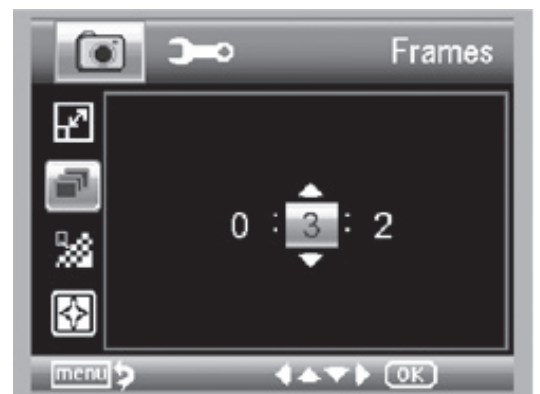


TIME LAPSE

FRAMES: Sets the number of frames to capture.

INTERVAL: Sets the interval between shots.

Once you have made your selections, press OK to confirm and press the menu button to go back to preview mode.



NOTE: The number above represents 32 frames.

When you press the capture button, the icon will be displayed in the upper left corner of the LCD screen.

When all the frames have been taken, FlipView will return to the preview screen.

To stop the auto capture before it completes, press the capture button once.

NOTE: The time lapse setting only works in still image mode.



NOTE: The number above represents 15 seconds.

QUALITY

The quality settings determine the level of image compression. The more compression you use, the less detail the image will contain, and the smaller the file size will be.

There are 3 choices in the quality setting window:

1. Super Fine (largest files, least compressed, most detail)
2. Fine
3. Normal (smallest file, most compressed)



SHARPNESS

Sharpness increases the differences the imaging process detects between the edges of the pixels. There are no rules when it comes to the sharpness settings. Experiment to find out which works best for your specimens.

The 3 choices for sharpness are:

1. Hard
2. Normal
3. Soft

SETUP MENU

While in the main menu press the playback button (6) button to enter setup. The choices here are:

1. Language
2. Power Save
3. Frequency
4. Date Stamp
5. TV out
6. Date/Time
7. Format SD
8. System Reset
9. Version



LANGUAGE

FlipView supports 11 languages:

1. English
2. German
3. French
4. Spanish
5. Italian
6. Portuguese
7. Japanese
8. Simples Chinese
9. Traditional Chinese
10. Dutch
11. Russian

Use the arrow buttons to scroll to your language preference and press OK (15) to save.

POWER SAVE

Power save mode conserves battery power by setting the unit to turn off automatically. The choices for times are:

1. OFF - Power Save feature is off; unit will not turn off automatically
2. 5 min. - Unit will turn off after 5 minutes of non-use
3. 10 Min. - Unit will turn off after 10 minutes of non-use
4. 15 Min. - Unit will turn off after 15 minutes of non-use
5. 30 Min. - Unit will turn off after 30 minutes of non-use



FREQUENCY

This setting has to do with your TV's refresh rate. For USA (NTSC), use 60Hz; for others, use 50Hz.

DATE STAMP

If you wish, you can display a date stamp on image files (but not on video files).

The choices are:

1. DATE/TIME: Displays both DATE and TIME on the saved image file
2. DATE: Displays only the date on the image file
3. OFF: Will NOT display any DATE/TIME information



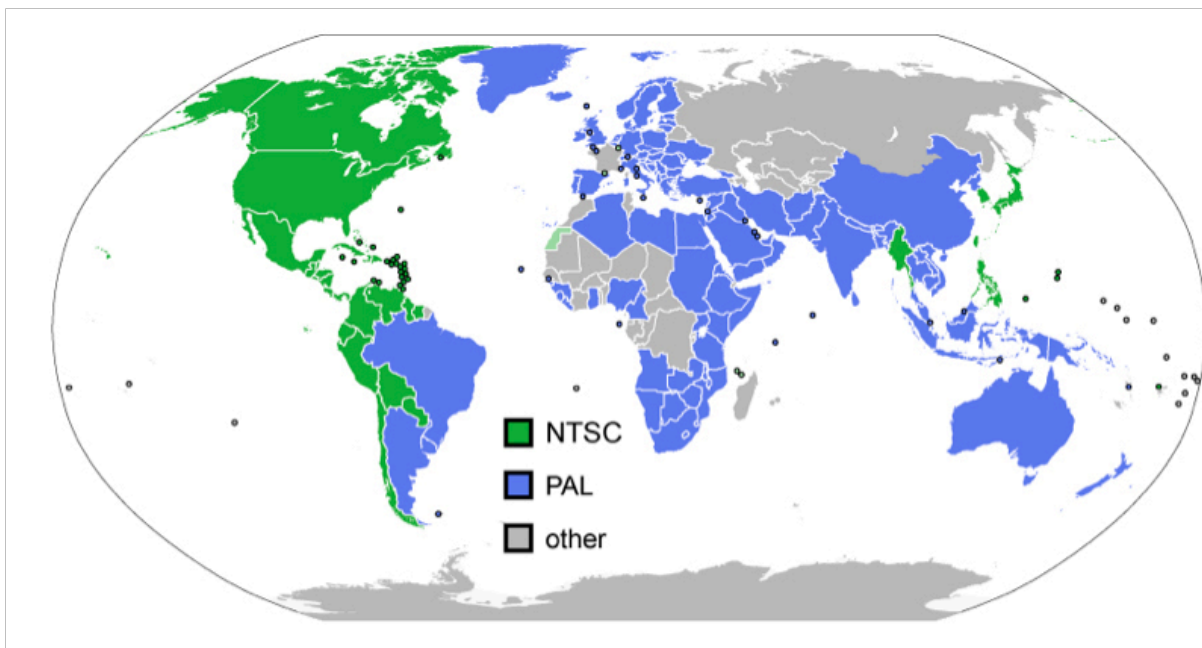
NOTE: The DATE and/or TIME will NOT be displayed in the preview mode—only on the recorded image file.

TV OUT

Set your TV out setting to either NTSC or PAL, depending on your location.

1. Choose NTSC for
 - North America
 - South America (excluding Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and French Guiana)
 - Myanmar, South Korea, Taiwan, Japan and the Philippines
2. Choose PAL for all other countries

NOTE: See map below



DATE/TIME

Here you can set the correct time of day and determine how the time will be displayed.

Choose from the following options:

1. YY/MM/DD
2. DD/MM/YY
3. MM/MM/DD



FORMAT MICRO SD CARD

Choose this option to format your Micro SD card. We recommend always formatting Micro SD cards before using them with FlipView for the first time. Formatting the card will erase all other data it contains.

SYSTEM RESET

Choose this option to return FlipView to its default factory settings.

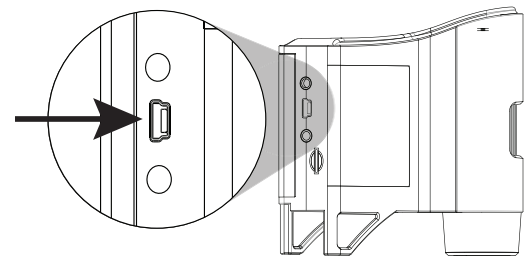
VERSION

The version screen will display information on your firmware version. No changes can be made here.



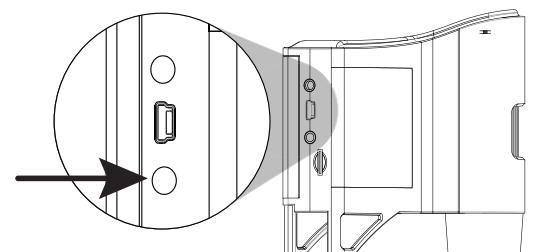
5. TRANSFER FILES TO COMPUTER

- + Connect FlipView to your computer using the USB cable provided.
- + Choose "Upload Images" on the LCD screen by pressing the OK button (15).
- + Your computer will now read the Micro SD card like a digital camera and download the images your PC.
- + When the transfer is complete, you can open and view the images on your PC using your favorite software.



6. CONNECT TO TV

- + Insert the 1/8-inch plug on the end of the supplied AV cable into FlipView's AV out port (12) on the back of the unit.
- + Insert the yellow RCA plug on the video cable into the TV or projector's yellow video input connectors.
- + Turn on the television or projector. Be sure your television is tuned to the appropriate input channel.
- + You should now see an image of the specimen you are viewing.



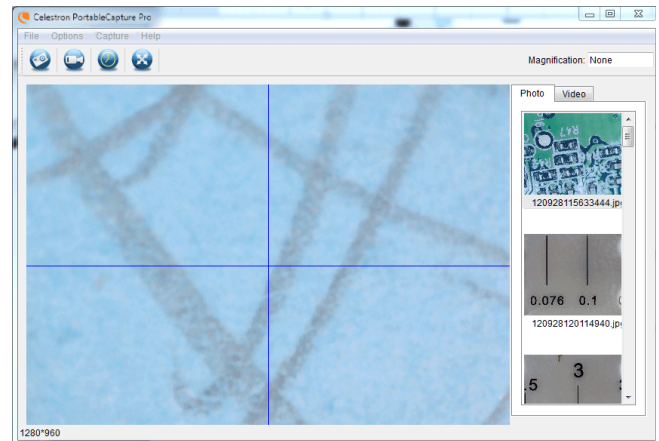
7. USING THE CELESTRON PORTABLE CAPTURE PRO SOFTWARE

1. Install Software. Using the included CD, install the software on your computer. You may need to restart your computer before launching software for the first time.
2. Connect FlipView to your computer using the USB cable provided as described above.
3. Choose "Preview on Computer" on the LCD screen, by pressing the OK button (15).
4. Open the Celestron Portable CapturePro Software on your PC by clicking the desktop icon.
5. View the streaming image in the software interface.

NOTE: Once the software is launched, the LCD screen will go blank. You will now control the microscope from the computer. However, you will still control focus, zoom and illumination manually on the device.

NOTE: When you connect to the PC via USB, FlipView's internal lithium ion battery will begin charging.

NOTE: If the microscope does not connect, the following error message will be displayed: "No device detected. Please connect your microscope directly to an open USB port." Try restarting the software.



8. USING THE SOFTWARE

CAPTURE A STILL IMAGE AND VIDEO

- + To capture a still image, click on the capture menu and select Photo.
- + To begin recording video, click on the Capture menu and scroll down to Video. Repeat to stop recording.
- + You should now see an image of the specimen you are viewing.

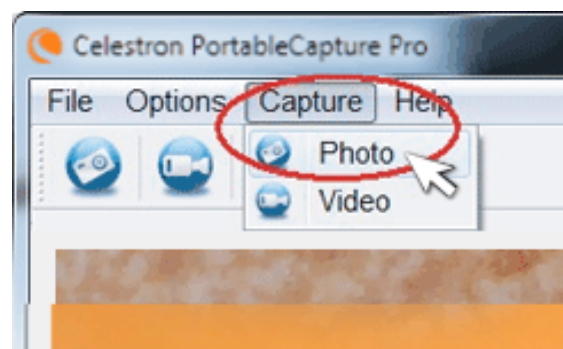
OTHER MENU ITEMS

FILE MENU Under the File menu item, you will find:

PHOTOS DIRECTORY: Directs you to a folder on your hard drive to save still images.

VIDEOS DIRECTORY: Directs you to a folder on your hard drive to save videos.

EXIT: Closes the software.



OPTIONS: Under the Options menu item, you will find:

RESOLUTION: Sets the sensor image resolution. Choose from 2 resolution settings:

- 320 x 240
- 640 x 480

NOTE: When connected to a PC, FlipView cannot capture high-resolution images, but can be used for demonstration and streaming. To take advantage of full 5 MP resolution, unplug FlipView from the computer.

DATE/TIME: Turns the Date and Time stamp on or off.

LANGUAGE: Changes the language setting. Choose from 12 languages:

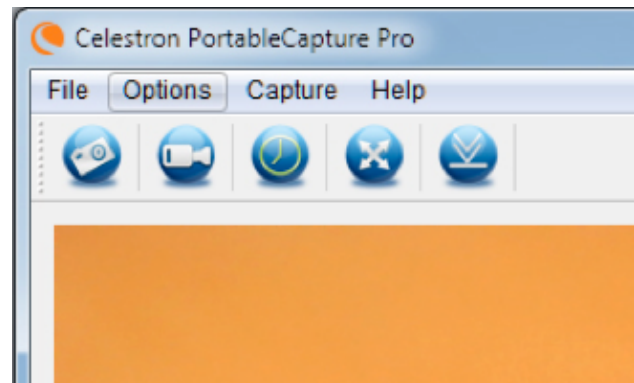
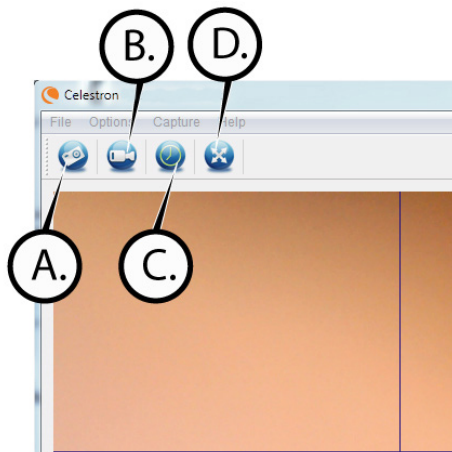
- English, German, French, Spanish, Russian,
Italian, Portuguese, Dutch, Polish, Japanese, Korean and Chinese

X,Y RETICLE: Turns the reticle guide on the preview screen on or off.

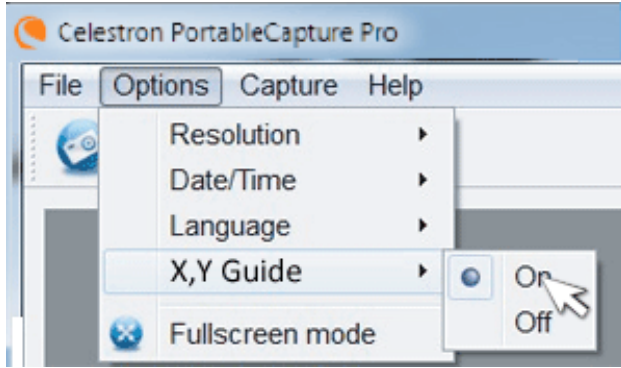
FULL SCREEN MODE: Uses the full screen of your monitor. Press Esc key to revert back.

ICONS: Along with the menu items, there are icons which mean the following:

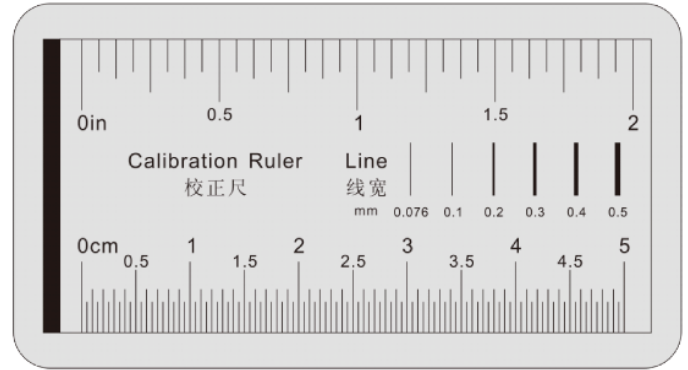
- A. Take a still image (photo)
- B. Start videos/stop video
- C. Full screen mode



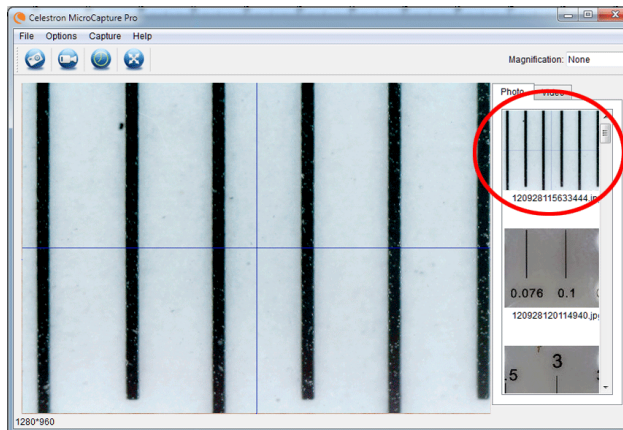
9. CALIBRATION AND MEASUREMENT



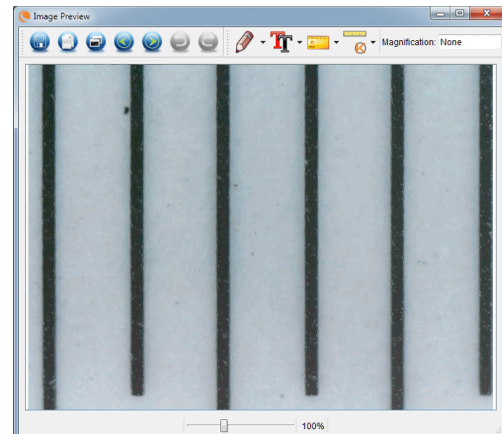
- + The Celestron Portable CapturePro software includes a measurement feature. To use this feature, you must first perform a measurement calibration.
- + Make sure the X,Y Guide is set to "On" by selecting it in the Options Menu.



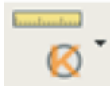
- + Set the height of the microscope and focus on your specimen. Then, replace your specimen with the calibration ruler.
- + Re-adjust the focus and align the calibration ruler so that the lines on the ruler are parallel with the vertical line on the X,Y Guide.

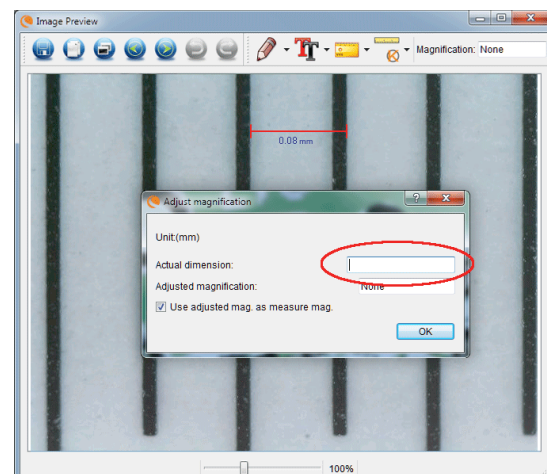


- + Take a still image. The image will be displayed in the column on the right side of the screen.



- + Double click the saved image to open it in the Image Preview screen.

- + Click on the Calibration icon 
- + Click and drag a line across a "known value" on the ruler image. Try to keep the line as perpendicular to the lines on the ruler as possible.
- + The "Adjust magnification" window will pop up as shown here.
- + In the box "Actual Dimension", enter the "known value" from the calibration ruler



+ To ensure that calibration was successful, go back to the Image Capture screen.



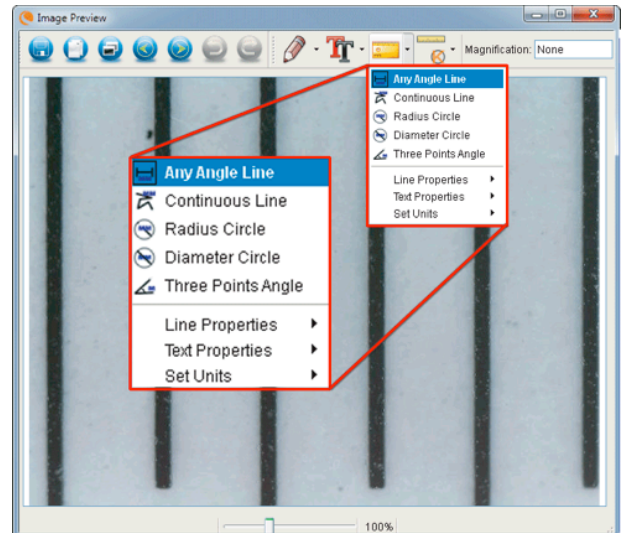
+ Click the ruler icon and from the dropdown menu select the option “Any Angle Line”

+ Click and drag a line across the same “known value” as before.

+ If the calibration was successful, the distance you measured should be exact to the “known value”

+ To capture images without changing the height or magnification, click on the Calibration icon. In the dropdown menu, select “Set Magnification,” then “Set Capture Magnification.”

+ A pop-up window will appear. Type in the magnification shown in the upper right corner of the main window.



MEASURING TOOLS

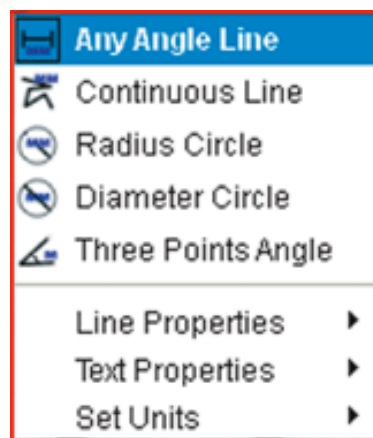
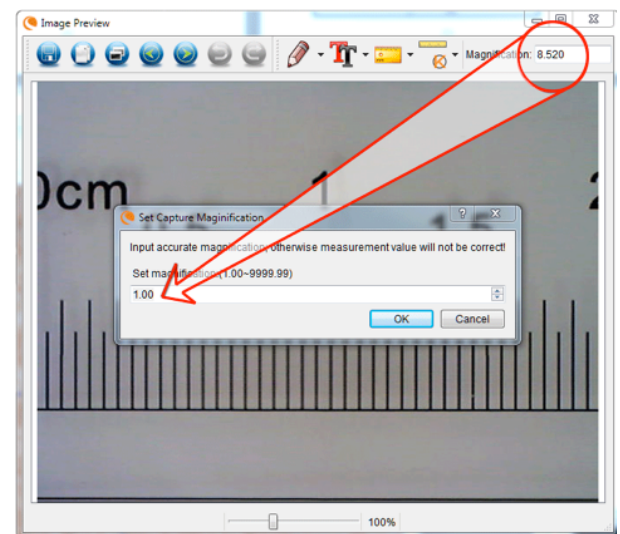
You will notice in the measuring drop down menu there are many tools. Here is the list of measurements you can take:

MAIN

1. **Any Angle:** Measures from point A to point B in a straight line.
2. **Continuous Line:** Measures the total distance between multiple points. Start by measuring a straight line from point A to point B. Then, click and drag to continue measuring from point B to point C. (Can be repeated as many times as you like.)
3. **Radius Circle:** Measures a circle's radius. Starting at the center, drag the cursor out to any edge.
4. **Diameter Circle:** Measures a circle's diameter. Starting at one outside edge, drag the cursor across to the opposite edge.
5. **Three Point Angle:** Measures an angle between two points, starting from a radius point or an intersection point. Click on point A, (radius point) drag and click on point B, then click on point C. The angle will be drawn and the angle degree will be displayed.

SETTINGS

1. **Line Properties:** Changes the settings for line type, width, size and color.
2. **Text Properties:** Changes the settings for font type, size, style and color.
3. **Set Units:** Changes the units setting. Choose from millimeters, centimeters, pixels or inches.



TAKING NOTES AND MARKING THE IMAGE

Portable CapturePro includes functionality to mark, draw on, or add notes to saved images. This can be handy for quick note taking and pointing out features on your specimen image.

1. MARKING

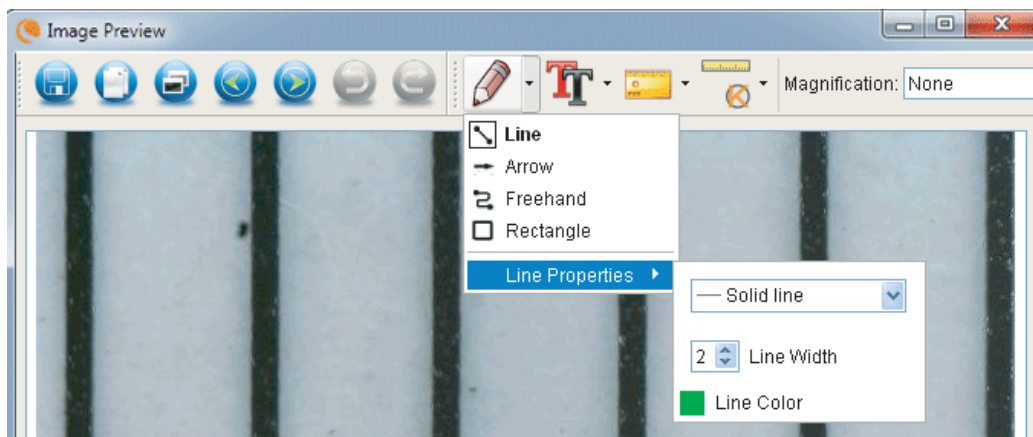
- + To use this feature, click the Draw icon  in the Image Preview window.
- + The complete choices in the Draw dropdown menu are:

MAIN


1. **Line:** Draws a straight line on the image.
2. **Arrow:** Draws a line with an arrow on the image.
3. **Freehand:** Allows user to draw freehand. Good for quick, handwritten notes.
4. **Rectangle:** Draws a box. Good for calling out features on the image or framing text.

SETTINGS

1. Line Properties: Allows for setting the line type, size and color



2. ADD TEXT

- + To type notes on the image, select the Type icon .
- + In the dropdown menu, you can choose the font type, size and color.

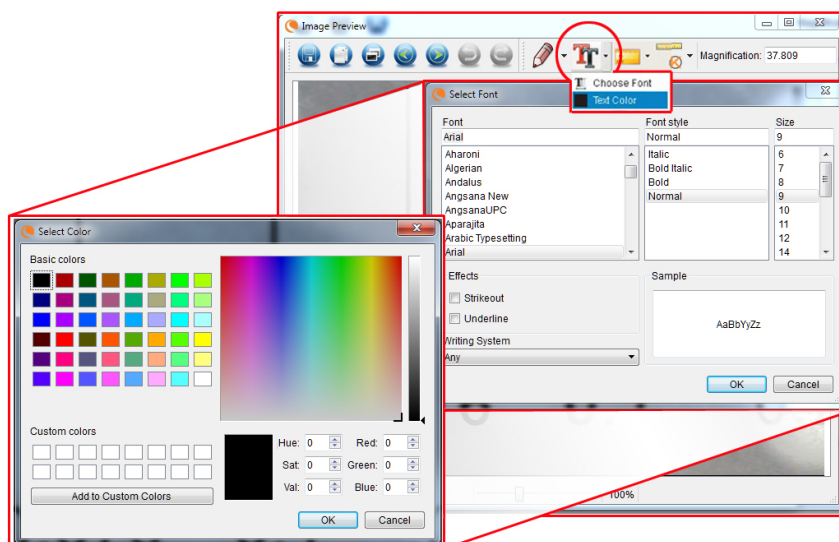
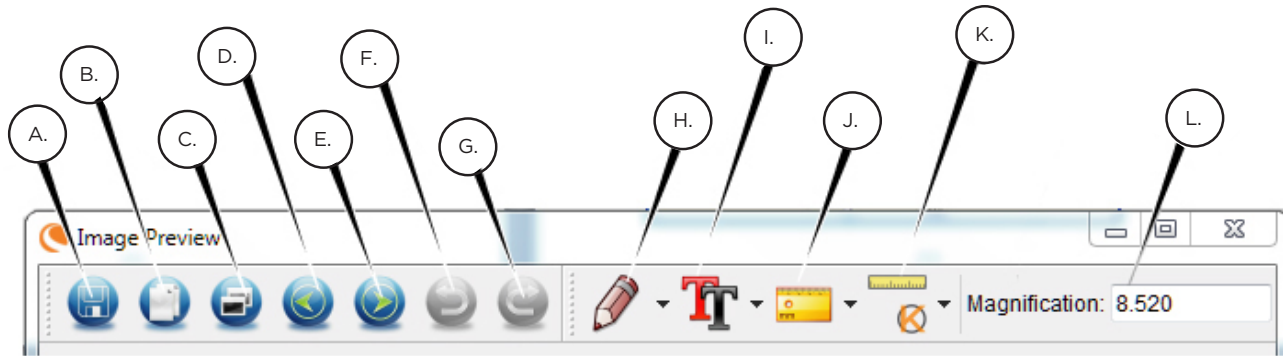


IMAGE PREVIEW ICONS EXPLAINED



A. Save: Save your file

B. Copy to clipboard: Copy to open in other program

C. Copy: Save as a copy

D. Previous: Takes you back to the previous image in save folder

E. Next: Takes you forward to the next image in save folder

F. Undo: Takes you back one step

G. Redo: Takes you forward one step

H. Draw

I. Text/Notes

J. Measure

K. Calibration

L. Current Magnification (based on the latest calibration)

10. MULTI-PLUG

If you have purchased your FlipView outside of North America (model 44315), you will notice a multi-plug AC adapter. There are 3 interchangeable plug heads that will fit outlets in Europe, the United Kingdom/Hong Kong and China.

To change the plug head:

- Grasp the main plug housing with one hand and the plug head of choice with the other.
- Press the small button release on the plug housing (circled in below image).
- Locate and interlock the tabs on the plug head with the grooves on the plug housing.
- Rotate the plug head clockwise 90° until you hear a "click" as the plug head locks into place

To remove the plug head, press the small button release and rotate the plug head counterclockwise until it releases.



11. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Your microscope with digital camera is a precision optical instrument and should be treated with care at all times. Follow these care and maintenance suggestions and your microscope will need very little maintenance throughout its lifetime.

- + Store your microscope in a dry, clean place.
- + Never use your microscope where operation of such devices is restricted. Improper use creates the risk of serious accident.
- + Do not try to access the internal components of your microscope or attempt to modify it in any way. Only authorized technicians should perform maintenance or repairs.
- + Keep your microscope away from water and other liquids. Never use it in the rain or snow. Moisture creates the danger of fire and electric shock.
- + To clean dust or smudges from the LCD screen or other optical component, first blow the dust off with a camel's hair brush or air blower. Then use the included dry, microfiber cloth to wipe the surface.
- + If the exterior surfaces of your microscope need cleaning, wipe with a moist cloth.

12. TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEMS	SOLUTION
The unit does not turn on.	Check the battery power. If necessary, recharge by plugging into AC power.
The screen is blank.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ensure that the power is on. + Check the battery power and recharge the battery if necessary. + Verify that the object you want to magnify is positioned correctly under the lens. + Make sure the illuminator is ON
There are smudges or blemishes on the screen.	+ Clean the screen and lens carefully with the included microfiber cloth.
Microscope is connected to a television, but no image appears on the television screen.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Ensure that the television is on. + Switch to the appropriate video input channel on your television. (This will vary by manufacturer.) + Ensure that the video cable is securely connected to the microscope's Video Out port and plugged into the correct video input on your television
The battery indicator LED is not illuminating, even though the power adapter is connected and plugged into a wall socket. -or- The battery is not charging.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Make sure the cable is plugged into the proper port. + Check that the outlet has power and is not malfunctioning. If the outlet is connected to a wall switch, make sure that the switch is on.

13. WARRANTY

Your FlipView LCD Microscope has a two year limited warranty. Please visit the Celestron website for detailed information on all Celestron microscopes: celestron.com



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- + Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- + Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- + Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- + Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This product is designed and intended for use by those 14 years of age and older. Product design and specifications are subject to change without prior notification.