Special Issue

Advancements in Biomaterials for Bone Tissue Engineering

Message from the Guest Editors

Bone defect repair remains a significant clinical challenge. While current treatments such as autografts and allografts are commonly employed, they are associated with limitations, including donor site morbidity, limited availability, and risk of immune response or disease transmission. To address these concerns, synthetic biomaterial-based bone grafts and tissue-engineered scaffolds have emerged as promising alternatives. These bone scaffolds provide a structural framework that supports cellular attachment, proliferation, and the formation of new tissue, aiming to replicate the complex architecture and osteogenic functionality of native bone. Despite remarkable progress in this field, developing scaffolds that meet the required mechanical strength, bioactivity, biodegradability, and interconnected porosity remains challenging. As research evolves, new materials and fabrication techniques, including 3D printing, biofabrication, and surface modification, are being explored to improve scaffold performance and clinical outcomes.

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