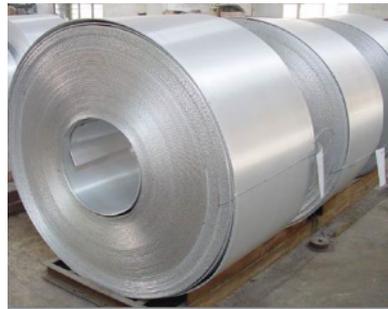


# Engineering Material

man-made

- metals
- plastics
- ceramics
- semiconductors
- composites



# Biological Material

nature-made, e.g.

- bone
- skin
- seashell
- wood
- rubber



**Engineering Material**

man-made

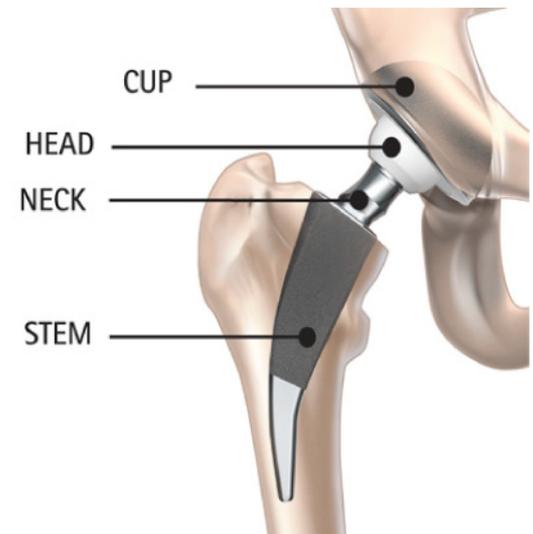
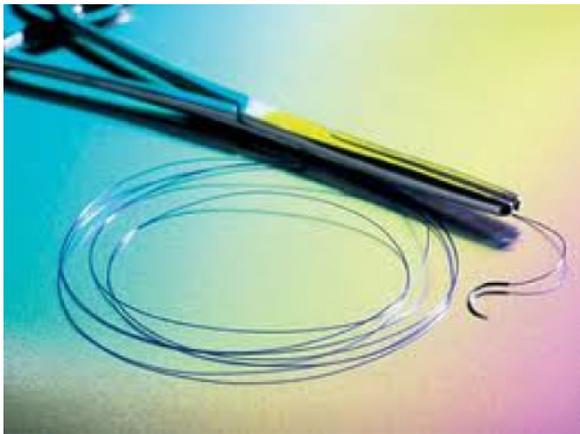
**Biological Material**

nature-made

— **Biomaterials** →

← **Biomimetic  
Materials** —

# Biomedical Devices



# What is a “Biomaterial?”

## METALS

stainless steel  
Co-Cr alloys  
Ti & Ti alloys  
Ni alloys (nitinol)  
tantalum  
zirconium  
Pt-Ir alloys  
platinum  
gold  
silver  
Ag amalgam  
iridium

## CERAMICS

alumina ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ )  
zirconia ( $\text{ZrO}_2$ )  
DLC  
pyrolytic carbon  
 $\text{CaSO}_4$   
calcium phosphates  
Bioglass<sup>TM</sup>  
porcelain  
glass ionomers  
 $\text{ZnPO}_4$   
 $\text{Ir}_2\text{O}_3$   
 $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$   
 $\text{BaSO}_4$

## POLYMERS

UHMWPE  
PMMA  
acrylics  
bis-GMA...  
cyanoacrylate  
epoxy  
polyHEMA  
PEEK  
polysulfone  
polydioxanone  
PLLA, PLGA  
PCL, PU, PVC  
PTFE, PET, PP  
Dacron<sup>TM</sup>  
nylon  
collagen  
fibrin glue  
silicone

## COMPOSITES

bioglass-ceramic  
acrylic-ceramic  
PMMA bone cement  
CFRP  
HAPEX<sup>TM</sup>  
Collagraft<sup>TM</sup>  
allograft  
xenograft

# What is a “Biomaterial?”

- 1) “A synthetic, natural or modified natural material intended to be in contact and interact with a biological system.”  
(ISO Technical Report)
- 2) “A material intended to interface with biological systems to evaluate, treat, augment or replace any tissue, organ or function of the body.” (ESB Consensus Conference II, 1992)
- 3) “A synthetic material or processed natural material engineered to evaluate, treat, augment, or replace any component or function of a biological organism, while in continuous or intermittent contact with biological substances.”  
(R.K. Roeder + various sources)
- 4) “A synthetic material, usually a plastic, suitable for implanting in a living body to repair damaged or diseased parts.”  
(Random House Unabridged Dictionary, 2006)

broad



narrow

# What is a “Biomaterial?”

- 1) a knee brace?
- 2) contact lens?
- 3) breast implant?
- 4) contraceptive?
- 5) autograft or heart transplant?
- 6) allograft or xenograft?

# What is a “Biomaterial?”

Biological Material = a natural material produced by a living biological organism, e.g., bone, skin, seashell, wood, silk, etc.

Biomimetic Material =  
any material engineered to be physically, chemically, or functionally similar to a biological material.  
A.k.a., bioinspired material.

