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Research topics

- Synthetic polymers synthesis, characterization and loading/release studies
- Synthesis and characterization of stimuli sensitive polymers and hydrogels, controlled release by the smart delivery systems based on hydrogels and composites polysaccharides
- Biomaterials (matrix, hydrogels) with medical applications
- Micro-/nano-particles obtained by chemical cross-linking of polysaccharides.

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Scientific research

Author and co-author of **23 articles (22 ISI)**, **1 national patent**, over **25 participations at national and international scientific meetings**, and member in **6 research grants** (1 international).

Author output: h-index = 12; citations = 448 (web of science); without self-citations = 369

Relevant publications

1. Bucataru S.-M., Constantin M., Varganici C.D., Rusu D., Nicolescu A., Prisacaru I., Carnuta M., Anghelache M., Calin M., Ascenzi P., Fundueanu G.

A new sponge-type hydrogel based on hyaluronic acid and poly(methylvinylether-alt-maleic acid) as a 3D platform for tumor cell growth

Internat. J. Biol. Macromol., 165B, 2528-2540 (2020)

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2. Fundueanu G., Constantin M., Bucataru S., Ascenzi P.

Poly(N-isopropylacrylamide-co-N-vinylpyrrolidone) thermoresponsive microspheres: The low drug loading ensures the pulsatile release mechanism

Express Polymer Letters 2020, 14(1), 63-76

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3. Constantin M., Bucataru S.M., Doroftei F., Fundueanu G.

Smart composite materials based on chitosan microspheres embedded in thermosensitive hydrogel for controlled delivery of drugs

Carbohydr. Polym. 2017, 157, 493-502

DOI: [10.1016/j.carbpol.2016.10.022](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.carbpol.2016.10.022)

4. Bucataru S., Constantin M., Ascenzi P., Fundueanu G.

Poly(lactide-co-glycolide)/cyclodextrin (polyethyleneimine) microspheres for controlled delivery of dexamethasone

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5. Bucataru S., Fundueanu G., Prisacaru I., Balan M., Stoica I., Harabagiu V., Constantin M.

Synthesis and characterization of thermosensitive poly(N-isopropylacrylamide-co-hydroxyethylacrylamide) microgels as potential carriers for drug delivery

Journal of Polymer Research 2014, 21 (11), 580

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6. Constantin M., Bucataru S., Harabagiu V., Popescu I., Ascenzi P., Fundueanu G.

Poly(N-isopropylacrylamide-co-methacrylic acid) pH/thermo-responsive porous hydrogels as self-regulated drug delivery system

European Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences 2014, 62, 86-95

DOI: [10.1016/j.ejps.2014.05.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejps.2014.05.005)