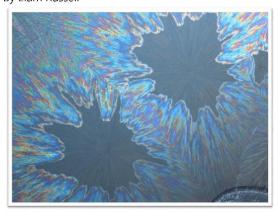


Heterogeneous Anisotropic Discontinuum

21-6-9 stainless steel specimen fabricated by a ConceptLaser selective laser melting machine. The intersection of two microweld scan directions is depicted at the center of the image. Small partially melted particles dot the landscape of the part.

Polarizing Change

By Liam Russell



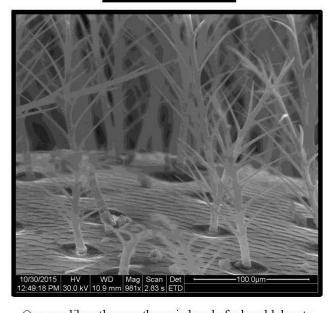
A Polarized Light Microscope was used at 100x magnification. Pure Polyethylene Oxide (PEO) Mw:900,000 was melted and pressed between Trubond 380 glass slides, then cooled to room temperature.

Spherulites nucleate and grow radially during the cooling of linear thermoplastic polymers. PEO terminates in a hydrophilic end group, and when cooled between hydrophilic glass slides, PEO delaminates along boundaries and radii and binds to glass.

Polyethylene Oxide Mw: 900,000

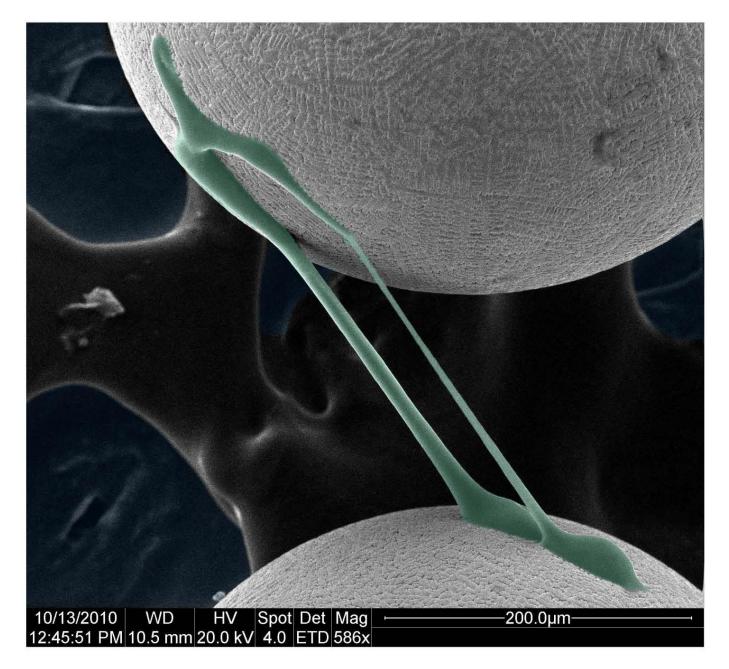
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"Bumblebee Forest"



One can liken the rear thoracic band of a bumblebee to that of a forest. The branched hair follicles are the trees, serving as electrostatic receptors that attract and collect pollen. The "roots" at the base of each follicle are receptor cells, which endow a precise sense of touch.

Elliot Frey



The Bridge Between Two Worlds

Scanning Electron Microscope image of two cobalt chromium spheres bridged by conductive carbon tape adhesive. The adhesive forms a bridge the two small, alien worlds with the depth of space in the background. This picture was taken by Eric Hahn on October 13, 2010.