

# ***Biomaterials dedicated to bone regeneration***

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# Day 3

**Biomaterial for regeneration in Tissue engineering strategies before to move to personalized medicine with specific construct adapted to one patient**

# Why Tissue engineering?

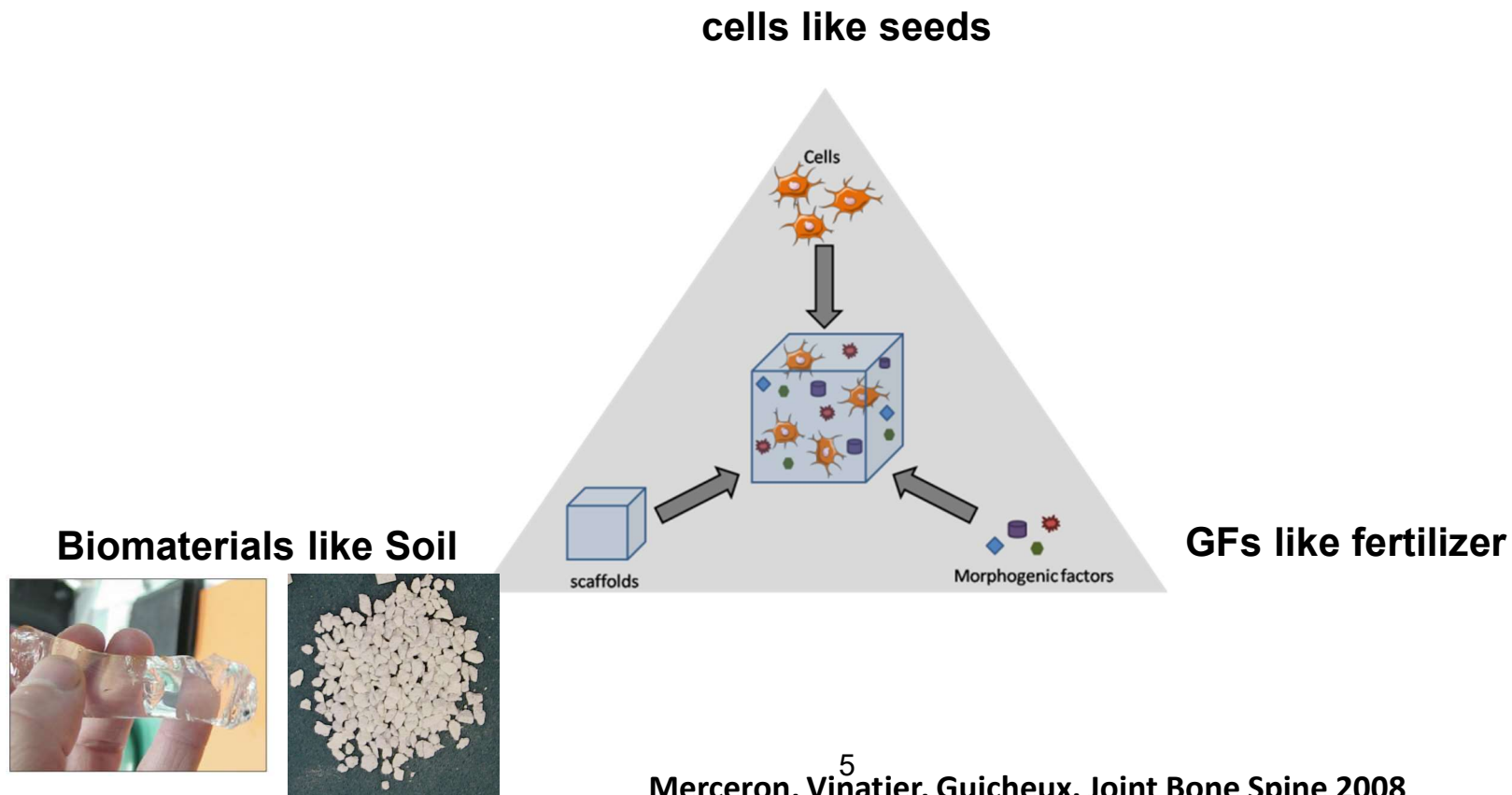
- 2 THERAPEUTIC AXES

- Large bone losses.
- Articular and IV Cartilage Lesions



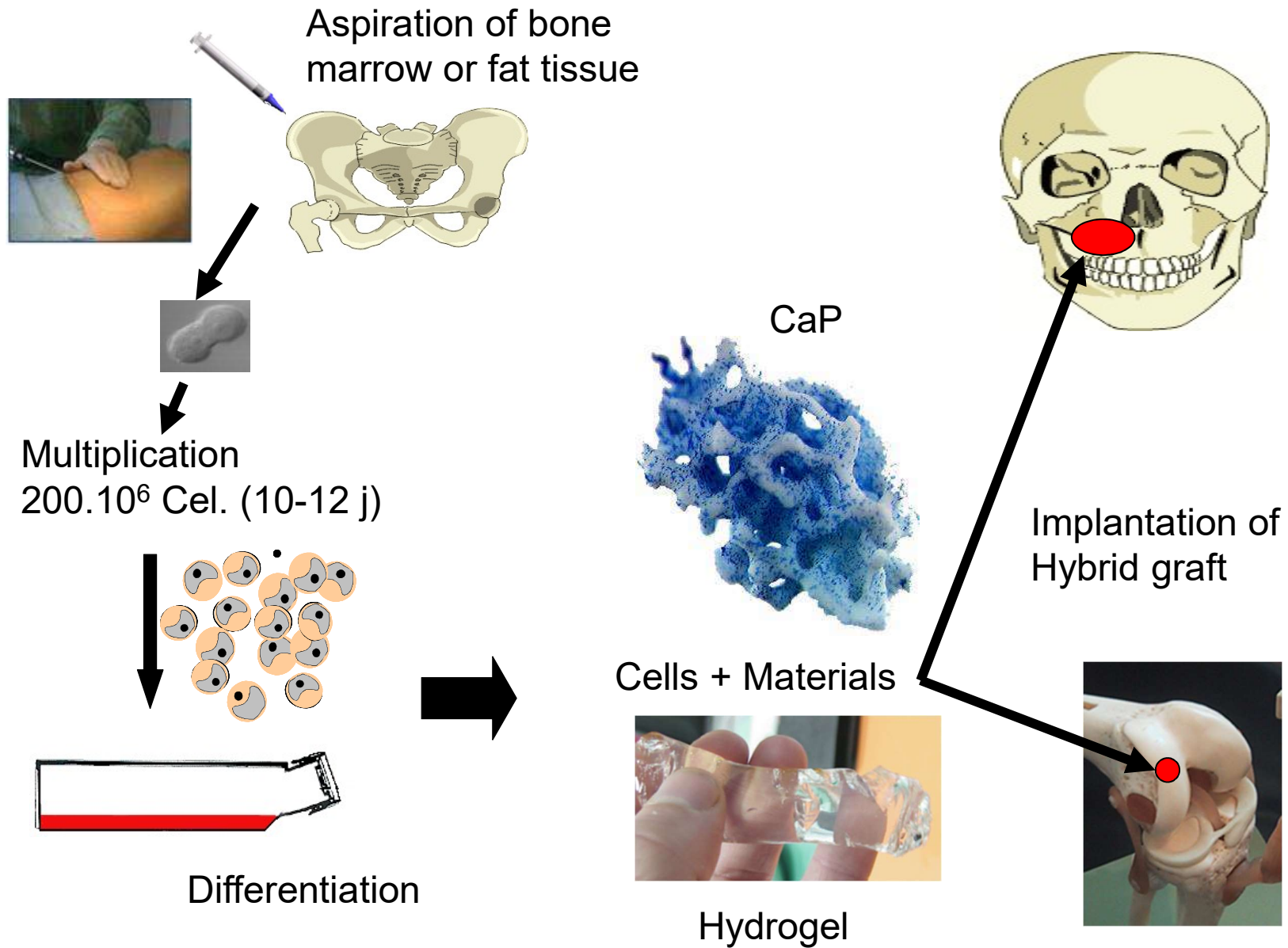
# Tissue engineering

« The application of the principles and methods of engineering and life sciences toward the development of biological substitutes that restore, maintain or improve tissue function » (Woodfield, 2001).



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Merceron, Vinatier, Guicheux. Joint Bone Spine 2008

# How do we do TE:



# Cells ? and Cells interactions ?

# Bone Tissue Engineering ?

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## Determining a Clinically Relevant Strategy for Bone Tissue Engineering: An "All-in-One" Study in Nude Mice

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### MSCs fate ?

→ Cells die after 4 weeks of implantation in bone

J. Cell. Mol. Med. Vol 15, No 7, 2011 pp.

Survival and function of mesenchymal stem cells (MSC) depend on glucose to overcome exposure to long-term severe and continuous hypoxia

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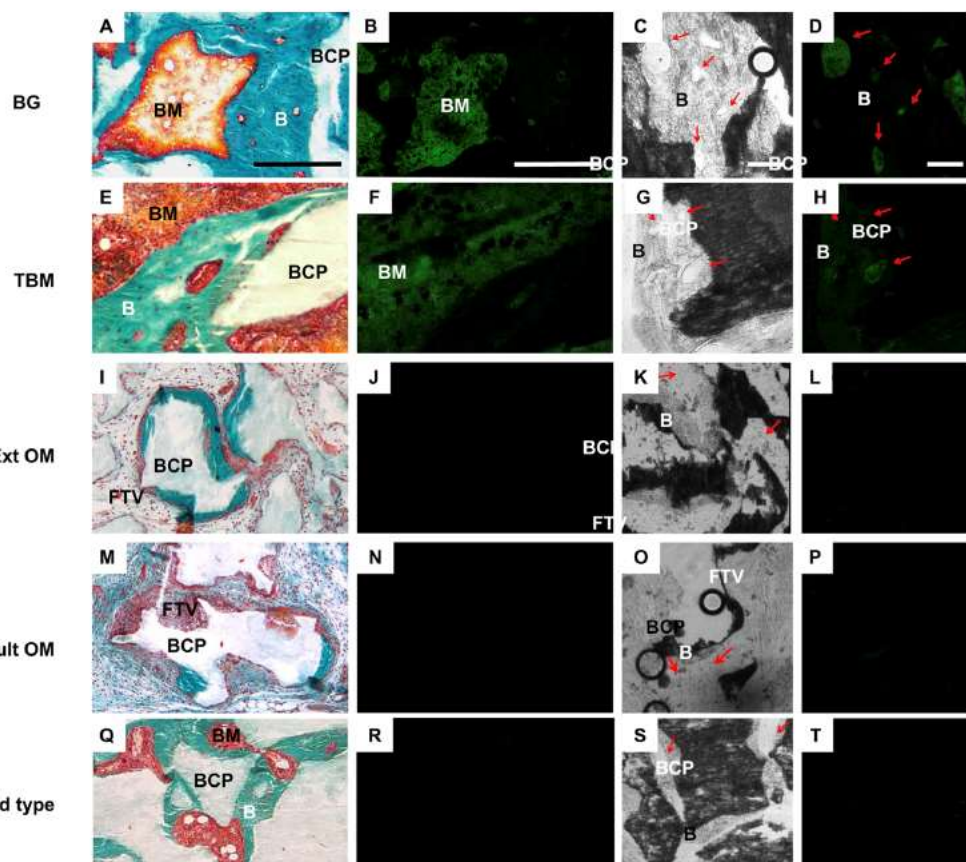
→ Hypoxia with Glucose didn't kill MSC : Ischemia is problem

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Mesenchymal stem cell-based tissue regeneration governed by recipient T lymphocytes via IFN- $\gamma$  and TNF- $\alpha$

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→ T cells regulate autologous MSC



**Figure 7. "In vivo" tracking of donor cells.** Goldner trichrome staining (A, E, I, M and Q). B: bone, BCP: biphasic calcium phosphate, BM: bone marrow, FVT: fibrovascular tissue. Bar: 250  $\mu$ m. Green fluorescence of GFP retrieved in subcutaneous implants (B, F, J, N and R). Nude mice implanted with non-GFP BM were used as negative controls (TBM wild type). Bar: 250  $\mu$ m. Transmitted light showing vessels in connective tissues surrounding the BCP granules or in newly formed bone (red arrow) (C, G, K, O and S) Bar: 100  $\mu$ m. Fluorescent light showing vessels only in TBM and BG groups (red arrow) (D, H, L, P and T) Bar: 100  $\mu$ m.  
doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0081599.g007



# Why an Hydrogel better than liquid viscous solution ?

- Against flow and leakage of the injectable biomaterials
- To do injectable foam cements
- To protect cells from Immune system in Bone TE

For Bone -> Calcium phosphate + Hydrogel

# Hydrogels

# What is an Hydrogel ?»

"Water swollen networks of polymers."

"Hydrogels are hydrated polymeric networks [...]"

(**Burdick**; Nat Methods. 2016 April 28; 13(5): 405–414.;  
Current Opinion in Biotechnology 2016, 40:35–40)

"They swell spontaneously in water to high levels without being water soluble, and provide readily chemically modified, cross-linked, hydrated, elastic networks."

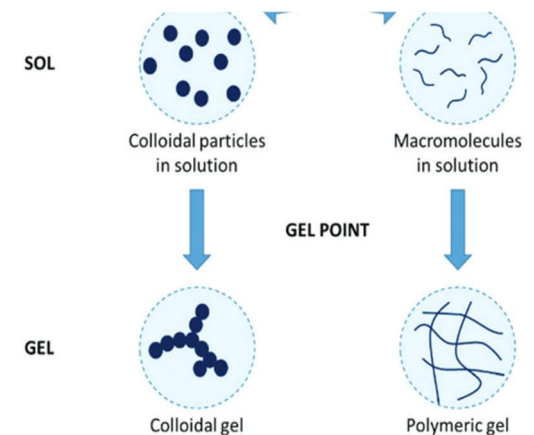
(**David Grainger**; Biomaterials 141 (2017) 96e115)

"hydrogels are networks of polymer chains that are sometimes found as colloidal gels in which water is the dispersion medium."

(**Ahmed**; Journal of Advanced Research (2015) 6, 105–121)

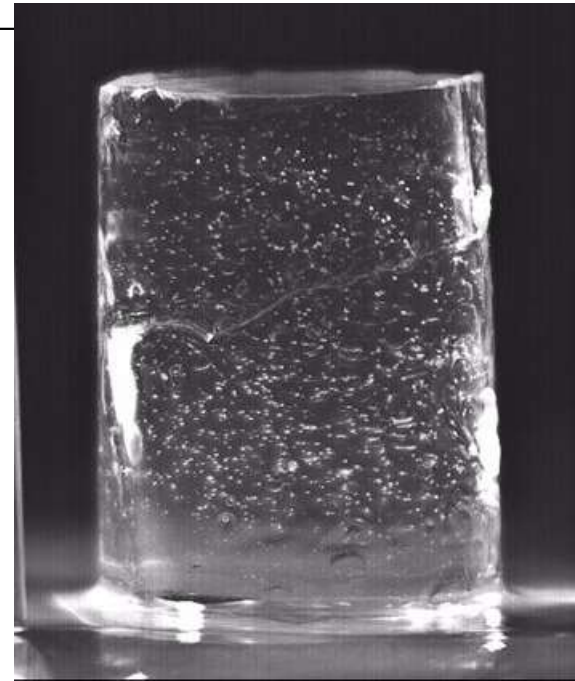
International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) :

"Non-fluid colloidal network or polymer network that is expanded throughout its whole volume by a fluid."

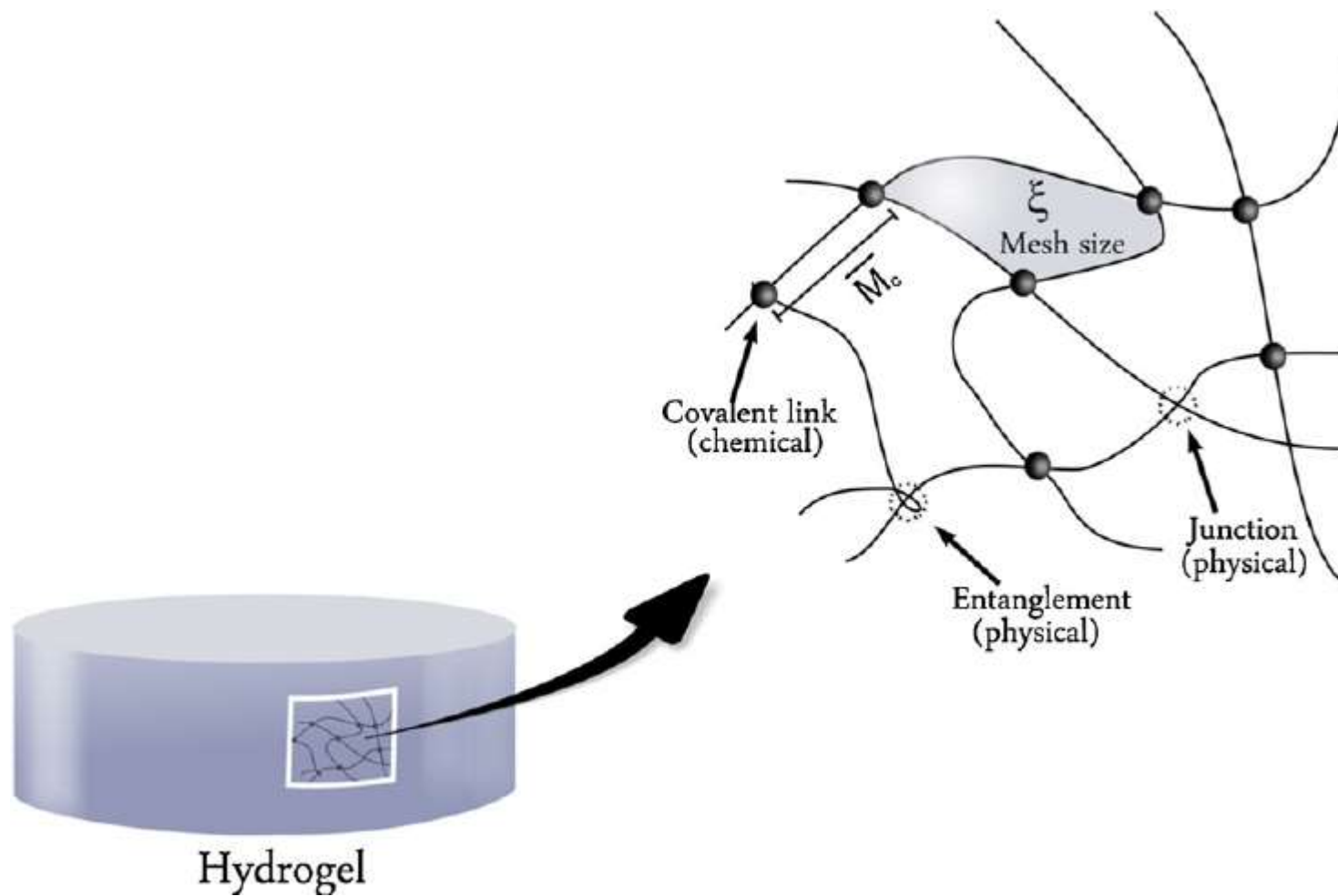




Hydrogel of a  
superabsorbent polymer



# Viscous liquid or elastic solide ?



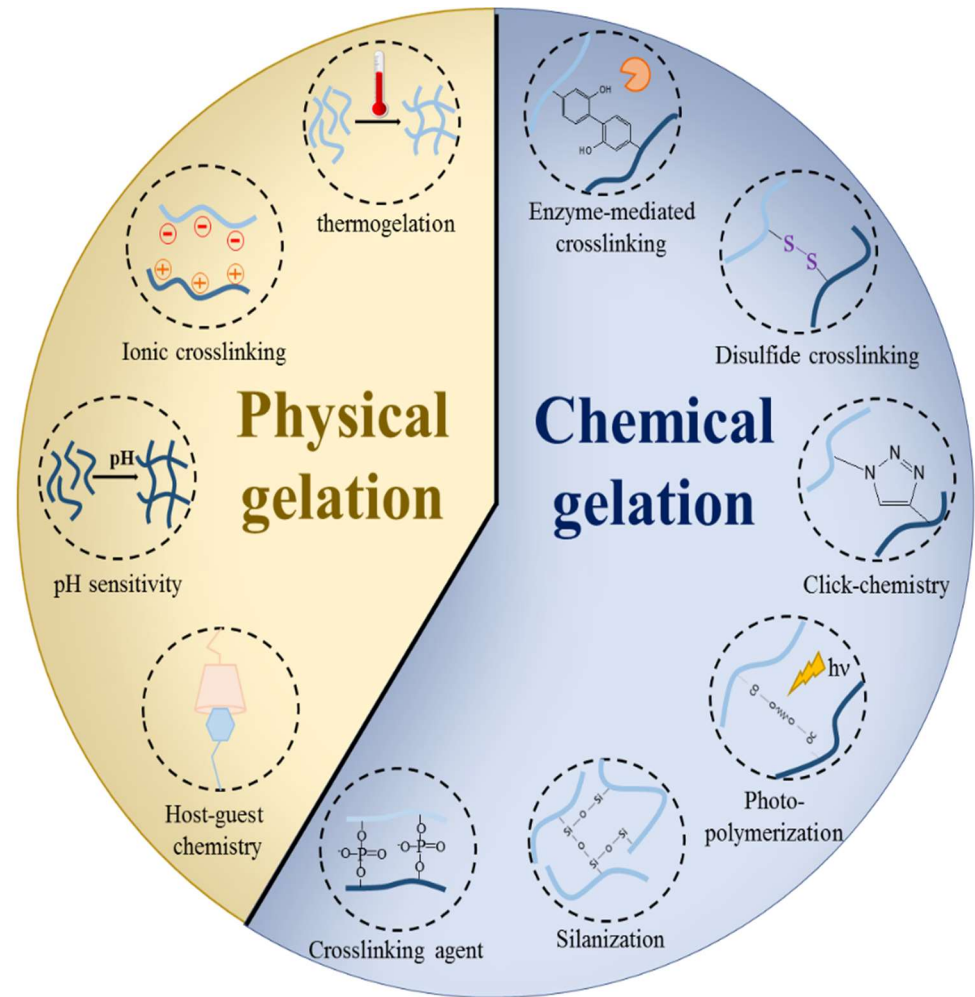


Development of biomimetic injectable and macroporous regenerative medicine

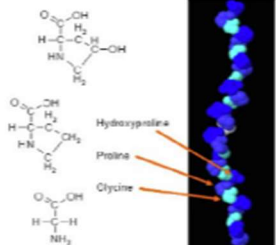
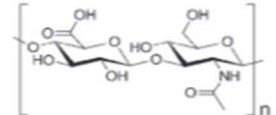
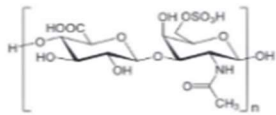
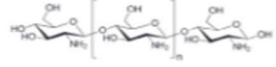
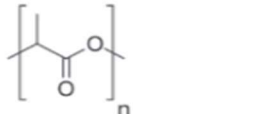
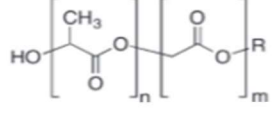
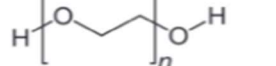
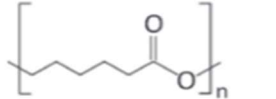


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- Hydrogels in Tissue Engineering:
  - 90%+ Water
  - Hydrophilic polymer
  - Biocompatible
  - Biodegradable
  - Weak mechanical properties



**Table 1**  
Common polymer types (natural and synthetic) used as drug-delivering carriers and drug-releasing scaffolds. Chemical structure, advantages, drawbacks, and cartilage applications provided.

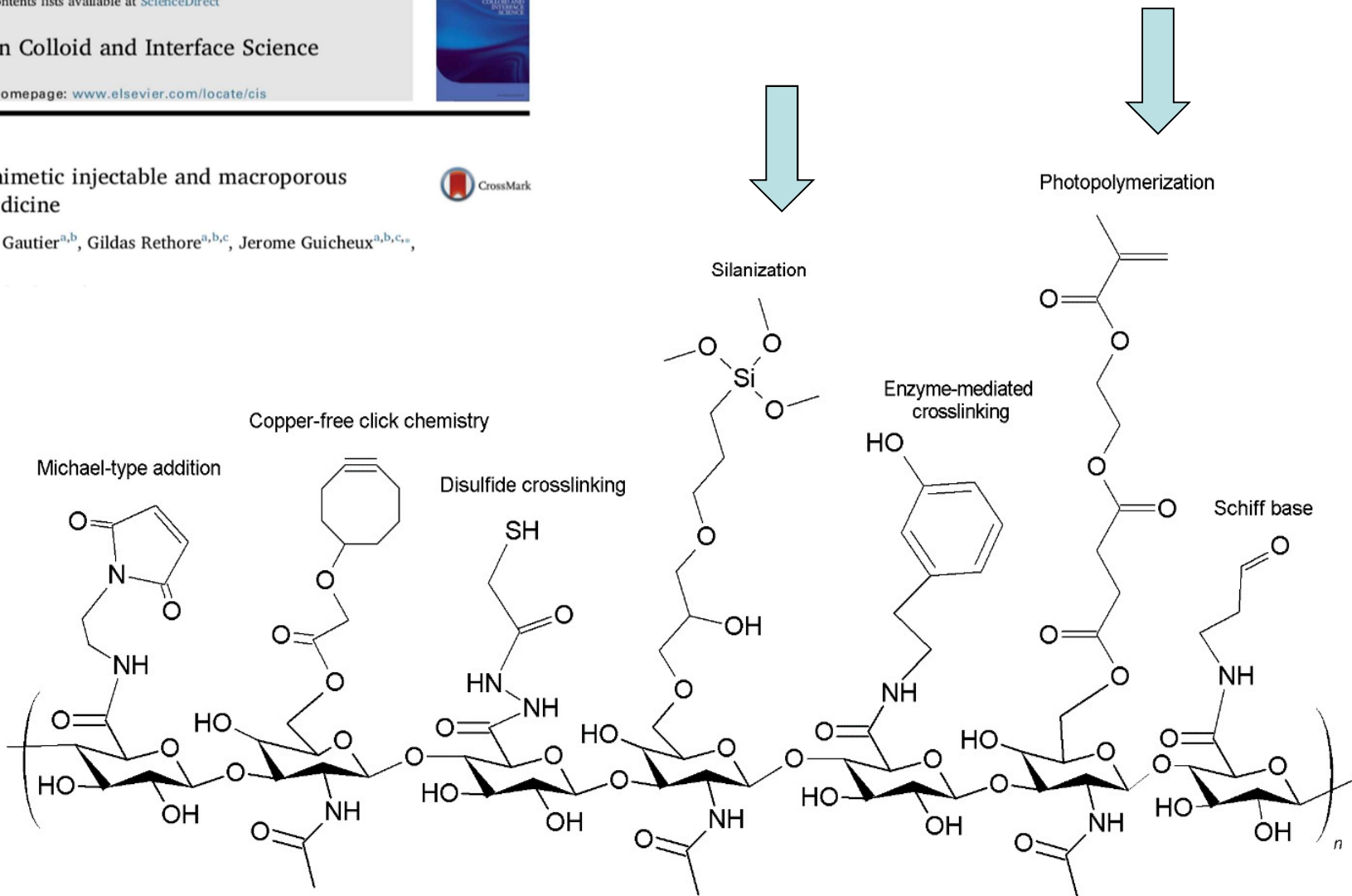
	Polymer name	Chemical structure	Advantages	Drawbacks	Uses
Natural	Collagen (type I/II)		Excellent biocompatibility, bioresorbable, natural component of ECM, already used clinically	Type II collagen (cartilage-specific) can be immunogenic, relatively low biomechanics	Tissue engineering scaffolds and gels, used for MACI and other clinical cartilage restoration techniques
	Hyaluronic Acid [HA]		Chemically modifiable, natural GAG in cartilage matrix	Requires modification to form 3D structures	Tissue engineering hydrogels/scaffolds, drug depots, intra-articular injection
	Chondroitin Sulfate [CS]		Chemically modifiable, native to cartilage tissue	Low molecular weight	Hydrogels for tissue engineering, nanoparticle carriers
	Chitosan		Biocompatible, non-cytotoxic, contains cartilage components	Slow gelation for in situ applications	Microsphere carrier, tissue engineering scaffold
Synthetic	Poly(lactic acid) [PLA]		Easily processed, elongated degradation, high strength	Acidic byproducts, autocatalytic degradation	Tissue engineering scaffolds, drug carriers
	Poly(lactic-co-glycolic acid) [PLGA]		Selectable degradation based on copolymer ratio	Acidic byproducts, poor long-term stability	Nano-carriers (e.g. FX006), micro-carriers, tissue engineering scaffolds
	Polyethylene glycol [PEG]		Easily functionalized	Non-degradability, no inherent biologic impact	Microcapsules, drug depots, hydrogels, liposomal fortification
	Polycaprolactone [PCL]		Easily processed and manufactured	Slow degradation, intracellular resorption	manufactured scaffolds (e.g. 3D-printing), drug delivery

J. M. Patel, K. S. Saleh, J. A. Burdick et al., Bioactive factors for cartilage repair and regeneration: Improving delivery, retention, and activity, Acta Biomaterialia, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.actbio.2019.01.06>



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**Common chemical modifications leading to the formation of hydrogels using the example of the hyaluronic acid polysaccharide.**



# Dehydrated hydrogel: porous structures

Pierre-Olivier Bagnaninchi, *Biotechnol Bioeng*, 2003.

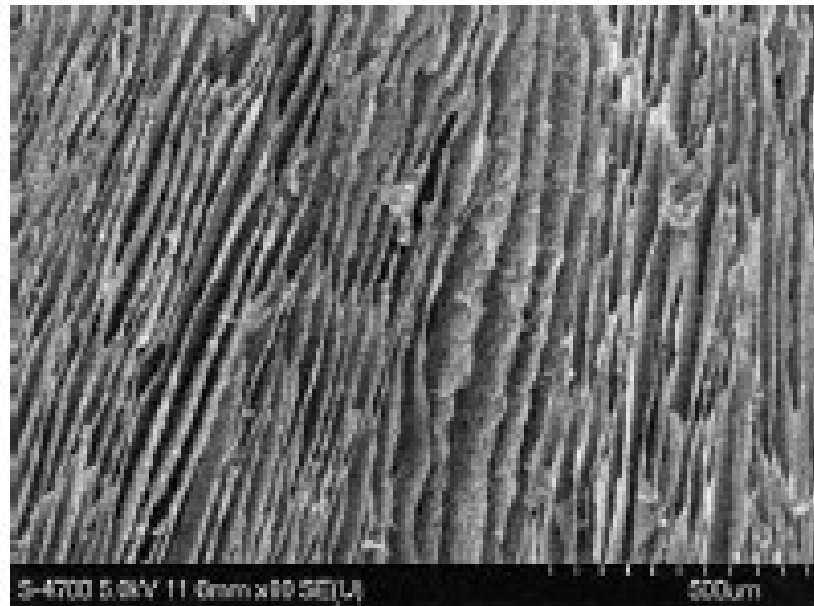


Figure 1. SEM picture of a radially oriented microporous scaffold obtained from the casting and freeze-drying of 3.0% (w/w) LMCS gels (batch Ib).

# Rapid prototyping of scaffolds

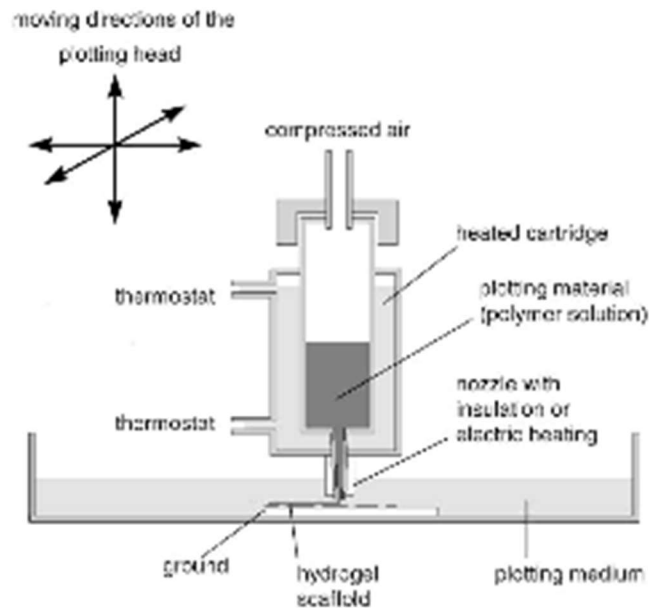


Fig. 2. Technical arrangement of the 3D plotter for the processing of thermoreversible hydrogels.

Landers et al. Rapid prototyping of scaffolds derived from thermoreversible hydrogels and tailored for applications in tissue engineering. *Biomaterials* (2002) vol. 23 (23) pp. 4437-47

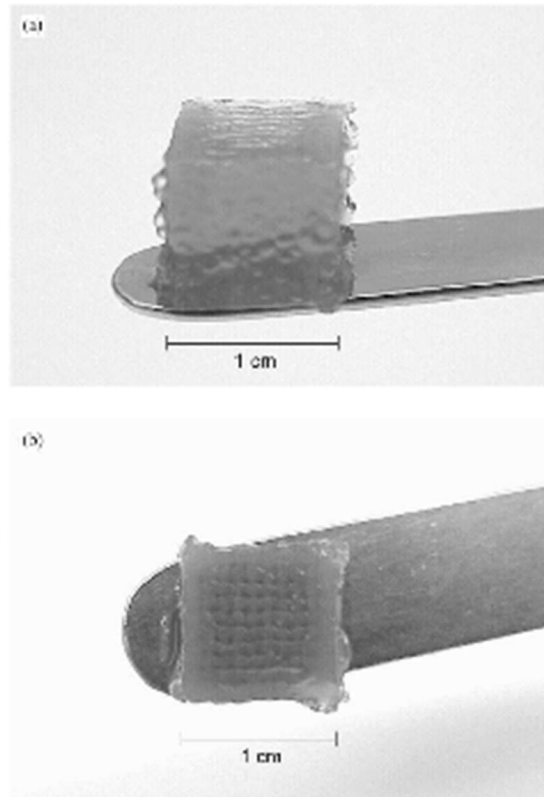


Fig. 6. Images of an agar scaffold: (a) side view of the porous scaffold, (b) top view of the same sample. The elastic scaffold is placed on air for acquiring the images. Gravity forces deform it to some extent, but the strand structure is still visible.

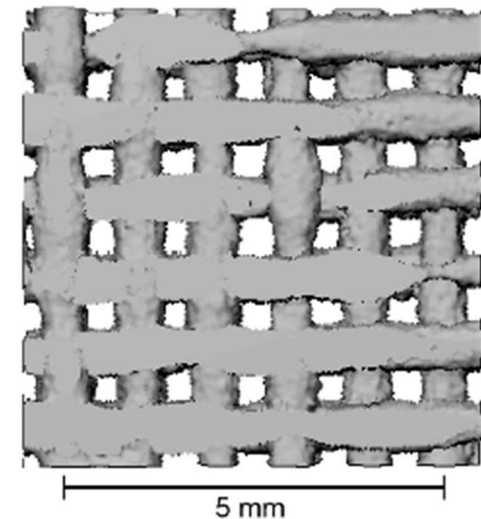
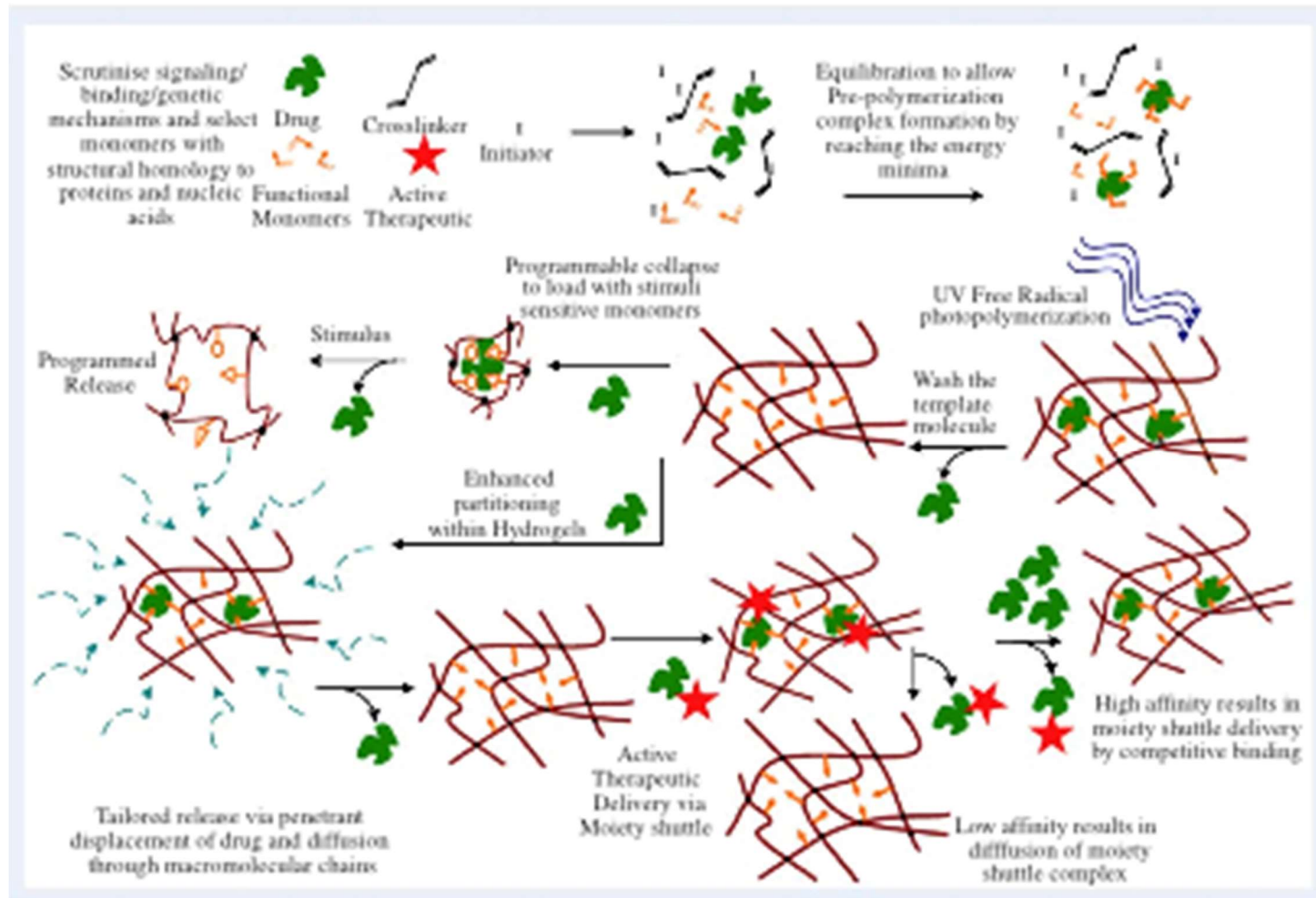


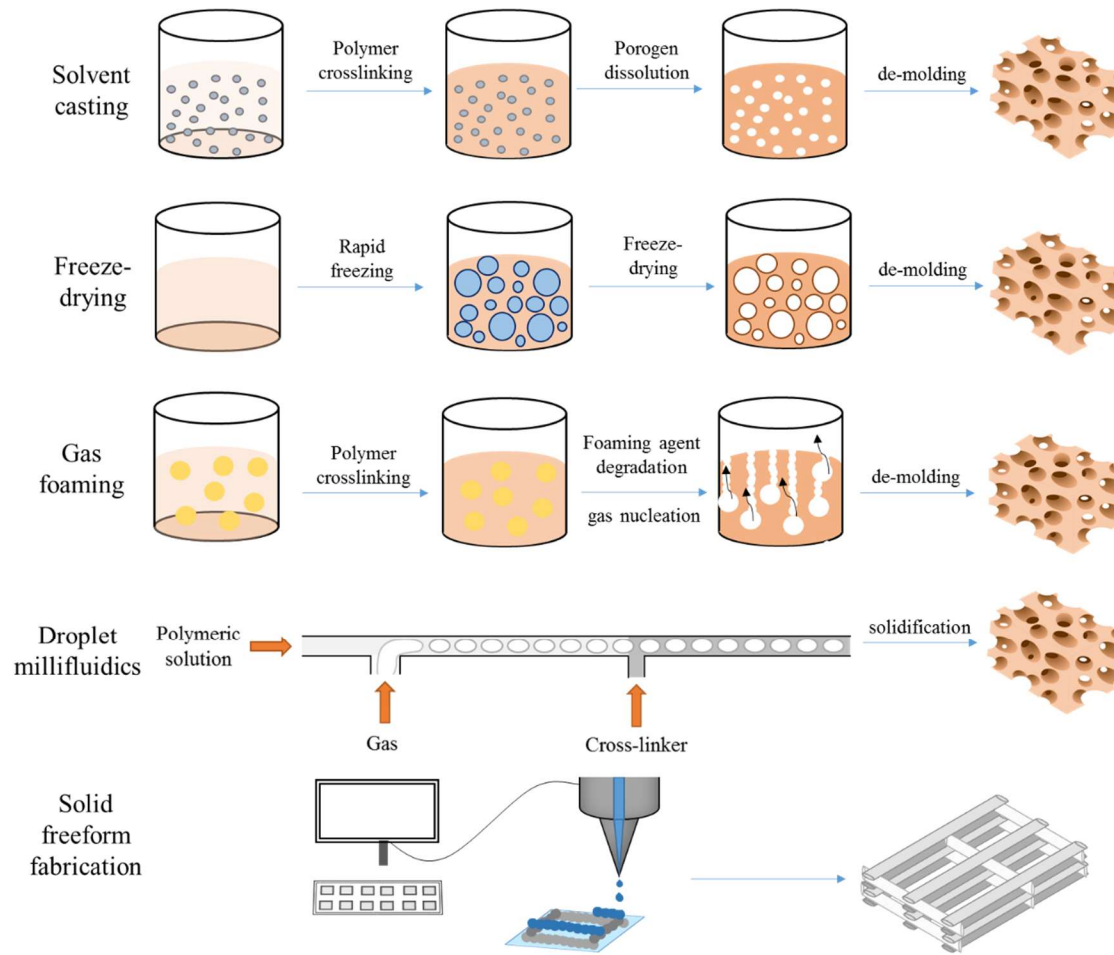
Fig. 7. Microtomographical analysis of a frozen agar scaffold. The pixel size is 5  $\mu$ m. The virtual cut of the 3D reconstruction is not exact in plain and the freezing causes smaller irregularities. The image indicates the porous structure inside the agar scaffold.

# « Smart » hydrogels



Venkatesh et al. Biomimetic hydrogels for enhanced loading and extended release of ocular therapeutics. *Biomaterials* (2007) vol. 28 (4) pp. 717-24

# Common manufacturing processes used to develop macroporous biohydrogels



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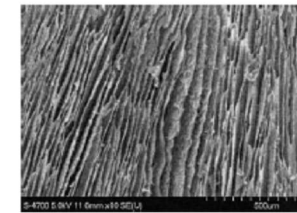


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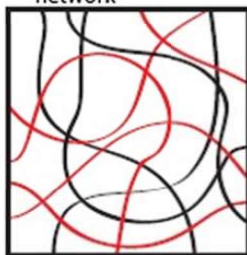
Historical perspective

Toward the development of biomimetic injectable and macroporous biohydrogels for regenerative medicine

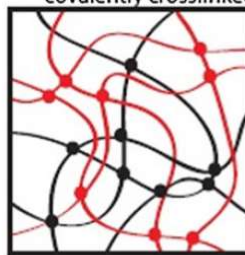
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# Gel toughening?

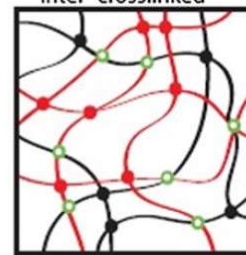
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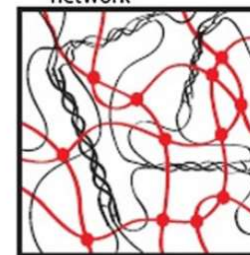
b) Double network, covalently crosslinked



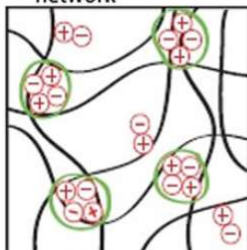
c) Double network, inter-crosslinked



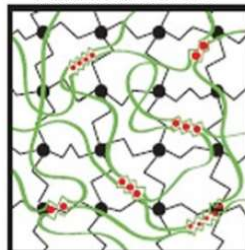
d) Synthetic biopolymer network



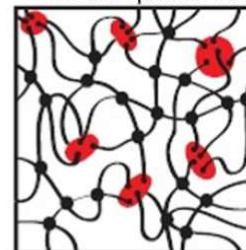
e) Ionically crosslinked network



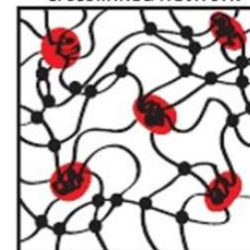
f) Ionically and covalently crosslinked network



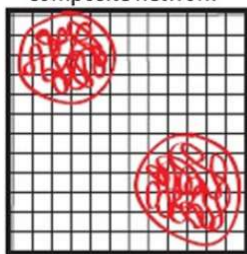
g) Double crosslinked nanocomposite network



h) Physically & covalently crosslinked network



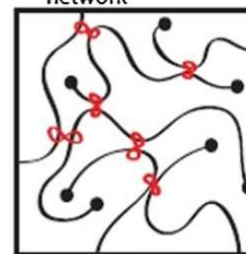
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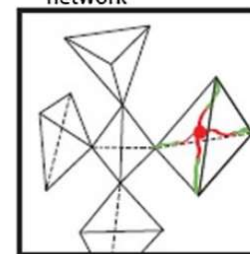
j) Composite network,  $T > T_{prep}$



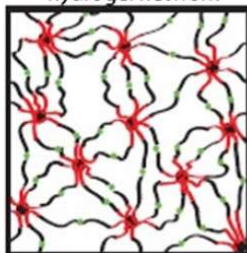
k) Slide ring hydrogel network



l) Tetra-PEG hydrogel network



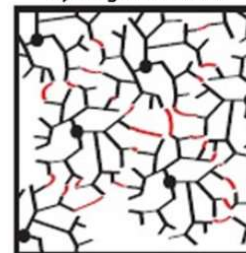
m) Micelle forming hydrogel network



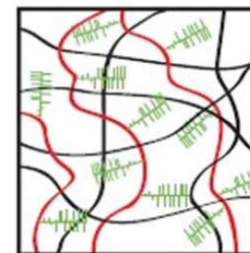
n) Single polymer hydrogel network



o) Dendritic polymer hydrogel network



p) Cartilage Schematic



From Peak, Wilker, et al.,  
*Colloid and Polymer Science*, 2013

## 2 formulations : hydrogels or composites

Molding and  
injectable material



Hydrogel alone

Or blend with Calcium phosphate ceramics



55- 80% of Hydrogel (1.5% of dry polymer in water solution (w/w)) + 20-45 % Calcium Phosphate BCP granules (40-80  $\mu\text{m}$ ) for Bone Tissue engineering.

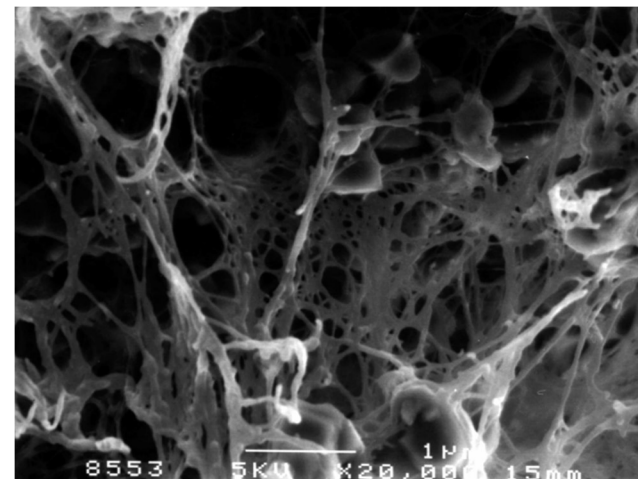
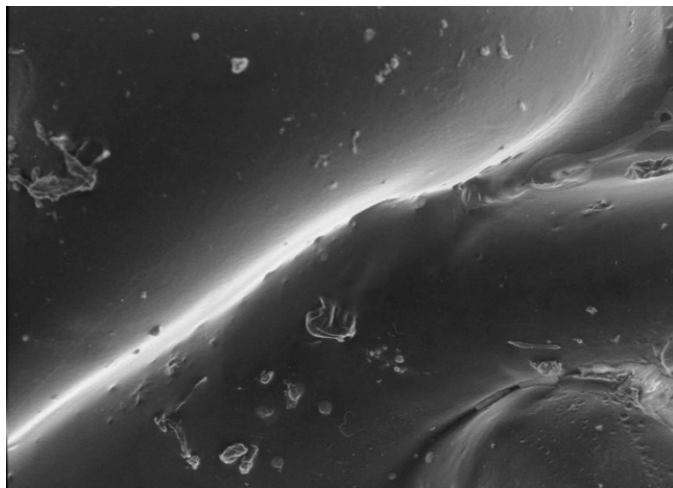
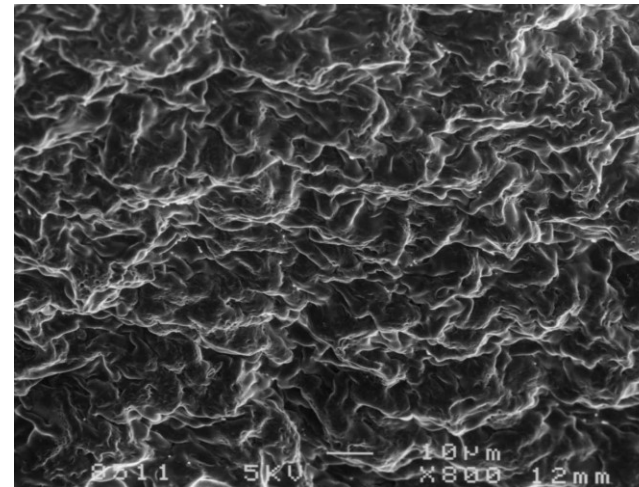
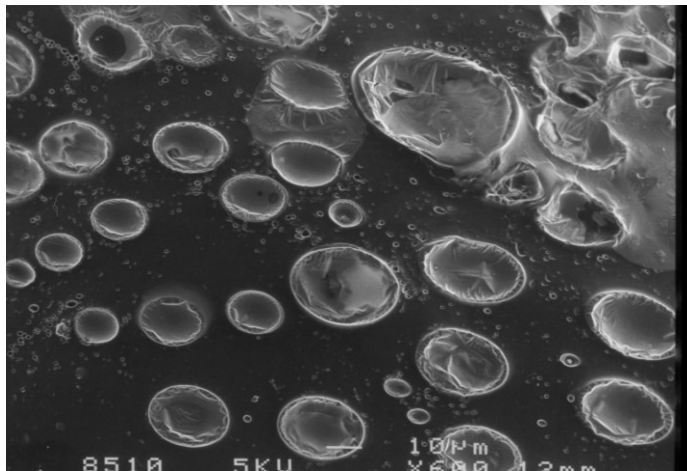
# Hydrogel characterization

# $\mu$ -characterization Platform

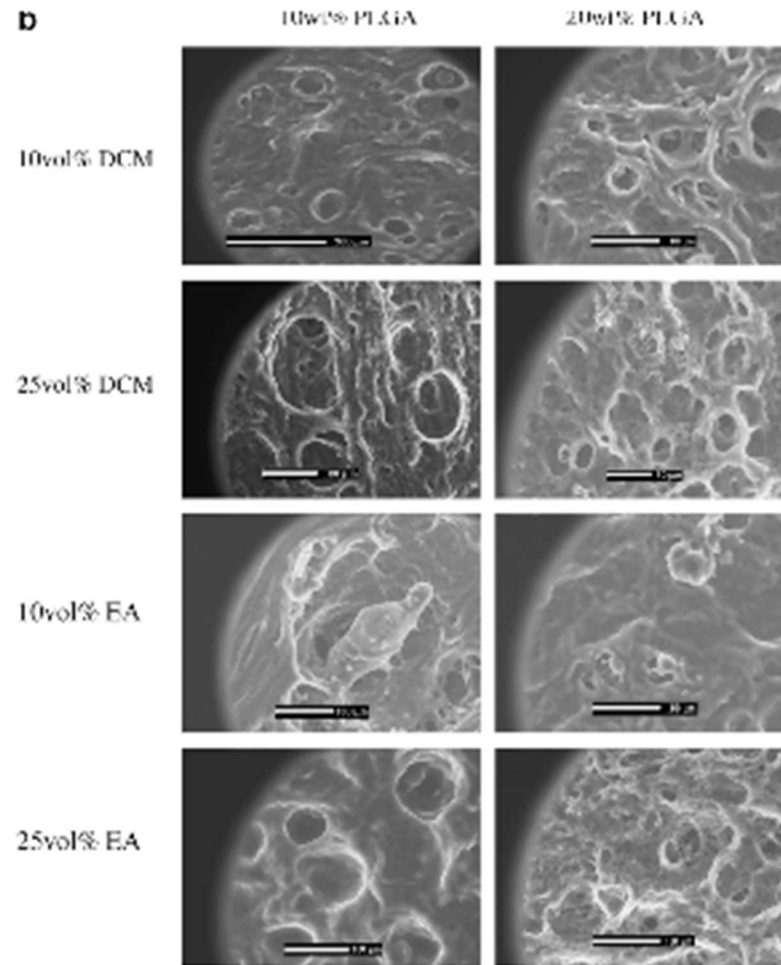




# Same dry hydrogel by SEM

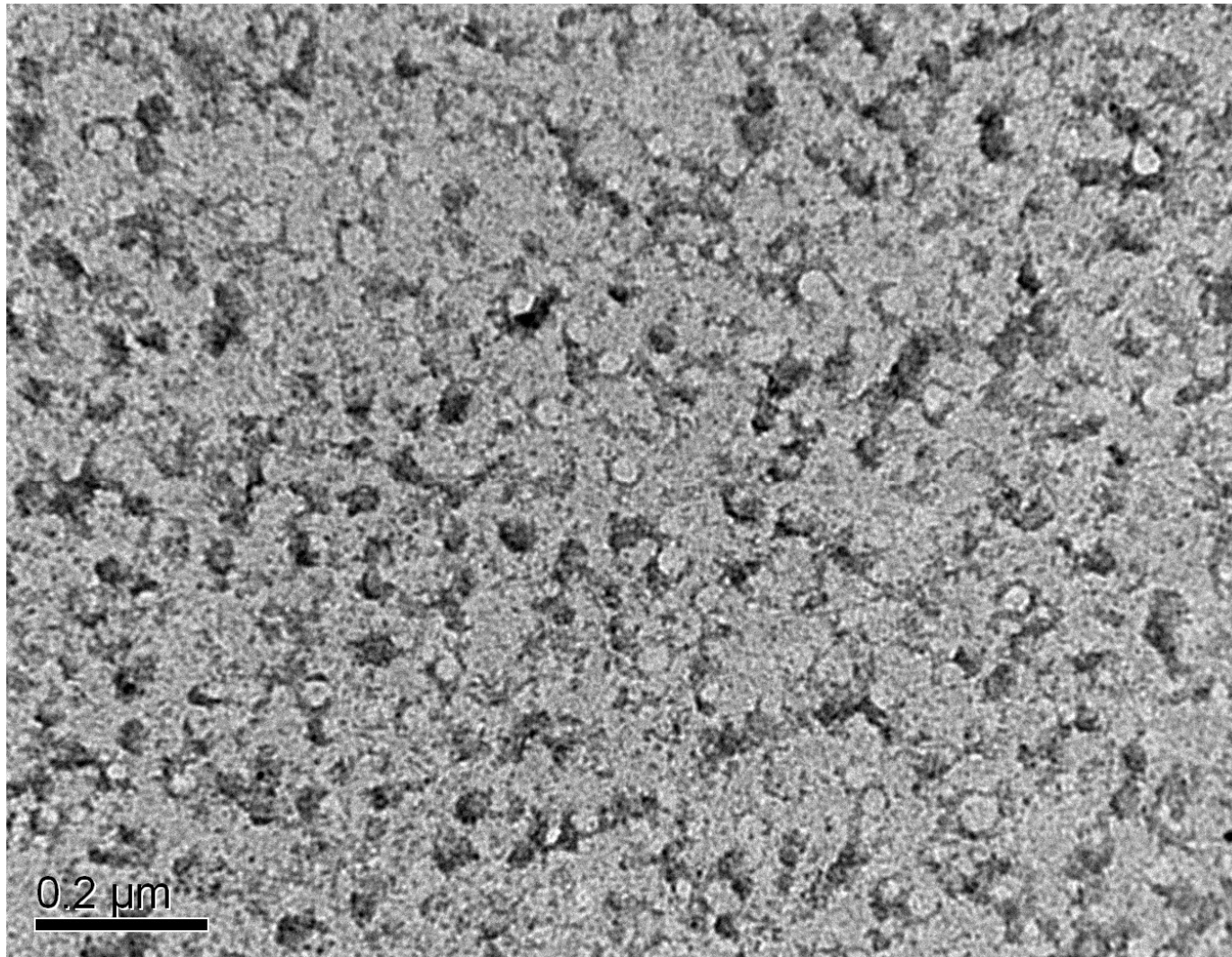


# ESEM



Spiller et al. Superporous hydrogels for cartilage repair: Evaluation of the morphological and mechanical properties. Acta Biomaterialia (2008) vol. 4 (1) pp. 17-25

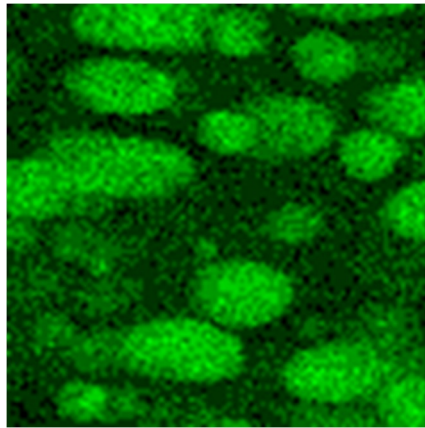
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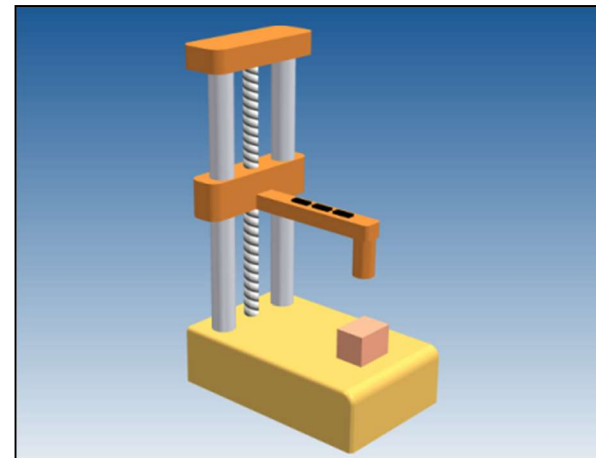
# Physico-chemistry : DRX, MFTIR, Rheology, Mechanics



# Methods of analysis

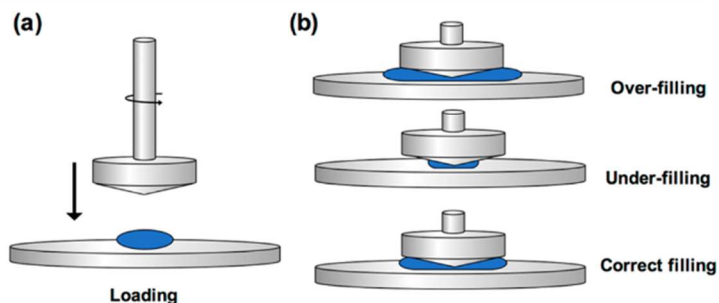
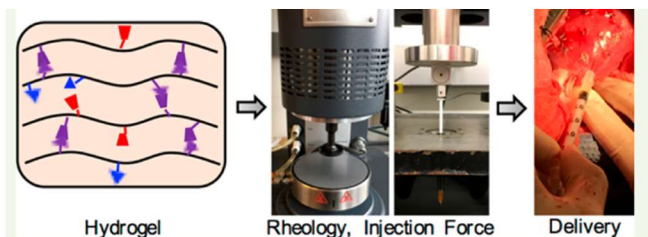


- Rheometry
  - Flow (injectability)
  - Oscillation (network)
- Mechanical measurements in compression
  - Resistance, creep, relaxation

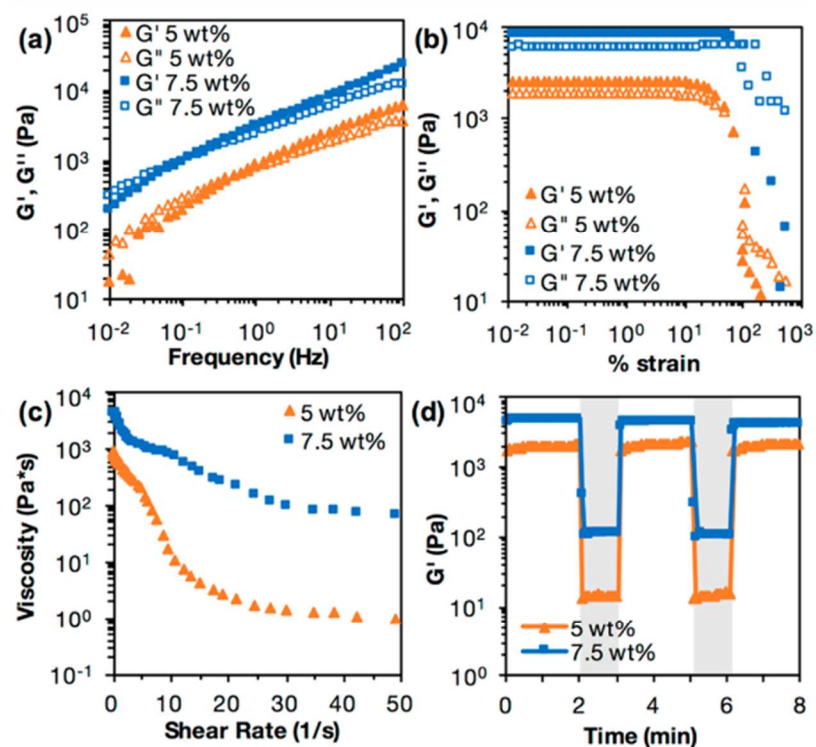


## Methods To Assess Shear-Thinning Hydrogels for Application As Injectable Biomaterials

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**Figure 1.** Hydrogel loading onto the rheometer stage. (a) When lowering the geometry onto the hydrogel, spin the geometry slightly for more even hydrogel loading. (b) Over-filling and under-filling of the sample results in increased and decreased forces, respectively. The hydrogel sample must fill the space between the geometry and the rheometer stage correctly for accurate measurements.



**Figure 2.** Results of (a) frequency sweep, (b) strain sweep, (c) continuous flow, and (d) cyclic strain time sweep rheology experiments for hydrogels of 5 and 7.5 wt% material concentration, using the described method and rheological parameters. For cyclic strain, shaded regions are high strain (500%) and unshaded regions are low strain (0.2%).

# Sweling

## Creep or relaxation

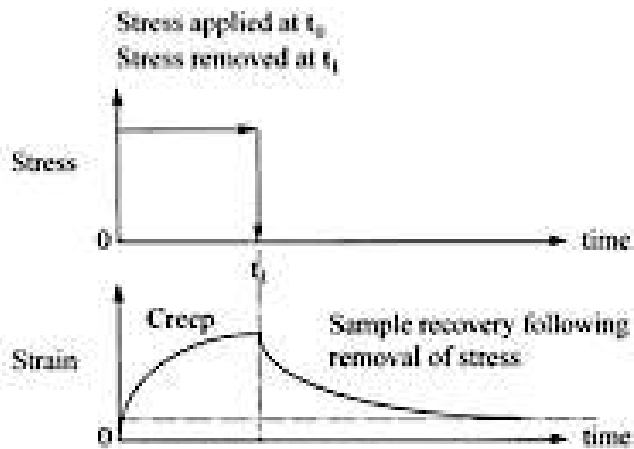


Fig. 2: Characteristic deformation (creep) of viscoelastic solids as a function of time.

Jones. International Journal of Pharmaceutics (1999) vol. 179 (2)

The equilibrium water content (EWC)

$$EWC = \frac{W_s - W_d}{W_s} \times 100\%$$

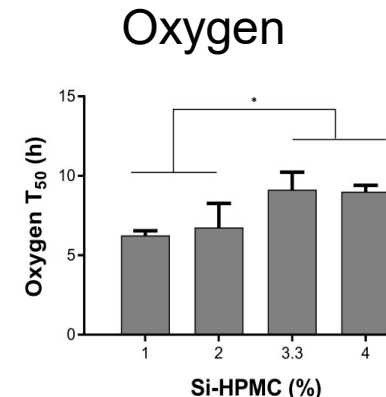
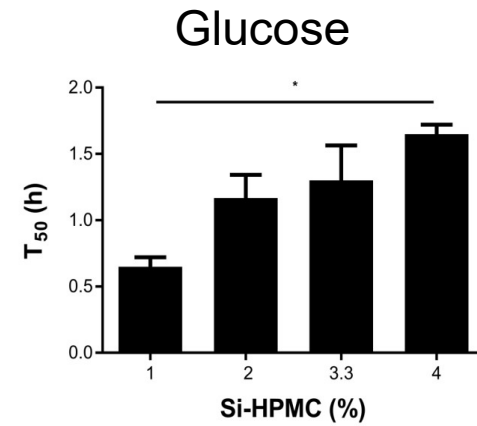
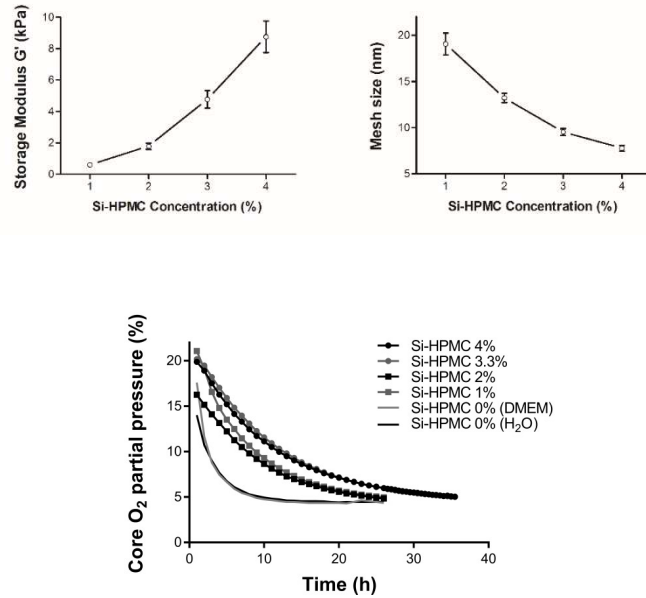
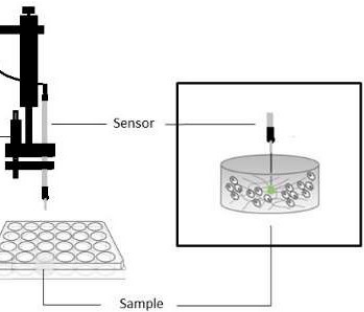
*W<sub>d</sub> and W<sub>s</sub> are, respectively, the mass of dried and swollen hydrogel*

$$q = \frac{W_s}{W_d}$$

q is the equilibrium swelling ratio.

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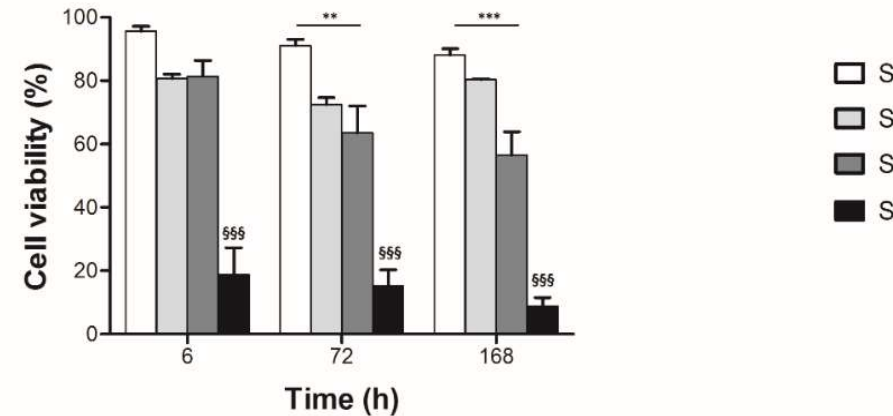
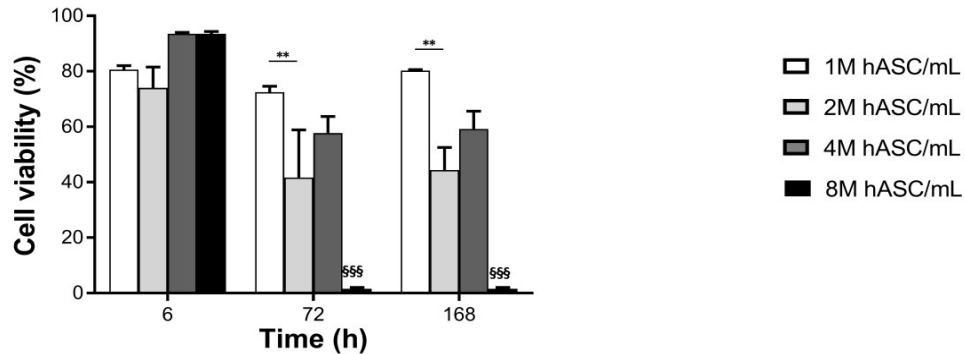
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2% Si-HPMC

+ human adipose stem cells

1 M hASC/ml





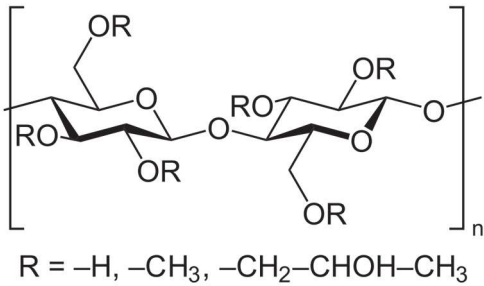
# What is important ?

- No cytotoxicity
  - Stiffness ( $G'$ ,  $E'$ )
  - Adhesion to cells
  - Degradation
  - Visco-elasticity (Relaxation) / Stability
  - Nutrients diffusion
  - Formulation and design
- Each Hydrogel construct is specific with a specific answer to cells

# Silanized HPMC



## ➤ Hydroxypropylmethylcellulose



Cellulose ether, cheap

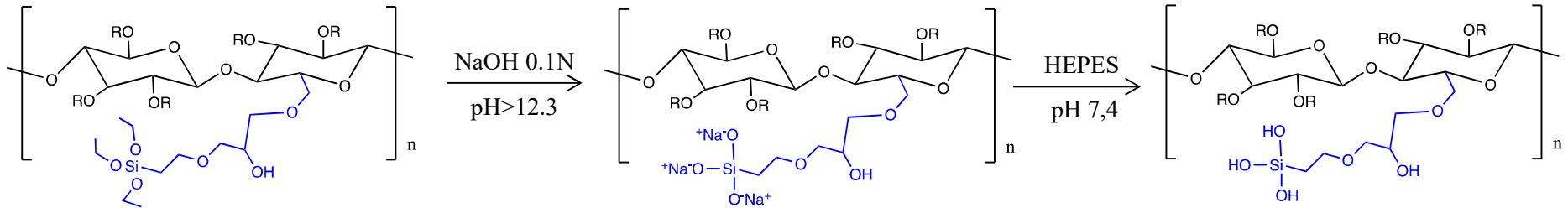
Inert

Non toxic

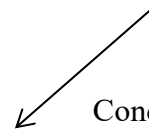
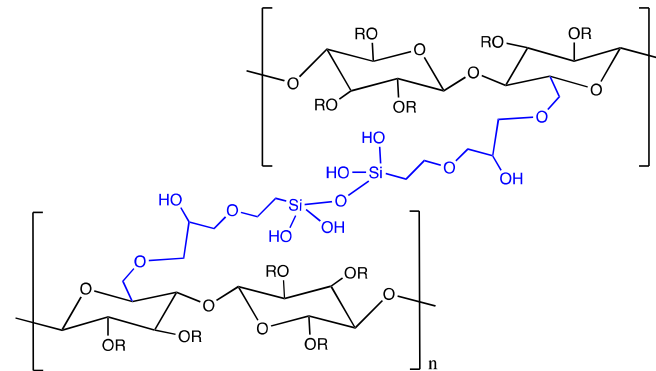


**Common excipient,  
European Pharmacopoeia grade**

## ➤ Silanized hydroxypropylmethylcellulose



**Injectable**



Condensation

**Self-crosslinking  
Bio-orthogonal**

**STEP A : Heterogeneous synthesis**

HPMC + GPTMS  
Alcoholic solvents  
90°C

[\*]C1OC(OR)C(OR)C(OR)C1

R = -H, -CH<sub>3</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>-CHOH-CH<sub>3</sub>

HPMC

Silated HPMC powder insoluble in water

**STEP B : Solubilization and dialysis in basic water solution (Ph 12,4)**

Viscous liquid phase of Si-HPMC

**STEP C : Blending 2 liquid phases**

Si-HPMC  
pH 12,4

1 Vol

0,5 Vol

Buffer  
pH 3,6

Viscous solution  
Neutral pH  
Ambient temperature

**STEP D : Blending neutral pH viscous phase with cells and injection**

5-20 Minutes  
Polycondensation

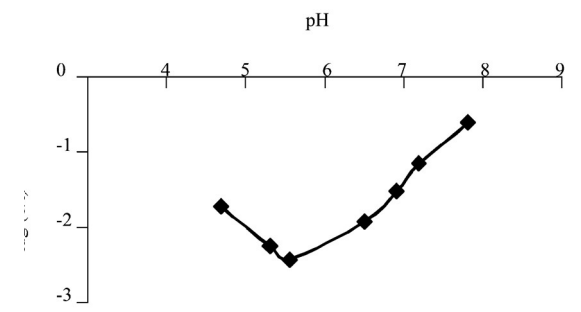
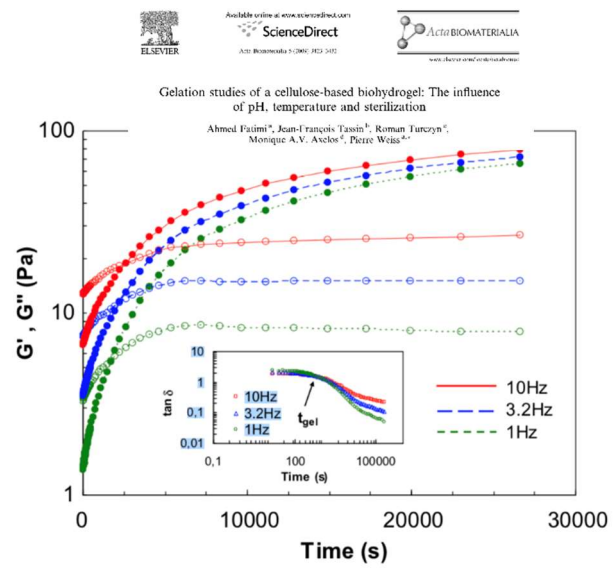
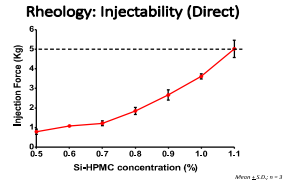
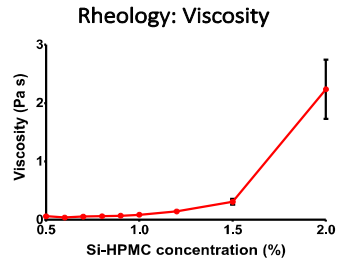
Injection in the body

**STEP E : Crosslink process**

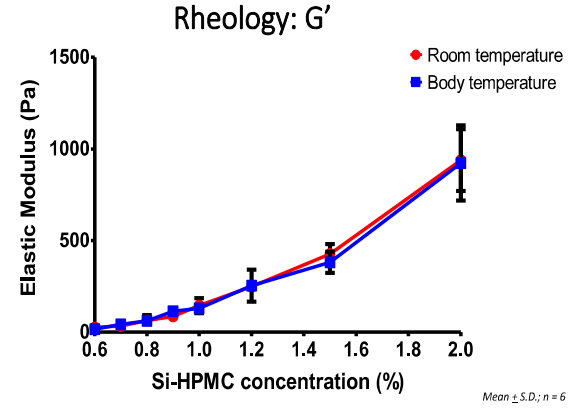
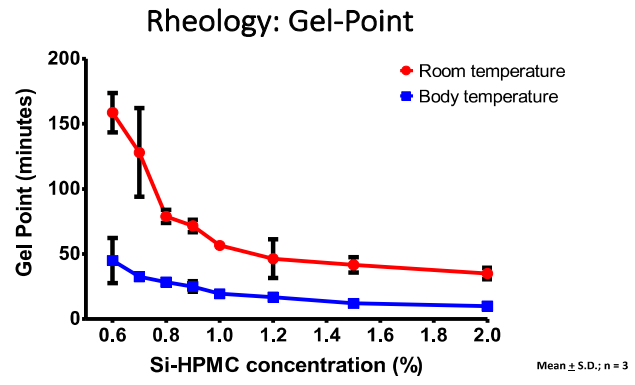
Hydrogel  
Neutral pH  
G' > G''

Hours

Hydrogel  
Neutral pH  
G' increases to a plateau  
G' 300-1000 Pa



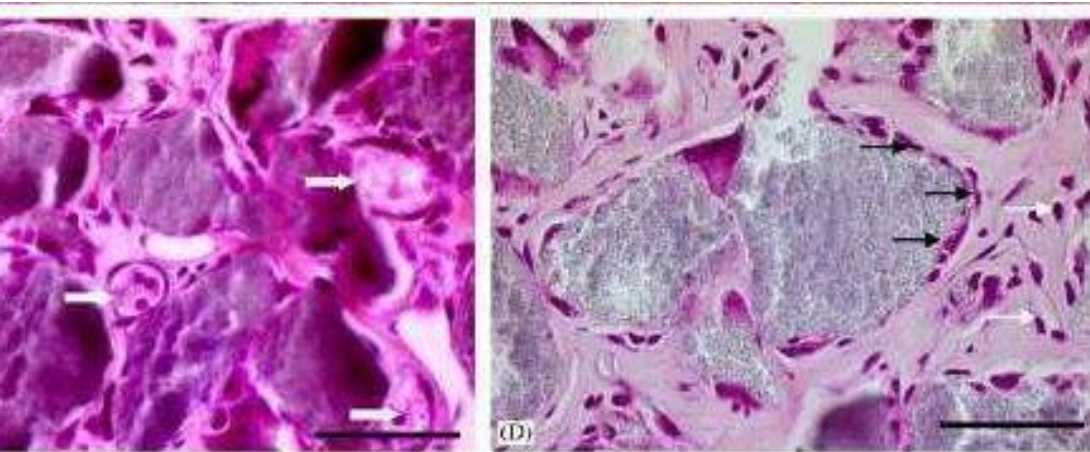
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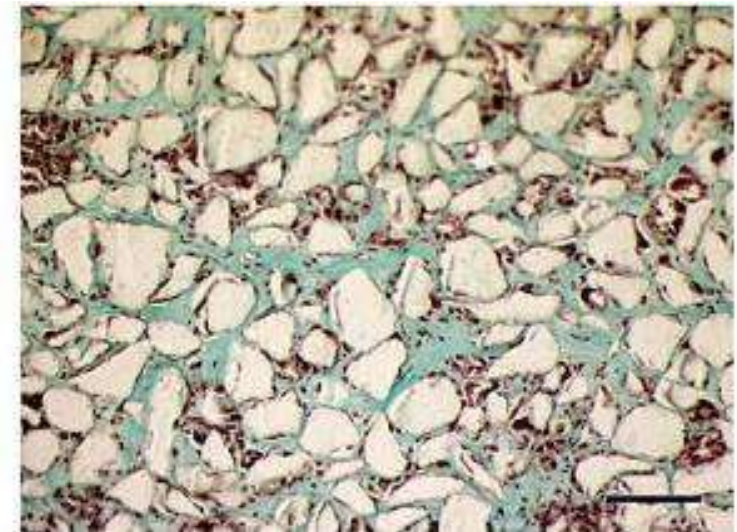
# Bone Tissue reconstruction *in vivo*

BMSC with Si-HPMC / BCP formulation implanted under skin of mice for 4 weeks



Blood vessels

Osteoblasts and osteocytes



Goldner staining paraffin sections

Ectopic bone formation  
was available in mice model using TE strategy  
With Si HPMC and BCP granules and MSC

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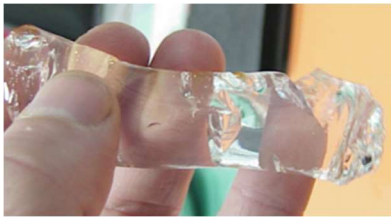
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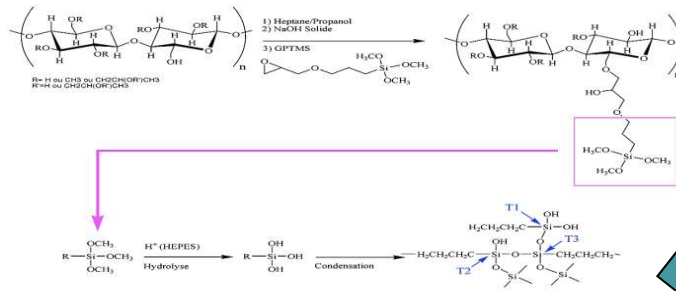
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# How to reinforce hydrogels?



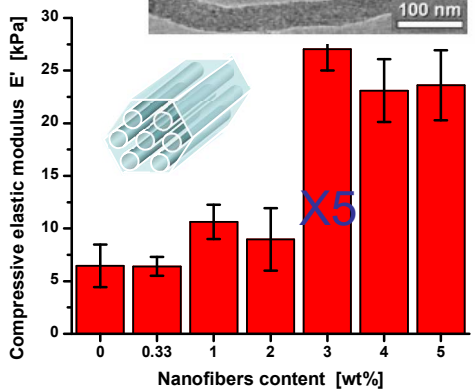
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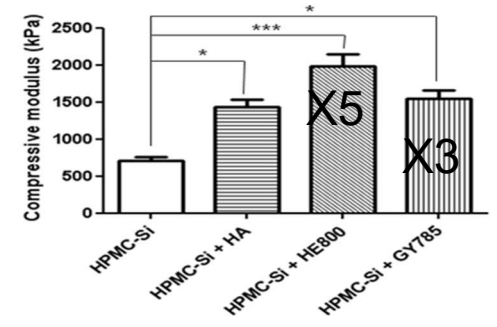
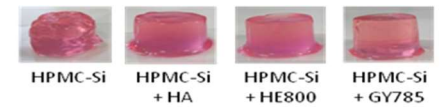
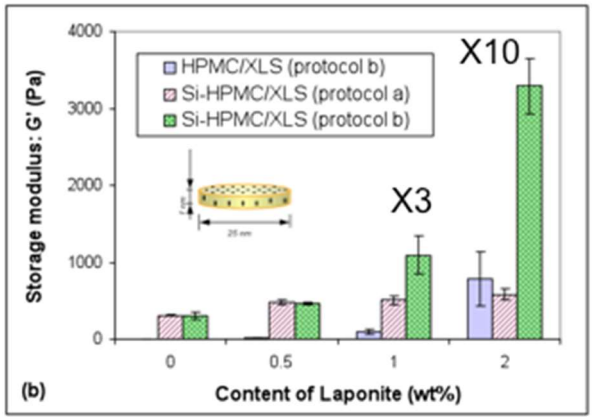
Marine macromolecules blended with SiHPMC

## Nano reinforcement

silica nanofibers (NFs)



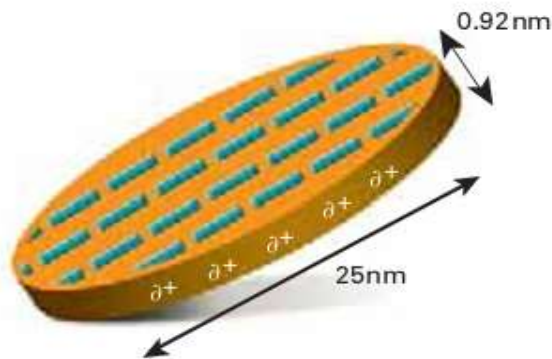
Laponite (silicate clays)



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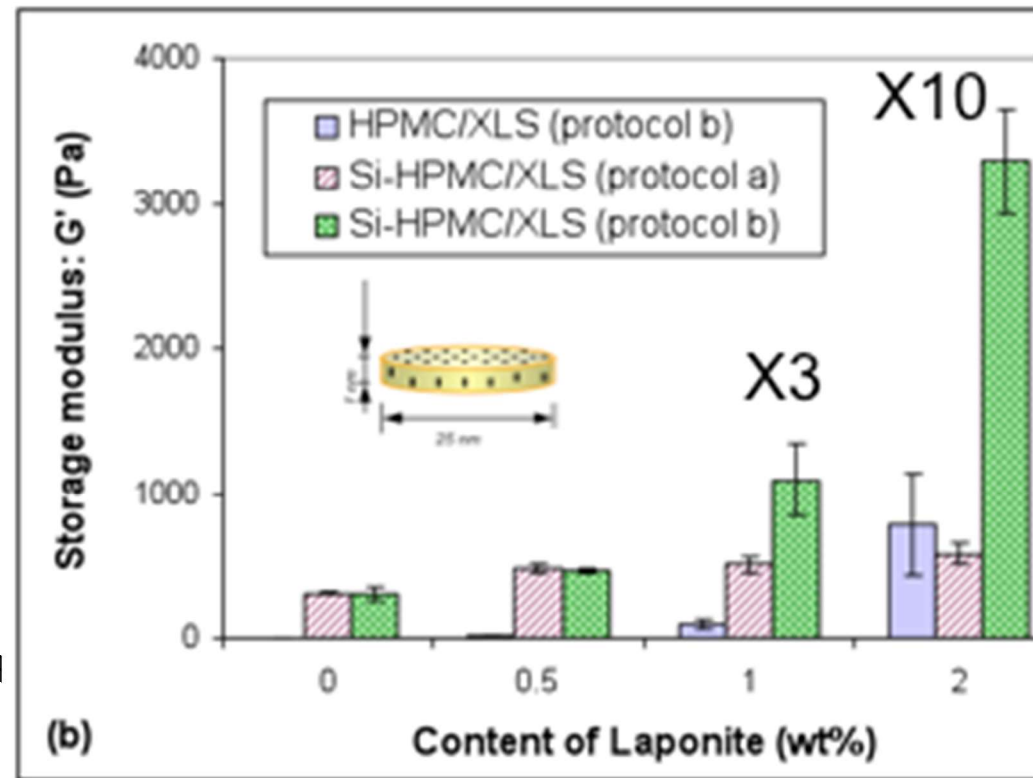
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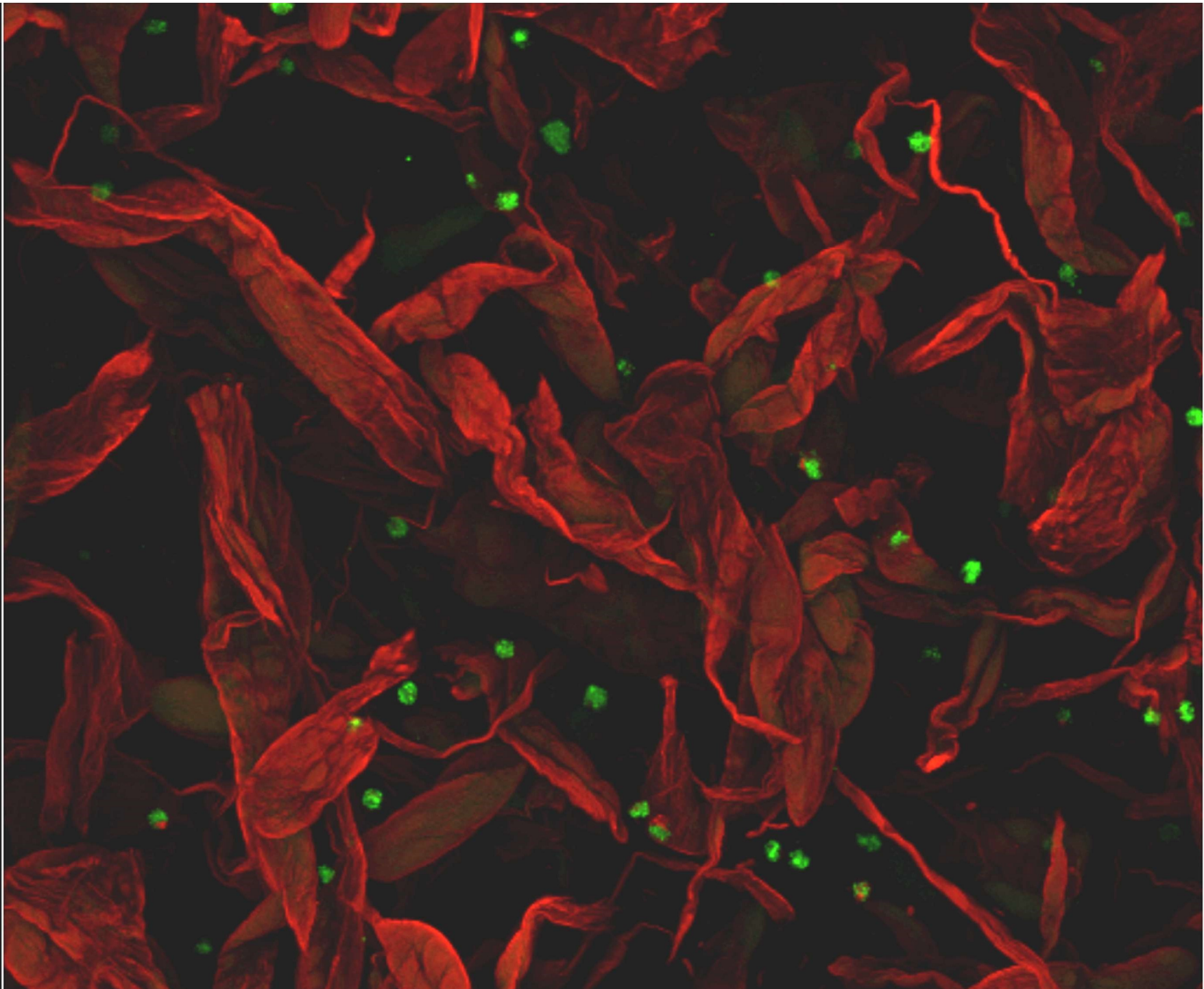
Clay nano disc  
Silicate based  
Diameter : 25 nm  
Thickness : 1 nm



XLS 55% silicate, 26% MgO, 1% LiO, 3% Na<sub>2</sub>O, 4% H<sub>3</sub>I  
XLG 60% silicate, 28% MgO, 1% LiO, 3% Na<sub>2</sub>O.

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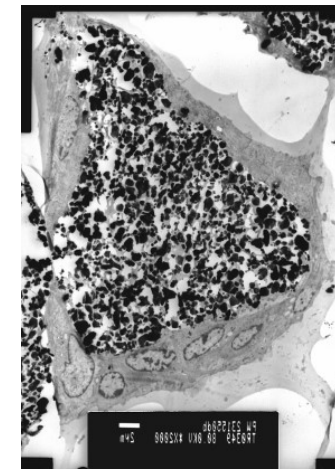
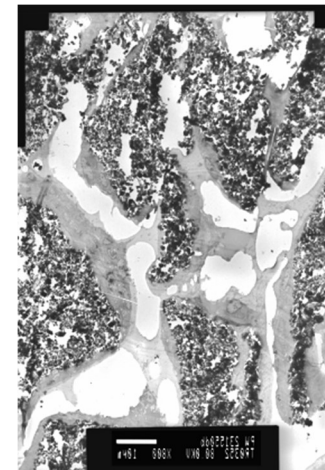
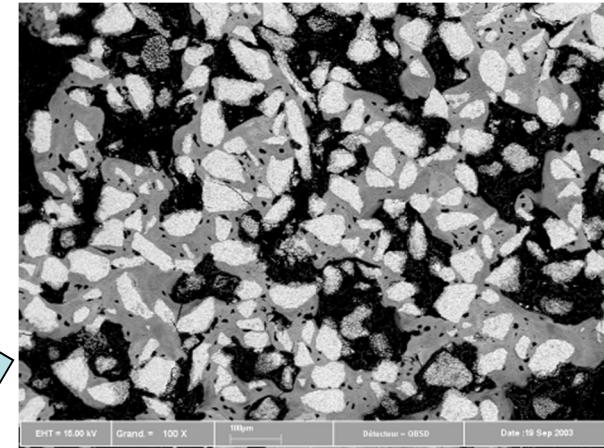
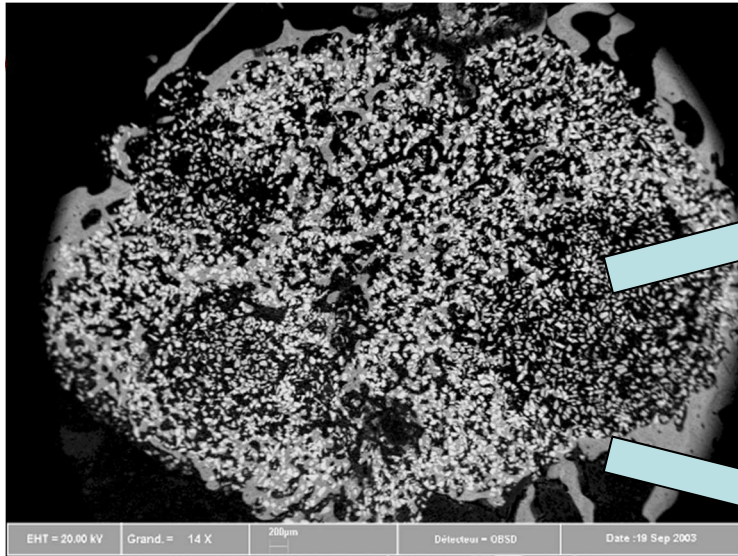




# Granule suspension in a self setting hydrogel matrix



BCP ceramic granules are the scaffold  
 → Like CPS : against leakage

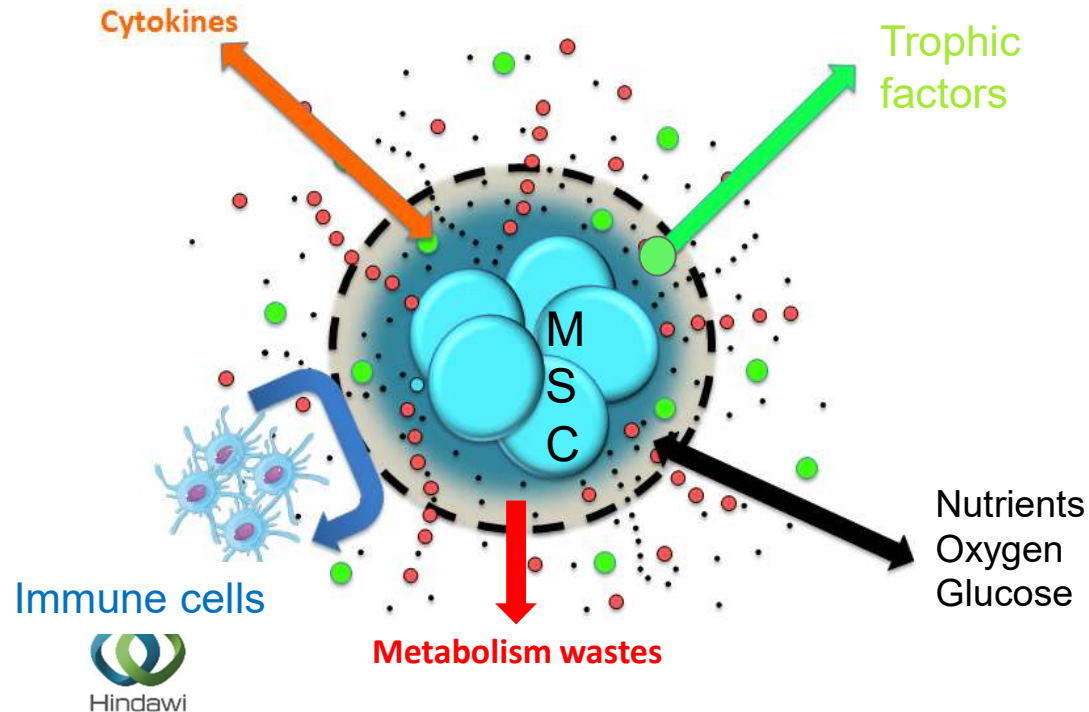


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→ Cross-linked Hydrogel can decrease the bone ingrowth kinetic → To control network degradation  
 → NEW SILATED MACROMOLECULES.....

# NEW WAYS OF RESEARCH

## Embedded MSC in hydrogel for assisted cell therapy



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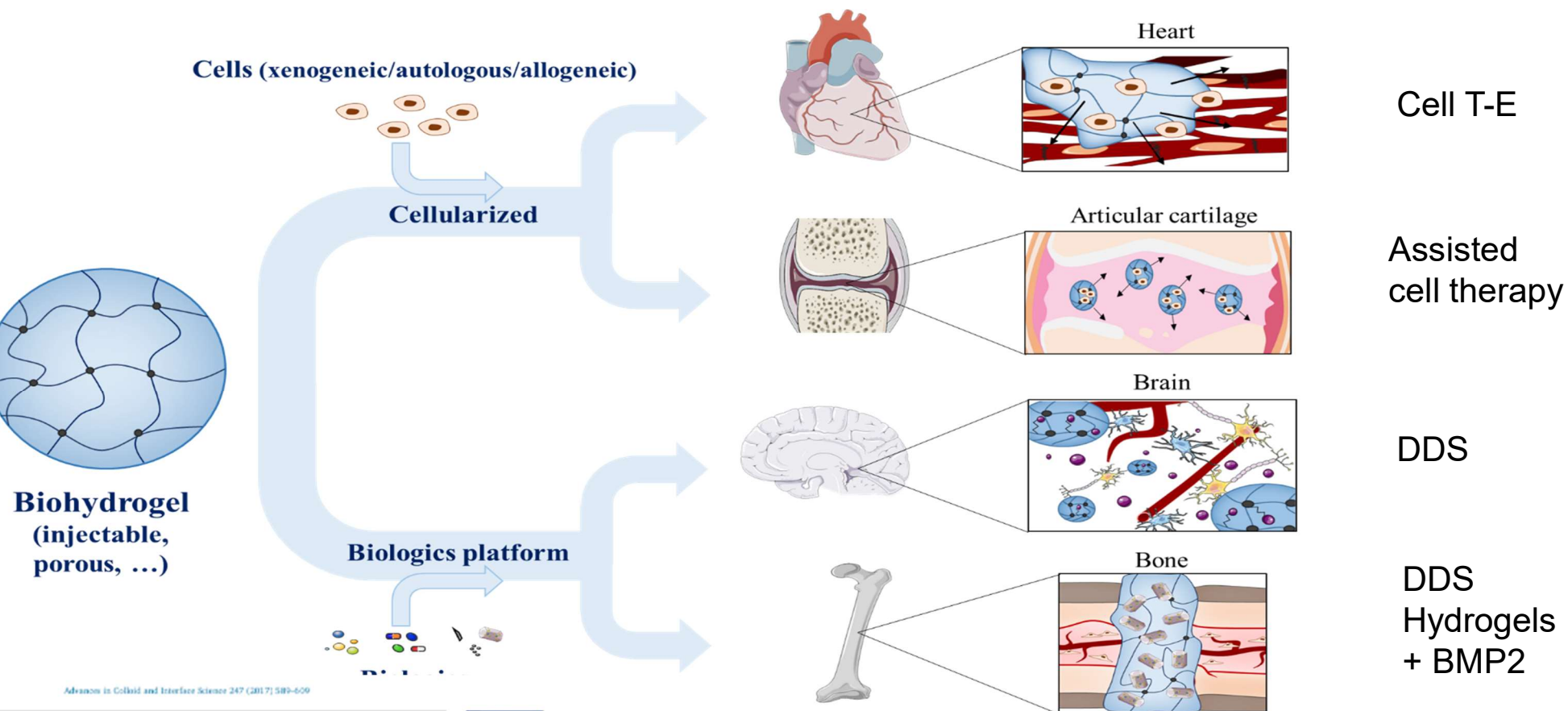


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Assisted cell therapies use hydrogels to fix cells in the tissue and act as a shield to protect MSC from immune system and allowing them to feel the environment and secrete growth factors.

# Main strategies used in regenerative medicine using cells and/or biologics to drive local tissue regeneration.



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# Hydrogel/cement Composites

# Hydrogel with calcium phosphate cements

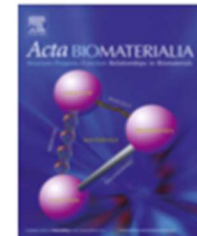
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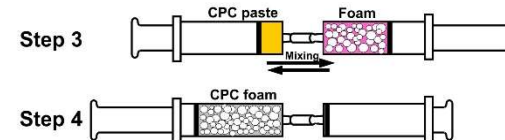
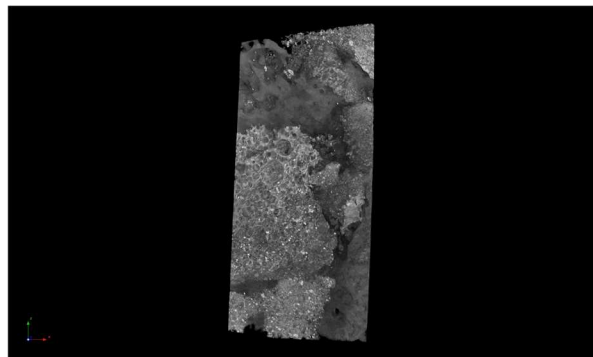
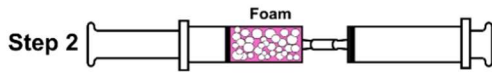
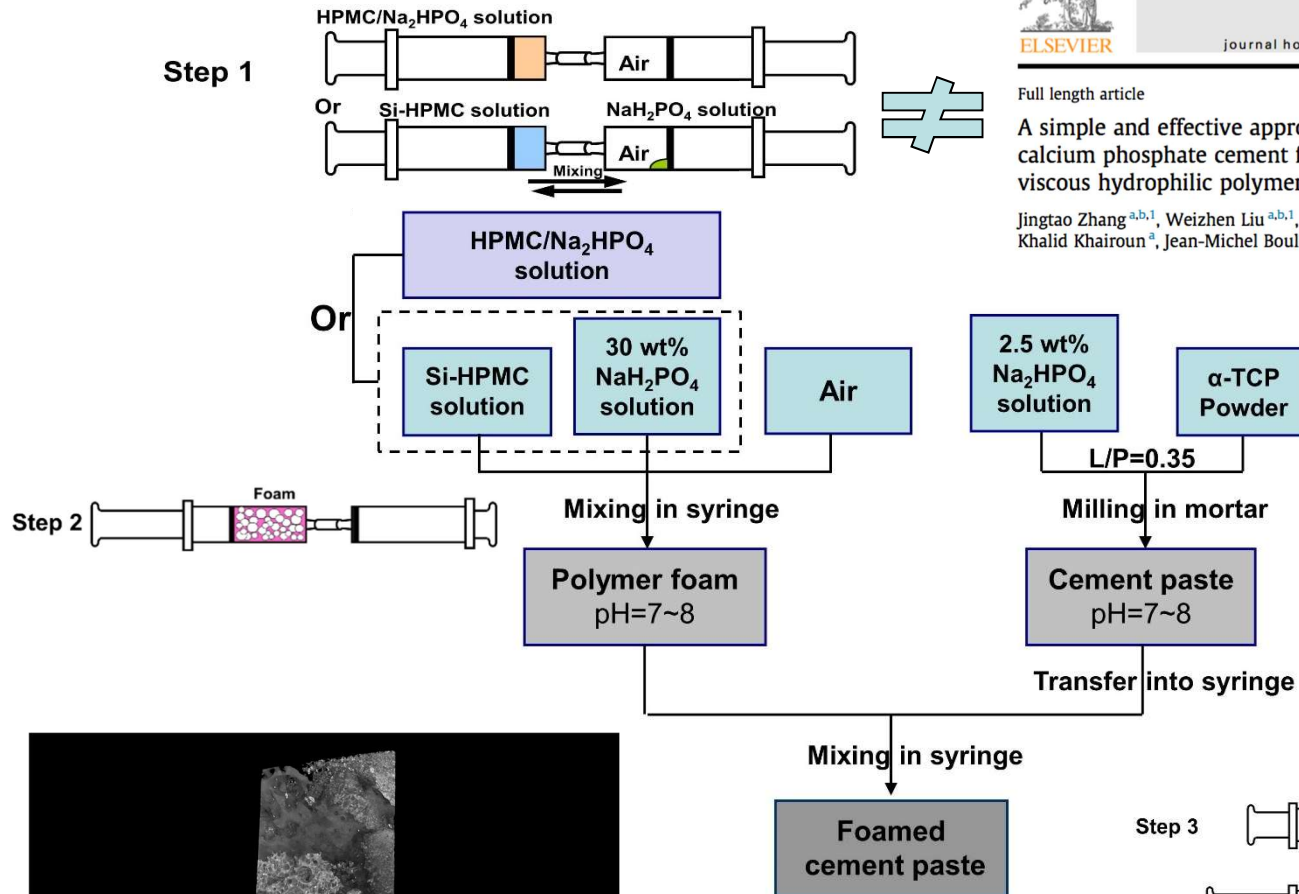


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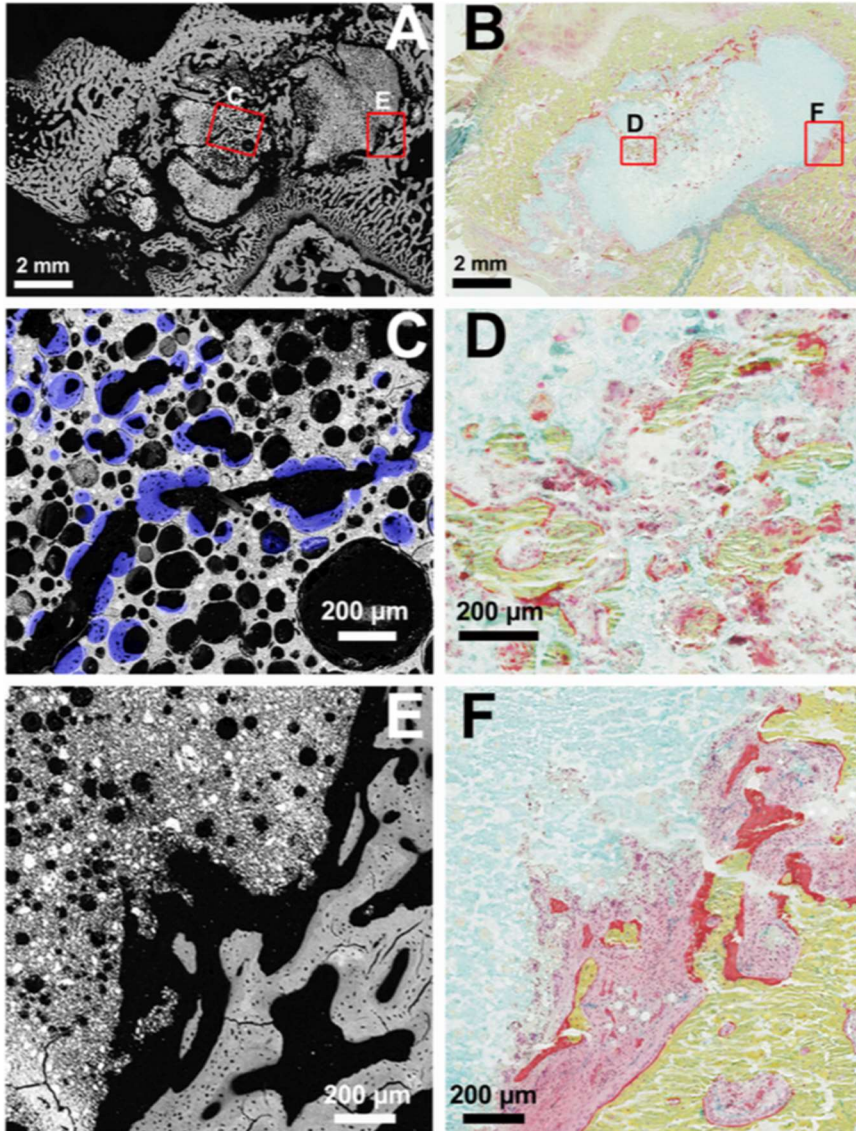
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# First biological behavior



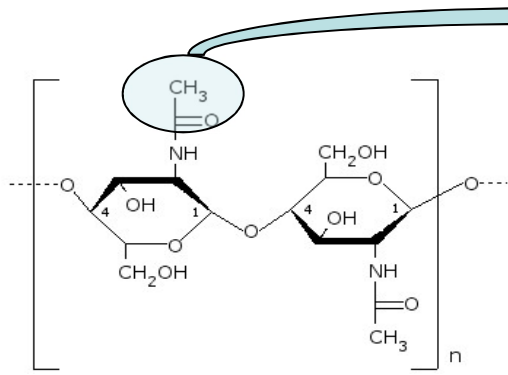
SI-HPMC Foamed CPC implanted  
in distal end of rabbit femur  
Six weeks of implantation

Good osteo conduction  
in some areas C D

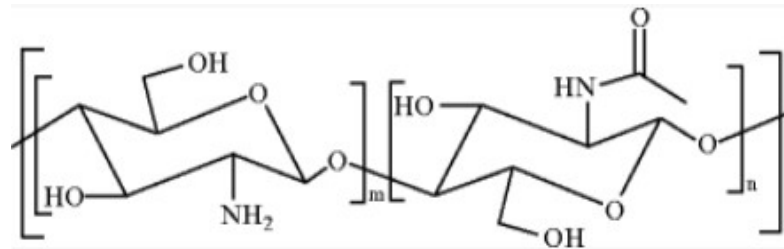
But not always (E,F)

Silated HPMC is low degradable  
→ We need to develop higher  
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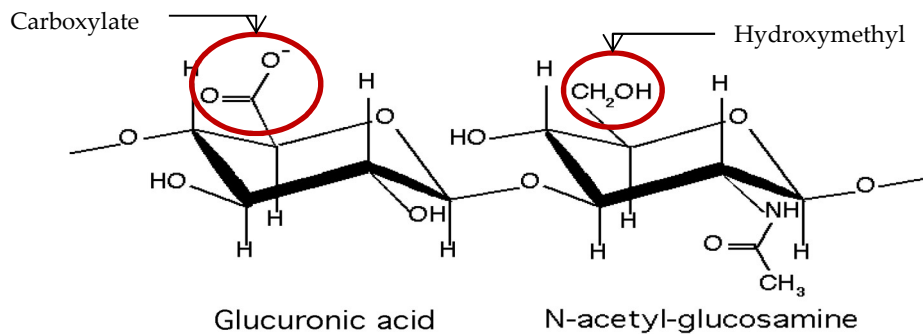
# Move to other siliated polysacharides



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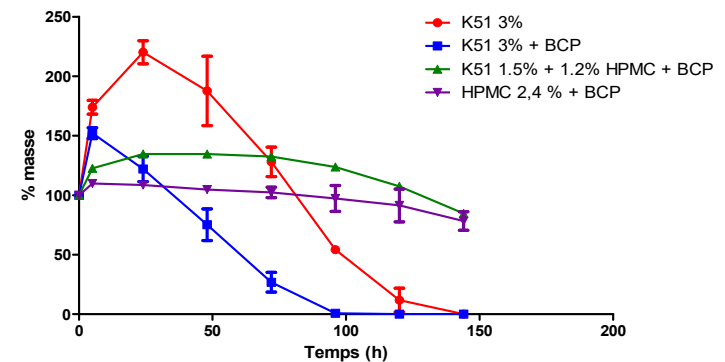


Chitosan



Hyaluronic acide

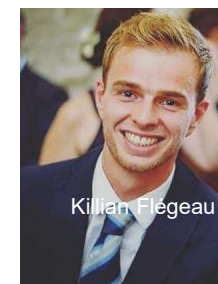
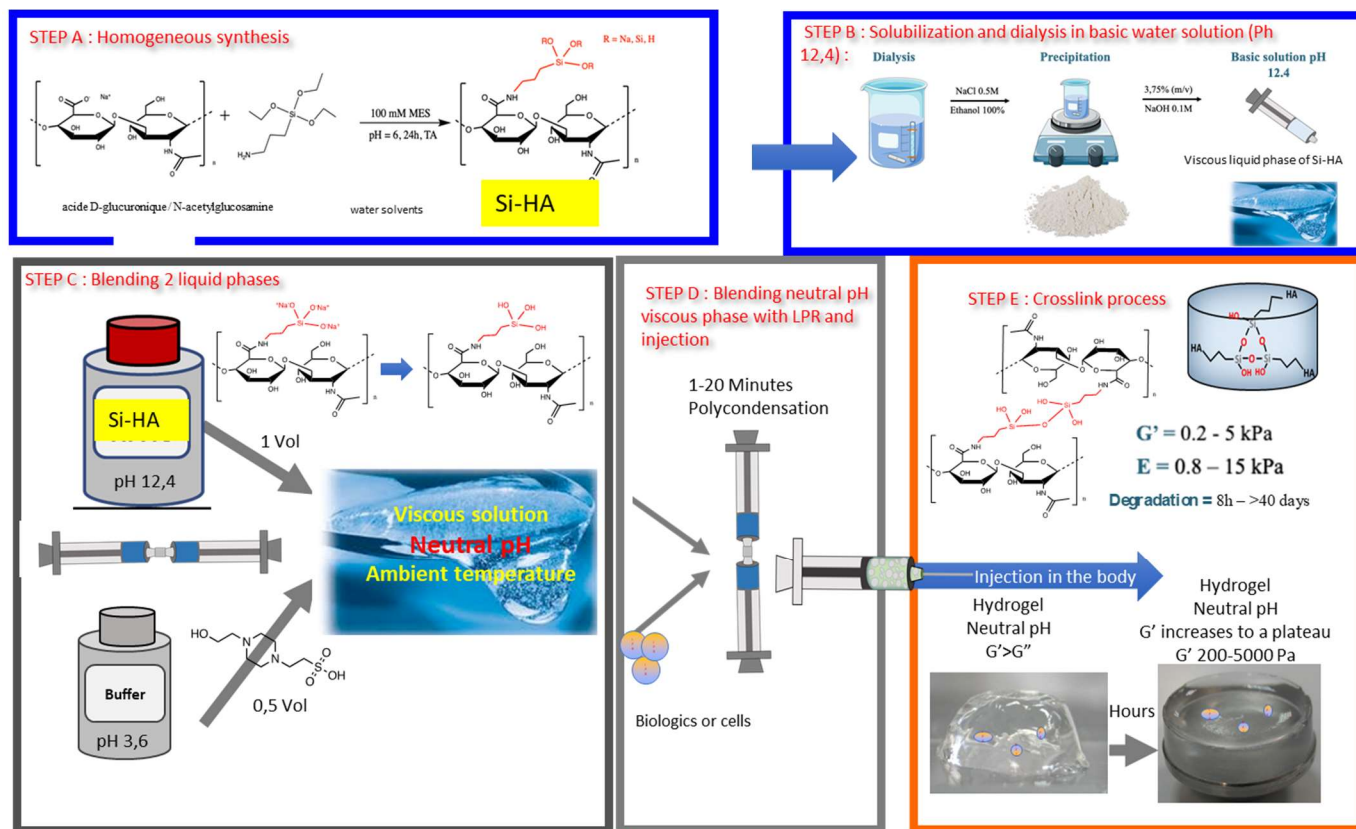
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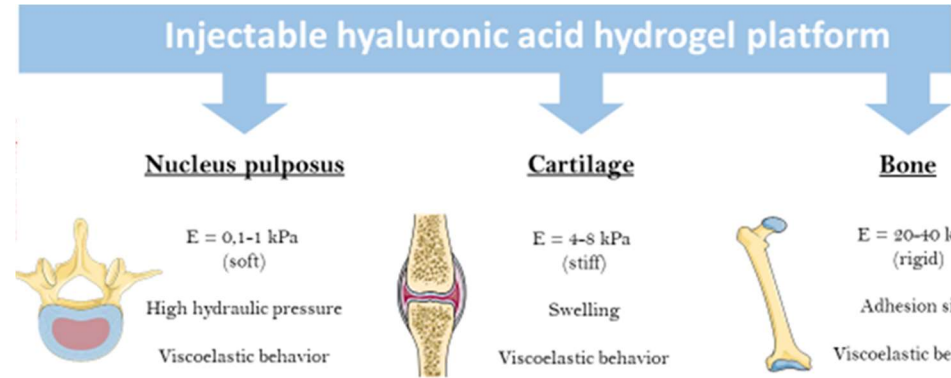
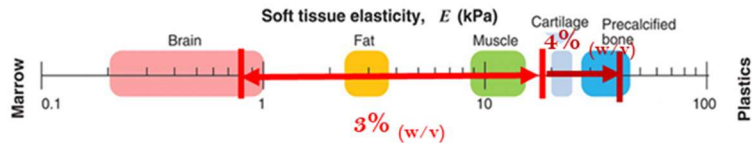


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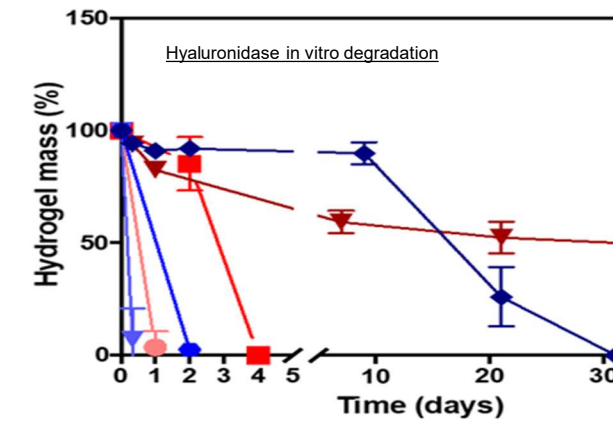
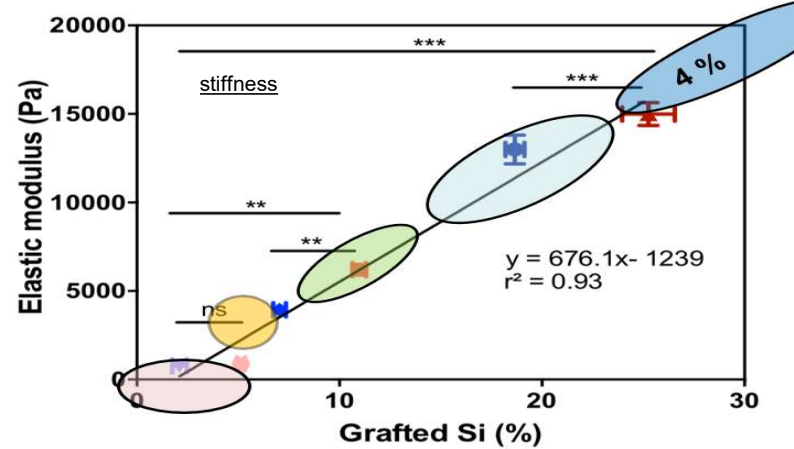
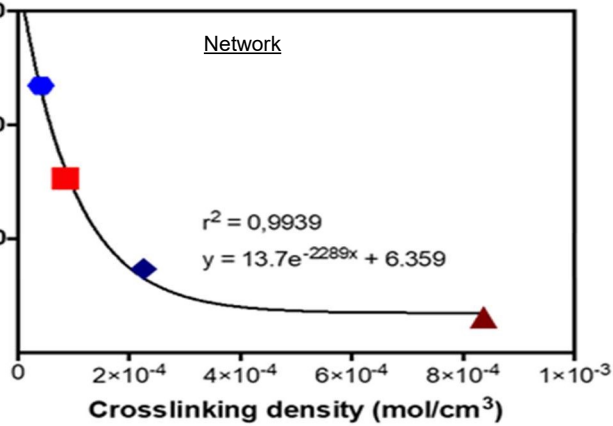
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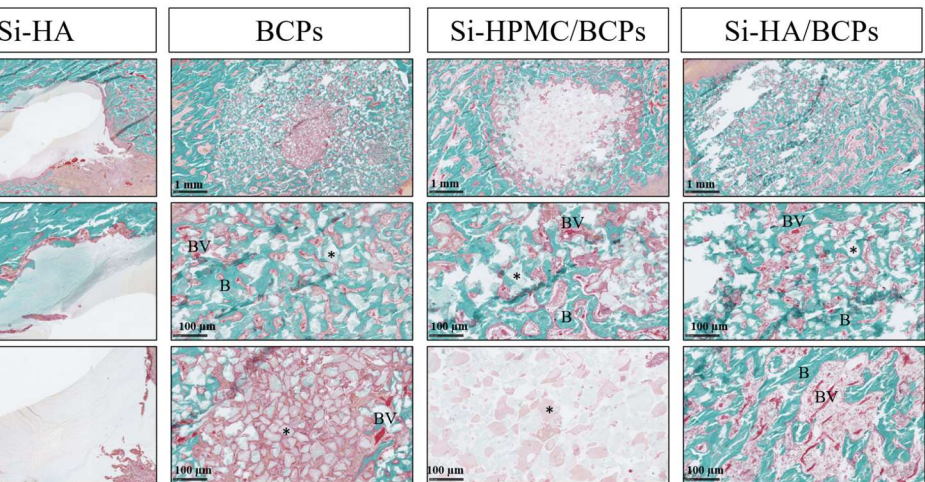
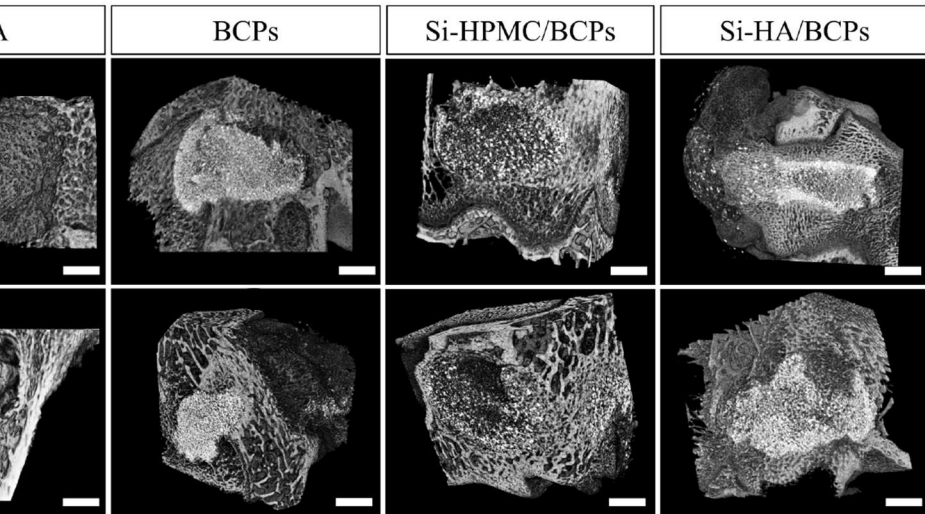


420 kDa  
2.88 MDa



Tunable properties for each targeted tissues

# Silated Hyaluronic acid with Biphasic Calcium Phosphate granules in a rabbit bone defect



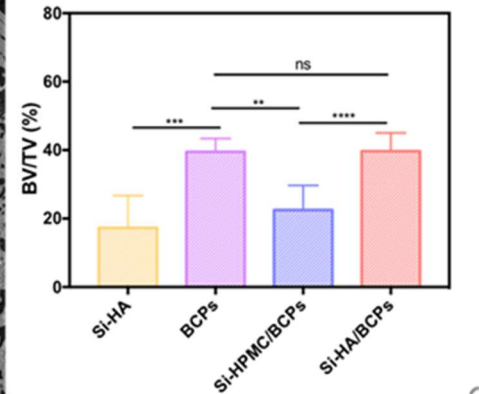
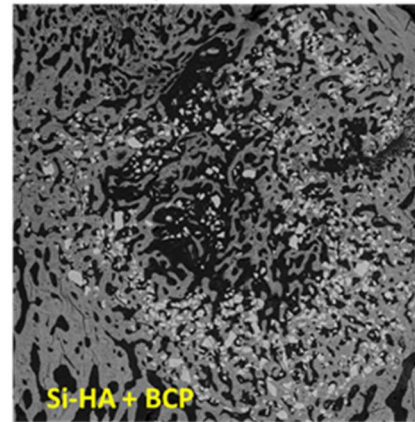
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➤ Bone ingrowth

- Si-HA + BCPs ≈ BCP alone
- > Si-HPMC that is low degradable



Move to CaP Foam and Biolinks

# DEVELOPMENT OF A PRINTABLE COMPOSITE FORMULATION OF PHOSPHOCALCIC CEMENT AND HYALURONIC ACID FOR CLEFT LIP AND PALATE REPAIR

## *3D refentine*



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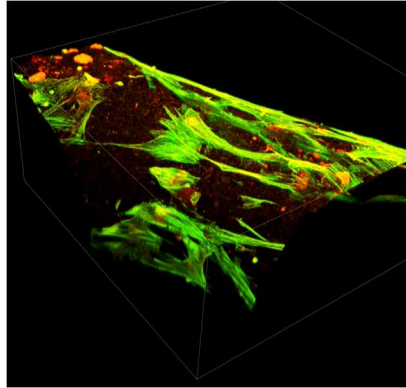
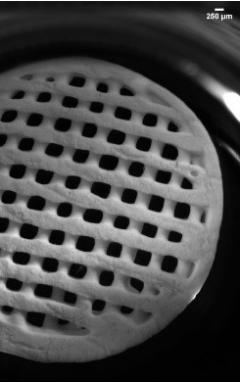
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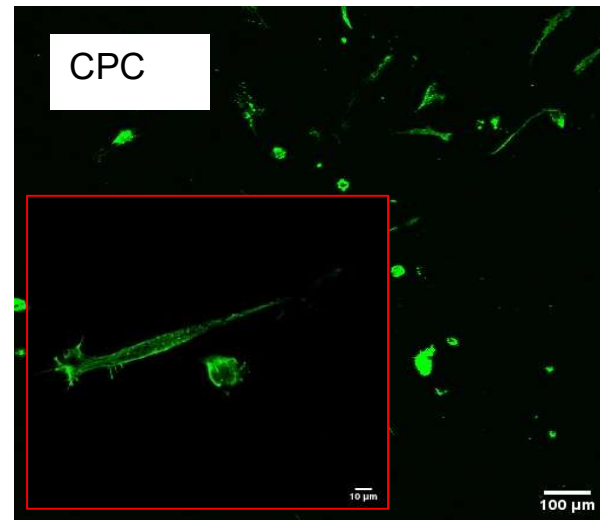
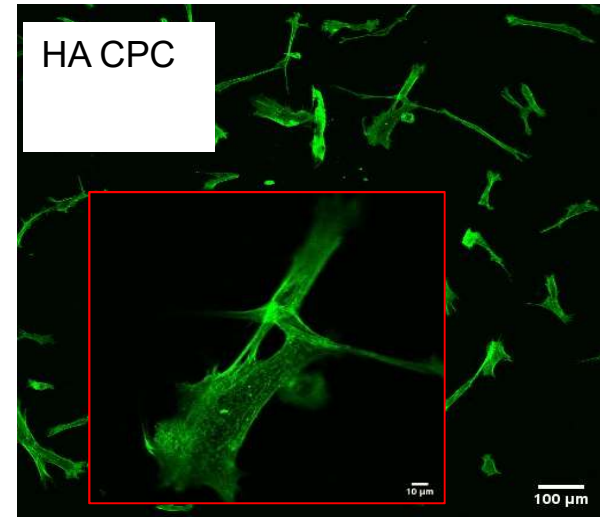
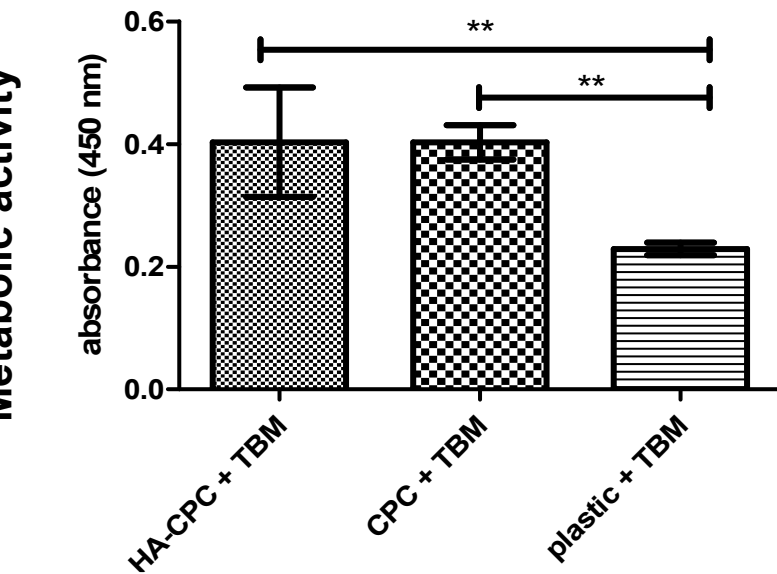
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# Mesenchymal Stem Cells adhesion

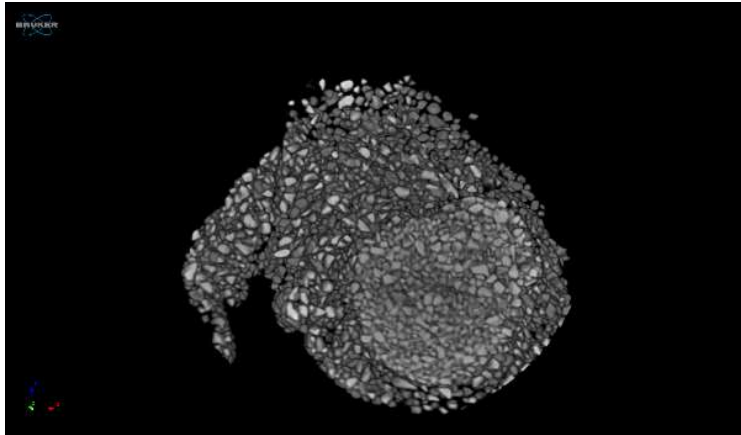


ation of cells inside the 3D model since 48h of culture

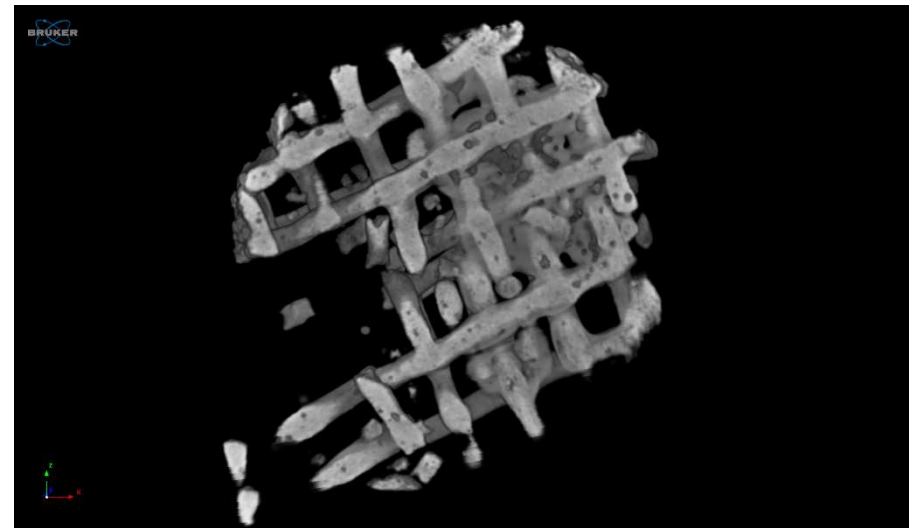
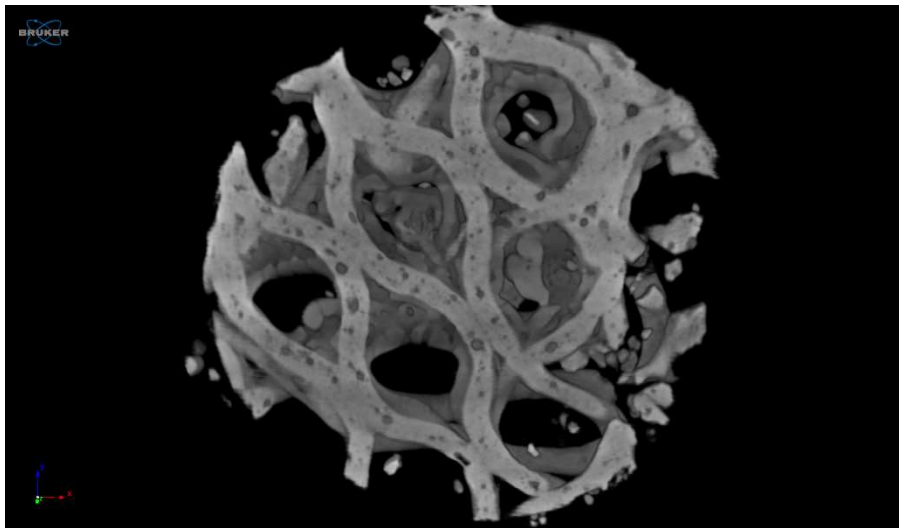


Better spreading of cells on HA-CPC after 48h of culture

# HA TCP cement+ **Total Bone Marrow**



Nude mice : subcutaneous implantation 4 months



New Bone formation with TBM but the construct is still fragile

We move to **Silated covalent hydrogels** in the cements : **GI JAW program**



## ANR GI-JAW

Bench to bedside translational research

→ Innovative solutions for personalized care of cleft deformities

But... what are cleft palate / lip deformities?

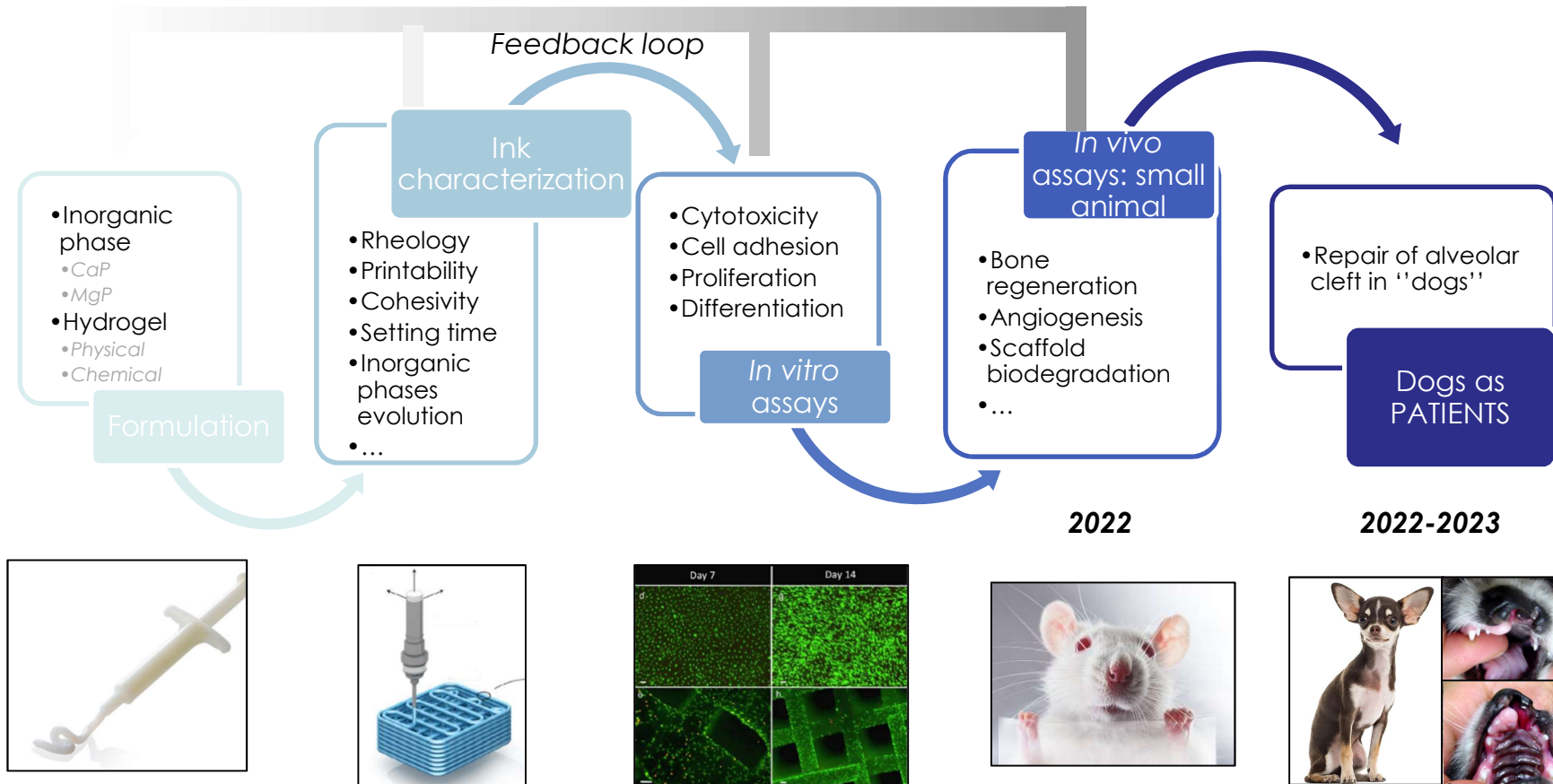


- Congenital deformity: 2<sup>nd</sup> most common malformation after clubfoot
- Occurrence : 1/700 birth

Is alveolar cleft reconstruction still controversial? (Review of literature) [10.1016/j.sdentj.2015.01.006](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.sdentj.2015.01.006)

and more...!

# GI-JAW Timeline



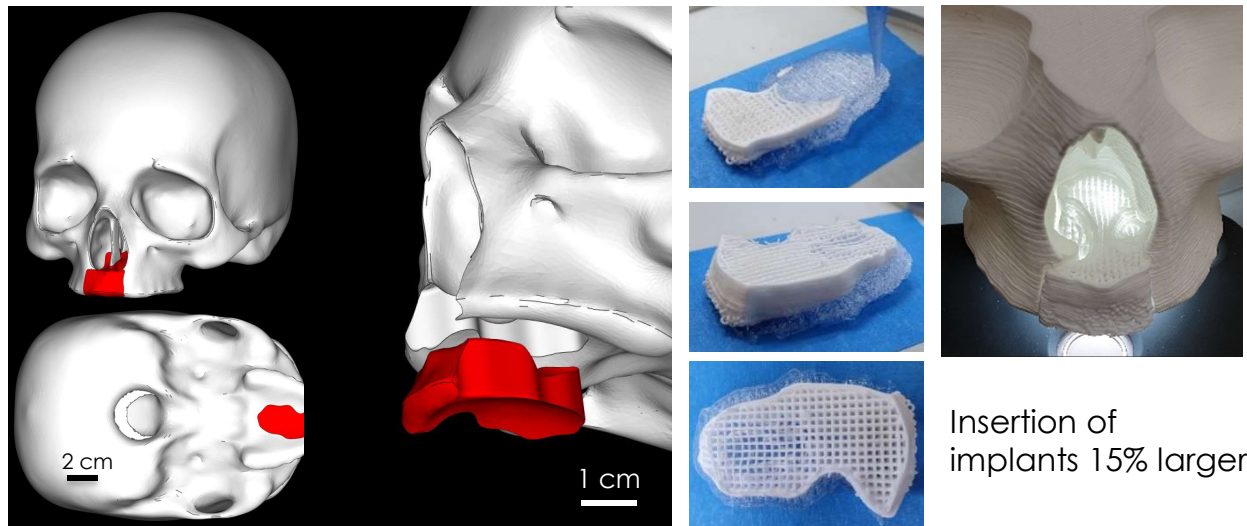


# GI-JAW: Starting point



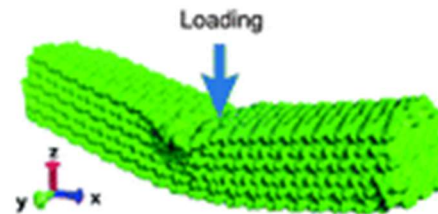
## Scaffolds

- Tailorable (composition, shape) ✓
- Biologically relevant scaffolds ✓
- Ductile until drying ✓
- Cell/substance friendly process ✓
- Large scaffolds ✓



Insertion of implants 15% larger

Deformable (plastic) scaffolds for a few days @ ambient temperature / hygrometry after AM



# Summary

Hydrophilic polymer with Calcium phosphate was the beginning of injectable  
one substitutes

We moved to hydrogels for the control of the leakage, make macroporosity i  
ements

Hydrogel allows us to embedded cells and we moved to tissue engineering  
low, most of our applications are focus on assisted cell therapies using  
hydrogels to fix cells in the tissue and act as a shield to protect MSC from  
immune system and allowing them to feel the environment and secrete grow  
actors.

Hydrogels / cells interactions in 3D is multifactorial → Each Hydrogel chemistry  
design is specific with a specific answer to cells and a specific application

Now we move to personalised medicine using Additive manufacturing of  
ride bio ink for bone reconstructions and TE

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