



HME-3DP MicroFactory

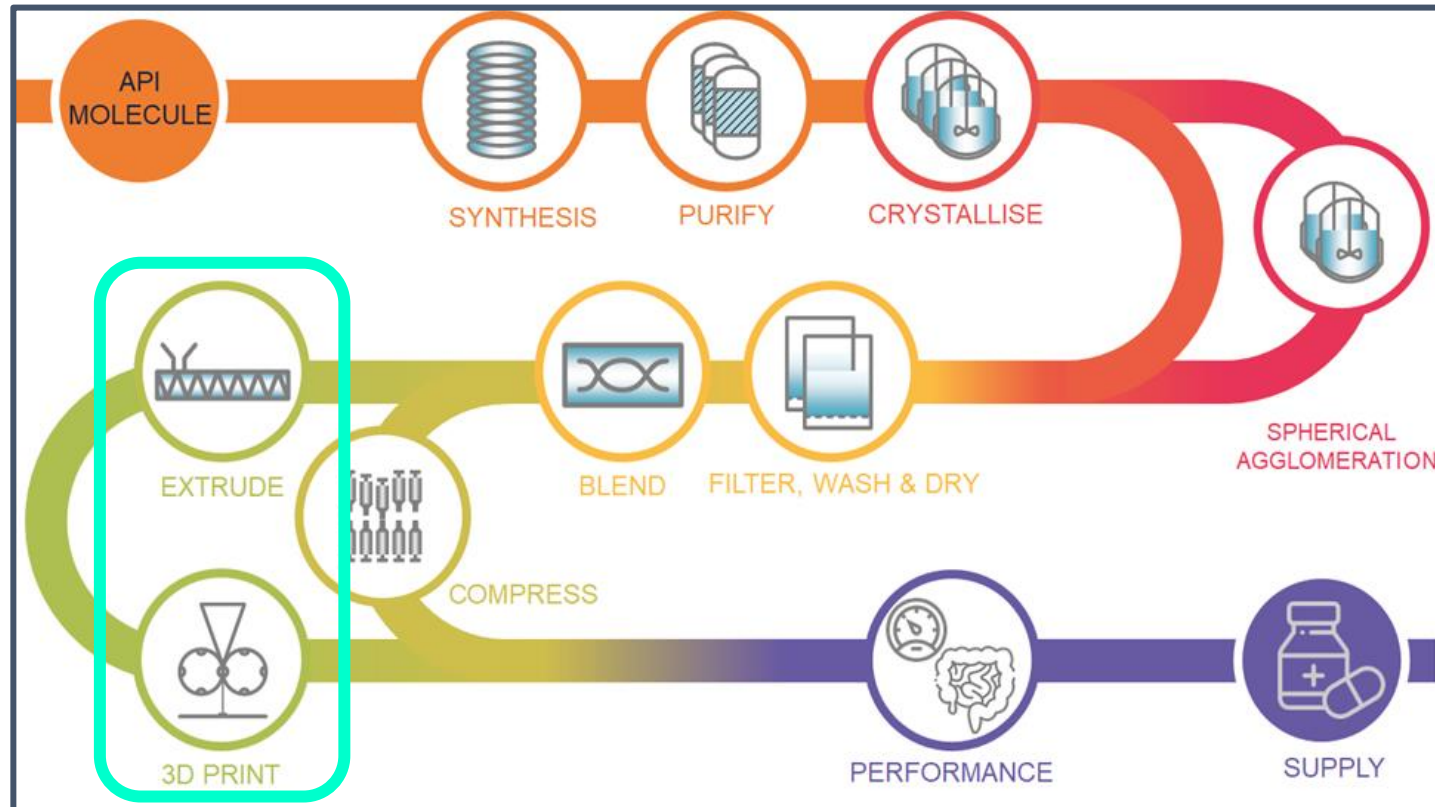
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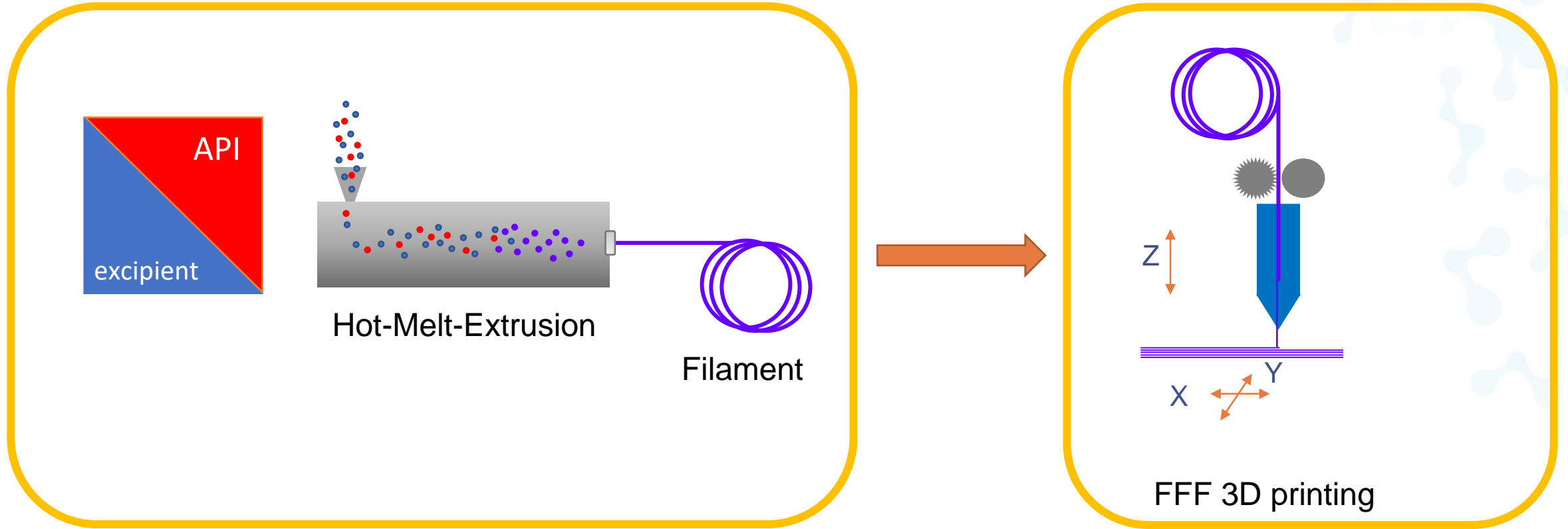


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CMAC MicroFactory: HME-3DP

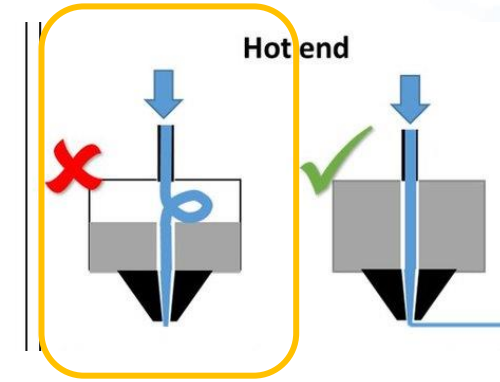
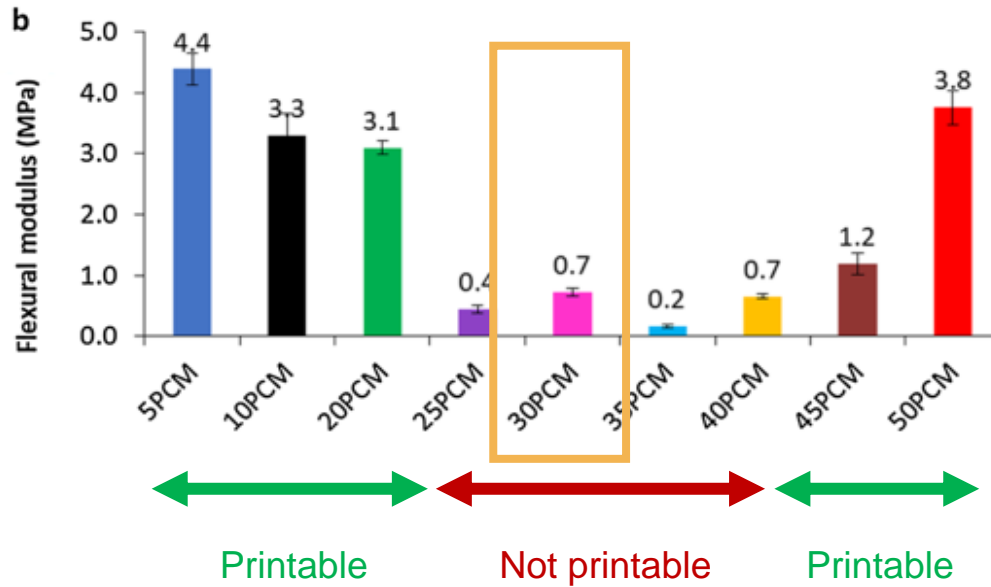


Fused Filament Fabrication (FFF) 3D Printing



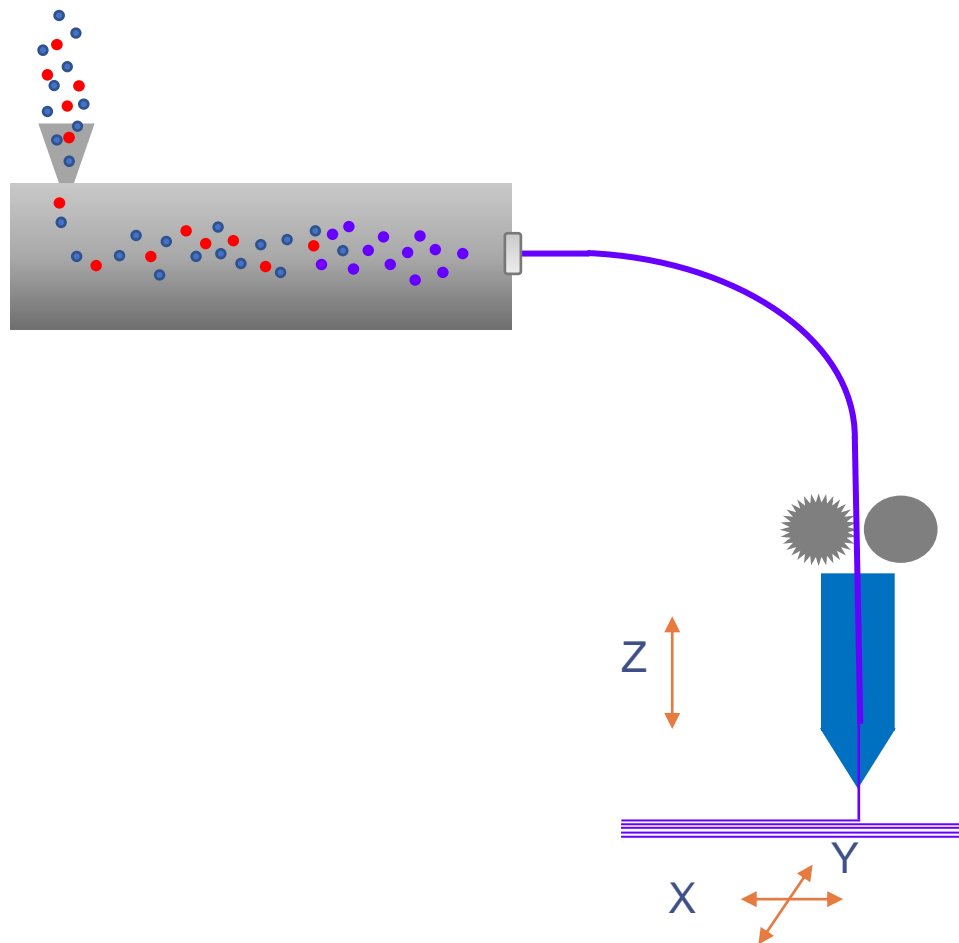
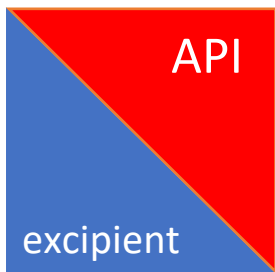
Failure modes: Conventional FFF printer

5 – 50% w/w Paracetamol in Affinisol 15LV filaments for FFF 3D printing

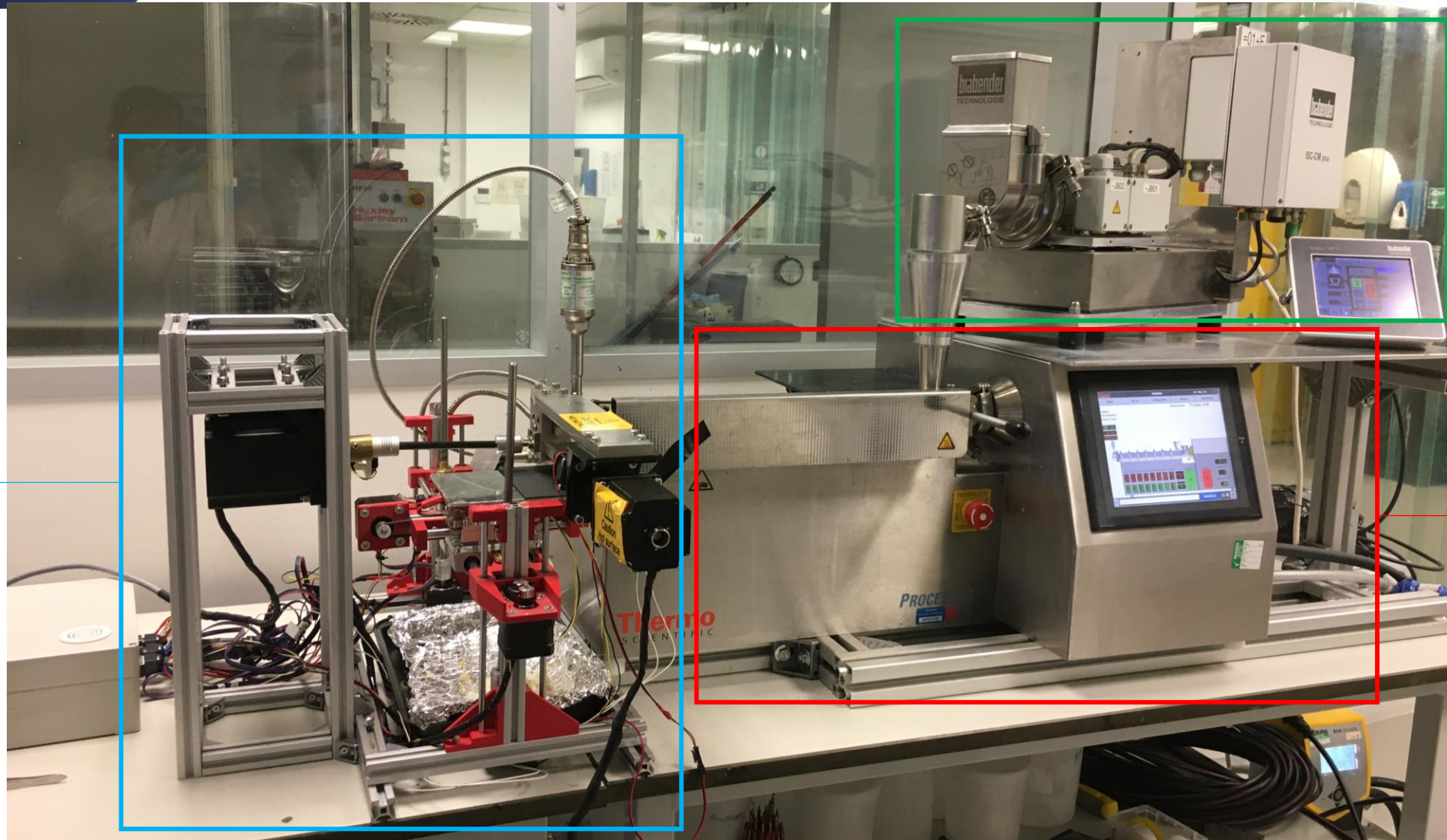


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Filament Free FFF printer



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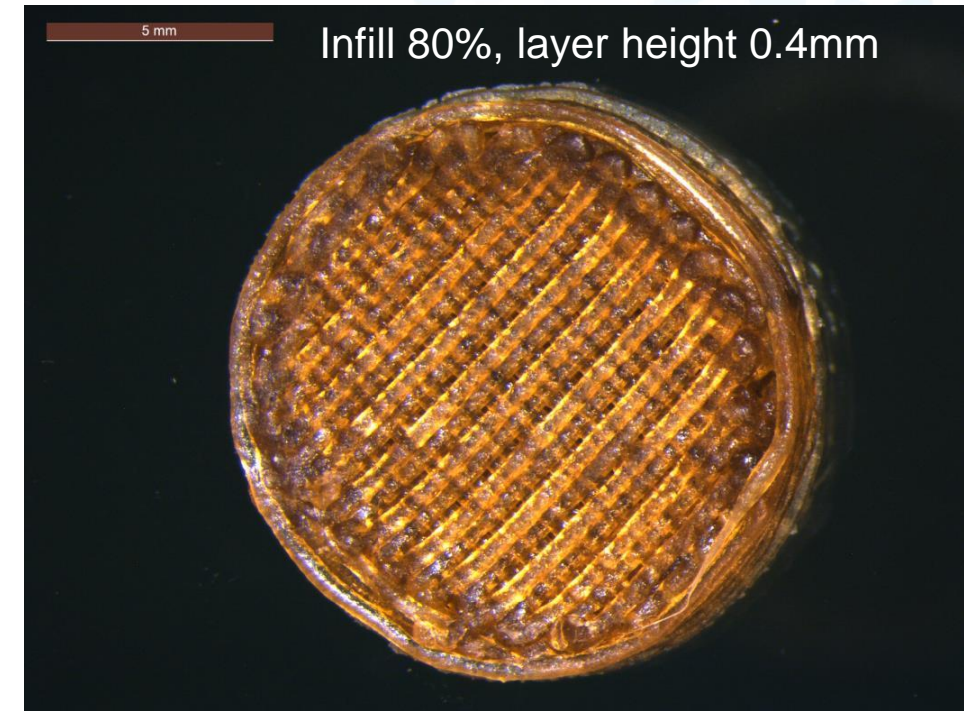
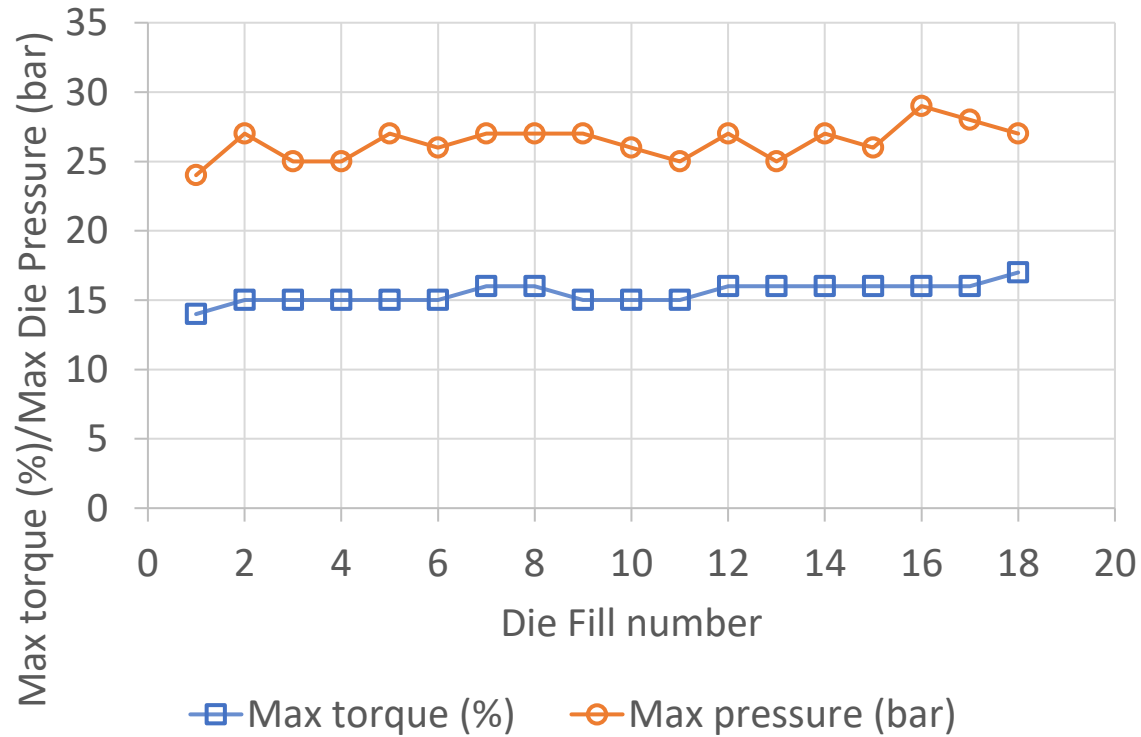
3DP

LIW
feeder

HME
Process 11

30PCM-Affinisol

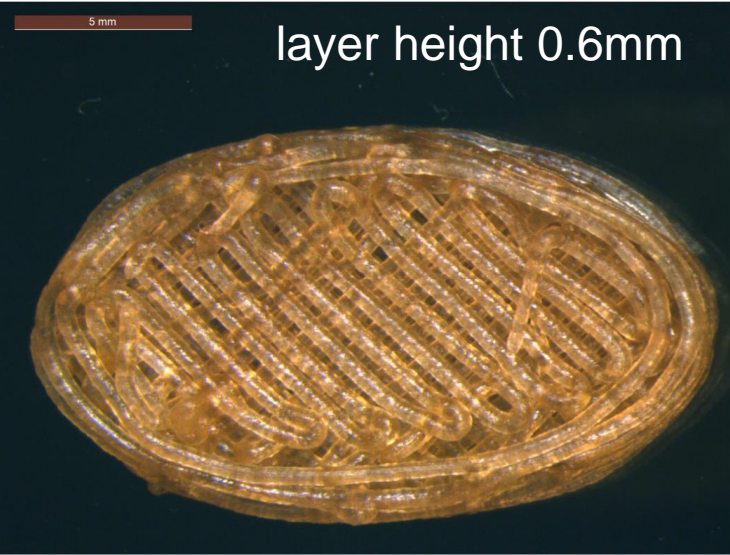
Max Die fill pressure/Max Torque during piston fill



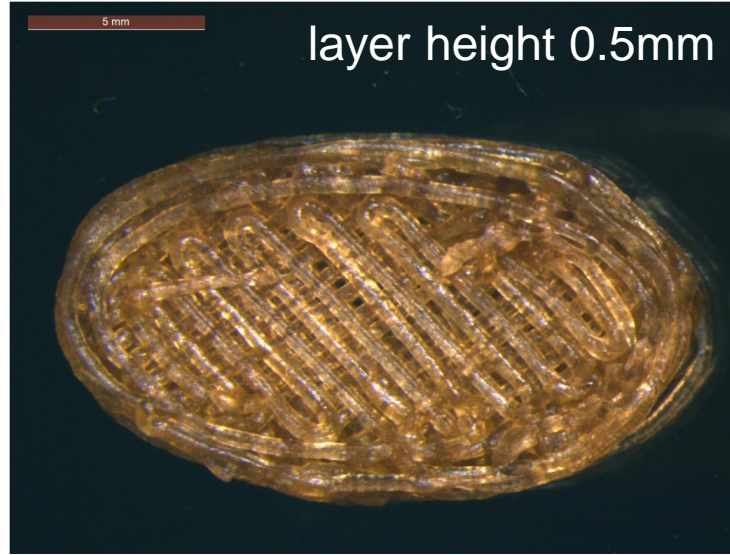
Print	weight (mg)	width (mm)	thickness (mm)
average	388.04	12.60	3.87
stdev	6.16	0.11	0.07
%RSD	1.59	0.91	1.94

Operating Space: Layer Height

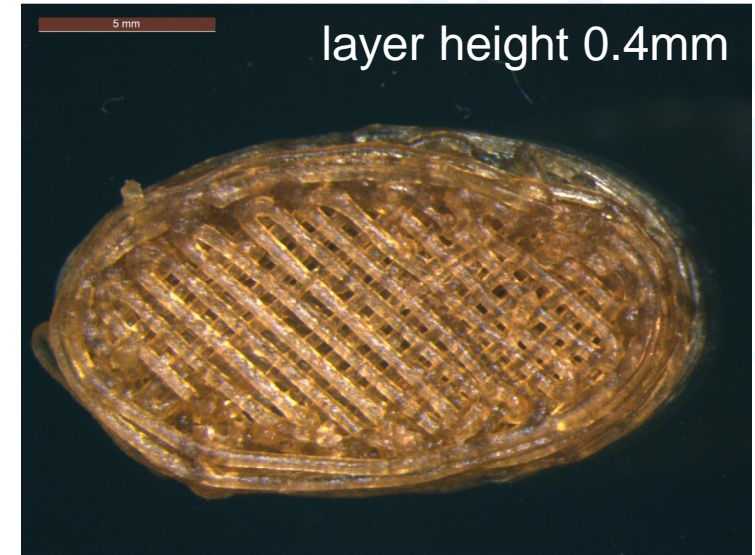
5 mm
layer height 0.6mm



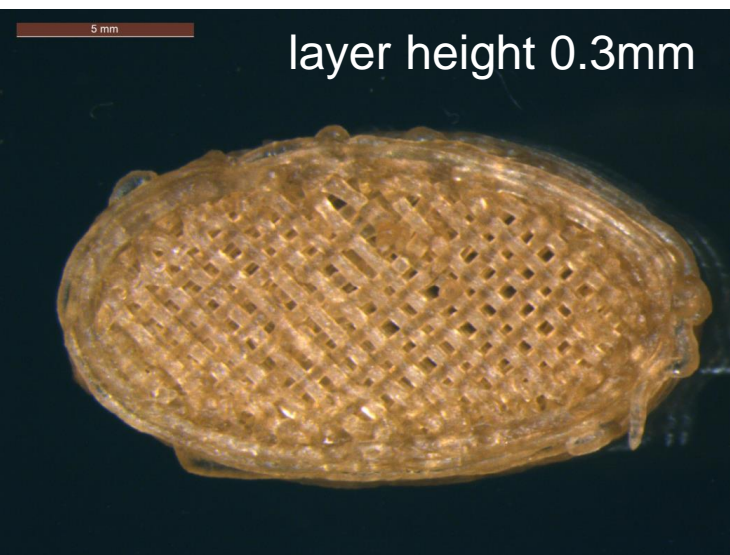
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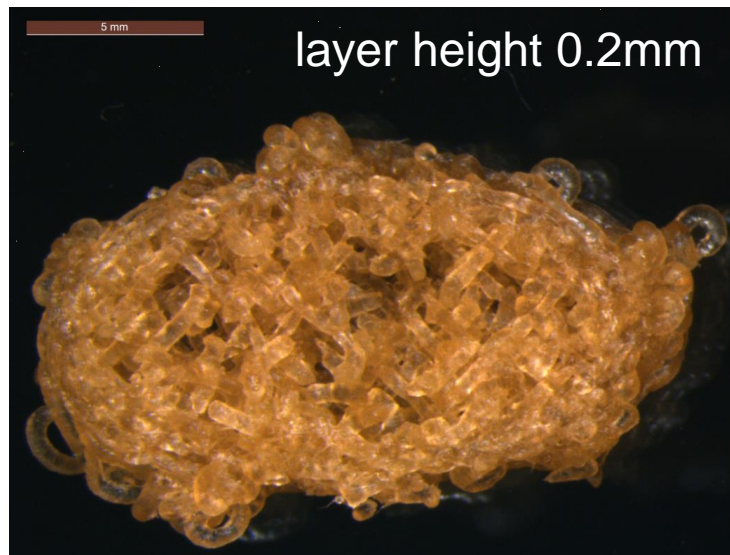
5 mm
layer height 0.4mm



5 mm
layer height 0.3mm

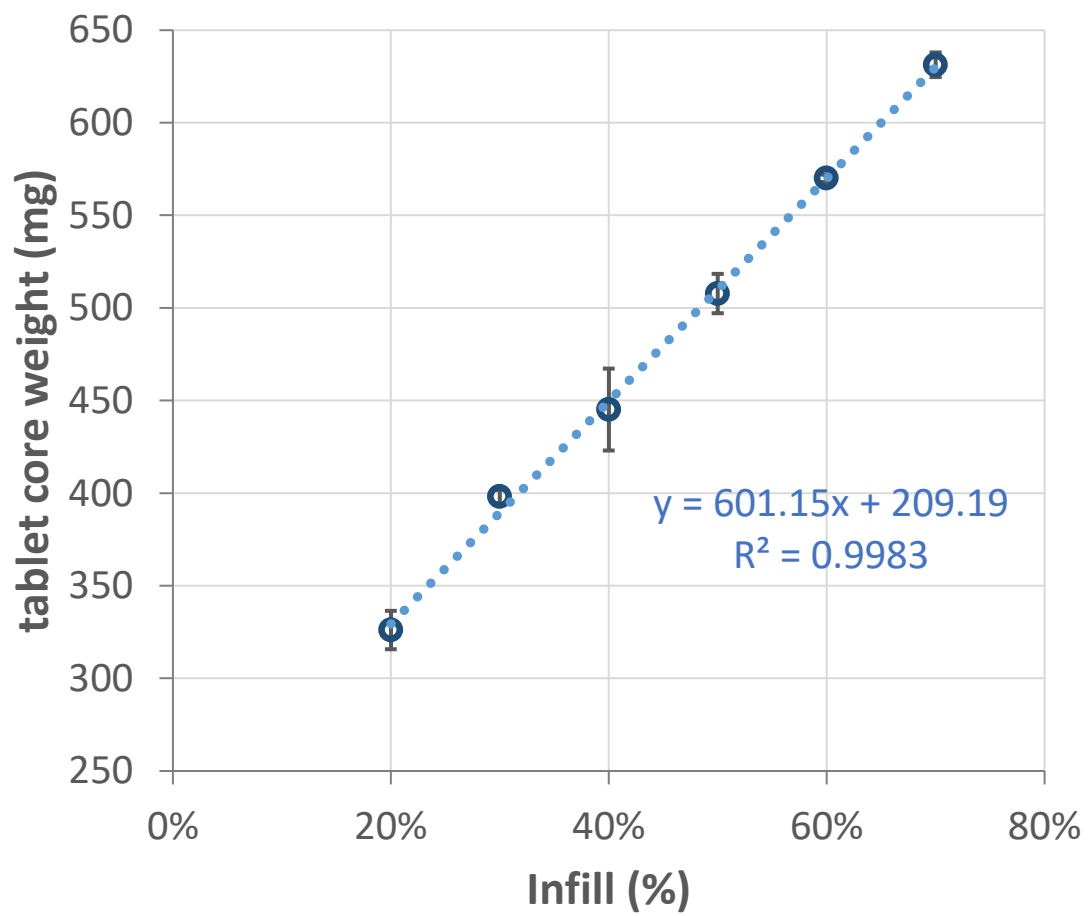


5 mm
layer height 0.2mm



Layer height (mm)	Print speed (mm/s)	Infill %	Good quality
0.6 - 0.3	20	20-70	✓
0.6 - 0.2	40	n/a	✗

Infill versus weight



Conclusions

- Single step FFF process of a 30PCM-Affiniol formulation generated pharmaceutically acceptable oral dose forms
- The operating space for HME process parameters and slicer settings for processing the formulation on the novel printer were established
- Filament Free FFF printer opens up the pharmaceutical formulation space, facilitating a single, streamlined FFF process with reduced thermal load of the material

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