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演題: Hydrogel-Based Biomaterials

for Repair and Regeneration

of the Urinary Bladder



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Approximately 400 million people suffer from bladder diseases world-wide and many of them require partial or total organ reconstruction. Despite the recent clinical success in bladder tissue engineering as a new alternative for tissue reconstruction, there remain several unresolved issues. For example, use of PLGA, a rigid polymer, for scaffold does not permit proper distension and prolonged in vitro cultures of smooth muscle cells often result in loss of contractile phenotype of these cells. Thus, development of both a biomaterial that matches the native tissue mechanical properties and an approach to guide the growth of functional smooth muscle is necessary. Biological hydrogels derived from the extra-cellular matrix (ECM) such as collagen, offer desirable properties for tissue engineering including cell adhesion sites. but its low mechanical strength is not suitable for bladder tissue regeneration. In contrast, synthetic hydrogels such as PEG allow tuning of mechanical properties, but do not elicit protein adsorption or cell adhesion. For this reason, we are currently exploring the use of stiffer hydrogel blends composed of amphiphilic PEO-PPO block co-polymer, Tetronic (BASF) 1107-acrylate (T1107-A) in combination with ECM moieties, collagen and hyaluronic acid (HA) in this application. Specifically, the present study examined bladder smooth muscle cell response to this hydrogel system, as well as the time-course variation in mechanical properties of the cellular hydrogels constructs. Moreover, we are currently exploring similar Tetronic hydrogel formulations in applications toward compliant soft tissue adhesive for repair and reconstruction of urinary tissues.

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