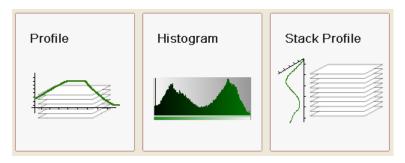
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Quantification Tools

LCS offers three quantification tools: *Profile*, *Histogram* and *Stack Profile*. These tools can be found under the *Quantify* tab.



The individual tools

The *Profile* tool will measure intensities along a line segment within a single image. The line segment can be either a straight line or a polygon/free-hand line. To draw a polygon line, select the *P.Line* button. Define the points of the polygon line by left-click at the desired position. To draw a free-hand line just keep the left mouse button pressed while you draw the line. To set the end for both lines simply double-click.

The *Histogram* tool will measure the frequency of intensity values in a given ROI. The user can choose between rectangle, ellipse and polygon ROIs.

Both the *Profile* and the *Histogram* tool can work with single images and series. If a series is selected the analysis will only be performed on the currently active image of the series.

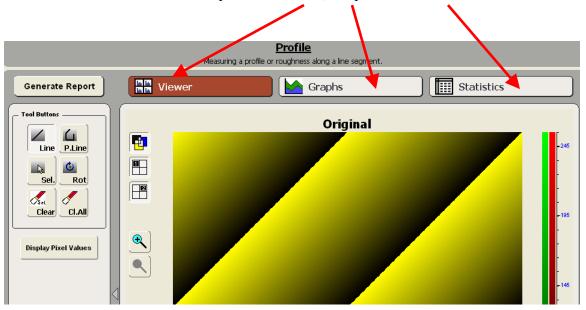
The *Stack Profile* tool can be used to analyze stacks of images, i.e. z-stacks, lambda scans or a time series. Intensity values are displayed with regards to the either the z-position, wavelength or time stamp. Possible ROIs include rectangle, ellipse and polygon.

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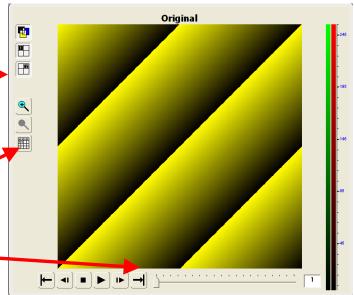


The user interface

All of these quantification tools use the same interface to make them user-friendly. Each window consists of three main components: *Viewer*, *Graphs* and *Statistics*.



The *Viewer* window will display the active image or series. The user can select to display individual channels or an overlay of a multiple channels. A series of images can also be displayed as a gallery. Individual images from a series can be selected from either the gallery or via this slider.



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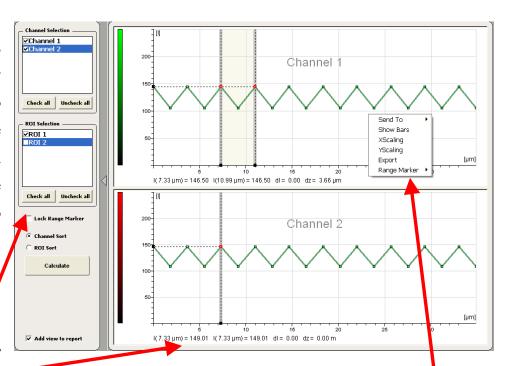
Each *Viewer* window includes a set of tool buttons to select ROIs. The quantification tool dictates which tool buttons will be available, i.e. the *Line ROI* button is only available in the *Profile* tool.



ROIs can be saved to be available later. To save ROIs just right-click into the image shown in the Viewer window and select *Save Selected* or *Save All* from the menu. Select *Open* to load previously saved ROIs.

The *Graphs* window will display the graphs of your data. The user has the option to display only selected channels and ROIs.

Range markers can be shown by left-clicking into graph; the markers can then be dragged to the right locations. To apply the same range for all channels simply select Lock Range



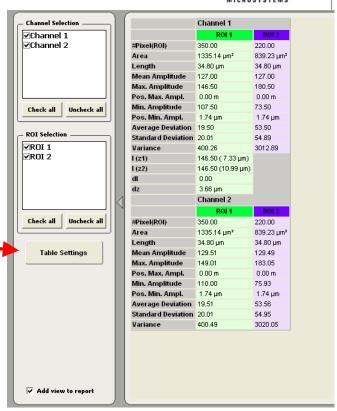
Markers. To display measurement values only one ROI can be selected at a time. Right-click into the graph will bring up a new menu. Here you can select i.e. the x/y scaling for the graph. You can also *Export* the graph data into a text file for further analysis with other software packages. This text file will contain the values for the *Statistics* window too.

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The *Statistics* window will show statistical information about the selected ROIs. Again, the user can select the channels and ROIs to be included. Each quantification tool has a designated set of statistical variables appropriate for the tool. The user can select which variables from this set are displayed by modifying the *Table Settings*.

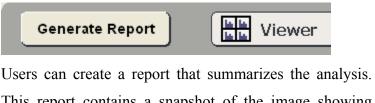
Mathematical equations for all variables can be found in the LCS Help file.



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Generate Report



This report contains a snapshot of the image showing ROIs, snapshots of the graphs and the values from the *Statistics* window. The report can be saved as a *.xml file. Data and statistics can be exported again into a text file.

