

Engineering Nanoparticles for Biomedical Applications

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1. Magnetic Nanoparticles

- SPION for MRI
- Thermally blocked NP for biodiagnostics

2. Nanoparticles for Drug Delivery

- Multifunctional NP
- Thermosensitive NP

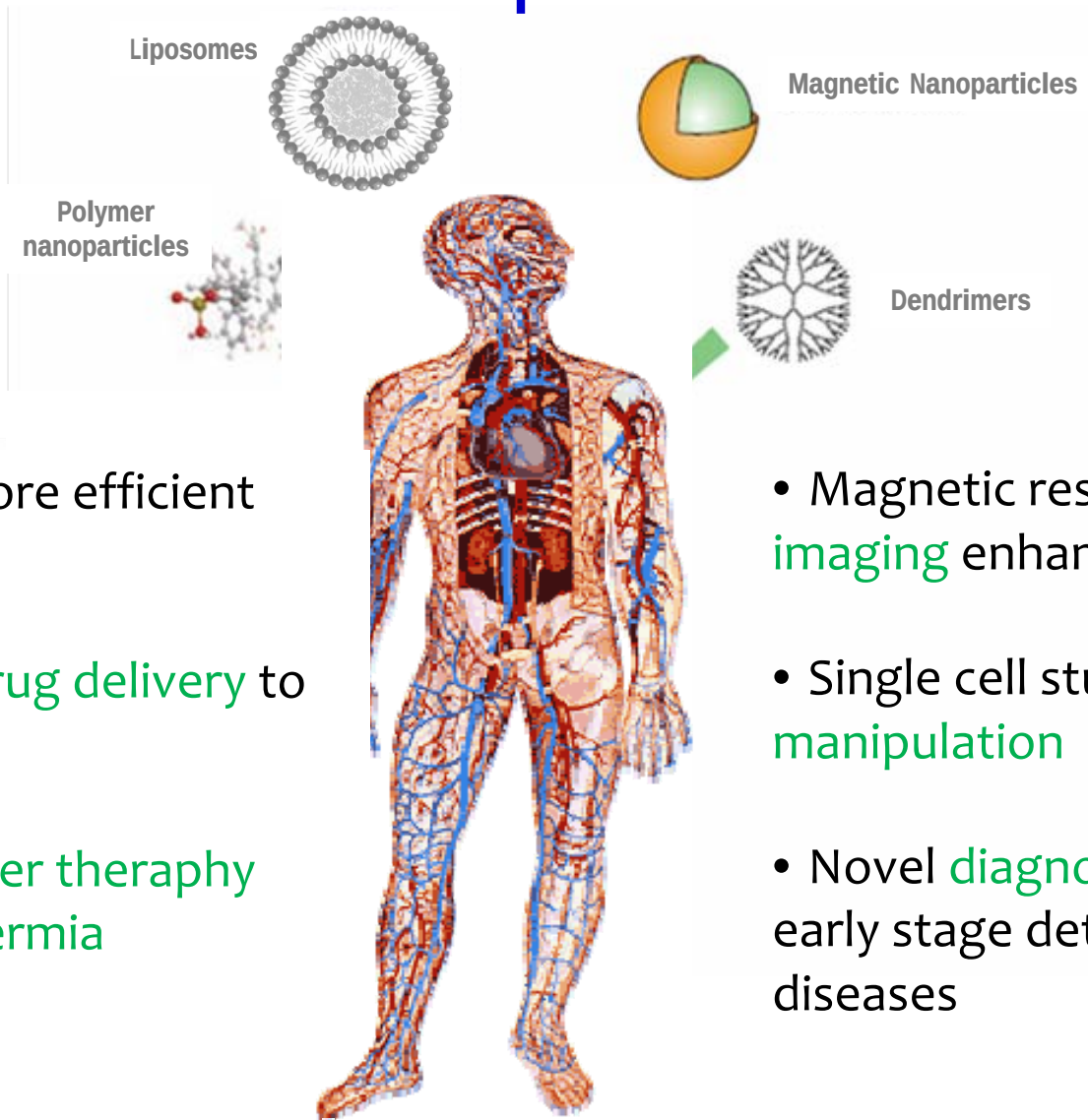
3. Ferrogel for drug delivery

Definition

FDA calls it "nanotechnology" only if it involves all of the following:

1. Research and technology development, or products regulated by FDA, that are at the atomic, molecular or macromolecular levels, and where at least one dimension, that affects the functional behavior of the product, is in the length scale range of approximately 1-100 nanometers. (Man-made materials)
2. Creating and using structures, devices and systems that have novel properties and functions because of their small and/or intermediate size.
3. Ability to control or manipulate at the atomic scale.

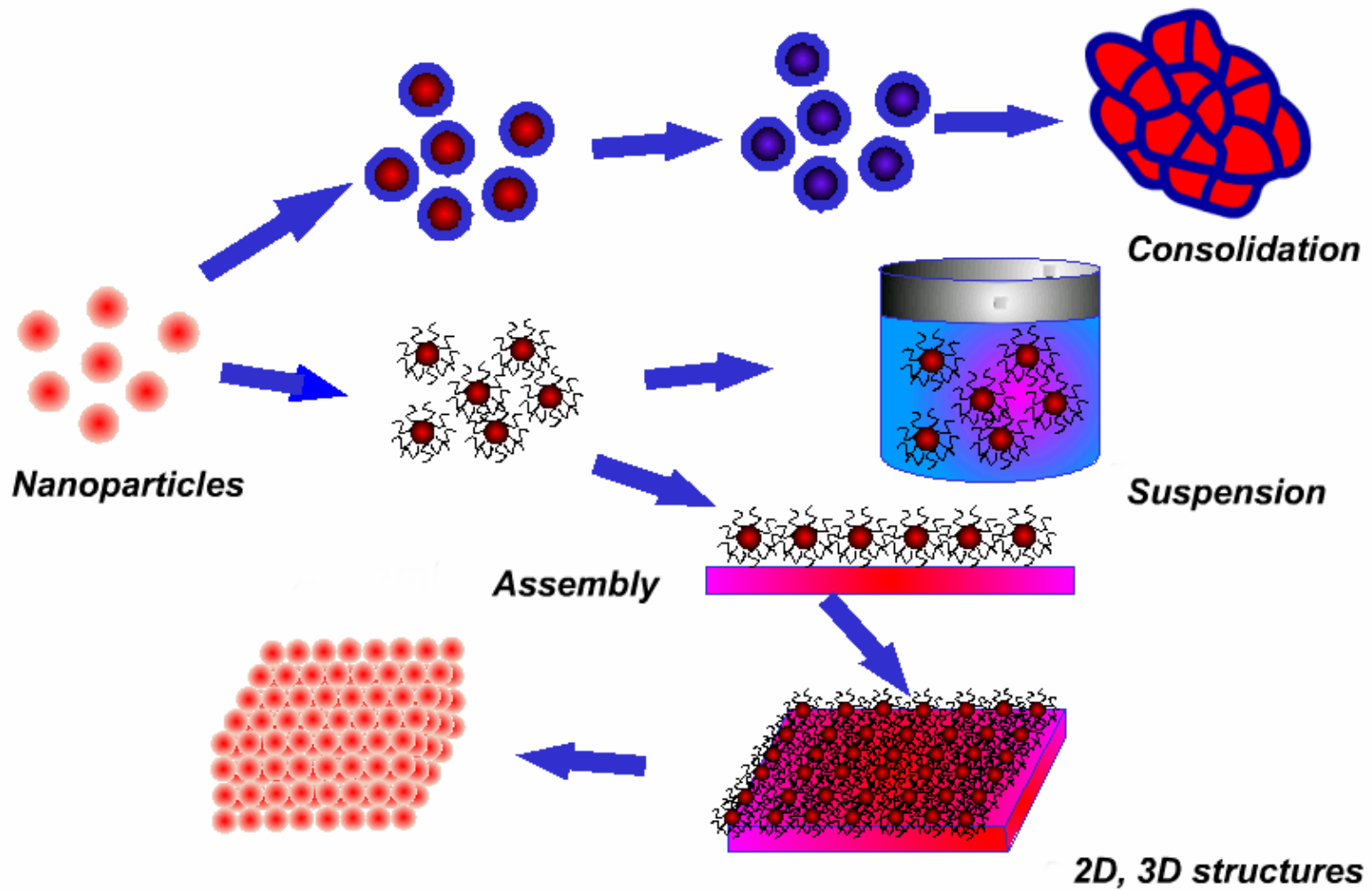
Medical applications of nanoparticles



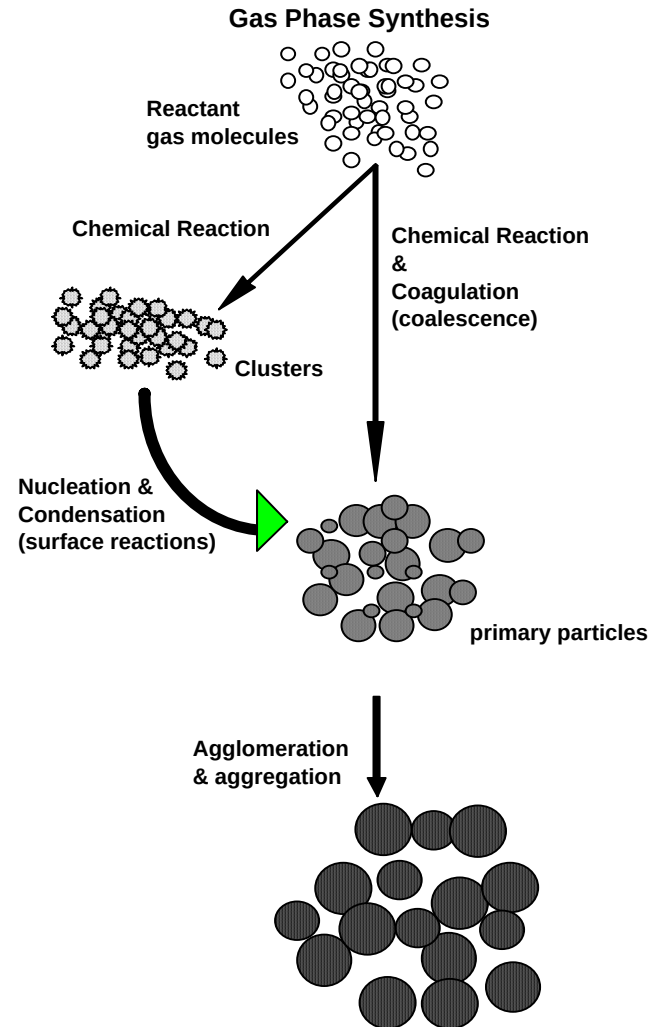
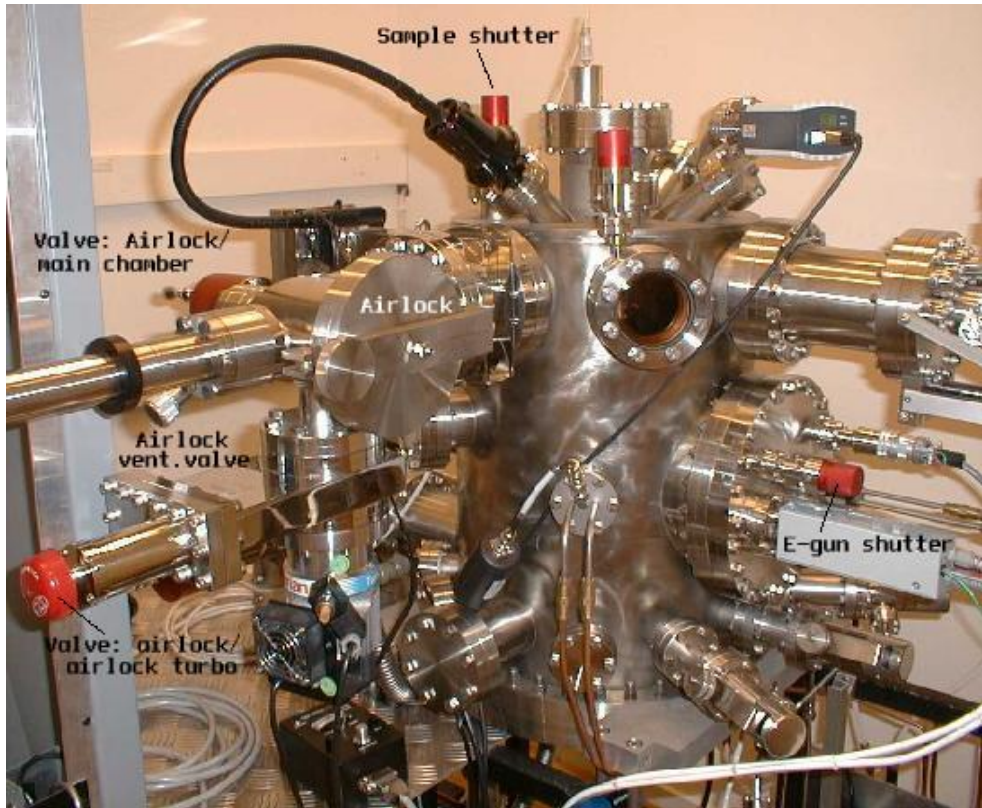
- Fast and more efficient **biosensors**
- **Targeted drug delivery** to specific cells
- Novel **cancer therapy** and **hyperthermia** treatments

- Magnetic resonance **imaging** enhancement
- Single cell study and **bio-manipulation**
- Novel **diagnostic tools** for early stage detection of diseases

Nanoparticle Engineering

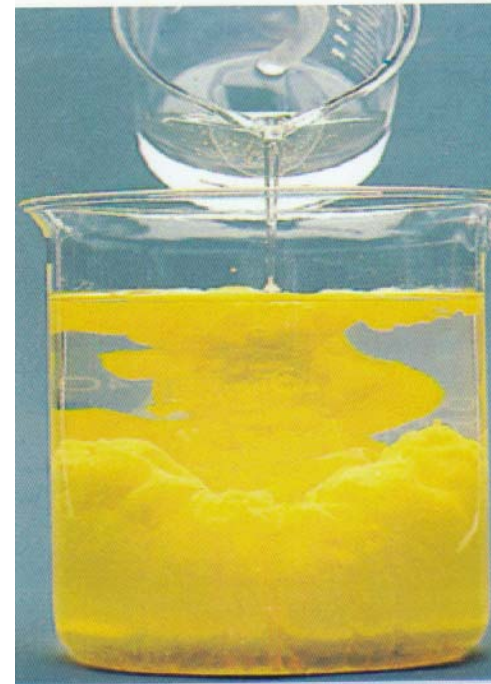


Gas Phase Synthesis



Chemical Solution Methods for Nanoparticles synthesis

- **Precipitation** Homogenous precipitation
- Co-precipitation
- Hydrolysis
- Oxidative hydrolysis
- Reductive precipitation
- Electrochemical reduction
- **Condensation** Sol-gel technique
- Macro-molecular chemistry
- **Evaporation** Spray-drying
- Spray-pyrolysis
- Freeze-drying
- Aerosol technique
- **Templates** Precipitation in microemulsion
- Precipitation in presence of surfactants
- **Others** Sono-chemical reactions



Design of tailored Magnetic Nanoparticles

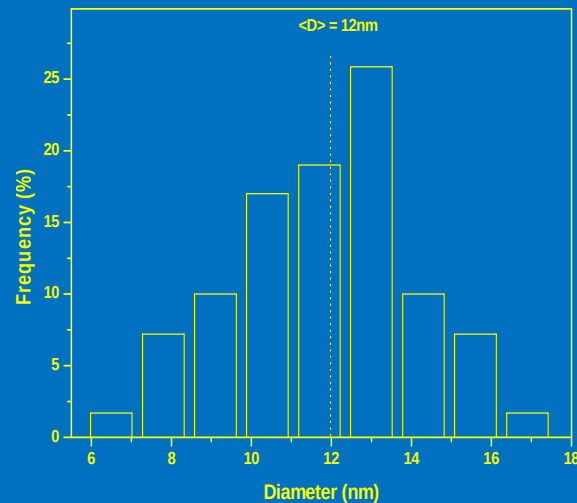
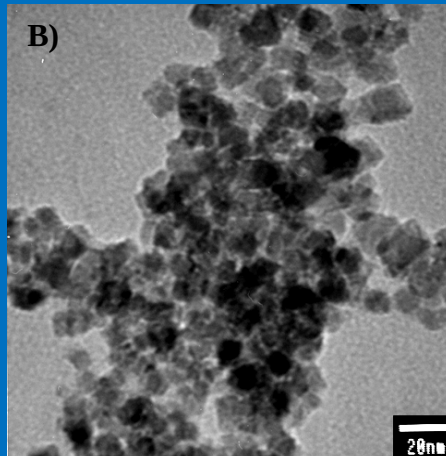
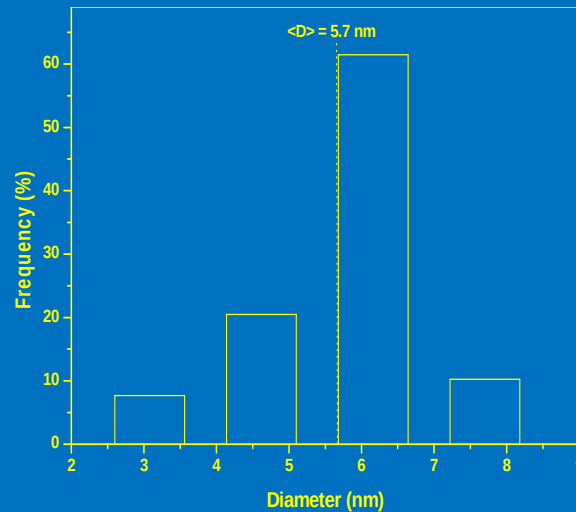
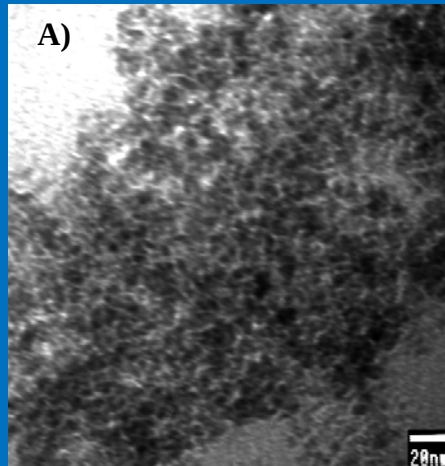
**Superparamagnetic and Thermally blocked
nanoparticles with strong magnetic response**

- Magnetite (Fe_3O_4)
- Maghemite ($\gamma\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$)
- Ferrites (CoFe_2O_4 , ZnFe_2O_4 , MnFe_2O_4 , ...)
- Iron Platinum (FePt) & CoPt

Bio-compatibility and surface functionalisation

- Inorganic: Gold, Silica, hydroxyapatite, ...
- Organic: Dextran, PVA, PEG, mPEG, ...

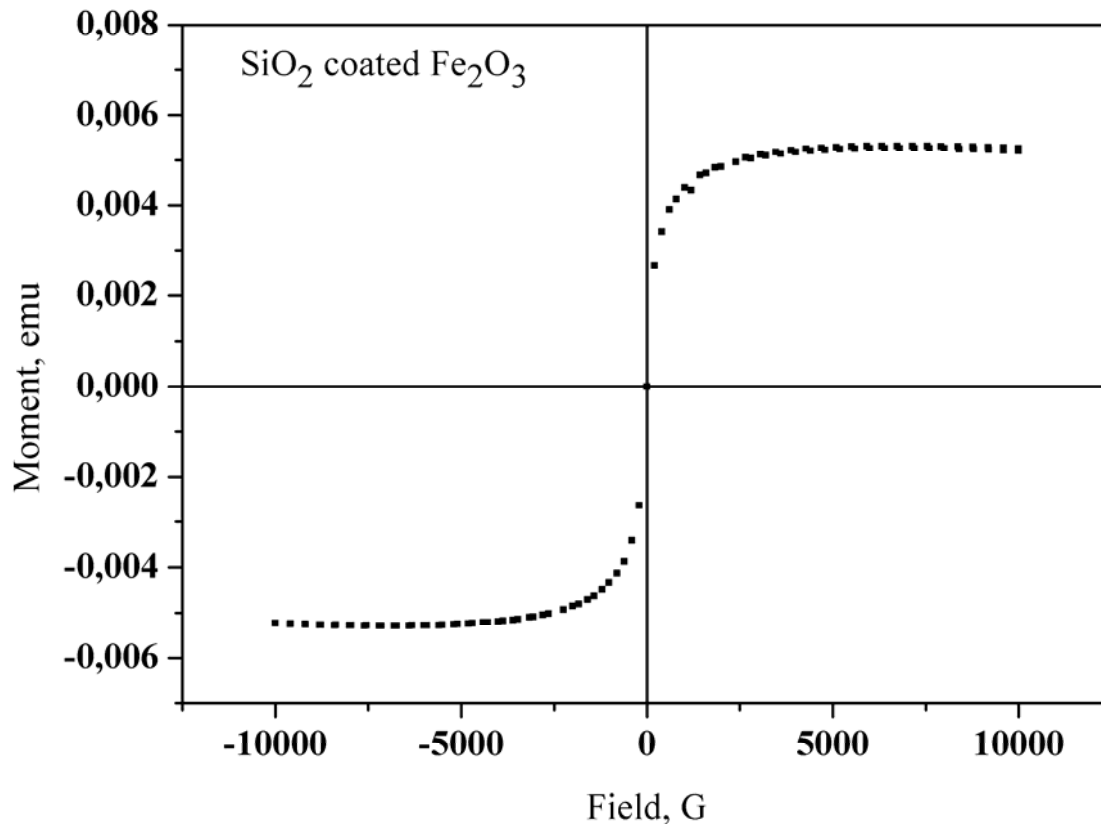
Magnetite



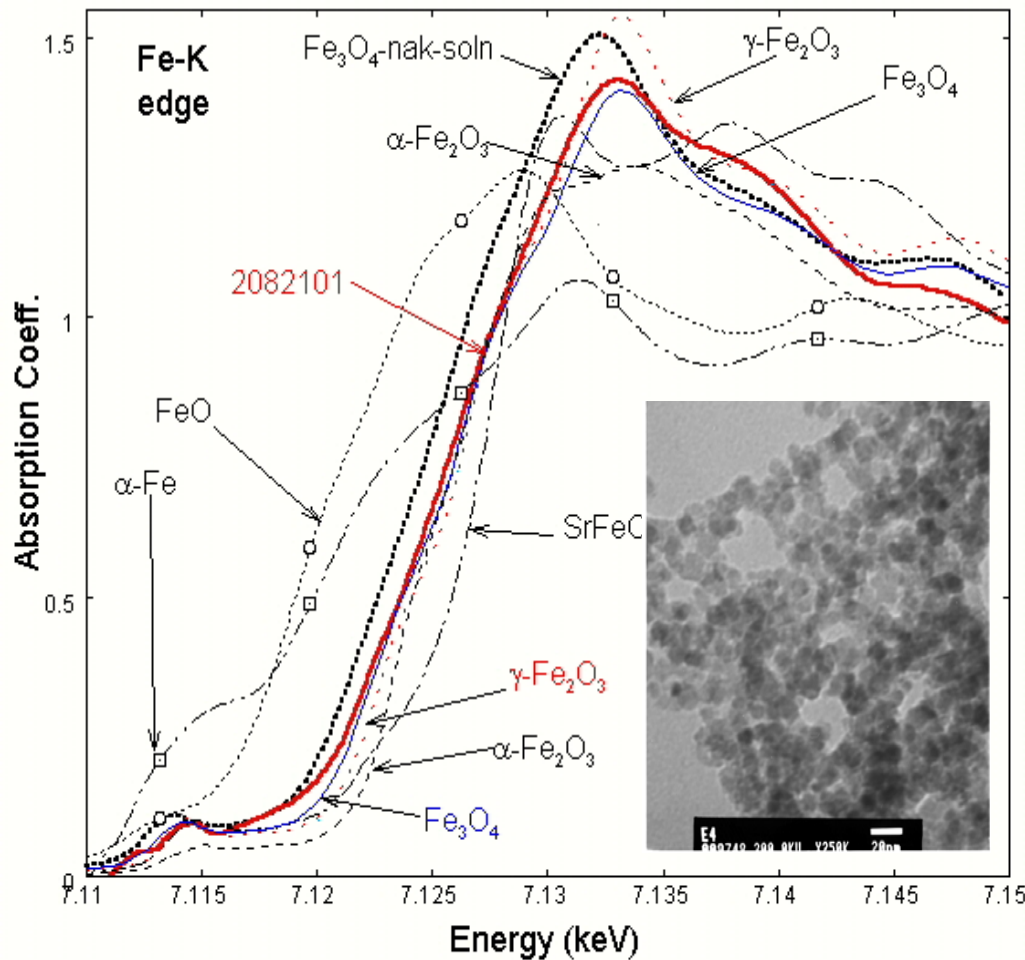
TEM images (left) and the corresponding particle size histograms (right) of magnetite nanoparticles prepared by controlled coprecipitation. (A) without heat treatment and (B) after heat treatment (80°C for 1hrs)

Magnetic characterisation

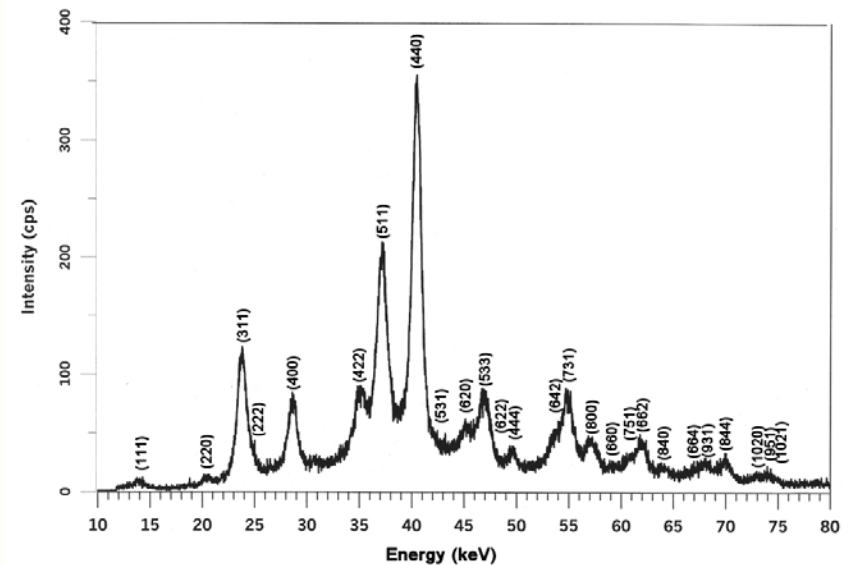
VSM measurement for SiO_2 coated Fe_3O_4 by co-precipitation



Superparamagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles

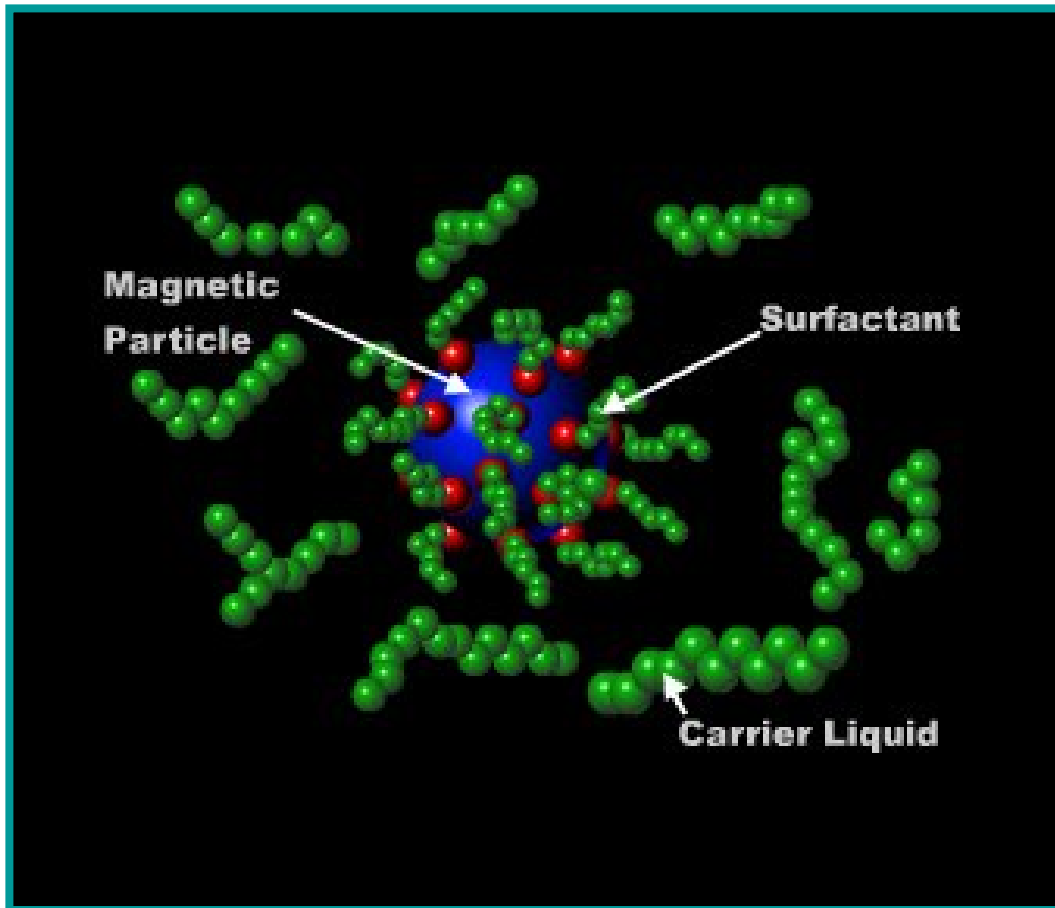


- Average particle size=12 nm
- XAS shows nonstoichiometric phase Fe₃O_{4- δ} , the curve shifts to Fe²⁺.



After one year shelf storage

Surface Functionalization of Magnetic Nanoparticles



Magnetic Nanoparticles

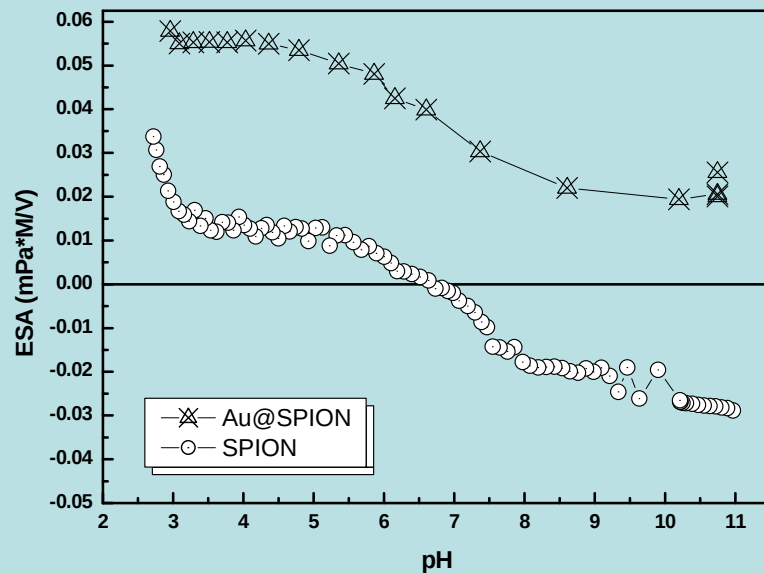
- Oxide : magnetite, ferrite
- Metal : Fe, Co, PtFe, CoPt

Coating

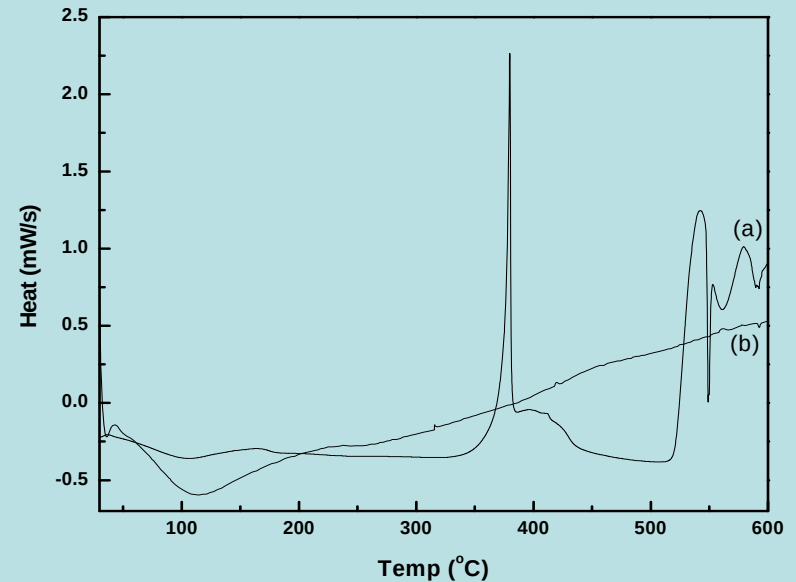
- Gold
- Silica
- Hydroxyapatite
- Dextran
- Starch
- Albumin
- Sodium Oleate
- Folic acid
- L-aspartic acid
- PVA
- PEG
- mPEG
- PLLA (PDLLA)
- PCL
- PGA

Effect of surface modification

Au Coating

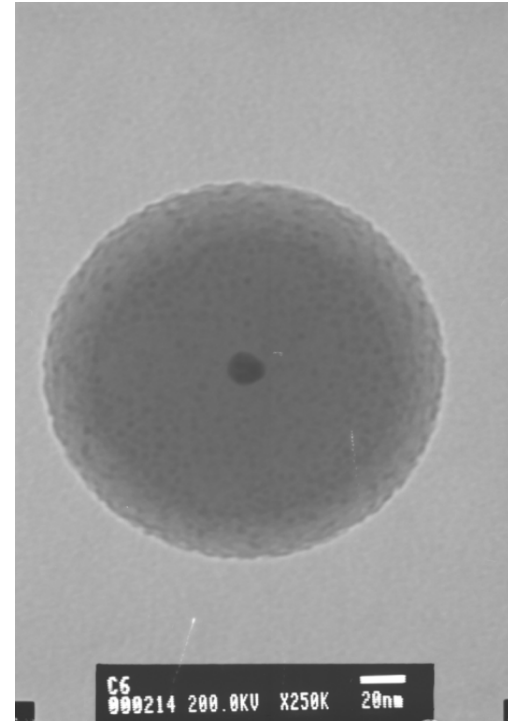
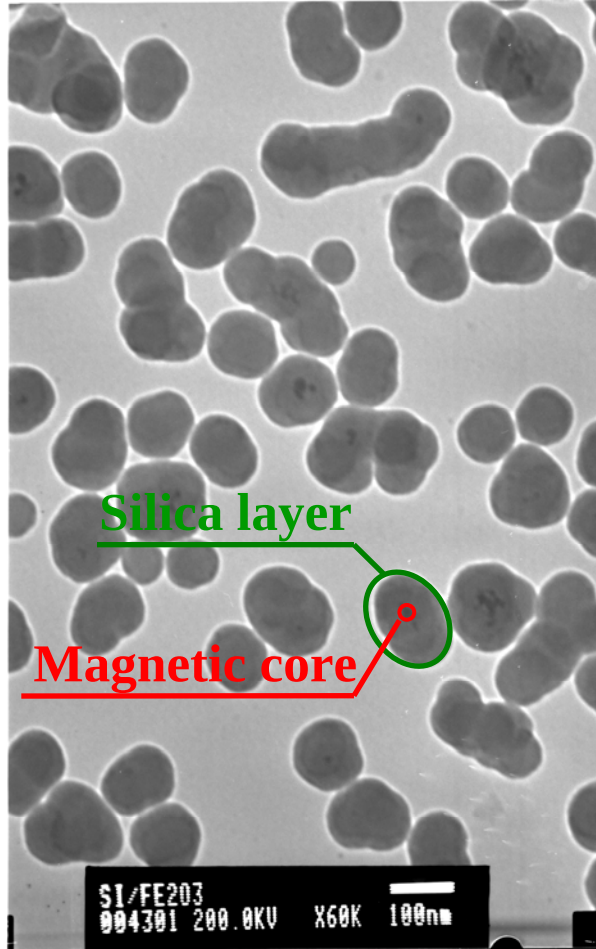


ESA measurement of SPION and Au@SPION prepared by μ E system



DSC analysis of bare and coated nanoparticles. (a) Magnetite, and (b) Au coated SPION.

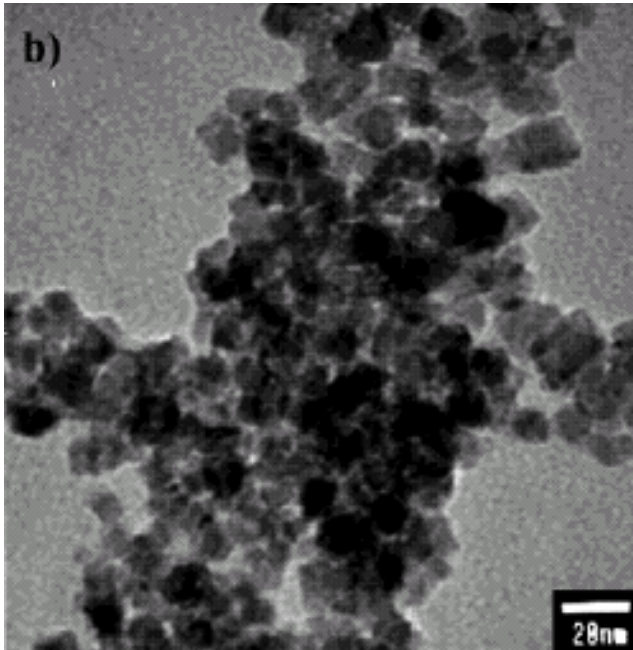
Silica Coated Magnetic Nanoparticles



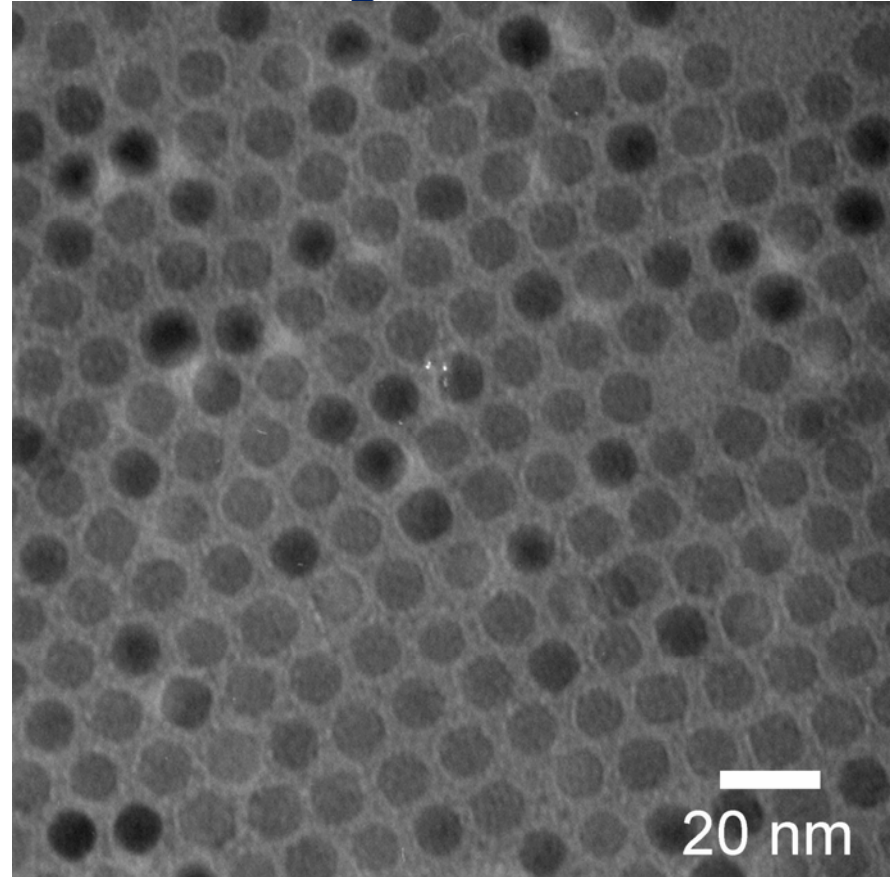
Control of thickness, porosity of coating layer

Visualization

SPION: MRI Contrast Agents



Widely used current
commercial T2
contrast agent
(Aq. Soln. Synthesis)



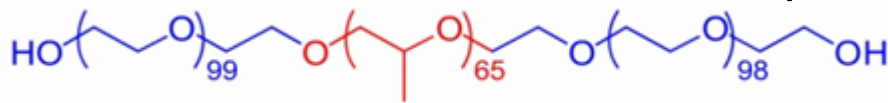
Controlled Synthesis in organic
liquids (at 300 C)

Qin, J. et al., Adv. Mat. 2007

Phase transfer through Surface Coating

ABA type triblock
copoly Pluronic F127

Hydrophilic poly(ethylene oxide)

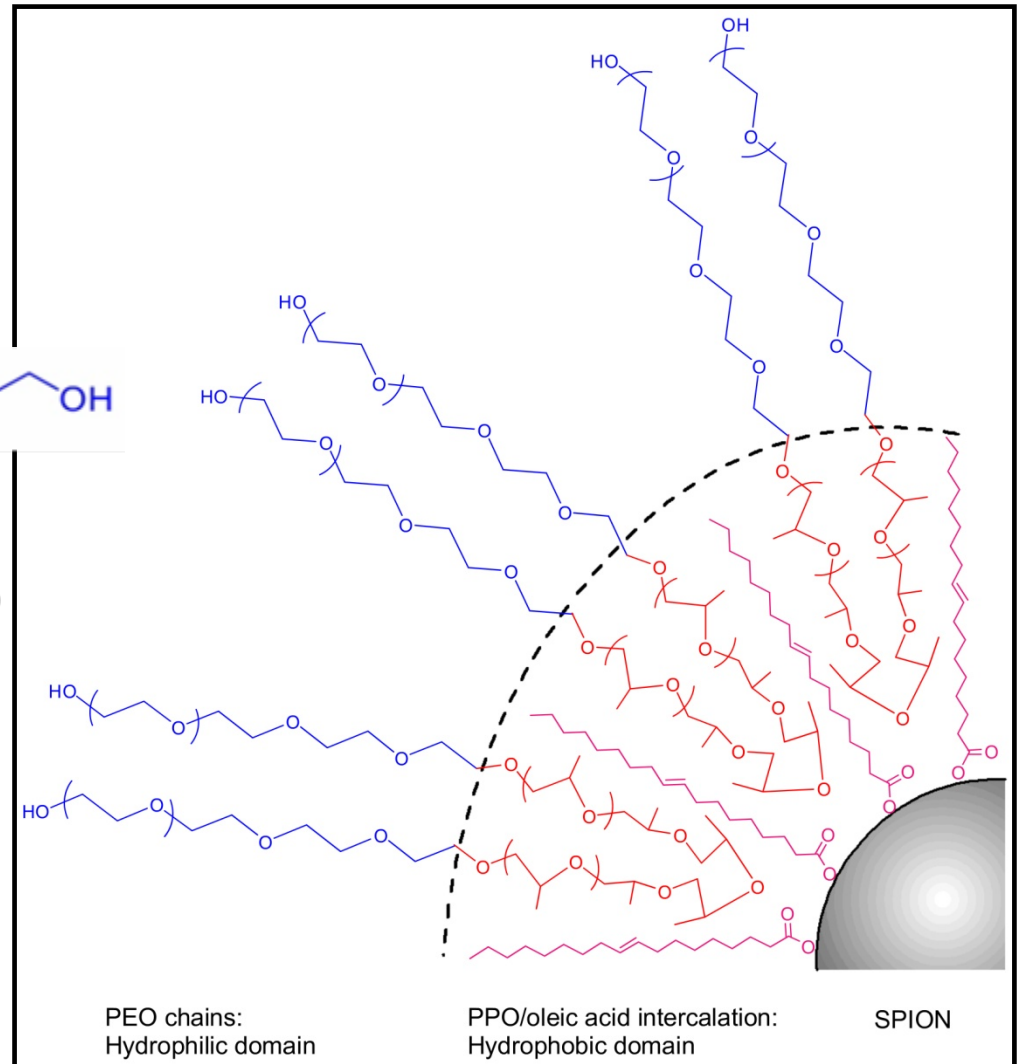


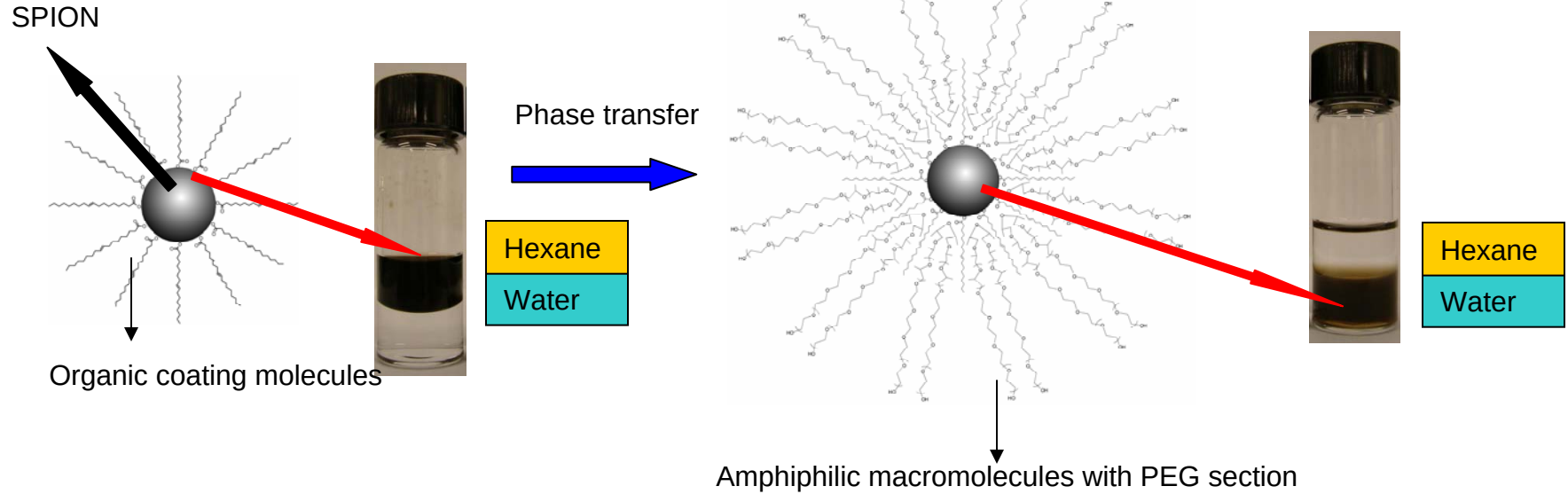
Hydrophobic poly(propylene oxide)

Amphiphilic coating layer



PF127/Oleic acid (POA)

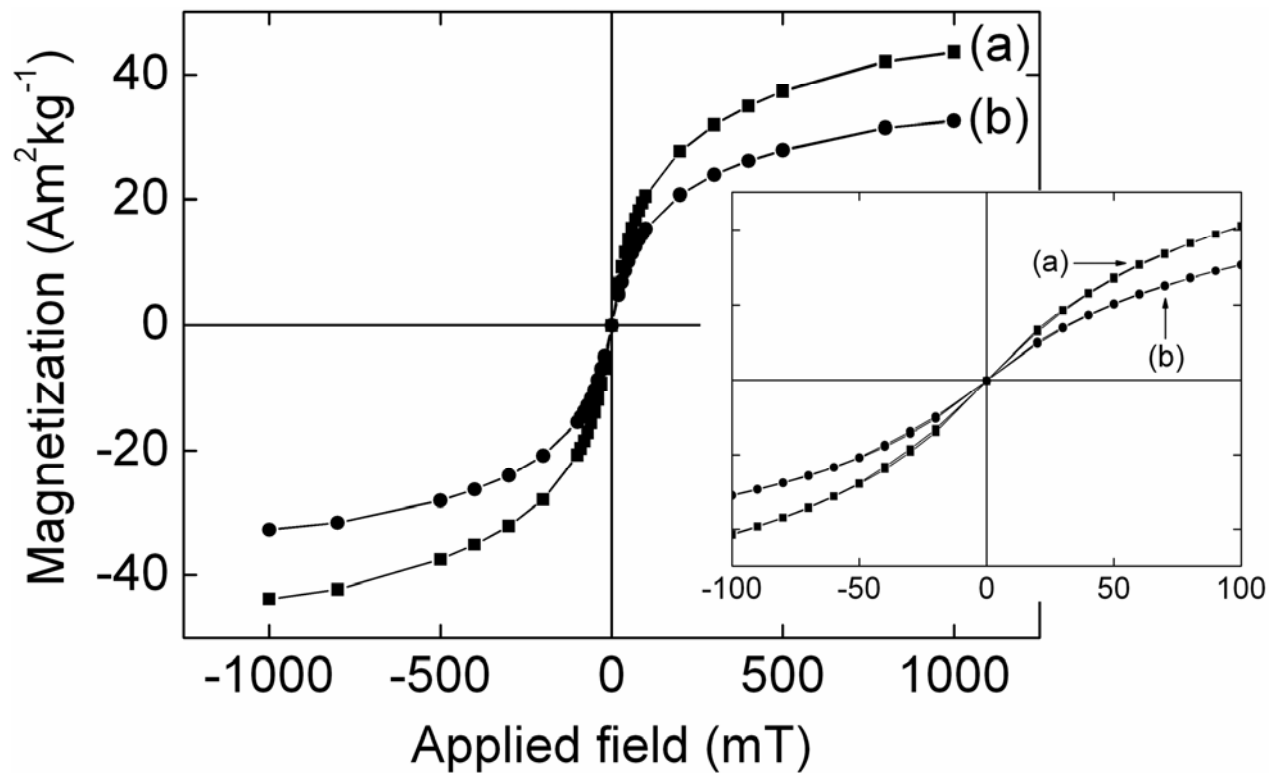




J. Qin et al, Adv Mat (2007)

SPION: Superparamagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles
PEG: Poly(ethylene glycol)

Superparamagnetism Retained

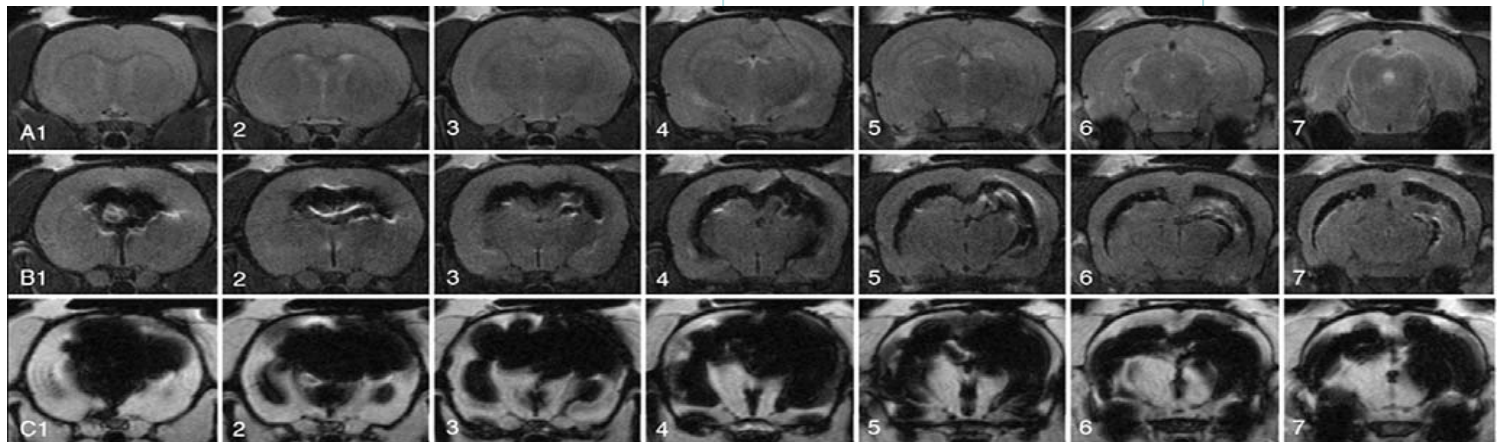
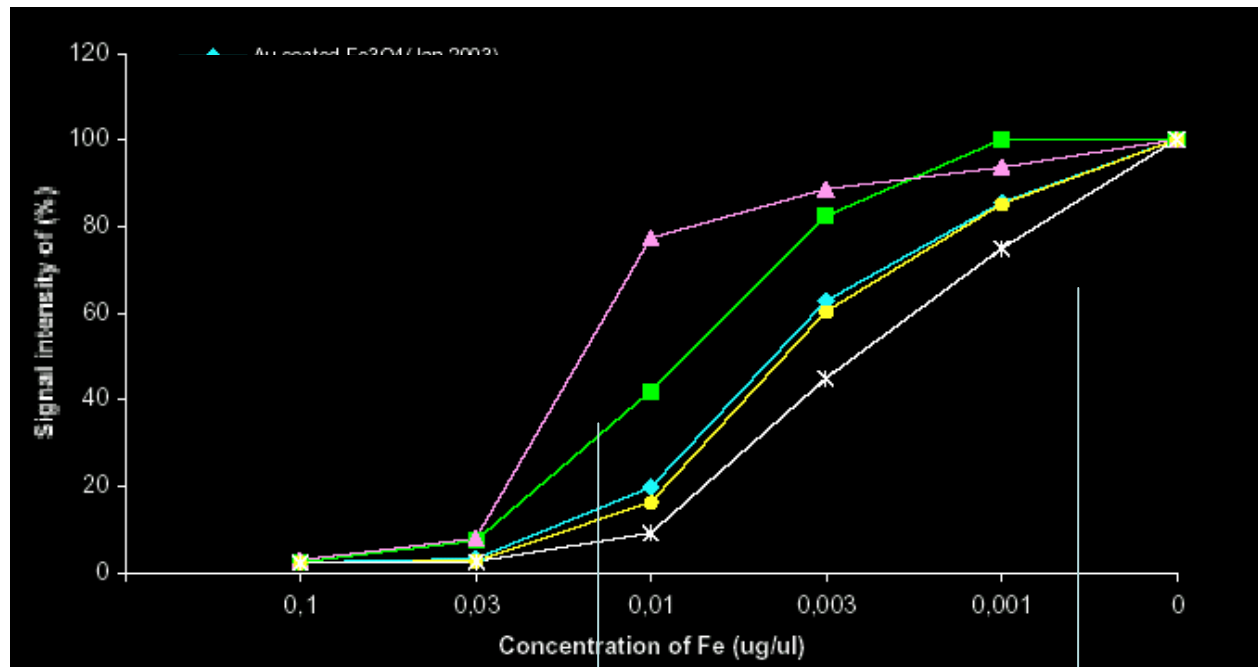


Magnetization curve of (a) as-synthesized SPION and (b) POA@SPION

Compare with Conventional Iron Oxide Nanoparticle Based Contrast Agents

Particles name	Surface polymer	r_2/r_1 ratio (0.47 T, 310 K)	Mean hydrodynamic diameter (nm)
POA@SPION	Pluronic F127 + Oleic acid	41.5	116
AMI-25 (Feridex; Advanced Magnetic s, Cambridge, Mass)	Dextran	4.0	72
AMI-227 (Combidex; Advanced Mag netics, Cambridge, Mass)	Dextran	2.2	19
MION-37 (R. Weissleder, Massachus etts General Hospital, Boston, Mass)	Dextran T10	2.2	16-28
MION-37 (R. Weissleder, Massachus etts General Hospital, Boston, Mass)	Dextran T10	2.2	18-24
NC100150 (Clariscan, Nycomed, A mersham, Oslo, Norway)	Oxidized Starch	1.6	11.9
SH U 555 A (Schering AG, Berlin, Ge rmany)	Carboxydextran	7.1	65
USPIO S (Schering AG, Berlin, Germa ny)	Carboxydextran	2.3	21

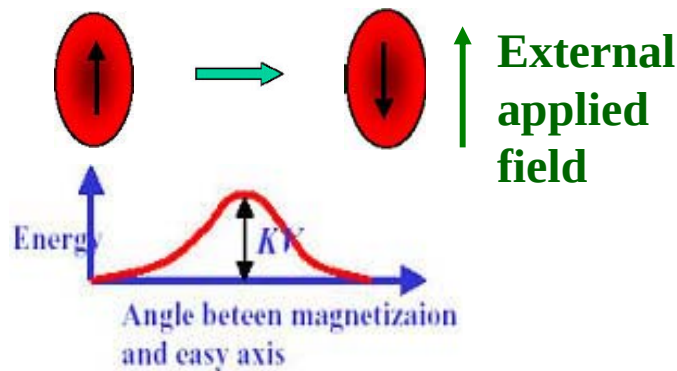
Dose response of Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles in MRI



Thermally Blocked Nanoparticles

Magnetic Relaxation for Bio-Diagnostics

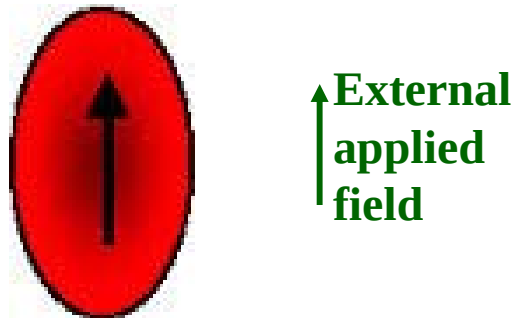
Néel relaxation



$$\tau_N = \tau_0 e^{\frac{KV}{kT}}$$

τ_N = Néel rel. time
 τ_0 = characteristic rel. time
 k = Boltzmann constant
 T = temperature
 K = magnetic anisotropy
 V = single domain volume

Brownian relaxation



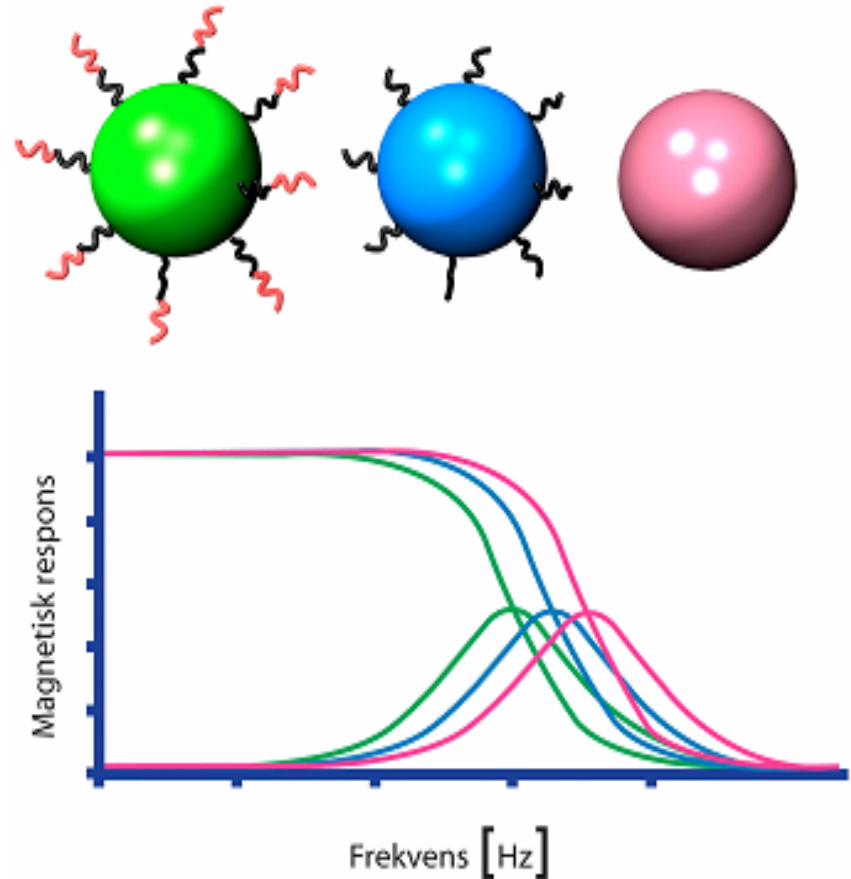
$$\tau_B = \frac{3V_H \eta}{kT}$$

τ_B = Brownian rel. time
 V_H = Hydrodynamic particle volume
 η = viscosity

Biosensor Based on Magnetic Relaxation

Detect specific biomolecules by
measuring changes in
Brownian relaxation of
thermally blocked magnetic
nanoparticles.

shift in the maximum of the
imaginary magnetic susceptibility.



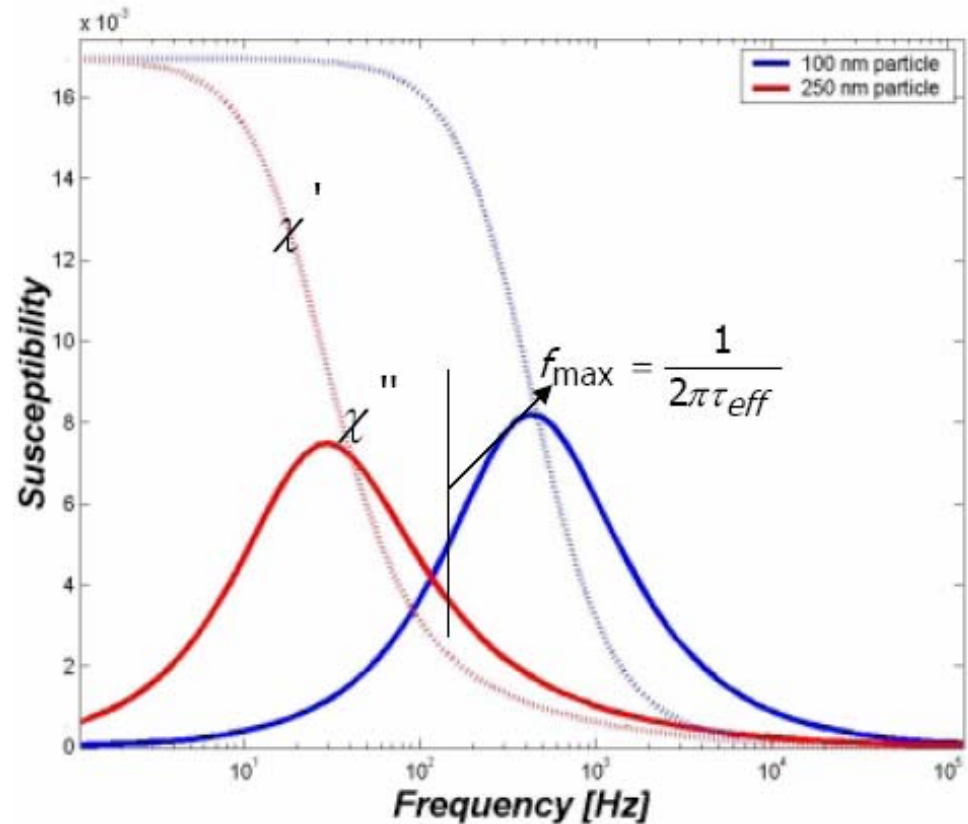
Fornara, A. et al, NanoLetters (2008)

Bio-diagnostics based on Magnetic Relaxation

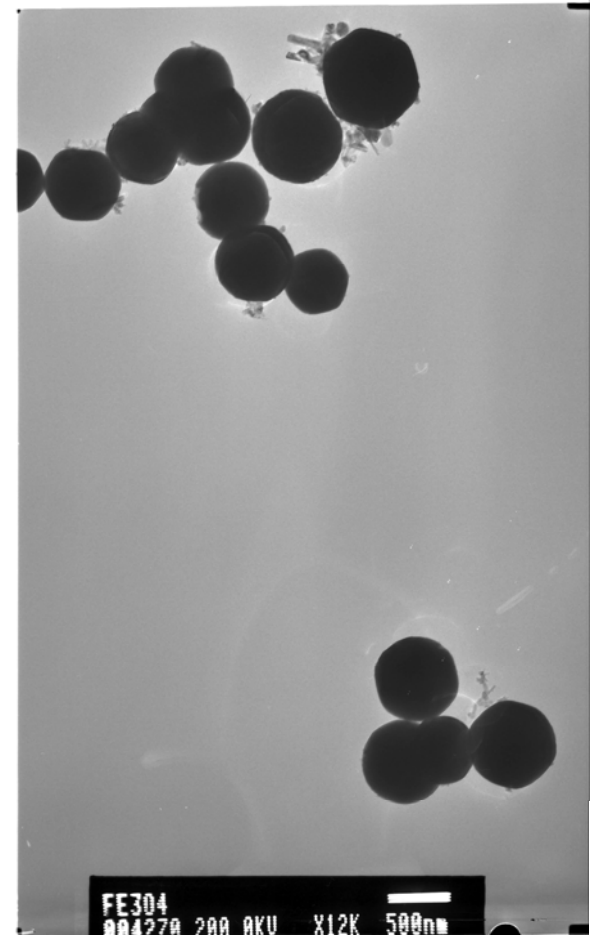
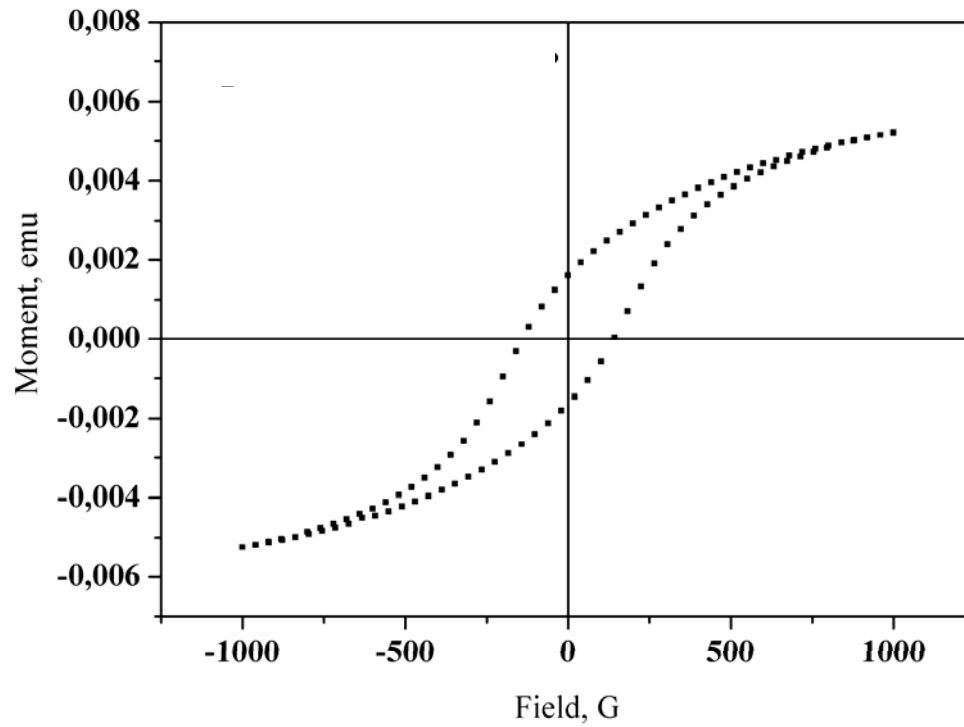
**Brownian relaxation process can be detected in
the frequency domain**

$$M = \chi H = (\chi' - i\chi'')H$$

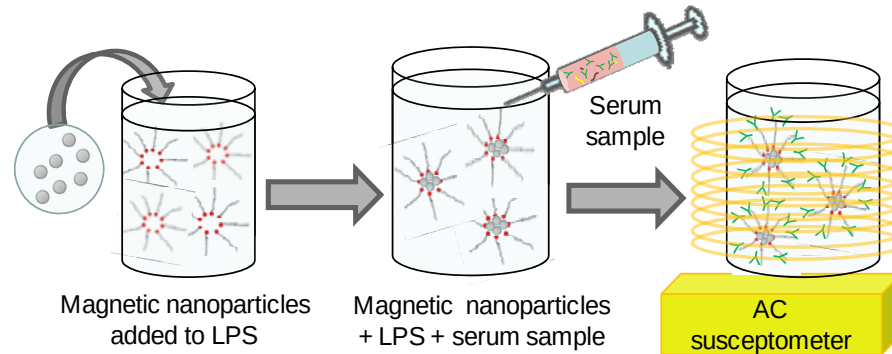
M = magnetisation
 H = alternating external
magnetic field
 χ = complex magnetic
susceptibility



Synthesis of Thermally blocked Magnetic nanoparticles

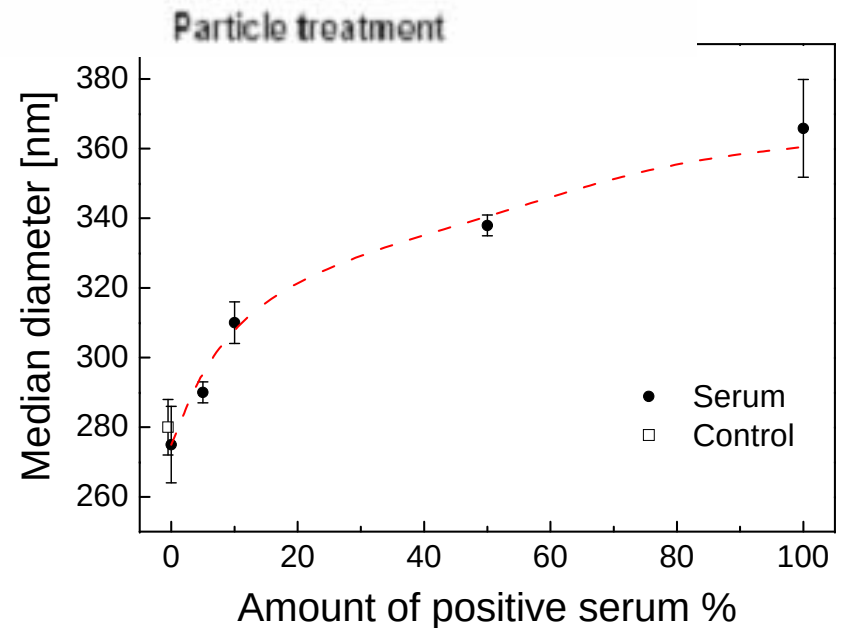
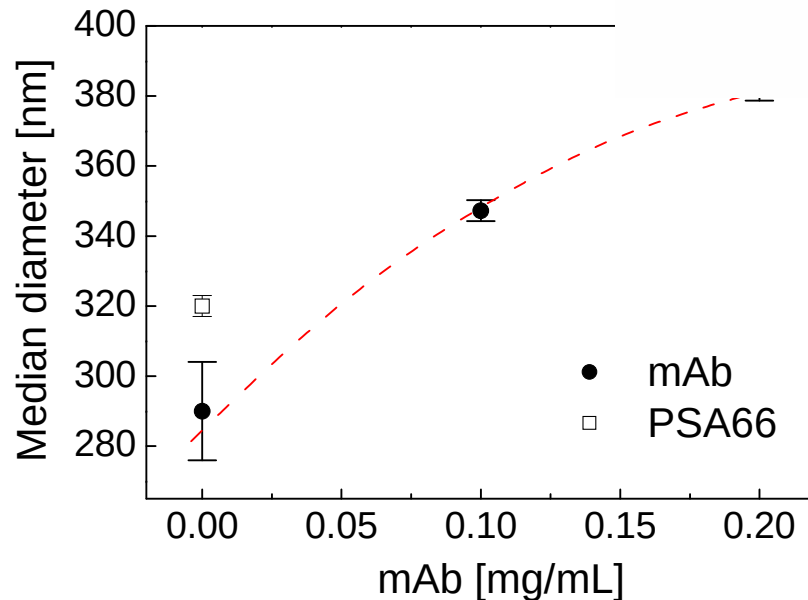
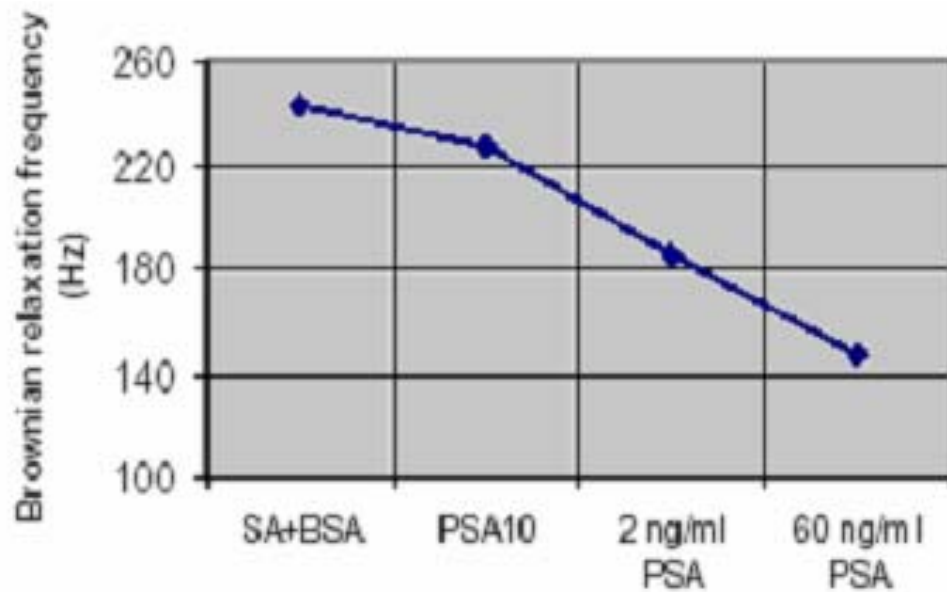


Quantitative detection of PSA by Brownian relaxation frequency measurements



- No pretreatment
- Simple mixing of fluids
- Fast
- Multiple bio molecules detection
- Practical for point of use

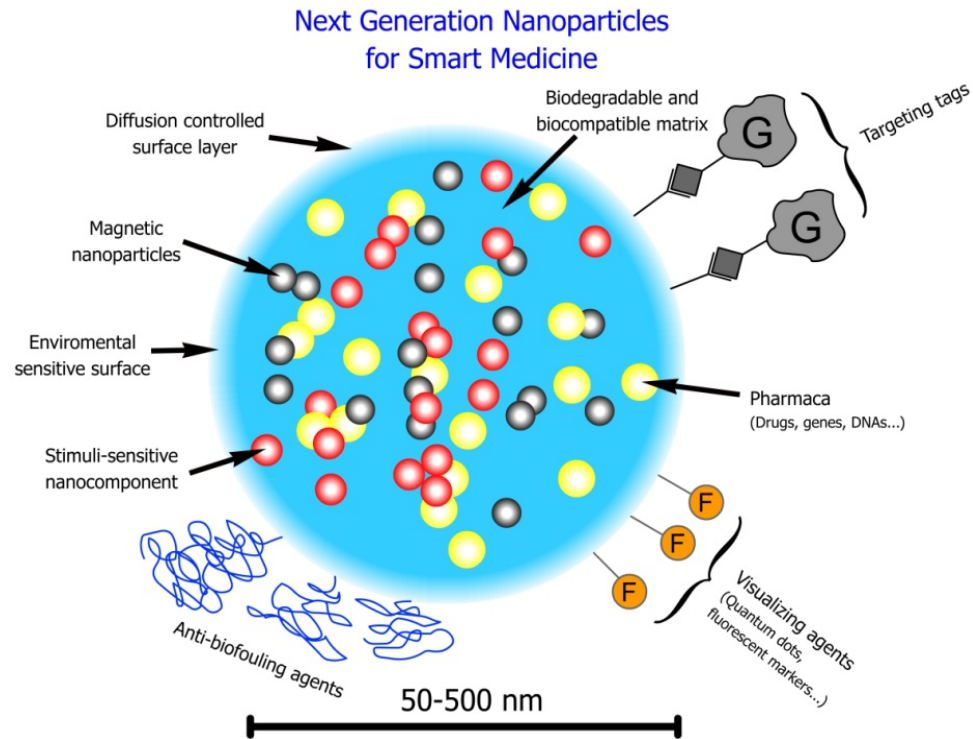
Detection of Brucella Antibodies in Serum



Detection limit: 0.05 $\mu\text{g/ml}$

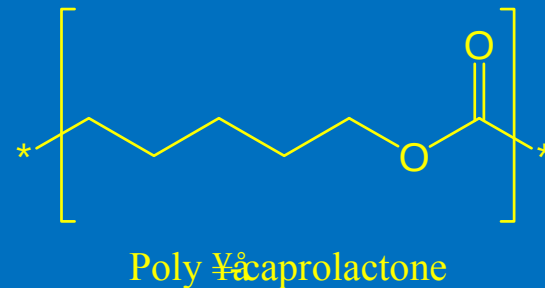
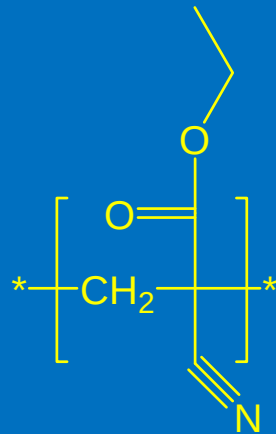
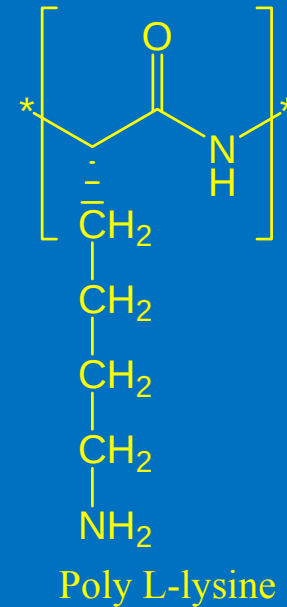
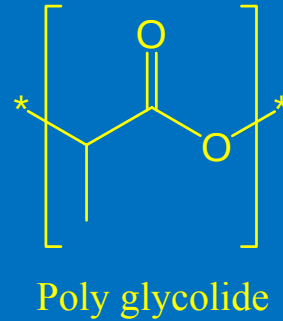
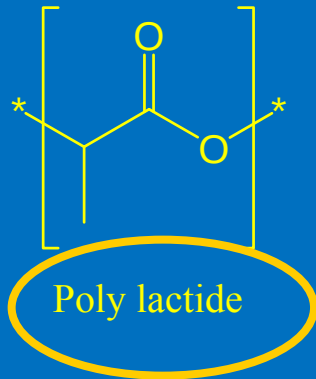
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Nanomaterials in Biology and Medicine



Targeted drug delivery – Targeted drug delivery using a multicomponent nanoparticle containing therapeutic as well as biological surface modifying agents

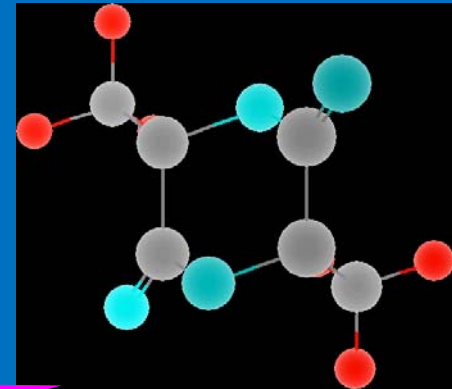
Biocompatible Polymers



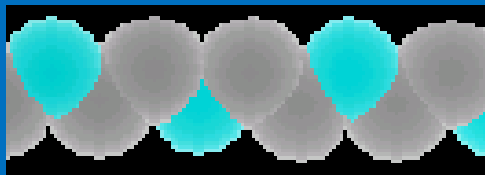
Amphiphilic copolymer for biodegradable nanosphere fabrication

Lactide (3,6-dimethyl-1,4-dioxane-2,5-dione)

- Biocompatible
- Degradable under physiological condition
- Applicable as a **hydrophobic** segment in amphiphilic copolymer



copolymerization



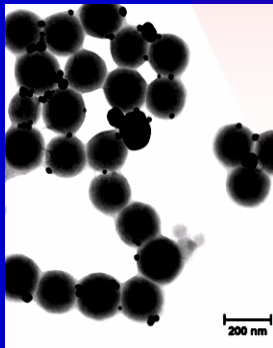
poly ethylene glycol (PEG)

- Biocompatible
- Applicable as a **hydrophilic** segment in amphiphilic copolymer

Strategies for Drug Delivery Systems

Hydrophobic drug
i.e. steroids

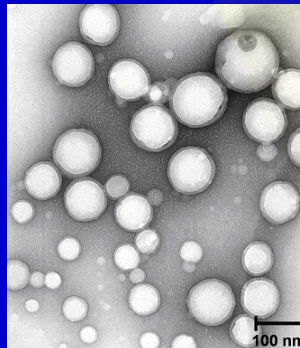
Emulsion/evaporation
(o/w)



drug

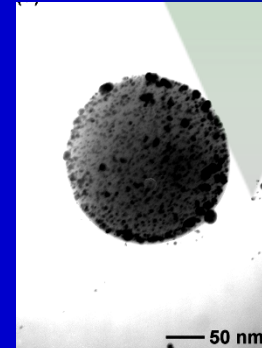
Hydrophilic drug
i.e. proteins

Modified-double-emulsion
(w/o/w)



drug

Surface
modification
s and
activation



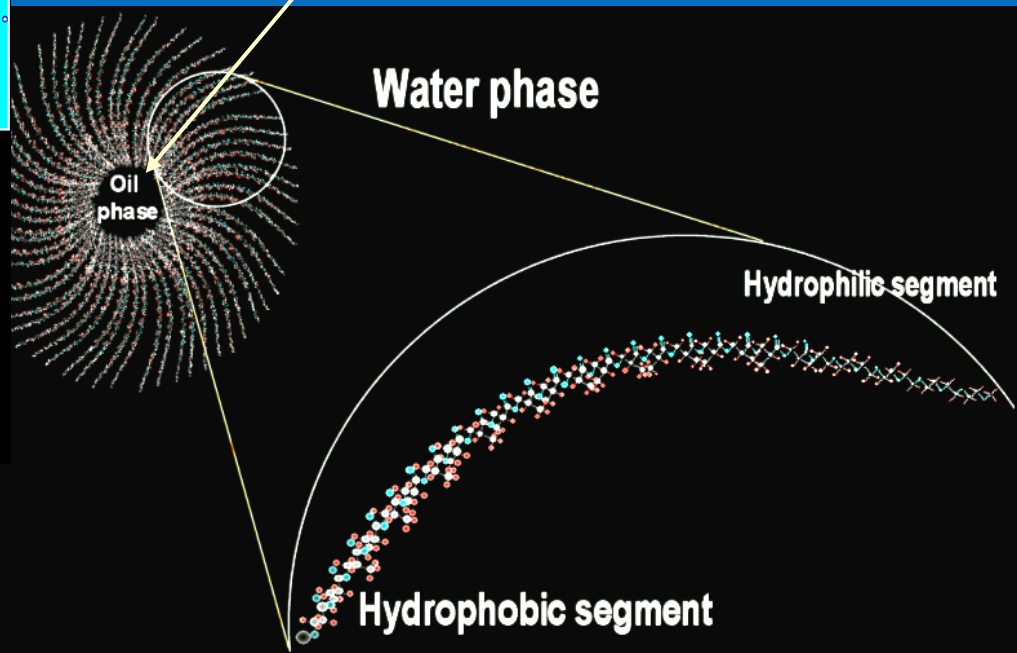
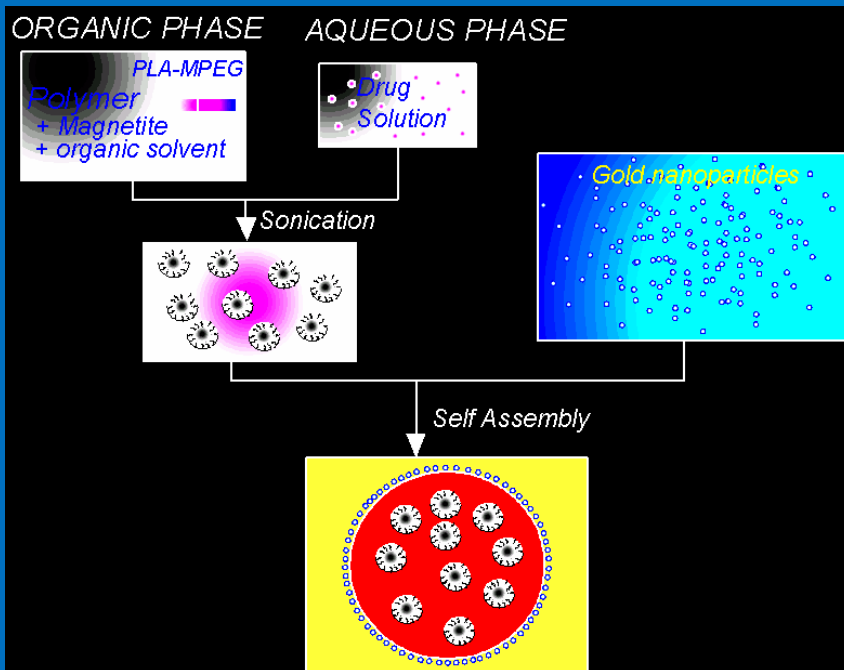
biomolecules

drug

biomolecules

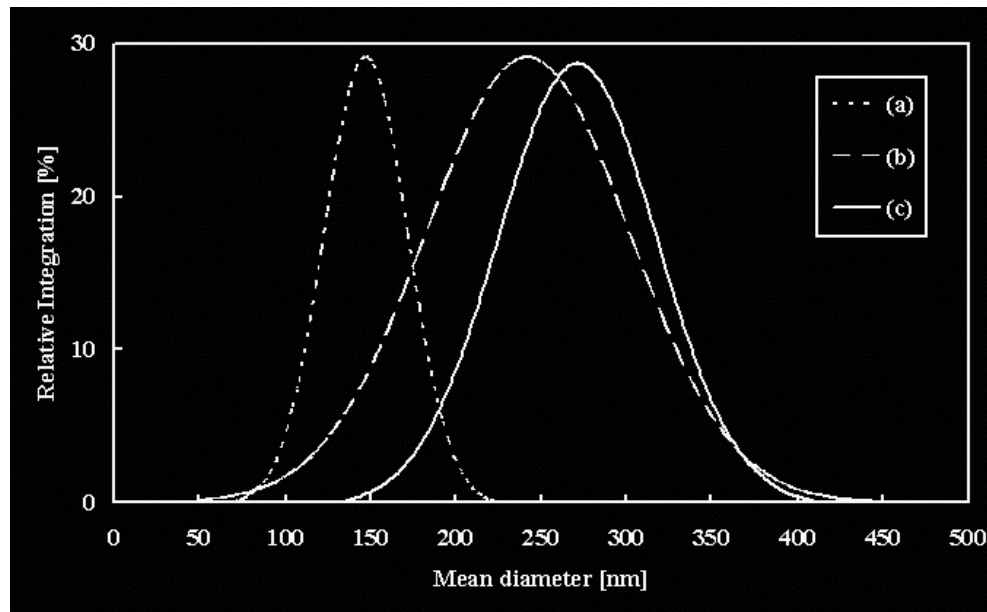
Procedures for preparation of drug-loaded Nanospheres

Drug , Fe_3O_4 , & Quantum dots loaded in the cavity



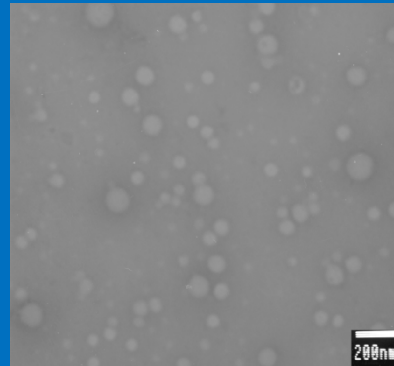
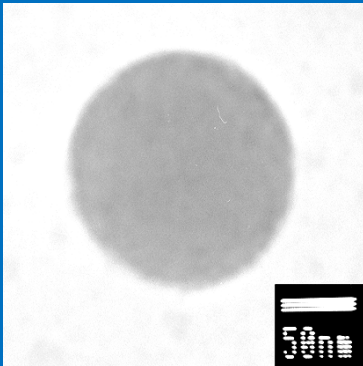
Compositions of PLA-mPEG diblock copolymers

Code	PLA		mPEG
	Enantiomers	Mw[kDa]	Mw [kDa]
M90	PDLLA(P- <i>meso</i> -LA)	90	5
M45	PDLLA(P- <i>meso</i> -LA)	45	5
M25	PDLLA(P- <i>meso</i> -LA)	25	5
M5	PDLLA(P- <i>meso</i> -LA)	5	5
L45	PLLA	45	5
D45	PDLA	45	5
R45	PLLA+PDLA(P- <i>rac</i> -LA)	45	5

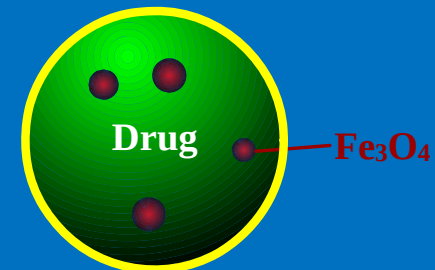
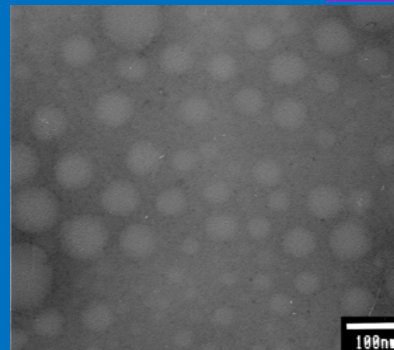
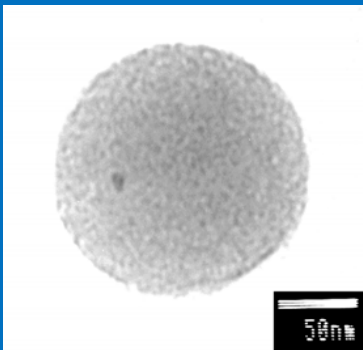


TEM images of BSA-loaded nanospheres

BSA-loaded PLA-mPEG nanospheres



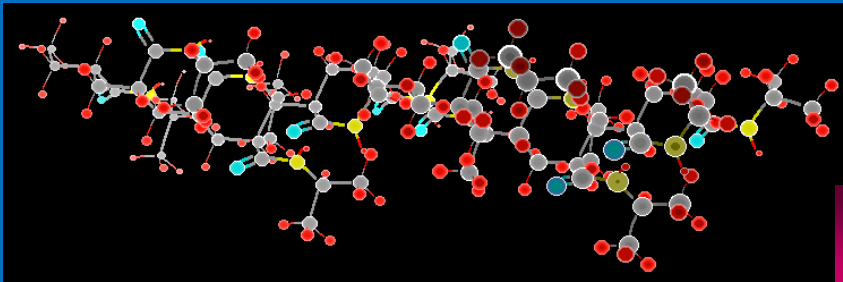
BSA and Fe_3O_4 -loaded PLA-mPEG nanospheres



Thermo- sensitive Drug delivery system

- Stable suspension at temperatures **below** body temperature
- Unstable at temperatures **above** body temp.
 - Use body increase of temp to trigger release
 - Use external heating source -hyperthermia

'Smart' polymeric Nanoparticles Systems

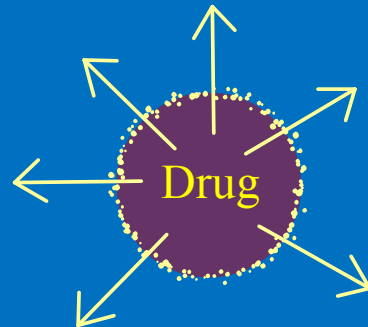


Poly(*N*-isopropylacrylamide)

Thermosensitive polymer



$T < \text{LCST}$



$T > \text{LCST}$

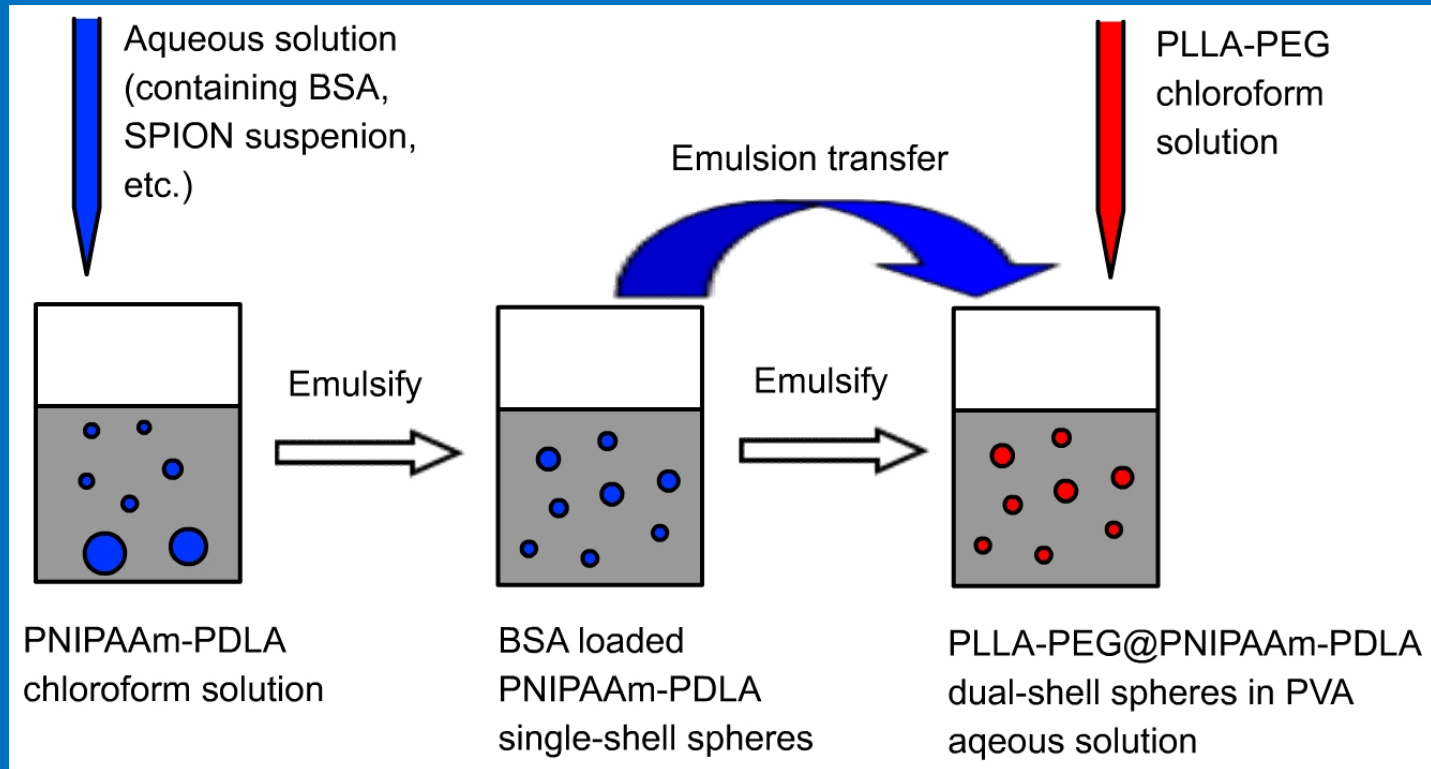
LCST : Lower critical solution temperature

Under the condition that temperature exceeds the LCST, amphiphilic micelles are collapsed so as to start to release the entrapped drug.

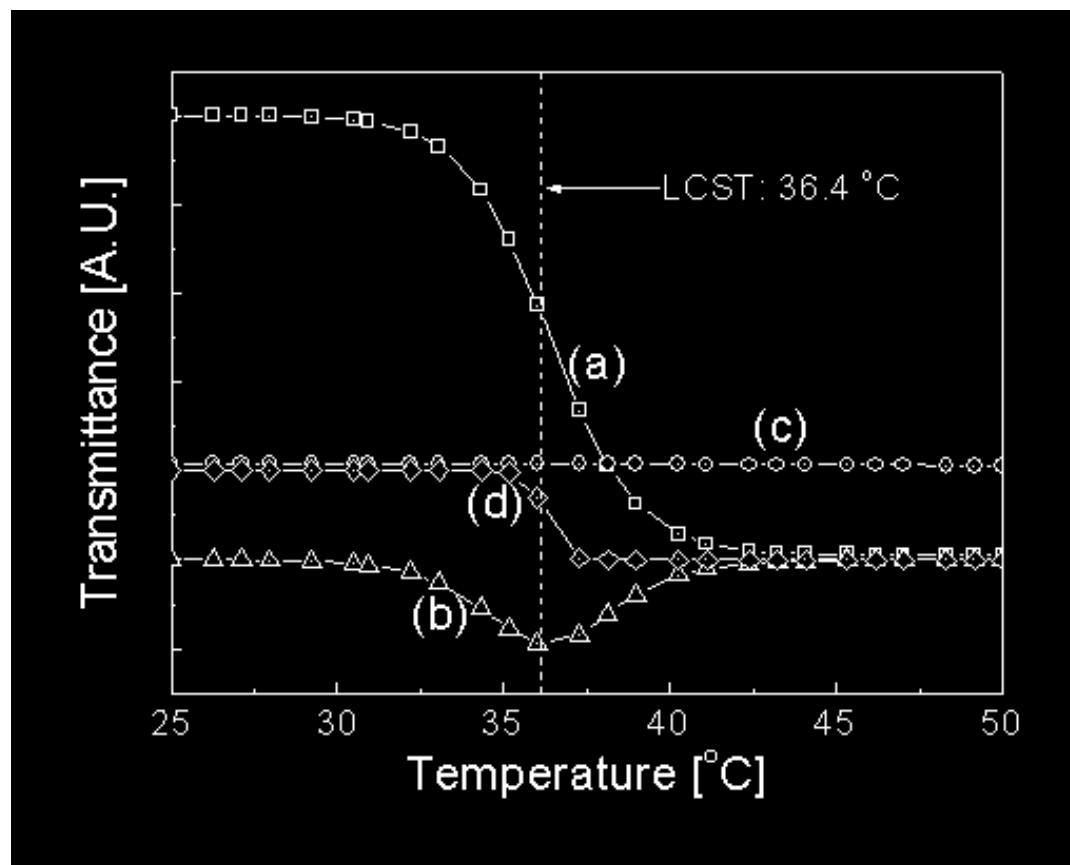
Jo, Y. S., et al., *Macromolecular Rapid Communications* **2003**, 24, 957.

Qin et al (2006)

Schematic View of Modified-Double-Emulsion-Method (MDEM)

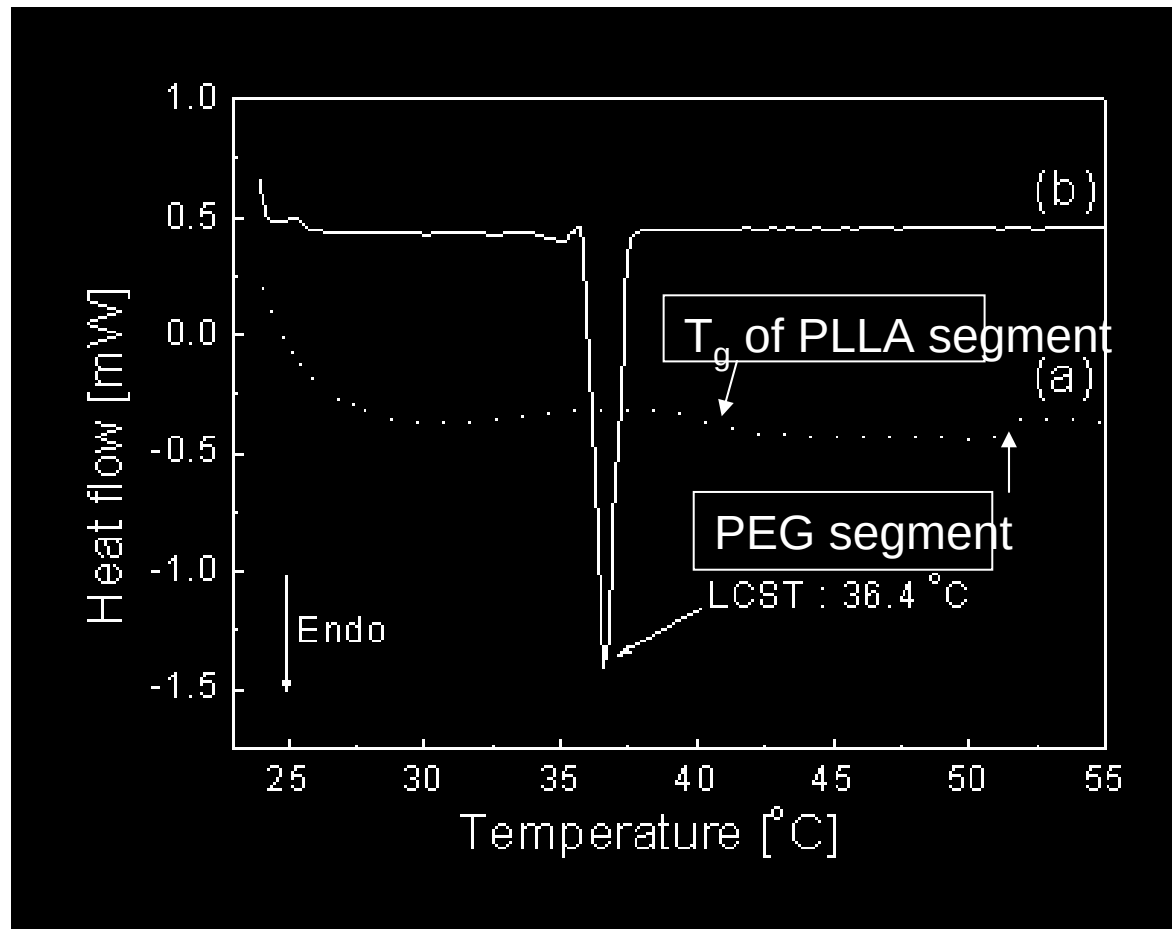


BSA: Bovine serum albumin
PEG: Poly(ethylene glycol)
PDLA: Poly(D, D-lactide)
PLLA: Poly(L, L-lactide)
PNIPAAm: Poly(*N*-isopropylacrylamide)
PVA: Poly (vinyl alcohol)
SPION: Superparamagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles



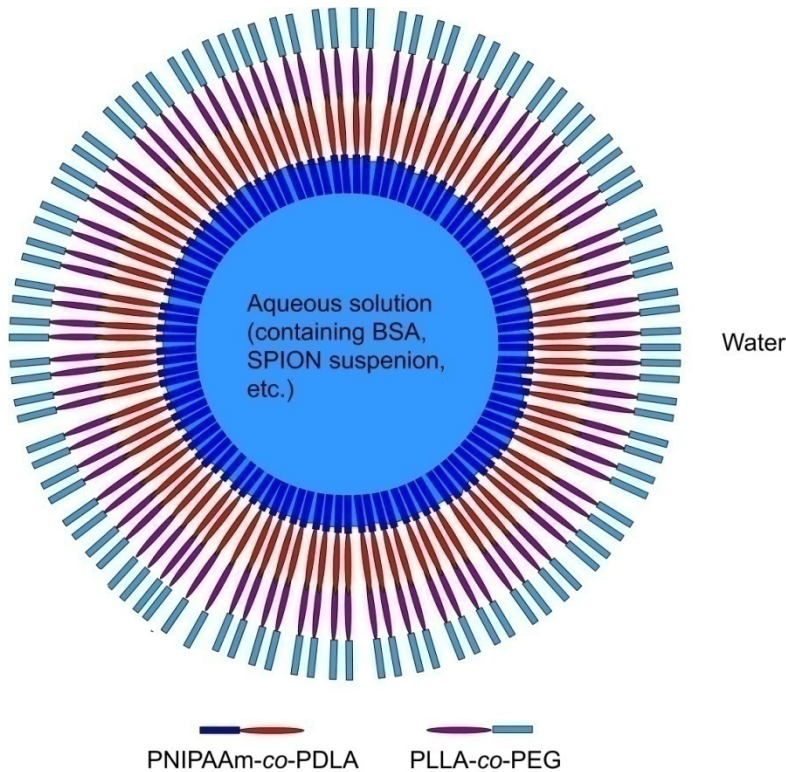
- (a) transparency change of the PNIPAAm-PDLA solution
- (b) differentiated curve of (a)
- (c) w/o/w' emulsion

Thermogram of Polymeric Structures



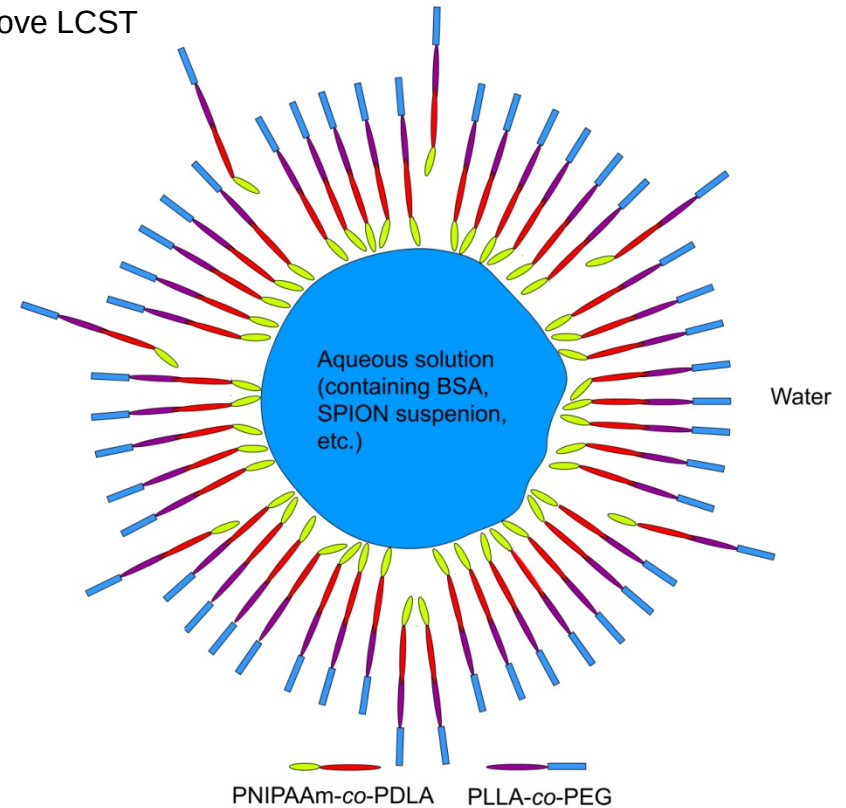
Schematic View of the “Shell-in-Shell” Structure

Below LCST



PNIPAAm: hydrophilic, stable

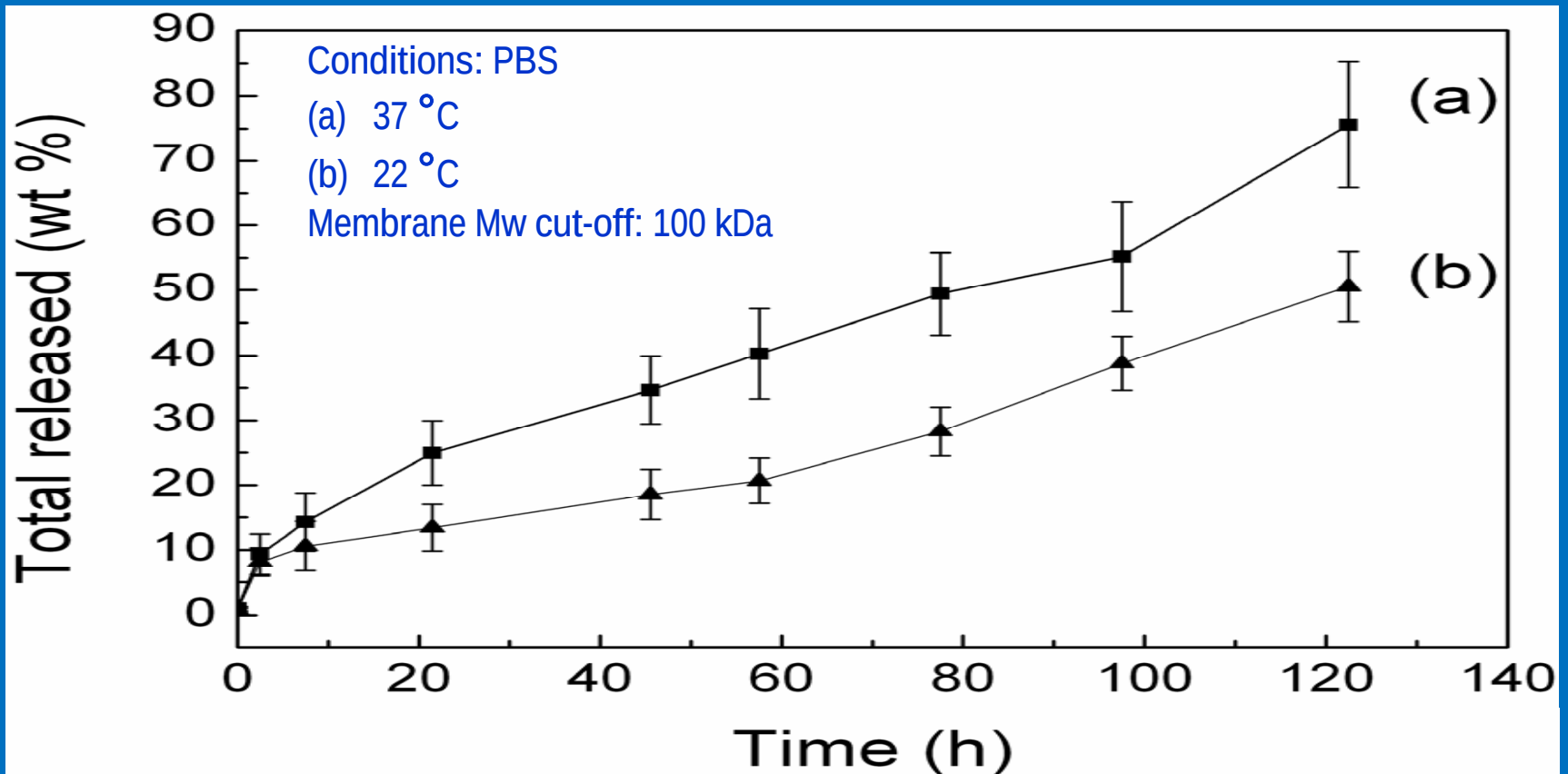
Above LCST



PNIPAAm: hydrophobic, unstable → Drug release

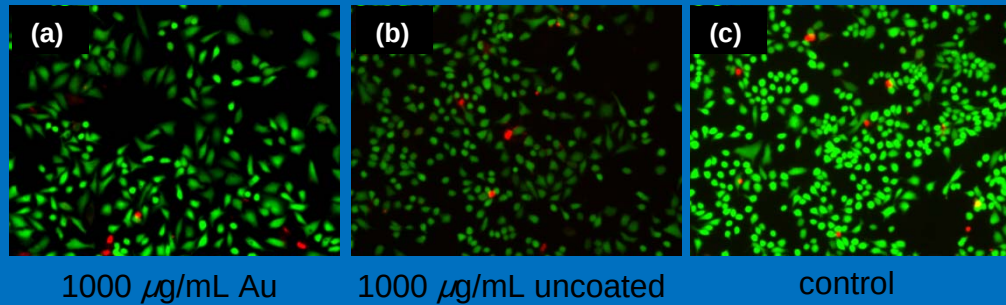
LCST: Lower critical solubility temperature

Temperature-dependent Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA) Release

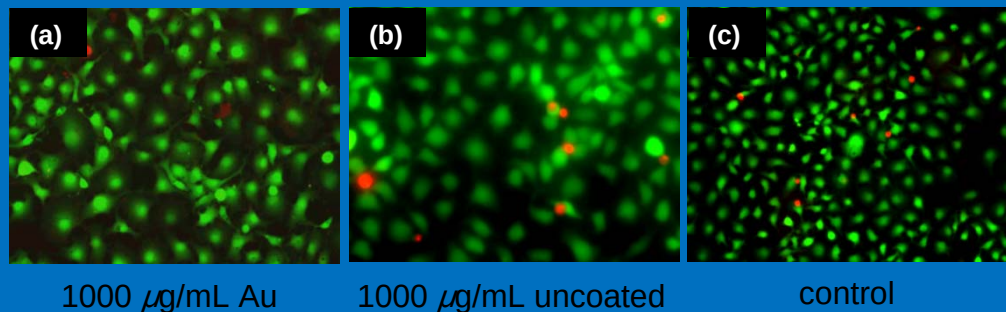


Toxicity Assay

Au@PLLA-PEG@PNIPAAm-PDLA and PLLA-PEG@PNIPAAm-PDLA



TCCV assay



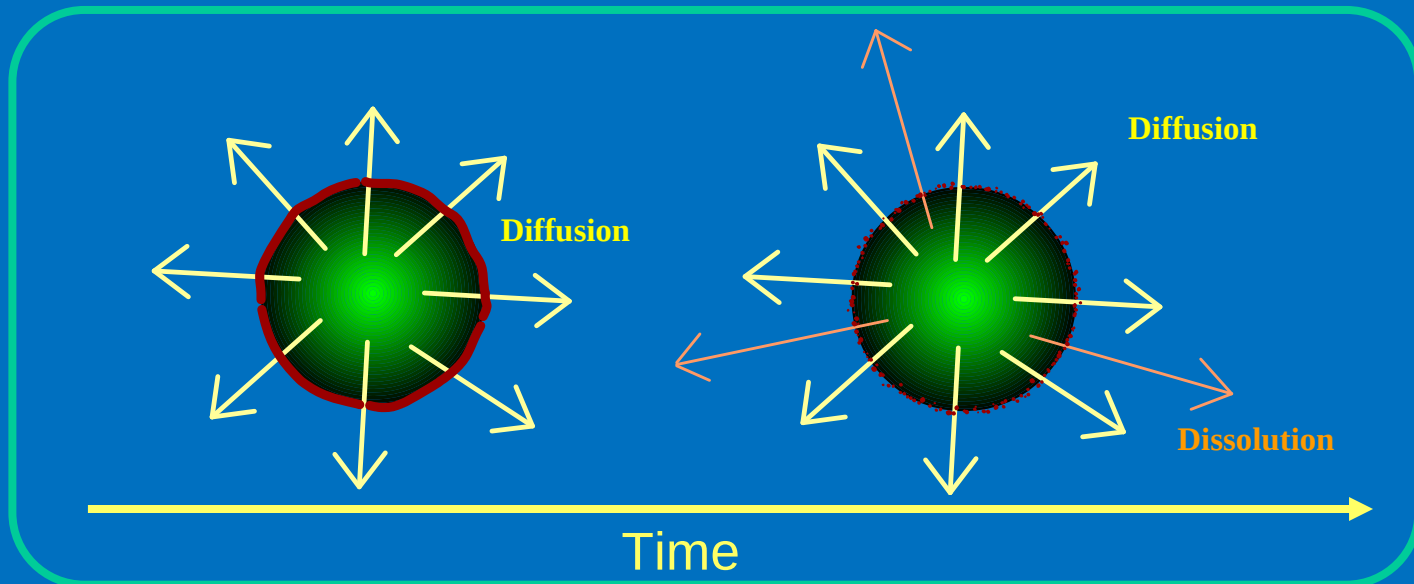
Green spots = living cells
Red spots = dead cells

MTS: 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-5-(3-carboxymethoxyphenyl)-2-(4-sulfophenyl)-2H-tetrazolium

TCCV: Two-color cell fluorescence viability

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \left(\frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial c}{\partial r} \right)$$

Mathematical modeling of controlled release rate



- Diffusion model

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \left(\frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial c}{\partial r} \right)$$

$$\frac{c_1}{c_{1\infty}} = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{6(\alpha + 1)\alpha}{(9 + 3\alpha + q_n^2 \alpha^2)} e^{-\frac{q_n^2}{R^2} Dt}$$

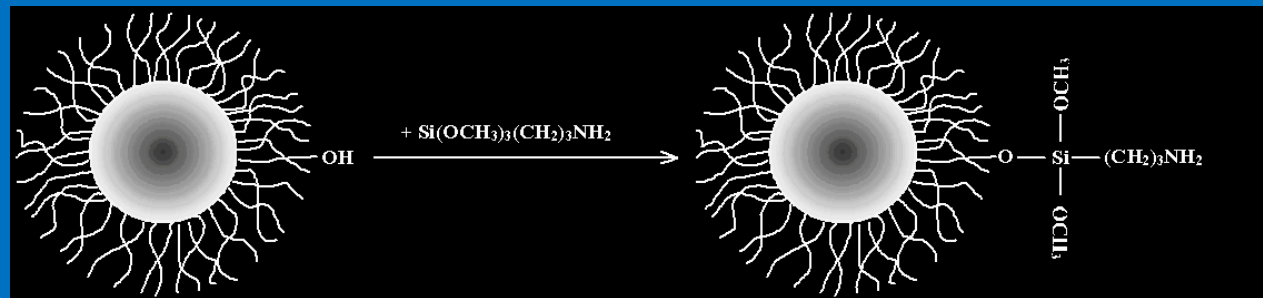
- Dissolution model

$$r_d = -\frac{dc}{dt} = k(c - K_p c_1)$$

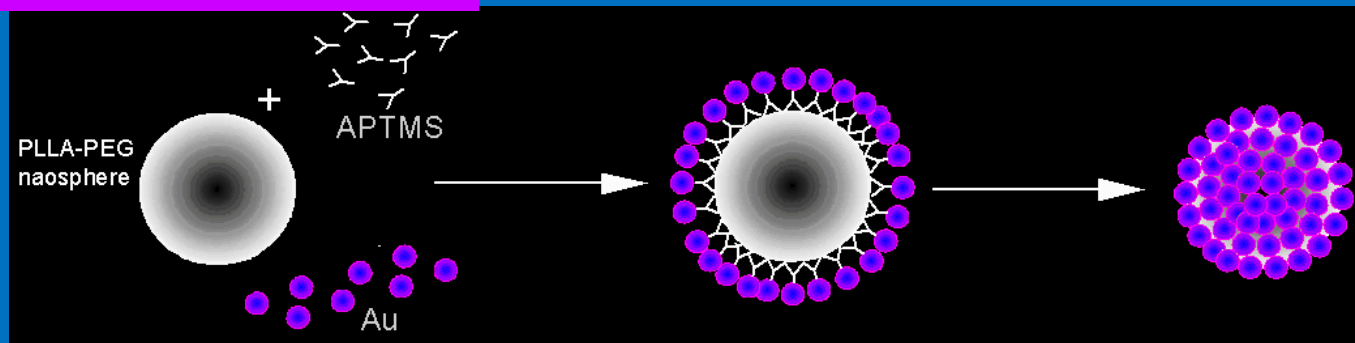
$$c_1 = \frac{c_0}{K_p(\alpha + 1)} \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha} kt\right) \right]$$

Self-assembly of gold nanoparticles on the surface of PLA-mPEG nanospheres

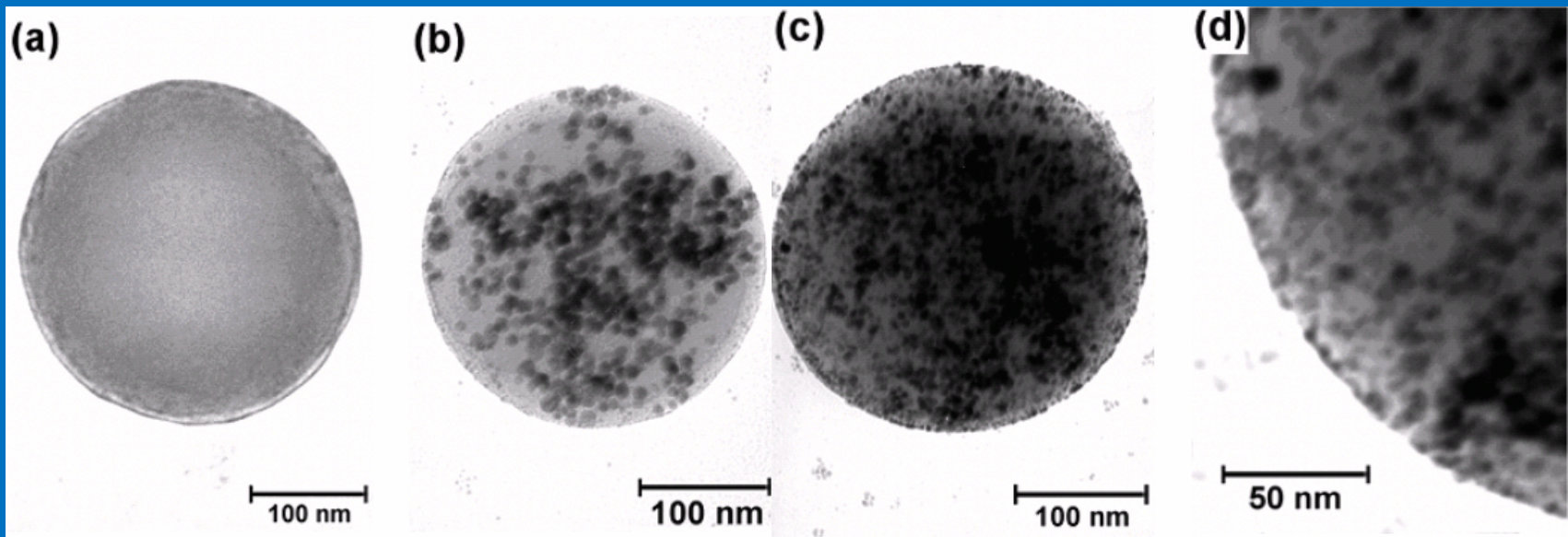
Silanization



Gold nanoparticle self-assembly



TEM images of 'shell-in-shell' structure nanoparticles



a) PLLA-PEG micelle

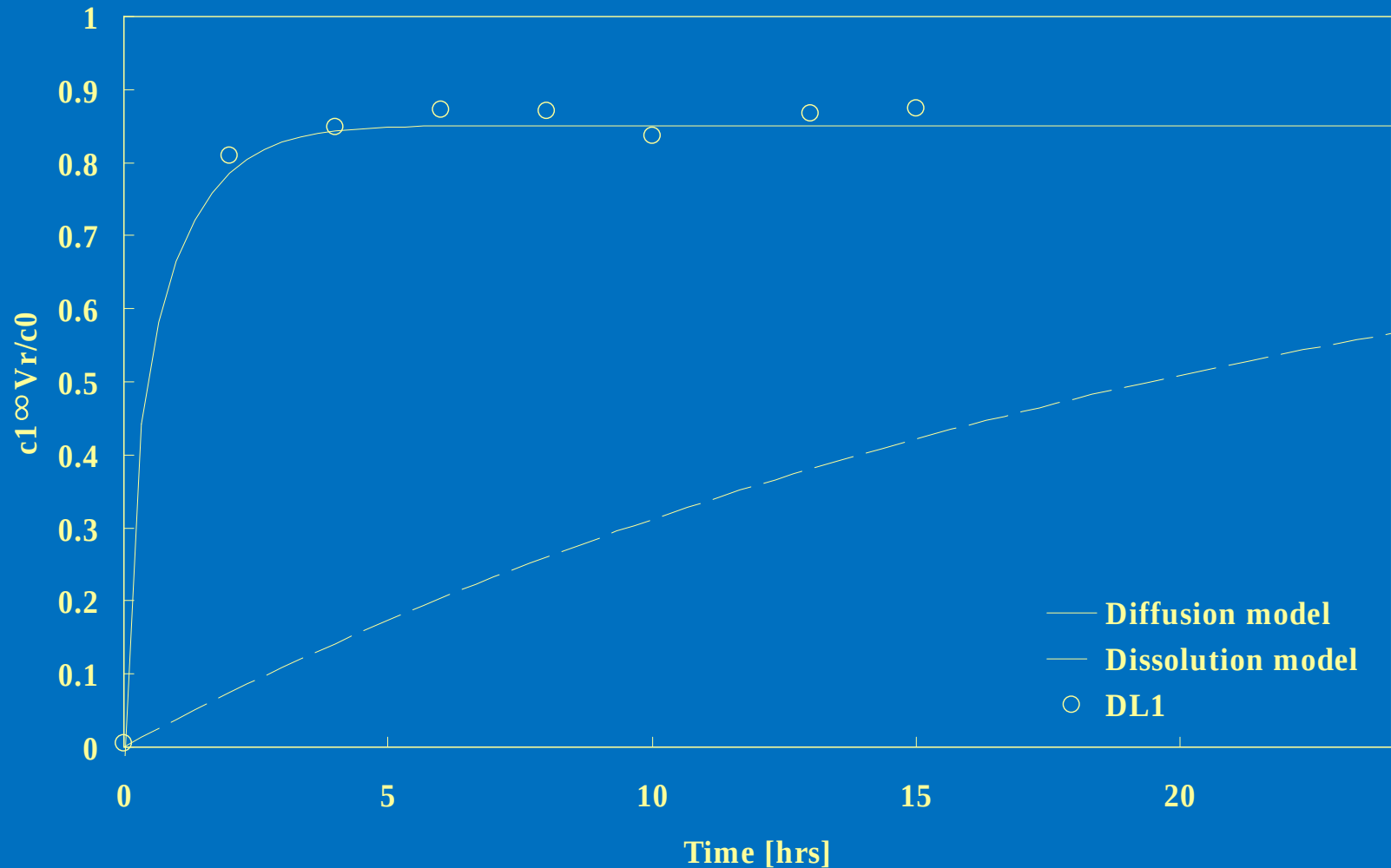
b) 'shell-in-shell' structures covered with Au nanoparticles in part

c) - d) 'shell-in-shell' structures fully covered with Au nanoparticles

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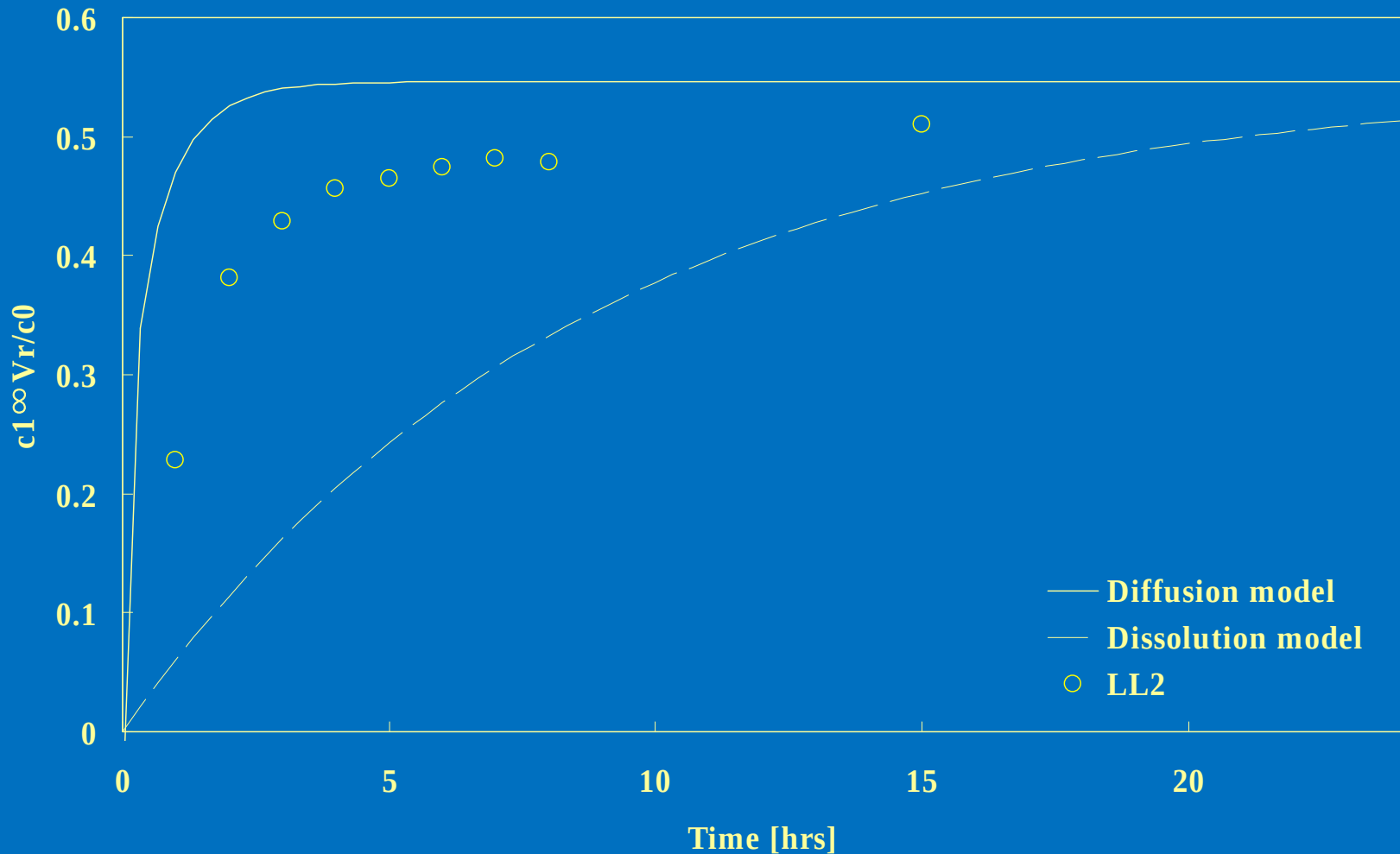
Drug Release Profile

Dissolution regime

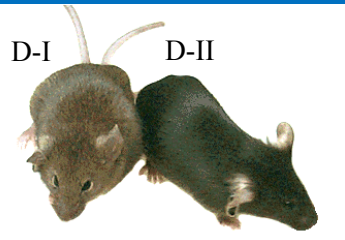


Drug Release Profile

Dissolution- Diffusion Regimes

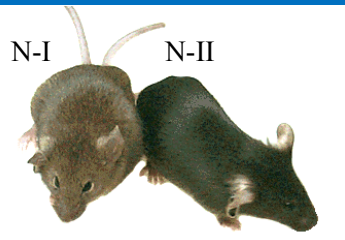


in vivo test: estrogen release by PLA-PEO DDS



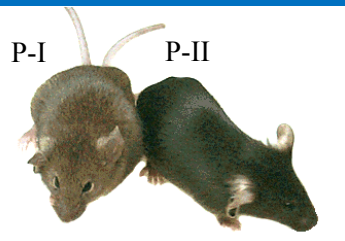
Group D

PLA-PEO DDS (loading 17 β -estradiol) injected
Dosage;
(39.6 μ g / 39.6 μ g / 550 μ L = 17 β -estradiol / PLA-PEO DDS /
PBS buffer solution)



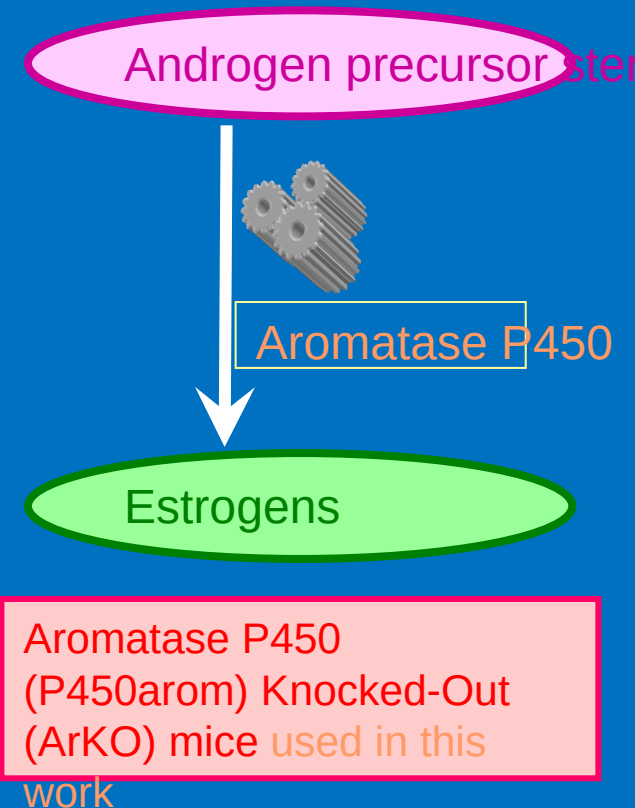
Group N

550 μ L of PBS buffer solution injected



Group P

P-I; 550 μ L of positive control solution (17 β -estradiol
dissolved in olive oil) injected
P-II; 17 β -estradiol tablet implanted



Injectable Drug Delivery Systems

Hydrogels - Ferrogels

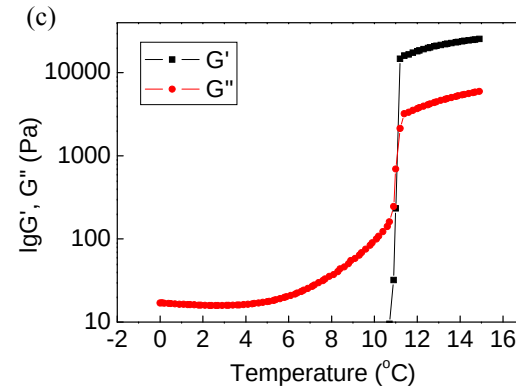
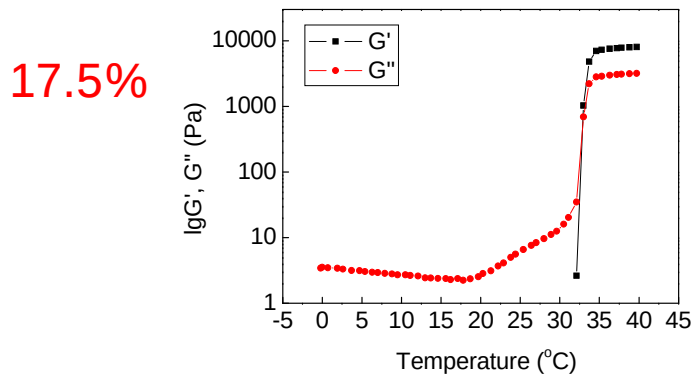
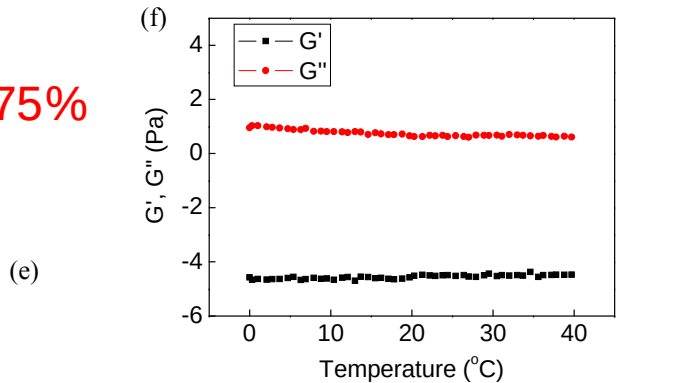
Injectable Drug Delivery Systems

- Biocompatible
- Liquid at Room temperature
- Solid at Body temperature
- Can be loaded with drugs
- Controlled drug release

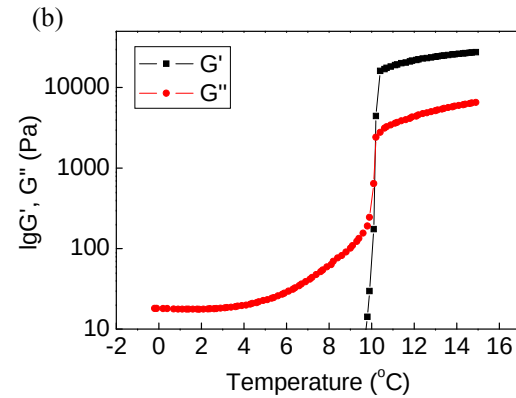


Pluronic F127 copolymer undergoes reversible sol-gel transition at different T as a function of concentration

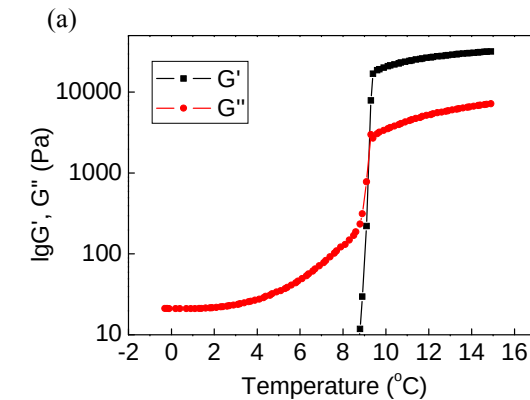
Effect of Concentration on Gelation Temperature



33%



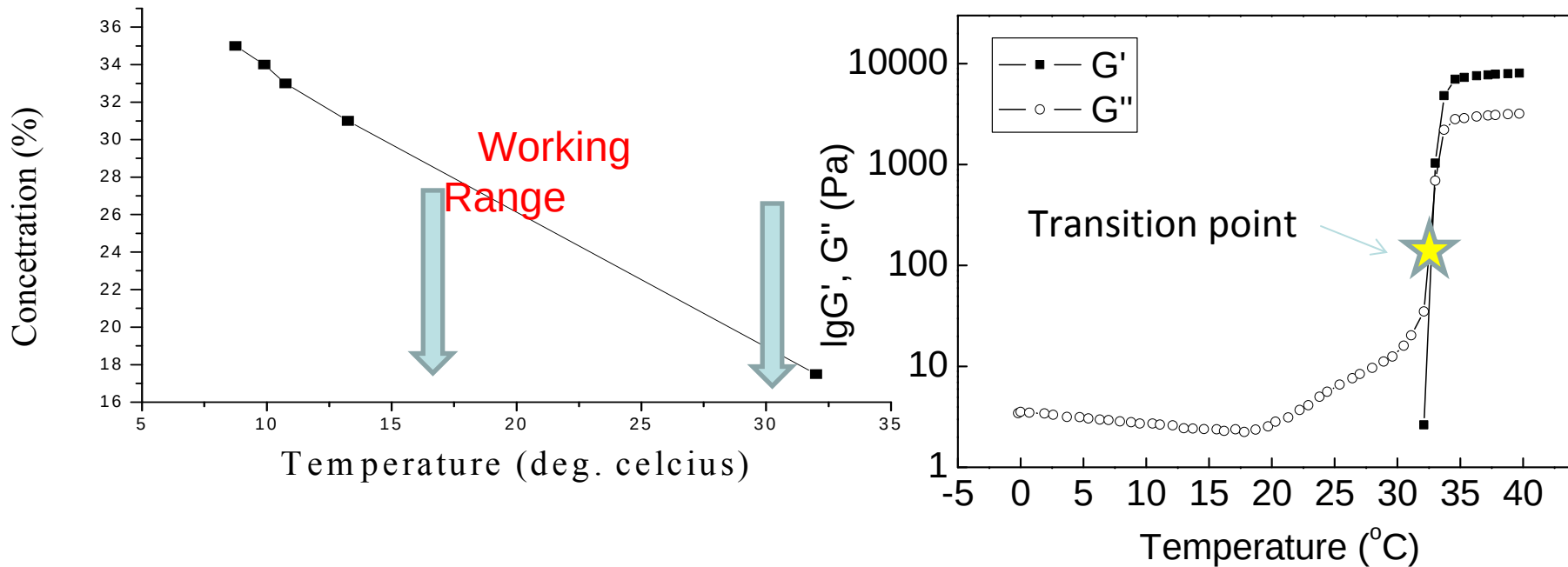
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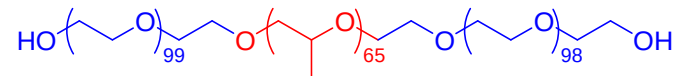
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Injectable Drug Delivery Systems

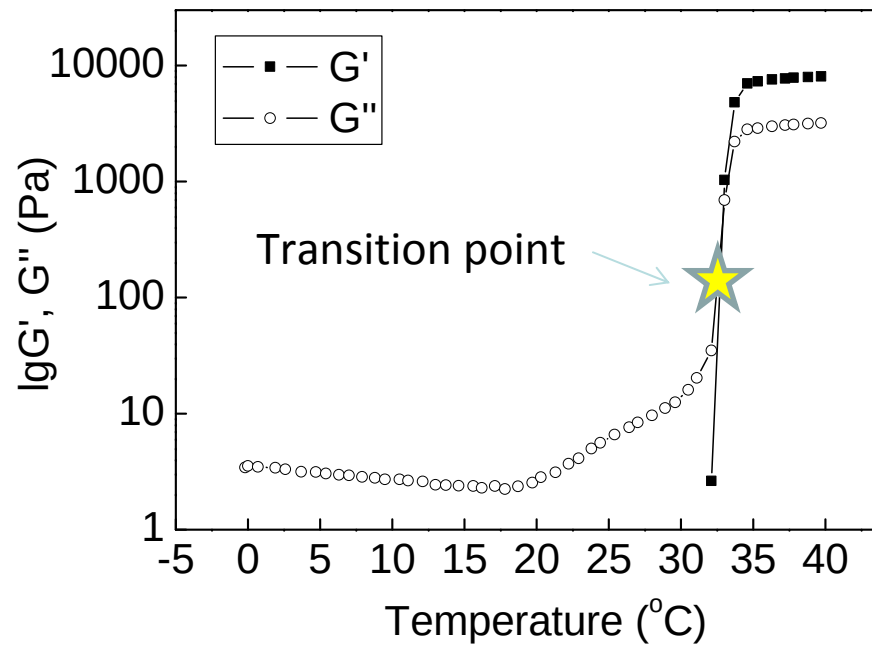
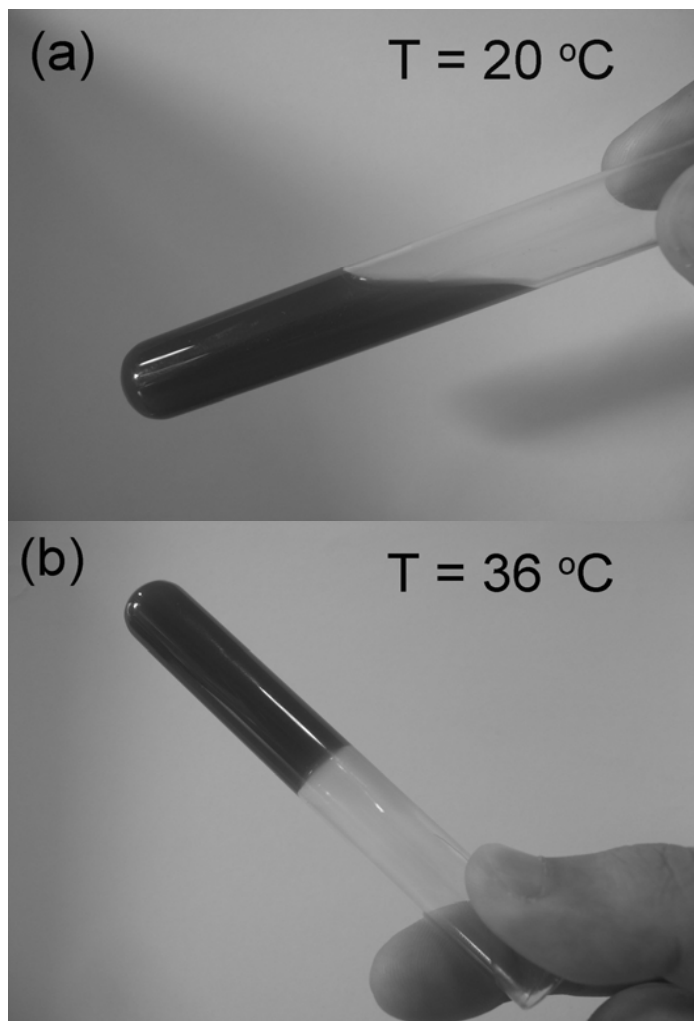
Magnetic-Sensitive Ferrogel



Pluronic F127

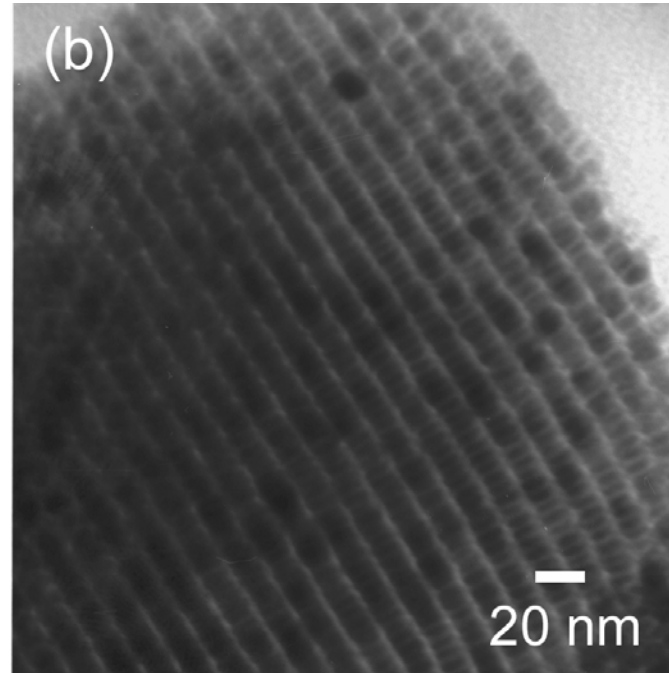
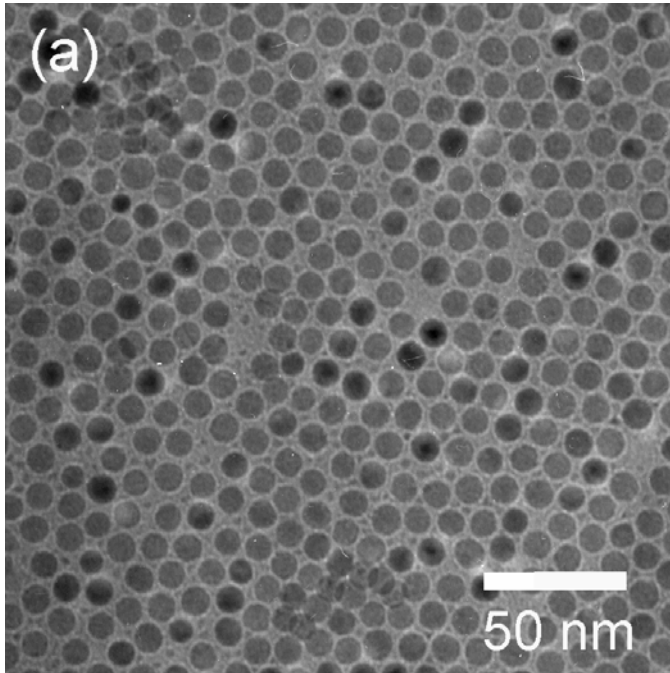


Reversible sol-gel transition



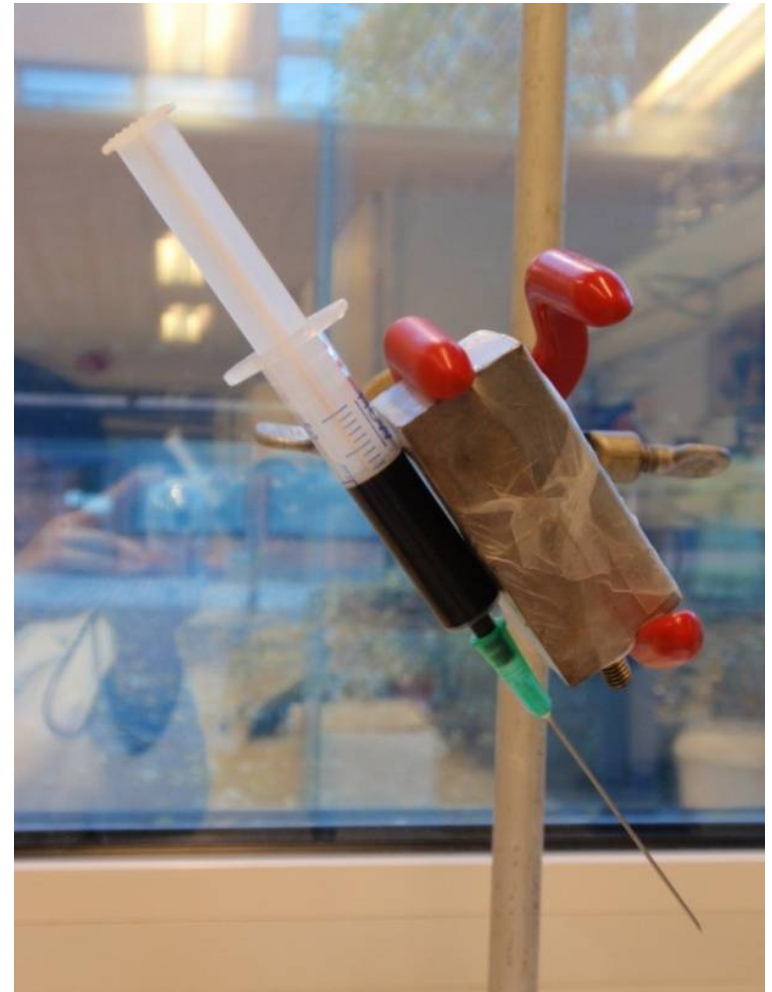
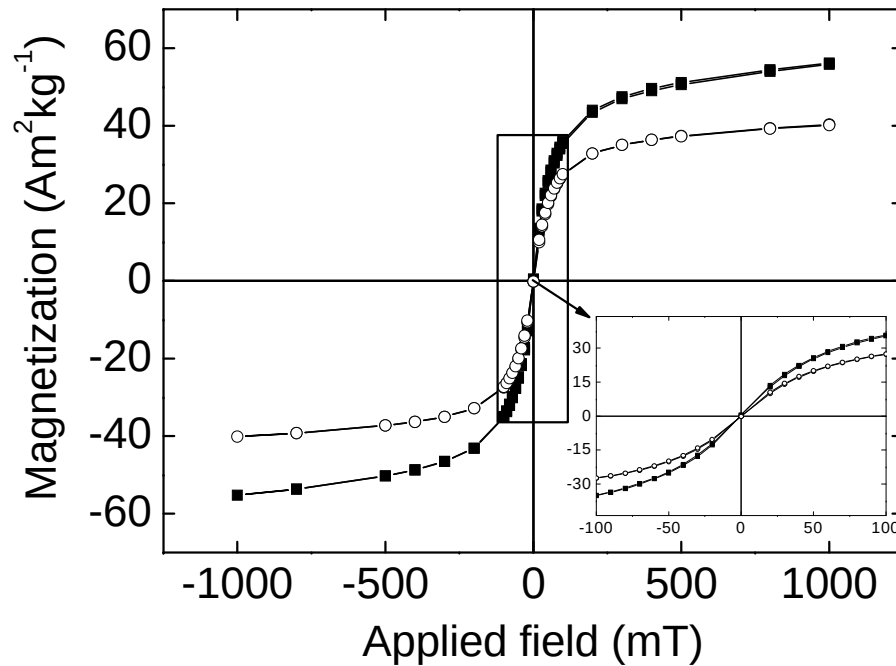
17.5%

Magnetic-Sensitive Ferrogel

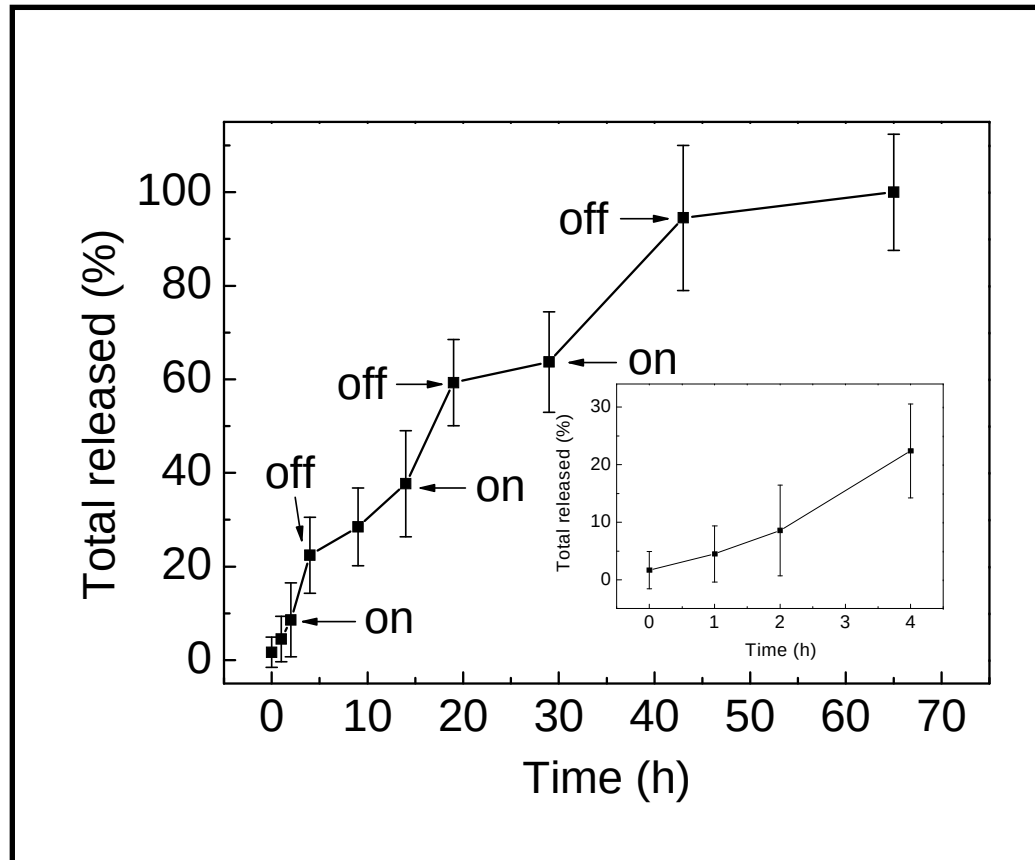


SPION in organic solvent and
(b) embedded in the ferrogel

Sensitive to the External Magnetic Field

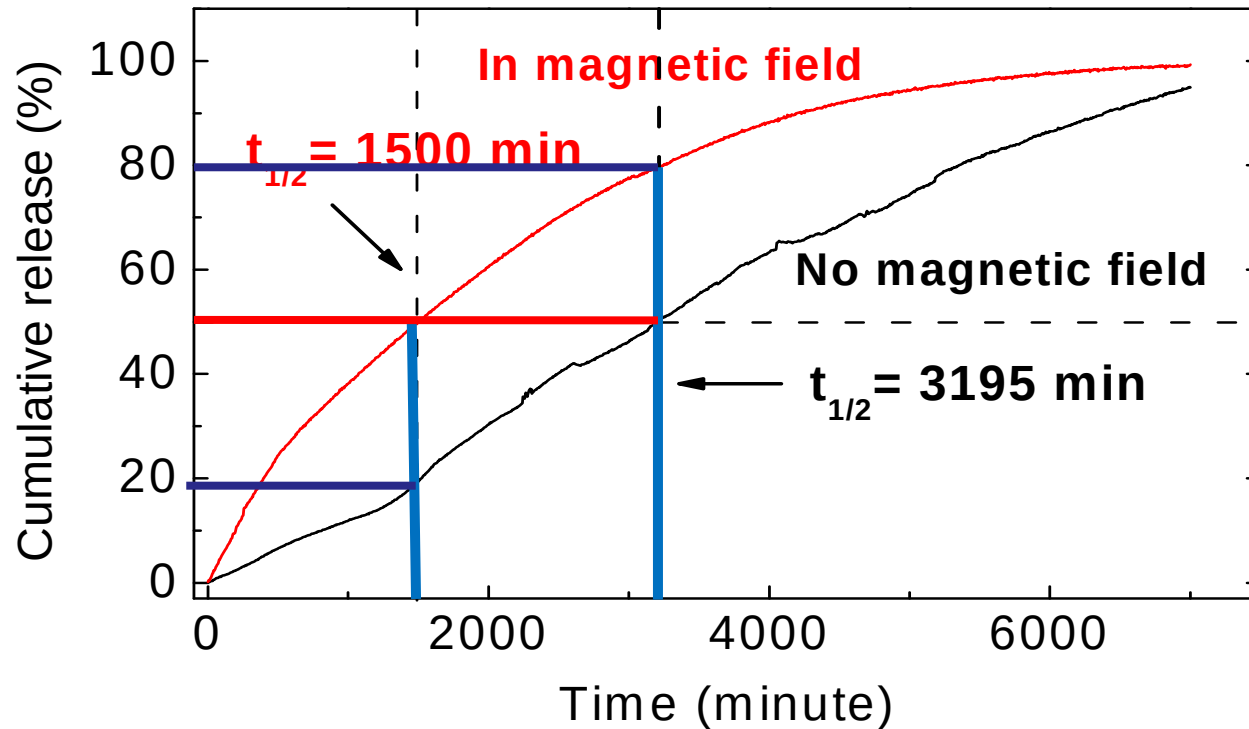


Magnetic Sensitive Release rate



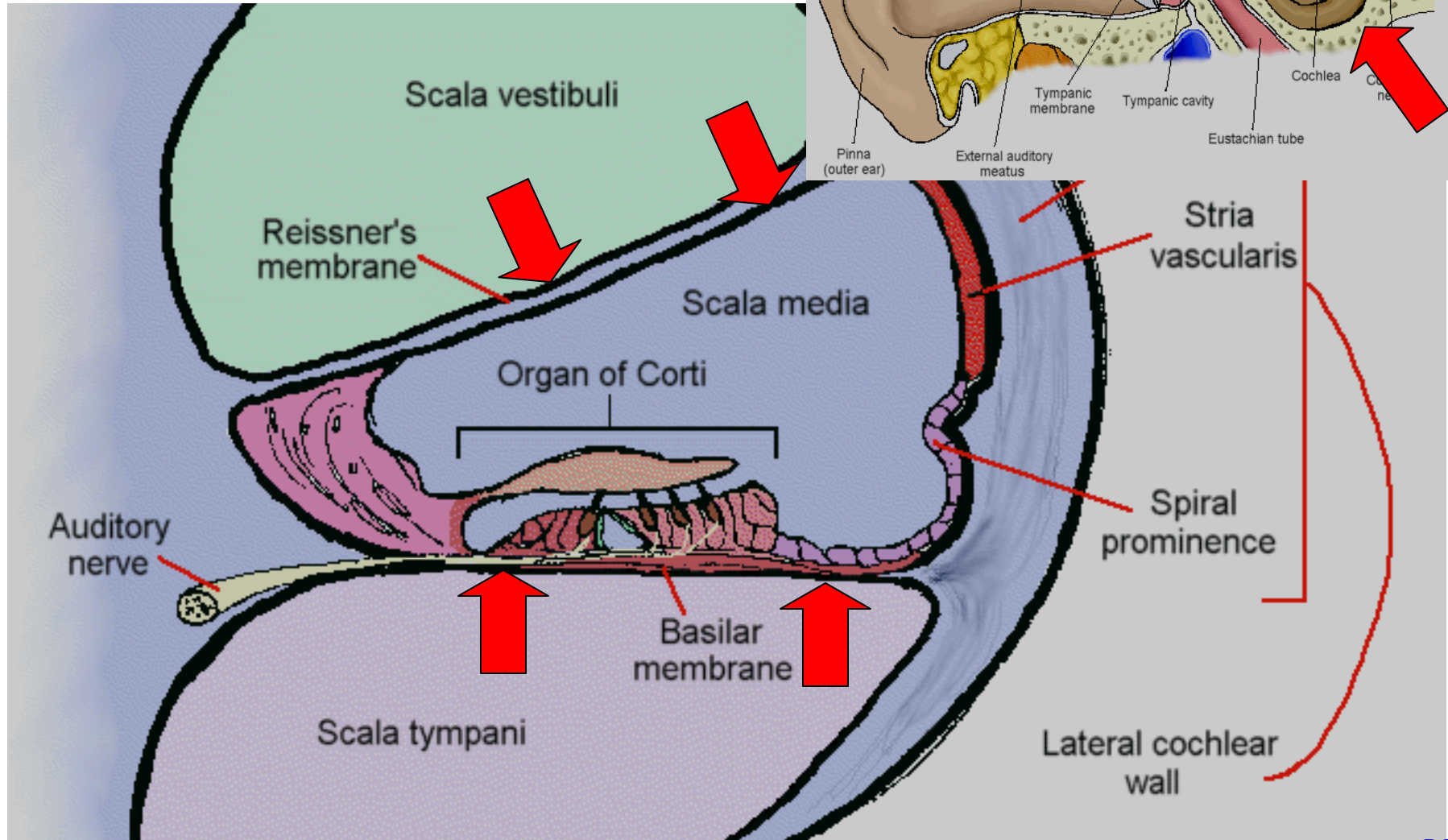
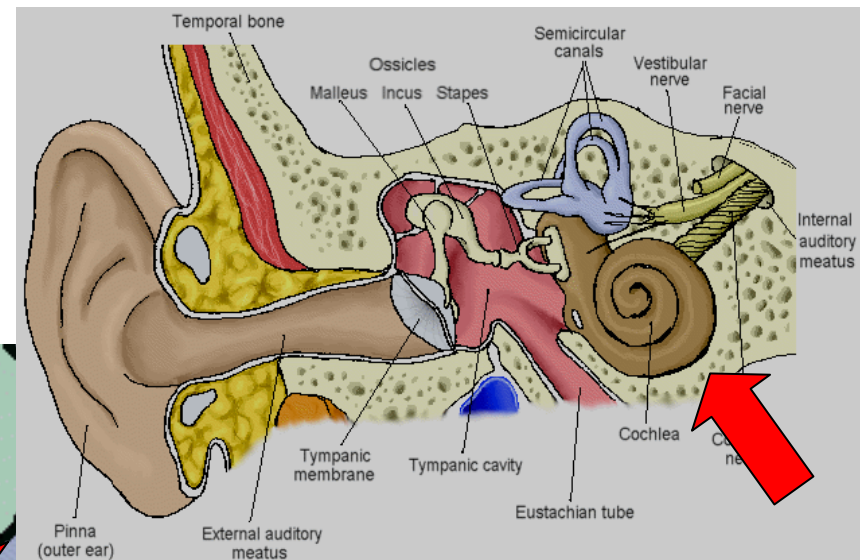
Magnetic Enhanced Drug delivery

Drug release profiles



Hearing Research

NanO ear



Summary

- ❑ Nanomaterials and Multifunctional Nanoparticles have tremendous potentials for developing smart and novel medical treatments
- ❑ MFNP
 - ✓ can carry different Payloads; pharmca, genes, DNA, etc
 - ✓ can be designed to be environmentally resposnive
 - Magnetic ,
 - Temperature ,
 - Concentration of biomolecules (sugar, pH,..)
 - ✓ Targeting devices can be attached for delivery at specific sites
- ❑ Injectable hydrogels offers new ways for intoducing DDS without surgical operation



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