

Recent Progress in Medical Biomaterials

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Abstract: Guided tissue regeneration (GTR) is a technique that selectively guides cells to attach and proliferate towards an injured site to achieve tissue regeneration through a physical barrier membrane. In this review, we presented a brief overview of the development of GTR technology and GTR materials. Nowadays, new technologies such as electrospinning, nanotechnology, controlled release technique, and 3D printing have been introduced into the study of GTR materials. Resorbable membrane as GTR materials are available as alternatives to conventional non-resorbable membranes. Current GTR materials not only act as a physical barrier membrane but also as a scaffold to play a role in promoting cell proliferation and tissue regeneration. The development trend in GTR materials will be multi-component, functional, and biomimetic composite materials. At the end, we show the research and industrialization of GTR materials in our group.

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