

Microscopy Imaging Core Rates & Fees

- Hourly charges are billed in ½ hour increments, which are rounded to the nearest ½ hour.
- RCF bills quarterly and send internal transaction form with combined fees directly to departmental business manager.
- All bills issued by RCF should be paid within one month.
- Due to institutional accounting system, all contracts are based on fiscal year calendar (July 1st – June 30th).
- Each contract purchased by PI is assigned to the individual user only.
- Transfer of contracts to another user from the same lab need to be well justified (e.g. termination of primary user employment).
- For new PI/users, first contract may be time-adjusted.
- Contract rates are **discounted at 30%** for each subsequent user in each laboratory.
- Contracts are **not** refundable under any circumstances (e.g. equipment failure).
- Contract options (available only for on Campus users):
 - **12 month** contracts begin on July 1st of each year.
Fee includes **300 hours (h)** of microscope use. Additional hours above the limit will be charged half of the regular hourly fee.
 - **6 month** contracts begin on either July 1st or January 1st of each year.
Fee includes **200 h** of microscope use. Additional hours above the limit will be charged half of the regular hourly fee.
 - **3 month** contracts begin on either the 1st of July, October, January, or April of each year.
Fee includes **100 h** of microscope use. Additional hours above the limit will be charged half of the regular hourly fee.

Microscope	Training Fee (extra session 50%)	On Campus					External users
		Hourly rate	3-month contract 100h cap	6-month contract 200h cap	12-month contract 300h cap	Above the cap	Hourly rate
AxioObserver + Apotome	\$100	\$15	\$300	\$600	\$900	\$7.5/h	\$25
Leica TCS SP5 Confocal	\$200	\$40	\$800	\$1600	\$2400	\$20/h	\$65
Olympus iXplore CSU W1 Spinning Disk	\$200	\$45	\$900	\$1800	\$2700	\$22.5/h	\$70
Nikon A1R Confocal & Super-Resolution	\$200	\$50	\$1000	\$2000	\$3000	\$25/h	\$75
Zeiss LSM 510 Coherent Multiphoton	\$200	\$50	\$1000	\$2000	\$3000	\$25/h	\$75
Assisted use with imaging Core Staff		\$75/h					\$85/h