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BIOPHARMACEUTICAL

# NANOMECHANICAL TESTING FOR BIOPHARMACEUTICAL MATERIALS

DRUG/MEDICINAL CRYSTALS • BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS • BIOPOLYMERS & OTHER BIOMATERIALS • BIOMEDICAL DEVICE MATERIALS

Composites  
Soft Samples  
Drug Coatings  
Porous Samples  
Crystal Polymorphs  
Viscoelastic Materials  
Drug Loaded Micro Spheres

BIOPHARMACEUTICAL  
MATERIALS  
CHARACTERIZATION

- PERMEABILITY
- FORMULATION
- ABSORPTION
- DELIVERY

## NANO-TO-MICRO SCALE MECHANICAL TESTING OF

Young's Modulus ( $E$ ) Measurement (GPa, MPa, KPa)  
 Topography Mapping via *In-Situ* SPM Imaging (nm,  $\mu$ m)  
 Dynamic Modulus & Stiffness ( $\kappa$ ,  $E'$ ,  $E''$ ,  $\tan \delta$ )  
 Hardness ( $H$ ) Measurement (GPa, MPa, KPa)  
 Quantitative Adhesion Testing ( $N$ , mN,  $\mu$ N)  
 Properties with Respect to Temperature  
 Testing in Solution

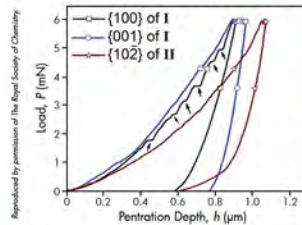
### References

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 (2) Journal of the Mechanical Behavior of Biomedical Materials 7 (2012) 60-68.

## BIOPHARMACEUTICAL MATERIALS

### DRUG OR MEDICINAL CRYSTALS TESTING

#### Aspirin Polymorphs<sup>(1)</sup>



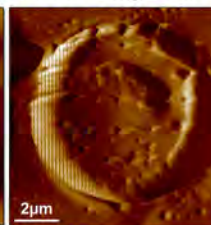
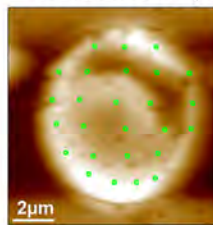
#### Testing Other Polymorphs

- Synthon
- Ritonavir
- Norfloxacin
- Zantac
- Gleevec
- Paracetamol
- Carbamazepine (CBZ)
- Saccharin
- Etc.

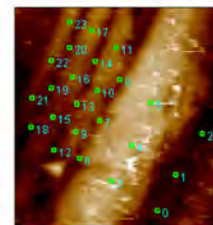
ISSUE: Polymorphic behavior of drug compounds impact product quality and performance. Study preliminary evidence from x-ray crystallography.  
 NANOINDENTATION ADVANTAGE: No need to grow large crystals.

### BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

#### Mechanical Properties of Living Cells



#### Bone



ISSUE: Materials are often soft with modulus ( $E_c$ ) generally in the range of 50KPa to 1MPa.

NANOINDENTATION ADVANTAGE: Minute sample volume requirement, ease of sample mounting, testing in realistic conditions, site-specific testing.

## BIOMIMETIC MATERIALS

### BIOPOLYMERS & OTHER BIOMATERIALS

#### Testing Viscoelasticity of Agar<sup>(2)</sup>

Concentration based properties determination of biopolymers, such as agar, that are used in tissue engineering and other applications.



#### Mechanical Properties of Implants

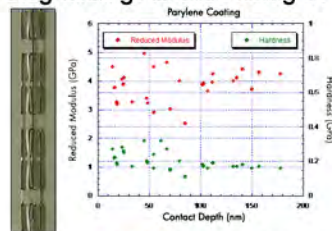


ISSUE: Materials are composites with sub-micron scale phase separations & viscoelastic in nature.

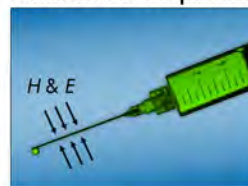
NANOINDENTATION ADVANTAGE: Ability to test dynamic mechanical properties with great spatial resolution & at varying temperatures.

### BIOMEDICAL DEVICE MATERIALS

#### Drug Coating Adhesion Testing on Stents



#### Syringe Needle Mechanical Properties



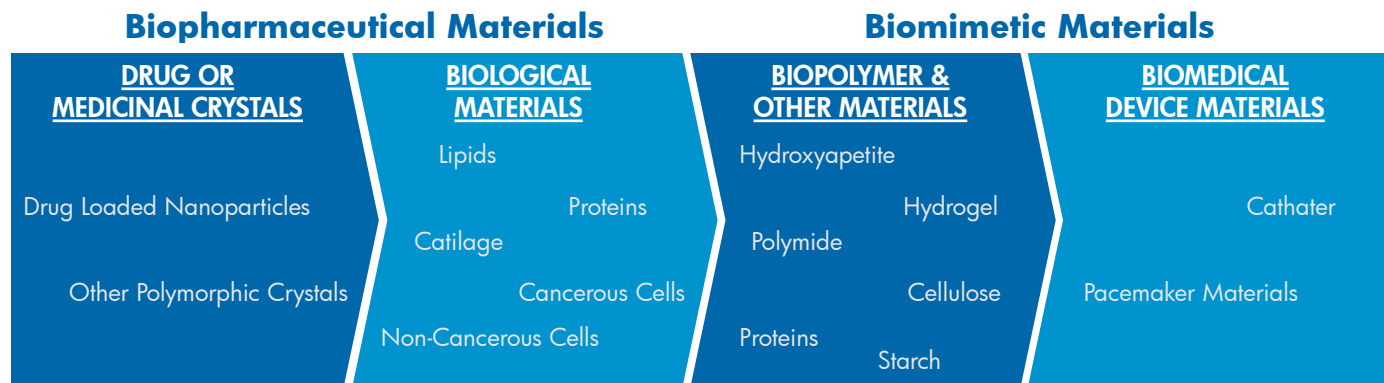
#### Contact Lens Viscoelasticity Testing



[KPa to MPa + Testing in Fluid]

ISSUE: Conventional techniques are destructive, intricate geometries make sample mounting difficult.  
 NANOINDENTATION ADVANTAGE: Nano to microscale testing regime, ease of sample mounting.

## OTHER APPLICABLE TOPICS IN STUDY BIOPHARMACEUTICALS



## HYSITRON PRODUCT DETAILS

Hysitron is the world leader in developing nanomechanical test instruments and continues to design cutting edge technology and testing solutions for the scientific community since 1992.

### TI Series TriboIndenter® & Ubi™ - Versatile Stand-Alone Nanomechanical Testing Platform



TI 950 TriboIndenter®  
(Fully Automated Testing)



TI 750L Ubi™  
(Testing up to 12mN)



TI 750H Ubi™  
(Testing up to 10N)



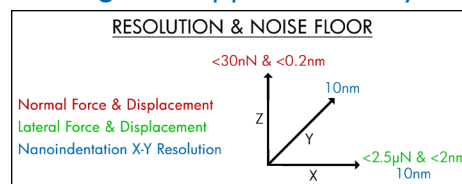
TI 750D Ubi™  
(Dynamic Mechanical Properties)

**Note:** TriboScope® is available and a needed option for similar measurements with an AFM. Contact Hysitron for more information.

## HIGHLIGHTING FEATURES TO SUPPORT BIOPHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH

- **Biopharmaceutical Nanomechanical Testing Package is a Modular Design to Support a Variety of Testing Options:** High & low temperatures.

- ▶ Advanced Controller: Industry leading and offers superior feedback loop rate.
- ▶ nanoDMA: Dynamic mechanical analysis at nanoscale.
- ▶ Fluorescence Microscopy
- ▶ Adhesion Testing: 500µm stage.



**Patented Transducer Technology:** Electrostatic actuation driven force & displacement sensor has low thermal drift and ultra low force & displacement noise floor to accurately determine quantitative mechanical (including coefficient of friction, scratch & wear testing for film failure & performance) properties of biopharmaceutical coatings & materials.

- **In-Situ SPM Imaging Combined with Piezo Automation:** Enables pre and post nanoindentation test morphological characterization with precise testing location selection & automation.

## PUBLICATIONS IN BIOPHARMACEUTICAL MATERIAL RESEARCH INVOLVING NANOMECHANICAL CHARACTERIZATION

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