

# SEE THE INVISIBLE

Optical Microscopy Beyond the Diffraction Limit



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## ABOUT US

LIG Nanowise is a UK company that specialises in the application of **microsphere-based super-resolution microscopy technology** to massively amplify the power of scientific instruments in a variety of fields.

In 2017, we launched the world's first super-resolution white light microscope allowing **reaching sub-diffraction limit resolution in full colour**.

Our applications include **material sciences** - semiconductors, nanoparticles and graphene - **mineralogy**, and most recently, **bioimaging**.

## OUR TECHNOLOGY

NANORO-M® is a scanning super-resolution reflective optical microscope, designed and built by LIG Nanowise around the unique optical properties of microspheres to enhance the magnification and resolution of images.

This patented technology, at the heart of NANORO microscopes, is known as SMAL® (Super-resolution Microsphere Amplifying Lens).

The initial version of SMAL® required the sample to be immersed in oil or water. However, with advancements in technology, we achieved the development of the **first non-contact, immersion-free super-resolution lens in white light** without any specific preparation requirements.

In partnership with



**NIKON METROLOGY**  
VISION BEYOND PRECISION

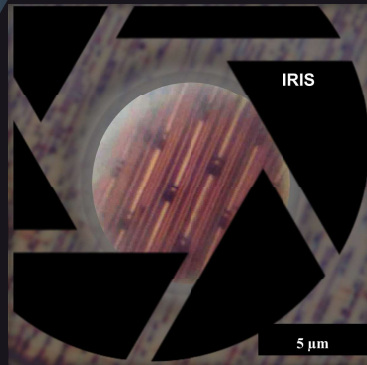
# WHAT WE DO

## Super-resolution white light LED modulators

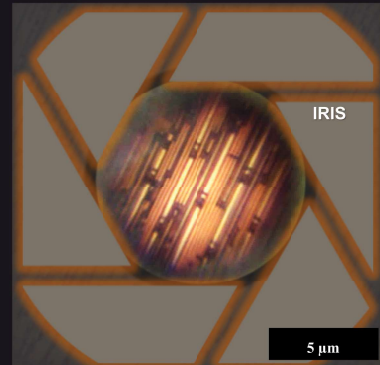
Movable light source with a tuneable aperture. By adjusting the position of the light source and the size of the aperture, the illumination will only be focused on the microsphere attached to the lens to give the best contrast and resolution to the image.



Iris fully open



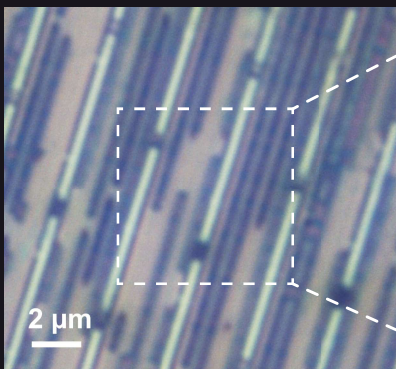
Iris closed at 50%



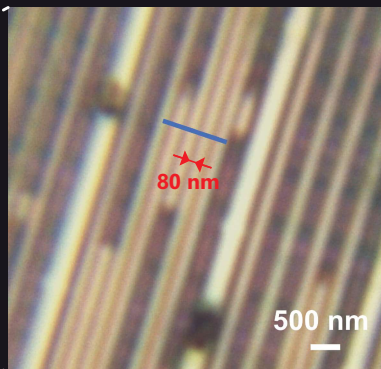
Iris closed around the microsphere

## Imaging beyond the diffraction limit with SMAL® lens

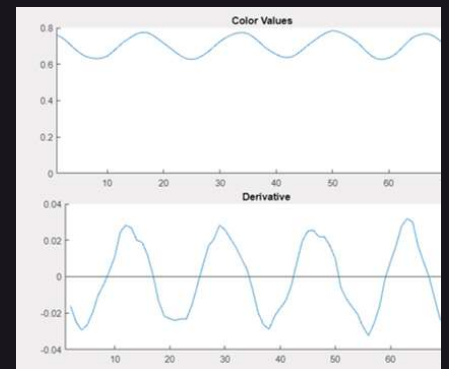
With immersion medium



100x oil immersion standard objective lens

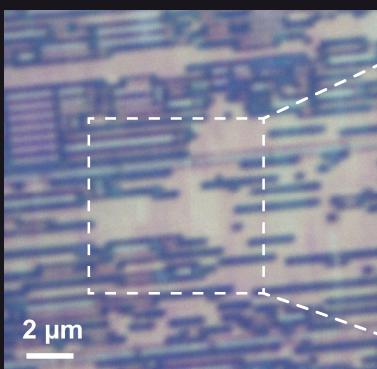


SMAL® used with oil immersion

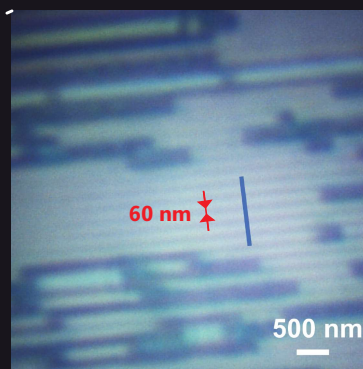


Resolution of 80 nm

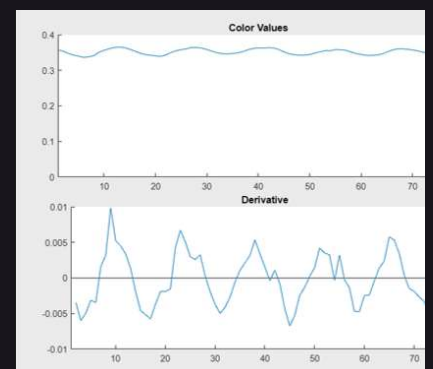
With NO immersion medium



100x oil immersion standard objective lens

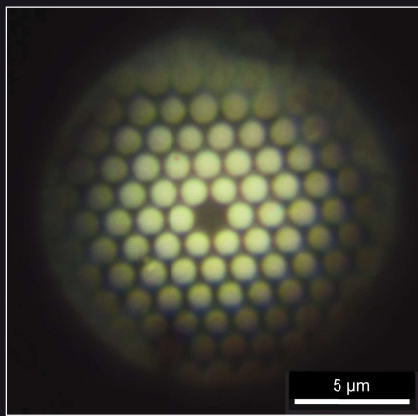


AIR SMAL® (no immersion medium)



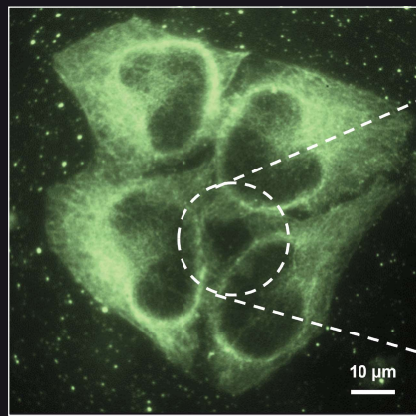
Resolution of 60 nm

## Photonic

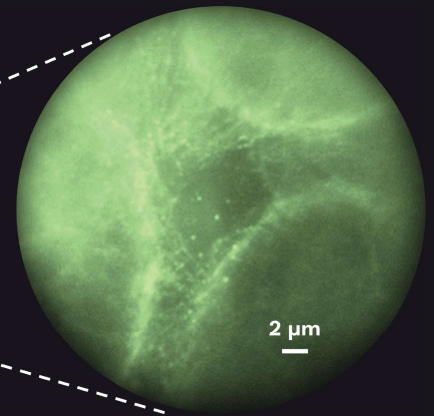


Photonic crystal fibre.

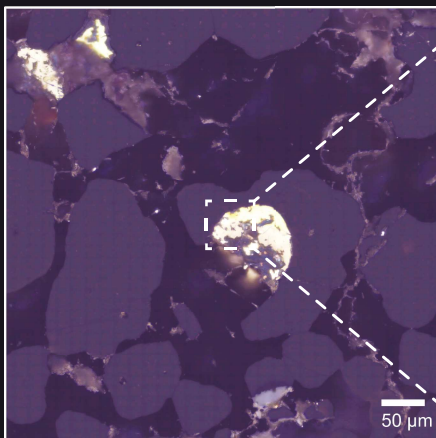
## Fluorescence



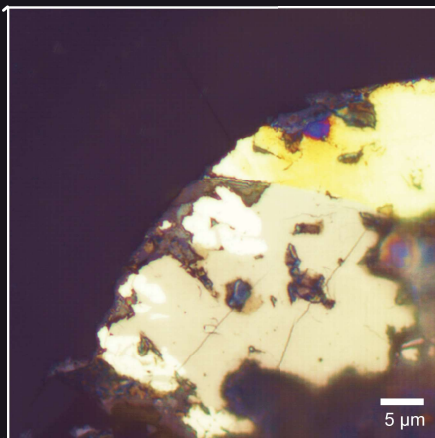
Observation of single microtubule.



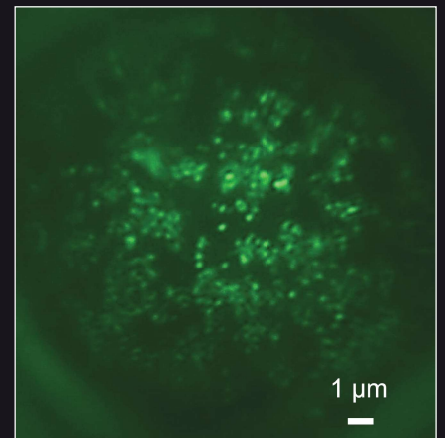
## Geology



Platinum-group mineral grains in volcanic stone.

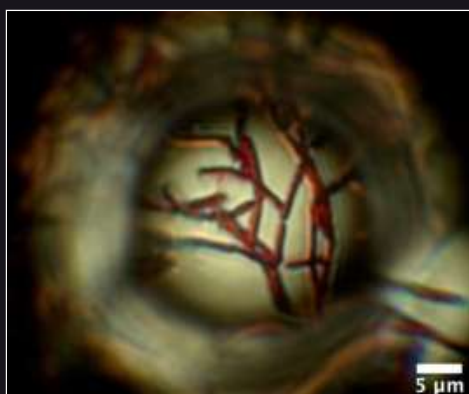


## Nanoparticles

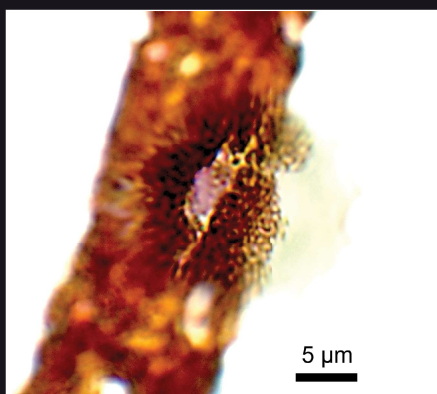


Gold nanoparticles.

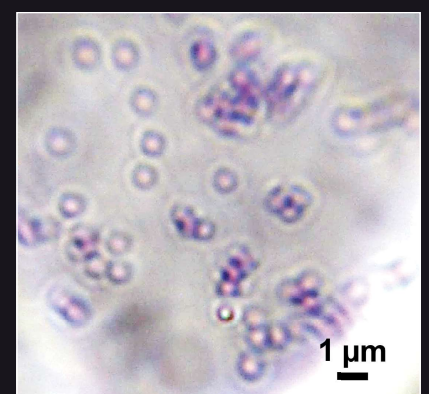
## Biology



Bacillus bacteria.



Eye tissue.



Staphylococcus aureus bacteria.

# OUR PRODUCTS

Different microsphere for different properties and applications

## SMAL® LENSES



### SMAL® AIR

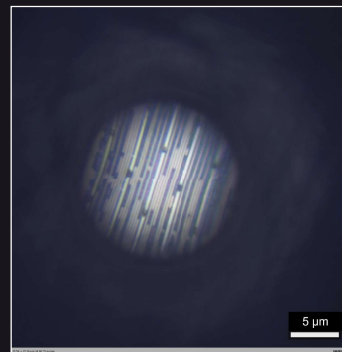
**NO IMMERSION MEDIUM**

15  $\mu\text{m}$  FIELD OF VIEW

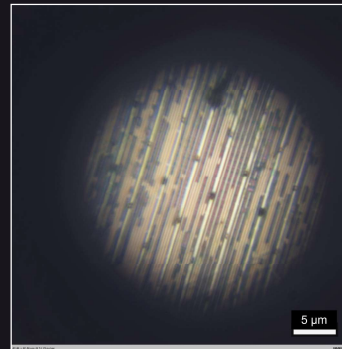
200x MAGNIFICATION

80 nm RESOLUTION

**NON-DESTRUCTIVE**



Higher magnification



Larger field of view  
Longer working distance



### SMAL® IMMERSION

**OIL/WATER IMMERSION MEDIUM**

15/30  $\mu\text{m}$  FIELD OF VIEW

200x MAGNIFICATION

80 nm RESOLUTION

**MULTISPHERE ARRAY 7 spheres placed in honey comb pattern**



Multisphere array  
integrated SMAL®



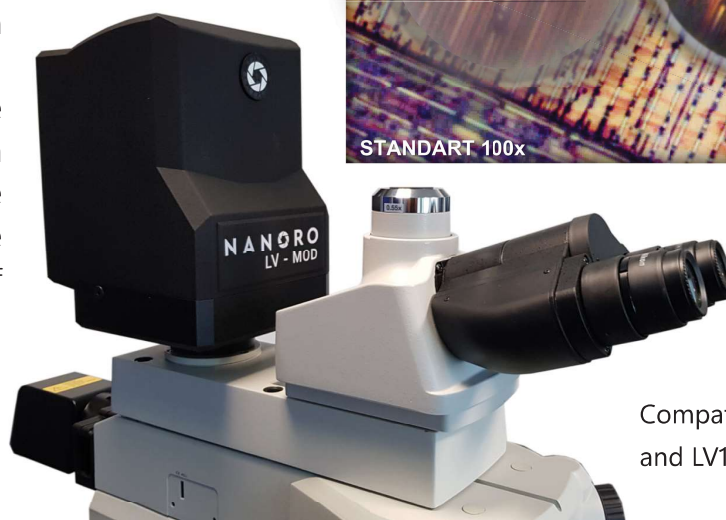
### IRIS INTEGRATED SMAL®

The ultimate and unique tool for optical microscopy



## LV-MOD®

External illumination module developed in partnership with Nikon Metrology. Combining the SMAL® lenses, the LV-MOD® provides the perfect illumination required for a full microsphere imaging experience by allowing the adjustment of the position and the aperture size of the light.



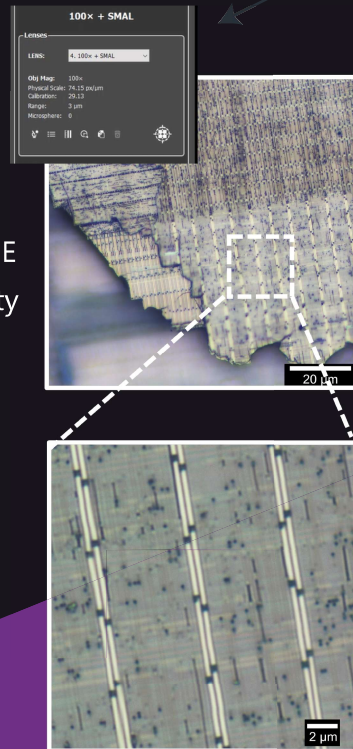
Compatible with Nikon LV100 and LV150 microscopes



## NANORO-M®



The particularity of NANORO-M® is based on its **microsphere illumination system**. Equipped with a white LED source, the microsphere illumination is driven via Software developed specifically to adjust the position and the size of the illumination allowing the best condition for the use of microsphere for super-resolution microscopy.



NANORO-M® Software developed specifically for microsphere microscopy imaging

Large scan of super-resolution using unique light modulator technology for super-resolution

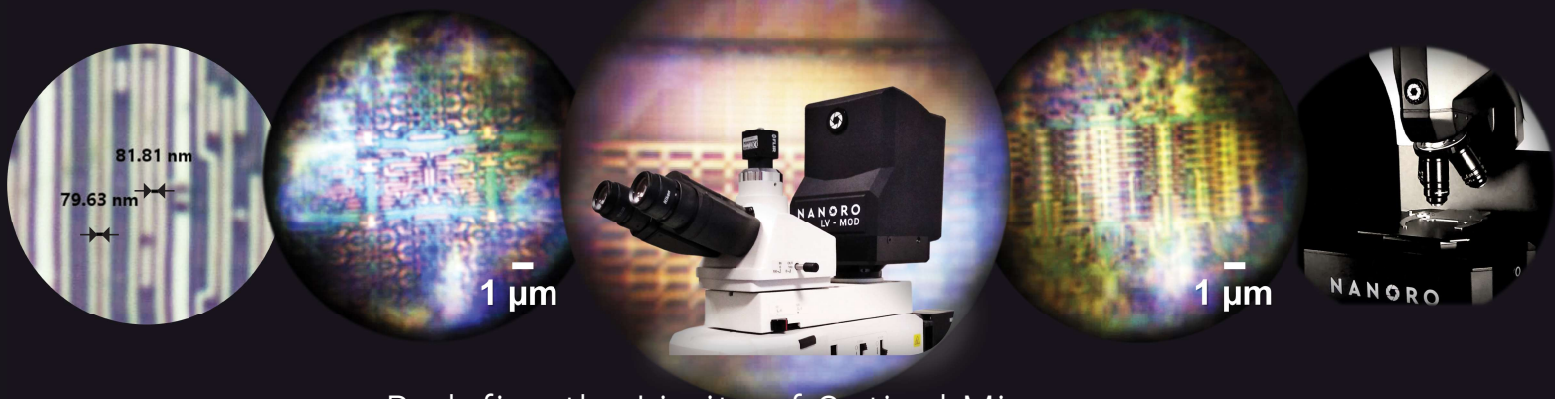


## NANORO-B

BIOIMAGING microscope  
TRANSMISSION & REFLECTION modes  
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