ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera Help Manual

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Figure 1 The ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera

The ECO4KUHD8MP series camera is intended to be used for the acquisition of digital images from the stereo microscope and biological microscope. The basic characteristic is listed as below:

- Sony Exmor back illuminated CMOS sensor
- 4K HDMI/USB multiple video outputs
- 4K/1080P auto switching according to the display resolution
- SD card for the captured image and video storage
- Embedded MicroView for the control of the camera
- With strong ISP and other related processing functions
- MicroView software for PC
- MicroView software for MAC

2   ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera's Datasheet and Functions(2)

Order Code	Sensor & Size(mm)	Pixel(μm)	G Sensitivity	FPS/Resolution	Binning	Exposure(ms)
ECO4KUHD8MPCA	Sony IMX334(C) 1/1.8"(7.68x4.32)	2.0x2.0	505mv with 1/30s 0.1mv with 1/30s	30@3840*2160(HDMI) 20@3840*2160(USB)	1x1	0.04~1000
ECOFL4KUHD8MPCB	Sony IMX485(C) 1/1.2"(11.14x6.26)	2.9x2.9	2188mv with 1/30s 0.39mv with 1/30s	30@3840*2160(HDMI) 20@3840*2160(USB)	1x1	0.04~1000

Figure 2 Available Ports on the Back Panel of the Camera Body

Interface	Function Description
USB Mouse	Connect USB mouse for easy operation with embedded MicroView software;
USB Video	Connect PC or other host device to realize video image transmission;
HDMI	Comply with HDMI1.4 standard. 4K or 1080P format video output for standard monitor;
DC12V	Power adapter connection (12V/1A);
SD	Comply with SDIO3.0 standard and SD card could be inserted for video and images storage;
LED	LED status indicator;
ON/OFF	Power switch;

Video Output Interface	Function Description
HDMI Interface	Comply with HDMI1.4 standard; 30fps@4K or 30fps@1080P;
USB Video Interface	Connecting USB port of PC for video transfer ; MJPEG format video;

Other Function	Function Description
Video Saving	Video format：8M(3840*2160) H264/H265 encoded MP4 file; Video saving frame rate：30fps;
Image Capture	8M (3840*2160) JPEG/TIFF image in SD card ;
Measurement Saving	Measurement information saved in layer mode with image content; Measurement information is saved together with image content in burn in mode.
ISP Function	Exposure(Automatic / Manual Exposure) / Gain，White Balance(Manual / Automatic / ROI Mode)，Sharpening，3D Denoise，Saturation Adjustment，Contrast Adjustment，Brightness Adjustment，Gamma Adjustment，Color to Gray，50HZ/60HZ Anti-flicker Function
Image Operations	Zoom In/Zoom Out, Mirror/Flip, Freeze, Cross Line, Overlay, Embedded Files Browser, Video Playback, Measurement Function
Embedded RTC(Optional)	To support accurate time on board
Restore Factory Settings	Restore camera parameters to its factory status
Multiple Language Support	English / Simplified Chinese / Traditional Chinese / Korean / Thai / French / German / Japanese / Italian / Russian

Software Environment under USB Video Output	
White Balance	Auto White Balance
Color Technique	Ultra-Fine™ Color Engine
Capture/Control SDK	Windows/Linux/macOS/Android Multiple Platform SDK(Native C/C++, C#/VB.NET, Python, Java, DirectShow, Twain, etc)
Recording System	Still Picture or Movie
Operating System	Microsoft® Windows® XP / Vista / 7 / 8 / 8.1 /10 /11(32 & 64 bit) OSx(Mac OS X) Linux
PC Requirements	CPU: Equal to Intel Core2 2.8GHz or Higher
	Memory: 4GB or More
	Display:19" or Larger
	CD-ROM

Operating Environment	
Operating Temperature (in Centidegree)	-10°~ 50°
Storage Temperature (in Centidegree)	-20°~ 60°
Operating Humidity	30~80%RH
Storage Humidity	10~60%RH

3   Manual **Dimension of ECO4KUHD8MP Series**

Figure 3 Dimension of ECO4KUHD8MP Series

4   **ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera Packing Information(TBD)**

Figure 4 The ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera Packing Information

	Standard Packing List		
A	Gift box : L:25.5cm W:17.0cm H:9.0cm (1pcs,1.48kg/ box)		
B	ECO4KUHD8MP series camera		
C	Power Adapter: Input: AC 100~240V 50Hz/60Hz, Output: DC 12V 1A American standard: Model: GS12U12-P1I 12W/12V/1A: UL/CUL/BSMI/CB/FCC European standard:Model:GS12E12-P1I 12W/12V/1A; TUV(GS)/CB/CE/ROHS EMI Standard:EN55022,EN61204-3, EN61000-3-2,-3, FCC Part 152 class B, BSMI CNS14338 EMS Standard:EN61000-4-2,3,4,5,6,8,11,EN61204-3,Class A Light Industry Standard		
D	USB Mouse		
E	HDMI cable		
F	USB2.0 A male to A male gold-plated connectors cable /2.0m		
G	CD (Driver & utilities software, Ø12cm)		
	Optional Accessory		
H	SD card(16G or above; Speed: class 10)		
I	Adjustable lens adapter	C-Mount to Dia.23.2mm eyepiece tube (Please choose 1 of them for your microscope)	108001/AMA037 108002/AMA050 108003/AMA075
J	Fixed lens adapter	C-Mount to Dia.23.2mm eyepiece tube (Please choose 1 of them for your microscope)	108005/FMA037 108006/FMA050 108007/FMA075
	Note: For **I** and **J** optional items, please specify your camera type(C-mount, microscope camera or telescope camera), Micaps engineer will help you to determine the right microscope or telescope camera adapter for your application;		

K	108015(Dia.23.2mm to 30.0mm Ring)/Adapter rings for 30mm eyepiece tube
L	108016(Dia.23.2mm to 30.5mm Ring)/ Adapter rings for 30.5mm eyepiece tube
M	Calibration kit	106011/TS-M1(X=0.01mm/100Div.); 106012/TS-M2(X,Y=0.01mm/100Div.); 106013/TS-M7(X=0.01mm/100Div., 0.10mm/100Div.)

5　Extension of ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera with Microscope Adapter

Extension	Picture
C-mount Camera	Machine vision; Medical imaging; Semiconductor equipment; Test instruments; Document scanners; 2D barcode readers; Web camera and security video; Microscope imaging;
Microscope Camera	 ECO4KUHD8MP +AMAXXX(23.2mm Adapter) ECO4KUHD8MP +FMAXXX(23.2mm Adapter)

6　Software and App

The software or the APP can be downloaded from the following

7   ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera Application Configurations

You can use the ECO4KUHD8MP series camera in two different ways. Each application requires different hardware environment.

7.1   Camera Working Standalone with Built-in MicroView Software

Figure 5 ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera with the HDMI Displayer

For this application, apart from the microscope, the user only needs an ECO4KUHD8MP series camera, an HDMI display, an HDMI cable, an SD card, a USB mouse and a power adapter that come with the camera. The steps to start the camera are listed as below:

- Connect the camera to a HDMI display using the HDMI cable;
- Insert the supplied USB mouse to the camera's USB port;
- Insert the supplied SD card into the ECO4KUHD8MP series camera SD card slot;
- Connect power adapter to the camera the and switch it on.;
- Switch on the display and view the video in the MicroView software. Move the mouse to the left, top or bottom of the MicroView UI, different control panel or UI will pop up and users could operate with the mouse at ease.

7.2   Connecting camera to the PC with USB port

For Windows user (Windows XP (32bit), Windows 7/8/10 (32/64 bit)), please use MicroView.

For macOS and Linux user (macOS 10.10 or above or Linux distributions with kernel 2.6.27 or higher), please use MicroView.

The steps to start the camera are listed below:

- Install the MicroView on your PC;
- Connect power adapter to the camera the and switch it on. After starting the camera, plug one end of the USB cable into the USB 2.0 port of the ECO4KUHD8MP series camera, and plug the other end into the USB port of the PC;
- Open MicroView software. The ECO4KUHD8MP series camera will be recognized automatically by software. In MicroView software, select the corresponding ECO4KUHD8MP series camera by clicking the camera name in the camera list.

Note:
When the USB cable and the mouse are plugged into the camera at the same time, the USB cable is preferred and the mouse is not available; when the USB cable is unplugged, the mouse can be used normally.

8   Brief Introduction of ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera's UI and Its
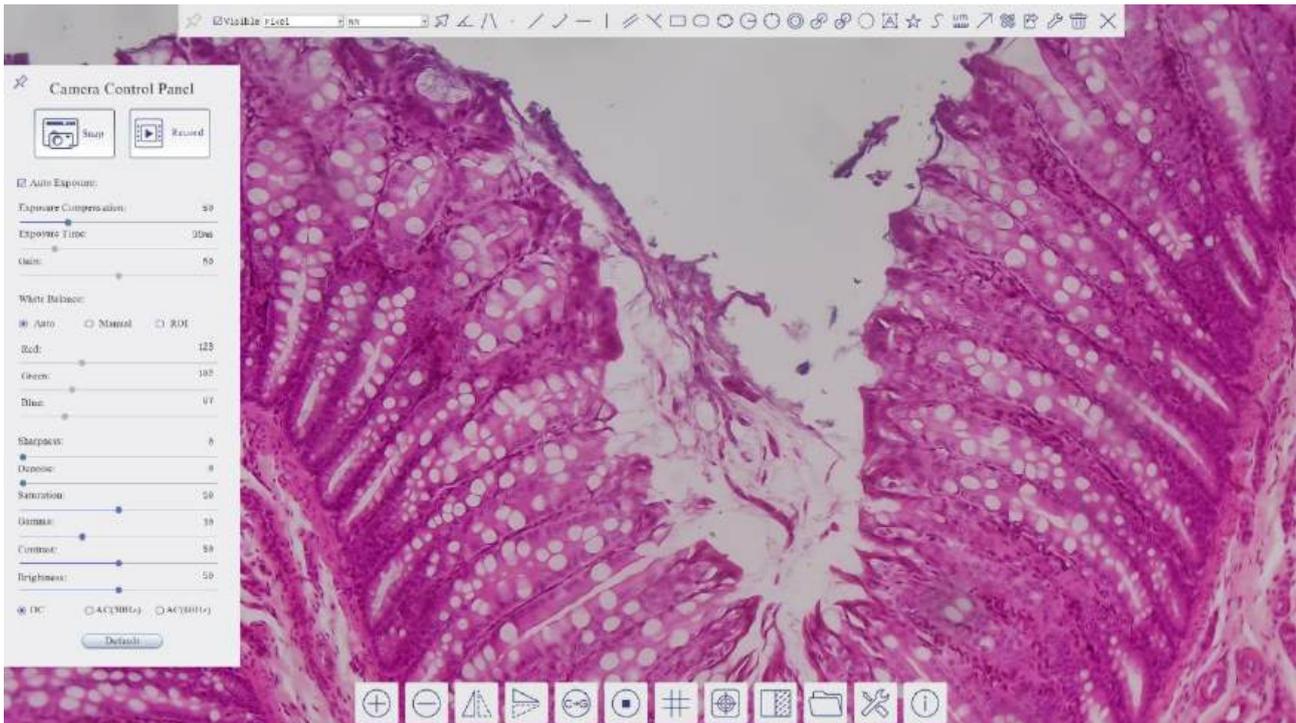
8.1   MicroViewUI
Functions

Figure 6 The ECO4KUHD8MP Series Camera Control GUI

Notes	
1	To show the Camera Control Panel, move your mouse to the left of the video window. See Sec.8.2 for details.
2	Move the mouse cursor to the top of the video window, a Measurement Toolbar will pop up for calibration and measurement operations. When user left-clicks the Float/Fixed button ✕ on the Measurement Toolbar, the Measurement Toolbar will be fixed. In this case the Camera Control Panel will not pop up automatically even if users move mouse cursor to left side of the video window. Only when user left-clicks the ✕ button on the Measurement Toolbar to exit from measuring operations will they be able to do other operations on the Camera Control Panel, or the Synthesis Camera Control Toolbar. During the measuring operations, when a specific measuring object is selected, an Object Location & Attributes Control Bar will appear for changing location and properties of the selected object. See Sec.8.4 for details.
3	When users move mouse cursor to the bottom of the video window, the Synthesis Camera Control Toolbar will pop up automatically. . See Sec.8.4 for details.

8.2   The Camera Control Panel on the Left Side of the Video Window

The Camera Control Panel controls the camera to achieve the best video or image quality according to the specific applications; It will pop up automatically when the mouse cursor is moved to the left side of the video window (in measurement status, the Camera Control Panel will not pop up. The Camera Control Panel will only pop up when the measurement operations are finished or terminated while user's cursor on the left edge of the video window). Left-clicking ⚲ button to achieve Display/Auto Hide switch of the Camera Control Panel.

Camera Control Panel	Function	Function Description
	Snap	Capture image and save it to the SD card
	Record	Record video and save it to the SD card
	Auto Exposure	When Auto Exposure is checked, the system will automatically adjust exposure time and gain according to the value of exposure compensation
	Exposure Compensation	Available when Auto Exposure is checked. Slide to left or right to adjust Exposure Compensation according to the current video brightness to achieve proper brightness value
	Exposure Time	Available when Auto Exposure is not checked. Slide to left or right to reduce or increase Exposure Time, adjusting brightness of the video
	Gain	Adjust Gain to reduce or increase brightness of video. The Noise will be reduced or increased accordingly
	Auto White Balance	White Balance adjustment according to the video continuously
	Manual White Balance	Adjust the Red or Blue slide bar to set the video White Balance.
	ROI White Balance	White Balance could be adjusted when the ROI region is changed according to content inside the ROI region.
	Red	Slide to left or right to decrease or increase the proportion of Red item in RGB on video
	Green	Slide to left or right to decrease or increase the proportion of Green item in RGB on video
	Blue	Slide to left or right to decrease or increase the proportion of Blue item in RGB on the video
	Sharpness	Adjust Sharpness level of the video
	Denoise	Slide left or right to Denoise the video
	Saturation	Adjust Saturation level of the video
	Gamma	Adjust Gamma level of the video. Slide to the right side to increase Gamma and to the left to decrease Gamma.
	Contrast	Adjust Contrast level of the video. Slide to the right side to increase Contrast and to the left to decrease Contrast.
	DC	For DC illumination, there will be no fluctuation in light source so no need for compensating light flickering
	AC(50HZ)	Check AC(50HZ) to eliminate flickering caused by 50Hz light source
	AC(60HZ)	Check AC(60HZ) to eliminate flickering caused by 60Hz light source
	Default	Restore all the settings in the Camera Control Panel to default values

8.3   The Measurement Toolbar on Top of the Video Window

The Measurement Toolbar will pop up when moving mouse cursor to any place near the upper edge of the video window. Here is the introduction of the various functions on the Measurement Toolbar:

Icon	Function
	Float/ Fix switch of the Measurement Toolbar
✔ Visible	Show / Hide Measurement Objects
Nanometer(nm)	Select the desired Measurement Unit
4X	Select Magnification for measurement after Calibration
	Object Select
	Angle
	4 Points Angle
	Point

	∕	Arbitrary Line
	⟋	3 Points Line
	—	Horizontal Line
	∣	Vertical Line
	✕	3 Points Vertical Line
	⫽	Parallel
	▭	Rectangle
	◯	Ellipse
	⬭	5 Points Ellipse
	◔	Circle
	◌	3 Points Circle
	◎	Annulus
	∞	Two Circles and its Center Distance
	∞	3 Points Two Circles and its Center Distance
	◌	Arc
	A	Text
	☆	Polygon
	∫	Curve
	um	Scale Bar
	↗	Arrow
	✎	Execute Calibration to determine the corresponding relation between magnification and resolution, which will establish the corresponding relationship between Measurement Unit and the sensor pixel size. Calibration needs to be done with the help of a micrometer. For detailed steps of carrying out Calibration, please refer to MicroView help manual.
	↱	Export the Measurement information to CSV file(*.csv)
	🔧	Measurement Setup
	🗑	Delete all the measurement objects from
	✕	Exit from Measurement mode
	△▽◁▷⊕🗑	When the measurement ends, left-click on a single measuring object and the Object Location & Properties Control Bar will show up. User could move the object by dragging the object with the mouse. But more accurate movement could be done with the control bar. The icons on the control bar mean Move Left, Move Right, Move Up, Move Down, Color Adjustment and Delete.

Note:

1) When user left-clicks Display/Hide button ⟋ on the Measurement Toolbar, the Measurement Toolbar will be fixed. In this case the Camera Control Panel will not pop up automatically even if moving the mouse cursor to the left edge of the video window. Only when user left-click the ✕ button on the Measurement Toolbar to exit from the measurement mode will they be able to doing other operations with the Camera Control Panel or the Synthesis Camera Control Toolbar.

2) When a specific Measurement Object is selected during the measurement operation, the Object Location & Attributes Control Bar △▽◁▷⊕🗑 will appear for changing the object location and properties of the selected objects.

8.4 Icons and Functions of the Synthesis Camera Control Toolbar at the Bottom of the Video Window

Icon	Function	Icon	Function
	Zoom In the video Window		Zoom Out the video Window
	Horizontal Flip		Vertical Flip
	Color/Gray		Video Freeze
	Display Cross Line		Overlay
	Compare Image with the current video		Browse Images and Videos in the SD Card
	Settings		Check the Version of MicroView

The Setting function is relatively more complicated than the other functions. Here are more details about it:

8.4.1 Setting>Measurement
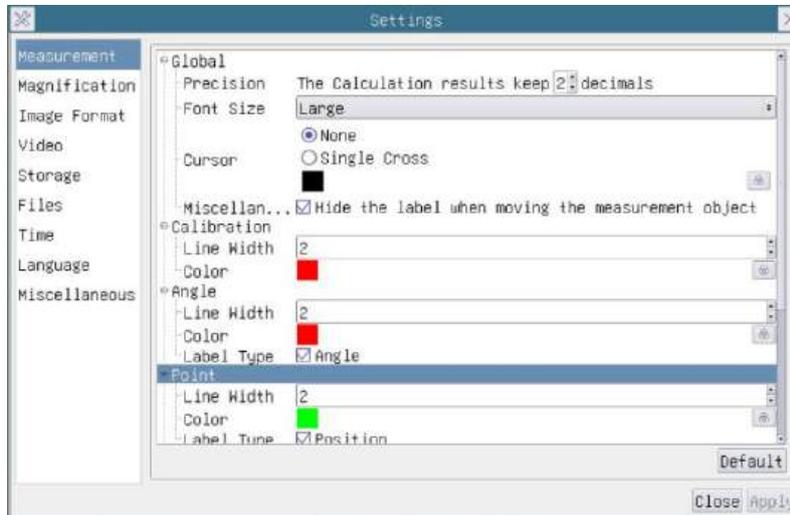
Figure 7 The Measurement Setup

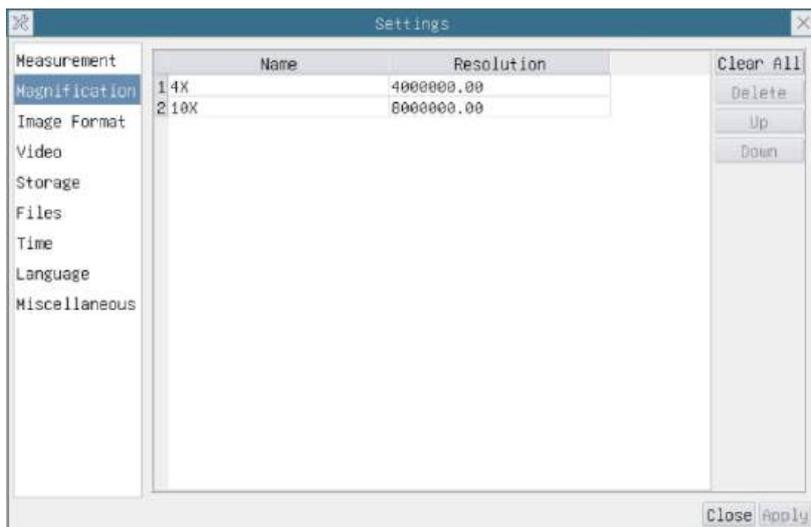| Global	Precision	Used to set the number of digits after the decimal point of the measurement result
Calibration	Line Width	Used for defining width of the lines for Calibration;
	Color	Used for defining color of the lines for Calibration;
	EndPoint	Type: Used for defining shape of the Endpoint of lines for calibration: Null means no EndPoint, rectangle means rectangle type of Endpoint. It makes alignment more easily;
Point, Angle, Line, Horizontal Line, Vertical Line, Rectangle, Circle, Ellipse, Annulus, Two Circles, Polygon, Curve		
		Left-click the along with the Measurement command mentioned above will unfold the corresponding attribute settings to set the individual property of the Measurement Objects.

8.4.2 Setting>Magnification

Figure 8 Comprehensive Magnification Calibration Settings Page

Name	The name of the Magnification, usually the Magnification of the objective of the microscope is used as the Magnification name when calibration, such as 4X, 10X, 40X, 100X, etc. Besides, other user-defined information could be added into the Magnification name too, for example, microscope model, operator name, etc.
Resolution	Pixels per meter. Image device like microscopes have high resolution value;
Clear All	Click the Clear All button will clear the calibrated Magnification;
Delete	Click Delete to delete the selected Magnification;
Up	Click Move Up to move up the selected Magnification;
Down	Click Move Down to move the selected Magnification down;

8.4.3 Settings>Image Format
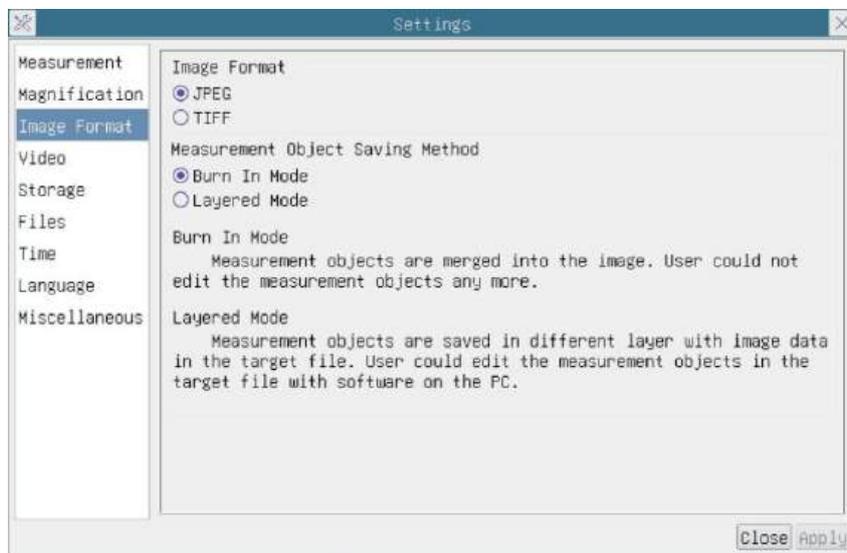
Figure 9 Comprehensive Image Format Settings Page

Image Format	JPEG: The extension of JPEG file can get very high compression rate and display very rich and vivid images by removing redundant images and color data. In other words, it can get better image quality with the least disk space. If Measurement Objects are available, the Measurement Objects will be burned into the image and the Measurement Objects cannot be edited. TIFF: Tag Image File Format(TIFF) is a flexible bitmap format that is mainly used to store images including photos and artistic images.
Measurement Object Saving Method	Burn in Mode: The Measurement Objects are merged into the current image. User could not edit the Measurement Objects anymore. This mode is not reversable. Layered Mode: The Measurement Objects are saved in different layer with current image data in the target file. User could edit the Measurement Objects in the target file with some software on the PC. This mode is reversable.

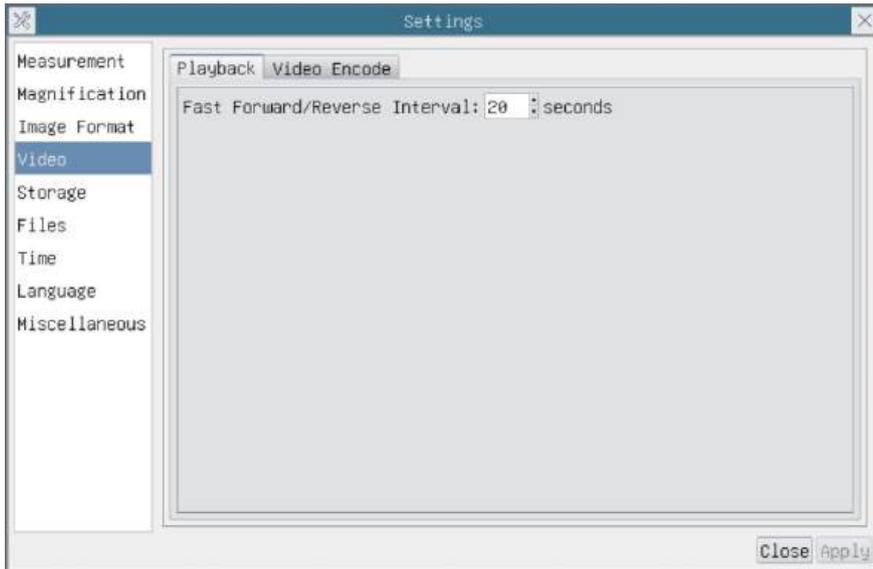**8.4.4   Settings>Video**

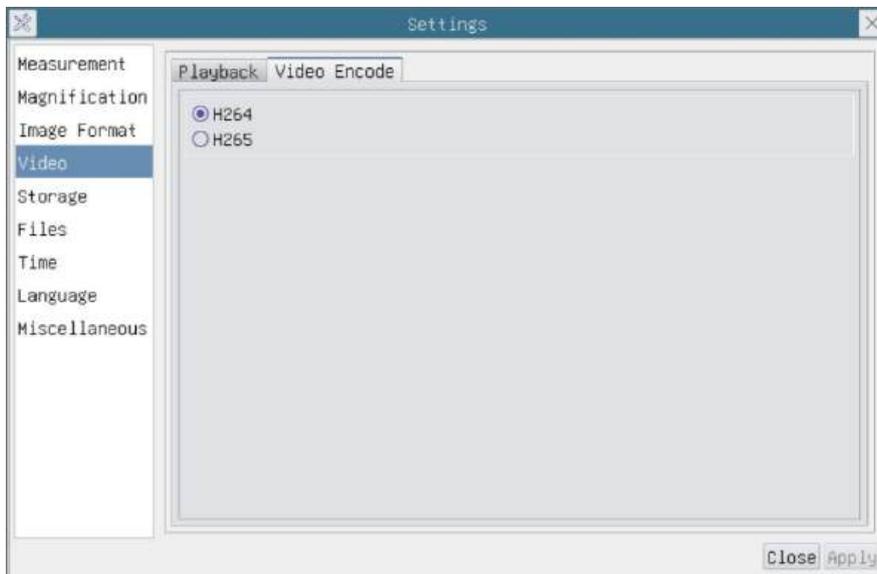Figure 10 Comprehensive Setting of Video Settings Page-Playback

Figure 11 Comprehensive Setting of Video Settings Page-Video Encode

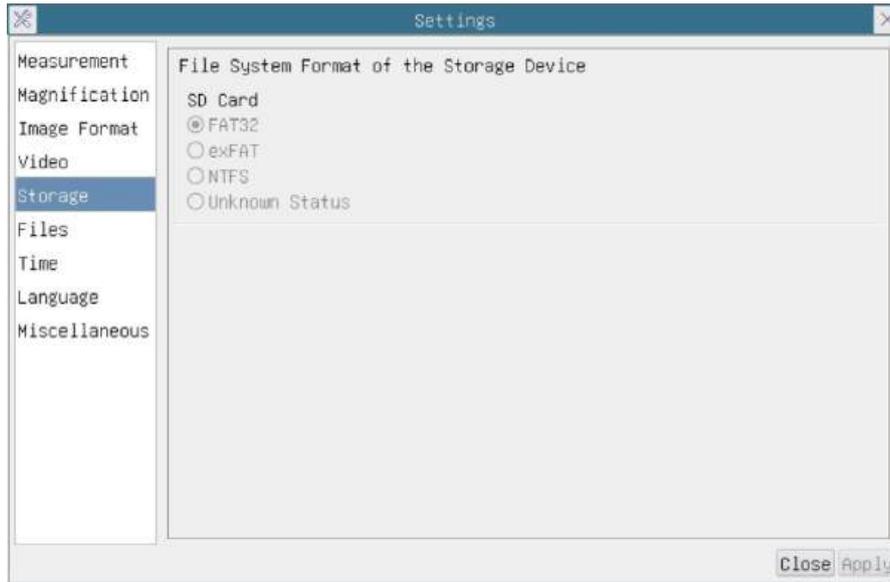| Fast Forward/Reverse Interval	The time interval of the playback of video files.
Video Encode	You can choose H264 or H265 encoding. H265 encoding can significantly reduce encoding bandwidth and save storage space under the same encoding quality;

8.4.5　Setting>Storage

Figure 12 Comprehensive Setting of SD Card Setting Page

| Storage Device	SD Card: SD Card is only supported as the storage device.
File System Format of the Storage Device	List the file system format of the current storage device FAT32: The file system of SD Card is FAT32. The maximum video file size of single file is 4G Bytes; exFAT: The file system of SD Card is exFAT. The maximum video file size of single file is 4G Bytes; NTFS: The file system of SD Card is NTFS. The maximum video file size of single file is 4G Bytes. Use PC to format the SD Card and switch between FAT32, exFat and NTFS. Unknown Status: SD Card not detected or the file system is not identified;

8.4.6　Setting>Files
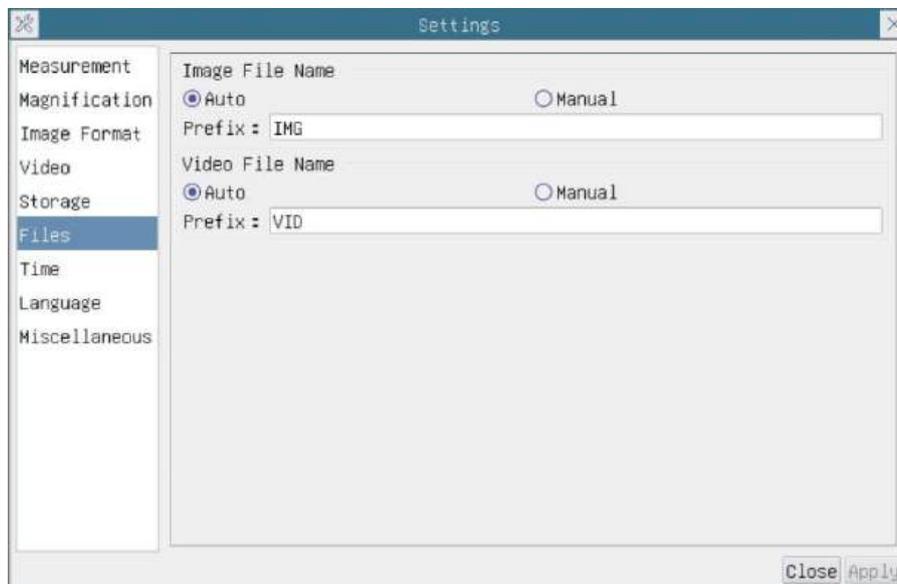
Figure 13 Comprehensive Setting of Files Settings Page

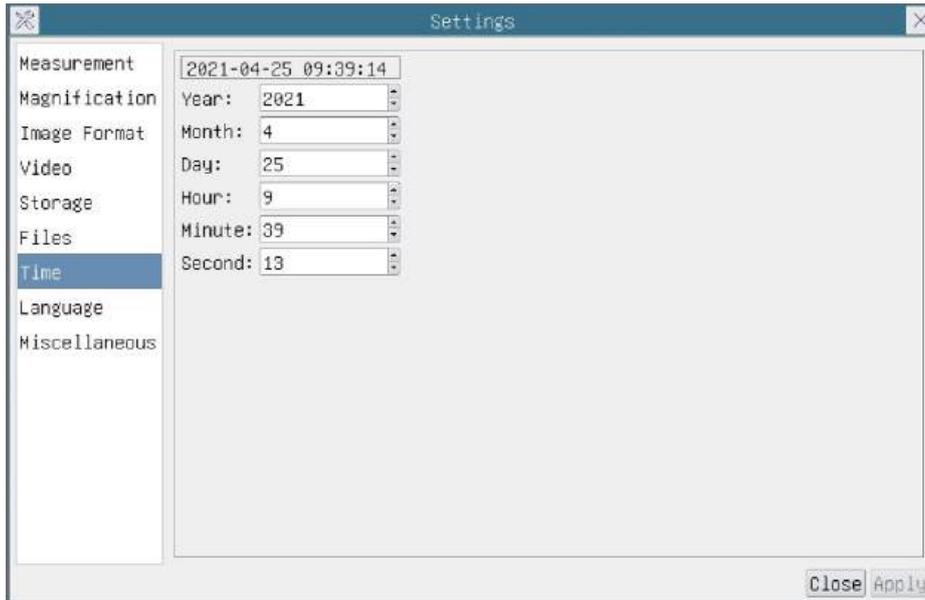| Image File Name	Auto: The image files will be saved automatically with the specified prefix. Manual: Users has to specify the file name before image saving.
Video File Name	Auto: The video file will be saved automatically with the specified prefix. Manual: Users has to specify the Video File Name before video recording.

8.4.7   Setting>Time

Figure 14 Time Setting

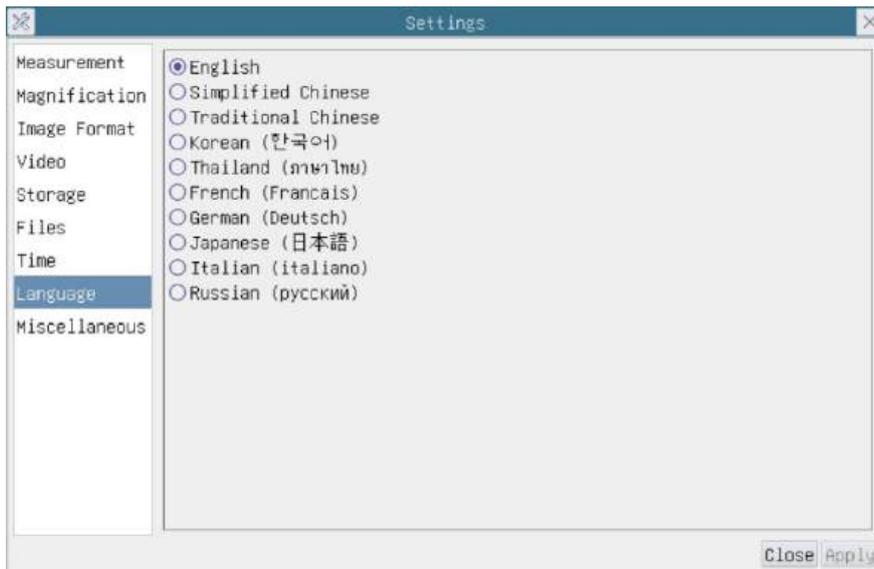| Time	User can set Year, Month, Day, Hour, Minute and Second ital.in this page.

8.4.8   Setting>Language

Figure 15 Comprehensive Setting of Language Selection Setting Page

English	Set language of the whole software into English;
Simplified Chinese	Set language of the whole software into Simplified Chinese;
Traditional Chinese	Set language of the whole software into Traditional Chinese;
Korean	Set language of the whole software into Korean;
Thailand	Set language of the whole software into Thailand;
French	Set language of the whole software into French;
German	Set language of the whole software into German;
Japanese	Set language of the whole software into Japanese;
Italian	Set language of the whole software into Italian;
Russian	Set language of the whole software into Russian;

8.4.9 Manual **Comprehensive Miscellaneous Settings Page**
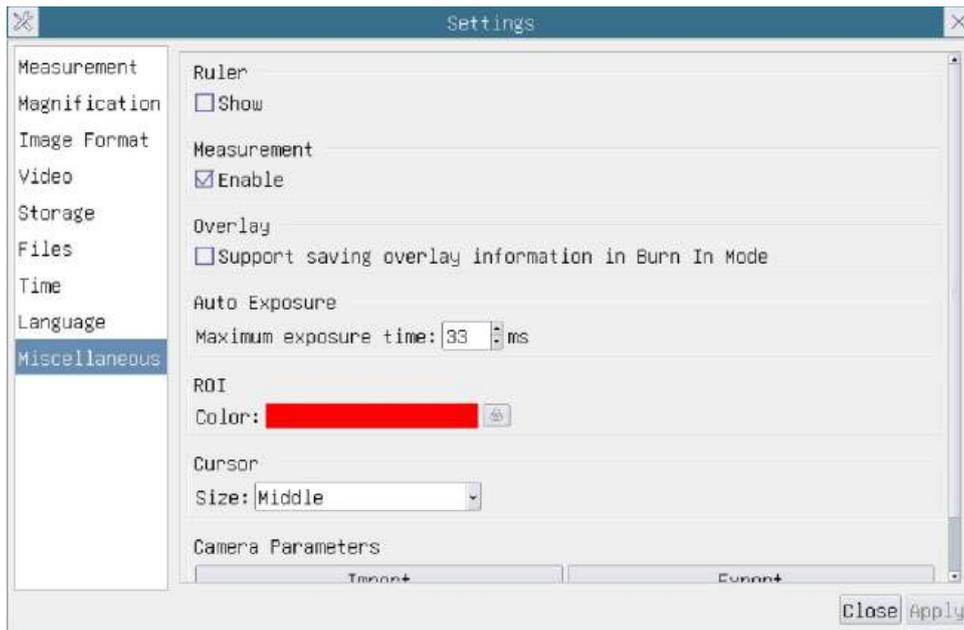

Figure 16 Comprehensive Miscellaneous Settings Page

Ruler	Select to display the Ruler in the video window, or not to display the Ruler;
Measurement	Select to display the Measurement toolbar in the video window, otherwise, the Measurement toolbar will not be displayed;
Overlay	Select to support saving graphics Overlay information in fusion mode, and not to save graphics Overlay information in fusion mode;
Auto Exposure	The maximum exposure time during auto exposure process could be specified. Setting this item to a lower value could guarantee a faster frame rate during Auto Exposure;
ROI Color	Choosing the ROI rectangle line color ;
Camera Parameters Import	Import the Camera Parameters from the SD card to use the previously exported Camera Parameters;
Camera Parameters Export	Export the Camera Parameters to the SD card to use the previously exported Camera Parameters;
Reset to factory defaults	Restore camera parameters to its factory status;

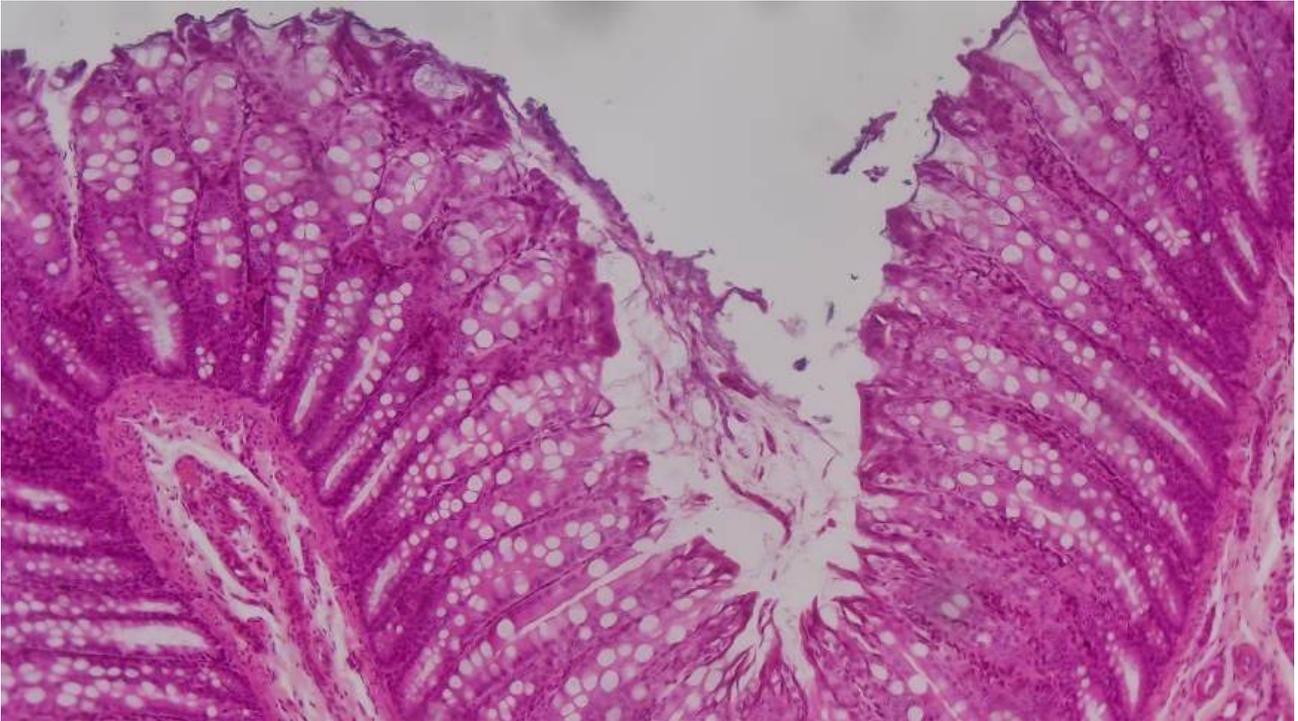## 9　　　Sample Photos Captured with ECO4KUHD8MP Series

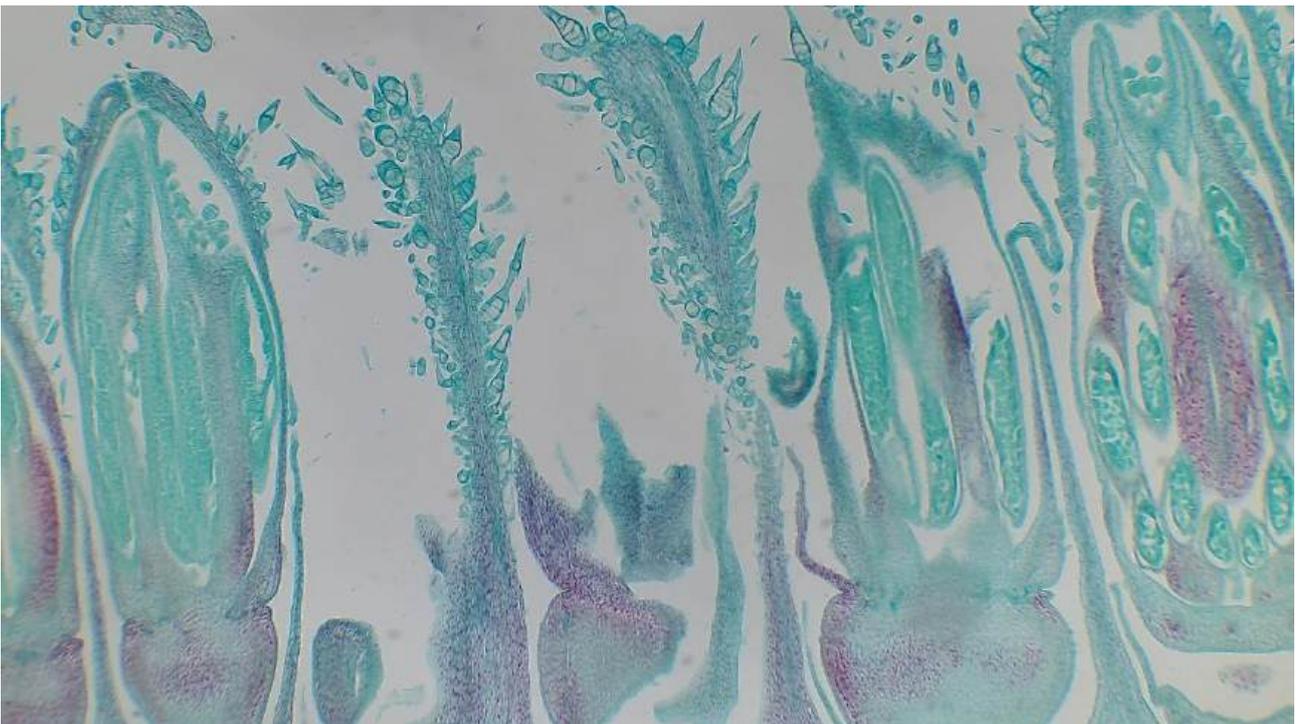Figure 17 Large Intestine Captured with ECO4KUHD8MP

Figure 18 Sunflower Flower Captured with ECO4KUHD8MP

10　Contacting Customer Service

Please contact your local distributor if you have any questions about the product.