Supporting Information

Surface Modification of Smooth Poly(L-lactic acid) Films for Gelatin Immobilization

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The surface composition of PLLA film, APTES-PLLA, GOPS-PLLA, and gelatin-GOPS-PLLA film were analyzed by XPS (Kratos AXIS Ultra) with monochromatic Al Kα (1486.71 eV) X-ray radiation (15 kV and 10 mA).

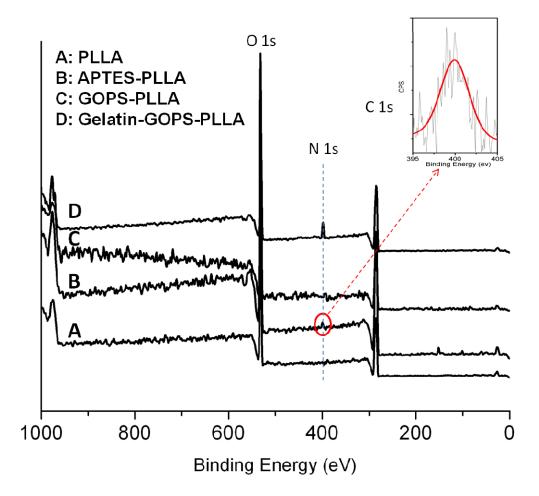


Figure S1. XPS spectra of (A) PLLA, (B) APTES-PLLA, (C) GOPS-PLLA, and (D) gelatin-GOPS-PLLA films. APTES only has one nitrogen atom while gelatin has many nitrogen atoms, thus the N1s peak of APTES-PLLA is much weaker than N1s peak of gelatin-GOPS-PLLA. Inset: Magnified image of N1s peak of APTES-PLLA.

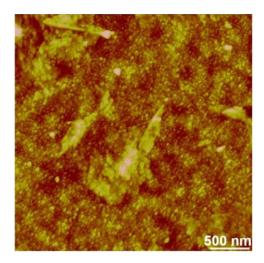


Figure S2. AFM image of oxygen plasma-treated PLLA film after being immersed into ethanol for 15 min. The Z scale is 50 nm. The surface roughness (RMS value) of this film is 4.9 nm in $3 \times 3 \mu \text{m}^2$.