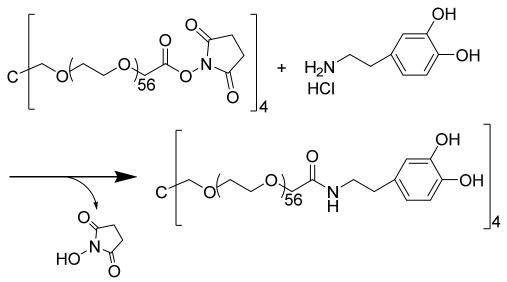
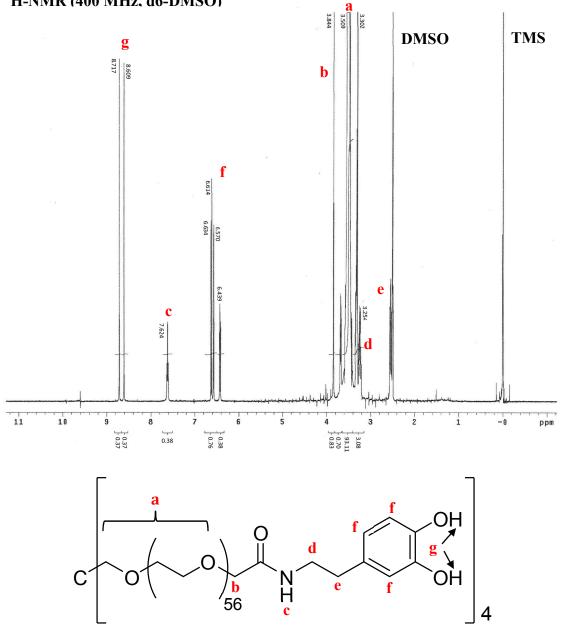
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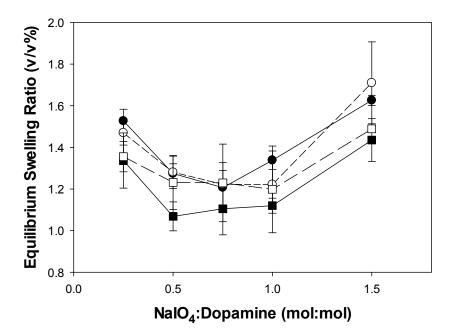


Scheme S1. Synthesis scheme of PEG-D.

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, d6-DMSO)



**Figure S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of PEG-D performed in  $d_6$ -DMSO with the peaks labeled with corresponding protons.



**Figure S2.** Equilibrium swelling ratio as a function of NaIO<sub>4</sub>:dopamine molar ratio for hydrogels formulated with precursor solutions adjusted to a pH of 5.7 ( $\bullet$ ), 6.7 ( $\circ$ ), 7.4 ( $\blacksquare$ ), and 8.0 ( $\Box$ ).

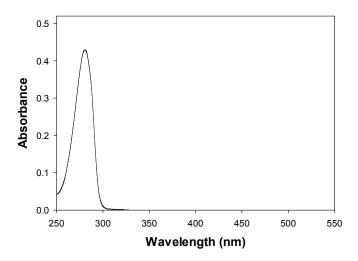


Figure S3. UV-vis spectrum of 50  $\mu$ M PEG-D (200  $\mu$ M dopamine) in 10 mM sodium phosphate buffered at pH 5.7.

pH	$\mathcal{V}_r$
5.7	$0.0687 \pm 0.000333$
6.7	$0.0676 \pm 0.000614$
7.4	$0.0679 \pm 0.00117$
8.0	$0.0677 \pm 0.00111$
Overall Average	$0.0680 \pm 0.000885$

**Table S1.** Polymer volume fraction  $(v_r)$  in the relaxed PEG-D hydrogel using a 0.5 IO<sub>4</sub>:dopamine molar ratio (n = 3 each)\*

\* There was no statistical difference between groups and the coefficient of variance for all test groups were lower than 1.7%. As such, the average value of these 12 samples was used in calculation of the molecular weight between cross-links and the equilibrium swelling ratio.

Table S2. Adhesive properties of PEG-D and commercial CoSeal tested at pH 7.4

-	PEG-D*		CoSeal^
	1 hr	overnight	CoSear
Adhesive Strength (kPa)	3.3±0.52	7.8±1.7	0.63±0.19
Work of Adhesion (J/m <sup>2</sup> )	4.8±1.0	15±2.0	1.5±0.65

\* Tested after incubation for either 1 hr or overnight

^ Tested after incubation for overnight

**Table S3.** Results of MTT cell viability assay for extract of PEG-D cured using a NaIO<sub>4</sub>:dopamine molar ratio of 0.5.

pН	Cell Viability
5.7	$100\% \pm 16\%$
6.7	$110\% \pm 12\%$
7.4	$98\%\pm4.0\%$
8.0	$99\%\pm10\%$