Overview on commercial aberration correctors for TEM and STEM



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Commercial players in the field

The early days





Commercial players in the field Today



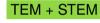


















" C_S correctors" — nion

2001

third-order axial geometric aberrations



second-generation Nion corrector retrofit to a VG HB 501

2011

fifth-order axial geometric aberrations



third-generation Nion corrector complete Nion UltraSTEM column

- quadrupole/octupole design
- ► 30–200 kV
- ▶ 60 pm at 200 kV

" C_S correctors" — HITACHI STEM

2015

third-order axial geometric aberrations



Hitachi HD-2700

- dual hexapole design (?)
- ▶ 80-200 kV
- ▶ 100 pm at 200 kV

"C_S correctors" — JEDL 3

2007

fourth-order axial geometric aberrations



JEOL ETA on a 300 kV microscope

2010

fifth-order axial geometric aberrations

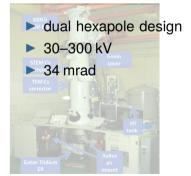


JEOL Delta on a 60 kV microscope



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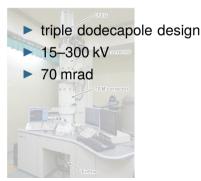
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" C_S correctors" — $\frac{\text{CEOS}}{\text{Corrected Better Optical Systems}}$

2003

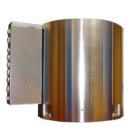
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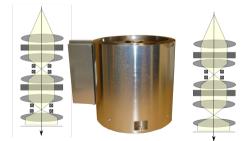
2009

fifth-order axial geometric aberrations

2024

sixth-order axial geometric aberrations







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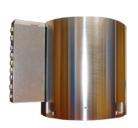
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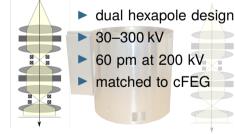
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- triple hexapole design
- monochromator recommended
- allows for beam tilt without resolution loss
- \triangleright ease of use (no D_6)

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"Cs correctors" — CEOS Correctors Correctors

2003

third-order axial geometric aberrations

2022

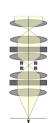
fourth-order axial/ second-order off-axial geometric aberrations 2010

fifth-order axial/ third-order off-axial geometric aberrations

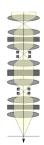












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CEOS CETCOR

dual hexapole design

► 30–300 kV

enhanced field of view

strongly reduced diffraction distortion triple hexapole design

monochromator recommended

for large field of view

CEOS BCOR

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" C_S correctors" — CEOS C_S Correctors TEM

special modifications

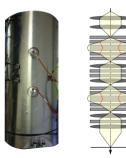
- ▶ 300 keV 1.2 MeV
- ▶ UHV compatible
- special objective lens adaptions
- "Lorentz" settings
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" C_S/C_C correctors" — CEOS Granded Electric Optical Corrections (Carlot Correction C

2010

fifth-order axial / third-order off-axial geometric aberrations

first-order axial chromatic aberrations



CEOS CCOR

2015

fifth-order axial / third-order off-axial geometric aberrations

first-order axial chromatic aberrations



CEOS SALVE

" C_S/C_C correctors" — JEOL \mathfrak{I}

2025



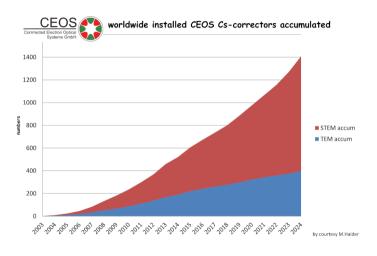
JEOL C_s/C_c corrector instrument delivery

- no details are publicly known yet
- instrument is being installed now in RFI, Harwell, UK

commercialisation possible but unknown

Some statistics — CEOS Corrected Electron Cytorial System Grants

No documented numbers for O, JEDL J, or HITACHI

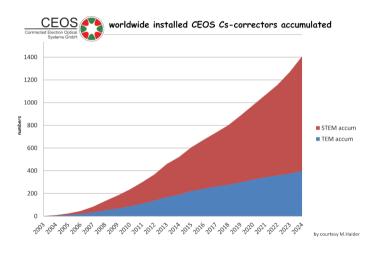


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C_C/C_S correctors in total

- CEOS
 Convented Electron Optical
 Systems Girani
 - +2 in installation
- ▶ JEOL 2: 1 in installation

Thank you for your interest.