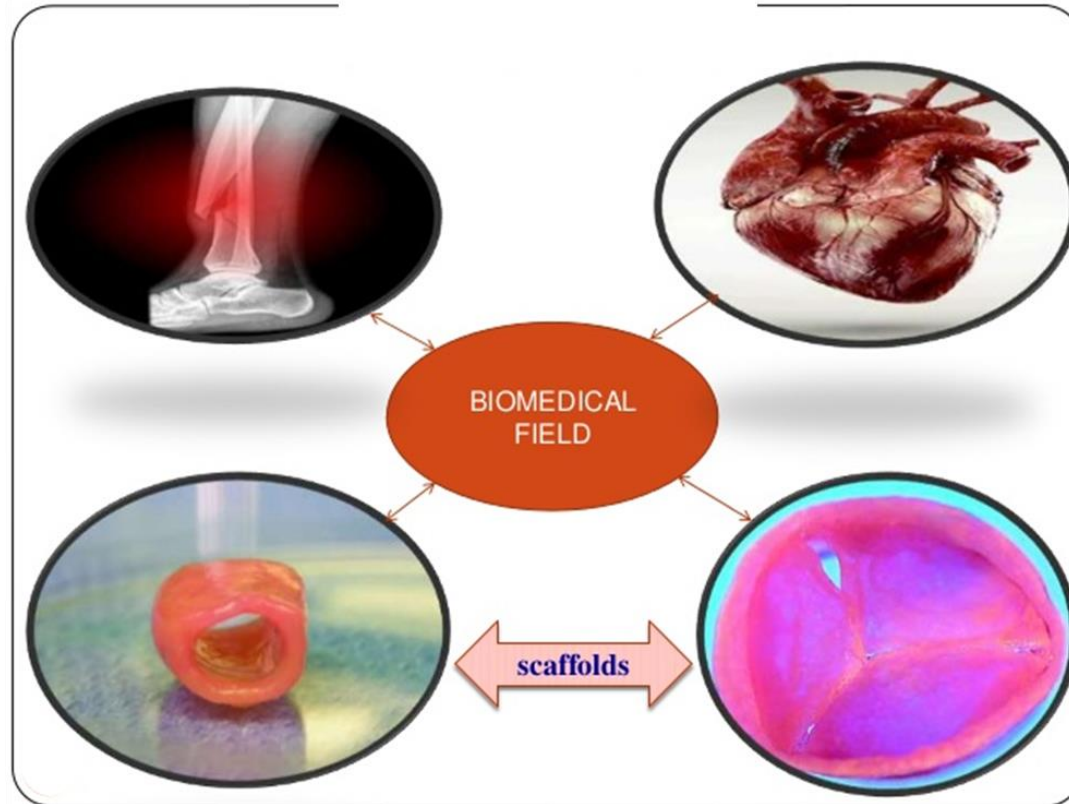




Polymeric biomaterials – production and application



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INTRODUCTION

BIOMATERIALS

- Non-living materials mainly used for medical purposes.
- Designed to interact with biological systems.

BIODEGRADABLE MATERIAL

- Its mechanical properties does not change during its life time.
- It gets degrades gradually without leaving trace.

TISSUE ENGINEERING

Maintenance, replacement or regeneration of damaged biological tissues.



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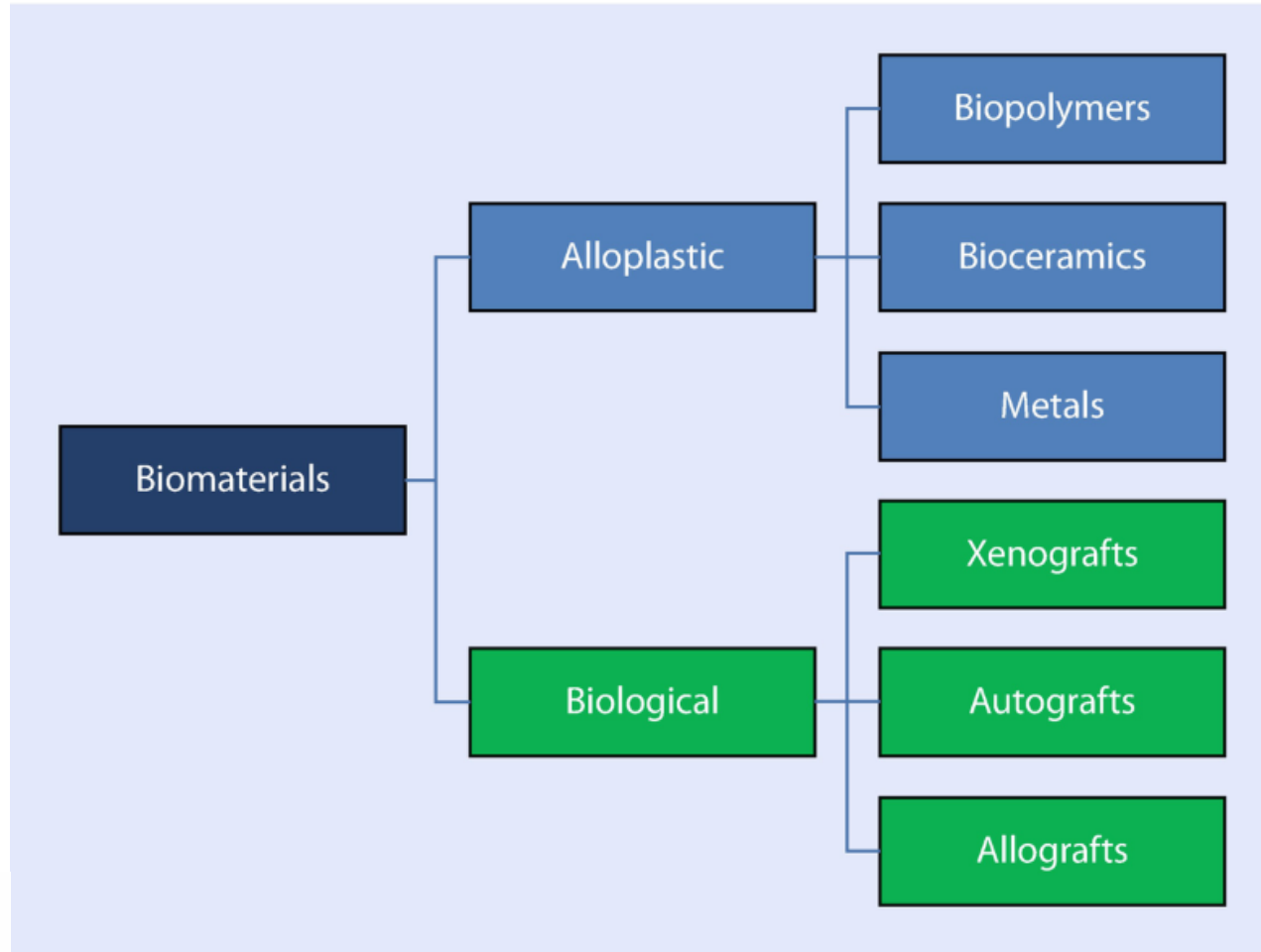


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Polymeric biomaterials - application in regenerative medicine and tissue engineering



Based on the chemical composition



The artificial material substituted for tissue grafts is called **alloplastic**.



Xenograft - a tissue graft or organ transplant from a donor of * a different species from the recipient

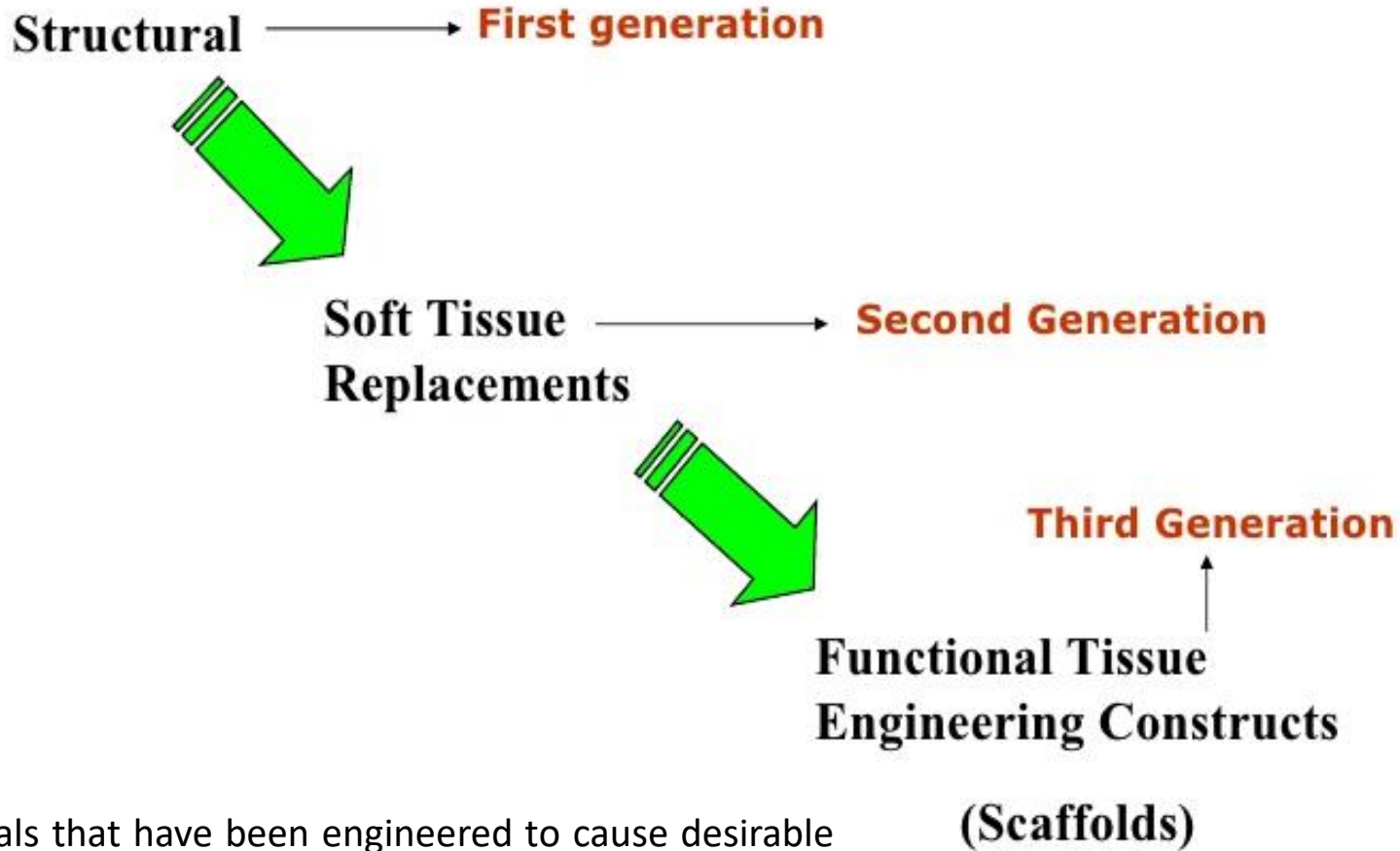


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Evolution of Biomaterials



***Scaffolds** are materials that have been engineered to cause desirable cellular interactions to contribute to the formation of new functional tissues for medical purposes. Cells are often 'seeded' into these structures capable of supporting three-dimensional tissue formation.





Properties Of Biomedical Polymers



- Flexibility;
- Resistance to biochemical attack;
- Good biocompatibility;
- Light weight;
- Available in a wide variety of compositions with adequate physical and mechanical properties and
- Can be easily manufactured into products with the desired shape.



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Selection Parameters For Biomedical Polymers



The design and selection of biomaterials depend on different properties –

Host Response

- Biocompatibility
- Biofunctionality
- Functional Tissue Structure and Pathobiology
- Toxicology
- Appropriate Design and Manufacturability
- Mechanical Properties of Biomedical polymers



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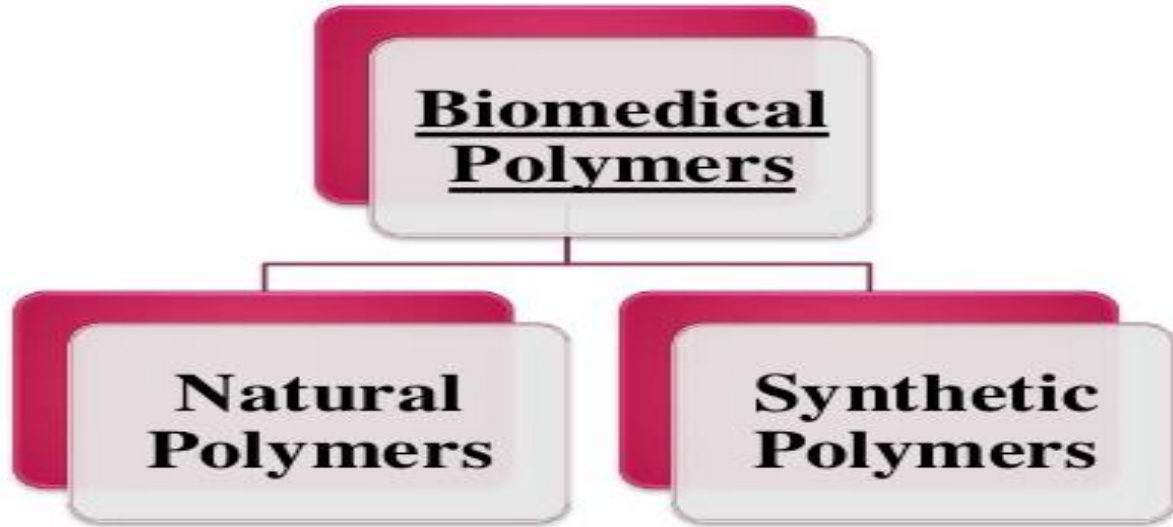


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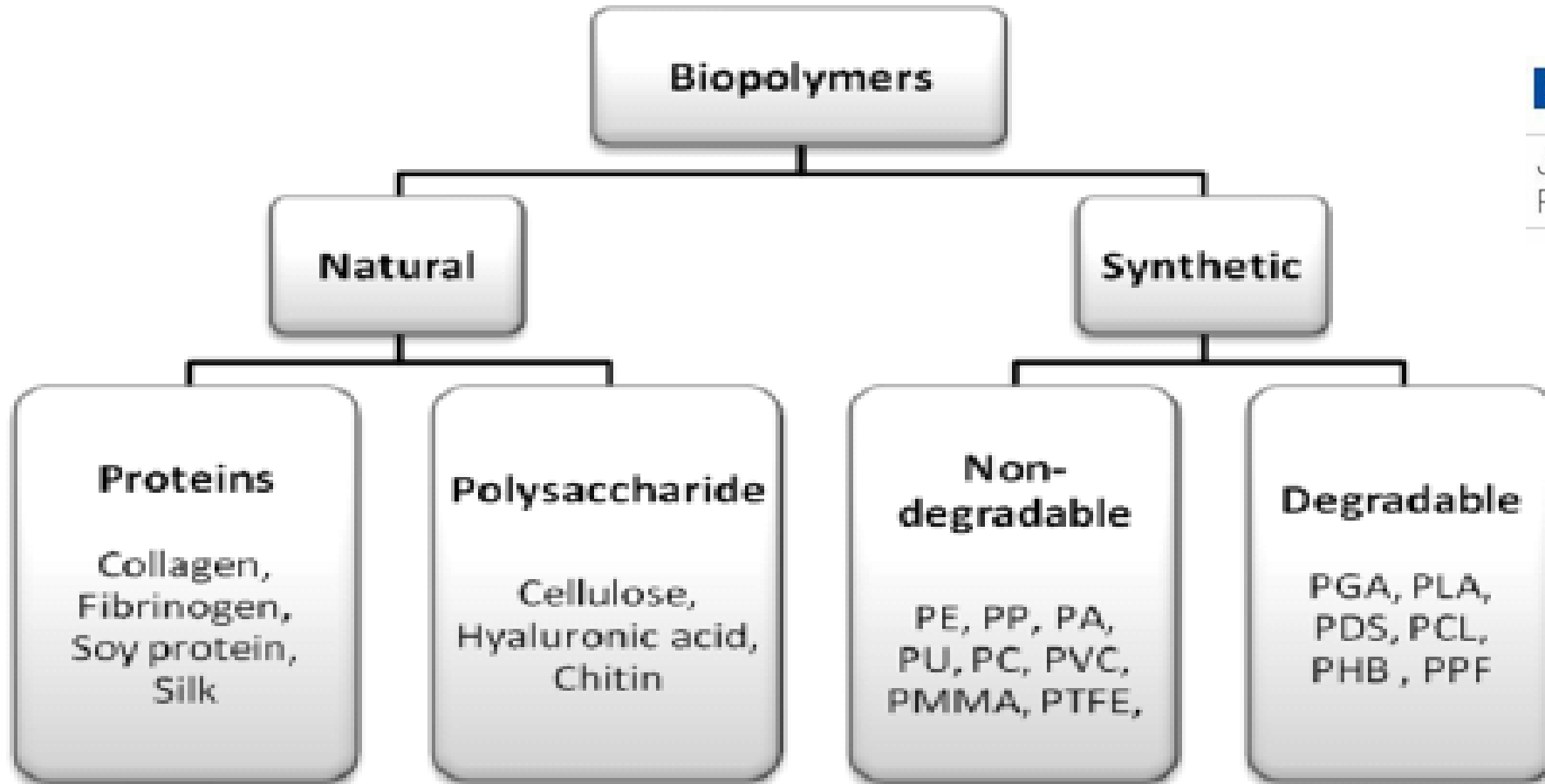


Classification





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Natural polymers

Natural polymers, or polymers, **derived from living creatures**, are of great interest in the biomaterials field.

Properties of natural polymers:

- **Biodegradable;**
- Non-toxic/ non-inflammatory;
- Mechanically similar to the tissue to be replaced;
- **Highly porous;**
- Encouraging of cell attachments and growth;
- **Easy and cheap to manufacture**
- Capable of attachment with other molecules (to potentially increase scaffold interaction with normal tissue).



Example of natural polymers

· **Collagen**

· Cellulose

· **Alginates**

· Dextrans and

· **Chitosan**



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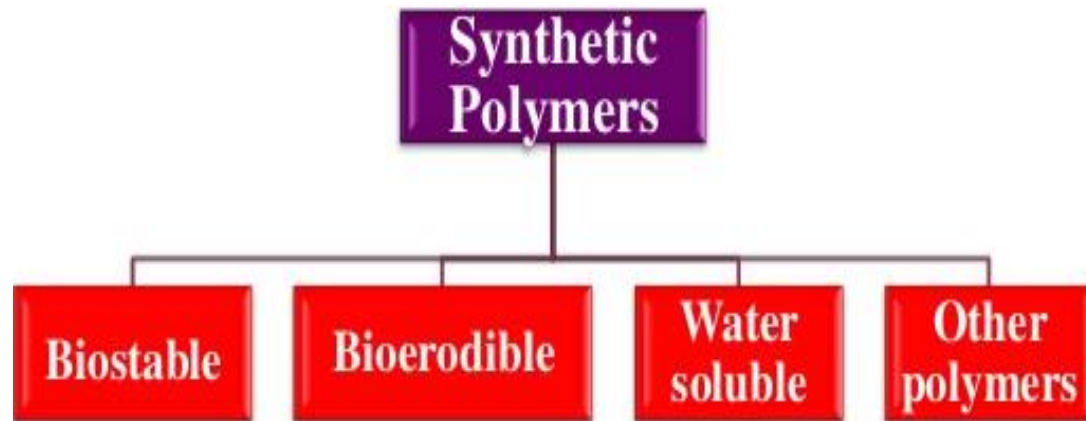




Classification of synthetic polymers



Synthetic Polymers



• Advantages of Synthetic Polymers

- Ease of manufacturability
- process ability
- reasonable cost

• The Required Properties

- Biocompatibility
- Sterilizability
- Physical Property
- Manufacturability

Applications:

Medical disposable supplies, Prosthetic materials, Dental materials, implants, dressings, polymeric drug delivery, tissue engineering products





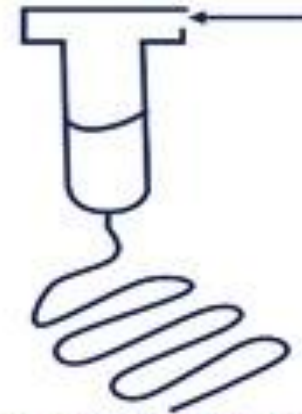
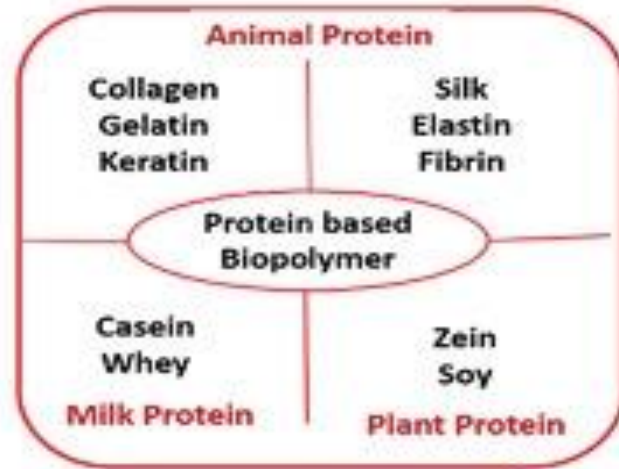
Protein based biopolymers and their formulation



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Interconnected porous scaffolds



3D printing scaffolds



Therapeutic molecule loaded Polymer particles

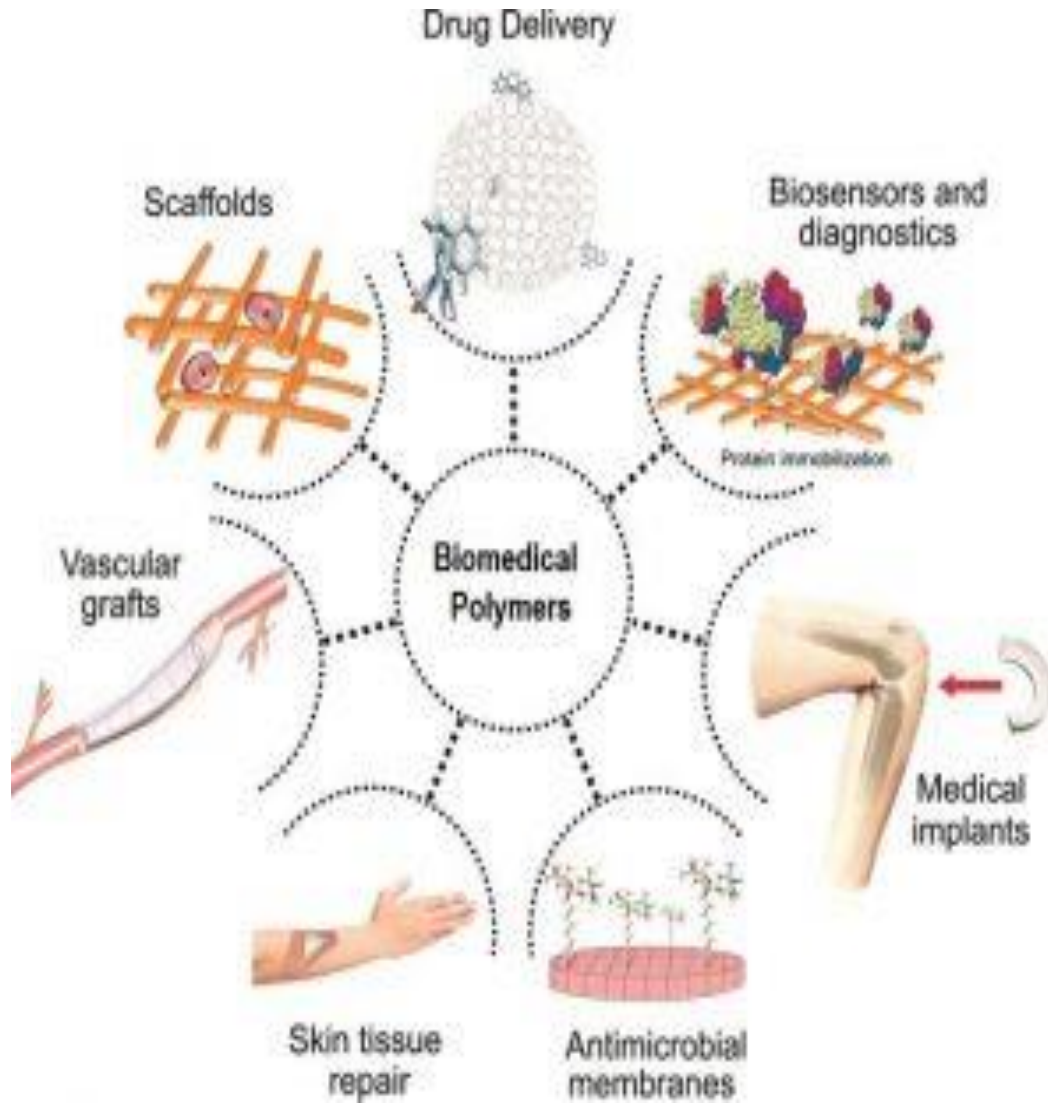


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Application



- Cardiovascular Applications
- Bones, Joints, And Teeth
- Contact Lenses And Intraocular Lenses
- Artificial Kidney And Hemodialysis Materials
- Oxygen-Transport Membranes
- Surgical Sutures
- Tissue Ingrowth Polymers
- Controlled Release Of Drugs

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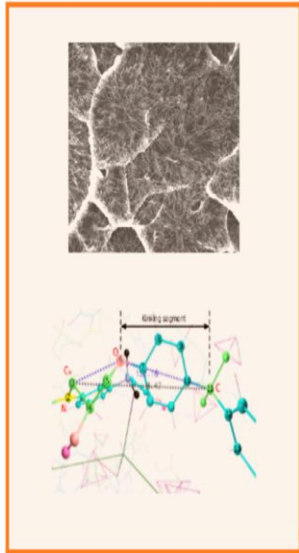


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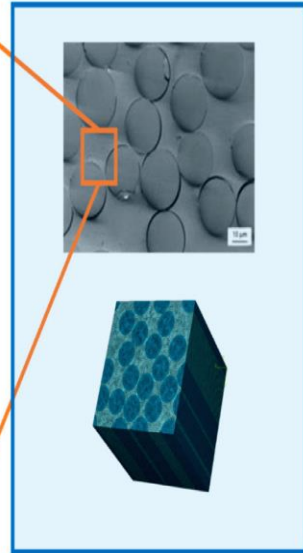


Nanoscale
(Constituents)



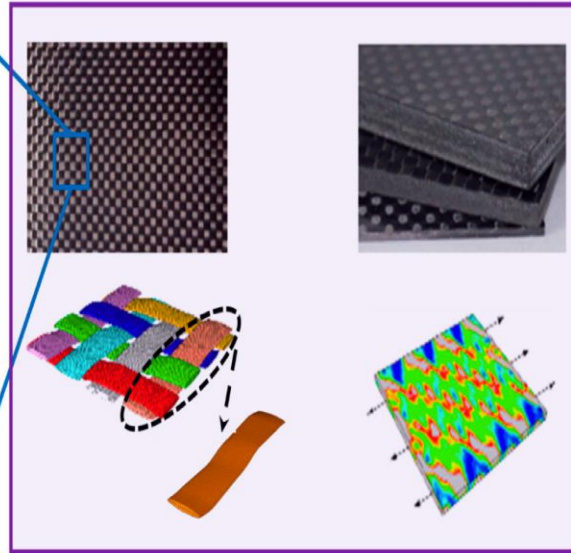
$\sim 10^{-9}m$

Microscale
(Unidirectional RVE)



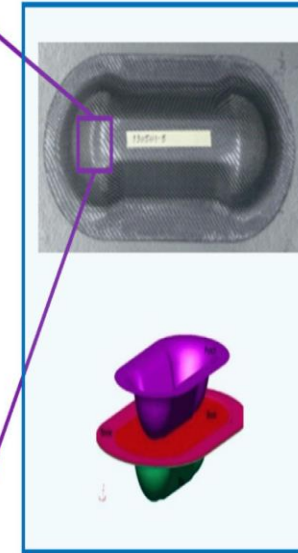
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Mesoscale
(Laminates and woven RVE)



$\sim 10^{-3}m$

Macroscale
(Sub-component)



$\sim 10^{-0}m$



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What are scaffolds?

Scaffolds: Serve as temporary or permanent artificial Extracellular Matrices (ECM) to accommodate cells and support 3D tissue regenerations .

What is ECM?

blend of macromolecules (proteins and carbohydrates) **around cells**—as **space fillers**.



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Biomemtic Scaffolds

- **Biomimetics** is defined as the application of methods and systems, found in nature, to technology and engineering.
- Mimicking the naturally occurring extracellular matrix (**ECM**) and how this is a promising approach to effectively tailor cell response and to successfully engineer replacement tissues.



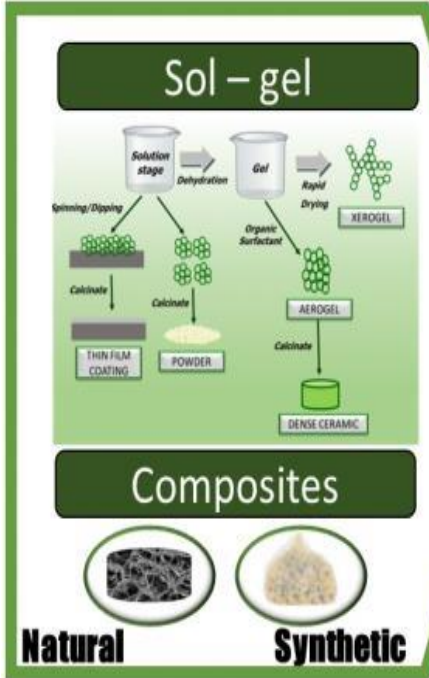
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BIOMATERIALS

SYNTHESIS



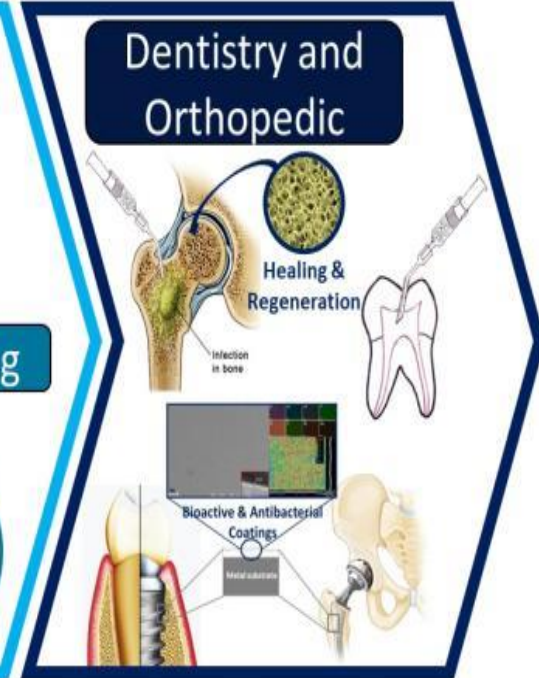
CHARACTERIZATION

- Techniques**
- XRD
 - FTIR
 - UV/Vis
 - NMR
 - Raman
 - AFM
 - SEM – EDS
 - TEM – EDX
 - ICP
 - μ CT
 - BET
 - CONFOCAL

TESTING

- In Vitro Testing**
- Simulated conditions
 - Human cell response
 - Antibacterial
- In Vivo Testing**
- Mouse model

APPLICATIONS

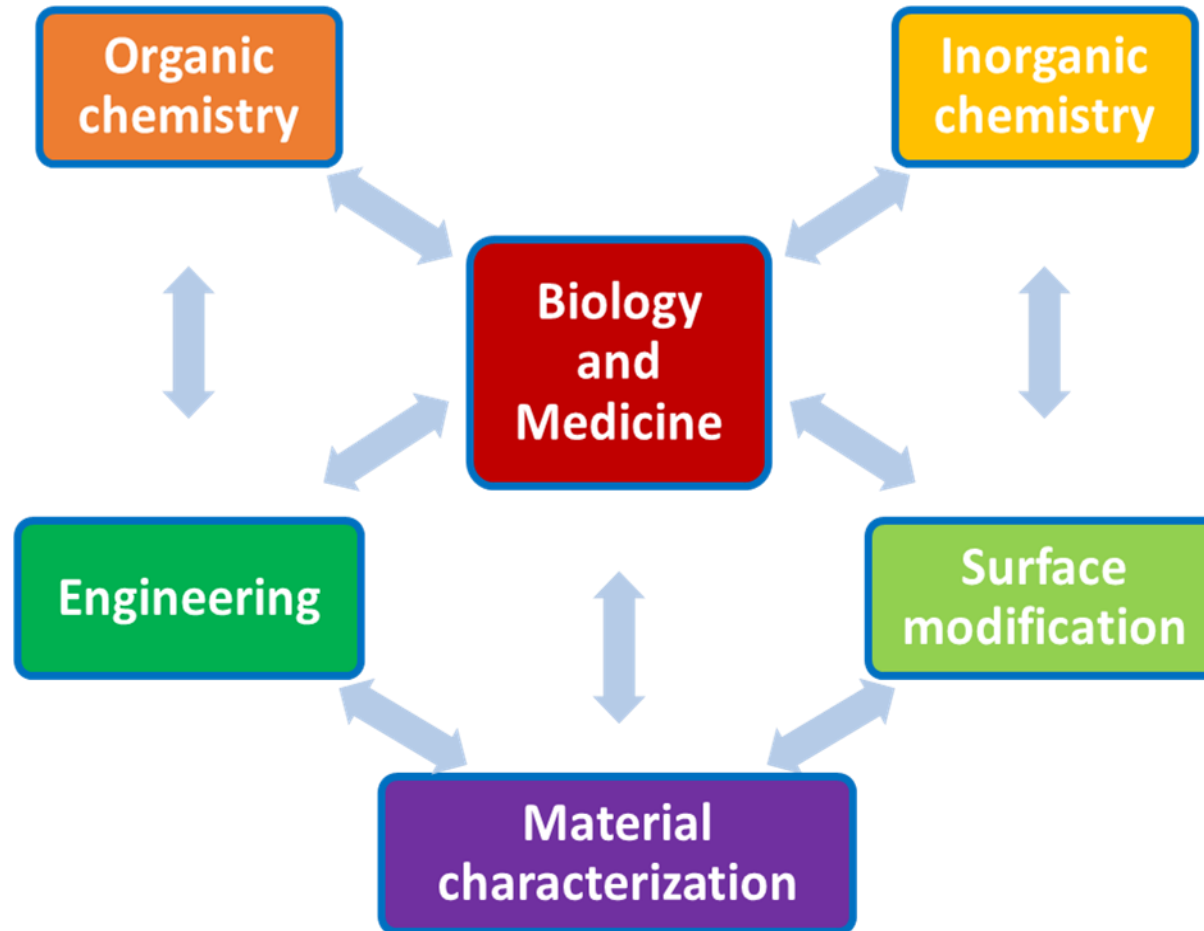


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Multidisciplinary approach



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Electrospinning



Biomaterial choice
 Origin (natural or synthetic)
Spinnable solution parameters
 Concentration blending ratio

Scaffold properties

Chemical properties
 Biocompatibility
 Biodegradability
 Conductivity
 Swelling behaviour

A

Physical properties
 Morphological properties
 Fiber diameter
 Fiber alignment
 Topographical properties
 Surface hydrophilicity
 Porosity and pore size
 Geometry (i.e., core-shell structures)

B

Mechanical properties
 Tensile moduls
 Shear moduls

C

Electrospinning method
Polymer solution parameters
 Viscosity
 Surface tension
 Conductivity
Process parameters
 Applied voltage
 Spinneret-collector distance
 Flow rate
 Colletor geometry
Environmental parameters
 Temperature
 Humidity
Technique
 Co-axial or multi-axial appartus



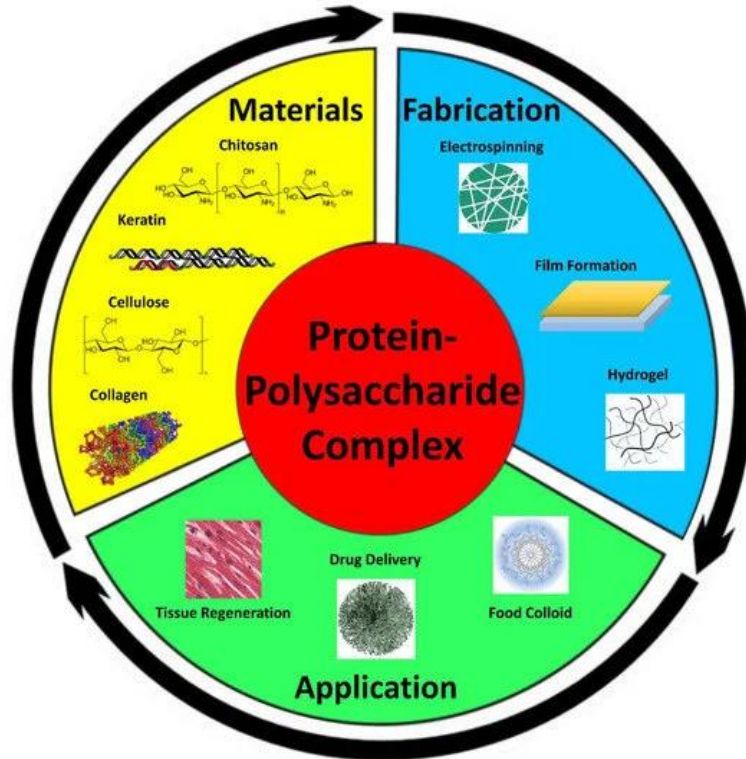


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Material / Method



Ch membrane



electrospinning

ZrNb alloy



anodization in electrolytic bath

Ch sponge



chemical crosslinking process

Ti6Al4V alloy



selective laser melting machine



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**Natural
polymers**

State of the art



**Bio-
compatibility**

**Bio-
degradability**

**Non-
immunogenic
properties**

Natural abundant polysaccharides

**structural similar with biological
macromolecules**

**easily recognized by the
bioenvironment**

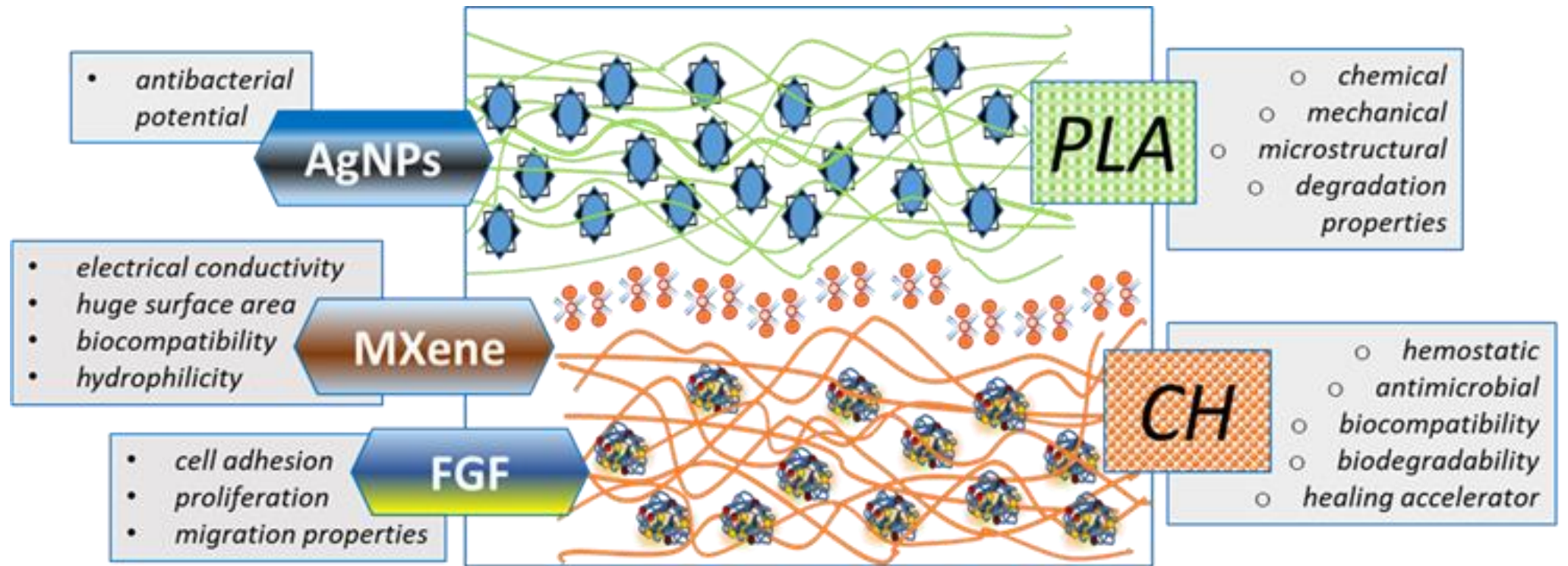
**easily metabolized to residues that are
nontoxic and naturally eliminated**

- **TISSUE
ENGINEERING
SCAFFOLDS**
- **DRUG
DELIVERY
VEHICLES**
- **PERMEABLE
MEMBRANES**





Project concept focused on the properties of their compounds



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Scientific objectives



Development of bi-layered electrospun nanofibrous scaffolds

solution parameters
optimization

modification
and functionalization

electrospinning
parameters optimization

Characterization of fibers and electrospun scaffolds

surface structure
degradability

mechanical
properties

conductivity
surface wettability

In vivo biological studies

biocompatibility

antibacterial



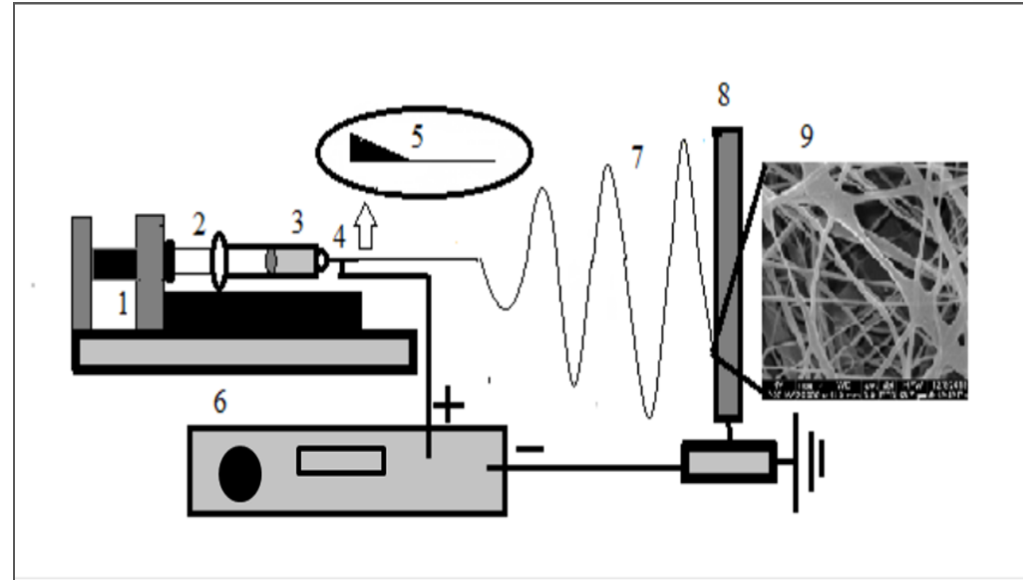
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Electrospinning setup



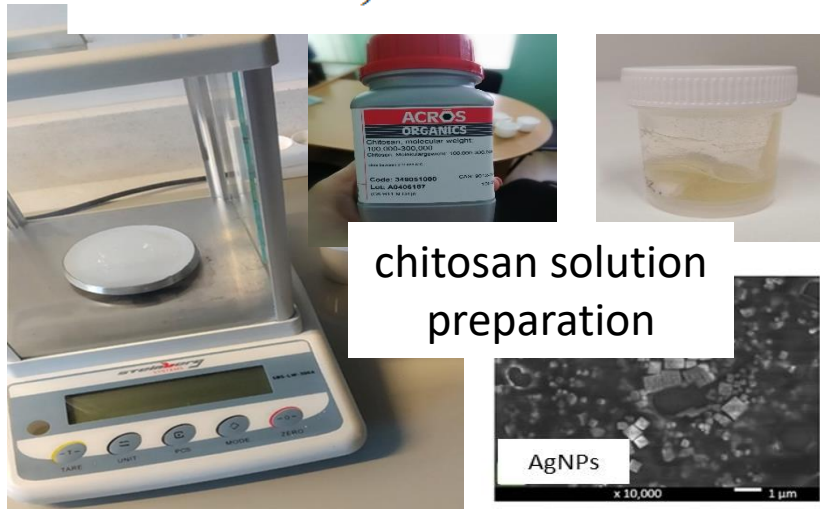
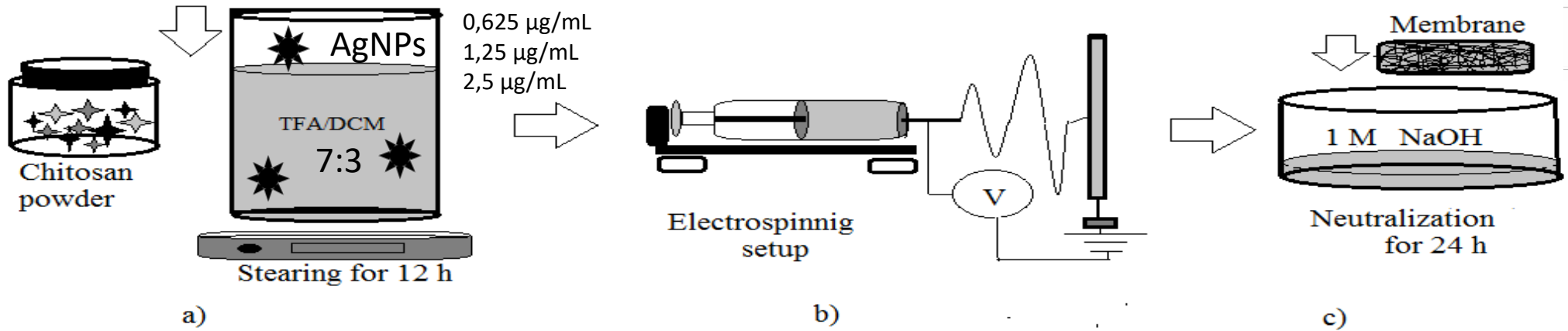
Electrospinning system
(Linari Engineering, Italy)



Scheme of electrospinning setup for chitosan membrane production: 1 – pump; 2 – syringe; 3 – solution; 4 – needle; 5 – Taylor cone; 6 – power supply; 7 – jet; 8 – collector; 9 – nanofibers

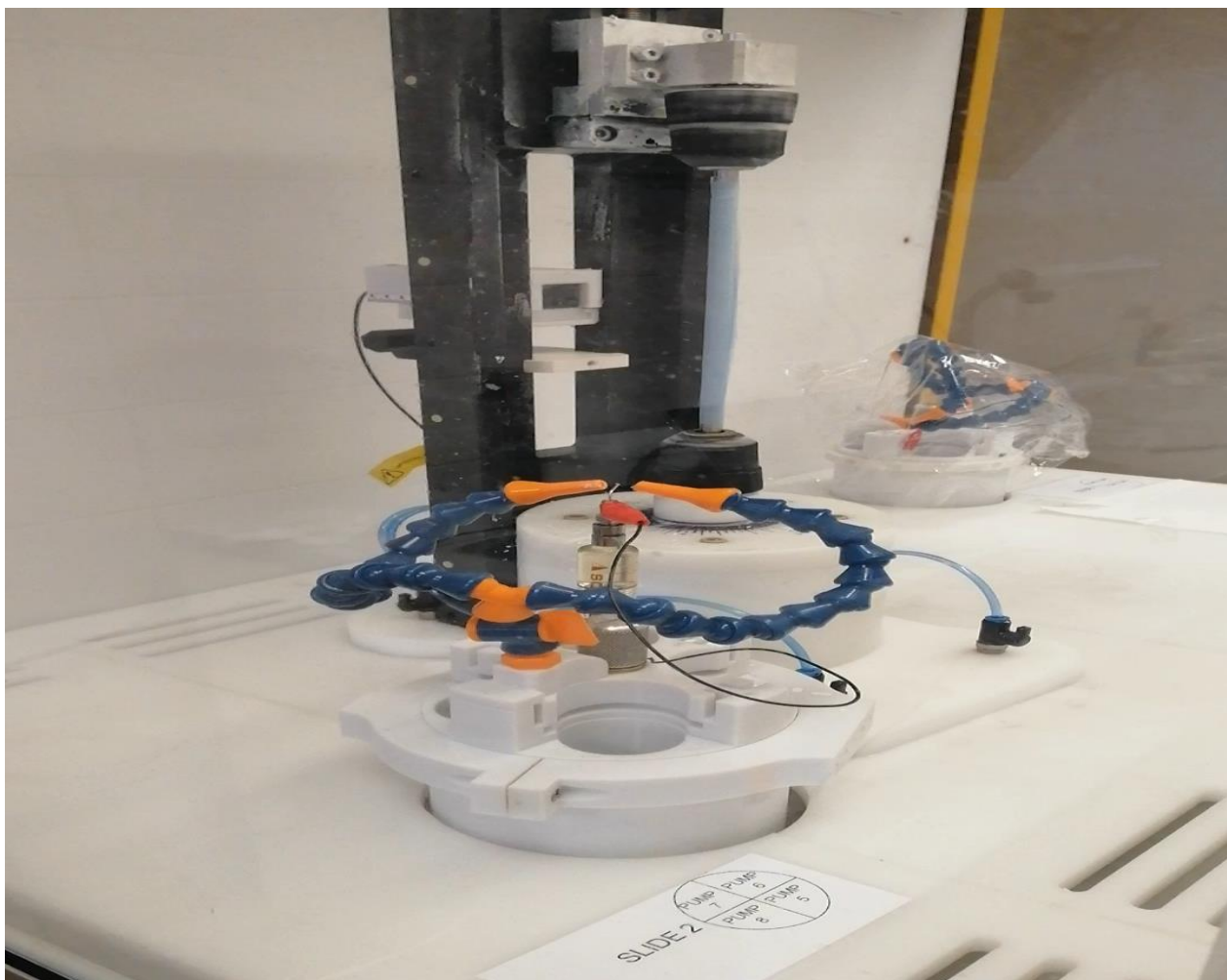
Fabrication of Ch-AgNPs nanofibers

MATERIALS/METHODS





Fabrication of Ch-AgNPs nanofibers

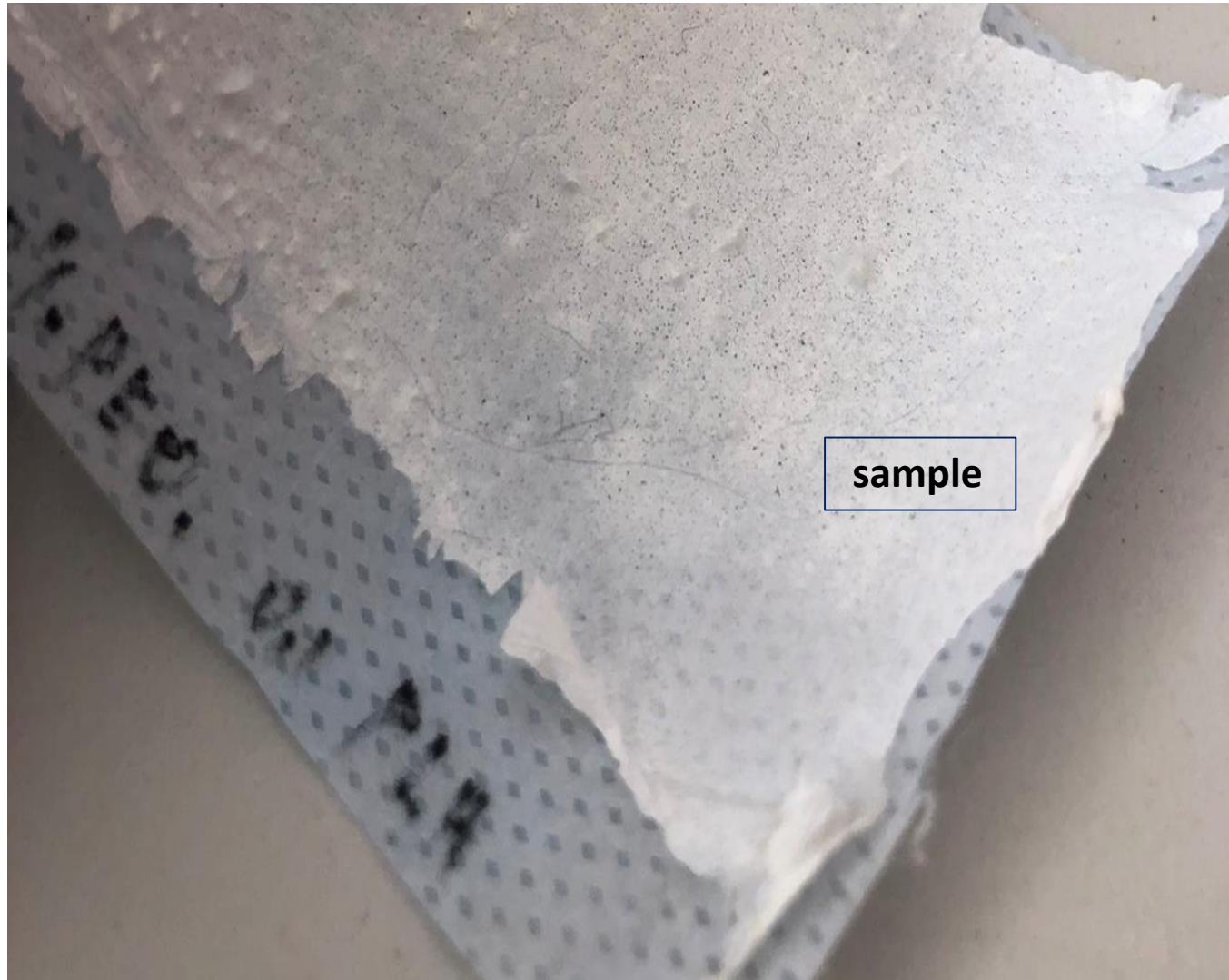


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Electrospinning setup



sample



power supply

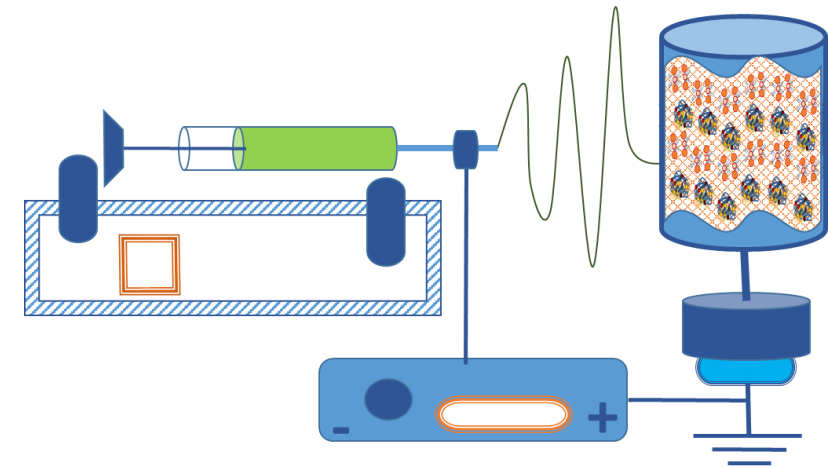


collector





How does it work?



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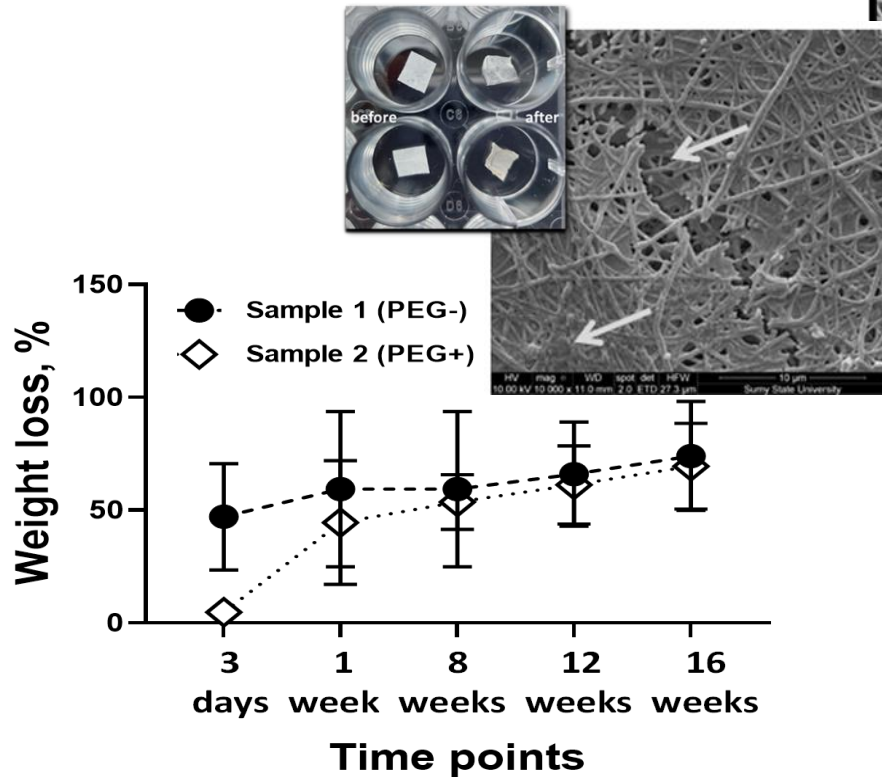




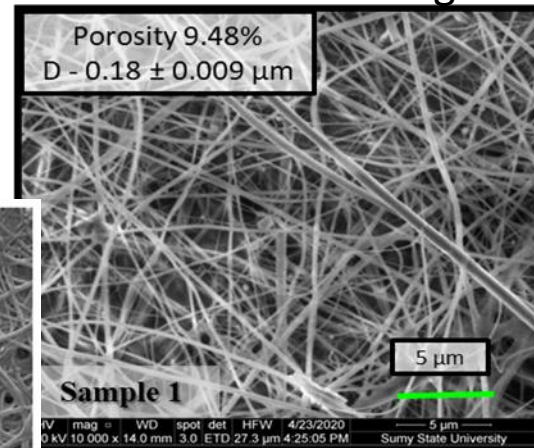
Characterization of nanofibrous electrospun scaffolds: testing of structural, chemical and surface properties



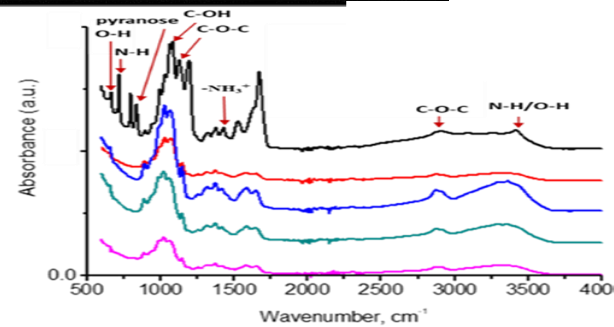
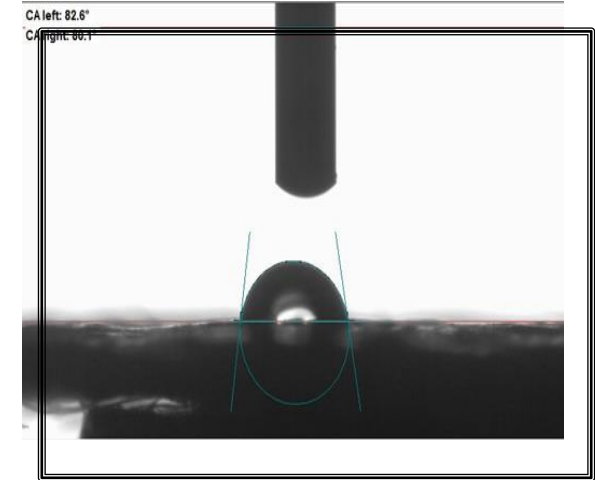
Degradation kinetics



SEM image



Surface CA



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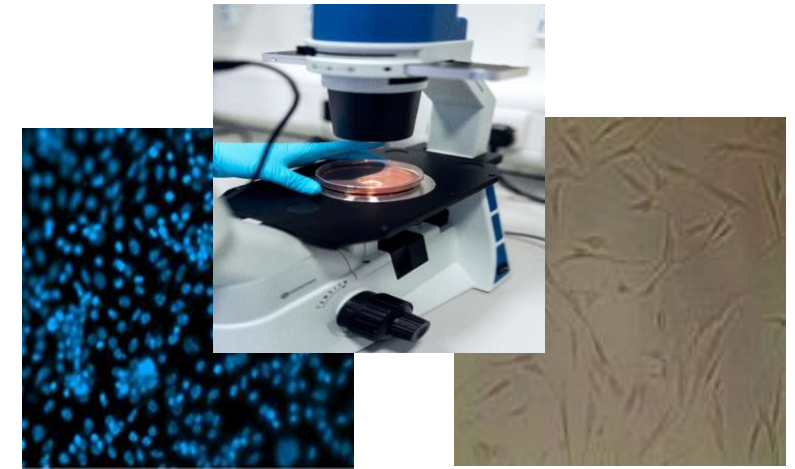


In vitro testing



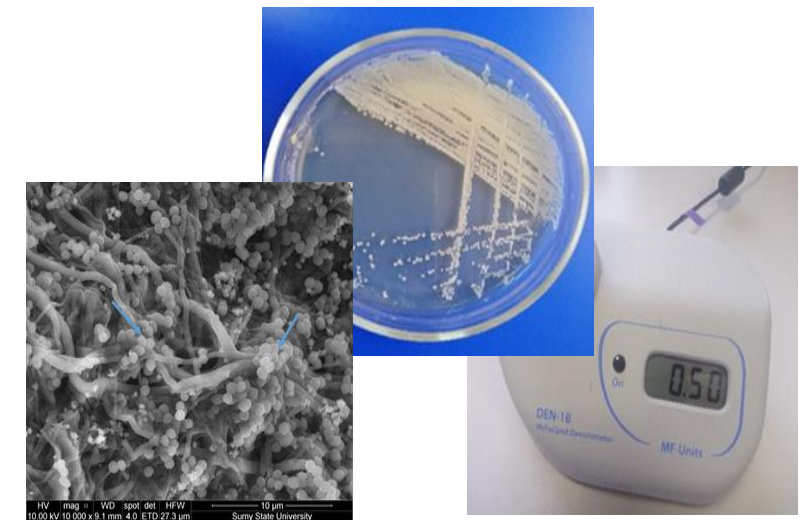
To assess the cell toxicity

- ❖ normal human dermal fibroblasts culture
- ❖ resazurin reduction assay / CCK-based assay
- ❖ fluorescent microscopy



To assess antibacterial properties

- ❖ Staphylococcus aureus and Escherichia coli bacteria
- ❖ time-dependent bacterial growth assay
- ❖ alamar blue biofilm susceptibility testing
- ❖ SEM



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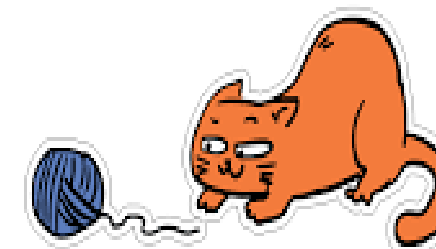
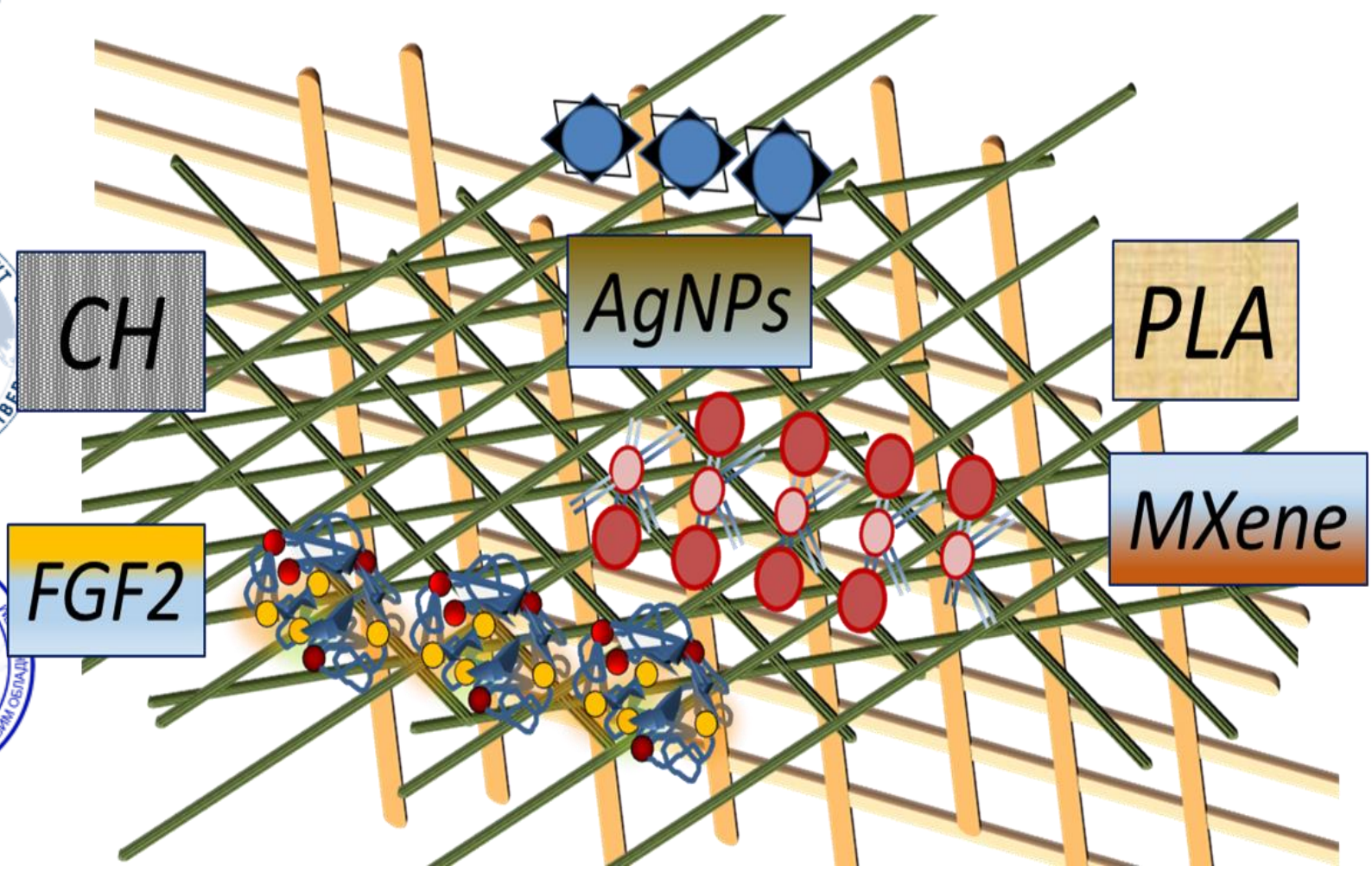
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Conclusions



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