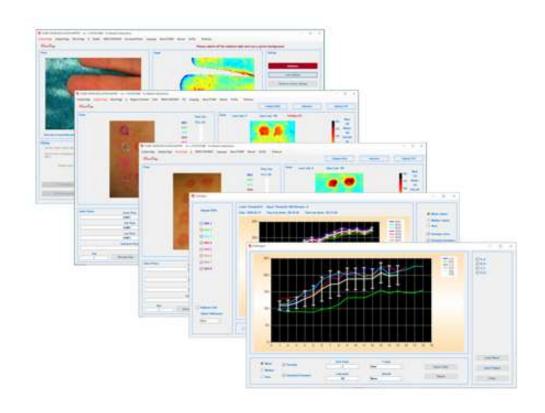
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TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager Manual

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INTRODUCTION

The *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* is a polarisation spectroscopy imaging system intended for investigation of skin and other tissue microcirculation in research applications. More precisely it can be used for quantification of *erythema* and *blanching* in irritation grading, assessment of microvascular effects of vaso-active substances topically applied to the skin as well as in the validation of skin care products and pharmaceuticals with respect to *safety* and *efficacy*. Its use is not restricted to investigation of the skin - it is useful in tissue microvascular research in general.

The *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* is further suitable for the study of the microcirculation of objects in motion, because the recorded images are not affected by movement artefacts.

After recording videos or a sequence of photos, these are converted to Tissue Viability (TiVi) images depicting high-resolution colour coded maps of the microcirculation. By capturing the separate photos from which the TiVi-images are generated at a rapid rate, both a high temporal and spatial resolution is simultaneously attained. The TiVi camera can be attached to a table mounted stand or hold by hand, when capturing the photos or videos (Fig 1), and controlled by the system software in which case the photos and videos are streamed to the hard drive or used as a stand-alone camera operating disconnected from the computer temporarily storing photos and videos in the camera SD-card.



Fig 1. The *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* camera device attached to a table mounted stand.

The *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* software flow chart is shown in Fig.2. Parameters for capturing of photos and videos are set by the controls in the *Camera Page*. In the *Analysis Page*, sequences of photos are displayed, and the corresponding TiVi-Images are generated

and analysed. Regions of Interest ('ROIs') are drawn for calculation of local average TiVivalues. In the *Movie Page*, individual TiVi-images can be compiled to videos, showing a time compressed version of microvascular events following stimulation of the tissue microvascular network.

Average TiVi-values from individual 'ROIs' are exported to the *TiVi Chart* window in which a diagram shows the time course of the average TiVi-values of individual 'ROIs'. In the *TiVi Project* window, the average curves from single *TiVi Charts* – each representing the results from a single test subject – are displayed.

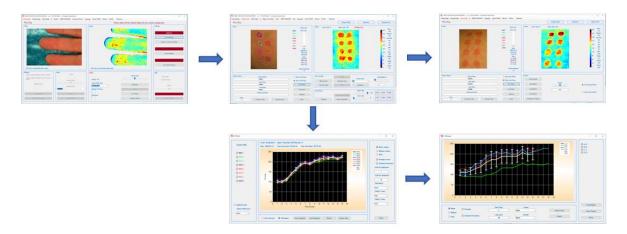


Fig 2. The *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* software flowchart (Upper left: *Camera Page*; Upper middle: *Analysis Page*: Upper right: *Movie Page*; Lower left: *TiVi Chart* window; Lower Right: *TiVi Project* window)

An optional camera zoom-in lens (*TiVi Magnifier* lens) can be attached to the camera housing to produce photos and images of a resolution of about 5 micro-meters per pixel.

A variety of optional software toolboxes for analysis of skin parameters such as pigmentation, wrinkles, sweat gland activity, stubble elements and colour alterations can optionally be used for further analysis of photos captured by the *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager*.

GUIDANCE

This manual

This manual describes all features and functions of the *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* camera and software. This manual can be used as an on-line manual on the computer screen or printed out as a hard copy (recommended) provided a pdf-reader is installed. When used as an on-line manual, different topics can be easily found by using the search tool in the ADOBE pdf-reader.

The DEMO ASSISTANT

The DEMO ASSISTANT can be used as an interactive tool that guides the user step-by-step in using many different functions and features of the *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager*. The DEMO ASSISTANT is opened by clicking DEMO ASSISTANT in the pull-down menu and selecting the topic of interest.

Tooltips

Each button is equipped with a tooltip that explains the function of the actual button. The tooltip function can be activated or deactivated by clicking *Tooltip* in the pull-down menu.

TiVi700 CAMFRA

Operating principle

TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager is a versatile technology intended for mapping the tissue microcirculation [O'DOHERTY, J., HENRICSON, J., ANDERSON, C., LEAHY, M, NILSSON, G and SJOBERG, F. Sub-epidermal Imaging using Polarized Light Spectroscopy for Assessment of Skin Microcirculation. Skin Research and Technology 2007, 13; 472-484].

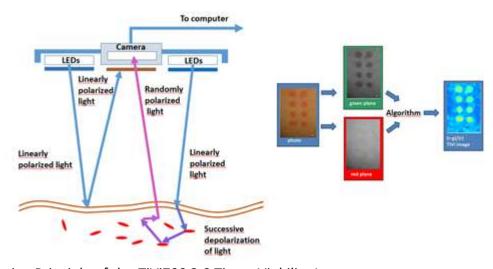


Fig 3.Operating Principle of the TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager.

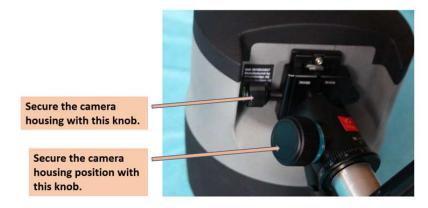
In the TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager, linearly polarized white light from white light emitting diodes (LEDs) illuminates the tissue surface under investigation. A digital camera equipped with polarizing filters captures individual photos or video clips. The light illuminating the skin is partially reflected both in the skin surface and within the upper layer of the epidermis, as well as partially scattered in a diffuse manner into the deeper dermal layers where the microvascular network resides. The light directly reflected from both the surface and near-surface layers of the skin preserves its linear polarization, while the light diffusely scattered in the deeper dermal layers quickly becomes randomly polarized. The directly reflected light approaching the camera is effectively blocked by a polarizing filter with a polarization direction in a plane perpendicular to that of the linearly polarized light produced by the LEDs Illuminator. A portion of the diffuse, randomly polarized light is backscattered from within the deeper dermal layers, passes through the filter and finally reaches the detector. The resulting "sub-epidermal" image gives the impression that the camera can "see beneath" the top layer of the skin and probe the microvascular network. The polarizing filters on the camera lens and LED light source are set to operate in crosspolarized mode.

The green component of the backscattered randomly polarized light reaching the camera detector array is attenuated to an extent determined by the relative presence of RBCs in the

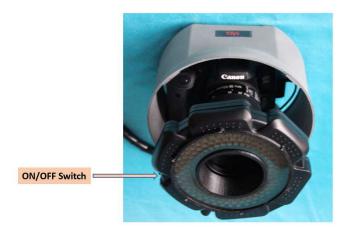
scattering volume, while the red component of the light is virtually unaffected due to its low absorption rate in RBCs. In contrast to what is the case with the RBCs in the skin microvascular network, the surrounding tissue absorbs both green and red light to approximately the same extent. After capturing a colour photo (or a frame in a video clip), the *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* system software divides the image into discreet red, blue, and green matrices. A software algorithm subtracts the colour value of each picture element within the normalized green colour matrix from the colour value of the corresponding picture element within the red colour matrix. These calculations result in the generation of a pseudo-colour output matrix (TiVi-Image) which is displayed on a PC monitor or a tablet computer screen, effectively mapping the local RBC concentration. In contrast to what is the case with methods based on the detection of time-variable phase factors (*Laser Doppler Imaging* and the *Laser Speckle* devices), the *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* is not affected by movement artefacts. It is therefore also well suited also for assessment of the microcirculation in moving tissues.

Setting up the TiVi camera

- 1. Attach the stand to a table.
- 2. Attach the camera housing to the swivel and secure it with the front know.



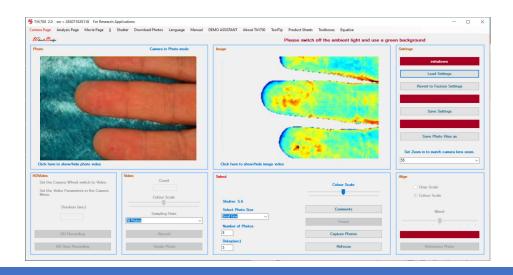
- 3. After tilting the camera housing secure the position of the camera housing using the large knob.
- 4. Connect the three cables to the respective power supplies and a computer USB port.
- 5. If the Illuminator is not in the ON state, flip the Illuminator switch.



6. Adjust the arm so the bottom of the camera housing is positioned about 10 - 20 cm above the table. Place a green coloured background on the table below the camera housing.



- 7. Switch on the computer and start the TiVi700 program by clicking on its icon on the desktop.
- 8. Switch off or dim the ambient light in the room and place your hand on the green background. Move your hand and watch the photo video and the image video, the latter displaying the local concentration of RBCs in the skin.



Camera Settings

1. The black top cover and the lower black protection shield are attached to the middle section of the camera housing by super-magnets. Remove these top and bottom covers of the camera housing to get access to the camera controls.

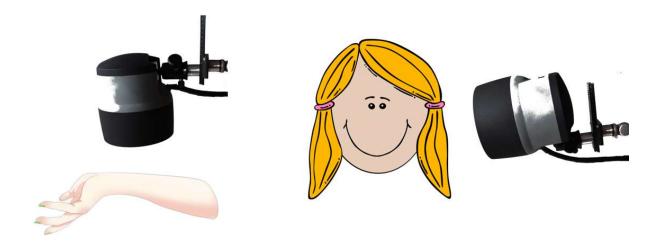




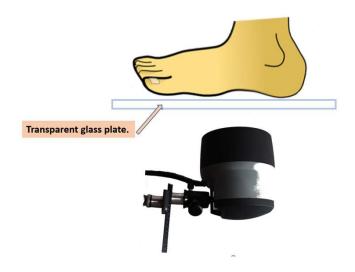




- 2. The camera switch can be set to ON or OFF (if the camera does not work check this setting). The camera switch is set to HD video when a HD video is to be captured and stored on the camera SD card.
- 3. The camera wheel should always be set to "Av".
- 4. The camera is normally set to "AF" (autofocus) to make it automatically focus on the object. If there is little contrast in the photo (such as in a uniformly coloured background or skin), autofocus does not work well try to set this switch to MF (manual focus) to operate with a fixed focal distance.
- 5. Turn the lens to alter zoom in and out. This feature is not controllable from the software.



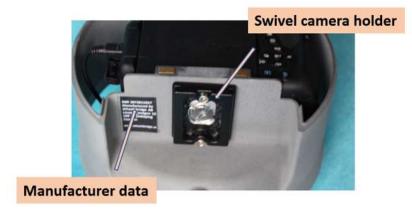
Positioning the camera for top view photos (left), side view photos (right) or bottom view photos (through a transparent glass plate) (below).



Operating the camera disconnected from the computer

In some applications it is convenient to operate the camera remotely and disconnected from the computer and power supplies. To operate the camera in stand-alone mode, proceed as follows:

- 1. Remove the black top and bottom parts of the camera housing.
- 2. Detach the camera from the stand.
- 3. Remove the swivel camera holder to release the camera.



- 4. Disconnect the computer USB cable, the Illuminator cable and the Canon DC coupler located inside the camera housing after opening the DC coupler door.
- 5. Insert a charged camera battery in the camera housing Canon DC coupler cavity and close the DC coupler door.
- 6. Insert 6 x 1.5 V (rechargeable) batteries in the cavities on the rear side of the Illuminator.
- 7. Switch on the Illuminator using the switch on the side of the Illuminator and switch on the camera by setting the camera switch to ON.
- 8. The camera is now ready for photo capturing. Capture a new photo by pressing the shutter button on the front of the camera housing. New photos are saved on the camera SD card.
- 9. If these photos are to be analysed using the TiVi700 software, the photos must be downloaded to the computer by selecting *Download Photos* in the *Camera Page*. Observe that photos saved on the camera SD-card must be downloaded before new photos are captured using the controls on the *Camera Page* in the TiVi700 software.

Illuminator options



Left: Illuminator front side with 160 LEDs and polarising filter, Centre: Illuminator rear side with a second fixed polarising filter in the centre set to operate in cross-polarised mode (standard) and Right: Illuminator rear side with a second polarising filter that can be set to operate in either cross- or co-polarised mode - red clamp around the magnet = cross-polarised mode; black clamp around the magnet = co-polarised mode (optional).

The TiVi Magnifier

The TiVi Magnifier lens (optional) is to be used when photos of high spatial resolution (better than 5 micro-meters per pixels) are to be captured.



1. First remove the standard Illuminator from the camera housing by pressing the black button at the camera housing while turning the Illuminator.

- 2. Attach the TiVi Magnifier lens by pressing the black button at the camera housing while sliding the lens in place (bayonet coupling). The white dot on the lens should match the position of the white spot on the camera housing.
- 3. Connect the TiVi Magnifier lens to the 12V power supply. The LED ring inside the TiVi Magnifier lens should now emit white light.
- 4. Set the TiVi Magnifier lens to operate in cross- or co-polarised mode by turning the frontal end of the lens. When the red indicator pin is touching the metallic super magnet, the system is set to operate in cross-polarised mode.
- 5. When capturing photos or videos, the objects should be in contact with the front end of the lens.
- 6. If the photo cannot be focused automatically when operating it in autofocus mode, try focusing manually be setting the switch on the lens to MF (manual focus) and turn the lens manually.

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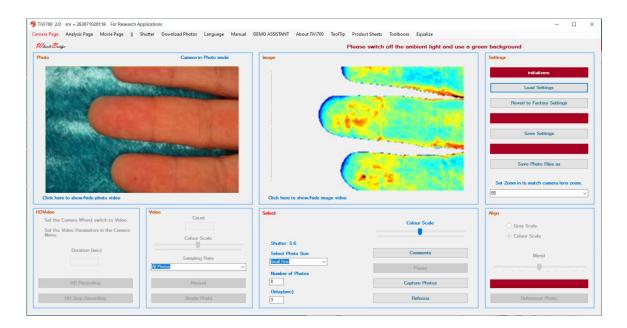
TiVi700 File names convention

- 1. A TiVi700 file name is composed of a *Prefix* determined by the user and a minus sign followed by a number automatically set by the system.
- 2. A Prefix must start with a letter.
- 3. A *Prefix* may be a combination of letters and numbers.
- 4. A Prefix must not include a minus-sign.
- 5. If e.g. the files A-0001, A-0002 and A-0003 exist and the user selects a *Prefix* 'A' for the next photo to be captured, this will automatically be named A-0004.
- 6. When the user selects the file name of the first file to be uploaded, the system automatically calculates the minimal step and the name of the last photo file in the sequence.

TiVi700 window

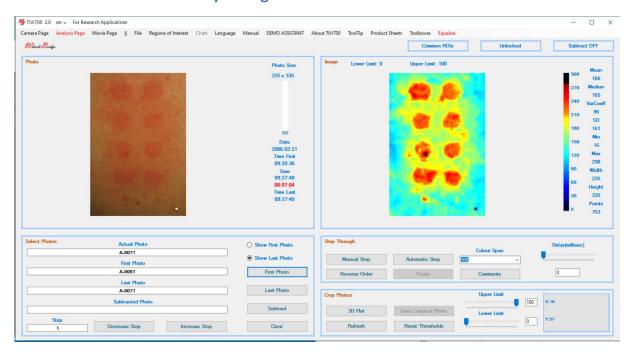
The main *TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager* window includes 3 pages (*Camera, Analysis* and *Movie Page*).

TiVi700 Main window: Camera Page



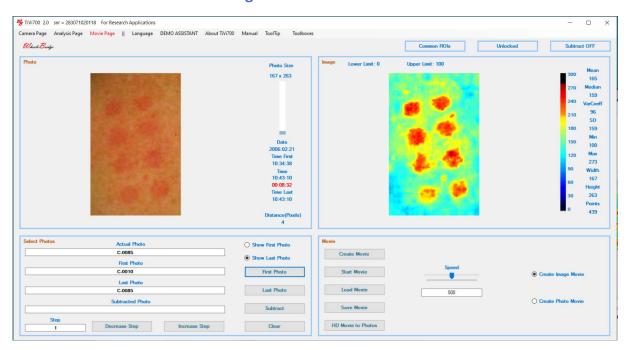
Camera Page – this page is used for capturing new photos and videos as well as for aligning new photos to a reference photo and setting various parameters.

TiVi700 Main window: Analysis Page



Analysis Page – this page is used for uploading a sequence of photos for analysis and for converting these photos to TiVi-images. 'ROIs' are drawn directly in the photo and the average TiVi-values within the 'ROIs' are used for further analysis.

TiVi700 Main window: Movie Page



Movie Page – this page is used for creating and playing TiVi-Image video clips generated from a sequence of photos and for splitting up a HD video into separate photo files for further analysis.

TiVi Chart window



TiVi Chart - this window displays the average TiVi-values within selected 'ROIs' of the different photos in the sequence for a single test subject.

TiVi Project window



TiVi Project – this window displays - in a single diagram - the average TiVi-value curves generated in the different *TiVi Charts*, each curve representing a single test subject.

Toolboxes (optional)

The following (optional) toolboxes can be installed for specific applications:

TiVi60 Skin Damage Visualizer – for investigation of skin vascular damage caused by aggressive chemicals and vibrating tools.

TiVi70 Skin Colour Tracker – displays alterations in skin appearance by tracking colour changes over time.

TiVi80 Spot Analyzer - observer-independent assessment of spot erythema intensity and extension.

TiVi90 Wrinkle Analyzer – analysis of critical wrinkle parameters.

TiVi95 Surface Analyzer – analysis of critical surface parameters.

TiVi97 Pigment Analyzer – analysis of skin pigmentation.

TiVi98 Microstructure Analyzer – analysis of hair and other small objects.

TiVi101 Sweat Gland activity Analyzer – analysis of sweat gland discharge.

TiVi102 Nevus Analyzer – analysis of nevus lesions core parameters.

TiVi103 Wound Analyzer – analysis of wounds and the tissue repair processes.

TiVi104 Stubble Analyzer – analysis of stubble elements and microcirculation.

TiVi106 Oxygen Mapper – analysis of trends in tissue oxy- and deoxy-hemoglobin.

Most toolboxes are equipped with library functions and trend monitors.

All calculated parameters and data can be exported to other software packages such as Excel® for further analysis.

Main window

Menus (general)

Camera Page – click to display the Camera Page.

In the Camera Page new photos and videos are captured and displayed.

Analysis Page – click to display the *Analysis Page*.

In the *Analysis Page* a sequence of existing photos can be uploaded and analysed. *Regions of Interest* ('ROIs') can be set and displayed.

Movie Page – click to display the *Movie Page*.

In the *Movie Page* video-clips can be created from a sequence of photos or alternatively recorded HD video-clips can be split into individual frames and stored as photos for further analysis.

DEMO ASSISTANT– displays the *DEMO ASSISTANT*.

The *DEMO ASSISTANT* is an interactive step-by-step guidance for using different features of the *TiVi 700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager*.

Voice: Yes - if synthetic voice is to be used in the DEMO ASSISTANT.

Voice: No - if synthetic voice is to be muted.

DEMO ASSISTANT shows how to use the *DEMOASSISTANT*.

TiVi File Names – shows filename conventions.

Loading Photos – shows how to load photos.

Crop Save – shows how to crop and save photos.

Thresholding – shows how to use threshold in images.

Movies - shows how to create and show a video-clip.

Image Subtraction – shows how to subtract a selected image from the other images.

ROI Managements: **Draw ROIs** shows how to generate and show 'ROIs'.

ROI Managements: Delete ROIs shows how to delete a 'ROI'.

ROI Managements: Move ROIs shows how to move a 'ROI'.

ROI Managements: Stretch ROIs shows how to stretch a 'ROI'.

ROI Managements: Set ROI Parameters shows how to set ROI parameters manually.

ROI Managements: Save Load Parameters shows how to save and load 'ROIs' to file.

Chart – shows how to generate TiVi curves in a *TiVi Chart*.

Project – shows how to generate a *TiVi Project* diagram based on average *TiVi curves*.

Capture Photos: Capture shows how to capture a selected number of photos.

Capture Photos: **Video** shows how to capture and save frames from a video as photos.

Capture Photos: HD Video shows how to record a HD video.

Capture Photos: **Align** shows how align new photos to a reference photo.

Language - selects working language.

TiVi700 2.0 Tissue Viability Imager supports the Chinese, English, French, German and Japanese language.

Voice Control – select if voice control of the photos and videos capturing process is to be employed (only operational if the English-US language engine is installed).

. **On** – click if voice control is to be used. *Voice Control* label is displayed in red colour.

Off – click if voice control is not to be used. *Voice Control* label is displayed in black colour.

Information: click to open the *Information* window which displays which voice commands to use. Click the *Play*-buttons to listen to the commands.

Voice control can be used for starting and stopping photo capturing and video recording without clicking any control buttons. Voice control works best in a noise-free environment to avoid unintentional start and stop of capturing and recording processes. When not in use click the **Voice Control: Off** button.

About TiVi700 – displays version and release date.

Manual – displays this online manual.

This manual is printed as a pdf-document and stored in the TiVi700 → Manual folder. This manual can be printed out using a printer (recommended).

Equalizer – displays the online *Equalizer Appendix*.

Tooltips – selects if tooltips are to be displayed.

Show – displays tooltips when hoovering the mouse over a button.

Hide – click to hide tooltips from being displayed.

Toolboxes – click to open the toolbox selector. The toolboxes utilize code from the high-level language *MATLAB* and clicking this button first opens the *MATLAB* library (displaying a black command window) before the *Toolbox* selection window is opened.

ProductSheet – to display the TiVi700 2.0 Product Sheet.

Equalize – the equalizer is used to brighten the somewhat darker corners (as compared to the centre) of a photo. Equalizing a photo is particularly import when a large field of view is set by turning the camera zoom lens to a value of 24 or 35, as compared to a small field of view set by turning the camera zoom lens to a value of 55. If the Equalizer is activated, an equalized sequence of photos is created immediately after termination of a photo capturing process, a video process or the conversion of an HD video to separate photos. The names of the equalized photos are the same as the name of the basic photo with the additional prefix "_eq" added to the original prefix of the name. The equalizing process is running on a separate thread implying that other features of the TiVi700 software can be used simultaneously with running the equalizing process. The elapsed time for equalizing a photo depends on its size. A large photo takes about 30 seconds to equalize while photos of medium and small sizes take about 20 and 10 seconds respectively. For the equalizer to operate accurately, the "Set Zoom in to match camera lens zoom" combo-box <u>must</u> be set in accordance with the camera lens zoom value, manually set by turning the lens.

The best result is generally attained if the camera lens is set to 55 (small field of view). The actual area included in a photo can be extended or reduced by increasing or decreasing the distance between the camera and the object.

When the equalizing process is running, an indicator is displayed above the TiVi-image in the Image panel, showing the progress of the process. The "Stop" button to the right of the indicator can be used to prematurely terminate the equalizing process.

Yes - Equalizer is activated.

No - Equalizer is de-activated

Menus (Camera Page only)

Cameras supported – lists the cameras supported.

Shutter – selects camera shutter.

A low camera shutter value results in a short shutter opening time reducing the adverse effects of movement artefacts when capturing photos. A high camera shutter value results in a longer shutter opening time thereby increasing the focal length (the distances at which good focus can be attained).

Download Photos- to download photos directly from off-line camera.

Photos can be captured with the camera disconnected from the computer and power supply (storing the photos in the camera SD-card and operating the camera on the re-chargeable battery). By also operating the Illuminator using six rechargeable batteries, the camera with Illuminator is fully disconnected from the power supplies

and the computer. New photos are captured by use of the camera shutter button. Photos stored in the SD card to be analysed by the TiVi700 system, must be downloaded using the *Download Photos* button in the *Camera Page* pulldown-menu after connecting the camera to the computer via the USB-cable. This process will tag the photos as TiVi-photos recognized by the TiVi700 software. Observe that the camera needs to be connected to the computer before starting the TiVi700 software.

Menus (Analysis Page only)

Regions of Interest: When a 'ROI' is drawn in the photo the name of the 'ROI' is displayed in the upper left corner of the 'ROI' and to the right of the photo. This name can be altered by using the **Name ROIs** feature (see below). The dot in the lower right corner of the 'ROI' is used for stretching the 'ROI'. A maximum of 12 'ROIs' can be drawn.

Regions of Interest: Rectangular ROIs - to select rectangular 'ROIs'.

Regions of Interest: Elliptical ROIs - to select elliptical 'ROIs'.

Regions of Interest: Freehand ROIs - to select freehand 'ROIs'.

Regions of Interest: Common ROIs - to make the 'ROIs' setup identical in all photos.

Regions of Interest: **Just this ROI** - to move this 'ROI' in just this photo.

Upload a photo sequence and draw some 'ROIs'. Click the **Manual Step** button several times (or insert the file name in the *Actual Photo* textbox) to go to the selected photo in the sequence. Then click the *Just this photo* in the *Regions of Interest* pull-down menu. Finally move one of the 'ROIs' to a new location within the photo by 1) pointing at the centre of the 'ROI' (the hand pointer is displayed), 2) press the left mouse button and move the mouse pointer with the mouse button pressed and 3) release the mouse button. Click the *Automatic Step* button to watch the result.

Regions of Interest: All upcoming ROI - to move this 'ROI' in all remaining photos.

Upload a photo sequence and draw some 'ROIs'. Click the **Manual Step** button several times (or insert the file name in the *Actual Photo* textbox) to go to the selected photo in the sequence. Then click the *All upcoming Photos* in the *Regions of Interest* pull-down menu. Finally move the 'ROI' to a new location within the photo by 1) pointing at the centre of the 'ROI' (the hand pointer is displayed), 2) press the left mouse button and move the mouse pointer with the mouse button pressed and 3) release the mouse button. Click the *Automatic Step* button to watch the result.

Regions of Interest: **Lock on white spot** - to lock the 'ROI' setup to the white spot in all photos.

This feature works only on a sequence of photos with a white spot included somewhere in the photo. Place a small (3x 3 mm) white piece of paper on the object

before photo capturing or video recording or insert a white spot manually in each photo using the window under **File: Add White Marker.** Verify that this marker is the only white spot in the photo. First click *Show First Photo* radio-button and draw some 'ROIs' in the vicinity of the white mark in the first photo. Then click **Regions of Interest: Lock on white spot.** The TiVi700 system will now scan through the photo sequence locking the 'ROIs' to the white spot. Verify that all 'ROIs' are inside the photo. When clicking the **Automatic Step** button, the 'ROIs' drawn in the first photo are displayed locked to the white spot. This feature is useful when analysing photos captured from objects in motion, locking the 'ROIs' to the moving object.

Regions of Interest: Adjust ROIs - to set the 'ROIs' to the same size as the selected 'ROI'.

Click the **Regions of Interest**: **Adjust ROIs** to open the *AdjustROIs* window. Select the 'ROI' to which the shape of the other 'ROIs' is to be adjusted. Click the OK button.

Regions of Interest: Set ROI Coordinates - to set the coordinates of the 'ROIs' manually.

Click the **Regions of Interest**: **Set ROI Coordinates** to open the *SetROIs* window. Select the 'ROI' which shape is to be set manually. Set the coordinates of the 'ROI' corners by inserting values in the four text boxes. Click the OK button.

Regions of Interest: Name ROIs - to give each 'ROI' a specific name.

Click the **Regions of Interest**: **Name ROIs** to open the *ROINaming* window. Insert names in the 'ROI' text box to be renamed. In this window the size of the 'ROI' text (*Small Text, Medium Text* or *Large Text*) as well as the line width (*Narrow Line, Medium Line* or *Large Text*) can also be set. Click the OK button to accept the inserted values and close the *ROINaming* window.

Regions of Interest: Remove Selected Areas - to make the selected areas look like background in the images.

Draw some 'ROIs' in the photo displayed. Select **Regions of Interest**: **Remove Selected Areas.** The system will now scan through the photos in the sequence, insert a green area in the 'ROIs' and save these new photos in a folder named *xx-sub*. Navigate to this folder and double-click the first photo file. The new photos with green areas within the 'ROIs' are now displayed. In the corresponding TiVi-Image, the green areas in the photo corresponds to a grey (background) area. This feature is useful if any areas of the photo (such as reddening due to an injection trauma) are to be removed in the TiVi-Image.

File: Open a TiVi Chart - to open an existing *TiVi Chart*.

Click **File: Open a TiVi Chart.** In the *Open File Dialog* window select the *TiVi Chart* in which curves corresponding to the TiVi values within 'ROIs' are displayed.

File: Project: New Project - to open a new TiVi Project.

Click **File: Project: New Project** button to open a new *TiVi Project* window into which average TiVi curves in different *TiVi Charts* can be uploaded. Up to 20 different curves can be uploaded into a *TiVi Project*.

File: Project: Open a TiVi Project - to open an existing TiVi Project.

Click the **File: Project: Open a TiVi Project.** In the *Open File Dialog* window select an existing *TiVi Project* window into which average TiVi curves from different *TiVi Charts* can be uploaded. Up to 20 different curves can be uploaded into a *TiVi Project*.

File: Save As - to save the photos under a new name.

Click the **File: Save As** button to save the sequence of photos under a new name in a separate folder. This feature is useful if the filename (after multiple analysis processes) becomes long.

File: Load ROIs - to load a saved set of 'ROIs'.

Clicking the **File: Load ROIs** button opens an *Open File Dialog* window. Navigate to the folder in which the saved 'ROIs' file is stored and double click on the file to draw the saved 'ROIs' in the photo.

File: Save ROIs - to save the present set of 'ROIs'.

Clicking the **File: Save ROIs** button opens the *Save File Dialog* window. Insert a name and click the *Save* button to save the current set of 'ROIs' as drawn in the actual photo.

File: Add White Marker – opens the *Add White Marker* window.

If no white marker is already added to the photos captured of objects in motion, the *White Marker* window can be used to add white markers manually so the photos can be analysed using adaptable 'ROIs'.

Click the **File:** Add White Marker button to open the *White Marker* window. Click the *First Photo* button to open the *Open File Dialog* window. Double-click a photo file to insert this file as the first photo. The system will automatically identify the first and last photo as well as the step in the photo sequence. Optionally, the last photo in the uploaded sequence can be selected by clicking the *Last Photo* button. Click the *Show First Photo* radio-button to display the first photo. Click at the spot in the photo where the white spot is to be inserted, verified by a click sound. The system automatically moves to the next photo in the sequence. Repeat the procedure until all photos in the sequence are marked, indicated by a window verifying that the procedure is done. The marked photo files are now saved in a subfolder named *xx_marked* and these marked files can now be used for analysis in the TiVi700 software.

File: Reduce Photo Size - to reduce the size (in pixels) of the photos in a sequence. This feature is helpful when working with many and large photos files. By reducing the size of the photos, the analysis time can be significantly reduced.

File: Export: Image-All Images – exports basic TiVi values to a spreadsheet for all images.

Clicking this button opens the *Save File Dialog* window. Navigate to the target folder and insert a name under which the individual TiVi values are to be saved as part of a spreadsheet. This spreadsheet can be opened by LIBRE office or MS EXCEL.

File: Export: Image-Just This – exports basic TiVi values to a spreadsheet for just this image.

Clicking this button opens the *Save File Dialog* window. Navigate to the target folder and insert a name under which the individual TiVi values are to be saved as part of a spreadsheet. This spreadsheet can be opened by LIBRE office or MS EXCEL.

Camera Page

HDVideo panel

HDVideo panel – click somewhere in the panel to activate *HD video* and make it ready for *HD video* recording. Set the wheel on the camera housing to video.

Duration – insert the duration (in seconds) to determine the length of the video to be stored on the SD-card in the camera.

Setting the duration automatically stops *HD Video* recording after the duration time expires. If the duration textbox is left empty the *HD Video* recording stops by clicking the *HD Stop Recording* button.

HD Recording – click to start the recording of the *HD video*. The number of frames per second is about 45 and the size of each frame is by defaults 1280 x 720.

When *HD video* recording is started, the duration is continuously displayed in the *Duration* text box.

When the recording is finished, a *Save File Dialog* window will open. Insert the name of the *HD video* file to be saved and klick OK. The *HD video* will now be saved to file under the name selected. <u>Terminate the *HD video* session by setting the wheel on the camera housing to "ON".</u>

HD Stop Recording – click to stop the recording of the *HD video*.

When the recording is finished, a *Save File Dialog* window will open. Insert the name of the *HD video* file to be saved and klick OK. The *HD video* will now be saved to file under the name selected. Terminate the *HD video* session by setting the wheel on the camera housing to "ON".

Video panel

Video panel - click somewhere in the panel to activate the *Video* mode and make it ready for *video* recording saving the frames as individual photo files.

Colour Scale trackbar- move the slider until the image colours reach a desired target value.

The image colours displayed do not influence the recorded TiVi values. The image colours can be set to produce the best visual representation of the TiVi-Image.

Sampling Rate – select either All Photos (about 10 photos per second), every second, forth, eight or 16th photo.

Setting the *sampling rate* to a lower value makes it possible to record a video as individual photo files over a longer time without filling up too much of the disk space with many photo files. Setting the *sampling rate* to a higher value makes it possible to record a shorter video clip with higher temporal resolution. Settings *sampling rate* to All Photos generates about 600 photos per minute, while setting *sampling rate* to Every 16th photo generates about 35 photos per minute.

Record – when clicking this button, the frames are streamed to the hard-drive and saved as individual photo files, provided a file name has been inserted by clicking the *Save Photo File* as button. To stop the recording again click the same button (now named *Stop Recording*). The number of photos files saved is indicated in the *Count* textbox.

Single Photo button – to capture and save a single frame in the video as a photo file.

Select panel

Select panel - click somewhere in the panel to activate the *Select Capture* mode.

Colour Scale trackbar- move the slider until the image colours reach a desired target value.

The image colours displayed do not influence the recorded TiVi values. The image colours can be set to produce the best visual representation of the TiVi-Image.

Comment button – opens a window into which a text string can be inserted. This text string will be saved as meta-data with all photo files. The text string can be retrieved and edited when analysing the photos and images (see *Analysis Page*).

Select Photo Size – sets the size of the photo (in pixels) to either *Large Fine* (6000 x 4000 pixels, 9.4 MB), *Large Normal* (6000 x 4000 pixels, 8.1 MB), *Medium Fine* (3984 x 2656 pixels, 4.6 MB), *Medium Normal* (3984 x 2656 pixels, 4.0 MB), *Small Fine* (2976 x 1984 pixels, 2.9 MB), *Small Normal* (3984 x 2656 pixels, 2.4 MB).

A large photo size makes it possible to zoom in at a specific area with still good spatial resolution, while a small photo size speeds up the capturing and analysis process.

Number of Photos – insert the number of photos to be captured in the session.

The capturing process automatically stops when the set number of photos is reached. The capturing of new photos can be stop at any time by clicking the *Stop Capturing* button.

Delay(sec) – insert the delay time in seconds between two consecutive photos.

Large size photos can be captured at a minimum delay of 5 seconds, while medium size photos and small size photos can be captured at delays longer than 4 and 3 seconds respectively. In case photos need to be captured at a higher rate, instead record the photos as videos or HD videos.

Pause – double click this button to temporarily halt the capturing process.

Capture Photos – click to start the capturing process.

The capturing process can be terminated at any time by clicking this button again (now named *Stop Capturing*).

Refocus – click to refresh the focus.

Optionally if two cameras are connected:

Camera 1 radio-button – check to use camera 1.

Camera 2 radio-button – check to use camera 2.

Alternate radio-button – check to use camera 1 and camera 2 alternatively.

Align panel

Align panel - click somewhere in the panel to activate the *Align* mode. This feature is used to reach a good overlap between a reference photo and the photos to be captured.

Gray Scale radio-button – to display the reference photo in gray scale.

Colour Scale radio-button – to display the reference photo in colours.

Blend Trackbar – move this slider to change the mixture of the current photo displayed and reference photo. The mixed overlap photo is displayed in the photo panel.

Reference Photo button – click to open an *Open File Dialog* window from which the reference photo is selected.

The reference photo is displayed in the Image panel while the overlap photo is displayed in the photo panel.

Settings panel

Load Settings button – click this button to load an existing initializer file including information about *Language, Image Size, Shutter Setting, Number of Photos* to capture, *Delay, Voice Synthesis, Tooltip Settings* and *Voice Control* for capturing The file name is displayed in the text box above the button. These parameters are stored when the program is closed and automatically uploaded again when the program is re-started.

Revert to Factory Settings button – click this button to load the factory settings (of information parameters) from the *initializersFactory* file.

Save Settings button – click this button to save the present setting under a selected file name. To change the default settings (settings used at start up), double click the *initializers* file in the *Open File Dialog* window. The *initializersFactory* file cannot be overwritten.

Save Photo File as button – click this button to insert a file name (prefix) of the photo files to be saved to file. The system will automatically fill out the actual number of the photo file in the sequence.

Set Zoom in to match camera lens zoom combo-box – set to match the manual setting of the camera zoom lens. Matching this combo-box setting with the actual setting of the camera lens is of vital importance for the photo equalizing process to operate accurately.

Photo panel

Photo Panel: Click here to show / hide photo video – click this text string to show or hide the photo video.

Image panel

Image Panel: Click here to show / hide image video — click this text string to show or hide the image video. Hiding the image video when recording a video tends to increase the number of frames per second saved to file as photo files.

Analysis Page

Common ROIs info – displays information if all 'ROIs' are common to all photos or 'ROIs' are different for different photos in the sequence.

Locked info – displays information about if the 'ROIs' are locked to an adaptable anchor point (white spot) or fixed in relation to the photos.

Subtract – displays information about if the system is in subtract mode or default mode as set by the *Subtract* button.

Photo panel

Photo Size – shows the size of the displayed photo in pixels.

The bar below the *Photo Size* indicator displays the relative position of the present photo in the sequence.

Below the bar the capturing date and the time for the first, present and last photo file is displayed. This information is saved as meta-data when the photo is captured and cannot be altered. The elapsed time (from the first photo capturing time) is displayed in red colour.

When 'ROIs' are drawn in the photo, the distance (in pixels) from the upper left corner to the lower right corner of the 'ROI' is displayed. This information is useful for measuring the distance between two point (in pixels) in the photo.

All distances are displayed in terms of pixels. The TiVi system can, however, be calibrated by capturing a photo of a paper with squares (e.g. 5 mm x 5mm) to relate the mm-scale to pixels. Such a calibration procedure is valid only for the specific setting of the zoom lens and the camera – object distance.

When a 'ROI' is drawn, the name of the 'ROI' is displayed to the right of the photo. Clicking on this 'ROI' name displays the 'ROI' area in the Photo panel and the corresponding TiViimage area in the Image panel. The name of the displayed 'ROI' area is now printed in *italic style* letters. The parameters column at the rightmost part of the Image panel now represents the Image in the 'ROI' area. Clicking the (*italic style*) name of the 'ROI', again reverts to displaying the full photo and image.

'ROIs' can also be drawn in the TiVi-image but the 'ROIs' are always displayed in the photo alone.

Image Panel

The *Upper* and *Lower Threshold* limits are displayed above the TiVi-Image.

When the mouse is hovered over the TiVi-image, the TiVi-value at the mouse pointer location is displayed in red colour.

The *Colour scale* is displayed to the right of the image with the numbers changing as the *Colour scale* is set in the *Colour Span* combo-box. Changing the *Colour Scale* does not alter the TiVi-values.

The rightmost column within the Image panel displays information about the mean value, median value, variation coefficient, standard deviation, minimum value, maximum value, width (in pixels), height (in pixels) and the number of points within set thresholds of the image displayed. The number of points constitutes a measure of the area within thresholds values (in pixels).

Select Photos Panel

Actual Photo textbox – displays the name of the photo currently displayed. The photo currently displayed can be altered manually to jump directly to a desired photo file in the sequence uploaded by inserting the name of the photo file in the *Actual Photo* textbox.

First Photo textbox – displays the name of the first photo in the sequence as selected by using the *First Photo* button.

Last Photo textbox – displays the name of the last photo in the sequence as selected by using the *Last Photo* button.

Subtracted Photo textbox – displays the name of the photo of which the corresponding image is subtracted from all the other images in the sequence pixel by pixel as selected by the *Subtract* button.

Show First Photo radio-button – click to display the first photo in the sequence.

Show Last Photo radio-button – click to display the last photo in the sequence.

First Photo button – click to select the first photo in the sequence to be uploaded. The last photo in the sequence and the sequence step is automatically identified. After selecting the first and last photo in the sequence by clicking this button, the last photo in the sequence is displayed.

Last Photo button – click to select the last photo in the sequence to be uploaded.

Subtract button – click to select the photo which corresponding image is to be subtracted from all the other images in the sequence pixel by pixel. This feature is useful when alteration from baseline is investigated. Positive differences in TiVi-values are displayed in colour, while negative differences are displayed in grey scale. The object must not move from one photo to another. To be used only for objects not in motion.

Step textbox – displays the actual step for the photos and images to be displayed.

Decrease Step – decreases the step.

Increase step – increases the step.

Clear – clears the photo and image picture boxes and makes the system ready for uploading a new photo sequence.

Step Through Panel

Manual Step button – click to step through the photos and images sequentially.

Reverse Order button – changes the order in which the photos and images are stepped through.

Automatic Step button - click to step through the photos and images automatically. Click the same button to stop the step through process (button now labelled *Stop*)

Pause button – double-click to temporarily halt the step through process. Click the OK button in the continue window to proceed.

Colour Span – select a number to alter the colour span of the images. Changing the colour span does not affect the calculated TiVi-values.

Comments button – click to edit or insert comments to the photo files. The comments are saved as meta-data to the photo files.

If comments were inserted at the capturing process, these comments are displayed in all photos in the sequence and can be edited using this *Comments* button in the Camera Page. If a comment is edit using the *Comments* button in Analysis Page, only the comment in the actual photo is altered.

Delay (milliseconds) – change the slider position or content of the associated text box to change the speed of the automatic step through procedure.

Crop Photos Panel

3D Plot – click to display the TiVi-image in 35 Plot. Place the mouse pointer on the image, press the left mouse button, and move the mouse to change the view angle.

Refresh button – click to delete all 'ROIs' and display the full photo and image.

Save Cropped Photo – click to save a sequence of photos cropped to the selected 'ROI' size.

When a 'ROI' area is displayed clicking this button opens a *Save File Dialog*. Navigate to the target folder and insert a file name. When the OK button is clicked the cropped areas of all photos and the sequence are saved to file. This feature is useful as the initial step in the image analysis process by cropping out only the section of the photos that are of interest in the analysis. By opening this sequence of photos using the *First Photo* button, a sequence of cropped photos of smaller size with

information of interest can be used as the new original photos thereby speeding up the image analysis process.

Reset Thresholds – click to reset the thresholds and update the TiV Image.

Upper Limit slider or text-box – drag this slider or insert a value (between 0 and 100) in the textbox to alter the upper limit threshold. Pixels with TiVi-values above set *Upper Threshold* are replaced by the corresponding photo pixels.

Lower Limit slider or text-box – drag this slider or insert a value (between 0 and 100) in the textbox to alter the lower limit threshold. Pixels with TiVi-values below set *Lower Threshold* are replaced by the corresponding photo pixels.

Coordinate panel – displays the coordinates of the current 'ROI'.

ROI Management (in the Photo)

Draw a ROI – draw a new 'ROI' by first placing the mouse pointer at the upper left corner of the 'ROI' to be drawn. Hold down the left mouse button while moving the mouse pointer to a new position. Release the mouse button. A new 'ROI' is now drawn, and the name of this 'ROI' is displayed to the right of the photo. Clicking this 'ROI' text displays the' ROI' part of the photo in the photo panel, updates the image and recalculates the image data. Clicking the 'ROI' text again brings back the original photo with 'ROIs' drawn. 'ROIs' of the same size can be positioned in the original photo by clicking somewhere in the photo without moving the mouse pointer. Up to twelve 'ROIs' can be drawn. 'ROIs' can also be drawn in the TiViimage but the 'ROIs' are always displayed n the photo.

Delete a ROI – to delete a 'ROI', move the mouse pointer to the centre of the 'ROI'. The arrow-shaped mouse pointer will now be replaced by a hand-shaped mouse pointer. Click the left mouse button without moving the mouse. A window is now displayed prompting the user to confirm the delete action. After deleting a 'ROI', the remaining 'ROIs' are re-named and re-coloured.

Move a ROI – to move a 'ROI', move the mouse pointer to the centre of the 'ROI'. Hold down the left mouse button while moving the mouse pointer to a new position. Release the mouse button. The 'ROI' is now moved to the new position.

Stretch a ROI – place the mouse pointer at the lower right corner of the 'ROI' (indicated by a dot). The mouse pointer turns into a cross-shape pointer. Hold down the left mouse button while moving the mouse pointer to a new position. Release the mouse button. The 'ROI' will now appear as a stretched 'ROI'. Apply both *Stretch a* 'ROI' and *Move a* 'ROI' to change the shape of the 'ROI' and move it to a new position.

If one or more 'ROIs' already are drawn in the photo, a new 'ROI' of the same size as the first 'ROI' can be placed in the photo simply by pointing at a pixel in the photo and clicking the

left mouse button without moving the 'ROI', where the centre of the new 'ROI' is to be positioned.

Movie Page

Movie Panel

Create Movie – click to create a videoclip from the uploaded sequence of photos or images.

If the create image movie radio-button is checked, a TiVi-Image video clip will be generated, while if the create photo movie radio-button is checked, a photo video clip will be generated.

Start Movie – click to display a created or uploaded video clip.

The video-clip is displayed in the Image panel (for Image Movie created) or in the Photo panel (for Photo Movie created). The playback velocity can be modified by setting the *Speed* at generation of the video clip.

Load Movie – click to load a video-clip from file.

Save Movie – click to save a created video clip.

The saved video clip can be played back in the *Windows* video player or inserted in a *Power Point* presentation.

HD Movie to Photos – click to load a HD movie from file and split if up into individual frames to be saved as photo files.

After splitting up a HD movie into separate photo files, these files can be analysed as ordinary photo files in the *Analysis Page* or *Movie Page*.

Speed trackbar – sets the speed by which the video clip is played back.

Create image movie radio-button – click this radio-button to create an image video clip.

Create photo movie radio-button – click this radio-button to create a photo video clip.

Chart window

The *TiVi Chart* window includes a diagram displaying the average TiVi-values within the 'ROIs' of all images in the photo sequence, thus displaying the time course of the development of *erythema* and *blanching*.

Display ROIs - ROYx checkbox – check to include the curve corresponding to average TiVivalues within 'ROIx'.

Display ROIs - Subtract first checkbox – check to subtract the first TiVi-value of each curve from the remaining TiVi-values of the same curve (the resulting curve displays alterations from baseline).

Display ROIs - **Select Reference combo box** – select a curve to be subtracted from all the remaining curves (the selected curve generally represents a reference substance applied to a normal skin test site).

By subtracting a reference curve (representing TiVi -values of normal skin throughout the different photos in the sequence) from all the other curves (representing TiVi-values of skin areas onto which an vaso-active substance is topically applied), overall changes in skin microcirculation throughout the entire experiment can be compensated for. In addition, if the first TiVi-value is subtracted, the baseline variability at different skin sites may also be compensated for. The remaining curves thus uniquely represent alterations in skin microcirculation caused by the substance under test.

First and last radio-button – click to display just the first and last point of the curves.

Use this feature to display just the baseline and the end point TiVi-values.

All images radio-button – click to display the full curves.

Save diagram button – click to save the current diagram (*TiVi Chart*) under a user defined name.

A saved diagram (*TiVi Chart*) can be re-loaded for further analysis or loaded into a *TiVi Project* for analysis of average TiVi curves from different *TiVi Charts* representing different test subjects.

Load diagram button – click to load an existing diagram (*TiVi Chart*) and display it in the chart window.

Report button – click to generate a printable report (as pdf-document).

Export Data button – click to generate a report as a spreadsheet (readable by e.g. MS EXCEL® or LIBRE Office).

Mean values radio-button – click to display the mean TiVi-values.

Median values radio-button – click to display the median TiVi-values.

Area radio-button – click to display the areas of the patches as set by the lower and upper threshold trackbars.

Use this feature in combination with threshold settings to display the extent of erythema areas.

Average curve check-box – check to display the averages of the curves displayed.

This average curve can be exported to a *TiVi Project* to display how different test subjects react to a specific vaso-active substance systemically administrated or topically applied to the skin.

Standard deviation check-box – check to display the standard deviation of the curves displayed.

First file displayed textbox – insert a value to define the start point of the curves displayed.

Last file displayed textbox – insert a value to define the end point of the curves displayed.

Use the First and Last File displayed textboxes to zoom in and focus on a specific section of a curve.

Smoothing combo box – select *None, Minor* or *Major* to smooth the curves to different degrees.

Select Y-axis combo box – select the maximum value of the Y-axis.

This feature is useful if many *TiVi-charts* are displayed and compared.

Select X-axis combo box – select photo number or elapsed time.

By using photo number, the distance between two consecutive points along the x-axis are equidistant. If elapsed time is used the distance between two consecutive points along the x-aces is determined by the actual capturing time.

Close button – click to close the chart window.

Project window

An existing or a new *TiVi Project* is opened from the *File* pull-down menu in the TiVi700 main window.

Load object button – click to load an object (average TiVi-value curve from a *TiVi Chart*). Up to 20 objects can be loaded.

When a new object is loaded a corresponding checkbox is displayed. Unchecking the checkbox temporarily hides the corresponding curve. Checking the checkbox again displays the curve. To permanently remove a curve point at its label, press the left mouse button and drag the mouse downwards. When the mouse button is released a window prompting the user to determine if the corresponding curve is to be permanently removed.

Save project button – click to save the current *TiVi Project* under a user selected name.

This *TiVi Project* can be opened again for further editing and addition of new average TiVi-curves.

Close button – click to close the *TiVi Project* window.

Mean radio-button – click to display the mean values of the average TiVi-value curves from the different *TiVi Charts* (generally different test subjects).

Median radio-button – click to display the median values of the TiVi-value curves from the different charts (generally different test subjects).

Area radio-button – click to display the areas of the patches corresponding to the TiVi-value curves from the different charts (generally different test subjects). Works in combination with threshold settings.

Average check-box – check to display the average curve of the individual curves displayed.

Standard deviation check-box – check to display the standard deviations of the average curve.

First point textbox – insert a value to define the start point of the curves displayed.

Last point textbox – insert a value to define the end point of the curves displayed.

Use First and Last point to zoom-in on a section of interest of the displayed curve.

Y-axes textbox – insert a value to define the highest value of the y-axes. Selecting *Auto* adapts the y-axes to the curves.

Smooth textbox – select *None, Minor* or *Major* to set the smoothing of the curves displayed.

Report button – click to generate a printable report (as pdf-document).

Export Data button – click to generate a report as a spreadsheet (readable by e.g. MS EXCEL or LIBRE Office).

Reduce Photo Size window

In this window the size (in pixels) of the photos can be reduced by a scale factor 2, 4 or 8. This feature is useful when working with many and large photo files. By reducing the photo size, the analysis time is significantly reduced.

Reduction Factor – select a reduction factor (2, 4 or 8) by which the size of the photo is to be reduced.

Reduce Photos – click this button to start the photo reduction process after selecting a name for the folder in which the reduced photos are to be saved.

First Photo button – click to select the first photo in the sequence to be uploaded. The last photo in the sequence and the sequence step is automatically detected. After selecting the first and last photo in the sequence by clicking this button, the first photo in the sequence is displayed.

Last Photo button – click to select the last photo in the sequence to be uploaded.

Show First Photo radio-button – click to display the first photo in the sequence.

Show Last Photo radio-button – click to display the last photo in the sequence.

Close button – click to close the window.

Actual Photo textbox – displays the name of the photo currently displayed.

First Photo textbox – displays the name of the first photo in the sequence as selected by using the *First Photo* button.

Last Photo textbox – displays the name of the last photo in the sequence as selected by using the *Last Photo* button.

Photo Size – the size of the displayed photo in pixels.

The bar below the *Photo Size* indicator displays the relative position of the present photo in the sequence.

Below the bar the capturing date and the time for the first, present and last photo file is displayed. This information is saved as meta-data when the photo is captured and cannot be altered.

Add white marker window

In this window a white marker can be added manually by clicking somewhere in the photos with the mouse pointer. When a marker is positioned in a photo, the next photo in the sequence is automatically uploaded and the process proceeds. This is used to identify an anchor point to which the 'ROIs' can be locked when photos have been captured from an object in motion.

Automatic marking – if there is a white marker attach to the skin when the photos are captured, this feature can be used to automatically amplify the white colour of this maker and optimize its size. After clicking this button, insert a name of a folder into which the resulting photos are to be saved. When clicking the Save button the white marker generation process starts.

First Photo button – click to select the first photo in the sequence to be uploaded. The last photo in the sequence and the sequence step is automatically detected. After selecting the first and last photo in the sequence by clicking this button, the first photo in the sequence is displayed.

Last Photo button – click to select the last photo in the sequence to be uploaded.

Show First Photo radio-button – click to display the first photo in the sequence.

Show Last Photo radio-button – click to display the last photo in the sequence.

Close button – click to close the window.

Actual Photo textbox – displays the name of the photo currently displayed.

First Photo textbox – displays the name of the first photo in the sequence as selected by using the *First Photo* button.

Last Photo textbox – displays the name of the last photo in the sequence as selected by using the *Last Photo* button.

Photo Size – the size of the displayed photo in pixels.

The bar below the *Photo Size* indicator displays the relative position of the present photo in the sequence.

Below the bar the capturing date and the time for the first, present and last photo file is displayed. This information is saved as meta-data when the photo is captured and cannot be altered.

Adjust ROIs window

This window is used for adjusting the size of all 'ROIs' to the selected 'ROI'.

Select ROI combo box – select the 'ROI' to which size all the other 'ROIs' are adjusted.

OK button – click to accept the selection.

Cancel button – click to cancel the selection.

Set ROI Coordinates window

This window is used to manually set the coordinates of a selected 'ROI'.

Select ROI combo box – select the 'ROI' the coordinates of which are to be altered.

X upper left textbox – insert the new x upper left coordinate of the 'ROI'.

Y upper left textbox – insert the new y upper left coordinate of the 'ROI'.

X lower right textbox – insert the new x lower right coordinate of the 'ROI'.

Y lower right textbox – insert the new y lower right coordinate of the 'ROI'.

OK button – click to accept the selection.

Cancel button – click to cancel the selection.

Name ROIs window

This window is used for renaming the individual 'ROIs', alter the text size and linewidth.

ROIx textbox – insert the name of the 'ROI'. This name will appear in upper left corner of each 'ROI' and in the *TiVi Chart*.

Small text radio-button – click to set the text size to small.

Medium text radio-button – click to set the text size to medium.

Large text radio-button – click to set the text size to large.

Narrow line radio-button – click to set 'ROI' border line width to narrow.

Medium line radio-button – click to set 'ROI' border line width to medium.

Wide line radio-button – click to set 'ROI' border line width to wide.

OK button – click to accept the selection.

Cancel button – click to cancel the selection.

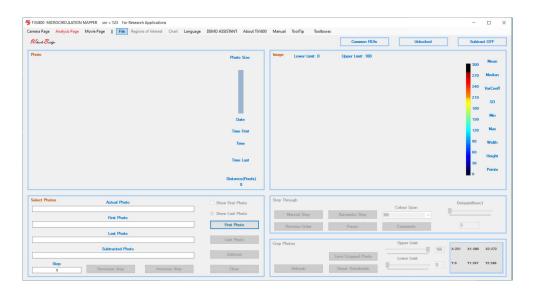
HOW TO USE THE TIVI700 TISSUE VIABILITY IMAGER

In this section numerous full analysis scenarios are presented on how to analyse photos and videos recorded by TiVi700. Demonstration photos are stored in the folder named *'TiViDemonstration'* located in *'Program Files (x86): Wheelsbridge: TiVi700: TiVi700: TiVi700: TiVi700: TiVi700Demonstration'*.

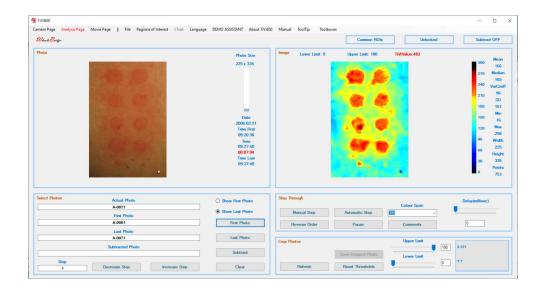
Analysis of erythema caused by methyl nicotinate topically applied to the skin

Sequences of photo files captured from the skin of different test subjects to which methyl nicotinate has been topically applied using *Finn Chambers®* patch testing to produce erythema are used in this session. Typically, methyl nicotinate produces skin erythema that peeks after about ten minutes. After another ten minutes the erythema fades causing recorded TiVi values to return to baseline.

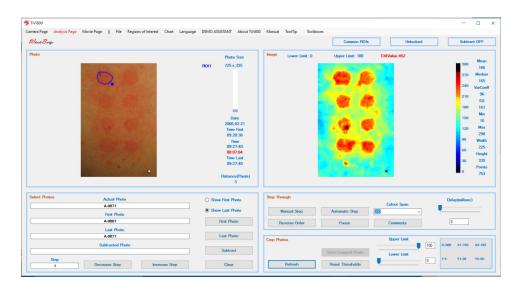
1. Start the TiVi700 program by clicking the TiVi700 2.0 icon on the desktop. Select the *Analysis Page*.



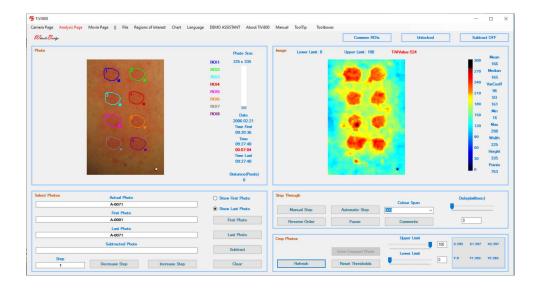
2. Click the 'First Photo' button to open the Open Dialog window. Navigate to the Program '(x86): Wheelsbridge: TiVi700 2.0: TiVi700: TiVi700demonstratio: MN DATA'. Double click the 'A-0001' photo file. This file is now uploaded. The last photo file as well as the step in the photo file sequence are automatically detected. The last photo file name is 'A-0071'.



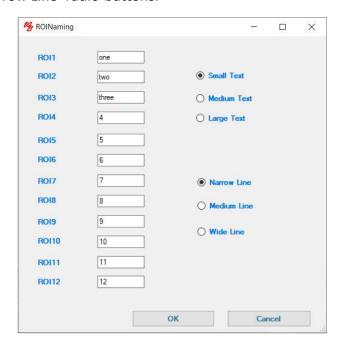
3. Select 'Freehand ROIs' from the 'Region of Interest' pull-down menu. Draw a 'ROI' around the upper left patch.



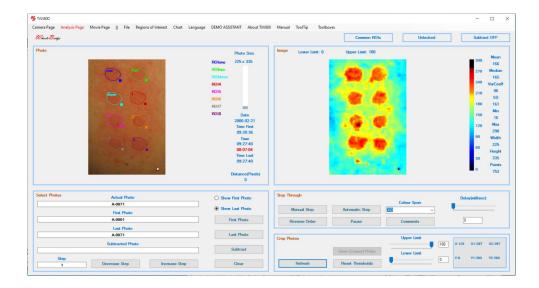
4. Click in the centre of the remaining patches while keeping the mouse still to generate seven more 'ROIs'.



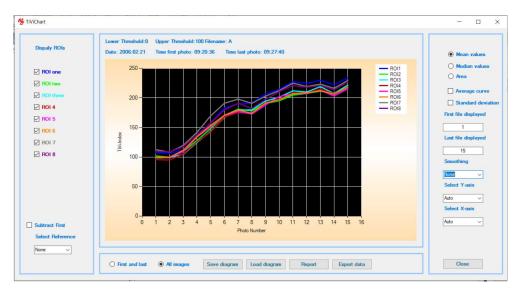
5. Select 'Name ROIs' from the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu. Insert 'one', 'two' and 'three' in the 'ROI1', 'ROI2' and 'ROI3' textboxes. Check the 'Small Text' and the 'Narrow Line' radio-buttons.



6. Click the 'OK' button. The Main window should now look like:



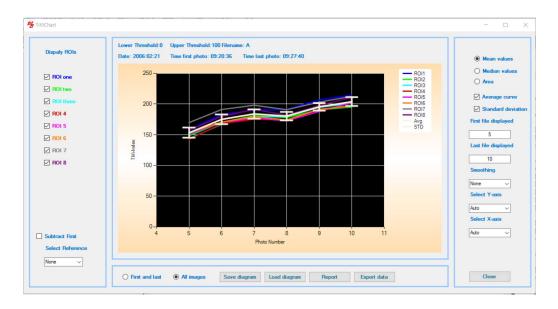
7. Click the 'Automatic Step' button to scan through the photos and images in the sequence. Then click 'Chart' I the pulldown menu to generate the chart showing the time course of the mean TiVi Values within the 'ROIs'.



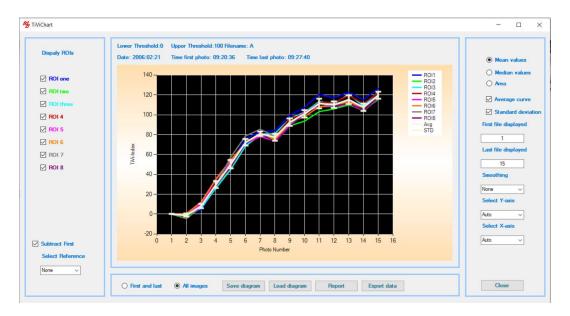
8. Check the 'Average curve' and the 'Standard deviation' checkboxes to display the mean values and the standard deviation of the curves displayed.



9. Set 'First file displayed' to 5 and 'Last file displayed' to 10 to zoom-in on the centre of the curve.



- 10. Set 'First file displayed' to 1 and 'Last file displayed' to 15 to display the entire curve again.
- 11. Uncheck and recheck the check-boxes in the 'Display ROIs' panel to remove and reinsert specific curves.
- 12. Check all the 'ROI' checkboxes again and then check the 'Subtract First' checkbox. All curves are now subtracted by the first point TiVi-value (baseline).



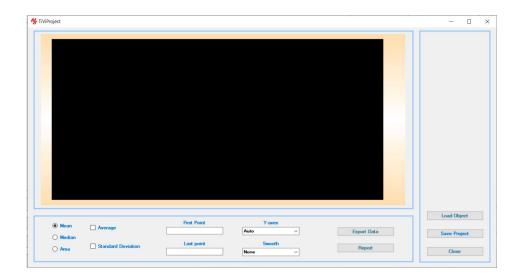
13. In the 'Select Reference' combo-box, select 'ROI2' (green curve). The 'ROI2' curve is now subtracted from all the other curves.



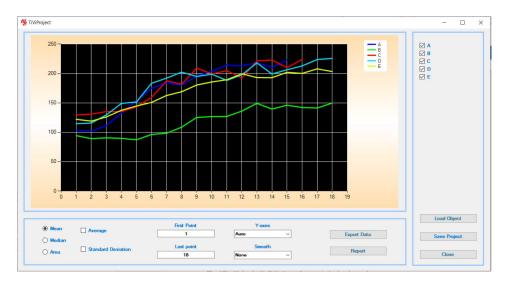
- 14. Uncheck the 'Subtract First' checkbox and select 'None' in the 'Select Reference' combo-box.
- 15. Click the 'Save Diagram' button to save the current chart. In the 'Save File Dialog' window, insert 'AA' and click the 'Save' button. The parameters of the chart are now saved as a text file under then name 'AA.dia'. This file can be uploaded into a 'Project' or opened as a chart using the 'Load diagram' button in the 'Project' window or the 'Open a TiVi Chart' in the 'Main' window pull-down menu.
- 16. To generate 'Chart' diagrams also for the files 'B-0013 B-0098', 'C-0010 C-0085', 'D-0010 D-0095' and 'E-0010 E-0085', repeat this procedure from point 2 to here (save

the chart files under the names 'BB', 'CC', 'DD' and 'EE'). This will generate the chart parameter dia-files 'BB', 'CC', 'DD', and 'EE' each representing a single test subject.

- 17. Click the 'Close' button to close the 'Chart' window.
- 18. In the 'Main' window, select 'File \rightarrow Project \rightarrow New Project' to open a new project.

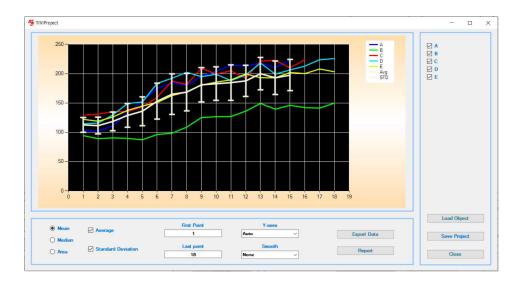


19. Click the 'Load Objects' button to open the 'Open File Dialog' window. Select the files 'AA', 'BB', 'CC', 'DD' and 'EE', while keeping the Ctrl-button on the computer keyboard pressed.



20. The curves displayed represent the average TiVi- value curves from five different test subjects. Check the 'Average' and the 'Standard Deviation' check-boxes to display the average curve with standard deviation.

- 21. Uncheck the checkbox 'BB' in the rightmost panel to remove this curve from the diagram.
- 22. Check the checkbox 'BB' again to bring this curve back to the diagram.

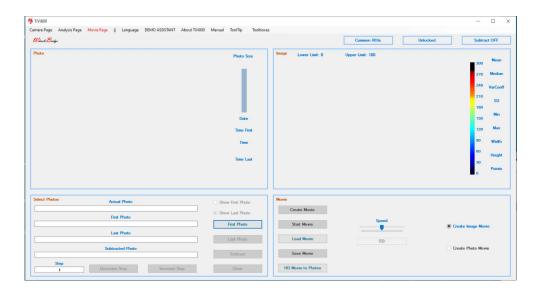


- 23. Click the 'Export Data' button to generate a spreadsheet readable by e.g. MS Excel.
- 24. Click the 'Report' button to generate a report (readable by a pdf-reader).
- 25. Click the 'Save Project' button to open a 'Save File Dialog' window and save the 'Project' window parameters.
- 26. Click the 'Close' button to close the 'Project' window.
- 27. In the 'Main' window 'Analysis Page', select the 'Fil: Project: Open a TiVi Project', to open the 'Open File Dialog' window. Select the project file just saved to open it again.
- 28. This completes the 'Analysis of erythema caused by methyl nicotinate topically applied to the skin' session.

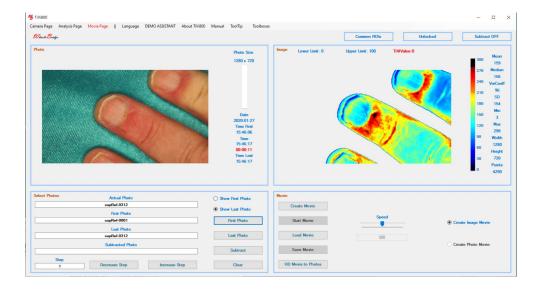
Analysis of capillary refilling recorded using HDVideo.

This session demonstrates how to analyse photo files recorded during capillary refilling after local occlusion of the microvascular network. Since the refilling of the skin capillaries takes place over a short time period (1- 2 seconds), an HD video is recorded from which the individual frames are extracted and saved as individual photo files. From these photo files an image video is generated which can be replayed inside the TiVi700 software or e.g. a *PowerPoint* presentation. The HD video file recorded is saved in the *'Capillary Refill'* folder.

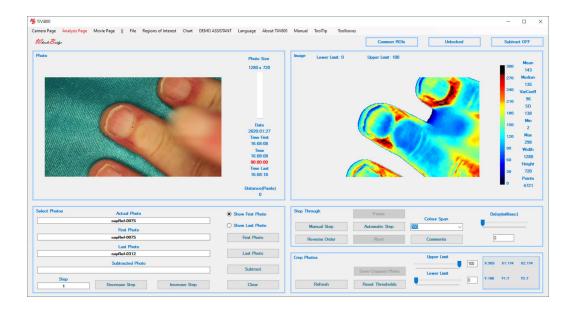
1. Start the TiVi700 program by clicking on the TiVi700 icon on the desktop. Select the *Movie Page*.



- 2. Click the 'HD Movie to Photos' button to open the 'Open File Dialog' window. Navigate to the Program '(x86): Wheelsbridge: TiVi700 2.0: TiVi700: TiVi700demonstration: Capillary Refill'. Double -click the 'capRefill' movie file. The 'capRefill' movie file is now opened and split up into individual photo files stored in the same directory under the names 'capRef-0001' to 'capRef-0220'.
- 3. Click the *'First Photo'* button and double-click the *'capRefil-0001'* file. The 'Main' window should no look like:



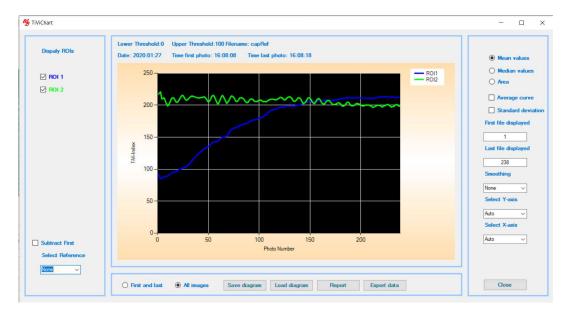
- 4. Click the 'Create Movie' button to generate the 'Image Movie' file. When the movie is created, click the 'Start Movie' button to play the video clip.
- 5. Click the 'Save Movie' button to open the 'Save File Dialog' window. Navigate to a folder into which the video clip is to be saved, insert a name and click the 'Save' button to save the video clip. This video clip can be replayed in the Windows movie player or inserted into e.g. a *PowerPoint* presentation.
- 6. Select 'Analysis Page' in the pull-down menu.
- 7. Click the 'First Photo' button and double-click the 'capRed-0075' file.
- 8. Click the 'Show First Photo' radio-button.



- 9. Select 'Elliptic ROIs' from the 'Regions of Interest' pull-down menu.
- 10. Draw two 'ROIs' in the photo like this:



11. Select 'Chart' from the pull-down menu to display the chart.



12. This completes the 'Analysis of capillary refilling recorded using HDVideo' demonstration

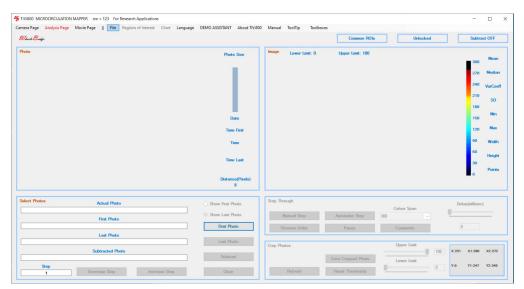
Analysing skin microcirculation in a moving object.

This session describes how to work with adaptable 'ROIs' to analyse the microcirculation in a moving object. A scenario in which a white marker has been attached to the skin before photo capturing is first addressed. Then it is demonstrated how 'ROIs' can be adapted by manually adding a white marker to the skin.

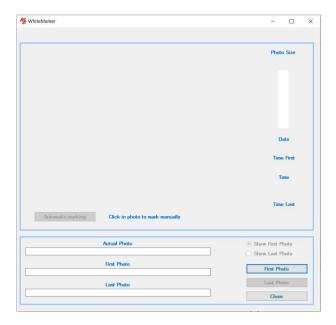
Recorded photo files named 'scratch-0001 – scratch-0050' with white markers are saved in the folder '(x86: Wheelsbridge: TiVi70: TiVi700 2.0: TiVi700demonstration: Scratch'.

Recorded photo files named *movingHand-0001 – movingHand-0050'* with white markers are saved in the folder '(x86): Wheelsbridge: TiVi700 2.0: TiVi700: TiVi700demonstration: Moving Objects'.

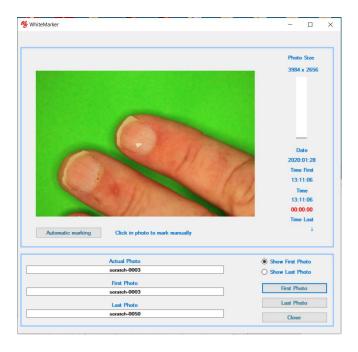
1. Start the TiVi700 program by clicking on the TiVi700 icon on the desktop. Select the *Analysis Page*.



2. Select 'Add White Marker' in the 'File' pulldown menu.

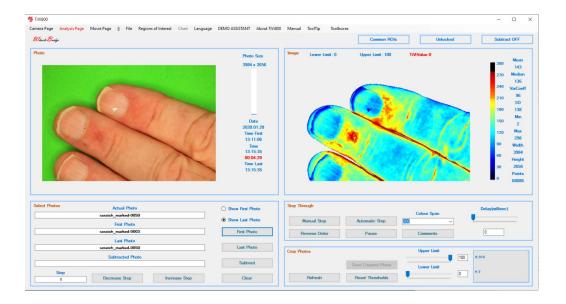


3. Click the 'First Photo' button to open the 'Open File Dialog' window. Navigate to the 'Scratch' folder and double-click the 'scratch-003' photo file.

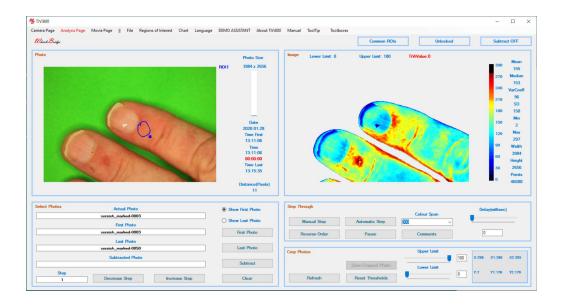


- 4. The white marker was placed on the nail of the point finger at photo capturing. Click the 'Automatic marking' button to open the 'Save File Dialog' window. Insert the text 'Myfolder' and click the 'Save' button. The system will now scan through the photos, check for the brightest point, automatically insert a bright white marker and save the marked photos in the folder named 'scratch_MyFolder_marked' under the file names 'scratch_marked-003, scratch_marked-0004' etc.
- 5. When all files are marked click the 'Close' button to close the 'WhiteMarker' window.

6. In the 'Analysis Page' in the 'Main' window, click the 'First Photo' button to open the 'Open File Dialog' window, navigate to the 'scratch_MyFolder_marked' and double-click the 'scratch_marked-003' photo file.

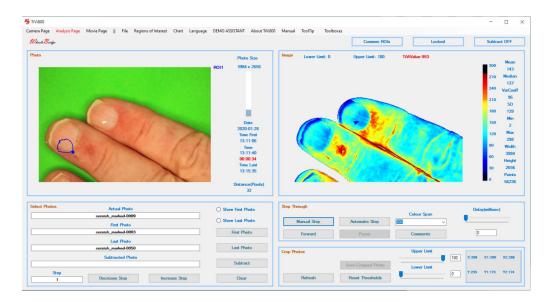


7. Observe the small bright white marker point added to the physical white paper marker. Check the 'Show First Photo' radio-button. In the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu, select the 'Freehand ROIs' option. Draw a freehand 'ROI' just proximal to the nail in the point finger.

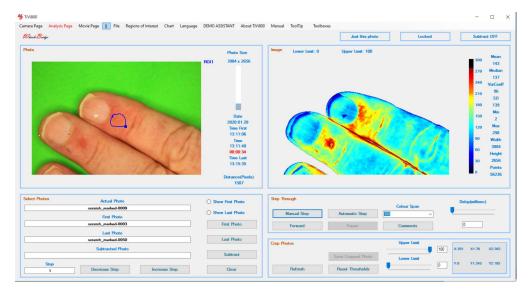


8. In the 'Region of Interest' pulldown menu, select the 'Lock to white spot' option and watch how the 'ROI' drawn locks to the white spot while the system scans through the photos in the sequence.

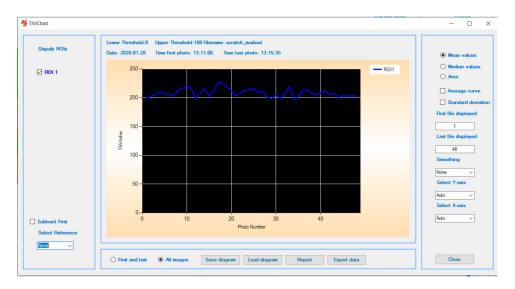
9. Click the 'Manual Step' button successively to inspect the positions of the 'ROI' while scanning through the photo sequence. At 'Actual Photo' named 'scratch_marked-0009', the 'ROI' is obviously misplaced due to an erroneous position of the white marker.



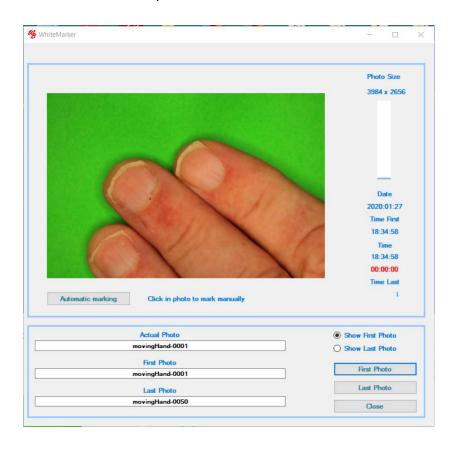
10. With the photo file 'scratch_marked-0009' displayed, select 'Just this photo' in the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu. Point at the centre of the 'ROI', press the mouse button and drag the 'ROI' to the position shown below.



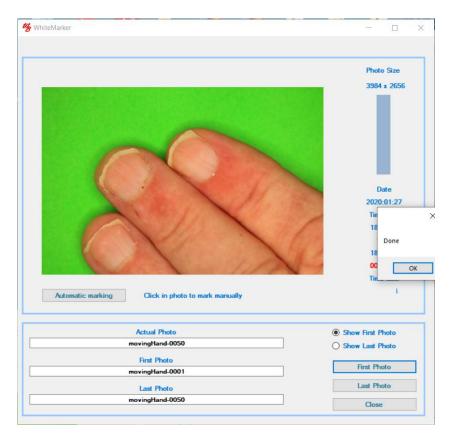
- 11. Click the 'Automatic Step' button to scan through all the photos and verify that the 'ROI' is in the correct place in all photos.
- 12. Click 'Chart' in the pull-down menu to display the chart.



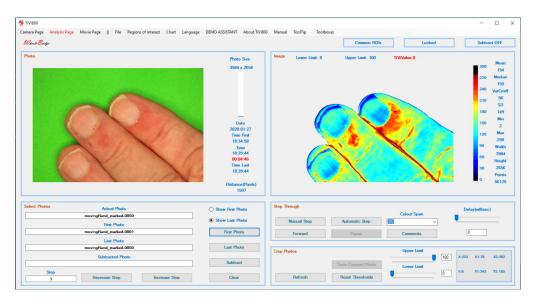
13. Close the 'Chart' window and select 'Add White Marker' from the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu. Click the 'First Photo' button to open the 'Open File Dialog' window. Navigate to the Moving Object folder and double-click the 'movingHand-001' photo file that does not include any white marker.



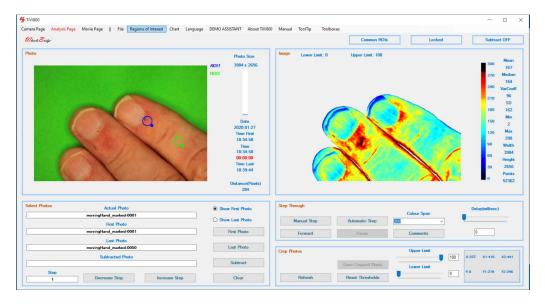
14. To place a white marker at the base of the nail of the finger, click at this point with the mouse pointer. At a click sound the bright white marker point is placed and displayed. The system then displays the next photo file in the sequence. Repeat the procedure with all photos until the 'Done' window is displayed. All photo files are now manually marked and displayed in the 'movingHand_marked' folder.



15. In the 'Analysis Page' in the 'Main' window, click the 'First Photo' button, navigate to the 'movingHandMarked' folder and double click the 'movingHand_marked-0001' photo file. Click the 'Show First Photo' radio-button to display the first photo in the sequence.



16. Select 'Elliptical ROIs' from the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu and draw two 'ROIs' in the photo.



- 17. Select 'Lock to white spot' in the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu.
- 18. Click 'Chart' in the pulldown menu.



- 19. Click the 'Close' button in the 'Chart' window.
- 20. This completes the 'Analysing skin microcirculation in a moving object' session.

Iontophoresis with an active and a reference electrode.

This session describes how to analyse a sequence of photos representing and iontophoresis experiment with one well with acetylcholine and one well with saline alone. 103 photos were captured with the delay set to 8 seconds and the photo size to 4128 x 2716 pixels, resulting in a total recording time of about 12 minutes.

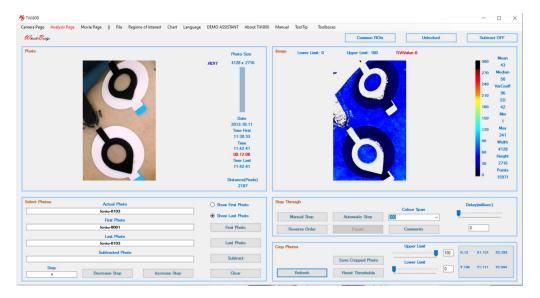
1. Navigate to the folder 'Program Files(x86): Wheelsbridge: TiVi700 2.0: TiVi700: TiVi700demonstration: Iontophoresis' and double-click the photo file named 'Ionto-0001'.



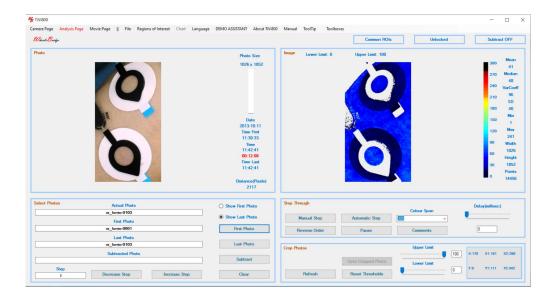
- 2. The lower (left) electrode is the active electrode with acetylcholine, while the upper (middle) well is the reference electrode.
- 3. Since the interesting part of the photo is the area of these two electrodes, start with drawing a rectangular 'ROI' including these two electrodes only.



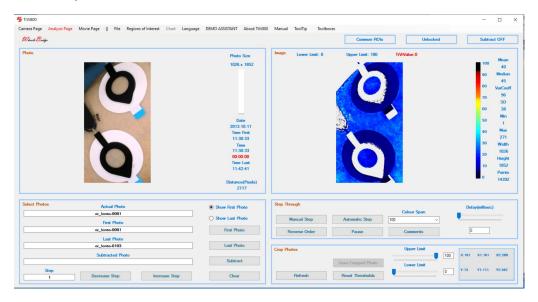
4. Click the 'ROI1' text next to the photo to display the 'ROI' are alone.



- 5. Click the 'Save Cropped Photo's button to open the 'Open Save Dialog' window.
- 6. Print 'cr_' in the filename textbox and click the 'Save' button.
- 7. Click the *'First Photo'* button, navigate to the *'cr_ionto'* folder and double click the cr_lonto-0001 photo file.



8. Observe that the cropped photos are now smaller and hence quicker to analyse. Set the 'Colour Span' to 100 and click the 'Show First Photo' radio-button.



9. The colour of the image is now approximately the same in the two electrodes, indicating that the baseline TiVi-values are about the same inside the two electrodes. Click the *'Show Last Photo'* radio-button to jump to the last photo of the sequence.



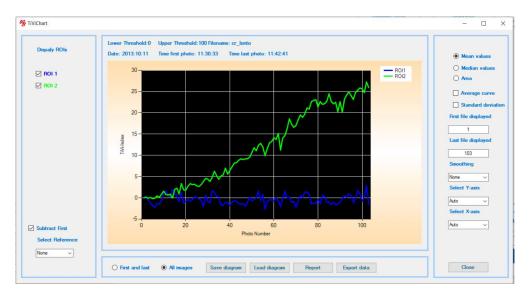
- 10. The colour of the image inside the lower electrode (with acetylcholine) is now indication a higher average TiVi-value as compared to the reference electrode (will saline alone).
- 11. Select 'Elliptical ROI' under the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu. Place 'ROIs' inside the electrodes.



12. Click the 'Automatic Step' button to scan through the photos and images to verify that the 'ROIs' are positioned inside the electrodes in all photos. Click 'Chart' in the pulldown menu to generate the chart.



13. In the chart the blue curve represents the average TiVi-values inside the reference electrode, while the green curve represents the average TiVi-values inside the active electrode. Check the 'Subtract First' to subtract the baseline value from both curves.



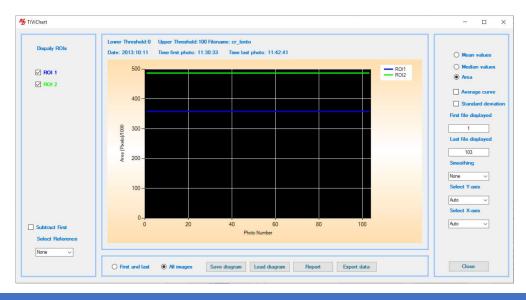
14. Set 'Select Reference' to 'ROI1' to subtract the reference electrode TiVi-values from the TiVi-values of the active electrode curve. The resulting curve represents the increase in number of red blood cells caused by the iontophoresis of acetylcholine.



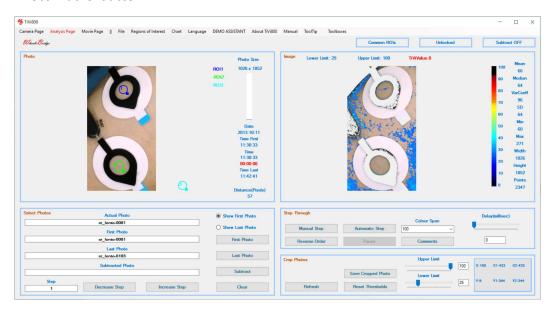
15. Set 'Smoothing' to 'Major' to smooth the curve.



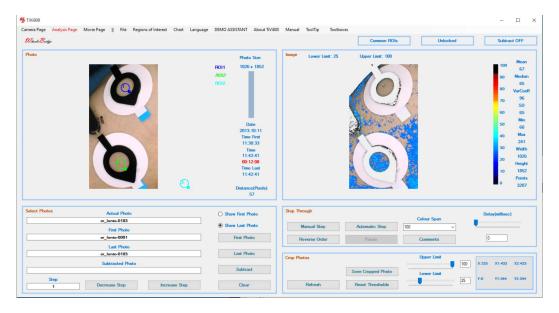
16. Click the 'Area' radio-button to display the areas of the TiVi-values above threshold inside the two 'ROIs'.



- 17. The two curves are flat because the areas are determined by the size of the 'ROIs' (in pixels). To investigate the extension of the erythema areas inside the electrode wells proceed as follows.
- 18. In the 'Main' window, set the 'Lower Limit' threshold to 25 and click the 'Show First Photo' radio-button.

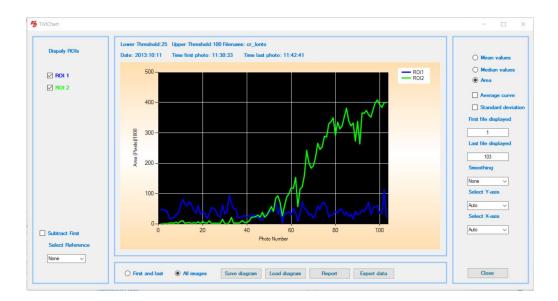


19. The TiVi image shows that there are only few pixels inside the electrode wells that have TiVi-values above the set 'Lower Limit' threshold. Click the 'Show Last Photo' radiobutton.

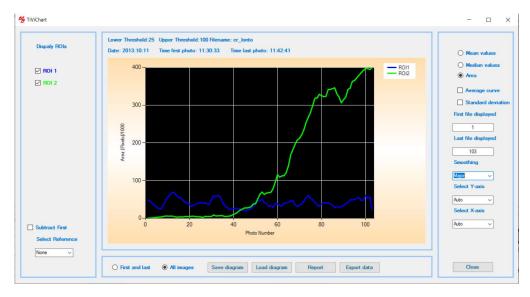


20. The last image in the sequence now displays a substantial number of pixels with TiVivalues above set threshold, while almost all TiVi-values within the reference electrode are still below threshold.

21. Click 'Chart' to generate a new chart based on the new settings of threshold. In the chart click the 'Area' radio-button to display the number of pixels with TiVi-values above set 'Lower Limit' threshold.



22. Select 'Major' in the 'Smoothing' combo-box.



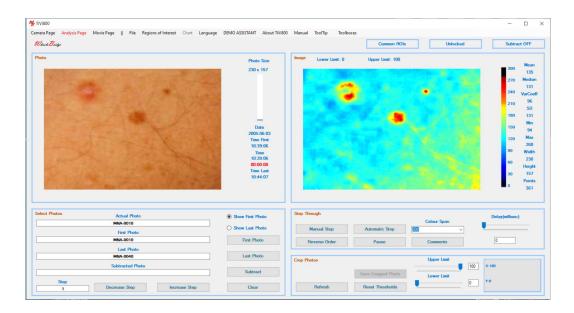
23. This completes the 'Iontophoresis of acetylcholine with active and reference electrode' session.

Influence of pigmentation on calculated TiVi-values.

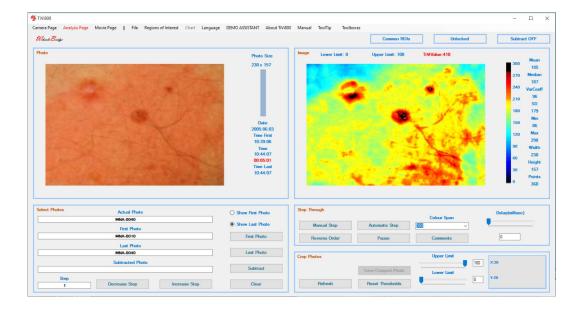
This session describes how different chromophores such as melanin (pigments) in addition to the haemoglobin molecules in the red blood cells influence the TiVi-values calculated.

A skin area with brown spots was exposed to topically applied methyl nicotinate. By investigating the erythema caused by the vaso-active substance in the brown spots and in normal skin in between the brown spots, the effect of melanin chromophores can be assessed.

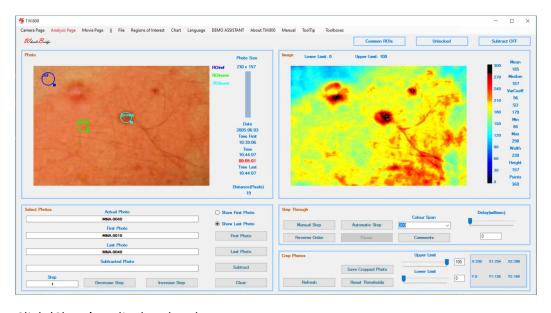
1. Navigate to the folder 'Program Files(x86): Wheelsbridge: TiVi700 2.0: TiVi700: TiVi700demonstration: BrownSpots' and double-click the photo file named 'MNA-0010'. Click the 'Show First Photo' radio-button.



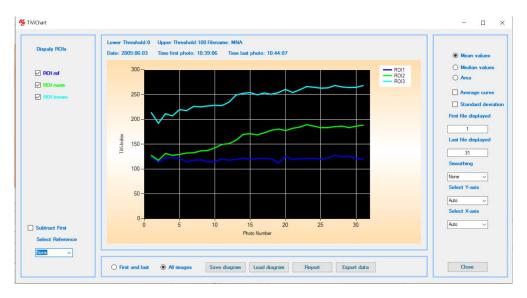
2. Click the 'Show Last Photo' radio-button to display the last photo and image in the sequence.



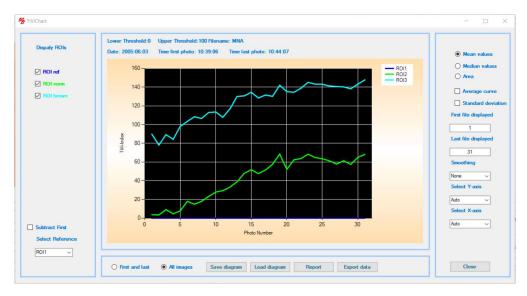
- 3. In the last photo the reddening of the skin is seen in the areas where the methyl nicotinate is applied. In the upper left corner is a skin area where no methyl nicotinate is applied which can be used as a normal reference area.
- 4. Draw three rectangular 'ROIs'; in the reference area, in normal skin (with methyl nicotinate) and in a brown spot (with methyl nicotinate).
- 5. Select 'Name ROIs' in the 'Regions of Interest' pulldown menu to open the 'ROI Naming' window. Name 'ROI1' as 'ref', 'ROI2' as 'norm', and 'ROI3' as 'brown'.



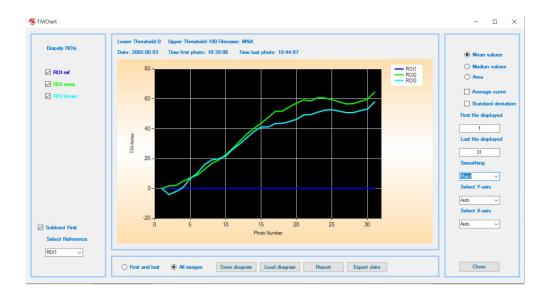
6. Click 'Chart' to display the chart.



- 7. The upper turquoise curves represent the brown spot, the middle green curve the normal skin curve and the lower blue curve the reference area curve.
- 8. In the 'Select Reference' combo-box select 'ROI1' (blue curve).



9. Check the 'Subtract First' checkbox to subtract the baseline and the select 'Major' in the 'Smoothing' combo-box.



- 10. The interpretation of this chart is that the relative change in red blood cell concentration is about the same in the normal skin and in the brown spot. The baseline value is, however, higher in the brown spot than in normal skin because melanin is an absorber of green light, resulting in a higher recorded TiVi-value. Since the level of melanin in the skin does not change over a short time period, the absolute TiVi-values will not influence the calculated changes in TiVi-values. Over a longer time period from summer to winter the degree of pigmentation may, however, influence the result.
- 11. This completes the 'Influence of pigmentation on calculated TiVi-values' session.

SPECIFICATIONS

Computer

Model ThinkPad L590, Win10 Pro, Corei7, 15.6", OpSys: Eng.

Camera

Model Canon EOS 800D

Mode dial Av

ISOspeed 400

Metering mode Partial Metering

White balance Shade

Functions Setting Auto Power off

Focus AF (Auto Focus)

Stabilizer On

Camera Power Supply AC/DC Medical adaptor Model: GSM40A07

Illuminator Selens 160 white light LEDs

Polarisation Cross-polarisation (co-polarisation optional).

Output Power 10W

Luminous flux 1200LM

Illuminator Power Supply AC/DC Medical adapter Model: GSM40A12

Camera & Illuminator Housing Height: 20 cm, Diameter: 18 cm

Table mounted flexible Stand Arm Length: about 70 cm

Photos

Large Fine 6000 x 9000 pixels 9.2MB

Large Normal 6000 x 9000 pixels 7.9MB

Large Photo maximum capture rate 12 photos / minute

Medium Fine	3984 x 2656 pixels	4.5MB
Medium Normal	3984 x 2656 pixels	3.9MB
Medium Photo maximum capture rate	15 photos / minute	
Small Fine	2976 x 1984 pixels	2.8MB
Small Normal	2976 x 1984 pixels	2.4MB
Small Photo maximum capture rate	20 photos / minute	
Video mode	960 x 640 pixels	0.3KB
Video Mode maximum capture rate	10 photos / second	
HD Video Mode	1280 x 720 pixels	0.42KB
HD Video mode maximum capture rate 49 photos / second		

Resolution (with TiViMagnifier lens) 5 micrometers / pixel

Operating temperature 10 – 40 °C

Values and Features saved and retrieved by the system between sessions:

- 1. Language.
- 2. Photo size (ImageQuality).
- 3. Shutter value.
- 4. Number of photos to be captured.
- 5. Delay time between two consecutive photos captured.
- 6. Voice for the "DEMO ASSISTANT".
- 7. Tooltips settings.
- 8. Voice Control for starting and stopping the capturing process, video recording or HD video recording.
- 9. Zoom In value for equalizer operation.
- 10. Equalizer set to "on" or "off".

All values are saved in the "initializer" file located in the "initializerDirectory". Factory settings are saved in the "initializersFactory" file located in the same directory.

TIPS AND TROUBLE SHOOTING

When possible operate the TiVi-system with the zoom-lens set to zoom-in mode (zoom = 55) and change the field of view by altering the distance from the camera to the object. This will ascertain a uniform illumination of the object and thus a uniform sensitivity over the entire image. At a camera - object distance of 150 mm the field of view is about 110 mm x72 mm.

The possible adverse effects of ambient light on the TiVi-image is dependent on the intensity and spectral profile of the ambient light. Check this dependence by recording a TiVi-image of e.g. a hand with the ambient light switched on and off.

If the object does not fully cover the field of view, select a green coloured background, which results in negative TiVi-values displayed as grey background in the TiVi-image. Verify that the object covers the centre of the field of view where the camera meters the backscattered light intensity.

When the distance to the object is too short (less than about 50 mm) or the object does not contain any contrast, the camera cannot focus automatically. Increase the object-camera distance or make a mark on the object to create better contrast.

In case the camera does not display a video when in the *Camera Page*, click the "Click here to show/hide the photo video" under the photo in the *Camera Page*. If the video still does not display, remove the black top cover and check that the camera switch is set to "ON". The camera wheel should always be set to Av-mode. If it still does not work, check the camera power supply cable (disconnect and connect the cable again). When the camera is switched off or switched on a small indicator on the camera rear panel flashes red for a short period of time.

In the unlikely event that the software hangs up, click the clear button in *Analysis Page* or ultimately restart the software.