

ERA-8800FE

Electron Probe Surface Roughness Analyzer

Instruction Manual

Part 1 Scanning Electron Microscope

Structure of the Manual:

Part 1	Scanning Electron Microscope
Part 2	Basic Surface Roughness Analyzing Software
Part 3	Attachments Purchased

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BASIC INSTRUCTIONS

Introduction

Unlike systems with an X-ray output for external devices, scanning electron microscopes (SEMs) are not included in the devices requiring user registration set forth in the Laws Concerning the Prevention of Radiation Hazards due to Radioisotopes and the Rules Concerning the Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards.

However, in an International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) recommendation, SEMs, as with usual TV sets, are listed as a potential source of X-rays as an unwanted byproduct.

Users must pay attention to the protection of personal health.

As a precaution, you should observe the following instructions.

- (1) **Use the system for the purposes and within the range of use described in the Instruction Manual.**
- (2) **Do not operate the system when a protection or safety cover is removed.**
- (3) **Do not modify the system by the customer.**
- (4) **Do not operate the system with the safety device turned off.**

Safety Precautions

This system contains high-voltage circuits that may cause electric shock hazards. Before starting maintenance work, be sure to turn off the AC power supply. Any maintenance work not described in this Instruction Manual must be done by our authorized service persons.

DANGER

Do not touch the areas around a DANGER or CAUTION label shown in the figure below.

Do not connect or disconnect a cable unless instructed by this Instruction Manual or our technician.

This system is used high-voltage circuits inside. Do not touch the inside unless instructed by our technician.

Ground the system properly. Improper grounding may result in system failure or electric shock.

If you have to touch the inside, turn off the power and wait for several minutes before starting work.

In an emergency, turn off the breaker on the power distribution panel or system and call to Elionix.



SPECIFICATIONS

1 Overview

This system serves as a SEM providing, in addition to usual secondary electron images, topography- or component-enhanced high-magnification images for non-contact measurement of fine contour of the observed surface of the specimen.

This is an advantage of the system's four-channel secondary electron detectors. Each signal is processed by the computer to provide qualitative expression of topographic profiles.

This system allows qualitative observation of very slight undulations or fine surface roughness you could not see with conventional SEMs.

Through the Microsoft Windows-based GUI (Graphical User Interface), most operations can be done intuitively using the mouse.

Features

1. The four secondary electron detectors provide high-resolution images from multiple directions in three modes; Topography (TOPO), Composition (COMPO), and Conventional SEM.
You can observe image illuminated by a shadowless light source, images of fine topography and slight undulations at low magnifications that can hardly be observed through conventional SEMs.
2. The electron probe scans the specimen surface at high speeds, eliminating the chance of damaging the surface. Probe current is as low as 10^{-12} A, allowing you to use specimens susceptible to heat.
3. Automatic focusing, astigmatism correction, and image signal level adjustment ensure measurement quality through simple operation.
4. Images are stored in the frame memory and displayed as still images on the high-resolution monitor. You can observe SEM images in a well-illuminated room.
5. The five axes (X, Y, Z, R, and T) of the specimen stage are driven by high-precision motors. It is easy to locate a desired field of view.
6. You can observe the entire surface of specimens up to $\phi 125 \times H10$ mm or $\phi 50 \times H30$ mm.
7. Magnification and stage position are stored temporarily in the system. Such information can be called simply by pressing a button. This function is very helpful when you lose the observation point.
8. The resume function automatically restores the conditions of the previous measurement when you turn on the system.

2 Specifications

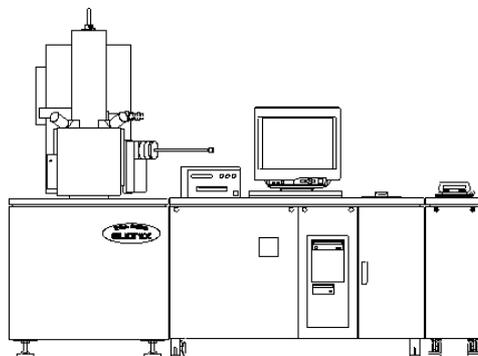
SEM observation unit	
Resolution	1.5 nm (30 kV), 5 nm (1 kV)
Magnification	×20 to ×600,000
Electron gun	ZrO/W thermal field emission
Acceleration voltage	0.3-30 kV 0.3-3.0 kV: 10-V steps 3.0-10.0 kV: 100-V steps 10-30 kV: 1-kV steps
Astigmatism correction	8-polar electromagnetism
Blanking	Electrostatic blanking
Secondary electron detector	4
Specimen size	φ152 × H15 mm (maximum diameter) φ50 × H30 mm (maximum thickness) φ10 × H15 mm (small)
Specimen driving range	X: 0-40 mm Y: 0-80 mm Z: 4-36 mm Tilt: ±7 degrees -7-45 degrees (φ10 specimen) Rotation: 360 degrees (continuous)
Specimen driving	5-axis motor drive X, Y, Z, and T: Stepping motor R: DC motor
Position memory	Position memory and recall functions
Position display	X and Y: 5 digits (three decimal places), in units of mm Z: 2 digits, in units of mm R: 4 digits (one decimal place), in units of degrees T: 2 digits in units of degrees
Image observation	Differential signal: Secondary electron image of roughness (A - B) Sum signal: Secondary electron image (A + B) Normal secondary electron image
Screen separation	4-screen tile and stack display
Image display	Still image (video graphic still image) High-resolution frame memory Display: 1200 × 900 (slow scan) 600 × 450 (others) High-speed display (supporting TV scanning) Printer output: 1200 × 900
Monitor CRT	19-inch high-resolution CRT SEM image display: Approx. 260 × 195 mm
Scan mode	PICTURE, SPOT, LINE X, WAVE FORM, and PHOTO
Scan speed	TV, Rapid, Medium, Slow 1-4, and Photo 1-4/Frame

Auto functions	Focus, stigma, contrast and brightness
Data display	μ marker, film number Acceleration voltage, date, magnification Keyboard input superimpose
Electrical shift of field of view	X-Y: $\pm 30 \mu\text{m}$ shift Rotation: 360 degrees
Storage media for image and observation conditions	HD MO (optional) Ultra high-resolution camera unit (optional)
Output of image and observation conditions	Digital printer (optional) Instant photography (optional) Roll film (optional)
Control PC	PC-AT compatible OS: Windows NT
Evacuation	Continuous operation (lens evacuation) Full automatic (specimen chamber evacuation)
Specimen exchange time	10 minutes max. (when the chamber is vented), 5 minutes max. (when the pre-evacuation chamber is used)
Ultimate pressure	2.6×10^{-4} Pa (2×10^{-6} Torr)
Vacuum pump	4-inch oil diffusion pump: Pumping speed 280 l/sec Turbo molecular pump (optional) Direct coupling oil-sealed rotary vacuum pumps: Pumping speed 160 l/min Ion pump: Pumping speed 20 l/sec, 2 pumps
Anti-vibration device for system frame	Air servo suspension
Safety device	Protection functions against power failure, water failure, pressure or vacuum deterioration
Diagnostic function	System operation status is displayed on the CRT monitor.

3D measurement unit	
Z-direction resolution	1 nm
Beam scanning	Digital scanning
Measurement direction	Switchable between X and Y directions
Number of measurement data items	4,096 items max./line X 4,096 items max./line Y Maximum number of data items: 250,000
Data display	19-inch CRT (shared with the control unit)
Tilt correction	Auto and manual
Zoom function	Enlargement of part of data
DISTANCE function	Distance in X and Y directions Distance in Z direction Tilt angle
Data storage	HD FD
Memory	256 MB or more

Record of display	Digital color printer (optional) Color hardcopy (optional)
Analysis functions	Contour line, area ratio, peak count, granularity, surface area, bird's-eye view, and new JIS standard roughness parameters including Ra, Rx, and Rmax

Configuration	
Standard configuration	System frame 1
	Main power supply unit 1
	CRT monitor 1
	Power box 1
	Personal computer 1
	Rotary pumps 2
	Specimen holders 3 types
	Standard supplies 1
	Instruction manual (Plain paper) 1
	Inspection record (Plain paper) 1
Options	Energy dispersion X-ray analyzer
	Color hardcopy
	X-Y plotter
	Specimen coating unit
	Photography units
	Specimen holders
	Cooling water circulator
	Air compressor
	Etching unit for SEM specimens
	Image filing system
	Image processor
	Backup power supply for ion pumps
	Carbon coater
	Backscattered electron detector
N ₂ leak valve for specimen chamber	

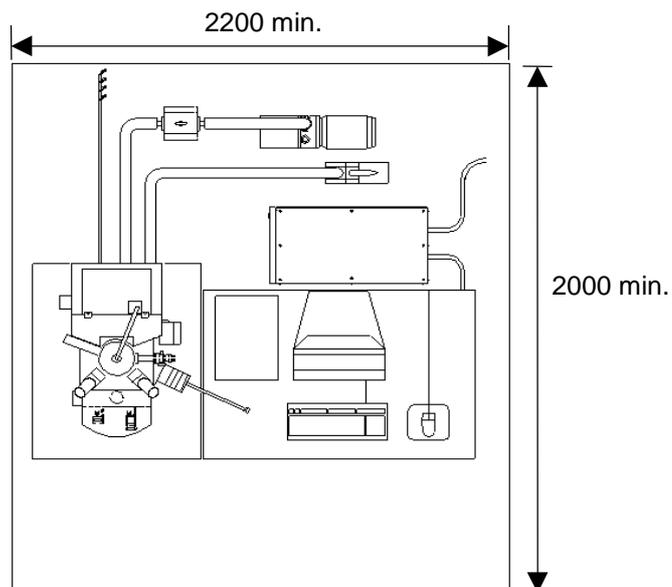


Outline view

The system described in the figure has some options.

Installation conditions	
Power supply	Single phase 100 VAC \pm 10%, 3 kVA, 50/60 Hz; 1 line Single phase 100 VAC \pm 10%, 2 kVA, 50/60 Hz; 1 line
Installation terminal	100 ohms max. Two wires of the 3-core cable are for power supply, the remaining one is for grounding. Power supply terminals are preferably installed within 30 cm from the grounding terminal.
Room temperature	20°C \pm 5°C
Humidity	60% max.
Floor vibration	0.3 gal displacement 2 μ mP/P max.
Floating magnetic field	0.2 μ T max. (2 mG max.)
Cooling water	Pressure: 1 kg/cm ² min. Flow rate: 2-4 l/min PT 1/4 (female screw) Drain port: 1
Leaking N2 gas	4-6 kg/cm ² PT 1/4 (female screw)
Compressed air	5-10 kg/cm ² PT 1/4 (female screw)
Rotary pump exhaust duct	NW25
Utility	The electric, piping, and other connection work for this system should be performed by the customer.

Dimensions and weight		
	Width \times Depth \times Height	Weight
Main unit	750 \times 925 \times 1,650 mm	350 kg
Operation unit	1,200 \times 800 \times 750 mm	100 kg
Oil-sealed rotary vacuum pump	260 \times 570 \times 410 mm	30 kg
Power box	360 \times 700 \times 460 mm	40 kg (with a UPS option)



Installation example
System without options

3 Service

- (1) The warranty period is one year after acceptance of the system.
If a failure for which Elionix is responsible occurs within this period, Elionix will replace or repair the failed parts without charge.

- (2) After expiry of the warranty period, we will provide bona fide and reliable service.
Note that the customer will be charged.

INSTALLATION

1 Cautions for Installation

(1) Poor power supply

- If the power supply voltage waveform is not a sine wave, or contains spike noise, use an iron resonance AC regulator rated at 3.0 kVA or higher.
If a thyristor control regulator or other filter regulator is used, the system performance may not be guaranteed.
- If the power supply voltage drifts over the rating, use an AC regulator.
- Sharing the power line with a device using thyristor control or a large device with a capacitor input power supply may deteriorate the power supply performance.

(2) Significant disturbance magnetic field

The source of the magnetic field must be removed from the installation site or shielded magnetically.

Preferably, the following devices should not be installed within 20 meters from the system.

- | | |
|---|---|
| • Magnetic stirrer | • Welding machine* |
| • Magnetizer* | • Electric discharge machine* |
| • Demagnetizer* | • Elevator |
| • External air-conditioner unit | • Device using a leakage transformer
(Ion pump power supply, etc.) |
| • Large radio frequency oscillating furnace | |
| • Transformation equipment | • Motor generator |

You may need to counter a magnetic field if the power line for a device with an asterisk runs near the system.

Also, you should pay attention to disturbance magnetic fields when your site is within 100 meters from railroad wire or within 50 meters from a road with a heavy traffic of trucks.

2 Connection of Cooling Water and Oil-sealed Rotary Vacuum Pumps

- (1) Connection of cooling water (not necessary for systems with a turbo molecular pump)
Connect both IN and OUT lines of cooling water.

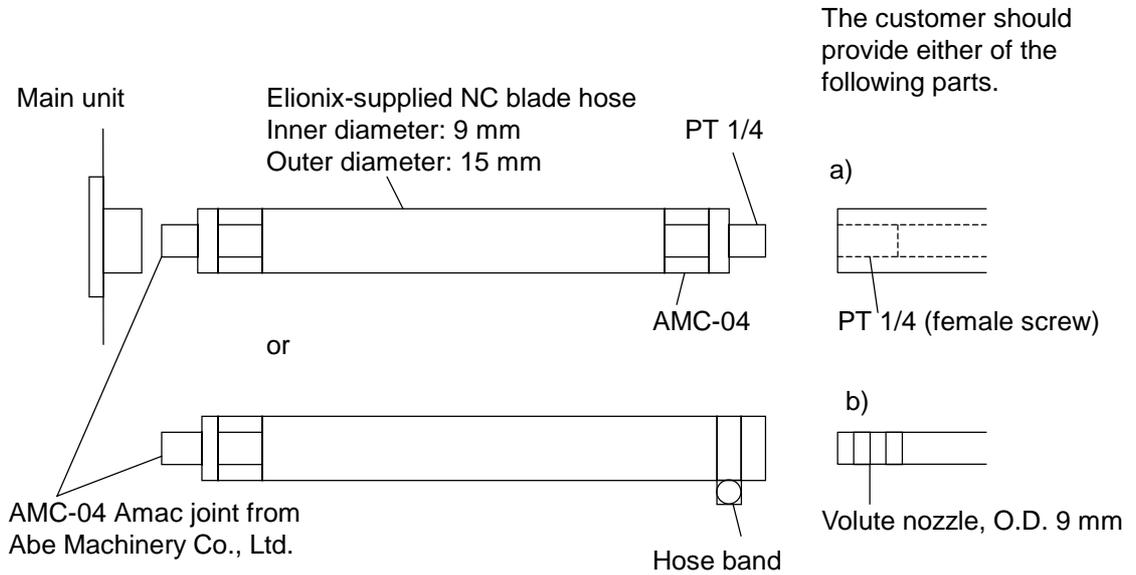


Figure 2-2 Cooling water connection diagram

- (2) Joint pipe for rubber vacuum hoses for rotary pump
When installing the rotary pump out of the clean room, provide a joint pipe for rubber vacuum hoses of the dimension shown below.

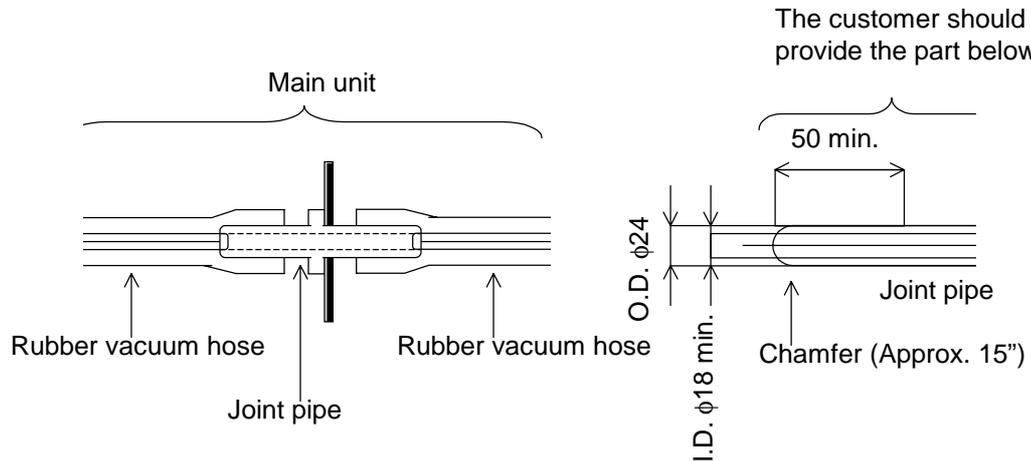


Figure 2-3 Rubber vacuum hose connection and joint pipe dimensions

OUTLINE OF THE SYSTEM

1 Principle

SEM systems display a magnified view of the specimen surface on a CRT monitor.

The system uses a fine electron beam to scan a specimen surface as an ordinary TV set does.

The intensity of the resultant secondary electrons are displayed on the CRT in synchronous with pixel brightness. Then you can see a secondary electron image obtained from the scanning electron microscope. The number of vertical scanning lines is about 1,000. Since the response time of the display of secondary electron intensity is about 1/1000 of the time required for scanning one line, the screen is divided into $1,000 \times 1,000 = 1,000,000$ pixels. Through digitization of the brightness of each pixel, a digital image is displayed, processed, and stored.

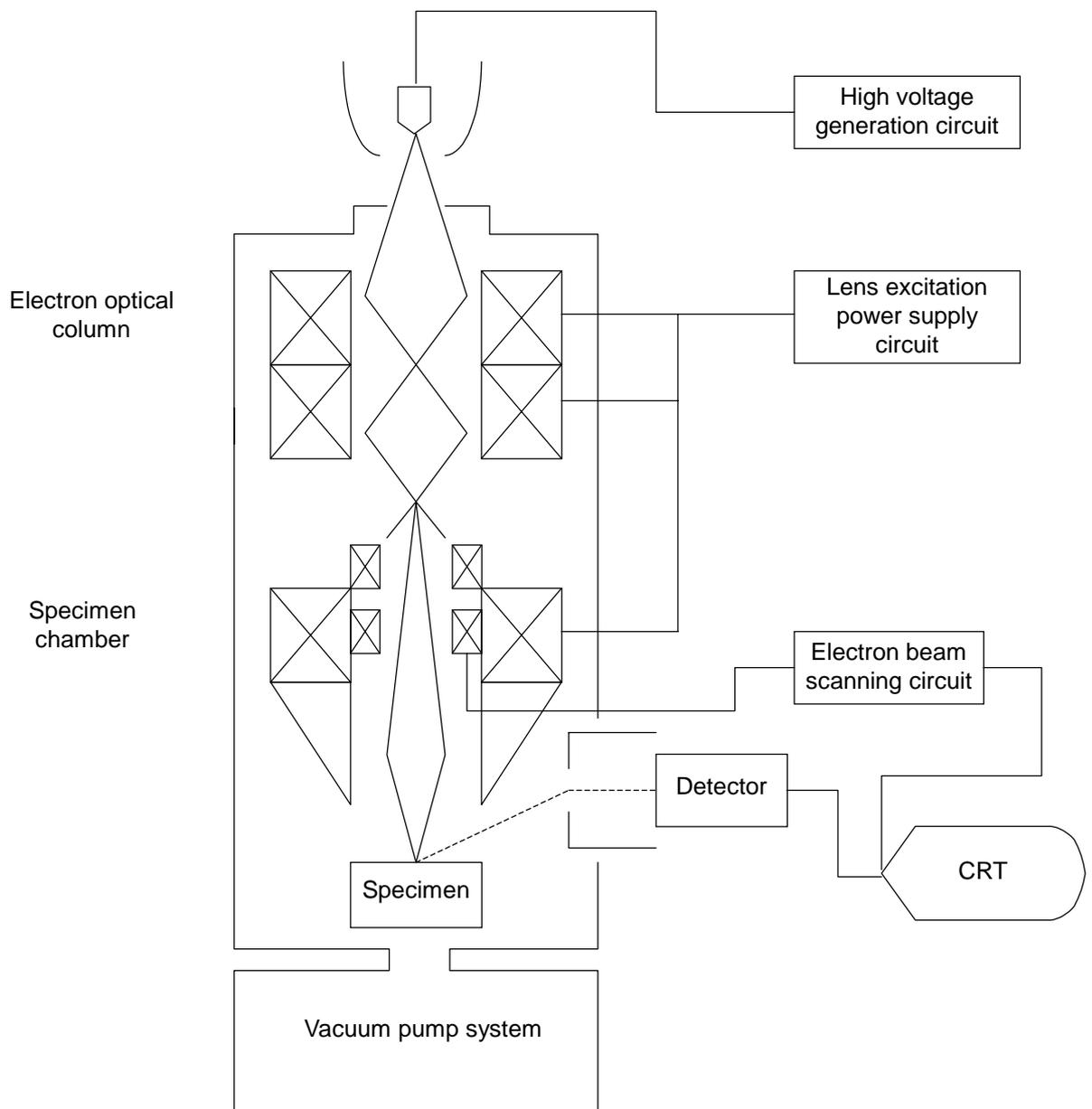


Figure 3-1 Principle of scanning electron microscope

2 Resolution

The resolution of the SEM depends on the size of the scanning electron beam. When an image at a magnification of 5,000 occupies a 100-mm square on the CRT monitor, the size of the observation area is $100 \times 1/5,000 = 20 \mu\text{m}$.

Assume this area is divided into 1,000 in both vertical and horizontal directions, then each pixel will be a 20-nm square ($20 \mu\text{m} \times 1/1,000$). This means that, to obtain a clear image at a magnification of $\times 5000$, the secondary electron generating area for each pixel must be a 20-nm square. This can be achieved by limiting the size of the electron beam to about 20 nm.

To obtain a high-resolution image at a high magnification, the size of the electron beam must be small enough.

When a 100-mm square on the CRT monitor is divided into 1,000 in both vertical and horizontal directions, each pixel will be a 0.1-mm square ($100 \times 1/1,000$).

The resolution of the human eye is 0.1-0.2 mm. Therefore you will see the pixels as a seamless image, not as a mosaic.

3 Secondary Electron Image

Secondary electrons are low-energy electrons generated from the specimen surface due to electron bombardment. They are collected with a detector having a high positive voltage (approximately 10 kV) to let a scintillator (an element that converts electron beam energy into light) to emit light. The light is then processed with a photoelectron multiplier to generate an electric signal. The secondary electron image of specimen surface is obtained through application of this signal to the control electrode of the CRT monitor to cause changes in brightness of the CRT.

Because backscattered electrons emitted from the specimen have a high energy as the incident electrons do, they travel straight in all directions from the irradiation point. For this reason, electrons emitted from specimen areas obscured from the detector are not detected. The resultant image will have a contrast as if you see the specimen illuminated by the detector from the electron probe. (Figure 3-2)

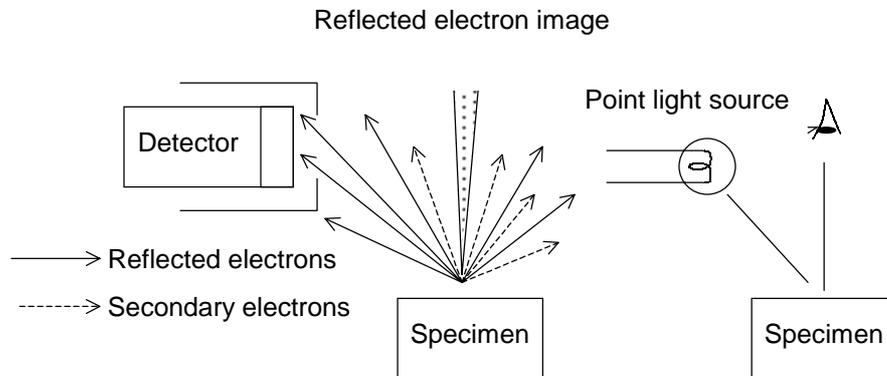


Figure 3-2

On the other hand, in secondary electron images, the specimen is observed from the same direction as in reflective electron images, but with different contrast. Due to their low energy level, secondary electrons cannot be detected as they are, an electric potential is applied to accelerate them for easier collection. Secondary electrons emitted in all directions from the irradiation point on the probe are collected by the detector. They produce a contrast based simply on radiant exposure, rather than the contrast observed in reflected electron images. (Figure 3-3)

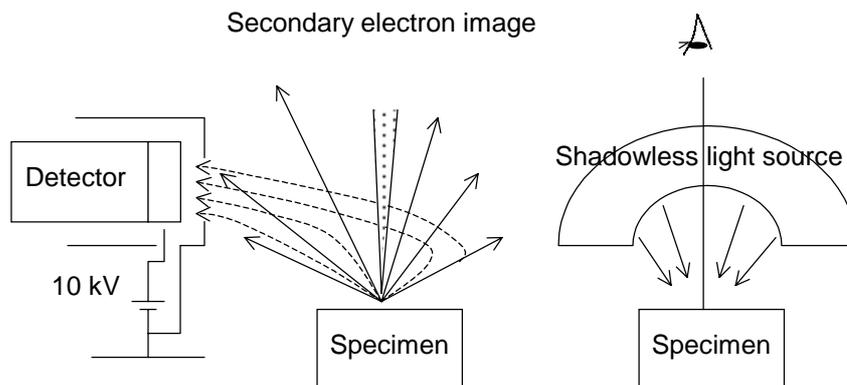


Figure 3-3 Detection of secondary electron image

4 Scanning and Magnification

The electron beam irradiated to the specimen and that irradiated to the CRT screen must always be at corresponding positions. This ensures the synchronization between both electron beams during scanning. The ratio of the scanning width of one beam to the other is the magnification of the image.

5 Electron Optical Column

The electron optical column generates and emits a fine electron beam for scanning specimens. Electrons are emitted from the tungsten filament (LaB6 filament on LaB6 guns and ZrO/W emitter on TFE guns), and condensed into a beam of about 2 nm in diameter by three-stage electromagnetic lenses. This process of condensing an electron beam is referred to as focusing.

Electron beams with an elliptic cross-section will cause a "drifted image," however, this can be corrected using a stigmeter.

6 Specimen Chamber

The specimen chamber has a stage for specimen transfer and a secondary electron detector.

A fine electron beam emitted from the electron optical column scans the specimen surface, generating secondary electrons. These electrons are collected by the secondary electron collector, converted into electric signals, amplified and sent to the display device.

7 Principle of Roughness Analyzer

The emission intensity of secondary electrons generated by electron beam irradiation increases in proportion to the increase in the incident angle. Also, the angular distribution of the emission intensity varies with the incident angle. Since the measurement of surface contour requires a differential signal, the system uses a pair of secondary electron detectors A and B.

Assume that the intensities of output signals from detectors A and B at an incident angle of θ are a and b , the intensities of output signals at perpendicular incident are a_n and b_n , respectively, and K is a constant, equation (1) gives a good approximation when θ is 75 degrees or smaller.

$$\tan\theta = K \times (a^2 - b^2) / (a_n + b_n)^2 \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

Figure 7-1 shows the relationship between incident angles determined from the equation and the actual incident angles. Equation (1) is generally true under normal SEM operating conditions (at an accelerating voltage of 1-25 kV).

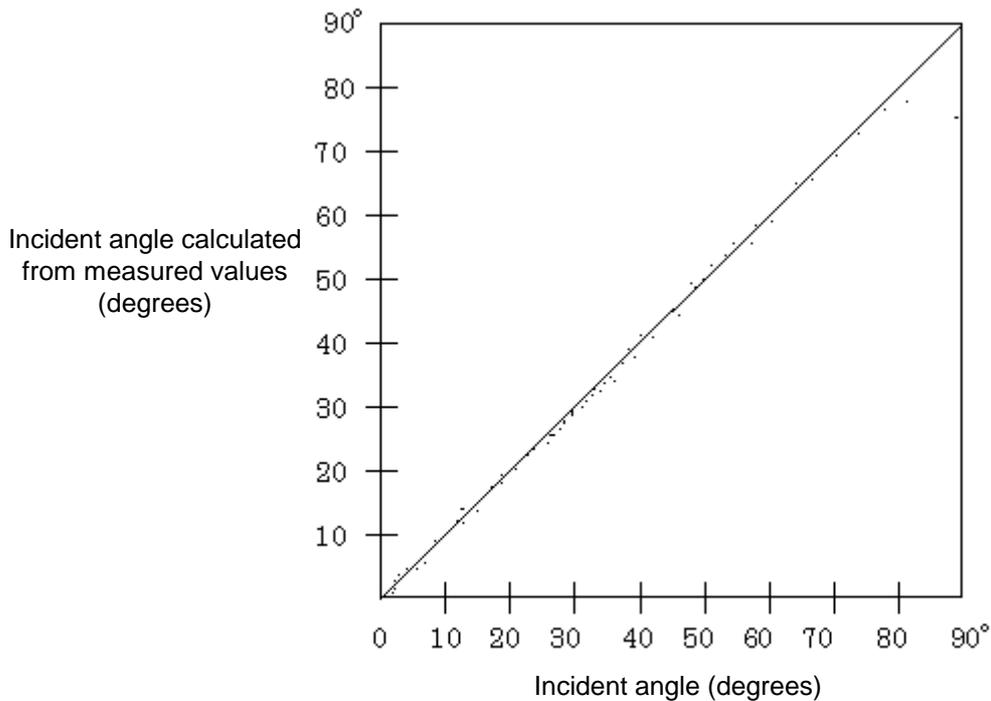
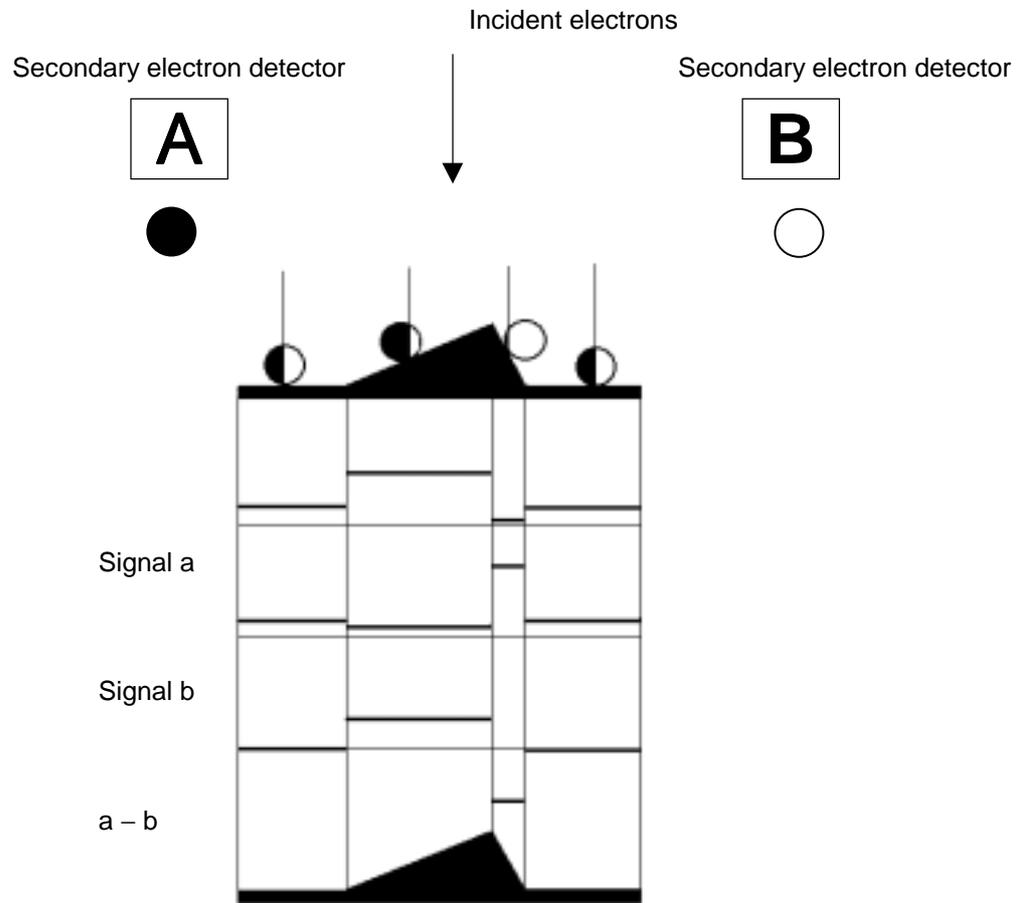


Figure 7-1

If a_n and b_n set to an equal value through deliberate initial condition setting are entered into a computer, calculation of output signals a and b from both detectors at the measurement point will deliver incident angle θ in the X-Z plane.

The contour in the X-axis direction is measured through the integration of the angle of the specimen surface determined in this way. The figure below outlines the measurement principle of the system.

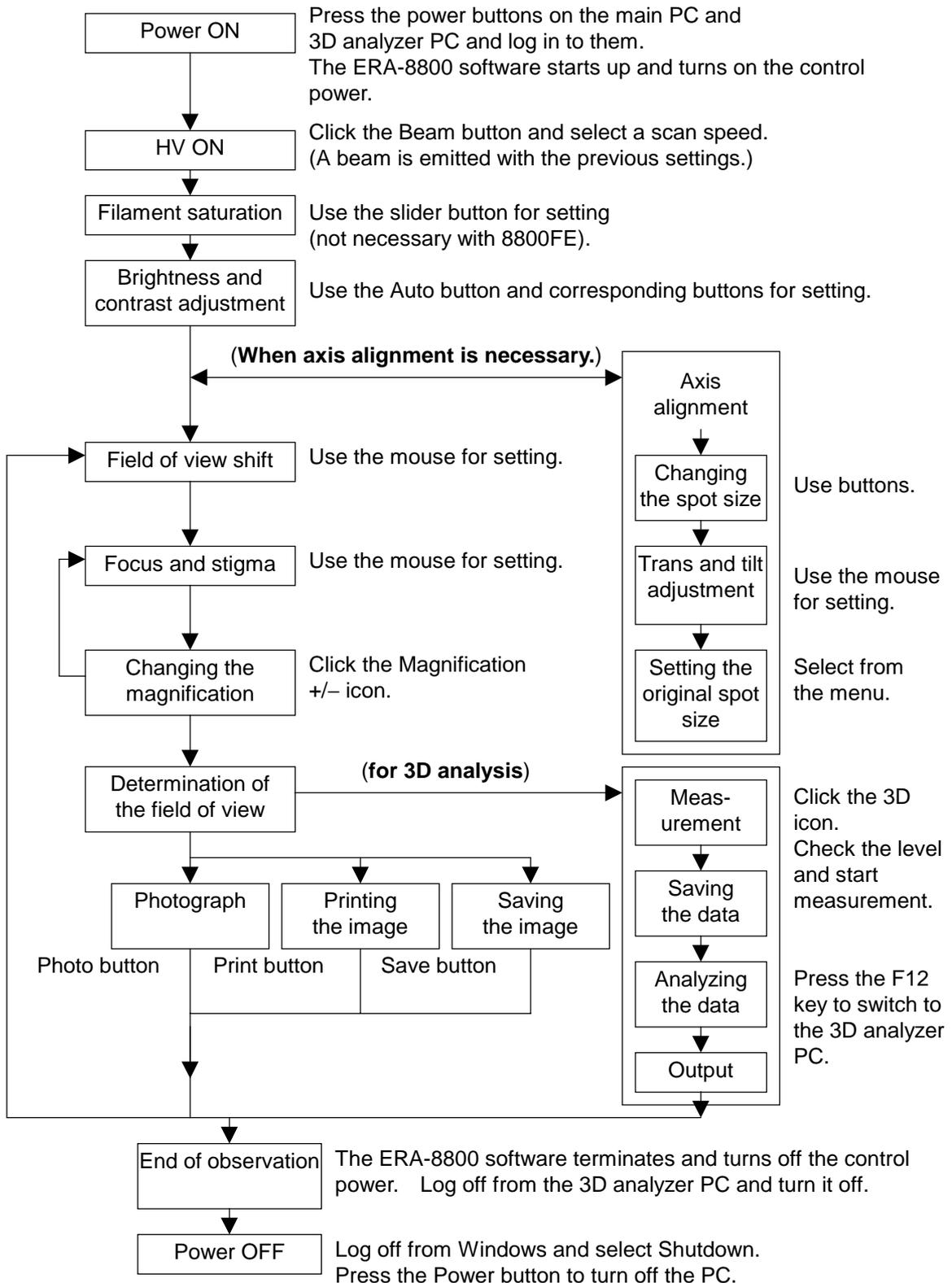


$$\int (a - b) dx$$

OPERATION

1 Observation Flow

The flowchart below outlines observation operation.



This chapter is designed for users who operate the system for the first time.

For high-resolution, low-damage, and low-signal level observation, you must take advantage of the SEM performance. You may have to read other chapters and references to understand the characteristics of SEM.

2 Background Knowledge

1) Mouse operation on the observation screen (focus, stigma, and stage)

With the mouse pointer placed on the observation screen, pressing the right mouse button causes a menu to appear. When you select a mouse operation item on the observation screen, the shape of the mouse icon on the screen changes, allowing the following operations.

Focal adjustment

You can adjust the focus by moving the mouse to the right or left on the observation screen while holding down the left button.

Stigma adjustment

You can adjust the stigma by moving the mouse to the right or left, upward or downward on the observation screen while holding down the left button.

Stage shift (to the center)

You can move the specimen to the center by clicking with the left button the area of the specimen you want to move to the center of the observation screen.

Stage shift (grab and move)

You can move the specimen to a desired position by dragging and dropping it on the observation screen.

- * When one-stage deflection for axis alignment is selected, the following menus are added.

Trans adjustment (making the center of the image brighter)

You can make a trans axis adjustment, where the beam center is aligned with the axis center, by moving the mouse to the right or left, upward or downward on the screen while holding down the left button.

Tilt adjustment (aligning a round image with the center)

You can make a tilt axis adjustment, where the beam axis tilt is aligned with the optical axis, by moving the mouse to the right or left, upward or downward on the screen while holding down the left button.

In addition, the Distance calculation, Remark input, and Remark delete icons are displayed only when the button at the upper-left corner of the screen is pressed.

Even when these icons are displayed, you can select a different operation item from a menu that appears when you press the right mouse button with the pointer placed on the screen.

3 Turning on the Power

- 1) You will see a breaker through the window under the control console. Check that the breaker is turned on.
- 2) Press the power button to turn on the main control computer (Windows NT).
- 3) Step 2) above starts the specimen chamber evacuation system.
- 4) Log in to the PC.
- 5) Open the door on the right of the main control computer. Press the power button of the 3D analyzer computer (Windows 98) to turn it on.
- 6) Press the F12 key on the keyboard to switch the monitor to the 3D analyzer computer, and log in to it.

4 Starting up the Software

- 1) Press the F12 key to switch to the main control computer.
- 2) Double click the ERA-8800 icon on the desktop.
- 3) Wait until the vacuum indicator in the Beam dialog box goes down to one blue segment.

5 Exchanging the Specimen

- 1) Check that no beam is emitted. (When the Beam button is displayed in orange, a beam is emitted. Clicking the button turns off the beam. The button will be displayed in gray.)
- 2) Click the Evacuation system icon (an icon of a rotary pump) on the toolbar.
- 3) Click the Vent button in the Evacuation system dialog box. You can open the door when the hissing sound (meaning that the vacuum is being broken) is no longer produced.
- 4) Using screws, fix a specimen table with a specimen to the specimen holder.
- 5) According to the mark on the specimen holder (a letter M or L, for example, is engraved on the top of the holder), set the specimen holder contents at the upper-left corner of the GUI screen.

Caution: Be sure to set the specimen holder correctly.
Improper setting can damage the system.

- 6) Close the door of the specimen chamber and click the Evacuate button. The evacuation sequence starts.
- 7) Wait until the vacuum indicator in the Beam control dialog box goes down to one blue segment.
- 8) When the vacuum indicator shows only a single blue segment, the vacuum is ready. Close the Evacuation system dialog box by pressing the × button at the upper-right corner.

6 Observation Procedure

- 1) Check that the vacuum indicator in the Beam control dialog box shows a single blue segment only. Click the Beam button in the dialog box.
- 2) In the Scan dialog box, select the scan count and total count as desired.
(Initialization of the screen takes several minutes. You cannot press any button on the screen while this icon is displayed.)
- 3) In the Alignment dialog box, set the spot size code value to about 2200.
- 4) Use the Magnification button to set the magnification to about 100 or less.
- 5) Press the Auto Contrast Brightness (ACB) button to adjust the brightness.
Or, set the brightness to about 200 and adjust the contrast as desired.
- 6) Align the axes. (See 7 **Axis Alignment**.)
- 7) Adjust the focus at a low magnification. To adjust the focus, keep pressing the left mouse button and move the mouse right and left while the Focus icon is displayed.
- 8) Adjust the focus as you increase the magnification step by step. At the final step, increase the magnification to $\times 20,000$. Move the stage so that an object comes to the center of the field of view. (Avoid choosing a fine and long object, a round object makes the subsequent work easier. In moving the stage, select Stage shift (to the center) from the menu appearing when you right-click the observation screen.
- 9) Press the Hysteresis clear button on the toolbar to clear the hysteresis.
- 10) Select Stigma adjustment from the menu appearing when you right-click the observation screen.
- 11) While pressing the left mouse button, slowly move the mouse to the right and left to find the position at which the best focused view is obtained. As you decide on the position, release the left mouse button. Press the left mouse button again, and move the mouse upward and downward to find the best focus position.
- 12) Adjust the focus.
Stigma is properly adjusted if the image goes out of focus equally in all directions when you intentionally defocus a little. Set the focus to the best position.
If you see lines extending in any direction when you defocus, further adjustment is necessary.
- 13) Repeat steps 11) and 12) a couple of times.
- 14) As you finish the stigma adjustment, observe a specimen while changing the position, magnification, and focus as desired. (Once the stigma is adjusted, the object will not go out of focus so much as you saw during the focal adjustment. If the object goes out of focus, adjust the focus.)

7 Axis Alignment

When you change the acceleration voltage or spot size, align the axes as necessary. Always set trans to 0. In the first stage of axis alignment, set the image shift to 0.

(1) Adjustment of movable aperture only

Set the spot size to an appropriate value. Press Wobbler-OL and adjust the movable aperture so that the image does not move.

Beam is not emitted if significant aperture displacement occurs during replacement of the movable aperture. In this case, roughly determine a position at a low magnification with one-stage deflection for axis alignment. When replacing the hole, pull the knob and turn it.

As you finish this work, press Wobbler-OL again.

Usually, a relatively high resolution will be obtained with this setting.

(2) Adjustment using tilt

If you want to use more beam current or to prevent the image from moving even if the spot size is changed, take the following steps.

Note that the steps differ depending on the acceleration voltage.

Set the spot size to 2300 or larger. Press Wobbler-OL and adjust the movable aperture so that the image does not move.

Set the spot size to about 1800. Using tilt, correct the image movement as compared with the position at a spot size of about 2300.

The image may disappear at a spot size of 1800 or smaller. This is not abnormal. Usually, set the spot size to 1800 or larger.

Repeat steps and until the result converges.

Once a proper adjustment is made, beam memory allows you to use the system with nearly the same conditions at the next time.

(3) Fine adjustment of movable aperture

For observation at the highest resolution, take the following steps.

Move the focus to the right to defocus the SEM image a little.

Move the movable aperture until you get the clearest view. A better resolution is obtained by adjusting the focus again.

Miscellaneous

- (1) Observation in the ERA mode at an acceleration voltage of lower than 1 kV causes a slight difference in magnification. If this matters, use the SEM mode.
- (2) Observation in the ERA mode with a short WD will darken the screen. If this matters, use the SEM mode.
- (3) The 1ch mode provides relatively good secondary electron detection efficiency. On the other hand, however, it causes relatively large axial displacement in observation at a low acceleration voltage. If this matters, use A+B, A, B, A-B.

8 3D Measurement

- 1) This section explains basic observation with a magnification ranging from 1000 to 10000. For measurement at a magnification out of this range, see Chapter 2 3D Analysis in the Instruction Manual.
- 2) Locate a part of the specimen you want to measure and determine a field of view. The field of view you see on the SEM is the field of view for the measurement.
- 3) Press the 3D analysis button (an icon of a truncated cone) on the toolbar to display the 3d analysis dialog box.
- 4) Press the Stop button in the Scan dialog box to stop the SEM scanning.
- 5) Press the Start button for the level check in the 3D analysis dialog box you have opened.
- 6) The level indicator of the level check function starts working slowly.
- 7) Using the adjustment knob on the balance adjustment box under the monitor, adjust the balance until the triangle mark of Bal in the level indicator comes near to the center. The triangle mark will shake a little, but you do not have to care. If you do not adjust the balance well, refer to the Detailed Manual.
- 8) Then, adjust the contrast and brightness until the blue bar for Ach (channel A) extends over the whole green area.
- 9) When you finish the balance adjustment, press the Stop button.
- 10) Select a measurement point setting (the default setting of 240×180 is recommended) and press the 3D measurement button.
- 11) The mouse icon changes to a 3D-eyeglass icon, and measurement starts.
- 12) No button operation is accepted while the icon is changing.
- 13) After a while, the "A 3D file was successfully created." message appears. Press the OK button. The observation screen reappears.
- 14) For information on analysis, refer to the manual for the 3D analysis program.
- 15) Press the F12 function key on the keyboard to display the 3D analyzer PC screen.
- 16) From the File menu, open the .dat file for the measurement data storage location.
- 17) Check the roughness. To move the 3D image to the right, left, upward or downward, use the arrow keys. To rotate the 3D image to the right, left, upward or downward, use the arrow keys while pressing the Shift key,
- 18) If necessary, save the measurement data as any filename from the File menu.
- 19) Press the F12 function key on the keyboard to display the Control PC screen.

9 Observation

- 1) Press the Beam button in the Beam control dialog box. The button will turn gray.
Caution: Be sure to turn off the beam before leaving the system.
The system will need cleaning more frequently.
- 2) Click the Evacuation system icon (an icon of a rotary pump) on the toolbar.
- 3) Click the Vent button in the Evacuation system dialog box.
You can open the door when the hissing sound (meaning that the vacuum is being broken) is no longer produced.
- 4) Remove the specimen table from the stage.
- 5) Close the door of the specimen chamber and click the Evacuate button.
The evacuation sequence starts.
- 6) Wait until the vacuum indicator in the Beam control dialog box goes down to one blue segment.
When the vacuum indicator shows only a single blue segment, the vacuum is ready.
- 7) Close the Evacuation system dialog box by pressing the × button at the upper-right corner.
- 8) Exit the ERA-8800 operation program by pressing the × button at the upper-right corner of the window. The control system is turned off.
- 9) Press the F12 key on the keyboard to switch to the 3D analyzer computer, and log off from Windows 98 and shut down the PC.
- 10) Log off from the Main Control computer and shut down Windows NT.
Press the power button to turn off the power.
- 11) You will see the REMOTE/LOCAL switch for the evacuation system through the window under the control console. When this switch is at the REMOTE position, the power for the evacuation system will be turned off after 10 minutes.

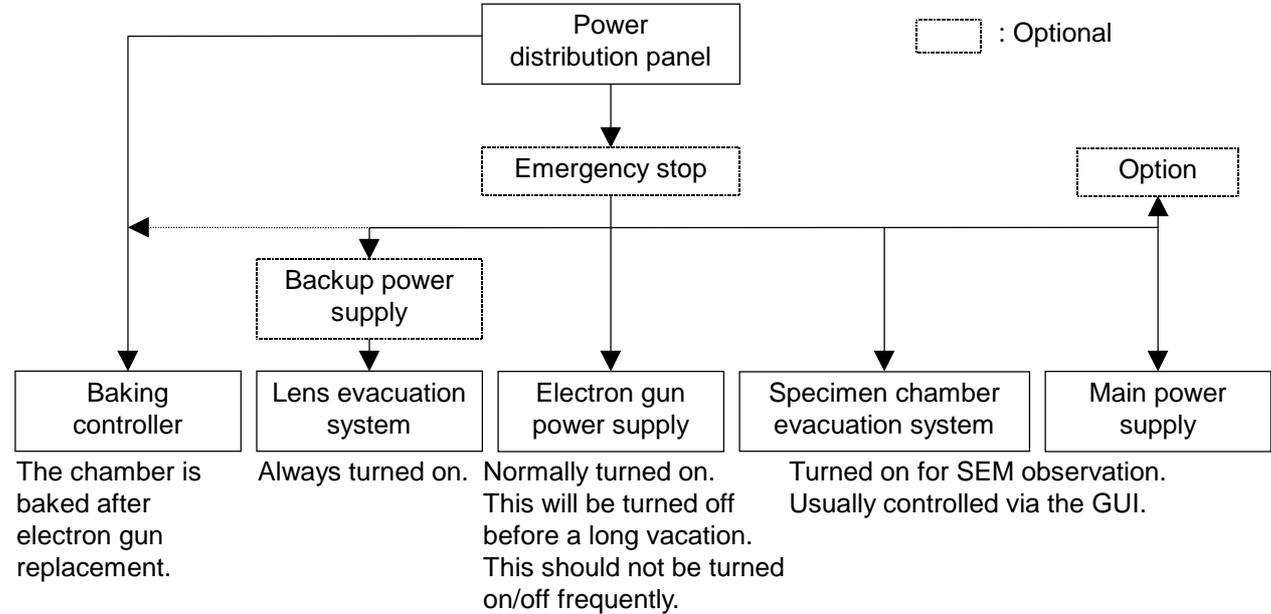
10 Other Operation

- 1) Click the title bar (an area with observation screen display) of the observation screen. When this area is shown in blue, you can control the magnification and stage XY positions from the keyboard.
- 2) Under the condition described in 1), you can change the magnification using the PageUp and PageDown keys on the keyboard.
- 3) Use the arrow keys on the keyboard to move the stage. The field of view moves in the direction of the arrow key you press. (This function may not work properly at a high magnification.)

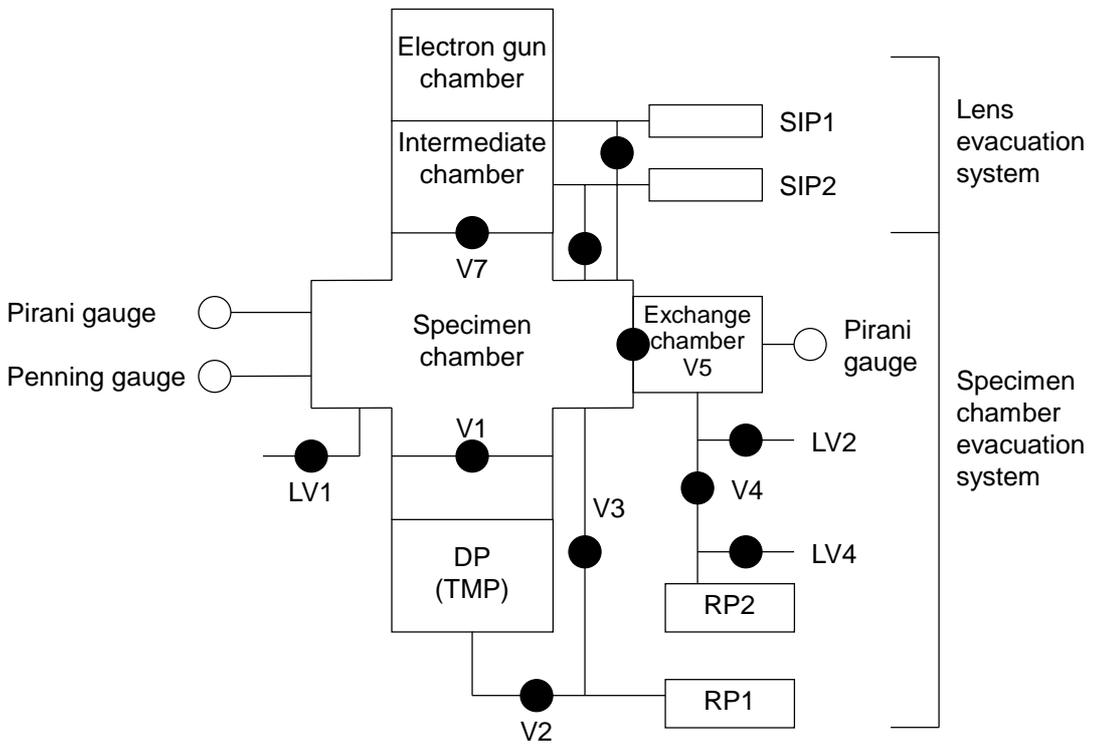
OPERATION ON EVACUATION SYSTEM AND ELECTRON GUN

1 Schematic Diagram

1-1 Electrical system

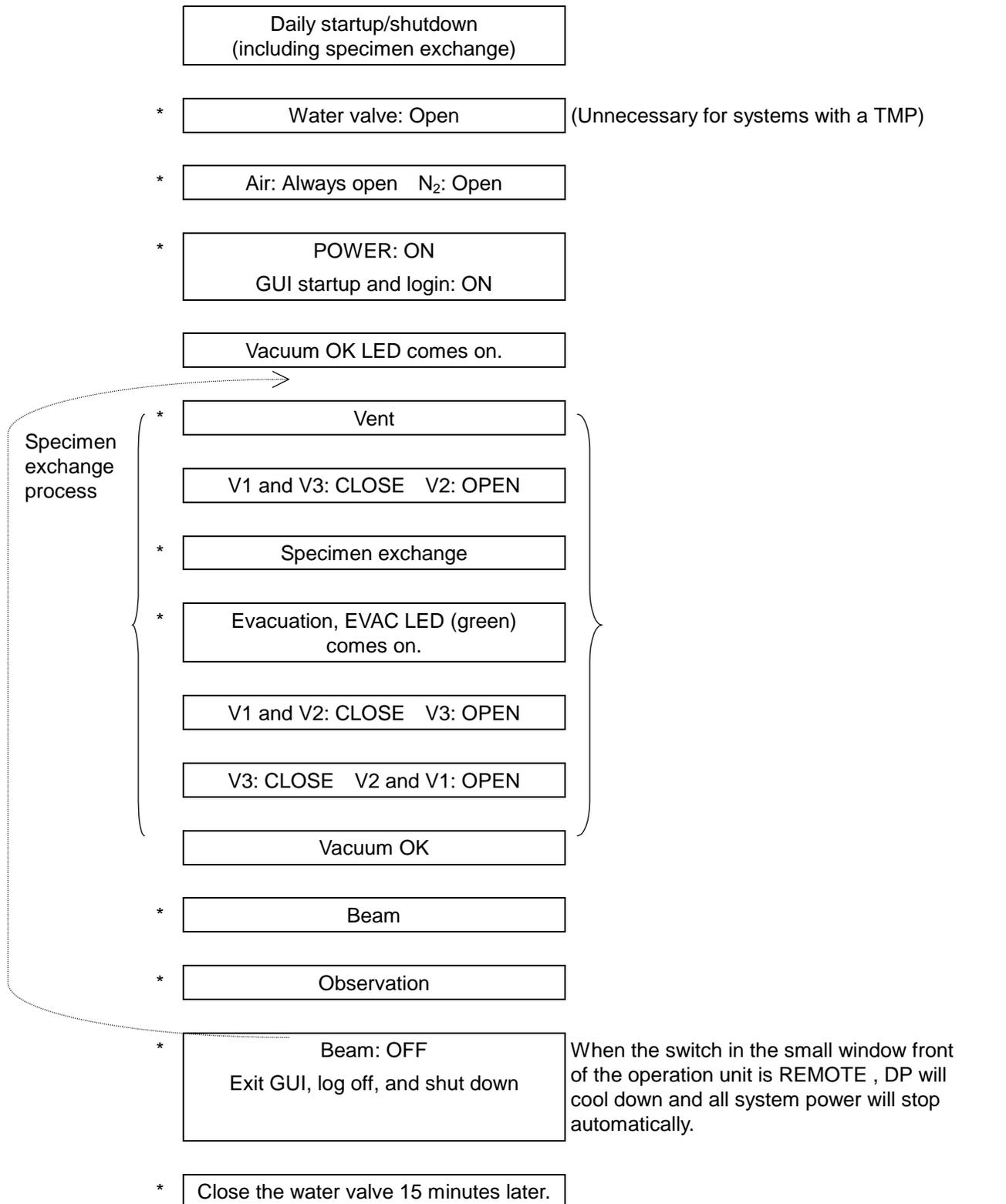


1-2 Evacuation system



2 Operation Flow

2-1 Daily operation



(Steps indicated by an asterisk are taken by the operator.)

2-2 Shutdown

Shutdown before electric power stoppage, compressed air stoppage and a long vacation.

- | | | |
|------|---|---|
| (*1) | Electron gun: OFF
(See 3-3.) | Confirm EVAC LED (green) comes on, BEAM off . |
| | Exit the GUI and
shut down the system. | When the switch in the small window front of the operation unit is REMOTE , DP will cool down and all system power will stop automatically. |
| (*2) | SIP is kept ON LOCK .
Backup power supply POWER and
BACK UP switches are kept ON .
(See 3-4.) | |
| | POWER BOX : STOP | |
| (*3) | Fix V7 (gate valve) at the
“Closed” position. | Caution: Insert a screw (M4 × 25) on the side of V7 and tighten it gently by hand . Do not use a wrench. |
| | Startup | |
| (*3) | Unfix V7. | |
| | Confirm START lamp in POWER
BOX is ON
or
Push STOP switch . | |
| (*2) | SIP ON
(See 3-4.) | |
| | Log in and start up the GUI. | |
| (*1) | Electron gun: ON
(See 3-3.) | |

(*1) Steps taken when the SEM is not used for several weeks.

Caution: Turning on/off the electron gun can shorten the device life.

(*2) Steps taken when all power supply must be turned off.

(*3) Steps taken when the compressed air is turned off.

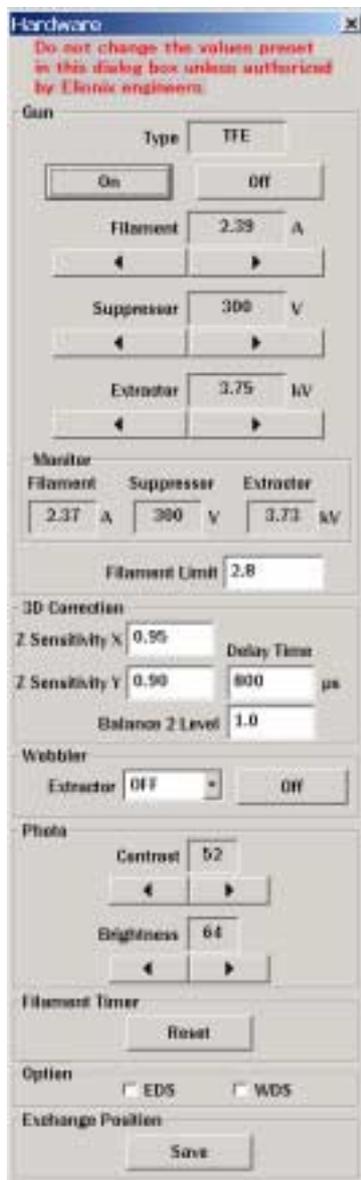
3 Operation

3-1 Ventilation of chamber See OPERATION ON EVACUATION SYSTEM AND ELECTRON GUN.

3-2 Pre-evacuation chamber See OPERATION ON EVACUATION SYSTEM AND ELECTRON GUN.

3-3 Electron gun

CAUTION: Do not turn on and off the electron gun frequently. Turn on or off the electron gun only before or after a long vacation. Do not change any parameter. Otherwise, the life of the electron gun may be shortened significantly. Do not change the set values in this dialog box. Otherwise, the system does not work properly.



Electron gun: OFF

- 1) Write the description of the electron gun in **TFE emitter history** at the end of this chapter.
- 2) Turn off the electron gun and wait until the voltages and currents go down to 0.

Caution: If you are instructed to stop the ion pump or disconnect the HV plug, turn off HV POWER on the POWER BOX.

Electron gun: ON

Caution: Follow the instruction for initial startup of electron gun if you have stopped the ion pump, baked the chamber, or experienced a worse condition than the set point. In this case, startup through the following procedure can damage the electron gun.

- 1) Turn on HV POWER on the POWER BOX and start up the GUI.
- 2) Check that the ion pump current value is smaller than SP1.
- 3) Check that the electron gun set values are the same as the **TFE emitter history**.
- 4) Turn ON the electron gun.
- 5) After three hours, check that the vacuum level, electron gun set and operation values are appropriate and write them in the **TFE emitter history**.

Caution: In step 4), if the vacuum level of SIP1 deteriorates to cause a vacuum error, wait for the vacuum to restore to the appropriate level, turn off the electron gun and turn it on again.

Initial startup of electron gun

- 1) Turn on HV POWER on the POWER BOX and start up the GUI.
- 2) Check the current of the ion pump power supply.

	SIP up	SIP down
Current	μ	μ

- 3) Press the SP1 button on the on-pump power supply (IP up) and check the current of the set point. When the value differs, set it to the specified value (4 μ A) using a slotted screwdriver.
- 4) Check that the set and operation values are written in the **TFE emitter history**. If not, take a note of the set values here.

	Set value
Filament current	
Suppressor voltage	
External voltage	

- 5) Using the Filament current, Suppressor voltage, and External voltage buttons, **set the values to 0.**
- 6) Turn [ON] the electron gun.
While watching the vacuum level, raise the filament current to the set value in the following manner.

Then, proceed to step 7) immediately.

Set I_{ch} to 1.5 A.

Raise the current to the specified value at a rate of 0.1 A/min.

Caution: An external voltage below 1 kV continuing for 10 minutes triggers the LOW Vex interlock, shutting down the power. This is not a failure. Turn off the electron gun and turn it on again. The voltage will rise to the current setting.

- 7) Set the suppressor voltage to the previous value.
- 8) While watching the ion pump ammeter, raise the external voltage to the previous set value in the following manner.
When I_{em} is below 10 μ A, allow 5 minutes for a 5 μ A step.
When I_{em} is above 10 μ A, allow 5 minutes for a 10 μ A step.

- 9) Wait at least one hour after turning on the filament, then apply an acceleration voltage.
When applying a voltage for the first time, take the following steps.

Apply 10 kV to display a SEM image.

While checking that no ripple occurs on the SEM image or the vacuum in the electron gun chamber is maintained, raise the voltage in a 1-kV step to the desired value.

Observe the SEM image to make sure that the operation is normal.

- 10) After three hours, check that the vacuum level, gun controller set and operation values are appropriate and write them in the **TFE emitter history**.

Caution: If the vacuum level of SIP1 deteriorates to cause a vacuum error, wait for the vacuum to restore to the appropriate level, turn off the electron gun and turn it on again.

Whenever you bake the electron chamber, you have to readjust the gun alignment.

Contact Elionix service representative for this work.

If I_{em} is lower than the previous value, it often recovers with time.

3-4 Ion pump

Caution: When all the power supplies have been turned off for a prolonged period (more than 3 hours), 3-day baking work is required. **We recommend you to connect the ion pump power supplies to an uninterruptible power supply.**

(In connecting the ion pump power supplies to an uninterruptible power supply, take the connection steps and connect the AC plug of the two ion pumps to the uninterruptible power supply. Check that the readings on the ammeters on the two ion pump power supplies return to the normal level. Now you are prepared for a prolonged power failure.)

When you turn off all power supplies due to a power failure lasting for a short time (more than 15 minutes), you have to turn off the ion pump power supplies.

Ion pump OFF

- 1) Stop the electron gun operation following the instructions in Operation on the electron gun.
- 2) Wait for 30 minutes to let the electron gun cool down.
Caution: When you vent the chamber, wait for one hour.
- 3) Record the readings on the ammeters on the two ion pumps in **TFE emitter history**.
- 4) Turn the HV switches on the two ion pumps to the OFF position.
- 5) Turn OFF the POWER switches on the two ion pumps.

Ion pump ON

- 1) Turn ON the POWER switches on the two ion pumps.
- 2) Turn the HV switches on the two ion pumps to the ON LOCK position.
If the Overload lamp does not go off or the Set point SP1 lamp does not come on, contact us.

4 Interlock

1) Interlock

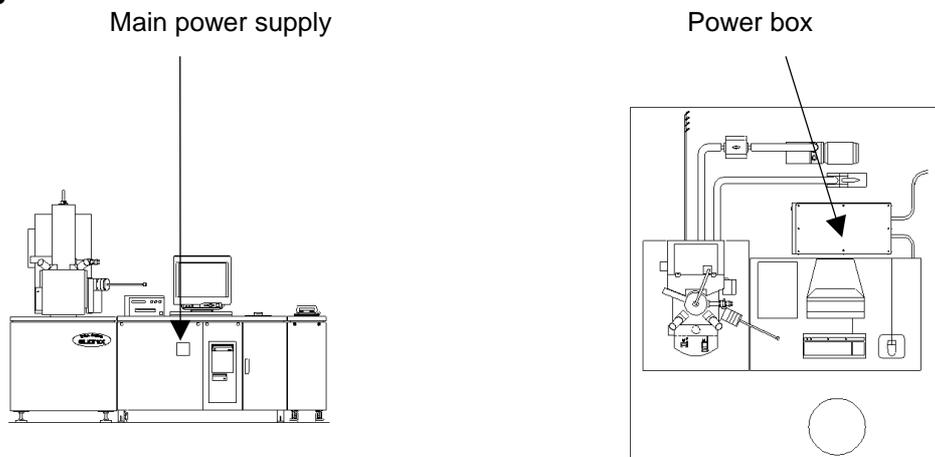
Condition	Result	
Specimen chamber vacuum < 1×10^{-3} Pa	V7 OPEN	OK
	Vacc READY	OK
Specimen chamber vacuum < 5×10^{-3} Pa	BAKING	OK
V7 CLOSE	VENT	OK
Two conditions above	Exchange chamber operation	OK
Two conditions above and exchange chamber evacuation completed	V5 OPEN	OK
V5 CLOSE	Exchange chamber VENT	OK
Electron gun chamber vacuum < 2.6×10^{-6} Pa and Vacc READY	HV CONTROLLER ON	OK
	Vacc ON	OK

2) Safety/Warning If an anomaly occurs, the system enters a status as shown in the table below.

Anomaly	System safety/warning status	Remarks
Power failure	All valves: CLOSE Total system shutdown	At power recovery, only SIP 1 and 2 resumes.
Water failure	All valves except V2: CLOSE DP: OFF GUN HV: OFF	At water recovery, the system turns off and restarts.
Specimen chamber vacuum deterioration	When the specimen chamber vacuum reaches VACUUM (HV) READY and deteriorates, the buzzer sounds, the Vacuum lamp comes on, and V7 closes.	The system resumes as the cause is removed.
Electron gun chamber vacuum deterioration	GUN HV: OFF V7: CLOSE	The system restarts as the cause is removed.
Air pressure low	When the air pressure drops below the set value of the pressure sensor, a warning is issued and the red AIR lamp comes on. All valves: CLOSE	Fix gate valve V7 by lightly tightening an M12 screw on the back of the valve. The system restarts as the cause is removed.
N ₂ pressure low	When the N ₂ pressure drops below the set value of the pressure sensor, a warning is issued and the red N ₂ lamp comes on. The buzzer sounds.	The system resumes as the cause is removed.

PANELS AND DIALOG BOXES

1 Panels



POWER BOX



- MAIN** A power supply breaker for the whole system.
- SIP** Power supply breakers for the following components:
 - Sputter ion pump
 - Turbo molecular pump (optional)
 - Penning gauge
 - HV tank
- BAKING** A power supply breaker for the baking controller.
- START** A lamp indicating that the system is supplied with power.
- STOP** Stops the entire system operation.
When this button is pressed again, the system restarts.

Main power supply



MAIN

A power supply breaker for the main power supply.
Under normal conditions, this breaker is kept on.
It is usually controlled by the main control computer.

LOCAL/REMOTE

A switch of the main power supply.
Under normal conditions, this switch is at the **REMOTE** position.
It is usually controlled by the main control computer.
At the **LOCAL** position, operation of the specimen chamber evacuation system continues even if the main control computer is shut down.

BAKING CONTROL

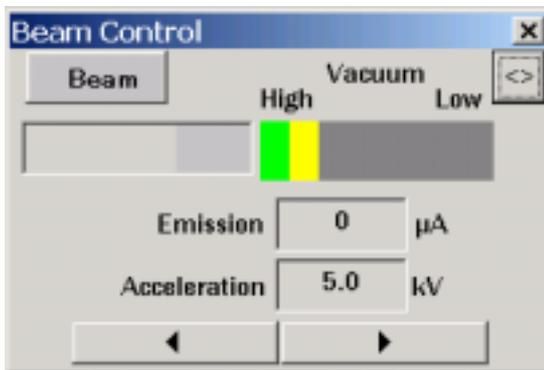


Controls baking operation of the electron gun chamber and ion pumps.

Caution: Baking operation must be done by our service personnel.
Improper operation can damage the system.

2 Dialog boxes

1) Beam control dialog box



Beam button

Turns ON/OFF the filament current and acceleration voltage.

Vacuum level indicator

When only a single green segment is displayed, vacuum is ready.

At the atmospheric pressure, green, yellow, and orange segments are all displayed.

As the vacuum level improves, the number of segments reduces.

Emission current

The value of the current emitted from the electron gun.

Acceleration voltage display and acceleration voltage setting buttons

A field that shows the electron optical column acceleration voltage setting and buttons for setting that voltage.

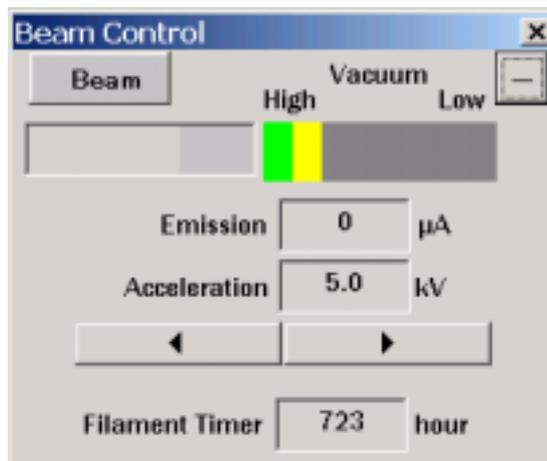
Pressing the right arrow button increases the acceleration voltage and the left arrow button decreases it.

Dialog box expansion button

A button used to view the full dialog box.

Pressing this button expands the dialog box, displaying buttons including Filament timer.

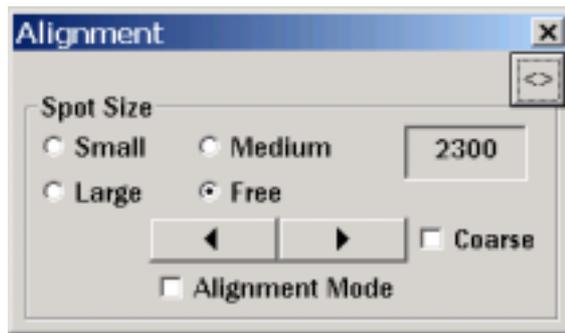
2) Expanded Beam control dialog box



Filament timer indicator

Displays accumulated time of filament current application.

3) Alignment dialog box



Spot size selection buttons

Buttons used to select a spot size.

Stores four spot sizes as Small, Medium, Large, and Free in addition to the contrast and brightness values for respective spot sizes.

Spot size display and spot size setting buttons

A field that shows the current spot size setting and buttons for setting the spot size.

Pressing the right arrow button increases the spot size set value (CL code) and the left arrow button decreases it.

Pressing the right arrow button decreases the spot size (beam diameter) and the left arrow button increases it.

Rough adjustment button for spot size setting

Selecting the Rough adjustment button for spot size setting increases the increment of the spot size.

One-stage deflection for axis alignment selection button

Selecting the one-stage deflection for axis alignment selection button changes the electron optical column from two-stage deflection to one-stage deflection.

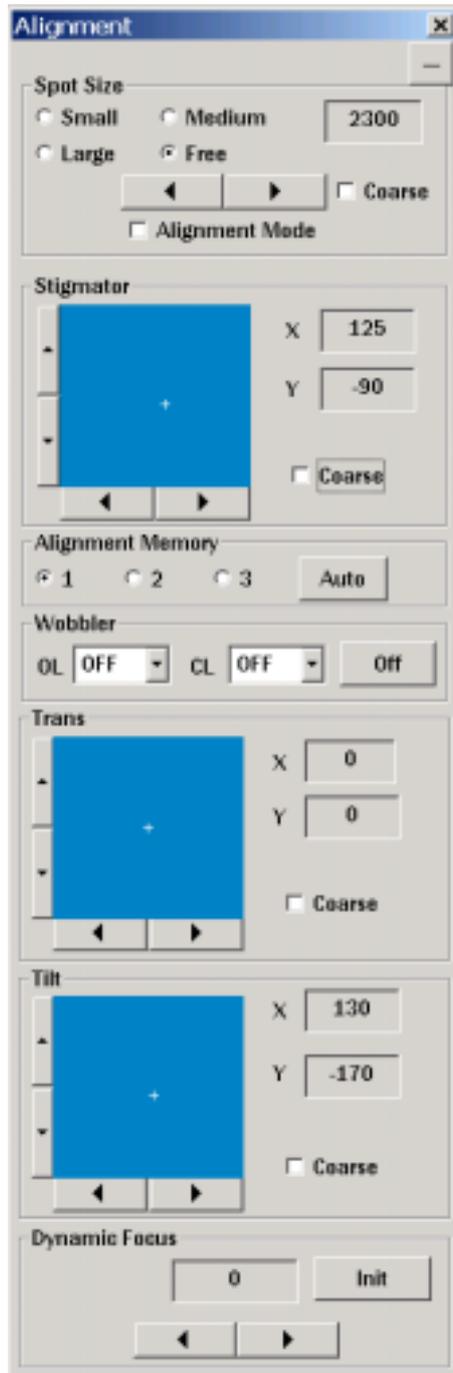
Use this button in axis alignment.

Dialog box expansion button

A button used to view the full dialog box.

Pressing this button expands the dialog box, displaying controls including Stigma, Trans, and Tilt.

4) Expanded Alignment dialog box



The expanded Alignment dialog box provides the following additional controls.

Stigma setting XY control

A field that shows the stigma setting for beam astigmatic correction and buttons for setting this value.

Selecting Rough adjustment increases the increment of the set value.

Gun alignment memory selection buttons

Three sets of stigma, trans, and tilt values are stored with a name of 1, 2, and 3.

Wobbler setting control

A control that changes the current flowing through the OL (focus coil) and CL (condenser lens) with time.

This is not used in normal observation.

Trans adjustment XY control

A field that shows the trans setting for beam axis alignment and buttons for setting this value.

This control is used for trans axis adjustment where the beam center is aligned with the axis center.

Selecting Rough adjustment increases the increment of the set value.

Tilt adjustment XY control

A field that shows the tilt setting for beam axis alignment and buttons for setting this value.

This control is used for tilt axis adjustment where the beam axis tilt is adjusted to the optical axis.

Selecting Rough adjustment increases the increment of the set value.

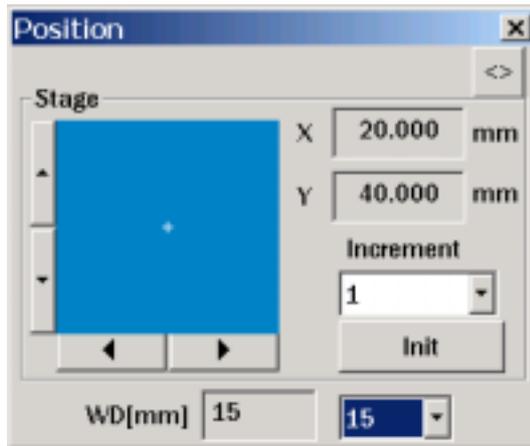
Dynamic focus setting control

This control is used to change the focus position in accordance with the specimen tilt.

Dialog box contract button

The [-] button at the upper-right corner of the dialog box contracts the dialog box to the standard size.

5) Positioning dialog box(See Restrictions on shift.)



Stage shift XY control

A control for moving the stage in the X and Y directions and a field showing the X and Y stage positions.

Pressing the X or Y shift button moves the field of view in the direction of the arrow.

The Fine adjustment, Standard, and Rough adjustment buttons change the amount of shift caused by the X and Y shift buttons.

The ranges of shift are 0 to 36 mm in the X direction and 0 to 76 mm in the Y direction.

Stage XY position initialization button

Moves the X and Y stage positions near to the rotation center of the stage.

WD setting control

A control for changing the work distance position of the stage.

The stage moves vertically.

The range of shift is 4 to 36 mm.

Typical WD values are preset. Pressing the down arrow button opens a box. Select a value from the list.

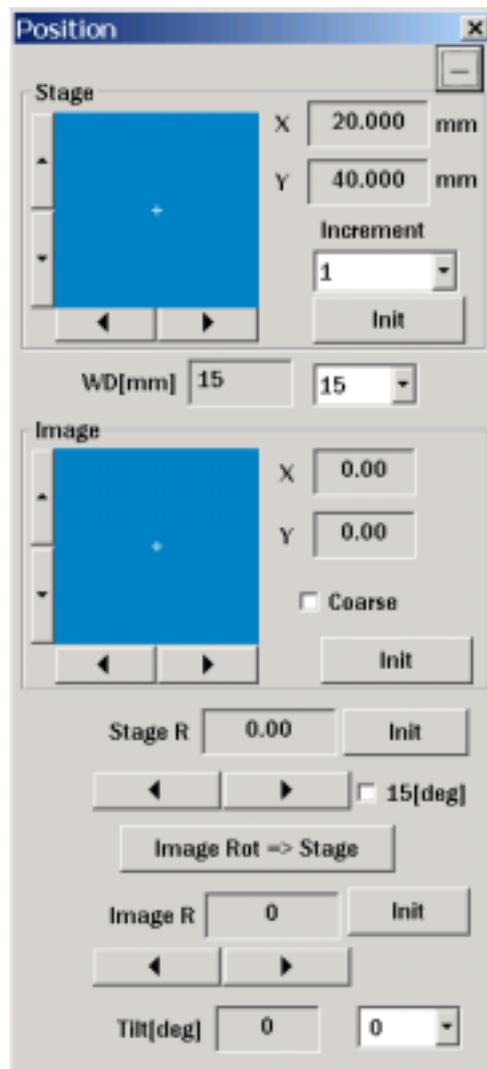
To specify a value not appearing on the list, from the keyboard, enter a value within the shift range above into the field in units of mm.

Dialog box expansion button

A button used to view the full dialog box.

Pressing this button expands the dialog box, displaying controls including Image shift, Stage rotation, and Image rotation.

6) Expanded Positioning dialog box



The expanded Alignment dialog box provides the following additional controls.
(See Restrictions on shift.)

Image shift XY control

A control for electrically shifting the field of view in the X and Y directions and a field for showing the X and Y amounts of the image shift used to move the field of view at a high magnification.

Pressing the X or Y shift button moves the field of view in the direction of the arrow.

The Rough adjustment button increases the amount of shift caused by the X and Y shift buttons.

A great image shift amount may cause stigma deterioration in observation at high resolutions. In doing such observation, use a small shift amount.

Image shift XY position initialization button

Sets the electric shift correction to 0 to initialize the X and Y positions of image shift.

Stage rotation control

Buttons for stage rotation and a field showing the rotational position of the stage.

The range of shift is 360-degree endless rotations.

When the ± 15 degrees button is selected, pressing the button makes a 15-degree turn.

When the ± 15 degrees button is not selected, pressing the button makes a 0.5-degree turn.

Image rotation control

Buttons for electrically rotating the field of view and a field showing the rotational position.

The range of shift is 360-degree endless rotations.

Image rotation initialization button

Sets the electric shift correction to 0 to initialize the image rotation position.

Stage tilt setting control

A control for changing the tilt position of the stage.

This turns the stage around the WD position and tilts the specimen.

The range of shift is -7 to $+45$ degrees.

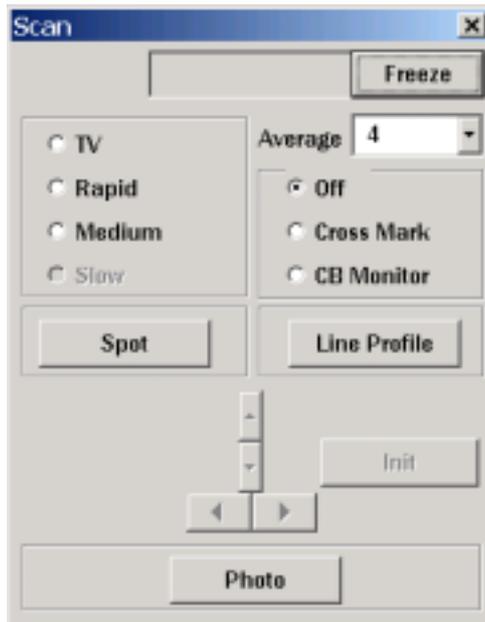
Typical tilt values are preset. Pressing the down arrow button opens a box. Select a value from the list.

To specify a tilt not appearing on the list, from the keyboard, enter a value within the shift range above into the field in units of degrees.

Dialog box contract button

The [-] button at the upper-right corner of the dialog box contracts the dialog box to the standard size.

7) Scan dialog box



Scan speed selection buttons

Buttons used to select a scan speed. Choose a scan speed from the four choices, TV, Rapid, Medium, and Slow and start a scan.

At the beginning of a scan, it may take time for setting the image processor.

Press the Stop button to stop the scan before starting spot, line profile, or 3D measurement.

Integration setting control

A control for setting the number of integration averaging processes for each pixel of observation images.

Pressing the down arrow button opens a box. Select the number of times of processes from the list.

This control is applied to the TV, Rapid, and Medium scan speeds.

Cross mark button

Displays a cross mark.

You can change the cross mark position using the X and Y cursor move buttons at the bottom of the dialog box. Pressing the Initialization button moves the cross mark to the center.

CB monitor button

Displays the information on observation image brightness in waveforms.

Pressing the CB monitor button, or the X and Y cursor move buttons at the bottom of the dialog box refreshes the waveform.

Spot operation selection button

A button used to select spot operation.

Pressing this button locks the beam on the intersection of the cross mark.

You can change the beam position using the X and Y cursor move buttons at the bottom of the dialog box.

Press the Stop button to stop the spot operation selection before starting spot, line profile, or 3D measurement.

Line profile operation selection button

A button used to select line profile operation.

This function scans in the horizontal direction at a speed used for scanning one screen of slow scanning. The result is shown in a waveform. This is typically used to display a waveform of rate meter output during EDS analysis. Select the RM mode in the Main dialog box.

When the A, B, A+B, or A-B mode is selected in the Main dialog box, the waveform of the selected signal is displayed.

The scanning speed for slow scanning can be changed from the pulldown menu in the Scan menu on the tool bar. The change becomes valid when you start a new scan.

Photo button

A button used to start photographing when an optional photography unit is connected. Remove the light shield panel from the photography unit and press the Photo button.

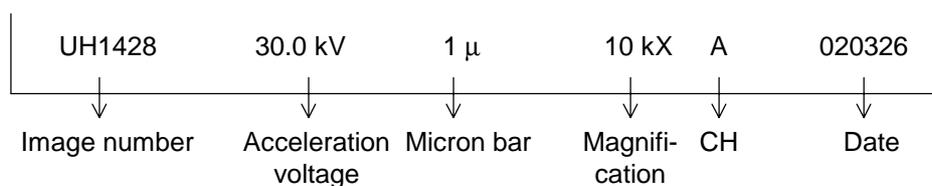
The photographed image appears on the observation screen. When the image display completes, put back the light shielding panel and remove the photographic paper.

To save the image as a file, use the File menu on the menu bar while the image is displayed on the screen.

Example of data record display on the photography unit

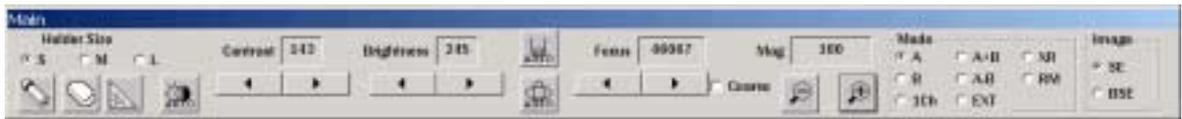
An example of data record display on the photography unit is shown below.

Example of data record display



- Image number → A serial number assigned to a stored file or photograph.
- Acceleration voltage → The current acceleration voltage of the gun.
- Micron bar → Corresponds to the bar displayed above the number.
- Magnification → Magnification of the observation screen (120 × 90 mm).
- CH → Observation mode currently used.
- Date → Automatically updated by the internal clock.
Manual date setting is also possible.

8) Main dialog box



Sample holder size field

A field for displaying the size of the sample holder loaded in the specimen chamber.

Contrast adjustment control

A control for adjusting the contrast of the observation image and a field showing the contrast value.

Brightness control

A control for adjusting the brightness of the observation image and a field showing the brightness value.

Automatic contrast brightness button (ACB button)

A button for starting automatic contrast and brightness adjustment on the observation image. When you select this button, the shape of the icon changes and automatic adjustment starts. Wait until the icon takes the original shape. This will take 5 to 10 seconds.

Focal adjustment control

A control for adjusting the focus of the observation image and a field showing the focus value. Focus values are also known as OL codes. Selecting the Rough adjustment button increases the increment of the focus value.

Automatic focal control button (AFC button)

A button for starting automatic focal adjustment on the observation image. When you select this button, the shape of the icon changes and automatic adjustment starts. Wait until the icon takes the original shape. This will take 30 to 45 seconds.

Automatic stigma control button (ASC button)

A button for starting automatic stigma adjustment on the observation image. When you select this button, the shape of the icon changes and automatic adjustment starts. Wait until the icon takes the original shape. This will take 60 to 90 seconds.



Magnification control

A control for setting the magnification of the observation image and a field showing the magnification.

The [-] button decreases the magnification and the [+] button increases it.

Mode selection control

Buttons for selecting the display mode of the observation image.

The choices are A, B, 1ch, A+B, A-B, EXT, XR, and RM.

- The A mode shows an observation image as if illuminated by a light source on the left.
- The B mode shows an observation image as if illuminated by a light source on the right.
- The 1ch mode shows an observation image generated by the far-left detector only.
- The A+B mode shows an observation image generated as the output sum of all the four detectors.

(This image is an observation image reflecting the componential difference of the specimen.)

- The A-B mode shows an observation image generated as the output difference between the right and left detectors.

(This image is an observation image reflecting the contour difference of the specimen.)

- The EXT mode is used when an optional detector is added.
- The XR mode is used when an optional EDS analyzer is added.
(With an EDS analyzer, a mapping image is displayed.)
- The RM mode is used when an optional EDS analyzer is added.

(When an EDS analyzer is added, this mode is used to display a waveform of rate meter output using the line profile function.)

Image selection control

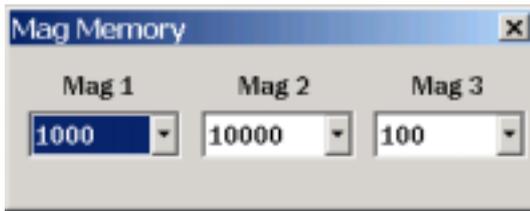
Buttons for selecting the image mode of the observation image.

The choices are secondary electron image and reflected electron image.

In the secondary electron image mode, a high voltage is applied to the detectors to collect secondary electrons.

In the reflected electron image mode, the detectors are free from a high voltage for secondary electron collection.

9) Magnification memory dialog box



The Magnification memory dialog box can be opened from the Magnification memory menu on the menu bar.

Set a value for Magnification 1, Magnification 2 and Magnification 3 in the Magnification memory menu on the menu bar.

10) Position memory dialog box



The Position memory dialog box can be opened from the Position memory menu on the tool bar.

You can register up to 20 stage positions to which the stage moves.

When the Registration button is selected, pressing a number button stores the current position in the memory.

When the Move button is selected, pressing a number button moves the stage to the position stored in the memory.

When the View button is selected, pressing a number button displays the information stored in the memory.

11) Properties dialog box

The screenshot shows a 'Property' dialog box with the following fields and controls:

- Image No.:** Name (GC), No. (0096), and a Reset button.
- Date:** Radio buttons for Auto (selected) and Manual, and a date field (2003/07/11).
- Specimen:** Two text boxes (upper and lower) and a Delete button.
- Operator:** Two text boxes (upper and lower) and a Delete button.
- Label:** A single text box.

This dialog box is opened from Property configuration in the File menu on the menu bar.

Image number

You can enter the two initial letters of an image number in upper cases.

The counter value of the image number increments automatically each time you store or photograph the images. Using the Reset button, reset the counter value to 0001.

An image number is shown on the lower-left corner of the observation screen.

It is also included in photos taken with the photography unit.

Date

When the automatic date setting is selected, the clock function of the PC displays the current date on the lower-left corner of the observation screen. The date is also included in photos taken with the photography unit.

When the manual date setting is selected, the date you entered into the Date field in the character string format for automatic setting is displayed on the lower-left corner of the observation screen. The date is also included in photos taken with the photography unit.

Specimen name

Enter a specimen name in the upper field.

The character string you have entered is listed in the lower box, and can be called by clicking it with a mouse.

Pressing the Delete button deletes the selected character string.

Operator name

Enter an operator name in the upper field.

The character string you have entered is listed in the lower box, and can be called by clicking it with a mouse.

Pressing the Delete button deletes the selected character string.

Label

Enter a label name in the field using upper-case letters and numerals.

This is shown on the lower-left corner of the observation screen.

12) ERA and SEM mode selection buttons

ERA

SEM

This section describes the ERA and SEM buttons at the left of the tool bar. Use them to switch between ERA and SEM modes.

ERA button

Press this button for cross-section measurement.

In the ERA (3D roughness analysis) mode, a bias voltage is applied to the specimen to improve detection efficiency.

SEM button

Press this button for advanced SEM observation.

In the SEM mode, unlike the ERA mode, no electrical assistance is used.

You do not have to press this button for normal SEM observation.

13) EDS mode selection button

EDS

This section describes the EDS button at the left of the tool bar.

Press this button to enter the mode where the ERA-8800 beam is scanned from the EDS unit.

In this mode, the ERA-8800 beam is deflected by scan signals from the EDS.

Note that you cannot display an image on the ERA-8800.

Images can be displayed on the EDS only.

Operation including focal, contrast, brightness, and magnification adjustment can be done on the ERA-8800 even when an analysis is in progress on the EDS.

To quit the operation on the EDS, press the Mode switch button on the EDS (the EXT-XY button on the EDAX). The ERA-8800 returns to the normal operation mode.

Alternatively, on the ERA-8800, select Exit slave mode in the Analyze menu on the menu bar causes the unit to return to the normal operation mode.

14) Image processor menu

The Image processor menu is included in the View menu on the menu bar, allowing real-time display and photography of the image being processed.

The available processes are as follows:

Gamma correction

Three levels of image contrast correction can be selected.

Edge enhancement

The clarity of the image edge is enhanced. Three levels of clarity can be selected.

Image inversion

The tone gradient of the image can be inverted (into negative).

15) View layer menu

The View layer menu is provided in the File menu on the tool bar. This allows you to overlay a stored image with another on the screen.

This function is used to view a stored SEM image overlaid with a stored X-ray mapping image when an EDS unit is connected.

When this menu is selected, a dialog box for opening base and layer images from a file appears.

This dialog box has a palette allowing the user to specify a color of the layer image.

The steps for using layer view are as follows:

Click the color palette on the layer image. On the color palette, double-click a color you want to choose.

Click the [...] button. A dialog box for opening a file appears.

Select, for example, a SEM image as a base image.

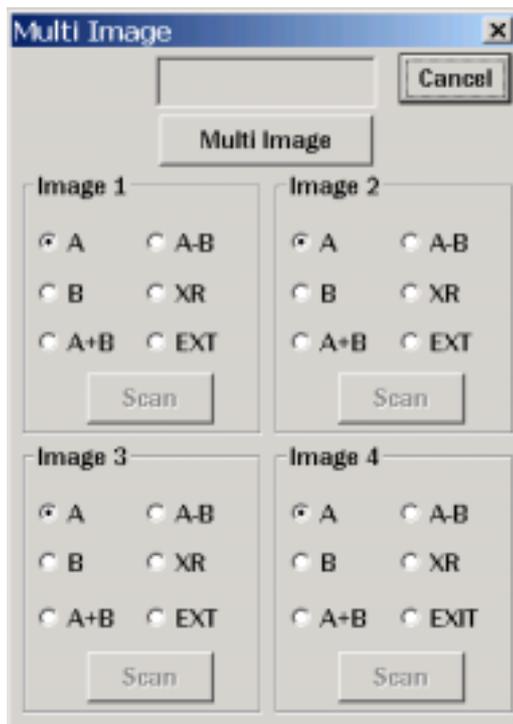
Click the [...] button. A dialog box for opening a file appears.

Select, for example, an X-ray mapping image as a layer image.

The X-ray mapping image selected as the layer image, in the color you have specified, is laid over the SEM image selected as the base image.

Note) Since the layer image is generated through the binarization of a stored image, the micron bar and date at the bottom of the screen will have a color. This is not a failure.

16) Multi-image dialog box



This dialog box appears when you click the Multi-image button (an icon of a plus sign enclosed in a square) on the tool bar. In the Multi-image window, images in the display mode selected with the button are displayed as still images.

The procedure is as follows:

Note: Before using this dialog box, freeze the normal scan images.

Select the Multi-image button. Wait until the icon changes to the normal icon.

Select a display mode for each of images 1 through 4.

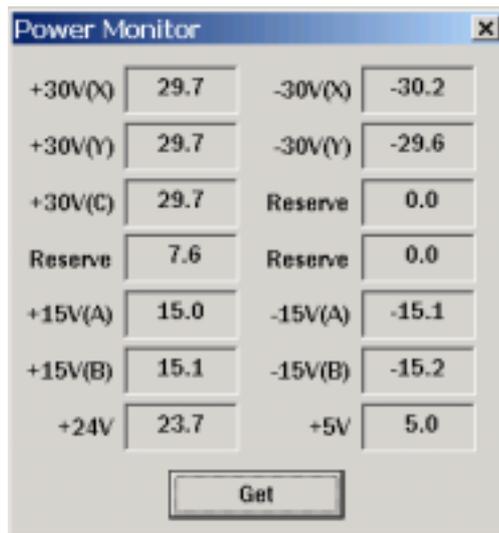
Press the Scan button for the position you want to capture an image.

Wait until the icon changes to the normal icon and the image appears.

Press the Scan button for the position you want to capture the next image.

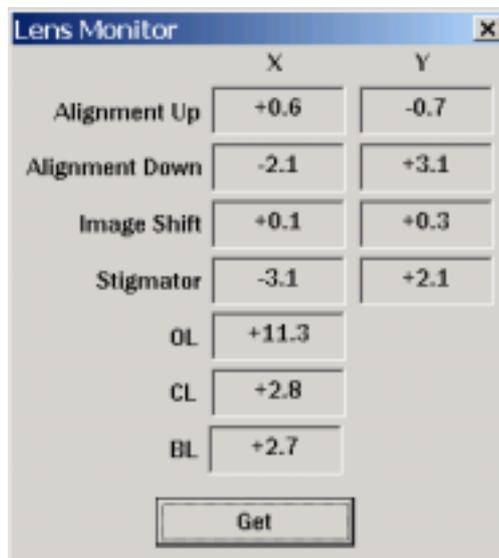
To finish multi-image capturing, press the Stop button.

17) Power supply voltage monitor



This dialog box appears when you select Power supply voltage monitor from the Options menu on the menu bar. Pressing the Read button displays the operating voltage of the power supply.

18) Lens power supply monitor



This dialog box appears when you select Lens power supply monitor from the Options menu on the menu bar. Pressing the Read button displays the operating voltage of the lens power supply.

19) Enter remarks button

You can overlay the observation screen with remarks using the Pencil and Eraser icons in the Main dialog box.

The procedure is as follows:

Entering a remark character string

With an observation image on the screen, click the Pencil icon.

The mouse icon changes to an icon of a pencil.

Click the position you want to enter characters.

A Character input dialog appears. Type remarks from the keyboard.

The remarks are not recorded in the photography unit.

Erasing a remark character string

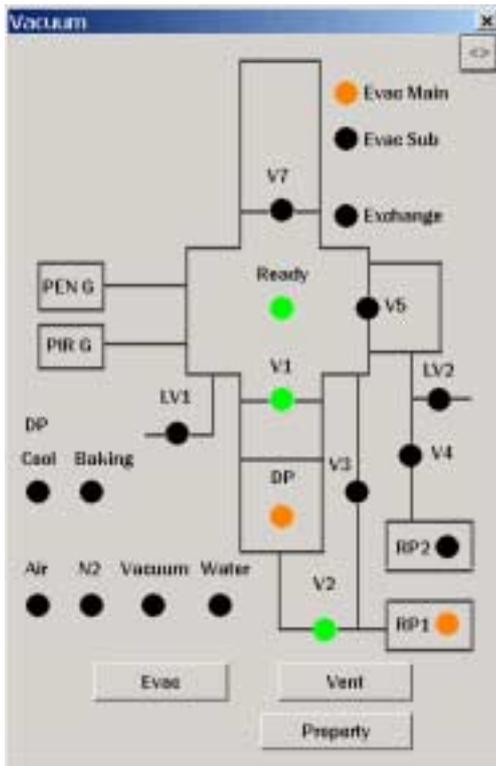
Click the Eraser icon.

The mouse icon changes to an icon of an eraser.

Locate the mouse pointer to a remark character you want to erase, while pressing the left mouse button, move the mouse as you rub over the character. Characters are deleted as if you are using an eraser.

If you cannot be bothered to take these steps, click the Wiper icon on the tool bar to delete the entire remarks at a time.

20) Evacuation system dialog box

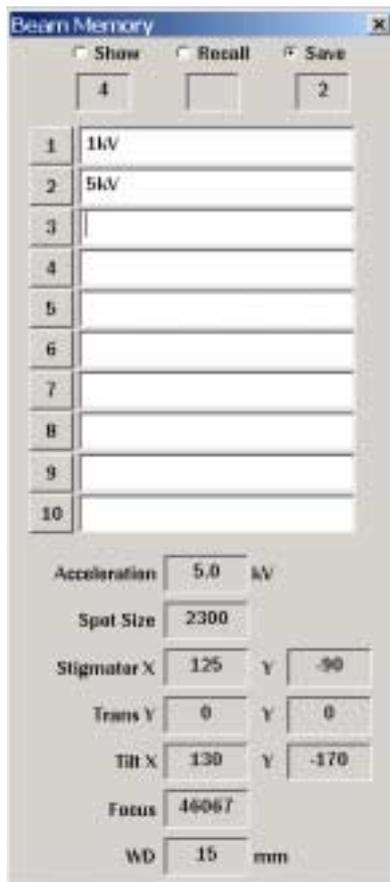


This dialog box appears when you select Evacuation system in the Options menu on the menu bar or press the Rotary pump icon on the tool bar. This dialog box indicates the operation of the evacuation system. Buttons for evacuating and venting the specimen chamber are provided. When it is expanded, the gate valve open/close buttons and vent buttons for an optional pre-evacuation chamber become available.

To open the specimen chamber, press the Vent button. To evacuate the chamber after exchanging the specimen, press the Evacuate button.

In using an optional pre-evacuation chamber, install a specimen exchange unit equipped with a specimen exchange rod to the pre-evacuation chamber, and press the Open button for the pre-evacuation chamber. After evacuation of the pre-evacuation chamber, the gate valve opens. Using the exchange rod, take out the specimen to the pre-evacuation chamber. Press the Close button to close the gate valve. On the status display, check that the gate valve is closed. Then vent the pre-evacuation chamber and take out the specimen.

21) Beam memory dialog box



The Beam memory dialog box can be opened from the Beam menu on the tool bar.

You can register, view, and configure up to 10 sets of beam conditions.

When the Registration button is selected, pressing a number button stores the current conditions in the memory.

When the View button is selected, pressing a number button displays the condition set stored in the memory.

When the Configure button is selected, pressing a number button sets the beam according to the condition set stored in the memory.

When the configuration completes, the Hysteresis clear and Auto contrast brightness (ACB) functions start automatically.

STAGE

1 Overview

The X, Y, WD, R, and T axes are driven by motors.

Several types of specimen holders are provided, allowing you to observe various kinds of specimens according to your needs.

2 Shift Range

See below.

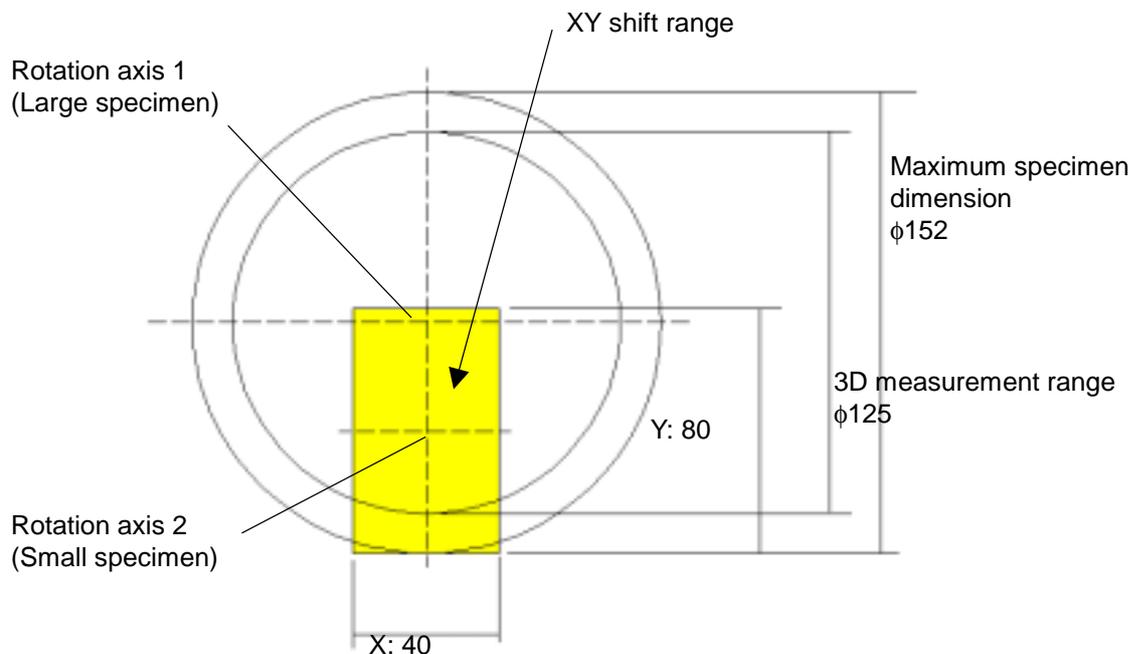
X-axis (X-axis shift)	0 to 40 mm
Y-axis (Y-axis shift)	0 to 80 mm
WD (work distance)	4 to 36 mm (TFE)
R-axis (specimen rotation)	360-degree endless rotation
T-axis (specimen tilt)	-7 to +45 degrees

Note) Specimen shift is restricted depending on specimen holder size, X-axis position, WD, T-axis position, acceleration voltage, and magnification.

If the stage moves beyond the shift range, the control PC warns with a beep.

Restrictions are placed to control stage shift beyond the range. However, if the stage crosses the border, the stage shift may be prohibited and the stage may not move.

In this case, increase the WD and change the conditions you have entered last into the safety side.



3 Stage Shift Restrictions

Specimen holder S (brimless $\phi 10$ specimen holder)

When $WD < 15.00$

00.00 X 40.00

00.00 Y 80.00

T = 00.00 Note) Move within $WD < 15.00$ only when T = 00.00.

R: No restrictions

When $WD = 15.00$

If $28.50 < X$ 40.00

00.00 Y 80.00

-7.0 T +7.0

R: No restrictions

If $0.00 < X < 28.50$

00.00 Y 80.00

-7.0 T +45.0

R: No restrictions

Specimen Holder M, L, X

When $WD < 15.00$

00.00 X 40.00

00.00 Y 80.00

T = 00.00 Note) Move within $WD < 15.00$ only when T = 00.00.

R: No restrictions

When $WD = 15.00$

00.00 X X_{max}

00.00 Y Y_{max}

-7.0 T +7.0

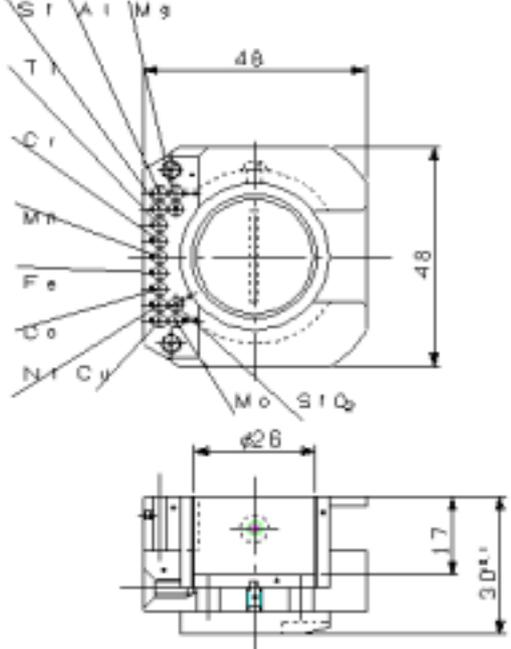
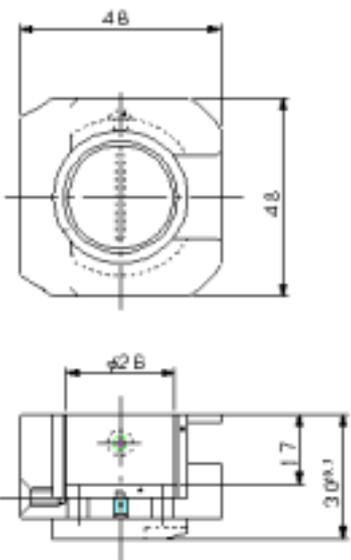
R: No restrictions

When an EDS option is used

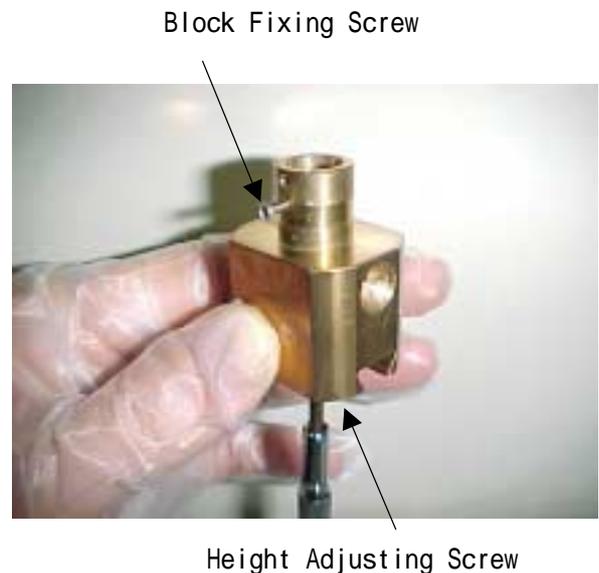
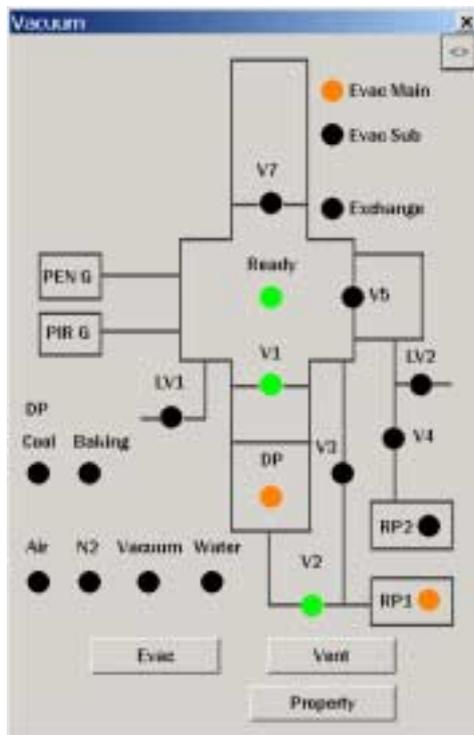
0 T Note) Condition is added to conditions and .

4 Specimen Holder

<p>Size : 50 × H30 (M)</p>	
<p>Size : 152 × H15 (L)</p>	
<p>Size : 10 × H15 (M)</p> <p>Without fringe (S)</p>	

<p>Size : Standard sample (M)</p> <p>Option</p>	 <p>Technical drawing of a standard sample (M). The front view shows a cylindrical component with a diameter of 48 mm. The side view shows a diameter of $\phi 26$ mm, a length of 17 mm, and a total length of 30 mm. Labels include S I A I M 9, T I, C I, M I, T I, C I, M I, S I Q, and M O S I Q.</p>
<p>Size : 1 inch (M)</p> <p>Option</p>	 <p>Technical drawing of a 1 inch sample (M). The front view shows a cylindrical component with a diameter of 48 mm. The side view shows a diameter of $\phi 26$ mm, a length of 17 mm, and a total length of 30 mm.</p>

5 How to Change Specimens



- 1) If the electron beam is ON, first click the **BEAM** OFF at the Beam Control Dialog box. Now close the isolation valve.
 - 2) Leak the specimen chamber by clicking the **VENT** button in the Evacuation System Dialog box.
 - 3) The leakage takes 1 to 2 minutes. When the leakage is complete, draw out the specimen stage.
 - 4) Unload the specimen holder from the stage.
Caution : Some types of holders cannot be unloaded unless the specimen is first removed.
- Note: The procedures following demonstrate steps for the 10 specimen holder.
- 5) Dismount the specimen by unscrewing the block fixing screw (see the photo shown above).
 - 6) Mount the next specimen onto the specimen holder.
Adjust the specimen height to the top face of the holder by turning the height adjusting screw.
Caution : The connection between the specimen and holder needs to be conductive.
Also, when the specimen itself is not conductive, a metal coating is needed. Coat the specimen using the coating system (the coating system is optional).
 - 7) Load the specimen holder onto the stage.
 - 8) Ensure that no dust is on the O-ring, then close the specimen chamber.
 - 9) Evacuate the specimen chamber by clicking the **EVAC** button in the Evacuation System Dialog. This makes the **EVAC** button turn green.
 - 10) The vacuum-degree indicated by the green digital-bit meter lessens as the vacuum improves. When all the bit indicators except the very last one have gone out, the Vacuum OK indicator in the Evacuation System Dialog box turns green. Then the electron beam can be irradiated onto the specimen.

Exchanging the specimen from the pre-evacuation chamber

On systems with an optional pre-evacuation chamber, you can exchange specimens without venting the specimen chamber. Only $\phi 10$ specimen holders can be exchanged.

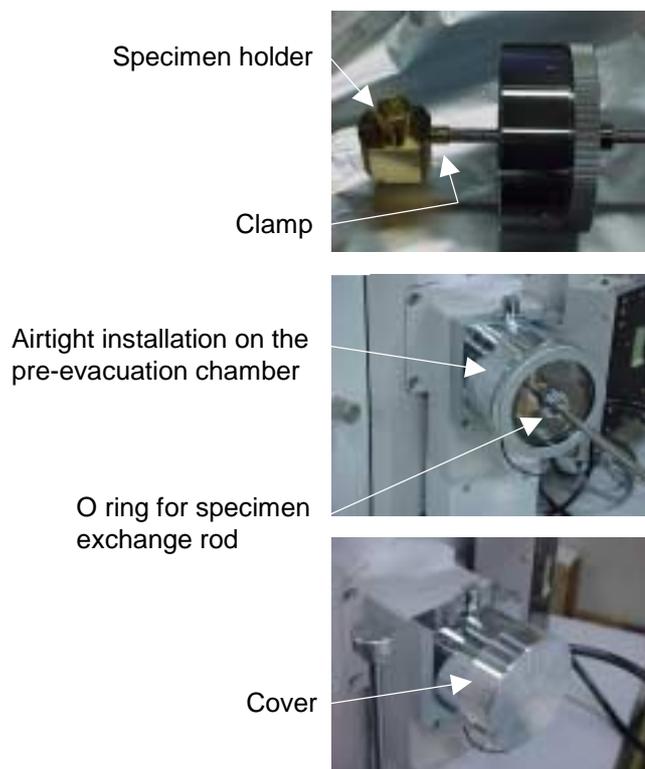
- 1) Screw the end of the specimen exchange rod into the specimen holder with a specimen.
- 2) Pull the exchange rod so that the end is clamped by the exchange rod clamp.
- 3) Press the lid tightly against the exchange chamber. Press the button for the pre-evacuation chamber in the expanded evacuation system dialog box.
- 4) The stage moves to the exchange position and the pre-evacuation chamber is evacuated.
- 5) When the pre-evacuation chamber is evacuated to the predetermined pressure, valve (V5) opens.
- 6) Insert the exchange rod slowly to put the specimen holder inside the chamber, and place the specimen holder precisely on the turntable.

Caution: Look the inside through the window during work.

The stage may be moving even if V5 opens. Put the holder after the stage stops. Otherwise, the stage may be damaged.

Put the specimen holder precisely on the turntable. Otherwise, the system may be damaged.

- 7) Turn the exchange rod counterclockwise to remove it from the specimen holder.
- 8) Pull the exchange rod to the original position so that the end is clamped.
- 9) To vent the pre-evacuation chamber, press the button for the pre-evacuation chamber in the expanded evacuation system dialog box.
- 10) Remove the specimen exchange rod and use the cover.



MAINTENANCE

1 Cleaning Procedure

This chapter describes typical cleaning procedures.

1) Cleaning 1: Cleaning the aperture (molybdenum)

When replacing the aperture, use a new part.

You may take the following steps, but the performance is not guaranteed.

Install a basket heater or boat made of a high melting point metal to a vacuum deposition equipment and preheat it in a vacuum. Heat the heater or boat for about 10 minutes at a temperature at which it glows white hot (approximately 1500°C). Upon completion of heating, leave it in the vacuum for about 20 minutes. Place the diaphragm on it and heat it in the same way. After heating, install it on the holder while taking care that it does not contact anything. Then evacuate the chamber.

2) Cleaning 2: Cleaning extremely contaminated areas

This applies to areas contaminated with polymerized hydrocarbons and discharging areas.

Note that CLA and OLA are not included.

Wrap an end of a bamboo or wooden stick with absorbent cotton. Put POL^{*1} polish on the cotton. Or, put POL on a lint free cloth.

Polish the contaminated areas until the glittering base metal appears.

Use absorbent cotton or cloth with a solvent^{*2} to wipe off the remaining POL.

Repeat this step until no stain comes off when you wipe it hard.

Perform ultrasonic cleaning for about three minutes.

Note: *1 You may use Pikal also.

*2 Do not use other solvents.

Never use ligroin, benzine, and benzene.

3) Cleaning 3: Cleaning less contaminated areas

Use gauze, rayon sheet, or absorbent cotton or cloth with an organic solvent to wipe off the stain. Never use benzine or benzene.

To clean the inside of holes or cylinders, use cotton buds, toothpicks or chopsticks wrapped with absorbent cotton.

To clean a hard-to-access areas or screws, soak them in a solvent or use a brush.

Do not use a brush to clean the inside of cylinders, aperture, and holes in hole pieces which must be free from minor scratches.

As soon as you finish cleaning, blow off the remaining cleaning fluid using a hand blower.

An ultrasonic washer is a very effective device.

4) Cleaning 4: Cleaning the beam emission hole in the wenelt.

Following Cleaning 2, add kerosene to the metal polish and clean the hole in the same way.

Do not polish any other areas than the wenelt using the same wiper.

5) Cleaning 5: Cleaning of areas with particles

Blow the particles off using a high-pressure N₂ gas (~3 kg/cm²) blaster or an N₂ aerosol.

Wash O rings with a solvent and take the above steps.

Store cleaned parts or assemblies in a desiccator containing deoxidant or in a solvent.

Refer to the list below as necessary to prepare for cleaning,

- 1) Items for cleaning
 - Bamboo (wooden) sticks
 - Absorbent cotton
 - Lint-free cotton
 - POL polish (metal polish)
 - Solvents (ethanol and acetone)
 - Beaker
 - Plastic bag
 - Aluminum foil
 - Ultrasonic washer
 - Polyethylene or rubber gloves
 - High pressure (about 3 kg/cm²) N₂ gas
- 2) Jigs and tools
 - Jigs
 - Tools
 - Tweezers
 - Loupe
 - Lighting equipment (with a stand)
- 3) Parts for backup
 - Filament
 - Condenser lens aperture (CLA) and objective lens aperture (OLA)
 - O rings

Overhaul cycle

Part/unit	Cycle	Method
Movable ribbon aperture (OLA)	1 month	Replacement or Cleaning 1
Specimen exchange rod	As necessary	Grease up
Movable aperture holder	As necessary or At the time of overhaul	Cleaning 2

Note: 1) For overhaul procedure for pump and vacuum equipment, see the corresponding instruction manual.

2) The customer can perform the above items.

Other parts on thermo field emission electron gun (TFE) models are overhauled when the emitter is replaced.

2 Cleaning

2-1 Replacing the movable aperture

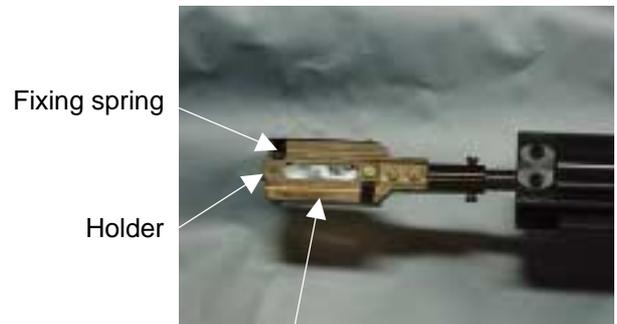
Among the parts of EOC (electron optical column) of TFE gun models, the movable aperture is the only one that requires daily cleaning.

The other parts are cleaned when the TFE emitter is replaced.

- 1) Close the gate valve and vent the specimen chamber.
- 2) Remove the movable aperture unit by loosening the two fixing screws. Hold the unit not to lean it.
- 3) Using clean tweezers, remove the two fixing leaf springs and remove the ribbon aperture.
- 4) Set a new aperture, place the holder and fix them with the fixing leaf springs.
- 5) Install the unit at a horizontal position.
- 6) Evacuate the chamber again.



Fixing screws



Movable aperture holder

2-2 Specimen exchange rod

If you feel increased resistance to the movement of the specimen exchange rod, apply the grease supplied as a standard accessory. Apply grease to the specimen exchange rod.

Wipe off excessive grease evenly across the rod using absorbent cotton.

3 Replacing the Fuses

In an event listed below, look through the window under the console to check if the main power fuseless breaker is tripped, check the back of the scanning system frame if the fuseless breaker of the evacuation system is tripped, and check if the fuses in the fuse holder in the evacuation system breaker box are blown.

- 1) You cannot hear noise of the rotary pump operation while the operation program is starting up.
Check the RP (F1) fuse in the evacuation system breaker box.
- 2) Some status indicators in the evacuation system dialog box do not come on while the operation program is starting up.
Check the VAC (F1) fuse.
- 3) The evacuation system READY status is not established after a prolonged time (40 minutes or longer).
Check the DP (F2) and RP (F1) fuses.
- 4) Evacuation does not start (DP is not heated).
Check the DP (F2) fuse.
- 5) A sudden vacuum drop occurred during operation, and you cannot find misoperation.
Check the DP (F3) and RP (F2) fuses in the evacuation system breaker box.
- 6) The system stopped suddenly.
Check the main power fuseless breaker through the window under the console.

- Note:
- The OFF indicator comes on when the main power fuseless breaker trips.
 - Every fuse can be removed by turning the holder counterclockwise.
 - When a fuse blows, replace it with a fuse supplied.

4 Maintenance of Vacuum Equipment

This section provides an outline. See the corresponding instruction manuals for details.

4-1 Oil level check on the diffusion pump (DP)

The diffusion pump in the evacuation system requires periodic inspection.

The inspection cycle may be about once a year but may vary significantly depending on the operating conditions. During inspection, the oil will be replaced or added according to the vacuum level and oil contamination.

4-2 Replacing the heater of the diffusion pump (DP)

The heater is the most essential part for offering the diffusion pump performance.

When the boiler is turned on, the temperature rises to about 200°C in 20 to 40 minutes and the pump starts operating. If a wire braking occurs, since the heat sensor (thermostat) of the DP does not work, the system will stay at the evacuation of DP process. The user will easily see if the system has a failure.

An iron plate is placed under the DP for protecting the floor. Remove the four screws at both ends and draw out the iron plate. This makes the work easier.

4-3 Supplying oil to the rotary pump (RP)

Check the color and amount of the oil from the oil level gauge on the side of the pump.

New pump oil is transparent. As it is used, it gets thick and turns brown.

In this case, replace the oil soon.

Typical intervals of oil replacement are between six months and one year.

The manufacturer suggests a maintenance cycle.

4-4 Replacing the oil mist filter

You should drain the oil as necessary. Under some operating conditions, the manufacturer recommends you to replace the filter element every six months.

4-5 Inspecting the turbo molecular pump (TMP) (Optional)

TMPs with battery backup function require battery replacement about once a year.

Other TMPs require fan inspection about once a year.

The manufacturer recommends you to overhaul the pump every two or three years.

4-6 Ion pump (SIP) (ERA-8800FE)

This pump needs no maintenance work. However, the manufacturer recommends you to overhaul the controller every five years.

4-7 Cold cathode vacuum gauge (ERA-8800FE)

This device needs no daily maintenance, but should be cleaned as necessary.

5 Maintenance and Service

5-1 Warranty period

The warranty period is one year after acceptance of delivery.

If a failure for which Elionix is responsible occurs within this period, Elionix will replace or repair the failed parts without charge.

After expiry of the warranty period, we will provide bona fide and reliable service.

Note that the customer will be charged for such service.

5-2 Shipment of service parts

When you are in urgent need of consumable or replacing parts, place an order using an order sheet specifying an order number. Parts will be shipped immediately except for special parts.

This manual contains a list of special parts including O rings.

Refer to it to ensure correct ordering.

5-3 Specific inspection service

When adjustment or inspection of the system is necessary as part of specific service including annual contract-based maintenance, overhaul, and transfer or modification of the system, we will check and inspect the function, performance, safety, and operation of the system in accordance with the attached inspection result sheet.

Should you have any questions, contact Elionix.

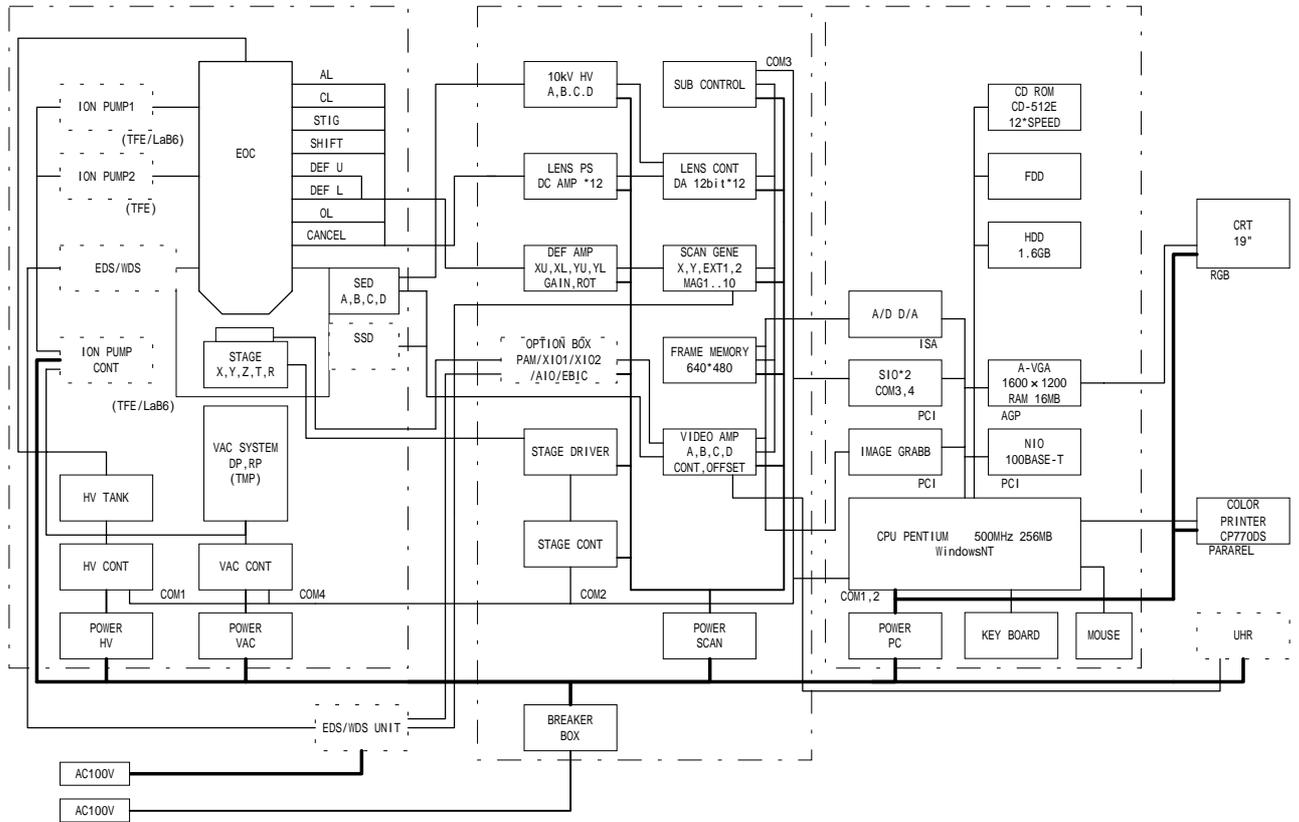
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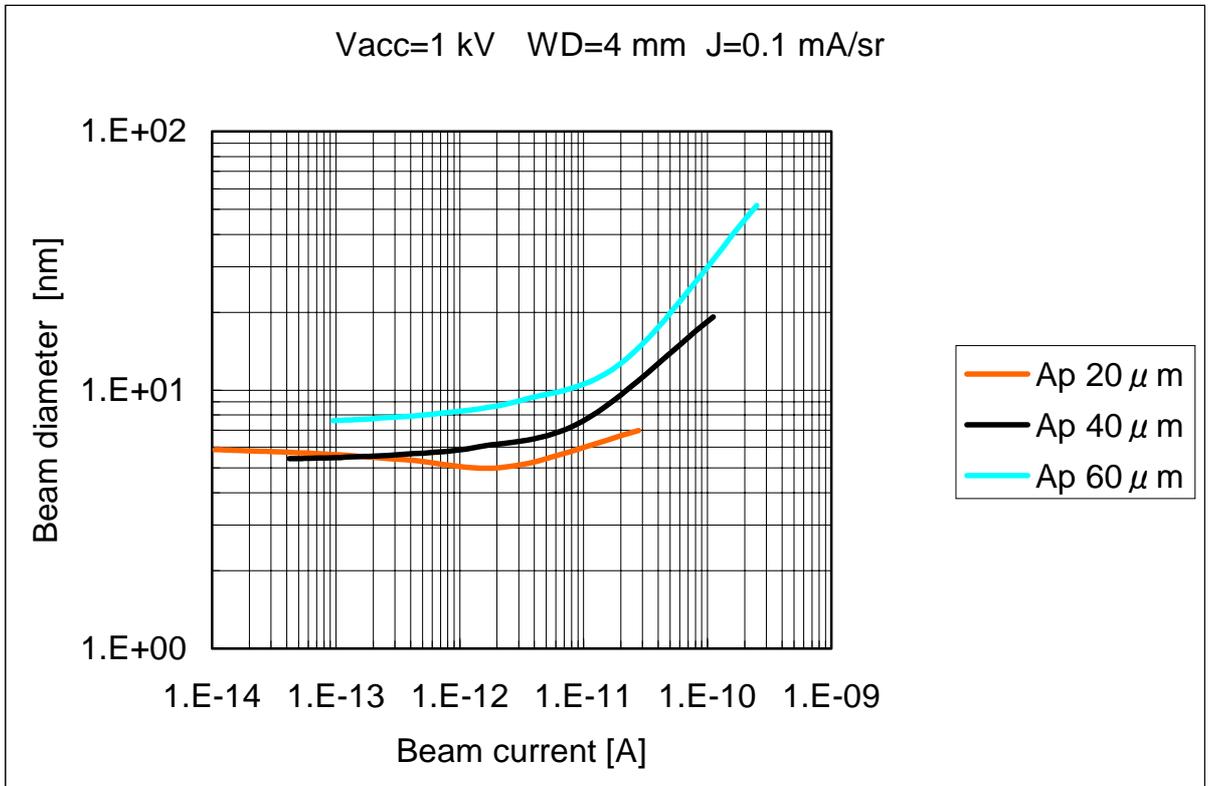
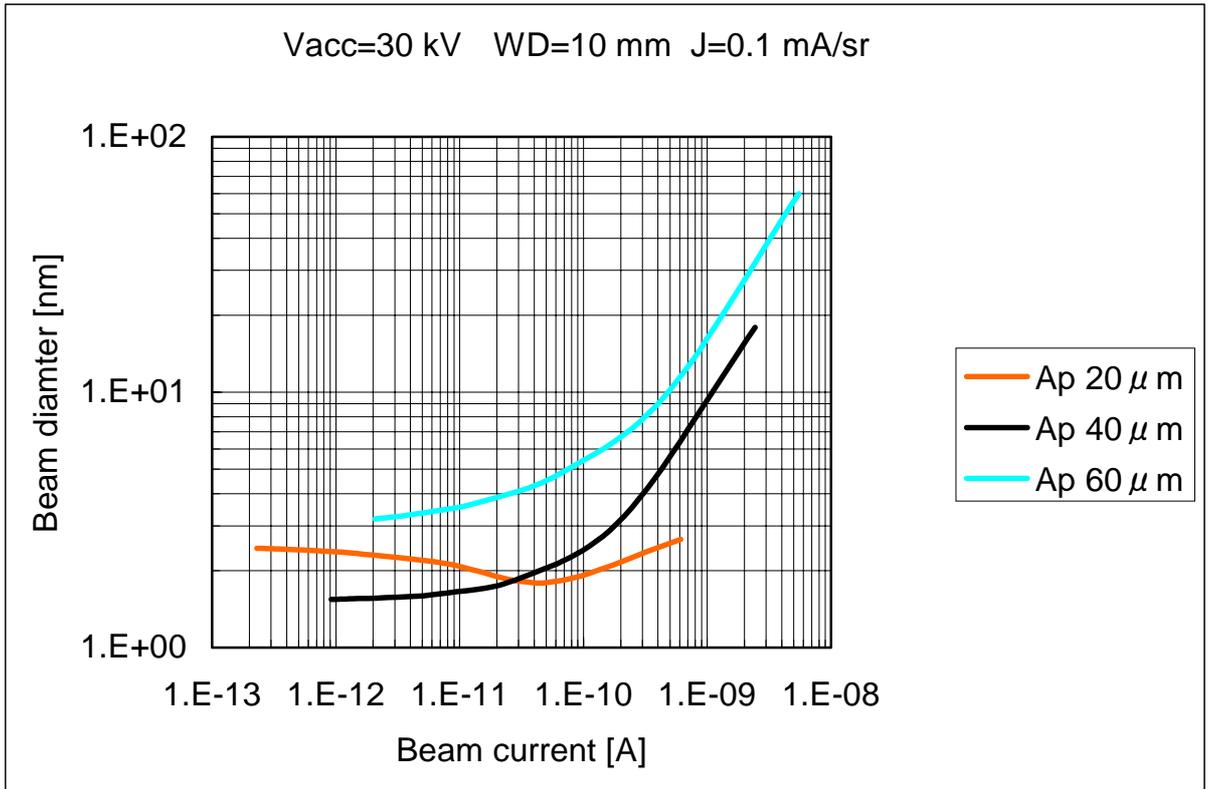
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1 Block Diagram



2 Relationship between Beam Diameter and Current



4 Parts List

4-1 Standard supplies

1.	Ribbon apertures	2
2.	Ribbon aperture case	1
3.	Specimen blocks	24
4.	Parts case	1
5.	Tweezers	1
6.	Phillips screwdriver (large)	1
7.	Phillips screwdriver (medium)	1
8.	Slotted screwdriver (large)	1
9.	Six-precision screwdriver set	1
10.	Ball screwdriver set	1
11.	Conductive adhesive (Dotite)	1
12.	Plastic cans	3
13.	Metal polish (POL)	1 (in the case)
14.	Burn-out preventive (Moresco Releaser)	1 (in the case)
15.	Vacuum grease	1 (in the case)
16.	Ratchet torque wrench	1
17.	Hexagonal head bolt (M12 × 40, for gate valve)	1
18.	O ring (P6, for specimen exchange rod)	1
19.	Reference specimen for cross-sectional calibration	1
20.	Fuses, 250 V, 0.3 A	2
21.	Fuses, 250 V, 0.5 A	2
22.	Fuses, 250 V, 1 A	2
23.	Fuses, 250 V, 2 A	2
24.	Fuses, 250 V, 5 A	2
25.	Fuses, 250 V, 6 A	2
26.	Fuses, 250 V, 8 A	2
27.	Fuses, 250 V, 10 A	2
28.	Fuses, SGA, 10 A	2

4-2 Components

No.	Name	Unit
PE- 101	Tungsten electron gun filaments	1 dozen
102	Tungsten electron gun filament leaf springs	1 pair
104	Electron gun wenelt cap	1
105	Wenelt cap removing tool	1
PA- 201	Wenelt cap shim	1
PE- 113	Deflection SUS pipe	1
114	Condenser aperture holder	1
115	Condenser aperture	1
116	Objective aperture holder	1
117	Objective aperture ($\phi 0.2$)	1
120	Scintillator chip $\phi 10$ mm	1
PA- 202	Photo-multiplier tube (Balance adjustment of R647 is not included)	1
203	O rings (See the O ring list)	–
204	DP thermal switch	1
205	DP heater	1
206	DP oil (Sand back 5)	125 cc
207	Airlock, $\phi 10$ mm	1
208	Fuses (1 A, 2 A, 5 A, 6 A, 7 A, 10 A, two each)	1 set
PE- 208	Specimen holder, $\phi 10 \times H15$	1
209	Specimen holder, $\phi 50 \times H35$	1
210	Specimen holder, $\phi 125 \times H15$	1
211	Multi-specimen holder, $\phi 170$	1
213	$\phi 46$ airlock holder, $\phi 10 \times H15$	1
214	$\phi 70$ flanged holder, $\phi 10 \times H15$	1
216	Specimen blocks, $\phi 10$ mm	50
219	Specimen blocks, $\phi 50$ mm	5
220	$\phi 10$ -mm tilt cut blocks, 45 degrees	10
221	$\phi 10$ -mm tilt cut blocks, 60 degrees	10
222	$\phi 10$ -mm tilt cut blocks, 70 degrees	10
PE- 309	Rotary pump oil (MR100)	1 liter

4-4 X-ray analysis standards

No.	Name	Purity (%)	Remarks	Q'ty & Unit
PX- 501	Al	99.9		1 piece
502	Sb	99.9999		1 piece
503	Bi	99.9999		1 piece
504	B	99.99		1 piece
505	C	99.99		1 piece
506	Cr	99.99		1 piece
507	Co	99.99		1 piece
508	Cu	99.999		1 piece
509	F	99.99	LiF	1 piece
510	Ga	99.99	GaAS	1 piece
511	Ge	99.999		1 piece
512	Au	99.99		1 piece
513	Hf	99.99		1 piece
514	In	99.99	InAs	1 piece
515	Ir	99.9		1 piece
516	Fe	99.99		1 piece
517	LaB6	99.9		1 piece
518	Mg	99.9		1 piece
519	Mn	99.99		1 piece
520	Mo	99.999		1 piece
521	Ni	99.99		1 piece
522	Pd	99.999		1 piece
523	P	99.999	GaP	1 piece
524	Pt	99.9		1 piece
525	Rh	99.999		1 piece
526	Si	99.999		1 piece
527	Ag	99.999		1 piece
528	Ta	99.98		1 piece
529	Te	99.9999		1 piece
530	Sn	99.999		1 piece
531	Ti	99.9		1 piece
532	W	99.99		1 piece
533	V	99.99		1 piece
534	Zro2	99.9		1 piece
535	Zn	99.999		1 piece

PX- 536	Zr	99.9		1 piece
537	Na ₂ O	18.8	Glass-1	1 piece
538	MgO	99.99	Synthetic	1 piece
539	Al ₂ O ₃	99.99	Synthetic	1 piece
540	SiO ₂	99.99	Synthetic	1 piece
541	K ₂ O CaO	19.0 9.20	Glass-2	1 piece
542	TiO ₂	99.99	Synthetic	1 piece
543	Cr ₂ O ₃	99.9	Synthetic	1 piece
544	MnO	99.9	Synthetic	1 piece
545	Fe ₂ O ₃	99.9	Natural	1 piece
546	MnO Fe ₂ O ₃	99.99	Synthetic 1:1	1 piece
547	CoO	99.9	Synthetic	1 piece
548	NiO	99.9	Synthetic	1 piece
549	SrTiO ₃	99.99	Synthetic	1 piece
550	ZnO	12.99	Glass-3	1 piece
551	BaO PbO	99.9 21.9	Glass-4	1 piece
552	PBS	99.9		1 piece
553	FeS	99.9		1 piece
554	NB	99.9		1 piece

Reference glass analysis data (Glass 1 to 4)

Specimen	Glass-1	Glass-2	Glass-3	Glass-4
SiO ₂	66.3	66.1	61.4	46.3
Al ₂ O ₃	0.02	0.02	2.07	0.23
Fe ₂ O ₃	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Na ₂ O	18.8	0.08	18.3	7.72
K ₂ O	0.05	19.0	0.05	0.08
CaO	9.10	9.20	0.10	0.10
MgO	5.40	5.40	5.10	0.10
B ₂ O ₃	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
As ₂ O ₅	<0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02
PbO	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	21.9
BaO	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	15.2
ZnO	–	–	12.9	8.25
Pt	0.0025	0.0025	0.0025	0.0025

All specimens are stuffed into a pipe, polished and carbon-deposited.

PURCHASABLE ACCESSORIES

Photography unit

1 Overview

The photography unit for the ERA-8800 uses a super high-resolution flat face flying spot CRT, providing good picture quality over the entire screen.

Also, a wide range of camera holders are available to meet your specific needs.

2 Specifications

CRT	Super high-resolution flying spot tube
Raster resolution	2000 lines max.
XY input	10 VP-P max.
Video input	10 VP-P max.
Photo mode	PICTURE, LINE, SPOT (X-ray image)
PHOTO SPEED	40, 80, 160, 260 (sec/frame)
PHOTO DATA	Micron marker, magnification, numbering, date, acceleration voltage, detector, electron optical column and power supply data
Lens aperture	5, 6, 8, 11, 16, 22, and 32
Camera and holders	See Table 4.
Photographic magnification	Depending on film size ($\times 0.5$ to $\times 1.0$)

3 Cautions on use and maintenance

The photographic conditions will vary depending on the holder and film. Choose a holder and film according to the purpose and application. The conditions are configured at the factory and in most cases, reconfiguration is unnecessary. If you reconfigure the conditions, take the following steps.

- (1) Take one picture as a trial. When the contrast and brightness are appropriate, you may proceed to further photography. If the stripes on the screen appear extremely bright or dark, readjust the CRT unit by taking the following steps.
- (2) Remove the front panel of the photography unit. Adjust the 10-turn helipot dials for the contrast and brightness.
- (3) Using the left dial, adjust the darkest stripe in the photo taken in the TEST mode. Each contrast scale takes about 0.15 scales on the dial.
- (4) Turn the contrast dial to adjust the color of the white stripe to the color of the paper around it. Normally, this dial is fixed at 5.0.
- (5) Now the adjustment is completed.

Changing the scanning width

You have to change the scanning width of the photography unit depending on the film size. Take the following step to remove the holder and use the switch inside.

- 1) Loosen the two screws fixing the camera holder. Slide and remove the holder.
- 2) In the camera obscura, you will find a toggle switch at the left corner. Turn this switch to the holder type you use.
(See the nameplate at the switch.)
- 3) This switch is set to PRH in most cases. Note that the appropriate film size for this setting is 119×89 mm. When you use a film roll, the XY scanning width is $60 \text{ mm} \times 40 \text{ mm}$, and the magnification is $\times 0.5$.
- 4) After turning the scanning width switch, check the lens aperture. The aperture is preset to a proper value according to the film sensitivity and scanning speed. As a guideline, the most common settings are sensitivity of ISO500 and scan speed of 40 seconds. With these settings, appropriate aperture is 8. At a scan speed of 80 seconds, set the aperture to 11 or 16.

4 Camera holder

1) Polaroid Land film holder (PRH-4)

Overview: The most common holder. The screen size is 118 mm × 89 mm.
Applicable film includes Fuji Instant FP-3000B and FP-5000B.

Instruction

1. As shown in the photo on the left, open the lid by moving both lock levers outward at the same time. Load film, from the right side first, then press it against the pack.
At this step, hold the pack on both ends.
Close the back lid, press on the PUSH mark to lock the lid. Check that you can see the end of the light-shielding sheet.
2. Pull the light-shielding sheet straight in the direction of the arrow.
Then a white tab appears. Now you are ready to take pictures.
Do not pull out the white tab before exposure.
3. When the image adjustment completes, pull the drawing cover toward the front, until a release mark appears.
Press the PHOTO switch to complete.
4. After taking a picture, pull the white tab.
Development will complete in about one minute.

2) Polaroid pack film holder (PRH-2)

Overview: This holder has almost the same features as the Land holder except the screen size. The screen size is 95 mm × 73 mm.

Applicable film includes Polaroid 667 and Fuji Instant FP-100 and FP-400B. One pack contains 10 exposures. Coating is not necessary.

Instruction

1. Open the lid. Holding both ends of the film pack, press it into the pack. Close and firmly lock the lid. Check that you can see the end of the light-shielding sheet.
2. Pull the black light-shielding sheet straight. Then a white tab appears. Now you are ready to take pictures. Do not pull out the white tab before exposure.
3. When the image adjustment completes, pull the drawing cover toward the front, until a release mark appears. Press the PHOTO switch to complete.
4. After taking a picture, pull the white tab. Development will complete in about one minute.