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I am the volunteer coordinator for phytoplankton monitors. We recently got a small sum of money (not much 1K) to purchase scopes for volunteers.

We use them to identify diatoms and dinoflagellates in coastal waters. I would like them to have a compound scope, with 10, 20, 40, and 10x ocular; ideally, a mechanical stage.

Does anyone have any advice?

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