

MICROSCOPE CARE HANDOUT

1. Always use the scope only at your bench.



2. Carefully remove the scope from the cabinet by gripping the *arm of microscope* by one hand and holding the *base of the microscope* with the other hand. Always carry the microscope with both hands.

3. Be careful to not bump the microscope into any objects.
4. Microscope bulbs have a limited life and are expensive, lower the light or turn off the light when not in use.

BEFORE PUTTING THE SCOPE AWAY, REMEMBER TO:

1. Lower the stage completely, remove slide from the microscope and return the slide to its proper place.
2. Clean the objective lenses and oculars (eyepieces) with a lens paper and lens cleaner.

The eyepieces are susceptible to becoming dirty easily, especially if the user wears mascara. Mascara and other make-up may be removed using lens paper and lens cleaner.

It is recommended to not wear large amount of mascara while using a microscope.

3. Always place the 4x objective over the stage and make sure the stage is at its lowest position.
4. Always lower the light intensity before turning off the light source.
5. While unplugging, pull the plug and not the cord of the microscope.
6. Wrap the microscope cord around the microscope.
7. Return the microscope to its cabinet with the oculars facing the back of the cabinet.