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Fine detail of flower petal structure easily observable.

# NanoSuit®

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## SEM imaging of biological objects in their natural state

### What is NanoSuit?

NanoSuit is a novel technology which enables the observation of cells, microorganisms, etc. in a living state using SEM.

NanoSuit is an aqueous solution of a bio-compatible polymer that forms a very thin barrier layer on the surface of an object which holds moisture in the object under vacuum condition in electron microscopy. The barrier layer is electrically conductive.

Therefore, NanoSuit makes it possible to observe biological objects with their natural image texture.

### Quick and easy to use...

Simply drop the NanoSuit solution onto the specimen, then observe using SEM. **You don't need any other fixation procedures.**

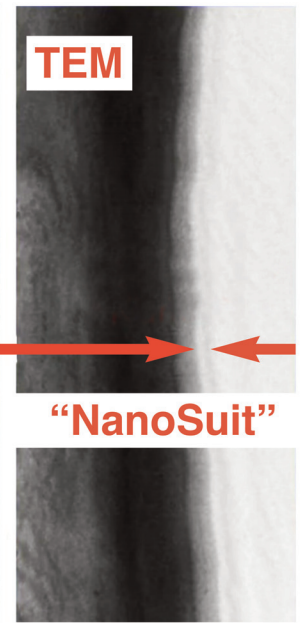
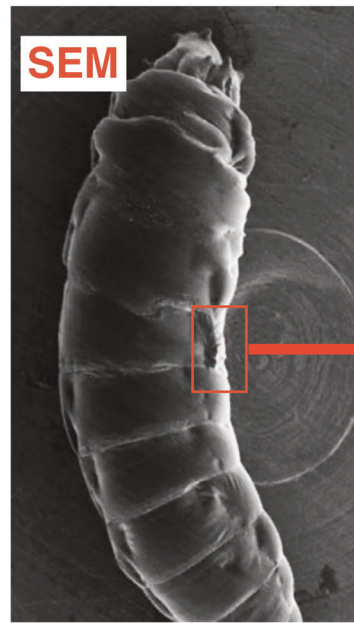
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### Fixed Drying Process

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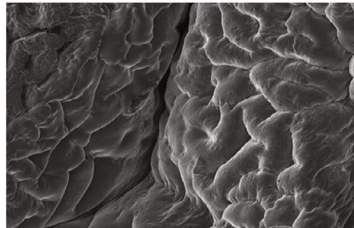
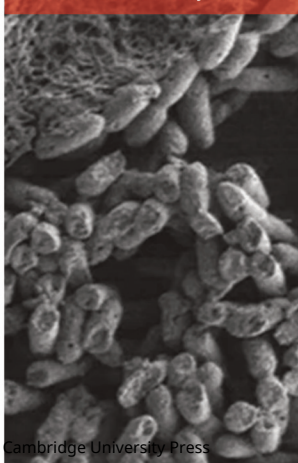
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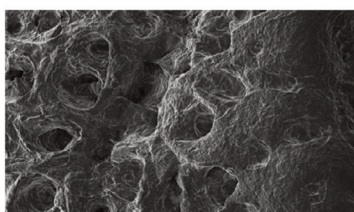
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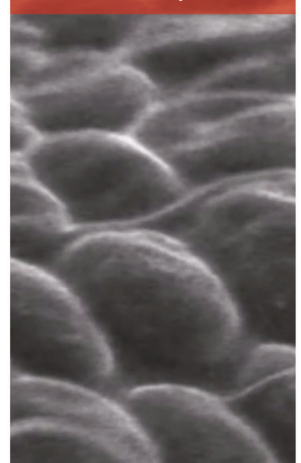
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Distinguishing normal tissue (top) from cancerous tissue (bottom) at 500µm.



Individual cells easily observable.



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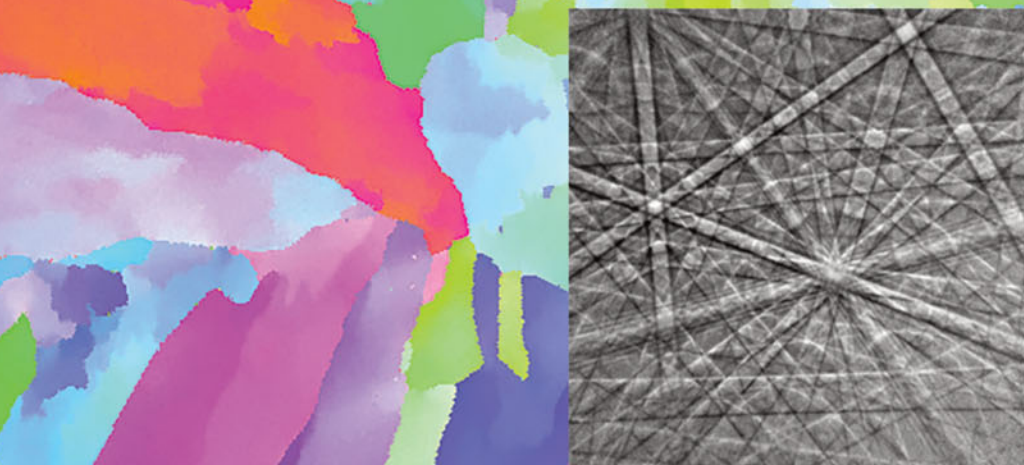
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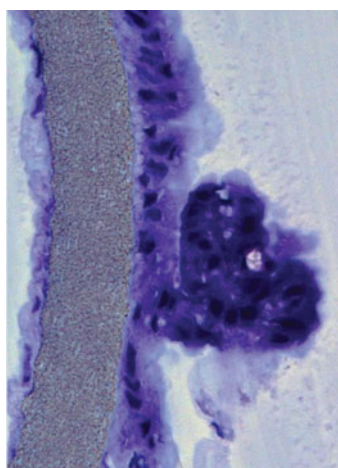
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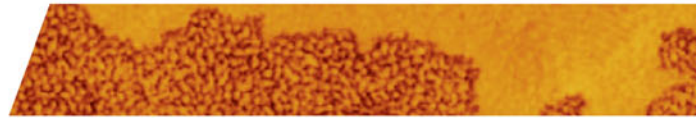
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