

STR Sending Free Microscope Kits On Loan To Any Science Classroom In The U.S.

Scope On A Rope VL-7 Super Microscopes Just Released

Sept. 11, 2008 - [PRLog](#) -- School Technology Resources (STR) has launched a program to provide free loans of hand-held video microscopes to any science teacher, anywhere in the United States. “We decided that the best way to introduce the newest Scope On A Rope™ model, the VL-7, was to provide them on loan to any teacher who is interested,” said STR President, Mark Hoffman.

The Scope On A Rope™ (SOAR), pioneered for use by Louisiana State University and sold by School Technology Resources (STR), is the new, high-tech yet simple to use version of that old school microscope. The SOAR is a hand-held, touch & view camera with output to a computer, projector, TV or LCD display that provides educators with the best of old learning concepts and new methods and technology. The SOAR consists of a small, self-lighted video camera with interchangeable magnifying lenses. Each lens has a “contact tip” which operates simply by touching the tip to the sample; a teacher or student automatically sees an in-focus image on a TV or computer.

Instant discoveries are made with the SOAR by holding it and touching it to any sample: the visibly active sweat glands in fingerprints, sophisticated observations of micro-ecosystems in drops of pond water and flower centers, tiny fossils in rocks and sand, form and function in natural and man-made objects of all kinds. The live images are instantly shared with the whole class.

Known for its long lasting durability and high resolution images, the SOAR is the best and most versatile hand-held classroom camera/microscope on the market. It’s a digital camera, a video camera, a document camera, a presentation camera and it does much more than a traditional microscope can do.

The newest Education Kit from STR is used by the Scope On A Rope™ program at Louisiana State University, which has been conducting technology workshops for teachers since 1992. It includes a new XYZ Stage/Stand from STR for easy, fine focusing and positioning of prepared slides and aquatic samples. The Education Kit also includes the STR developed Teacher Resource CD with over 100 correlated lesson plans for K-12 science instruction.

Educators interested in signing up for a free loan kit can visit www.schooltr.com and click on the “Loan Program” page under Teacher Resources.

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About STR: This company provides technology products to educators, researchers as well as skin and hair care professionals.

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