

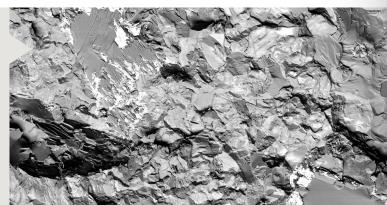
BSE acquisition

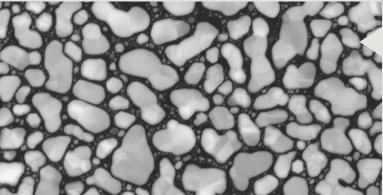
Quantitative BackScattered Electron (BSE) acquisition system



Reveal Z-contrast invisible to SE signals

- Reveal soil structure and identify mineral constituents
- Determine variations of content in biological structures
- Image shape, size and distribution of nanoparticles





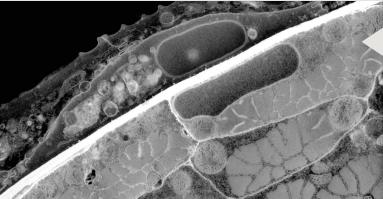
Explore Electron Channelling Contrast Images/Orientation Contrast

- Identify dislocations, stacking faults and grain boundaries in the SEM
- Image crystallographic orientation of grains
- Map distortions in crystal lattice

Measure density with highest resolution

- Image distribution, shape of grains in steels and alloys
- Measure variations in mineral concentrations in bone
- Identify phases and measure area fractions in metal matrix composites





Speed up your BSE workflow

- Navigate large samples with the high speed BSE
- Align the SEM without switching to SE imaging
- Minimise specimen charging with high-speed line and frame averaging

Discover the benefits of high-performance BSE



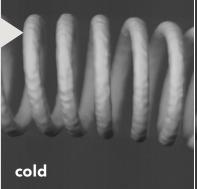
Acquire colour images and animations

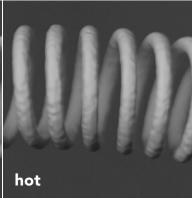
- Colourise SEM images with BSE signals
- Produce high quality images for publications
- Acquire time or rotation based series for videos

BSE acquisition

Record dynamics of in-situ heating

- Observe crystallisation, recovery and sintering
- Record growth dynamics with in-situ ESEM
- Quantify creep and fracture at high temperatures





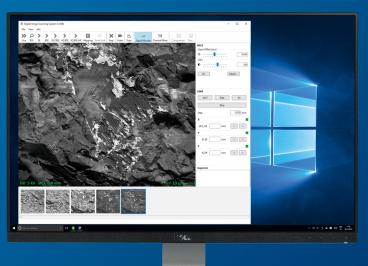


Reconstruct 3D information from BSE data

- Measure surface heights with live SEM topography
- Discover volume of biological speciments with 3D SEM
- Obtain microscopic 3D models with 3D scanning



Quantitative BSE for any SEM or FIB-SEM



Complete system for quantitative BSE acquisition

- BSE detector
- DISS6 imaging
- MICS-4 amplifier
- BSE reference samples



BSE detector

- Segmented 4Q sensor with detector grade Si diode
- In-situ preamplifiers for low-noise and high-speed
- Port-mounted and motorised insertion/retraction
- Integrated touch alarm
- Full alignment under vacuum conditions





DISS6 imaging

- Signal amplifier, scan generator and image acquisition
- Simultaneous acquisition of all signals
- Advanced offset and gain normalization
- Very large image resolution

BSE acquisition

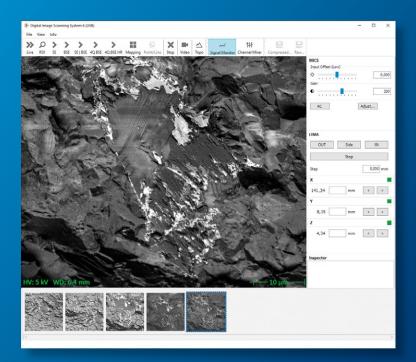
MICS-4 amplifier

- Integrated into BSE detector, DISS6 or stand-alone
- Calibrated amplification for quantitative acquisition
- Up to 16x multi-channel signal amplifier
- Independent brightness and contrast for each signal
- Global brightness and contrast for 4x signal groups





Full quantitative data workflow

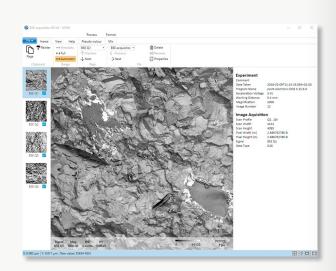


DISS6 app - detector control and image acquisition

- BSE detector control
- BSE and AUX image acqusition
- Live measurement of BSE intensities
- Standard file formats

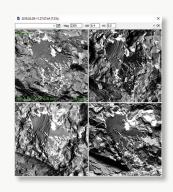
DIPS6 app - quantitative image processing

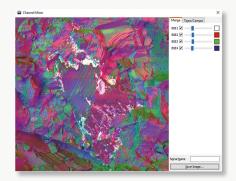
- Automatic quantification from metadata
- Advanced pseudo-colours with gradients
- Detailed view of metadata from DISS6
- Export to CSV data, or PNG images



Simultaneous 4Q BSE

- Signals are acquired from the same sample location
- Data is kept together in multi-page TIFF files
- Calibration is stored in standard XMP metadata





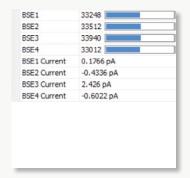
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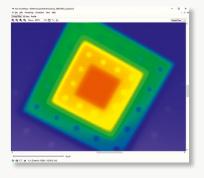
Software mixing for grayscale/colour representation
Advanced "TOPO" and "COPMO" mixing modes
Optional hardware mixed BSE for convenience

Live colour mixing

Live quantitative acquisition

- Live inspection of measured BSE values
- Enabled by calibrated amplification and imaging
- Add own quantification formulas, including working distance, acceleration voltage, or beam current





3D visualisation and measurements (optional)

- 3D views of height data from with SEM topography
- Additional texture from SE, EDS, EBSD or CL images
- Line and point data extraction for 3D measurements



BSE detector

| Sensor | 4Q segmented Si diode on ceramic board |
|--------------|--|
| | 6 mm inner diameter |
| | 20 mm outer diameter |
| | 130 keV electron energy range |
| Preamplifier | mounted in-situ |
| | 5 MHz bandwidth |
| | 10⁵ or 10⁴ V/A gain |
| Mechanics | port mounted, with vacuum bellows |
| | motorised insertion/retraction motion |
| | manual lateral and height alignment |
| | integrated touch alarm |
| | |

DISS6 imaging

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|------------------|---|
| Inputs | 4× calibrated BSE analog inputs |
| | 8× calibrated AUX analog inputs (SE, CL, AUX) |
| | 12× digital inputs (D1D12) |
| | 3× trigger inputs (Pixel, Line and Frame) |
| | Scan pause/resume input |
| Outputs | 4x BSE1BSE4 signals |
| | 2x BSE mixed signals (SUM and MIX) |
| | 2× calibrated analogue scan outputs (X, Y) |
| | 2× external control outputs (Blank and Scan) |
| | 4× clock outputs (Pixel, Line, Frame and Blank) |
| Scanning | 16-bit ±3.5±12V analogue X, Y scans |
| | Gnd., 5V, 15V external bank/scan |
| | TTL pause/resume |
| | TTL clock and synchronisation |
| | 0.5 GPixels maximum frame size (software limit) |
| | 10 ns10 ms pixel dwell time (selection dependent) |
| | 132,000× pixel average (oversampling) |
| Digitization | 12-bit for analogue signals |
| | 16-bit for TTL D1D12 |
| | 32-bit for TTL D1D6 (optional) |
| MICS-4 amplifier | -11 V input offset BSE1BSE4 |
| | 1× 1,800× gain BSE1BSE4 |
| | -0.50.5 V output offsets BSE1BSE4 |
| | 3.4 MHz34 Hz low-pass filter |
| | Automated 4Q global brightness and contrast |
| | Automated input offsets (dark correction) |
| | Automated gain normalisation (bright correction) |
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PC/Laptop, Display (optional)

| PC/Laptop | Intel Core i3 minimum |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| | 2 × USB 2.0 minimum |
| Displays | 1,280 × 1,024 resolution minimum |
| | 1 × display recommended |
| Operating systems | Windows 10 Windows XP |
| | Network connection recommended |

DISS6 app

| Detector control | automatic insertion/retraction |
|------------------|---|
| | contrast and brightness |
| | input offset and gain normalisation corrections |
| | hardware 'topographic' and 'compositional' mix |
| Quantification | formulas based quantification for pixel values |
| | automatic use of brightness and contrast values |
| | optional use of SEM parameters (HV, WD, etc) |
| | live inspection of calculated pixel values |
| Image scanning | workflow with predefined scan profiles |
| | live colour mixing tool |
| | live linescan and histogram tool |
| | advanced line and point scans |
| | automatic image range during acquisition |
| File formats | raw 16-bit multi-page TIF with XMP tags |
| | compressed 8-bit multi-page TIF with XMP tags |
| | compressed JPEG with XMP tags |
| Operating system | Windows 117 |
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DIPS6 app

| File inputs | raw 16-bit multi-page TIF with XMP tags |
|------------------|--|
| | compressed 8-bit multi-page TIF with XMP tags |
| | compressed JPEG with XMP tags |
| File outputs | PNG for colour export |
| | CSV for quantified data export |
| | compressed JPEG with XMP tags |
| Quantification | formulas based quantification for pixel values |
| | formulas from metadata or XML imports |
| Pseudo-colour | GGR gradient colours |
| | colour image mix view |
| Operating system | Windows 117 |



Software packages

| Drivers | PEUSB drivers |
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| | DISS6Control library |
| Server | EM Gateway |
| Apps | DISS 6 |
| | DIPS 6 |

Parts and Cables

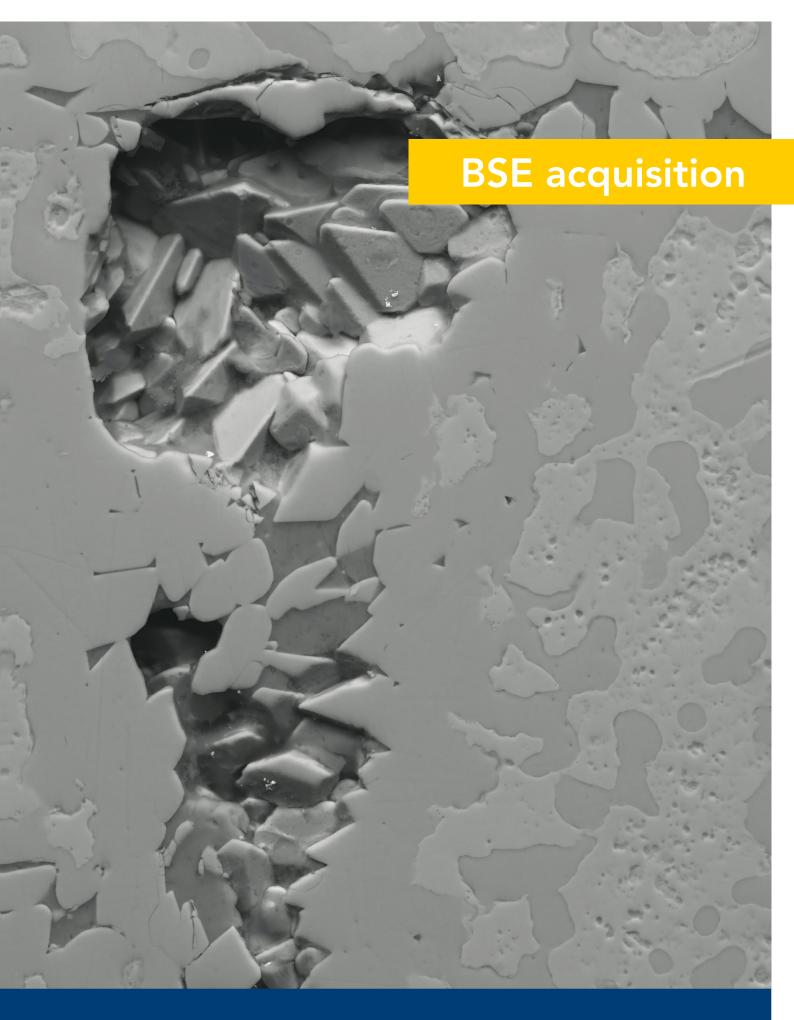
| BSE detector | Standard | 1x |
|--|----------|----|
| DISS6 imaging | Standard | 1x |
| MICS amplifier (if not embedded in DISS6/det.) | Optional | 1x |
| BSE reference sample | Optional | 1x |
| BSE detector cable | Standard | 1x |
| SEM cable | Standard | 1x |
| USB cable | Standard | 2x |
| USB drive with software | Standard | 1x |
| PC, keyboard, mouse | Optional | 1x |
| Displays | Optional | 1x |
| | | |

Weight and Dimensions

| BSE detector | 15 x 20 x 40cm |
|---------------|----------------------|
| | 8.5 kg |
| DISS6 imaging | 23.5 x 8.8 x 29.5 cm |
| | 4 kg |

Site requirements

| Power | 1x mains 110/220 VAC single phase 50-60 Hz |
|------------|---|
| | on the same earth as the microscope |
| Microscope | 1x external scan interface |
| | 1x earth connection |
| | 1x detector port |
| Space | DISS6 imaging unit can be placed on the SEM bench/table |
| | PC (optional) should be placed in the SEM room |







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