A Short Note on Biohybrid Materials

Abstract

Biohybrid materials are made by combining non-living materials with living cells to give them biomimetic properties and functions by helping cells grow and even improving how they work. Biohybrid materials offer some promising solutions to current biomedical issues because of their remarkable biocompatibility and programmability. By contrasting biohybrid materials with conventional materials, we examine the concept and distinctive characteristics of biohybrid materials. We stress the construction plan of biohybrid materials and examine the design capability connections. In addition, we list the biohybrid materials' application aspects in biomedical frontiers. We anticipate that this review will present a number of opportunities to enhance communication between medical engineering, material science, and cell biology.

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Introduction

Biomedical research has made incredible progress over the past few decades thanks to advances in both life science and materials science. In particular, numerous novel materials have emerged that have been functionalized with "smart" properties and are capable of sensing and responding to stimuli from the outside world. With the advancement in multidisciplinary viewpoints, shrewd materials have been generally utilized in biosensing, drug conveyance, tissue designing, wearable gadgets, and so forth. Living cells are a particularly appealing component of smart materials because they can respond to even weak stimuli and produce highly complex biological activities. Smart materials typically consist of multiple active components. In addition to sensing, living cells can also function as living factories and produce materials with unique properties. As a result, researchers have attempted to control material properties and functions more effectively by directly integrating living cells with synthetic materials. The synergistic mix of living cells with nonactive materials is known as biohybrid materials, which has turned into another worldview for the plan of savvy materials. Synthetic materials, on the one hand, provide the cells with a substrate and protection. Living cells, on the other hand, perform tasks like sensing, synthesis, secretion, etc., thereby altering the composite materials' physicochemical properties. Since the upsides of cells and manufactured materials are consolidated, these biohybrid materials empower living cells to carry out wanted roles and work with the gathering of fake organic frameworks, which have upset engineered science and materials science, and advanced the advancement of the biomedical field.

Various kinds of living cells, including mammalian, insect, and microbial cells, have been looked into for the production of biohybrid materials. Polymers, nanoparticles, and other functional ingredients have been incorporated into synthetic materials, and their biocompatibility and mechanical properties ensure that they can couple with cells. These materials could go about as coatings on cell surface, microcarriers for cell development, frameworks for cell association, and so on. Numerous efforts have been made in the fabrication methods, including induce molding, electrospinning, microfluidics, and 3D printing, to precisely control the structure of the biohybrid materials. Microfluidics and 3D printing play a significant role in the production of biohybrid materials, particularly due to their capacity for simple operation and adaptable architecture control. Biohybrid materials can be processed into a variety of configurations using these techniques, such as microgels, microparticles/capsules, fibers, films, and scaffolds. The distinctively organized biohybrid materials and gadgets hold extraordinary expected in the biomedical field [1-5].

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Discussion

The structure design of biohybrid materials and their biomedical applications in biomedical fields are discussed in detail in this paper. Biohybrid materials have been the subject of numerous reviews, but few of them have focused on how their structures relate to biomedical applications. Taking into account that structure property is a fundamental element for the improvement of biomaterials, we accept it as a standard for the plan of biohybrid biomaterials. In this section, we first discuss the idea of biohybrid materials and then provide a summary of the properties of the "bio" and synthetic components. After that, we move on to the various architectures of biohybrid materials and talk about how their structures and functions are linked. Following these areas, we list the utilizations of biohybrid materials in biomedical fields and expound on unambiguous models with regards to which part of the design highlights add to the practical exhibitions. Last but not least, we offer critical viewpoints on the unique opportunities and current difficulties of biohybrid materials. We anticipate that the findings of this review will serve as an inspiration for the creation of novel biohybrid materials and broaden the range of applications for these materials in biomedical fields.

Biohybrid materials are composite materials made out of living cells along with non-living substances. The introduction of living cells gives biohybrid materials "smart" functions that mimic some natural biological activities because they are sensitive to external stimuli. Then again, albeit living cells have numerous fabulous highlights since the majority of them are defenseless against the outer climate, they can get by and capability in moderately gentle circumstances. As a result, in order for living cells to attain particular properties, it is crucial to construct certain protective barriers. Moreover, materials with tailorable physicochemical properties could intercede bio-interface includes and may increase cell capabilities. Furthermore, these biohybrid materials can be designed and assembled to enable more complex and bioactive behaviors. By combining living cells and nonliving materials and utilizing the two parts, biohybrid materials achieve highly controllable and distinct functionalities.

Coating cell surfaces or embedding cells within a material matrix are two methods by which nonliving materials and live cells can be coupled. These procedures are normally embraced to change and improve the usefulness of living cells. Non-living materials with variable mechanical properties are used as membrane guards or matrices, for example, with the goal of increasing the applications and stress resistance of living cells. Cells are kept alive, supported in their proliferation, and shielded from immunological agents and harsh environments by the structural support these materials provide. Additionally, porous structure and desirable biocompatibility are preferred for facilitating gas, nutrient, and metabolism-related substance translation. Numerous cytocompatible materials, including gelatin, silk fibroin, agarose, collagen, sodium alginate, and others, are frequently used in biohybrid materials. Additionally, the natural properties of the non-living parts, particularly the boosts responsive elements can offer incredible manipulability to the biohybrid materials [6-10].

Conclusion

Biohybrid materials are "smarter" than conventional synthetic materials and have a greater capacity to imitate biological functions. Because of the joining of living cells and nonliving materials, these biohybrid materials could carry out organic roles of living cells under the security and intervention of materials. In addition, the structure of biohybrid materials can better adapt to the scenarios in which they will be used by integrating material design and cell biology more deeply. In a nutshell, biohybrid materials with smaller volumes, such as modified living cells and biohybrid microparticles, are prevalent in the field of cell delivery, whereas biohybrid materials with larger volumes are better suited to applications like tissue repair. The biomedical field, which includes biomimetic soft robotics, biosensors, cell therapy, tissue engineering, and so on, has recently seen a rapid rise in biohybrid materials.

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