

# Degradable Emulsion-templated Scaffolds for Tissue Engineering from Thiol-Ene Photopolymerisation

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## HIPE Compositions

The compositions of the HIPEs prepared are shown in Table S1.

**Table S1. Compositions of HIPEs used to Prepare Thiol-Ene PolyHIPEs**

PolyHIPE	Porosity (%)	Temperature (°C)	Water (ml)	CHCl <sub>3</sub> (ml)	Trithiol (ml)	Acrylate <sup>a</sup> (ml)
1	80	23	56	7	3.85	3.15
2	80	80	56	7	3.85	3.15
3	90	23	110	5.25	3.85	3.15
4	90	80	110	5.25	3.85	3.15
5	80	23	70	7.0	4.0	3.0
6	80	80	70	7.0	4.0	3.0
7	90	23	126	7.0	4.0	3.0
8	90	80	126	7.0	4.0	3.0

<sup>a</sup> PolyHIPEs 1-4 are made using TMTPA, 5-8 from DPEHA.

## Mechanical Properties of Thiol-Ene PolyHIPEs

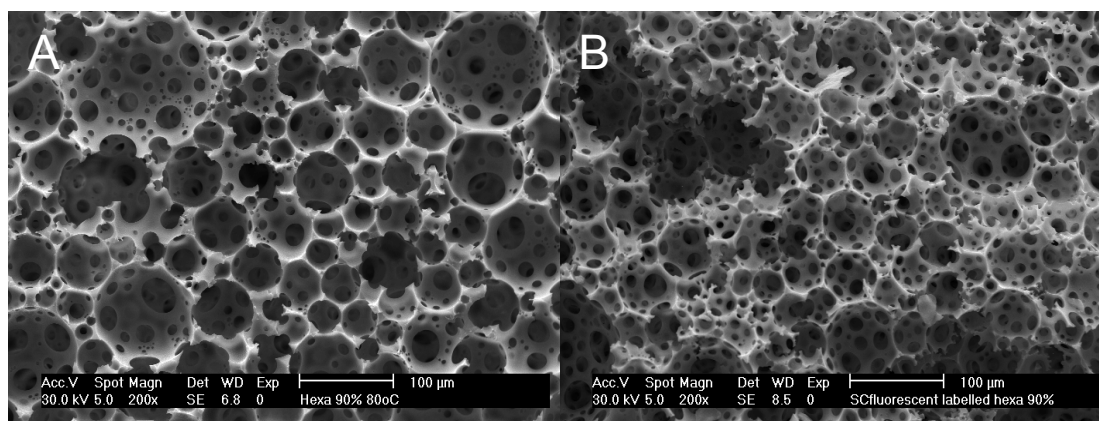
The mechanical behaviour of the trithiol-TMTPA and trithiol-DPEHA materials are demonstrated qualitatively in the accompanying videos.

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## Influence of Fluorescein O-acrylate on PolyHIPE Morphology

SEM images of polyHIPE materials corresponding to PolyHIPE 8 in Table 1, with and without fluorescein *o*-acrylate, are shown in Figure S1. The fluorescent acrylate was added at 2 mol% of the total acrylate group content.



**Figure S1.** SEM images of polyHIPE 8 (see Table 1) without (A) and with (B) added fluorescein *o*-acrylate (2 mol%).