

Gelatin-alginate semi-interpenetrating network for controlled release of scent molecules

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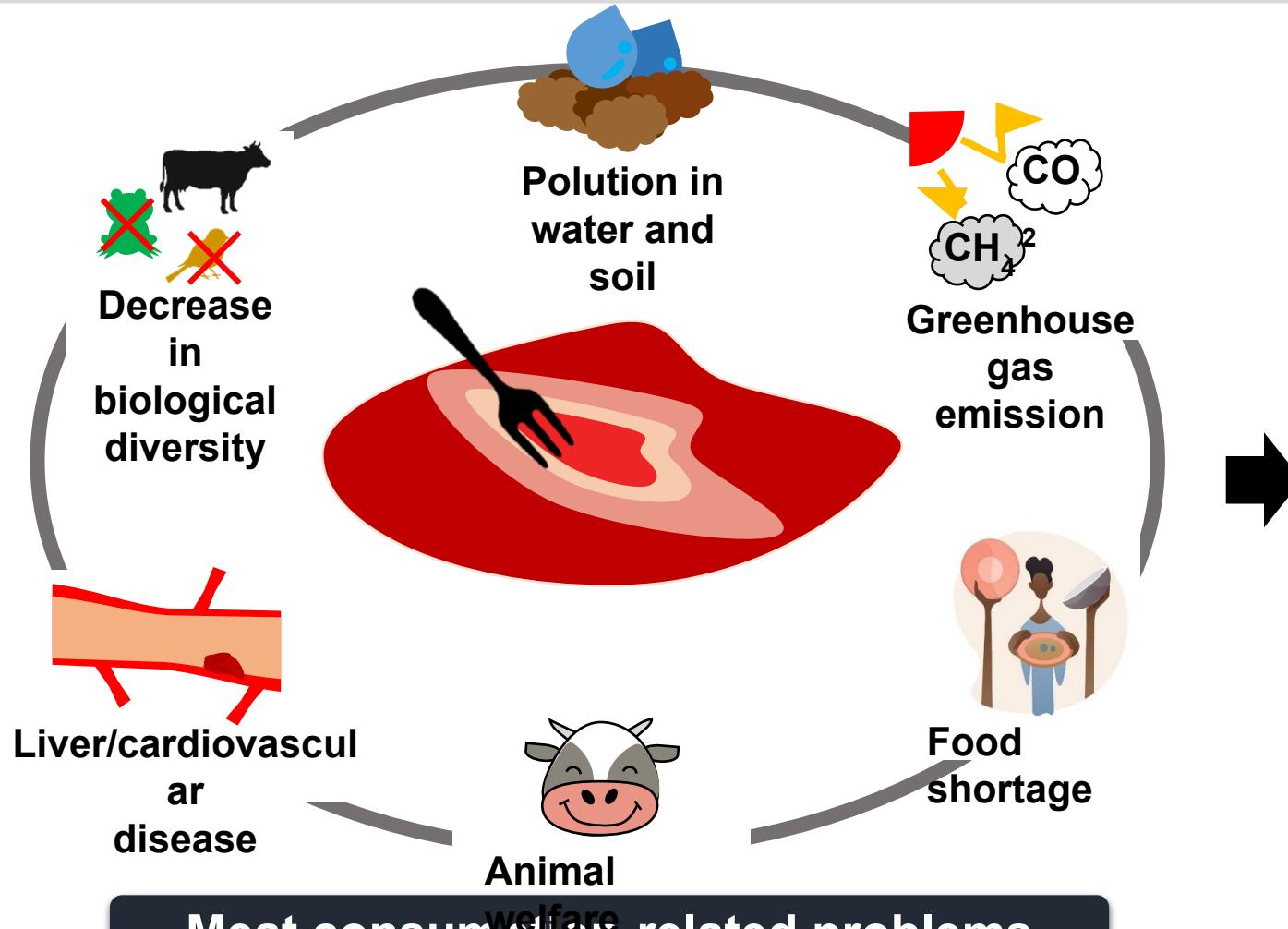
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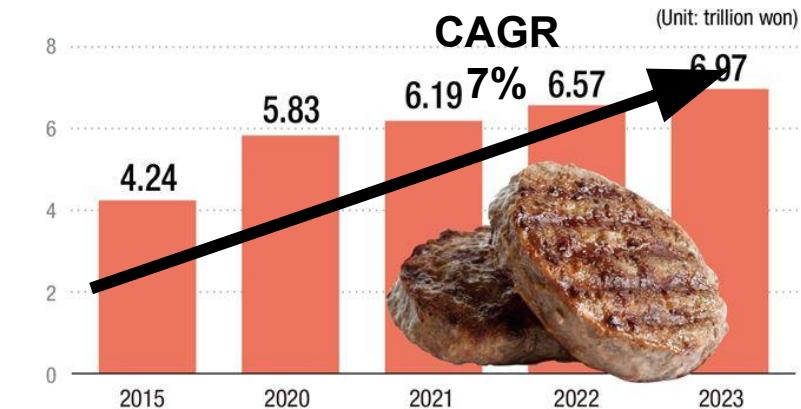
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Emerging Market of Meat Alternatives



Van der Weele et al., *Trends in Food Science & Technology*, 88, 505-512 2019.



Source: Korea Agro-Fisheries & Food Trade Corporation



Market growth in meat alternatives

Development of Meat Alternatives

Fungi-based meat



Insect meat



Cultured meat



Plant-based meat



Pro

- Higher cost efficiency than cultured meat
 - Ease of scale-up process
- Accessible and acceptable ingredients
- Difficulties in mimicking real meat flavors
 - Additives for color and flavor



Wheat protein



Soybean

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Approaches for Sustained Scent Release

Enhancing satisfaction of plant-based meat

- Prevent scent leaking of uncooked product



Controlled release of scent molecules

- Introduce temperature responsive materials



Screening edible materials

- Most of reported thermo-responsive matrices are not edible (synthetic polymer or chemically modified)



Precise control of responsiveness

- By combining biomaterials pool, secure the thermo-responsiveness without chemical

Our research scope,

• Biomaterials science and engineering

- Nucleic acid nanotechnology
- Biomaterials (peptides, lipids, carbohydrates, and metal NPs)
- Combining their properties

• Formulation techniques

- Nanoparticles
- Microcapsules
- Hydrogel and 3D-printing

• Potential applications

- Drug delivery
- Tissue engineering/cell culture
- Food industry



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Objectives

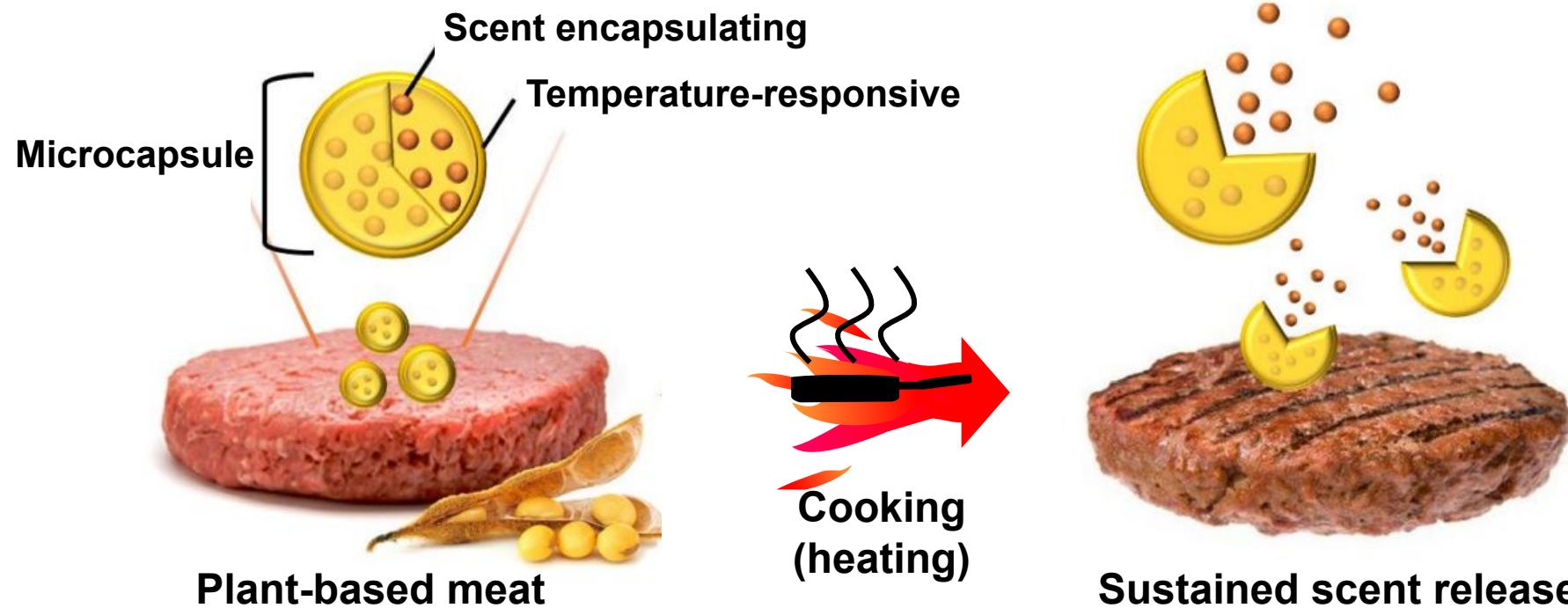
Research focus

- Sustained release of scent during cooking
- Using edible materials
- Corresponding formulation

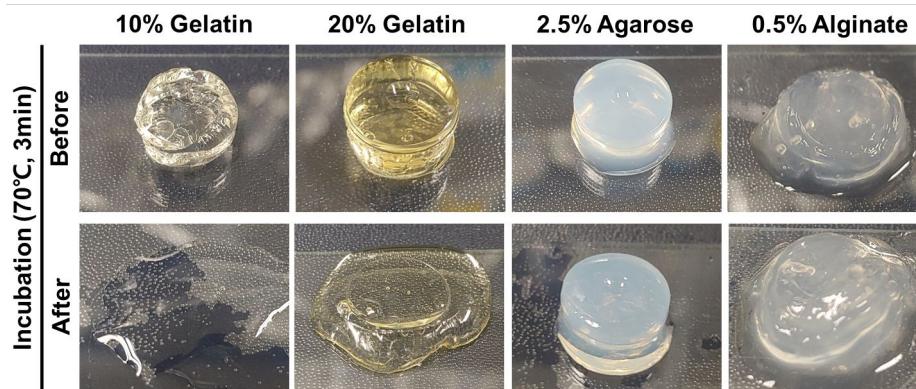
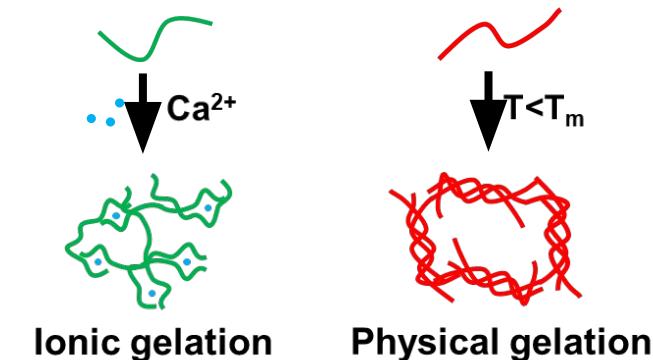
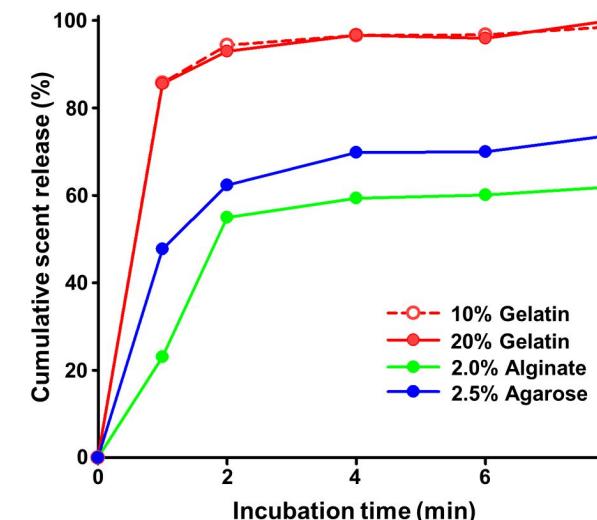
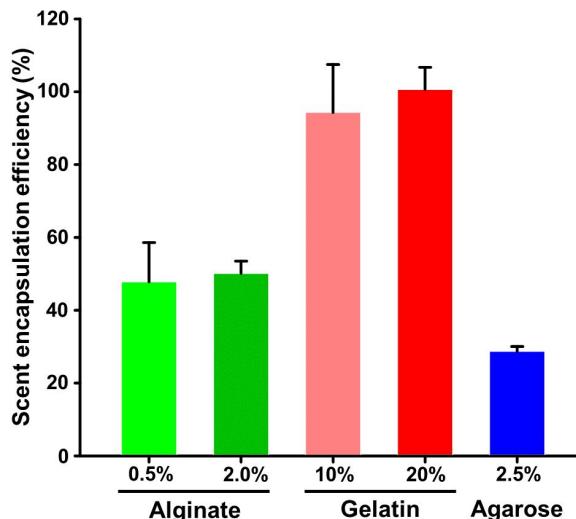


Approaches

- Using biopolymers and their combinations
- Using microencapsulation



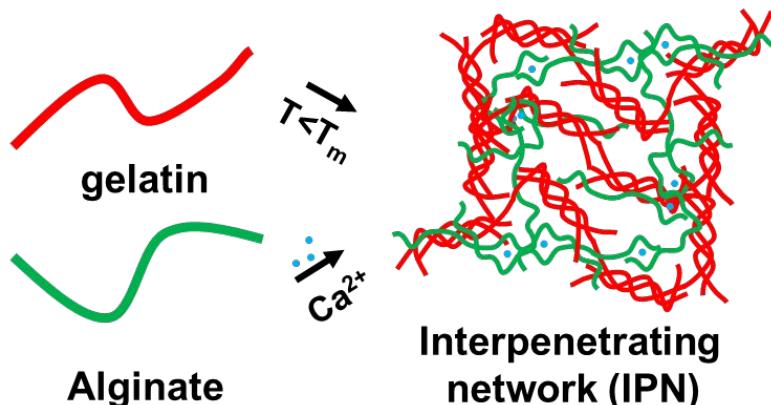
Biopolymer Screening



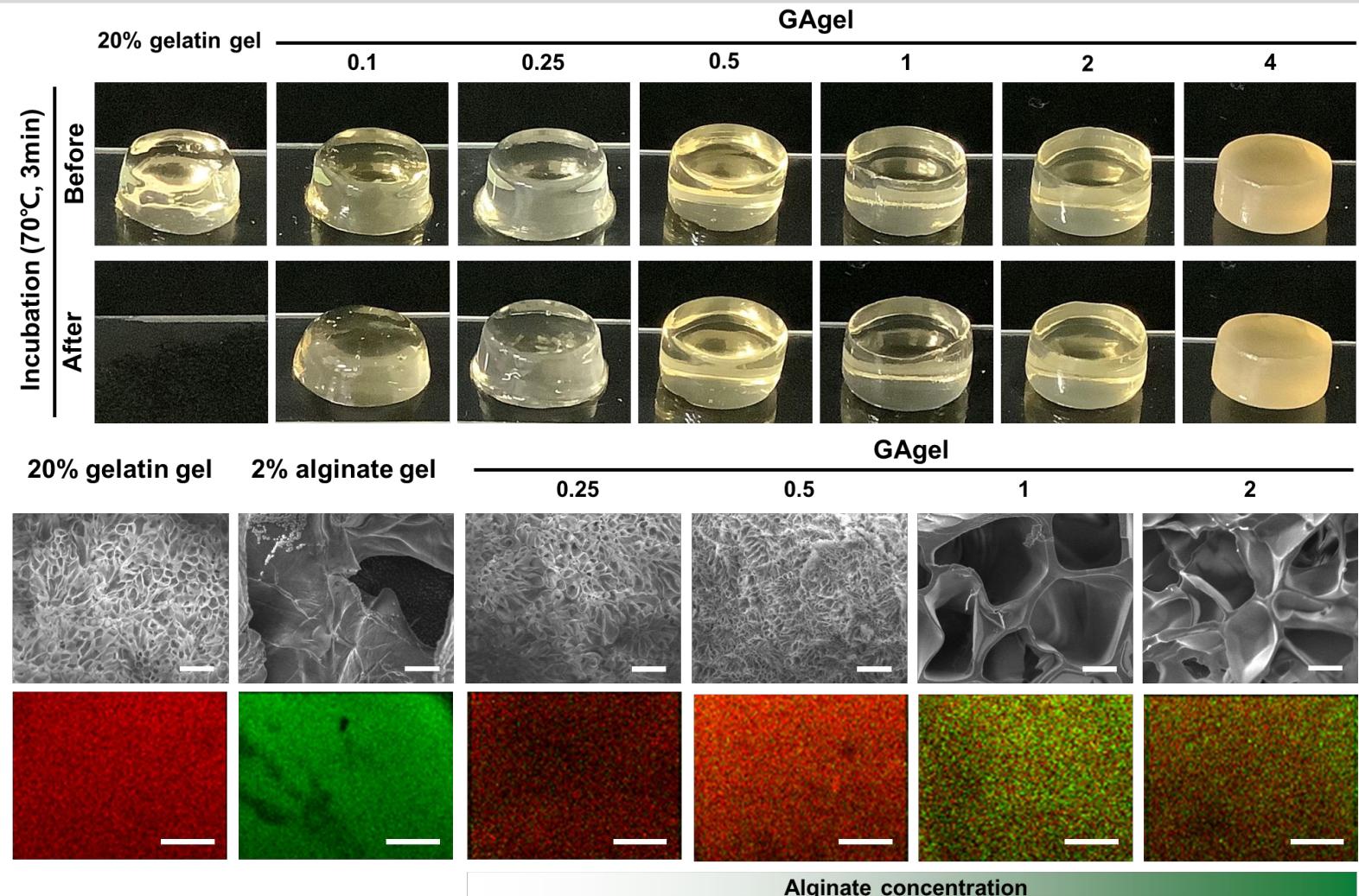
- Using 2,5-dimethylpyrazine as standard scent molecule
- Considering gelation mechanism, accessibility, and cost, biopolymers narrowed down to alginate, gelatin, and agarose
- Gelatin revealed higher scent encapsulation efficiency, while alginate and agarose showed decreased cargo release rate

Kim et al., International Journal of Biological Macromolecules, 208, 2022.

Gelatin-Alginate Interpenetrating Network (IPN)

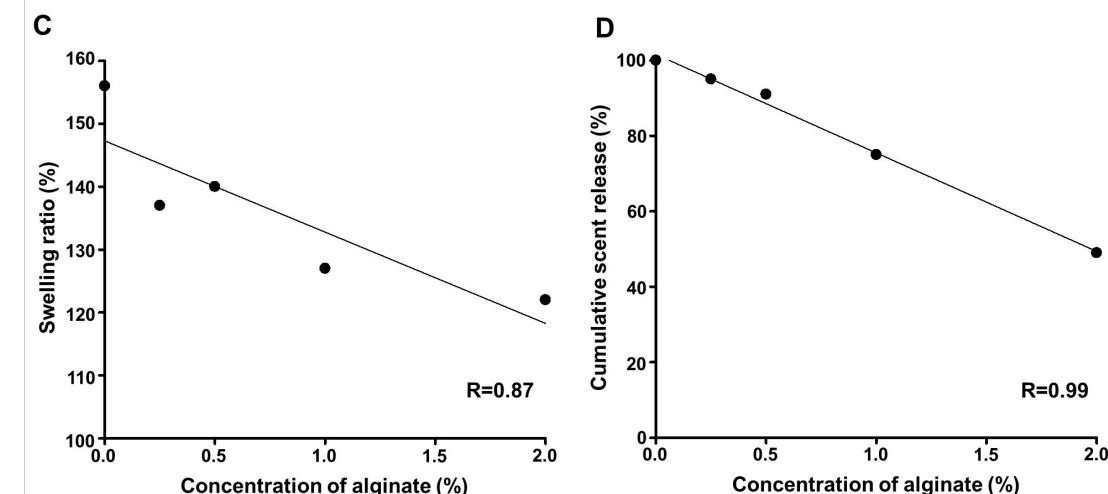
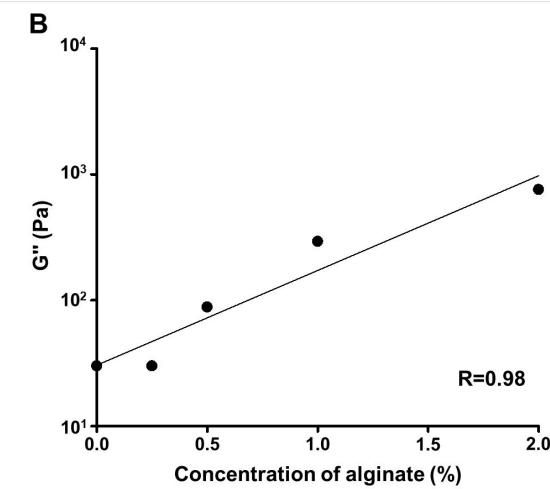
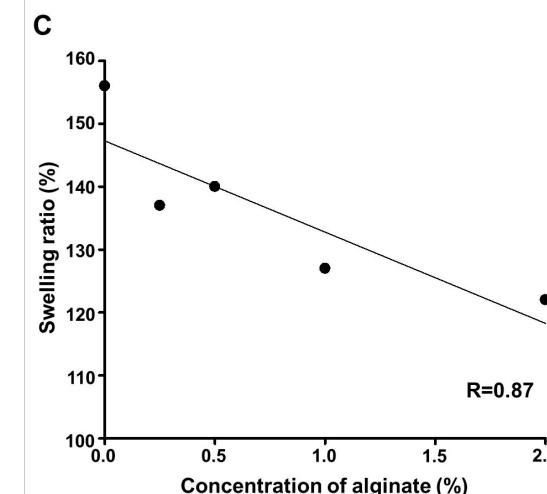
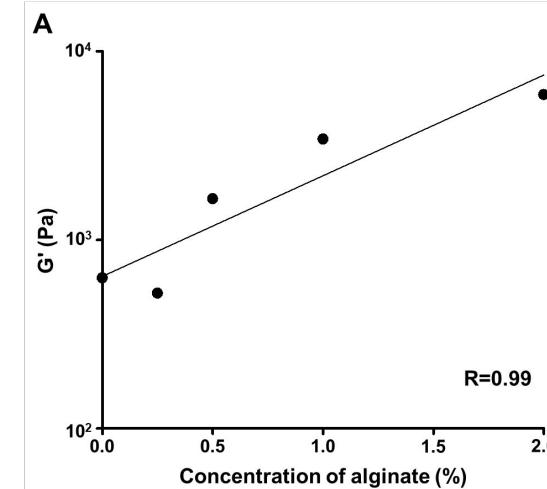
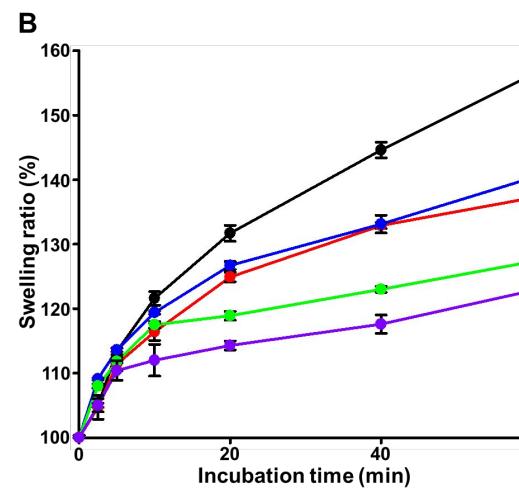
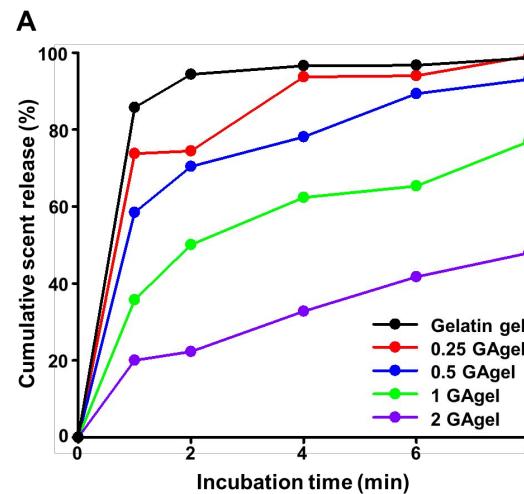


- Gelatin network (physical entanglement) was enhanced by fabricating interpenetrating network (IPN) with alginate (ionic crosslinking).
- The gelatin-alginate IPN was homogeneously formulated, and their hydrogel was not disrupted in cooking condition (70°C).



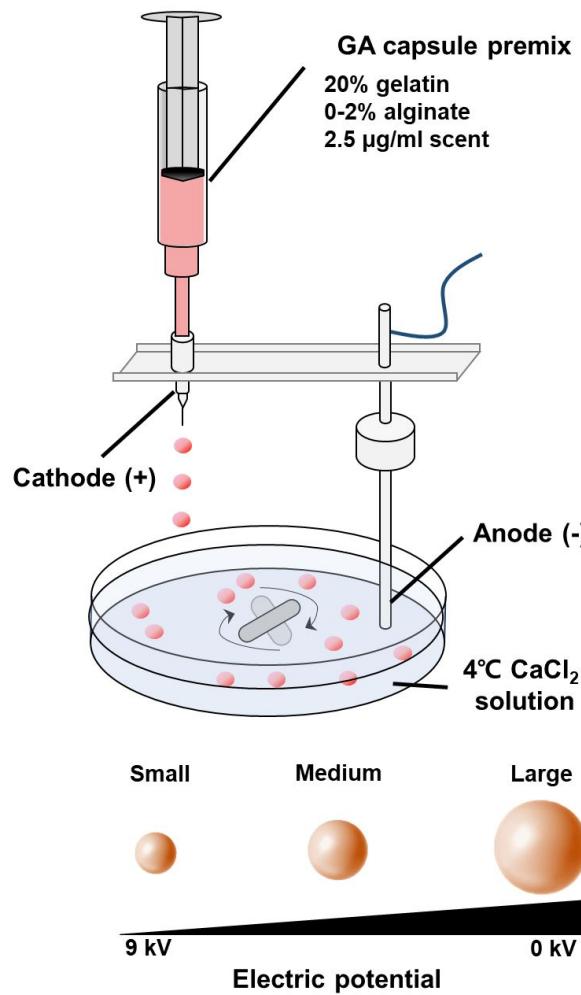
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Physicochemical Properties of Gelatin-Alginate IPN

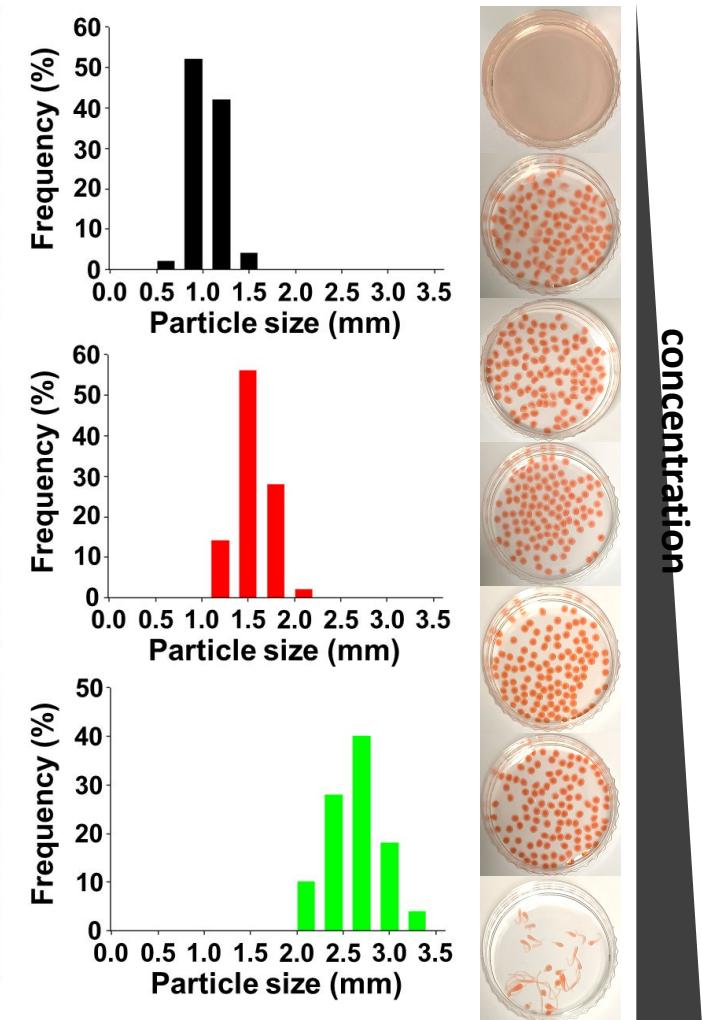
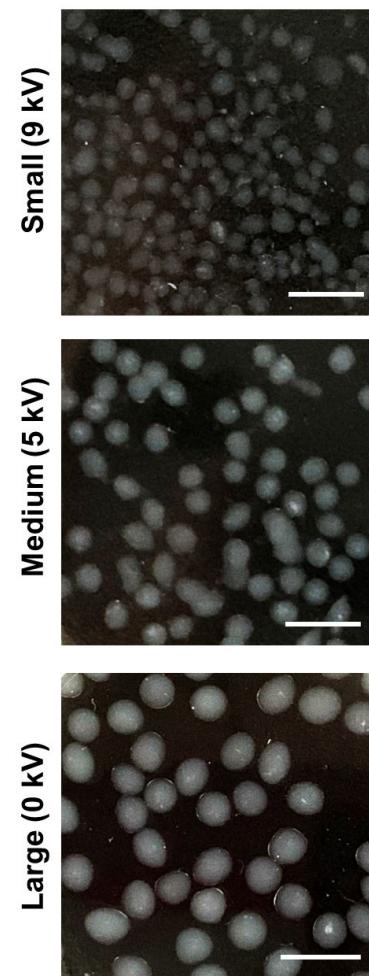


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Microcapsulation of Gelatin-Alginate IPN

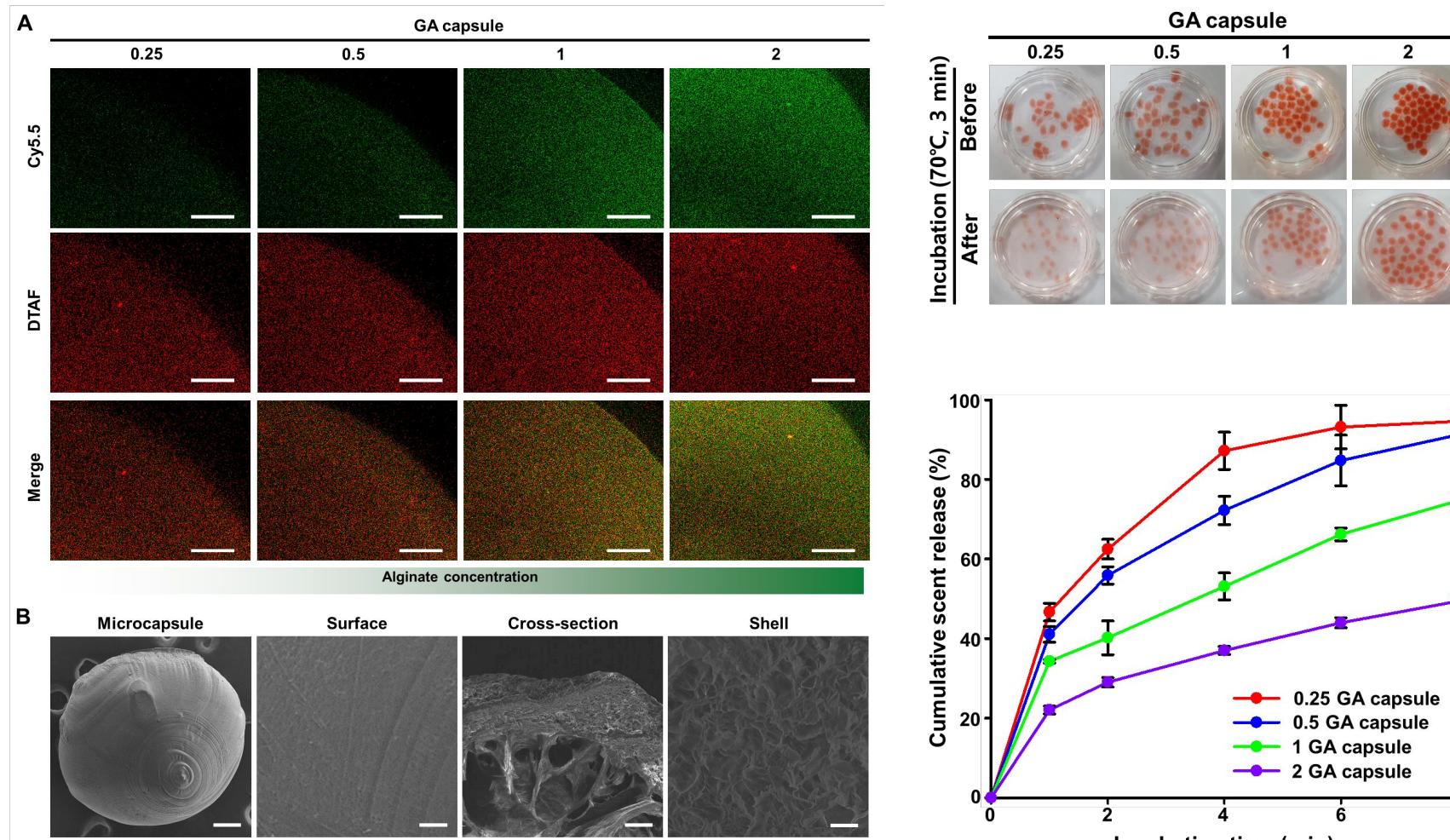


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Alginate concentration

Characteristics of Gelatin-Alginate Microcapsule



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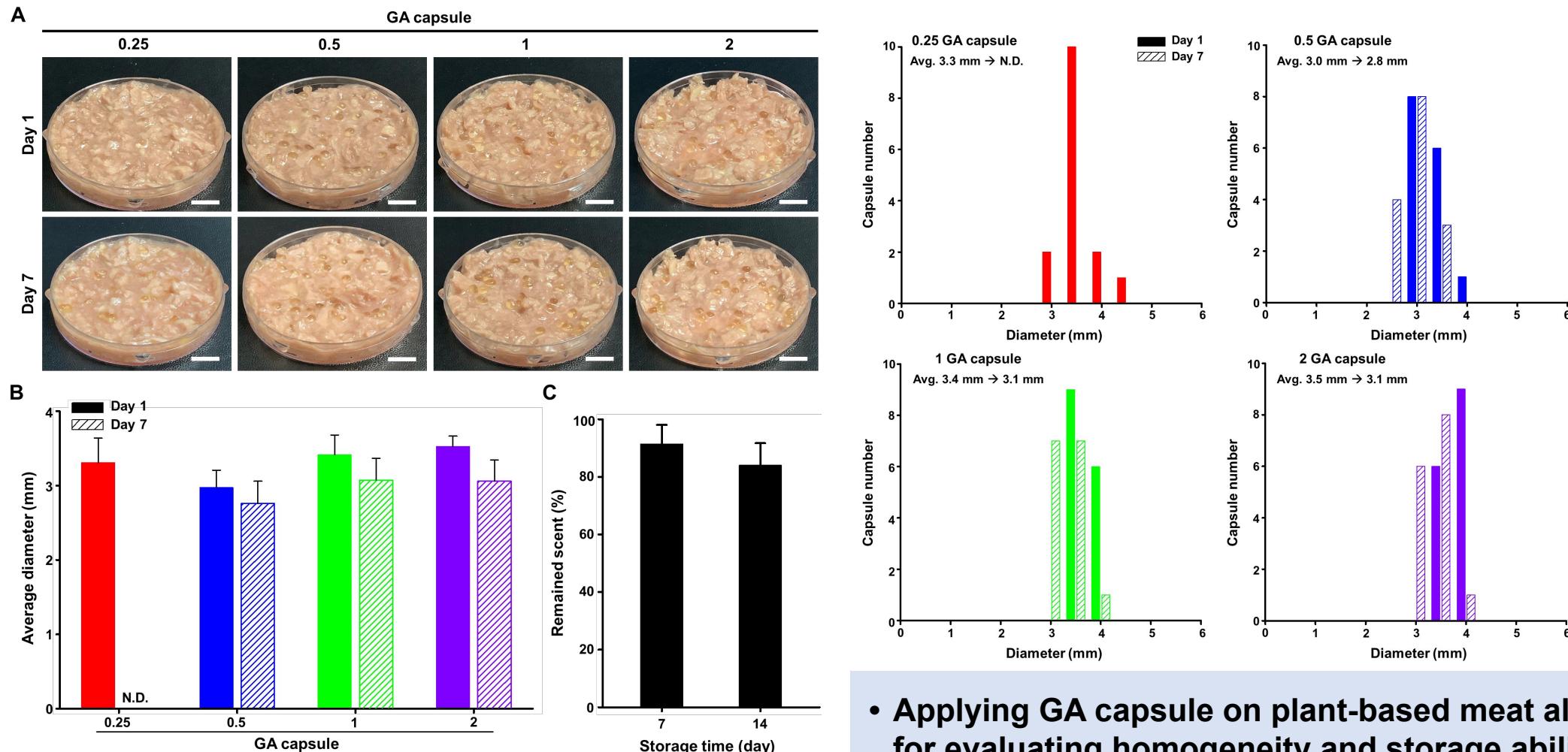


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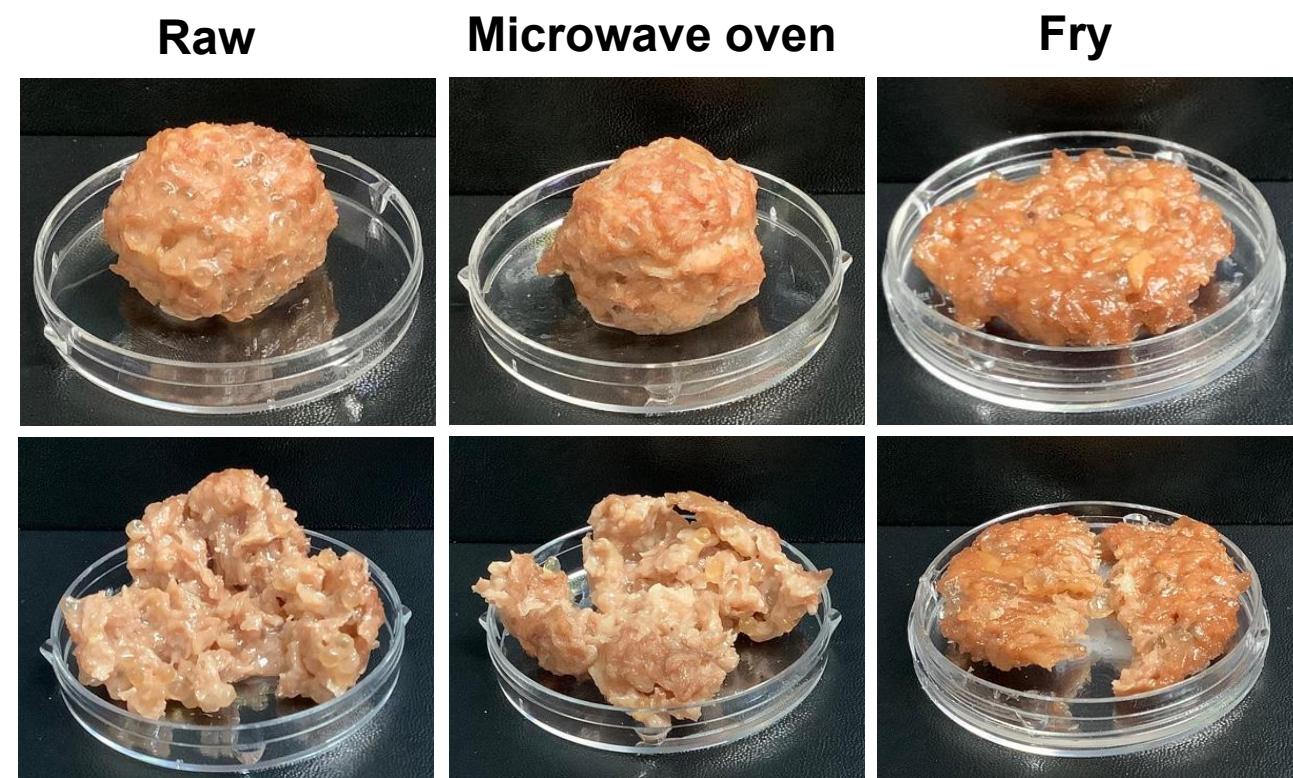
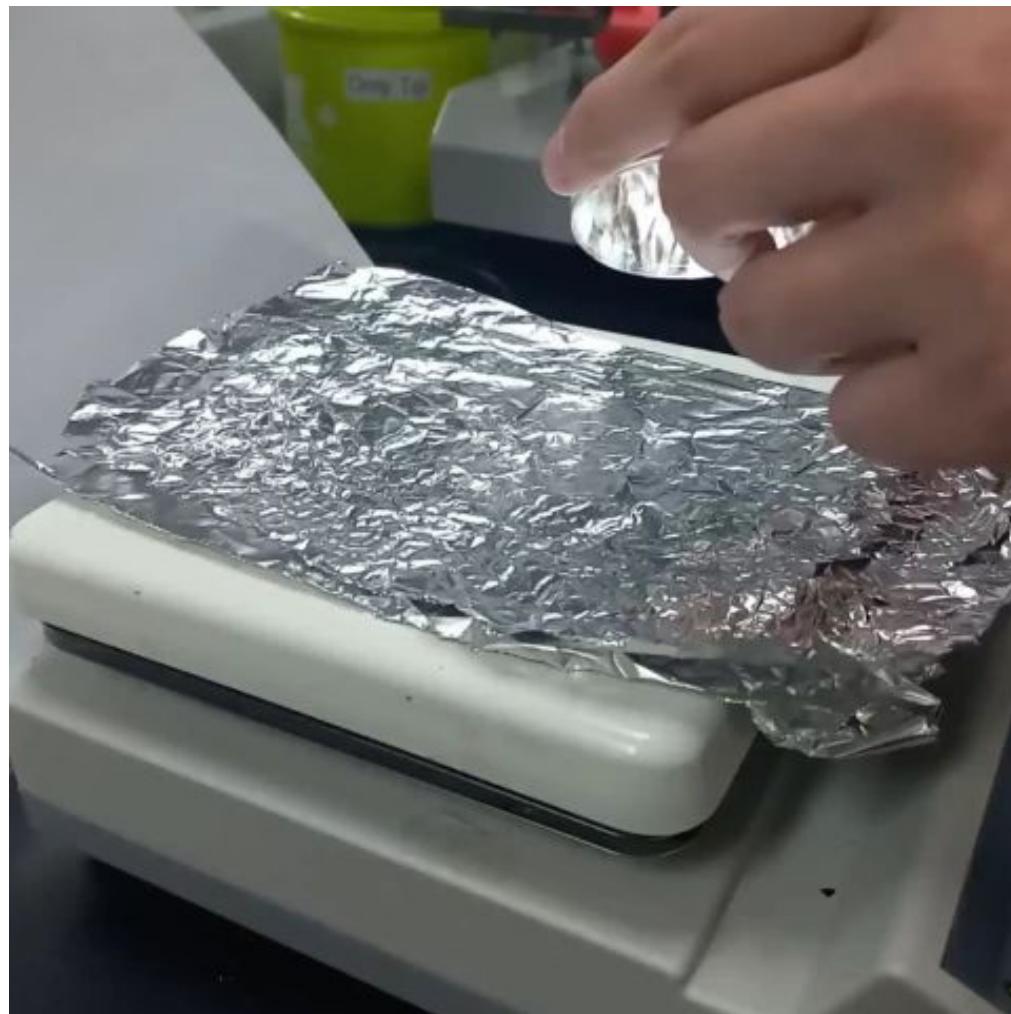
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Applicability of GA Microcapsule in Meat Alternatives



- Applying GA capsule on plant-based meat alternatives for evaluating homogeneity and storage ability

Evaluation in Cooking Condition



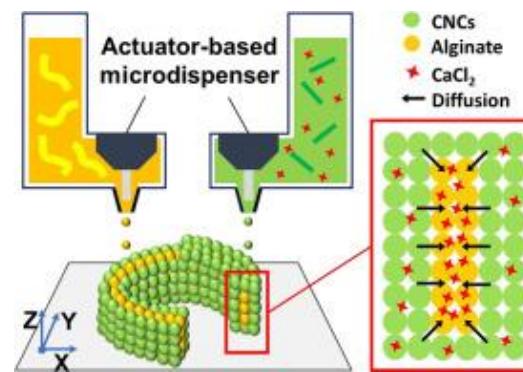
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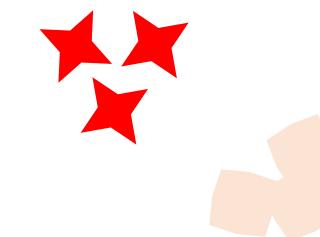
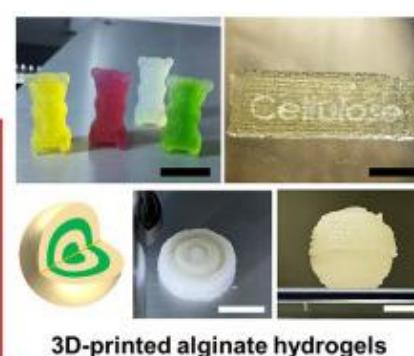
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Conclusion

1. Fabricating 'edible' temperature-responsive microcapsule for sustained release of scent molecules using biopolymers, alginate and gelatin
2. Reducing heterogeneity using electrostatic extrusion-based microcapsulation
3. Considering availability in food industry



Microformulation techniques



Other bioactive compounds



Sensory test/scale up



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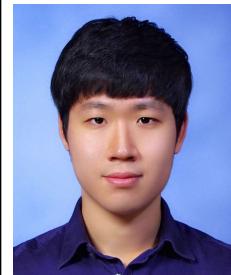
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