

# Converting Waste Materials into Biomaterials: Enriched calcium zeolites synthed from chickeneggshells for hemostatic applications

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## Abstract

Although there is a plethora of 245 different zeolites with different frameworks with unique and unusual topologies of channels and cavities with large applications in the field of industrial catalysis [1], few of them have found systematic biomedical applications, especially for the purpose of hemorrhage control. Hemostasis is a complex biochemical process in which the assembly of substrates, enzymes, protein cofactors and calcium ions on a phospholipid surface accelerates the rate of coagulation. Several inorganic solid matrices have been employed as topical hemostatic agents, and among them zeolites [2]. However, the synthesis of enriched calcium zeolites for the purpose of hemorrhage control and using as raw materials chicken eggshell biomass is an unexplored field of research. We report the data of the synthesis of four calcium zeolites using CaCO<sub>3</sub> derived from chicken eggshell. Thromboelastographic results using the pristine calcium enriched zeolites show that they were able to promote a faster clot formation and a higher maximum clot strength than those of the commercial topical hemostatic agent QuikClot.

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