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# Biological Frameworks for Engineers

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# Tissue Replacement

# Replacement Body Parts

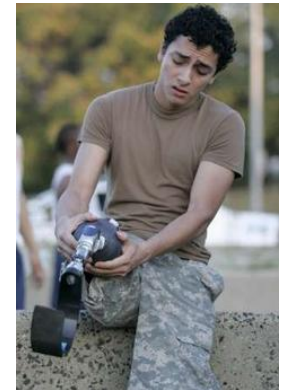
We wear out – we are easily damaged



wear



injury



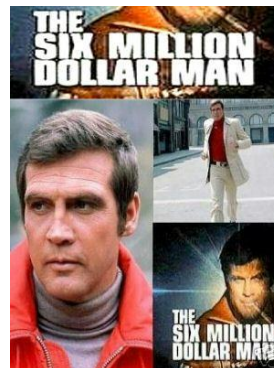
trauma

Can we build it?

Can we build it *better*?

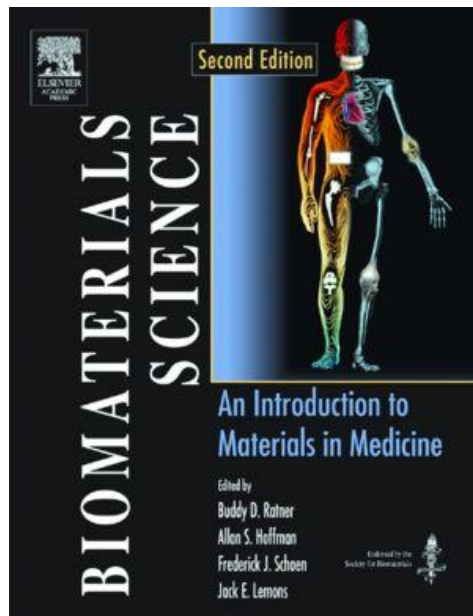
Can we build it *stronger*?

Can we build it to *last*?





**Buddy Ratner**  
(BIOE, ChemE)



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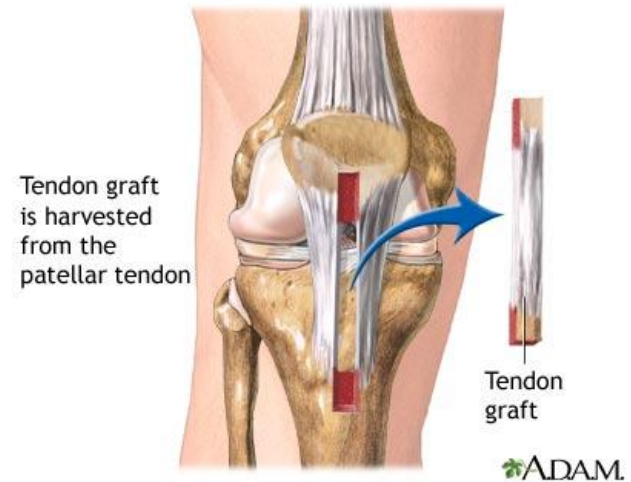
# What do we need to know?

- 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

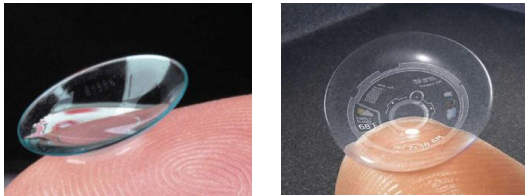


# What is a Biomaterial?

- 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...



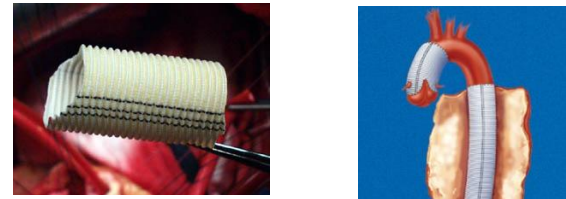
- Dental Implants...



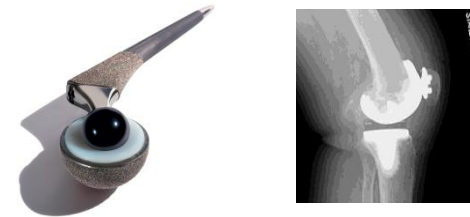
- Cosmetic...



- Vascular Grafts...



- Joint Replacement...

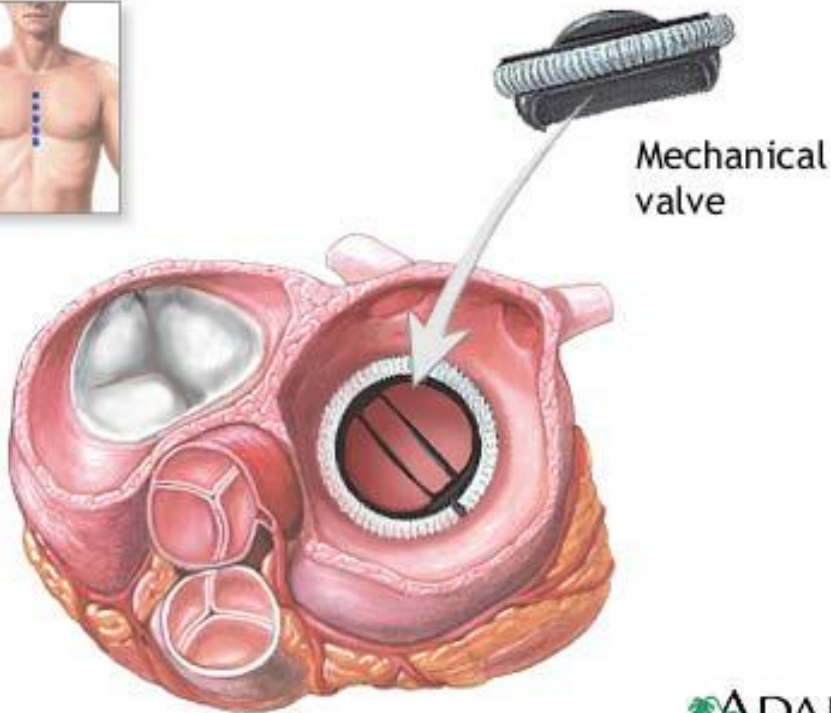


- Artificial Heart...



# Biocompatibility

- Heart Valves – 100,000/yr



Biological valve  
(human or porcine)



Mechanical valve



ADAM.



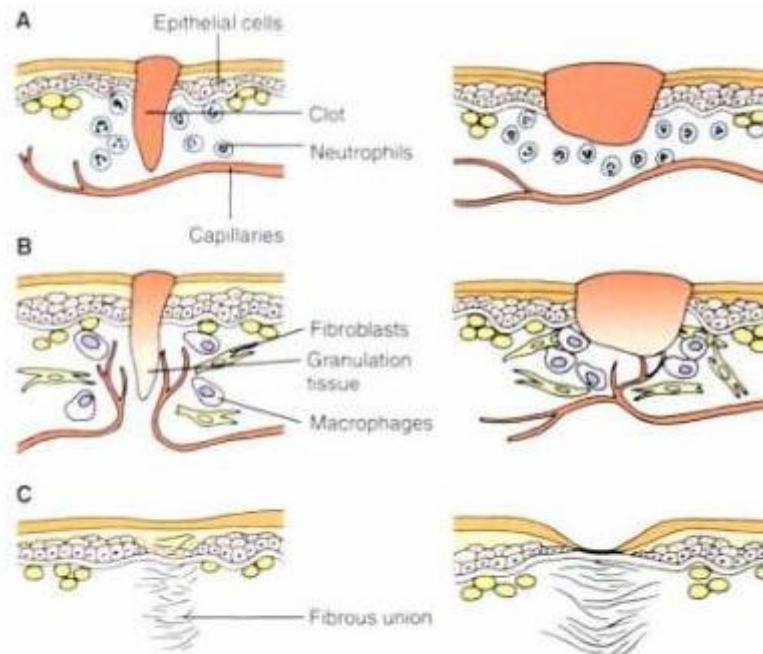
ADAM.

# 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



Minor Incisions

Large Wounds

# Integration with the Body

- After implantation
  - Integration into surrounding tissue
  - 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 plats, 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

# Questions?