

ME 411 / ME 511

Biological Frameworks for Engineers

Class Organization

- Final Exam
 - Due on Wed 12/11
 - Turn in paper copy to Prof. Sniadecki's office (MEB 318)

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Tissue Replacement

Replacement Body Parts

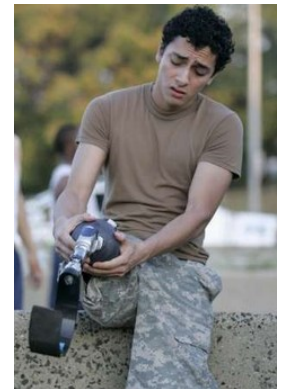
We wear out – we are easily damaged



wear



tear



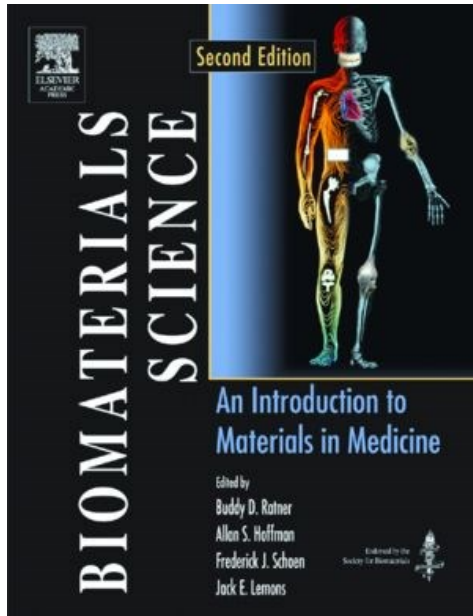
trauma

Can we build it?
Can we build it *better*?
Can we build it *stronger*?
Can we build it to *last*?





Buddy Ratner
(BIOE, ChemE)



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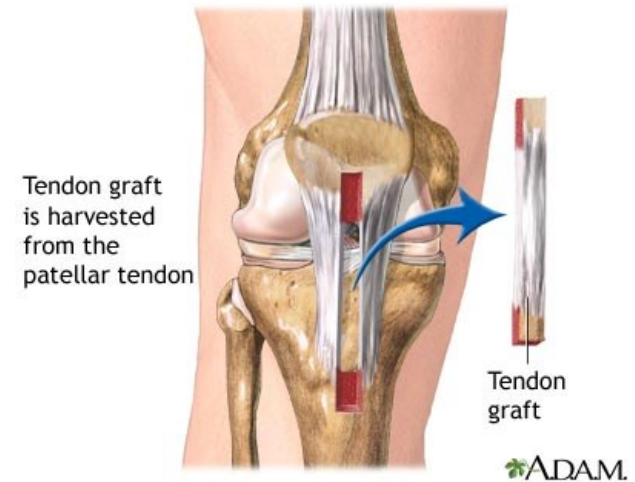
What do we need to know?

- Biomechanics :
 - How does the broken part work?
- Bioresponses :
 - Matrix protein
 - Cell
 - Tissue
- Healing:
 - Immune
 - Inflammation
 - Wound closure



Biologic or Synthetic?

- Autograft – same person
- Allograft – same species
- Xenograft – other species

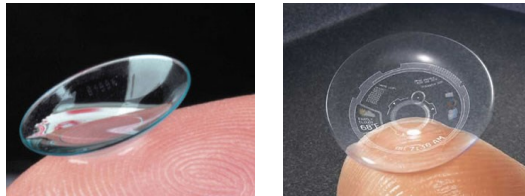


What is a Biomaterial?

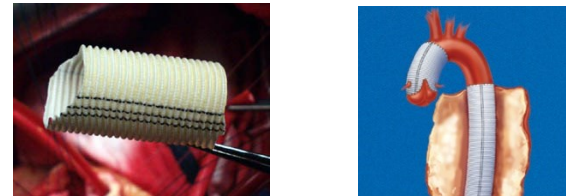
- A material intended to interface with biological systems to evaluate, treat, and augment, or replace any tissue, organ, or function of the body.

Common Examples

- Contact Lens...



- Vascular Grafts...



- Dental Implants...



- Joint Replacement...



- Cosmetic...

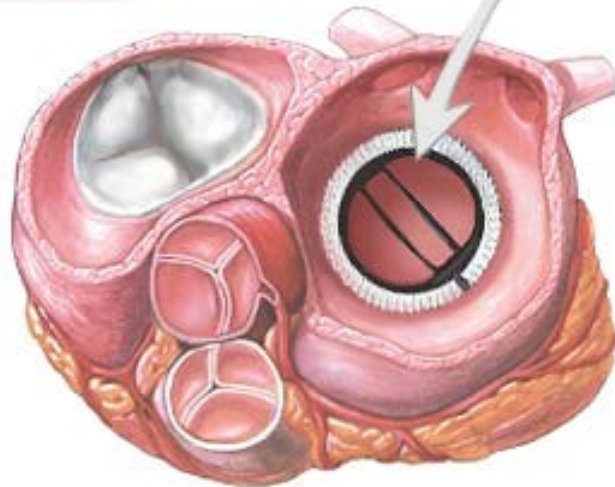


- Artificial Heart...



Biocompatibility

- Heart Valves – 100,000/yr



Mechanical valve

Biological valve
(human or porcine)



Mechanical valve



ADAM.



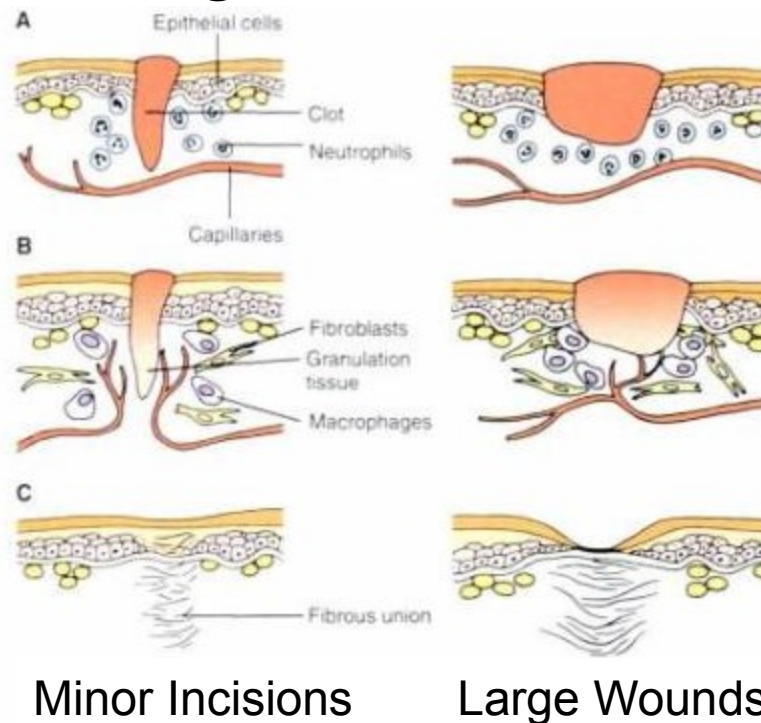
ADAM.

Correct Material Choices

- Inert (1960-1970)
 - Negative immune response
 - Artificial materials have few antigens
 - Nonspecific interactions
 - Hypersensitivity
- Bioactive (1990 – present)
 - Promote local healing
 - Smart/Instructive materials
 - Minimally invasive surgery
 - Nanomaterials

Integration with the Body

- After implantation
 - Integration into surrounding tissue
 - Isolation with fibrous encapsulation
- Wound Healing



Integration with the Body

- After implantation
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 - Isolation with fibrous encapsulation
- Inflammation : angiogenesis and granulation tissue
- Immune response : antigen or nonspecific
- Blood clotting : platelets and thrombosis
- Infection : bacterial or viral invaders
- Tumor formation : excessive proliferation
- Calcification : deposition of $\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ nodules

Types of Biomaterials

- **Metals** (formable, strong)
 - Cobalt-chromium alloy
 - Heart valves, dental prostheses, orthopedic plates and joints, vascular stents
 - Gold, platinum
 - Dental fillings, electrodes for cochlear implants
 - Silver-tin-copper alloys
 - Dental amalgams
 - Stainless steel
 - Dental prosthesis, orthopedic fixation plates, vascular stents
 - Titanium alloys
 - Heart valves, dental implants, orthopedic joints & screws, pacemakers, vascular stents

Types of Biomaterials

- **Ceramic** (hard, degradation resistant)
 - Aluminum oxides
 - Orthopedic joint components, load-bearing components, implant coatings, dental implants
 - Bioactive glasses
 - Orthopedic and dental coatings, dental implants, facial reconstruction components, bone graft substitute materials
 - Calcium phosphates
 - Orthopedic and dental coatings, dental implant materials, bone graft substitute materials, bone cement

Types of Biomaterials

- **Polymers** (natural vs. synthetic, elastomers, hydrogels, composites)
 - Synthetic (PMMA, PDMS, PE, PTFE, PLGA, etc.)
 - Contact lenses, cosmetic implants, orthopedic wearing implants, vascular grafts, resorbable meshes and sutures
 - Natural (Collagen, Elastin, Fibrin, Hyaluronic Acid, GAGs, etc.)
 - Matrices: orthopedic repair, tissue engineered parts, skin repair, hemostatic sealants

Biomaterial Properties

- Degradable
 - pH resistant
 - Inflammation resistant
 - Biodegradable for cell/factor release
- Surface properties
 - Mechanical coatings
 - Hydrophobic/philic
 - Roughness or topology
- Bulk properties
 - Strength and stiffness
 - Anisotropy
 - Fatigue
 - Temperature
- Fabrication

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Tissue Engineering

Tissue Engineering

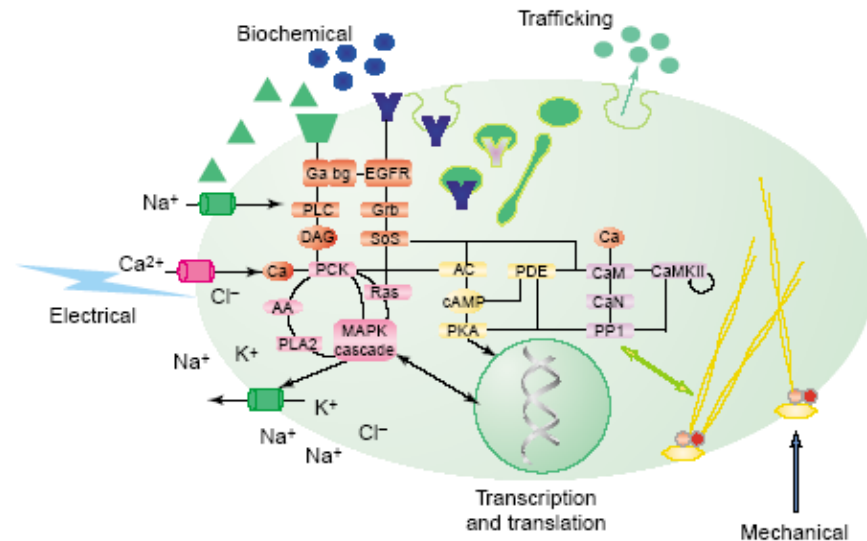
- A field that seeks to replace, repair or enhance biological function at the scale of a tissue or organ by manipulating cells via their extracellular environment.



Atala (WF)
[[TED talk](#)]

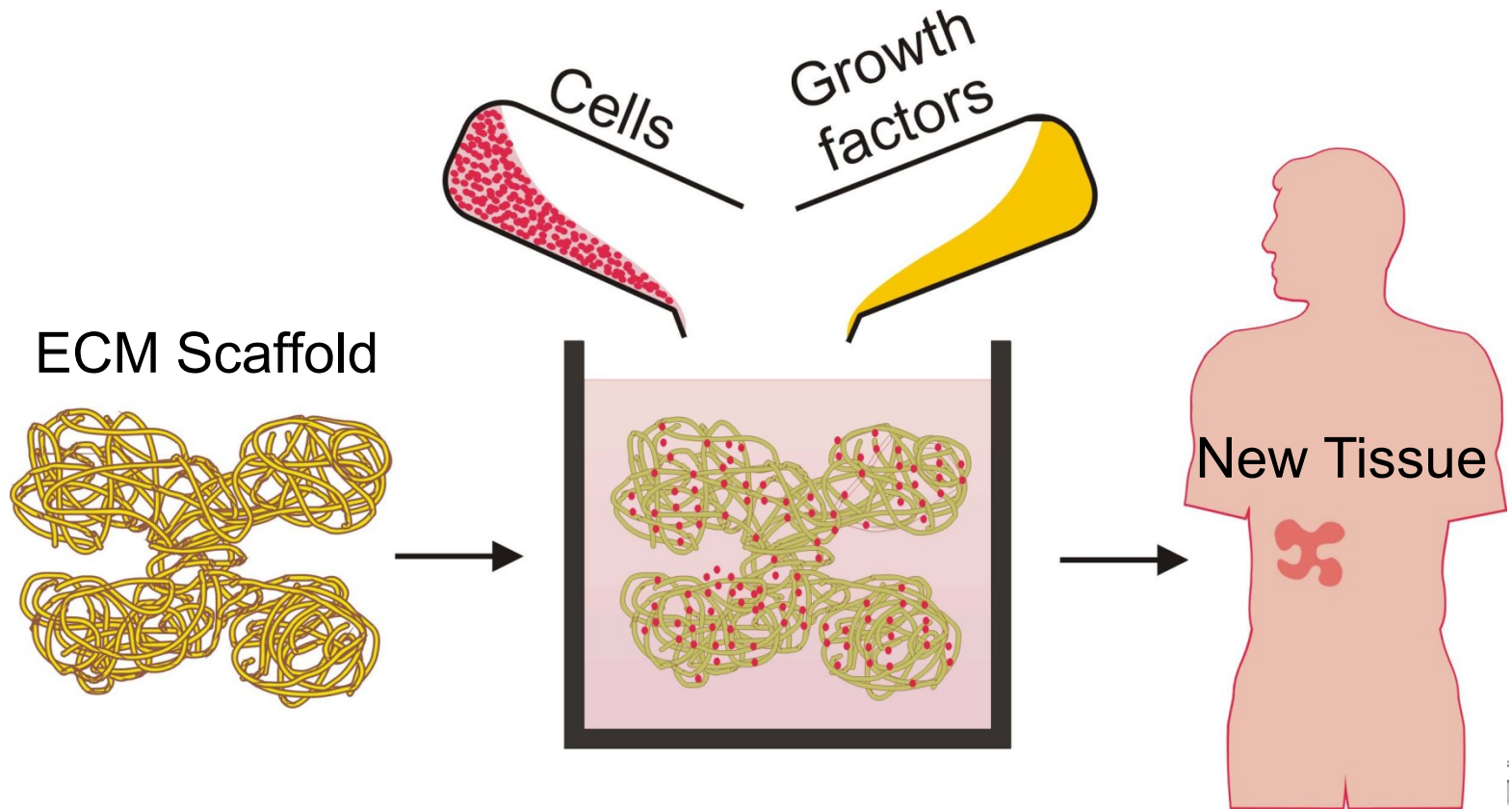


Langer (MIT)



Central Hypothesis

$$\text{Cells} + \text{ECM} + \text{GF} = \text{New Tissue}$$



Defect Objectives

- Mechanical
 - Bone, cartilage, ligaments
- Metabolic
 - Replace physiological function (liver)
- Synthetic
 - Deliver secretory products (insulin production)
- Communication
 - Nervous system
- Any combination of the above

Success Stories

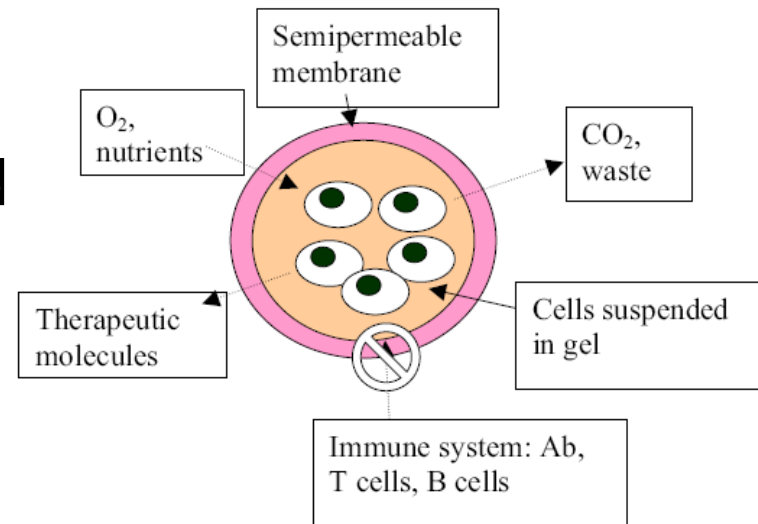
- Cornea
 - Corneal epithelial cells pre-seeded in hydrogels and transplanted into rabbit cornea, where remained adherent and proliferated up to 2 weeks
- Liver
 - Hepatocyte systems for extracorporeal and implantable applications
 - Implants offers the advantage of permanent liver replacement
- Pancreas
 - Destruction of pancreatic islets, leading to loss of glucose and insulin regulation
 - Transplant microencapsulated islets cells to avoid immune rejection
- Cartilage
 - collagen-glycosaminoglycan templates using chondrocytes
 - chondrocytes grown in agarose gel culture produce tissues with mechanical properties similar to articular cartilage
- Bone
 - synthetic and natural polymers should have optimal strength and degradation properties
 - use bone morphogenetic proteins (BMPs) and growth factors (e.g., TGF-b)
- Bladder
 - Seminal attempt in generation of complete organ
 - Collagen scaffolds seeded with autologous bladder epithelial cells on inside and smooth muscle cells on outside
- Skin (most successful application)
 - Implant a composite material of silicone upper layer and chondroitin-sulfate and collagen lower layer; prevents liquid loss and induce angiogenesis
 - in vitro culture of keratinocytes (epidermis) from burn patients and multiply 10,000-fold in laboratory; requires 4 weeks

Extracorporeal Method

- “Microencapsulation”

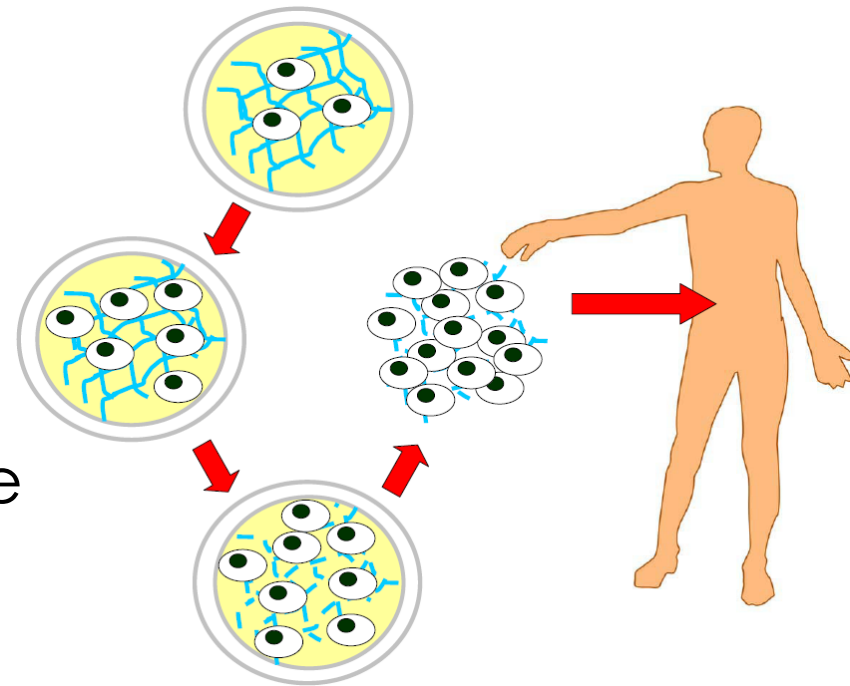
Ex: insulin-secreting β -islet cells from pancreas of cadaver

- Encapsulate cells within membrane construct
- Immunoisolate from antibodies and leukocytes
- Implant construct
- Cells secrete product
- Remove when concluded



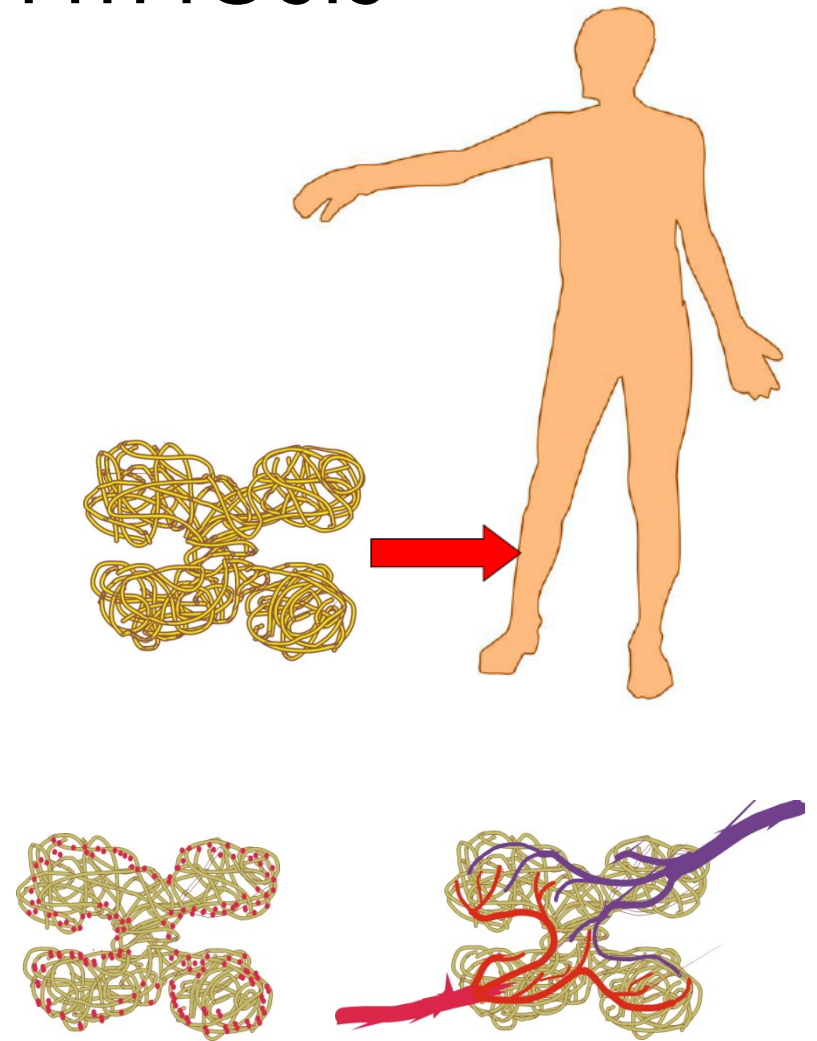
In Vitro Synthesis

- Cultured Scaffolds
 - Cells seeded onto scaffold in vitro
 - Cells maintained in culture to expand population and organize
 - Device implanted once colony established
 - Device degrades and replaced by remodeled tissue



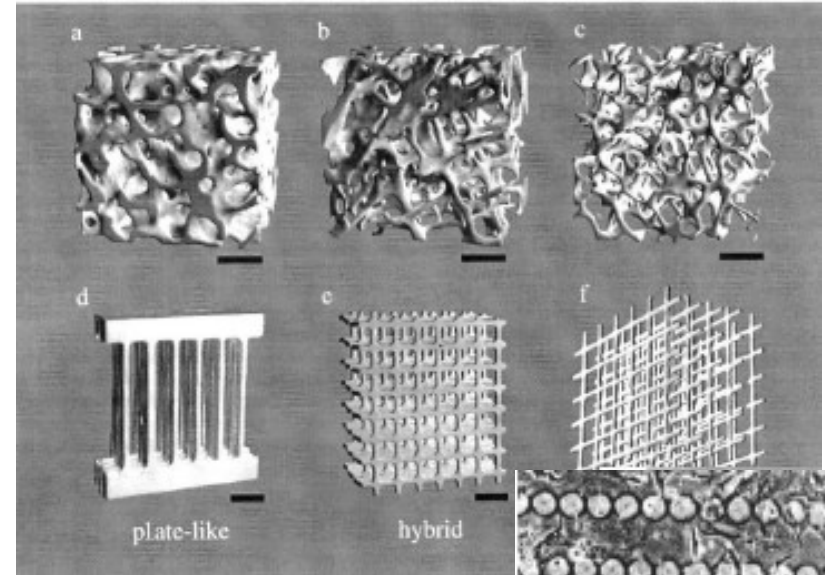
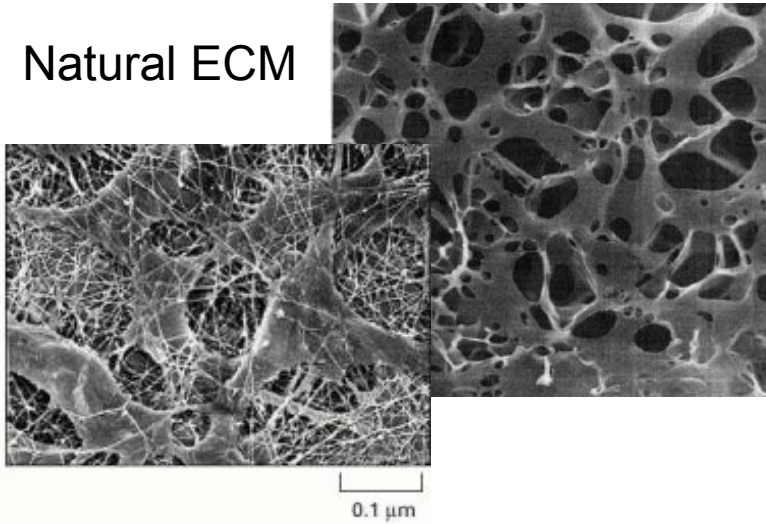
In Vivo Synthesis

- Implanted Scaffold
 - Constructed bioactive scaffold (ECM, GFs, topology)
 - Implant porous scaffold device
 - Cellular in-growth in vivo (integration and vascularization)
 - Scaffold replace by remodeled tissue

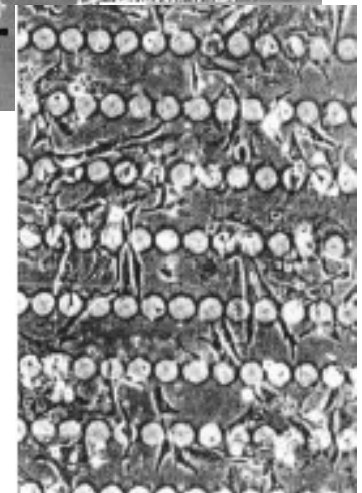
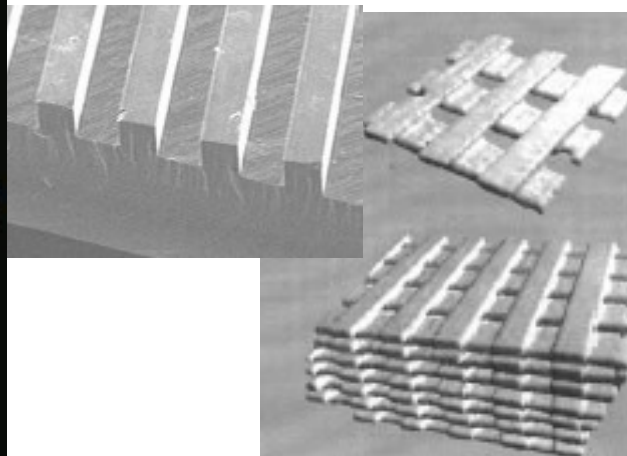
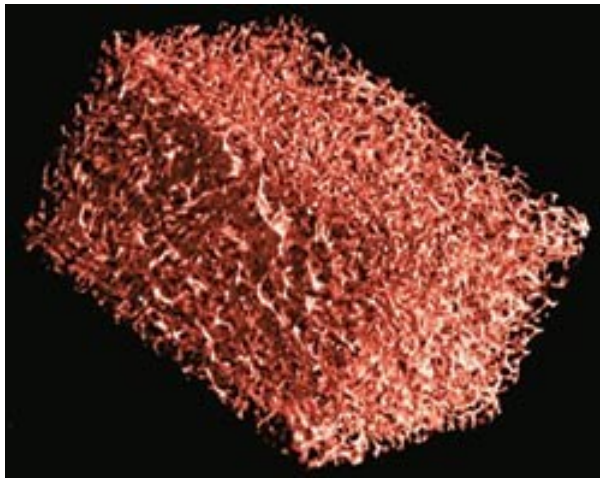


Scaffolds

Natural ECM

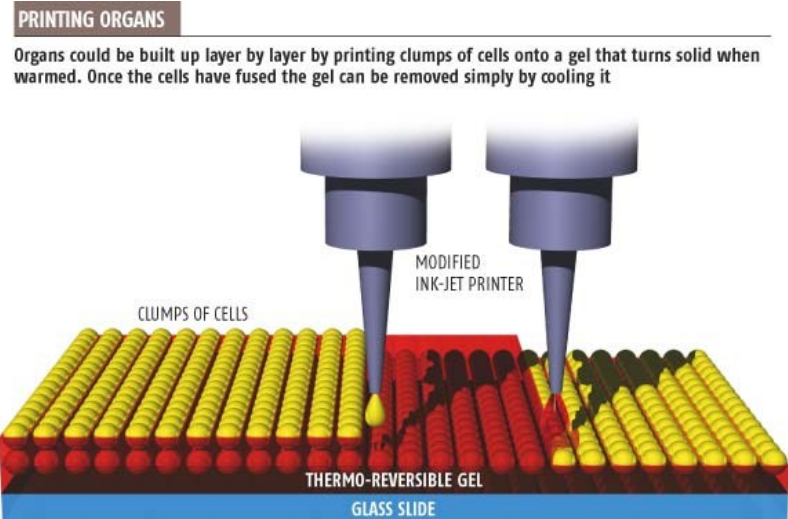
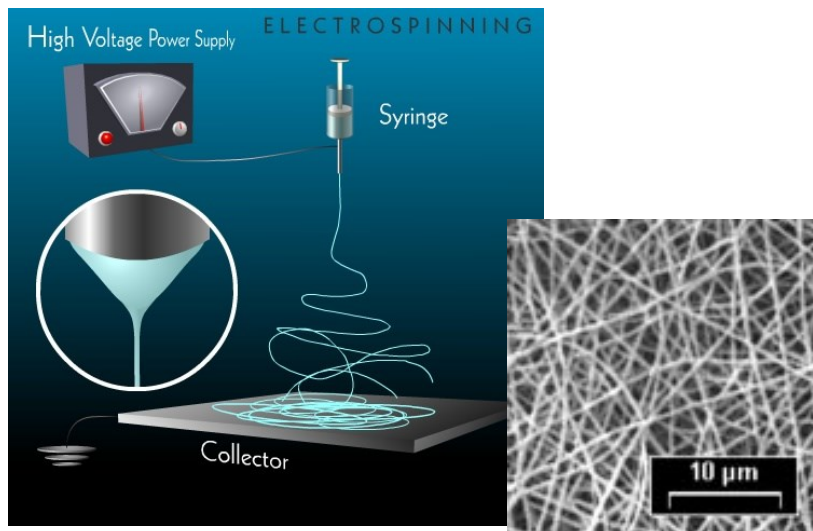


Synthetic ECM



Fabrication

- Biological
 - Decellularization Collagen
 - Hydrogels
- Textile Fibers
 - Weaving/Braiding
 - Electrospinning
- Particles
 - Colloidal Sintering
 - Nanoparticle Condensation
- 3D fabrication
 - Stereolithography
 - “Ink” printing



Big Picture [nm-m]

Scale of Life

Things Natural

Dust mite
200 μm

Human hair
-10- 50 μm wide

Red blood cells with white cell
- 2-5 μm

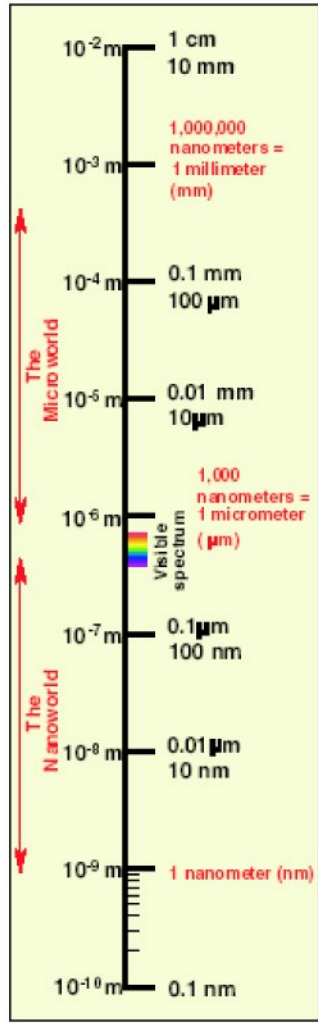
Ant
-5 mm

Fly ash
-10- 20 μm

DNA
-2-1.2 nm diameter

ATP synthase
- 10 nm diameter

Atoms of silicon
spacing - tenths of nm



Things Man-made

Head of a pin
1-2 mm

Microelectromechanical devices
10-100 μm wide

Nanotube electrode

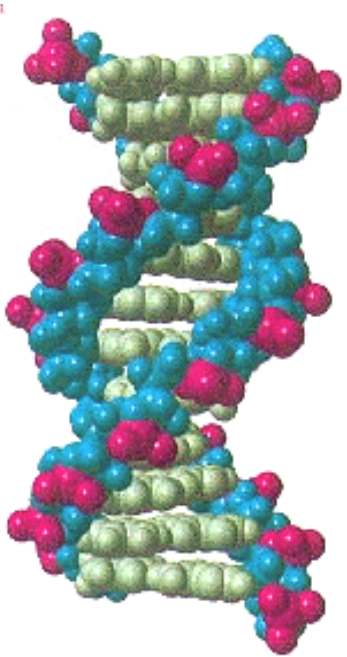
Nanotube transistor

Quantum corral of 48 iron atoms on copper surface
positioned one at a time with an STM tip
Corral diameter 14 nm

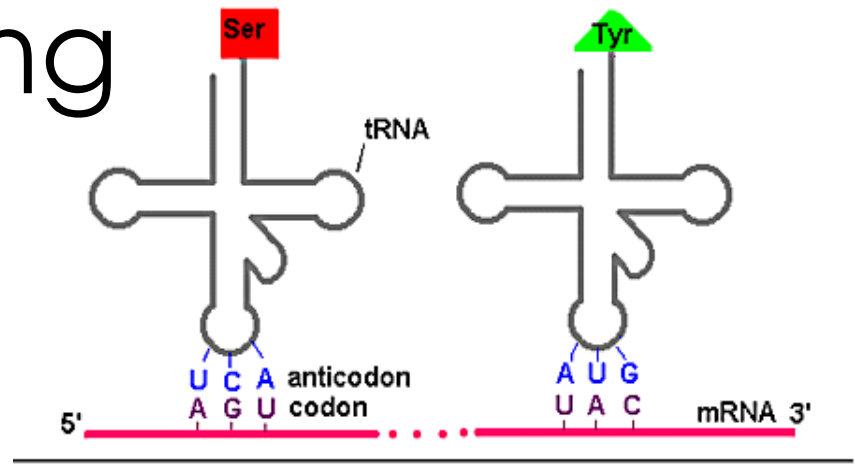
Carbon nanotube
-2 nm diameter

21st Century Challenge

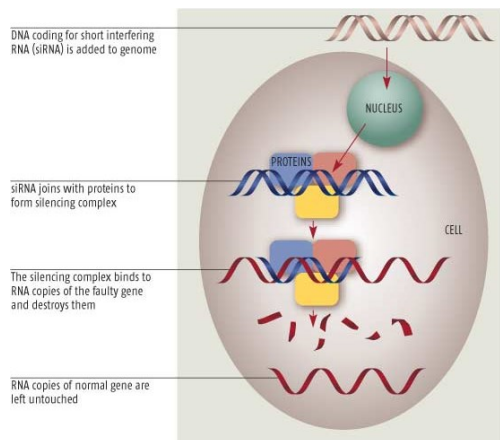
Assemble nanoscale building blocks to make functional devices, e.g., a photosynthetic reaction center with integral semiconductor storage



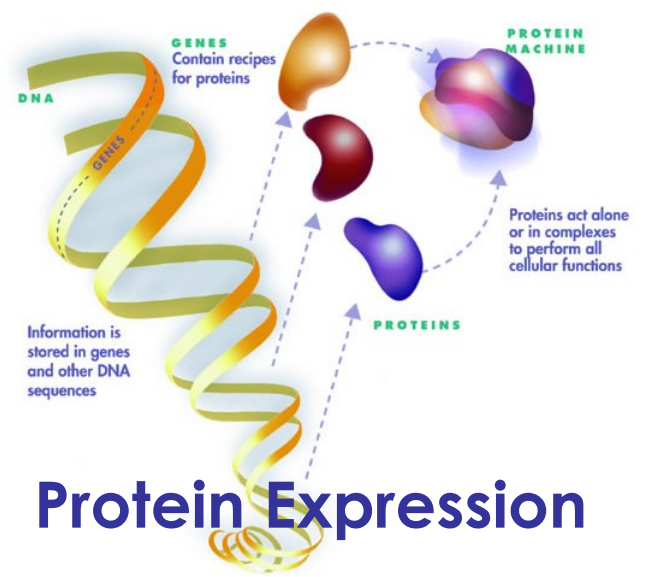
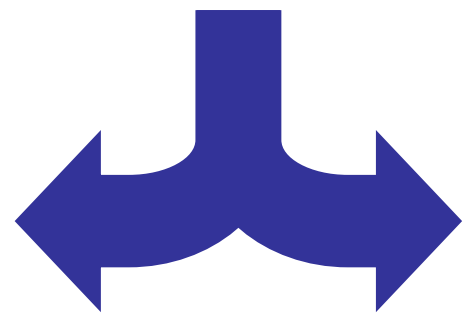
Coding



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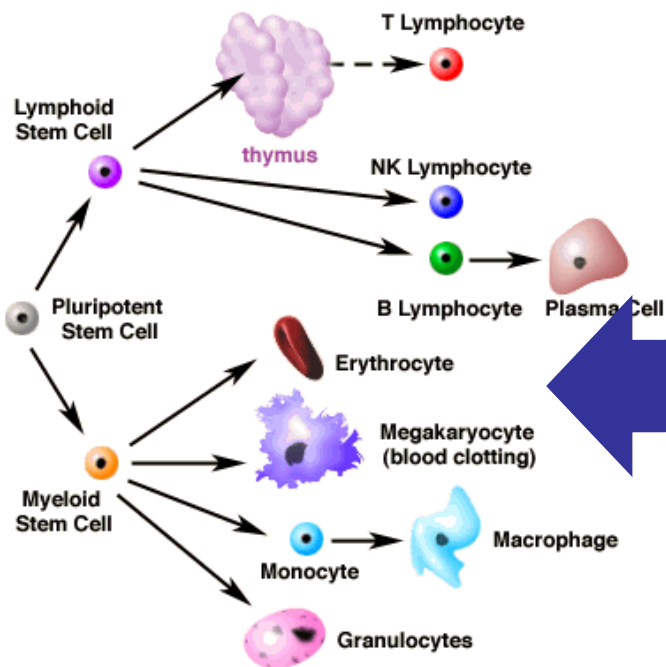
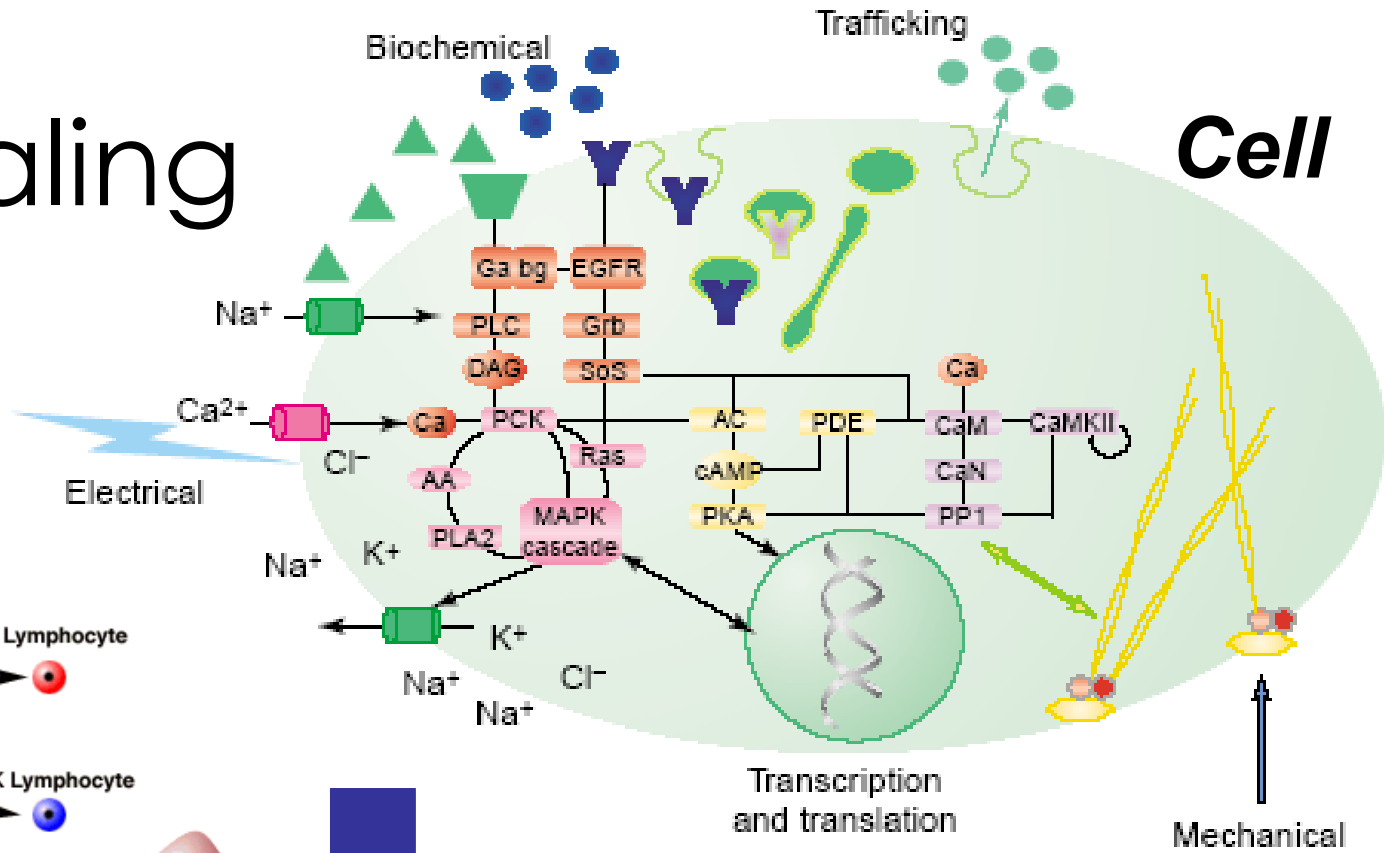


Gene Therapy



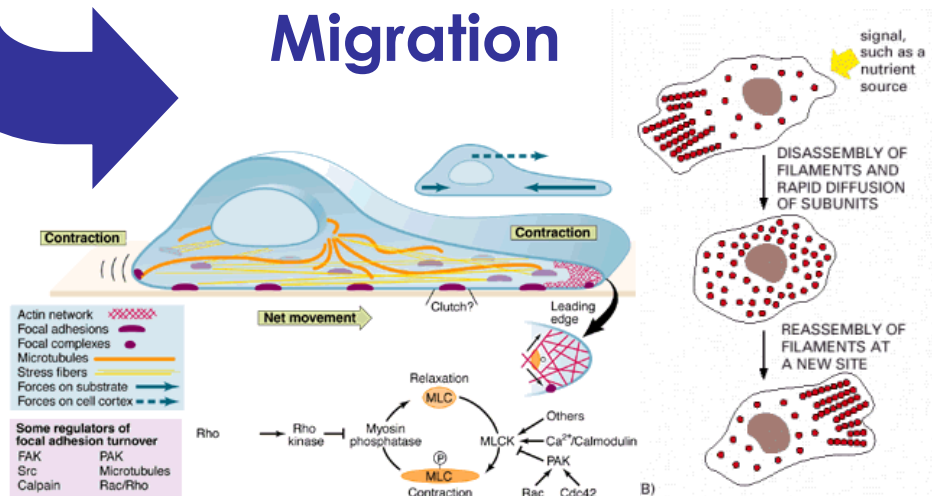
Protein Expression

Signaling



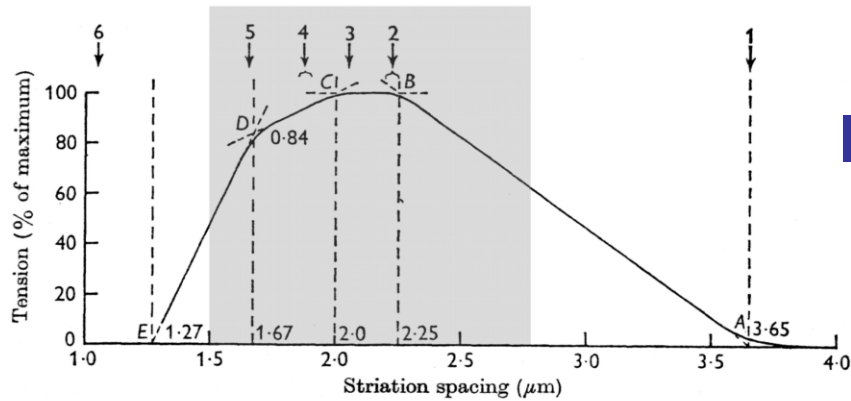
Stem Cells

Migration

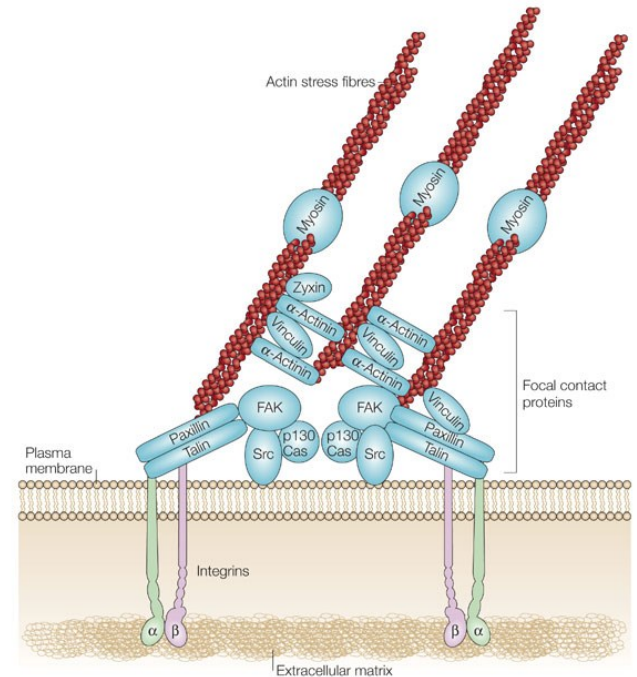
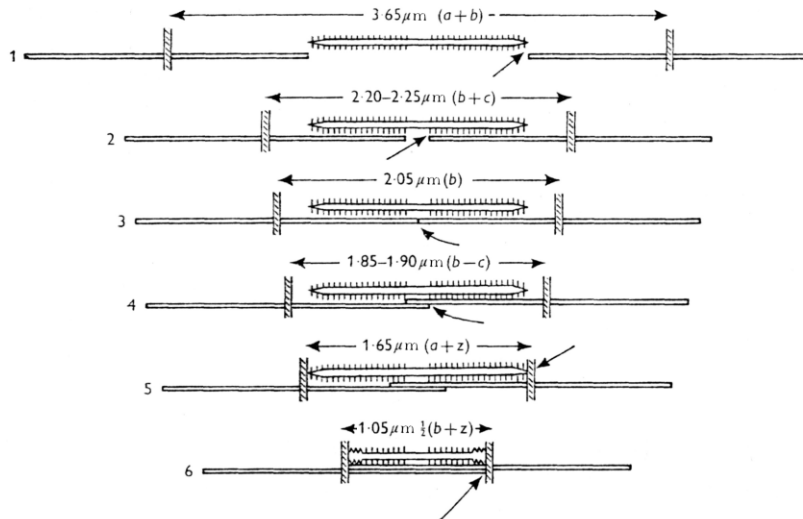


Structure-Function

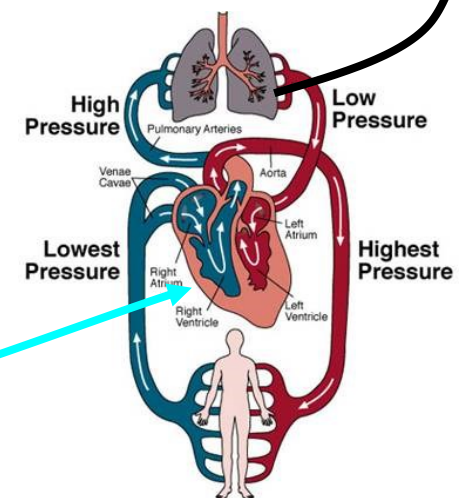
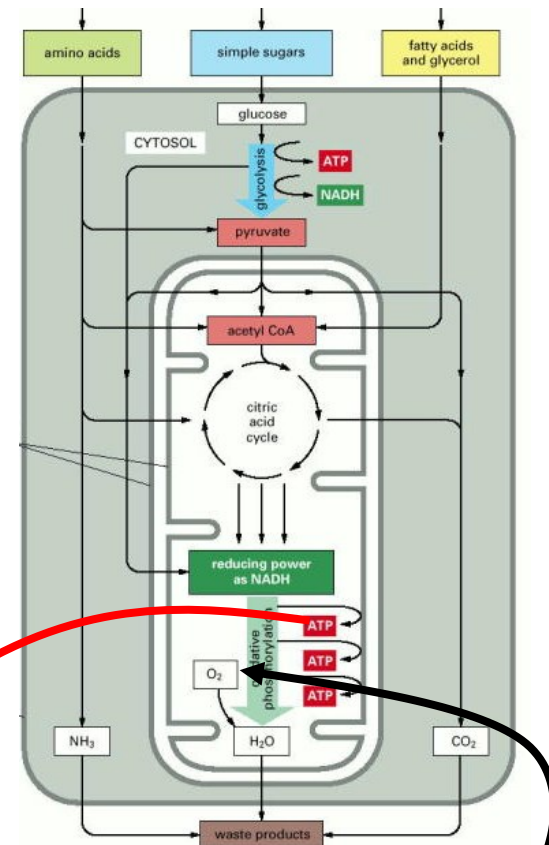
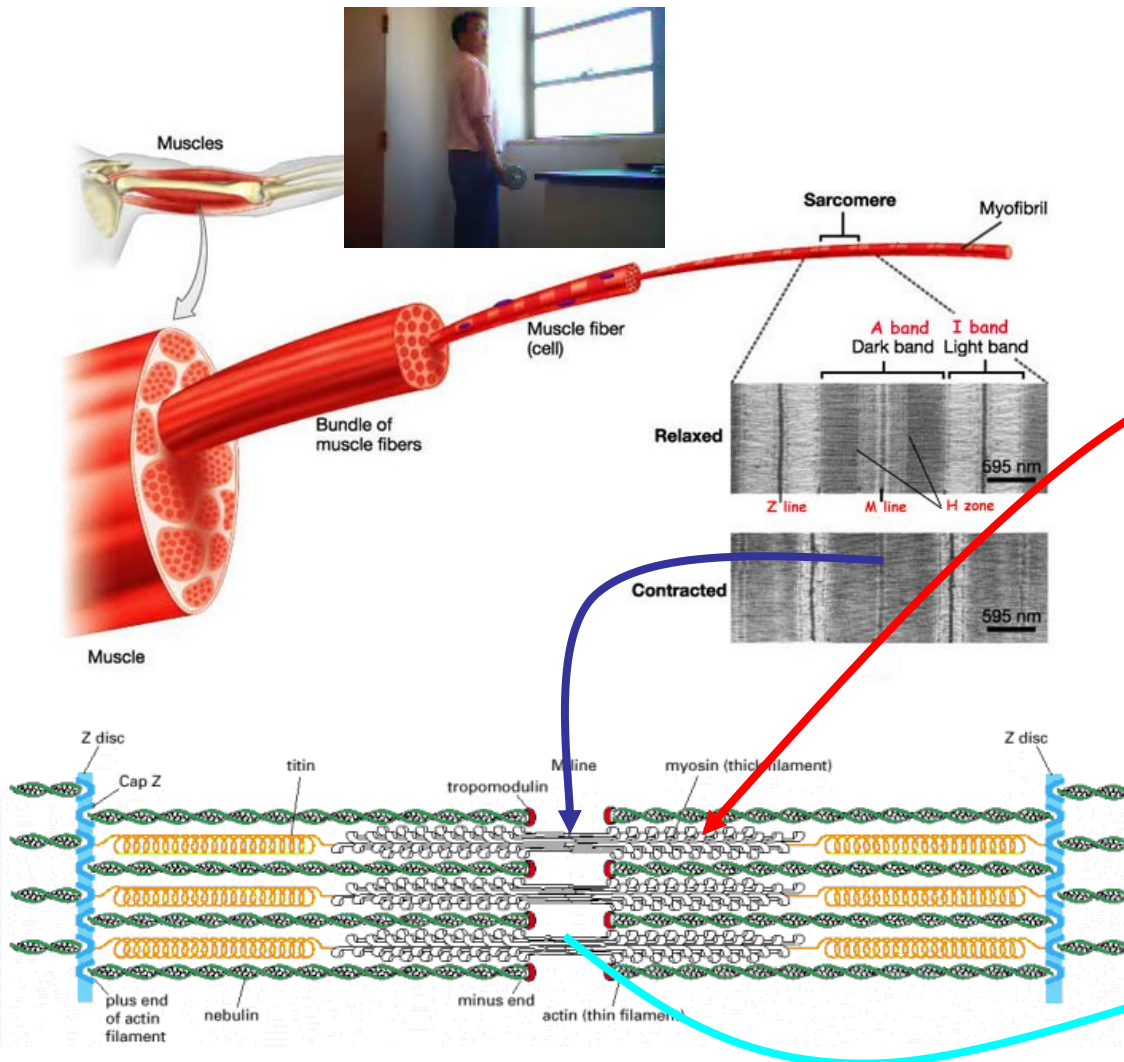
Actin-Myosin Crossbridge



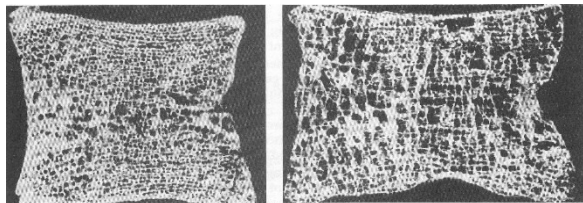
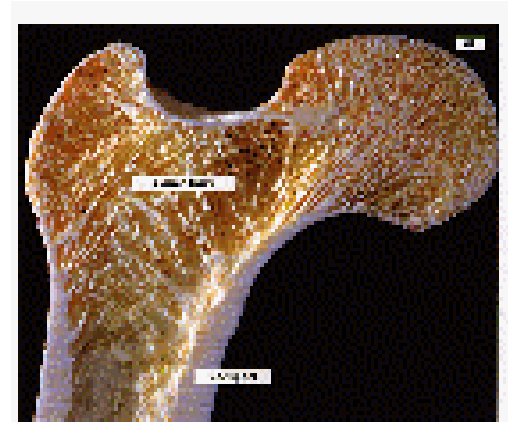
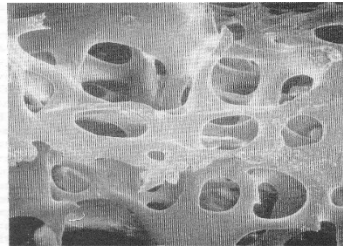
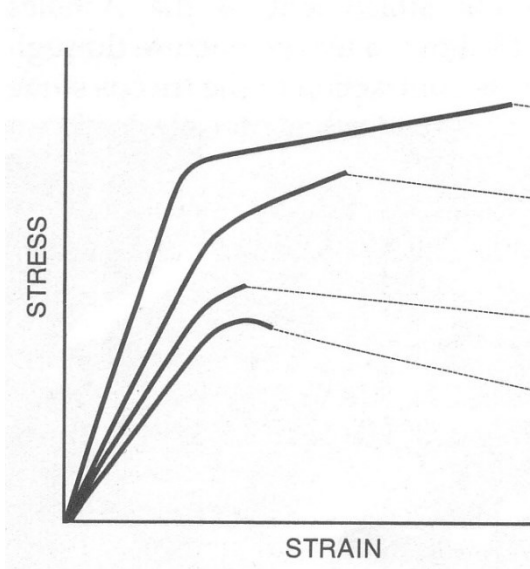
Integrins... Focal Adhesion



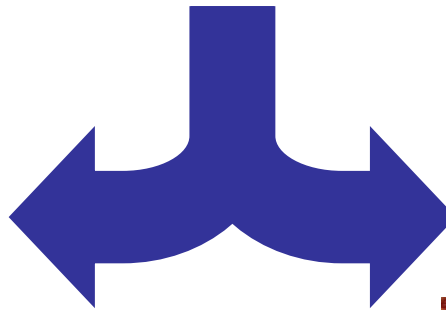
System Integration



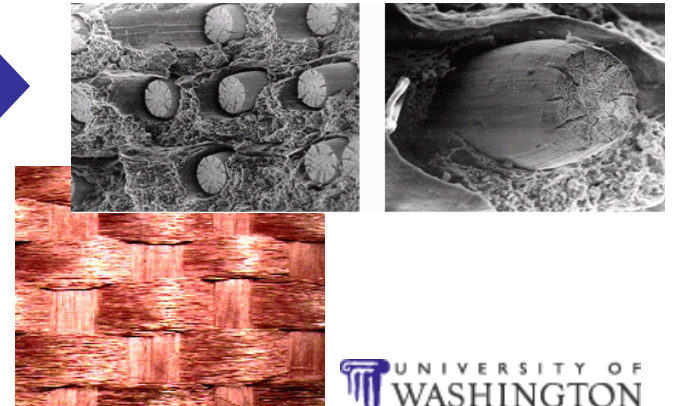
Structural Integration



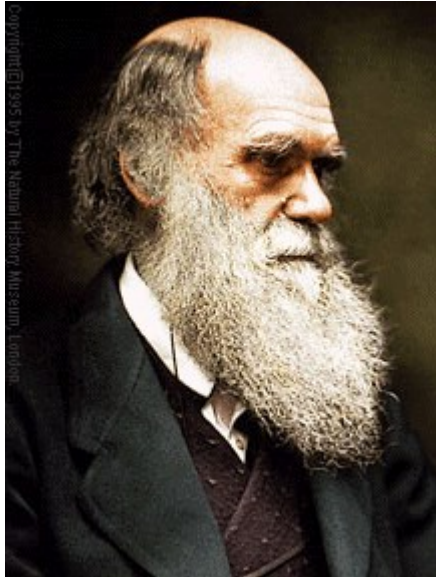
Osteoporosis Prevention



Composite Design



Biology vs. Engineering



Stereotypes

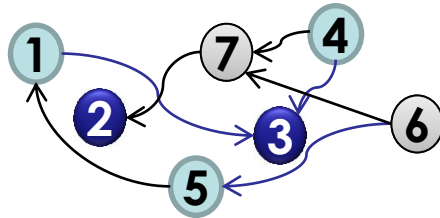
- What words you think describe:

Biology

Engineering

Biologists vs. Engineers

- Approach 1



- Observe a system in all its complexity
- Identify known features and classify new systems
- Compare new systems with known systems
- Keeps us on track toward a proper understanding of a biosystem

Knows nothing about REAL biology!

- Approach 2

$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

- Measure as many features as possible
- Fit features into physical laws, e.g. Newton's law, Hooke's law, Conservation Laws
- Compare properties with nonliving or similar biosystems
- Creates models to explain observations

Understands nothing at all!

Engineering Contributions

- How has engineering made biology better?

Biology Contributions

- How has biology made engineering better?

Suppose you have to work with a biologist...

- Tips to work effectively on a team

The Future

Search for solutions already worked out in nature to advance both traditional engineering and medicine

