TEXTURED MICROCAPSULES THROUGH CRYSTALLIZATION

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FIG. 13. Supercooled bubble in which ice crystals are growing



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structure of DBCC, (c) Crystal structure of DBCC down a-axis of the lattice, (d) down b-axis, (e) down c-axis.





Inversion tests of organogels (a) 1 wt.% DBCC in dodecane (b) inversion of DBCC in dodecane (c) 20 x light microscopy of 1 wt. % DBCC in dodecane (100 μ m) (d) SEM 1 wt. % DBCC in dodecane (10 μ m).







Total DCM evaporation causes DBCC crystallization, forming an armor around the droplet (c) Droplet immediately following its formation (d) 7 min 27 s, total DCM evaporation (e) 7 min 31 s, DBCC supersaturation (f) 7 min 34 s, completed capsule. Scale bar = $100 \ \mu m$









Light microscopy of textured surface of microcapsules generated by microfluidics (a) Scale bar = $100 \mu m$ (b) Scale bar = $50 \mu m$.















c) Dark-field light microscopy of batch synthesized DBCC spikey capsules . Scale bar = $30 \mu m$ (d) Histograms of batch synthesis capsule sizes for smooth (cross diag.: coral) and spikey (diag. up: green) microcapsules.



(a) Backscatter light microscopy of **polyamide fibre** with adhered capsule. Scale: 100 µm (b-c) SEM microscopy of polyamide. Scale: 100 μ m and 5 μ m (d) Backscatter light microscopy of **polyester fibre** with adhered capsules. Scale: 100 µm (e-f) SEM microscopy of polyester. Scale: 100 µm and 10 µm (g) Backscatter light microscopy of **cotton fibre** with adhered capsules. Scale: 100 µm (h-i) SEM microscopy of cotton. Scale: 100 μ m and 10 μ m.





(a) Photograph of drying 100 mm2 cotton squares following dipping (b) 1 mm2 quadrant of dried cotton square viewed by backscattered light microscopy.



e) Column plots of fiber adhesion of smooth (cross diag.: coral) and spikey (diag. up: green). Also shown, adhesion pre (diag. down: teal) and post-wash (cross normal: purple) column plots of smooth and spikey capsules on cotton squares

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