iScience, Volume 25

Supplemental information

3D bioprinting of nanoparticle-laden

hydrogel scaffolds with enhanced

antibacterial and imaging properties

Andrea S. Theus, Liqun Ning, Gabriella Kabboul, Boeun Hwang, Martin L. Tomov, Christopher N. LaRock, Holly Bauser-Heaton, Morteza Mahmoudi, and Vahid Serpooshan

Figures



Figure S1. Mechanical testing of bioprinted scaffolds loaded with varying concentrations of superparamagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles (SPIONs). A: Unconfined compression test conducted (at a 50% total strain at 20 µm/s) on bioprinted GeIMA scaffolds containing no SPIONs (control), 100, 200, and 500 µg/mL SPIONs (n = 4 per group). Stiffness values were calculated from the slope of the force-displacement curves at the initial 0-20% interval. **B**: Microindentation tests were conducted on GeIMA constructs using a 500 µm probe, with a depth of 100 µm at 2 µm/s (n = 5 per group). Stiffness values were calculated based on the force-displacement unloading curves as described in Methods. * p-value < 0.05, ** p-value < 0.01.

Tables

Table S1. List of structural fidelity measurements conducted for the 3D bioprinted SPION-laden scaffold groups in this study. Raw values (average \pm standard deviation) of each parameter is presented.

	$m{D}_r$ (mm)	\textit{UC}_{r} (mm)	$\alpha_r(^\circ)$	A_r (mm²)
CAD model	0.30	9.00	60.00	1.00
0 μg/mL SPIONs	1.19 ± 0.15	0.98 ± 0.02	0.95 ± 0.07	1.64 ± 0.10
100 μg/mL SPIONs	1.13 ± 0.19	0.99 ± 0.01	1.01 ± 0.06	1.62 ± 0.10
200 μg/mL SPIONs	1.83 ± 0.23	0.98 ± 0.03	0.98 ± 0.06	1.59 ± 0.09
500 μg/mL SPIONs	1.60 ± 0.21	0.97 ± 0.02	0.97 ± 0.10	1.64 ± 0.10

The parameters are defined as strand diameter (D_r), strand uniformity (U_r), strand angle (α_r), and inter-strand area (A_r) ratios, obtained using equations (5) to (8).

Table S2. Average Young's moduli (N/m) of 3D bioprinted SPION-laden scaffolds obtained using microindentation tests (slope of the curve at 90-100% displacement). Raw modulus values of scaffolds with varying concentrations of SPIONs in the ink are listed (n = 5 per study group).

	0 μg/mL SPIONs	100 μg/mL SPIONs	200 µg/mL SPIONs	500 μg/mL SPIONs
Sample 1	123.94	75.59	111.86	118.31
Sample 2	184.43	116.35	103.57	129.57
Sample 3	148.51	84.15	114.98	119.90
Sample 4	134.33	121.80	105.03	147.02
Sample 5	127.91	106.34	104.98	117.46
Average modulus (N/m)	143.82	100.84	108.08	126.45
Std Dev	24.54	20.16	5.03	12.48