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Multi-Functional Ceramic Hybrid Coatings on Biodegradable AZ31 Mg

Implants: Electrochemical, Tribological and Quantum Chemical Aspects for

**Orthopaedic applications** 

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Figure S1 weight gain of PEO coatings without and with  $Ta_2O_5$  nanoparticles

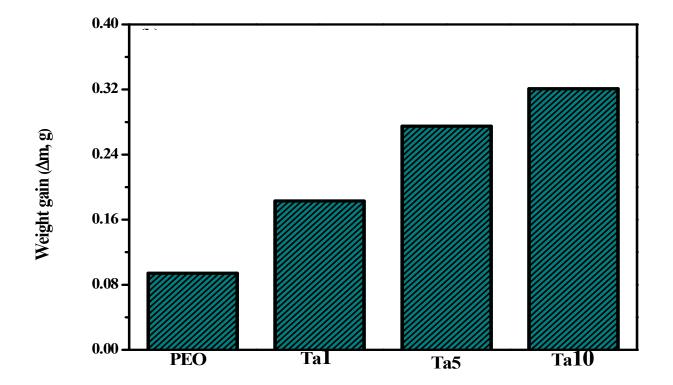


Figure S2 Relative content of MgO,  $Mg_3(PO_4)_2$  and  $Ta_2O_5$  nanoparticles in PEO coating

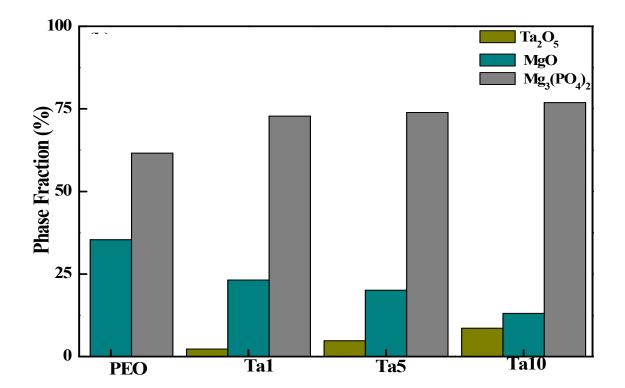


Figure S3 SEM/EDAX mapping results of PEO coatings with Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> nanoparticles

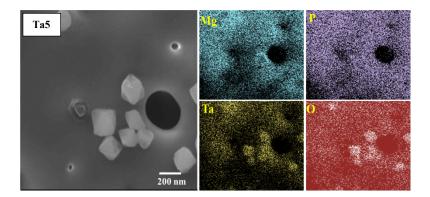


Figure S4 Equivalent circuit model for PEO coated AZ31 Mg substrates

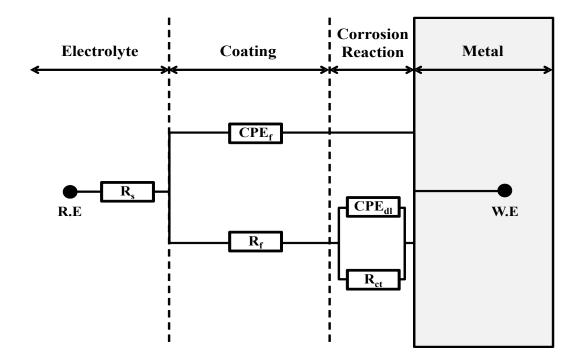


Table S5

S.No.	Samples	Hardness (HV)					Standard	Standard	Range
		1	2	3	4	5	(μ)	Deviation	(R)
								(σ)	
1	Uncoated	82.5	81.7	85.4	86.4	82.4	83.6	1.860	4.7
2	Pure PEO	254.3	265.4	250.6	260	262.4	258.5	5.387	14.8
3	Ta1	300.1	304.2	306.4	308.4	306.5	305.1	2.840	8.3
4	Ta5	342.6	364.3	357.6	348.8	355.2	353.7	7.446	21.7
5	Ta10	378.5	368.4	372.9	365.4	387.4	374.5	7.810	22