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to the user**

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# Optics and optical instruments — Stereomicroscopes — Information provided to the user

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the minimum information to be provided by the manufacturer of stereomicroscopes to the user.

In addition to the mandatory information **(m)**, further data are recommended (r).

## 2 Normative reference

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## 3 Data to be provided by the manufacturer

### 3.1 General

The following data shall be provided by the stereomicroscope manufacturer when the respective assemblies feature the properties described.

The format of the data shall be in accordance with ISO 11883.

### 3.2 General data concerning the stereomicroscope

- (m)** Magnification;
- (m)** Zoom range or number of discrete steps;
- (m)** Object field diameter;
- (m)** Free working distance  $d_1$  (see figure 1);
- (r)** Numerical aperture.

NOTE These data can be compiled as shown in table 1. Where magnifications are changeable, all data should be given for the minimum and maximum values.

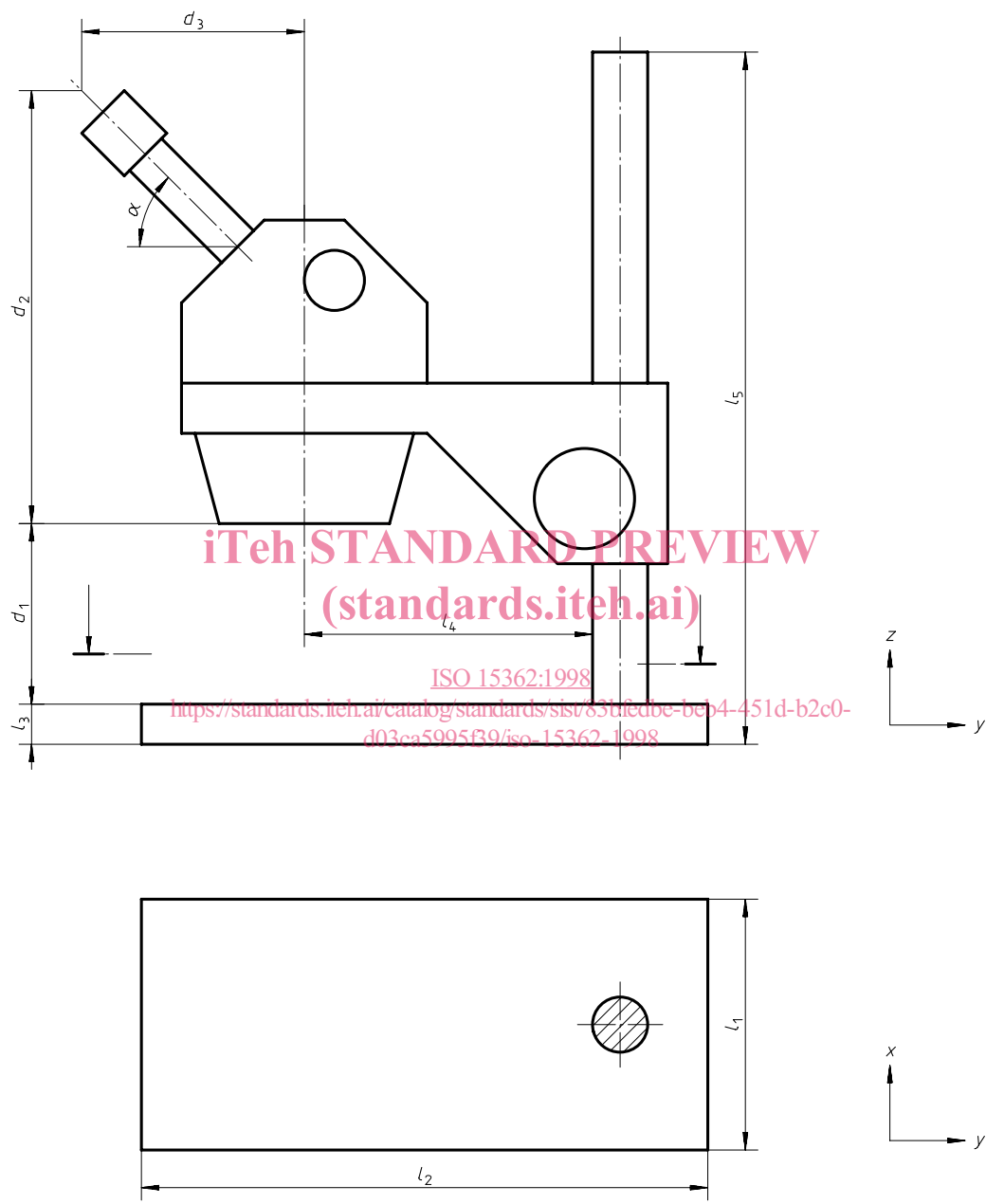


Figure 1 — Dimensions of the microscope and of the stand

Table 1 — Example of general data

Objective	Eyepiece	Zoom/ step position	Magnification	Object field diameter mm	Numerical aperture	Free working distance mm
0,5x	10x	min max	5x 20x	40 10	0,02 0,04	200
1,0x	10x	min max	10x 40x	20 5	0,04 0,08	100
2,0x	10x	min max	20x 80x	10 2,5	0,08 0,16	50
0,5x	16x	min max	8x 32x	32 8	0,02 0,04	200
1,0x	16x	min max	16x 63x	16 4	0,04 0,08	100
2,0x	16x	min max	32x 125x	8 2	0,08 0,16	50

### 3.3 Main body including tube

- (m) Binocular or trinocular tube;
- (m) Interpupillary distance adjustment range, in millimetres;
- (m) Inclination angle  $\alpha$  of the viewing direction (see figure 1);
- (r) Dioptr adjustment;
- (r) Distance  $d_2$  from the exit pupil to the mechanical front of the main body (see figure 1);
- (r) Distance  $d_3$  from the exit pupil to the optical axis (see figure 1);
- (r) Focal length of the tube lens, in millimetres (if any).

### 3.4 Objective (if removable or switchable)

- (m) Magnification or focal length;
- (m) Free working distance  $d_1$  (see figure 1).

### 3.5 Eyepieces

- (m) Magnification;
- (m) Field of view;
- (r) Interchangeability of graticules;
- (r) Suitability for spectacle wearers;
- (r) Dioptr adjustment.

### 3.6 Dimensions of the stand (see figure 1)

- (r) Base dimensions  $l_1$ ,  $l_2$  and  $l_3$  (measured in  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ );
- (r) Free distance  $l_4$  from the optical axis to the column;
- (r) Overall mechanical height  $l_5$  (without accessories);
- (r) Range of focus drive.

### 3.7 Accessories

- (m) The influence of the accessories on the basic data – for example on the magnification – shall be indicated.
- (r) The manufacturer should list all accessories that are available for the stereomicroscope.
- (r) The manufacturer should list all restrictions related to the single or multiple use of accessories.

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