



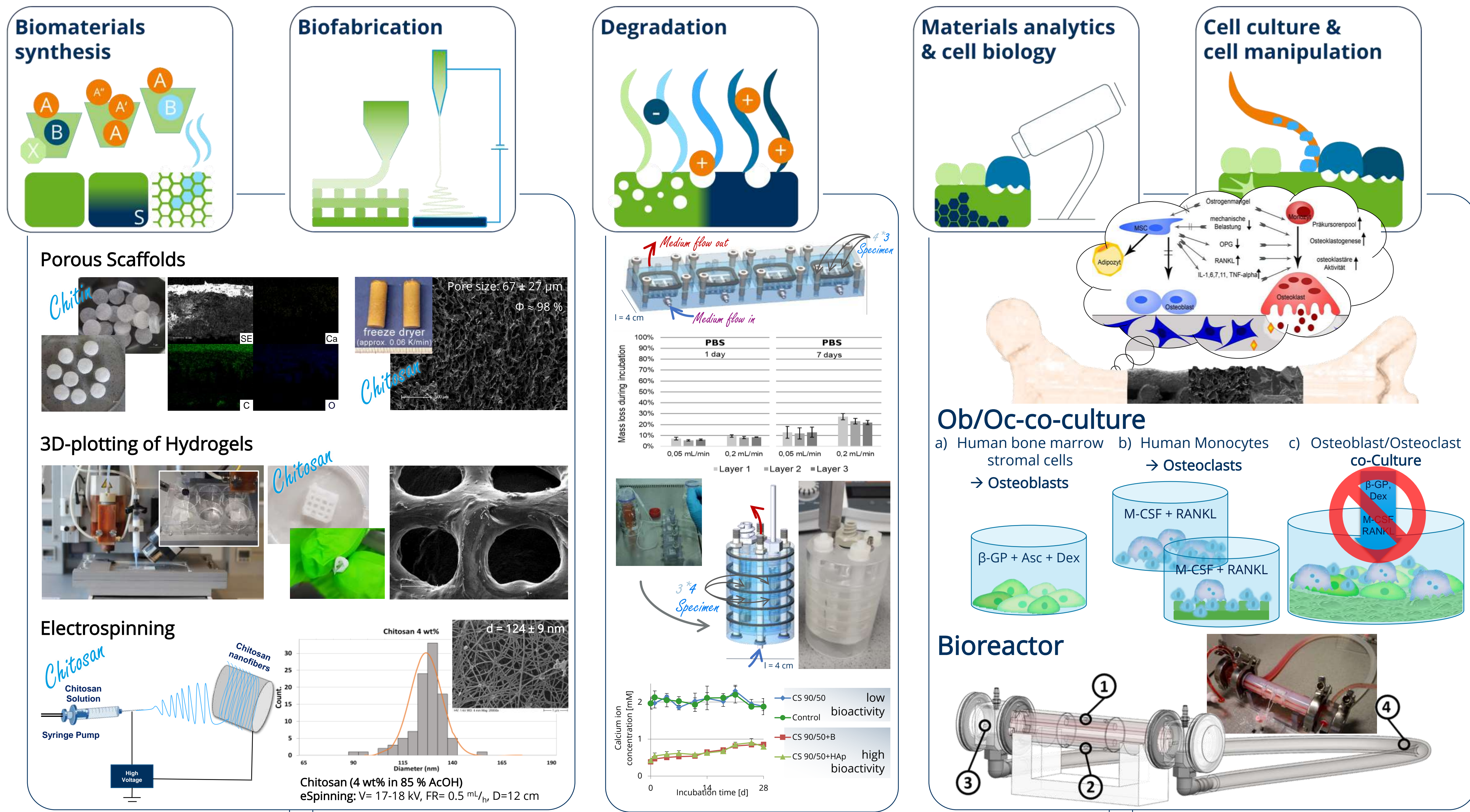
# Bioinspired Chitinous Scaffolds for Bone Regeneration



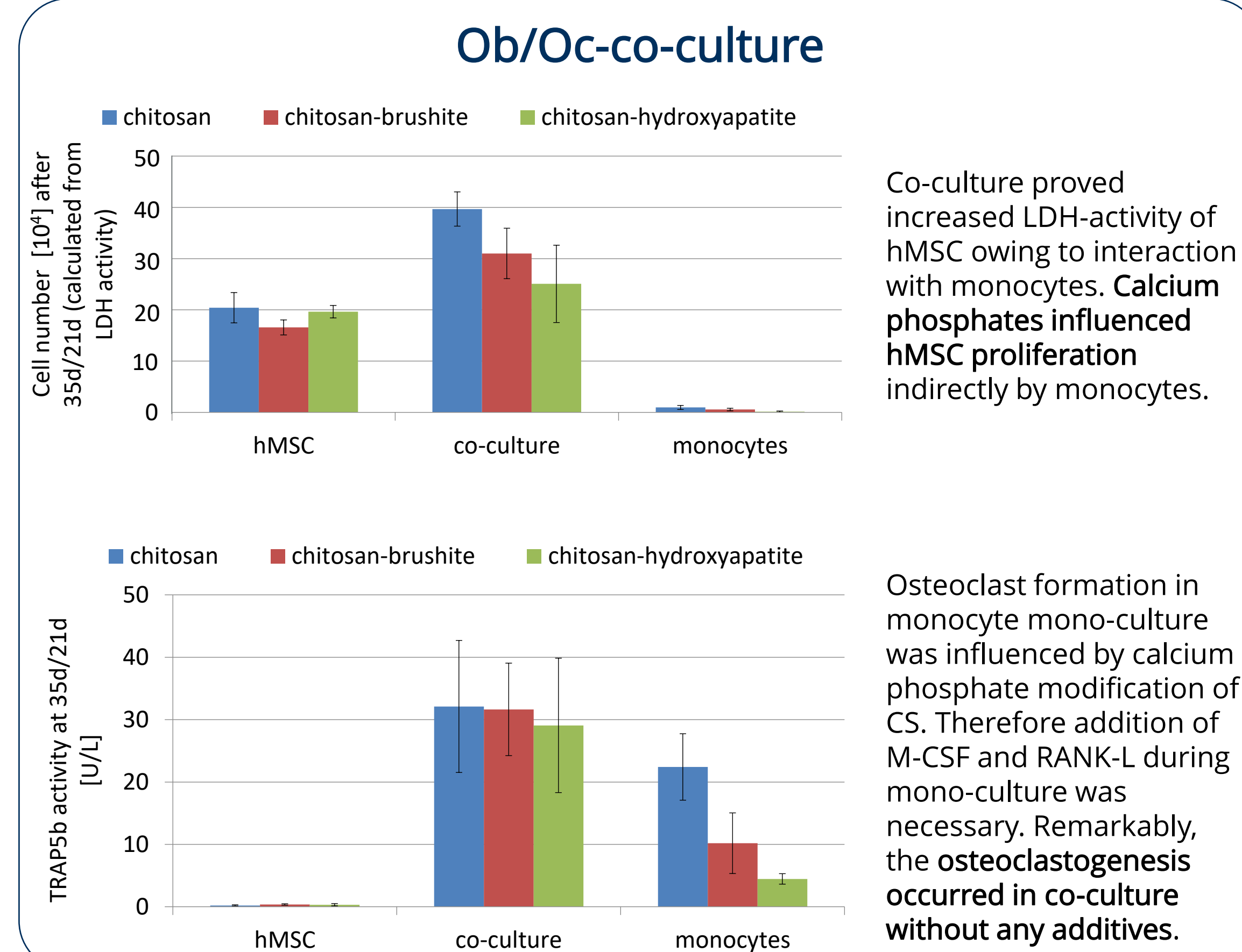
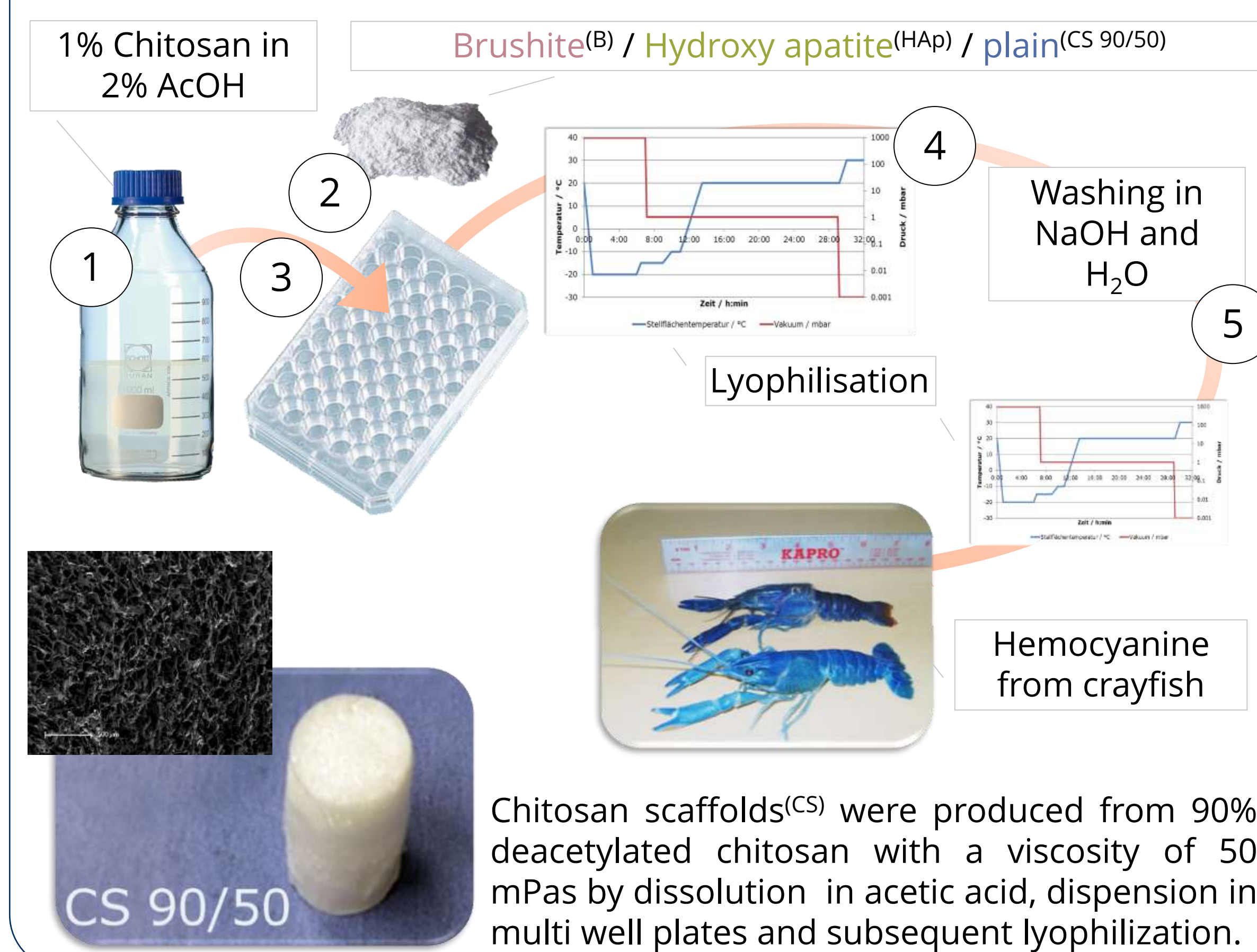
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## Results on macroporous chitosan scaffolds



## Materials & Methods – mesenchymal stem cell and monocyte (co-)culture

Osteoclastogenesis: Monocytes, isolated from human buffycoat were transferred onto chitosan scaffolds and cultivated 14 days in  $\alpha$ -MEM. Osteoclastic differentiation was induced by M-CSF and RANK-L. Osteoblastogenesis: hMSC, isolated from human bone marrow, were transferred onto chitosan scaffolds and cultivated for 14 days in  $\alpha$ -MEM (-OS). Osteoblastic differentiation was induced by supplementation of 50  $\mu\text{M}$  ascorbate, 5 mM  $\beta$ -glycerophosphate and 10 nM dexamethasone after day 3 (indicated by: +OS). Osteoblast/Osteoclast-co-culture: After mono-culture of hMSC for the first 12 days with and without addition of osteogenic supplements the co-culture is started on day 13 by seeding of monocytes. hMSC and monocytes are co-cultivated for further 14 days. DNA and LDH activity were measured to calculate the cell number and the number of cell nuclei. ALP activity corresponds to the osteoblastic differentiation while osteoclastic differentiation is characterized by TRAP5b activity.

