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Plant muscle. Sequence showing contraction of rhizoplasts of the green alga Platymonas. The contraction is triggered by calcium and is cyclic in the presence of both calcium and adenosine triphosphate. Rhizoplast contraction is thought to be functionally linked to flagellar activity. The upper rhizoplast pair is a composite image. (Actual length of one extended rhizoplast is approximately 2.5 micrometers.) See page 975. [J. L. Salisbury and G. L. Floyd, Ohio State University, Columbus]