Optoelectric scaffold for photo-responsive biological components.

According to one aspect, an optoelectric scaffold for accommodating photo-responsive biological components is provided. The scaffold comprises an optical waveguide configured for confining light propagating in a longitudinal direction thereof. The optical waveguide comprises at least one leaky section with enhanced emission of light in a direction transverse or lateral to the longitudinal direction. The scaffold further comprises an electrically conductive layer arranged on an outer surface of the optical waveguide, wherein the electrically conductive layer has an immobilisation or growth support surface for the immobilisation or cultivation of photo-responsive biological components thereon. The electrically conductive layer comprises transparent regions at least partially overlapping the leaky section. The transparent region is configured so as to transmit light from the leaky section of the waveguide to the immobilisation and/or growth support surface. According to a further aspect, an optoelectric device comprises an optoelectric scaffold and a photo-responsive biological component arranged on the immobilisation/growth support surface. The growth support surface is arranged so as to transmit light received from the leaky section of the optical waveguide to the biological component placed thereon.

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