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DEVELOPMENT OF A 3D PATIENT-TAILORED BONE PIECES COMBINING SCAFFOLD AND BONE CELLS FOR THE REPAIR OF BONE DEFECTS



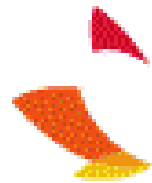
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PROJECT PARTNERS



imageanalysis



sirris

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Bone Therapeutics

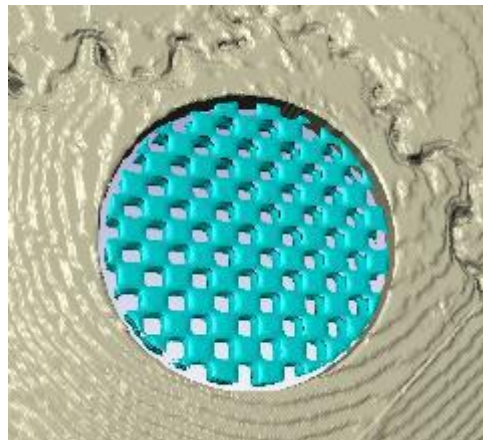
OBJECTIVES

- ▶ **Main objective** : to test the feasibility of developing novel patient-tailored 3D bone tissue engineered products combining osteoblasts and 3D tailored bioresorbable ceramic scaffolds (personalised to the defect: shape, size and macro / microstructure)
- ▶ **Advantages** : enhanced bone biomechanical and biological properties which are expected to accelerate and improve bone regeneration
- ▶ **Initiation date** : 01/12/14
- ▶ **Duration** : 2 years

▶ **Budget** :

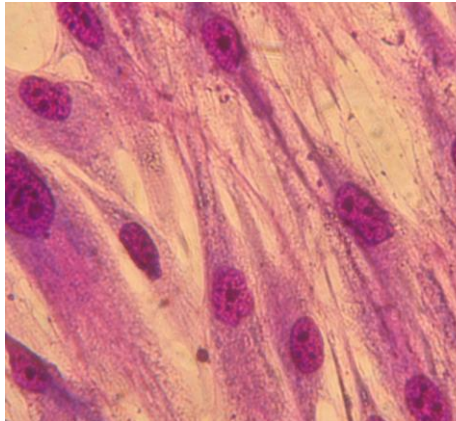
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- ▶ Extensive experience in image processing
 - Specialized in developing usable practice-friendly algorithms (UI, UX)
- ▶ Regulatory Compliant medical software development
- ▶ BS EN ISO:13487 ; BS EN 62304 Medical Device Software – Software life-cycle process ; CE Marked
- ▶ Commercial expertise working with hospitals world-wide



Example of CT scan sagittal view of human femoral fracture

- ▶ Experience in developing innovative cell products for the repair of bone tissues.
- ▶ Bone Therapeutics' products characteristics are unique in the industry because they are composed of osteoblastic cells, superior and safer than undifferentiated cells.
- ▶ Minimally invasive administration → significant improvement of current standard of care and over most competitors (e.g., no open surgery, one-day clinic...)



- ▶ Extensive experience in additive technologies
 - Experience in developing 3D-printing of (bio)ceramics using Stereolithography, debinding and sintering post-processing
- ▶ 4 AM processes ISO:13485 certified

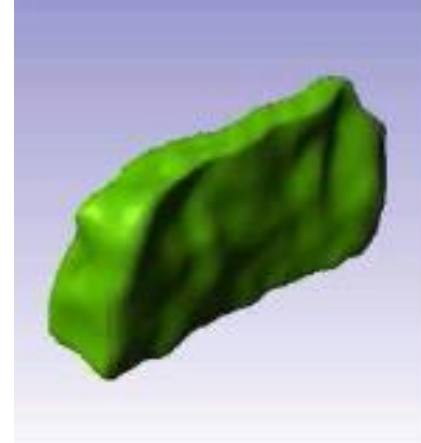
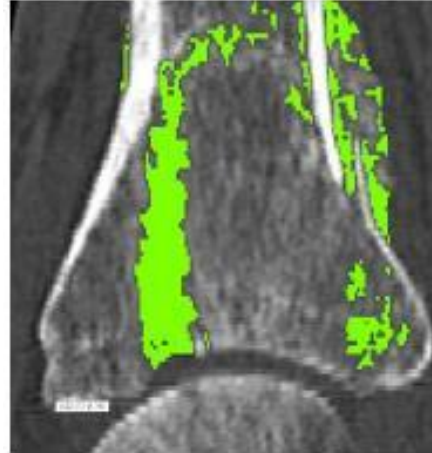


WORK PROGRAM

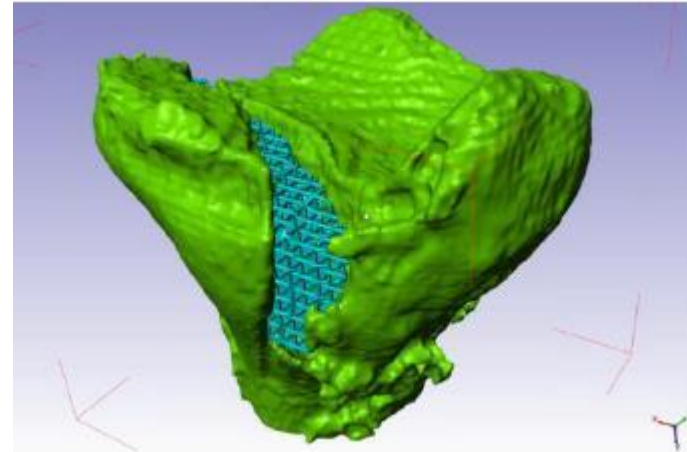
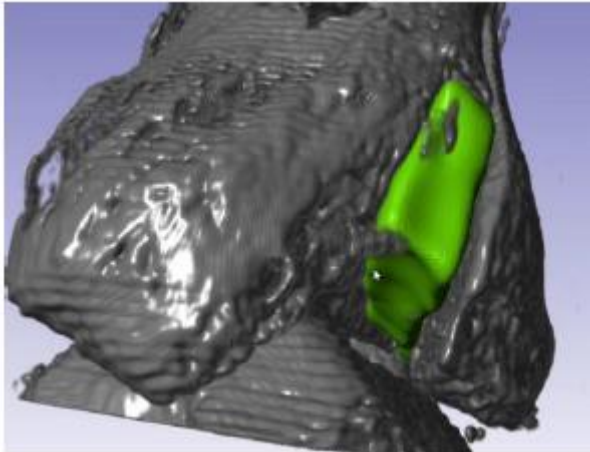
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1	Analyse d'images des parties osseuses manquantes (définition des parties manquantes et développement de l'algorithme)																																				
2	Essais d'impression et évaluation de la biocompatibilité avec les ostéoblastes																																				
3	Reconstruction des parties osseuses manquantes par impression 3D de biocéramiques et évaluation des propriétés																																				
4	Etude de la colonisation cellulaire des pièces biocéramiques 3D (in vitro et in vivo)																																				
5	Exploitation, dissémination et gestion du projet																																				
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WORK PACKAGE 1 : SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT (I.A.)

- ▶ Definition of the missing bone part (in collaboration with Bone Therapeutics)
- ▶ Development of the algorithm/software (in collaboration with Sirris)



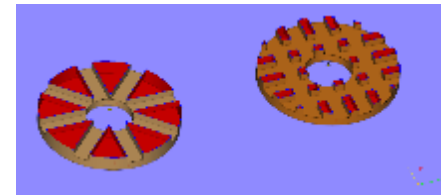
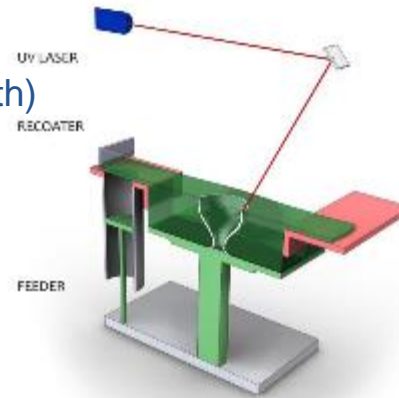
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WORK PACKAGE 2 : 3DP AND BIOCOMPATIBILITY TESTS

► Stereolithography of high viscosity paste material

- 2 geometries for biocompatibility tests (sent to BT)
- Cubes and lattices for physical tests (density, strength)
- 5 bioceramic compositions:
 - HA 100%
 - HA 60% - TCP 40%
 - HA 40% - TCP 60%
 - HA 20% - TCP 80%
 - TCP 100%



► Quick optimization of paste formulations, process parameters and thermal post-treatments

► Following biocompatibility tests

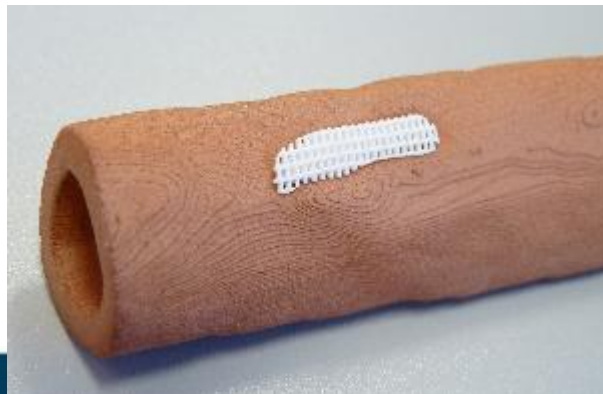
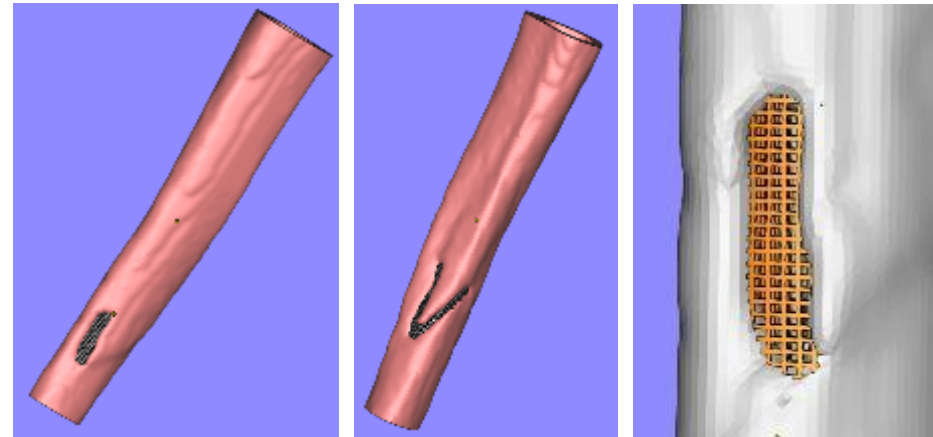
→ TCP 100% is the best choice (see WP 4)

→ Full optimization of TCP 100% formulation and parameters



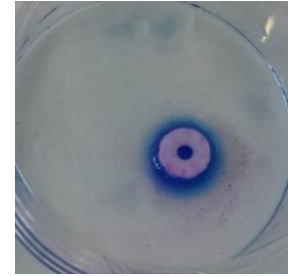
WORK PACKAGE 3 : 3DP OF MISSING BONE

- ▶ Study on human tibia bone
 - ▶ Files from IA with tailored lattice structure
 - Using developed software
 - Using optimised pore size from WP 2
 - ▶ 3DP of generated file and post-treatments
 - Using optimized parameters
 - ▶ Physical characterization
 - Final density: 96% (4% porosity in material)
 - Sintering shrinkage: ~25%
 - ▶ Mechanical characterization on lattice blocs (ISO:13175)
 - Young modulus: 1.315 MPa
 - Maximum strength: 10 MPa
 - Elongation: 6%



WORK PACKAGE 4 : CELL COLONIZATION STUDIES (BT)

- ▶ Evaluation of the biocompatibility of the small bioceramic cylinders with osteoblasts
 - Cytotoxicity assay (according to the ISO 10993 part 5)
 - Direct contact culture followed by a phenotype analysis by FACS



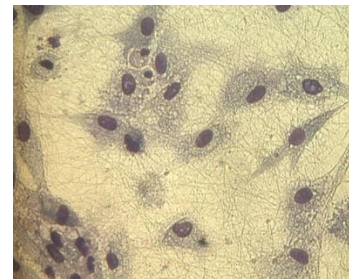
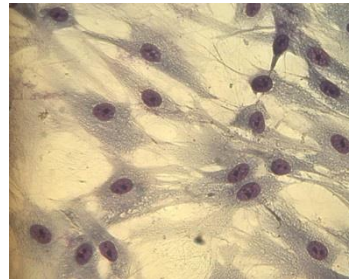
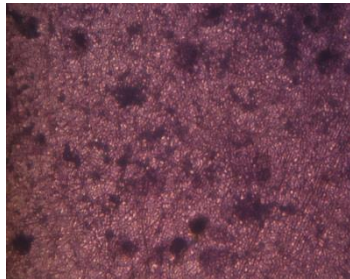
Negative control

Positive control

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HA 100%

TCP 100%



- ▶ Assessment of the *in vivo* preclinical safety and efficacy of the tailored 3D bioceramic pieces combined with osteoblasts in a rodent bone-defect model

EXPECTED DELIVERABLES

- ▶ Accurate analysis and reconstitution of large bone defect (images) in 3D files or other instructions for the 3D bioprinting of bioresorbable ceramic scaffolds (Image Analysis)
- ▶ **Printing of 3D image-tailored bioresorbable ceramic pieces** mimicking the patient defect (SIRRIS)
- ▶ ***In vitro*** demonstration of the biocompatibility of the 3D image-tailored bioresorbable ceramic pieces with osteoblasts and of the maintenance of their osteogenic properties (mineralisation capacity, enzymatic activities) (BT)
- ▶ ***In vivo*** preliminary studies in a rodent bone defect model to assess the enhanced bone reconstruction properties and biocompatibility of the combined products (BT)

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