

# 3D Bone marrow modeling for platelet production

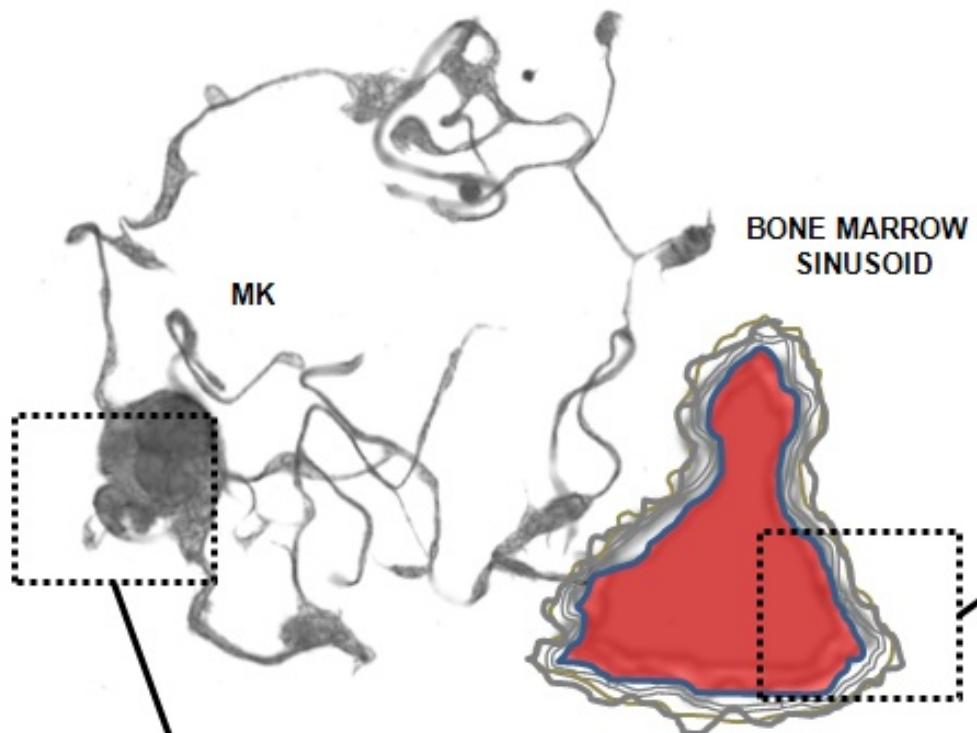
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About 13 millions platelet concentrates are collected annually in Europe at a cost of about 0.75 billion-euro. In Italy about 1 million of platelet concentrates are collected and about 0.7 million are transfused annually. They are needed by people who lack platelets or whose platelets function improperly, such as certain cancer chemotherapy, bone marrow transplant patients, trauma patients given massive blood transfusion and people with aplastic anemia. The short shelf life means that platelets cannot easily be shipped from an area of surplus to one of scarcity, and hospitals occasionally experience shortages that require surgeries to be postponed.

## BONE MARROW ENVIRONMENT



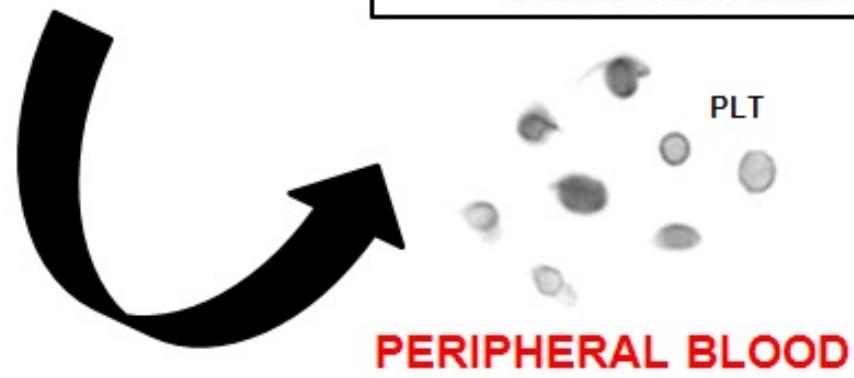
### EXTRACELLULAR CONSTITUENTS

- EXTRACELLULAR MATRICES
- PHYSICAL PARAMETERS (i.e. OXYGEN TENSION)
- SOLUBLE FACTORS (CYTOKINES, CHEMOKINES)
- FLUIDS AND MATRICES MECHANICS AND STRUCTURE (i.e. FIBROSIS)

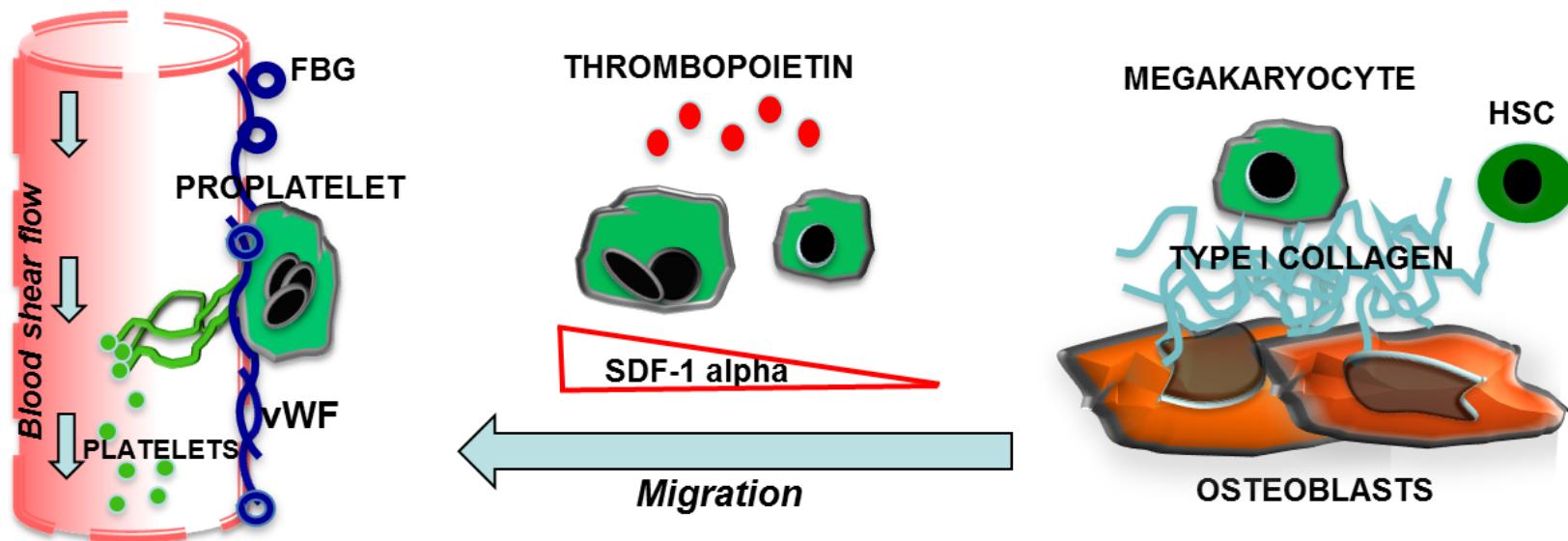
### CELLULAR CONSTITUENTS

- MEMBRANE RECEPTORS (GPIb-IX-V, INTEGRINS)
- CYTOSKELETAL PROTEINS (MYOSIN IIA, TUBULIN, FILAMIN-A)

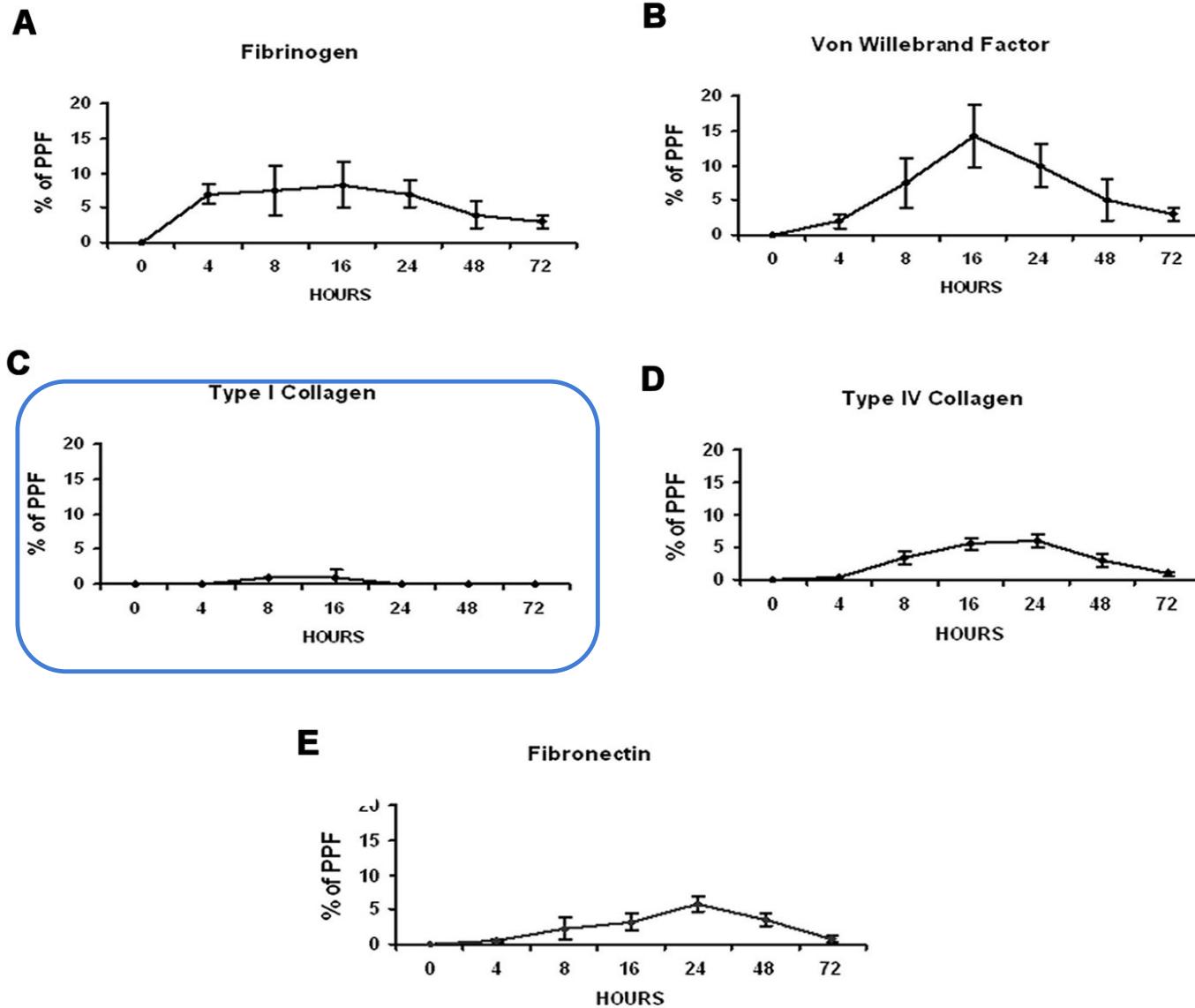
### FUNCTIONAL AND NORMAL SIZED PLATELET



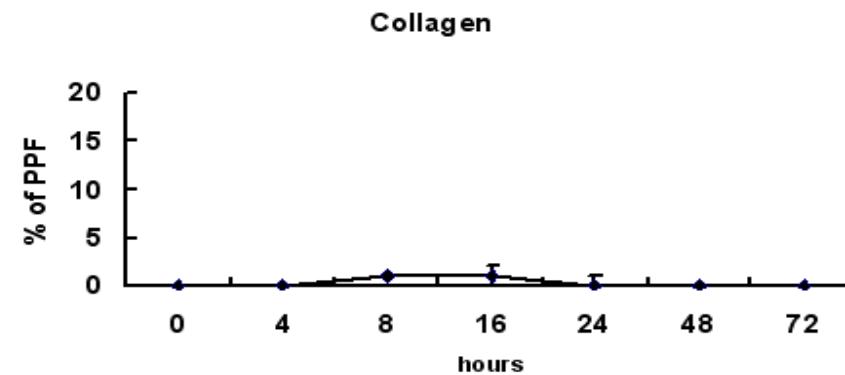
# Bone marrow niches and MK function



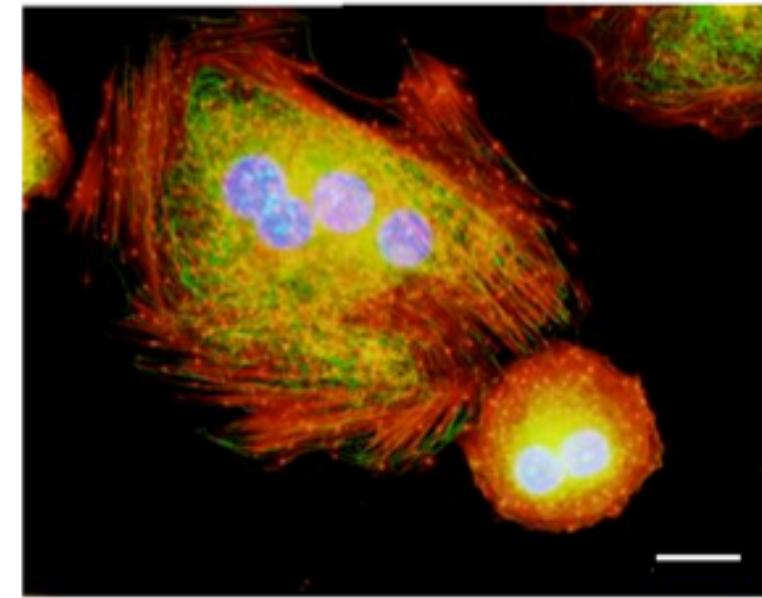
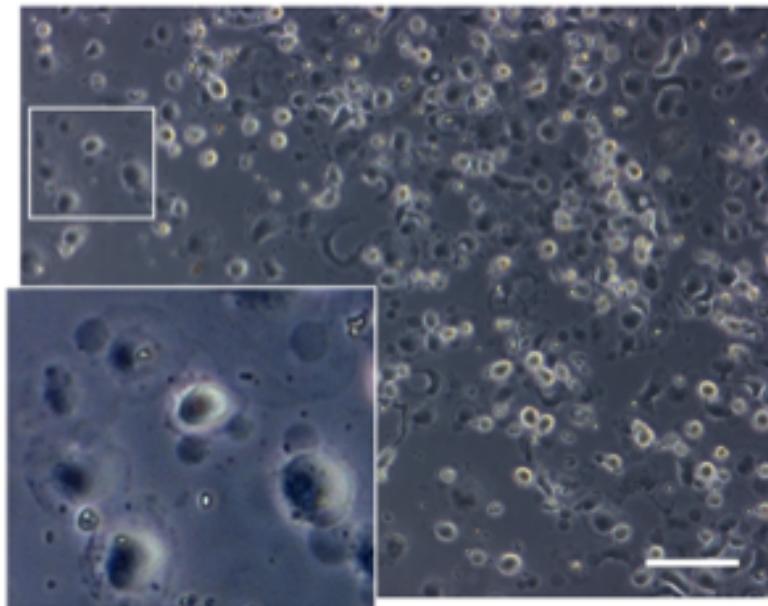
# Mk adhesion to different adhesive proteins



# Mk behavior on type I Collagen

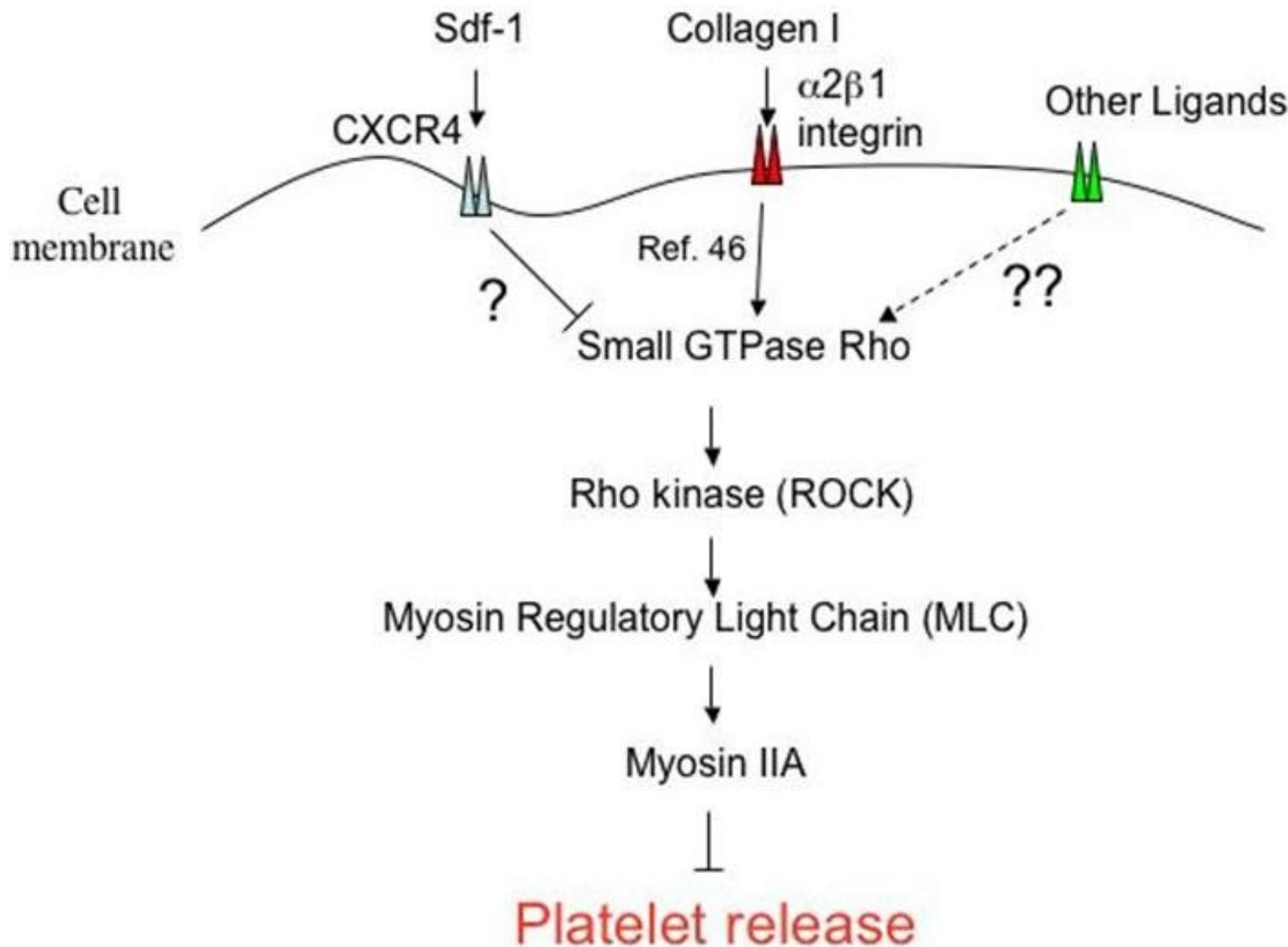


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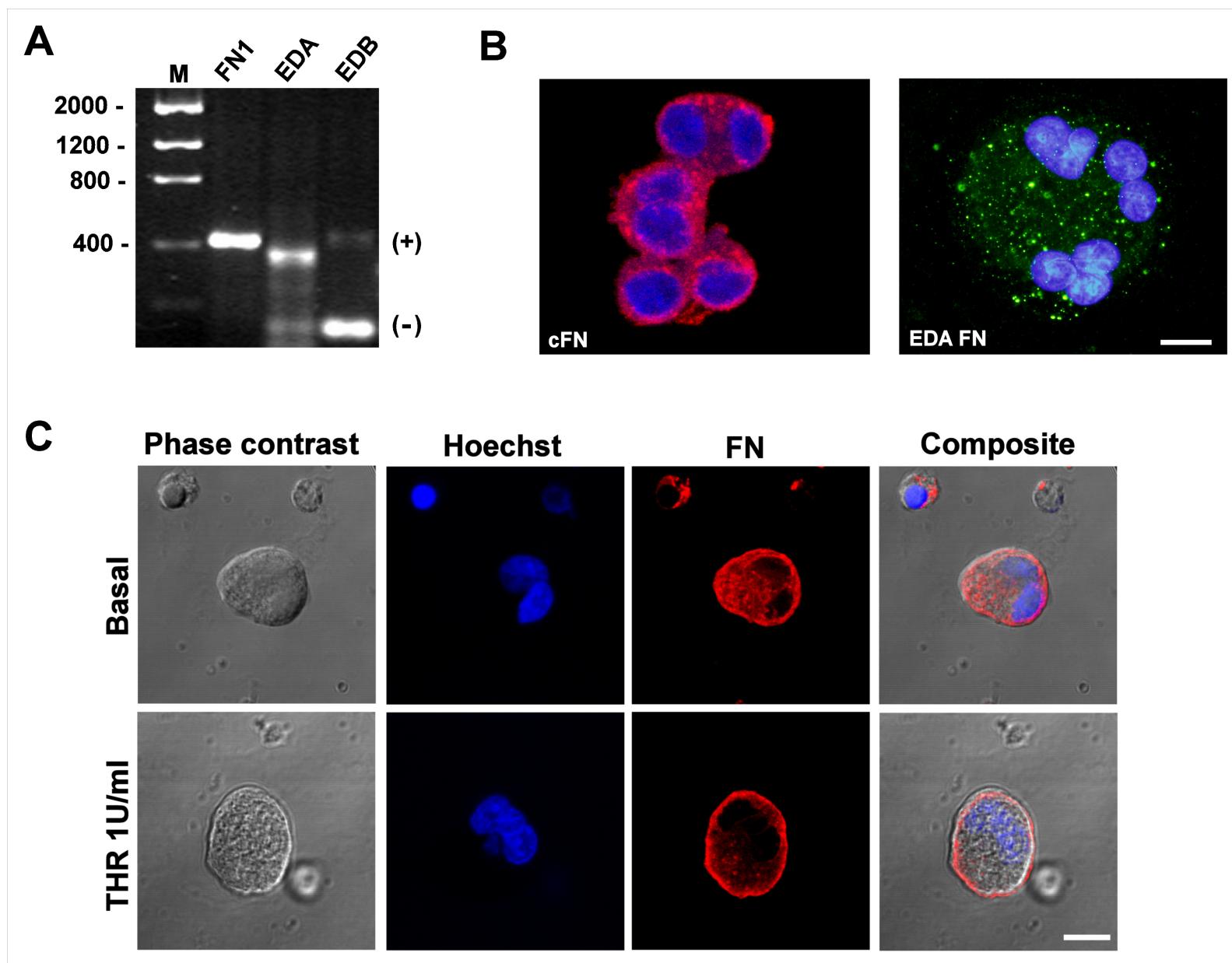


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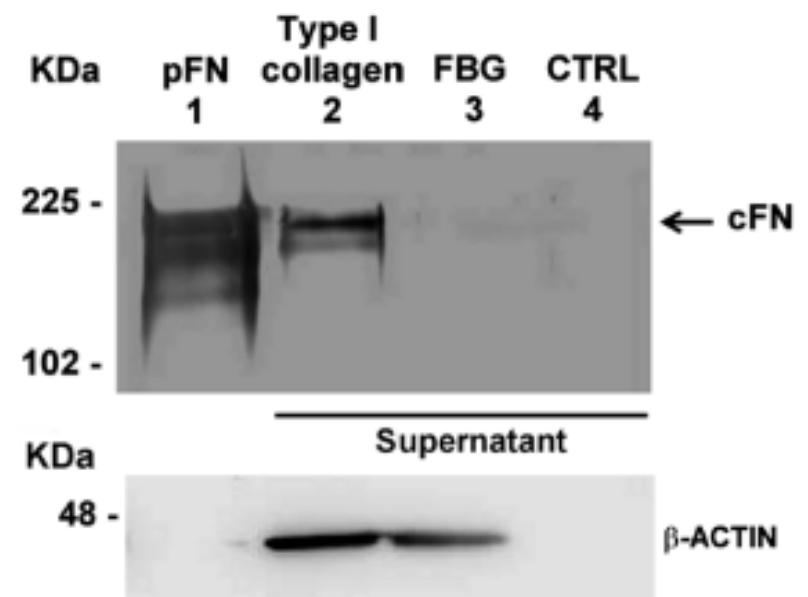
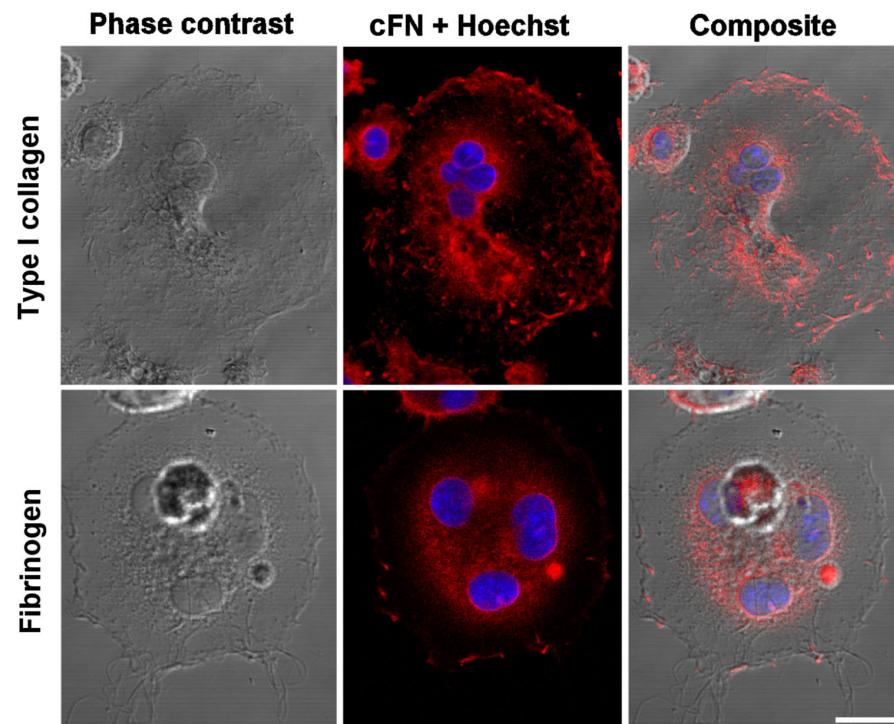
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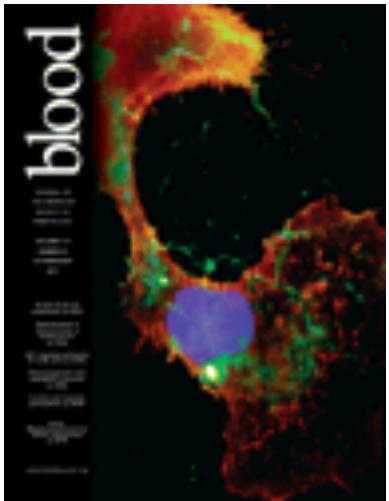


# Mks express fibronectin

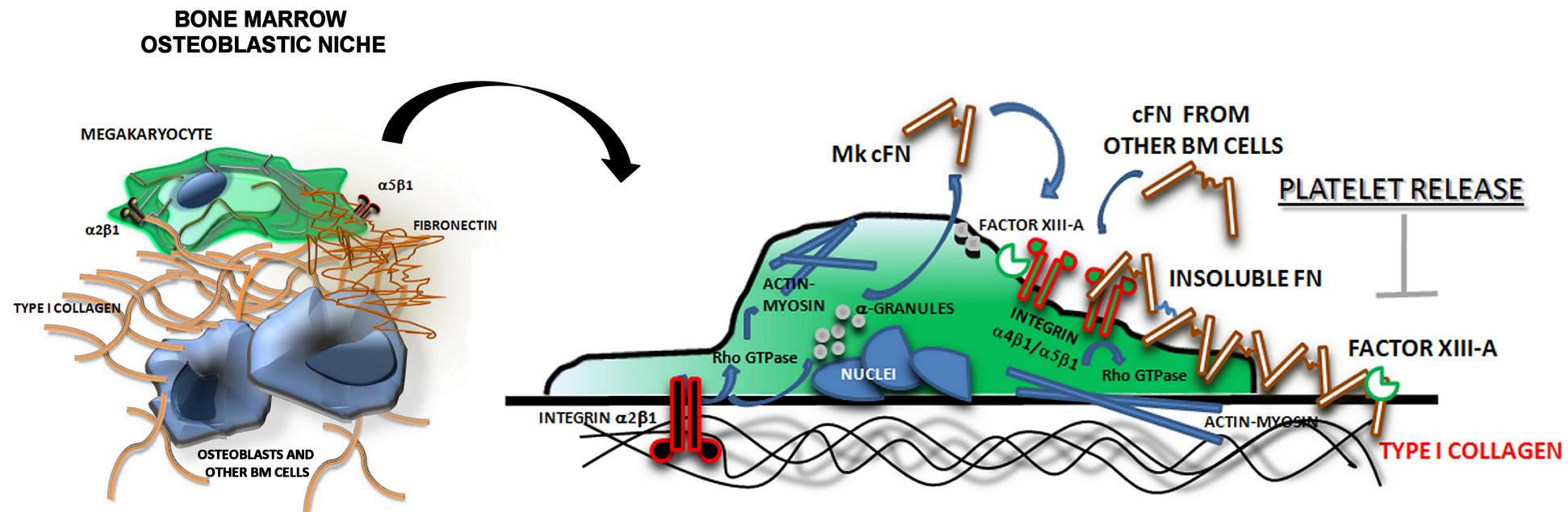


# Fibronectin modulates Mk adhesion



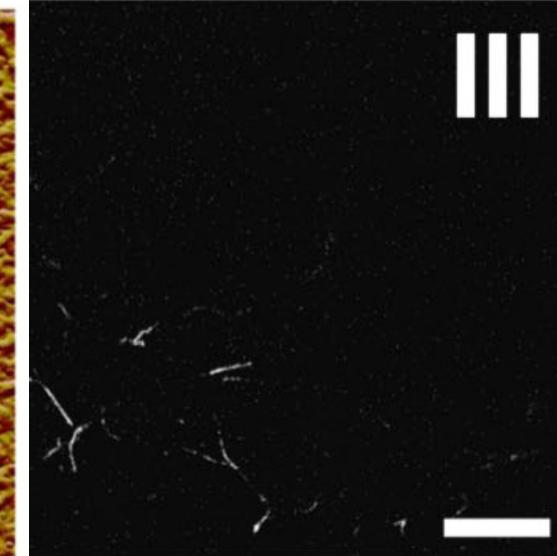
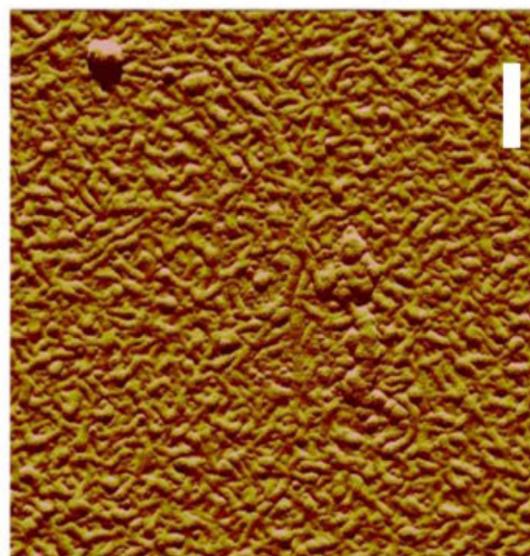
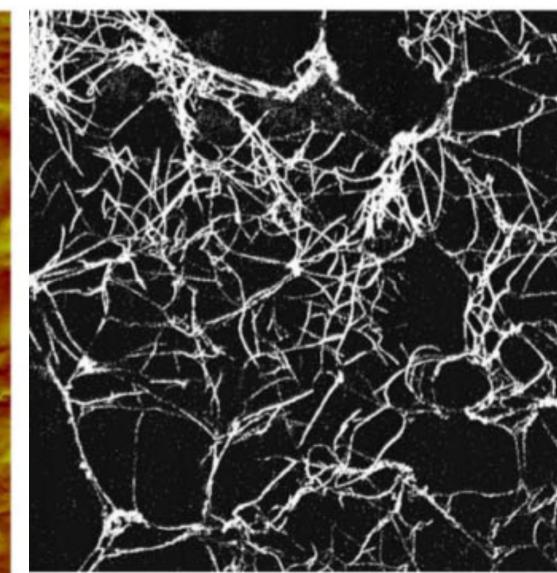
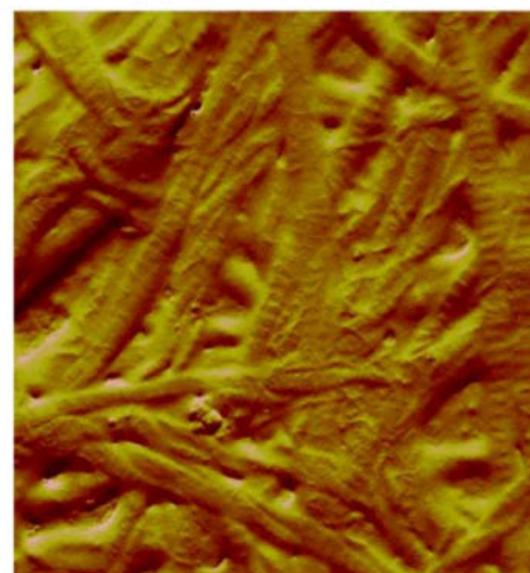
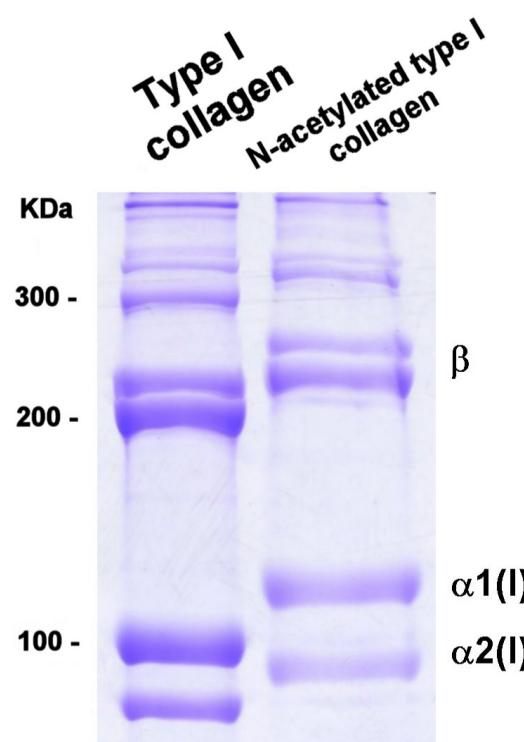


# Model of Mk interaction within bone marrow environment

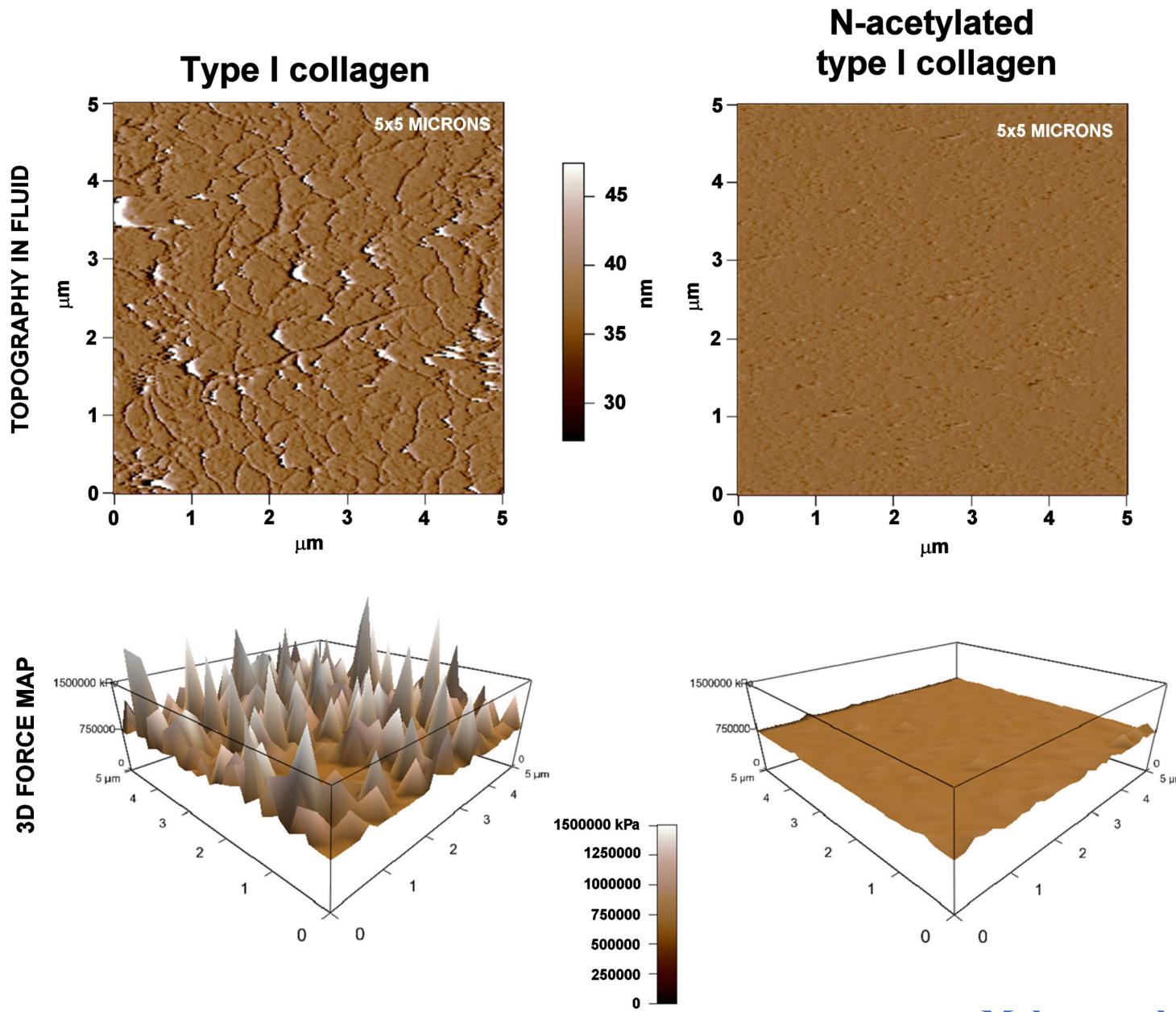


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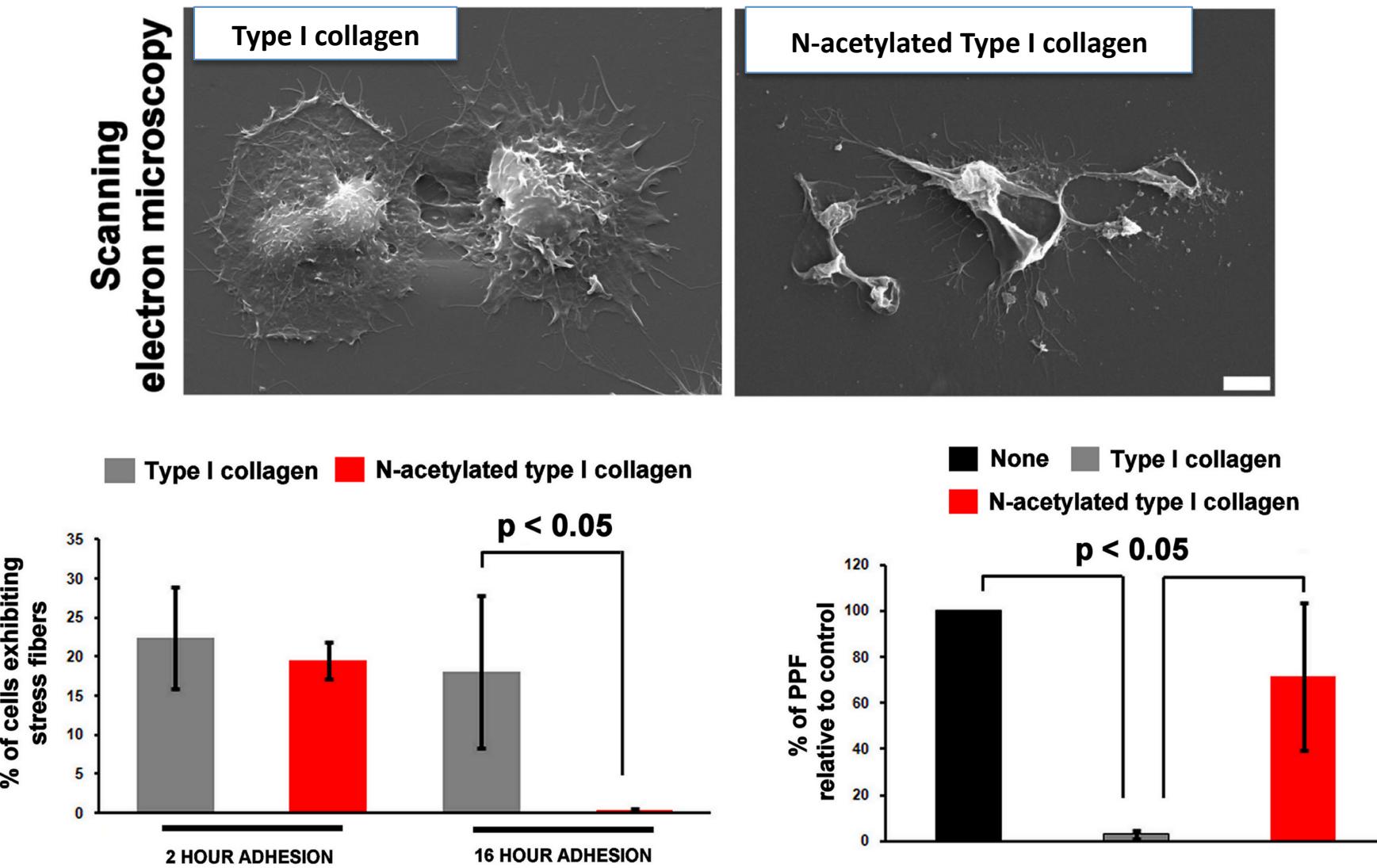
# Chemical and Structural characterization



# Nano-mechanical properties

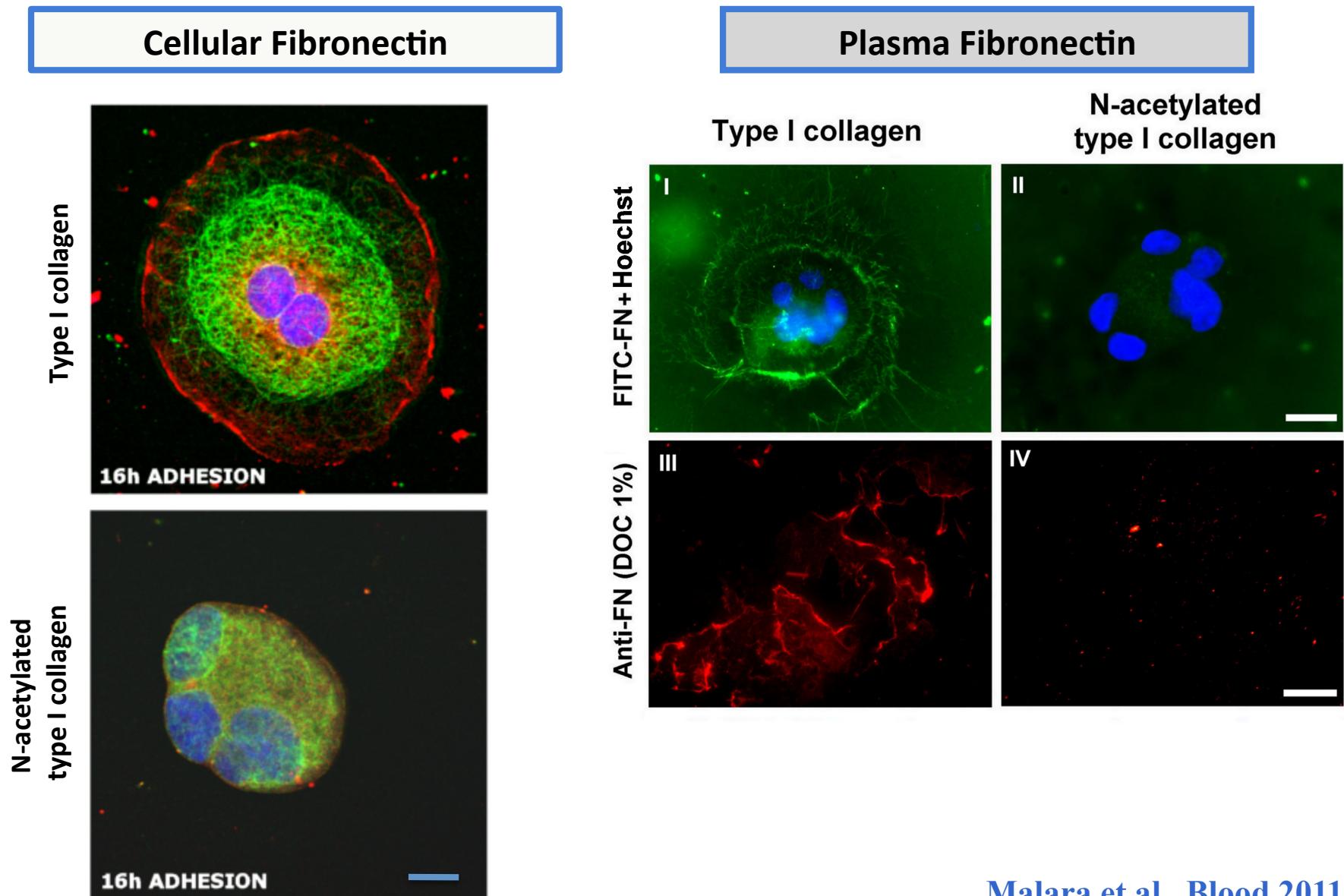


# Mk function



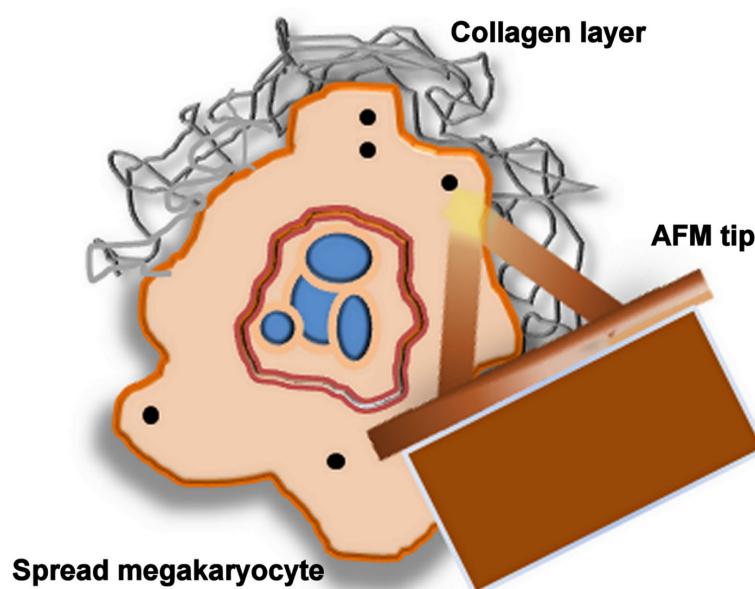
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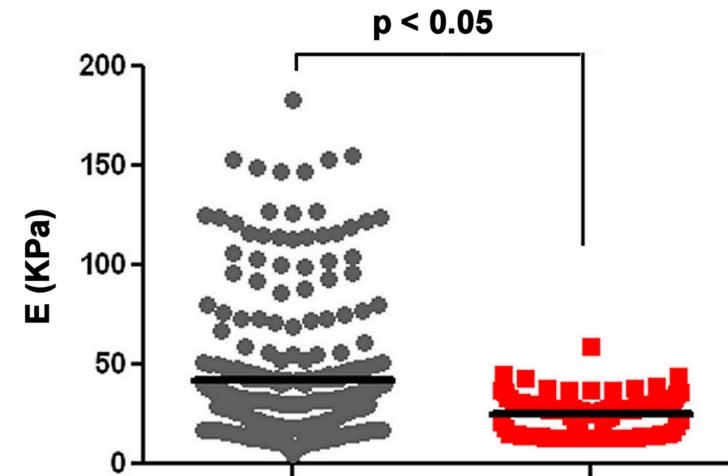


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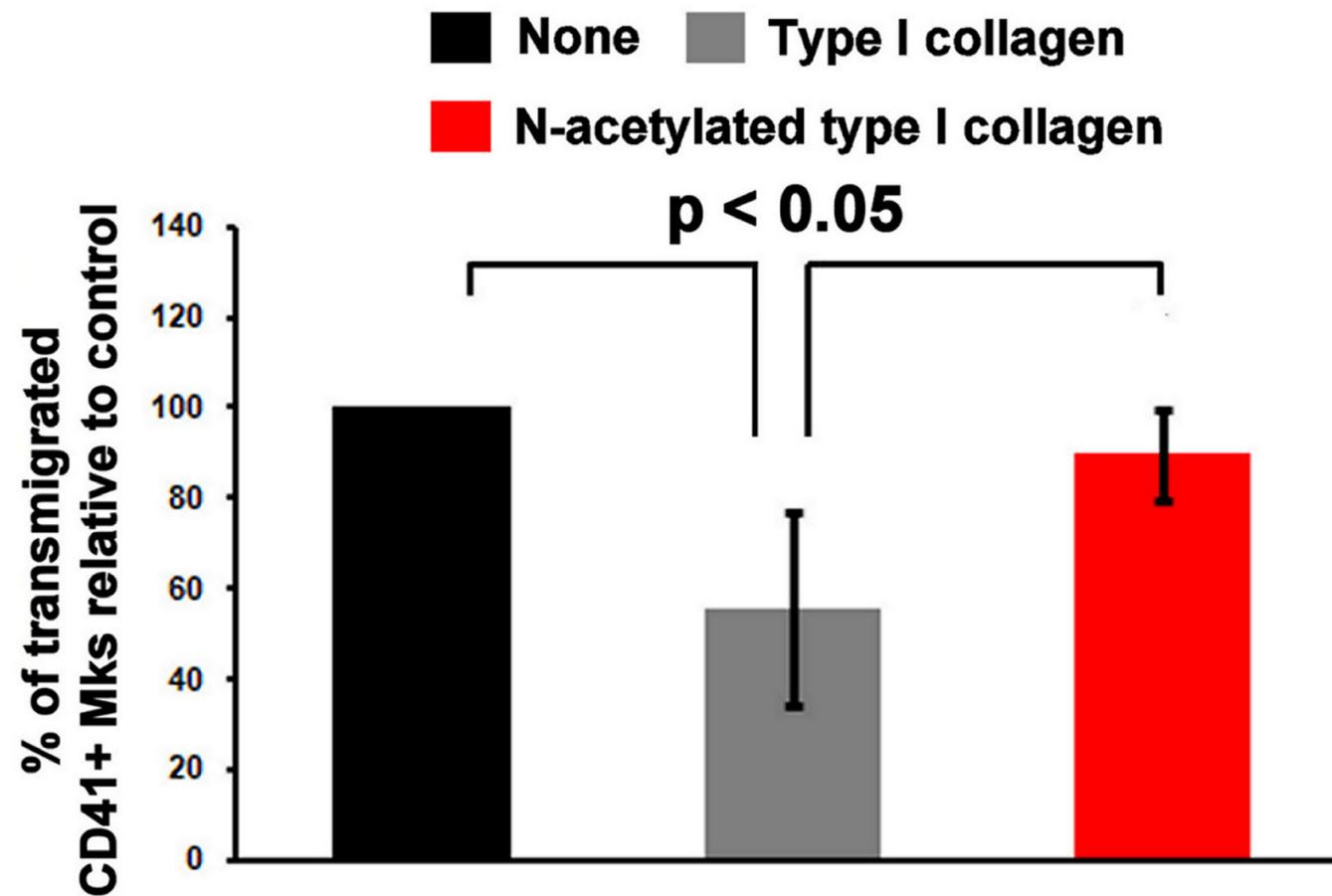
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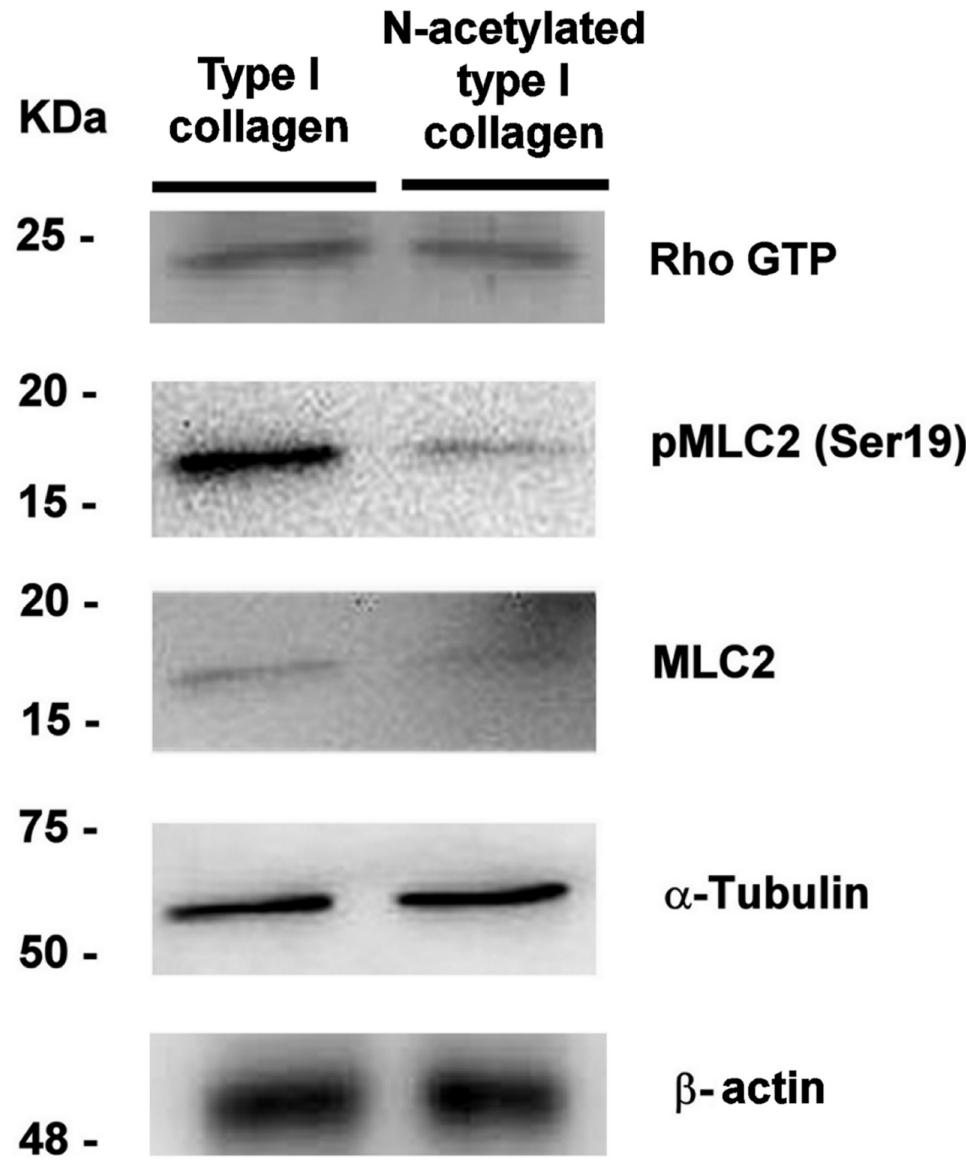
- Spread cells on type I collagen
- Spread cells on N-acetylated type I collagen



# MK migration

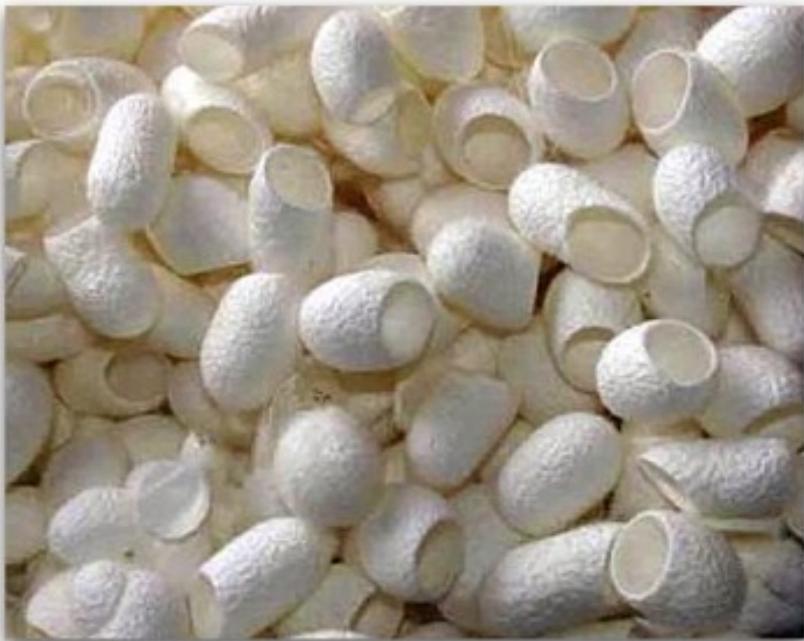


# Impact of collagen nano-mechanics on pMLC2



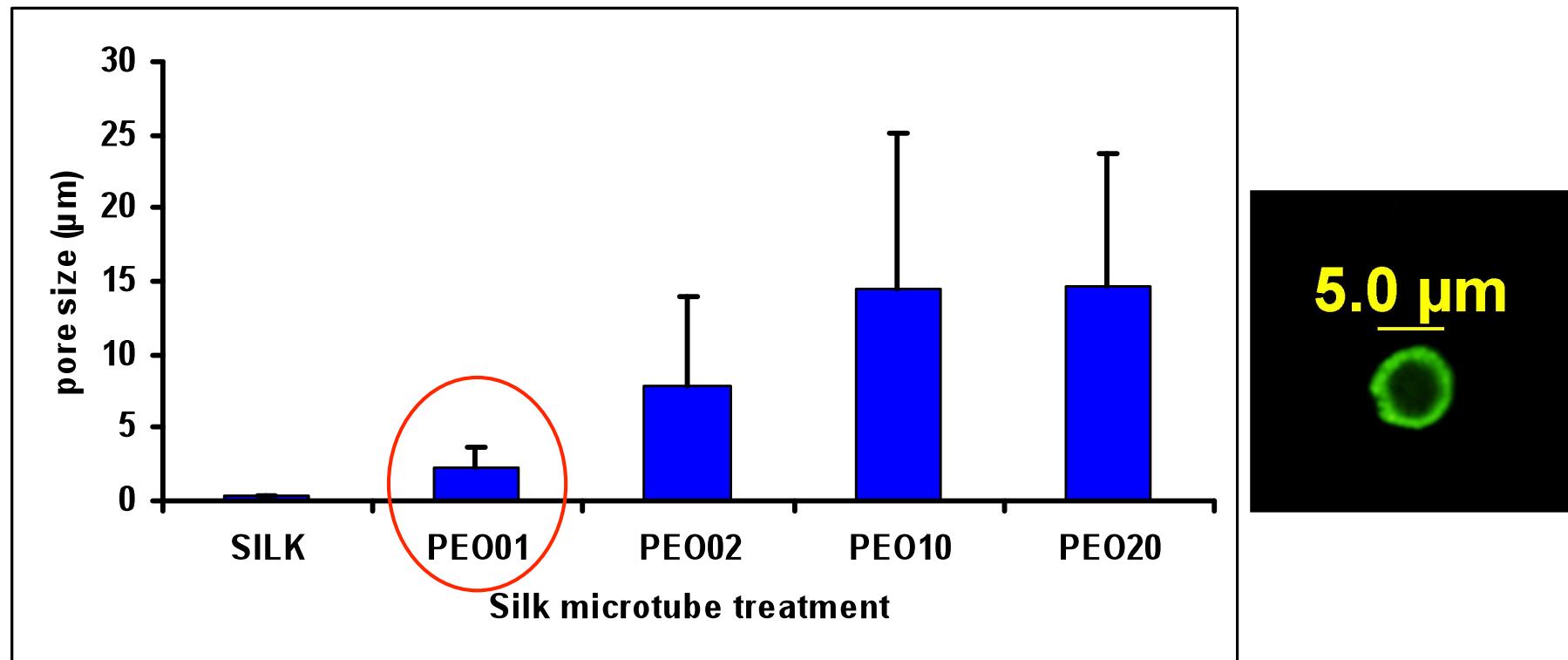
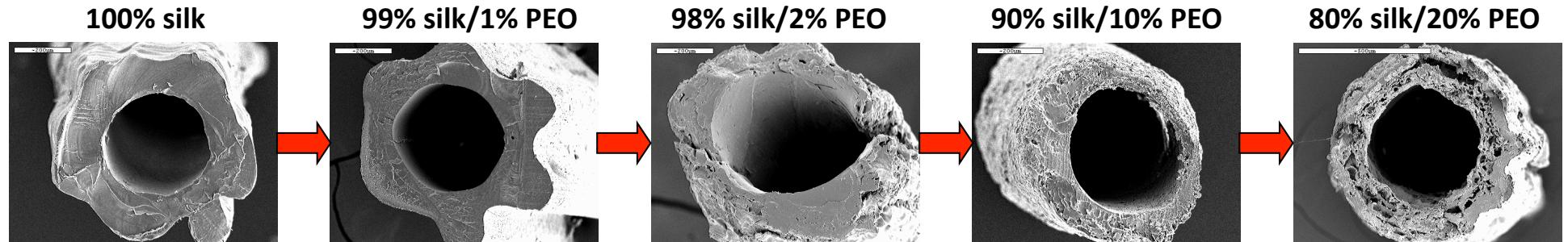
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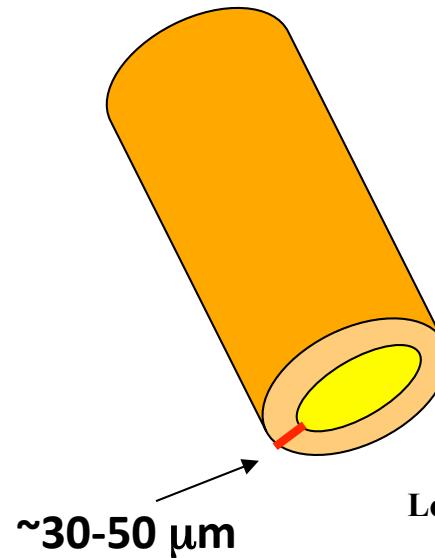
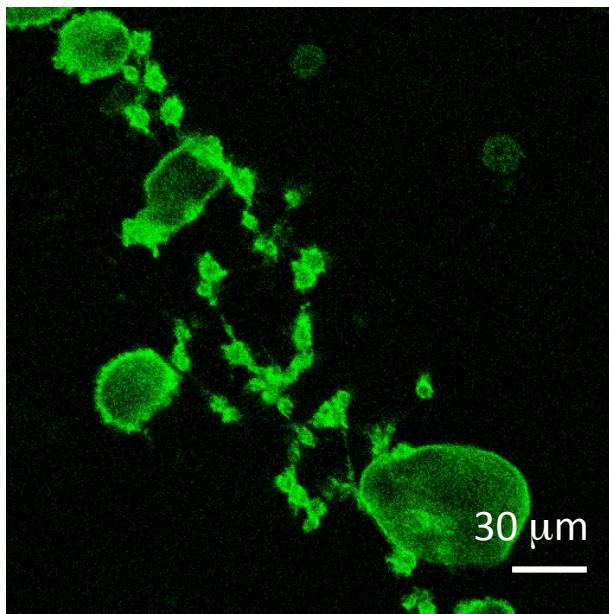


Omenetto and Kaplan, Science 2010

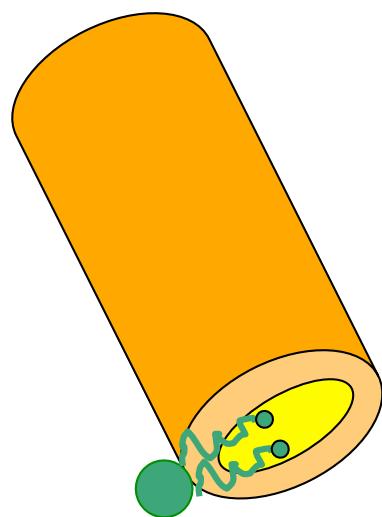
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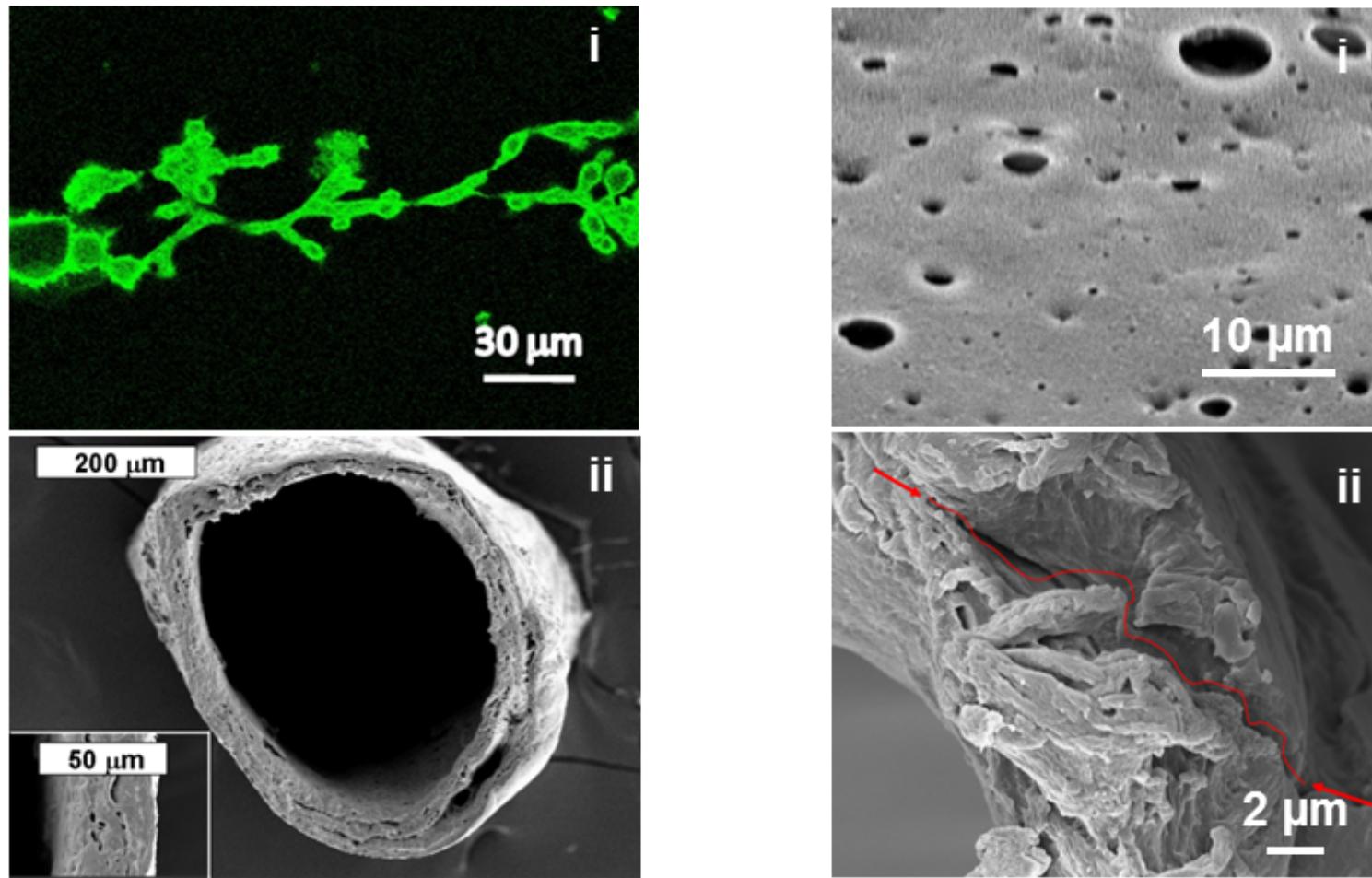
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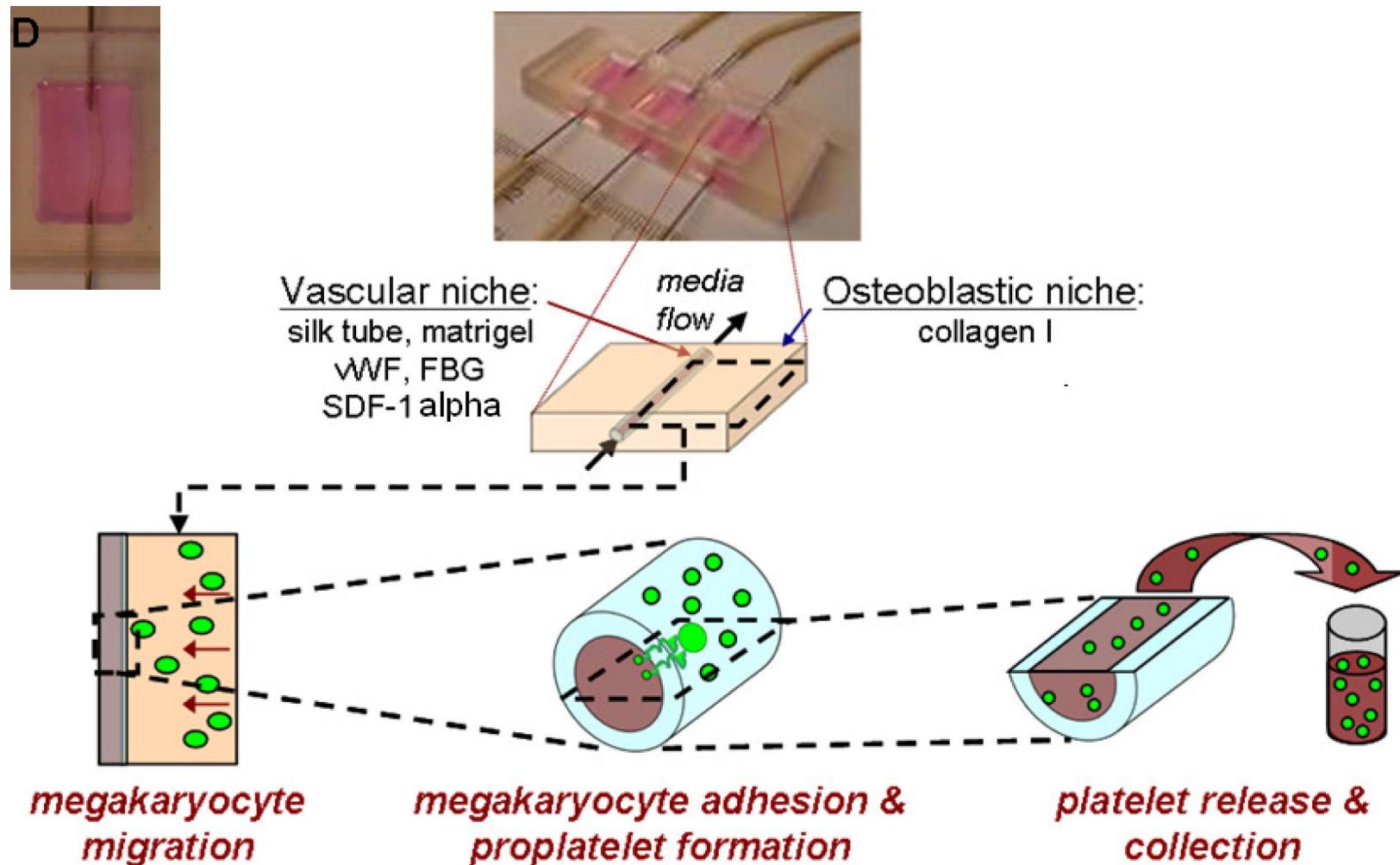
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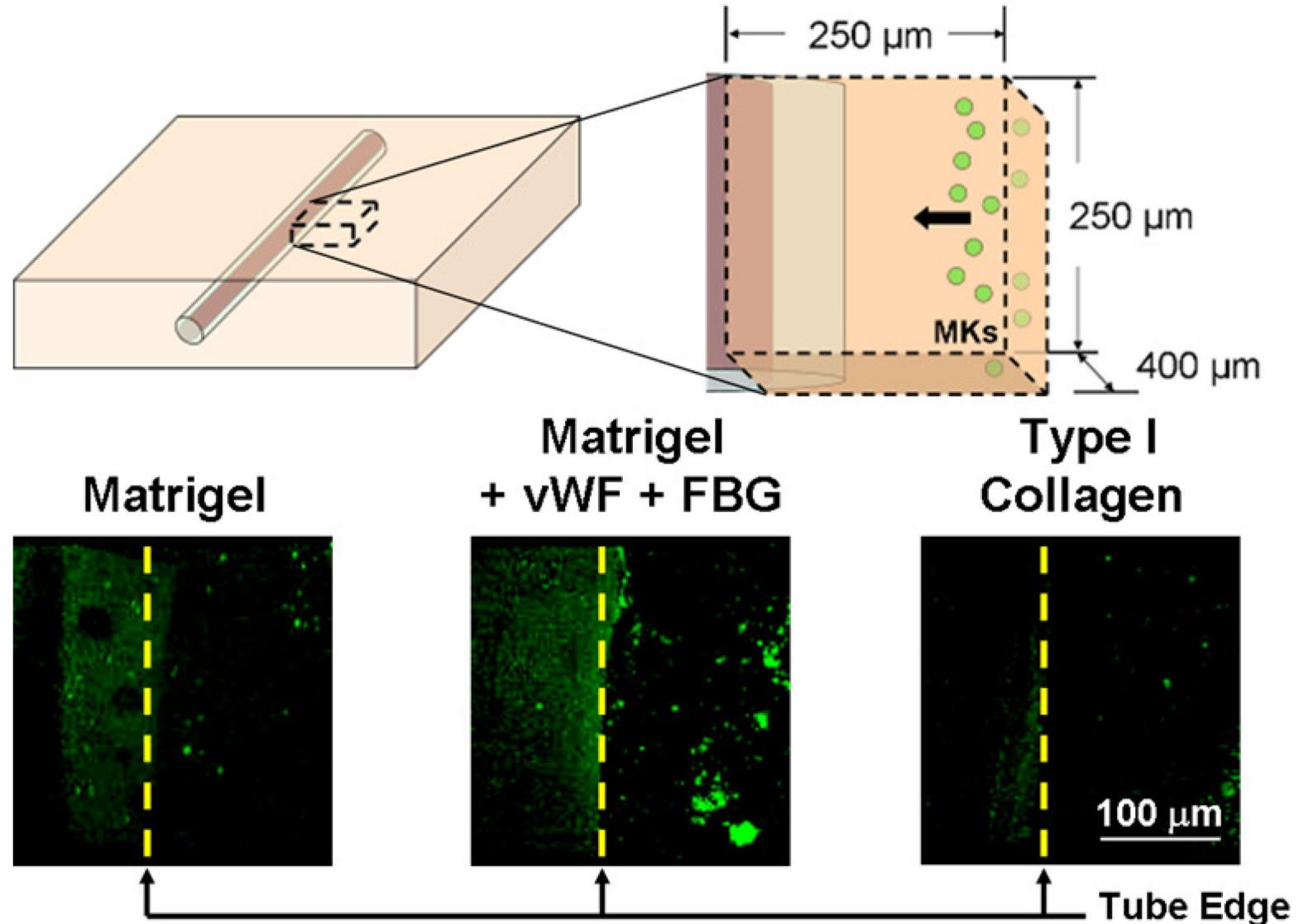
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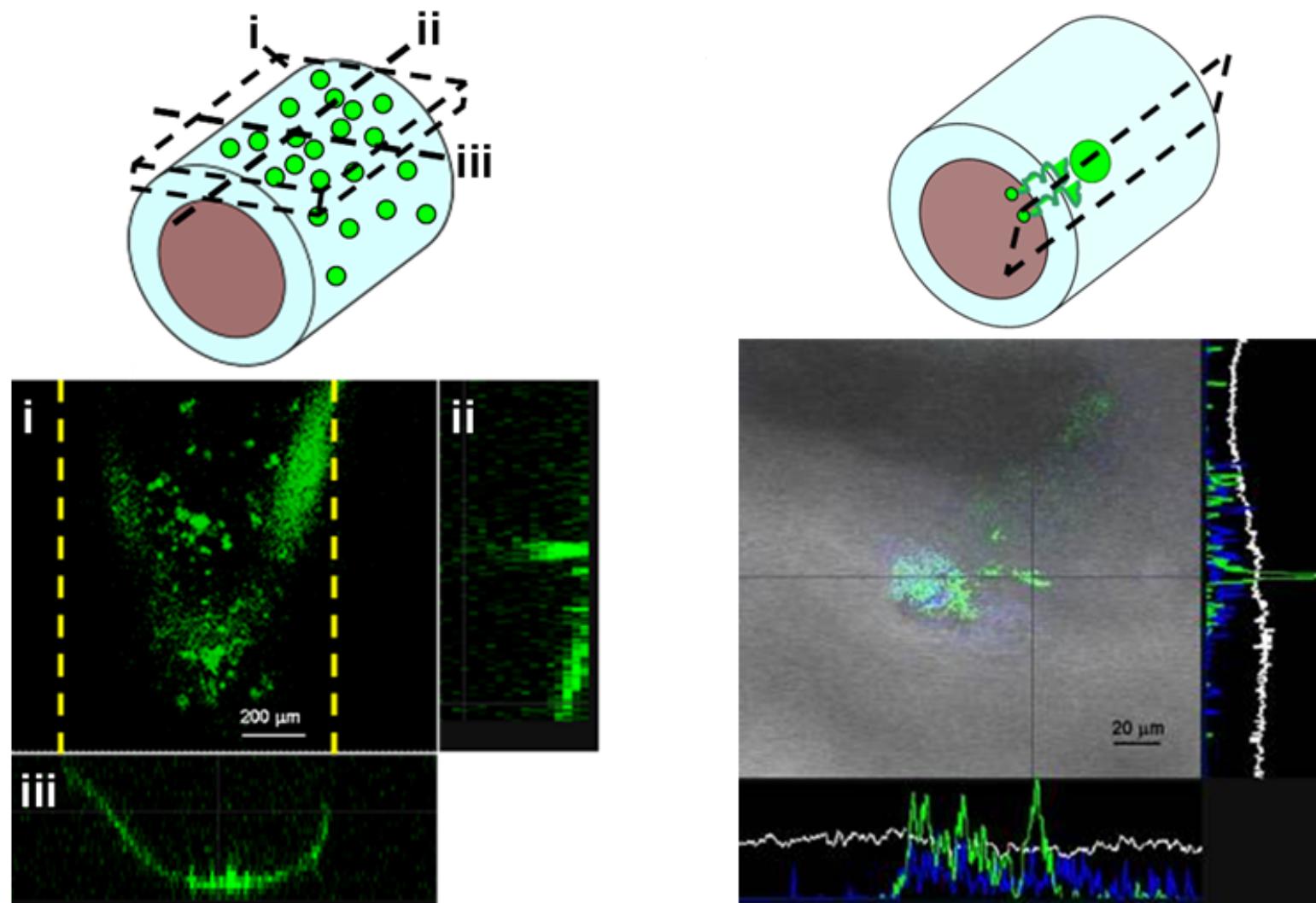
# 3D bone marrow model using silk based vascular tubes



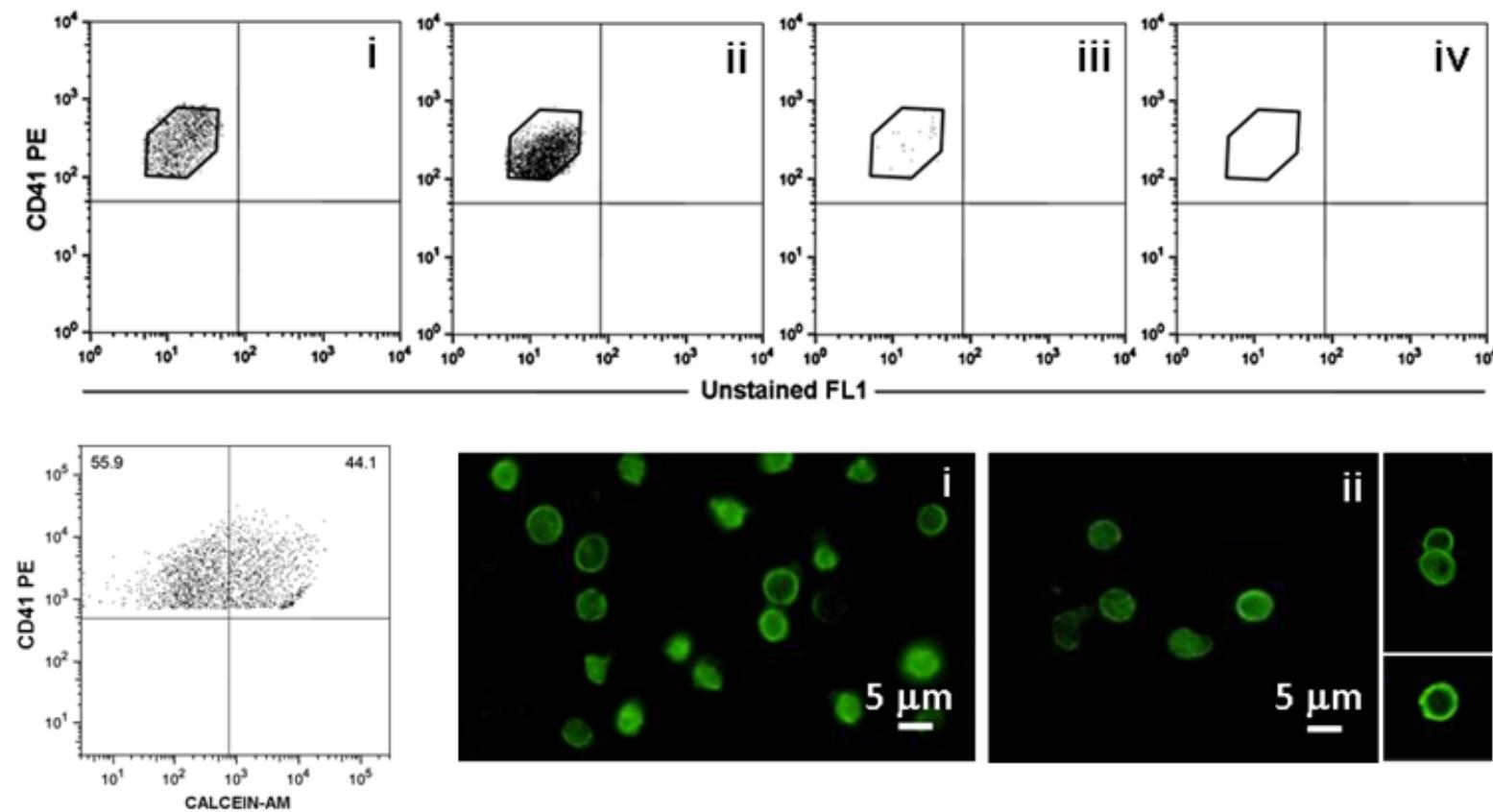
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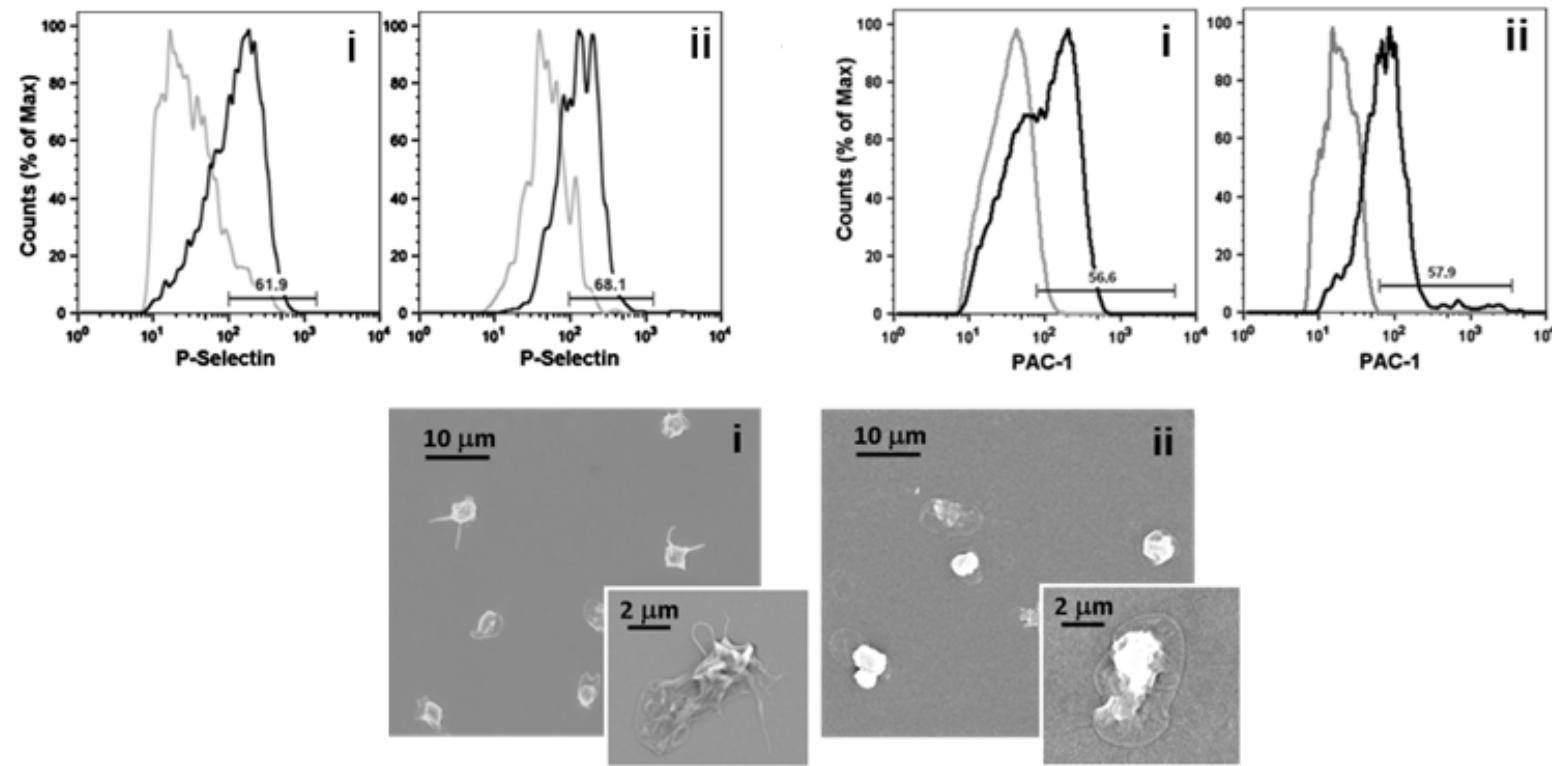
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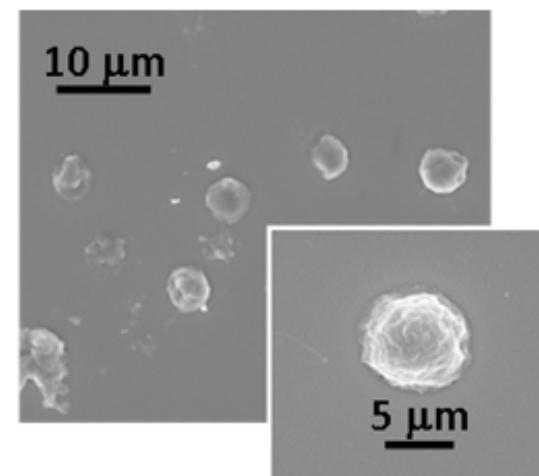
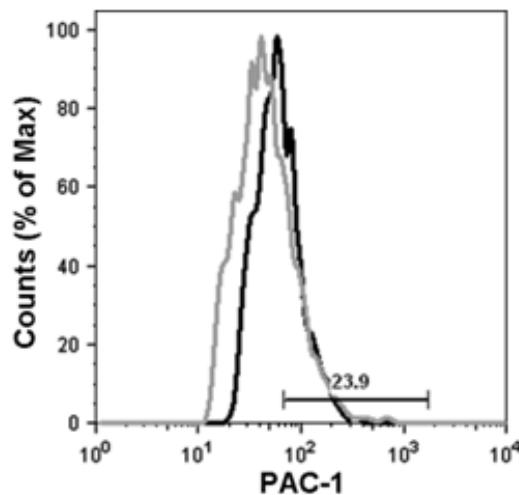
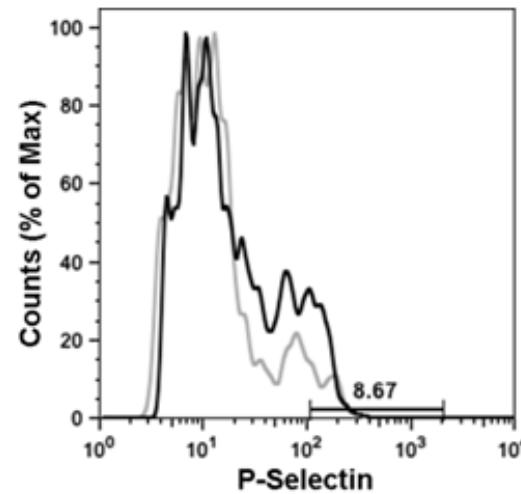
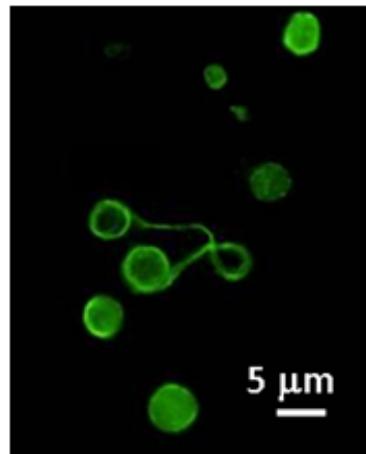
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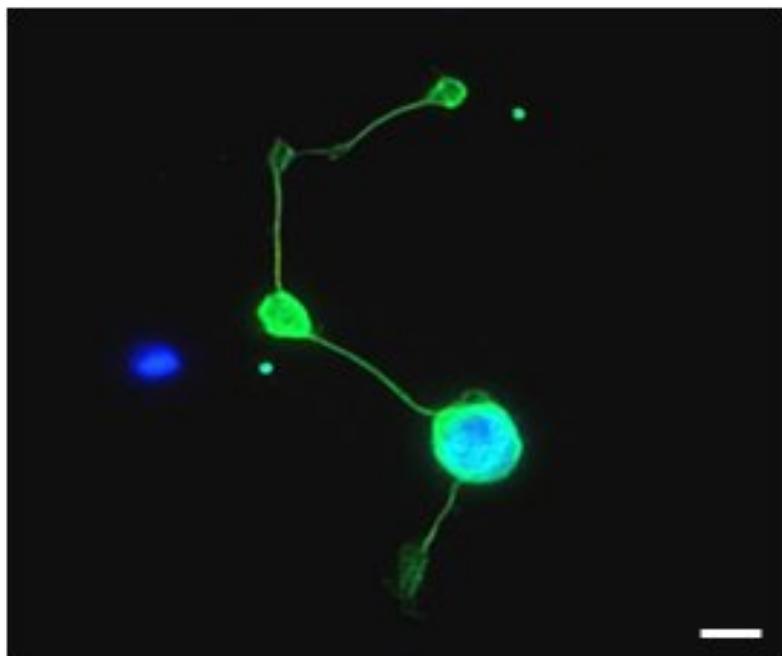
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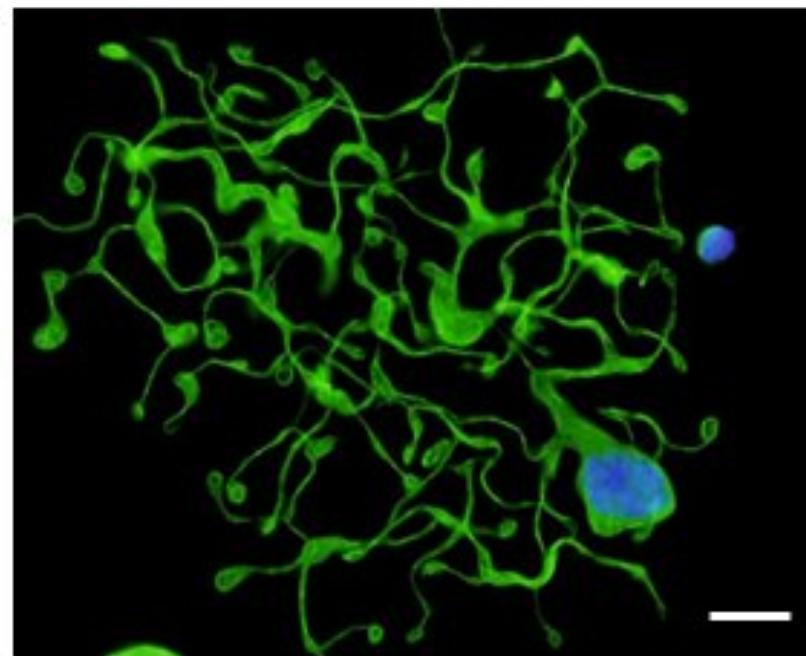
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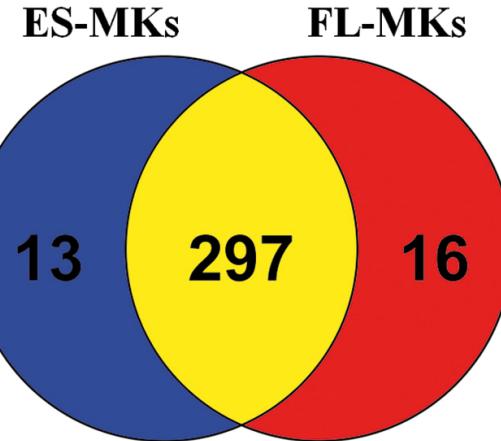
**MYH9-RD**



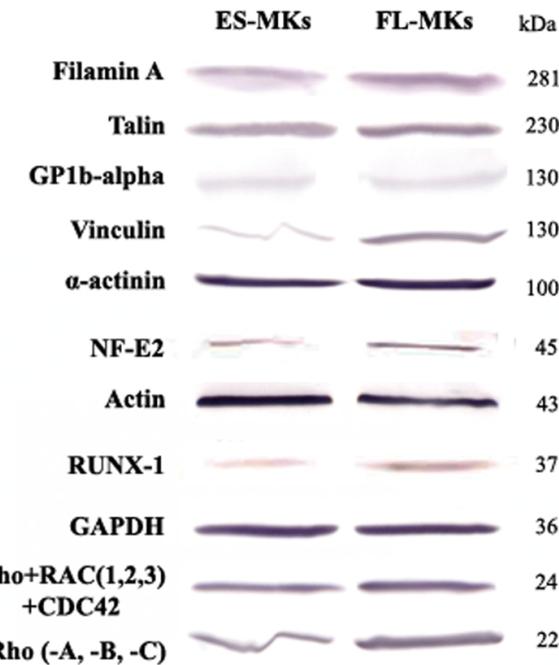
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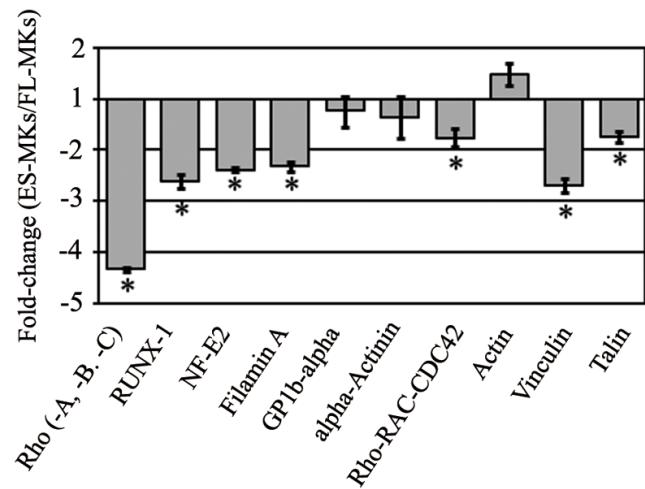
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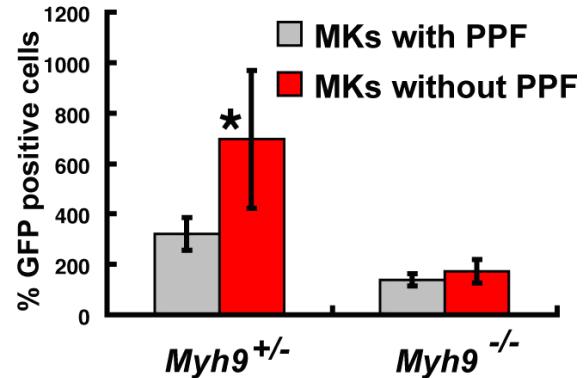
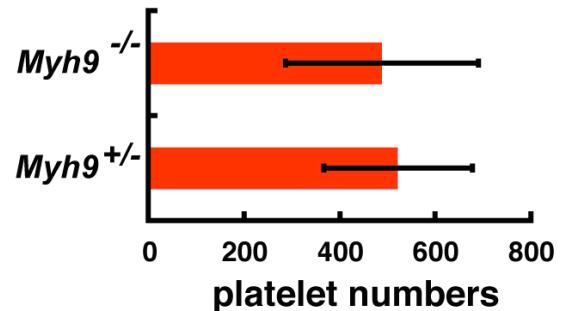
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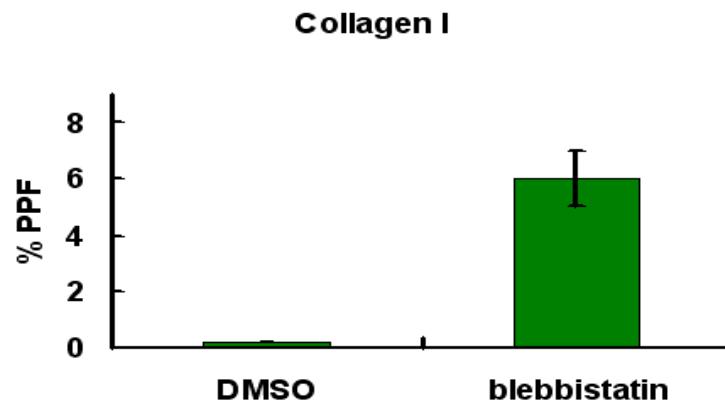
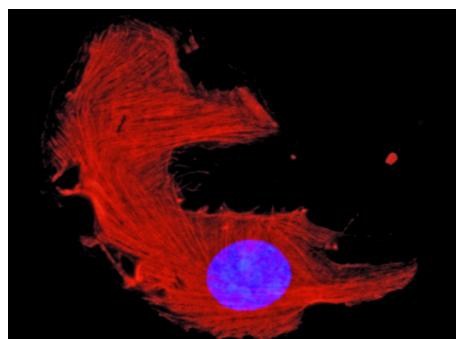
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# *MYH9* $^{-/-}$ ESC derived MKs extend proplatelets



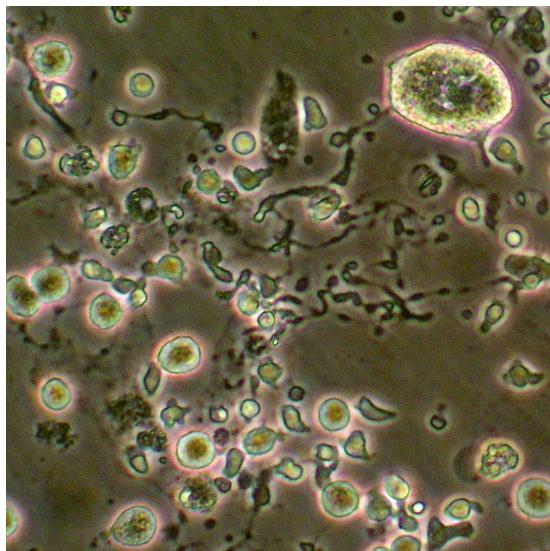
Chen et al., Blood 2007



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# Proplatelets on type I Collagen

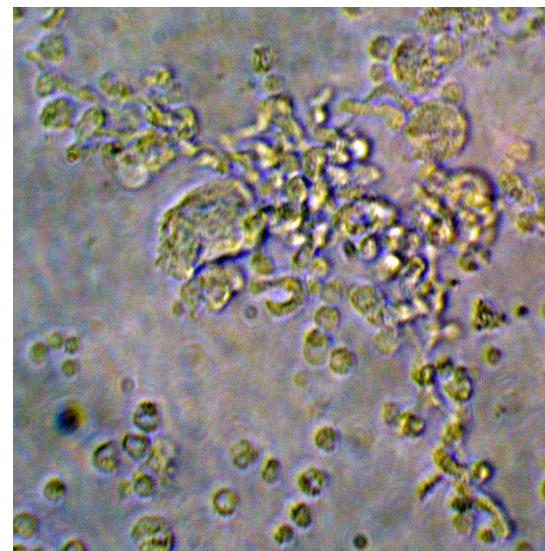
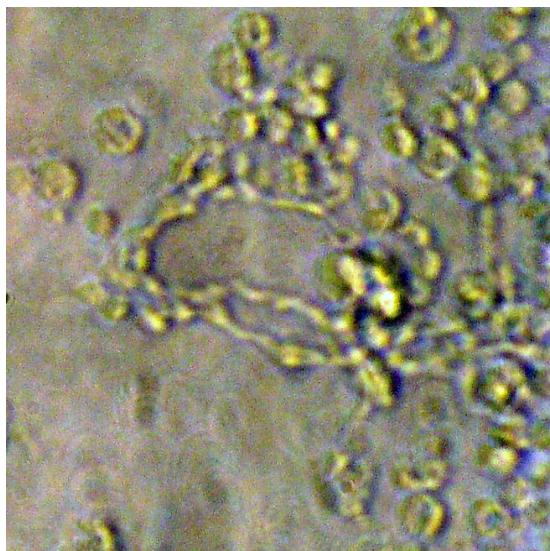
Suspension



Type I Collagen



CONTROL  
PERIPHERAL  
BLOOD



MYH9 PATIENT  
PERIPHERAL  
BLOOD

## Summary

- Type I collagen inhibits proplatelet formation
- Mk spreading on type I collagen is maintained by fibronectin assembly promoted by factor XIII
- Structure and nano-mechanics of type I collagen determine Mk behavior and signaling activation
- Mk actively regulate their fate depending on matrix Adhesion
- Disease state depend on both Mk and environment activity