

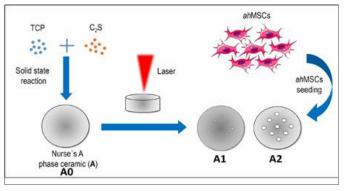
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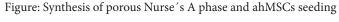
Influence of topography of porous-Nurse's A phase bioceramic on metabolic activity of adult human mesenchymal stem cells

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It is well known that Si-Ca-P bioceramics are promising bioactive materials for bone tissue engineering, particularly for bone repair¹. Silicon incorporation to these ceramics may be fundamental to skeletal development stimulating mesenchymal stem cells proliferation and differentiation to osteoblasts ^{2,3}. An important characteristic of a bioceramic designed for bone reconstruction is its open porosity with a high area / volume ratio that facilitates the initial circulation of biological fluids, cell migration and vascular invasion after bone implantation ^{4,5}. In this work, we have processed a Si-Ca-P ceramic using a Q-switched Nd:YAG laser, obtaining biocompatible ceramics with 70 μ m and 350 μ m homogeneously distributed interconnected pores. In vitro Figure: Synthesis of porous Nurse's A phase and ahMSCs seeding assays using *ah*MSCs showed that cells seeded onto the top





of these scaffolds could proliferate, cross the small pores and enter into big pores. So, if we use these bioceramics in vivo, we could probably observe how the cells penetrate into the bioceramics through the pores, improving the cellular and vascular colonization of the biomaterial and allowing initial circulation of the body fluids from the first moment of implantation, increasing the bioceramic biodegradability.

Biography

Ruben Rabadan (PhD) is a post-doctoral researcher who has his expertise in Tissue Repair, and passion in improving the health by the study of Organ and Tisse Regeneration. In his short career, he has focused in bone, ligament and cartilage regeneration, and he has helped to develop scaffolds based on the C2S-TCP phase diagram and combinating bioceramics with fibroin, specially testing their biocompatibility and osteointegration by in vitro and in vivo studies.

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