



# Systems and Solutions for EM Sample Preparation

The New Product Portfolio from Leica Microsystems

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# EM Sample Preparation – Biological Samples

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	Leica EM KMR3
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	Leica EM AC20
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	Leica EM CPD030

## Ultramicrotomy

### Leica EM UC7

Ultramicrotome for ultrathin sectioning of biological and industrial samples.

- Up to 100 different user/specimen/knife profiles can be set
- Electronic data transfer for reporting user, specimen, knife and storage parameters
- Knife usage monitoring
- Optimized ionizer
- Fully motorized knife stage and AutoTrim function
- Brightness-controlled multi-LED illumination and LED spot illumination



### Leica EM FC7

Low temperature sectioning system for ultrathin cryosectioning of biological and industrial samples.

- Ergonomic design for fatigue-free operation
- Internal chamber illumination
- Temperature range from  $-185^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $-15^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Individual temperature for specimen, knife and gas
- Setting of temperature difference up to  $130^{\circ}\text{C}$  (between knife and specimen)
- GN2 gap between chamber and arm rest ensures a warm surface for the user to rest on
- Heated chamber walls prevent icing over a prolonged working time
- Easy section collection using micromanipulator and EM Crion ionizer



### Leica EM KMR3

Balanced-break glass knife maker for producing  $45^{\circ}$  glass knives from 6.4 mm, 8 mm and 10 mm glass.

- Highly reproducible, outstanding knife quality
- Automatic reset of the breaking and scoring mechanism
- Ergonomic design for comfortable use
- Fast learning curve



## Contrasting/Labeling

### Leica EM IGL

Automated immunogold labeling system.

- Simultaneous labeling of 24 grids
- Time saving
- Minimized cross contamination



### Leica EM AC20

Automatic contrasting of ultrathin sections for electron microscopy.

- Safe
- Low reagent consumption
- High contrast
- Reproducible results



## Processing

### Leica EM AFS2

Freeze substitution and low temperature embedding for light and electron microscopy.

- $-140^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+70^{\circ}\text{C}$  working range
- Transfer function
- Fast LED UV polymerization
- Intuitive programming with USB port
- Stereomicroscope
- Fume exhaust system
- Mouse-controlled color screen
- Deep freeze to  $-140^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Mobile with clamping wheels



### Leica EM FSP

An automatic reagent handling/dispensing system for freeze substitution and PLT.

- One step preparation
- Safe and convenient
- Flexible built-in UV light for polymerization
- Up to 20 samples per run



# The New Product Portfolio from Leica

## Leica EM TP

Automated routine tissue processor.

- Safe
- Time saving
- Reproducible results
- Pre-heat and pre-cool of the reagents
- Versatile: EM, EM high throughput and LM



## Leica EM AMW

Automatic microwave tissue processor for electron microscopy.

- Fast processing
- Minimum user interface
- From fresh tissue to TEM the same day



## Trimming

### Leica EM TRIM2

Specimen trimming device for TEM, SEM, LM.

- 1  $\mu$  step advance
- Perpendicular viewing of the sample
- LED illumination



### Leica EM RAPID

Advanced specimen trimming device for TEM, SEM, LM.

- 0.5, 1, 10, 100  $\mu$ m step advance
- Adjustable cutting speed 300–20000  $\mu$ m
- Advance indication on LCD display
- Unique system for preparation of tablets for pharma industry as well as for advanced specimen trimming



## Cryo Fixation

### Leica EM PACT2 with EM RTS

High pressure freezer with rapid transfer system.

- Freezing of specimens, up to 200  $\mu$ m in thickness and 1.5 mm in diameter without ice crystal damage
- High cooling rates by strong jet of LN<sub>2</sub>
- Rapid turnaround time
- Compact and mobile
- Automatic bake-out cycle
- Internal memory with download on USB
- Dewar with drain
- Low LN<sub>2</sub> consumption
- Low noise
- Suitable for correlative LM/EM



### Leica EM HPM100

High pressure freezing system for freezing of specimens up to 200  $\mu$ m in thickness and 6 mm in diameter without ice crystal damage.

- High cooling rates
- No cryo protectant required
- Short handling time before freezing
- Easy one button operation
- Integrated stereomicroscope, LED, workstation
- Dewar with drain
- USB interface for data storage and transfer



### Leica EM CPC

Universal cryofixation system for immersion and metal mirror cryofixation.

- Versatile
- Easy change of modules
- Schematic display
- Also for use as temperature controlled cryopreparation chamber
- Safety alarm



# Microsystems

## Leica EM GP

Automatic plunge freezer for the bare grid technique.

- Programming allows reproducible processes in a controlled sample environment
- Filling the secondary cryogen is fast, easy and safe with the unique liquefying head
- Single sided parallel blotting gives an even film thickness



## Leica EM MM80 E

Metal mirror cryofixation system for impact freezing.

- Gold-coated copper blocks
- Short turnaround time
- Pneumatically damped sample holder



## Freeze Etching/Freeze Fracture

### Leica EM BAF060

High-end preparation unit, featuring an advanced microtome, flexible shadowing options with electron beam sources and a load-lock transfer system for:

- Freeze fracture/etching
- Double replica (mirror fracturing)
- Freeze drying
- High resolution carbon/metal mix coatings for TEM/SEM analysis
- Double layer coating of specimens for cryo SEM analysis
- Cryo coating for cryo SEM using the EM VCT100



### Leica EM MED020 FF

Compact and modular freeze fracture/etching system in combination with the EM VCT100.

- High vacuum sputtering or e-beam evaporation capabilities
- Separate chambers for freeze fracturing and coating
- Precise fracturing with automatic knife advance



## Cryo Transfer

### Leica EM VCT100

Versatile cryo vacuum transfer system which transfers specimens from a preparation unit to an analysis instrument via a shuttle.

- Contamination-free transfer
- Suitable for either room temperature or cryo transfer
- Preparation and analysis can be performed independently
- Light weight and space saving shuttle design offers minimal interference with the analysis instrument – no vibrations



## Coating

### Leica EM MED020

Modular high resolution coating system for multiple preparation processes: single and triple sputtering, carbon rod, carbon thread plus thermal resistance and electron beam evaporation.

- Optional modules allow cryo preparation methods including freeze fracture, freeze drying, double replica, cryo coating for SEM
- Variety of quality vacuum chambers
- High performance oil-free vacuum and pumping system
- Rotary-planetary-tilting stages



### Leica EM SCD500

Versatile high vacuum oil-free modular device for sputtering, carbon rod, carbon thread and thermal resistance evaporation.

- Optional modules allow cryo preparation for freeze drying, freeze fracture, double replica, cryo coating and cryo vacuum transfer with the EM VCT100
- Rotary-planetary-tilting stages
- Built-in high voltage etching device



### Leica EM SCD005/SCD050

Low vacuum sputtering and carbon thread evaporation devices for universal SEM coating.

- Produces fine-grained, quality conductive films
- Stepless height adjustable table
- Large sample coating such as wafers
- Integrated shutter



### Leica EM CED030

Compact bench top carbon thread evaporation device for producing conductive carbon films on specimens for X-ray microanalysis (EDX, WDX) and carbon reinforcement films on collodion or formvar coated specimen support grids for TEM.

- Simple operation, easy and clean loading
- Single and multiple carbon thread evaporation
- Uniform, cohesive carbon films



### Leica EM QSG100

Quartz crystal film thickness monitoring system ensures highest reproducibility of sputtered or evaporated layers by precisely measuring film thickness and coating rates.

- Shutter termination for easy and safe replica production
- Programmable layer sequences for multiple coating layers
- Optimized quartz head positioning for exact thickness measurement
- Memory functions: 5 layers with independent thickness values
- Film thickness termination adjustable to 1 nm
- Integrated library for multiple coating materials



## Drying

### Leica EM MED020 FD

Ideal system for precision controlled freeze drying of SEM samples or TEM cryo sections.

- Reproducible results through exact temperature control of the specimen stage
- Modular design allows transfer of specimens through a counter flow loading device and subsequent coating via sputtering or e-beam evaporation



### Leica EM CPD030

Critical point drying device for biological and industrial specimens.

- Low CO<sub>2</sub> consumption
- Integrated automatic cooling/heating
- Excellent visual access
- Controlled specimen drying
- Adjustable heating parameters
- Precise release of gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> after critical point drying



## Solid State Technology

### Leica EM TXP

Target preparation device for milling, sawing, grinding and polishing.

- Accurate location and preparation of microtargets
- *In-situ* stereomicroscope observation
- Automatic process control to produce a mirror-like surface quality



### Leica EM TIC020

Slope cutting with the triple ion beam cutter allows accurate and efficient site-specific sample preparation for SEM analysis.

- Cut high quality cross sections from almost any material
- Prepares large samples up to 50 x 50 x 10 mm
- Minimal mechanical pre-preparation required
- High milling rate, broad and deep cuts, using triple ion source



### Leica EM RES101

Fully computer controlled all in one ion milling system with the highest level of user flexibility to prepare samples for SEM, LM and TEM analysis.

- Variable milling angle from 0° to 90°
- Load-lock system for permanent high vacuum
- Variable ion energy for high and low energy milling processes
- Built-in CCD camera for sample observation
- LAN capability for external operation and monitoring
- Auto-termination



### Leica EM RES120

Unique SEM controlled ion beam system for TEM, SEM and LM sample preparation offers additional features to the Leica EM RES101.

- High resolution site-specific sample preparation
- Large area milling (25 mm) for SEM, LM
- Sample coating
- Programmable process parameters
- Several detectors e.g. EDX, EBSD (optional) attachable

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