

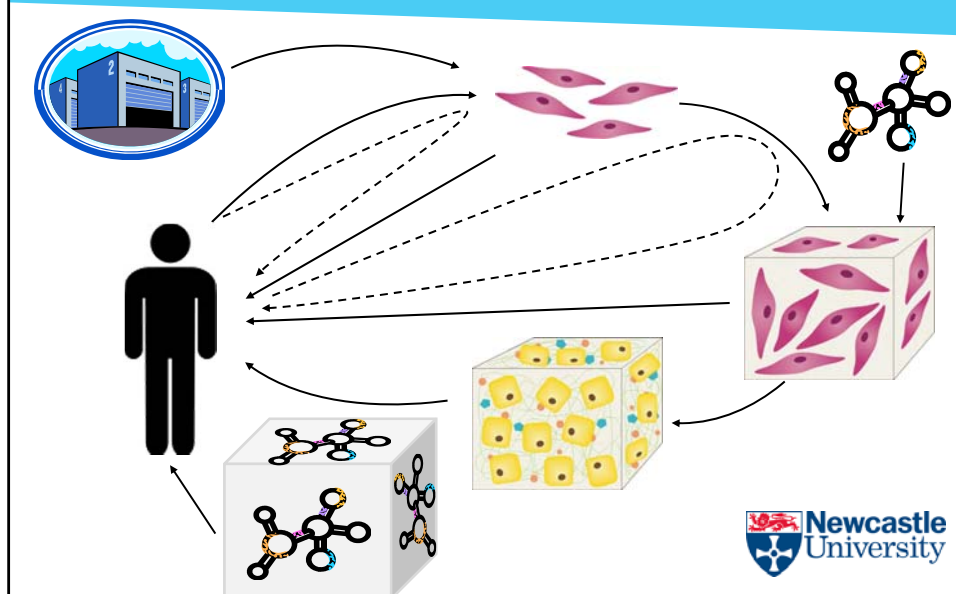
Additive Manufacture for Tissue Engineering

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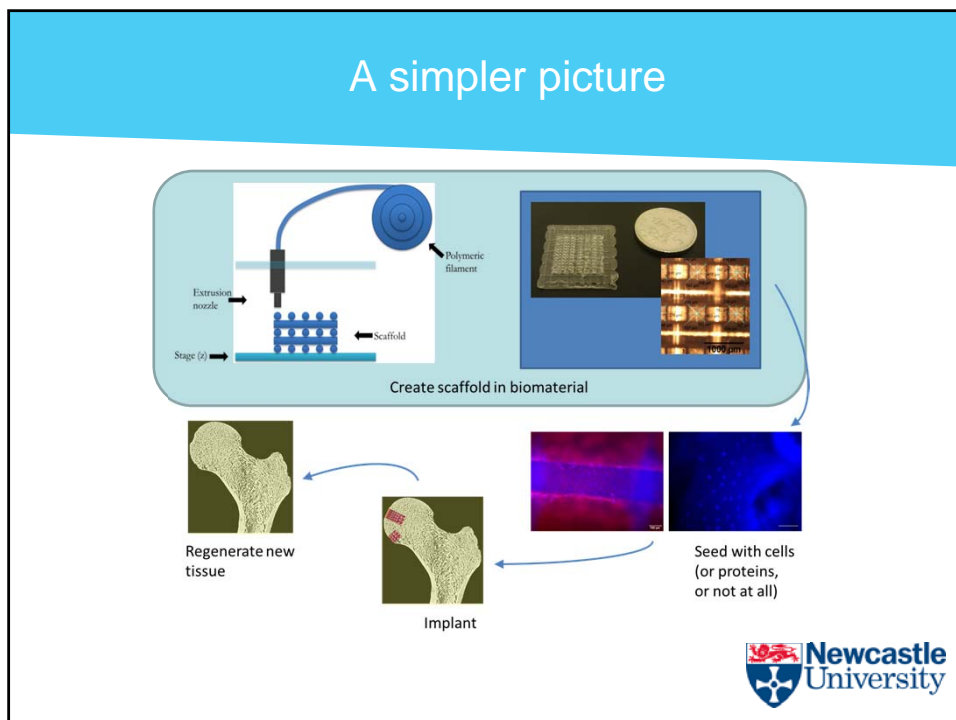
Overview

- Tissue engineering and scaffolds
- Additive manufacture
- Additive manufacture of scaffolds
- Future work

A range of possibilities for how tissue engineering might work



A simpler picture



Resorbable Scaffolds

- Needs:
 - Bioactive: able to resorb at a similar rate to that at which the natural tissue grows
 - bioceramics, biopolymers, and polymer-ceramic biocomposites the starting materials
 - Defined topology
 - generally highly porous to support tissue integration, cell transport, nutrient supply
 - Appropriate surface properties and surface chemistry
 - Appropriate mechanical properties

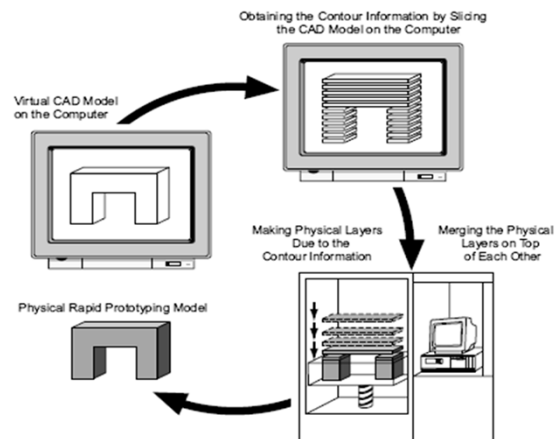


Additive Manufacture

- Make what you want, where you want, when you want
- aka 3D printing, rapid prototyping, layer manufacturing
- Automated manufacture of low volume or one-off components direct from CAD, normally using a layer manufacture technique



Additive Manufacture



Commercial Additive Manufacture Machines

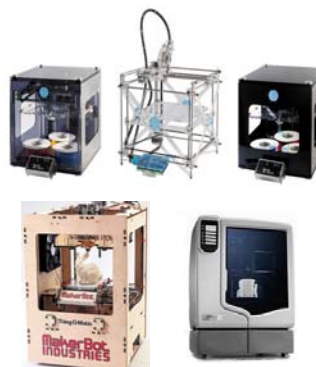
- **High end**
> £200k



- **Mid-moderate**
£20k – £200k



- **Low cost**
£1k - £20k



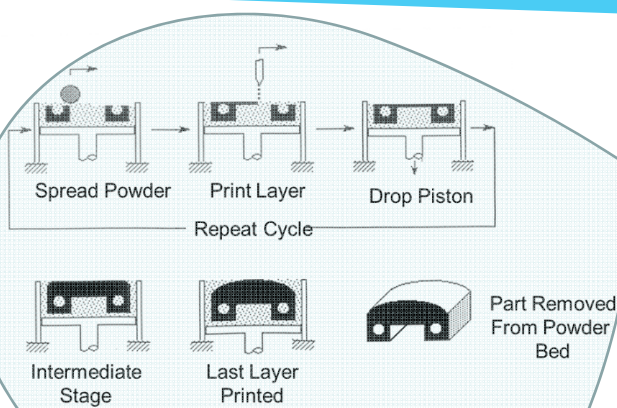
Personalised Rapid Manufacture



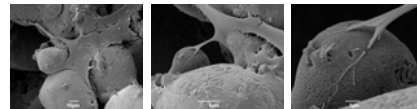
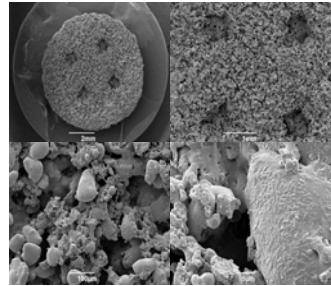
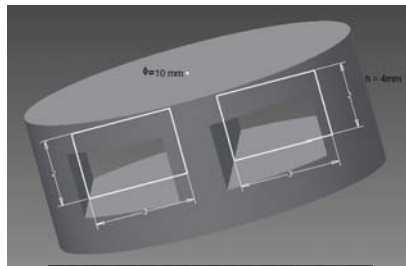
Made by Layerwise in Belgium, implanted in the Netherlands



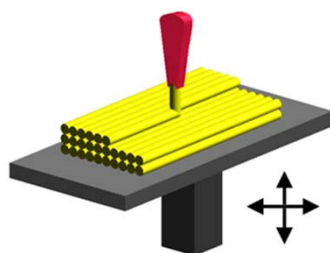
Z Corp 3D Printing



Combined Macro and Micro Porosity in AW Bioceramic

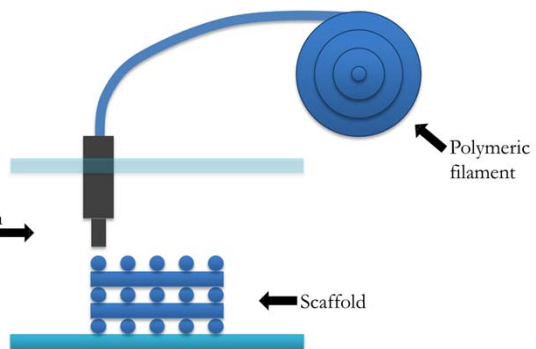


Fused Deposition Machine (FDM)



Extrusion nozzle

Stage (z)

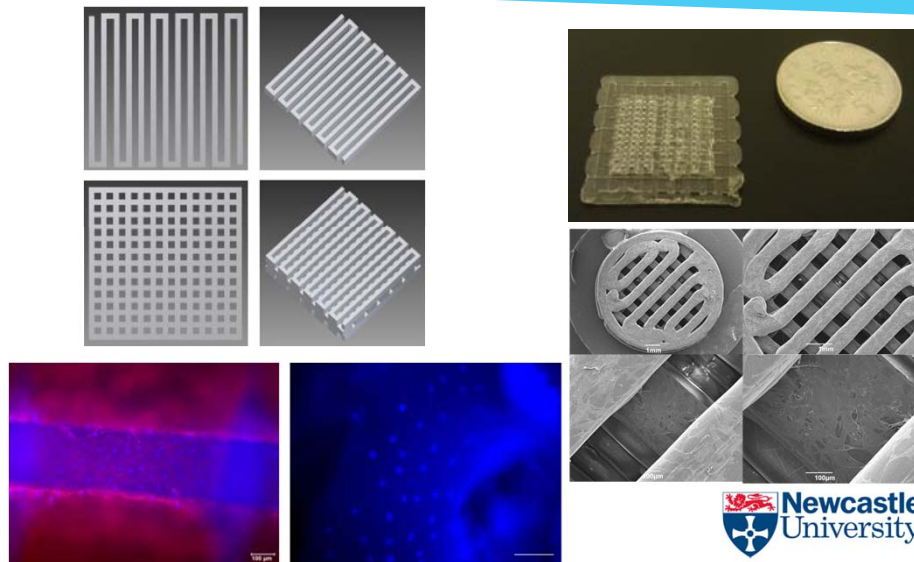


Polymeric filament

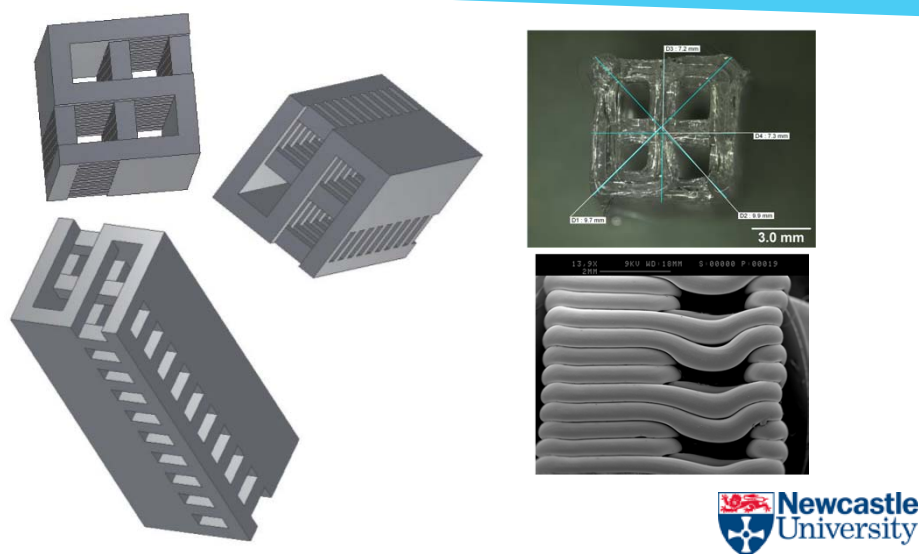
Scaffold



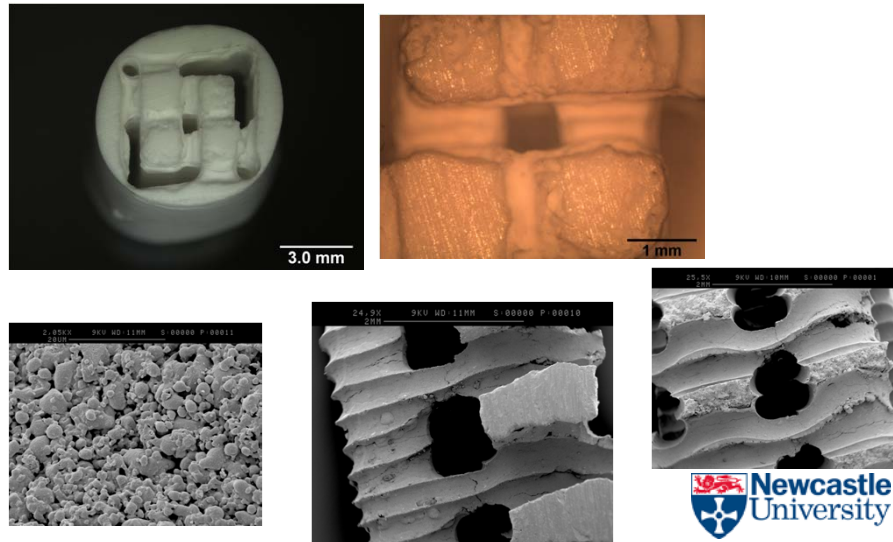
FDM of PLA



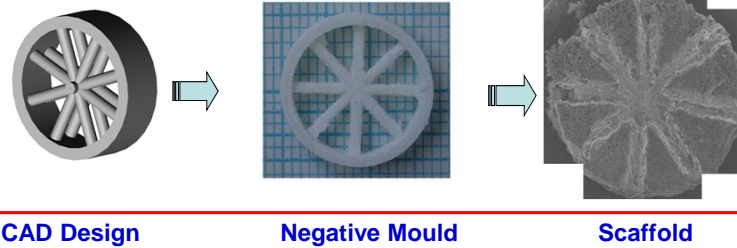
FDM of PLA Cores for Macroscale Porosity in Sintered AW Bioceramic Scaffolds



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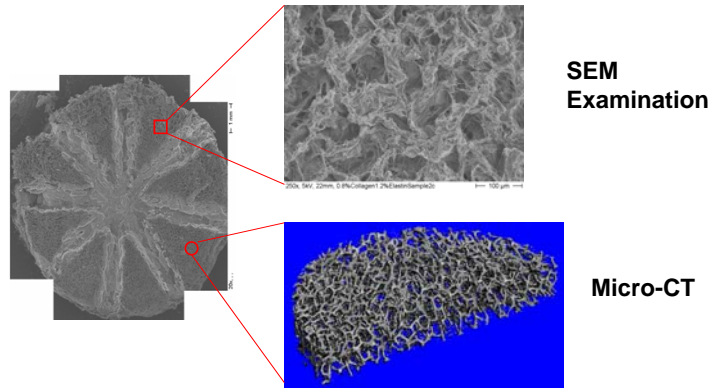
FDM Moulds for Collagen



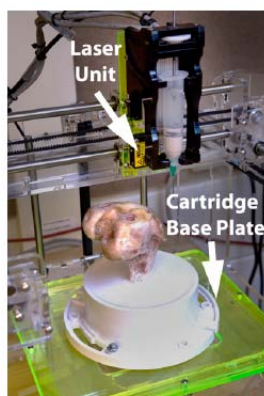
Features:

- Pre-defined channels; with highly porous structured matrix;
- With suitable chemistry for tissue growth – Collagen+ HA
- Controlled degradation rate;
- No toxic solvent involved.

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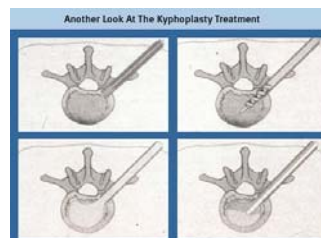
Future possibilities: in situ repair



Additive manufacturing for *in situ* repair of osteochondral defects

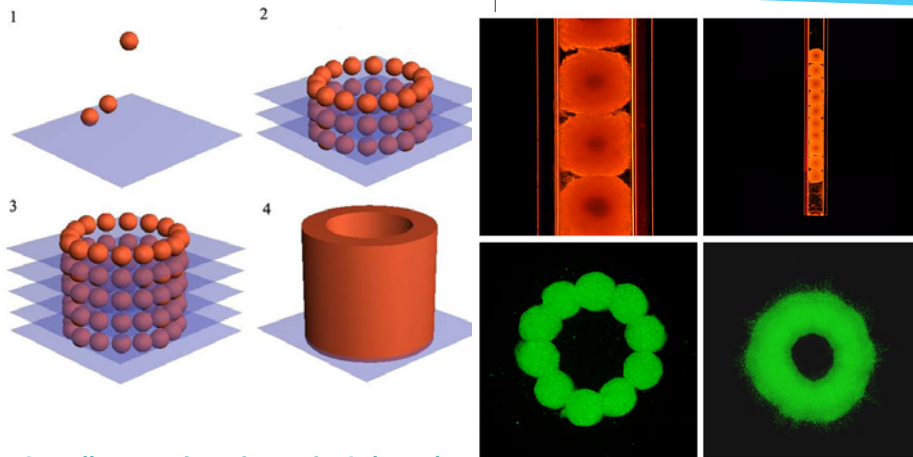
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<http://www.spinefracture.org/procedure.html>

Future possibilities: cell and material co-processing



<http://organprint.missouri.edu/www/>



Conclusions

- We can make nearly any shape in nearly any material
- 3D printing techniques can make it easier to make the right shapes, from the right materials, that we need for scaffolds
- Also opens up novel cell/material co-processing and in situ defect repair possibilities



Future Work

Arthritis Research UK Tissue Engineering Centre



**Arthritis
Research UK**

Providing answers today and tomorrow



THE UNIVERSITY of York

The Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt
Orthopaedic Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust



Developing subchondral and osteochondral scaffolds for
tissue engineering



Future Work

RE  **TORATION**
Resorbable Ceramic Biocomposites for Orthopaedic
and Maxillofacial Applications

FP7 Grant Agreement 280575

- Developing subchondral and osteochondral scaffolds and maxillofacial bone repair products
- Also specifically evaluating in-clinic production routes



Future Work

MeDe
Innovation

EPSRC Centre for
Innovative Manufacturing
in Medical Devices

- New Centre for Innovative Manufacture in Medical Devices, led by John Fisher at Leeds, in collaboration with Newcastle, Sheffield, Nottingham, Bradford
- Newcastle lead on personalised 'near patient' manufacturing processes for implantable musculoskeletal devices



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