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## Si- and Fe-substituted beta-tricalcium phosphate: Synthesis, characterization and *in vitro* properties

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The aim of this study was to investigate the effects of Si and Fe ions in  $\beta$ -TCP on the physical and chemical properties. Beta-tricalcium phosphate ( $\beta$ -TCP) has been known as biodegradable material for temporary medical devices. Enhancing the strength and osteoconduction properties of  $\beta$ -TCP is important for their applications. To modify mechanical properties and *in vitro* behavior, Si and Fe ions were substituted in  $\beta$ -TCP. The Si- and Fe- substituted  $\beta$ -TCP powder were synthesized by co-precipitation method. Crystal structure and thermal properties of Si- and Fe-substituted  $\beta$ -TCP were investigated by using X-ray diffraction combined with Rietveld refinement analysis and differential thermal analysis (DSC) to compare the effects of substituted elements on  $\beta$ -TCP. Moreover, MTT assay, alkaline phosphate (ALP) staining confirmed the cytotoxicity, cell differentiation and cell proliferation.

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