### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

# (Macro)Molecular Imprinting of proteins on PCL electrospun scaffolds

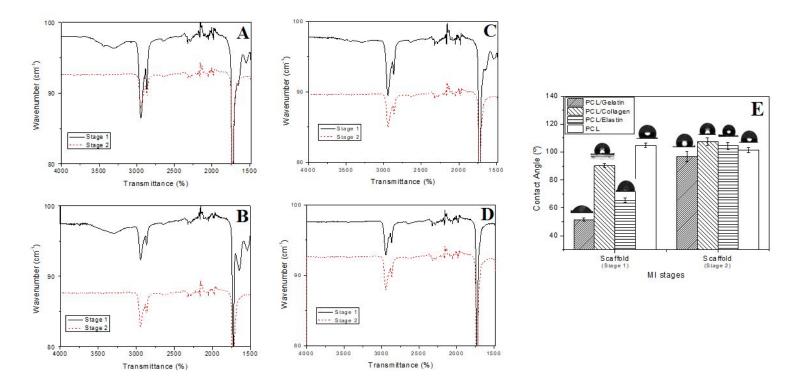
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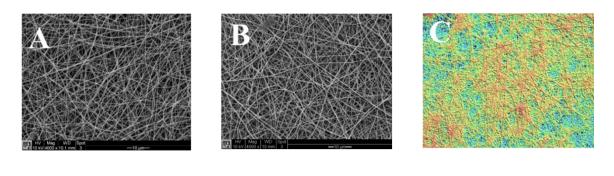
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### **Figures**

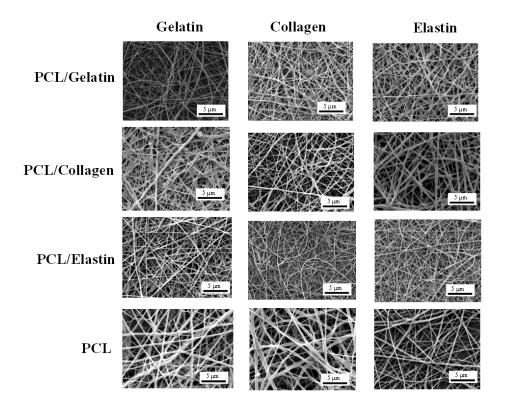


**Fig. S1.** FTIR profiles of (A) PCL-Gelatin, (B) PCL-Collagen, (C) PCL-Elastin and (D) PCL systems obtained *via* electrospinning (Stage 1) and after the solvent extraction stage (Stage 2). (E) Water contact angle (WCA) measurements obtained for each system (PCL-Gelatin, PCL-Collagen, PCL-Elastin and PCL) obtained *via* electrospinning (Stage 1) and after the solvent extraction stage (Stage 2). Images of the drops during the WCA measurements have also been included.

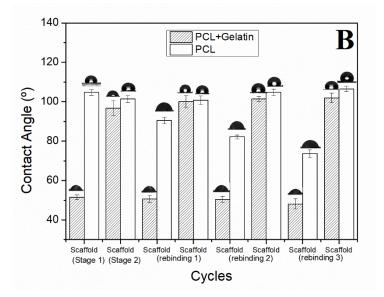


ROUGHNESS	Sa (µm)	Sq (µm)	Sz/Sa		
PCL/Gelatin	$0.63 \pm 0.14$	$0.80 \pm 0.10$	11.95 ± 2.18		

**Fig. S2.** SEM images (A) before and (B) after solvent extraction of the PCL-Gelatin system. (C) A topographical image and different roughness parameters ( $S_a$ ,  $S_q$  and  $S_z/S_a$  ratio) for the PCL/Gelatin system were also included.



**Fig. S3.** SEM images after protein rebinding of the MI products (PCL-Gelatin, PCL-Collagen, PCL-Elastin and PCL) in different protein solutions (gelatin, collagen and elastin).



**Fig. S4.** Water contact angle (WCA) measurements obtained for PCL and PCL-Gelatin systems obtained *via* electrospinning (Stage 1) and after the solvent extraction stage after each consecutive rebinding process (rebinding 1, 2 and 3). Images of the drops during the WCA measurements have also been included.

#### Tables

**Table S1.** %N content obtained for the PCL-Gelatin and PCL systems after performing each stage of the molecular imprinting process and varying the template rebinding molecule (gelatin, collagen and elastin).

	%N									
SYSTEMS	Electrospinning	Solvent Extraction	Template Rebinding							
		Solvent Extraction	Gelatin	Collagen	Elastin					
PCL/Gelatin	$3.31 \pm 0.12$	-	$2.83 \pm 0.17$	$1.78\pm0.07$	$0.73\pm0.04$					
PCL	-	-	$1.34 \pm 0.16$	$1.50\pm0.06$	$0.49\pm0.02$					

**Table S2.** Mean fiber diameter (nm) and uniformity (%) before and after protein rebinding of the MI products (PCL-Gelatin, PCL-Collagen, PCL-Elastin and PCL) in different protein solutions (gelatin, collagen and elastin).

	Mean Fiber Diameter (nm)						Uniformity (%)					
SYSTEMS	GELATIN		COLLAGEN		ELASTIN		GELATIN		COLLAGEN		ELASTIN	
	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After	Before	After
PCL/Gelatin	$298 \pm 89$	$258 \pm 92$	$288 \pm 89$	$307 \pm 74$	$298 \pm 89$	$323 \pm 73$	71.01	69.10	71.01	75.89	71.01	77.40
PCL/Collagen	$294 \pm 123$	$330 \pm 104$	$294 \pm 123$	$372 \pm 126$	$294 \pm 123$	$364 \pm 147$	58.16	68.48	58.16	66.13	58.16	59.62
PCL/Elastin	$150 \pm 69$	$202 \pm 58$	$150 \pm 69$	$211 \pm 76$	$150 \pm 69$	$209 \pm 88$	58.39	71.28	58.39	63.98	58.39	57.89
PCL	$441 \pm 112$	$419 \pm 90$	$441 \pm 112$	$424 \pm 81$	$441 \pm 112$	$481 \pm 118$	74.60	78.52	75.16	80.90	75.16	75.47

**Table S3.** %N content obtained for the PCL-Gelatin and PCL systems obtained *via* electrospinning after performing the rebinding stage of the MI process varying the pH of the solution (3, 6 and 9), the immersion time (1, 2 and 4h) and the template solution concentration (0.5, 0.05, 0.005 and 0.0005 %).

	%N									
SYSTEMS	Template Rebinding Stage									
	рН			Immersion time			Solution Concentration			
	рН 3	pH 6	pH 9	1 h	2 h	4 h	0.5%	0.05%	0.005%	0.0005%
PCL/Gelatin	$2.83 \pm 0.17$	$1.64 \pm 0.24$	$1.54 \pm 0.21$	$1.91 \pm 0.11$	$2.83\pm0.17$	$3.44\pm0.05$	$2.83\pm0.17$	$2.47 \pm 0.13$	$1.38 \pm 0.06$	$0.44 \pm 0.16$
PCL	$1.34 \pm 0.16$	$0.80 \pm 0.10$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$	$0.29\pm0.08$	$1.34 \pm 0.16$	$1.29\pm0.09$	$1.34\pm0.16$	$0.62 \pm 0.12$	$0.23 \pm 0.07$	$0.11 \pm 0.10$

**Table S4.** %N content obtained for the PCL-Gelatin and PCL systems after performing each stage of the molecular imprinting process and varying the number of consecutive cycles performed: One cycle (C1), two cycles (C2) or three cycles (C3).

	%N						
SYSTEMS	Cycles						
	C1 C2		C3				
PCL/Gelatin	$2.83 \pm 0.17$	$3.05\pm0.28$	$3.65 \pm 0.35$				
PCL	$1.34 \pm 0.16$	$1.93\pm0.12$	$2.12 \pm 0.09$				