

# Delivery Technologies for Diversified Products II

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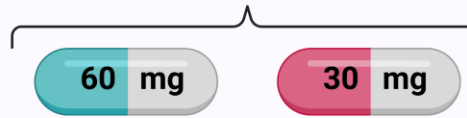
# 3D printing vs traditional pharmaceuticals

- At best, tapering antidepressants is inconvenient and inaccurate – at worst, it can be impossible
- With 3D printing: taper by any increment over any timeframe

## EXAMPLE TITRATION - DULOXETINE:

WEEK 1: 60 mg  
WEEK 2: 30 mg  
WEEK 3: cease

Available duloxetine strengths:



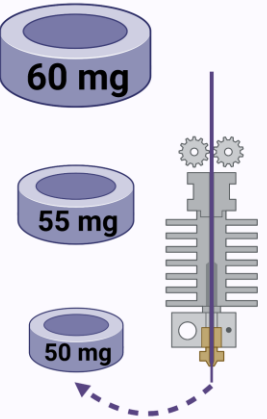
- ❌ Risk of withdrawal
- ❌ Risk of relapse



Biocompatible polymer-based filament

Fused deposition modelling 3D printing

Personalised dosage form design

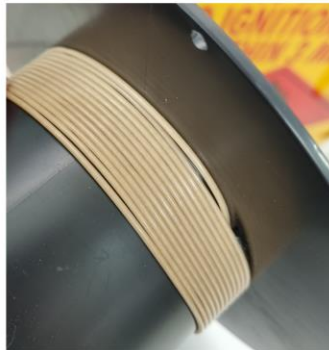
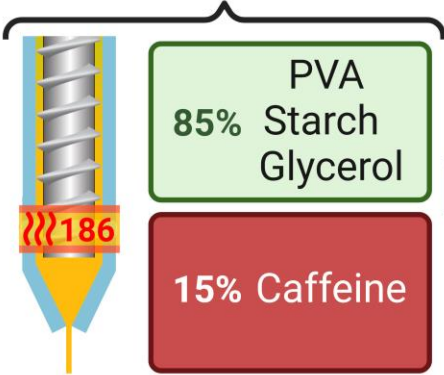


- ✅ Taper over any timeframe
- ✅ Simple regimen for patient
- ✅ High accuracy and precision

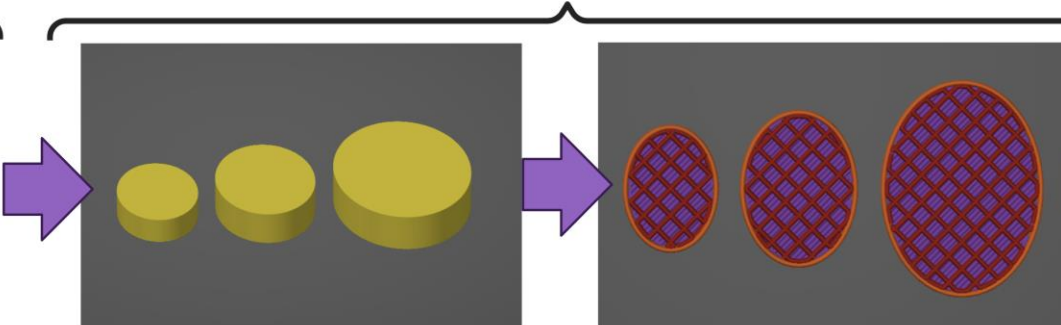


# From start to finish

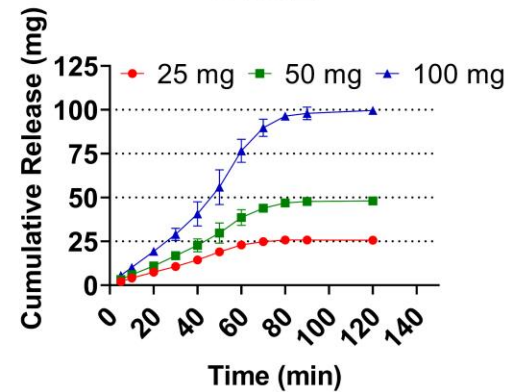
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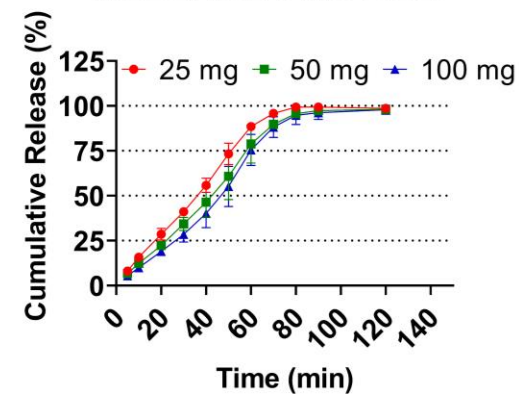
## FUSED DEPOSITION MODELLING 3D PRINTING



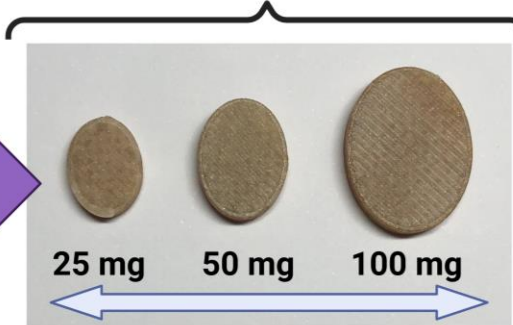
**TABLET SIZE =  
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**GEOMETRY =  
RELEASE PROFILE**



## CHARACTERISATION

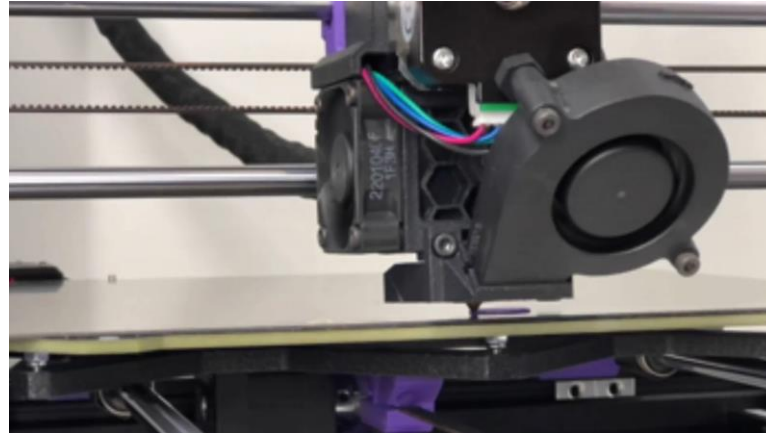


**PERSONALISED  
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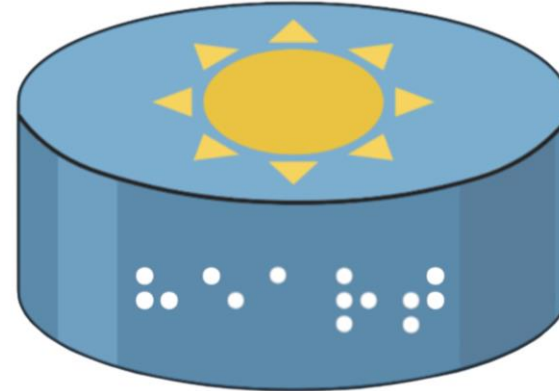
- ✓ Weight uniformity
- ✓ Dissolution
- ✓ Drug content
- ✓ Friability
- ✓ Hardness

# Future outlooks for clinical translation

- Polypills, functional aesthetics, custom release profiles, and more
- Collaboration with regulatory bodies and further refinements to quality control are crucial for translation



- Multiple drugs
- Individual doses
- Customisable release profiles



- Colour & flavour
- Texture
- Braille
- Symbols
- Shape & size





# *Thank you*

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