

# Instructions for Use

# Leica ST5020 Multistainer



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# 1. Important information

# 1.1 Symbols used in this manual and their meaning



#### Warnings

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#### Notes,

i.e. important user information appear in a grey box and are marked by an information symbol



Flammable solvents and reagents are marked with this symbol.



Instrument surfaces which become hot during operation are marked with this symbol.

Figures in brackets refer to item nos. in drawings.

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Function keys to be pressed on the instrument touch screen are written in bold-print capital letters.



The CSA test mark means that a product has been tested and fulfills the applicable safety and/or performance standards, including the relevant standards defined or administered by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), Underwriters Laboratories (UL), the Canadian Standards Association (CSA), the National Sanitation Foundation International (NSF) and others.



In vitro diagnostics (IVD) medical device.



Observe the Instructions for Use!



Environmental protection symbol of the China RoHS directive. The number in the symbol indicates the "Environmentfriendly Use Period" of the product in years. The symbol is used if a substance restricted in China is used in excess of the maximum permitted limit.



Symbol for labeling electrical and electronic equipment in accordance with Section 7 of the German Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act (ElektroG). ElektroG is the law regarding the sale, return and environmentally sound disposal of electrical and electronic equipment.



Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use for important cautionary information such as warnings and precautions that cannot, for a variety of reasons, be presented on the medical device itself.

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This product fulfills the requirements of the Council's Directive 98/79/EC concerning in vitro diagnostics (IVD) medical devices.



Designates the serial number of the instrument.



Order number for standard delivery or accessories.



Date of Manufacture: Indicates the date when the medical device was manufactured.



Manufacturer: Indicates the manufacturer of the medical product.

# 1.2 Designated use

The Stainer Leica ST5020 is an automated stainer for the preparation of histological and cytological routine stainings.

It is designed for use in pathology laboratories, and only for performing the following tasks:

- Staining of thin sections of tissue specimens or of cytological samples, attached to microscope slides
- The instrument may be operated only according to the instructions contained in this manual.

#### Any other use of the instrument is considered improper!



To prevent damages to the instrument and specimens, only those accessories and spare parts which have been authorized by Leica may be installed or used with the instrument. • The instrument may be operated only according to the instructions contained in this manual.

> Any other use of the instrument is considered improper!

# **1.3 Qualification of personnel**

- The Leica ST5020 may be operated only by trained laboratory personnel.
- The instrument may be operated only according to the instructions contained in this manual.

# 1.4 Instrument type

All information provided in this manual applies only to the instrument type indicated on the title page.

A name plate indicating the instrument serial number is attached to the back of the instrument.





Make sure to comply with the safety instructions and warnings in this chapter. Make sure to read these instructions, even if you are already familiar with the operation and use of other Leica products.

# 2.1 Safety instructions

This Instructions for Use includes important information related to the operating safety and maintenance of the instrument and it is an important part of the product.



If additional requirements on accident prevention and environmental protection exist in the country of operation, this Instructions for Use must be supplemented by appropriate instructions to ensure compliance with such requirements. This instrument has been built and tested in accordance with the following safety regulations on electrical measuring, control, regulating and laboratory devices.

In order to maintain this condition and to ensure safe operation, the operator must observe the instructions and warnings contained in this Instructions for Use.



For current information about applicable standards, please refer to the CE declaration of conformity on our Internet site:

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Material safety data sheets can be obtained from the supplier of the chemicals. They are also available on the Internet: http://www.msdsonline.com



The protective devices on both instrument and accessories may neither be removed nor modified. Only authorized and qualified service personnel may repair the instrument and access the instrument's internal components.

# 2.2 Warnings

The safety devices installed in this instrument by the manufacturer only constitute the basis for accident prevention. Primarily responsible for accident-free operation is above all the institution which owns the instrument and, in addition, the designated personnel who operates, services or repairs the instrument.

To ensure trouble-free operation of the instrument, make sure to comply with the following instructions and warnings.

#### Warnings - Markings on the instrument itself



Markings on the instrument showing the warning triangle indicate that the correct Instructions for Use (as defined in this manual) must be followed when operating or replacing the item marked.

Failure to adhere to these instructions may result in an accident, personal injury, damage to the instrument or accessory equipment.



Some instrument surfaces, which become hot during operation are marked with this warning label. Touching these surfaces may cause burns.

#### Warnings - Transport and Installation



The instrument may only be transported in an upright position.

Four people are needed to lift / carry the instrument.

Install the instrument on an even laboratory bench which must be absolutely level.

Do not expose the instrument to direct sunlight (windows).

The instrument MUST be connected to an earthed mains power outlet socket. The instrument must not be connected to an extension cord without protective earth conductor.

The instrument will automatically adjust to the required voltage and frequency at the place of installation.

If new ovens are installed, they must be adjusted to the voltage and frequency required at the installation site.

The instrument must be set up in a well ventilated area, free from any ignition sources. The chemicals to be used in the Leica ST5020 are both flammable and noxious. Do not operate the instrument in rooms with explosion hazard.

If there is a significant difference in temperature between the warehousing and the installation site of the instrument and if at the same time there is a high air humidity level, condensation water may form. In this case, a waiting period of at least two hours must be observed before the instrument is switched on. Failure to adhere to this waiting period may result in damage to the instrument.

#### Warnings -handling reagents



Be careful when handling solvents!

Always wear rubber gloves and safety goggles when handling the chemicals used in this instrument.

Reagents used for tissue infiltration can be both toxic and/or flammable.

Dispose of waste solvents with care according to local regulations and the waste management policy of the company or institution.

#### Warnings - Operating the instrument



The Leica ST5020 may only be operated by trained laboratory personnel, according to its designated use and per the present Instructions for Use.

In case of emergency switch off mains and unplug the power chord.

While working with reagents (filling / emptying the reagent stations, working on the instrument while the lid/s is/are open) appropriate protective gear (lab coat, gloves, safety goggles) must be worn.

Make sure to operate the instrument either with the activated carbon filter or with the exhaust air hose. Even when the instrument is operated according to its designated use, hazardous solvent fumes develop, which are damaging to the operator's health and do also pose a risk of fire! Risk of fire, when working with an open flame (Bunsen burner) immediately next to the instrument (solvent fumes)! - Therefore, keep a safety distance of 2 meters!

If a staining program is to be interrupted for an extended period of time, do not leave any slide racks in the tap water stations, in order to prevent them from drying out.

#### Warnings - Cleaning and maintenance



Prior to each maintenance and/or cleaning, switch the instrument off and disconnect mains power. Do not clean the instrument with solvents containing acetone or xylene. No liquid may be spilled into the internal components of the instrument - neither during operation nor during cleaning.

When working with cleaning detergents, comply with all safety instructions by the manufacturer of the product and the laboratory management policy.

Wash the tap water and reagent stations in the dishwasher at a temperature of max. +65 °C (149 °F). Use a standard detergent for laboratory dishwashers.

At any rate avoid washing the stations at higher temperatures, as the stations may become deformed!

Spilled solvents (reagents) have to be wiped away immediately! - In case of long-term exposure, the lid surfaces are only conditionally resistant to solvents!

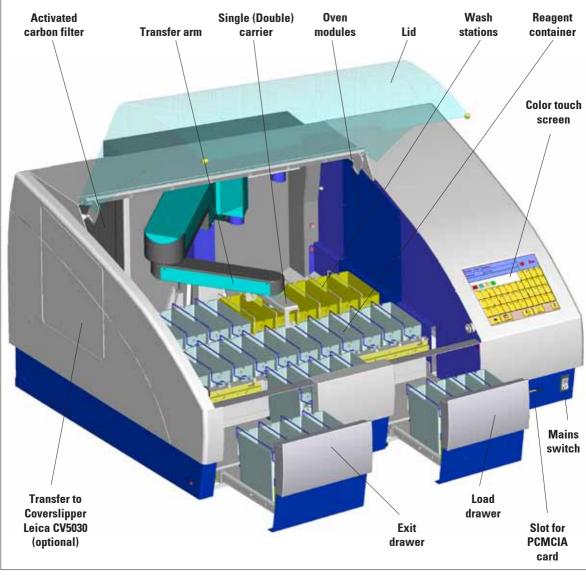
To clean the lids, control panel and housing, use mild household detergents; - see safety instruction above for non-appropriate ingredients!

Caution with sequences which involve an oven at the initial step.

In this case the loading unit, out of which the specimen holder is removed via the transport arm, must NOT be filled with an inflammable reagent (e.g. xylene).

As the oven temperature is up to 80  $^\circ C$  (176  $^\circ F$ ), the reagent may ignite and cause damage to the device and to the samples.

For the same reason, steps conducted INSIDE an oven must never be carried out from a reagent station with inflammable reagents.



# 3.1 Overview - Instrument components

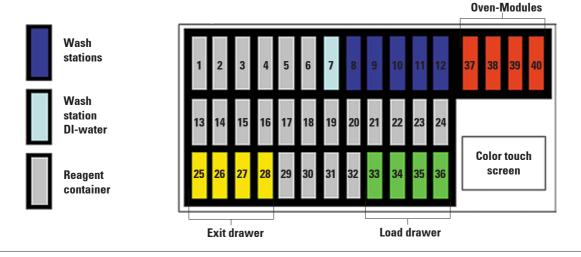


# 3. Instrument components and specifications

#### Fan electronic Data connections **Power supply** inlet (electronic) **Power supply** outlet Mains Transfer to **Power supply** Coverslipper inlet (optional) Secondary . fuses adjustable **Cover for** Drain **DI-Water inlet** Water inlet **Exhaust** Drain foot **Oven-Modules** hose air duct outlet Station 7 Stations 8-12 Fig. 2

#### **Rear of instrument**

#### **Container map**



# 3.2 Instrument specifications

- High specimen throughput (at maximum 12 racks simultaneously)
- Simultaneously processing of multiple different programs
- Color TFT-Touch screen
- Graphical and intelligent user Interface
- Context-sensitive Online Help
- Graphical process representation on color screen.
- Reagent Management System.
- Multilingual.
- Maximum of 40 stations.
- Load drawer with max. 4 stations.
- Exit drawer with max. 4 stations.
- Maximum of 6 wash stations, 2 different water sources possible. (individually valve-controlled)
- CodeRack<sup>™</sup> Programmable Slide Rack for automatic rack start.
- Overflow Protector (sensor) in stainless steel sink.
- Integrated fume control system with external hose/filter.

#### **Optional Accessories**

- Oven modules max. +65 °C and up to 4 stations.
- Heated reagent stations (35 70 °C max.), max. 2,
- Special Stain Kit. (modified container with reduced reagent volume and racks).
- System upgrade for Coverslipper integration. (automated staining and coverslipping without operator interaction).
- Air evacuation hose.
- Slide rack (plastic).
- Adapter for racks from other manufacturers.



To prevent damage to the instrument or the specimen, only accessories authorized by Leica may be used.

# 3. Instrument components and specifications

# 3.3 Standard delivery - packing list

The Leica ST5020 standard delivery consists of the following items:

1	Leica ST5020 basic instrument	
31	Reagent vessels, assy. (with handles and lids)	14 0475 33659
	Wash vessels, assy.	14 0475 33660
2	Activated carbon filter	14 0474 32273
1	Accessory-Kit consisting off:	14 0475 39617
	1 Jumper cable - mains	14 0411 34604
	3 Reagent vessels, assy. (with handles and lids)	14 0475 33659
	1 Set of clips, red, pack of 5	14 0475 33637
	1 Set of clips, yellow, pack of 5	14 0475 33633
	1 Set of clips, white, pack of 5	14 0475 33632
	1 Set of clips, light blue, pack of 5	14 0475 33634
	1 Set of slide racks 30, plastic, pack of 5	14 0475 33750
	1 Waste water hose, 4 m length	14 0475 35748
	1 Hose clamp for waste water hose	14 0422 31972
	1 Tap water inlet hose, 2.50 m length, assy. with 3/4" connection for water tap	14 0475 32325
	1 'V' strainer 3/4"-40/22 A6 (strainer for inlet hose)	14 0456 36101
	1 Threaded nippel	14 0474 33063
	2 Gaskets for tap water inlet hose	14 0300 00132
	1 Box level	14 0475 37629
	1 Special O-ring grease for valves and O-rings (OHA), 25 ml	14 0336 36657
1	PCMCIA Flash Card, with adapter	14 0475 42526
	1 Tool set:	
	1 Screw driver 5.5 x 200	14 0170 10702
	1 Allen key, size 3.0, with handle	14 0194 04764
	1 Allen key, size 4.0, with handle	14 0194 04782
	1 Allen key, size 6.0	14 0194 03959
	1 Ring-head wrench, size 13	14 0330 37628
	1 Single-head wrench, size 17	14 0330 19641
	1 Set of replacement fuses:	
	4 x T 2.0 A	14 6943 02001
	2 x T 2.5 A	14 6943 02501
	2 x T 4.0 A	14 6943 04001
	1 Instructions for Use, printed (German/English, with language CD	14 0475 80001
	14 0475 80200)	

The country specific power cord needs to be ordered separately. Please find a list of all power cords available for your device on our website www.LeicaBiosystems.com within the product section.

# 3.4 Technical Data

# General

Approvals:	The instrument-specific marks are located next to the identification label
Nominal voltage:	100 V - 120 V +/- 10 % 230 V - 240 V +/- 10 %
Nominal frequency:	50 to 60 Hz
Maximum power draw:	1200 VA
IEC 1010 classifications:	<ul> <li>Protective class 1</li> <li>Pollution degree 2</li> <li>Overvoltage installation category II:</li> <li>800 V impulse (120 V systems)</li> <li>1500 V impulse (240 V systems)</li> </ul>
Remote alarm relay:	24 V AC/DC, maximum 2 A Connection: potential-free contact (can be operated both as normally open and as normally closed circuit)
Primary fuses:	Fa. Schurter: type FST, mains power inlet 2 x T 8 A
Secondary fuses:	Melting fuse, Ø 6.3 x 32 mm Type: Schurter FST F1: T 2.0 A F2: T 2.0 A F3: T 2.5 A F4: T 4.0 A
Operating temperature range:	15 °C to 40 °C
Relative humidity:	10 % to 80 %, non-condensing

# 3. Instrument components and specifications

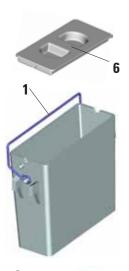
# **Dimensions and weight**

Basic instrument (W x D x H), in mm:	1060 x 750 x 540
Dry weight, unpacked:	approx. 90 kg
Weight, packed:	approx. 110 kg

# **Capacity data**

Specimen slide throughput: Loading capacity:	depending on the program-structure max. 12 slide racks (with 12 different Programs)
Slide rack capacity:	30 specimen slides
Total number of stations:	40 (36 + 4 Oven)
Total number of reagent stations:	max. 34
Reagent container volume:	450 ml
Number of wash stations:	max. 5 and 1 DI-water (optional)
Oven (optional):	2 or 4
Oven chamber temperature:	40 °C to 70 °C or 104 °F to 158 °F
Incubation time setting:	0 sec. up to 23 hours, 59 min., 59 sec.
Load/unload stations:	max. each 4, min. each 1
Permanent memory capacity:	max. 50 Programs, up to 40 program steps each
Integration:	connection to Leica CV5030 Coverslipper (optional)

# 3.5 Container system



#### **Reagent container**

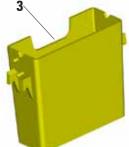
The Reagent containers can be individually removed for filling.

For use, fill the reagent containers to the line marked on the inside (approx. 450 ml capacity) and place into position in the instrument consistent with the programs you wish to run.

Ensure that the reagent containers are correctly seated and that the handles (1) are over to the side and will not obstruct slide rack movement. Lids (6) are provided to reduce evaporation while the reagent containers are not in use.

The Load and Exit drawer containers (**E25** and **L36**) can be filled with a reagent if desired.

However, the instrument will not control the immersion time in these stations.

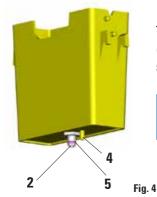


# Wash stations

The wash system consists of five (optional six) wash stations each capable of holding one slide rack. Water enters the wash station through a connection piece (2) in the base and exits from the overflow lip (3) at the top left hand edge.



Wash stations have a locating pin (4) and can only be inserted one way. Take care when fitting or removing wash stations as excessive force may damage the O-ring (5) used as a seal. Lubricate the O-ring seal before fitting a wash station.



To use the wash system, slowly turn the laboratory tap on fully. The flow control valve in the Leica ST5020 will limit the total water flow in the wash stations to 1.6 liters/minute/station.



If the water flow drops below this level for any reason the wash period specified in the program may have to be extended.

# 4. Setting up the instrument

# 4.1 Installation site requirements

- Stable, exactly horizontal laboratory bench with even surface of a minimum width of 1.60 m and minimum depth of 0.80 m.
- Tap water supply located a maximum of 2.50 m and waste water drain pipe a maximum of 2.00 m away from the corresponding in-/outlets at the rear panel of the instrument.
- If the instrument is to be operated with air evacuation hose, a fume cupboard at a distance of maximum 3.50 m from the instrument is required.

Alternative: operation with activated carbon filter.

• Sufficient space (approx. 0.90 m) above the laboratory bench for opening / closing the instrument lid without any problem.

- Virtually vibration-free floor.
- Stable ambient temperature between +10°C and +40°C.
- Relative air humidity of maximum 80%, noncondensing.
- Do not place near instruments which might be sources of vibration.



The chemicals to be used in the Leica ST5020 are both flammable and noxious. The instrument must be set up in a well ventilated area, free from any ignition sources.

Do not operate the instrument in rooms with explosion hazard.

# 4.2 Installing the instrument

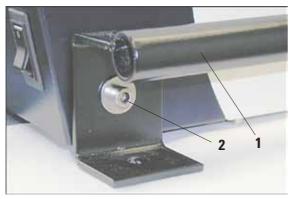


Fig. 5

• To lift, grip the instrument by the carrying handles (1, Fig. 5).



Four people are required to lift and/ or carry the instrument, as the instrument weighs a total of approx. 95 kg.

- Place the instrument onto the bench.
- Unscrew the carrying handles (remove screws (2) with Allen key, size 6.0) and store away.
- Pull off plastic cover.
- Check whether all accessories have been delivered as per your order.

# 4.3 Tap water supply connection

#### Water filter

In addition to the filter sieve supplied (item **3** in Fig. 6) Leica recommends installing a sediment filter between the water extraction outlet and ST5020, to guarantee that the instrument is only operated with clean water.

This sediment filter should have the following properties:

Filter fineness:	25 μm
Rate of flow:	approx. 10 l/min (with 5 wash stations)
Pressure constancy:	10 bar
Connection to the filter output:	1/2" external thread



This filter insert must be checked and cleaned regularly. If the filter insert is very dirty it must be replaced.

#### Connecting the tap water inlet hose

• Unpack the tap water inlet hose - mind the two gaskets (4).

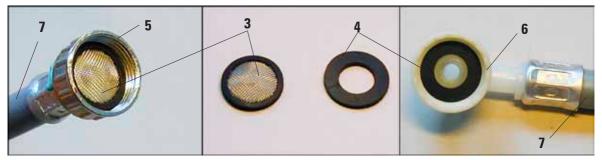
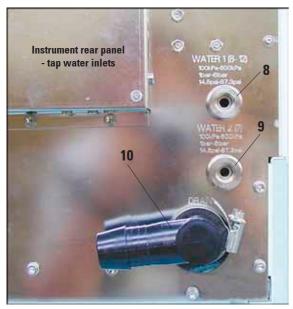


Fig. 6

- Insert one gasket (4) into threaded fitting (6). Store away the remaining gasket(s).
- Insert strainer (3) into union nut (5) (see Fig. 6) which is screwed onto the water tap. Do not insert any further gaskets, as the strainer acts also as a seal.

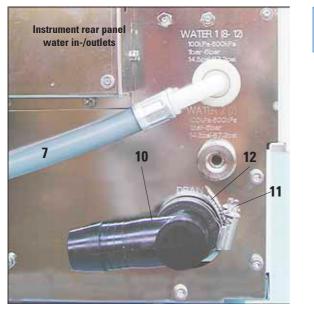
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- Screw tap water inlet hose (7 in Fig. 8) for tap water stations 8 - 12 onto water tap and insert the other end into inlet (8 in Fig. 7).
- If station no. 7 (Fig. 3) will also be used as a tap water station, connect a second tap water inlet hose (optional accessory) to inlet (9).



Inlet (9) only provides water (or any other medium supplied via a separate connection) to station no. 7. To use station 7 as a water station, a wash vessel must be inserted and station 7 must be defined as a 'tap water' or 'fully-de-ionized water' station (DI water station) in 'stations options'. (see also chapter 5.5.3)

Fig. 8

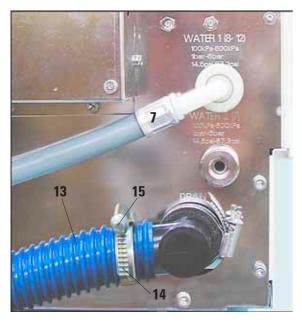


Fig. 9

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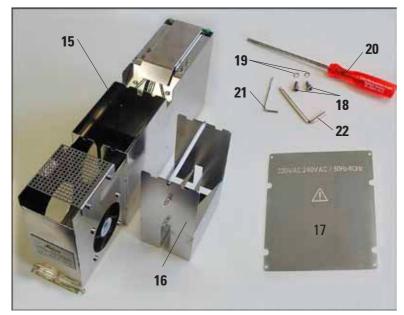
# Important!

When installing the drain hose always make sure there is a sufficient descending gradient from the outlet (connection piece (10)) on the instrument to the drain pipe!

#### Connecting the waste water hose

- Outlet connection piece (10) can be turned to point into different directions, depending on whether the drain water pipe is located to the left or to the right of the instrument.
- To adjust the connection piece, loosen screw (11) of hose clamp (12) sufficiently so that the connection piece (10) can be turned. Adjust the connection piece as desired (always with the opening pointing slightly downwards) and retighten screw (11).
- Turn screw (15) to the left (use screwdriver) until hose clamp (14) opens wide enough to be slid over waste water hose (13).
- Fit waste water hose (13) onto outlet connection piece (10) and position hose clamp (14) as shown in Fig. 9.
- Turn screw (15) to the right until hose (13) is secured tightly on connection piece (10) by hose clamp (12).
- Insert waste water hose (13) into drain pipe and secure in position.

4.4 Installing the oven (optional)



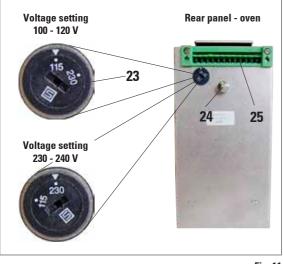


Fig. 11

• Take the oven kit out of the box and verify whether it is complete.

The following parts must be included:

- 15 Oven module
- 16 Paraffin collecting tray
- 17 Cover
- 18 Screws
- 19 Washers
- 20 Screwdriver
- 21 Allen key, size 2.5
- 22 Allen key, size 4.0

Insert paraffin collecting tray into corresponding opening in oven module (possible only in one direction, as shown here).

Fig. 10

 Check the voltage selector setting and adjust if necessary.

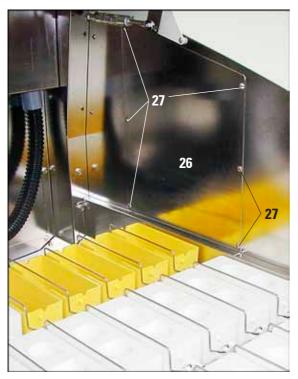


# Important!

The voltage selector switch must be set to the same mains voltage as the instrument.

To adjust the voltage selector setting, insert screw driver (**20**) into gap (**23**) and turn carefully until the white point above the correct voltage indication is located underneath the white triangle.

115 means: Instrument voltage 100 -120 V.230 means: Instrument voltage 230 - 240 V.

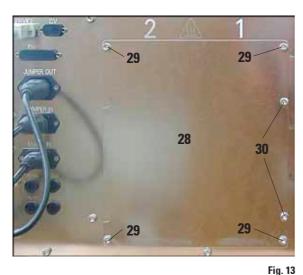




#### Important!

Prior to taking any further installation steps, switch the instrument off and unplug from mains.

- Cover panel (26) must be removed from the right inner wall of the instrument, so that the transfer arm can access the oven stations.
- To do so, remove six screws (27) (Allen key, size 2.5) and remove cover panel (26).
- Store screws and cover panel in safe place for further use.

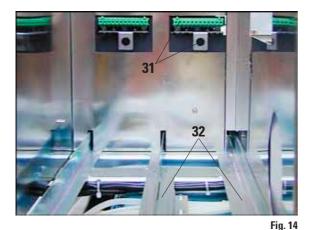


- Remove cover panel (28) located to the right of the electrical connections at the rear wall of the instrument.
- To remove panel (28), only remove screws (29).

Do not loosen the two screws (30)!

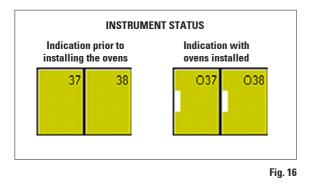
• Once the oven is installed, attach cover panel (part of oven kit delivery) (**17** in Fig. 10) with four screws (**29**) in such a way that the voltage selected is visible from the outside.

**Installing the oven** (continued)











# Important!

If only one oven is installed, it must be located on the right side (seen from the rear of the instrument).

- Place oven on rails (32) and insert.
- Keep pushing until the connection pieces of the oven (positioning pin (24), connector strip (25), see Fig. 11) lock into the corresponding connections (31) in the instrument.
- Next, use the two screws (18) and washers (19) to secure the oven (15) in the bores provided in the instrument for that purpose.
- If a second oven has been ordered, install it the same way as the first.
- Fasten cover (item **17**, Fig. 10) so that the voltage range selected for the oven (**15**) is the same as the engraved voltage range.
- Plug the instrument back into mains and switch on. The oven modules are detected automatically and are displayed accordingly in 'instrument status'.
- Go to 'stations options' and set the desired oven temperature. (See chapter 5.5.3, page 56 for further de-

tails).

# 4.5 Connecting the air evacuation hose (optional)

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If the instrument is operated without activated carbon filter, the air evacuation hose must be installed instead.

The air evacuation hose is attached to fan housing (68) located at the rear left of the instrument. Unpack the components supplied and check for completeness. The package must contain the following items:

- 60 Screw driver
- 61 Allen key, size 2.5
- 62 Hose clamp
- 63 Allen screw with washer
- 64 Hose connection piece with seal

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65 - Air evacuation hose



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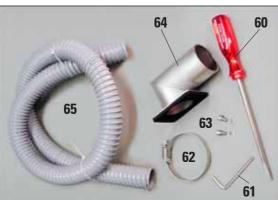
Fasten connection piece (64) with two • screws (63) into tap holes (66) in fan housing (68).

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- Turn clamping screw (67) to the left (use screw driver (60) until hose clamp (62) is loosened far enough so that it can be slipped over the air evacuation hose.
- Place air evacuation hose (65) together with hose clamp (62) onto connection piece (64) (see Fig. 18, right).
- Tighten screw (67) of hose clamp (62) (turn to the right) to secure the hose.

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# 4.6 Inserting the activated carbon filter

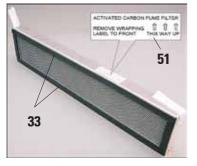


Fig. 18



Fig. 19

Important for trouble-free operation:

The sealing profiles (**33**) must fit against the rear wall of the filter housing (**34**).

Filter - inserted



Once the activated carbon filter is inserted, push lever (**35**) downwards to properly secure the filter in the filter housing.

Make sure to insert the filter with the correct side pointing upwards: the three arrows on the label (51) located at the right of the filter must point to front.

# 4.7 Leveling the instrument

- Once all accessories are installed (don't forget the rear panel!), move the instrument to its final position.
- Prior to leveling the instrument, check whether the bench surface of the laboratory bench where the instrument will be installed is flat and exactly horizontal.
- Otherwise, use the box level (standard delivery) to determine the highest point of the bench. Next, the instrument foot located at the highest point of the bench must be screwed in almost completely (see Fig. 21).
   Then level the instrument adjusting each foot as needed.

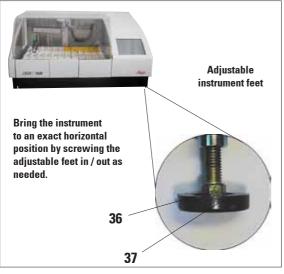


Fig. 21

To do so, proceed as follows:

- Remove all vessels located in stations 1 24 so that the vessel holder frames can be used to support the box level for measuring purposes.
- All four instrument feet (**37**) are height-adjustable.

To adjust, place single head wrench, size 13 (standard delivery) onto hexagon bolt (**36**) and adjust each foot as needed.



Make sure, all four instrument feet are firmly set on the bench surface once the instrument adjustment has been completed.

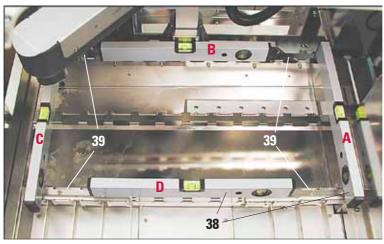


Fig. 22

Fig. 22 shows all four points (A to D) where the box level must be positioned for leveling the instrument. For leveling, the box level must be placed onto vessel holder frame (39). - Do not place the box level elsewhere.

- For leveling, position box level (38) alternately in positions
   (A and B) see Fig. 22 on the vessel holder frame.
- Screw the instrument feet inward / outward as needed, gradually bringing the instrument into a horizontal position. Start with the instrument foot located opposite the highest point of the laboratory bench.
- Finally, place the box level in positions (C und D) to doublecheck whether the instrument is in fact in a horizontal position.

# 4.8 Electrical connection



The instrument MUST be connected to an earthed mains power outlet socket. The instrument is supplied with a set of country-specific power cords. Make sure to use the appropriate mains cable for the local voltage supply (wall outlet).

Sockets for mains power supply and data transfer. Secondary fuses. Jumper cable / power cord connected correctly for mains power supply



All electrical connections are located at the rear of the instrument to the left (Fig. 23).

#### **Power supply**

- Connect mains cable to mains power supply socket (42).
- Jumper cable (43) connects the mains power supply output (44) to the electronics module input (45).

#### **Data connections**

• Printer port (47)

A suitable printer (and cable) can be recommended by your Leica distributor. If conformance to electromagnetic interference standards is essential, a specially shielded printer cable will be required.

- Serial port (**48**) Access for technical service.
- Connection for Leica CV 5030 Cover slipper (49).



All interfaces may be used only with devices that have been tested in accordance with EN 60950 and which satisfy the requirements for SELV circuits.

# Other connections

- Socket for remote alarm system (50)
- Secondary fuses (46)

Fig. 23

# 4.9 Alarm functions

# Instrument alarm

The instrument alarm is generated from within the Leica ST5020.

The instrument alarm is used for all alarm situations.

# Remote alarm

This alarm is external to the Leica ST 5020.

Any alarm generated in the instrument, no matter of which alarm type, is passed on to the remote alarm system, even when the type 1 instrument alarm is switched off.

The remote alarm sound/volume is the same for all alarm types - individual sound and volume settings selected in the **ALARM** menu (see chapter 5.4.2) are disregarded.

# 4.10 Transport

The following measures must be taken if the instrument is to be transported:

- Remove all the racks.
- Empty all reagent containers.
- Secure the transport arm of the instrument.
- Disconnect the instrument from the supply voltage.
- Detach the water inlet hose and the water drain hose.
- If necessary, detach the air evacuation hose.
- Reattach the carrying handles (see chapter 4.2).
- If the instrument is transported over longer distances, pack the instrument in its original shipping box and follow the measures for securing it for transport.

# Connecting a remote alarm device

The remote alarm system which can be optionally connected works with a potential-free relay. If an alarm is generated, the alarm circuit closes.

The remote alarm device connected to the instrument must be rated at less than 2 amp. A maximum voltage of 24 V AC/DC may be present.

The remote alarm device is connected to the printer via a 6.3 mm -diameter jack connector (optional accessory).

For details on how to connect a remote alarm device to the Leica IP, please contact your local Leica sales office or the manufacturer Leica Microsystems Nussloch GmbH directly.

Securing the transport arm:

- Change to the Supervisor mode.
- Call up the keyboard (e.g. as required for entering the password, see chapter 5.4.3)
- Enter the command "#transport".

The arm moves down into station 6 where it remains and can no longer be moved. After switching the instrument off, it is ready for transport.

# 5. Operation

# 5.1 Switching the instrument on

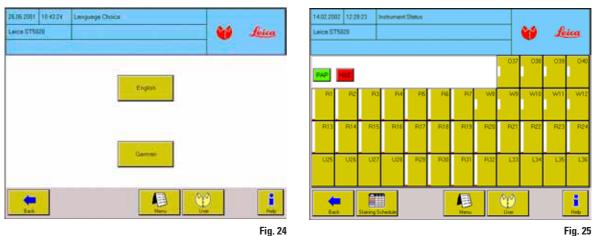


#### Caution!

The instrument MUST be connected to an earthed mains power outlet socket. It is recommended that the Leica ST5020 be plugged into a wall socket that has Ground Fault Circuit Interruption (GFCI) protection - as an additional electrical safeguard.



- Before you connect the instrument to the wall socket, make sure the mains switch at the bottom right of the instrument is in position OFF ('0').
- Connect the mains cable to the wall socket and switch on the mains supply at the wall socket (if applicable).
- Switch the mains switch **ON** ('I').
- When switched on, the instrument will take a few seconds to initialize. During initialization the screen is blue, initialization progress is indicated by a line of white dots.
- After approx. 30 seconds, the graphic surface will become visible. The working area is still black. A row of "X" displays the software loading in the information line.
- Next, the LANGUAGE CHOICE menu (Fig. 24) will be shown on the screen for approx. three secs.
- If you select a different language (press the corresponding button), the MAIN MENU (Fig. 32, chapter 5.3.4) will be shown next, in the new language selected.
- If no changes are made, the INSTRUMENT STATUS menu (Fig. 25) will open up.
   INSTRUMENT STATUS is the standard screen - all functional descriptions in the present chapter 5 start from INSTRUMENT STATUS.



# 5.2 Setup checklist



Once the instrument is ready to be switched on, all menus listed below must be accessed and the necessary parameters be properly selected. The Supervisor mode must be active to have access to all menus. For detailed advice on how to select individual parameters, refer to the online help feature.

Screen	$\rightarrow$	Press button	Parameter settings
Henu Options	$\rightarrow$	User Interface Language Choice	Select a language - either when switching the in- strument on or in the <b>LANGUAGE CHOICE</b> menu. In <b>USER INTERFACE</b> , set parameters as required.
Hersu Options	$\rightarrow$	Dole / Time	Verify whether <b>DATE</b> and <b>TIME</b> are correctly set.
Henu Options	$\rightarrow$	Reagent List	Open the <b>REAGENT LIST</b> menu, check the settings and complete, if necessary.
Menu Reagent List	$\rightarrow$ $\leftarrow$	P14	In <b>INSTRUMENT STATUS</b> , select a <b>STATION TYPE</b> for each station. Allocate the correct reagent to each <b>STATION</b> . Reagents can be allocated either when creating the programs or in the <b>STATION DETAILS</b> menu. Be sure to fill the reagent containers with the cor- rect reagents (as allocated)!
Herna Programs			Create the <b>PROGRAMS</b> needed. Existing programs can be copied and modified.
Hera Options	$\rightarrow$	Move	In <b>MOVE</b> , select the number of dips and the speed of the transfer arm.
→ Options	$\rightarrow$	Clip Color	Allocate a <b>CLIP COLOR</b> to each clip.
→ Options	$\rightarrow$	View/Print	Select time, quantity and paper format of the daily printouts.

# 5. Operation

# 5.3 Touch screen functions

#### 5.3.1 User interface - overview

The Leica ST5020 Multistainer is programmed and operated via a colored TFT- touch screen.

#### **Basic screen layout**

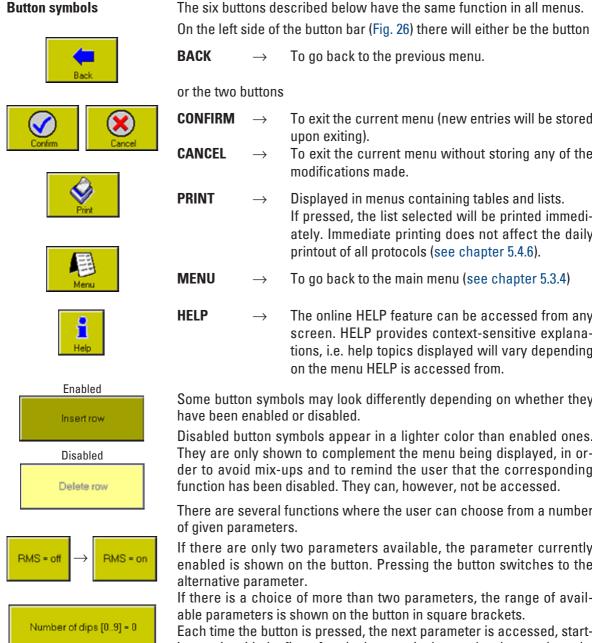
Only those control elements that can actually be accessed by the user are displayed on the screen. The number of accessible control elements depends on the access level selected.

Current Current Instrument Information Access level Menu al areas: date time name currently line selected selected 14.02.2002 12:28:23 Instrument Status feica Status bar Leica ST5020 037 03 039 040 PAP W W9 W1 W11 W13 **Operation B1 R1**4 R15 **R18 R1 B18** R19 R20 R21 R23 R23 R24 U25 U2P U21 U28 **B2**9 R30 **B**31 **B**33 1.33 1.34 1.35 L38 -围 als. ñ **Button bar** Back taining Scheduk Help Mere Fig. 26 Up one Area for buttons Up one level Switching from Online help on menu level displayed deuser to supervisor current menu to main menu access level and pending on current menu back

The screen is

horizontally

divided into three function-



or the two buttons				
CONFIRM	$\rightarrow$	To exit the current menu (new entries will be stored upon exiting).		
CANCEL	$\rightarrow$	To exit the current menu without storing any of the modifications made.		
PRINT	$\rightarrow$	Displayed in menus containing tables and lists. If pressed, the list selected will be printed immedi- ately. Immediate printing does not affect the daily printout of all protocols (see chapter 5.4.6).		
MENU	$\rightarrow$	To go back to the main menu (see chapter 5.3.4)		
HELP	$\rightarrow$	The online HELP feature can be accessed from any screen. HELP provides context-sensitive explana- tions, i.e. help topics displayed will vary depending on the menu HELP is accessed from.		

To go back to the previous menu.

Some button symbols may look differently depending on whether they have been enabled or disabled.

Disabled button symbols appear in a lighter color than enabled ones. They are only shown to complement the menu being displayed, in order to avoid mix-ups and to remind the user that the corresponding function has been disabled. They can, however, not be accessed.

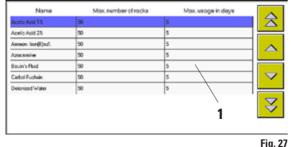
There are several functions where the user can choose from a number of given parameters.

If there are only two parameters available, the parameter currently enabled is shown on the button. Pressing the button switches to the alternative parameter.

If there is a choice of more than two parameters, the range of available parameters is shown on the button in square brackets.

Each time the button is pressed, the next parameter is accessed, starting again with the first after the last one in the row has been selected.

# Tables/lists



The program contains numerous tables.

The first row of a table contains the headers of the individual columns.

The rows below contain the actual content. Selected rows appear in blue color (1). When a tabled is accessed, the blue bar is always located in the first content row. If a table is empty, no blue bar is displayed.



Fig. 28

Name	Max. number of racks	Max usage in days	$\geq$
Eosin 0,5%	50	5	
Easin 12	50	5	
Eosin, Yellow.	20	5	
Ethanol 100%	20	5	
Ethanol 50%	20	5	
Ethanol 70%	20	5	$\nabla$
Ethanol 80%	20	5	
Delete	New FMS - on	2 3	S

Headings of column where parameters can be entered by the user (in supervisor mode) (Fig. 28) are displayed as buttons (3). In supervisor mode, some tables also contain a number of additional buttons (2), depending on the parameters selectable.



The navigation buttons are located at the right border of the screen. Each table contains two navigation buttons for row-by-row scrolling. Each time one of the buttons is pressed, the highlighting bar is moved one row up or down. You can also highlight rows by touching them directly.

For long lists, a set of page-up / page-down buttons will be displayed in addition.



Pressing on of these buttons moves the highlighting bar one entire page up or down; the last (first) row of the current page will be the first (last) row of the new page. If there is no entire page left to the beginning (end) of the table, the new page will be displayed starting with the first row (ending with the last row) of the table with the highlighting bar jumping to the first content row on the page.

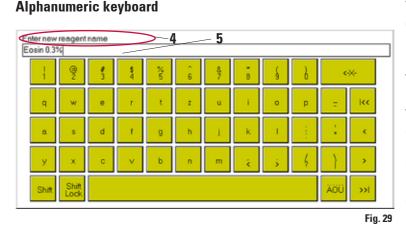


Each table contains a **PRINT** button. If the button is pressed, the current status will be printed out immediately.



#### 5.3.2 Data entry

Parameters and data can be set / entered several different ways:



The alphanumeric keyboard (Fig. 29) resembles a computer keyboard. An entry field (5) and instructions on what kind of data to enter (4) are located above the keyboard. The amount of characters that can be entered varies, depending on the type of data to be entered. If there is a predetermined number of characters to be entered, that number will be displayed in the entry field. The cursor is located on the left.

The maximum number of characters to be entered may not be exceeded. The following numbers are predefined:

Reagent names:	maximum 20 characters
Program names:	maximum 20 characters
Program abbreviation:	maximum 3 characters
Passwords:	minimum 4 characters, maximum 20 characters.

#### The following buttons have special functions:



If pressed, button remains locked, all letters will be displayed in capitals. After any button has been pressed, **SHIFT** is released and the keyboard will return to small letters.



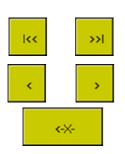
If pressed, button remains locked - all letters will be written in capitals. Press **SHIFT LOCK** once more to return to small letters.



Press this button to display special characters, above all vowels carrying accents. These can also be displayed in capitals by pressing **SHIFT/SHIFT LOCK**. After a special character has been selected, the keyboard automatically reverts to standard indication.

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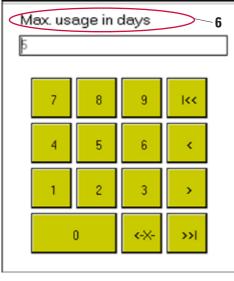
## **Navigation buttons**



The navigation buttons have the same function in both keyboard types (numerical, alphanumeric):

- Cursor jumps to the left / right border of the entry field.
- Cursor is moved one character to the left / right.
- Character on the left of the cursor is deleted.

#### **Numerical keyboard**



- Entry field located above the numeric keypad (left aligned). Instructions on which parameter to be entered (6) are displayed above the entry field. Entry position is marked by cursor, default parameters will be stored. Pressing a numerical key deletes default parameters.
- If a figure entered exceeds or falls short of a limit setting, that limit setting will be displayed when **CONFIRM** in the menu bar is pressed and the entry field will not be exited.
- Depending on the type of entry to be made, only a limited number of numeric characters can be entered.
- Press **CONFIRM** or **CANCEL** to exit the numerical keypad.





Press **CONFIRM** to store entries and go back to the previous menu.



Press **CANCEL** to go back to the previous menu without storing any new entries.

# 5.3.3 Access levels

#### **Administrator symbol**





User symbol

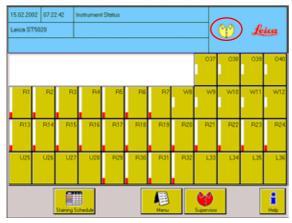
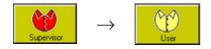


Fig. 31



The Leica ST5020 may be configured to allow two level of user access.

#### **User access level**

 Users may run programs and view results.
 On this level, the USER symbol is displayed in the upper right corner of the touch screen.

#### Supervisor access level

- Administrators may perform all user functions, and additionally create programs and perform the instrument setup functions.
- To access supervisor level, press SUPER-VISOR: the keyboard will be displayed. If a password has been allocated, the keyboard will appear on the screen.

(See chapter 5.4.3 for details on password allocation).

Enter the 'Admin' password and confirm.

The **SUPERVISOR** symbol will then be displayed instead of the **USER** symbol and the **SUPERVISOR** button will be replaced by the **USER** button.

In SUPERVISOR mode, NO programs can be run. Switch to USER mode to start a program.

You can only go back to SUPERVI-SOR mode (e.g. to select / change settings) once all running programs have been finished.

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The Leica ST5020 may be configured so that all functions are accessible to all staff - effectively the instrument is in Supervisor access level the whole time. See chapter 5.4 "System setup".

# 5.3.4 The main menu

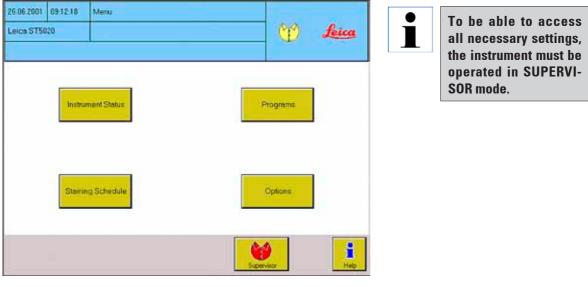


After switching the instrument on, the main menu will be displayed only if the language is changed. INSTRUMENT STATUS is actually the standard screen. In all functional descriptions below, INSTRUMENT STATUS is assumed to be the standard screen, all buttons shown start from INSTRUMENT STATUS.



Opens up the main menu from where all program functions can be accessed.

The main menu can be accessed directly from almost all functions.





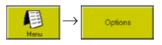
From the main menu, four subordinate menus can be accessed:

INSTRUMENT STATUS see chapter 5.5
 STAINING SCHEDULE see chapter 5.7
 OPTIONS see chapter 5.4

# 5.4 System SETUP

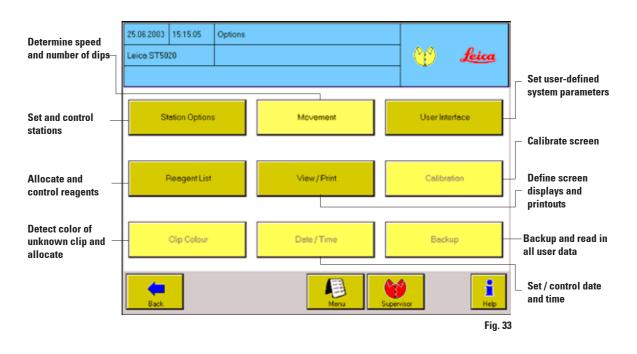
In OPTIONS you find all submenus which

- determine what the user interface looks like:
  - USER INTERFACE
  - CLIP COLOUR
  - DATE/TIME
- manage the reagents:
  - REAGENT LIST
- control the print functions (optional)
  - VIEW/PRINT

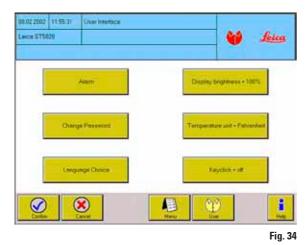


- determine the station type and allocate reagents:
  - STATION OPTIONS
- define the dips / transfer speed:
  - MOVE
- allow user data to be loaded and backed up
   BACKUP

All of the settings for the menus STATION OPTIONS, USER INTERFACE, REAGENT LIST and VIEW/PRINT can be accessed in user mode. All other menus require administrator mode.



# 5.4.1 User interface



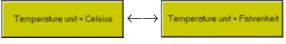
 $\underset{\mathsf{Menu}}{\bigoplus} \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{Options} \rightarrow \qquad \mathsf{User Interface}$ 

In this screen you can select:

- BRIGHTNESS OF SCREEN
- TEMPERATURE MEASURING UNIT
- BUTTON CLICK

Two measuring units can be chosen from:

• The parameter selected is displayed on the button, next to the "=" sign.



• Press the button to switch to the alternative measuring unit.



	111-11-11-11-1	Language Choice		
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		English		
		German		
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#### Language selection

To select between the two languages that are available, one of these two languages always being 'English'.

The second language (default = German) next to English is exchangeable.

A PCMCIA expansion card containing the desired language is needed.

Switch the instrument off and insert the PCMCIA card into the slot next to the mains switch.

Switch the instrument back on, the new language will be automatically loaded.

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Alarm

# 5.4.2 Alarm

All of the settings for the menus STATION OPTIONS, USER INTERFACE, REAGENT LIST and VIEW/PRINT can be accessed in user mode. All other menus require administrator mode.

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#### Alarm type 1:

Alarm 1 is generated when user intervention is required.

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#### Alarm type 2:

An error has occurred or user intervention is urgently required.

#### Alarm type 3:

A serious error has occurred.

User Interface

Follow the instructions provided by the error message.

If the same error occurs repeatedly, call Leica Technical Service.

Different sound signals, in several intensity levels, can be allocated to each alarm type.

# ALARM TYPE X $\rightarrow$ SOUND Y

• Allocates one of four different sounds to the alarm type. Each time the button is pressed, a different sound is allocated.

# **SOUND INTENSITY = Z**

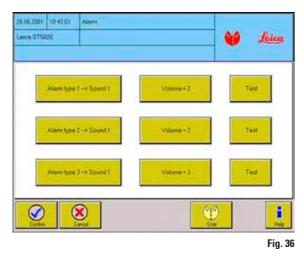
Selects the intensity of the sound. For alarm type 1 settings from 0 to 4 are possible. Intensity level = 0: alarm sound switched off. For alarm types 2 and 3 only intensity levels 3 and 4 can be set. The level currently selected is indicated on the button.



• The alarm type set (sound, intensity) will sound for approx. 10 secs.



Test



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Options



# The table below shows the specific events each individual alarm type is allocated to.

Time/Location Alarm type		Event	Alarm ceases / switched off
Instrument being	Alarm 1	All unload containers occupied when instrument is switched on.	- When all racks have been re- moved.
switched on:	Alarm 3	Switching on after power failure while staining procedure was in progress.	<ul> <li>When dialog box is acknowl- edged.</li> </ul>
Drawers:	Alarm 3	Load/unload drawer open - time limit exceeded.	- After drawer has been closed.
	Alarm 3	Load/unload drawer opened while gripper located in drawer area.	- After drawer has been closed.
	Alarm 3	Unload drawer is full or rack was placed into the unload drawer.	<ul> <li>After rack has been removed, dialog box has been acknowl- edged.</li> </ul>
	Alarm 1	Rack bearing a clip of a color not allocated to any program placed into load station.	<ul> <li>After rack has been removed or program allocated.</li> </ul>
Staining:	Alarm 1	Rack bearing a white clip placed into load station.	<ul> <li>After rack has been removed or program allocated.</li> </ul>
	Alarm 1	Rack bearing an unknown clip placed into load station.	<ul> <li>After rack has been removed or color allocated to unknown clip.</li> </ul>
	Alarm 3	Pause button has been pressed.	- When leaving pause mode.
	Alarm 3	Unload drawer occupied, gripper attempting to unload completed rack.	<ul> <li>After dialog box has been acknowledged ('successfully removed').</li> </ul>
	Alarm 3	A program the last step of which is not allocated to the unload drawer has been completed Rack must be removed.	<ul> <li>After dialog box has been acknowledged ('successfully removed').</li> </ul>
Ovens:	Alarm 2	One of the ovens does not reach set temperature. If the error occurs again, there will be a second alarm after 60 seconds.	<ul> <li>After dialog box has been ac- knowledged</li> </ul>
Malfunctions requiring service:	Alarm 3	Hardware failure, e.g. motion error of transfer arm. If the error occurs again after the instrument has been switched back on, the alarm will immediately sound again.	After dialog box has been ac- knowledged and instrument switched off.
Coverslipper:	Alarm 3	If the coverslipper requires an intervention by the user to function or continue functioning.	<ul> <li>After dialog box has been ac- knowledged</li> </ul>

Change Password

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# 5.4.3 Password allocation



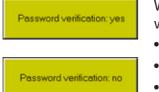
Any changes in this menu require supervisor access level.

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You may switch to supervisor mode only while no racks are being processed.

Options

## Switching password verification on/off



- When switching between user and supervisor mode, switch the password verification on or off:
- Press PASSWORD VERIFICATION.

Fig. 37

• The alphanumeric keyboard opens up - enter the password.

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User Interface

• If the password is correct, the password verification button will be switched from 'yes' to 'no' and vice versa.

# Changing the supervisor password



Wrong supervisor password!

- To change the password, the currently valid password must be entered first.
- Press ENTER, (keyboard opens up) and enter the current password.
- If an erroneous entry is made, an error message will be displayed which must be acknowledged.

98.02.2002	11:51:49	Change Password			
Leica ST50	20			۷	feica
		Password verification: yes			
		1. Old password	Enter		
2. New pessword Enter					
		3. Confirm new pessword	Enter		
Cordan		<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>		Help

#### Attention!

• A distinction is made between capital and small letters.

If the entry made is correct, the new password will have to entered twice. Each time, press **ENTER**.



After the new password has been entered twice, a confirmation message will be displayed.

• Fig. 37 shows all three command prompts displayed when changing the password.

# 5.4.4 Set date/time





Many of the instrument functions are time-controlled. - therefore it is very important to set date and time correctly.

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# Date

26.06.2001	10:40:37	Date En	ny					
Leica STS	020						<b>6</b>	<u>feica</u>
Мо	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Month	
				1	2	3		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Juny	
- 11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Year	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	2001	
25	26	27	28	29	30			
		<u> </u>			E	60		
Conten		Cancel	Ine		Menu	Use		Help
								Fig. 3

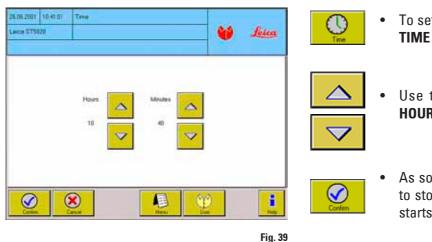
The **DATE / TIME** window displays the current calendar month.



• Set **MONTH** and **YEAR** using the arrow buttons.

• After having set the date, press **CONFIRM** to exit.

# Time



• To set the time, press **TIME** - the **TIME** window opens up.

• Use the arrow buttons to set **HOURS** and **MINUTES**.

 As soon as you press CONFIRM to store your entries, the clocks starts running.

# 5.4.5 Movement





Any changes in this menu require administrator mode. For this reason, changes can only be performed if no staining programs are active.

The parameters set in MOVEMENT are valid for all programs.

05.06.2003	16:08:01	Movement				
Leica ST50	20				<b>*</b>	Leica
	Number o	f dips (09) = 0		Liftsp	eed [19] = 1	
	Dip ampl	itude [12] = 1				
Corfirm		encel	Menu	Use		Help
						Fig. 40

#### For

- NUMBER OF DIPS
- DIP AMPLITUDE
- LIFTING SPEED

only the settings indicated on the buttons can be selected. The currently selected setting shows on the button next to the "=" symbol. Press the button to go to the next higher setting.

#### NUMBER OF DIPS:

Indicates how often the gripper dips the rack into a reagent container before the rack is immersed in that container. '**Yes**' must be selected in the **DIPS** column of the corresponding program.

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No dips are performed if the setting "Number of Dips = '0" is used, even if 'Yes' is entered in the DIP column in the program.

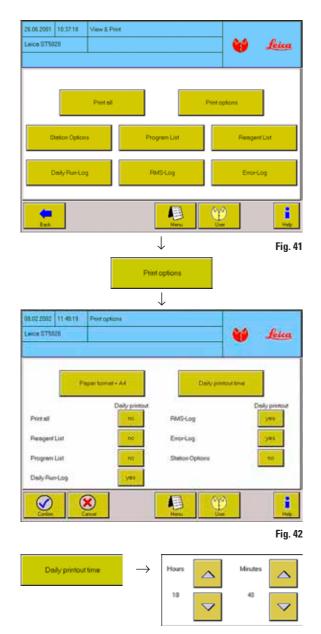
# • DIP AMPLITUDE:

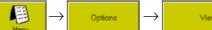
Defines the stroke length of the arm when dipping the rack ('2' = longer stroke than '1').

# • LIFT SPEED:

Indicates at what speed racks are removed from reagent containers. The smaller the numbers selected, the slower the speed. At slower speeds, less reagent is carried over.

# 5.4.6 View and print





View/Print



To view all stored protocols. The button bar of each protocol contains a **PRINT** button for individual printouts of each protocol.

- Printing is possible only when a printer is connected.
- Pressing the **PRINT** button starts printing the selected list immediately. If printing is not possible, the button is disabled.
- Press **PRINT ALL** to immediately print all six protocols. Each protocol will start on a new page.

Press **PRINT OPTIONS** to determine which protocols will be printed at what time.

"Daily printout" can be switched OFF and ON • for each protocol (press the corresponding 'ves / no' button).



If OFF is selected for all printable protocols, no daily printout will be made. This does not affect the immediate printout function.

- Press **PAPER FORMAT** to select between ٠ formats A4 and B4.
- Press **DAILY PRINTOUT TIME** to access the • daily printout time submenu. Select the daily printout time as described above.

# 5.4.7 Reagent list



The reagent list is an integral part of the user interface and can therefore be accessed from several different menus. Adjust it to the current reagents as soon as possible, as this makes programming considerably easier.

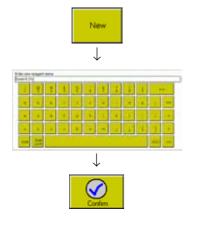
8.02.2002 12.9428	Paropertual	a second	
acca 575020		💓	feica
None	Max number of racks	Mex stage in days	
Eavin 0.5%	10	5	
Epoin 1%	50	5	
Ecoin, Yellow	20	5	-
Ethanol 100%	20	5	
Ethanol 509.	20	5	
Ethansil 70%	70	5	4
Citizend 2016	(a)	310	
Dente 11	ew FMS+on		3
	8	<u>e</u>	i

Fig. 43

- There is a default list of standard reagents containing all reagents needed for the most common staining methods.
- All reagents are listed in alphabetical order. A blue background indicates that a reagent has been selected.
- Before you allocate any reagents to any programs, make sure to update the reagent list according to the reagents actually used, i.e. add reagent names that are not part of the list and delete reagents that are not used.
- The Reagent Management System (RMS) can be switched on / off in this menu.



# Adding a reagent to the list



- Press **NEW** the keyboard opens up.
- Enter the name of the new reagent and confirm. Up to 20 characters per reagent can be entered.
- The new reagent will be added to the table where it alphabetically belongs and highlighted with the blue bar.



The alphabetical sorting function distinguishes between small and capital letters as per the ASCII code. Capital letters precede lower case letters.

Name	Max number of racks	Max usage in days	
(asin 0,5%	50	5	
Easin 1%	50	5	
asin, Yellow.	20	5	
(thand 100%	20	5	
Shand 504	20	5	
Ethanol 70%	20	5	
(thand 80%	20	5	
Max. numi	ber of racks	Max. usage in d	ays
	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	
Max. number of	recks	Mex. usage in days	
Max. number of	racks	Max. usage in days	
Max. number of	9 Jcc	Max. usage in days	icc
Max. number of		Mex. usage in days 7 8 9 4 5 6	cc  cc
7 8	9  cc	р 7 в 9	
7 8	9 kc	7 8 9 4 5 6	<

#### Setting RMS data



If the Reagent Management System (RMS) is switched on, the table headers are displayed as buttons.

The following limit parameters can be defined for the RMS:

- Maximum number of days the reagent may be used.
- Maximum number of racks that can be processed until the next reagent change.

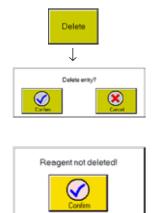


In 'instrument status' a red bar in the station button indicates how long a reagent has already been used depending on the values entered here. The longer the red bar, the closer the time when the reagent will have to be changed. (See chapter 5.5.1)

Press the header buttons to access the corresponding numerical keypads for entering RMS data.

Numbers between 1 and 99 can be entered in both columns.

# **Deleting a reagent**



- Highlight the reagent you want to delete from the list.
- Press **DELETE** and confirm the screen prompt. The reagent is removed from the list and the blue highlighting bar moves one row down.

Reagents can only be deleted if they are NOT allocated to any program or station. Otherwise there will be a message that deleting is not possible.

# The RMS log



The Leica ST5020 is equipped with a Reagent Management System (RMS) graphically representing processing history of reagents in 'Instrument Status' (see chapter 5.5.1). These reagent data are stored in the RMS log table.

4.02.2003	2 12:42:15	RMS-L	og					
eica STS.	5020						<b>W</b>	Leica
Station	Reager	vi	Last change	Racks	Racks max.	Days	Days max.	
1	Ethanol 80%		14.2.2002, 12:3.26	0	20	0	5	
2	Ethanol 70%		14.2.2002, 12:2.26	0	20	0	5	
3 1	Bouin's Fluid		14.2.2002, 12:3:49	0	50	0	5	
4 1	Bouin's Fluid		14.2.2002, 12:4:7	0	50	0	5	
5	Carbol Fuchsin		14.2.2002, 12:6:57	0	50	0	5	
6	Carbol Fuchsin		14.2.2002, 12:6:51	0	50	0	5	
7	Carbol Fuchsin		14.2.2002, 12:6:44	0	50	0	5	
13	Ethanol 80%		14.2.2002, 12:3:24	0	20	0	5	
14 1	Ethanol 70%		14.2.2002, 12:2:23	0	20	0	5	Ý
15	Carbol Fuchsin		14.2.2002, 12:3:38	0	50	0	5	

The **RMS** log table lists all reagent stations, the reagents allocated to each station as well as their processing history.

#### Last change

Date when the reagent was last changed.

# Racks

Number of racks that have been processed in a particular station since the reagent was last changed.

#### Fig. 45

#### Information contained in a table row:

#### Station

Shows the numbers of those stations defined as reagent stations.

#### Reagent

Reagent currently in a station or to be added to that station. The Leica ST5020 does not recognize reagents automatically - reagents are allocated by entry into the reagent list.

#### Racks max.

Maximum number of racks that should be processed in a particular station without the reagent being changed.

#### Days

Number of days since the reagent was last changed.

#### Days max.

Maximum number of days the reagent should remain in the station without being changed.

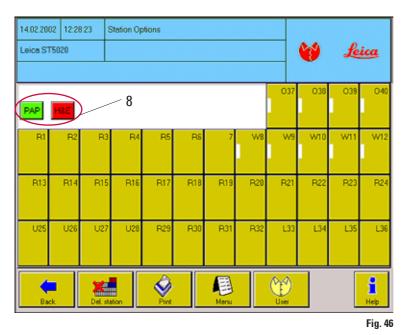
# 5.4.8 Station options



Station Options



This screen provides an overview of all stations. Detailed information on individual stations can be retrieved. Rack movements, however, are not shown.



- Screen indication and functionality of stations are identical to the INSTRUMENT STATUS screen (see Fig. 49).
- Pressing a station button opens up the STATION DE-TAILS menu (Fig. 51).
- Programs ready to be started are displayed above the station buttons (8).
   (Column 'ready to start' in Programs list = yes, Fig. 54).
- Pressing one of these program buttons gives you direct access to the PRO-GRAMMING menu of the button pressed (Fig. 56).

Additional functions:





# • Button **DEL.STATION**:

At the prompt 'Delete all reagent stations?', press **CONFIRM** to define all reagent-stations as empty and to delete all entries in the **STATION DETAILS** menu.

None of the programs will then be 'ready to start' any longer and none of the buttons (8) will be displayed.

If you wish to exit without making any changes, i.e. without deleting any stations, press **CANCEL**.

Stationlist		Thursday, 14. February 2002, 12:43 Fey
Station no.	Stationtype	Information
.01	Respect station	Ethanol 90%
02	Reagent station	Ethanol 70%
03	Reagent station	Bouin's Fluid
04	Reagent station	douin's Fluid
00	Reagent station	Carbil Fichain
64	Beagent station	Casbol Fuchain
07	Reaport station	Carbol Fuchain
08	Water station	Water on
0.9	Water station	Water on
10	Water station	Water on
13	Water station	Water oo
12	Water station	Water on
13	Reegent station	Ethanol 80%
14	Respect station	Ethenni 70%
15	Reagent station	
34	Respent station	Bouin's Fluid
17	Respect station	Bouis's Fluid
14	Respect station	Carbol Fochain
19	Respect station	Carbol Fuchain
20	Reapent station	Carbol Fuchain
25	Respect station	Carbol Fuchain
22	Respect station	Carbol Fuchein
23	Respont station	Carbol Fuchein
24	Respent station	Bould's Fluid
25	Unload station	
26	Poloed station	
27	Unload station	
24	Unload station	
29	Respect station	Bouis's Fluid
35	Reagent station	Cetbol Fachain
31	Respent station	Carbol Fuchain
32	Reagent station	Carbol Fuchain
33	Load station	
34	Load station	
35	Load station	
36	Load station	
37	Oven station	TD Celsius
28	Oven station	TD Celsius
39	Oven station	70 Celsius
40	Oven station	70 Celsius

• PRINT button:

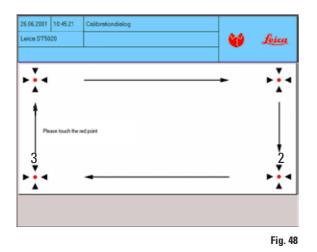
Press for a printout of the current station configuration.



Instead of the graphical screen display, a list (Fig. 47) will be printed, which, in addition to the information provided by the graphical screen, also shows the reagents allocated to each station.

# 5.4.9 Calibration dialog

In the **CALIBRATION DIALOG** menu you can enhance or restore touch screen response to buttons being pressed. We recommend to use a pen for the calibration procedure.



→ Options → Calibrationdialog

The pen must be placed exactly on the red dot (1). The dot will move as shown in Fig. 29. To exit the menu, press the dot once more in **Position 4**.

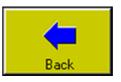
#### **Functional test:**

Fig. 47

Calibrate the screen and verify the result approaching one of the screen buttons from all four sides - if the screen has been successfully calibrated, the button may not appear as pressed (wider border) before you actually touch it.

#### **Standard appearance**

#### **Button pressed**



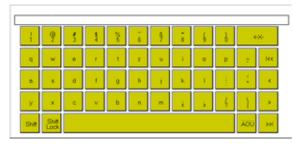


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# 5.4.10 Data backup

This menu allows all instrument data to be written to a PCMCIA card. It is even possible to load saved data from such a card into the multistainer memory. The data can only be backed up in supervisor mode (9, Fig. 48). If a staining program is running, it is therefore impossible to write data to a PCMCIA card or load data from the card into the memory.

To ensure compatibility of card and instrument, the card must be formatted IN THE INSTRU-MENT before its initial use. Using a PCMCIA card that was formatted on a PC (e.g. with Windows XP) can lead to loss of data.



# 13.04.2002 13.2018 Options 60 ALL STRONG Station Options User Interface Respective View / Print Calibration Salar **Clip Colour** Done / Time finikup

#### Formatting a PCMCIA card:

Change to the Supervisor mode.

Options

Backup

- Call up the keyboard (e.g. as required for en-٠ tering the password, see chapter 5.4.3)
- Enter the command "#format a:". •

The card is formatted. At the end of the process, the information line indicates whether the formatting was successful or not.

The following data is saved or loaded:

- All settings in the USER INTERFACE and **MOVE** menus as well as the print settings from the **DISPLAY/PRINT** menu.
- The current station settings.
- The reagent list. •
- The program list with all program details. •
- All saved clips (code and color allocation). •
- The error log (Errorlog.txt).

Only the error log can be read directly from the card. All other data is stored in code form and cannot be edited with normal PC tools (e.g. text editing).



Fig. 48

Fig. 49

#### Important!

At least 1 MB of free memory is required on the PCMCIA card.

Otherwise, data backup cannot be completed and the writing of the data to the card will appear to take a very long time.

In this case (if data backup lasts longer than 2 min.), remove the card from the slot, replace it with an empty card and repeat data backup.

# Backup the data as follows:



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Backup in progress.

- Insert a PCMCIA card into the card slot beside the mains switch (see Fig. 1, page 11).
- Press the **DATA BACKUP** button in the **SETTINGS** menu. A window with the buttons **RESTORE** and **BACKUP** then appears.
- Press **RESTORE** to write the data from the card to the multistainer memory. The multistainer then always restarts automatically, acting just as it does when switched on (chapter 5.1, page 28).
- While the data is being written, the buttons are masked and the text "Backup inprogress..." appears.
- Press BACKUP to save the current instrument data on the PCMCIA card. After securing the data, switch off the instrument before removing the card.



# **Caution**!

When you press a button in the data backup window, all data saved on the PCMCIA card or elsewhere in the instrument is automatically overwritten.

The data is always saved or loaded into the instrument in its entirety.

It is not possible to transfer individual files on their own (e.g. just the reagent list but nothing else).



 If you do not want to back up any data after calling up the menu, e.g. if you called up the menu by mistake or there is no (empty) PCMCIA card available, do NOT insert the card into the slot and press the BACKUP button to leave the data backup screen.

No data will be written and the text "Backup inprogress..." does not appear.

However, if you press **RESTORE**, the instrument will restart as described above.

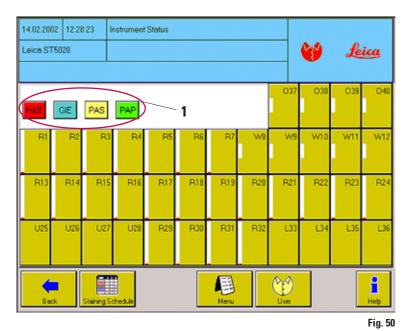
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#### 5.5 Instrument status



INSTRUMENT STATUS is the standard screen of the instrument, displayed automatically when the instrument is switched on (unless a different language is selected - s. chapter 4.1).



- **INSTRUMENT STATUS** may also be accessed from the main menu, in which case a BACK button will be displayed in the menu bar.
- The graphical display provides information on station configuration, reagent status and current location of racks during a program run.
- Like in **STATION DETAILS**. programs ready to be started (with the exception of programs defined as 'white') are displayed above the station buttons (1).



If one of the colored program buttons (1) is pressed, the **PROGRAM**-• **MING** menu of the corresponding program opens up. (See chapter 5.6 for details).



- The **SCHEDULE** button leads to the 'Schedule' menu, where all racks currently being processed are listed in a table. (See chapter 5.7 for details).

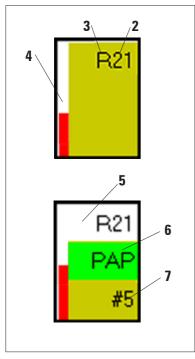


- •
- The **PAUSE** button is displayed only while staining programs are in progress. Press PAUSE to:

interrupt rack processing - a window containing the button CONTINUE will open up and alarm type 3 will be triggered. Press **CONTINUE** to resume processing.

# 5.5.1 Station buttons

Each of the 40 stations is configured as a button that can be pressed to directly access the STA-TION DETAILS menu. The station buttons are divided into three lines containing different types of information, depending on each individual configuration.



The first line contains the station number (2) plus a letter (3) indicating the station type.

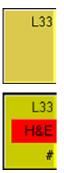
These are:R: Reagent stationL: Load station0:Oven stationE: Unload stationW:Water station

Empty stations do not carry any letters.

- At the left border of the button a bar (4) may be displayed, providing different types of information, depending on the type of station.
- The second and third line are activated when a station is used in a program run.
  - The first line of a station turns white (5) when the transfer arm is located above that station.
  - In the second line the program code (6) is displayed in the clip color that has been allocated.
  - The third line contains a rhombus (#) followed by the sequential number (7) of the rack. This rhombus counts the number of racks which pass the station everyday. When no. 99 is reached and everyday at 24:00, the rack counter is reset to "0".

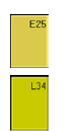
Fig. 51

# 5.5.2 Station types



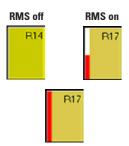
- Load station
- There is a maximum of four load stations (L33-L36), L36 being nonchangeable. Load stations do not have a bar on the left border.
- After a new rack has been placed into a load station, the second line of the corresponding button indicates which program (color and code) has been recognized and will be carried out.

The rhombus (#) indicates that the rack has been detected by the software and will be processed as soon as possible.



#### **Unload station**

- There is a maximum of four unload stations (**E25 E28**) **E25** being nonchangeable. Unload stations do not have a bar on the left border.
- Completed racks are placed into the unload stations by the transfer arm, always starting with station **E25**. Line 2 shows which program has been completed, line 3 shows the rack number. The colored program indication blinks in two-second intervals.



Reagent List

#### **Reagent station**

• If the **RMS** (**R**eagent **M**anagement **S**ystem) is ON, the bars at the left border of each reagent station indicate reagent life.

The higher the bar, the more time is still left until the reagent needs to be changed.

• If one of the set parameters (Days max., Racks max.) has been exceeded, the bar blinks in two-second intervals.

#### Assigning the reagent

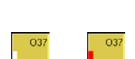
- Select a reagent station (via the corresponding button), and press the **REAGENT LIST** button in the **STATION DETAILS** menu (Fig. 51).
- Select the required reagent in the table (see Fig. 42) and press **CON**-**FIRM**. The selected reagent is now assigned to the station and entered in the RMS protocol.

#### Water station

- If a bar is being displayed on the left, the station is ready for use.
- The color of the bar changes as follows:
  - blue bar: water entering into and exiting from the station
  - white bar: water in the station is not running
- The water flow is controlled automatically.

#### **Oven station (optional)**

- If a bar is being displayed on the left, the station is ready for use.
- The color of the bar changes as follows:
  - red bar: oven heating up to set temperature.
  - white bar: oven not heating.
- The heater function is controlled automatically.



W10

W10

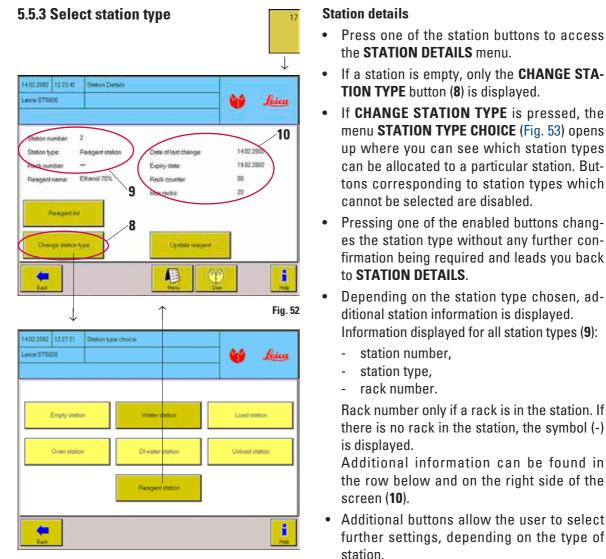


Fig. 53

# Caution!

The Leica ST5020 is not capable of verifying the actual content of a station. Therefore the user MUST make sure that the information entered into the STATION DETAILS menu is consistent with the reagent the station has actually been filled with.

# Indications and buttons corresponding to the different station types

# **Reagent station**

Additional buttons



To open the reagent list (chapter 5.4.7) for allocating reagents to stations.

Press UPDATE REAGENT after a reagent has been changed, in order to

- set the date of "Last change" to the current date;
- set the date in the "Use by date" row according to the RMS;
- Set the rack counter to "**00**".

# Additional indication

**Reagent name:** Shows the reagent allocated. If the **RMS** is on, the following parameters are displayed:

Date last change:	Date when the reagent was last changed.
Use by date:	Date when next change is required.
Rack counter:	Number of racks processed so far.
Racks max.:	Number of racks as per <b>RMS</b> that can still be pro-
	cessed before the reagent needs to be changed.



Even when the RMS is switched off, an internal log is kept in the instrument. Therefore, all data displayed after switching the instrument on are always up-to-date.

# **Oven station**

Additional button



Additional indication

Pressing **TEMPERATURE** opens up the numerical keypad for entering an oven temperature. Temperature settings between 40 and 70 °C (corresponding to 104-178 °F) may be selected.

Heating off/on - indication controlled by staining program. Temperature in degrees Centigrade/Fahrenheit.



Ovens 1 and 2 (stations 37/38) and ovens 3 and 4 (stations 39/40) are linked. All settings made for one of the ovens will automatically be applied to the second one, too

# Water station

Additional buttons: Additional indication. none

Water flow yes/no - indication controlled by staining program.

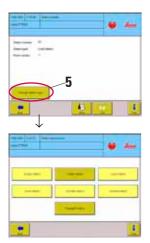
# 5.5.4 Change station type

## Load/unload station $\rightarrow$ Reagent station

• Load stations L33 - L35 and unload stations E26 - E28 can be defined as reagent stations, if needed.



Fig. 54



- Both station types must be redefined station by station (one station at a time), starting from the 'center'; i.e., if you wish to convert load and/ or unload stations into reagent stations, you must start by converting stations E28 or L33, respectively.
- The CHANGE STATION TYPE button (5) only becomes available to the stations located further towards the outside after stations E28, or L33, respectively, have been converted into reagent stations.

The same, in reverse order, applies for converting stations back into load / unload stations.

• Press CHANGE STATION TYPE (5) to access the STATION TYPE CHOICE menu.

Proceed further as described in chapter 5.5.3.

Tap water station  $\rightarrow$ 

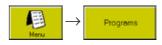
#### **Reagent station**

- It is also possible to convert the water stations **W7 W12** into reagent stations, if needed. No particular order must be followed in that case.
- Follow the same procedure as described above. In addition, however, the yellow tap water containers must exchanged for reagent containers to prevent reagents from spilling.



If the RMS is on, all reagent stations will be registered, including those that have been converted into reagent stations later.

# 5.6 Staining programs



The **PROGRAMS** menu includes a table listing all staining programs stored. In supervisor mode (Fig. 54) the column headers **CLIP COLOR**, **ABBR**. and **PROGRAM NAME** are displayed as buttons. In addition, the buttons DETAILS, COPY, DELETE and NEW are displayed, i.e. programs can be edited in this screen.

3.07.20	003 14:05:4	9 Prog	rams			
eica S	T5020				💓 👘	feica
Row	Clip color	Abbr.	Program name	Duration	ready to start	
1	white	DEM	Demo Programm	00:08:00	yes	
2	green	HNE	Haemalaun&EosinStain	00:26:00	no	
3	white	PAS	PAS Histology	00:43:30	no	
4	white	GIE	Giemca	01:11:29	no	
5	red	PAP	PAP Cytology	00:21:10	no	
6	white	TE	Testprogramm	00:16:00	yes	
De	rtails	Сору	Move up Move	down	Delete	New
B	ack		Piež Menu	User		e Pelp
						Fig. !

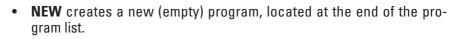
- Up to 50 different staining programs can be entered and stored.
- Existing programs may be copied and/or edited.
- The **DURATION** column displays the total duration of all program steps (in h:min:sec).
- The **READY TO START** column (yes/no) indicates whether a program is ready to be started.

#### Individual button functions

New

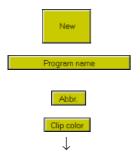
Copy

Details



- Programs selected to be copied are always copied to the last row of the program list. All settings of copied programs are identical to those of the original ones and can be edited. The clip color allocated is always WHITE.
- Switches to the **PROGRAMMING** menu (Fig. 57) where the individual program steps are displayed. In supervisor mode new program steps may be edited.

# 5.6.1 Creating programs



#### **Creating new programs**

- Press NEW (see Fig. 55) to create a new program row.
- Press PROGRAM NAME in the table header and enter a new program name via the KEYBOARD.
- Press ABBR. to allocate a 3-digit code to the new program. This code will be displayed in the INSTRUMENT STATUS and STAINING SCHED-ULE menus.

03.07.2003	14:10:08	Program-dip color assignment		
Leica ST50	20		<b>6</b>	Loica
		PAP		
		HEE		
Corden		<b>E</b>		Heb
				Fig. 5

- Press CLIP COLOR to access the PROGRAM CLIP COLOR ASSIGNMENT menu.
- Press a color button to allocate a color to the program selected. The 3-digit program code will be displayed on the color button.
- Each color (except the color white) can only be allocated to one program at a time. Colors already allocated are identified by the corresponding three-digit program code and will be displayed as 'pressed' (wider border).







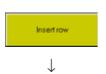


- Existing color allocations may be changed at any time. For that purpose, go to the program list (see Fig. 55 for further details) and highlight the program to which you want to allocate a different color. In the example, the color red is to be allocated to H&E (previously it was green). Then press CLIP COLOR to access the PROGRAM CLIP COLOR ASSIGNMENT menu (Fig. 56). Press the red color button here.
- If the color you have selected was already allocated to a different program (color button contains 3-digit program code, **PAP** in the current example), you must confirm that the color will be taken away from that program.
- Press **CONFIRM** in the screen prompt: the selected color is allocated to the selected (**H&E**) program. The program to which that color had been allocated up to that point (**PAP**) will be defined as white (in the **CLIP COLOR** column).

# 5.6.2 Defining the program steps



• Press **DETAILS** (Fig. 54) to access the **PROGRAMMING** menu (Fig. 56). If a program is created from scratch, the list of the individual program steps is completely empty.



• The number in the **STEP** column indicates the order in which the stations will be used.

Press **INSERT ROW** - a new program row (step) is created in the row below and highlighted in blue/red.

6.06.20	01 11:06:2	4 Programming			
eica S1	F5020				Leica
H&E	H&E Steini	1	_		/2
Step	Station	Reagent	Duration	Exact Dip	
	1	Acid (OH)	00.01:50	no jes	
	30	Ethanol 100%	00.02.30	yes no	
1	8	Ethanol 100%	00.00.40	no yes	
	5	Ethanol 100%	00.01:05	no no	
	18	Add (OH)	00.02.00	yes yes	
	ENT	Exit			
	Insert row	D	elete row		
Con		Carcel Piet	AEL Menu	User	Help
					Fig. !

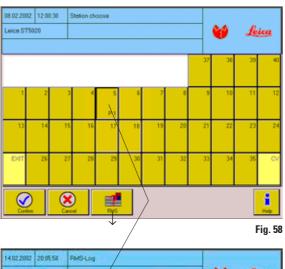
 The total number of steps (new programs automatically start from number "1") is automatically increased by 1.

The **DURATION**, **EXACT** and **DIP** columns already contain standard settings (2) which must be entered depending on the program step.

- Code and name of the program (1) are located above the table containing the program steps.
- Program steps are displayed in the order in which they are supposed to be carried out.
- Up to 40 steps can be defined for each individual program.

For a complete definition of a program step, the following parameters have to be entered:

- 1. Station in which the step is supposed to be carried out.
- 2. Reagent corresponding to that step (must be allocated to the station).
- 3. Duration of the step.
- 4. Step duration must be defined as exact / non-exact.
- 5. Dips (yes/no).
- 6. Oven temperature (optional)



Defining the program steps (continued)

		_/			-		feica
Station	Respect	Last change	Recks	Racks max.	Days	Days max.	-
3	Ethansi 50%	231 2002 619 58	3	29	3	5	12
4	Ethand 953	291 2002 62519	4	20	4	5	
5	Ethand Mit	2512002,628.54	4	20	4	5	
6	Ethand 361	251 2002, 6 29 45	4	20	4	5	-
13	Ethanol 80%	251.2002, 6:27:33	1	20	1	5	
14	Ethanut 70%	291,2002,619,39	1	20	1	5	
15	Ethanii 504	291,2002,620,14	1	20	1	5	
16	Ethanol 954	281,2002,625.32	0	20	0	5	V
17	Chand 951	231,2002,6:29.4	0	20	0	\$	V V
10	Dhani 951	291 2002 6 30 0	0	20	0	6	

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 00.03.20
 yes
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 21
 16
 Ethanol 95%
 00.03.20
 yes
 yes

 21
 16
 Ethanol 95%
 00.03.20
 yes
 1

 22
 16
 Ethanol 95%
 00.03.20
 yes
 1

 23
 16
 Ethanol 95%
 1
 1
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Fig. 60

#### Selecting a station for a step

# Station

- Click on **STATION** in the header row, the **CHOOSE STATION** menu opens up (Fig. 58).
- To allocate a station to the step, press the corresponding station button. The station (button) is displayed as pressed, and the lower row shows "P1".
- Pressing CONFIRM assigns the selected station to the step, and the display switches to the PROGRAMMING menu (Fig. 60).
- Pressing **RMS** gives you access to the RMS protocol (Fig. 59) a table providing information on the current configuration (which reagent in which station).

See also chapter 5.4.7 RMS.

# Important!

Each station may only be selected once in a program. Otherwise, the RE-AGENT column is highlighted in red, and the program cannot be started.

 If a reagent has already been assigned to the selected station (recommended), it will be displayed in the **REAGENT** column. In this case, the row for the step is highlighted in blue.

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Econ 1%		50		5			
Ease, Yello		20	_	5		_	
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Ethanol 501	_	20		5	_	_	
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		Errot _	₩ 28		<u></u>		Fig. 6
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Step	Station 37 38	Olen-Station Olen-Station	Reagen	Menta	Durat 00.05.00	no	no no
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#### **Assigning reagents**

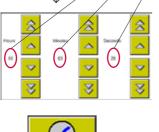
- If no reagent is assigned to a program step, press **REAGENT** in the header row to switch to the reagent list (see chapter 5.4.7). Highlight one of the reagents in the list and press **CONFIRM** to assign it to the program step.
- The reagent is now assigned to the step but not yet to the station in which the step must be executed.

For this reason, the row is highlighted in red (1) indicating that the program step is not yet ready to be started.

Assign the reagent selected for the step to the correct station in **INSTRUMENT STATUS** (see chapter 5.5.2).

This is required to ensure that the correct reagent is in the station since the instrument itself cannot detect it.

• Define the **DURATION** of the step, whether the step is **EXACT** or **NON-EXACT** and whether or not there are **DIPS**.



# Defining the duration of a step

 Press DURATION and enter the desired duration of the step. Press CONFIRM: the selected duration is displayed in the DURATION column.



Duration

# Caution!

If no step duration is selected, the default duration "00:00:00" will be used, i.e. the corresponding step will NOT be carried out.

#### **Defining exact steps**



As there is potential for timing clashes to occur when multiple racks are present in the instrument, steps which require precise timing are designated as 'exact' in the program.

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Exact	

- Press **EXACT** to alter between **yes** (=exact) and **no** (not exact).
- Immersion times at exact steps are achieved to within ± 1 second. Immersion time at non-exact steps is at least as long as defined, most of the time however, non-exact steps take longer than defined, as racks due for non-exact steps receive attention only as the transfer arm becomes available after an exact step.
- Define 'exact' steps only when really needed. The more exact steps, the slower and less flexible the instrument (instrument throughput decreases).



If you interrupt the staining with PAUSE, take care not to do so while an exact step is in progress. Otherwise, the program will be stopped and the duration of the step will be extended by the duration of the pause. This can the cause errors during staining. If PAUSE buttun has been pressd druring an exact step is in process, a warnig message will be appear in the dialog box



Setting the dips



- Press **DIP** to switch from **yes** (= Dips activated) to **no** and vice versa.
- Duration and speed of one complete up and down movement (dip) are selected in the **MOVEMENT** menu. The parameters selected there will be applied to all programs. Increasing numbers of dips reduce instrument throughput.



For exact steps the following applies:

If the immersion time of an exact step is shorter than the time to do the set number of dips, only the number of dips that fit into the immersion time will be done.

# **Completing the program**



- Once the parameters **EXACT** and **DIP** have been selected, the definition of your step is complete.
- Press **INSERT ROW** to create a new row for the next program step and once again define all step parameters as described above.
- Keep creating program steps until your program is complete.
- Program steps whose definition is not correct (duplicate station assignment, incorrect reagent,...) are highlighted in red in the **REAGENT** column. Such steps must be corrected accordingly.
- A program will not be ready to start until all details have been defined.

# The last program step

Three different types of "last steps" can be defined:

gram (1 ... 4) in the CV5030.



1. Last step = unload station. Go to **CHOOSE STATION** and select **EXIT** as last station.

CV

 Last step = transfer station to Cover Slipper (optional). Go to CHOOSE STATION and select CV as last station.

The **REAGENT** column from the reagent list now allows selecting between CV program 1 to CV program 4. The transferred rack is automatically processed with the selected pro-

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 Last step = any station other than EXIT or CV. Programs do not necessarily have to finish in the unload station, as a particular staining protocol might e.g. have to end with a specific reagent not contained in the last station.



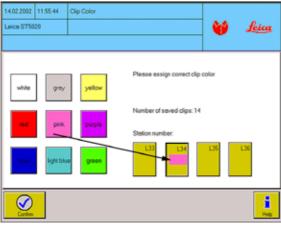
Be sure to define the DURATION of the last step. Otherwise it will not be carried out (default duration 00:00 will be assigned). Otherwise, the program cannot be started.

# 5.6.3 Assigning a clip color



In this menu, you tell the instrument what color the clips attached to the individual racks are. You need to be in supervisor mode to assign colors to clips.

#### **Automatic start**



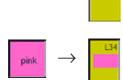
L34

Every time the load drawer is closed, the loading area is scanned for transponder signals coming from the clips attached to the racks in that area.

- In supervisor mode, the instrument automatically switches from INSTRUMENT STATUS to CLIP COLOR if an unknown clip code is detected on a rack.
- If in user mode, a message is displayed telling the user that supervisor mode is required and asking whether to switch to that mode (see chapter 5.8.2).

If an unknown clip is detected, proceed as follows:

Fig. 63





on the rack. The color selected will be displayed on the station button (here: L34).
3. Press CONFIRM to go back to INSTRUMENT STATUS. The color will be allocated to the station (clin) as selected. If the selected color was

1. Select the station carrying the unknown clip - the station is displayed

as having been pressed (wider border) - as e.g. station L34 in (Fig. 60).2. Press the color button corresponding to the actual color of the clip

be allocated to the station (clip) as selected. If the selected color was already allocated to a different program, the 3-digit program code of that program will be shown as well (see also **Creating programs** chapter 5.6.1). Otherwise, three question marks "???" will be displayed instead of a program code.





If the clip color 'white' is selected, the instrument will switch to MANUAL PROGRAM START, where any program can be selected and started (see chapter 5.8.2).

Menu	$\rightarrow$	Options	Clip Color		
14.02.2002 Leica ST50		Clip Color	+	6	<u>feica</u>
white	grøy pink	yellow	Please assign correct clip Number of saved clips: 14 Station number:	color	
blue Confirm	light blu	green	L33 L34	L35	L36

#### Manual color allocation

Go to **OPTIONS** to assign a new color to a clip already linked to a different color.

#### Example:

A purple clip currently not needed needs to be defined as 'white', as a white clip is needed but currently not available.

#### Proceed as follows:

 Place a rack bearing the clip the color of which you want to redefine into any one of the load stations and close the drawer.

Fig. 64

- The clip is now identified via the transponder signal. Its current allocation (color - program) is displayed.
- Press CLIP COLOR.
- Clip color and program code are displayed on the station button.
- Select the station (L34 in our example).
- Press the color button containing the new color you wish to allocate to the clip.
- The new color and, if that color was allocated to a different station before, the station code, is/are displayed on the station button.
- Press CONFIRM to complete the color allocation procedure.
- As the color 'white' has been selected, the instrument switches automatically to MANUAL PROGRAM START, where you can allocate the desired program to the rack which is now equipped with a 'white' clip.
- Once the program has been completed, you can repeat the above procedure to return the clip to its original (true) color.

# 5.7 Programs in process



Instrument Status





**PROGRAMS IN PROCESS** is a table listing all programs currently in progress. It can be displayed instead of instrument status, as **PROGRAMS IN PROCESS** also provides information on all important run times.

31.01.2002 13:27:18 Leica ST5020		7:18 Ste	iining Schedule				
						0	Leica
Rack	Stain	Station	Reagent	Exact	Station rem. time	Run rem. time	
1	PAZ	R1	Ethanol 80%	no	00:00:00	00:11:30	
2	H&E	R2	Ethanol 70%	no	00:00:00	00:17:58	
3	PAP	R13	Ethanol 80%	no	00:03:21	00:12:21	
4	нем	R14	Ethanol 70%	no	00:00:00	00.23:37	
5	PAP	R29	Hämatoxilin	no	00.03.06	00:18:46	
6	нем	R5	Ethanol 96%	no	00.00.00	00.24:07	
7	нем	R22	Xylol	no	00.03.22	00:28:29	
8	H&E	R21	Xylal	no	00:03:43	00:28:11	
		-					
8	ack	Sort by Rac			Menu Sup	ervisor	Help
							Fig.

The table contains the following information:

# Rack

Rack number - as in instrument status.

#### Staining protocol

3-Digit code and clip color allocated to a program.

# Station

Indicates current rack position. GA means that a rack is currently being transferred.

#### Exact (yes/no)

Provides information on whether a step has been defined as "exact" or "non-exact".

Press **SORT** to switch back and forth between two sorting options: by rack number and by total remaining processing time - the button will change accordingly.

List sorted by:





Increasing rack number

Total remaining
processing time

# **Remaining station time**

Shows the remaining immersion time of the rack in the station.

# Total remaining processing time

Total time remaining for the rack until the current program is completed.

All times are based on defined program step times and do not include any delays caused by non-exact steps. Times displayed are updated each sec. as well as each time a new racks starts being processed.

# 5.8 Staining

Prior to starting a staining program, thefollowing preparatory steps must be taken:

- Optimize all USER INTERFACE parameters.
- Programs needed for staining must be 'ready-to-start'.
- Stations have to be configured and filled according to configuration.
- Racks needed for staining must be equipped with a clip and filled with the slides to be processed.

Place the clips (1) onto the rack with the transponder (2) facing outwards.

• Make sure the instrument "knows" all clips needed for staining.





Caution with sequences which involve an oven at the initial step.

In this case the loading unit, out of which the specimen holder is removed via the transport arm, must NOT be filled with an inflammable reagent (e.g. xylene).

As the oven temperature is up to  $80 \,^{\circ}$ C (176  $^{\circ}$ F), the reagent may ignite and cause damage to the device and to the samples.

For the same reason, steps conducted INSIDE an oven must never be carried out from a reagent station with inflammable reagents.

# 5.8.1 Loading the racks

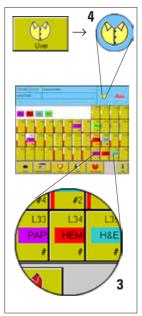
- Racks may only be loaded via the load stations (front right of the instrument).
- Open the load drawer and insert the racks as shown in Fig. 66 in one of the load stations with the clips facing outwards (towards the user).
- Each rack must bear a clip corresponding to the program to be run.
- Close the drawer completely.



For the clips to be recognized correctly, the load drawer must be opened for loading and subsequently be closed again. Do not insert the racks just opening the lid!

Fig. 66

# 5.8.2 Starting programs



- Once the drawer is closed, the load stations are scanned in order to identify the clips on the stations that have been loaded.
- Once identified, the clip colors / program codes are displayed in IN-STRUMENT STATUS (3) (see also chapter 5.5).

#### Automatic program start

• Once all components have been identified and are ready to be started, the staining programs will start automatically.

For programs to be started (automatically), the instrument must be at user access level (4).



If there are already some staining programs running, the new racks are integrated into the overall process as soon as the software detects capacity for a new program start.

Racks are processed in the order of optimized throughput, not necessarily in the order in which they have been placed into the load station.

Fig. 67

L34	
???	
#	



# Loading a clip not allocated to a program (any longer)

- If a rack placed into the load station carries a clip which is not allocated to any program or the color of which is allocated to a program not ready to be started, in the second line of the corresponding load station three question marks "???" will be displayed instead of a program code.
- Processing options with such a clip depend on the current instrument mode.
  - In supervisor mode, the color of a 'ready-to-start' program can be assigned to the clip (see chapter 5.6.3).
  - In user mode, an error message will be displayed, specifying why that particular rack cannot be processed. At the same time, the corresponding alarm sound is triggered.

Remove the rack to acknowledge the error message and stop the alarm; close the drawer.

# Loading an unknown clip







If a rack carrying an unknown clip is placed into the load drawer, the **CLIP COLOR** menu opens up automatically.

If any staining processes are already in progress, a screen prompt will open up inquiring whether the user wishes to access supervisor mode.

- CONTINUE stops the selection procedure and continues the staining processes in progress. The load station button will display three question marks instead of a program code "???" and no color allocation will be visible. - The rack must be removed.
- ADMINISTRATOR opens up the keyboard for entering the password and then switches over to **CLIP COLOR** for a color to be allocated. (See chapter 5.6.3)



Caution - bear in mind any steps defined as exact! During the color allocation procedure the instrument is paused. The programs in progress are paused until the color allocation has been completed and the instrument is switched back to user mode.

# Manual program start

Manual start is recommended for programs less frequently used or if no suitable colored clip is available for a particular program. If a rack carrying a (defined) white clip is loaded, **MANUAL PROGRAM START** opens up.

erce STS020					
Please choose the program for rack in station 34					
	Program name	Time	ready to start		
706		00.00.00	10		
HLE Normal		00.29.20	10		
HE Mathyla	nblev	00.35.07			
NP Fibu	U	00.23.40	10		
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- A 'ready-to-start' program must be allocated to the rack.
- Press **START** to go back to **INSTRUMENT STATUS**. The rack will now be handled as if carrying a colored clip and the staining process will start as normal.

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The manual program allocation of the white clip will be deleted when the program ends (and the rack is removed). The clip can then be reallocate to any program.

### 5.8.3 Interrupting a staining program



A staining process can be interrupted:

- to gain access to the instrument in case any problems occurring during staining require user intervention.
- to check or change reagents.
- Press PAUSE in INSTRUMENT STATUS to interrupt all staining programs in progress at any given time.

The PAUSE button is displayed only when the instrument is in user mode and at least one staining program is being run.

Fig. 69



## Caution!

Before moving to the 'parking' position, the transfer arm completes the movement cycle in progress. Wait UNTIL the transfer arm is in the parking position before opening the instrument lid.

- Pouse
- While the instrument is in pause mode, alarm type 3 sounds and a dialog box (see left) indicates PAUSE mode.
- Press CONTINUE to resume staining.



Pause. Warning! Exact step in process!

**Caution - exact steps!** 

If staining is interrupted, immersion times during PAUSE will not be identical to those in the chosen program(s).

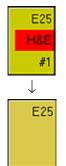
When PAUSE is pressed while an exact step is in progress, staining results might be negatively affected! The duration of the step will be extended by the duration of the pause. If PAUSE buttun has been pressd druring an exact step is in process, a warnig message will be appear in the dialog box.



Programs cannot be modified neither while staining is in progress nor in pause mode.

## 5.8.4 Finishing programs

## Unloading racks from the unload drawer



If a rack is located in the unload drawer, the alarm type 1 sounds.

- The code of the completed program and (in the bottom row) the basket number are displayed in the unload station symbol. The colored program indication blinks in two-second intervals.
- Carefully open the unload drawer and remove the rack. You may also remove the entire reagent container together with the rack and replace it by another container.

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- Close the unload drawer program code and rack number must disappear from the station button.
- If, despite the unload drawer having been opened and closed several times, the instrument still displays code and rack number of the rack already removed, the transponder or the automatic recognition system might be defective.

Press CANCEL RACK to manually 'unload' the clip.



## Removing racks from stations other than unload

If a program finishes in a station other than unload, alarm type 3 sounds at the end of the program and there will be a screen prompt requiring the user to remove the rack.

Please remove rack from	station: 1
Continue	

• Press **CONTINUE** to confirm that the rack has been removed from the station.

This is necessary, as the instrument will otherwise not be able to recognize whether there is still a rack in that station or not.

• Confirmation of rack removal also switches off the alarm. The staining program is considered to be finished and removed from the list of pending staining runs.

#### **Cancelling racks**



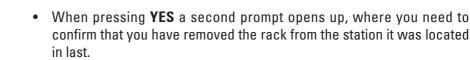
Fig. 71

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Racks can be cancelled if needed.

- Press **STAINING SCHEDULE** to access the staining schedule menu.
- Select the rack you wish to cancel (highlight with blue bar).
- Press CANCEL RACK.
- Press YES to confirm.

If **NO** is pressed, the instrument will switch back to the staining schedule menu without any changes being made.



This step is necessary as the instrument itself is not able to detect whether there is a rack in that station or not.



Wait until the transfer arm has finished the movement in progress and is located in the parking position (rear left). Open the lid and remove the rack. WAIT until the station number is displayed on the screen - once this message is being displayed, confirm that the rack has been removed.

Please remove rack from station: 1

Remove rack

X

• Press **CONFIRM** - the current staining run is aborted and removed from the list of pending runs. Staining will be resumed starting with the next rack.



If the program highlighted by the blue bar has already been completed (rack already located in unload station or just being transferred to unload station), the CANCEL RACK button is disabled.



 $\checkmark$ 

## 6.1 Cleaning the instrument

		Prior to cleaning the instrument, always switch off mains and un- plug the power cord! When handling cleaning detergents, follow the instructions of the manufacturer and make sure all laboratory regulations in force in your country are complied with. Dispose of used reagents according to the laboratory regulations in force in your country! Immediately wipe away spilled solvents (reagents)! Solvent re- sistancy of the lid surfaces is limited if exposed to solvents for a lengthy period of time! Do not use any of the following for cleaning the outside surfaces of the instrument: alcohol, detergents containing alcohol (window cleaner!), abrasive cleaning powders, solvents containing acetone or xylene! No liquid may come into contact with the electrical connections or spill into the interior of the instrument and/or the transport arm!
Interior		the reagent and wash vessels. Clean the stainless-steel inner h a regular cleaner and rinse with water.
Transfer arm		fer arm contains sensitive electronic components. Therefore do with any liquid but simply wipe down with a slightly moistened
Outside surfaces	ly wipe do	painted outside surfaces with a mild detergent and subsequent- own with a moistened cloth. The any solvents for cleaning the outside surfaces and/or the lid!
TFT touch screen		mmercial screen cleaner for cleaning the touch screen. Use as by the manufacturer.

#### Wash and reagent vessels

Clean the wash and reagent vessels in the laboratory dishwasher at maximum +65 °C. Use a standard laboratory dishwasher detergent.



The vessels may not be exposed to temperatures any higher than  $65 \,^{\circ}$ C (e.g. do not clean in industrial dishwashers, which run at a temperature of  $85 \,^{\circ}$ C), as the stations might become deformed!

Drain outlet / hose	From time to time check the waste water drain hose for accumulated dirt, particularly for algae. Clean whenever necessary.
	To prevent the growth of bacteria, the drain system may be flushed with 5% sodium hypochlorite. Metal parts may, however, not be exposed to this solution for a lengthy period of time (e.g. overnight). Therefore, rinse with abundant water after cleaning with sodium hypochlorite.
Slide racks	Clean with household or laboratory cleaners, as needed.
Oven	Regularly check the paraffin collecting tray(s) at the bottom of the oven(s) for paraffin residues and clean, if necessary.

#### 6.2 General maintenance

The instrument is virtually maintenance-free in operation. To ensure smooth operation of the instrument over many years we do, however, recommend the following:

- Have the instrument inspected once per year by a qualified service engineer authorized by Leica.
- At the end of the warranty period, enter into a service contract. For more information, please contact your local Leica technical service center.

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## 6.3 Preventative maintenance schedule

Maintenance activity	daily	weekly	monthly
Clean the TFT screen with a lint-free cloth. Follow the manufacturer's instructions when using screen cleaner.			
Clean outside surfaces of instrument and lid with soft cloth. Use cleaning detergent, if necessary.			
Clean wash vessels. Check the wash vessel O-rings for damage and lubricate them slightly. See Fig. 4, page 16 for further details.		$\checkmark$	
Remove and clean the reagent vessels. A dishwasher up to 65 °C can be used.			
Check waste water hose for accumulated dirt and clean, if necessary.			
Remove paraffin residues from paraffin collecting tray(s) of the oven(s).		$\checkmark$	
Check strainer (V-Filter, Pos. <b>3</b> in Fig. 6, page 18) in tap water inlet hose for accumulated dir tand clean, if necessary.			$\checkmark$
Check air vent holes of fans for dust. Clean, if necessary.			
Check the tap water inlet hose connection for damage. If necessary, replace the gasket as described in chap- ter 4.3, page 18.			$\checkmark$
Replace activated carbon filter as described in chap- ter 4.6, page 24.			N
Check electrical connections at rear panel of instrument.			ν

#### 7.1 General

The Leica ST5020 is equipped with a troubleshooting system.

If an error is detected, detailed error messages and corresponding user instructions on what to do are displayed on the touch screen.

For all correctable error conditions the instrument will take corrective actions to protect the specimens.

Details of all staining protocols carried out are recorded in the daily run log. The daily run log can be viewed and/or printed in the **VIEW/PRINT** menu.

## 7.2 Correcting errors

If any programs are in progress, check the job queue containing the staining programs to be run.

If all programs are completed, check the error log for error messages:

access the error log (either view in menu **VIEW/PRINT --> ERROR LOG**) or print it out - entries are listed in chronological order.

## 7.2.1 Excessively high water level in the drain pan

Whenever the water level in the drain pan reaches the level sensor (Fig. 72, 1), an alarm message is triggered and the water inflow into the water flow cuvettes (7-12) is stopped for safety reasons. The water inflow is automatically turned on again whenever the water level is below the level sensor.

#### Sources of errors:

- The water drain or the drain tube is blocked or clogged. The water level in the drain pan has reached the level sensor; the water does not drain.
- 2. The water drain or the drain tube is partially clogged or blocked. The water level in the drain pan has reached the level sensor; the water drains only slowly.
- 3. The level sensor is dirty.

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 Read the error message, acknowledge the alarm and, immediately afterward, press the "PAUSE" knob. The transport arm moves into a secure position. The instrument is now in pause mode and the instrument cover can be opened.





As long as the level sensor is covered with water, the water flow cuvettes' (7-12) water valves are closed. The cleaning process in the water flow cuvettes is interrupted. No fresh water flows into the water flow cuvettes.

Subsequently, remove cuvettes 1 and 13 (see label in Fig. 72). Inspect the water drain for clogs and the level sensor for dirt.





#### **Caution**!

If there are specimens in cuvettes 1 and 13, these must be secured by the user and manually removed from the relevant cuvettes and out of the instrument as necessary. Depending on the relevant staining steps at the time of the alarm, the user must secure the specimen so that no damage to the specimen results (for example, by transferring them into suitable, compatible reagents).



Fig. 73

During a period of approximately 10 seconds, monitor to see whether the water level in the drain pan drops slowly or remains high.

Remove visible blockages to the water drain (Fig. 73, 2) and dirt on the level sensor (Fig. 73, 1).

The staining process can go forward if sufficient water drainage is again ensured.

For this purpose, reinsert cuvettes 1 and 13 in the instrument. The user must decide at this point whether the specimens taken from cuvettes 1 and 13 can be reused or whether these should be stained manually until finished. In this case, the respective programs must be canceled! (refer to chapter 5.8.4 - Quitting programs).

Restart the staining process by pressing the "**CONTINUE**" button (refer also to chapter 5.8.3 - Interrupting staining).



After ending all staining programs, switch off the instrument and clean the water drain and the drain tube. It is recommended to insert a cleaning tablet with active oxygen into the water drain, let it work in, and flush with a little water.

#### **Caution**!

If there are specimens in cuvettes 1 and 13, these must be secured by the user and manually removed from the relevant cuvettes and out of the instrument as necessary. Depending on the relevant staining steps at the time of the alarm, the user must secure the specimen so that no damage to the specimen results (for example, by transferring them into suitable, compatible reagents).



Programs already started and assigned to the manually removed specimen slide holders must be ended with the "**CANCEL RACK**" function (refer to chapter 5.8.4 - Quitting programs).



#### Important information!

When ending the programs with the "CANCEL RACK" function, a later proper resumption of the staining process for other specimen slide holders is ensured.

If it is not possible to ensure a lasting and sufficient drainage of water from the instrument by cleaning the water drain and the drain tube, the instrument must be switched off and the responsible Leica service department must be contacted.

## 7. Troubleshooting

### 7.3 Power failure

- Check whether there is a general power failure (no mains power).
- Check whether the mains plug is inserted correctly into the wall outlet and whether the wall outlet is switched on, if applicable.
- Check whether jumper cable (or UPS cable) is inserted correctly into the corresponding sockets.
- Check whether the mains switch is switched on correctly.
- Check whether one of the four secondary fuses is defective. Some instrument malfunctions / failures are caused by defective fuses.

### **Power failure**

Malfunction / failure	Fuse to be checked
<ul> <li>Instrument not working - no response.</li> <li>No data can be entered via touch screen or touch screen darkened.</li> <li>Stepper motors do not work.</li> </ul>	Fuse <b>F1</b>
<ul> <li>Instrument does not work properly.</li> <li>Instrument cannot be operated at all or instrument responses are faulty.</li> <li>Erroneous display indication.</li> </ul>	Fuse <b>F2</b>
<ul> <li>Wash stations emptying (solenoid valves not being addressed).</li> <li>Extraction fan not working.</li> <li>Transfer arm not moving.</li> <li>Oven malfunction (oven fan).</li> </ul>	Fuse <b>F3</b>
<ul><li>No vertical transfer arm movement.</li><li>Transfer arm brake system not working.</li></ul>	Fuse <b>F4</b>

#### 7.4 Replacing the secondary fuses



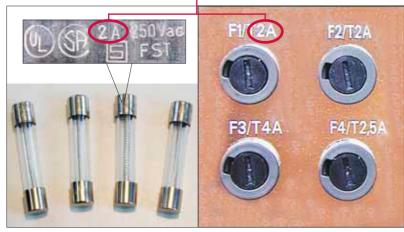
Prior to exchanging a fuse, always switch the instrument off and unplug the mains cord. Defective fuses may be replaced only with the replacement fuses supplied together with the instrument.

Important!

Follow the instructions below to make sure you select the correct replacement fuse for each fuse holder.

#### Selecting the correct replacement fuse

The amp value (here: 2A) printed on the fuse and the amp value next to the fuse holder on the rear panel of the instrument MUST be identical!



Four fuse holders, marked **F1** through **F4**, are located at the rear panel of the instrument, below the power supply sockets.

Check the malfunction table on page 78 to find out, which fuse needs to be replaced.

#### Example:

Touch screen failure: --> Exchange fuse **F1**.

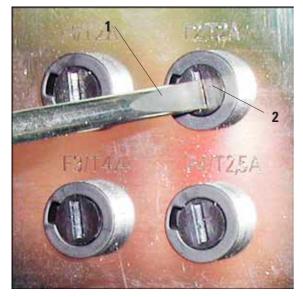
Fig. 74

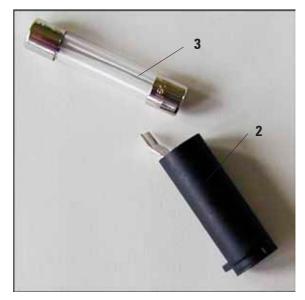
The fuse value is shown on the metal caps of the replacement fuses - the imprint looking more or less as indicated above (may vary slightly depending on the fuse type).

Amperage (**A**) is the parameter that is important for allocating fuses correctly to the corresponding fuse holder (in the example above: **F1/T2A**) To replace the fuse in fuse holder **F1**, select the replacement fuse marked '**2A**' (see Fig. 69). Only the fuse marked '**2A**' can be **inserted** into fuse holder **F1**. The same applies for the remaining fuse holders **F2 - F4**, i.e. always make sure the amp rating on the fuse corresponds to the amp rating indicated above the fuse holder.

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#### **Replacing the fuses**







- Insert a screwdriver (1) into the slot on fuse holder (2) and push slightly inwards rotating the screwdriver 1/4 turn to the left at the same time.
- The fuse holder is released and can be removed.
- Remove the defective fuse (3) from the fuse holder (2) and insert the correct type replacement fuse.

Fig. 76

• Reinsert the fuse holder together with the fuse into the instrument housing. To lock the fuse holder in place, insert the screwdriver into the slot, push slightly inwards and rotate 1/4 turn to the right at the same time.

#### Warranty

Leica Biosystems Nussloch GmbH guarantees that the contractual product delivered has been subjected to a comprehensive quality control procedure based on the Leica in-house testing standards, and that the product is faultless and complies with all technical specifications and/or agreed characteristics warranted.

The scope of the warranty is based on the content of the concluded agreement. The warranty terms of your Leica sales organization or the organization from which you have purchased the contractual product shall apply exclusively.

#### **Technical service information**

If you require technical service or replacement parts, please contact your Leica sales representative or dealer who sold the product. Please provide the following information:

Model name and serial number of the instrument.

- Location of the instrument and name of the person to contact.
- Reason for the service call.
- Date of delivery.

#### **Decommissioning and disposal**

The instrument or parts of the instrument must be disposed of in compliance with the local laws.



To prevent damage to the instrument or the specimen, only accessories authorized by Leica may be used.

9.1 Cor	Container Map	ap						Station 37	Station 38	Station 39	Station 40
Staining:								Oven	Oven	Oven	Oven
Station 1	Station 2	Station 3	Station 4	Station 5	Station 6	Station 7	Station 8	Station 9	Station 10	Station 11	Station 12
Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water
Station 13	Station 14	Station 15	Station 16	Station 17	Station 18	Station 19	Station 20	Station 21	Station 22	Station 23	Station 24
Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent
Station 25	Station 26	Station 27	Station 28	Station 29	Station 30	Station 31	Station 32	Station 33	Station 34	Station 35	Station 36
Exit	Exit	Exit	Exit	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Load	Load	Load	Load

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Container Map	r Map							Station 37	Station 38	Station 39	Station 40
Staining:								Oven	Oven	Oven	Oven
Station 1	Station 2	Station 3	Station 4	Station 5	Station 6	Station 7	Station 8	Station 9	Station 10	Station 11	Station 12
Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Water	Water	Water	Water	Water
Station 13	Station 14	Station 15	Station 16	Station 17	Station 18	Station 19	Station 20	Station 21	Station 22	Station 23	Station 24
Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent
Station 25	Station 26	Station 27	Station 28	Station 29	Station 30	Station 31	Station 32	Station 33	Station 34	Station 35	Station 36
Exit	Exit	Exit	Exit	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Reagent	Load	Load	Load	Load

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## 9.2 Optional accessories



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	Order No.
Reagent vessels, assy. (with handles and lids)	14 0475 33659
Wash vessels, assy. with connection piece	14 0475 33660
Lid, slotted - for reagent vessel	14 0475 34486
Lid, w/o slots - for reagent vessel	14 0475 34488
Slide rack 30 - pack of 1 - plastic	14 0475 33750
Slide rack 30 - pack of 5 - plastic	14 0475 33643
Slide rack 30, metal	14 0456 33919
Rack - special stainings	14 0475 34524
Insert - special staining	14 0475 34525
Lid for 12 vessels, assy.	14 0475 33644
Adapter - Sakura	14 0475 34515
Adapter Medite 20	14 0475 34516
Adapter Medite 30	14 0475 34517
Adapter Shandon	14 0475 34518
Adapter Microm 30	14 0475 34943
Clips, assy white Pack of 5	14 0475 33632
Clips, assy yellow Pack of 5	14 0475 33633
Clips, assy light blue Pack of 5	14 0475 33634
Clips, assy dark blue Pack of 5	14 0475 33635
Clips, assy pink Pack of 5	14 0475 33636
Clips, assy red Pack of 5	14 0475 33637
Clips, assy light green Pack of 5	14 0475 33638
Clips, assy purple Pack of 5	14 0475 33640
Clips, assy grey Pack of 5	14 0475 33641
Tap water inlet hose, 2.50 m length, assy. with 3/4" connection for water tap	14 0475 32325
'V' strainer 3/4"-40/22 A6 (strainer for inlet hose)	14 0456 36101
Set of gaskets for tap water inlet hose	14 0300 00132

## **Optional accessories**

#### Order No.

Jumper cable - mains	14 0411 34604
Vessel holder, assy.	14 0475 34548
Hose clamp for waste water hose	14 0422 31972
Waste water hose 2 m	14 0475 35747
Waste water hose 4 m	14 0475 35748
Exhaust air hose 2 m assy.	14 0475 35762
Exhaust air hose 4 m assy.	14 0475 35763
Remote alarm jack - 6.3 mm	14 6844 01005
Oven - Leica ST5020, assy.	14 0475 34611
Leica TS5025 - Transfer station, assy. ST5020> CV5030	14 0478 36703
Demo - Box Leica ST5020	14 0475 36230
Activated carbon filter	14 0474 32273
Base plate ST5020/CV5030	14 0475 37647
Leica ST Ultra - Clearing Agent	14 0709 36260
Special O-ring grease - 25 ml Haas OHA	14 0336 36657
PCMCIA Flash Card, with adapter	14 0475 42526
Compact flash card adapt.	14 0475 37684
Compact flash card 16MB	14 0475 37683
Heatable reagent st. kit	14 0475 34612
Wash vessel module - 1 wash vessel 1 tap water inlet hose 2.5 m	14 04753 7071
replacement fuses:	
fuse T 2.0 A	14 6943 02001
fuse T 2.5 A	14 6943 02501
fuse T 4.0 A	14 6943 04001

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