

## MICROSCOPE REVIEW PROBLEMS (LIFE SCIENCES 11)

### Unit Conversions

1) Complete the following unit conversions.

- a. 289 mm to cm  $28.9\text{ cm}$       e.  $980.22\ \mu\text{m}$  to m  $0.00098022\text{ m}$       i.  $87000\ \mu\text{m}$  to m  $0.087\text{ m}$   
 b. 19.88 cm to m  $0.1988\text{ m}$       f. 0.0082 m to mm  $8.2\text{ mm}$       j. 0.025 cm to  $\mu\text{m}$   $250\ \mu\text{m}$   
 c.  $9.6\ \mu\text{m}$  to mm  $0.0096\text{ mm}$       g.  $29607\ \text{nm}$  to  $\mu\text{m}$   $29.607\ \mu\text{m}$       k. 0.00051 mm to  $\mu\text{m}$   $0.51\ \mu\text{m}$   
 d.  $5899022\ \text{nm}$  to cm  $0.5899022\text{ cm}$       h.  $890000\ \text{nm}$  to cm  $0.089\text{ cm}$       l.  $0.000012\ \mu\text{m}$  to nm  $0.0012\text{ nm}$

### Total Microscope Magnification

2) a. On our microscopes, what is the magnification of a Low power objective lens? Medium? High?

$4\times, 10\times, 40\times$

b. If an ocular lens (eyepiece) with a magnification of 16x was inserted into our microscopes, what would the total magnification be on Low power? Medium? High?

$64\times, 160\times, 640\times$

3) Complete the following table.

Eyepiece	Objective	Total Magnification
10x	4x	$40\times$
15x	Medium power	$150\times$
5x	Low power	$20\times$
$10\times$	10x	100x
$10\times$	High power	400x

### Field Number and Field of View




4) What is the relationship between field number, field of view, and magnification of the objective? Write the formula.

$$\text{field of view} = \frac{\text{field number}}{\text{objective magnification}}$$

5) By looking at an eyepiece, how do you determine the field number?

is the second number (usually next to the magnification)

6) Complete the following table.

Eyepiece	Eyepiece A 	Eyepiece B 	Eyepiece C 
Eyepiece magnification	$15\times$	$10\times$	$10\times$
Field Number	$16\text{ mm}$	$22\text{ mm}$	$18\text{ mm}$
Field of View on Low Power	$4\text{ mm}$	$5.5\text{ mm}$	$4.5\text{ mm}$
Field of View on Medium Power	$1.6\text{ mm}$	$2.2\text{ mm}$	$1.8\text{ mm}$
Field of View on High Power	$0.4\text{ mm}$	$0.55\text{ mm}$	$0.45\text{ mm}$

7) Estimate the size of the following. Eyepieces A, B, and C can be found in the previous question.

a. A cell that takes up 1/5 of a field of view on medium power with Eyepiece C.

$$fov = \frac{fn}{mag} = \frac{18mm}{10} = 1.8mm \quad | \quad 1.8mm \times \frac{1}{5} = 0.36mm$$

b. A hair that takes up 1/3 of a field of view on high power with Eyepiece B.

$$fov = \frac{fn}{mag} = \frac{22mm}{40} = 0.55mm \quad | \quad 0.55mm \times \frac{1}{3} = 0.18mm$$

8) A student is looking at a slide with onion epidermis cells. If there are 70 cells lined up along the middle of the field of view, and the field of view is 3500  $\mu m$ , what is the length of an average cell?

$$3500\mu m \times \frac{1}{70} = 50\mu m$$

### Drawing Magnification

9) An amoeba on a mural is drawn to be 1.7 m in length. If the drawing magnification is 1800x, what is the actual size of the amoeba in mm? In  $\mu m$ ? In nm?

$$D = A \times M$$

$$A = \frac{D}{M} = \frac{1.7m}{1800} = 0.00094m \rightarrow 0.94mm \rightarrow 940\mu m \rightarrow 940,000nm$$

10) Suppose the actual height of the elephant pictured on your textbook cover is 3.3 m. What magnification was the elephant drawn at?

$$A = 3.3m \quad D = 20cm \quad M = ?$$

$$M = \frac{D}{A} = \frac{20cm}{3.3m} = \frac{0.2m}{3.3m} = 0.061 \times$$


*if the drawing is larger than the actual object, drawing magnification is greater than 1.  
if the drawing is smaller than the actual object, drawing magnification is less than 1.*

11) The HIV virus is round and measures 100 nm in diameter. Draw the HIV virus at a drawing magnification of 36,000 x. Label it with a horizontal, straight label.

$$A = 100nm \quad D = A \times M = 100nm \times 36000 = 3600000nm$$

$$M = 36000 \quad \text{Convert to mm: } (3600000nm) \left( \frac{mm}{1000000nm} \right) = 3.6mm$$

### Mixing Things Up

 HIV virus (magnified 36,000x)

12)

a. To the right is a drawing of plant cells viewed under a compound microscope. Estimate the actual size of one plant cell in the image, assuming it is viewed under low power using an eyepiece with a field number of 20 mm. Show all your work.

$$fov = \frac{fn}{mag_{obj}} = \frac{20mm}{4} = 5mm$$

actual length =  $\left(\frac{1}{2.5}\right)(5mm) = 2mm$  *I estimated that approx. 2.5 of the plant cells would fit.*

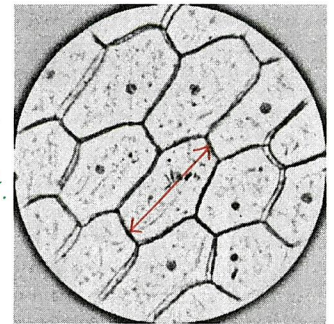
b. Suppose the actual width of one of the plant cells shown is 1.5 mm.

Calculate the magnification of the drawing.

$$A = 1.5mm \quad D = 8mm \quad M = ?$$

$$M = \frac{D}{A} = \frac{8mm}{1.5mm} = 5.3 \times$$

$$D = 8mm$$



13) A microscope's objective lenses have the following magnification values: 5x on low, 15x on medium, 50x on high. The field of view under low power is 7 mm. Determine the field of view of this microscope under medium power, in both mm and  $\mu m$ .

$$fov = \frac{fn}{mag_{obj}}$$

$$fn = fov \times mag = (7mm)(5) = 35mm$$

$$fov = \frac{fn}{mag_{obj}} = \frac{35mm}{15} = 2.3mm$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$2300\mu m$$

14) A specimen is 40  $\mu m$  long. The specimen fits across the field of view 10 times under high power. Calculate the field diameter of this microscope.

$$fov = 10 \times 40\mu m = 400\mu m$$

$$fn = fov \times mag = 400\mu m \times 40 = 16000\mu m \rightarrow 16mm$$