

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### FlexOpod™ Catalog No. FLXP100

#### INTRODUCTION

Many photographic assignments require the use of a rigid camera support but most photo-type tripods are simply too big and bulky to be useful. The FlexOpod™ was designed specifically for just those difficult, close-up situations that require a steady, sturdy mount to support the camera.

FlexOpod™ is a compact, simple-to-use photographic platform that offers fully adjustable, vinyl covered, gooseneck legs that accommodate flat and irregular surfaces. Each leg is adjusted independently of the others offering the ultimate in versatility. FlexOpod™ is sturdy enough to support most 35mm, medium format, and digital cameras.



No. FLXP100  
FlexOpod™  
*(camera not included)*

## COMPONENTS

FlexOpod™ consists of four basic parts: three flexible support legs and an adjustable camera mounting assembly (Fig. 1). The camera mount is adjustable permitting photos from different angles as well as straight ahead or straight down as shown above. The camera connector is secured in place by a release lever (Fig. 2) and this lever may be locked in place by employing the locking lever.

## ASSEMBLY

The only assembly required is to screw each leg into the circular base assembly. To mount a camera, flip open the release lever (the brass locking lever must be in the unlocked position as shown in Fig. 3). Position the camera connector (Fig. 4) over the camera's tripod mounting socket and secure it in place using the tripod mounting screw. Place the connector over the camera mount and press down to activate the locking lever (Fig. 5).



FIGURE 1—  
FLXP100 Components



FIGURE 2



FIGURE 3



FIGURE 4



FIGURE 5

## USAGE

The FlexOpod™ may be adjusted to fit the situation. Each leg is a goose-neck structure that is easily bent to accommodate the photo assignment. Irregularly shaped objects pose no problem (Fig. 6).

There is no need to disassemble the FlexOpod™ for transport since the support legs may be easily compressed as shown in Figure 7.

## OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

Optional Leg Extenders (No. FLXP101) are available from the factory. To connect extensions, proceed as follows:

1. Remove the three, plastic covered screws from the existing FlexOpod™ legs and set them aside (Fig. 8).
2. Leg extensions are equipped with machine screws in one end. Screw these extensions into the base of the existing legs.
3. Screw the plastic-covered screws into the bottom of the extension legs.

Bend extended legs as necessary to keep them from appearing in the resultant photos (Fig. 9).



FIGURE 6



FIGURE 7



FIGURE 8



FIGURE 9



The investigator (shown to the left) uses the FLXP100 FlexOpod™ to steady the digital camera in order to facilitate a photograph of latent prints developed on a paper cup. Resultant photograph is shown to the right.

