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Membrane based Materials for Artificial Organs

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End-stage organ failure, especially based on chronic diseases, appears with an increasing prevalence and incidence. For most cases, no durable long-term assist device exists as a final destination therapy, so transplantation is the only therapy option for these patients. In order to turn long-term biocompatible artificial organs into a reality, not only cellular aspects, but also material properties and their interactions need to be examined and optimized.

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