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n. pl. **en·do·the·ci·a** (-sē-ə, -shē-ə)

The inner tissue of an anther or a moss capsule.

[New Latin *endothecium* : [ENDO-](#) + Greek *thēkion*, diminutive of *thēkē*, chest, receptacle; see **dhē-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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