

Supporting Information

Inkjet 3D-printing of stretchable silk membrane for strain measurements

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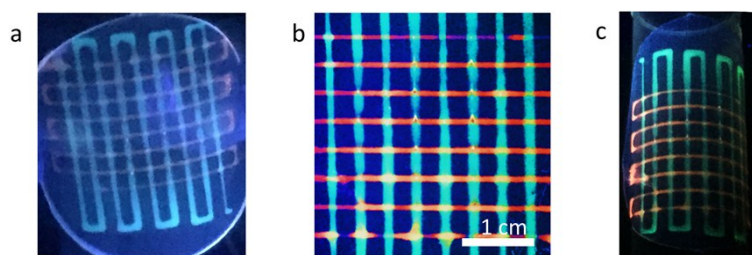


Fig. S1 Photographs of 3D-printed silk pattern on (a) polypropylene film (b and c) silk film under UV light irradiation. The red pattern was printed by rhodamine B-silk ink (red) and rhodamine 123-silk ink (green). a, c) the pattern was deformed with the substrate.

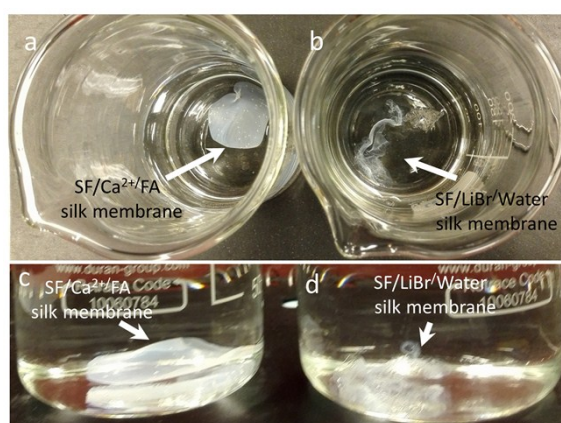


Fig. S2 Photographs of silk membranes immersed in water for 10 min at room temperature. a, c) The silk membrane was prepared by Formic Acid (FA)/CaCl₂ solvent; b, d) The silk membrane was prepared by LiBr/water solvent. The starting sizes of all membranes are the same.

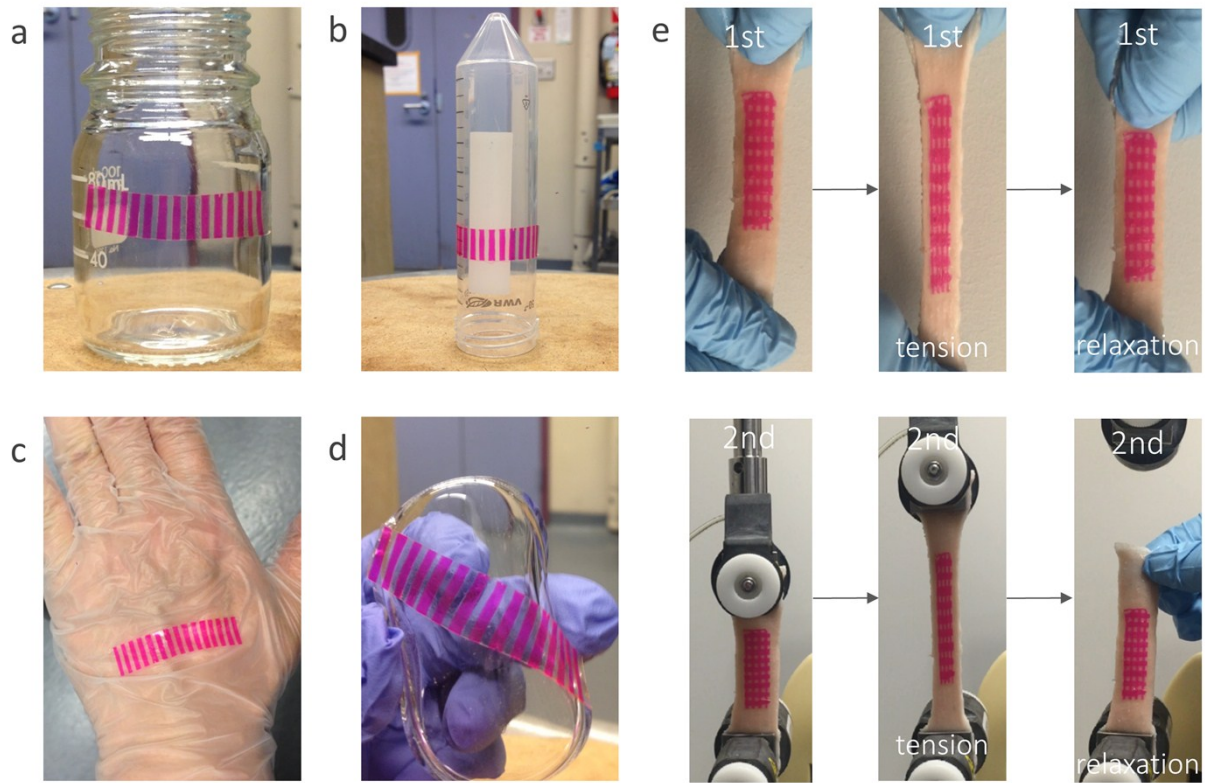


Fig. S3 Transferring and reusing of silk strain gauges. a-d) A silk strain gauge was transferred to different substrate. a) glass bottle; b) polypropylene tube; c) rubber glove; d) polydimethylsiloxane film. e) a silk strain was reused in twice tensions.

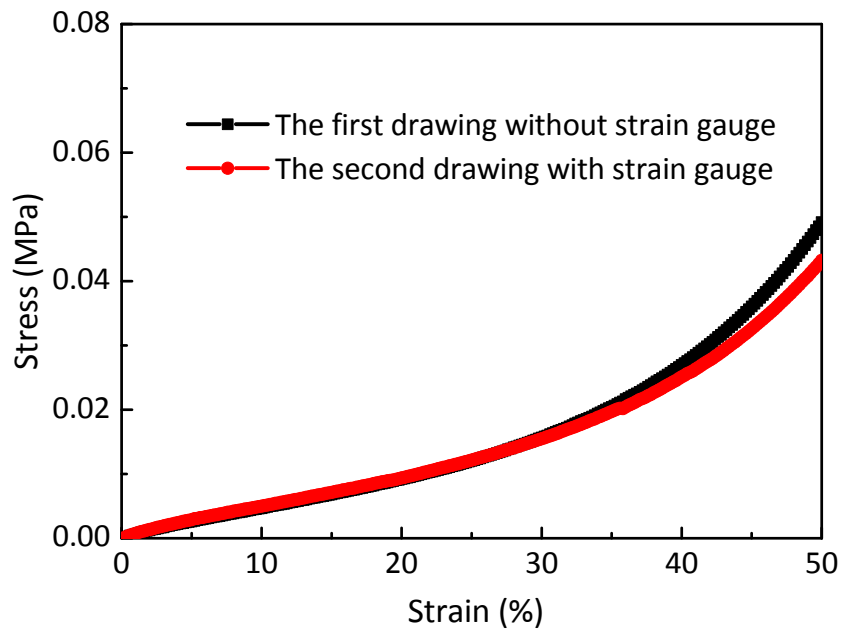


Fig. S4 Stress-strain plots of pig skin in twice stretching. The black curve is the first round of tensile test, the pig skin without strain gauge was stretched. The red curve is the second round of tensile test by using same skin sample, a strain gauge was attached on the skin surface.

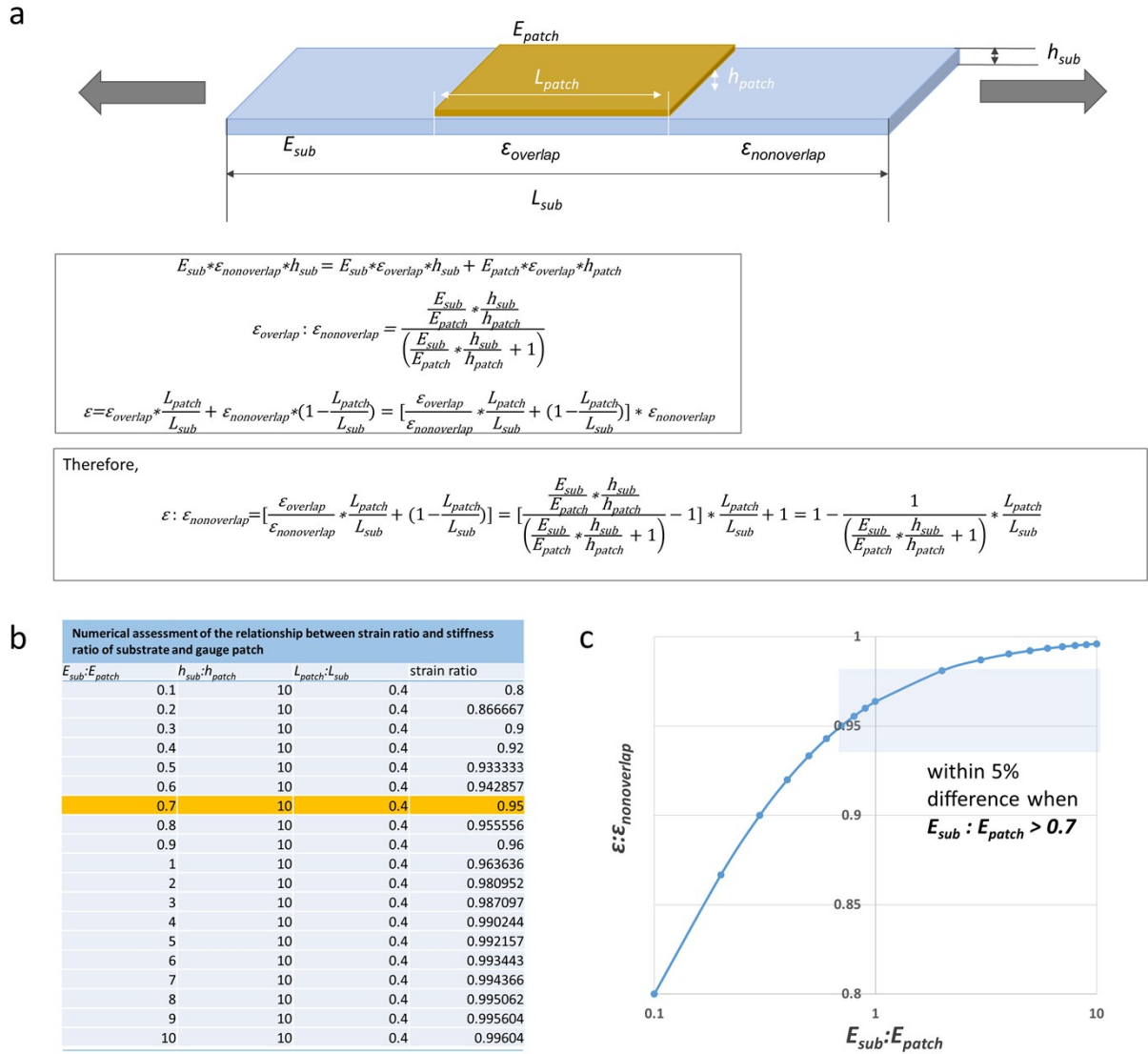


Fig. S5 The effect of tissue-gauge stiffness mismatch on tissue strain. a) Schematics and the formulas of calculation. b) The calculation results, here we give numerical values to the geometric parameters as $L_{sub}=5$ cm, $L_{patch}=2$ cm, $h_{sub}=1$ mm and $h_{patch}=0.1$ mm, which are typical numerical numbers for the samples in our tensile tests, and obtain c) the strain ratio ($\epsilon:\epsilon_{nonoverlap}$) as a function of stiffness ratio ($E_{sub}:E_{patch}$), which suggest that for $E_{sub}:E_{patch}>0.7$, the strain ratio($\epsilon:\epsilon_{nonoverlap}$) is larger than 95%.

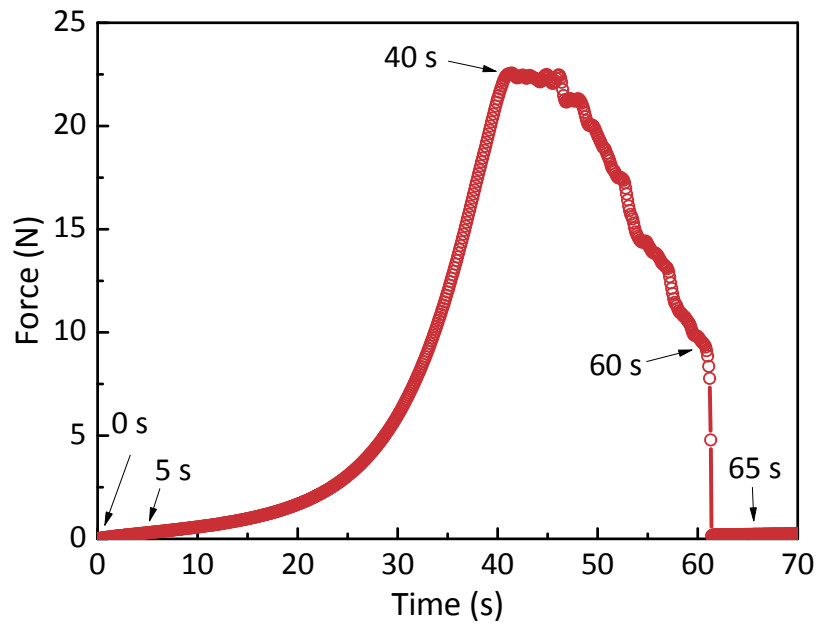


Fig. S6 Force-time plots of pig skin in tensile test, according to the tensile test results presented in Figure 5 in the main paper.