SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Magnetic-field gradient $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial x}$ uniformity in radial direction



FIG. S1. Calibrated FEM simulation on magnetic-field gradient $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial x}$ dependence on radial position r, normalized by i_{gradient} . An axial coordinate of x=0 is used.

Magnetic field B_x uniformity in axial and radial directions



Accuracy of measurements using microprobes

FIG. S3. Accuracy of single probe measurements. Solid line with 0% denotes for the mean value, while dashed line marks the SD.

Force calibration of the micromanipulators 1-2

FIG. S2. Calibrated FEM simulation on magnetic field \mathbf{B}_x dependence on (A) axial position x and (B) radial position r, both, normalized by i_{field} . (A) and (B) have a radial coordinate of r=0, and an axial coordinate of x=0, respectively.

FIG. S4. Micromanipulator calibration against macrorheometry. (A) Micromanipulator 1 and (B) 2 compared against macrorheometer-based measurements, based on mean moduli IGI. Final volumetric force $\hat{F}_{V,probe}$ conversion is based on the slope of 1.00 for the relationship (plotted). The errorbars show the measurement SDs.

FIG. S5. Macrorheometer quantification of collagen type 1 at a concentration of c=1.0 mg/mL.

(A) Frequency dependence of viscoelasticity at a strain of 1%. The means and SDs are based on 3 repetitions.

(B) Viscoelasticity versus strain at an angular frequency of 1 rad/s.

Effect of initial fibroblast density on collagen matrix viscoelasticity at the incubation of T=32 h

FIG. S7. Initial cell density affects on microscale viscoelasticity. (A) Relative-modulus values of matrices with wild type and GM6001-treated cells are larger than the ones of the control at an increased initial fibroblast density of 2.0 M cells/mL (ie. both stiffer; *Pr < 0.05, paired t-test, n=3). (B) Matrices' loss tangent insignificantly varies from the one of control matrices (n.s. Pr > 0.20, n=2 for wild type).

Spatial variance of the collagen matrix viscoelasticity

FIG. S6. Spatially varying viscoelastic properties at the microscale measured for collagen matrices at a concentration of c=1.0 mg/mL: (A) modulus-related $|G|_{probe/batch}^{rel}$ and (B) loss tangent-related $\phi_{probe/batch}^{rel}$. The SDs illustrate the spatially varying properties.