

QUICK LAUNCH GUIDE FOR - CAMERAS

STEP 1 - INSTALL THE SOFTWARE

- (1) Ensure the PC has a spare USB 2.0 compatible port available before commencing install
- (2) Insert the device that contains the software then follow the on-screen instructions.
- (3) Note which directory the software installs to, e.g.:

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(4) Restart the PC when prompted to do so.

STEP 2 - CONNECT THE CAMERA

With the power turned <u>OFF</u> connect the camera to the supplied Power Supply Unit (PSU), then switch the power ON and connect the camera to the PC using the supplied USB cable, e.g.:



The Operating System will automatically detect the camera and ask where the software drivers can be found. Select the directory where the software was installed to.

NOTE: If the camera is disconnected then reconnected to another USB port, you may be prompted to re- install the driver again. If this happens, select it from the directory indicated in item (3) of STEP 1 above.

STEP 3 - START THE APPLICATION

Click on the right icon on your desktop and the **Solis Splash Screen** appears briefly:



The Main Window should then appear, similar to the following:



NOTE: When the application is started for the first time only, a prompt may appear requesting the location of the driver. Get the driver from the directory indicated in item (3) of STEP 1 above. The application then needs to be restarted.



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STEP 4 - SWITCH ON THE COOLING

(1) Select **Temperature** from the **Hardware** drop-down menu and the **Temperature** dialog box appears:

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Cooler On at program startup				

- (2) Select Cooler **On** and either type in the required temperature or drag the **Temperature Setting** slider bar to the required value.
- (3) Alternatively, clicking on the off icon in the bottom-left hand corner of the screen will also open the Temperature setting screen. This icon displays the current CCD temperature (to the nearest 5°C), in red whilst it is cooling, e.g. . It will revert to blue and display the temperature when the correct temperature is reached.

STEP 5 - SETUP ACQUISITION

Click either the \bigcirc <u>or</u> \bigcirc button and a **Setup Acquisition** dialog box similar to the following appears:

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Acquisition Mode Single	Triggering Internal	Readout Mode	Exposure Time (secs) 0.10000

The sensor is now ready to read out a signal in **Image** mode. The received signal will show the status of focus and alignment.

NOTES:

- 1. Before taking a signal acquisition, ensure the optical path is clear (e.g. shutter is open, etc.)
- 2. Exposure Time may need to be increased if light levels are too low.
- > Click either the \bigcirc <u>or</u> m button to take a single acquisition.
- Alternatively, click either the <u>solution</u> button to take a continuous acquisition. To stop this acquisition, click either the <u>solution</u> button at any time.



STEP 6 - SETTING THE DISPLAY MODE

Once the data has been successfully acquired, the data should be displayed initially in grayscale, e.g.:





Clicking on the \blacksquare button causes the data window to go through the following modes:

• False Color, e.g.:



• **Iterated Grayscale** (a small sequence of grays is repeated at intervals to cover the same range of data as grayscale), e.g.:



Once you have successfully acquired an image, please take the time to browse the other manuals supplied with



NOTES

- 1) Before connecting the USB cable, always power up the camera using the PSU supplied.
- The camera has internal hardware protection from overheating. Should the body of the camera reach >40° C, a buzzer will sound and the power to the cooler will be disconnected until a safe temperature is reached.
- 3) For certain cameras, using a PS-25 power supply in **Deep Cooling** mode is designed for water cooling only. It may, however, be possible to use this PS-25 power supply with air cooling depending on the ambient air temperature. Typically the ambient air temperature must remain below 20°C to dissipate the extra heat generated in this mode of operation.
- 4) When a safe temperature is reached, the camera will **Auto-Reset**. If the buzzer sounds, check for the following:
 - > Any obstructions in the air or water flow(s)
 - > Ambient air temperature & water temperature
 - > The temperature set in the Temperature screen. Set a lower temperature if required

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