





BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING LECTURE SERIES

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FIU Engineering Center 10555 West Flagler Street Room 2300

NANOTECHNOLOGY FOR EYE REPAIR

Magnetic nanoparticles may be used for multiple therapeutic avenues in the visual system. Our laboratory's work on localizing neuroprotective and regenerative trophic signaling, inducing axon growth into the optic nerve, and directing cellular replacement therapies will be discussed.

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