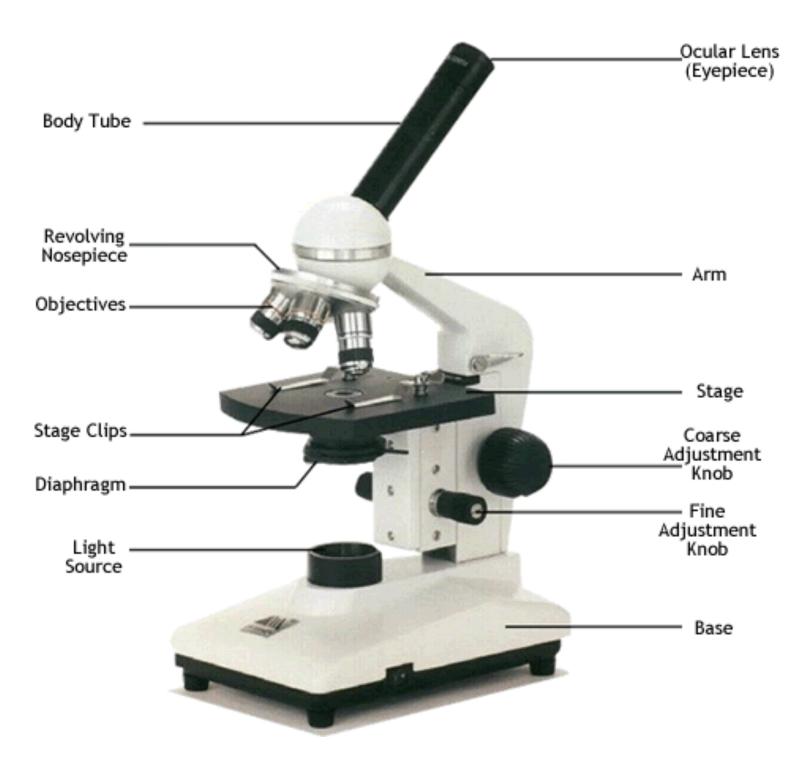
## Parts of a Microscope



## Using the Microscope

- 1. Place the dry/wet mount on the STAGE. Secure the slide with the STAGE CLIPS.
- 2. Turn on the light source. Turn the revolving NOSEPIECE so the SCANNING objective lens is locked into place directly above the slide.
- 3. Adjust the amount of light coming through the DIAPHRAGM to allow the best view.
- 4. Turn the COARSE ADJUSTMENT KNOB until the view is as clear as possible.
- 5. Turn the FINE ADJUSTMENT KNOB to make the view a little more clear.
- 6. Turn the NOSEPIECE to the LOW POWER OBJECTIVE lens and repeat steps 4-5.
- 7. Turn the NOSEPIECE to the HIGH POWER OBJECTIVE lens and turn **only** the FINE ADJUSTMENT KNOB.
- 8. Draw your organism under the best view (that may not be the HIGH POWER OBJECTIVE).

## Making a Dry Mount

- 1. Lay SLIDE on a flat surface. Place the specimen on the SLIDE.
- 2. Gently place the COVER SLIP on the SLIDE.
- 3. Place the SLIDE under the microscope.

## Making a Wet Mount

- 1. Lay SLIDE on a flat surface. Place the specimen on the SLIDE.
- 2. Place 3-4 drops of water over the specimen.
- 3. Gently place the COVER SLIP at a 45° angle on the end of the SLIDE. Slide the coverslip towards the specimen until the edge of the COVER SLIP just touches the edge of the water.
- 4. Gently lay the COVER SLIP down over the water pushing the air bubbles out from the slide.
- 5. Place the SLIDE under the microscope.