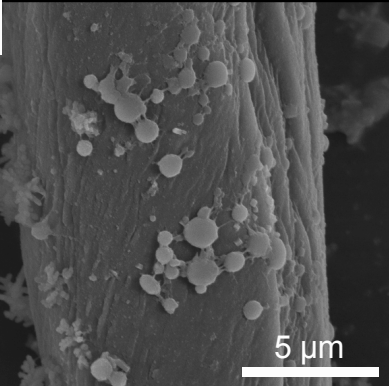


**b**

5  $\mu\text{m}$

This scanning electron micrograph (SEM) shows a textured surface with a series of parallel ridges and grooves. Numerous spherical particles of varying sizes are attached to the surface, particularly concentrated in the grooves. The particles appear to be interconnected or clustered. A white scale bar is located in the bottom right corner, labeled '5 μm'. The letter 'b' is in the top left corner.