



What are these? Note increasing magnification.

- a. Tennis balls
- b. Animal brains
- c. Osage oranges
- d. Covid-19 viruses
- e. None of the above

## C. Osage oranges

With the scientific name of *Maclura* pomifera, this large and distinctive fruit turns yellow-green as it falls to the ground in autumn. It is not related to the orange family, but is a member of the mulberry family. Rarely eaten by animals, other than its seeds, as it is woody and sticky, it is not eaten by humans, either. Wikipedia says this small tree has these other names: mock orange, hedge apple, horse apple, monkey ball, monkey brains and yellow-wood. If time permits, search for more information about it. BTW: What does the Covid-19 virus look like?