

Fig.001 Image of one month of photos of the right hand. Each line corresponds to a day of photographs and the length corresponds to the amount of objects used. The colors emerging from the patterns are also an indication to the amount of light I am exposed to with bright colors in the summer months and gloomy colors in the winter months.

ACTIONS 01

As a young man I had many ideas, dreams and thoughts. I used to annotate them in journals but simply felt defeated when it was time to review them. Once I seriously considered making a book out of them. For the purpose I traveled by land from Canada to a solitary beach in Costa Rica but there felt very depressed. It was around the year 2000 that I started considering writing my thoughts down on a computer but I immediately hated the idea to seat in front of a screen. At last I got the idea to build a computer I could wear on myself and carry along. With my rudimentary knowledge of technology I just ended up carrying a giant backpack filled with equipment. In the end I bought a tiny digital camera and began to use it with my left hand so as to photograph the objects I use with my right hand. The main idea was that rather than having to spend half of my time editing the video-recording of a reality I had recorded in the other half, I could simply bookmark all the activities occurring throughout a day. The photos of the objects I use could become the bookmarks of my life and the alphabet with which human life at large could be decoded. Since then I was able to take an average of 76 pictures a day. It intrigued me that at the end of the project in 2040 I will be 60 and the pictures will amount to one million.