

SA614364

Early Victorian Rosewood Cased Compound Microscope by JP Cutts Sutton & Son

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA614364****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Dimensions

Height = 90 cm (35.4")

Width = 26 cm (10.2")

Depth = 28 cm (11.0")

Description

For sale an early Victorian rosewood cased compound microscope by JP Cutts, Sutton & Son of Sheffield & London. This rare example, given the dates of the company involved, is quite late for its type and owes an allegiance to the simple compound microscopes of George Adams and his New Universal microscope, W&S Jones' Improved Compound microscope and Philip Carpenter's, 'Improved opaque and transparent compound microscope'. The latter two were supremely popular models during the first half of the nineteenth century although the 1830's saw a huge period of transition and development for the microscope which culminated in the 1850's with The Great Exhibition and the competition set out by The Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufacturers and Commerce which sought to open the science of microscopy out to the wider public. This example aligns very well with those models that were being manufactured by Carpenter from the 1830's with its folding tripod, articulated base and mirror although this model also incorporates an integral rack and pinion fine focus. The barrel of the microscope with single draw tube is accompanied by six original objective lenses and various other...

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