

Supplementary information

Biodegradable porous FeMn(-xAg) alloys: assessment of cytocompatibility, mechanical, magnetic and antibiofilm properties

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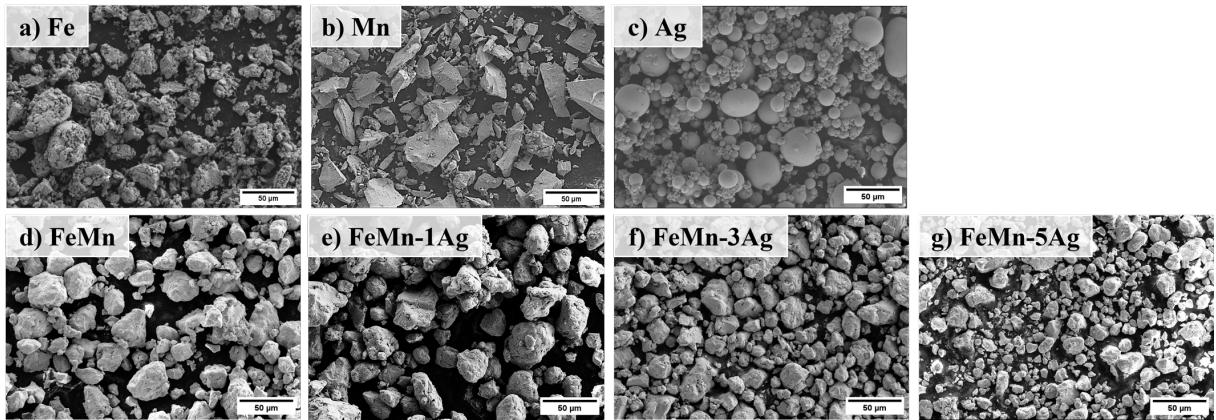


Fig. S1 SEM images of initial powders of Fe (a), Mn (b) and Ag (c) and of ball-milled FeMn (d), FeMn-1Ag (e), FeMn-3Ag (f) and FeMn-5Ag (g) powders.

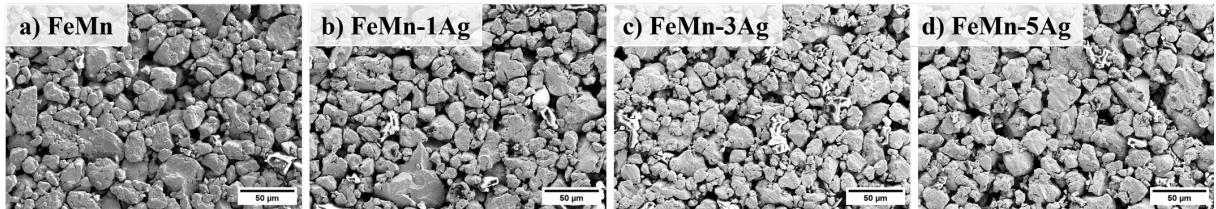


Fig. S2 SEM images depicting the morphology of cold-pressed pellets of FeMn (a), FeMn-1Ag (b), FeMn-3Ag (c) and FeMn-5Ag (d).

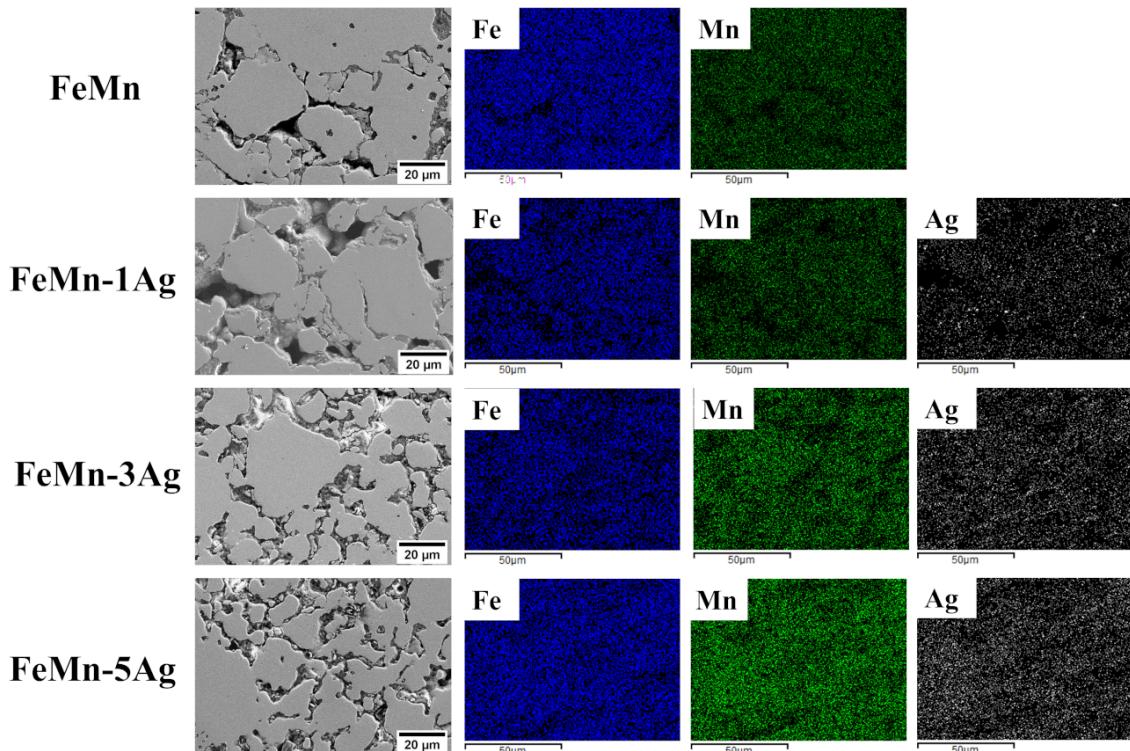


Fig. S3 EDS elemental maps taken on polished surface of FeMn, FeMn-1Ag, FeMn-3Ag and FeMn-5Ag sintered alloys showing distribution of Fe, Mn and Ag.

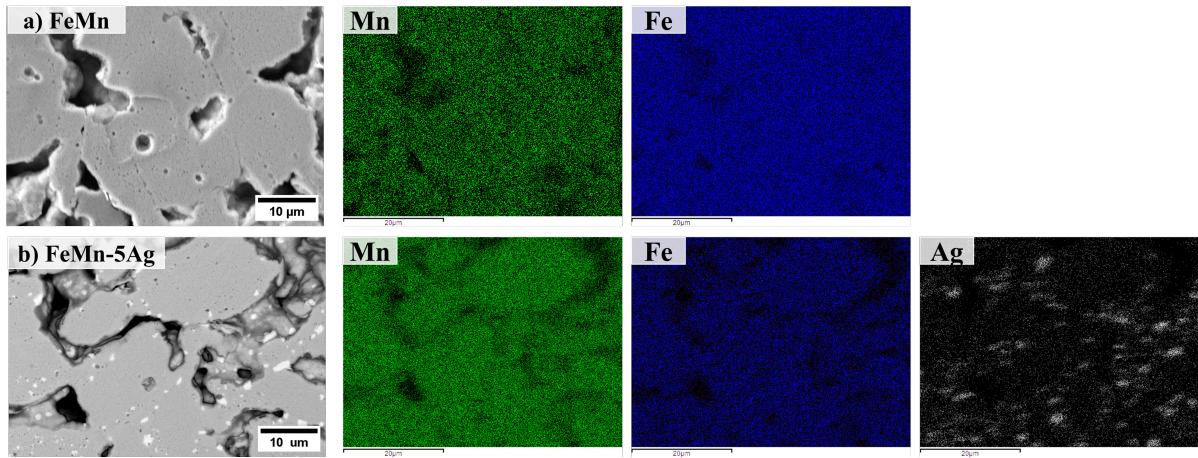


Fig. S4 EDS elemental maps taken on polished cross-sectional surface of FeMn (a) and FeMn-5Ag (b) sintered alloys showing distribution of Fe, Mn and Ag.

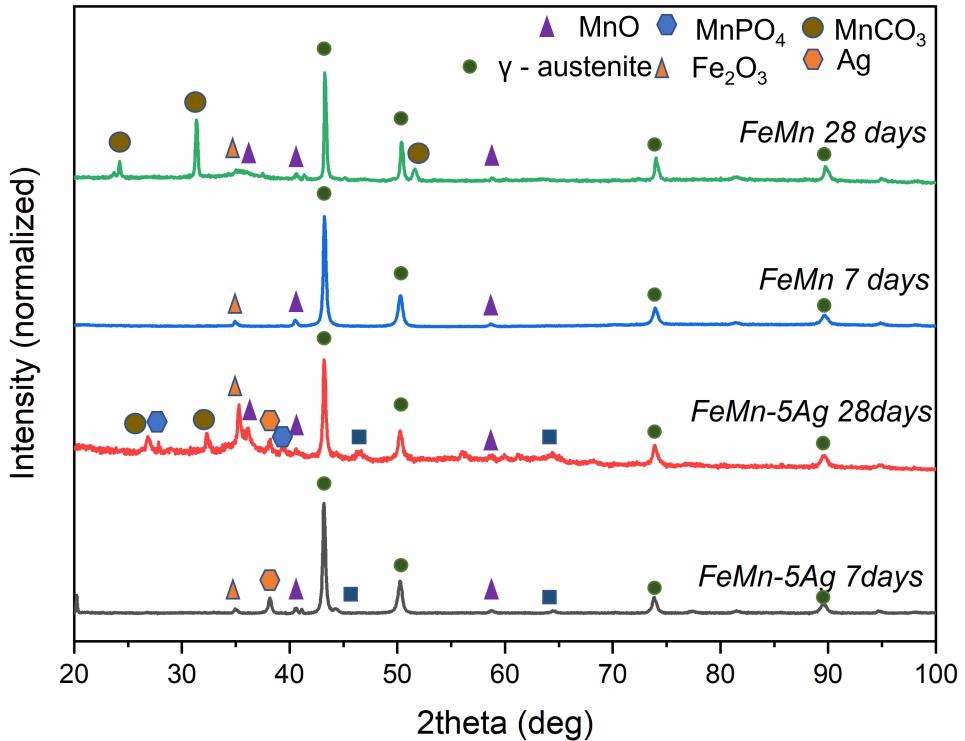


Fig. S5 X-ray diffraction patterns of the FeMn and FeMn-5Ag alloys after immersion in HBSS for 7 and 28 days.

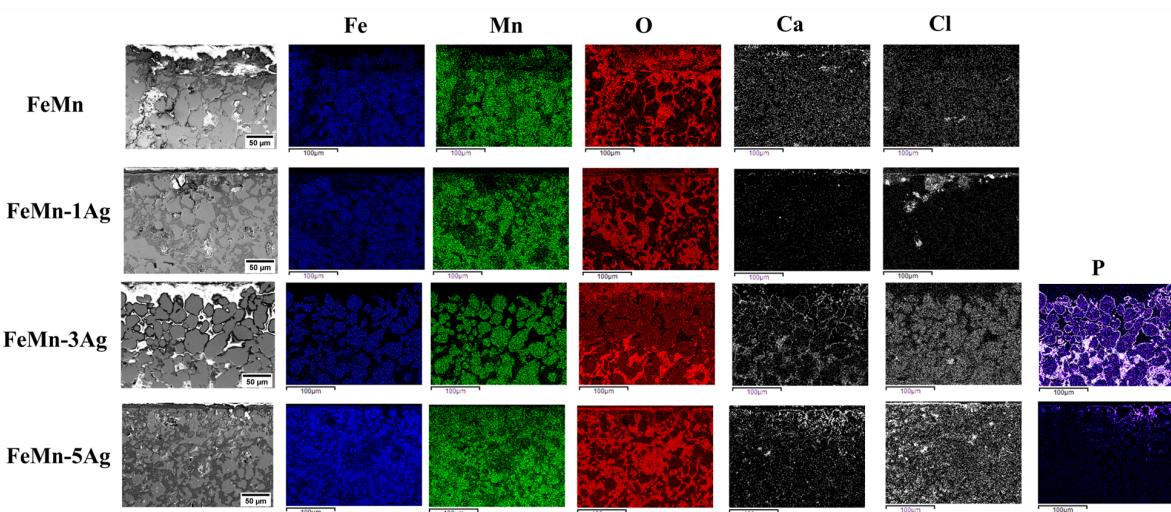


Fig. S6 EDS maps taken on the cross-sections of FeMn, FeMn-1Ag, FeMn-3Ag and FeMn-5Ag alloys immersed for 84 days in HBSS. EDS maps corresponds to the Fe, Mn, O, Ca, Cl and P distribution for the regions showed in micrographs.

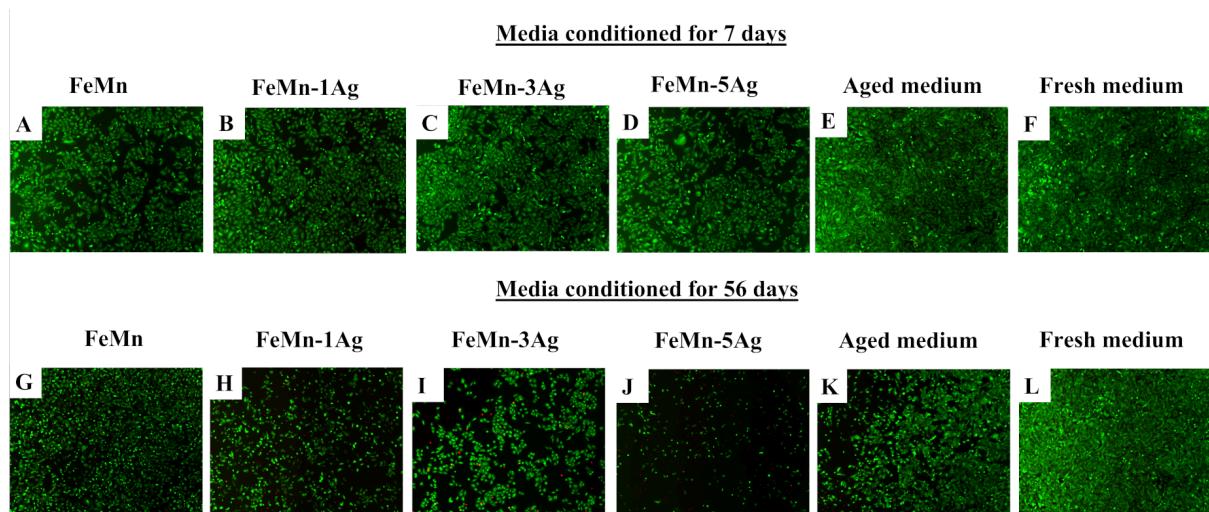


Fig. S7 Cytotoxicity of medium conditioned during 7 (A-F) and 56 (G-L) days with FeMn (A, G), FeMn-1Ag (B, H), FeMn-3Ag (C, I) and FeMn-5Ag (D, J), measured on Saos-2 cells by live/dead fluorescence staining after 3 days culture. An aged medium consisting of medium prepared following the same incubation times and conditions but without any alloy (E, K) and a fresh medium (F, L) were used as controls. Live and dead cells appear in green and red, respectively.