

Heparin Functionalized Injectable Cryogel with Rapid Shape-Recovery property for Neovascularization

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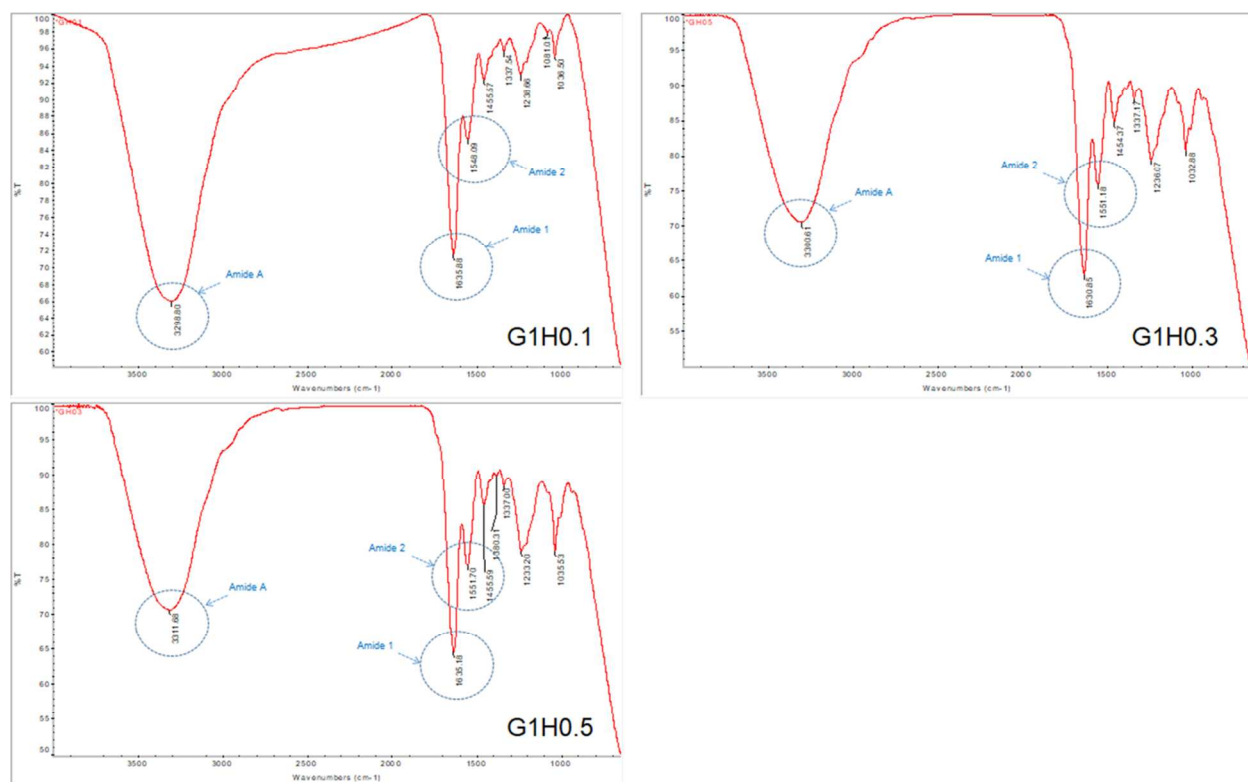


Figure S1. Fourier-Transform Infrared spectrum (FT-IR) of gelatin/heparin cryogels (G1H0.1, G1H0.3 and G1H0.5). Synthesized cryogel was swollen with distilled water and analyzed by Nicolet 6700 (Thermo Scientific, USA). (No. of scan: 32, Resolution: 8, Wavenumber range (cm^{-1}): 4000-650)

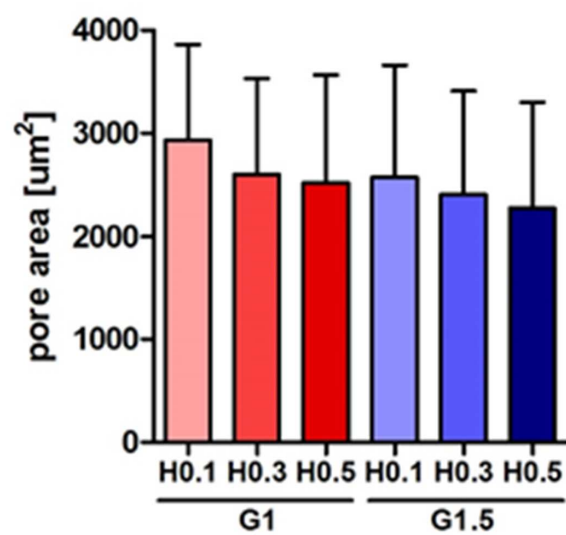


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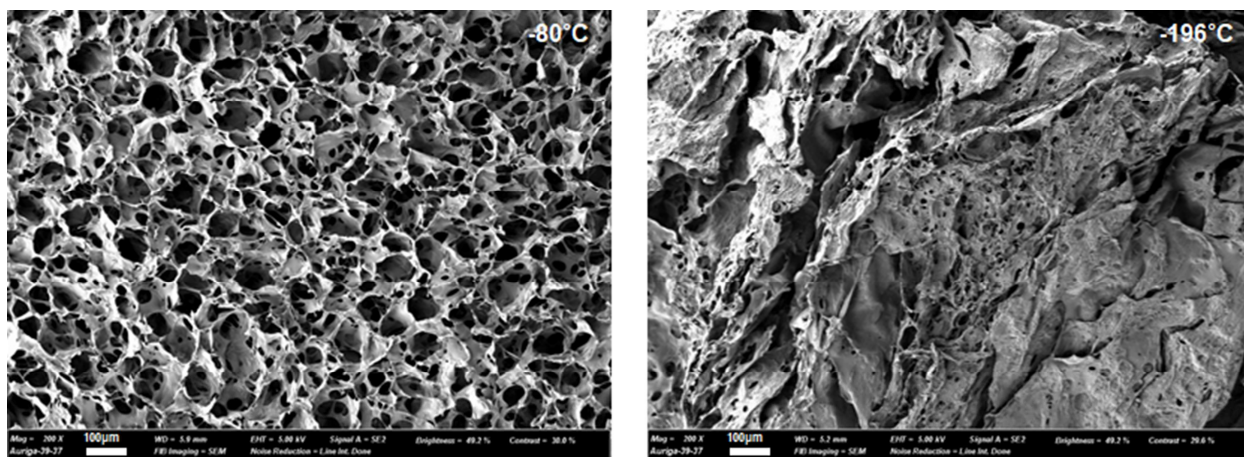


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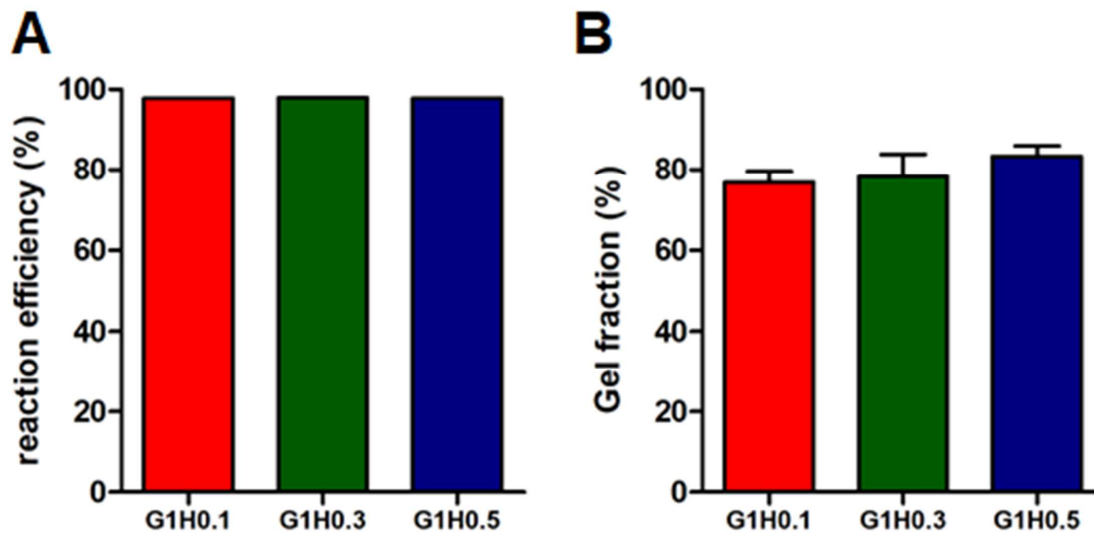


Figure S4. Reaction efficiency and gel fraction of cryogel. (A) Reaction efficiency of gelatin during cryogelation. (n=5). This was calculated by the difference between the amount of initial gelatin and unreacted gelatin which is released from gelatin/heparin cryogel after swelling. (B) Gel fraction of gelatin/heparin cryogel. This was calculated based on following equation | % Gel fraction = $(W(\text{ex})/W(\text{th}) \times 100$, where $W(\text{ex})$ is the weight of actual dry polymer and $W(\text{th})$ is the theoretical weight of polymer after 100% gelation. Error bars indicate SD.

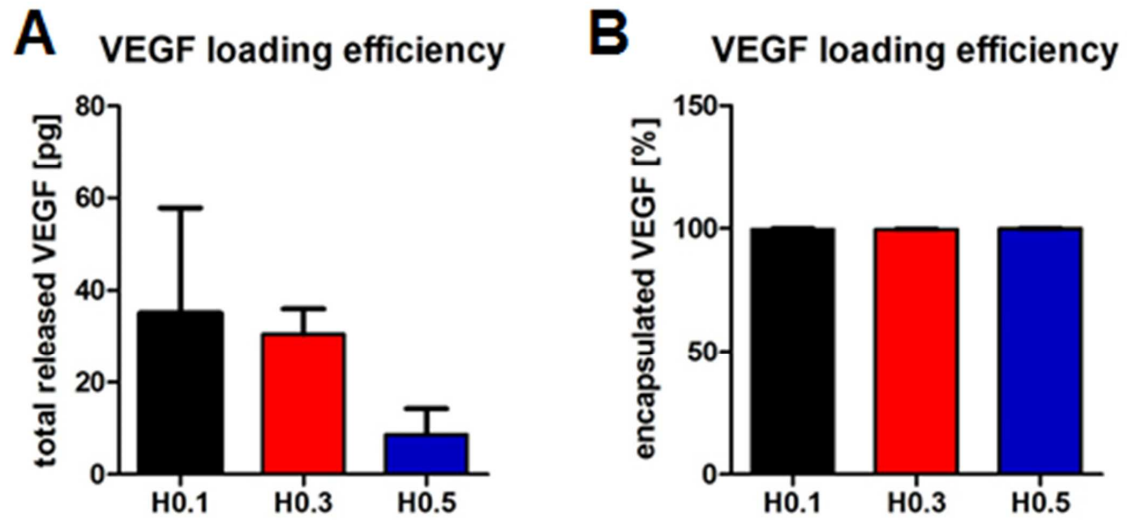


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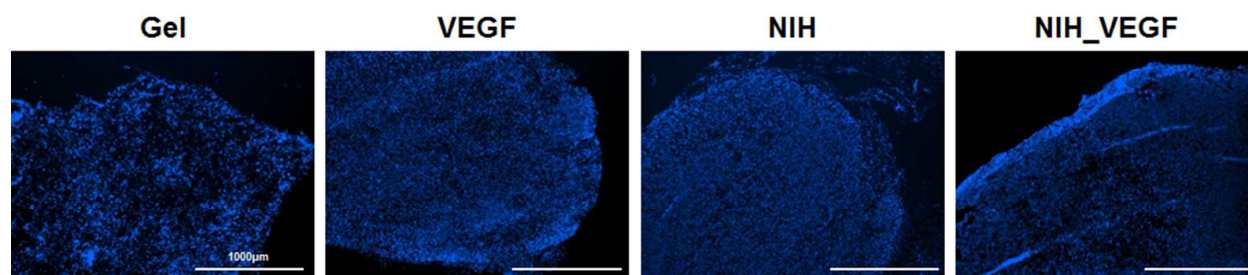


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