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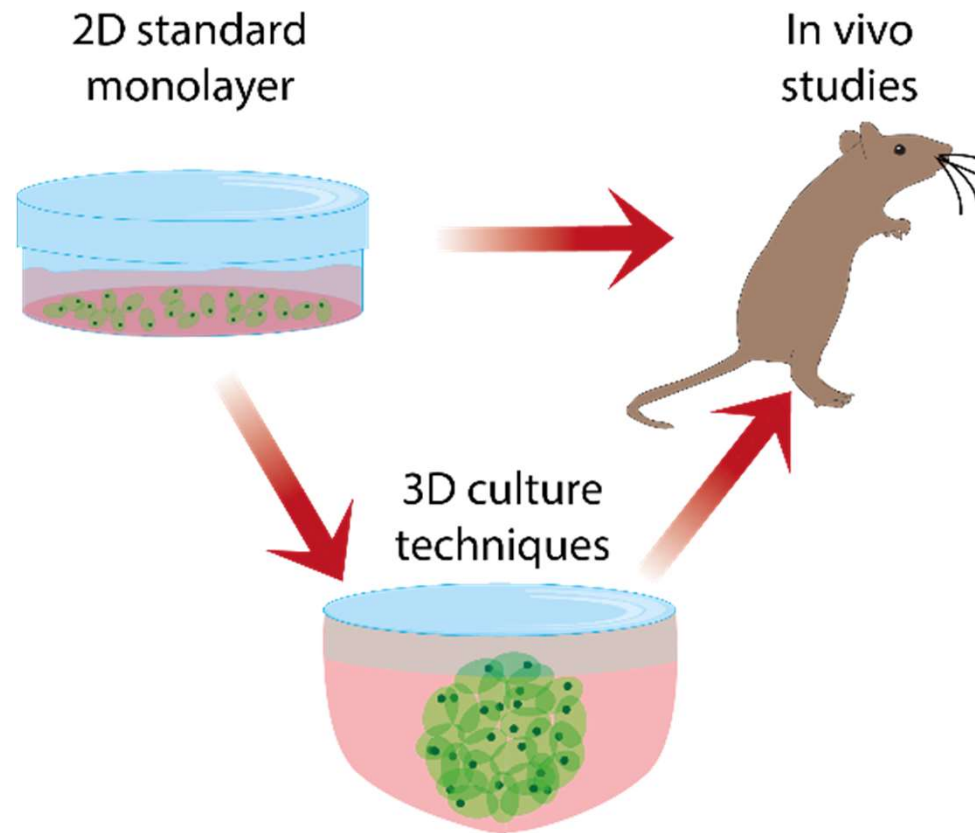
# Investigation of Polymeric Carrier Uptake and Passage within Cellular Spheroids Using Advanced Analytical Techniques



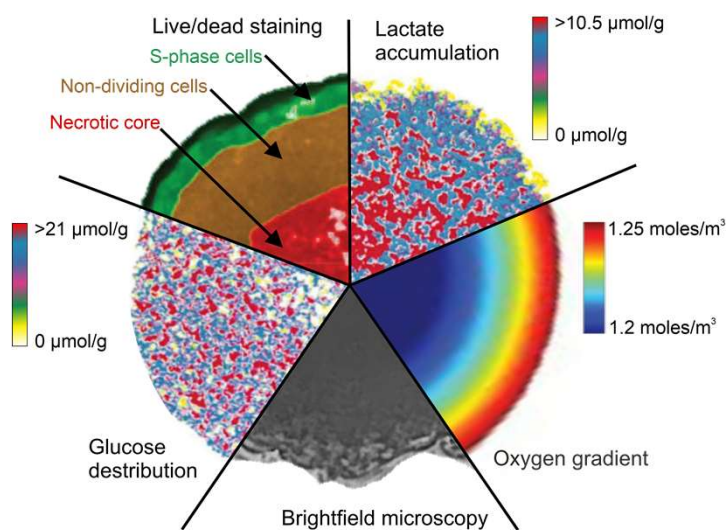
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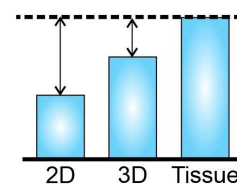
## Chemical gradients

Lactate accumulation  
Oxygen gradient  
Glucose gradient  
pH  
ATP  
etc.

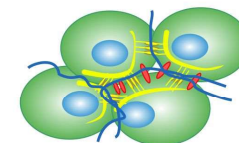
## Cellular heterogeneity

cancer cells  
cancer associated fibroblasts

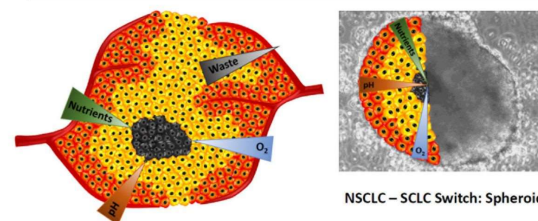
## Gene expression



## Developed ECM



## Similarity with tumor

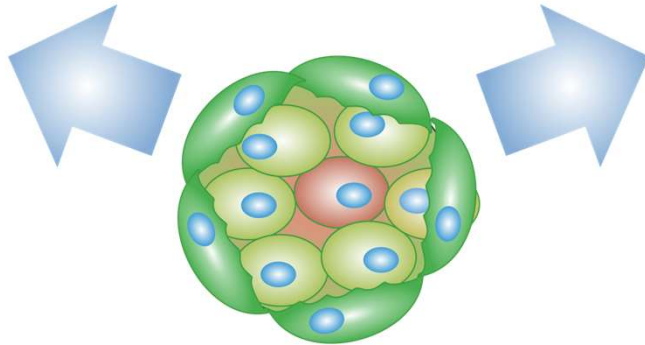


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# 3D cell cultures can be used for different approaches

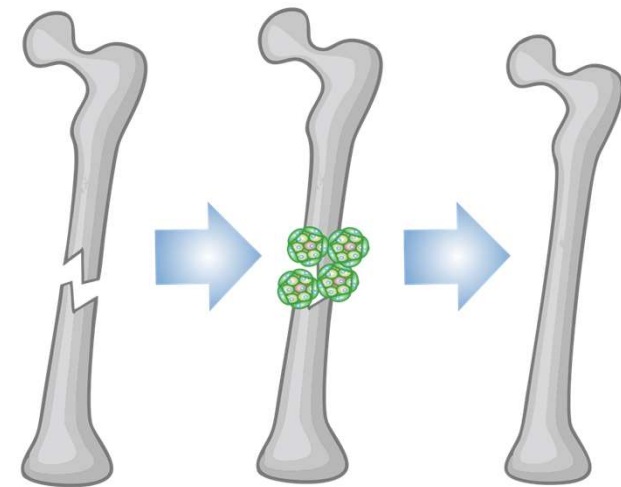
## Cancer research

- cytostatics activity
- penetration of carriers and nanoparticles
- molecular gradient
- phototherapy
- tumor fibrosis
- etc.

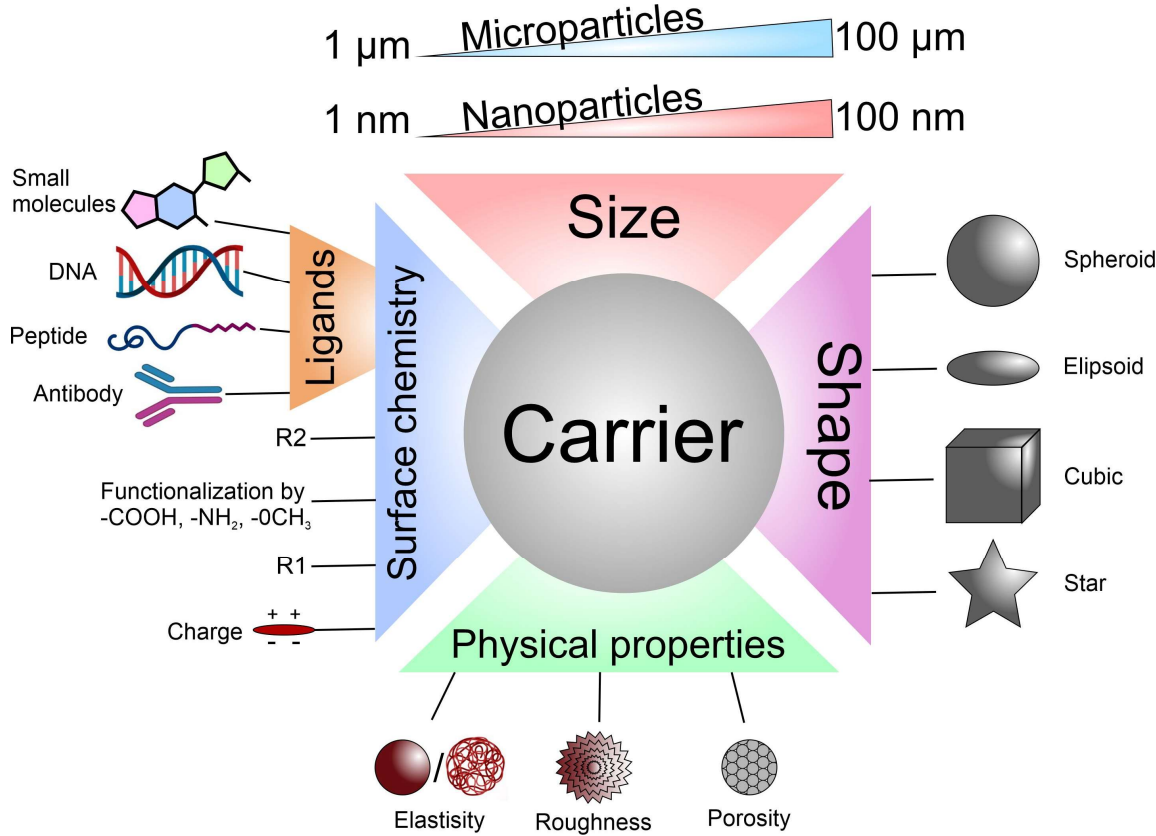


## Tissue engineering research

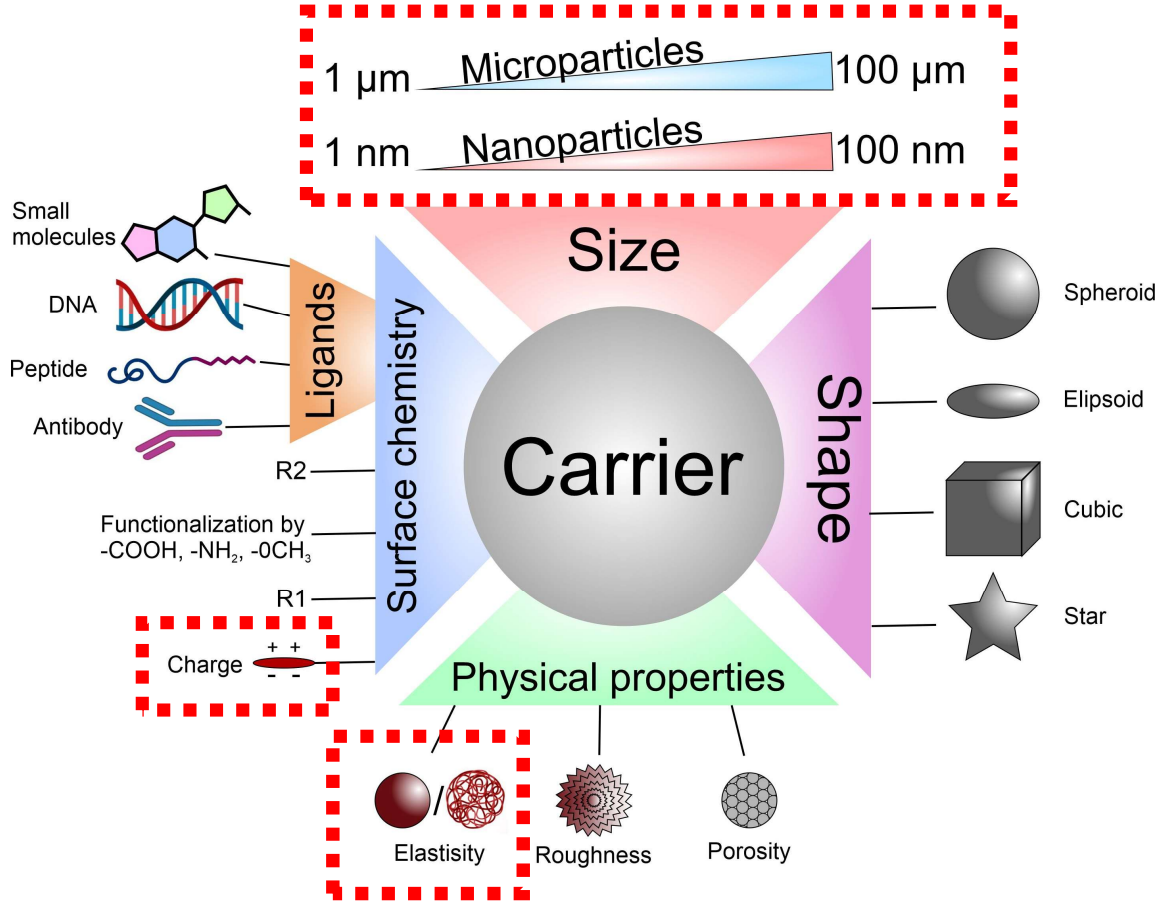
- repair of damaged tissues
- angiogenesis
- bioink design
- organoid formation
- etc.



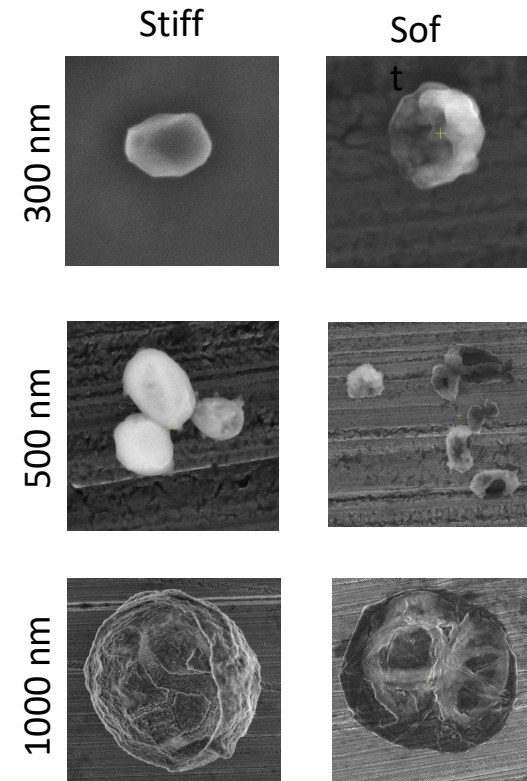
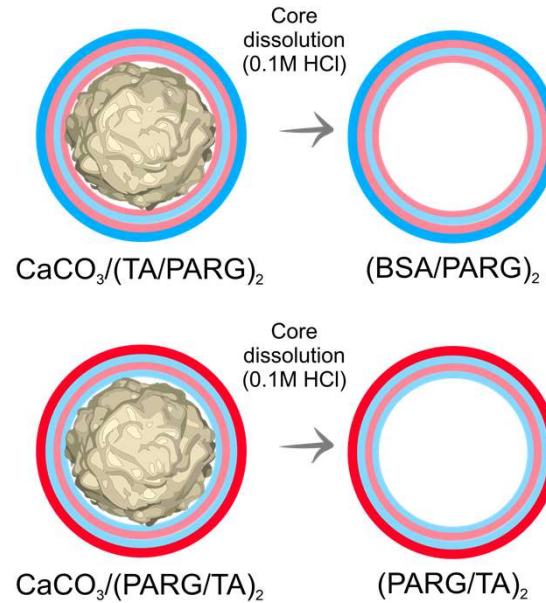
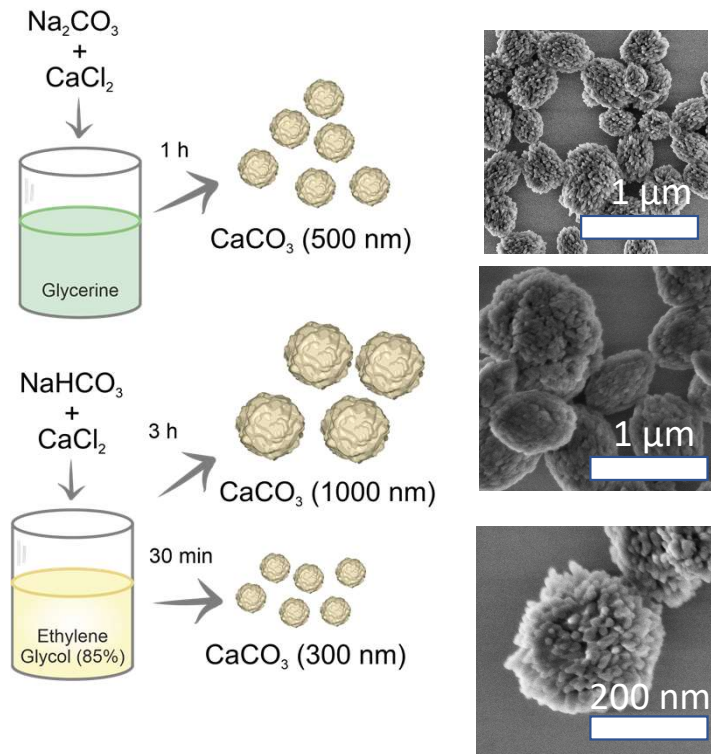
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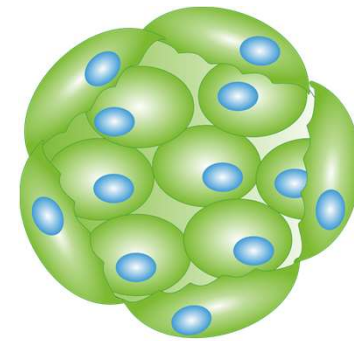
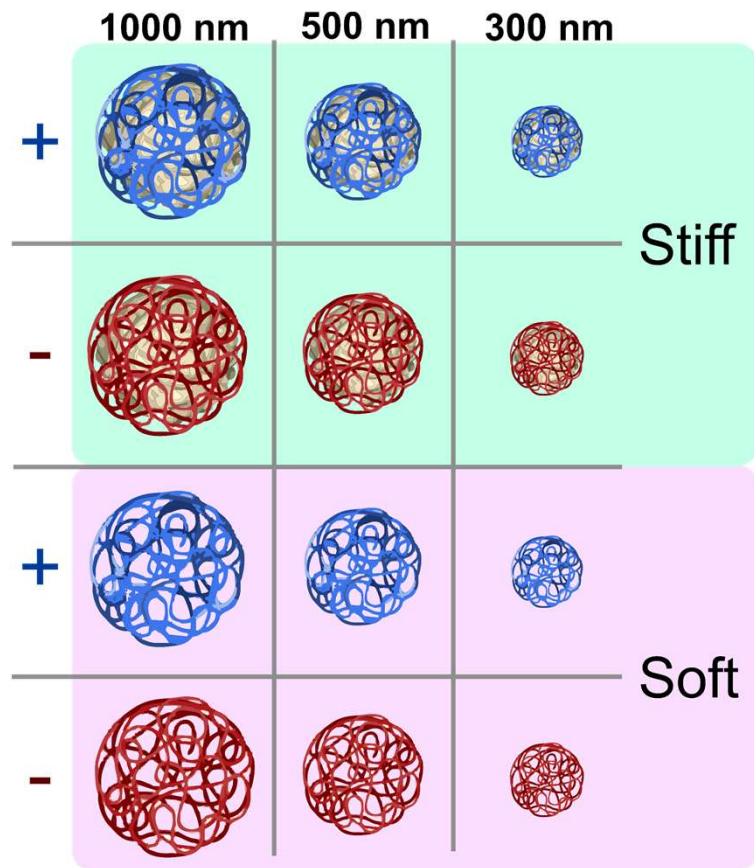
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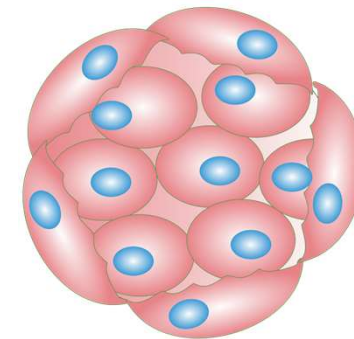
# Synthesis of the carriers with different Size, charge and stiffness



# 12 type of carriers + 2 type of spheroids



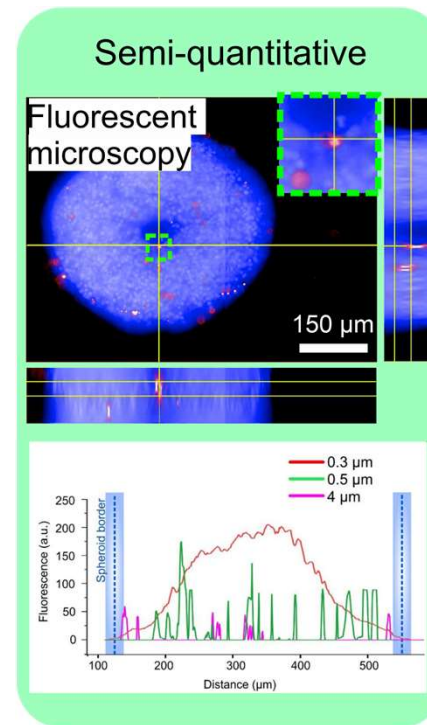
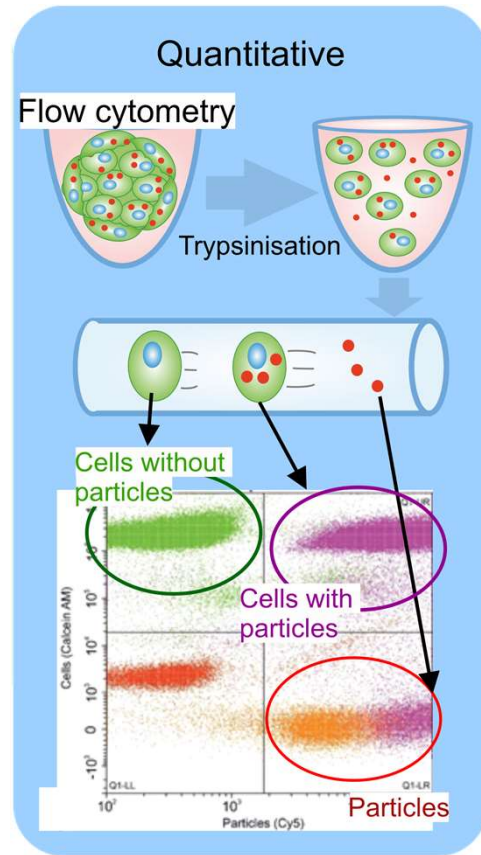
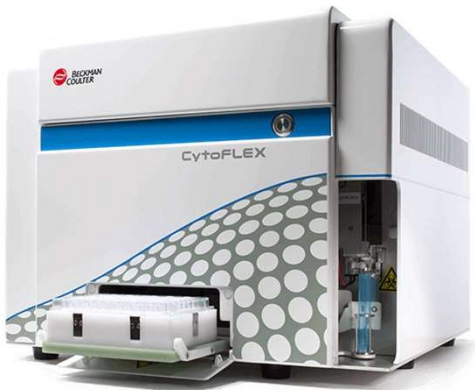
L929  
(Fibroblast  
cell line)



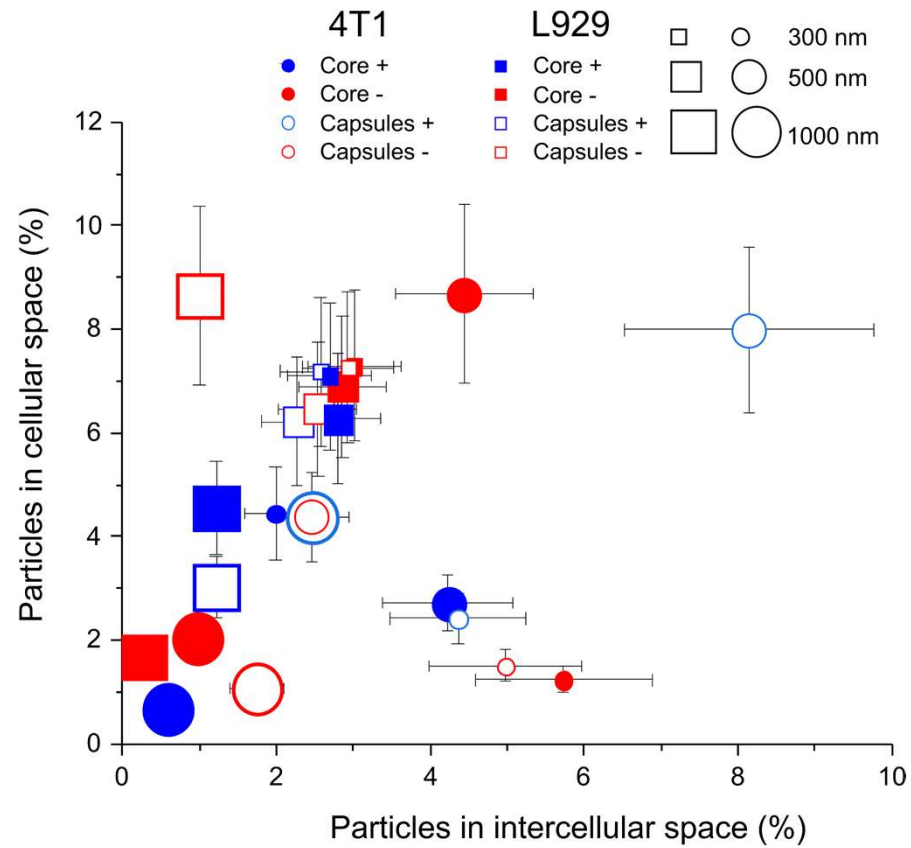
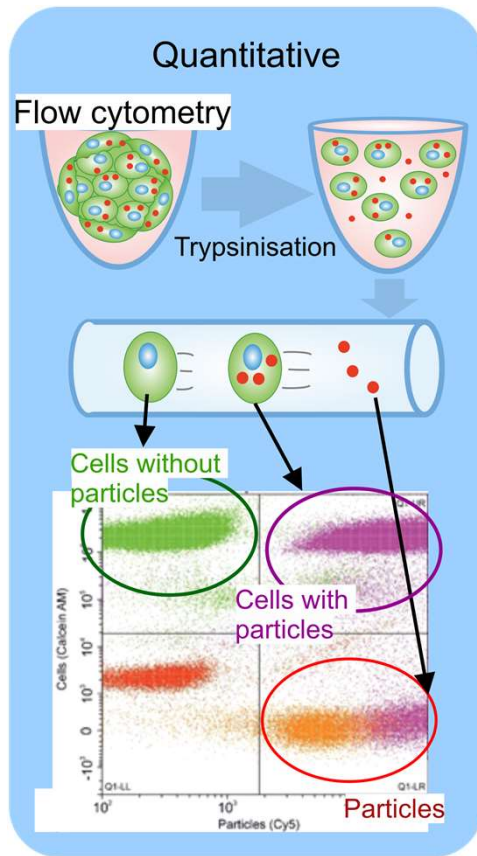
4T1  
(Breast cancer  
cell line)



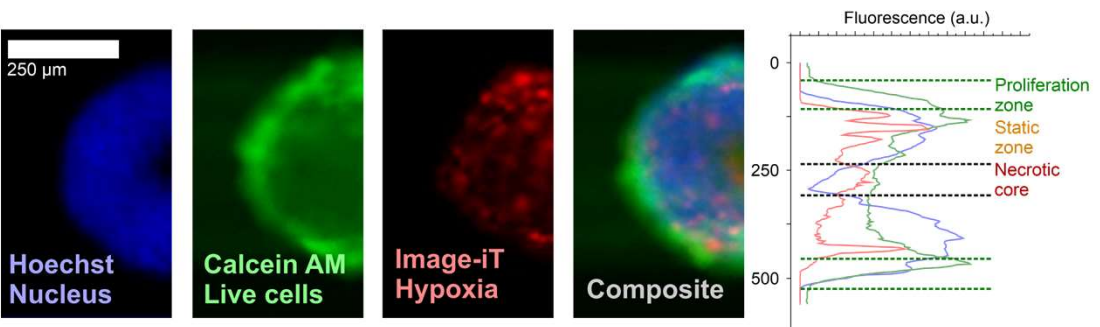
# Methods of spheroids analysis



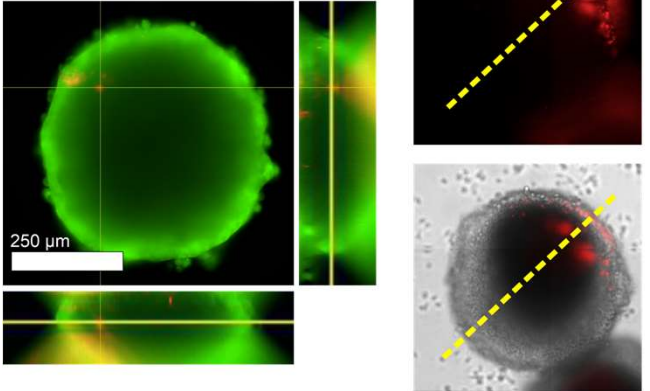
# Flow cytometry results



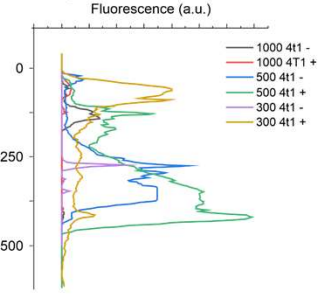
# Determination of spheroids zones



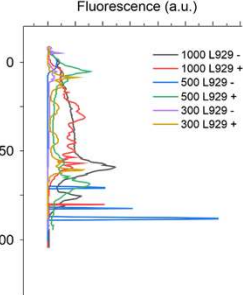
Orthogonal projection



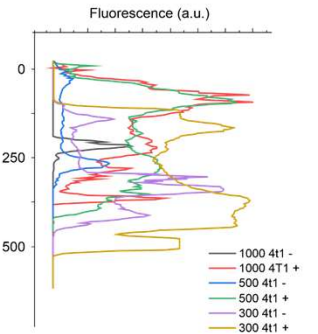
Capsules 4T1



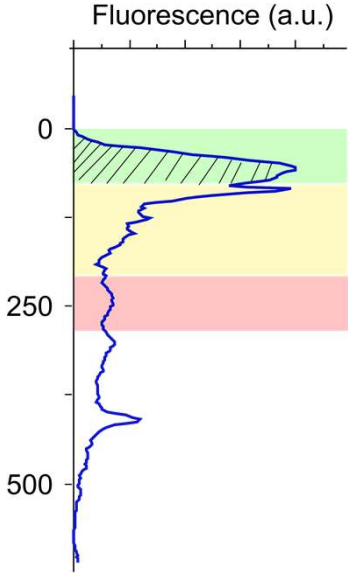
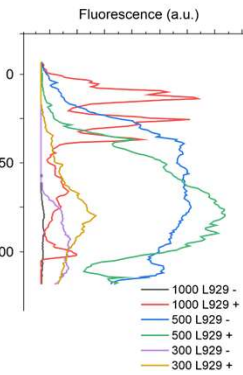
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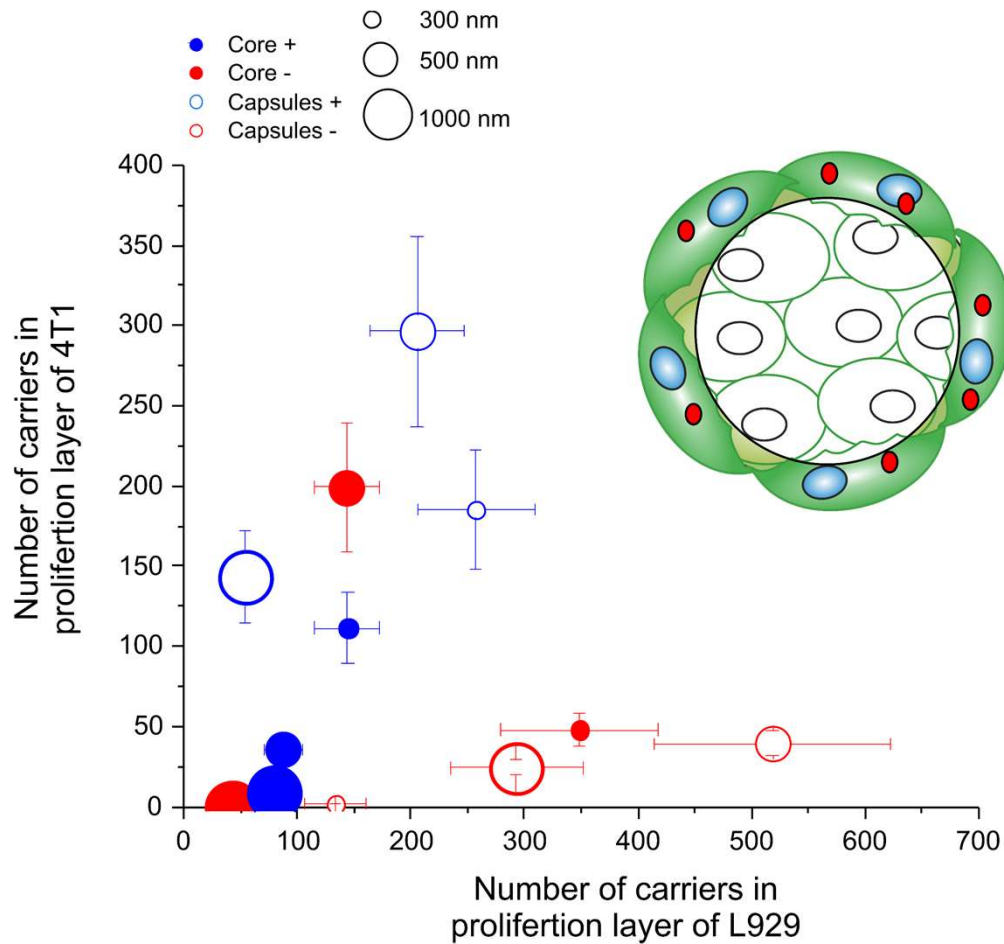
Core-shell 4T1



Core-shell L929



# Carriers in proliferation zone

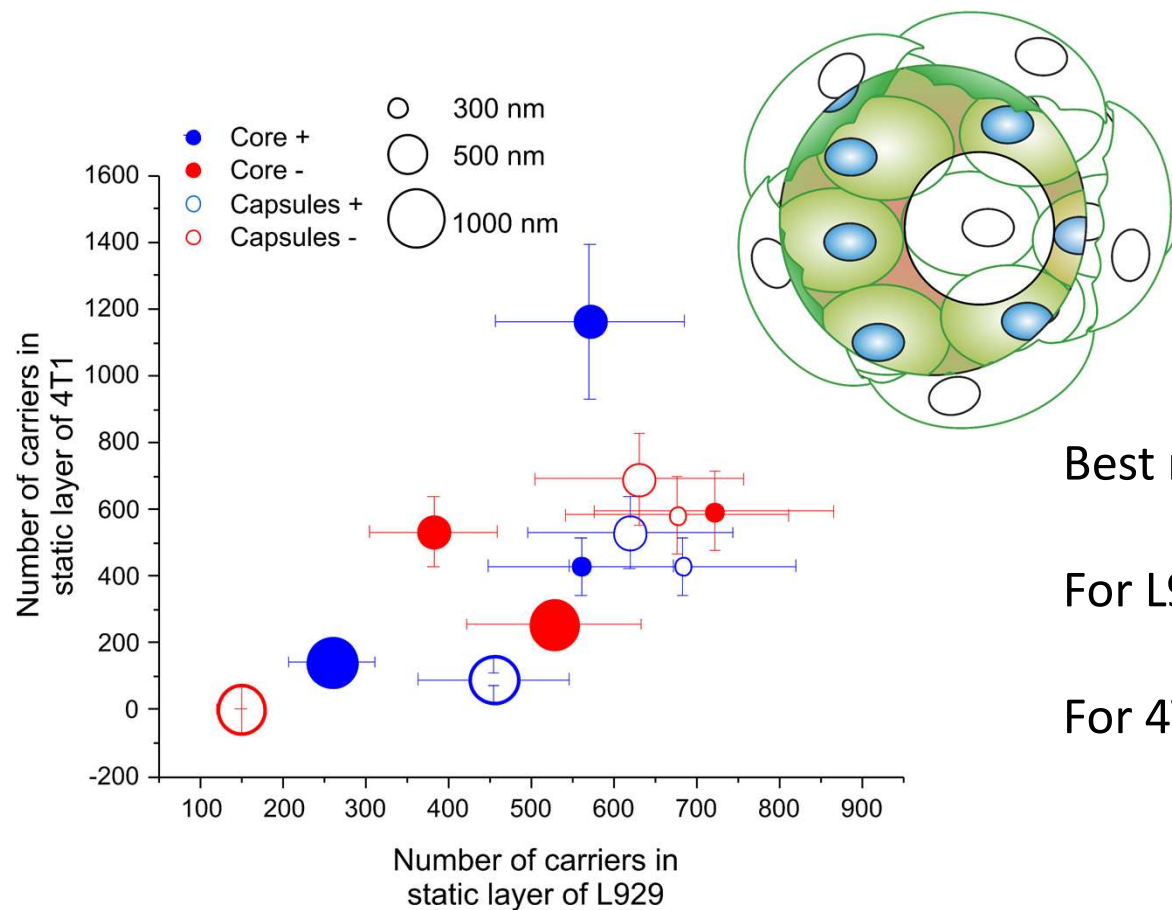


Best results:

For L929 – Negative, soft 500 nm particles

For 4T1 – Positive, soft 1000 nm particles

# Carriers in static zone



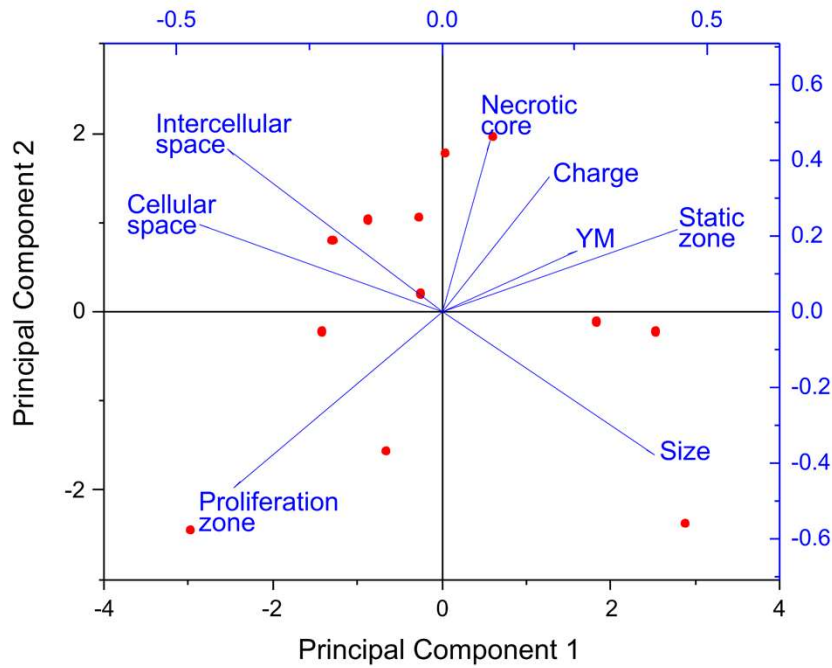
Best results:

For L929 – **Positive**, *soft* 1000 nm particles

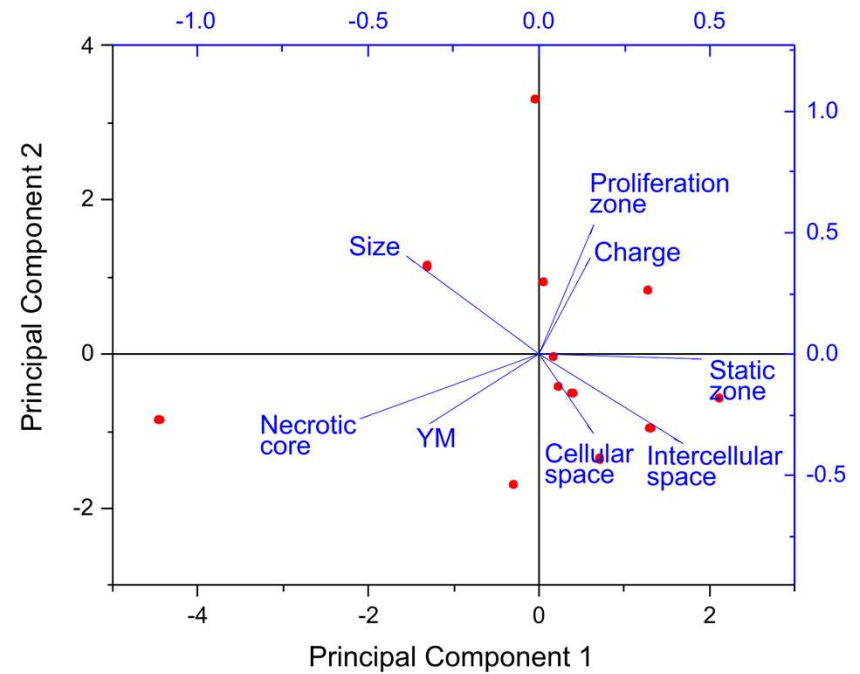
For 4T1 – **Negative**, **stiff** 500 nm particles

# Principal component analysis

## L929



## 4T1





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# Thank you for your attention

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