

Crossing old barriers and printing new ones Skin, nails and additive manufacturing











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Medicinal chemistry



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3D Printing

3D printing, also known as additive manufacturing (AM), refers to processes used to synthesize a three-dimensional object in which successive layers of material are formed under computer control to create an object.

Source: Wikipedia







Laboratory equipment

"Lets go around the lab and see what's needed" "Can we print something that's expensive?" "Can we customise?" "**Research? Teaching?**"







Educational tool



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UCL iSense Group

Early-Warning Sensing Systems for Infectious Disease A Novel Sensor System for Influenza (mobile spectrometer)









Impregnated plastics for chemical reactions



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- Niacinamide permeation studies in novel biomimetics.
- Drug delivery systems (Franz difusion cell).





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• Permeation of methylparaben (1.5 mg/mL) evident, but not at the same rate for conventional glass cells and 3D printed Franz cells .

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UCL Skin Research Group (3D Nail)

Rationale of the project

- Assessment of the efficacy of new formulations for treatment of nail diseases requires the provision of human nails or an appropriate surrogate tissue.
- Human nails are difficult to source, variable in quality and their use is associated with ethical and safety issues.
- Diseased nail models not available.
- In recent years, 3D printing has evolved to develop bioprinting of tissues including skin, bone, cartilage and skeletal muscle.
- Costs of biocompatible resins allied with the complexities of biological tissues have limited the widespread use of the technology.





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≈ 0.5 mm 25 layers Resolution Form 1+ is 25 µm **Resolution of** Allows usage of custom resins



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Bruno C. Sil, Avnish Patel, Jonathan M. Crowther, David J. Moore, Jonathan Hadgraft, Stephen T. Hilton, Majella E. Lane; A Preliminary Investigation of Additive Manufacture to Fabricate Human Nail Plate Surrogates for Pharmaceutical Testing, Pharmaceutics, DOI:10.3390/pharmaceutics11060250. May 2019.



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Rationale of the project

- Make nails more "human-like": introduction of disulfide bonds and increase hydrophilicity.
- Chemistry:

$$R^{S_S}R + \frac{\text{Acrylate}}{\text{copolymer}} \longrightarrow O_{S}S_{S_S} \longrightarrow S_{S_S}$$

- Nails to test: Commercial resin, commercial resin S-S and "hydrophilic polymer".
- Literature review for actives with well studied permeations profiles: **methylparaben** and **caffeine**.



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Permeation studies

- Application of different amounts of the chosen compounds: saturated solutions, 1.5 mg/mL, 500 µg/mL, 200 µg/mL and 100 µg/mL.
- **Permeation study:** 3 prep days + 21 permeation days (last day includes mass balance).
- So far: commercial resin and "hydrophilic resin" nails (some permeation).
- Currently running: "hydrophilic resin" and commercial resin S-S nails.
- Future work: different "hydrophilic resins" and the real stuff!

Terbinafine Amorolfine Tioconazole Ciclopirox



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Permeation studies (MPB and CAF solutions)

Resin type	Nail resolution (µm)	Tested compound (n=3)	Applied solution (top of nail)	Nail extraction (inside the nail)	Permeation (pass the nail)
Commercial	25	Saturated MPB	56.13%	34.26%	-
	50		54.57%	37.63%	-
	100		60.58%	34.82%	-
Commercial	25	1.5 mg/mL MPB	33.07%	55.44%	-
	50		27.98%	63.34%	-
	100		41.41%	53.08%	-
Commercial	100	200 µg/mL CAF	91.01%	1.10%	-
Hydrophilic nail	100	200 µg/mL MPB	42.88%	23.34%	16.76%
Hydrophilic nail	100	200 µg/mL CAF	89.76%	1.14%	-