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Selective monophosphorylation of chitosan via

phosphorus oxychloride

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Fig S1. ¹H NMR spectrum in D_2O of P-chitosan after washing with 50 mM NaOH. Peak at 1.8 ppm is associated with residual tetrahydrofuran.



Fig S2. ¹H NMR spectrum in D₂O of P-chitosan after washing with 2 M HCl.



Fig S3. ³¹P NMR spectrum of (top) D-glucosamine 6-phosphate and (bottom) D-glucosamine 1-phosphate. Samples were prepared in 1:3 volumetric ratio of D_2O to 50 mM NaOH.



Fig S4. ³¹P NMR spectrum of D-glucosamine 6-phosphate prepared in (top) 1:3 volumetric ratio of D_2O to 50 mM NaOH and (bottom) 1:3 volumetric ratio of D_2O to 50 mM HCl.



Fig S5. ³¹P NMR spectrum of phosphorylated alginate. Sample was prepared in 1:3 volumetric ratio of D_2O to 50 mM NaOH.



Fig S6. ³¹P NMR spectrum of phosphorylated cellulose. Sample was prepared in 1:3 volumetric ratio of D_2O to 50 mM NaOH.



Fig S7. ³¹P NMR spectrum of phosphorylated D-glucosamine. Sample was prepared in 1:3 volumetric ratio of D_2O to 50 mM NaOH.



Fig S8. ³¹P NMR spectrum of phosphorylated *N*-acetylglucosamine. Sample was prepared in 1:3 volumetric ratio of D₂O to 50 mM NaOH.





Fig S9. GPC chromatograms of (a) native chitosan, (b)72 h P-chitosan, (c) and 72 h chitosan without phosphorylation (i.e., without the additon of $POCl_3$).