

# Mussel-Inspired Adhesives

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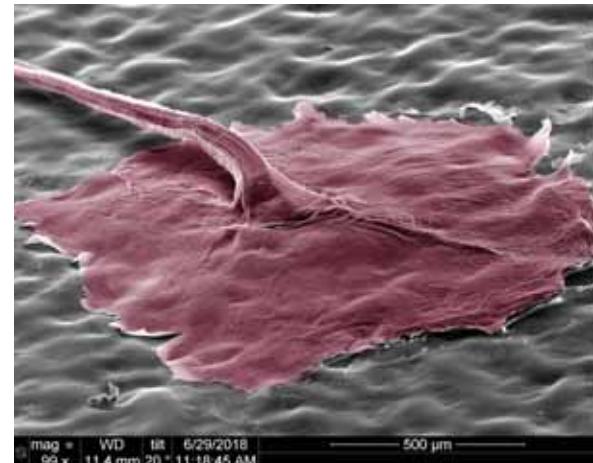
## Biomimetic

... the emulation of the models, systems, and elements of nature  
for the purpose of solving complex human problems

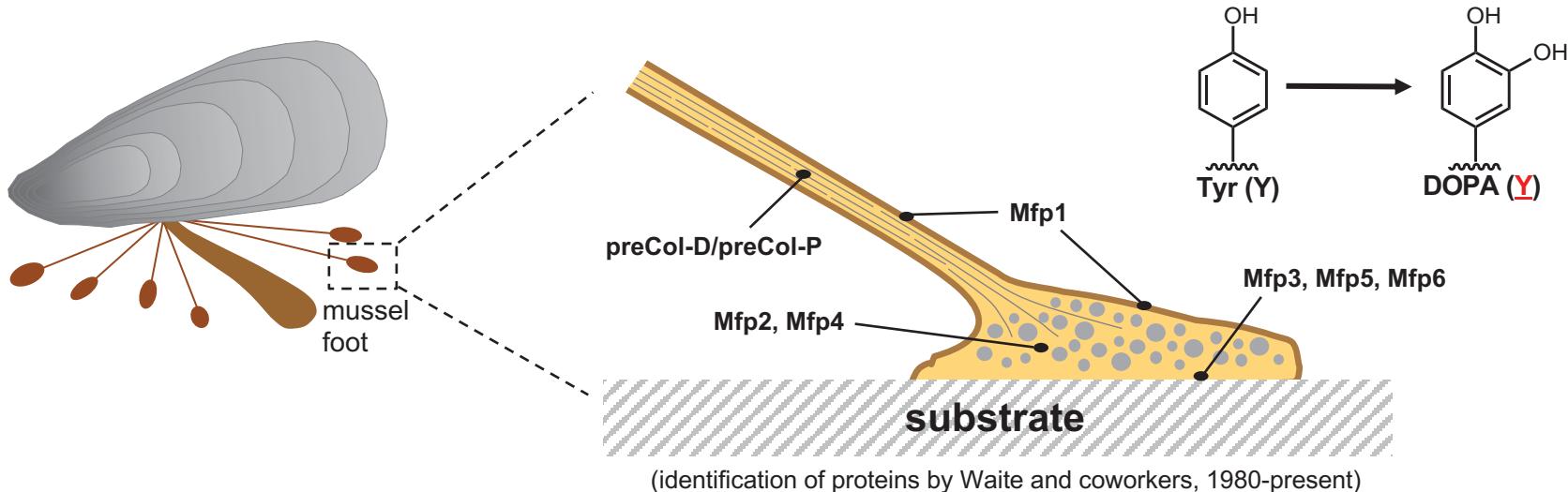
## Bioinspired

...the development of novel materials, devices, and structures  
inspired by solutions found in biological systems and biological  
evolution and refinement which has occurred over millions of years

# Inspiration for Novel Materials: The Mussel Byssus



# Mussel Byssal Proteins and DOPA



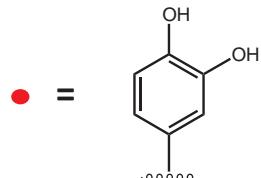
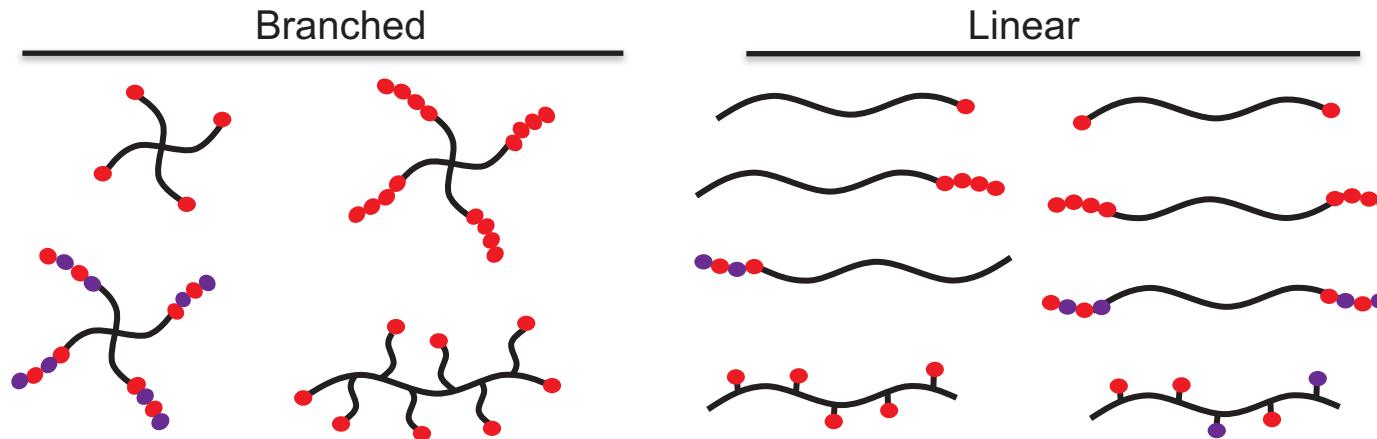
## Mfp5 (27% DOPA)

1 SSEEYKGGYYPGNAYHYHHSGGSYHG  
26 SGYHGGYKGKYYGKAKKYYYKYKNS  
51 GKYKYLKKARKYHRKGYKYYGGSS

## Mfp3 (21% DOPA)

1 ADYYGPNYGPPRRYGGGYNRYNRY  
26 GRRYGGYYKGWNNGWNRGRRGKYW

# Mussel-Inspired Adhesives



● = another amino acid

1. Basic Research
2. Medical Adhesives
3. Consumer Adhesives

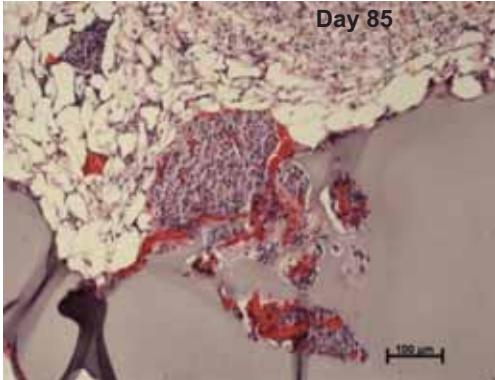
# Studies of Jellyfish Locomotion



With Jenna Nawroth and John Dabiri, Caltech (unpublished)

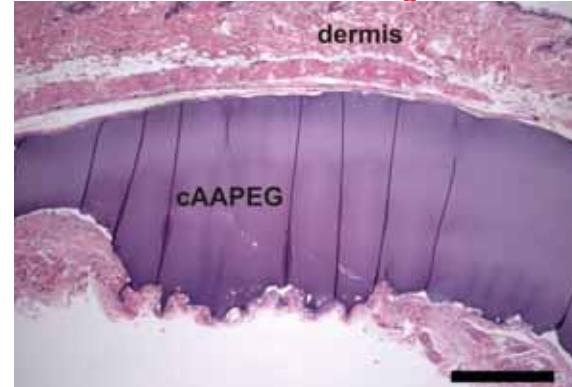
# Medical Applications of Mussel-Inspired Adhesives

## Islet Transplantation



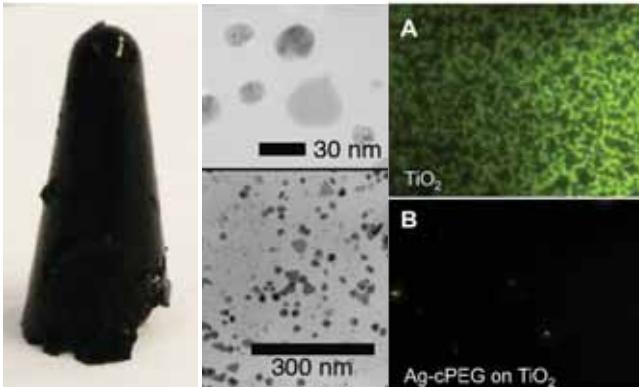
Biomaterials, 2010.

## Tissue Bonding



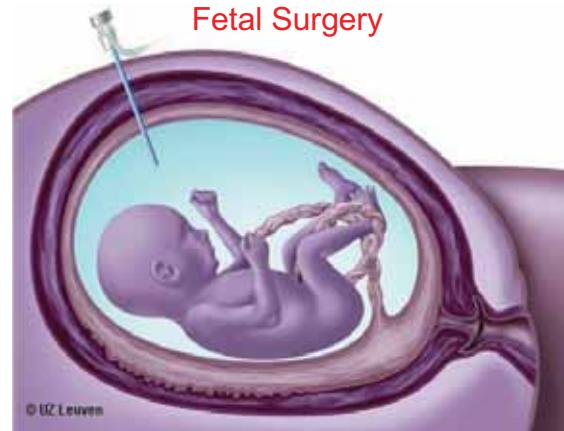
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## Antibacterial Hydrogels



Biomaterials, 2012.

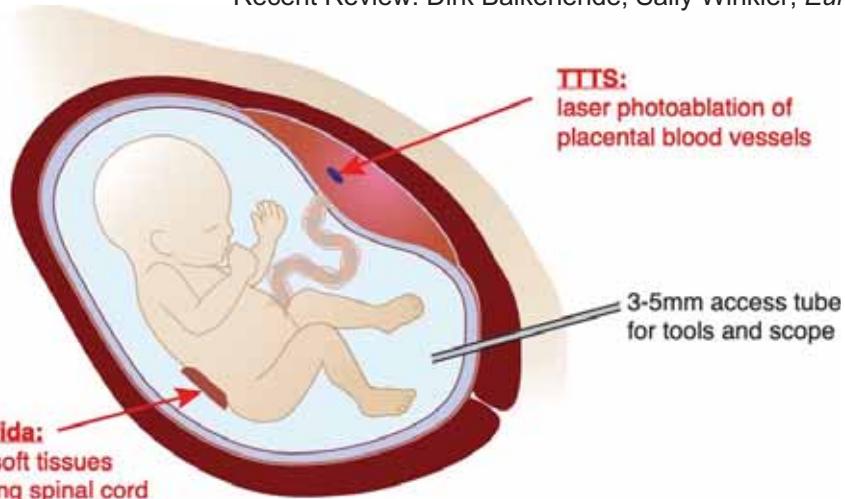
## Fetal Surgery



Am. J. Obst. Gynec., 2010; Prenatal Diagnosis, 2011.

# Fetal Surgery

Recent Review: Dirk Balkenende, Sally Winkler, *European Polymer Journal*, 2019.



Dr. Michael Harrison (UCSF)

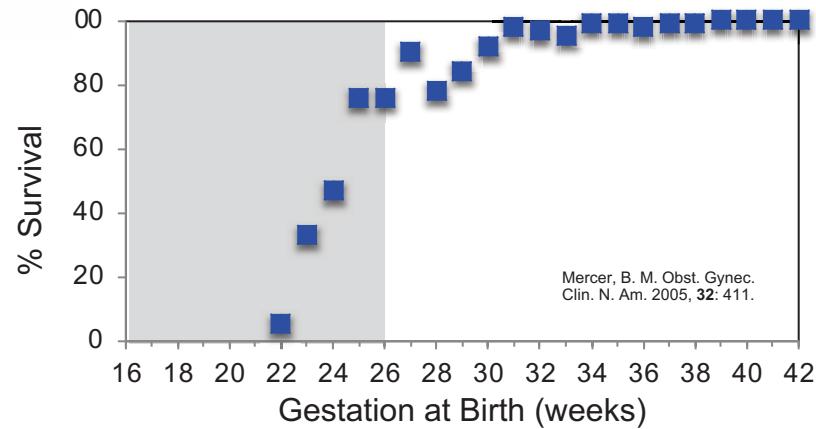


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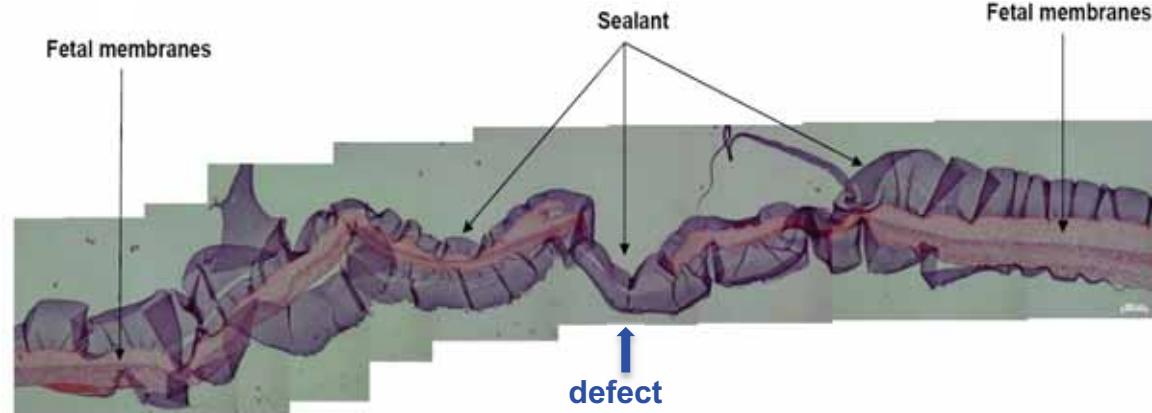
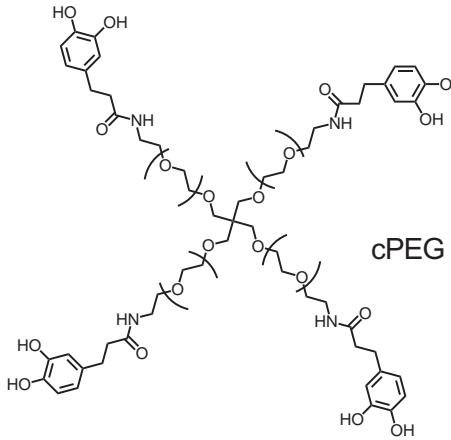
## Post-Surgical Complications:

- fetal membranes do not heal, difficult to suture, no approved adhesives
- high risk of premature labor due to premature rupture of membranes (PROM)
- “Achilles Heal” of Fetoscopy<sup>1</sup>

1) Deprest et al., Lancet, 1996



# Catechol Polymer for Fetal Membrane Sealing



(Messersmith Group w/ A. Zisch Uni. Hosp. Zurich: Am. J. Obst. Gynec., 2010)

Burst Test Results: 120 mm Hg (typical intrauterine pressure <10 mm Hg)

## In-Vivo Study in Rabbits

(7 day gestation)

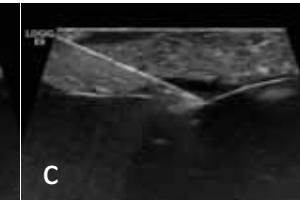
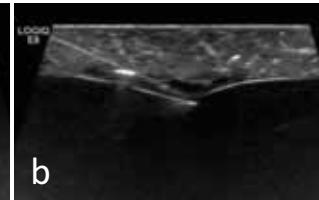
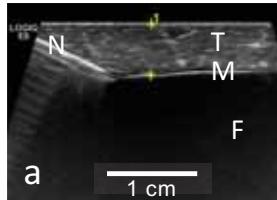
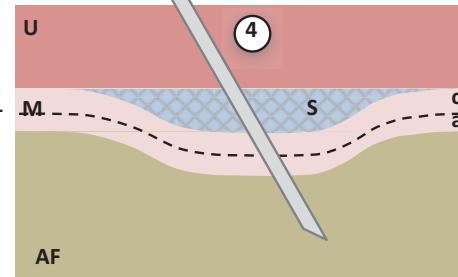
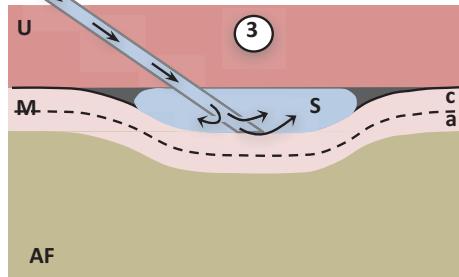
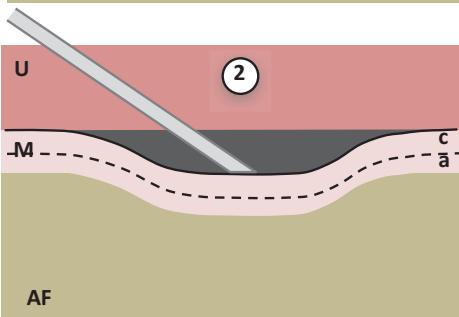
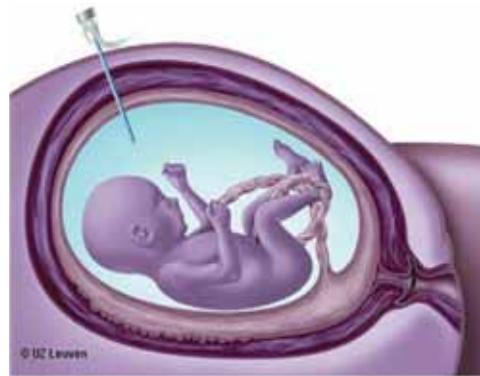
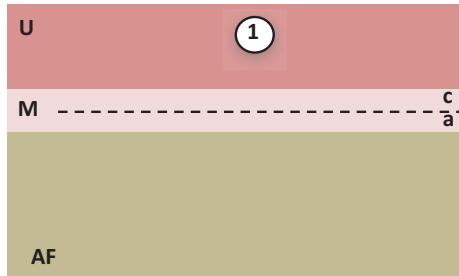


	Control	MG	MG+DAM	FG+DAM
Alive	4	6	8	6
Dead	7	4	2	9
Survival Rate	36%	60%	80%	40%
Leaky sac	75%	33%	25%	0%

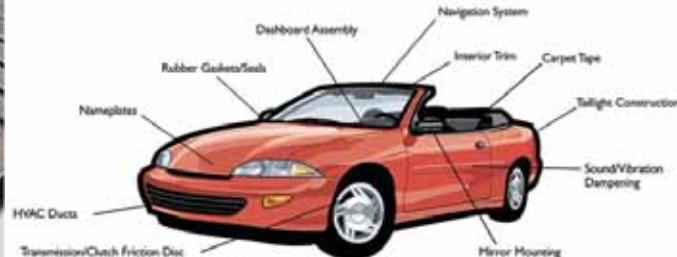
(DAM = decellularized amnion scaffold)

# In Progress: Fetal Membrane Pre-Sealing

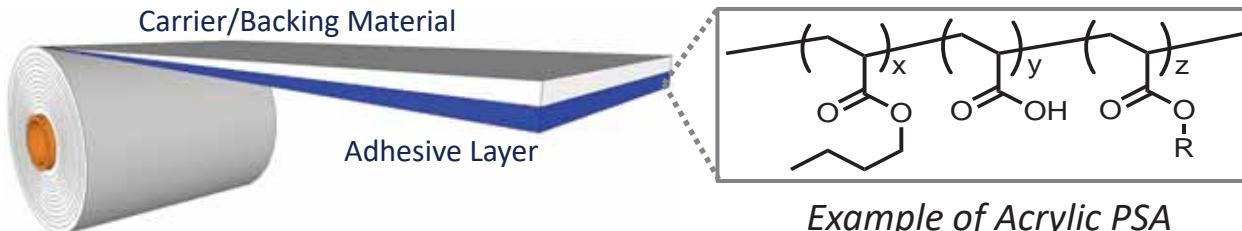
with Mike Harrison (UCSF)



# Practical Example: Pressure Sensitive Adhesives (PSA)

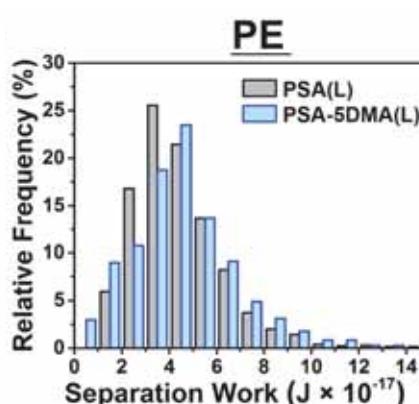
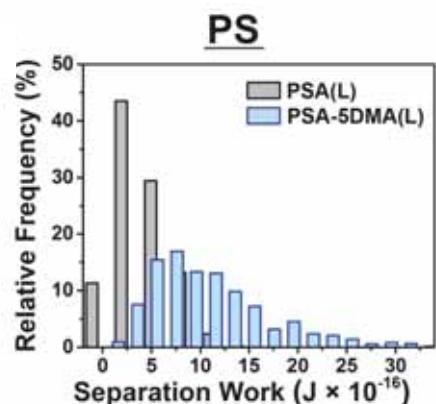
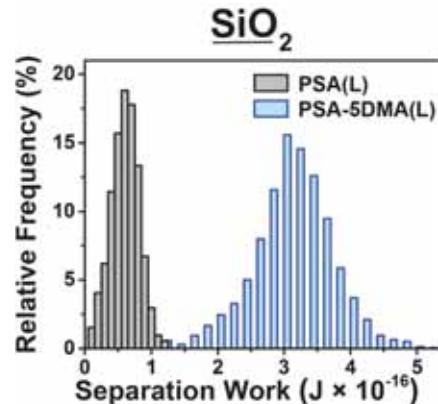
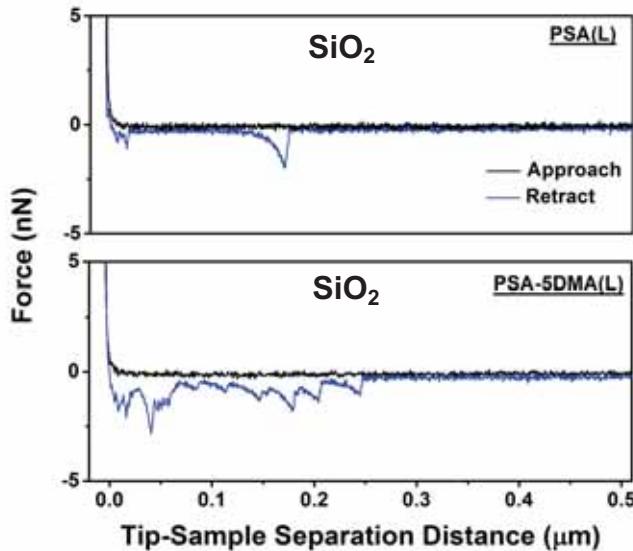
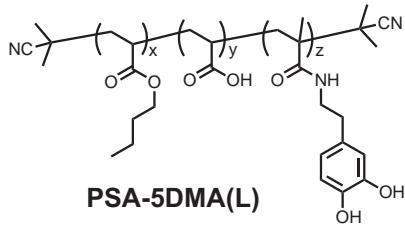
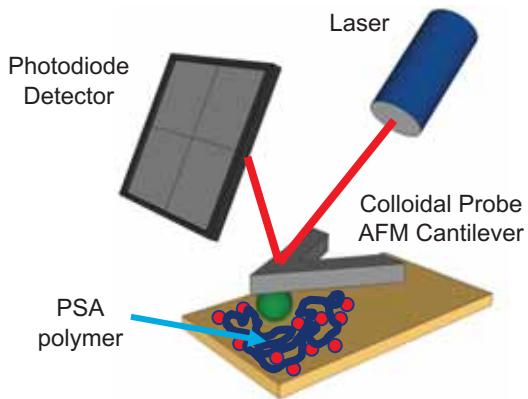
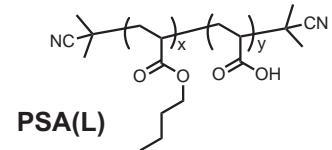


The PSA market was ~\$9B in 2017 and projected to reach ~\$16B in 2026



# Mussel-Inspired PSA: Colloidal Probe Spectroscopy

B. Tiu, P. Delparastan, et al., ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces, 2019.



# Mussel-Inspired PSAs: Underwater Shear

B. Tiu, P. Delparastan, et al., ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces, 2019.



**Shear**



# Summary

## 1. Mussel Adhesion

- unusual adhesive proteins

## 2. Examples of Mussel-Inspired Adhesives

- Medical Adhesives
- Consumer Adhesives

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