Leather — Identification of leather with microscopy

Cuir — Identification du cuir par microscopie
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Introduction

The identification of leather is best made by operators experienced in material identification using microscopy, which is the preferred method. With other methods, such as chemical analysis, it can be difficult to absolutely determine that the material is leather.