## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Selective Separation of <sup>152</sup>Eu from a Mixture of <sup>152</sup>Eu and <sup>137</sup>Cs Using Chitosan Based Hydrogel

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Figure S1: FT-IR spectra of (a) chitosan and (b) ChG.

Sample	v <sub>C=O</sub>	$\delta_{\text{N-H}}$	v <sub>C=N</sub>	V <sub>(bridge</sub>	
	(amide I)	(amide II)	(imine)	C-O-C)	
Chitosan	1655.26	1600.8	absent	1079.9	
ChG	absent	absent	1636.3	1073.3	

Table S1. The most significant IR peaks (cm<sup>-1</sup>) of chitosan and the synthesized Schiff bases



Figure S2: <sup>13</sup>C CP-MAS NMR spectrum ChG

C <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>1</sub> ,	C <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>8</sub>	C <sub>9</sub>
104.04	98.93	56.14	74.57	90.74	74.57	59.10	170.67	174.65	14.90

Table S2. The chemical shifts ( $\delta$ , ppm) in <sup>13</sup>C CP-MAS NMR spectrum of ChG



**Figure S4:** SLX profile of <sup>152</sup>Eu and <sup>137</sup>Cs in solid phase (hydrogel) by varying (a) shaking time and (b) settling of the medium





**Figure S5:** Morphological Study of ChG after gamma irradiation (a) 1 kGy, (b) 4 kGy and (c) 8 kGy.