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Development of Conductive Dextran Based-on Cardiac Patches

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Abstract

In this study, the aim was to develop modified dextran-based conductive cardiac patches that biomimicked heart tissue to prevent myocardial degeneration after acute myocardial infarction. With the scope of study, dextran and alginate natural polymer was modified with methacrylic anhydride. The resulting modified polymers were confirmed using Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR) and Proton Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (¹H-NMR). We synthesized methacrylated dextran and methacrylated alginate films with varying amounts of inductive graphene oxide (iGO) incorporated to impart electroconductive properties and Vitamine-E to enhance healing performance [1-3]. The cardiac films were prepared by crosslinking using UV methods in the presence of photoinitiator 2-hydroxy-4'-(2-hydroxyethoxy)-2-methylpropiophenone (Irgacure 2959) [4]. The development biomimicked cardiac patches were characterized FTIR, X-Ray Diffraction (XRD), conductivity analysis as well as *in vitro* swelling, and degradation tests [5]. The antioxidant activity of Vitamine E loaded cardiac patches were determined by the 2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) assay [6]. The cytotoxicity of the dextran based cardiac patches was evaluated on L929 fibroblast cell line using the 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (MTT) assay. The results suggest that the developed dextran based conductive cardiac patches exhibit promising potential for use as biomaterials in cardiac tissue engineering.

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