

# Low-cost gigapixel microscopy

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**Gigapixel** microscopy provides images for high-throughput applications such as:

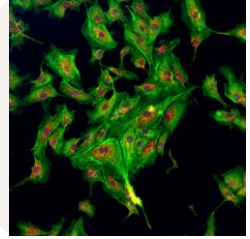
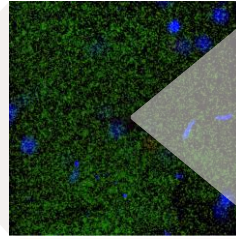
- ✓ Drug discovery
- ✓ Digital pathology
- ✓ Cell culture monitoring

However, conventional whole-slide scanning systems are:

- × Expensive (>£50k)
- × Require scanning
- × No phase imaging



Thorlabs' TIDE™  
£70k microscope



Bovine pulmonary artery endothelial (BPAE) cells  
obtained with Thorlabs' TIDE  
15 mm x 15 mm scan area, 31X magnification

## £100 wide-field high-resolution microscope

### Raspberry Pi camera and lens

- Total cost <£30

### 3D printed parts

- Highly customizable design
- Effectively cost-free
- Easy manufacturing

### Raspberry Pi 3 computer

- Image acquisition
- Wireless data-transfer
- No need for a PC
- Portable



Our work is focused on replacing expensive optical components with cheap and abundant computational power to build high-performance, low-cost microscopes.

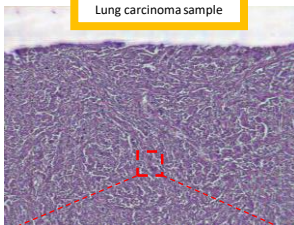
### LED array for illumination

This microscope works on the principle of Fourier Ptychography<sup>1</sup> which uses time-sequential illumination to recover gigapixel images for:

- Amplitude
- Phase (3D is also possible)
- Darkfield

[1] G. Zheng, R. Horstmeyer, C. Yang, G. Zheng, and C. Yang, "Wide-field, high-resolution Fourier ptychographic microscopy," Nat. Photonics, vol. 7, no. 9, pp. 739–745, 2013.

### Wide field, high-resolution phase imaging



Lung carcinoma sample

### Computational resolution enhancement from 5µm to 800nm

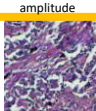
Conventional microscope



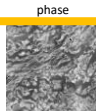
Reconstructed



Reconstructed amplitude



Reconstructed phase



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