

Supplementary



# **Processing of Polyester-Urethane Filament and Characterization of FFF 3D Printed Elastic Porous Structures with Potential in Cancellous Bone Tissue Engineering**

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Supplementary data

## Dumbbell-shaped specimens for the tensile test (Table S1)



Table S1. Design of prepared dumbbell-shaped TPU samples for tensile test.

### Porous matrix for long-term degradation in PBS and cytotoxicity studies (Table S2)



Table S2. Design of porous matrix for degradation studies of TPU.

# 3D printing parameters (Tables S3 and S4)

**Table S3.** 3D printing settings of test samples TPU\_P (dumbbell shaped tensile test specimens, porous matrix for long term degradation in PBS and samples for cytotoxicity study).

3D Printing Parameter	Value
Extrusion temperature (°C)	210
Bed temperature (°C)	65
Cooling	Fan on (start from the second layer)
Printing speed (mm s <sup>-1</sup> )	20
Layer height (mm)	0.18
Infill (%)	100
Nozzle diameter (mm)	0.4
Extrusion ratio (-)	1.05

**Table S4.** 3D printing settings of porous tissue structures with different architecture (LR, G25 and G3D).

3D Printing parameter	LR	G25	G3D	
Extrusion temperature (°C)		225		
Bed temperature (°C)		60		
Cooling	Fan on (start from the second layer)			
Printing speed (mm s <sup>-1</sup> )		20		
Layer height (mm)		0.15		
Extrusion ratio (-)		1.00		
Nozzle diameter (mm)		0.2		
Print time (min)	46	31	49	
Used filament (m)	0.73	0.36	0.32	

3D print accuracy measurements of printed TPSs

PTS Symbol	3D Model Dimensions (mm)	Actual Dimensions of Printouts (mm) x, y, z (Directions)	Print Accuracy (%) x, y, z (directions)	Average Value of Print Accuracy (%)
		$14.82 \times 14.77 \times 14.80$	$98.80 \times 98.47 \times 98.67$	
		$14.81 \times 14.82 \times 14.79$	98.73 × 98.80 × 98.60	$x - 98.95 \pm 0.18$
LR	LR	$14.85 \times 14.84 \times 14.87$	99.00 × 98.93 × 99.13	$y - 98.87 \pm 0.16$
		$14.90 \times 14.87 \times 14.82$	99.33 × 99.13 × 98.80	$z - 98.77 \pm 0.15$
		$14.83 \times 14.85 \times 14.80$	98.87 × 99.00 × 98.67	
G25 15 × 15		14.81 × 14.85 × 14.87	98.73 × 99.00 × 99.13	
		$14.80 \times 14.78 \times 14.80$	98.67 × 98.53 × 98.67	$x - 98.77 \pm 0.10$
	$15 \times 15 \times 15$	$14.80 \times 14.79 \times 14.77$	98.67 × 98.60 × 98.47	$y - 98.73 \pm 0.16$
		$14.85 \times 14.80 \times 14.84$	99.00 × 98.67 × 98.93	$z - 98.84 \pm 0.22$
		$14.82 \times 14.83 \times 14.85$	98.80 × 98.87 × 99.00	
G3D		14.59 × 14.63 × 14.81	97.27 × 97.53 × 98.73	
		14.52 × 14.57 × 14.81	96.80 × 97.13 × 98.73	$x - 97.17 \pm 0.33$
		$14.64 \times 14.67 \times 14.77$	97.60 × 97.80 × 98.47	$y - 97.45 \pm 0.26$
		14.51 × 14.57 × 14.81	96.73 × 97.13 × 98.73	$z - 98.67 \pm 0.08$
		$14.62 \times 14.65 \times 14.80$	97.47 × 97.67 × 98.67	

Table S5. Analysis of PTSs print accuracy.

The effect of the buckled spool.



**Figure S1.** Damaged spool of TPU filament due to excessively high extrudate stresses generated during forming and winding process.

#### Nuclear magnetic resonance <sup>1</sup>H-NMR

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H-NMR) spectra were obtained using Bruker Avance III HD spectrometer (400 MHz). 10 mg of samples were dissolved in 1 mL of deuterated dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO-d6, Sigma-Aldrich). The TopSpin® software (Bruker) was used to process the obtained data.



Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of TPU\_F and TPU\_P.

Figure S2 shows the results of H-NMR measurements of TPU\_F and TPU\_P samples. H-NMR spectra allow the analysis of the chemical structure of the material based on the chemical shifts of the protons. According to literature studies on TPUs, a single peak above 9 ppm most likely corresponds to the protons derived from the urethane bond in the rigid TPU segments. While dublets present around 6.90 to 7.40 ppm correspond to methylene protons placed in aromatic rings of methylene diphenyl diisocyanate (MDI) used for TPU synthesis [1,2].

### Long-term degradation in PBS

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**Table S6.** Optical microscopy images of TPU\_P samples obtained during long-term degradation study in 0.1 M PBS solution.

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Table S7. SEM images from the accelerated degradation studies of G25 porous tissue structure.

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