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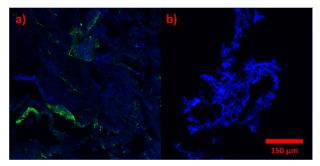
Bio-scaffold Versus Synthetic Scaffold Interactions With Seeded Stem Cells In Dynamic Flow Culture Environments

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Abstract:

OBJECTIVE: Elastin is an important component for extracellular matrix and cardiac tissue regeneration (1). The objective of this study is to determine whether porcine small intestinal submucosa (PSIS) bio-scaffolds can better promote cardiac tissue regeneration from bone marrow stem cells compared to poly glycolic acid-poly L-lactic acid (PGA-PLLA) synthetic scaffolds under physiologically-relevant flow environments. **METHODS**: Human bone marrow stem cells (RoosterBio, Frederick, MD) were seeded at 2,000,000 cells per 2.5cm² in 1.5cm x 1cm PSIS bio-scaffolds and PGA-PLLA synthetic scaffolds using Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) at 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS), 1% penicillin-streptomycin (P/S), 82ug/mL L-ascorbic acid 2-phosphate (AA2P), and 2ng/mL basic fibroblast growth factor (bFGF). The seeded PSIS strips were placed in rotisserie for 8 days followed by conditioning in a bioreactor under physiologically-relevant flow environment with surface shear stress of 3dyne/cm² for an additional 14 days. Conditioned samples were then fixed in 10% formalin at 4degC overnight, embedded in optimal cutting temperature (OCT) compound, and sectioned at 16 um using a cryostat. Sectioned samples were subsequently stained with elastin mouse monoclonal primary antibody (Novus Biologicals, Littleton, CO), followed by goat anti-mouse polyclonal secondary antibody

(Thermo Fisher, Waltham, MA) and 4',6-diamidino-2phenylindole (DAPI). Stained samples were imaged using a confocal microscope. **RESULTS**: Image results show presence of elastin protein (green) in the PSIS strip (a) and none in the PGA-PLLA (b) samples. **CONCLUSIONS**: Cells seeded in PSIS bio-scaffold extracellular matrices facilitate higher production of elastin under flow mechanical conditions compared to PGA-PLLA synthetic scaffolds. Bio-scaffolds extracellular components allow bone marrow stem cells to communicate and secrete engineered matrix component, such as elastin that will be useful for enhancing cardiovascular regeneration. **REFERENCE(S)**: (1) Gonzalez de Torre, I. *et al*: Frontiers in Bioengineering and Biotechnology 2020-Jun-30; Vol. 8.



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C. Hsu, None.. B. A. Gonzalez, None.. S. Ramaswamy, None. Topic (Complete): Aortic Valve ACCME Practice Gaps Requirement (Complete): 1. What professional practice gap does this abstract address?

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: Extracellular matrices from bio-scaffolds promote higher elastin production compared to synthetic scaffolds. Elastin is an important component for for heart valve tissue regeneration.

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