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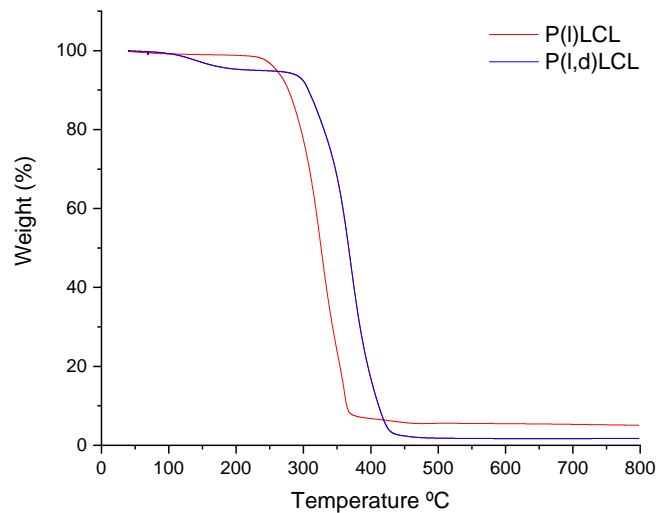
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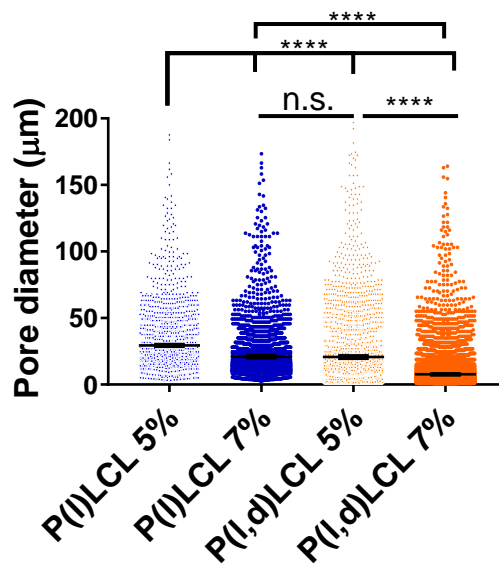
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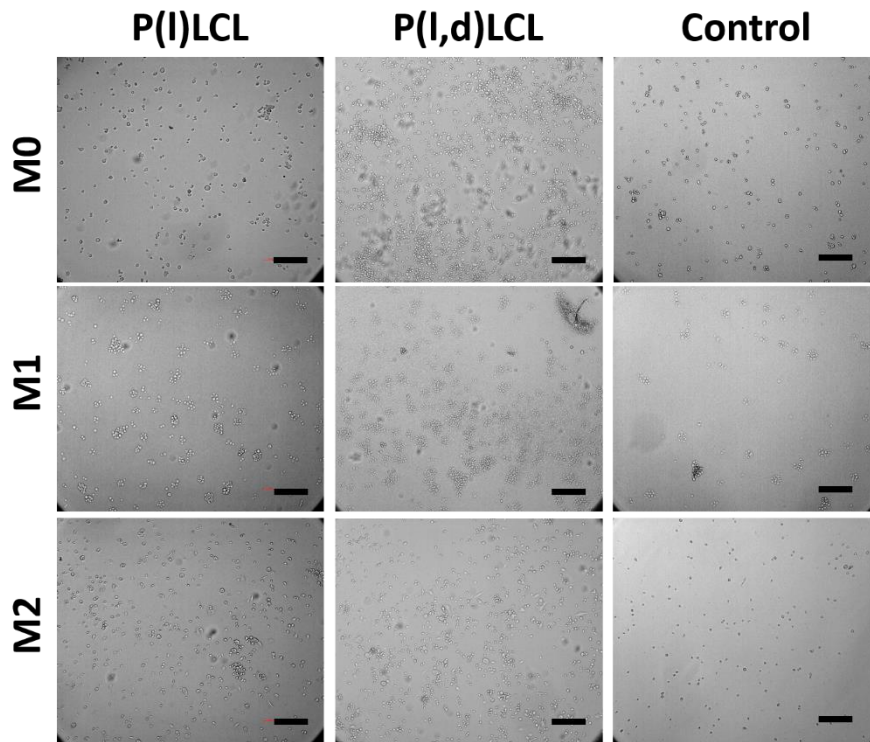
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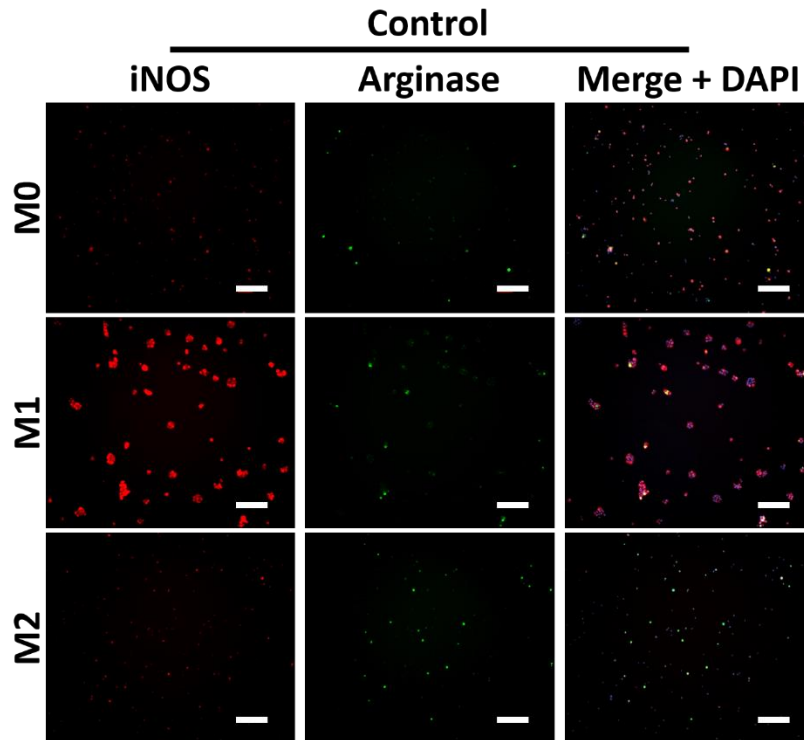
Supporting Information Figure 1. Thermogravimetric analysis of P(l)LCL and P(l,d)LCL under nitrogen atmosphere, showing a degradation onset of approximately 300°C and 350° C, respectively.



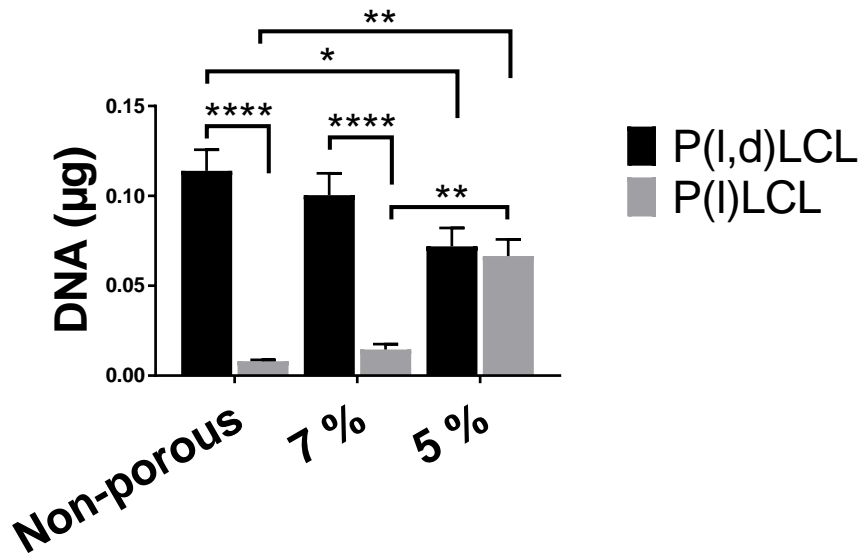
Supporting Information Figure 2. Pore diameter on dual porosity scaffolds. Error bars represent mean with 95 % CI. Statistical significance was calculated from one-way ANOVA with Tukey’s multiple comparison test. (****) $p < 0.0001$, (***) $p < 0.001$, (**) $p < 0.01$ and (*) $p < 0.1$.



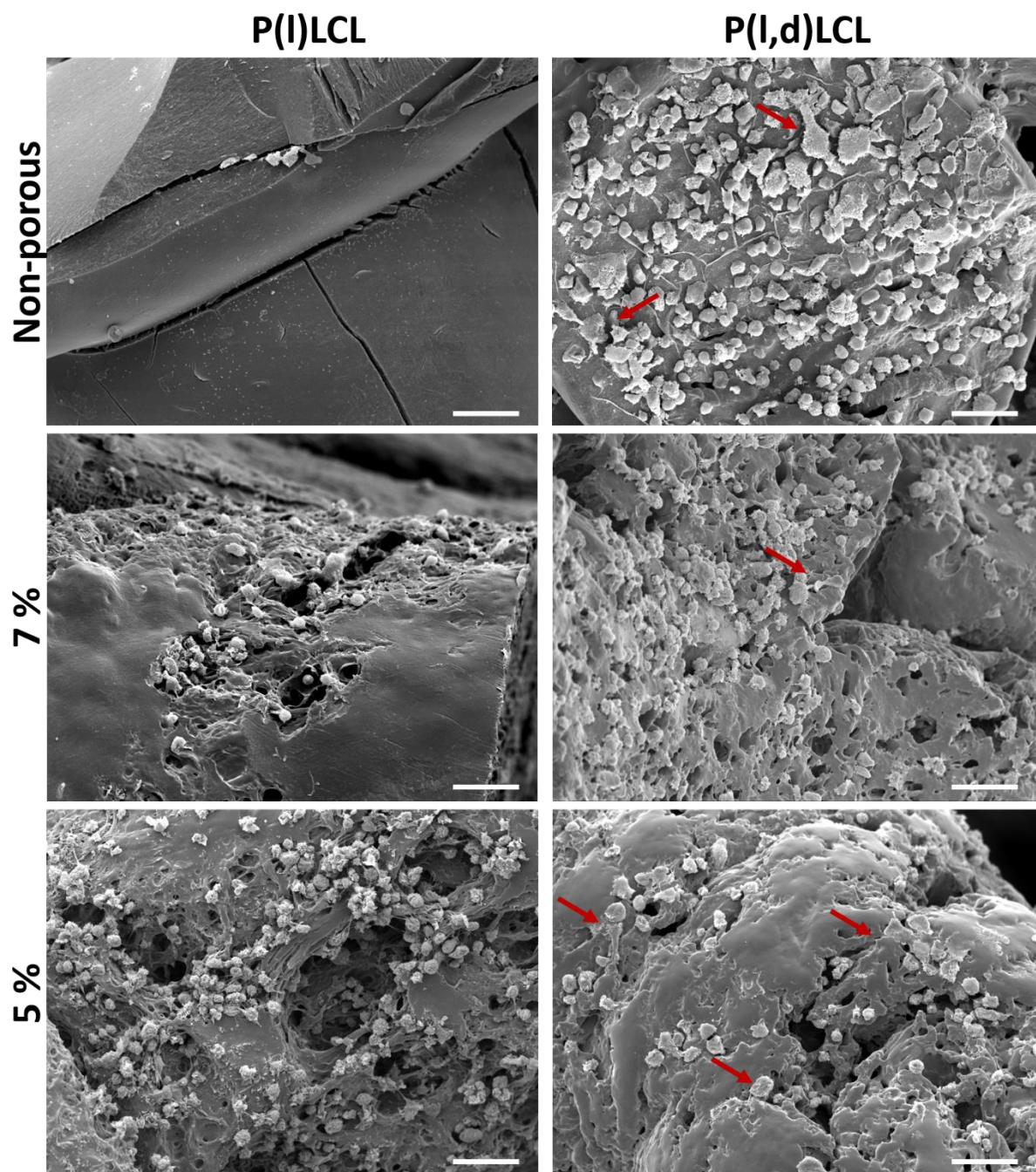
Supporting Information Figure 3. Bright field images of macrophages attached to 2D spin coated substrates of P(I)LCL, P(I,d)LCL and TCP control after 48 h of culture. M0 represents the native state of cells when attached to the substrate. M1 (LPS + IFN- γ) and M2 (IL-13 + IL-4) are macrophages after polarization with towards the corresponding phenotypes. Scale bar in all images is 200 μm .



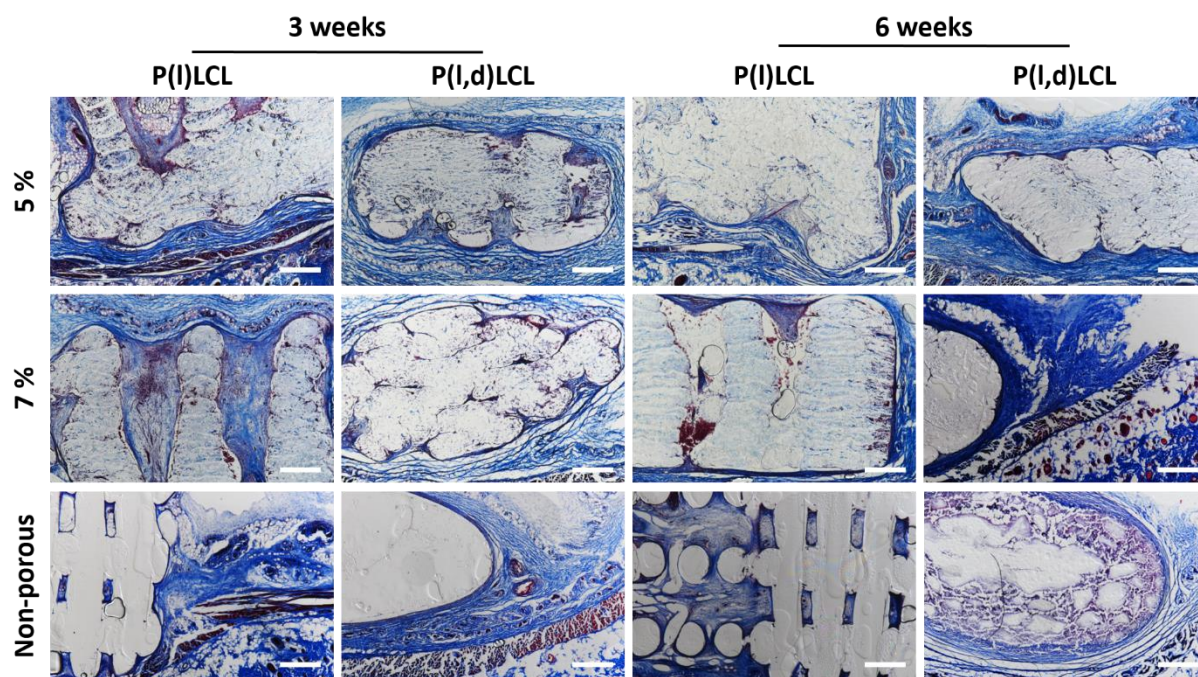
Supporting Information Figure 4. Fluorescence microscopy images of macrophages attached to TCP control after 48 h of culture. M0 represents the native state of cells when attached to the substrate. M1 (LPS + IFN- γ) and M2 (IL-13 + IL-4) are macrophages after polarization with towards the corresponding phenotypes. Cells were stained for iNOS (red), arginase (green) and DNA (DAPI, blue) Scale bar in all images is 200 μ m.



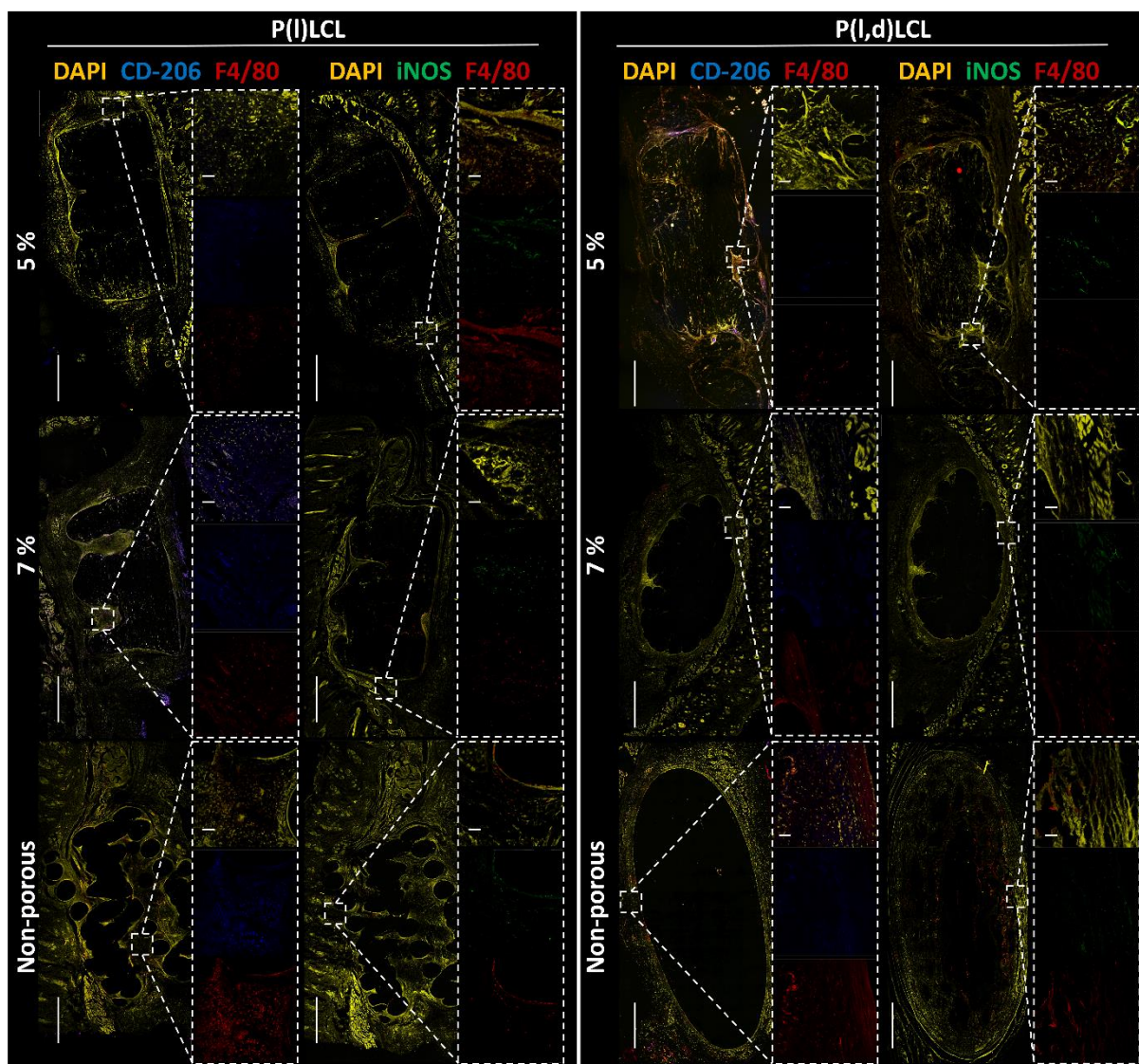
Supporting Information Figure 5. Cell attachment to 3D scaffolds. DNA quantification after 48h of culture in non-porous and dual-porosity scaffolds produced from 7% and 5% gels of P(1,d)LCL and P(1)LCL. Statistical significance was calculated from two-way ANOVA with Tukey's multiple comparison test. (****) $p < 0.0001$, (***) $p < 0.001$, (**) $p < 0.01$ and (*) $p < 0.05$.



Supporting Information Figure 6. Scanning electron microscopy images of macrophages cultured in FDM (non-porous) scaffolds and, 7% and 5% dual-porosity scaffolds fabricated from P(l)LCL or P(l,d)LCL copolymers. Red arrows indicate flattened cells. Scale bar is 50 μm .



Supporting Information Figure 7. Optical microscopy images of non-porous scaffolds and, 7% and 5% dual-porosity scaffolds fabricated from P(I)LCL or P(I,d)LCL copolymers after in-vivo implantation for 3 and 6 weeks. Scale bar is 500 μm .



Supporting Information Figure 8. Macrophage polarization state after 6 weeks of in-vivo implantation. Immunofluorescence staining of macrophages in the proximity to non-porous and porous P(I)LCL or P(I,d)LCL scaffolds prepared from 7% and 5% polymer gels. Macrophages were stained for F4/80 (red) and mannose receptor (CD-206, blue, M2) or iNOS (green, M1). The entire section was also stained for DAPI (nucleus, yellow) to identify other cells. Scale bar in all images is 1 mm. Dash line boxes indicate areas where a zoom-in was taken. Scale bar in zoom-in images is 30 μ m.

Table 1. Porosity of scaffolds from μ CT scans

Sample	Porosity (%)	Closed Porosity (%)	Total surface area (mm²)	Total pore volume (mm³)
P(l)LCL 5%	61,53	0,01	3103	30,8
P(l)LCL 7%	69,16	0,07	2020	34,6
P(l,d)LCL 5%	53,33	0,01	3543	26,6
P(l,d)LCL 7%	60,97	0,03	2548	30,5