

Supplementary information for: Oxygen-Purged Microfluidic Device to Enhance Cell Viability in Photopolymerized PEG Hydrogel Microparticles

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Table 1. PEGDA polymerization reaction steps

Steps #	Reaction	Description
1	$I \xrightarrow{k_d} R^*$	Initiator photolysis
2	$R^* + M \xrightarrow{k_i} M^*$	Monomer activation
3	$M_n^* + M \xrightarrow{k_p} M_{n+1}^*$	Chain propagation
4	$M_n^* + M_m^* \xrightarrow{k_t} M_{n+m}$	Chain termination
5	$M_n^* + O_2 \xrightarrow{k_{O_2}} MOO$	Oxygen inhibition
6	$M_n^* + O_2 \xrightarrow{k_{O_2}} MOO$	Radical oxidation

In the above table, M represents unconverted double bonds; M* represents the radical species; X represents all the radical species (M* and R*).

Table 2. Parameters involved in modeling predicted peroxy radical accumulation

Parameter	Description	Value	Reference
r	radius of the droplets	25 μm	¹
D _{O₂}	oxygen diffusivity in the droplet	1*10 ⁻¹⁰ m ² /s	²
D _I	Photoinitiator diffusivity in the droplet	1*10 ⁻¹⁸ m ² /s	³
k _{O₂}	Rate constant of the radical	5*10 ⁵ m ³ *mol ⁻¹ *s ⁻¹	⁴

	oxidation		
k_p	Rate constant of polymer propagation	$25 \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	¹
k_t	Rate constant of radical termination	$2.5 \cdot 10^3 \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	¹
ϕ	Quantum yield of radical	1.0	⁵
λ	Wavelength	365 nm	
N_A	Avogadro number	mol^{-1}	
h	Planck's constant	$6.63 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	
C	Speed of light	$2.99 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$	
ϵ	Molar absorptivity	$2.18 \cdot 10^5 \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	⁵
I_0	UV light intensity	$220 \text{ mW} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}$	
MW_{PEGDA}	Molecular weight of PEGDA	$3.4 \cdot 10^3 \text{ g} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$	

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