

# LEICA EM ICE

High Pressure Freezer

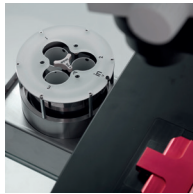
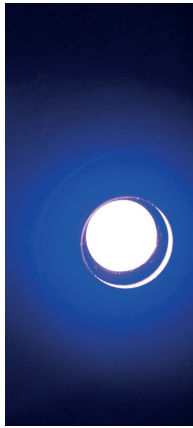


A high-resolution cryo-electron microscope system, the Leica EM ICE, is shown in a clean, white environment. The main body of the microscope is white with a prominent red diagonal stripe on the left side. The text "LEICA EM ICE" is printed in a bold, sans-serif font on the upper left portion of the white surface. To the right, a black and white electron microscope column is mounted, featuring a white objective lens housing labeled "LEICA M80" and a black lens housing labeled "LEICA DM50R2". Below the main body, a control panel with a touchscreen display is visible, showing various software icons and data. A red component, likely a sample holder or stage, is positioned on the black base of the microscope. The overall design is sleek and professional, emphasizing precision and advanced technology.

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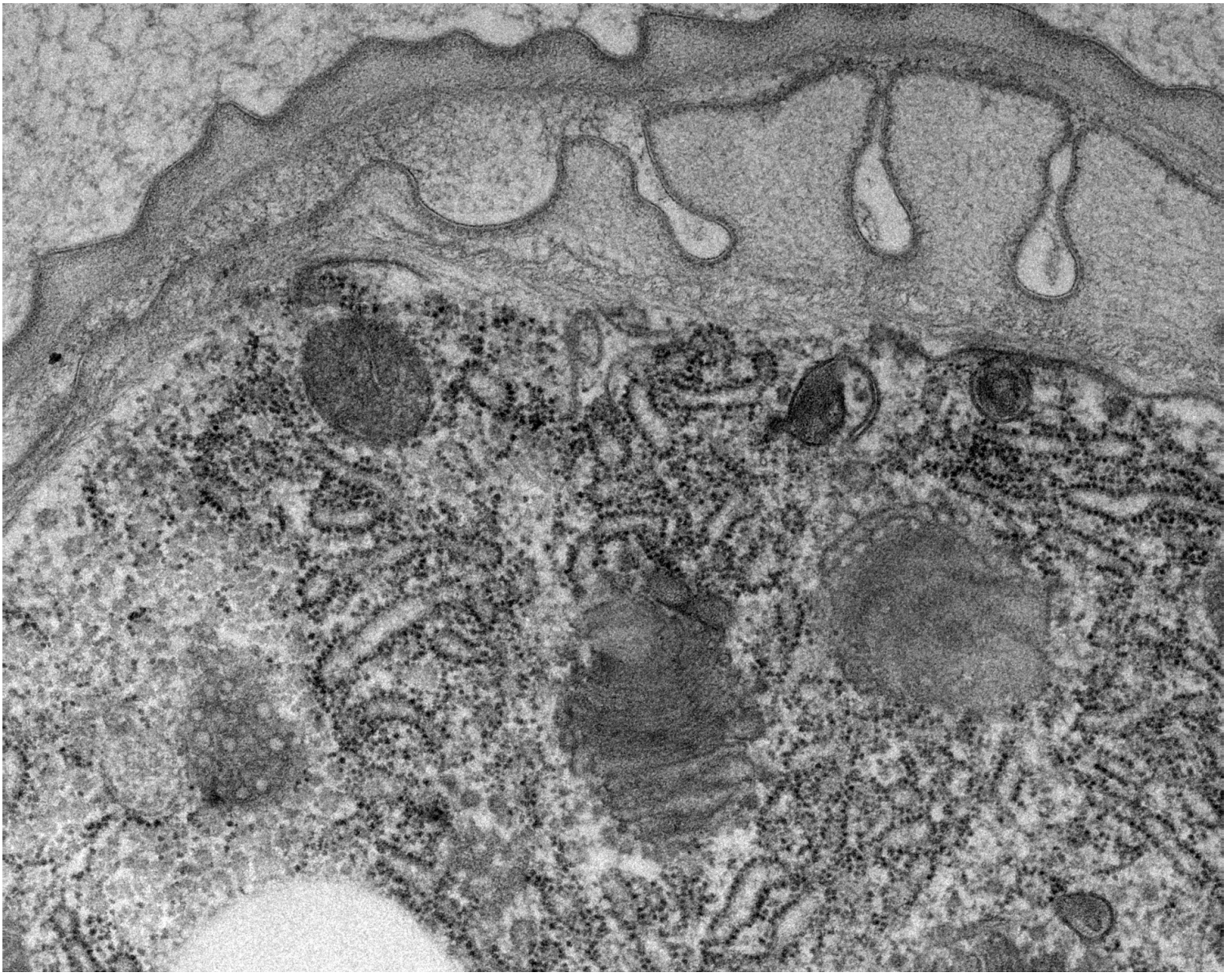
“Leica EM ICE is a platform for game-changing discoveries. It is the only high pressure freezer with fully integrated light stimulation. The only tool that can capture dynamic phenomenon on a millisecond scale. It opens new possibilities for researchers in life science and industry.”

Cveta Tomova  
Product Manager, Leica Microsystems



# HIGH PRESSURE FREEZER LEICA EM ICE

HIGH PRESSURE FREEZING  
WITH OPTIONAL LIGHT STIMULATION



C.elegans, courtesy of Elly van Donselaar, Martin Harterink and Karin Vocking, Utrecht University, Netherlands

## WHY HIGH PRESSURE FREEZING?



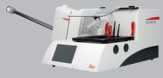
High Pressure Freezing arrests aqueous samples in their native state to deliver the best possible sample preservation. Currently cryo-fixation is the only way to fix cellular constituents without introducing significant structural alterations.



## PREPARATION WORKFLOW



Leica EM ICE for high pressure freezing with light stimulation



Leica EM VCM for sample transfer to ...



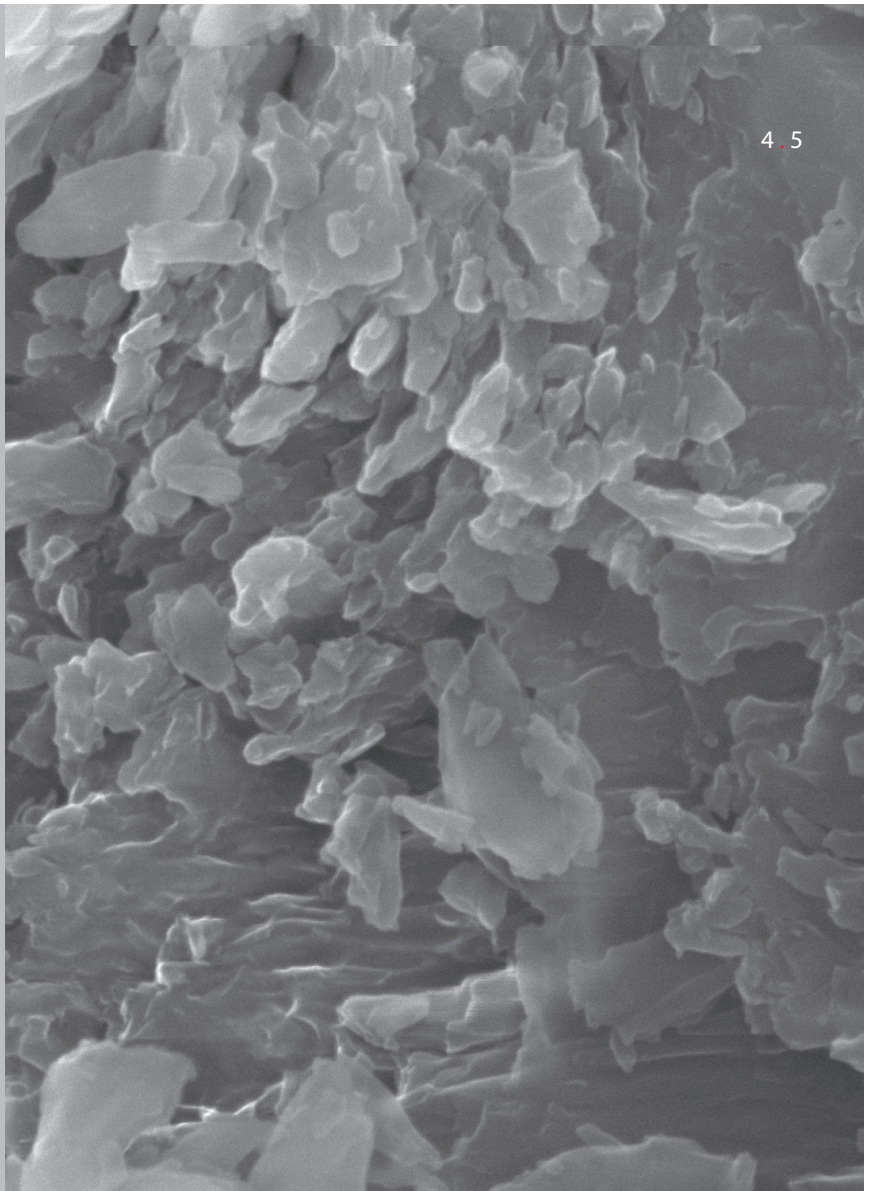
... Leica EM ACE600 to fracture and coat the sample to ...



... Leica EM VCT500 for shuttle transfer to the cryo SEM



Cryo-SEM analysis



Revealing changes in the fine structure of a suncream lotion frozen after millisecond UV light stimulation

## WHY HIGH PRESSURE FREEZING WITH LIGHT STIMULATION?

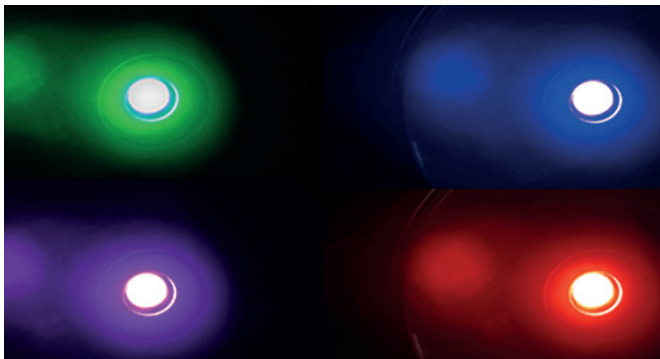


The synchronization of light stimulation and high pressure freezing allows the visualization of highly dynamic process such as synaptic vesicle fusion at a nanometer resolution and millisecond precision.

Discover new possibilities  
in life science and industrial research!



## COMPLETELY INTEGRATED LIGHT STIMULATION



**Programs**

<program name 1>  
 <program name 2>  
**Test 2**  
 <program name 4>  
 <program name 5>

**Light modul**

Check ● blue 465 nm

OK

**Test 2** Edit

Line	Dark phase [ms]	Period [ms]	Pulse [ms]	# Periods	(Frequency) (Duration)
1	0	100	100	1	(10.0 Hz) (100 ms)
2	20	50	30	20	(20.0 Hz) (1020 ms)
3	2000	200	10	1	(5.0 Hz) (2200 ms)
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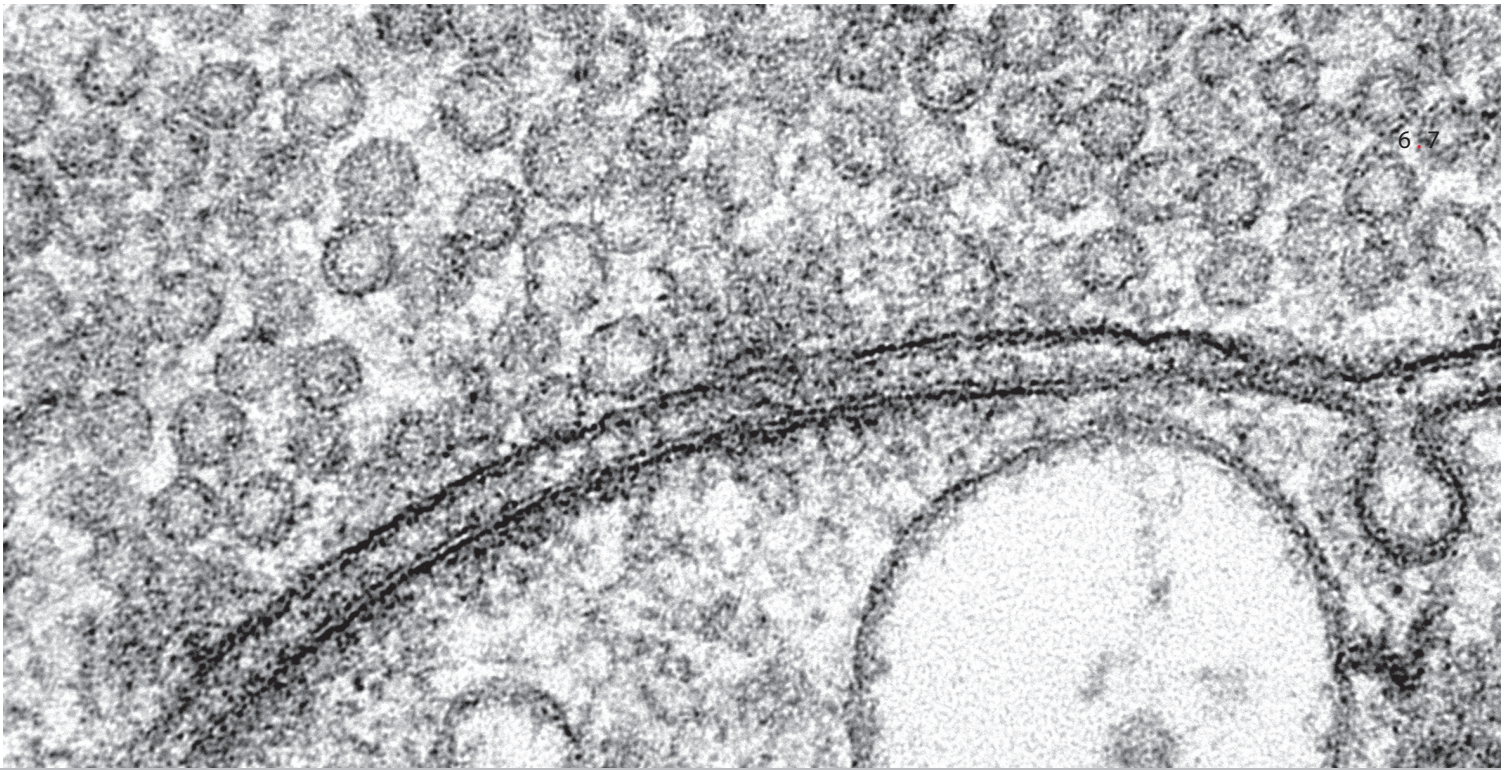
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### Light source

- > LED light modules with 5 different wave lengths (red, blue, green, UV, amber).
- > Automatic recognition of the connected LED module by the instrument software.
- > Easy one-click connection.

### Experiment parameters

- > Software-integrated programming offers a range of parameters to enable the design of your experiment.
- > All details of a light stimulation experiment are incorporated in the log file.



## HOLDS THE PROMISE FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Symmetric synapse. Dr. Shuwen Chang, Charité Universitätsmedizin, Berlin, Germany

“Electron microscopy only captures a static image of a cell. What is the cell doing? What is the true sequence of events in a cellular process? We can make flip books from our micrographs that tell a story, but their arrangement can be influenced by the story we want to tell. With the advent of optogenetic tools a flash of light can trigger dynamic cellular events such as neurotransmission. By coupling a flash of light with rapid high-pressure freezing, regulated vesicle fusion and subsequent vesicle recycling at synapses can be visualized.”

Shigeki Watanabe, PhD, Erik M. Joergensen,  
University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, USA

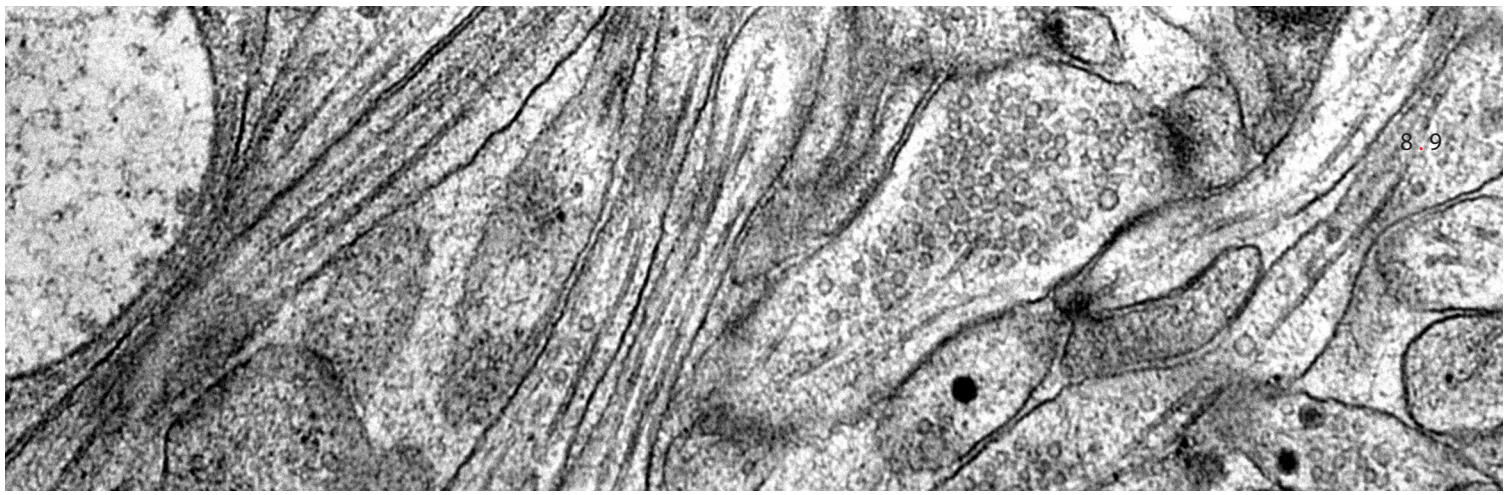
Join our vision and obtain excellent results, capturing scientific phenomenon with a temporal resolution of milliseconds!



## DISCOVER LEICA EM ICE UNIQUE FEATURES

- ▶ Only 1 second from loading the sample in the carrier to frozen
- ▶ Only 1 minute recovery time between freezing cycles
- ▶ Only 20 minutes to cool down and ready to use
- ▶ Only 30 liters LN<sub>2</sub> daily consumption, including cooling down
- ▶ No alcohol or additional synchronization fluids used
- ▶ Upgradable to light stimulation mode at any time at your work place





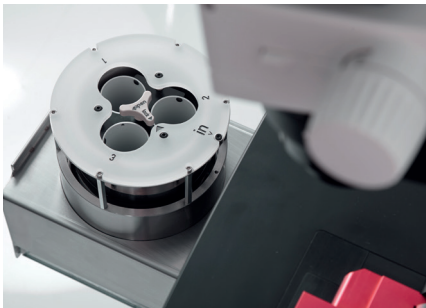
Neuron, courtesy of Elly van Donselaar, Martin Harterink and Karin Vocking, Utrecht University, Netherlands



## FOCUS ON YOUR SAMPLE

### One move, fully automated specimen loading

- > The cartridge assembly and the freezing process is triggered automatically by closing the cover of the loading station. Concentrate on the sample, not on the instrument.



## ONE SAMPLE DEWAR – MANY POSSIBILITIES

### Work quickly and efficiently with the Leica EM ICE

- > **Programmed rotation:** Software integrated programming of sample position, name and number in the specimen Dewar.
- > **Three separate positions:** Allows for three different samples to be frozen subsequently. Or three different conditions of the same sample.
- > **Nine consecutive freezing cycles:** Your time and your sample are critical. Concentrate on what is really important.
- > **Sample safety:** Automated re-filling of the sample storage Dewar with LN2 through out the freezing session.



## MODULARITY TO MEET USER PREFERENCES

### Flexible & ready for upgrade

- > Integrated workstation with configurable microscope selection.
- > Temperature control options for the loading station and table.
- > Environmental chamber for optimal sample preparation.
- > Software integrated tutorials.
- > Timeless value: Upgradeable to light stimulation mode at any time at customer site.



## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- > LN<sub>2</sub> consumption per day, including cooling down, is only 30 liters. This is approx. 65% less than in previous models.
- > LN<sub>2</sub> consumption during cooling down has been reduced by approx. 70% in comparison to previous instruments.
- > No alcohol or other fluids for synchronization of pressure and cooling are necessary.
- > The Leica EM ICE comes in sustainable packing: a multiple-use box with integrated access ramp that we use for transportation within the factory as well as shipping to customers. This packaging was awarded the Austrian state prize "smart packaging" November 2014.
- > Environmental management system DIN EN ISO 14001 has been implemented



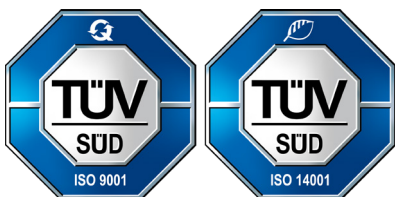
## TECHNICAL DATA

DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHT	WIDTH	DEPTH	HEIGHT	NET WEIGHT
Instrument packed (crate size)	89 cm	151 cm	155 cm	510 kg
Main body plus working station	1160 cm	79 cm	128.5 cm	380 kg*
<i>For details see drawings</i>				
Please consider working distance of	front	back	left site	right site
	60 cm	5 cm	3 cm	3 cm

\*NB! Additional 12 kg should be considered when the instrument is filled with LN<sub>2</sub>

### ROOM CONDITIONS

Relative humidity	< 55% (no condensation)
Operating temperature	+ 15 °C – + 30 °C
Storage temperature	+ 5 °C – + 35 °C
Environment	free of dust and other destructive particles



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