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Agar Scientific and NanoScope Services sign collaborative agreement to offer advanced TEM sectioning services.

NanoScope Services Ltd., a focused ion beam (FIB) and microscopy laboratory based in Bristol, UK, and Agar Scientific, a wholly owned subsidiary of Elektron Technology UK Ltd. and renowned supplier of microscopy products based in Stansted, UK, have teamed up to offer a unique section preparation service for transmission electron microscopy (TEM) to materials scientists across Europe and beyond.

This new FIB technique offers several key technical advantages over conventional mechanical and broad beam section preparation techniques, particularly for complex or difficult materials systems. FIB sections permit a relatively large viewing area in the TEM and may be prepared from very specific features with a minimal amount of mechanical preparation required prior to starting the process.

"This new service has been specifically tailored to the needs of industrial and academic materials scientists, giving them easy access to turn-key sectioning services that can save them significant time," said Lloyd Peto, Commercial Director at NanoScope Services. "Agar Scientific is the perfect partner for us in this market."

Darren Likely, Business Unit Director at Elektron Technology Uk Ltd., added "Agar has a terrifically wide selection of products and accessories to support our sophisticated customer base, and we are pleased to now be able to add outsourced services to this list. The TEM section preparation service from NanoScope has the technical and commercial quality that our customers have come to expect from Agar."

The new TEM section preparation service will be offered through the Agar on-line catalogue and is part of a range of services to be made available shortly.

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