

Supplementary materials to

Amine modification of calcium phosphate by low-pressure plasma for bone regeneration

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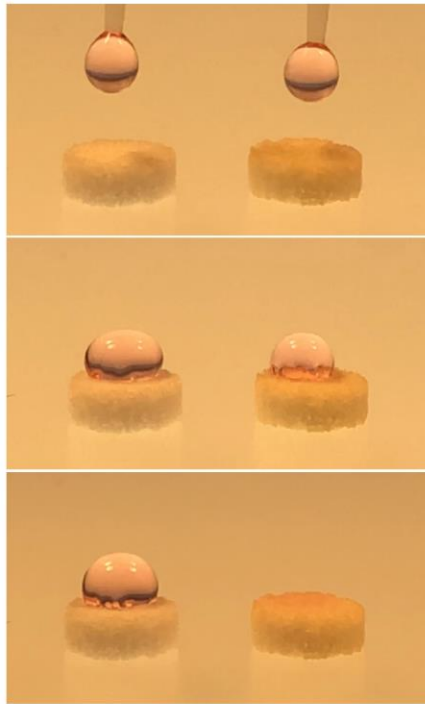
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Supplementary Movie 1 is provided as a separate file, which recorded the infiltration of cell suspensions into the porous β -TCP disks.

Supplementary Figure 1. Plasma treatment enhanced the hydrophilicity of porous β -TCP disks, resulting in faster infiltration of cell suspension and the cells therein. (A) Snapshots of cell suspensions dropped on untreated (left) and plasma-treated (right) porous infiltration β -TCP disks. From top to bottom; 1 sec. before the cell suspensions were dropped ($t = -1$ sec); the moment they were dropped on the surfaces ($t = 0$ sec); states of cell suspension droplets 2 sec. after they were dropped ($t = 2$ sec). It is seen that the plasma-treated porous β -TCP disk completely absorbed the cell suspension droplet. (B) Cross sections of untreated (left) and plasma-treated (right) porous β -TCP disks after cell suspensions were dropped on them. Crystal violet staining shows the cells infiltrated and attached to the inner pore surfaces. It is seen that more cells are infiltrated more deeply into the plasma-treated porous β -TCP disk. The plasma-treated β -TCP disk was plasma treated on both sides for 30 min each.

A



t = -1 sec.

t = 0 sec.

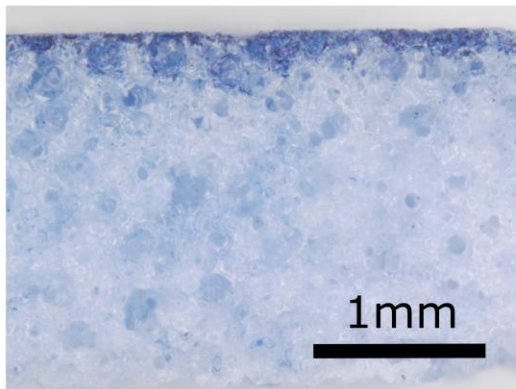
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Untreated

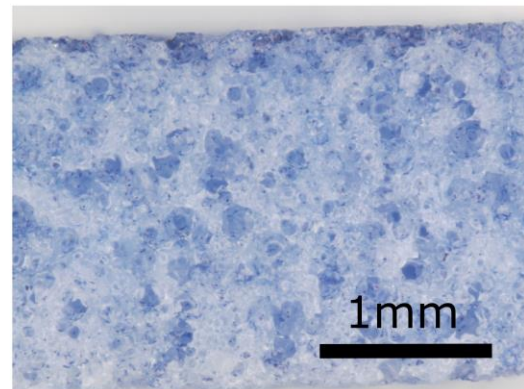
Plasma

B

Crystal violet staining of the cross-sections

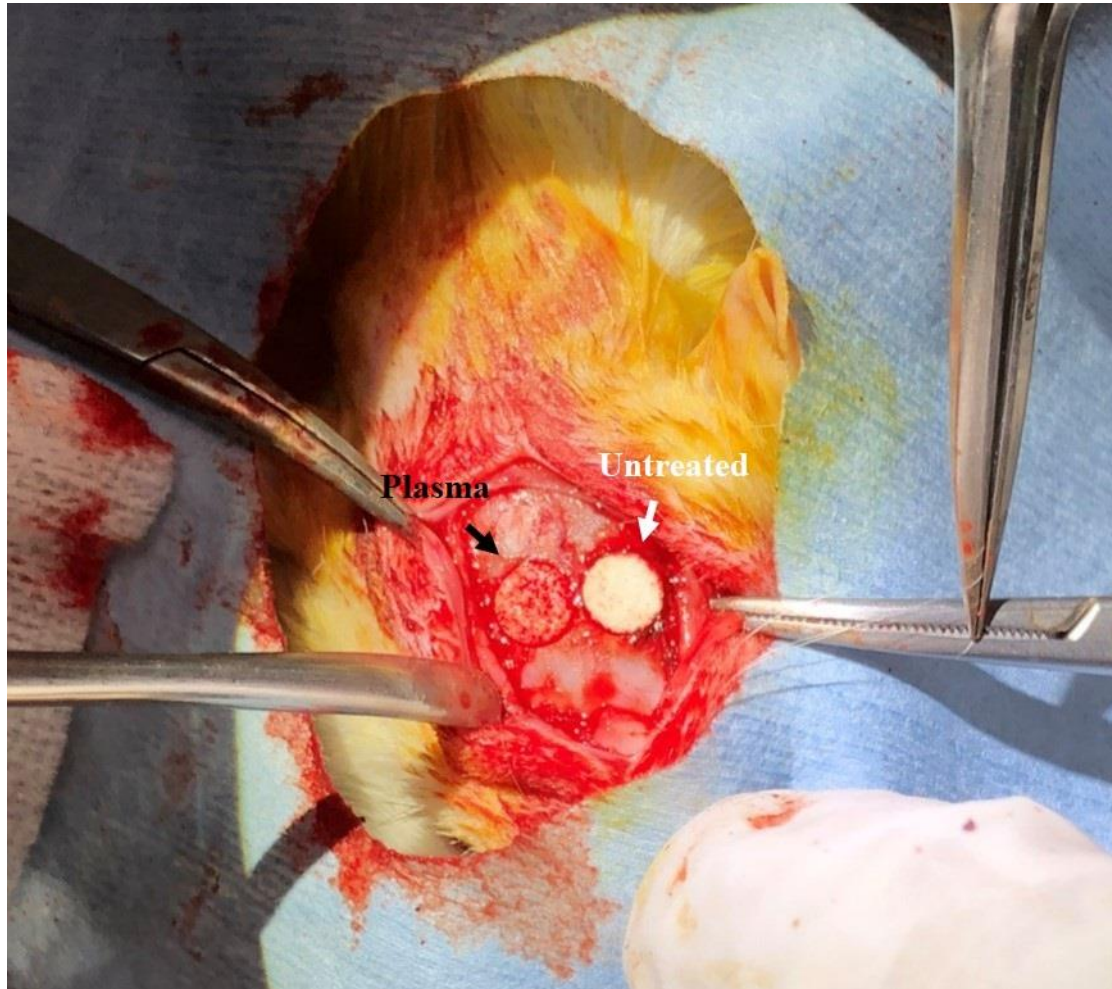


Untreated



Plasma

Supplementary Figure 2. Photo of the implantation of plasma-treated (left) and untreated (right) porous β -TCP disks into rat calvarial bone defects. The plasma-treated disk shows faster blood infiltration.



Supplementary Figure 3. Histological sections of untreated (top) and plasma-treated (bottom) porous β -TCP disks implanted into rat calvarial bone defects; at postoperative 3 weeks. The plasma-treated disk shows denser H&E staining in the inner-pores than the untreated disk, indicating faster new bone formation in the plasma-treated disk.

H&E staining (3 weeks)

