

Scalable production of bioresorbable, monodisperse, injectable microparticles using IN-AIR MICROFLUIDICS

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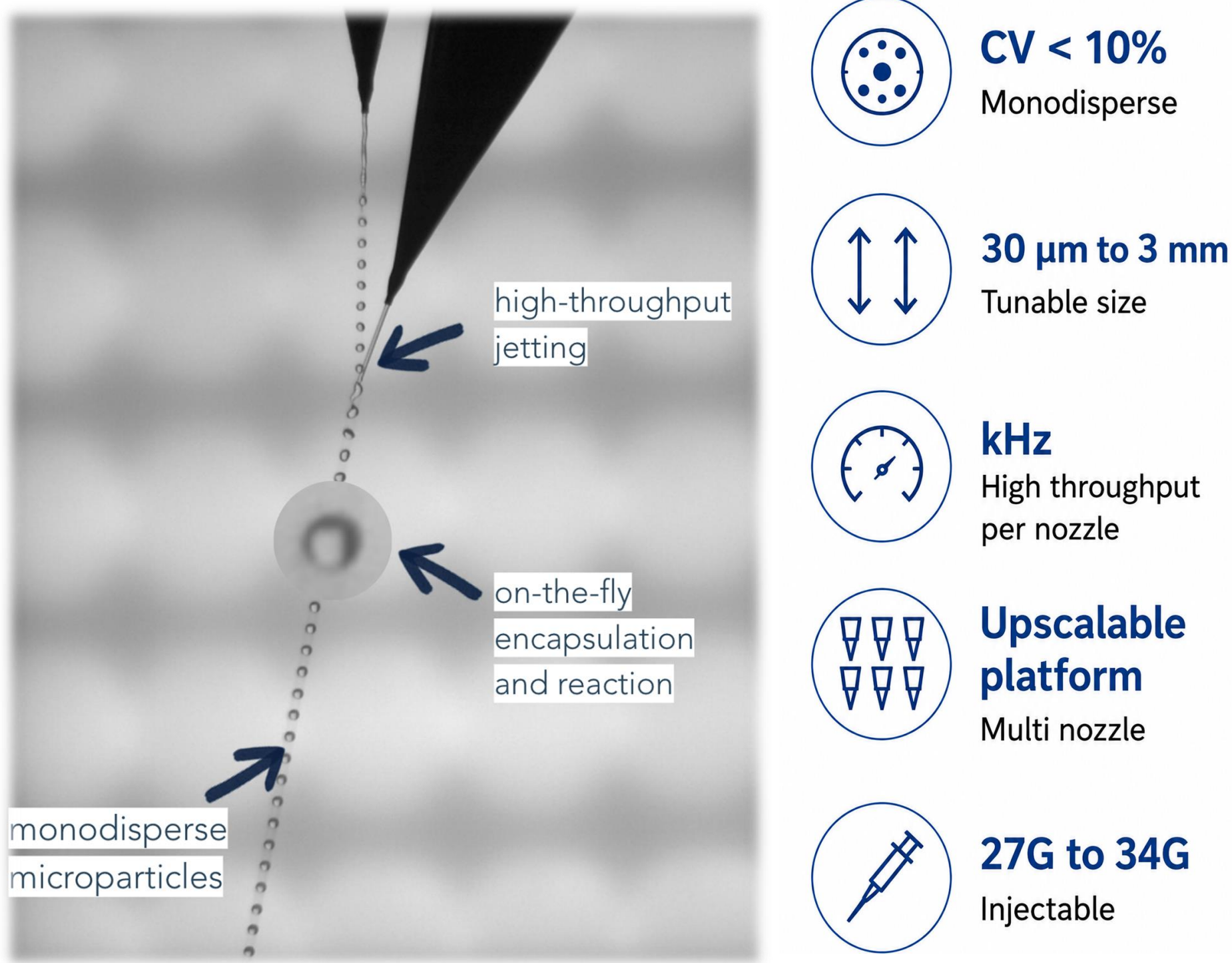
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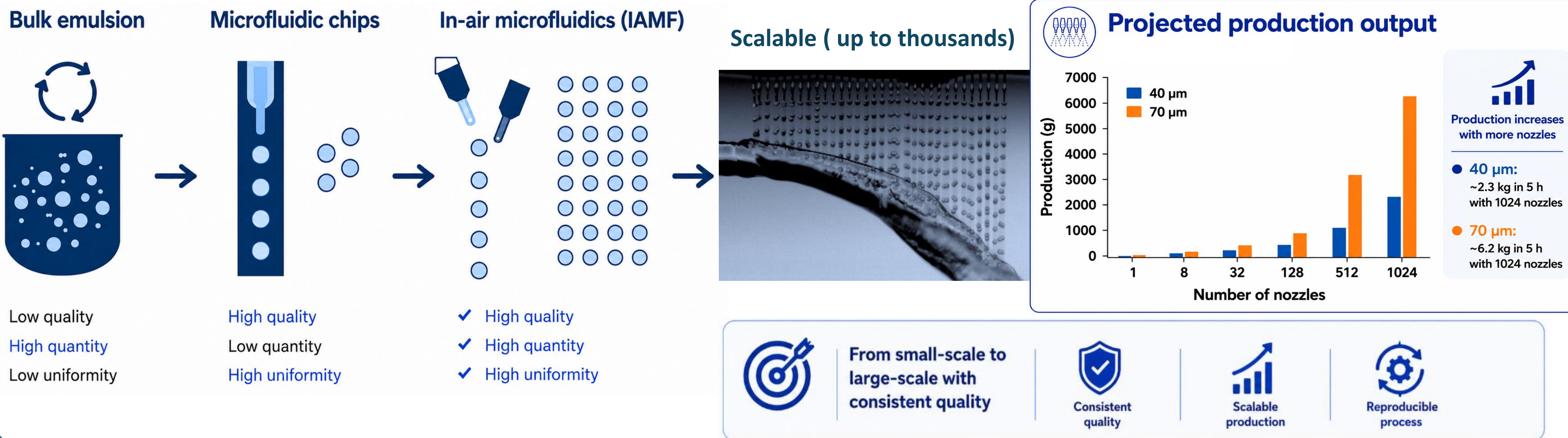
Why IAMF?

Injectable microparticles are widely used in long-acting drug delivery and regenerative aesthetic applications. However, conventional manufacturing methods often produce polydisperse particles with limited control over size, morphology, and injectability. These limitations can lead to inconsistent product performance, nozzle clogging during administration, and challenges in process scale-up.

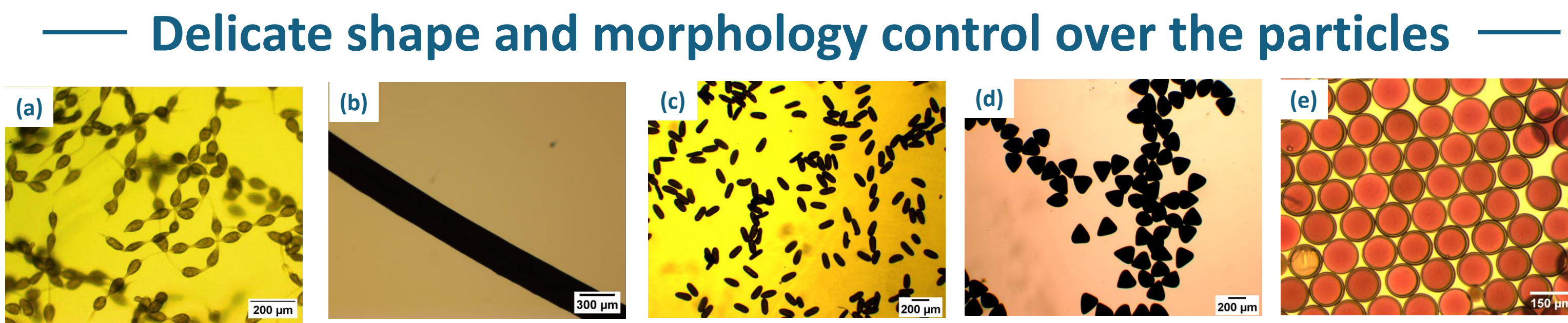
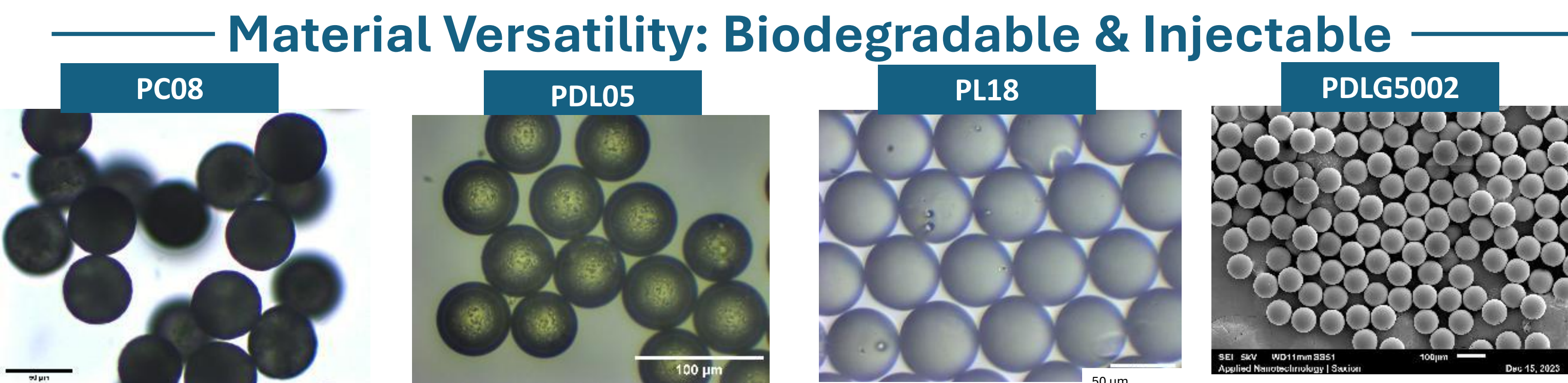
IN-AIR MICROFLUIDICS (IAMF) enables the production of highly uniform, bioresorbable microparticles with tunable size, morphology, and drug-release characteristics. By combining microfluidic precision with scalable nozzle parallelization, IAMF provides a pathway from laboratory development to industrial manufacturing of controlled-release microparticles.



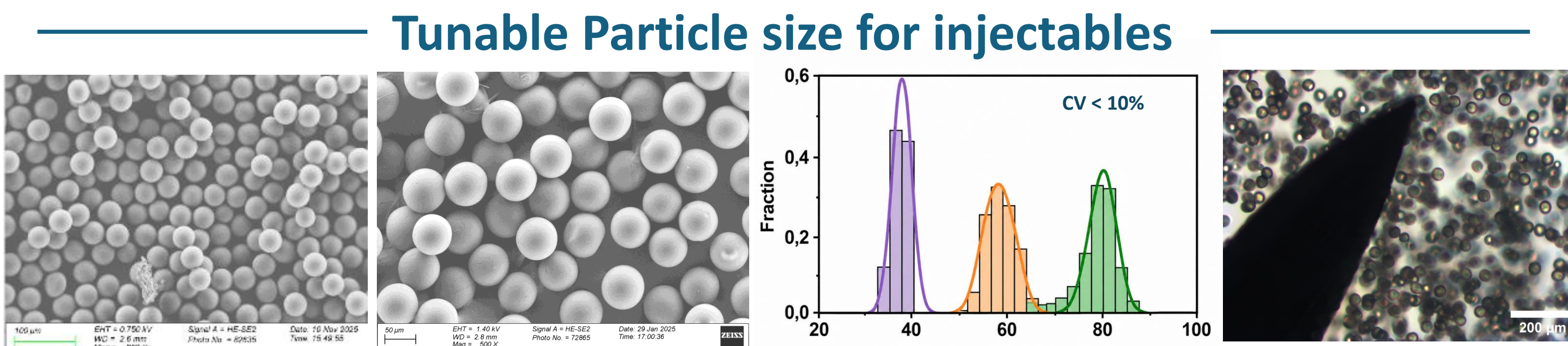
IAMF Platform: From lab to kg-scale production



Microparticle design space



PDLG (a) "Beads-on-a-string"; (b) fiber; (c) elongated particles; (d) triangle particles; (e) capsules



Various bioresorbable polymers and their combinations are compatible with the IAMF process, including PDLG, PC, PDL and PL (Purasorb®, Corbion). The particles with 38 µm can be ejected through a 27 G needle (I.D. = 0.21 mm).

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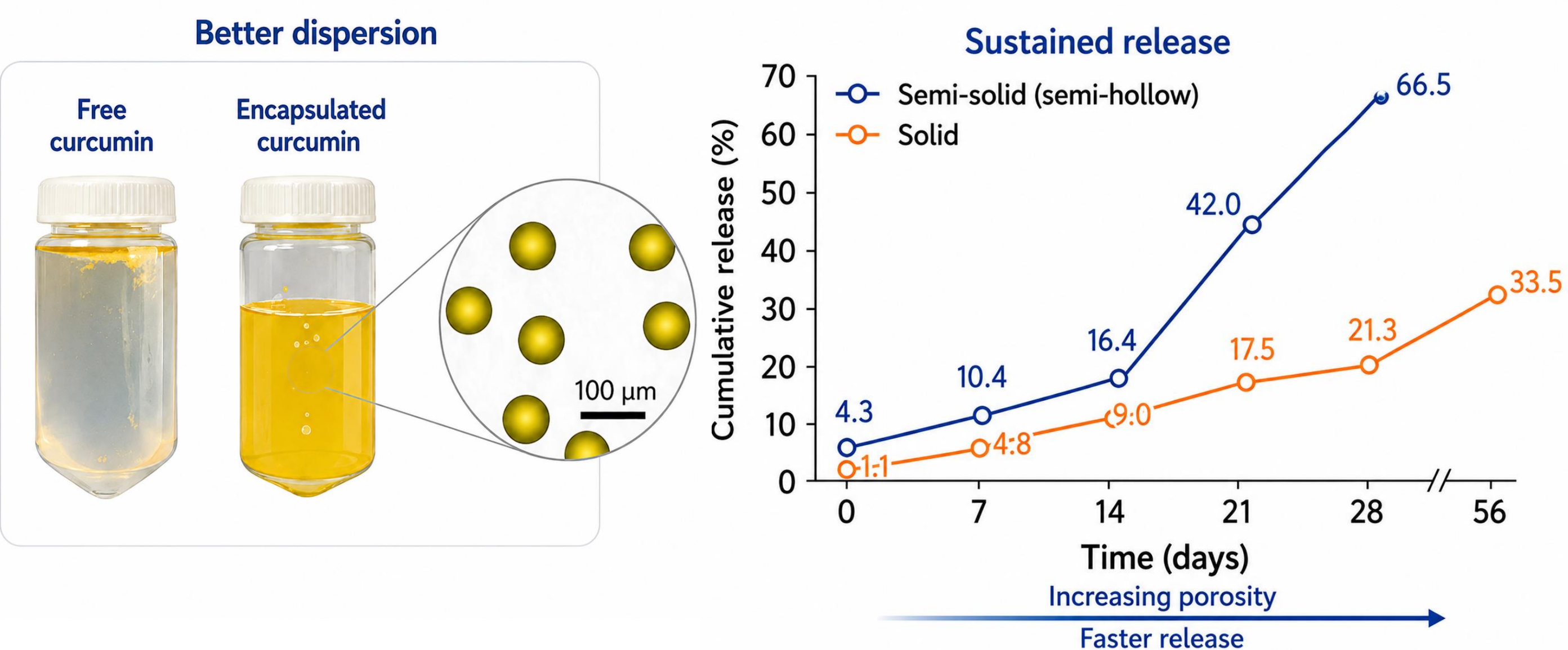
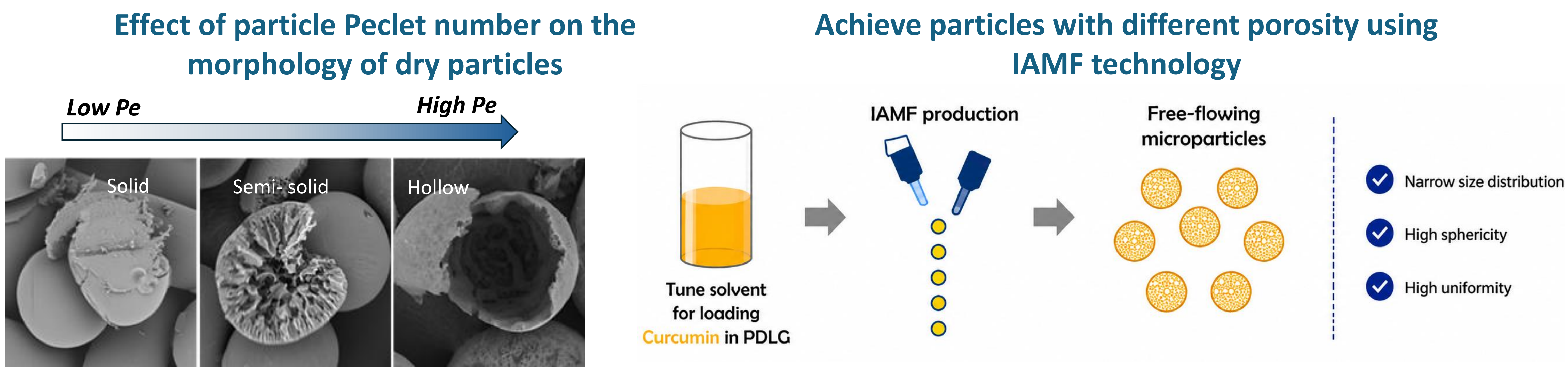


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Tunable particle morphology for controlled release



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The PDLG encapsulated curcumin were significantly easier to disperse in aqueous solution compared to 'free' curcumin, which indicated the potential to enhance solubilization of hydrophobic APIs into aqueous system through microencapsulation. The drug release study showed a sustained delivery of curcumin to the supernatant over at least 4 weeks for semi-solid particles, and more than three month for solid particles. More than 80% of the encapsulated curcumin was still active after 4 weeks of incubation.