

Free BioAFM Workshop at CUNY



From Imaging to Mechanobiology: BioAFM for Life Sciences and Soft Matter

Featuring Bruker Optical Tweezers, Nanoindenters, and NanoIR Spectrometers

April 2 - 3, 2026

In-Person at City University of New York | New York, NY

Discover the Latest Advances in BioAFM Technology

Bruker is pleased to co-host a BioAFM Workshop in collaboration with CUNY on April 2-3, 2026. During this free event, presentations from distinguished research groups as well as Bruker's BioAFM expert will be provided. These engaging talks will highlight the unique and powerful capabilities of BioAFM and discuss Bruker's Optical Tweezers, NanoIndenter, and NanoIR systems.

We will also provide hands-on demonstrations with Bruker's **NanoWizard V BioScience**. Please note that this is an **in-person participation event only**. Virtual or remote attendance will not be available. If interested in providing samples, please register and email Saima Aktar Sumaiya at saima_aktar.sumaiya@bruker.com.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided.



NanoWizard V
BioScience



Space is limited for hands-on demonstrations.

Register now to secure your spot!

Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register.

Workshop Organizers

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Workshop Location

CUNY

Advanced Science Research Center Auditorium
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Thursday, April 2	
9:30AM - 10:00AM	BioAFM Applications in CUNY-ASRC — Dr. Tai-De Li, CUNY-ASRC
10:00AM - 10:30AM	AFM in a Core Facility: Highlights from User Projects — Yevgeniy Romin, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
10:30AM - 11:00AM	BioAFM for Studying Mechanobiology of Smooth Muscle Cells in Aortic Disease — Prof. Kevin Costa, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
11:00AM - 11:10AM	Break
11:10AM - 11:30AM	Optical Tweezers in Action: Biological and Physical Applications with NanoTracker 2 — Dr. Randhir Kumar, Bruker
11:30AM - 12:00PM	Bruker NanoTracker Virtual Demo
12:00PM - 12:30PM	Advancing Nanobiomechanical Research: Large Tissue Area Mapping with Nano Scale Rheology via AFM, Combination of Multi-Compartment and Automated Cell Segmentation, Integration of Optical Tweezers, AFM, and Optical Light Microscopy — Dr. Yi Wei, Bruker
12:30PM - 2:00PM	Lunch (provided)
2:00PM - 2:30PM	ML-Enabled Rapid AFM analysis: Contact Point Detection and Force-Curve Quality Assessment — Dr. Jonathan Haydak, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
2:30PM - 3:00PM	Advanced Nanomechanical Testing of Biomaterials and Soft Samples — Radhika Laxminarayana, Bruker
3:00PM - 3:35PM	IR Beyond the Diffraction Limit: Introduction and Applications of Photothermal AFM-IR for Biological Applications — Dr. Jinhee Kim, Bruker

Friday, April 3	
10:00AM - 4:00PM	Hands-On Sessions: Bruker's NanoWizard V BioAFM