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**Supplementary information** 

Video 1

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Video 2

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**Key words**: hydrogels, cell infiltration, 3D growth of cells, Laser scanning confocal microscopy, Z-stacking.