

Tough Times Demand Tough Solutions

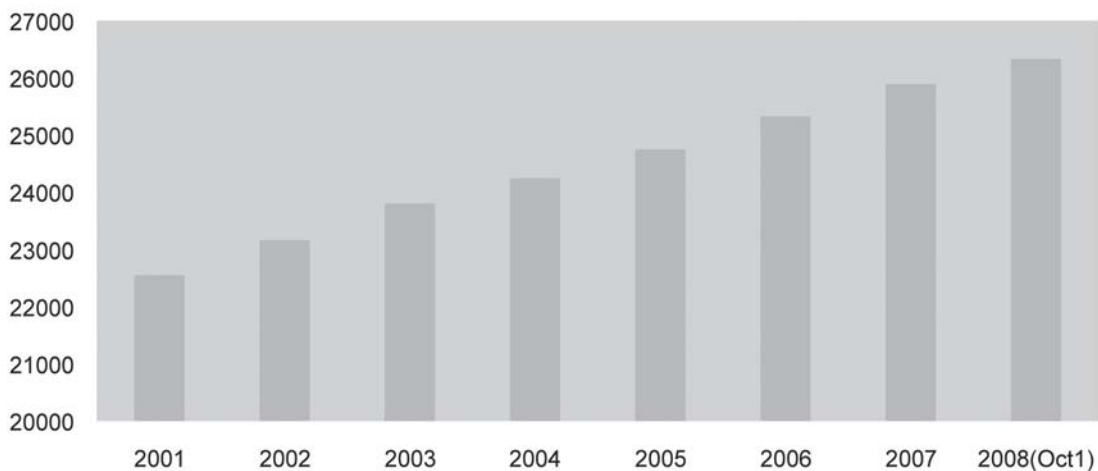
In these tough economic times it is good to know that the demand for microscopy education and research continues to grow. As a scientific instrument, the microscope is unsurpassed in its ability to solve or at least help solve almost any analytical problem. The most important accessory to the instrument is the microscopist and a good barometer of the situation is the McCrone Research Institute and its student totals through the years.

As the world's leading and independent not-for-profit microscopy educational and research organization, the Institute delivers more courses to more satisfied students than any other of its kind. Active since 1952 and incorporated in 1960, course totals now ex-

ceed 2,500 with over 26,000 students and counting. Nearly all of these courses are intensive, weeklong enterprises taught by full-time highly dedicated and experienced instructors and staff who are passionate about helping others learn microscopy.

The resurgence of the light microscope in crime labs across the U.S. together with the addition of the light microscope to all of the nation's civil support teams and the development of light microscopy laboratories and teaching facilities in other parts of the world are hopeful signs that the microscope, recently thought to be "not useful" and "obsolete", regains a prominent lead in these analytical settings. Long live the light microscope!

McCrone Research Institute Cumulative Student Totals



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