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SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE SCANNING

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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO0115193A1] The present invention provides a scanning confocal microscope image detection system having a simple and inexpensive objective lens (115) and a high acceleration/high speed voice coil driven translation system (15). The objective lens provides high light collection efficiency at low cost. The voice coil provides improved acceleration for fast scanning of at least one axis (scanning direction; fast scan axis) of a polymer array (9) that can be used effectively with the inexpensive objective lens having high light collection efficiency. In one embodiment the translation stage (15) includes a voice coil (2), a linear slide (10), and a light weight bracket (4) connecting the voice coil to the linear slide. The bracket is rigid and designed to support a polymer array (9) to be scanned or a turning prism (22) and objective lens (23). Thus, the present invention provides systems and methods for high speed low cost scanning of, for example, polymer arrays, i.e., high performance cost effective polymer array scanning using a voice coil driven translation stage.

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