

Blood compatibility of sulfonated *Cladophora* nanocellulose beads

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Material characterization: Pore size distribution

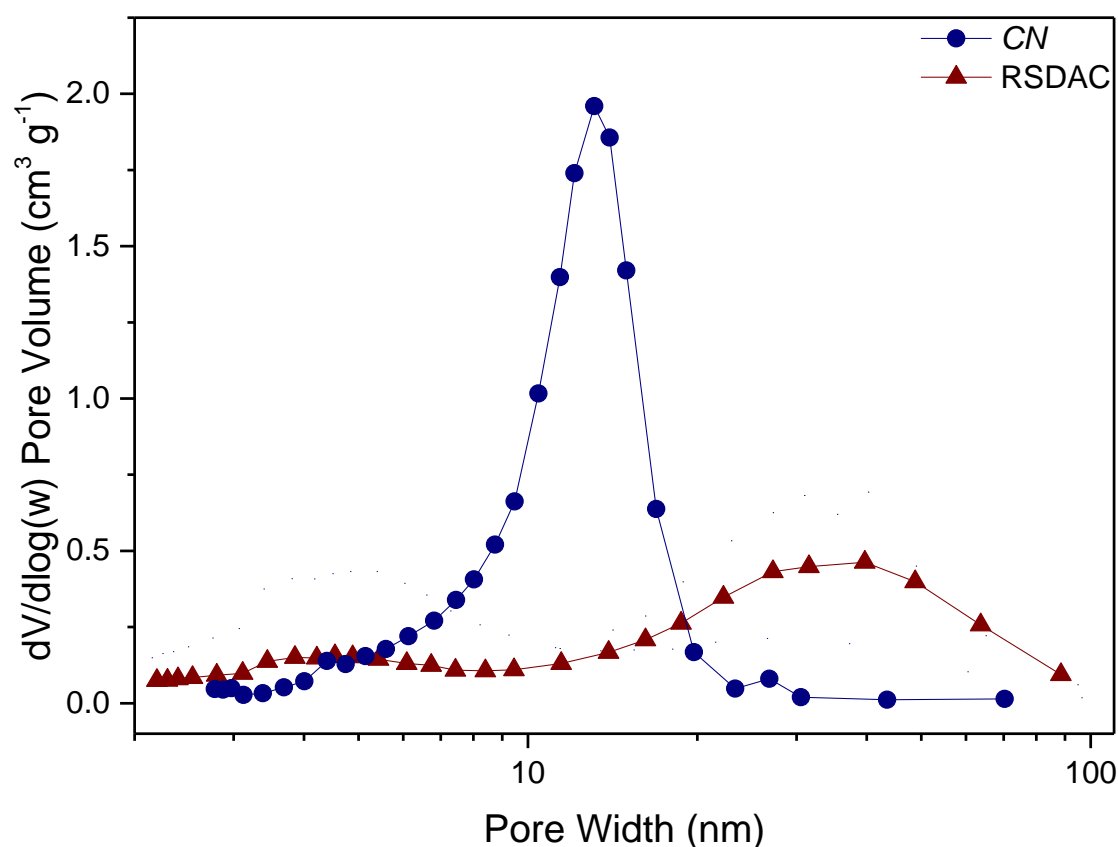


Figure S1 – Pore size distribution of Cladophora nanocellulose and RSDAC beads

Control experiments for the retention of blood activation markers.

Control experiments were performed to investigate if blood activation markers were retained by the materials. The cellulosic materials were incubated with standard solutions of the activation markers in the same conditions as in the loop experiments. The studied materials (5 mg mL⁻¹) were incubated with a standard solution of TAT (14.6 µg L⁻¹) during 1 h, under rotation at 37 °C. The dispersion was centrifuged at 1000g for 15 min and the supernatants collected and analysed by ELISA. The TAT values obtained before (control) and after incubation with the materials were compared to each other to determine if the samples significantly retain TAT.

For C3a and sC5b-9 the cellulosic samples were incubated with Zymosan activated serum (0.7 µg L⁻¹ C3a and 7.8 AU mL⁻¹ sC5b-9), following the same procedure as described for TAT.

Table S1. Levels of TAT, C3a and sC5b-9 after standard solution incubations with the studied materials.

	Cladophora		
	Control	nanocellulose	RSDAC
TAT (µg L⁻¹)	19.7±2.9	12.1±2.9*	18.2±2.9
C3a (µg L⁻¹)	0.7±0.1	ND	ND
sC5b-9 (AU mL⁻¹)	7.8±1.1	5.5±1.1*	6.4±1.1*

* Statistically significant differences between control (before incubation) and after incubation with the materials ($p < 0.05$)

ND= non-detectable