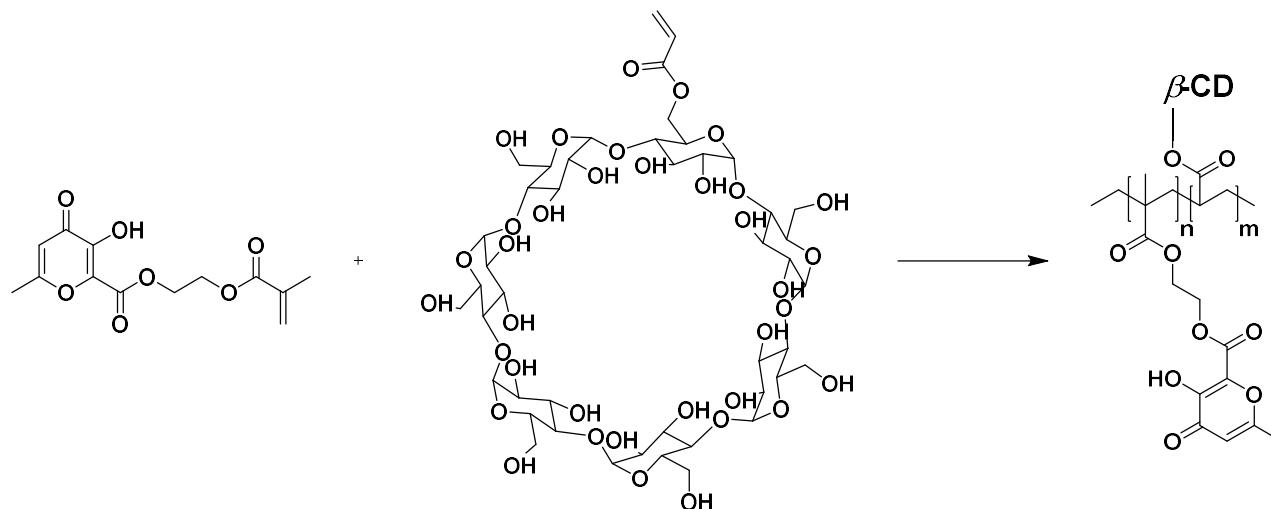


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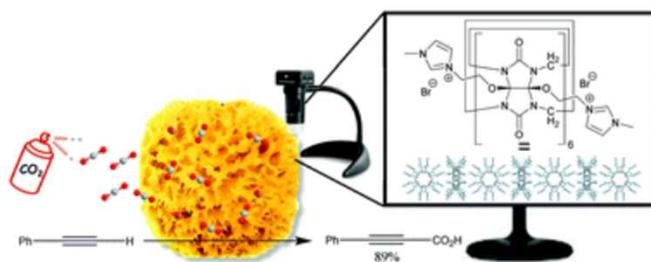


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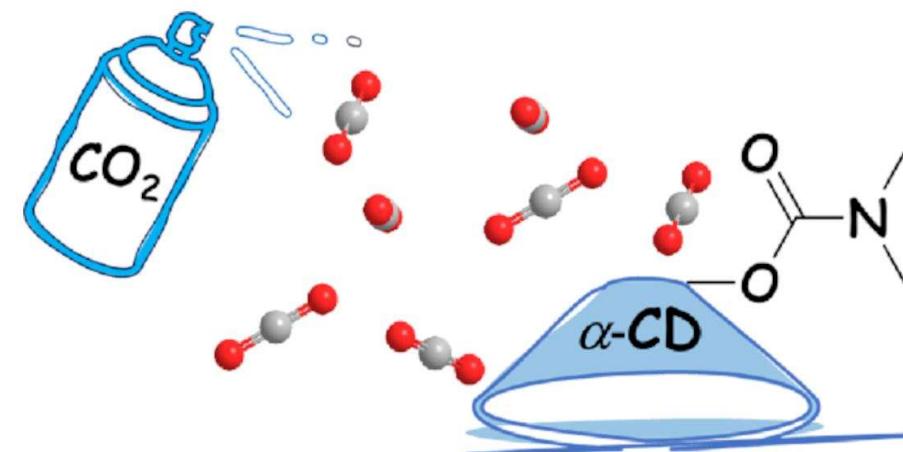
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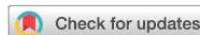
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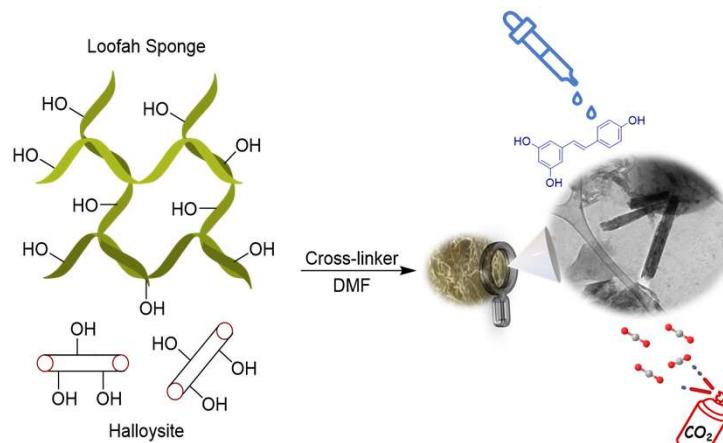
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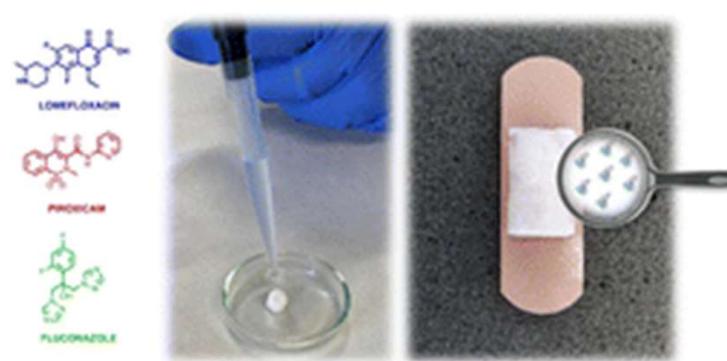
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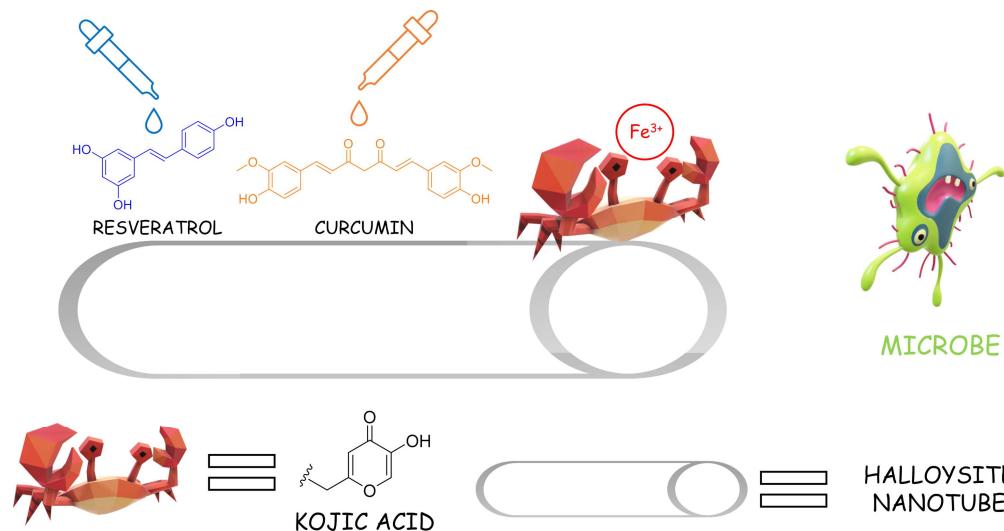
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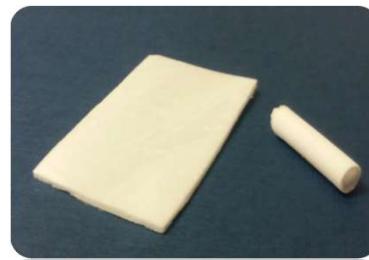
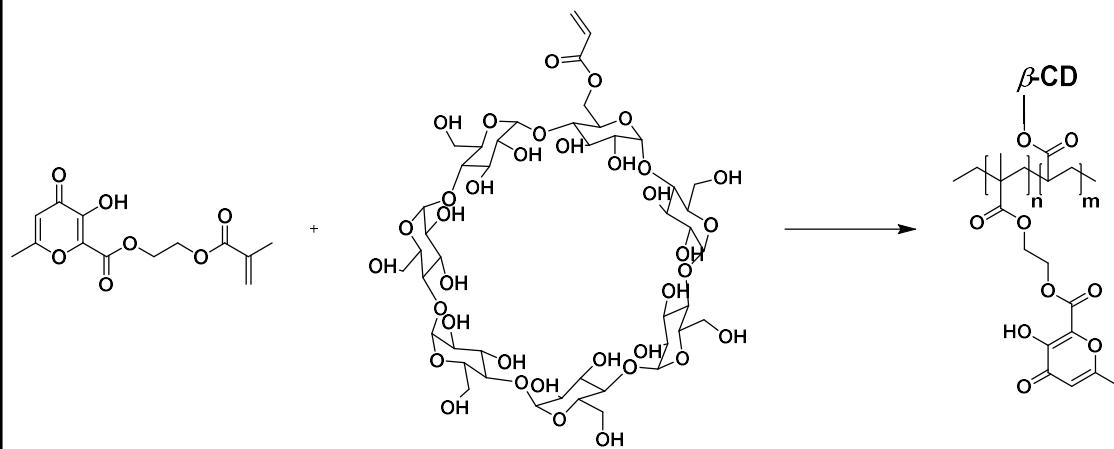
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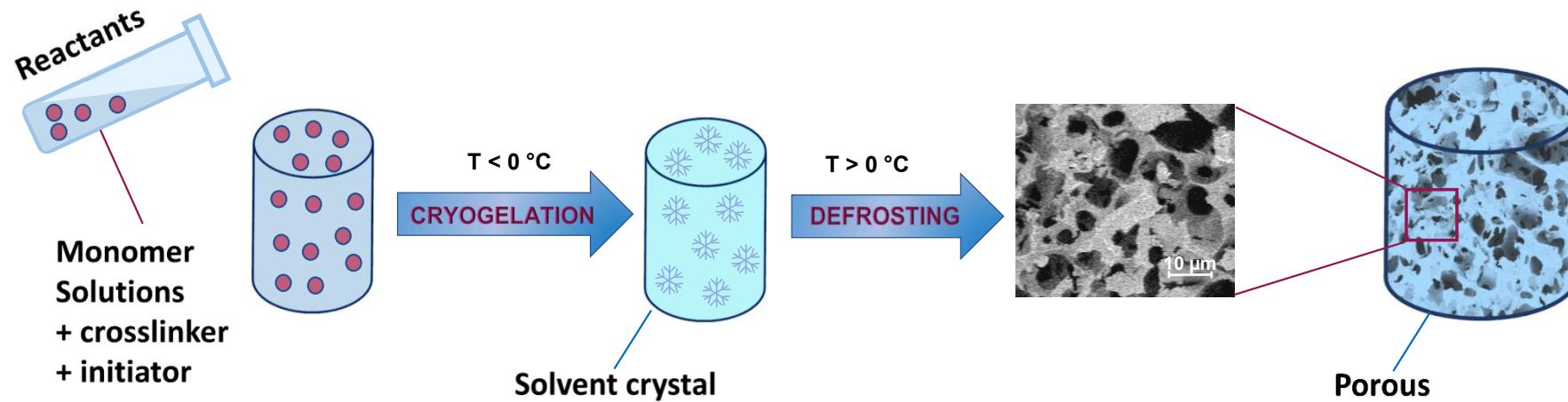


DRUG LOADING  
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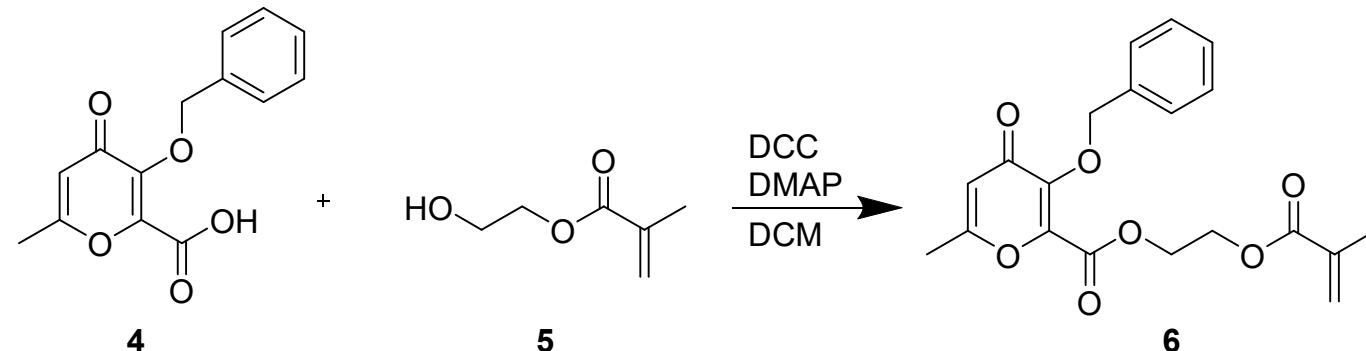
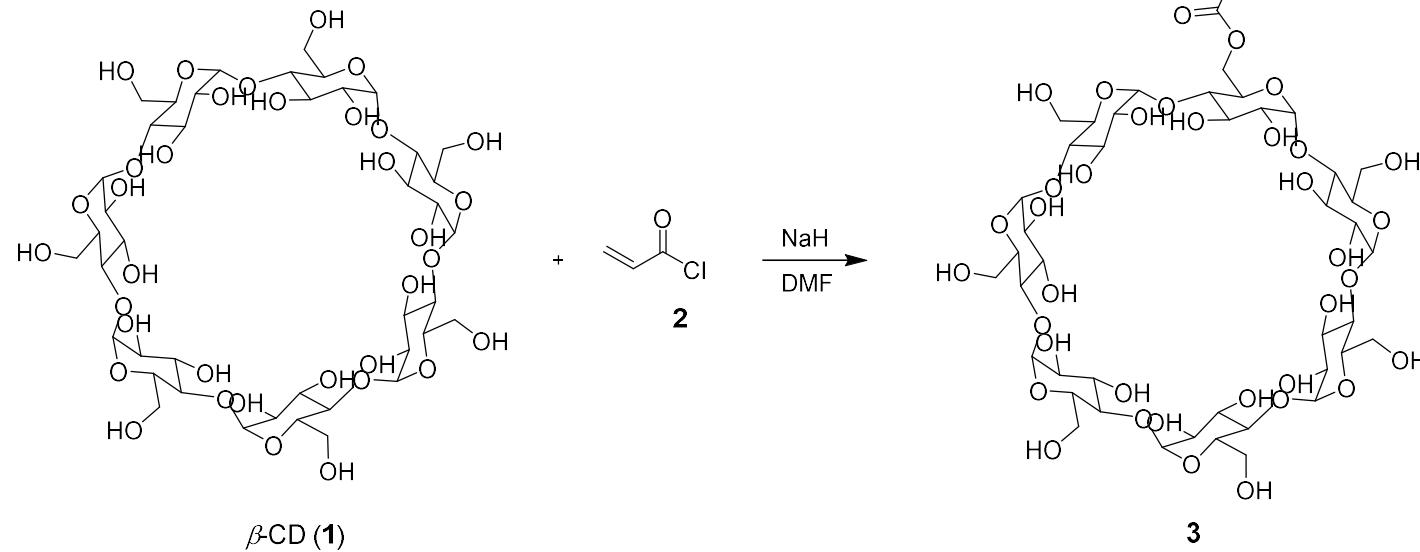


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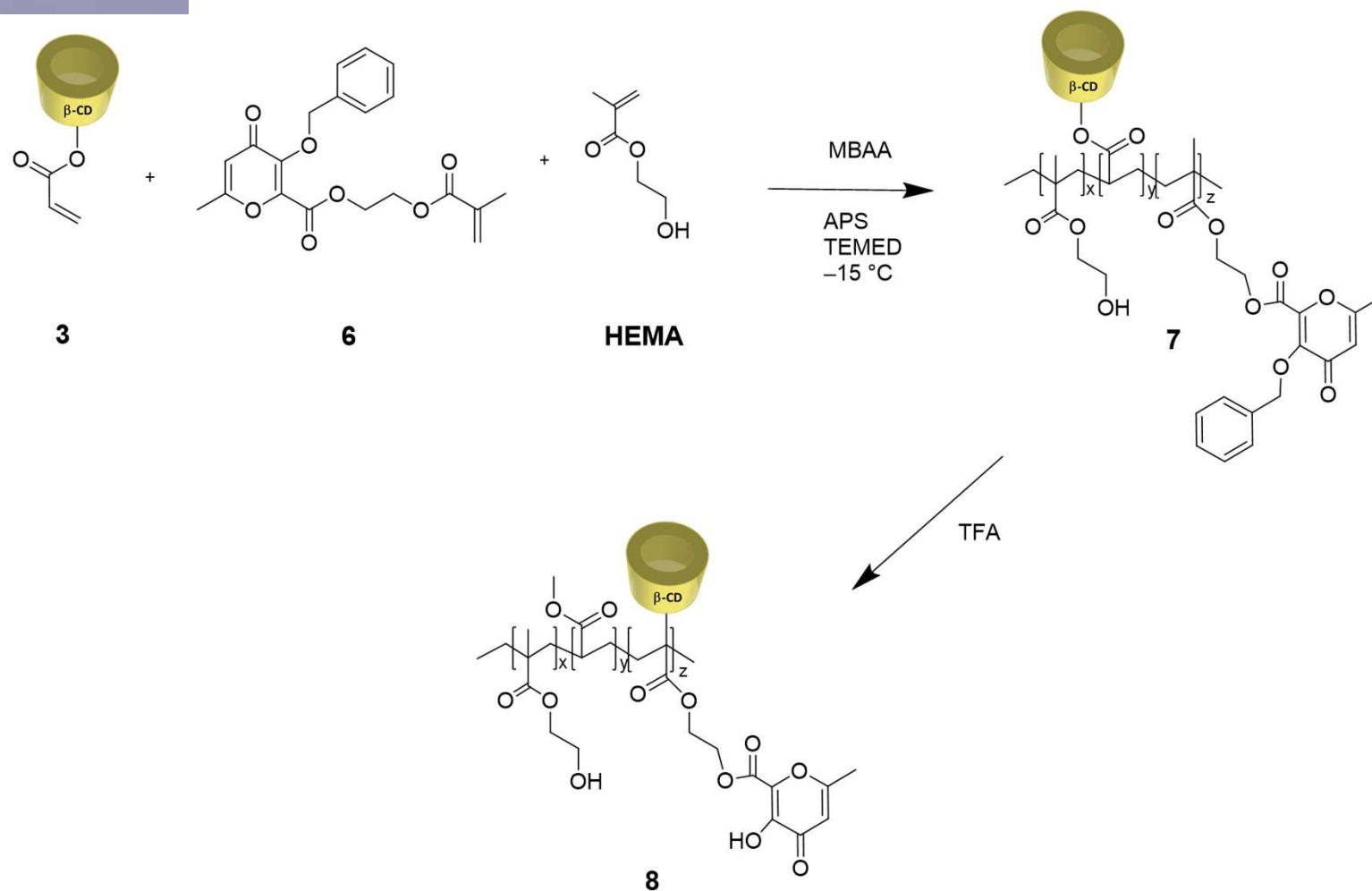


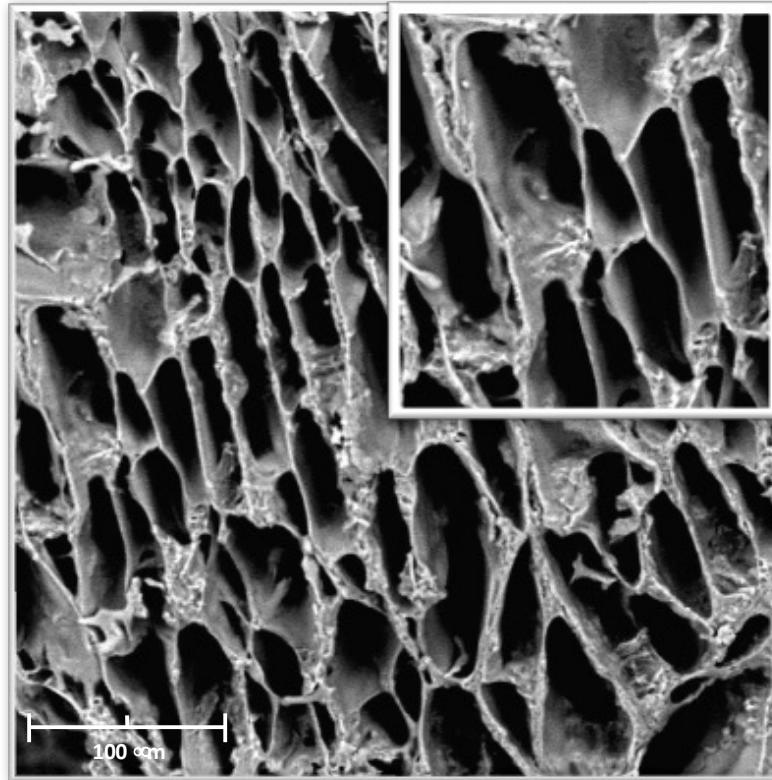
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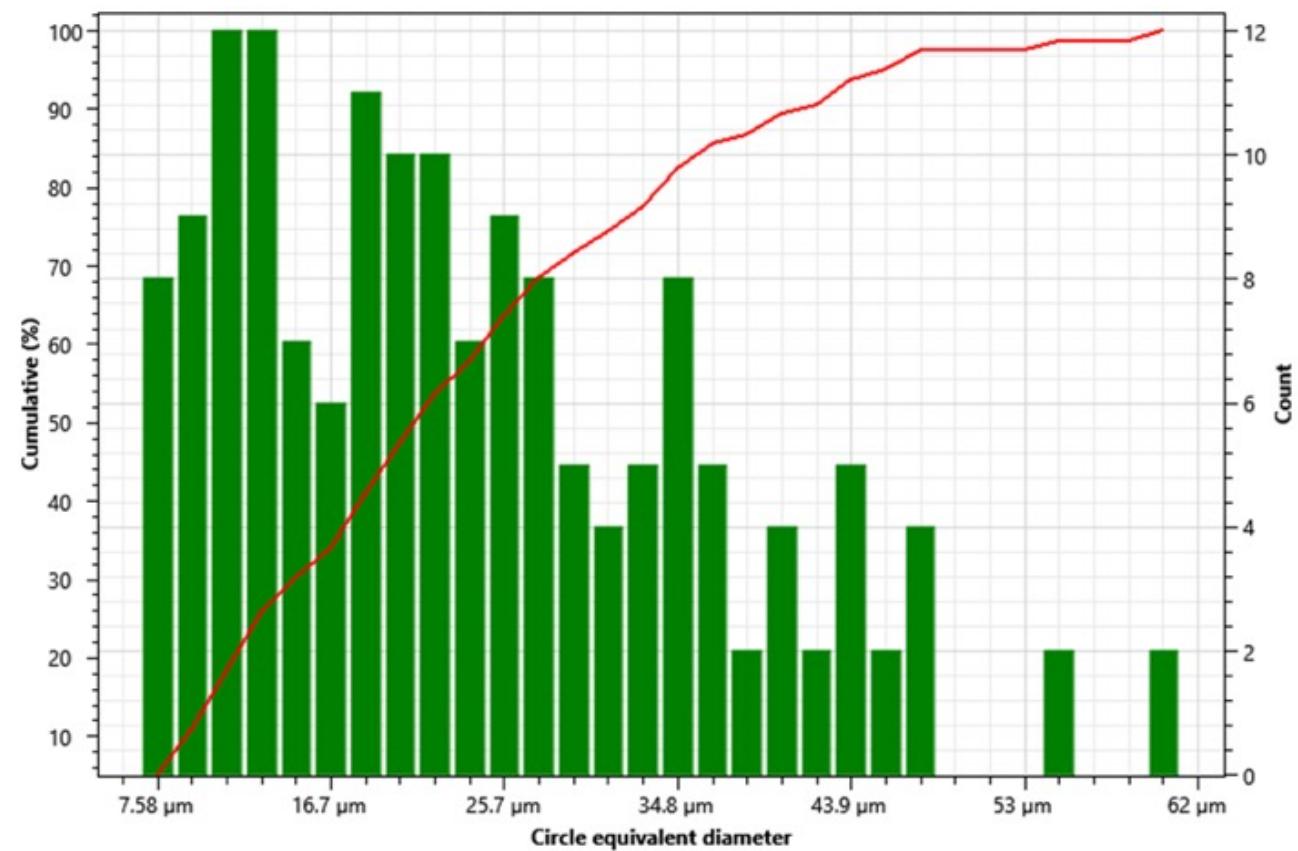


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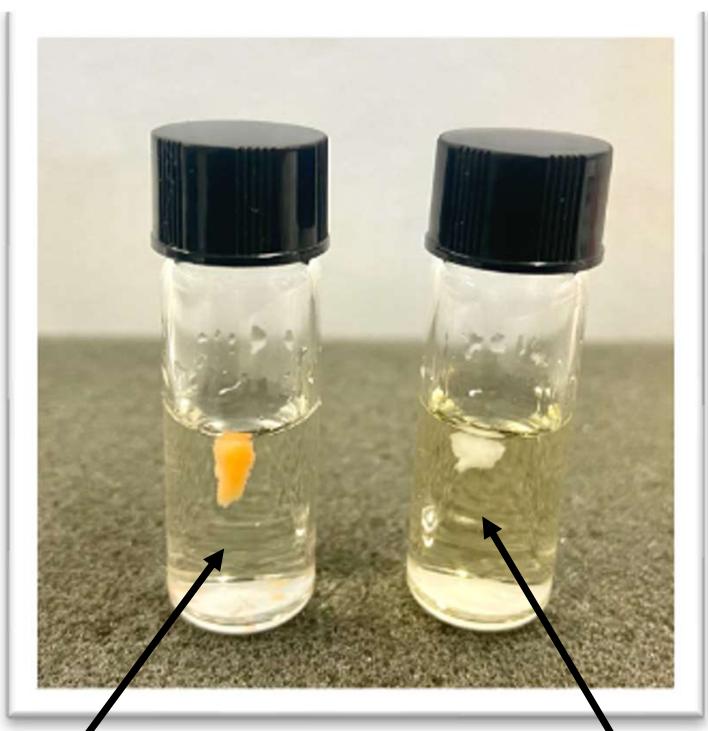




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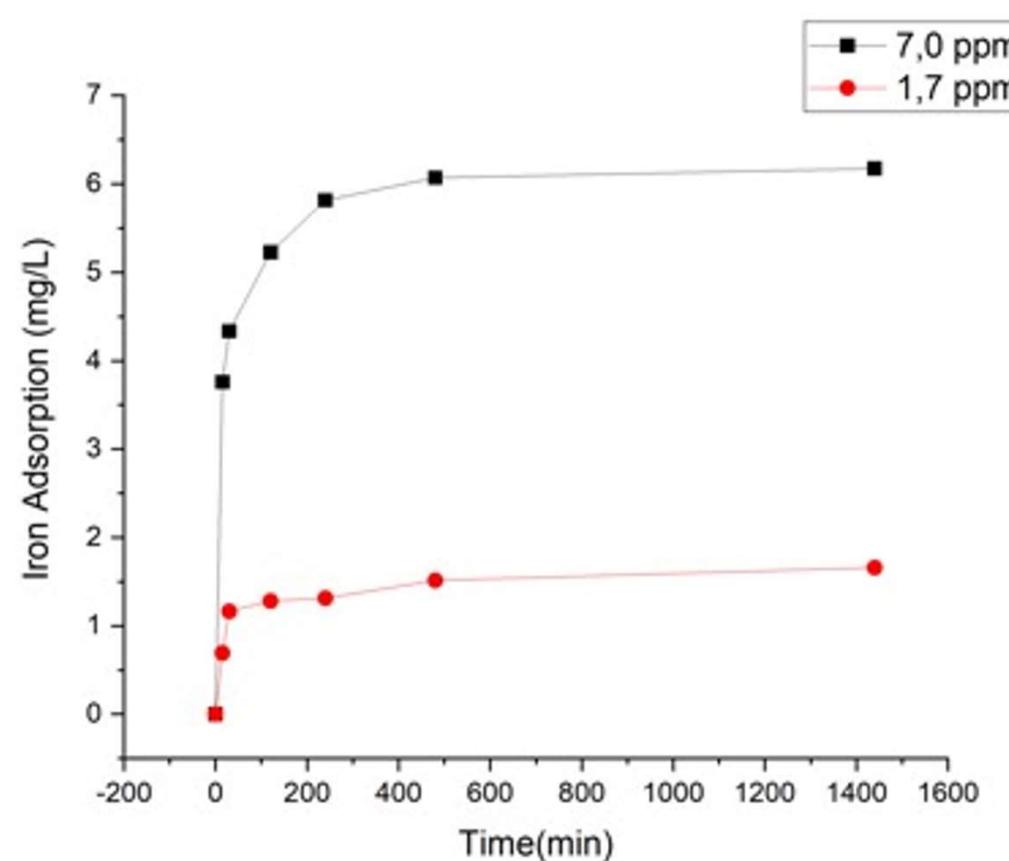


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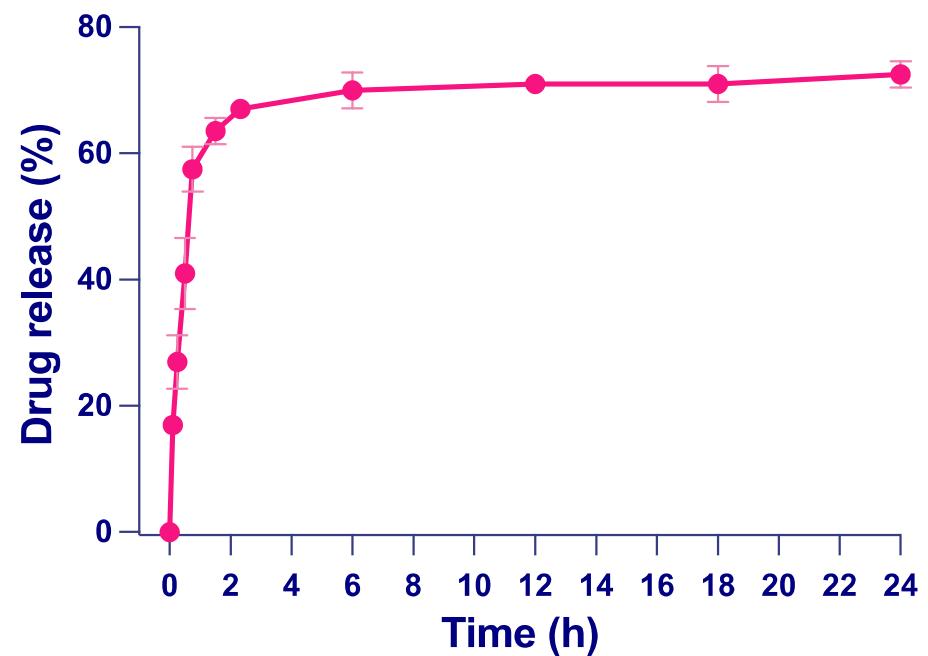
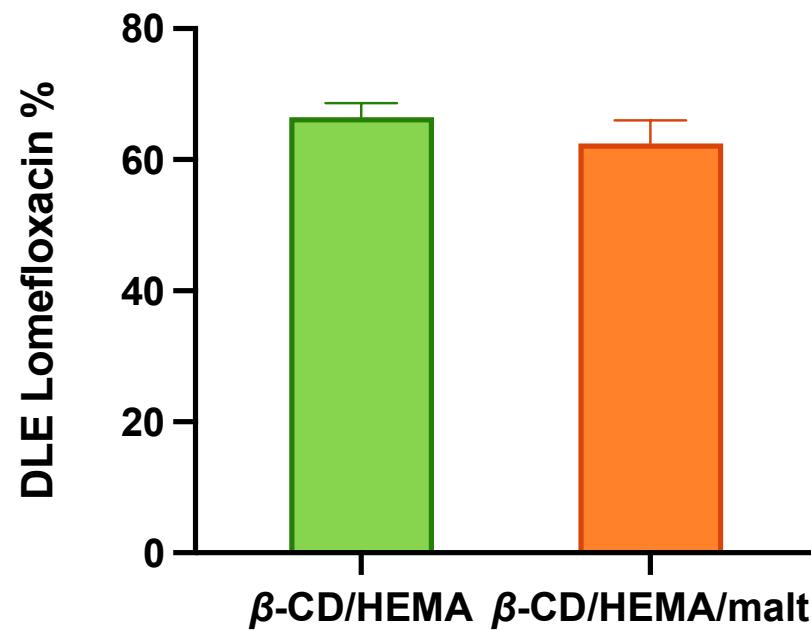
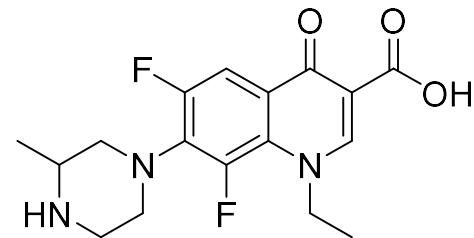


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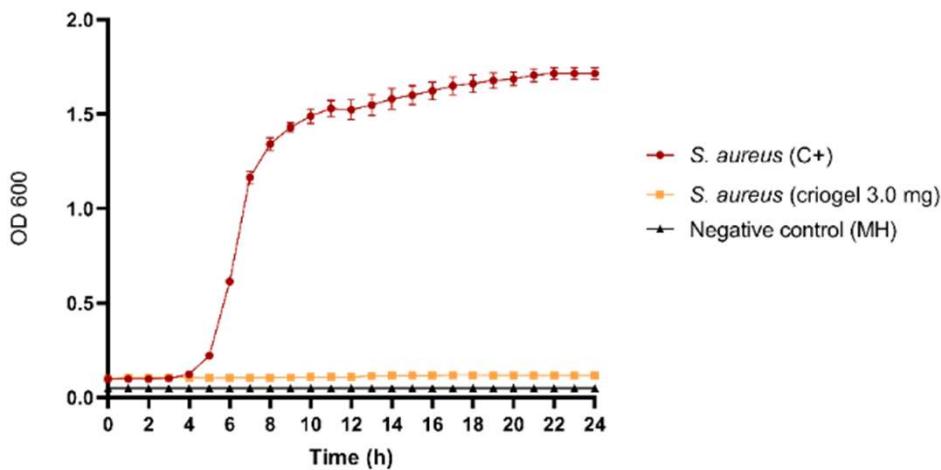
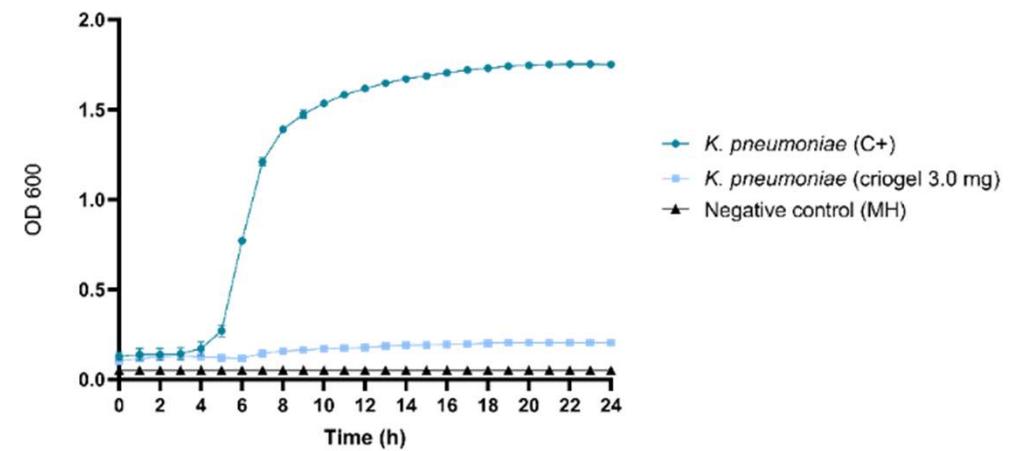
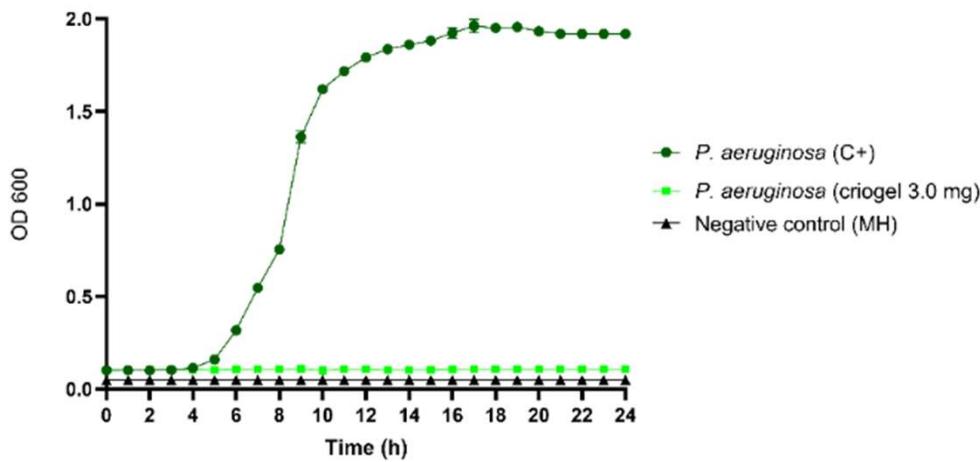
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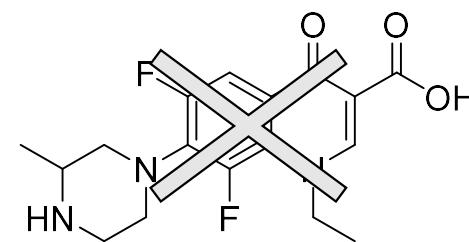
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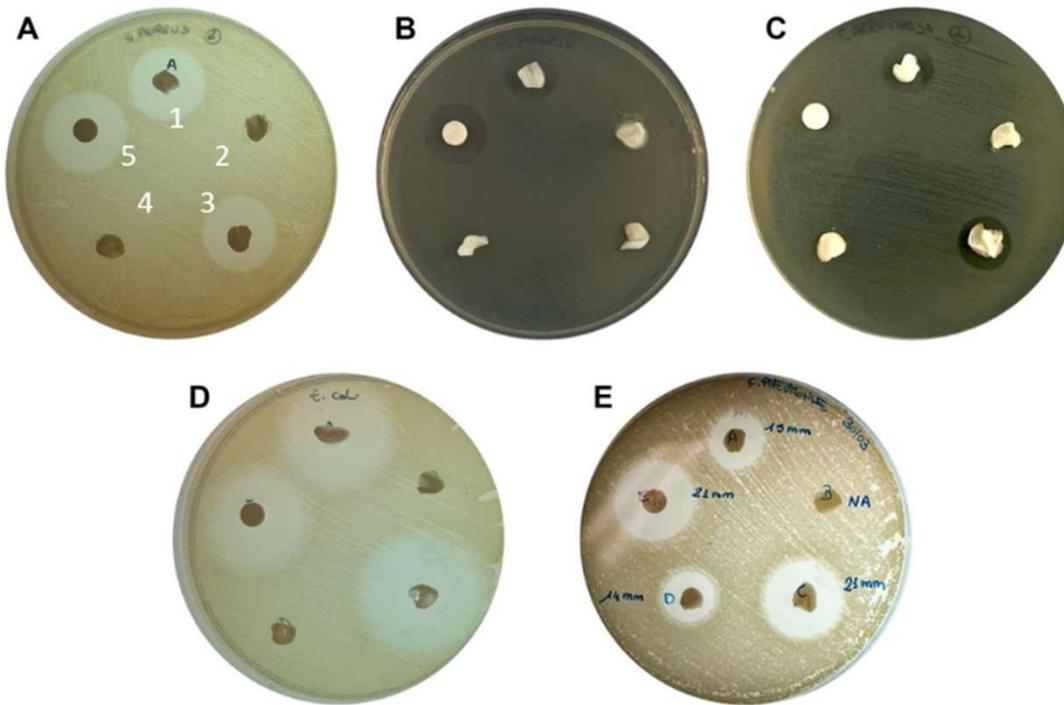
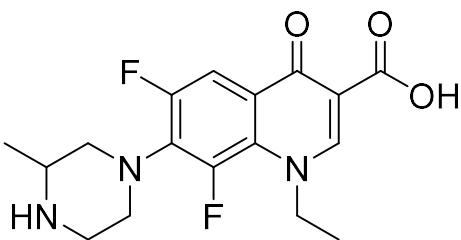


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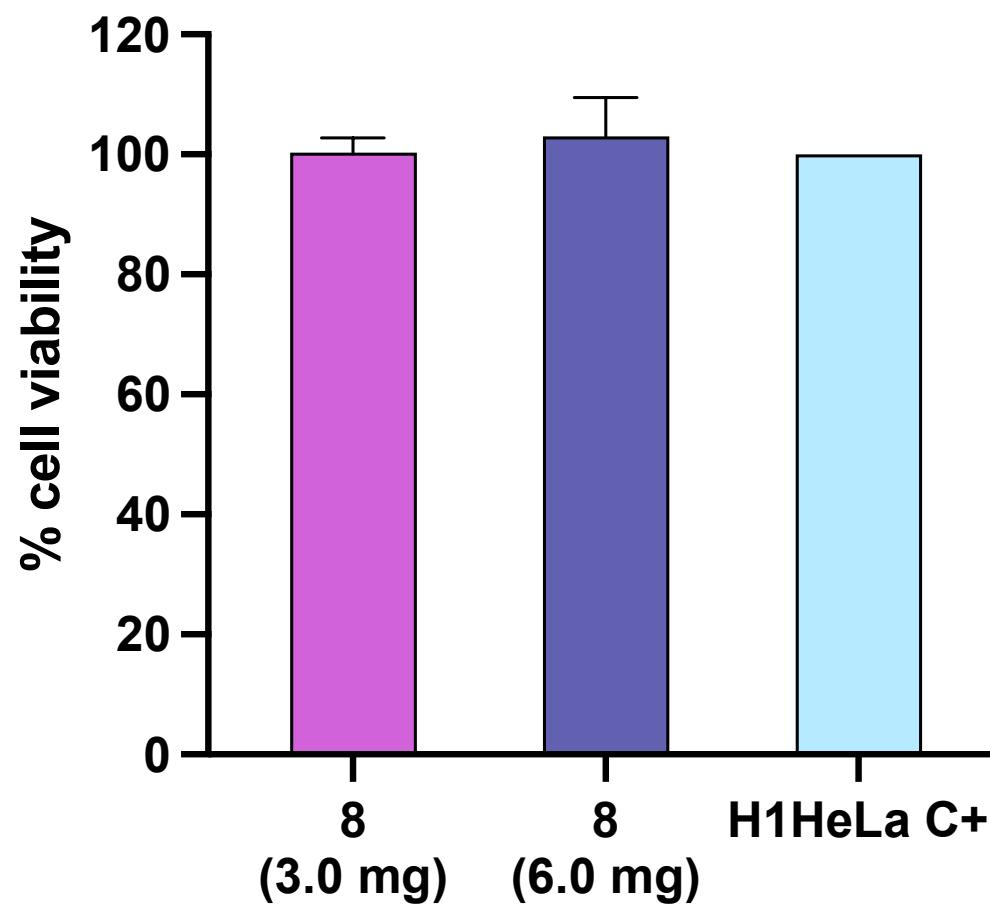
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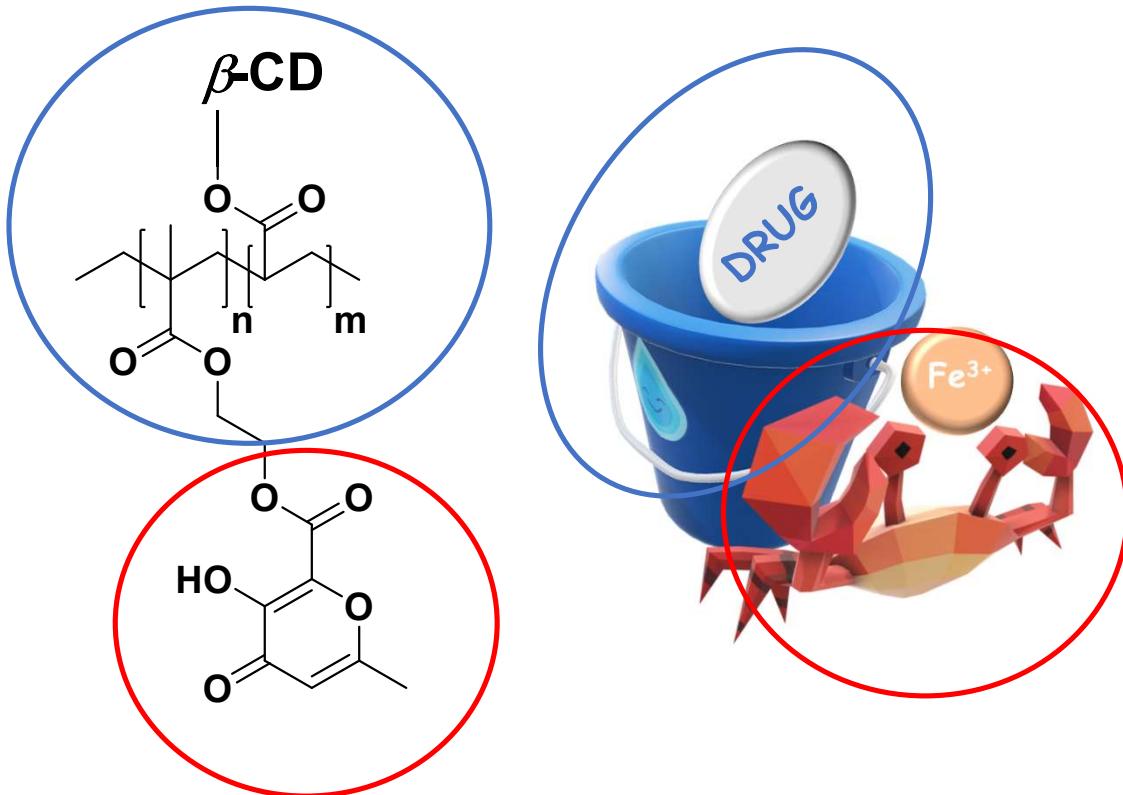
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- C) *P. aeruginosa*
- D) *E. coli*
- E) *K. pneumoniae*

- 1)  $\beta$ -CD/HEMA + Lomefloxacin
- 2)  $\beta$ -CD/HEMA
- 3)  $\beta$ -CD/HEMA/Malt + Lomefloxacin
- 4)  $\beta$ -CD/HEMA/Malt
- 5) Lomefloxacin

## CYTOTOXICITY



# CONCLUSIONS



- A drug delivery system based on  $\beta$ -cyclodextrin-maltol derivative was designed
- The material has optimal drug loading efficiency and iron chelation capabilities
- Dual-acting antibacterial nanomaterial with lomefloxacin and iron depletion properties
- No toxicity issue was reported in a human cell line

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