



User fees for Facility for Imaging, Photonics & Spectroscopy (FIPS)

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We offer a three-tiered user system: CAMTEC member (inside user), academic, and non-academic users. The facility usage are logged by the [CAMTEC FOM system](#).

Equipment and Service Rate

EQUIPMENT/SERVICE ¹⁻⁴	CAMTEC MEMBER /HOUR	ACADEMIC* /HOUR	NON-ACADEMIC* /HOUR
AGILENT 5500 ATOMIC FORCE MICROSCOPE (AFM)	\$15	\$50	\$60
CYTOVIVA DARK FIELD HYPERSPECTRAL MICROSCOPE SYSTEM	\$15	\$50	\$60
OPTICAL SYSTEM WITH MIRA 900 LASER	\$45	\$60	\$90
PANALYTICAL EMPYREAN X-RAY SYSTEM	\$45	\$70	\$90
RAMAN MICROSCOPE	\$45	\$70	\$90
SCANNING NEAR-FIELD OPTICAL MICROSCOPE (SNOM) MV4000	\$45	\$70	\$90
SUPERCONDUCTING SINGLE PHOTON DETECTION (SSPD) SYSTEM	\$45	\$70	\$90
TIP-ENHANCED RAMAN SCATTERING (TERS) MICROSCOPE	\$45	\$70	\$90
UV-VIS-NIR SPECTROMETER	\$15	\$45	\$60
ZEISS CONFOCAL LASER SCANNING MICROSCOPE	\$45	\$70	\$90
SPIN COATER	\$15/USE	\$20/USE	\$30/USE
SERVICE	\$40	\$75	\$120
TRAINING	\$100/session /user/equipment	\$150/session /user/equipment	\$250/session /user/equipment
ADDITIONAL TRAINING*	\$40	\$50	\$80
LAB SPACE**	Consult with the manager (if applicable)		

1. All equipment, service and training have a minimum charge of 1 hour per use.
2. *Additional 25% UVic overhead charge will be applied to non-UVic external users.
3. Users must be proficient on each tool used. Typically, the training is done through the format of initial training (technician to user training) followed by the user demonstration (user to technician one-on-one demo) sessions. After the fixed training sessions, additional training (if applicable) will be charged based on the listed hourly rate plus equipment usage rate.
4. Additional consumable fees (if applicable) are charged separately based on the material used.



FIPS Academic Usage Discount

CUMULATIVE YEARLY EQUIPMENT USAGE CAP ¹	CAP AMOUNT
CAMTEC MEMBER	\$2,500 equipment/PI/fiscal year
CAMTEC MEMBER	\$12,500 PI/fiscal year
ACADEMIC USER	\$3,000 equipment/PI/fiscal year
ACADEMIC USER	\$15,000 PI/fiscal year
NON-ACADEMIC	Not Applicable

1. The yearly cumulative usage is for a single Principal Investigator (PI) regardless of the number of users in the group.
2. The discount is **not** applied towards any consumable, training, service or contract work other than the equipment usage based on FOM record.

Rules and Regulations

1. Only authorized persons are allowed to access the facility.
2. Users of the Facility must be qualified on each tool used. This must be done through the lab manager training at rates listed in this document. Training times will vary based on the complexity of the tool and the experience of the user.
3. Both facility and equipment access are granted through FOM system, the users can access the facility via their UVic ONEcard. Users must log all their usages in the FOM system.
4. Invoices are normally sent on a monthly basis and payments can be made by cheque or account transfer.
5. Rates usually remain the same throughout the fiscal year (until March 31st), but we reserve the right to adjust the rates at any time.