Microscopes!

What is a microscope?

• A *microscope* is a device that produces magnified images of structures that are too small to see with an unaided eye.

Types of Microscopes:

- Dissecting microscope produces magnified images by focusing visible light rays.
- Compound light microscope allows light to pass through the specimen and use two lenses to form an image.
- Electron microscope uses beams of electrons to produce magnified images.



Microscopes (Cont.)

Important! Handle the microscope with care One hand holds the <u>arm</u> and place one hand under the <u>base</u>.

Field of View: The area you see when looking into the objective

Magnification: Under the field of view, write the Magnification you are looking at.



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Microscope Lab Activity

Sample 1

←Draw your field of view and label your magnification

1. What did you notice about the sample.

2. Why do you think it looks that way?

Three Threads ← Draw and color your field of view and label your magnification. *Use the Fine Coarse Knob to see layers*

1. List the order of threads from top to bottom.

2. How did you figure out the order?

Sample 2

←Draw your field of view and label your magnification

1. What did you notice about the sample.

2. Why do you think it looks that way?