

Accessories Recommendations

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The adapter for photographing slides or negatives is designed for use with the CASTEL focusing racks and the NOVOFLEX bellows units. The guide rods of the adapter are inserted into the guideway holes (7) of the CASTEL Mini II.



CAST-FINE

The fine adjustment handle is the ideal tool if even finer settings are desirable e.g. for focus stacking. The handle is simply pushed onto the drive knob (5) and can be adjusted if necessary with a small Allan key.

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Focusing Rack CASTEL Mini II

USER MANUAL

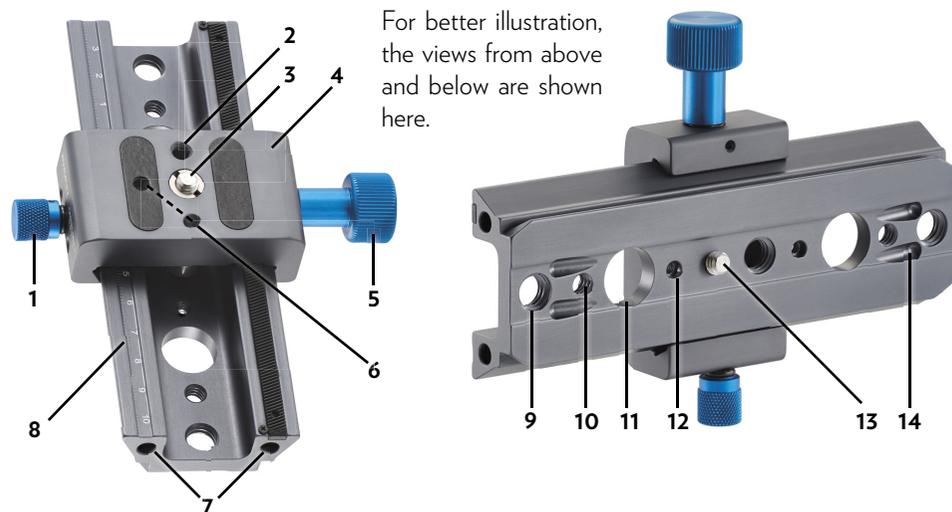
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Application Example: Using the focusing rack CASTEL Mini II in macro photography. Illustration shows optional accessories.

Nomenclature

1	Locking knob	8	Setting scale
2	1/4" Threaded hole, sliding block	9	3/8" Threaded hole (2x)
3	Camera screw 1/4", sliding block	10	1/4" Threaded hole (3x)
4	Sliding block	11	Mounting hole
5	Drive knob	12	Threaded hole for video-pin, rail (2x)
6	Threaded hole video-pin, sliding block (2x)	13	Camera screw 1/4", rail
7	Guideway holes for rods (accessories)	14	Cut-out for safety pin (4x)



Mounting

Attach to a tripod head or quick release

1. Classic assembly (Fig. 1)

The focusing rack is equipped with a dovetail guide for direct mounting on a NOVOFLEX quick-release of the Q=System (ARCA / UNIQ/C compatible). The safety pin of a NOVOFLEX quick-release engages into the milling cut-out (14) and prevents unintentional slipping out of the rack if the corresponding clamping screw was accidentally not fully tightened.

Alternatively, the 1/4 "or 3/8" threaded holes (10) or (9) can be used for mounting on a tripod head. The installation of a video-pin (threaded hole 12) serves as anti-twist protection. In both cases, the camera screw of the rail (13) could be in the way. We recommend turning this out.

2. Inverted assembly (Fig. 2)

With this type of mounting, turn the camera screw (3) out with an Allen key, passing it through the mounting hole (11). To do this, move the sliding block (4) with the drive knob (5) and open locking knob (1) to a position just below a mounting hole (11). In the 3/8 "threaded hole sits an 1/4" adapter, which can be unscrewed if necessary.

Attaching the camera or other accessories (such as an bellows unit)

To mount the device on the sliding block (Classic assembly, Fig. 1) use the camera screw (3). To do this, first move the sliding block (4) using the drive knob (5) with open locking knob (1) to a position just below a mounting hole (11). You will now have access to the screw with the help of an Allen key that you pass through the mounting hole (11) from below. You can also use the threaded hole (2). If necessary, use the holes next to it for a video-pin (6). If you mount inverted (Fig. 2), use the camera screw (13) of the rail together with one of the three 1/4" threaded holes (10). If necessary, a video-pin can be used as well (hole 12) if your device supports it.



Fig. 1: Classic assembly

Operation

By turning the drive knob (5) with the locking knob (1) open, move the sliding block (4) smoothly and precisely forwards and backwards. By tightening the locking knob (1), the sliding block (4) can be locked in any desired position.

The focusing rack has a setting scale (8), which serves as an adjustment aid in stereoscopic photography. In addition, certain positions can be approached reproducibly, important e.g. in panorama photography.



Fig. 2: Inverted assembly

Safety Instructions

The locking knob (1) is used only for clamping the sliding block. It is not suitable for setting a friction (braking). If the drive knob (5) is moved in the clamped state, this can damage the cograil!

Do not try to drive beyond the end stop with the sliding block (4). This can also lead to damage to the cograil! !

Please do not use grease for lubrication. It is recommended to keep the rack clean from sand and dirt.