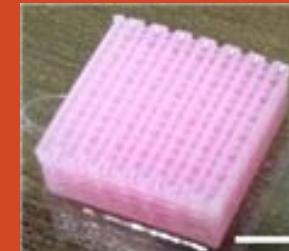
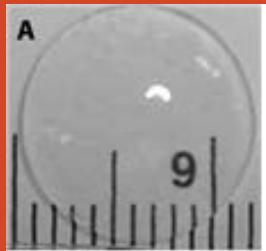


Biomaterials and Scaffold Design for 3D Tissue Construction

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Current Life Science Topics

1. Fundamentals in Basic Biochemistry & Cell Biology
2. Introduction to Tissue Engineering & Regenerative Medicine
3. Developmental Tissue Reconstruction
4. Wound Healing & Regeneration
5. Natural Tissue Composition & Cell-ECM Interaction
6. Stem Cells & Cell-Based Therapy
7. Biomaterials
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9. Mechano-transduction & Bioreactors
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Study Materials

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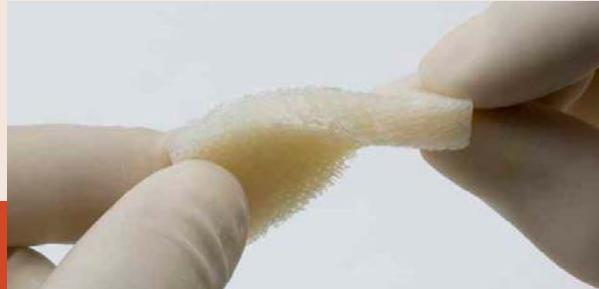
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demineralized cancellous bone matrix



Ceramics Veneers



Total Knee
Replacement
Arthroplasty

Biomaterials

[Chapter 30. Principles of RM by A. Atala]



Categories of Biomaterials

Source

Natural polymer

Synthetic polymer

Degradation behavior

Non-degradable

Bio-degradable

Composition

Organic polymer

Inorganic polymer

Hybrid materials

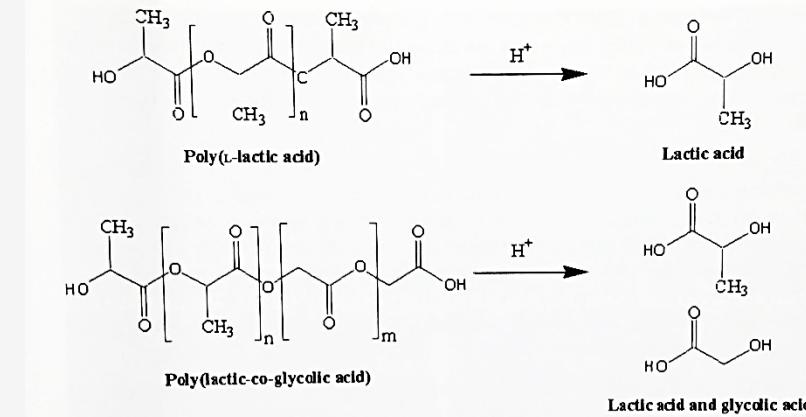
Synthetic and Biological Scaffold Materials in Regenerative Medicine

	Synthetic polymers		Biologic materials	
	Purified ECM components	Intact tissue-derived ECM		
Example(s)	Non-degradable: Polypropylene (PP) Polyethylene (PE) Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) others	Degradable: Poly(ethylene glycol) (PEG) Poly-L-Lactide (PLA) Polycaprolactone(PCL) Poly(Lactic-co-glycolic acid) (PLGA) Others	Collagen Chitosan Hyaluronan Alginate Agarose Others	Urinary bladder matrix (UBM) Small intestinal submucosa (SIS) Dermis Pericardium Fascia lata Cell culture-derived Others
Advantage(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predictable mechanical and physical properties Well characterized biochemistry Accessibility to controlled chemical modifications and various processing Techniques to meet site-specific requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Predictable mechanical, physical, and biologic properties Well characterized biochemistry Tailored towards multiple endpoints (i.e. biomechanics, biologics) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great mechanical and physical heterogeneity 	
Disadvantage(s)	Undesired immunogenic effect(s) , often tailored towards single endpoint (i.e. biomechanics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited accessibility to structural modification, which may also lead to undesirable physiological effects (non-degradable vs degradable scaffolds) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heterogenic mechanical, physical, and biologic properties between and within preparations Limited accessibility to structural modification, which may also lead to undesirable physiological effects (non-degradable vs degradable scaffolds) 	

Biodegradable synthetic polymers

Aliphatic polyesters

- Surgical sutures
- Bone fixing screws
- Bulk erosion process
- Poly(α -hydroxyesters):
 - Poly(L-Lactic acid), PLA
 - Poly(lactic co-glycolic acid), PLGA
 - Poly-caprolacton, PCL



Polyanhydrides

- Surface-erosion process: particularly useful for sustained drug delivery systems
- Hydrophilic sebacic acid (SA)
- Hydrophobic p-carboxyphenoxypropane (CPP)

Poly(amino acids), peptides

Non-degradable Synthetic Polymers

Polymers w/ a C-C backbone

- Polyethylene & derivatives
 - Polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene
 - Catheters, highly durable hip prosthesis, syringe bodies, non-degradable drug delivery device
- Poly(tetrafluoroethylene) PTFE
 - Well known as Teflon (DuPont)
 - Porous PTFE fiber meshes (Goretex)
 - Popular synthetic vascular graft material

Poly(meth)acrylates & polyacrylamides

- Poly(meth)acrylate hydrogels
 - Ocular application (contact lenses)
 - Drug delivery systems
 - Poly(methyl methacrylate, poly(2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate), poly(N-isopropylacrylamide)

- **Polyether**
 - Polyethylene glycol (PEG)
 - Degradable or non-degradable polymers for drug delivery
 - Gene delivery, tissue engineering scaffold, medical devices, implants
- **Polysiloxanes**
 - Silicon-oxygen backbone
 - PDMS (poly(dimethylsiloxane))
 - Silicon surface inhibit blood from clogging
 - Used for the fabrication of silicon-coated needles, syringes, and other blood-collecting instruments
 - Prosthetic silicon implants
- **Other non-degradable polymers**
 - Poly(ethylene terephthalate), PET
 - Polyurethanes, PU

Natural-based polymers

Starch

Chitosan

Alginate

Agarose

Polyhydroxyalkanoates

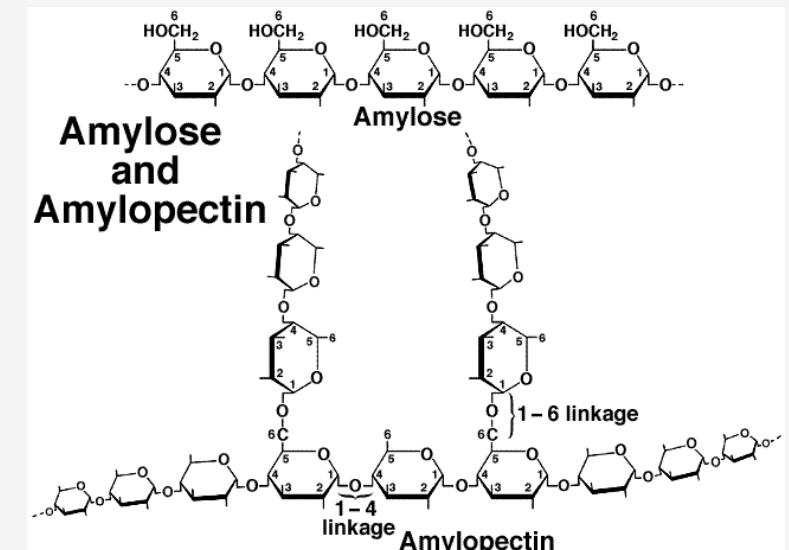
Silk fibroin

- **Collagen**
- **Chitosan**
- **Hyaluronan**
- **Intact ECM**
- **Others**

Starch

Two types of α -glucan polymers

- Thermoplastic behavior
- Amylose
 - Minor constituent
 - Consist mainly of α (1-4) linked D-glucopyranosyl units
- Amylopectin
 - Major component
 - Branched polysaccharide composed of hundreds of short (1-4)- α -glucan chains interlinked by (1-6)- α -linkages



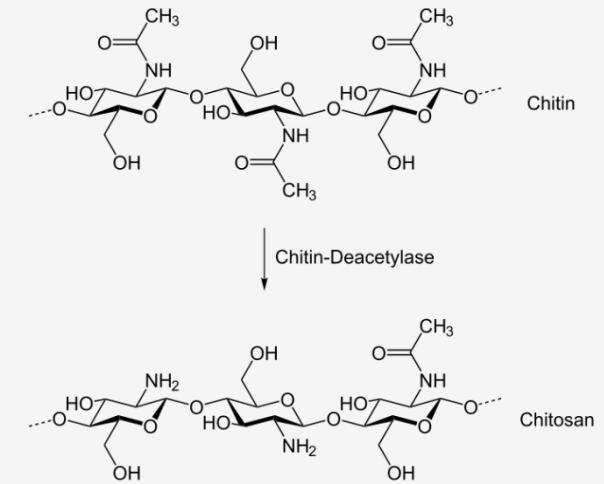
Chitosan

Chitin

- homopolymer of β (1-4)-linked N-acetyl-D-glucosamine residues

Chitosan

- obtained from the alkaline deacetylation of the biopolymer chitin
- linear polysaccharide consisting of N-glucosamine
- Degree of deacetylation (DD)
 - Ratio of Glucosamine/N-acetylglucosamine
 - Usually can vary depending on the source
 - Chitosan is insoluble in aqueous solutions above pH7. But, in dilute acids, the free amino groups are protonated and the molecule becomes fully soluble below around pH5.
(-NH₂ -> -NH₃⁺)
- Chitosan support the adhesion and proliferation of osteoblasts

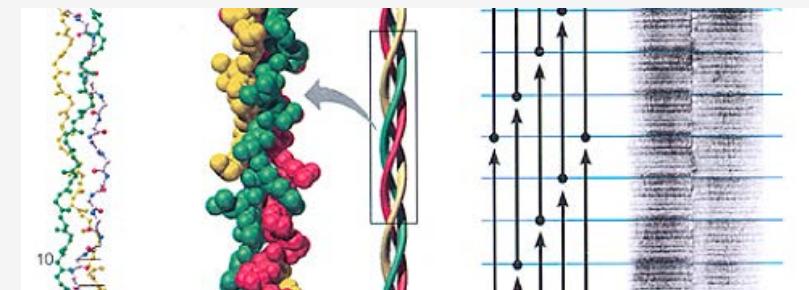


Collagen

The most abundant structural protein

Gives mechanical stability, strength, and toughness to a range of tissues

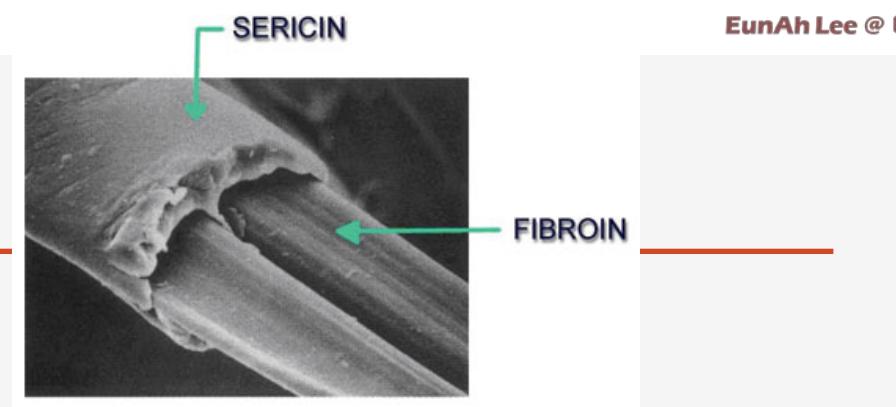
The stiffness is improved by the inclusion of minerals in cases such as bone and dentin



Silk fibroin

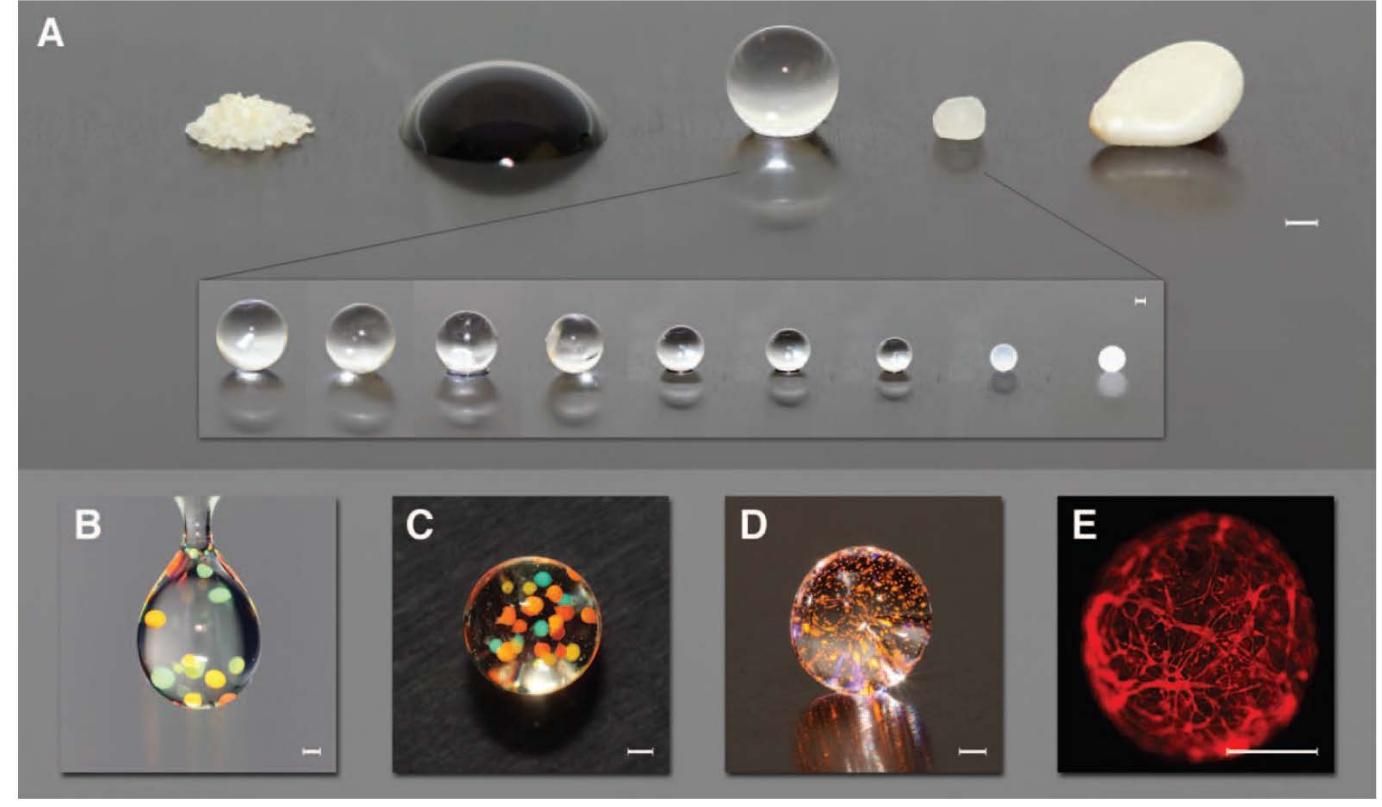
**Natural fibrous proteins
Composed of fibroin & sericin**

- Fibroin
 - the major component, filament core protein
 - Hydrophobic glycoprotein consists of heavy and light chain polypeptides of ~350 and ~25 kDa, respectively, linked by disulfide bond
 - Unique mechanical property
 - Versatility in its processing
 - Biocompatibility
 - Low inflammatory response
- Sericin
 - A water-soluble glue-like protein that bind the fibroin fibers together
 - Immunological reactions to silk have been largely attributable to the sericin proteins
 - Can be removed by boiling in alkaline solution



Hydrogel

[Seliktar D 2012 Science]



Hydrogel

**3D networks composed of cross-linked hydrophilic polymer chains
Can absorb up to thousands of times their dry weight in water**

Examples:

- **Soft contact lenses** poly(hydroxyethylmethacrylic)acid [poly(HEMA)]
- **Biological adhesive** reconstituted fibrin or albumin
- **Wound dressings** alginate polysaccharide
- **Fillers** hyaluronic acid (HA)

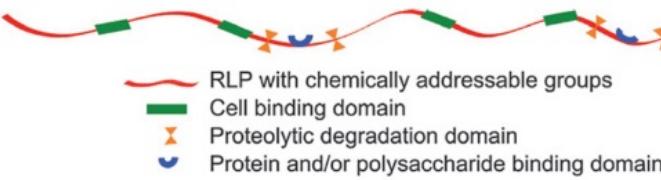
Designing complex hydrogel systems

- Major breakthroughs in synthetic polymer chemistry
- 3D molecular patterning techniques
- Biomimetic rational design approaches

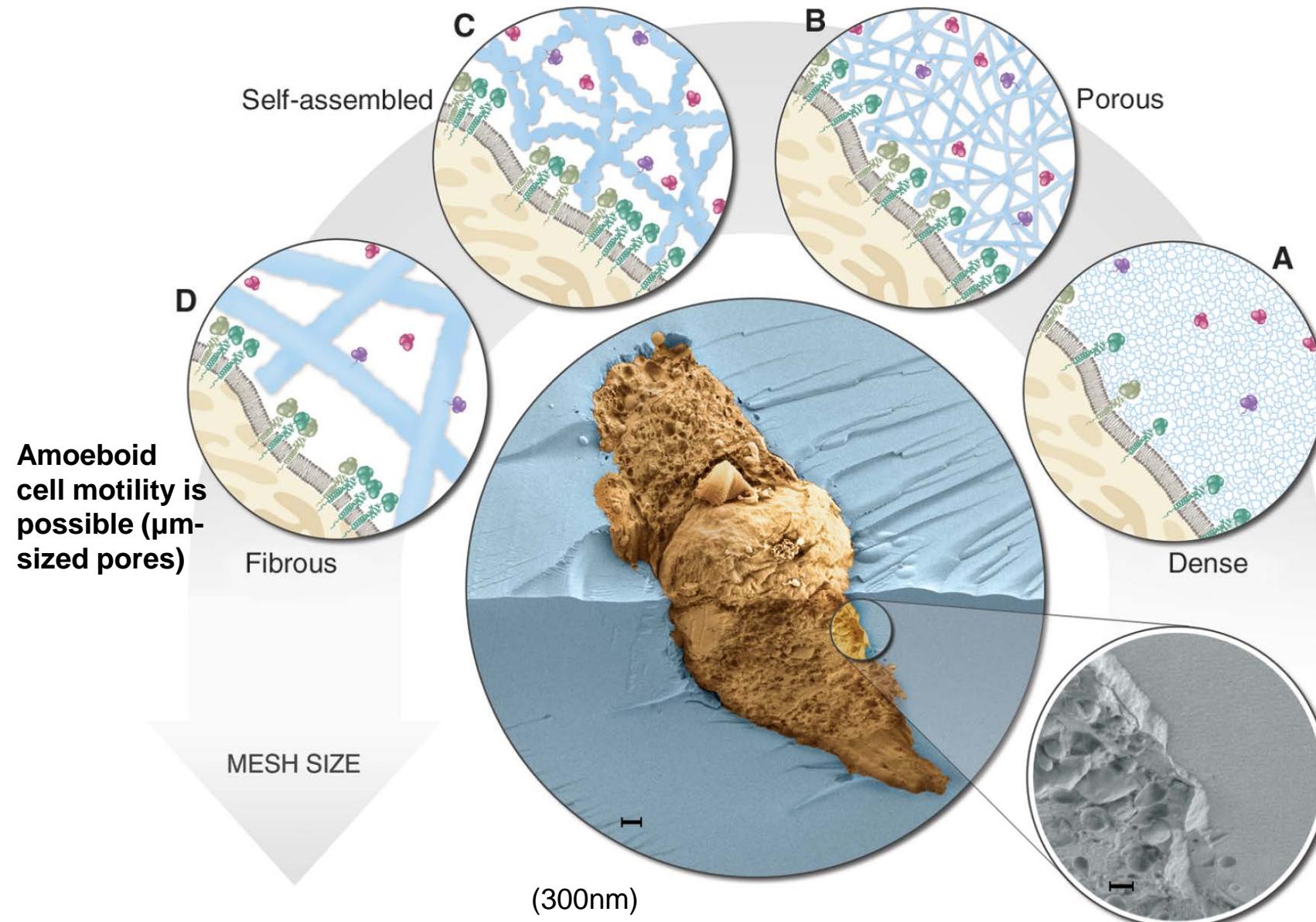
Designing hydrogel molecular building blocks

- Cell-compatible hydrogel: control specific molecular interactions at the cell-material interface (cell adhesion, receptor-ligand complex)
- Designing the molecular structure of a hydrogel to control these spatial and temporal events enables their use of for guiding cell response *in vivo* and *in vitro*
 - Tirrell et al.- hydrogels that undergo reversible physical cross-linking based on shifts in temperature or pH
 - Kopecek et al.- stimuli-responsive hydrogels based on grafts of engineered coiled-coil or beta-sheet protein domains with a synthetic polymer backbone
 - Hubbell et al.- the proteolytically responsive synthetic hydrogels
 - Others - combined a variety of synthetic polymers and protease substrates - almost any synthetic hydrophilic polymer milieu can be designed to facilitate controlled cellular degradation and invasion
 - Biomimetic features - cell-adhesive integrin-binding domains, controlled release affinity binding domains, and transglutaminase cross-linking domains

Binding and
degradation domains
in RLP that impart
biological activity
(2 repeats shown)



Cell membrane – hydrogel interface



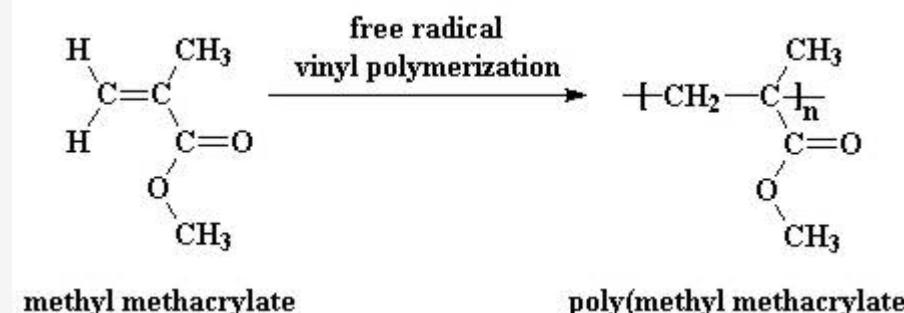
Conjugation in semi-synthetic hydrogel



Schiff-base reaction



Disulfide bonding



Free-radical initiated copolymerization

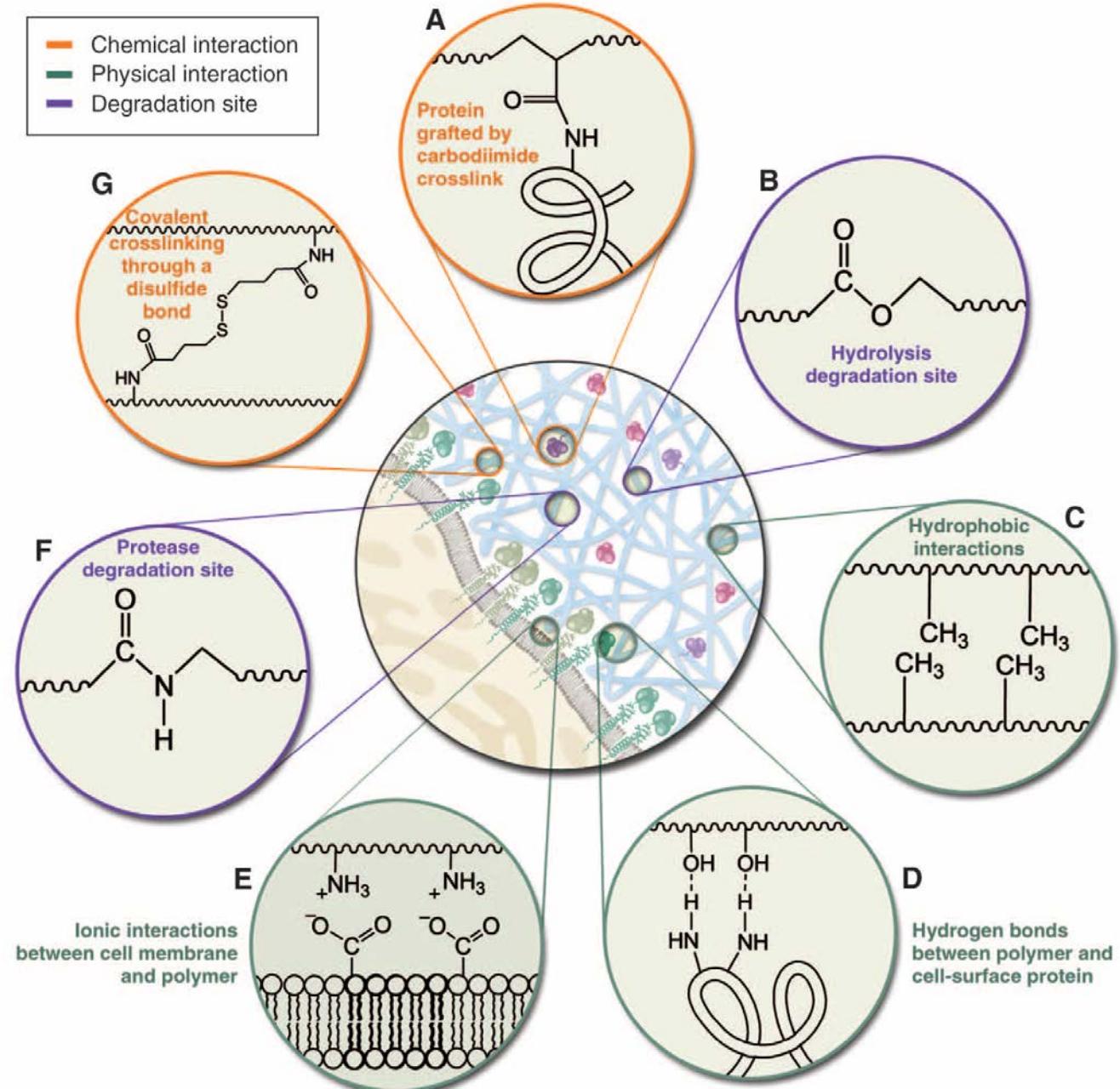
Semi-synthetic approach

- Covalent conjugation of hydrophilic polymers with reconstituted ECM proteins
- Relatively easy to manufacture
- Can be reproduced in large quantities
- Provide a more reliable material as compared with natural ECM hydrogels

Hydrogel structure and properties

Design criteria should be focused on…

- Transport properties (controlled release)
 - Hydrophobic/hydrophilic nature of hydrogel
 - Hydrogel's porosity (mesh size)
 - Hydrogel structure and mesh size - engineered for the size of protein
- Tissue interactions (bioactivity)
 - GF bioavailability regulated by nonspecific associations between GF and ECM
 - Covalent GF immobilization
- Chemical stability (degradability)
 - Essential for biomedical applications that require controlled resorption
 - Engineering the spatiotemporal aspects of this presents a challenge
- Bio-adhesion
 - Important property that allows cells and tissue to adhere to hydrogels has enabled their use as tissue adhesives in surgical repair (most of hydrogels are not adhesive)
 - Hydrogel modification using catechol moiety, Fibrin glue
- Mechanical properties
 - Convey physical cues to cells

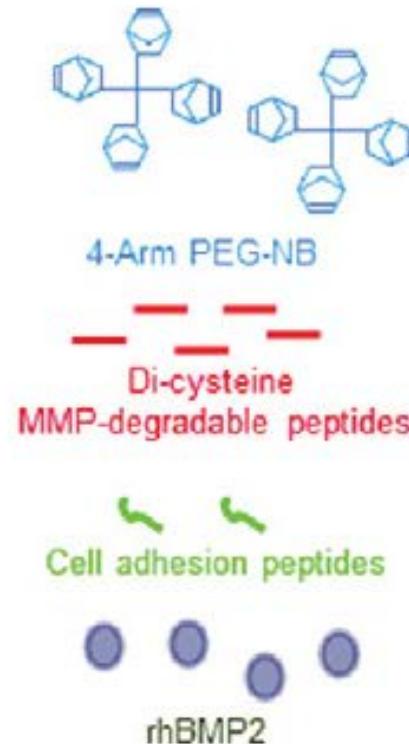


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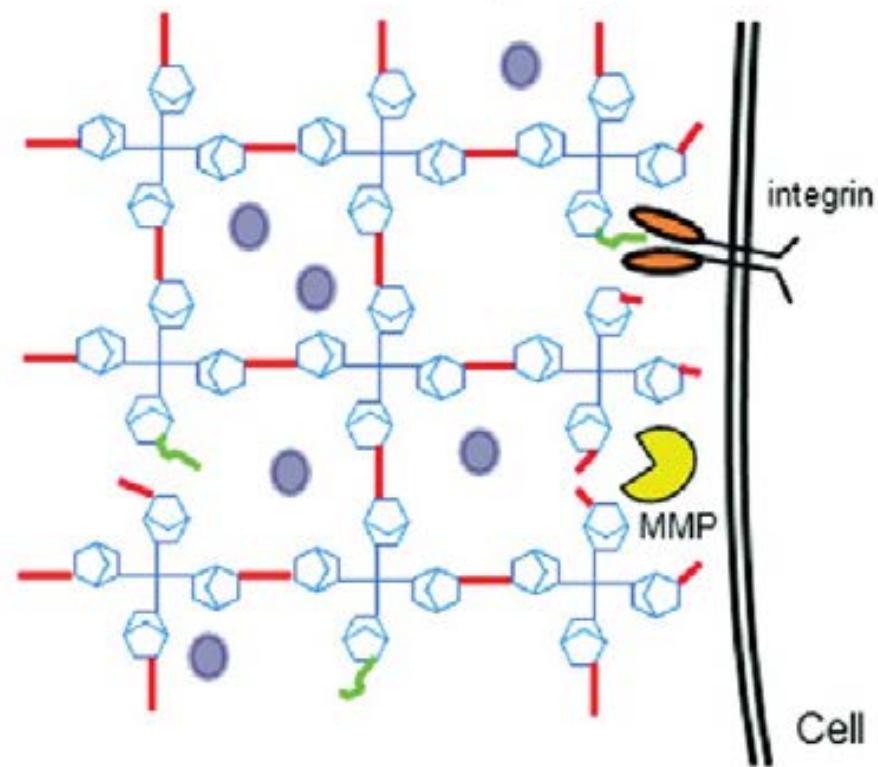
"Design of novel materials to regulate stem and progenitor cell expansion and differentiation"

PEG network with poly-acrylamide kinetic chains

Monomer Solution



Thiol-Ene PEG Hydrogel



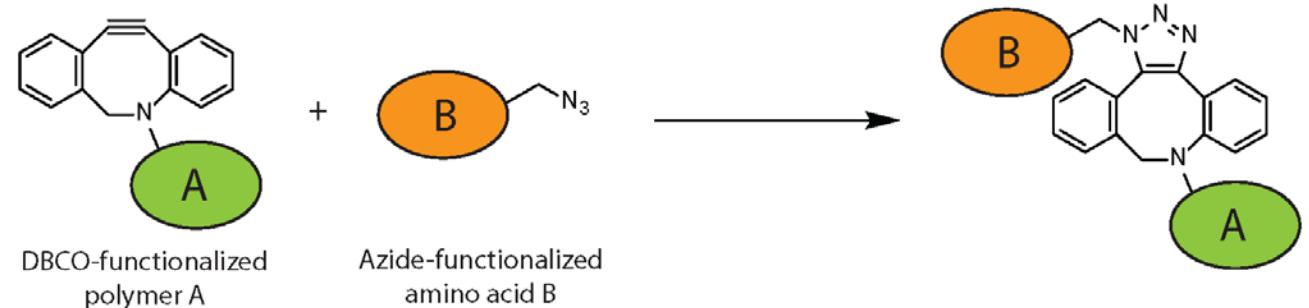
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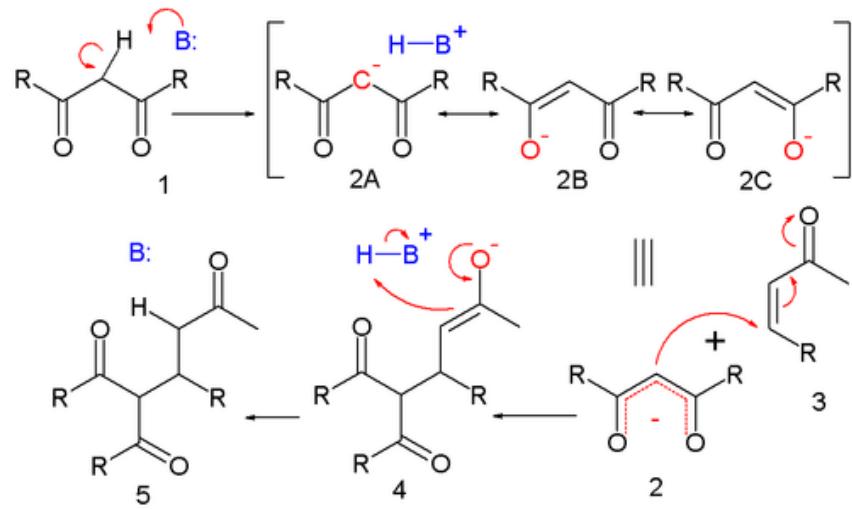
Bio-click reactions

- Cu-catalyzed azide-alkyne
- SPAAC
- IED DAC
- Michael addition
- Photo-initiated thiol-ene coupling

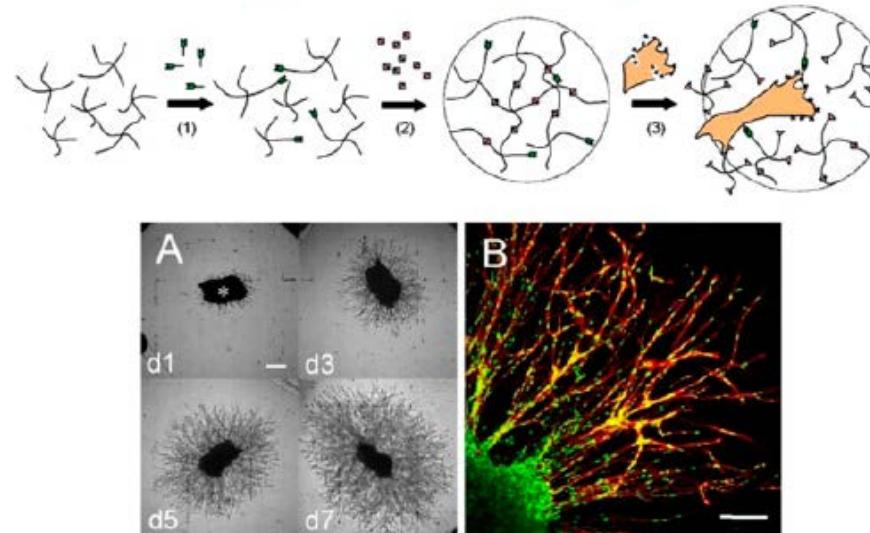
Strain-promoted alkyne-azide cycloadditions (SPAAC)



Michael addition

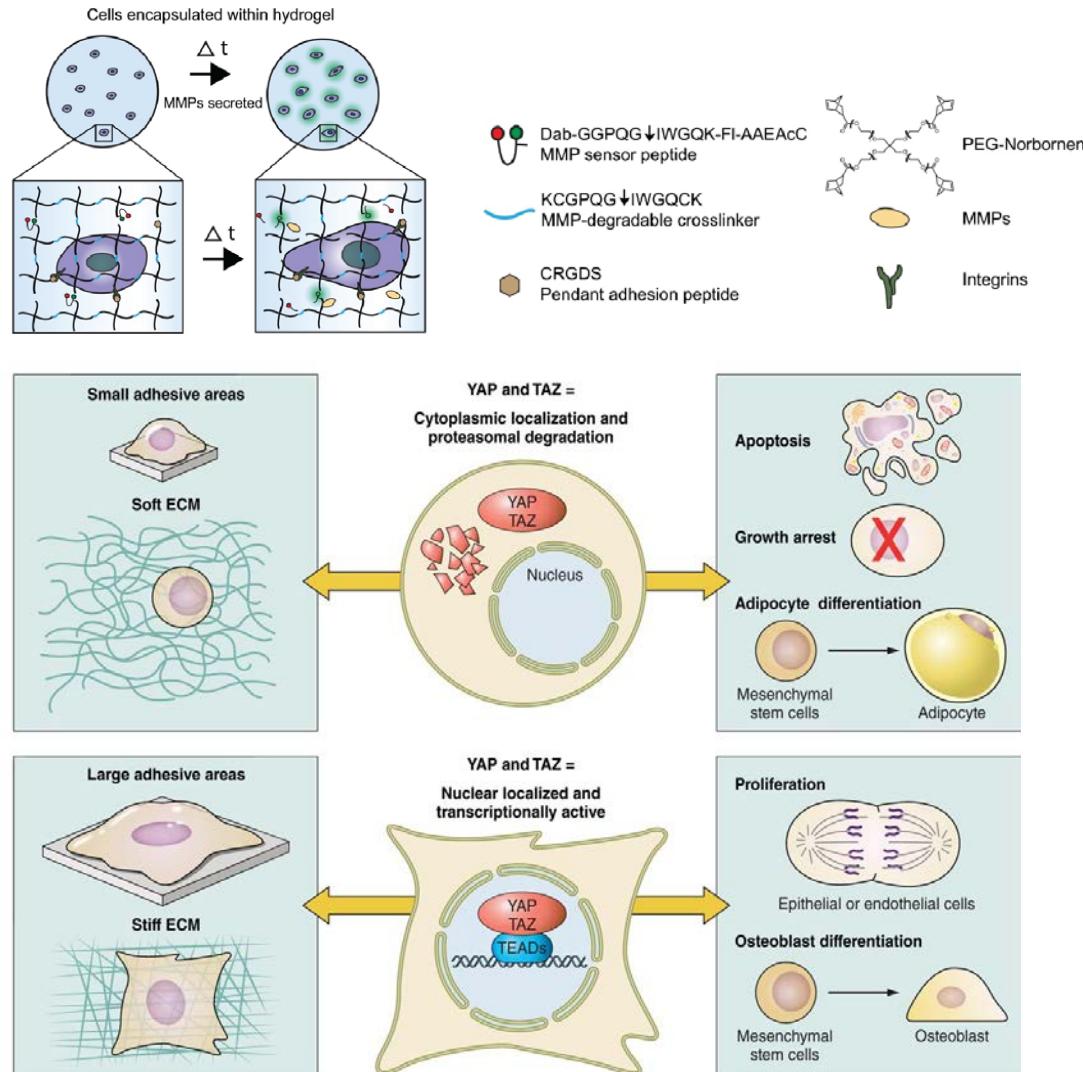


Degradable Hydrogels



* Introduction of photo-degradable linker

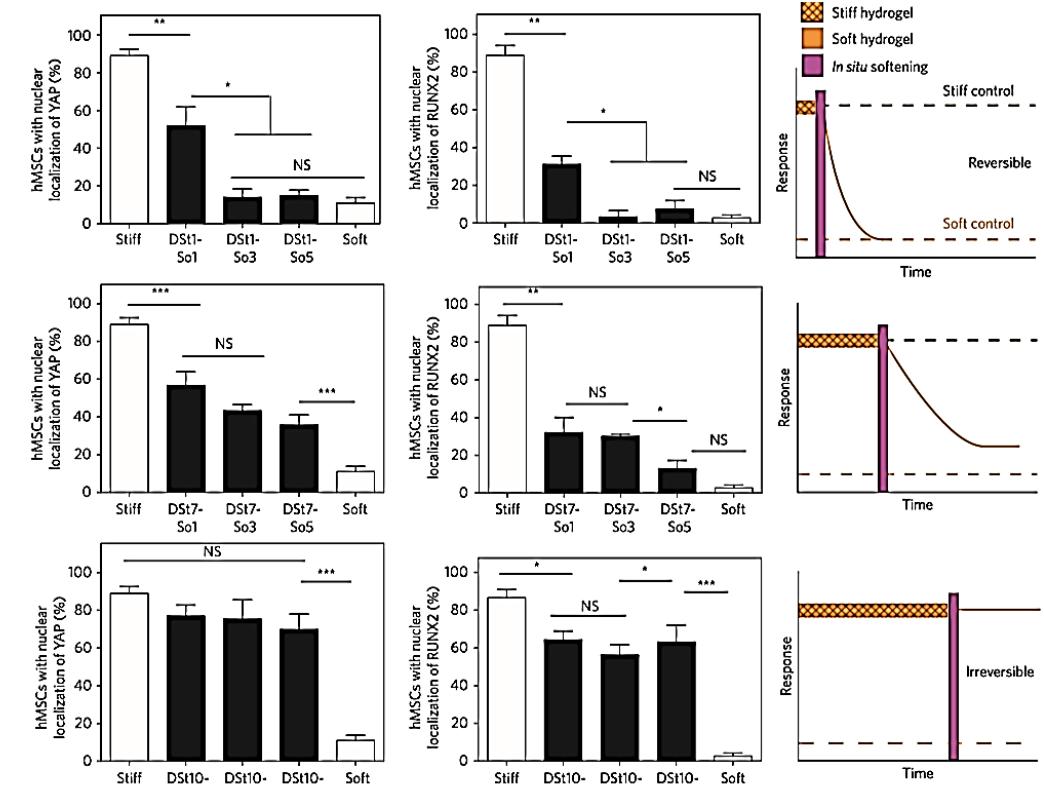
- Cell culture on soft hydrogel showed more engraftment after transplant
- YAP translocated to nucleus in cells cultured in stiff surface
(YAP translocation is dependent on focal adhesion-mediated signaling)



* Mechanical memory and dosing

(by Photo-initiated degradation)

- Engineering organic polymer backbone to induce cleavage by light
- High dose mechanical surface cannot be reverted easily.
(High dose = longer time exposure)
- This response also biases differentiation (direct the tendency of differentiation)
- PI3K is activated on stiff substrates compared with Soft substrates



Natural Origin Materials for Bone Tissue Engineering

Features for Ideal Scaffold in Tissue Engineering

- **Biocompatibility**
- **Porosity**
- **Biodegradability**
- **Cell-friendly environment.**

Bone biomaterials

**Osteo-conductivity
Osteo-inductivity**

**-Needs mineralization starting point
(inorganic component)**

Osteo-conductive vs. Osteo-inductive Materials

Polycaprolacton-based bone scaffold

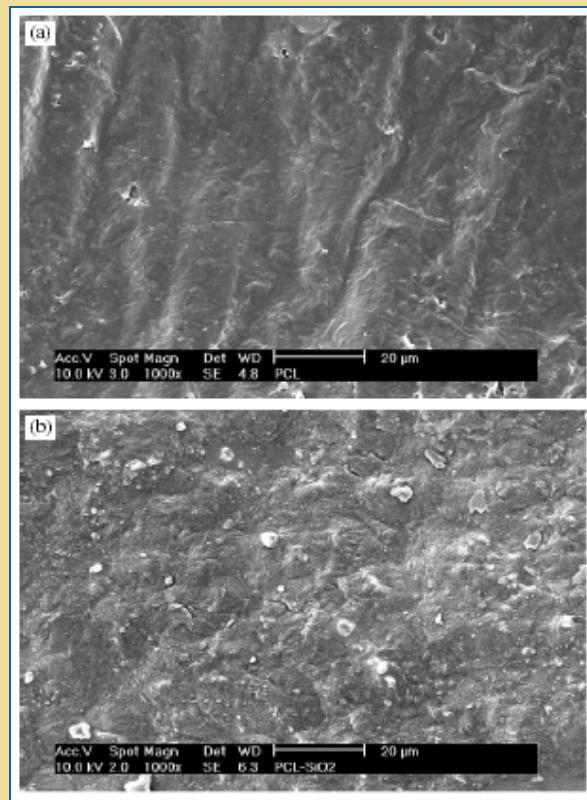
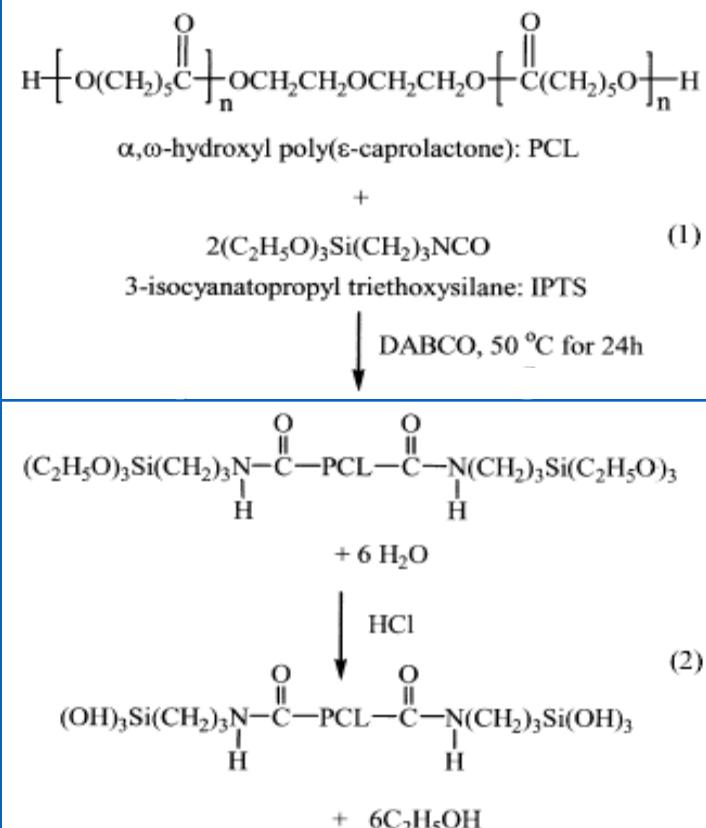


Fig. 2. SEM photographs of as-prepared specimens (a) P and (b) S.

Simulated Body Fluid (SBF)

	Plasma	SBF
Na ⁺	142.0	142.0
K ⁺	5.0	5.0
Mg ²⁺	1.5	1.5
Ca ²⁺	2.5	2.5
Cl ⁻	103.0	147.8
MCO ³⁻	27.0	4.2
HPO ₄ ²⁻	1.0	1.0
SO ₄ ²⁻	0.5	0.5
pH	7.2-7.4	7.4

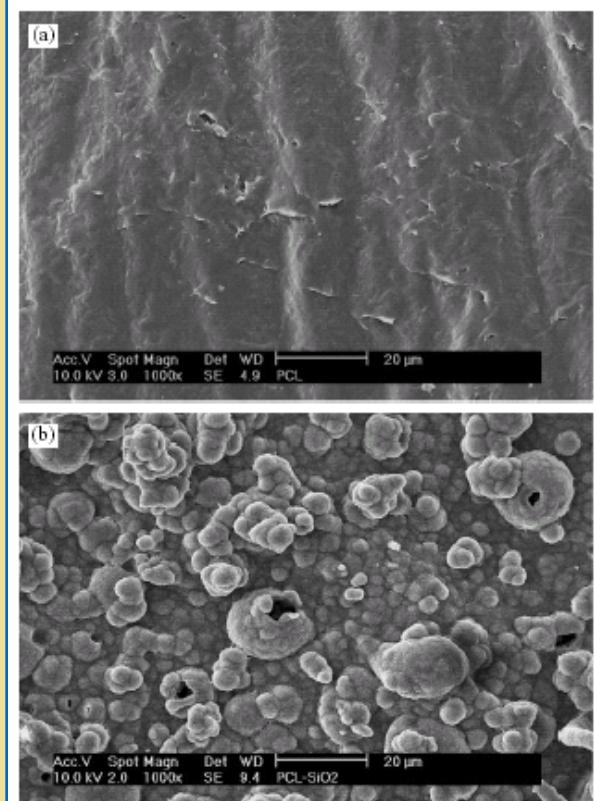


Fig. 5. SEM photographs of specimens (a) P and (b) S after soaking in the SBF for 1 week at 36.5°C.

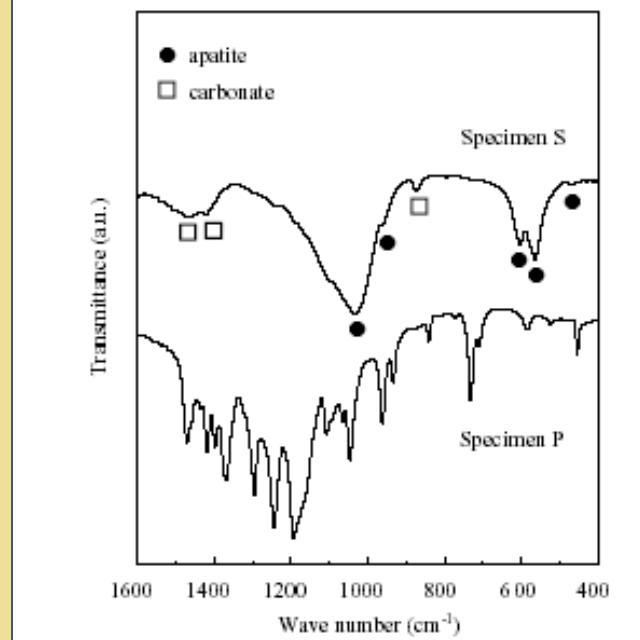


Fig. 6. FT-IR spectra of specimens P and S after soaking in the SBF for 1 week at 36.5°C.

Natural-based ceramics

**Calcium phosphate - HAp
Silicates**

Calcium Phosphate

Hydroxyapatite: $\text{Ca}_{10}(\text{PO}_4)_6(\text{OH})_2$

- Comprise bone substitute

CaCO_3 (calcium carbonate): calcium precursor for obtaining different ceramics

- Species possessing CaCO_3 skeleton: corals, sponges, mollusk shells, fish bones
- Shells

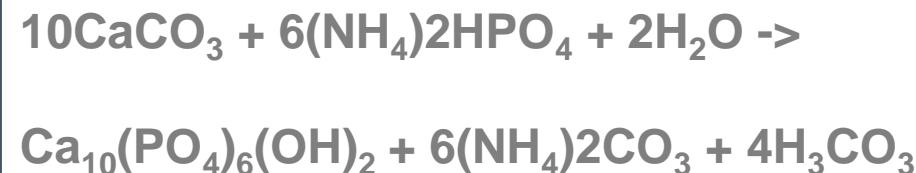
- Multi-layered microstructures consist of calcium carbonate
- Organic component 1-5 wt%

- Nacre

- 95-98wt% inorganic
- 2-5 wt% organic matter

- Sponges

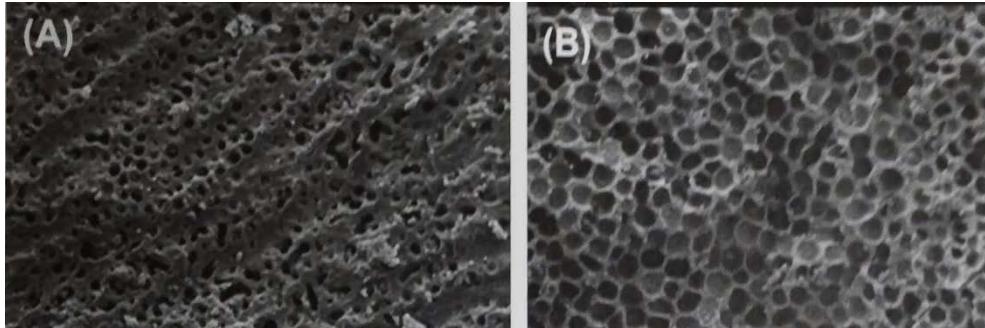
- Hierarchical organization
- Fibrous skeletons
- Mineralized spicules
- Contain amorphous silica or calcium carbonate
- Coral skeletal carbonate: Substitute materials for orthopedics and dentistry



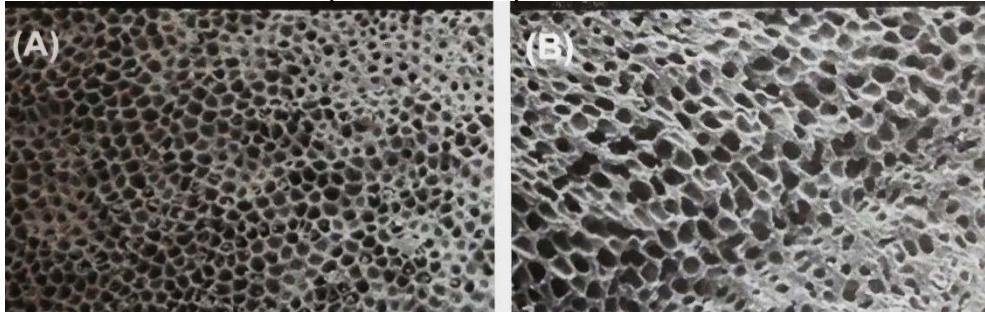
SEM micrograph of Red algae *Lithothamnion glaciale*

**Porosity, pore size, pore interconnectivity
-> key issues in bone tissue regeneration**

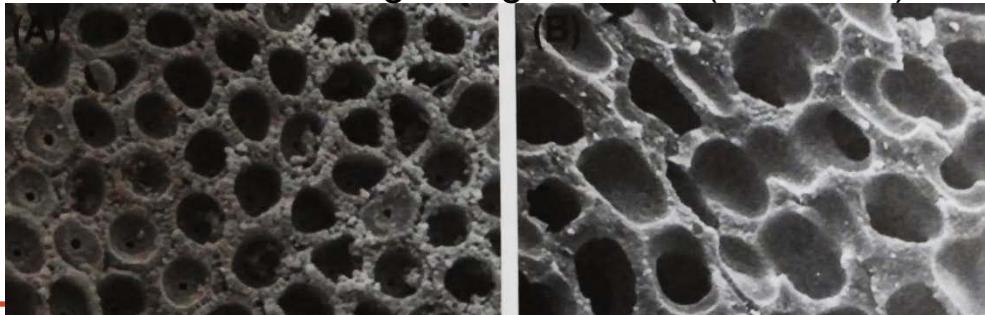
No treatment



Heat treatment (400°C/3h)



Heat treatment, High magnification (400°C/3h)



- Marine-derived calcium carbonate skeletons are unsuitable for most applications due to its fast dissolution rate & poor stability
- Converting the hard calcium carbonate skeleton of mineralized algae into calcium phosphates without destroying its native architecture by combined treatment (thermal & chemical)

Silicates

Sponges & diatom

Sponges contain amorphous silica spicules

Diatom can accumulate silica at intracellular concentrations up to 250 times higher than that in the surrounding media

- Centric diatoms: radially symmetrical
- Pennate diatoms: elongated & bilaterally symmetrical

Silicate glass can be converted to HAp by soaking the substrates in a solution of K_2HPO_4 with a pH value of 9.0 at 37°C

The silica/collagen hybrid materials supported the adhesion, proliferation, and osteogenic differentiation of human mesenchymal stem cells

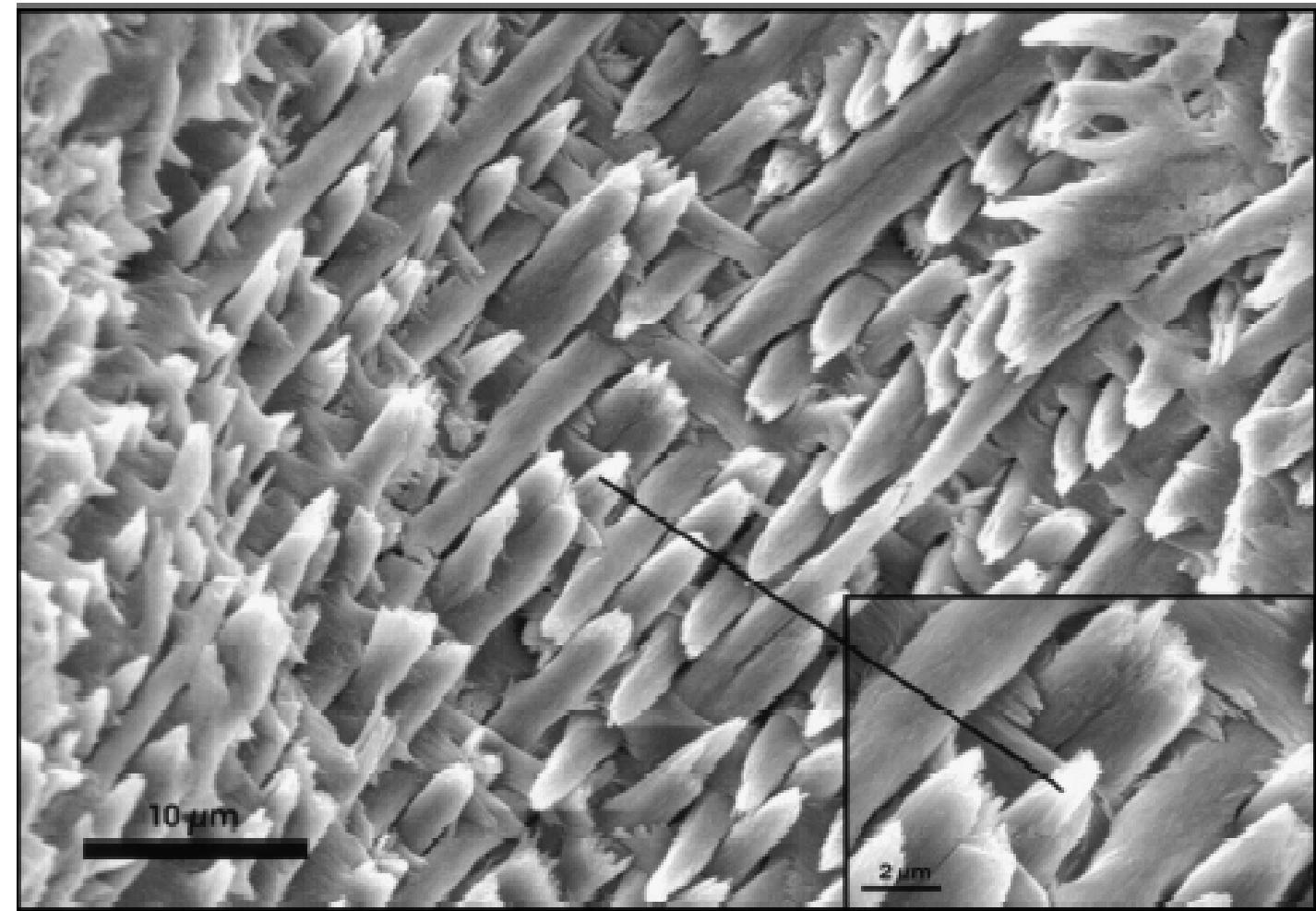


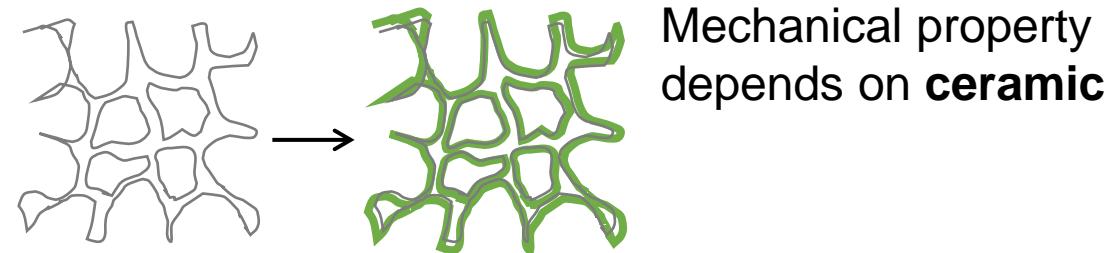
FIG. 1. The organization of dental enamel. Scanning electron micrograph of the surface of an acid-etched ground section of mature mouse incisal dental enamel. Ordered arrays of enamel prisms are each constructed of parallel bundles of carbonated hydroxyapatite enamel crystallites. Each prism structure is considered to arise as the product of a single secretory ameloblast cell of the inner enamel epithelium. (Inset) An enlargement of the center section of the images as indicated. [Electron micrograph courtesy of Dr. W. Luo.]

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Demerit of synthetic bone graft materials

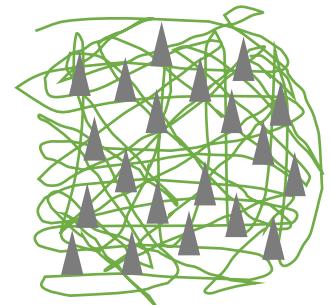
Type of Hybrid Material

ECM on Ceramic



Mechanical property
depends on **ceramic**

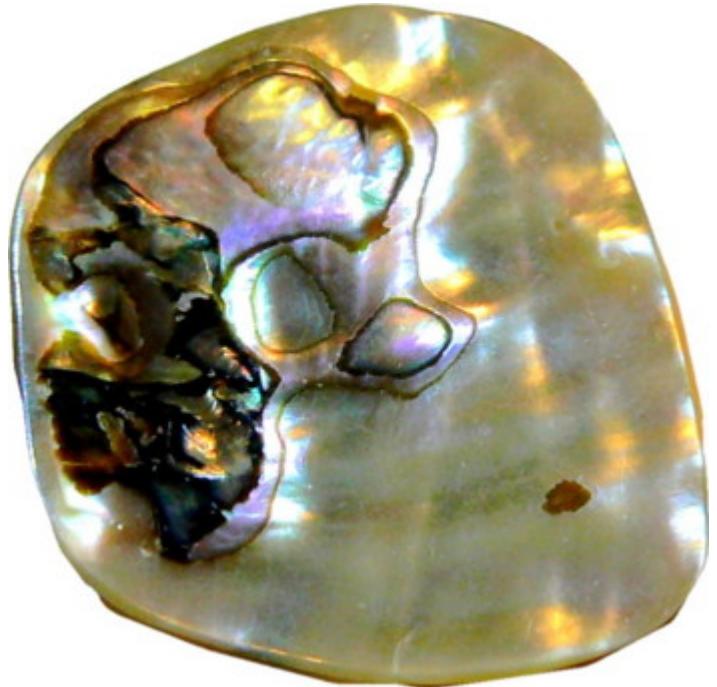
Ceramic on organic polymer



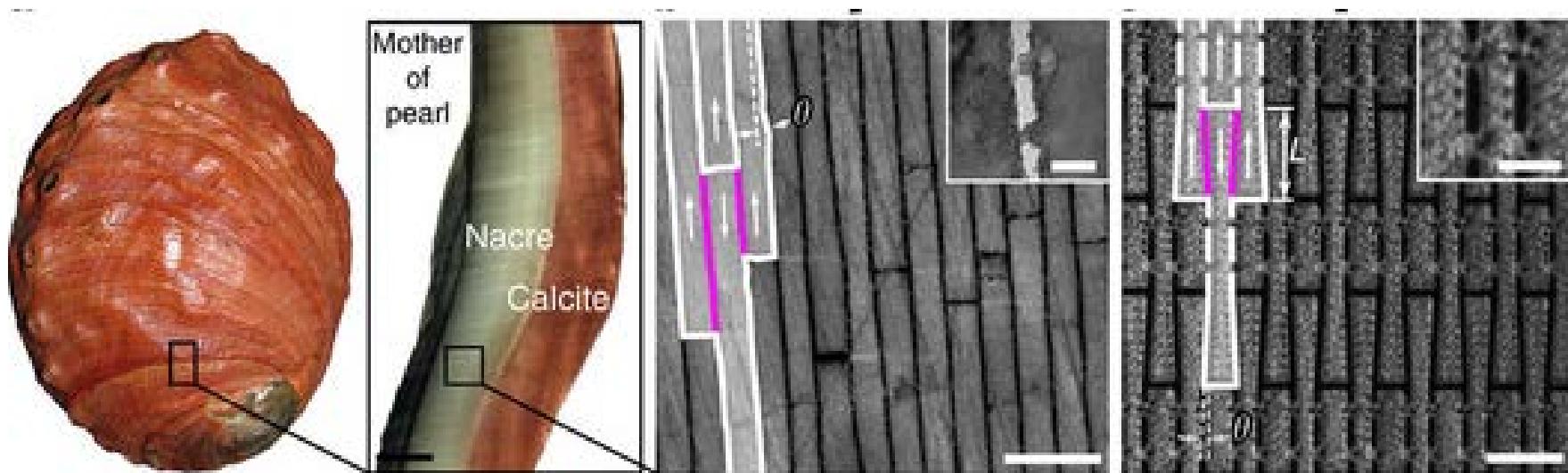
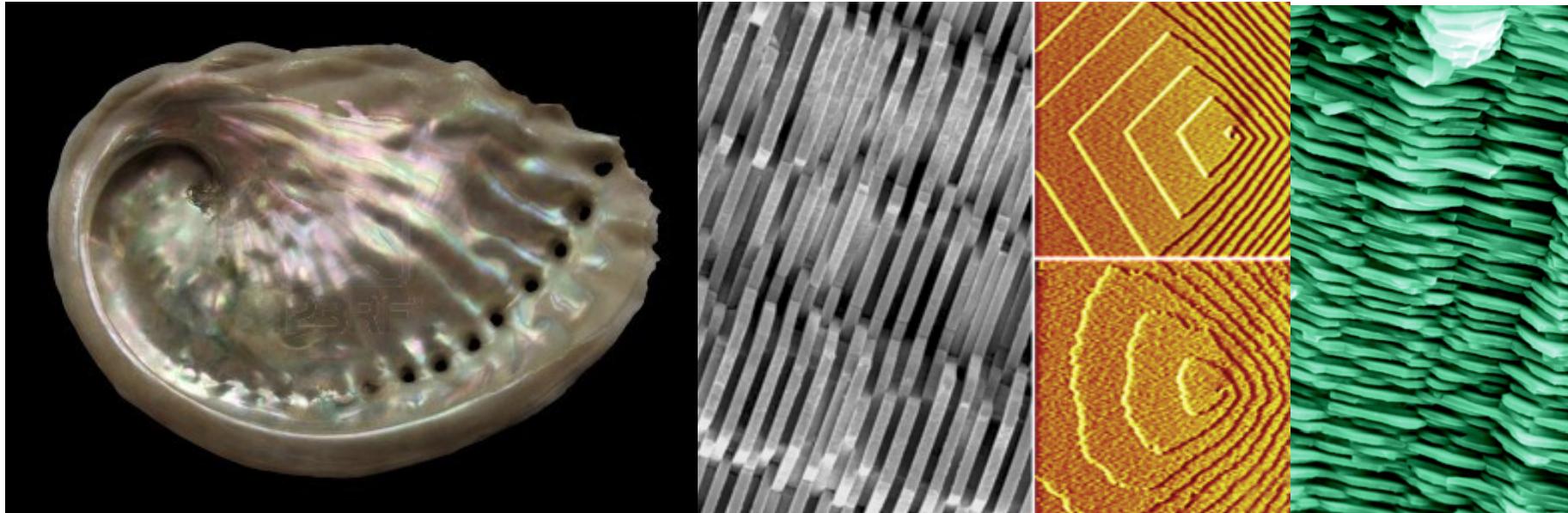
Mechanical property
depends on **organic polymer**

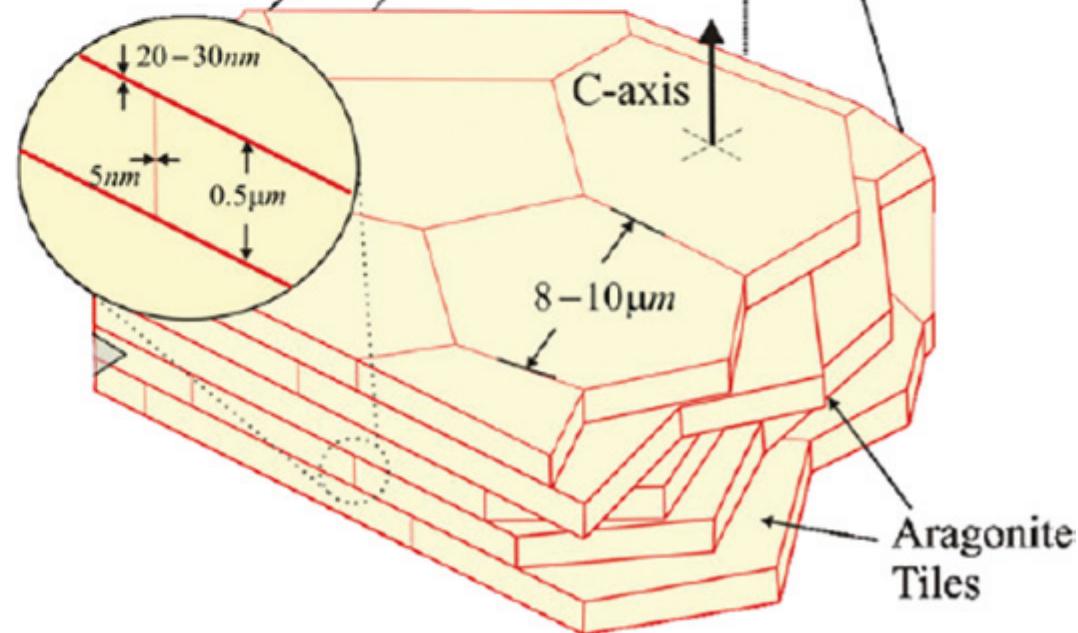
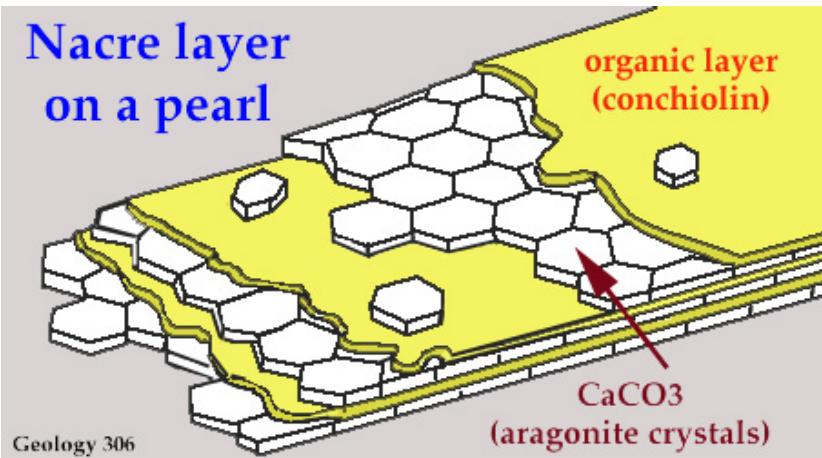
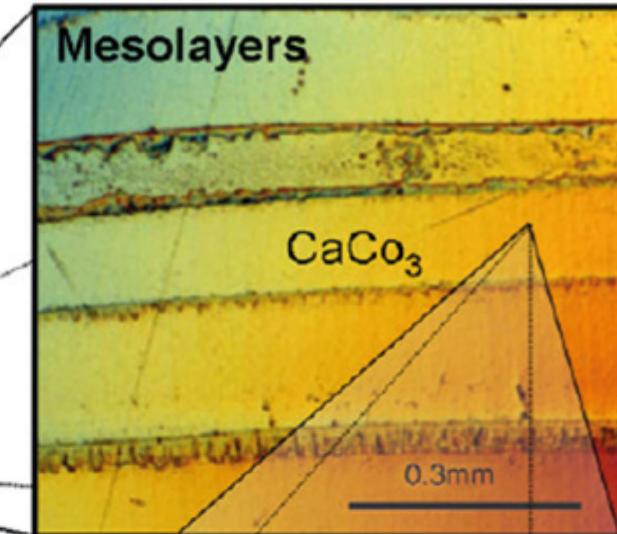
▲ Inorganic material
~~~~~ Organic material

# Nacre



# Nacre



**Abalone Shell: Nacre**

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## One-dimensional tissue engineering

- Bone marrow transplantation
  - One fluid is replaced by another
  - Due to its simplicity, it is the most routine demonstration of stem cell-based therapy to date

## Two-dimensional tissue engineering

- Reconstruction of skin and corneal surfaces

## Three-dimensional tissue engineering

- Reconstruction of bones and teeth
  - More difficult in terms of maintaining the appropriate spatial relationships between different cell types, and importantly, in establishing appropriate vascularization.

# 3D Structure Matters!!!

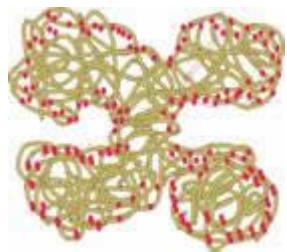
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## Realization of...

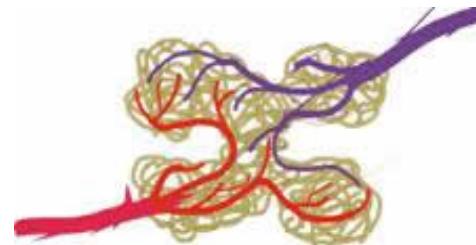
- 3D contour
  - Patient-customized structure with precision
- Vascularity
  - Viability of tissue/organ
- Complexity of stroma composition
  - Functionality of tissue/organ
- Cellularity
  - Distribution of cells in the scaffold

# Current Scaffolding Issues

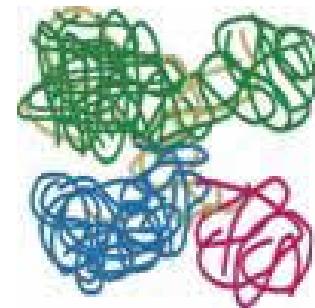
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**Cell Distribution**



**Vascularization**

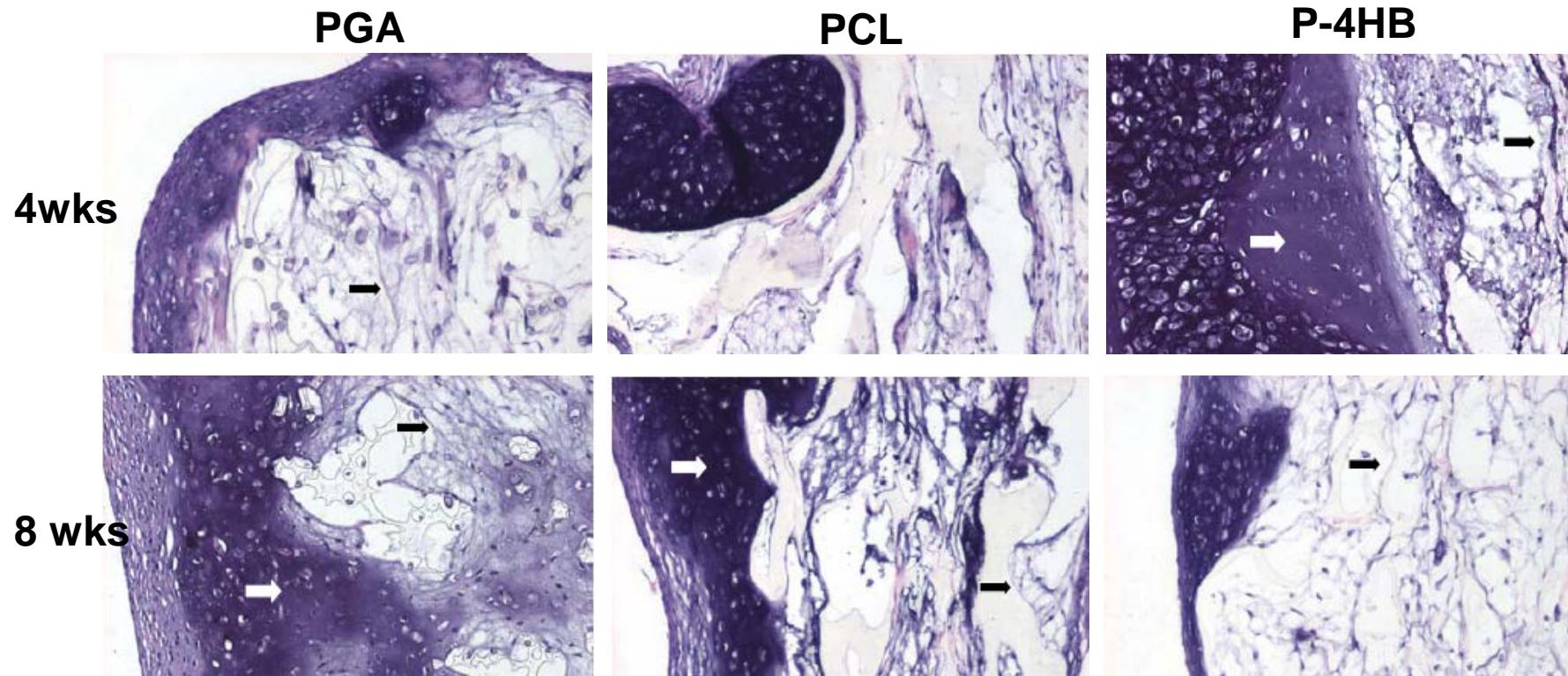


**Heterogeneous Composition**

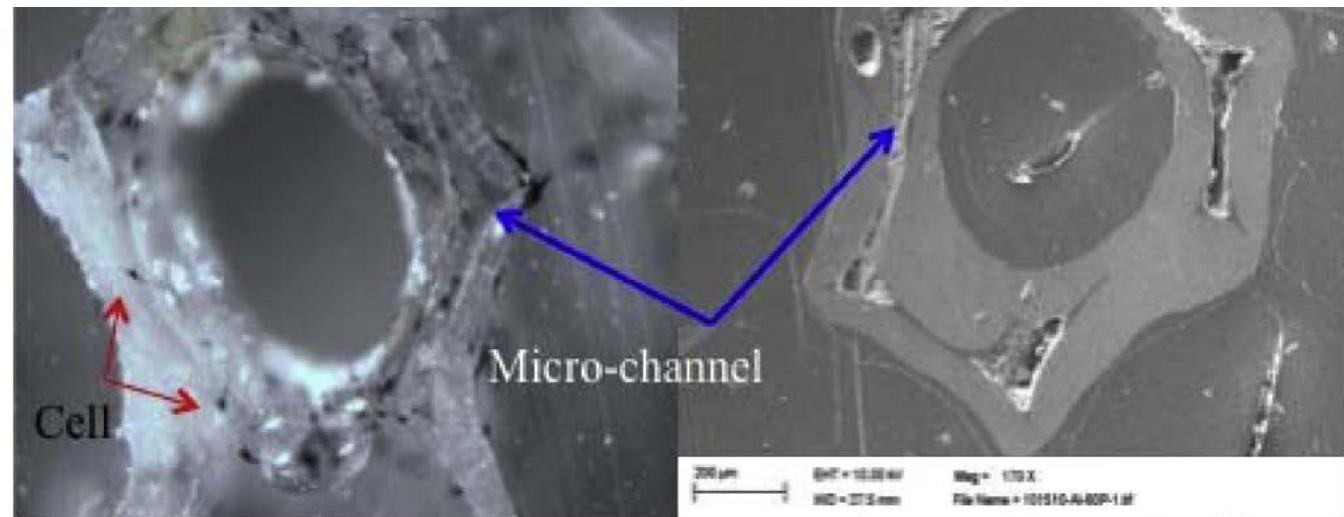
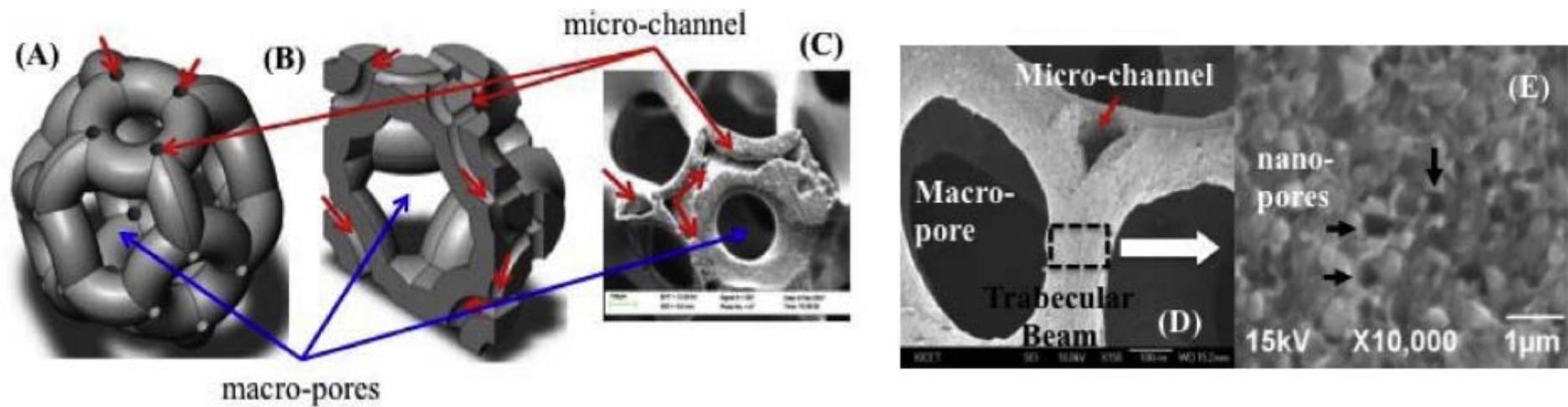
Diffusion limitations of nutrients

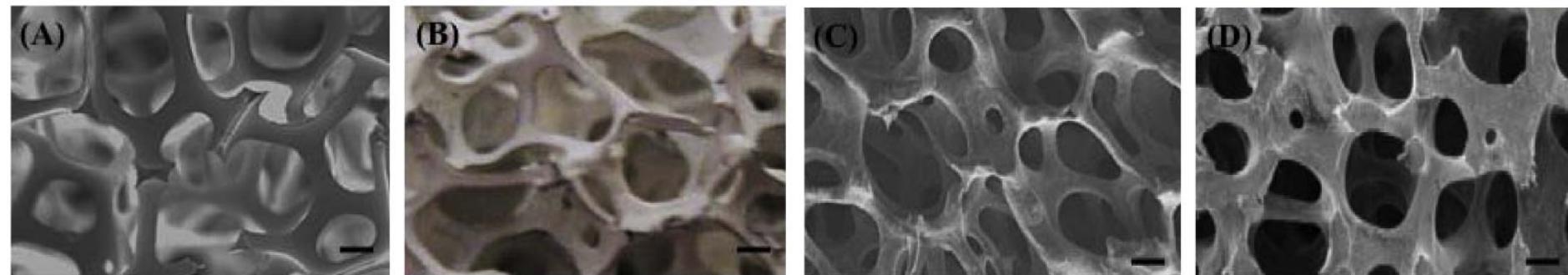
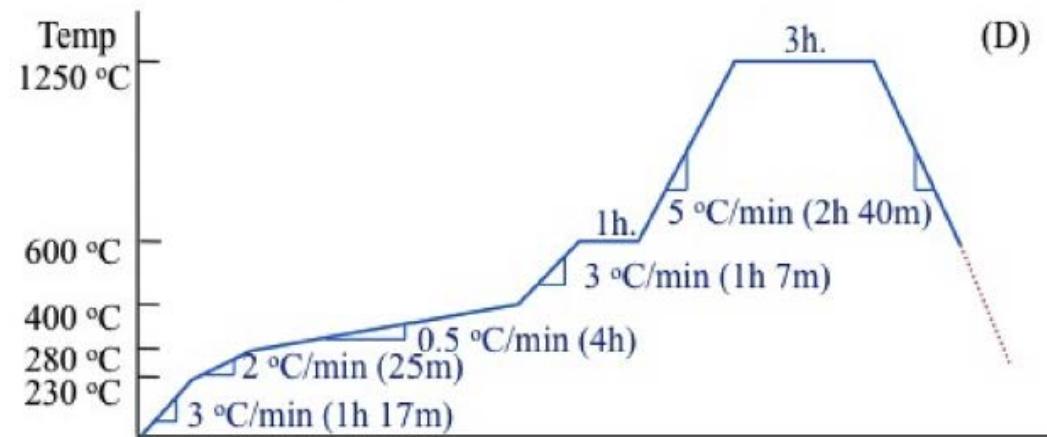
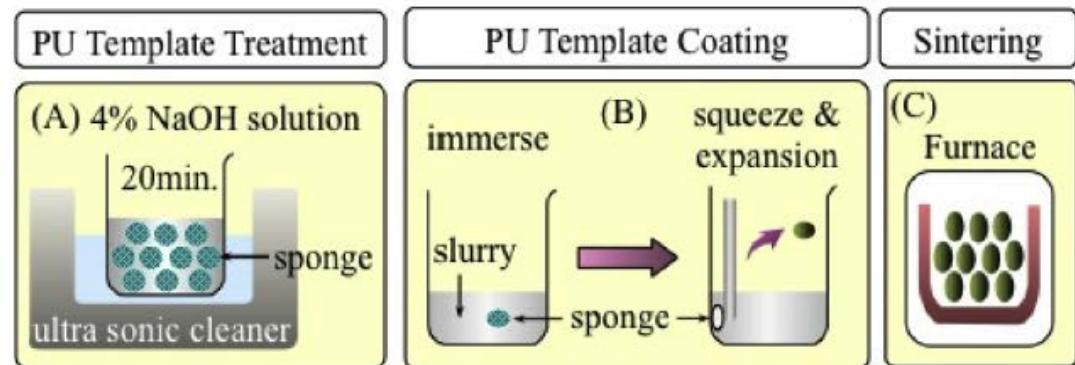
Vascular supply can grow into the scaffold after implantation

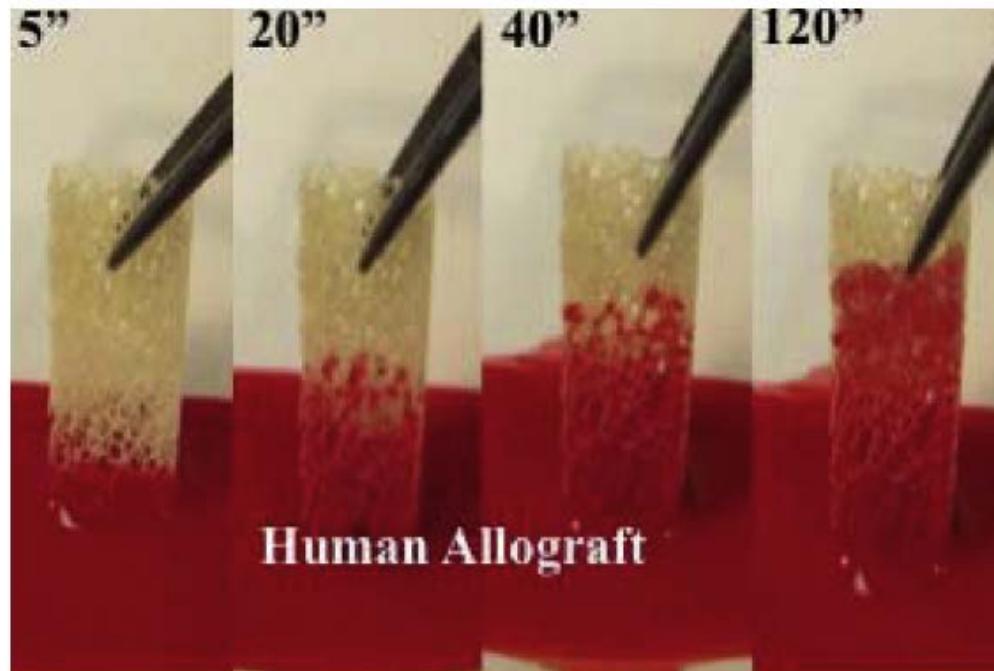
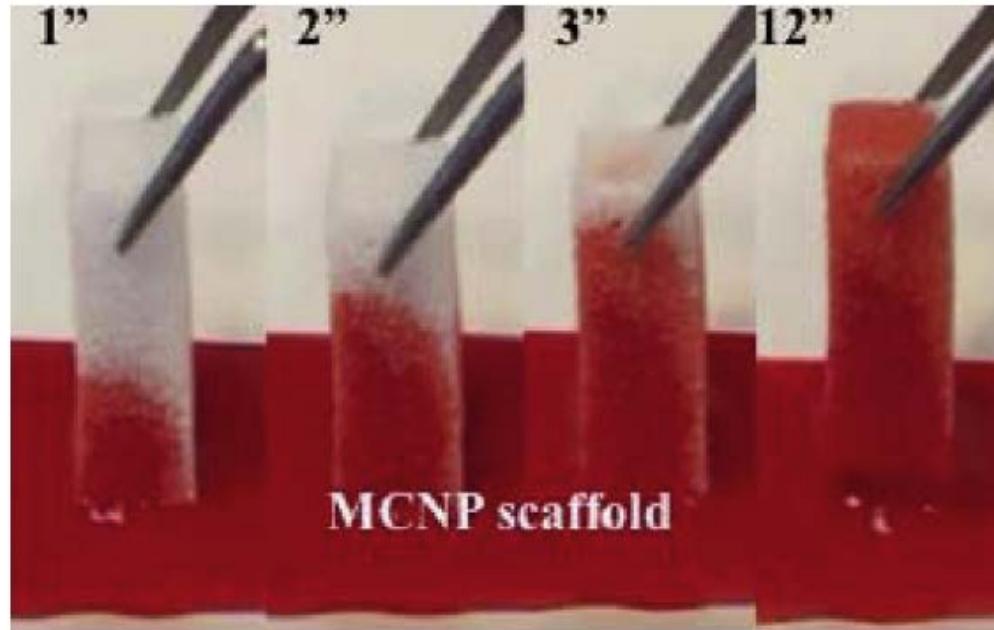
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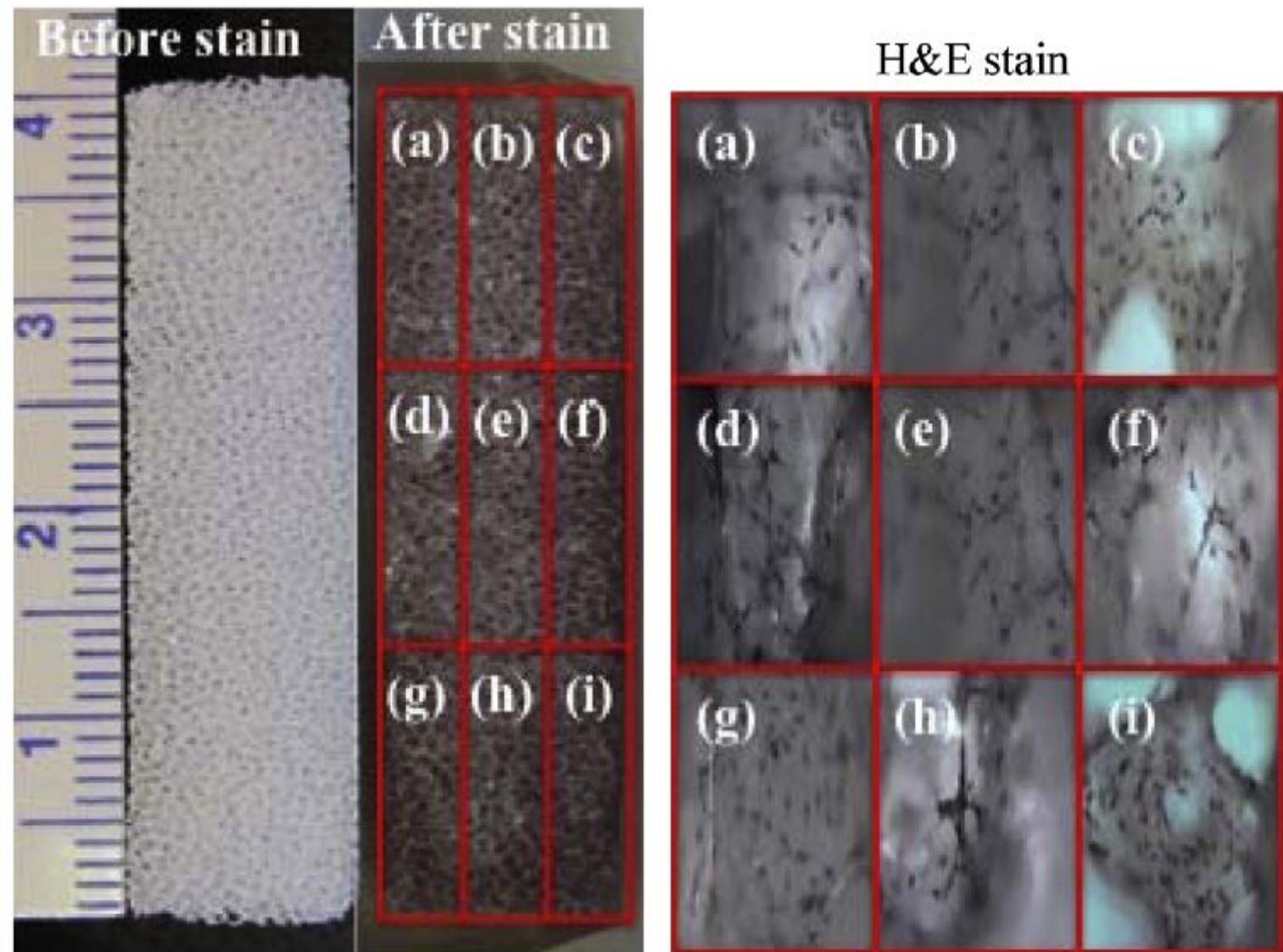


*Shieh SJ 2004 Biomaterials*









# Intact ECM

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**Use of a homogenous scaffold materials: sub-optimal**

## Intact ECM

- Consist of all the structural and functional molecules secreted by the resident cells
- This diverse collection of molecules is arranged in the unique 3D architecture of the native tissue if processed appropriately
- Manufactured by decellularization

| Product                                                       | Company                                                                         | Material                                                                                                         | Processing                                               | Form                                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| AlloDerm<br>AlloPatch®                                        | Lifecell<br>Musculoskeletal<br>Transplant Foundation                            | Human skin<br>Human fascia lata                                                                                  | Natural<br>Natural                                       | Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet                                       |
| Axis™ Dermis<br>Bard® Dermal Allograft                        | Mentor<br>Bard                                                                  | Human dermis<br>Cadaveric human<br>dermis                                                                        | Natural<br>Natural                                       | Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet                                       |
| CuffPatch™                                                    | Arthrotek                                                                       | Porcine small intestinal<br>submucosa (SIS)                                                                      | Crosslinked                                              | Hydrated sheet                                               |
| DurADAPT™<br>Dura-Guard®<br>Durasis® SIS                      | Pegasus Biologics<br>Synovis Surgical<br>Cook                                   | Horse pericardium<br>Bovine pericardium<br>Porcine small intestinal<br>submucosa (SIS)                           | Crosslinked<br>Crosslinked<br>Natural                    | Dry sheet<br>Hydrated sheet<br>Dry sheet                     |
| Durepair®<br>FasLata®<br>GraftJacket®<br>Oasis®               | TEI Biosciences<br>Bard<br>Wright Medical Tech<br>Healthpoint                   | Fetal bovine skin<br>Cadaveric fascia lata<br>Human skin<br>Porcine small intestinal<br>submucosa (SIS)          | Natural<br>Natural<br>Natural<br>Natural                 | Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet             |
| OrthADAPT™<br>Pelvicol®<br>Peri-Guard®<br>Permacol™           | Pegasus Biologics<br>Bard<br>Synovis Surgical<br>Tissue Science<br>Laboratories | Horse pericardium<br>Porcine dermis<br>Bovine pericardium<br>Porcine skin                                        | Crosslinked<br>Crosslinked<br>Crosslinked<br>Crosslinked | Dry sheet<br>Hydrated sheet<br>Dry sheet<br>Hydrated sheet   |
| PriMatrix™<br>Restore™                                        | TEI Biosciences<br>DePuy                                                        | Fetal bovine skin<br>Porcine small intestinal<br>submucosa (SIS)                                                 | Natural<br>Natural                                       | Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet                                       |
| Stratasis®                                                    | Cook                                                                            | Porcine small intestinal<br>submucosa (SIS)                                                                      | Natural                                                  | Dry sheet                                                    |
| SurgiMend™<br>Surgisis®                                       | TEI Biosciences<br>Cook                                                         | Fetal bovine skin<br>Porcine small intestinal<br>submucosa (SIS)                                                 | Natural<br>Natural                                       | Dry sheet<br>Dry sheet                                       |
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| Xenform™<br>Zimmer Collagen<br>Patch®                         | TEI Biosciences<br>Tissue Science<br>Laboratories                               | Fetal bovine skin<br>Porcine dermis                                                                              | Natural<br>Crosslinked                                   | Dry sheet<br>Hydrated sheet                                  |

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## Turning pig organs to human organs

With research stemming from the University of Minnesota, researchers are attempting to repopulate pig organs with human cells.

By SYDNEY BAUM-HAINES

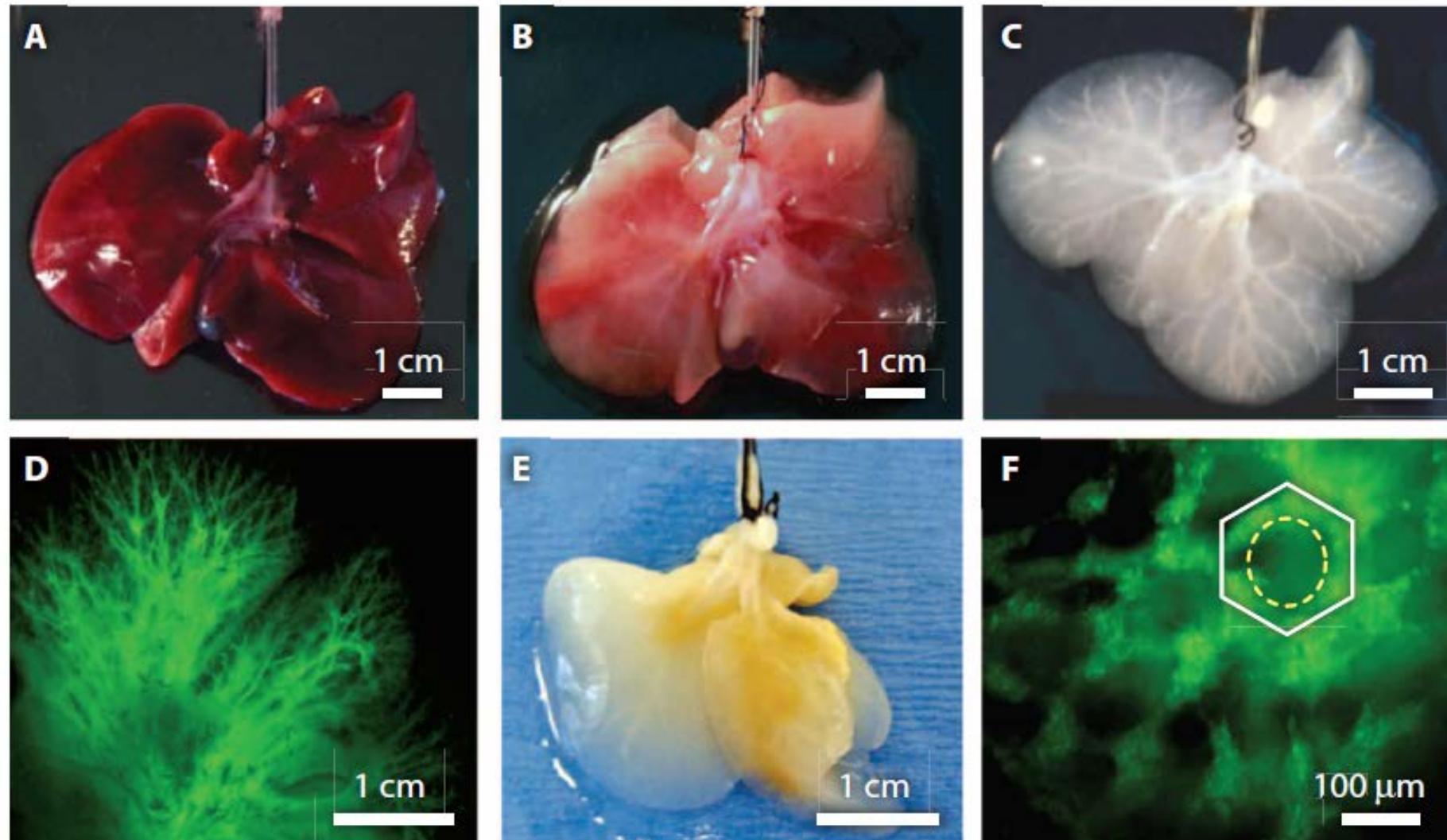


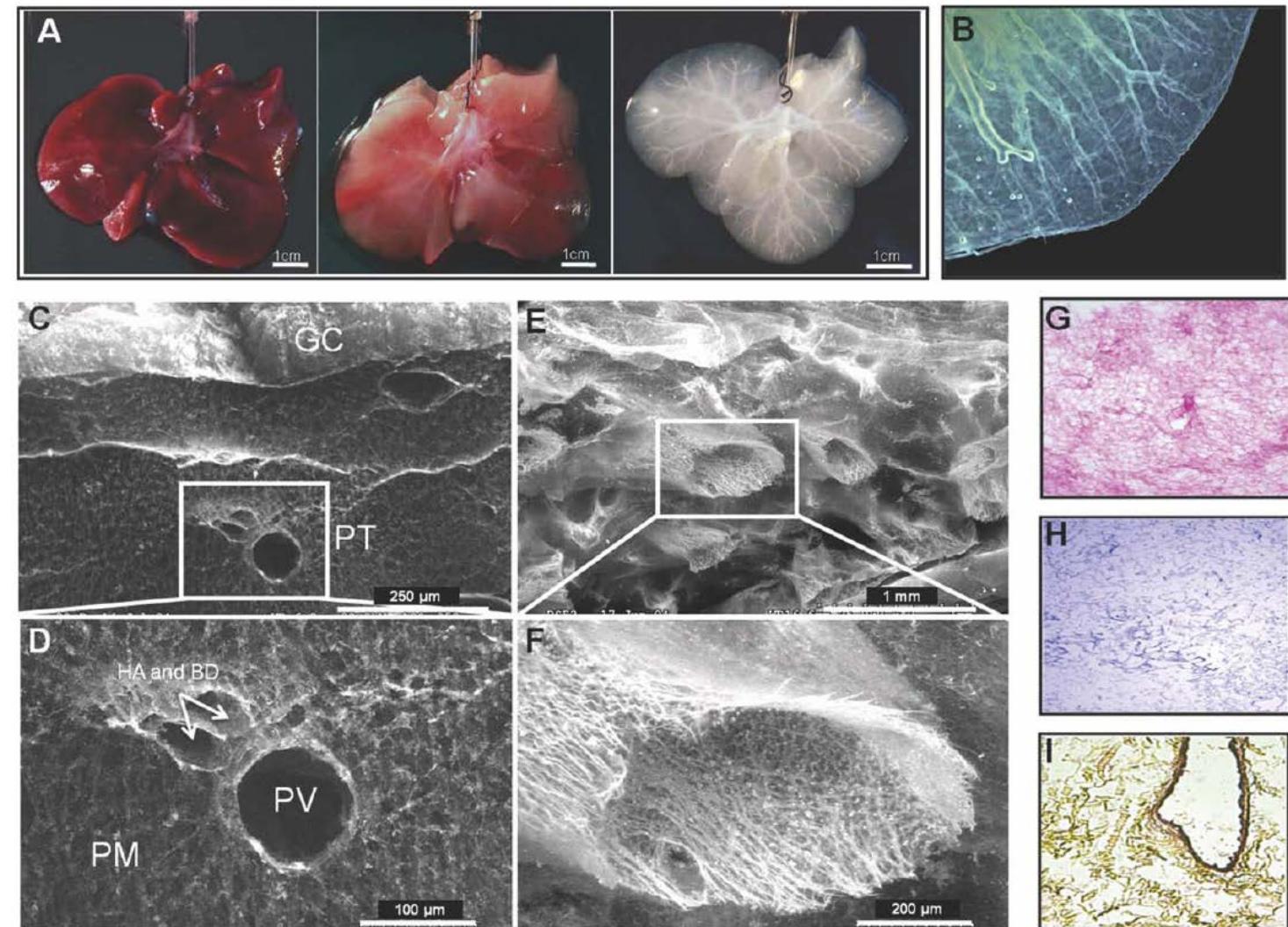
ELLEN SCHMIDT

University alumnus and Miromatrix CEO Jeff Ross holds a decellularized pig heart at his company's space on Tuesday, July 25, in Eden Prairie, Minn. Miromatrix flushes a detergent through a pig organ by way of a major vessel, which preserves the organ's vascularization. The organs are then recellularized to be used as transplants.

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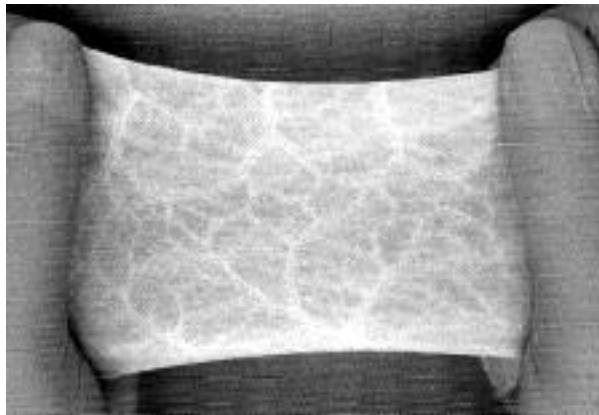
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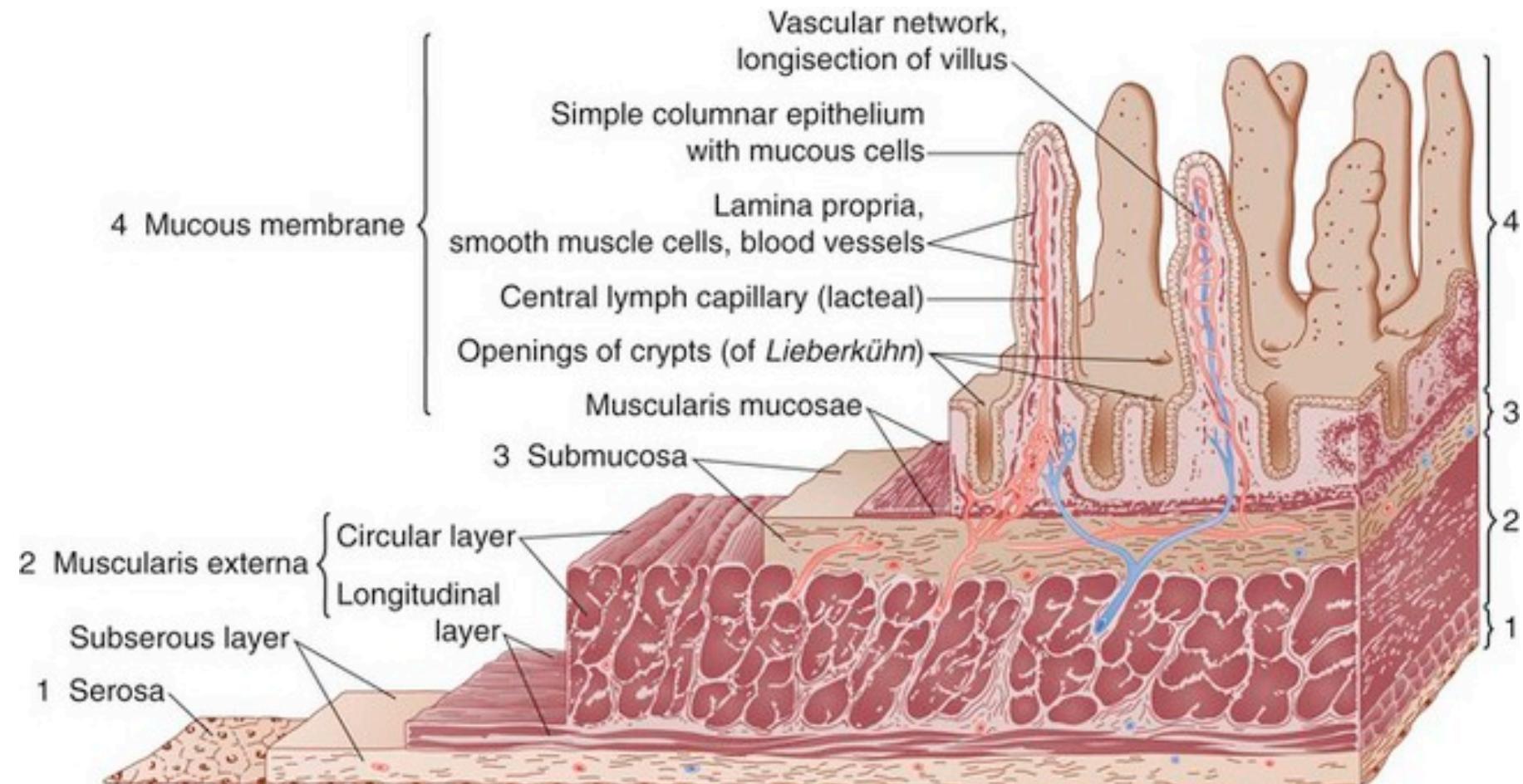


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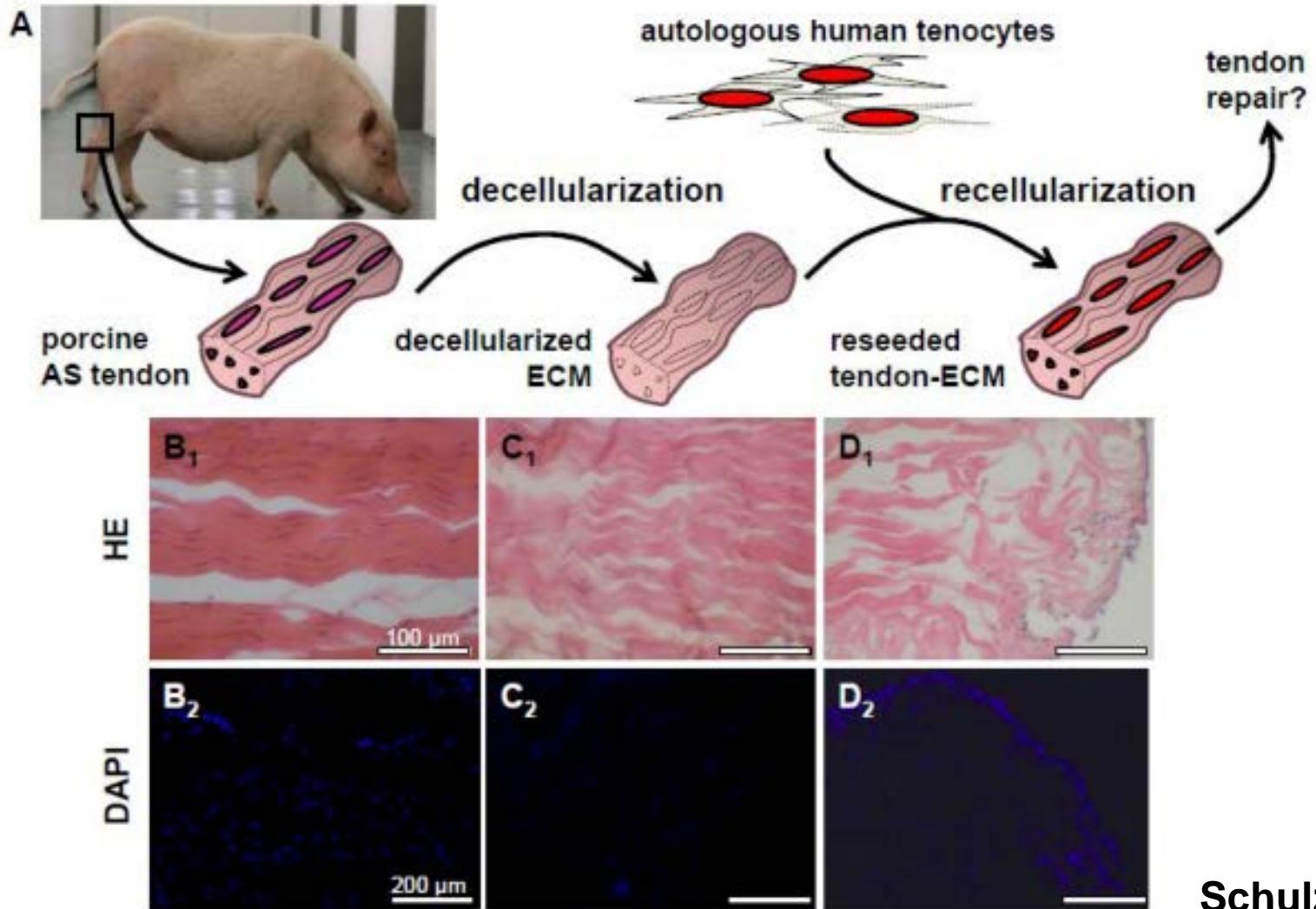


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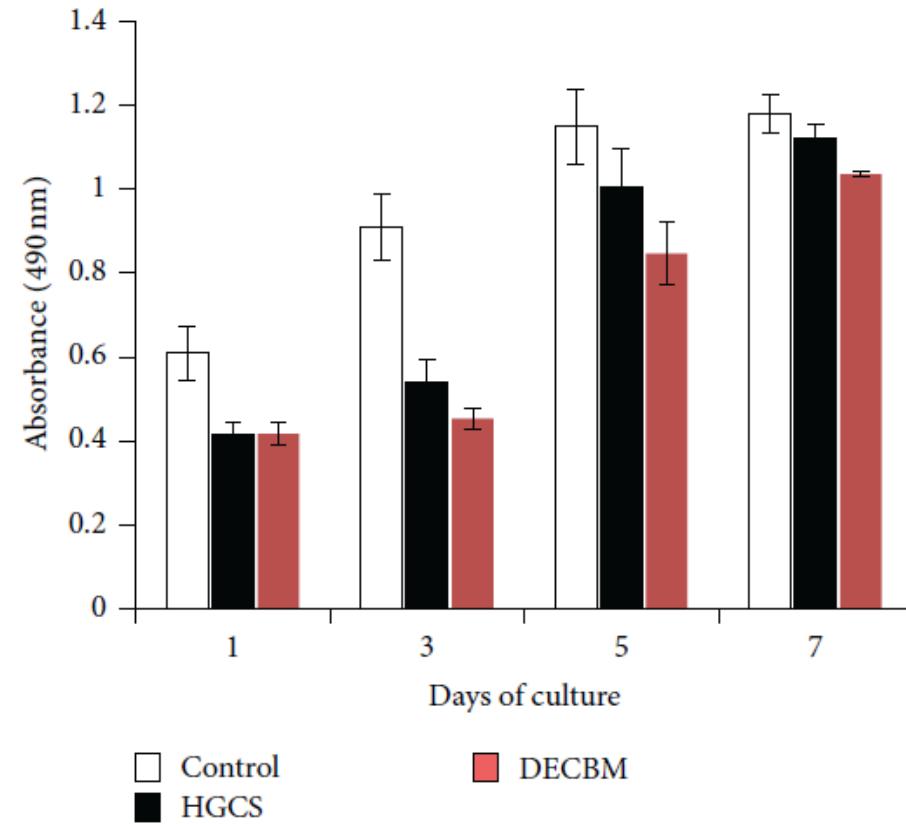
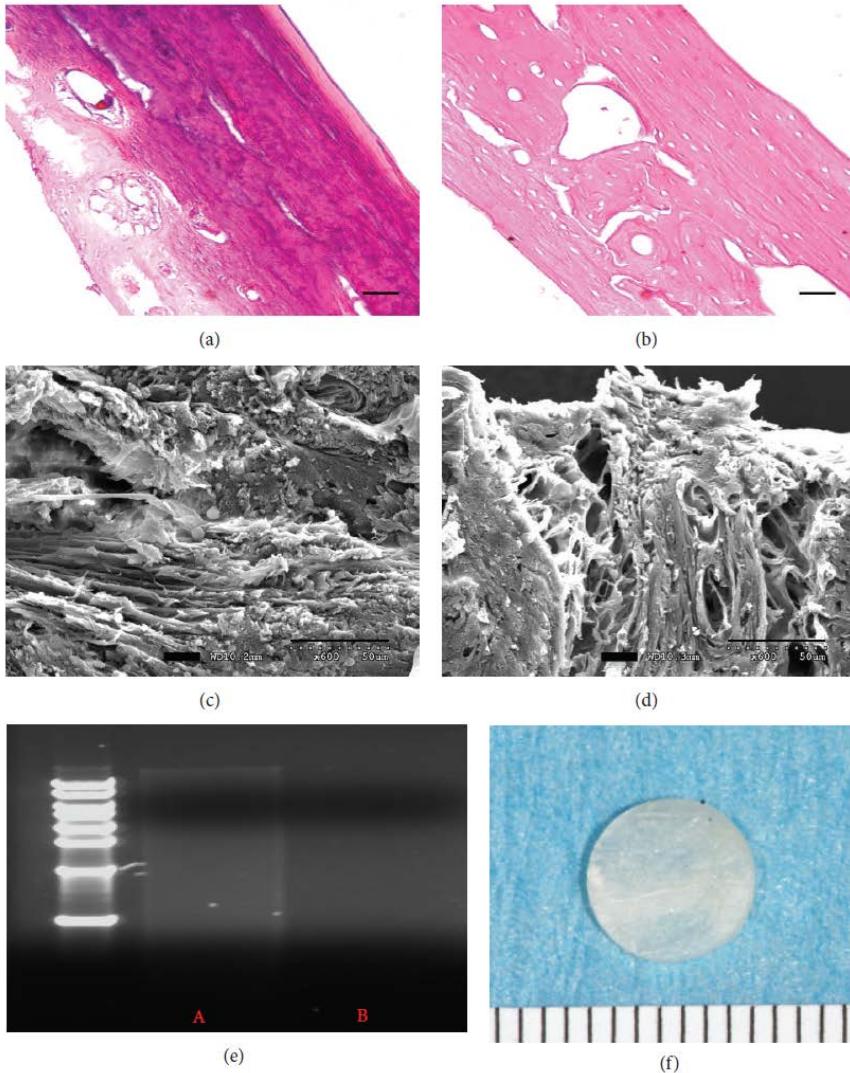


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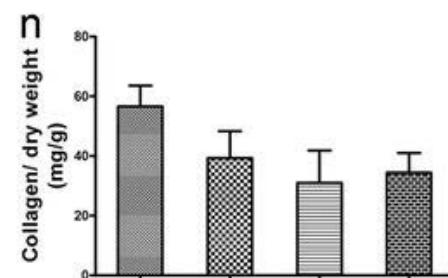
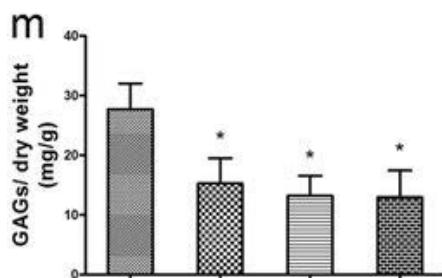
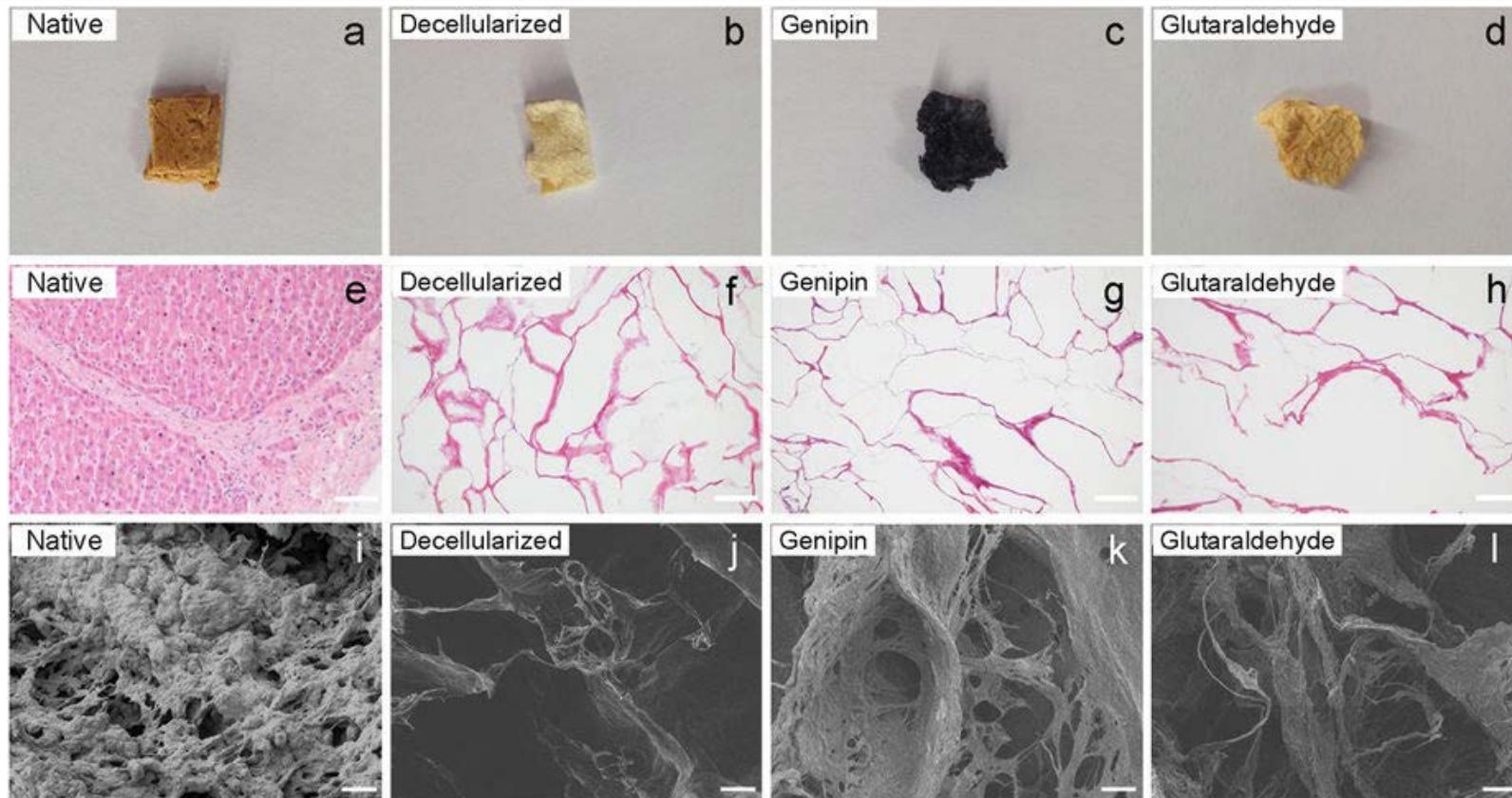


# Decellularized Bone Matrix



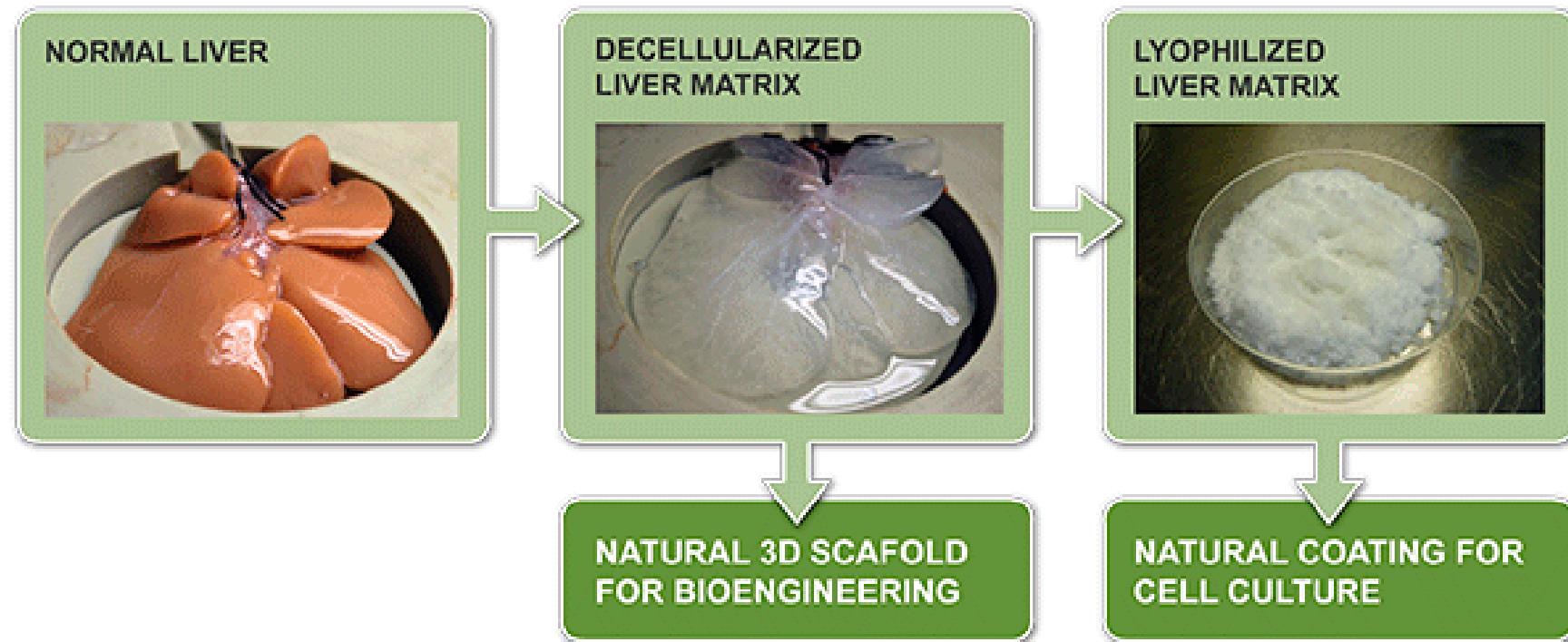
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# Compromised Stroma Structure after Decellularization

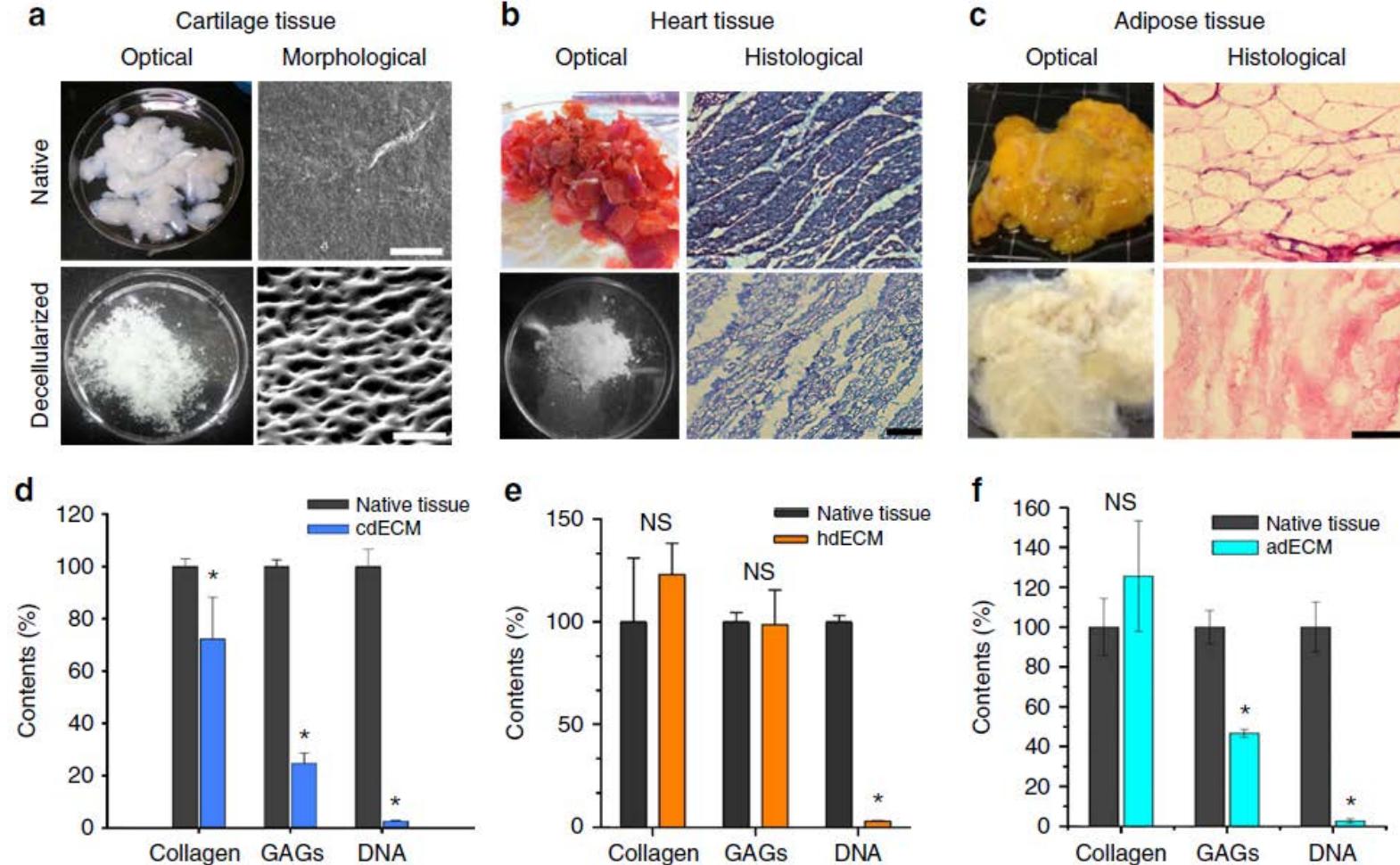


■ Native  
▨ Decellularized  
▨ Genipin  
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# Decellularized Matrix for 3D Printing



# 3d Organ printing

[Derby B 2012 Science]

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**Although organ printing is unlikely to be attainable in the near future, printing and related technologies are of current use in the areas of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine.**

**Both scaffold material composition and its internal architecture (dimensions of the struct, walls, pores, or channels) control the behavior and well-being of the cells seeded inside**

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## Rapid prototyping methods

- Refer to as 3D manufacturing or solid freeform manufacture
- Produce complex objects from a 3D design file by decomposing the object's shape into a series of parallel slices
- The shape is then fabricated by reproducing these slices a layer at a time, building up the structure

## Additive manufacture (AM)

- The method of creating objects by adding material layer-by-layer
- Opposite concept to the conventional machining, which removes material in a subtractive manner

## Manufacture technique

- Selective polymerization
- Selective sintering/melting

# Concept of Bioprinting/Organ printing

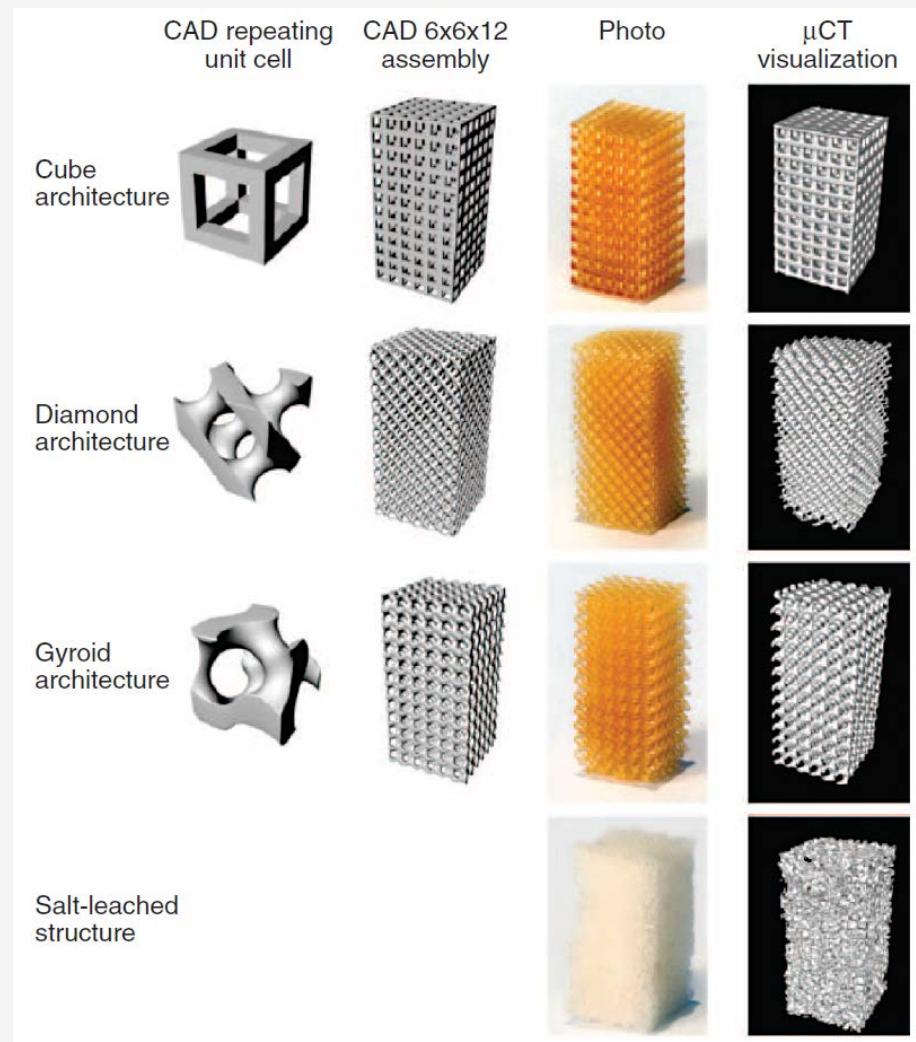
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**Extension of AM methods to build complex scaffold structures**

**Deposition process must be cytocompatible**

- This reduces range of AM techniques
- Need to work in an aqueous or aqueous-gel environment at temperatures from RT to 38°C

# Controlling 3D Architectures

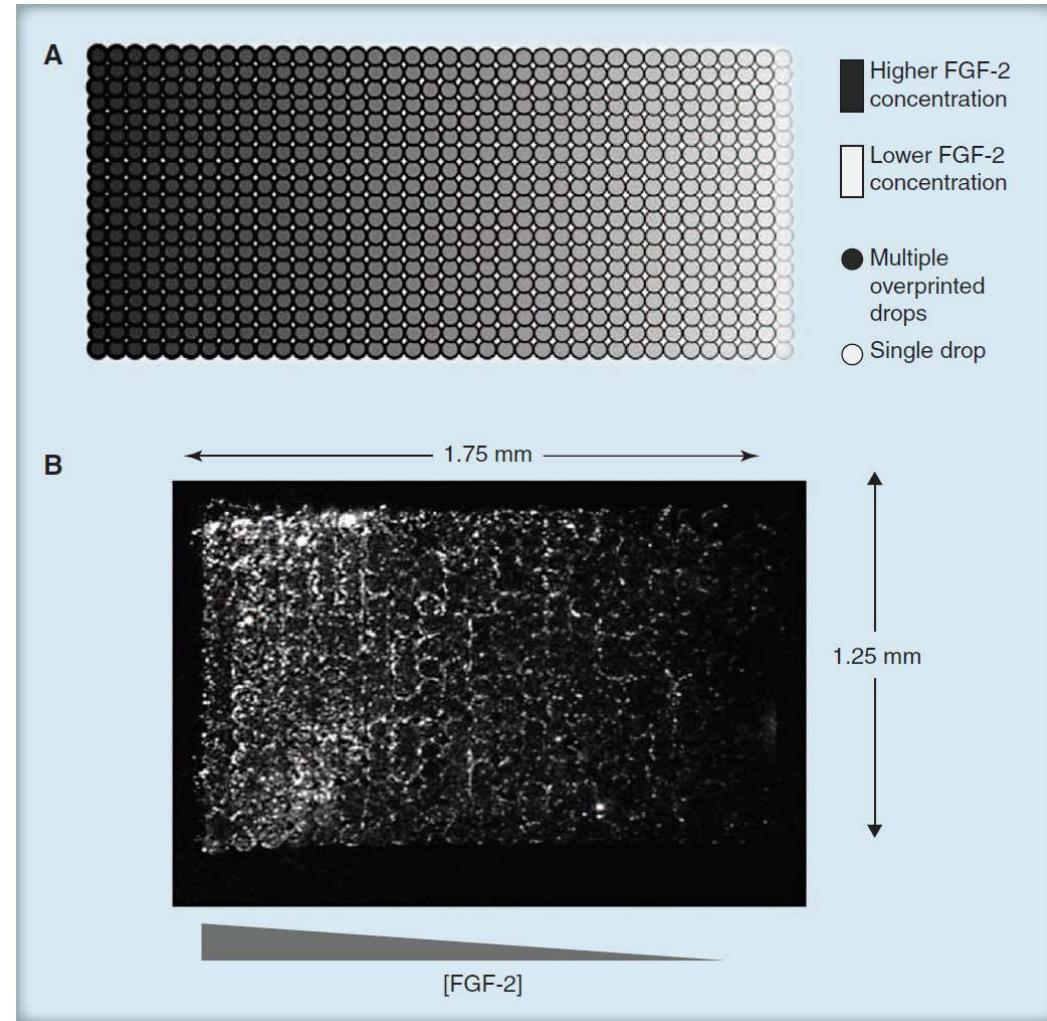


## CAD -> Printing

- **Frees the designer from the constraints of molds and dies**
- **Allows the exploration of design variables**
- **The easy variation of the internal architecture of a scaffold**
  - **Vary the specific surface area**
  - **Vary the scaffold mechanical response to external stress**
  - **Vary flow resistance in a bioreactor**
  - **Better select and control mechanical properties such as stiffness and strength**

# Bioprinting

## Positioning of biochemicals, biological materials, and living cells



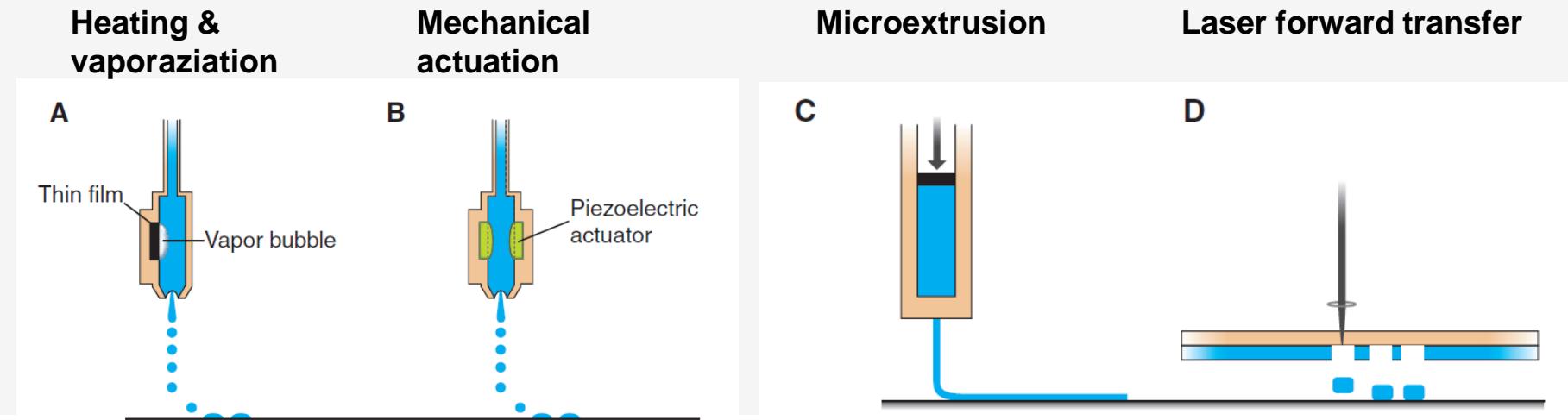
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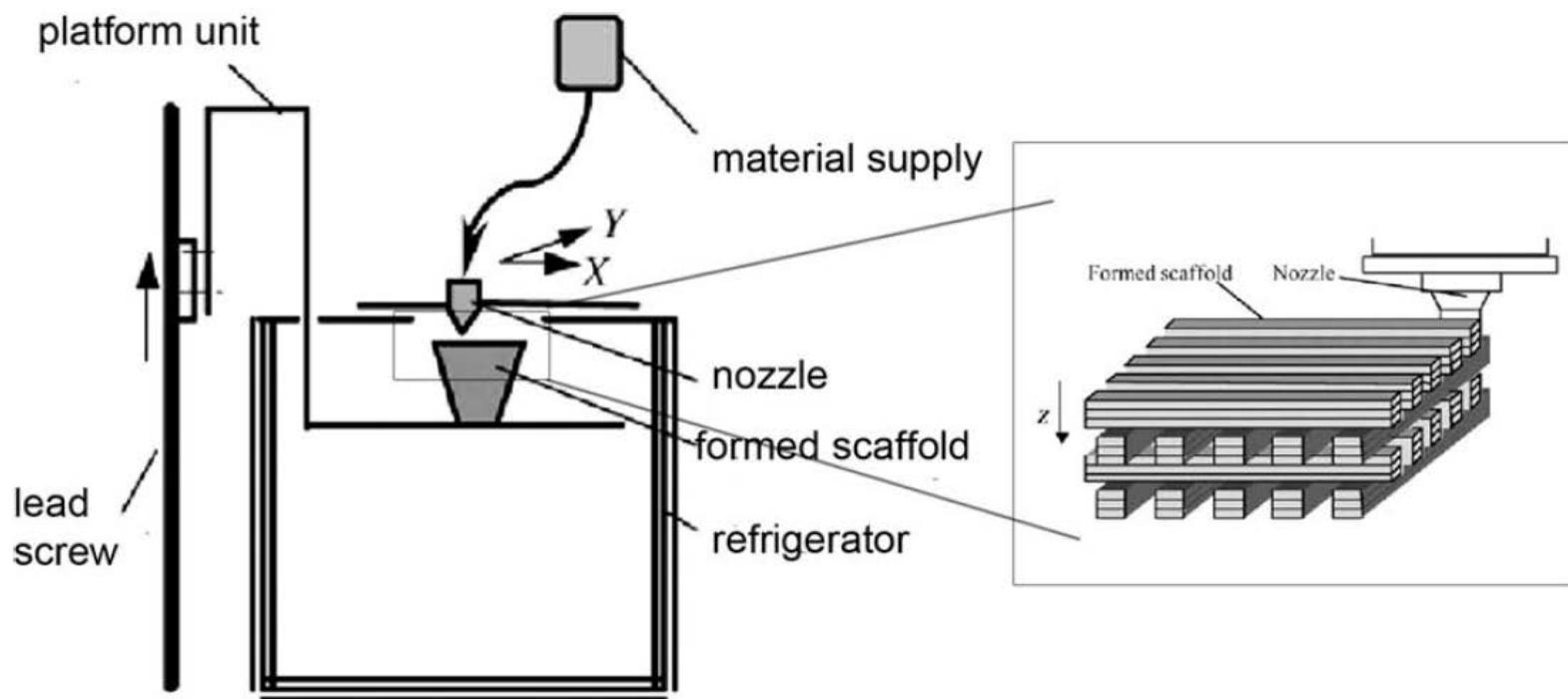
## Inkjet printing

- Precise positioning of picoliter (pL) volumes of fluid
- Smallest drop available: 1pL (radius  $\approx 6.2 \mu\text{m}$ )  
(similar to that of whole cells)
- Possible to engineer variation in surface concentration through over-printing at different drop densities

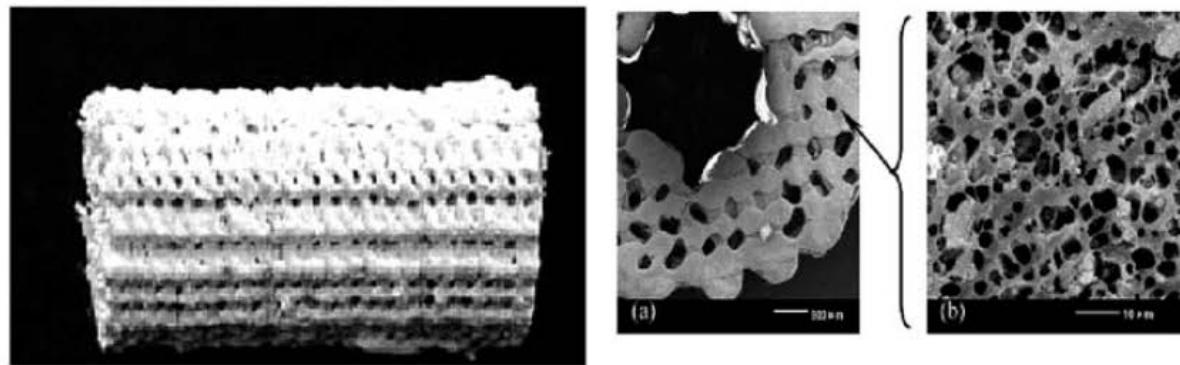
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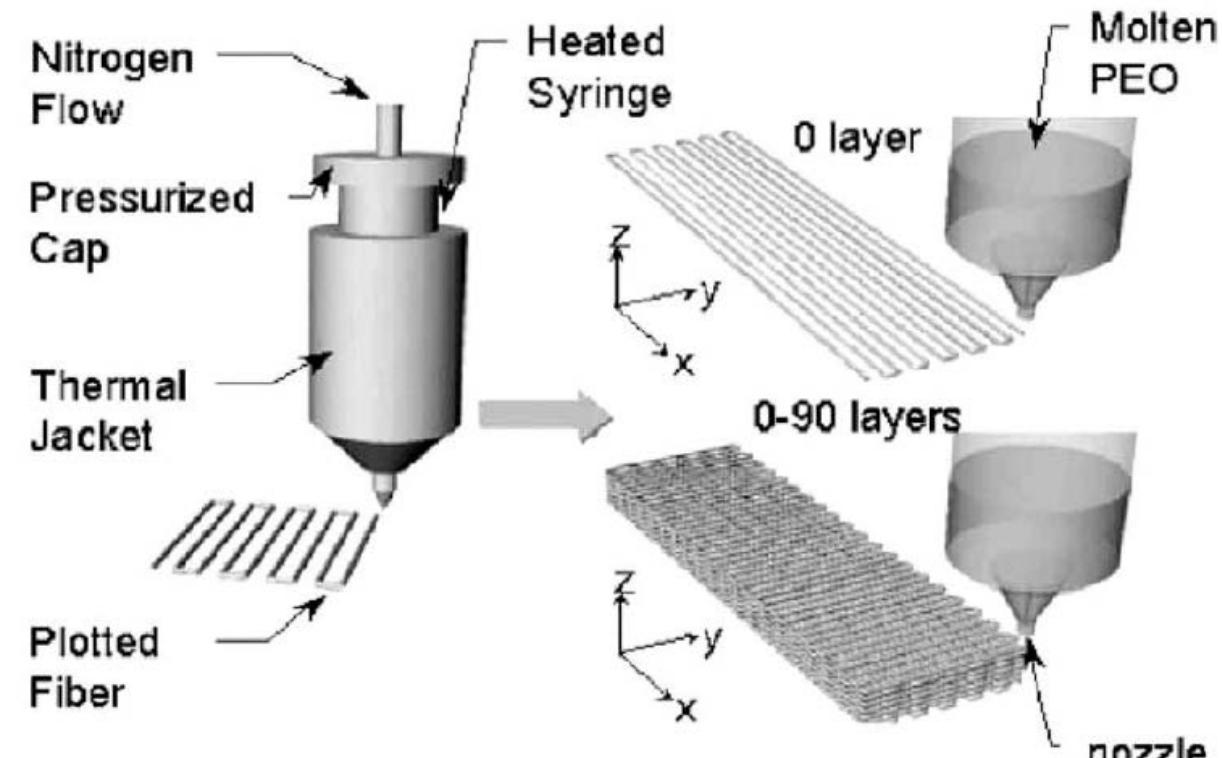
- Used Hewlett-Packard desktop printer to deposit collagen and fibronectin suspensions as well as cells to form 3D simple tissue



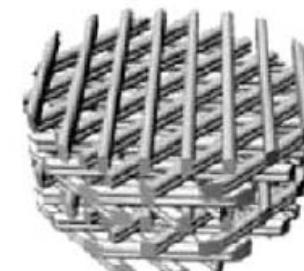
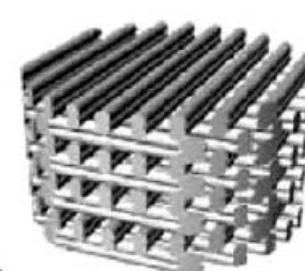
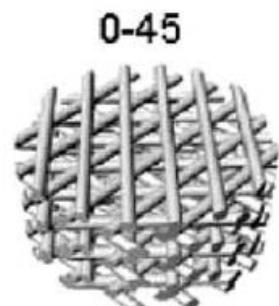
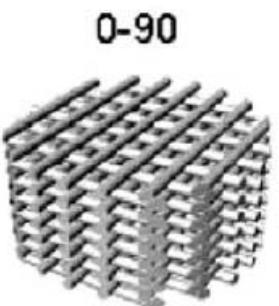


Formed scaffolds:





products:



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# Types of 3D Printing Process

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## FDM (Fused Deposition Modeling)

- Printing by extrusion
- Thermoplastic materials
- HDPE, PLA, PCL, PLGA..

## SLS (Selective Laser Sintering)

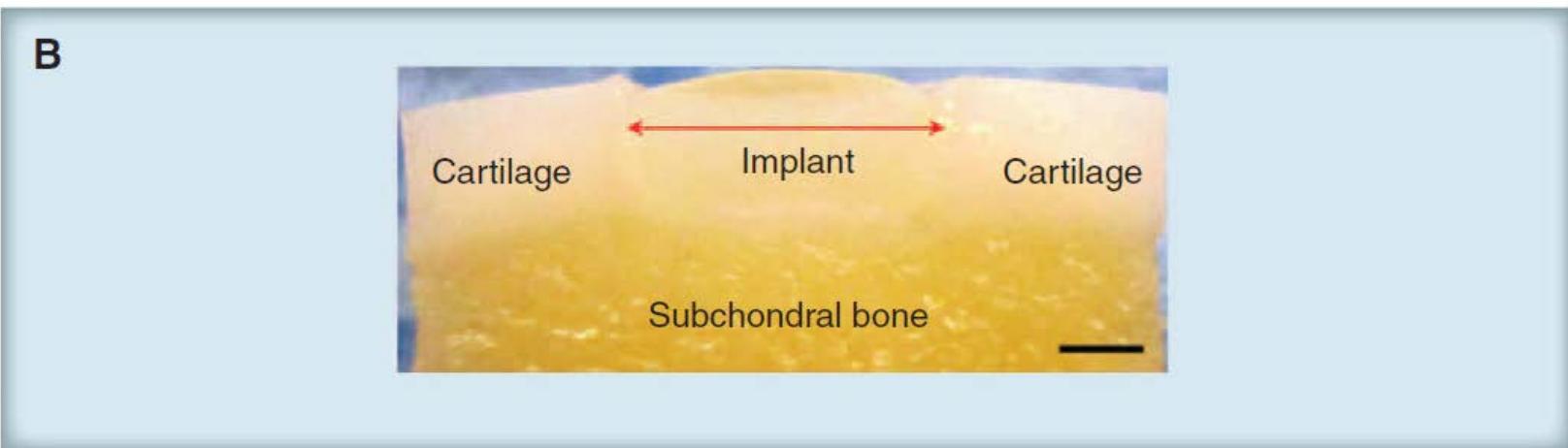
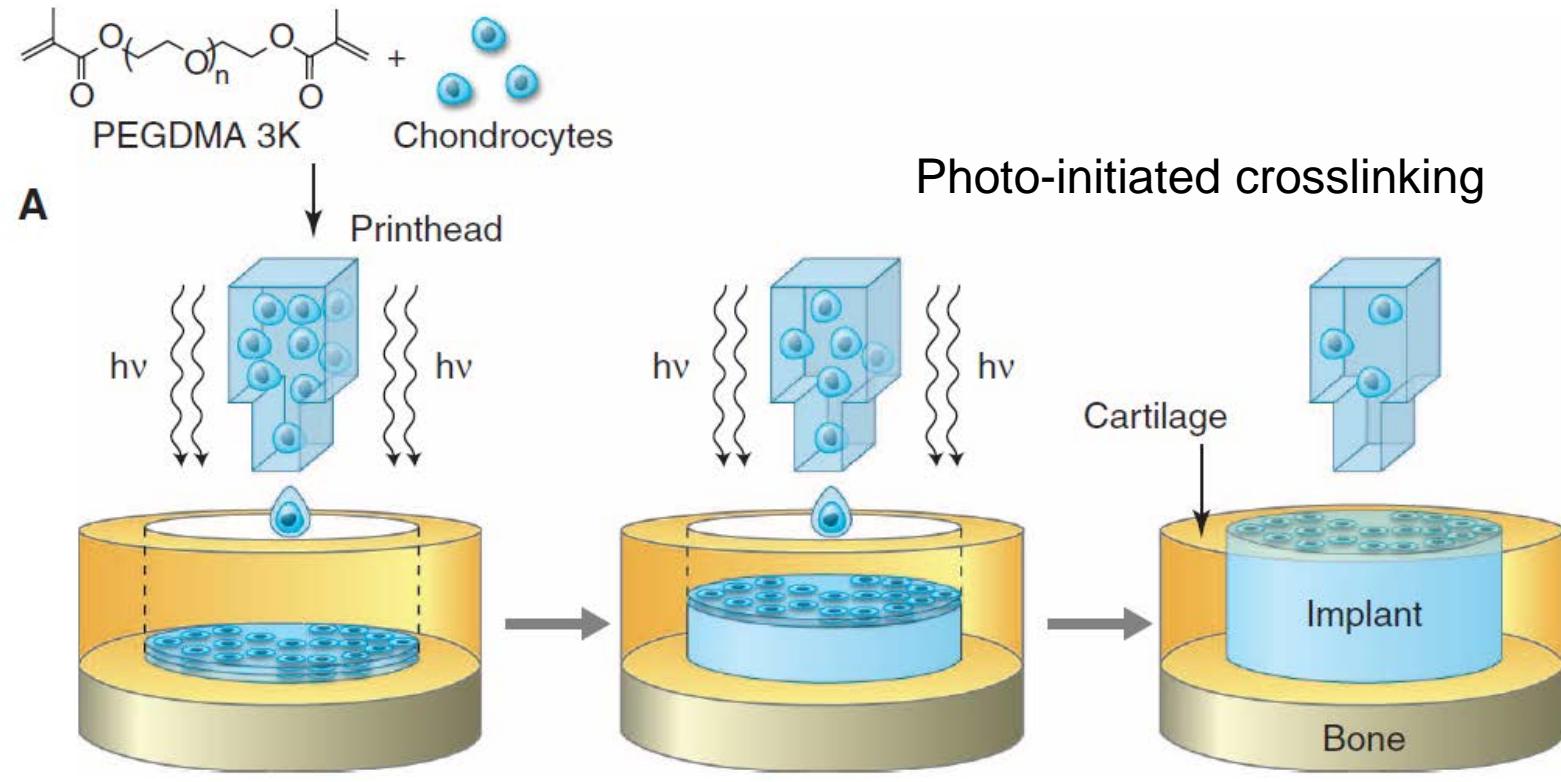
- Granular ink
- Thermoplastic powder
- Metal or ceramic

## SLA (Stereolithography)

- Photopolymer

## DLP (Digital Light Processing)

- Photopolymer
- Light-initiated polymerization



# Limits and Concerns

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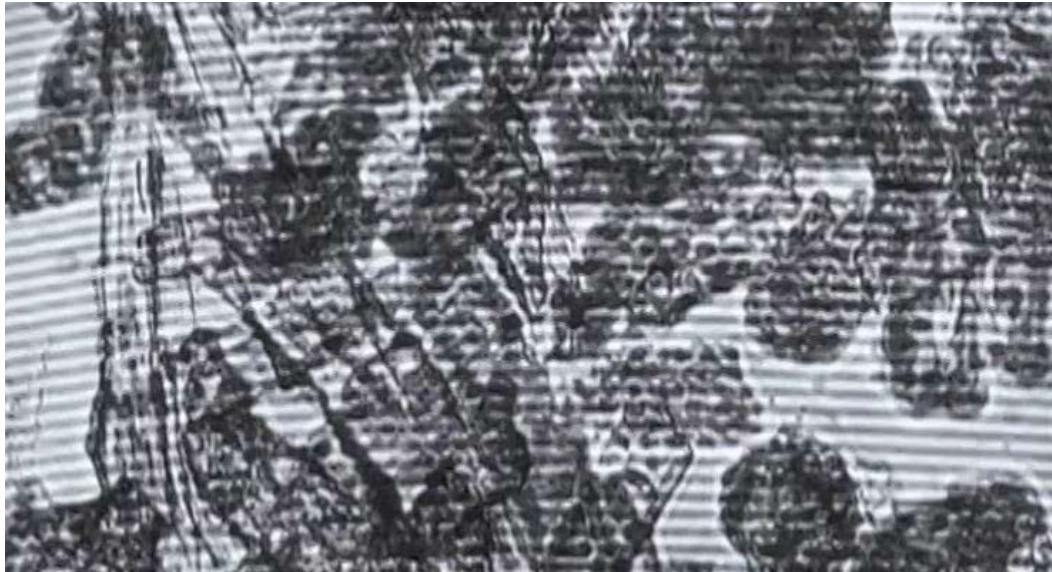
**Typical cell densities used during culture are  $\sim 10^7$  cells/ml, an individual volume of 100pL (drop radius  $\approx 70 \mu\text{m}$ ) will contain on average a single cell. This limits the effective accuracy of deposition for cell placement.**

**Level of stress that cells experience during deposition process**

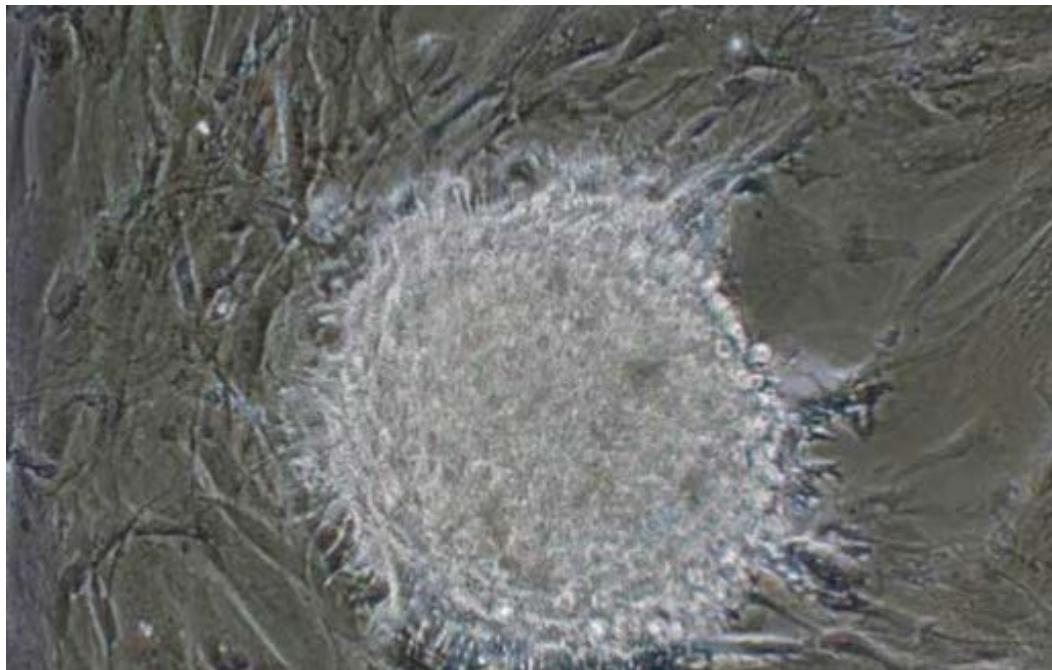
- Inkjet: requires a low viscosity environment to allow efficient drop ejection
- Microextrusion: very wide range of fluid properties but offer a lower spatial resolution
- Laser forward transfer: requires the cells to be immobilized in a gel

**Survival rate of inkjet printed cells improved to >95% with appropriate choice of printing conditions.**

## 3D-Printed Muscle Cells



## Condensed Muscle Cells



# Scaffold-free tissue engineering

[Papers from T. Okano group; Tani G 2010 Pediatr Surg Int]

# Conventional TE Approaches

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**Isolated cells or cell substitutes**

**Appropriate signaling molecules such as cytokines or growth factors**

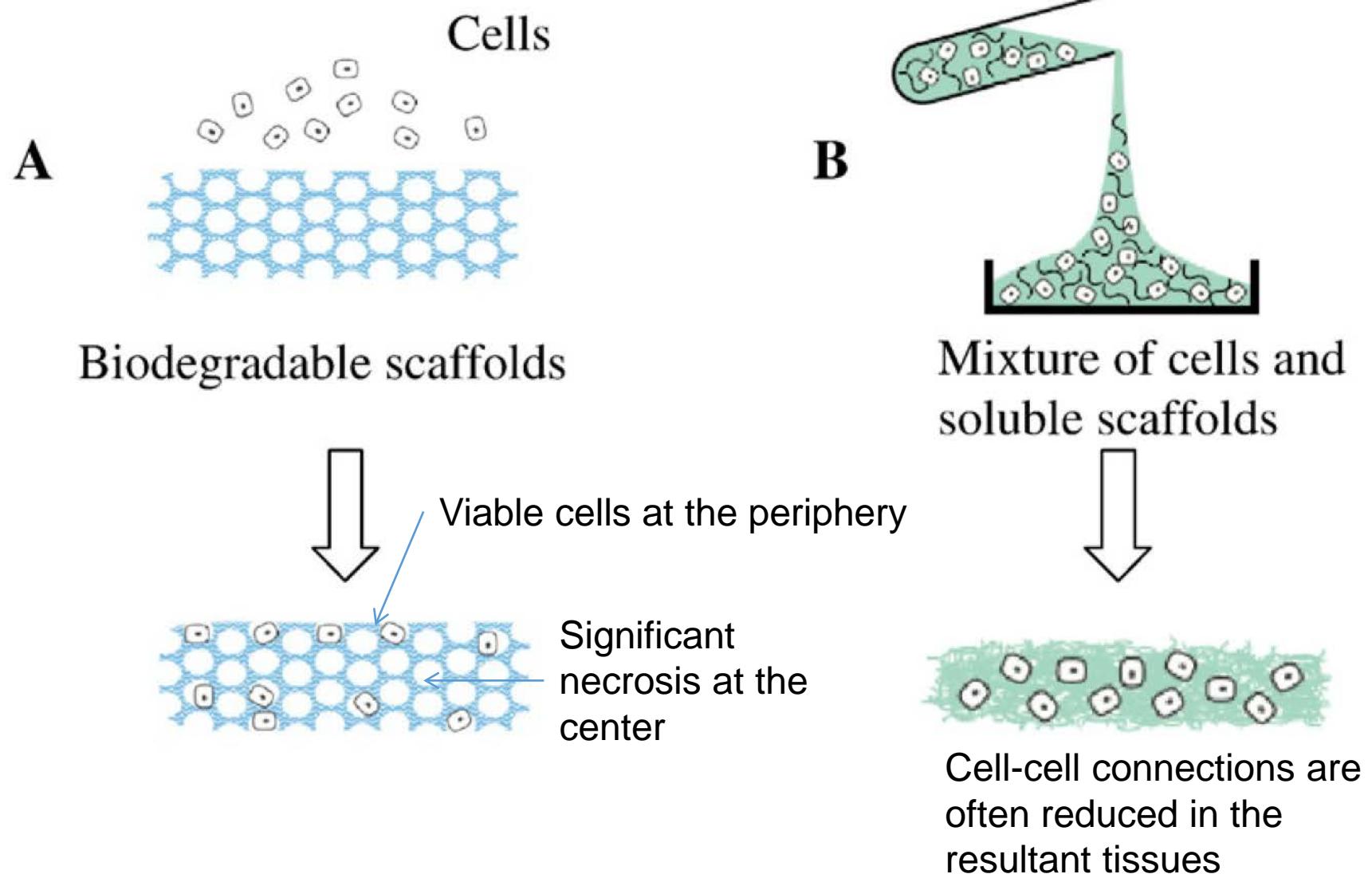
**Extracellular matrix (ECM) proteins**

## **Short comings of conventional TE method**

**(Seeding of cells into biodegradable scaffolds)**

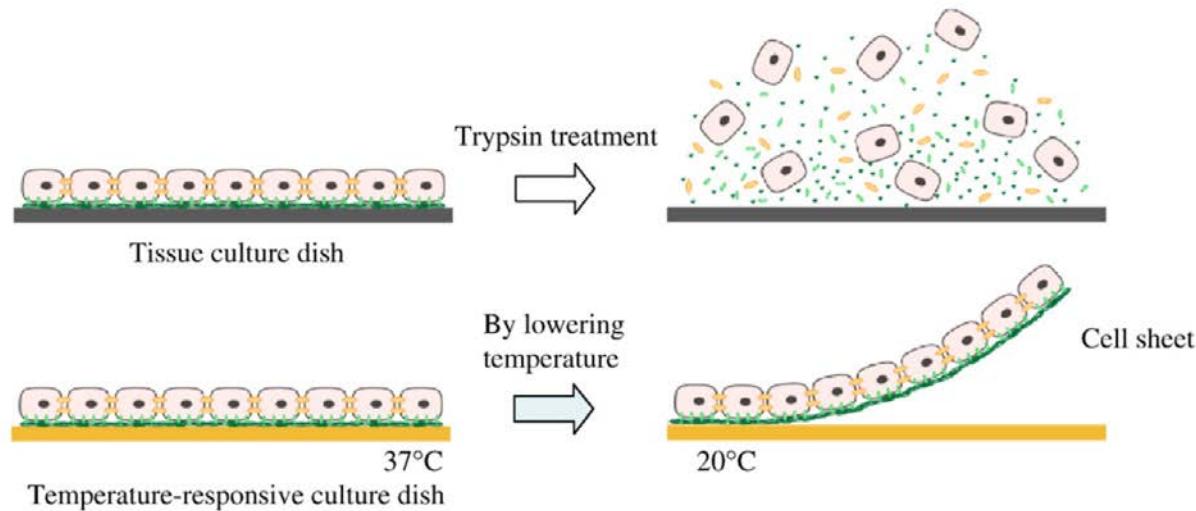
- Inflammatory reactions
- Fibrous tissue formation caused by scaffold degradation
- Stress to the cells

# Two conventional approaches



# Cell Sheet Engineering

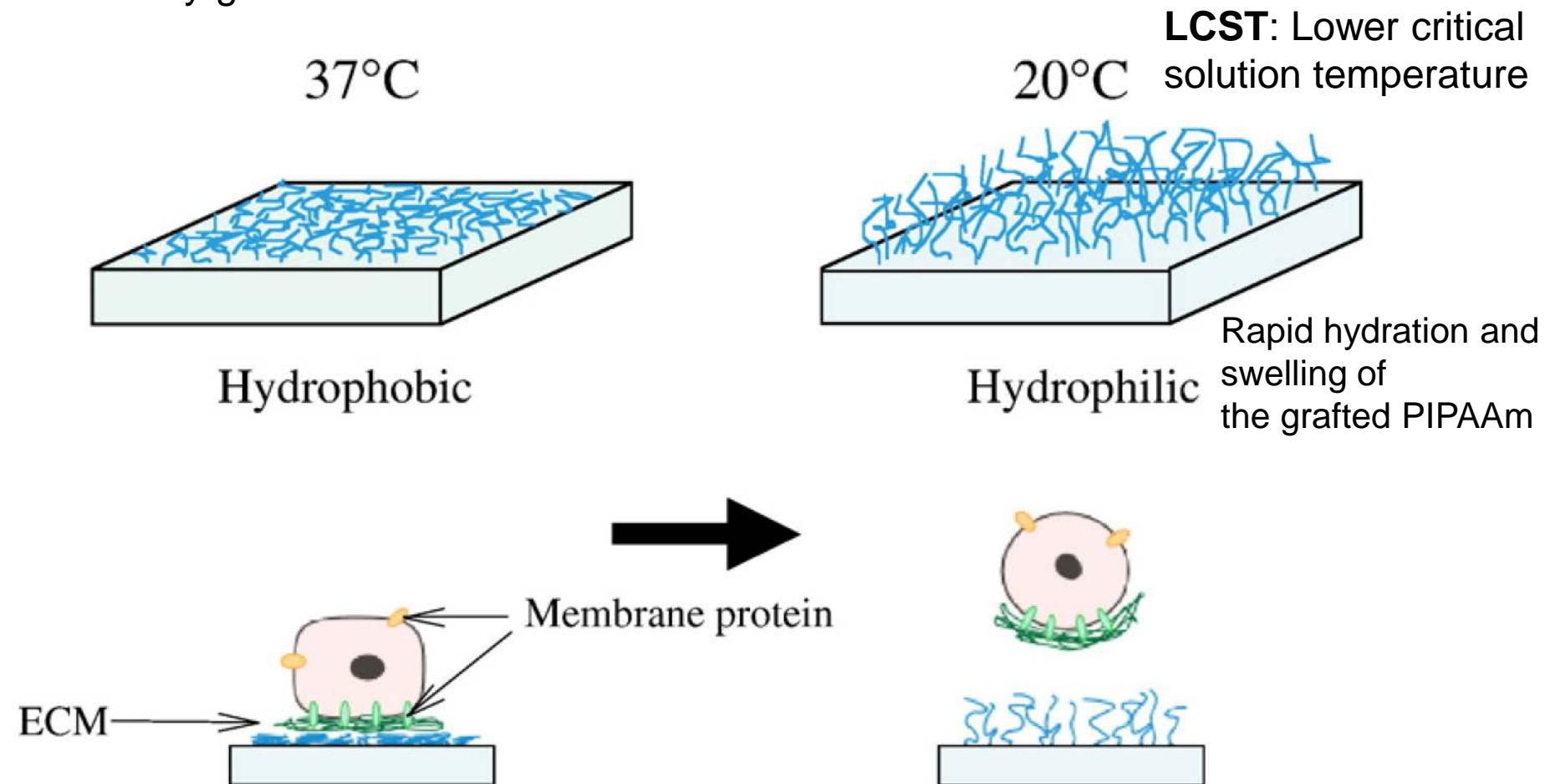
- Constructs 3D functional tissues by layering two-dimensional confluent cell sheets without the use of any biodegradable ECM alternatives

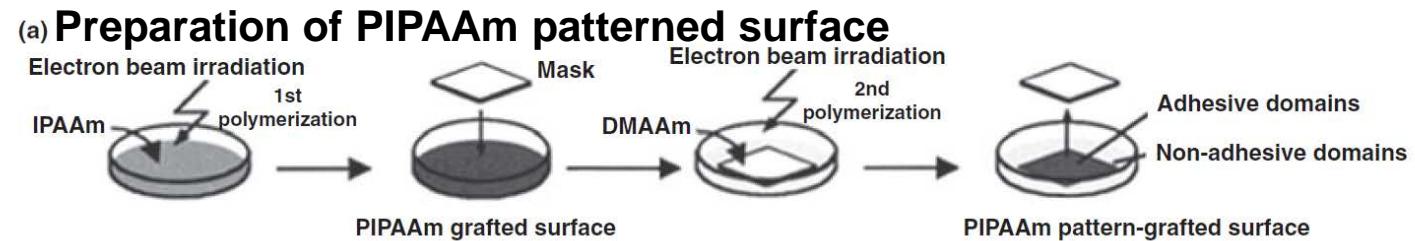


- Cells can be harvested as intact sheets along with their deposited ECM, ion channels, growth factor receptors, and cell-cell junction proteins
- Due to the presence of deposited ECM on the basal sheet surface, cell sheets harvested from temperature-responsive culture surfaces can be directly attached to host tissue without the use of any mediators such as fibrin glue or sutures

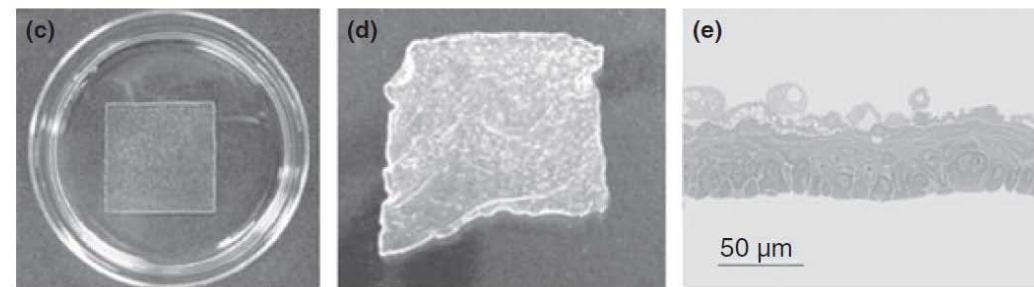
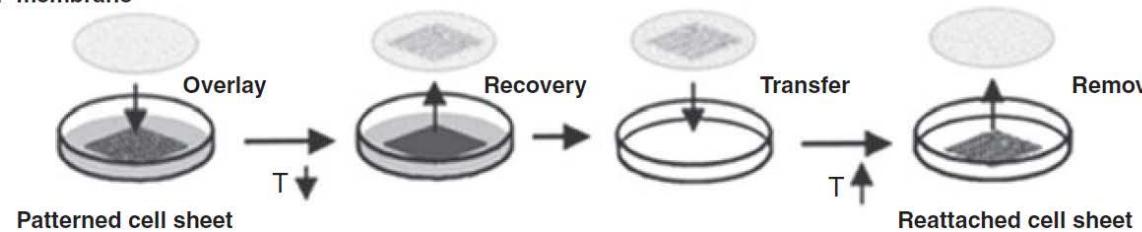
# Cell sheets are obtained by using specialized cell culture surfaces

Temperature responsive polymer, poly (N-isopropylacrylamide) (PIPAAm) is covalently grafted to the cell culture surface

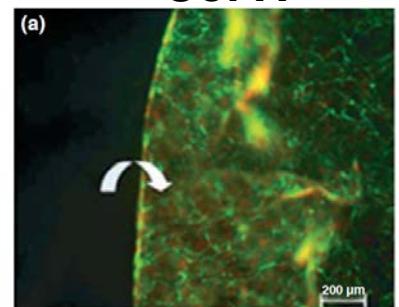




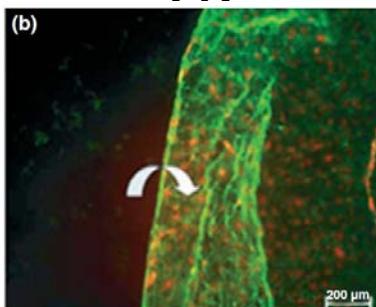
**(b) Cell sheet harvest & transfer**



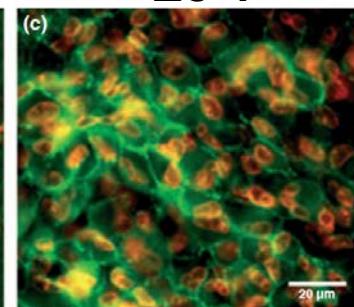
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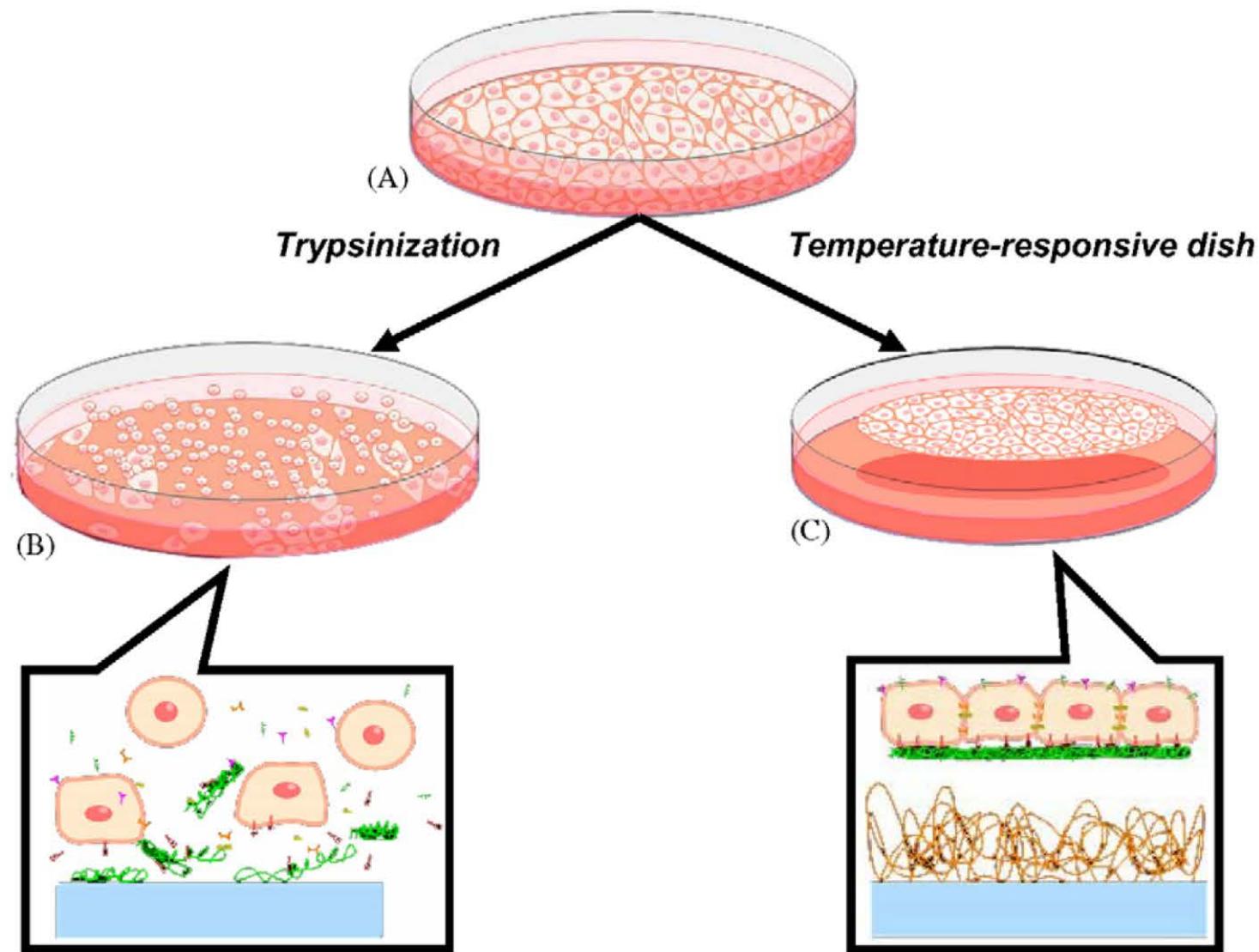


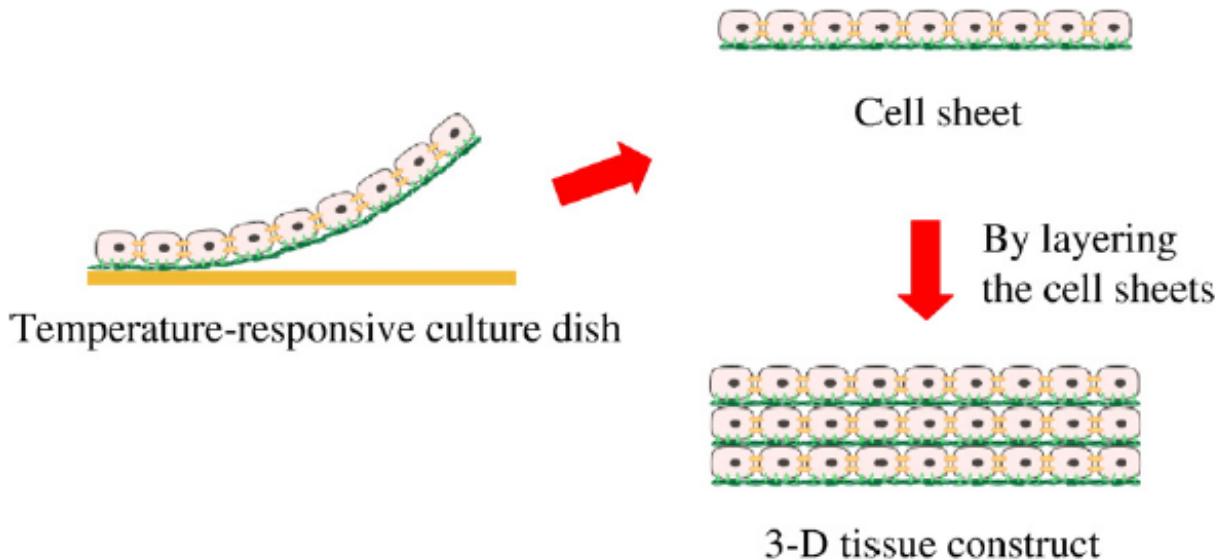
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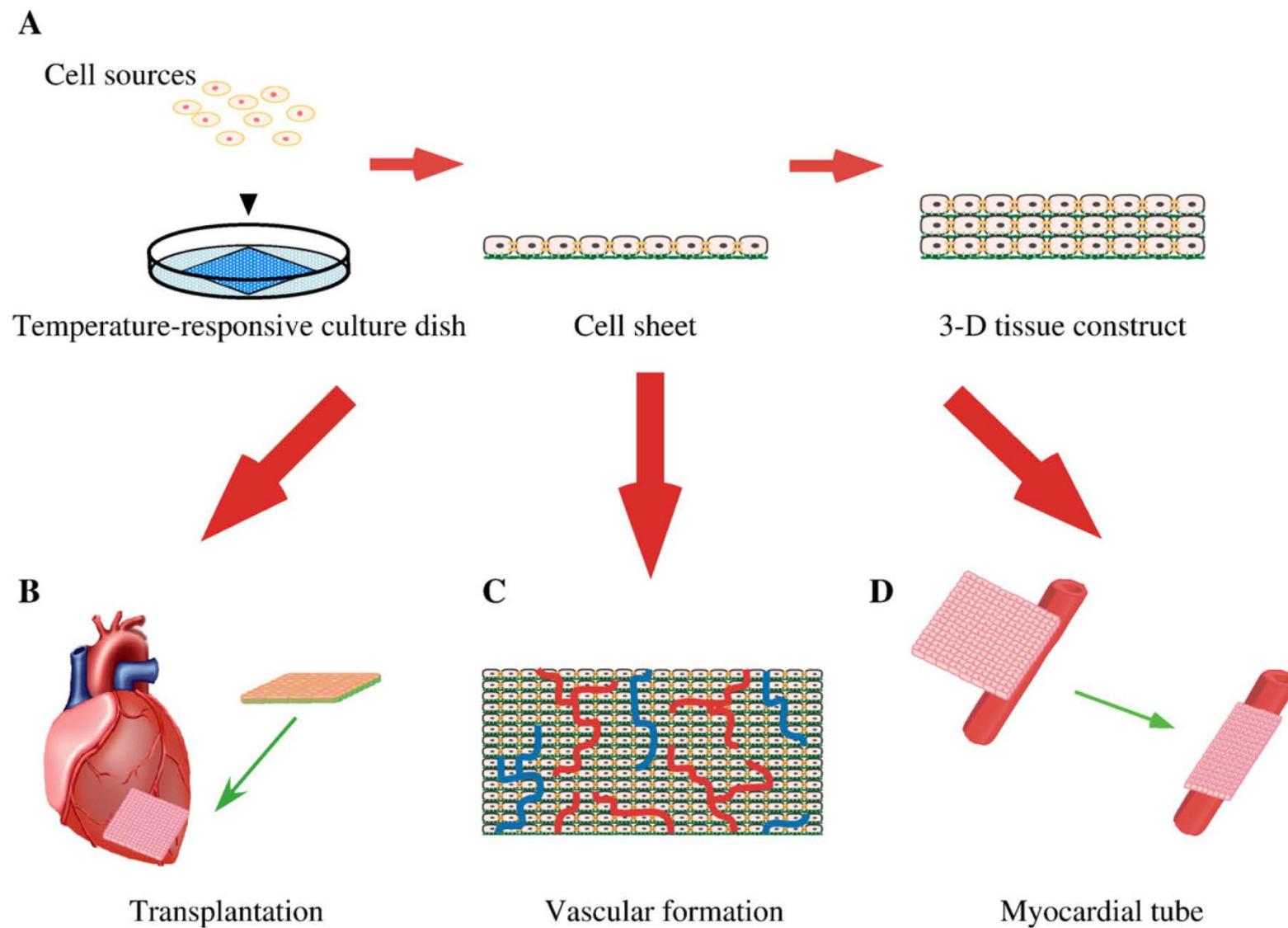






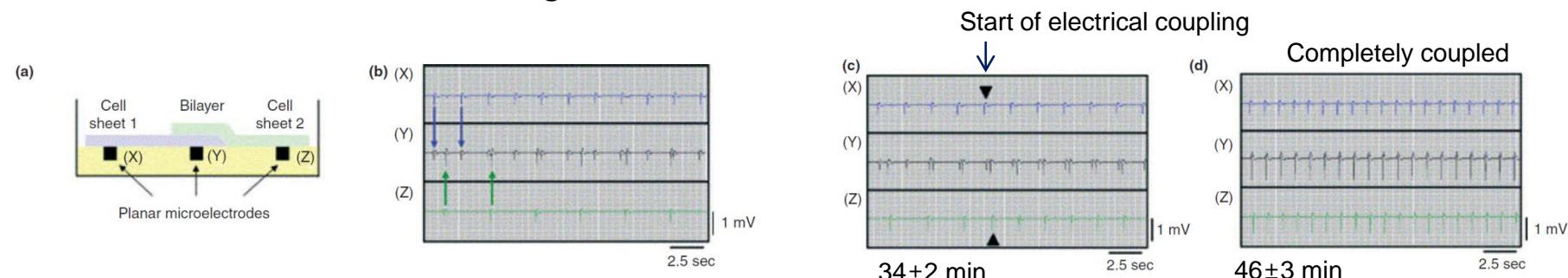
- Cell-dense thick tissues are constructed by layering these cell sheets
- Cell sheets have been fabricated including…
  - Keratinocytes
  - Retinal pigment epithelial cells
  - Corneal epithelial cells
  - Corneal endothelial cells
  - Oral mucosal epithelial cells
  - Urothelial cells
  - Periodontal ligament cells
  - Aortic endothelial cells
  - Cardiac myocytes
  - Kidney epithelial cells

# Cell sheet for heart tissue repair



## Monitored by multiple-electrode extracellular recording system...

- Neonatal rat cardiomyocytes sheets were layered and began to pulsate spontaneously and simultaneously
- In vivo, layered cardiomyocyte sheets were transplanted into dorsal subcutaneous tissues of nude rats and after 3 weeks, surface electrograms originating from the grafts were detected independently from host electrocardiograms



## Dye transfer assay..

The formation of the gap junction occurred rapidly between the layered cardiomyocyte sheets

## Layered skeletal myoblast sheets transplanted to infarcted rat hearts were shown to.....

- Enhance left ventricular contraction
- Reduce fibrosis
- Prevent left ventricular dilatation

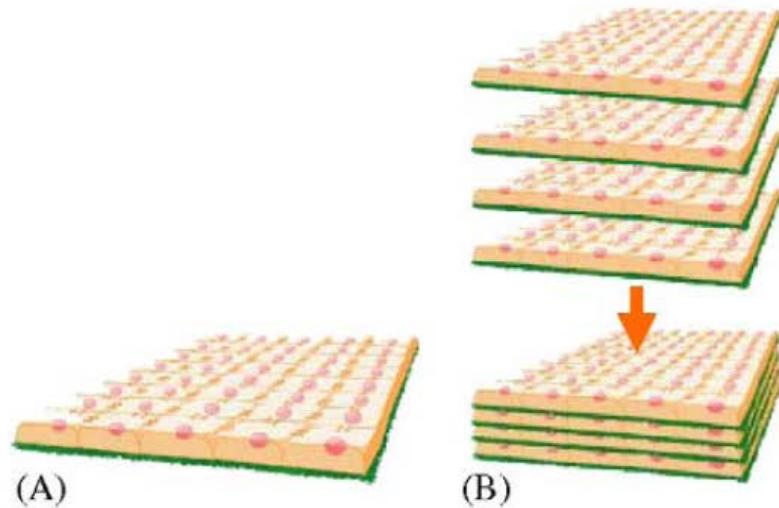
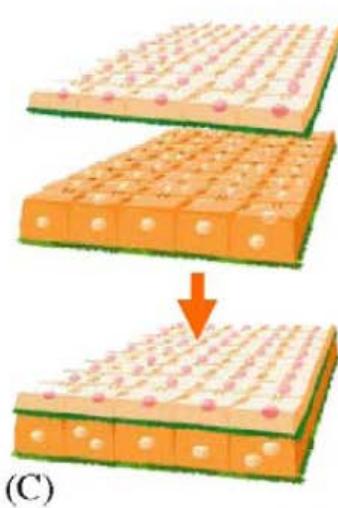
# Several problems remain unresolved

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**The potential source of tissue-specific precursors**

**Obtaining and amplifying the progenitors into sufficient numbers of transplantable cells**

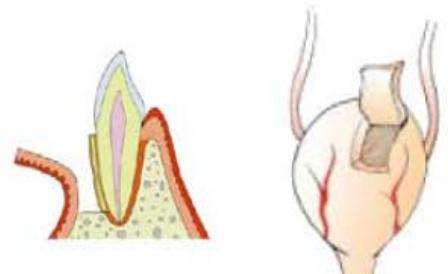
**Thickness limit for layered cardiomyocyte sheets in subcutaneous tissue is approximately 80 um (3 layers)**

**Homotypic  
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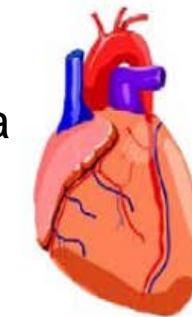
Creation of higher  
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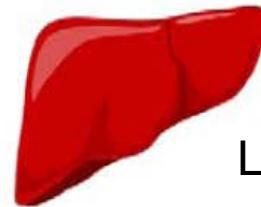
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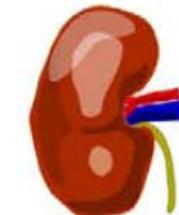
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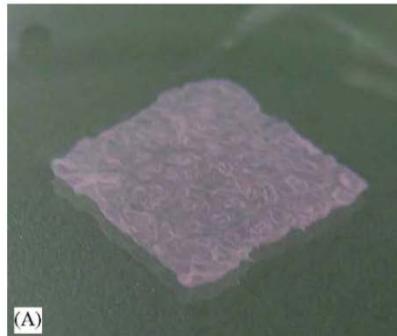


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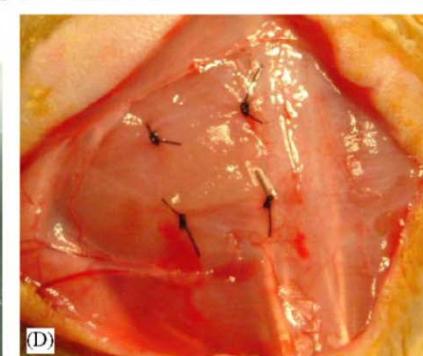
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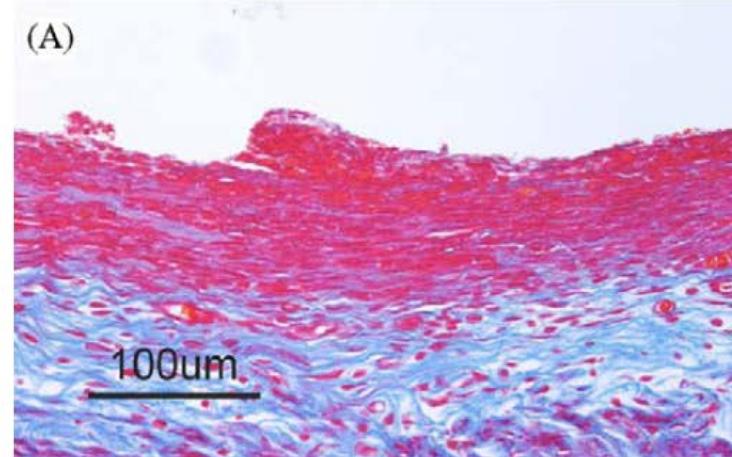


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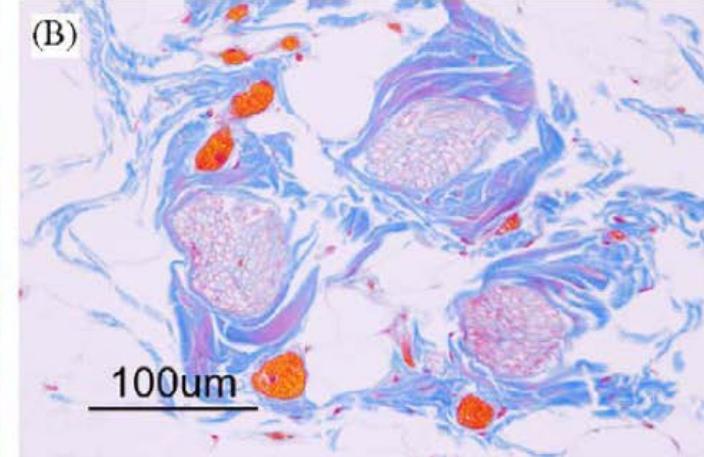
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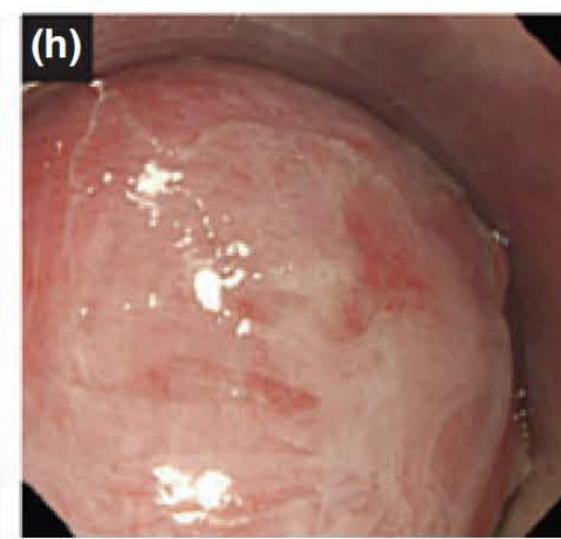
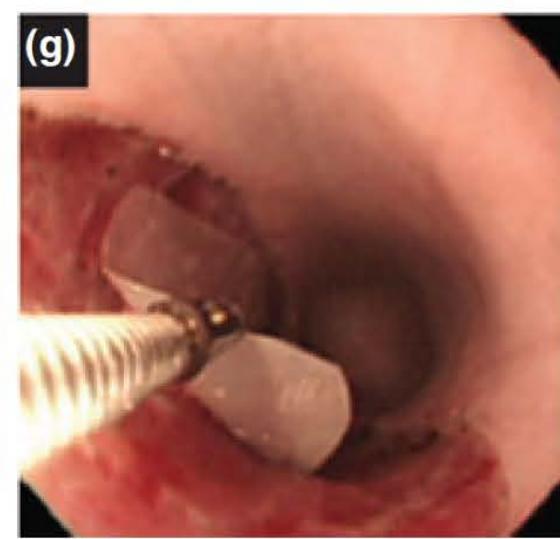
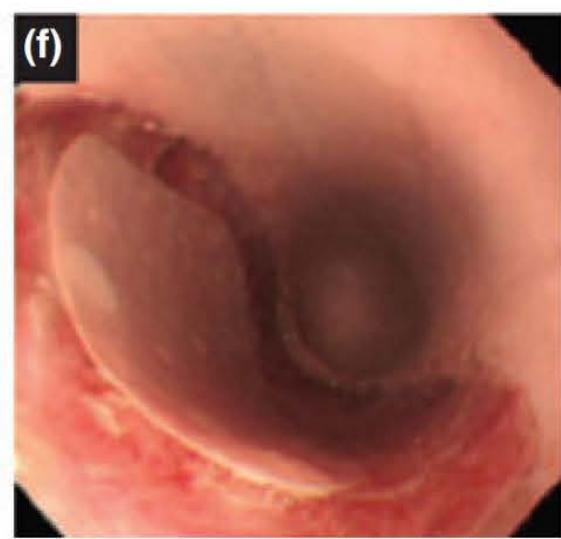
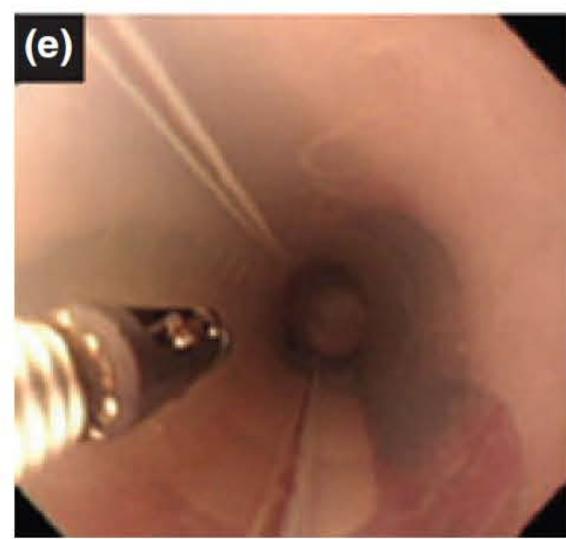
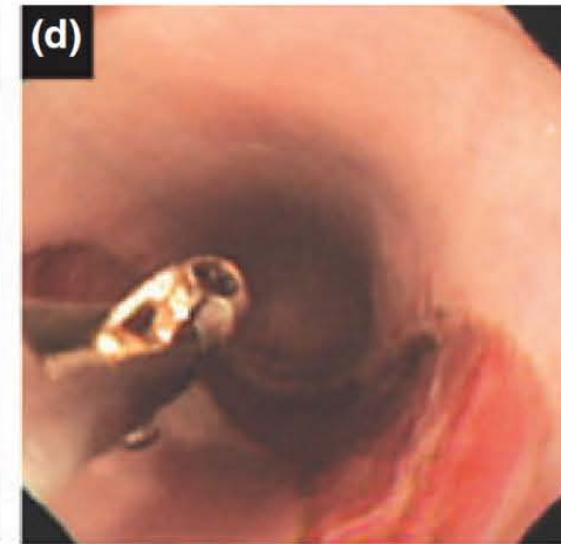
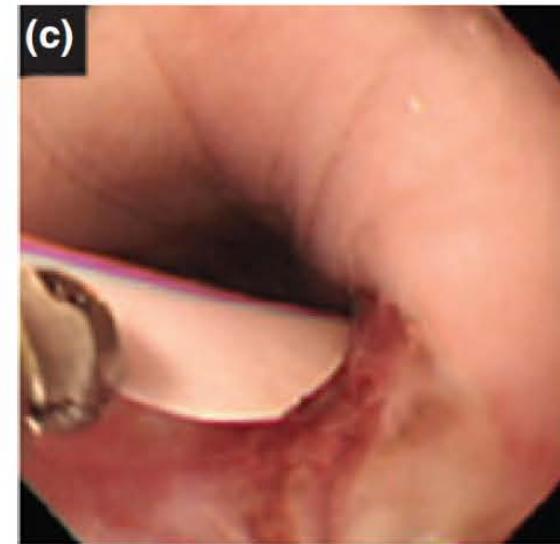
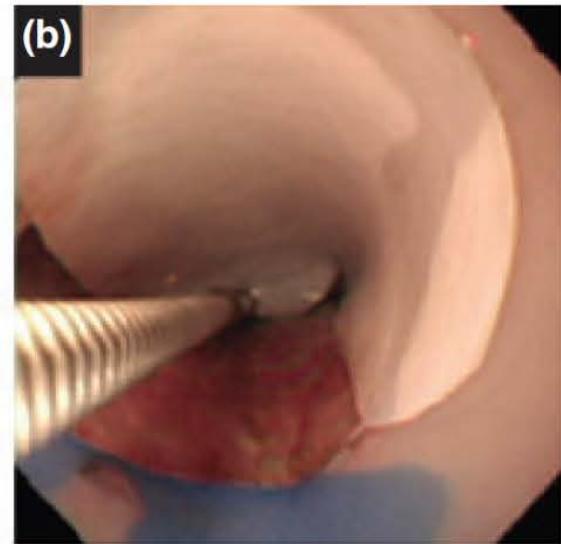
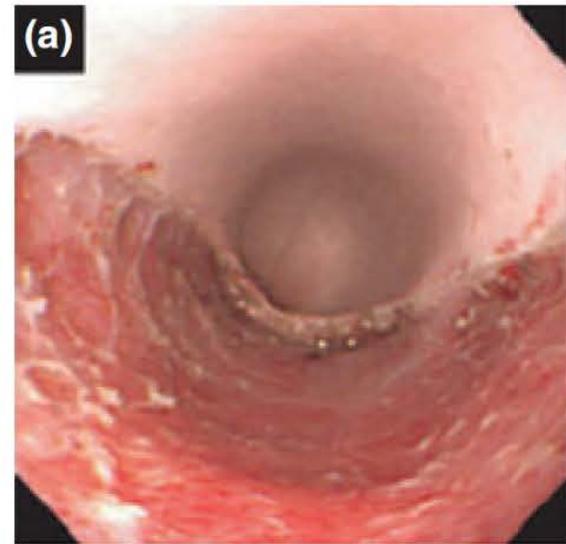


Cell sheet transplanted



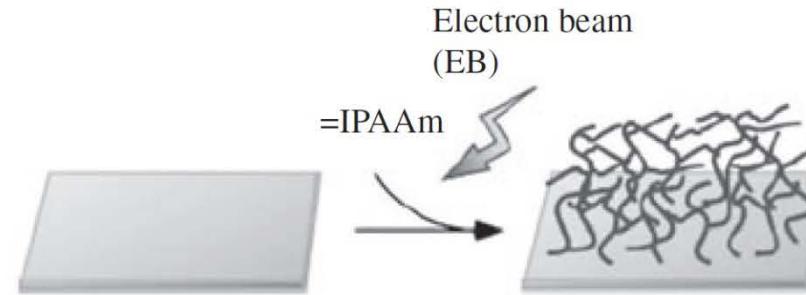
Injection of smooth muscle cells



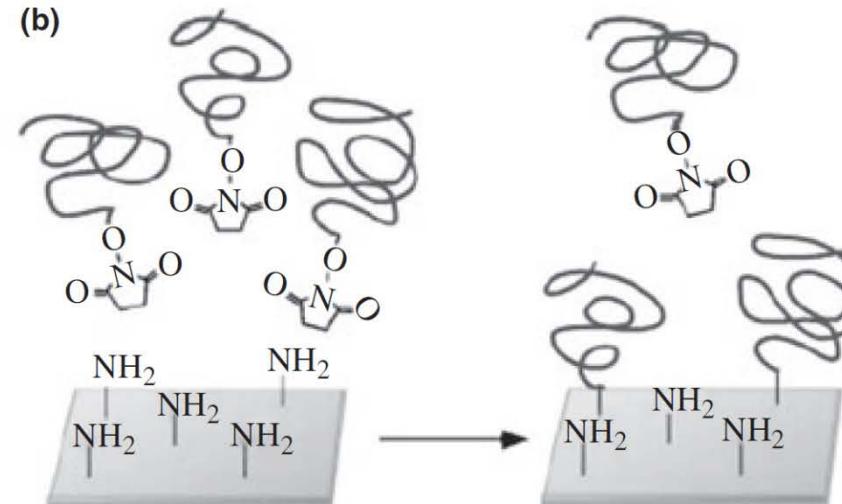


**Electron beam irradiation**

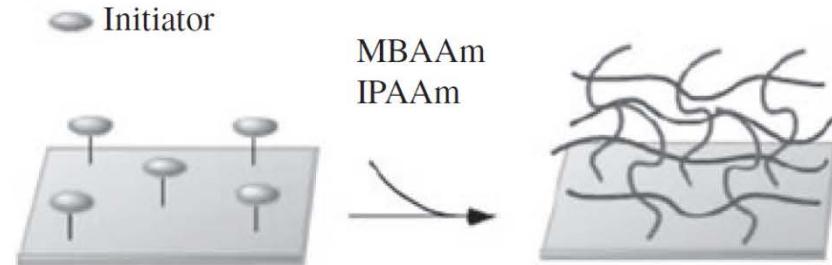
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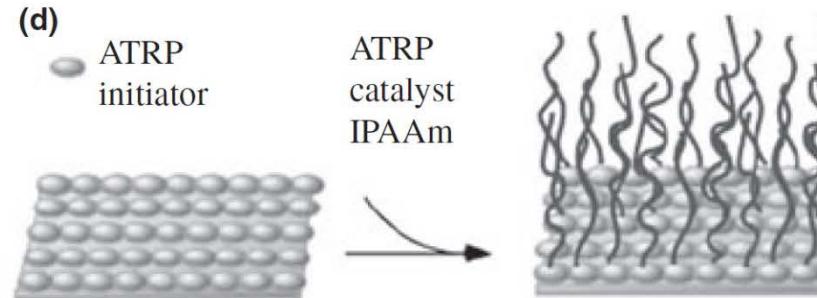
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**Grafting from approach**

(c)

**Surface-initiated living radical polymerization**

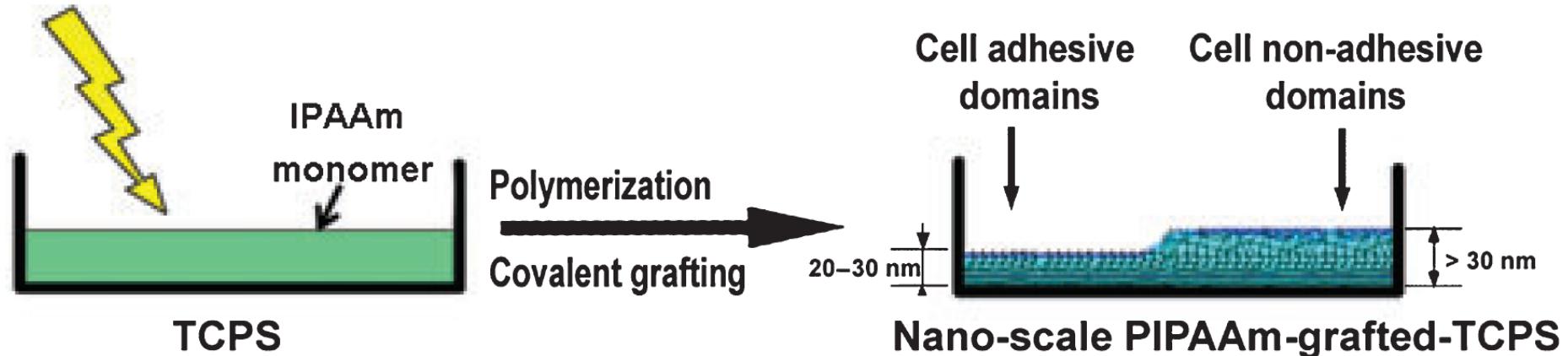
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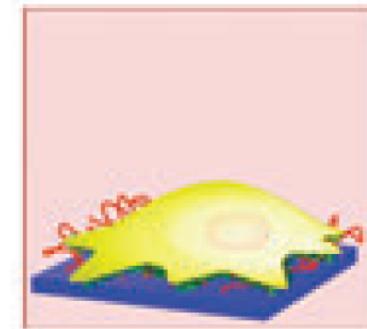
- The grafted polymer thickness is controlled by monomer concentrations and radiation energy. The typical thickness of the EB-grafted PIPAAm polymer is <100nm.

- By adjusting polymerization reaction conditions and duration, it becomes possible to culture cells to confluence and to detach them as contiguous cell sheets from PIPAAm brush surfaces at relatively elevated and relatively reduced temperatures, respectively.
- A density of approximately 1.4 ug/cm (ca. 20nm in thickness) is optimal for the temperature-responsive cell adhesion/detachment control of various types of cells within a margin of 0.8-2.2 ug/cm.

Electron beam

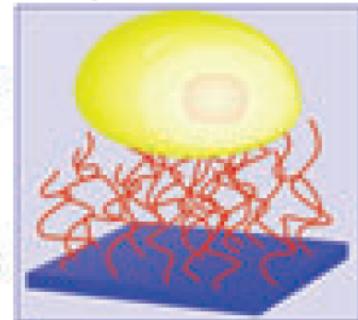


hydrophobic



adhesion

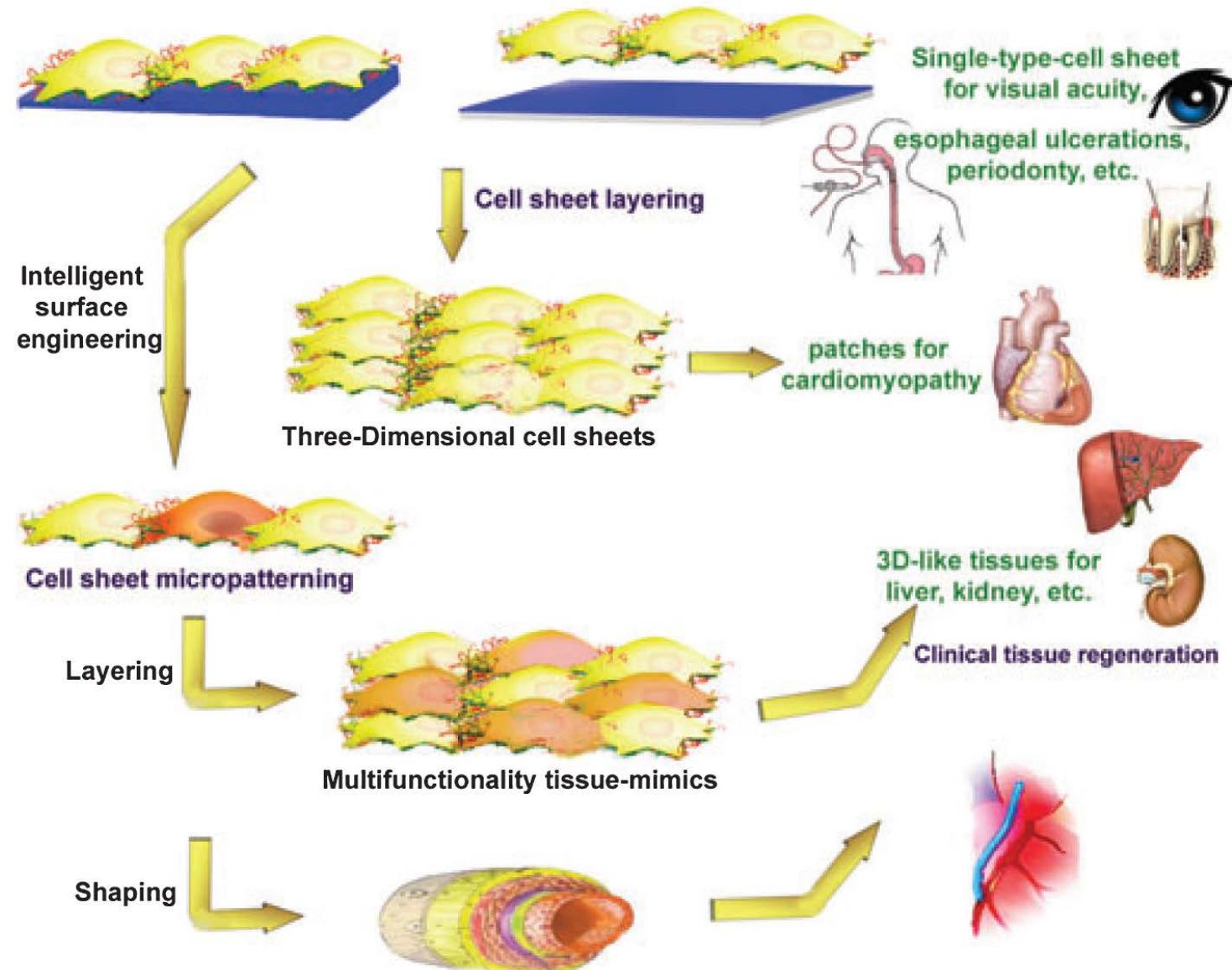
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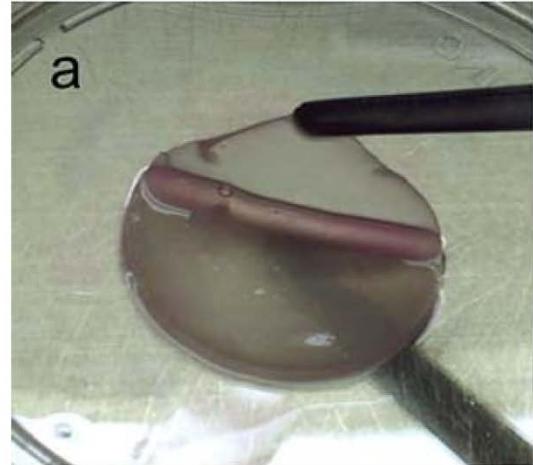
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# NANOTECH-BASED CELL SHEET ENGINEERING

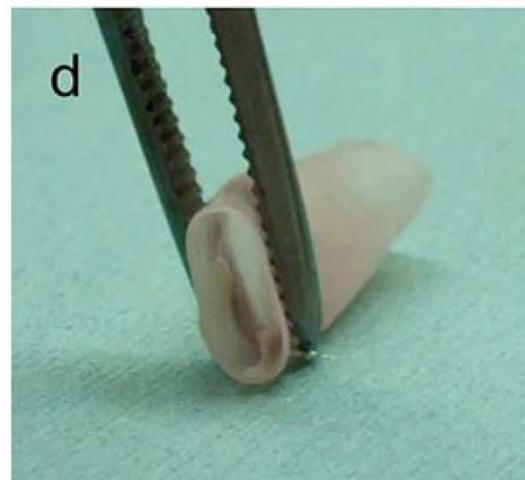
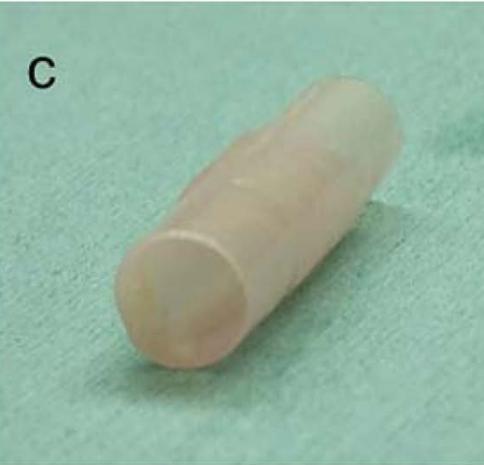
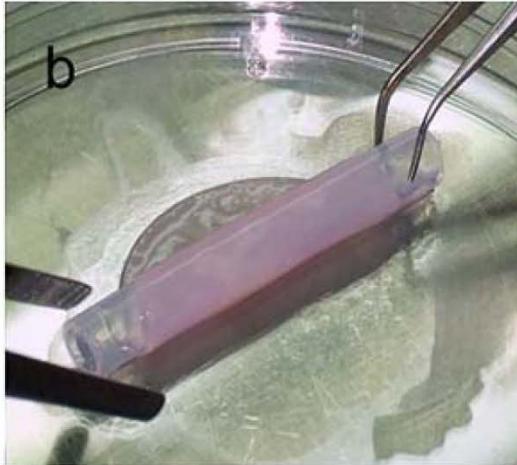


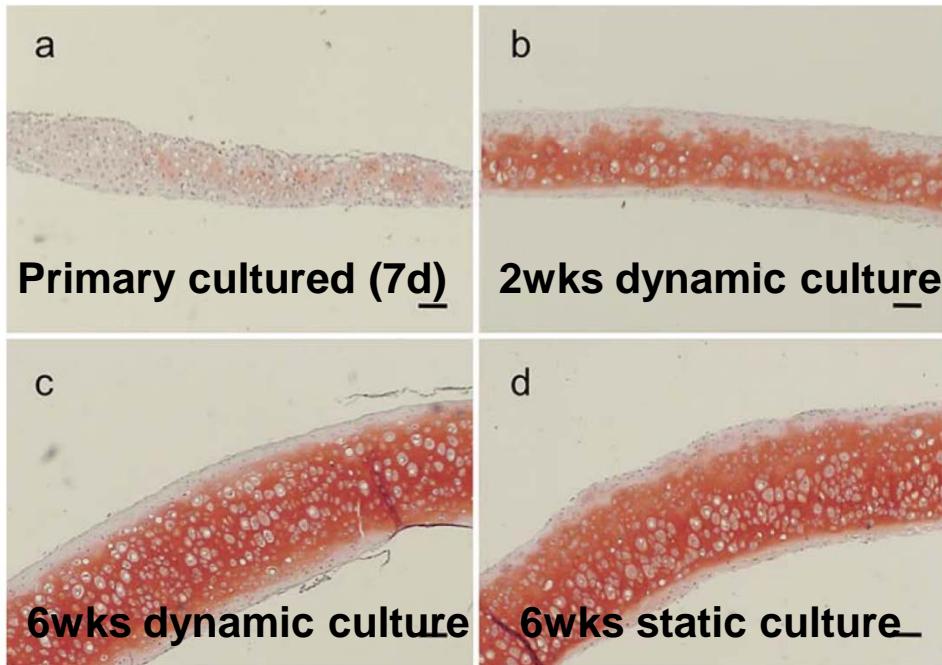
# Scaffold-free Cylindrical Cartilage

Primary culture for 7days



Loop around a sterile silicon tube





Col II

