

THEORETICAL COURSE of MICROSCOPY

12th October 2018 – aula verde (open to all)

The optical microscopy day

wide field and confocal microscopy with a brief introduction to phase imaging

4 hours of theoretical lessons with extensive application suggestions to introduce wide field optical microscopy, confocal microscopy and holographic microscopy

1) Introduction to optical microscopy: (ED)

- a. Magnification and resolution
- b. The lens:
 - i. The numerical aperture and the resolution
 - ii. The optical aberration and difference among lenses
 - iii. How to chose the proper lens
- c. The fluorescence microscopy

2) The confocal microscopy (CR)

- i. Confocality: the optical sectioning.
- ii. The pin hole
- iii. Resolution on z axes. The Nyquist principle (ED).
- iv. Anatomy of a confocal microscopy:
 - 1. The scanning head
 - 2. The scanning devices: the mirrors and Nipkow disk
 - 3. The detector: cameras, PMT, spectral detectors
 - 4. Illumination sources: laser e led.
- v. The samples and the confocal microscopy limits

3) The phase microscopy (ED)

- i. Principles of interpherometric detection
- ii. The phase contrast microscopy
- iii. DIC microscopy
- iv. Quantitative Phase Imaging (SLIM e GLIM)

PRACTICAL COURSE OF CONFOCAL MICROSCOPY

17th October 2018 – aula riunioni Ca Vignal 2 (maximum 4 students) 18th October 2018 – aula riunioni Ca Vignal 2 (maximum 4 students) 19th October 2018 – aula riunioni Ca Vignal 2 (maximum 4 students)

Hands on confocal microscopy (CR)

- 1) Confocal microscopy description
- 2) Relationship between hardware and software.
- 3) Confocal image acquisition workflow
- 4) Scanning time and detector sensibility
- 5) How scanning time influence image quality
- 6) The resolution: x, y and z
- 7) Optical sectioning.
- 8) The sampling
- 9) How to manage a confocal image.

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REGISTRATION:

The participation to practical course is free but it is necessary to send the registration. Participation to practical course is limited to the first 12 requests received.

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