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Supplementary Information

Fmoc-FF and hexapeptides-based multicomponent hydrogels as scaffold materials

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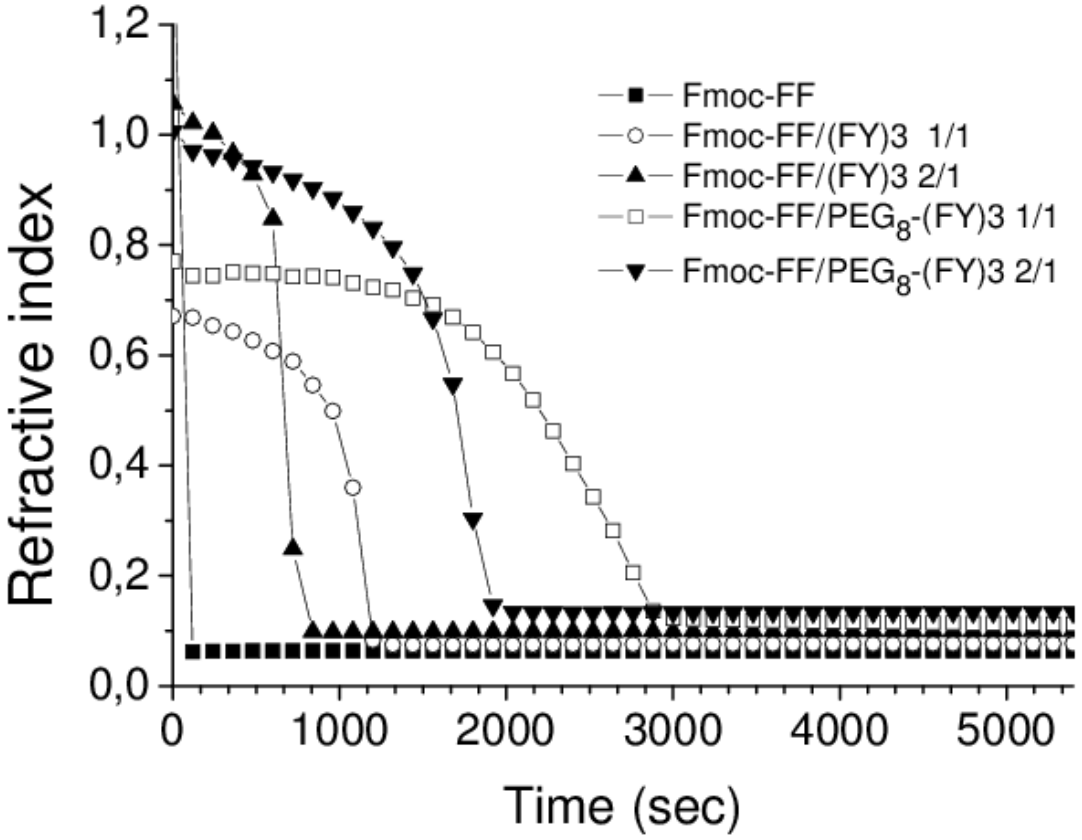

Figure S1: Refractive index of non-PEGylated (a) and PEGylated (b) mixed hydrogels in the Fmoc and Phe channels compared to pure Fmoc-FF. Data were collected by measing the UV-Vis spectra as function of the time.

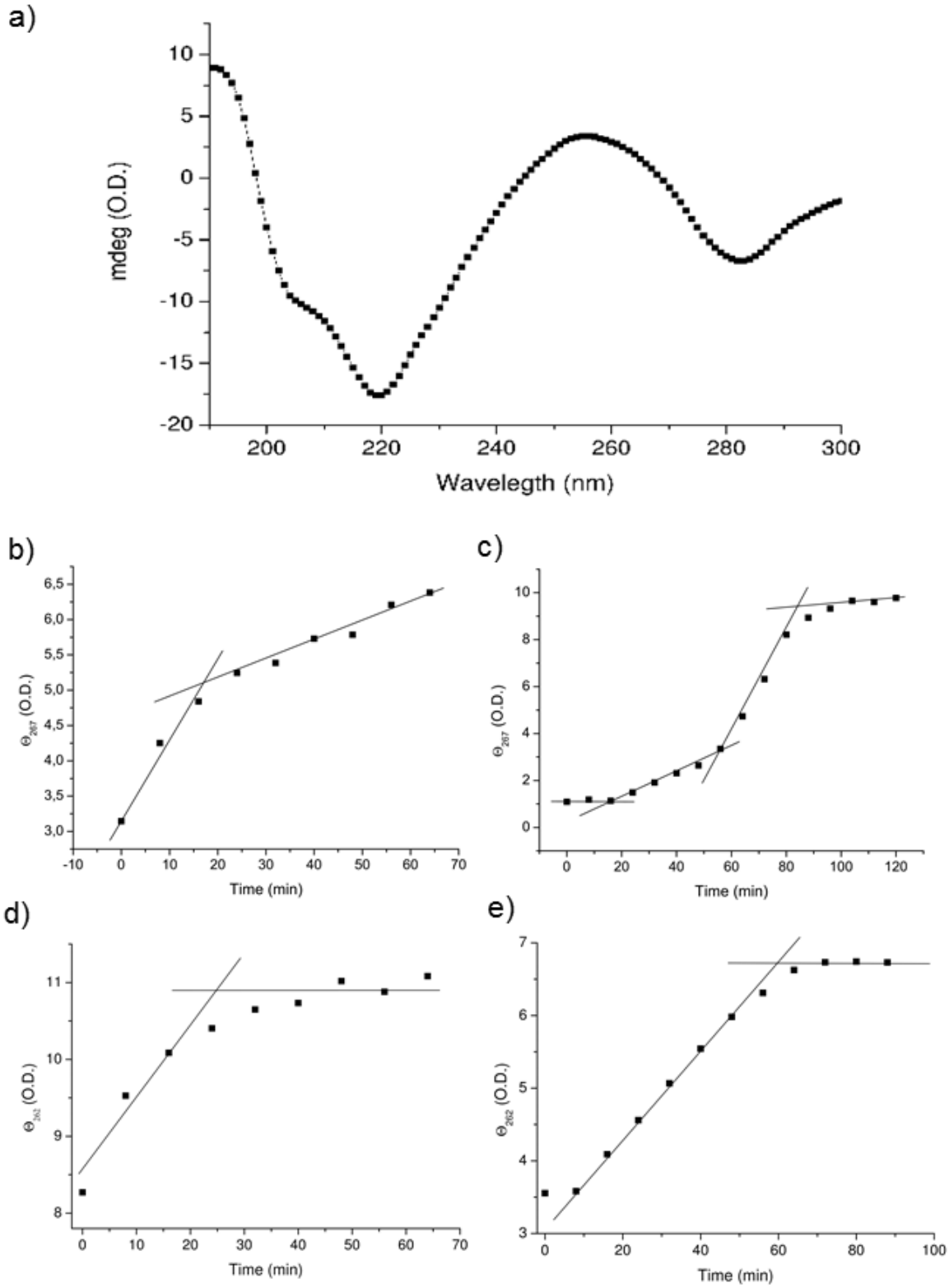

Figure S2: CD spectra of a) Fmoc-FF at 0.5 wt%. Optical density in the maximum (262 or 267 nm) as function of the time for Fmoc-FF/(FY)3 (2/1) (b) Fmoc-FF/(FY)3 (1/1) (c) Fmoc-FF/PEG_8-(FY)3 (2/1) (d) Fmoc-FF/PEG_8-(FY)3 (1/1) (e).

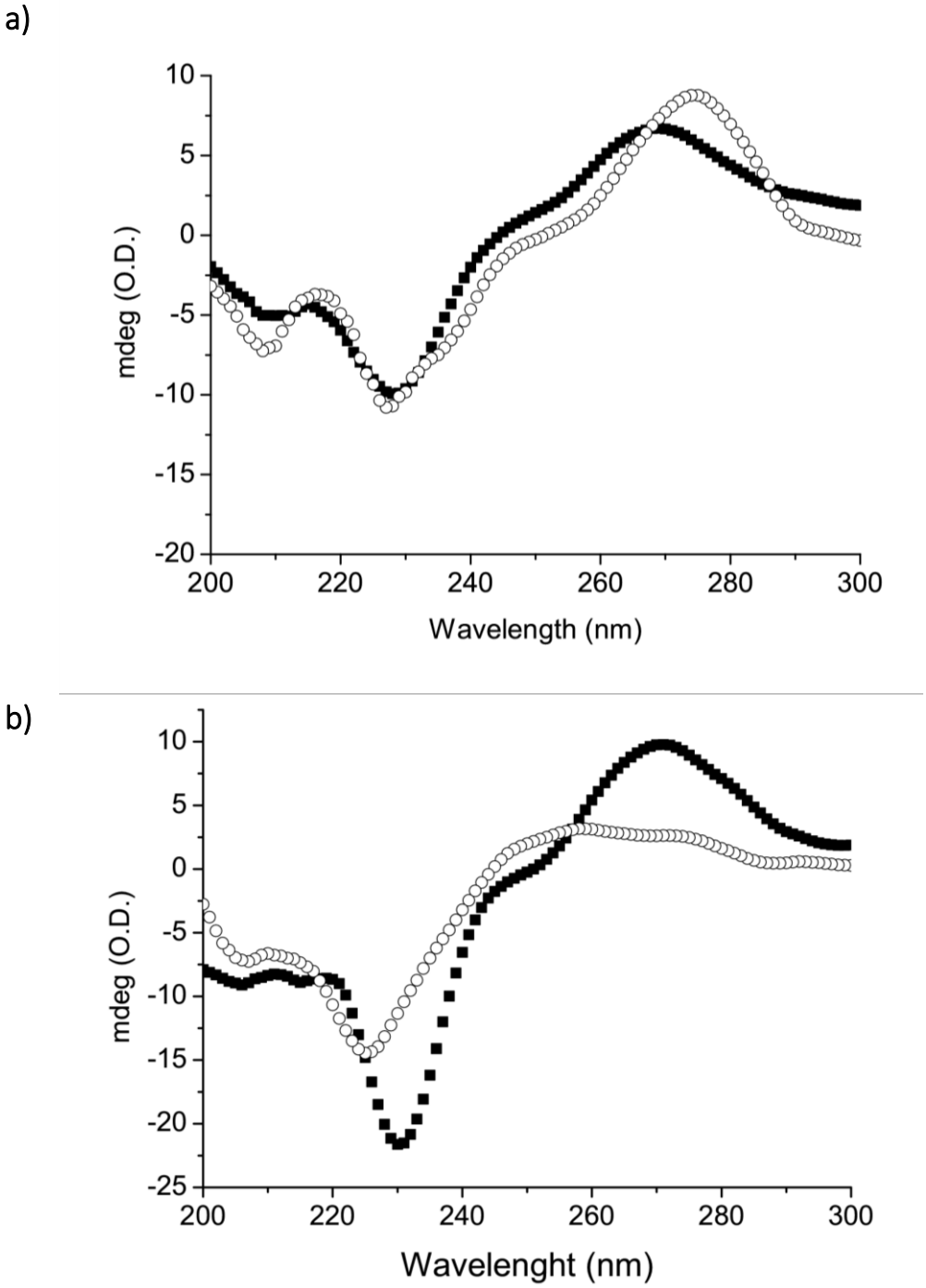

Figure S3: Comparison between acquired spectrum (black squares) and calculated sum spectrum (white circles) for a) Fmoc-FF/(FY)3 (2/1) and b) Fmoc-FF/(FY)3 (1/1).

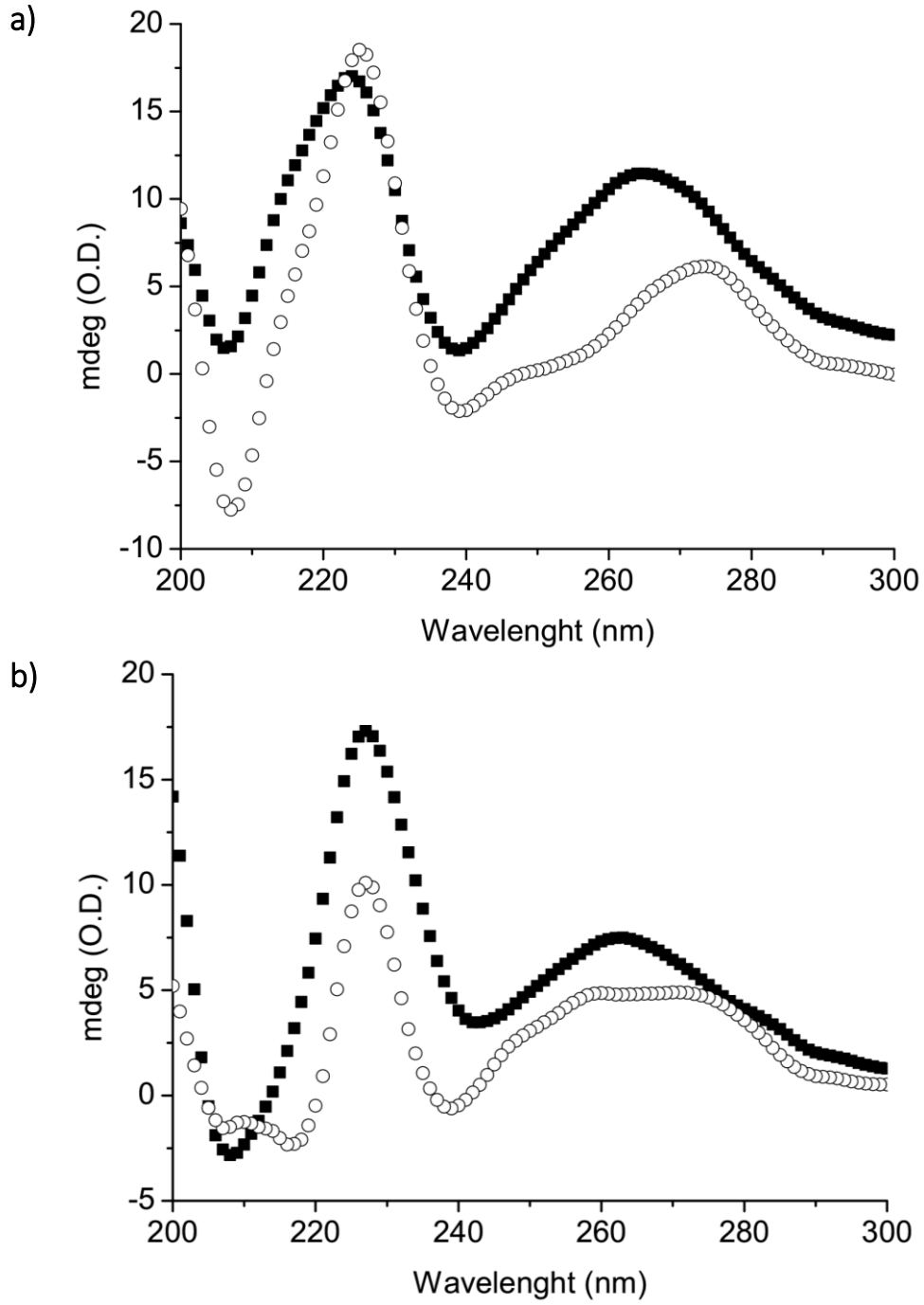

Figure S4: Comparison between acquired spectrum (black squares) and calculated sum spectrum (white circles) for a) Fmoc-FF/PEG_8(FY)3 (2/1) and b) Fmoc-FF/ PEG_8(FY)3 (1/1).

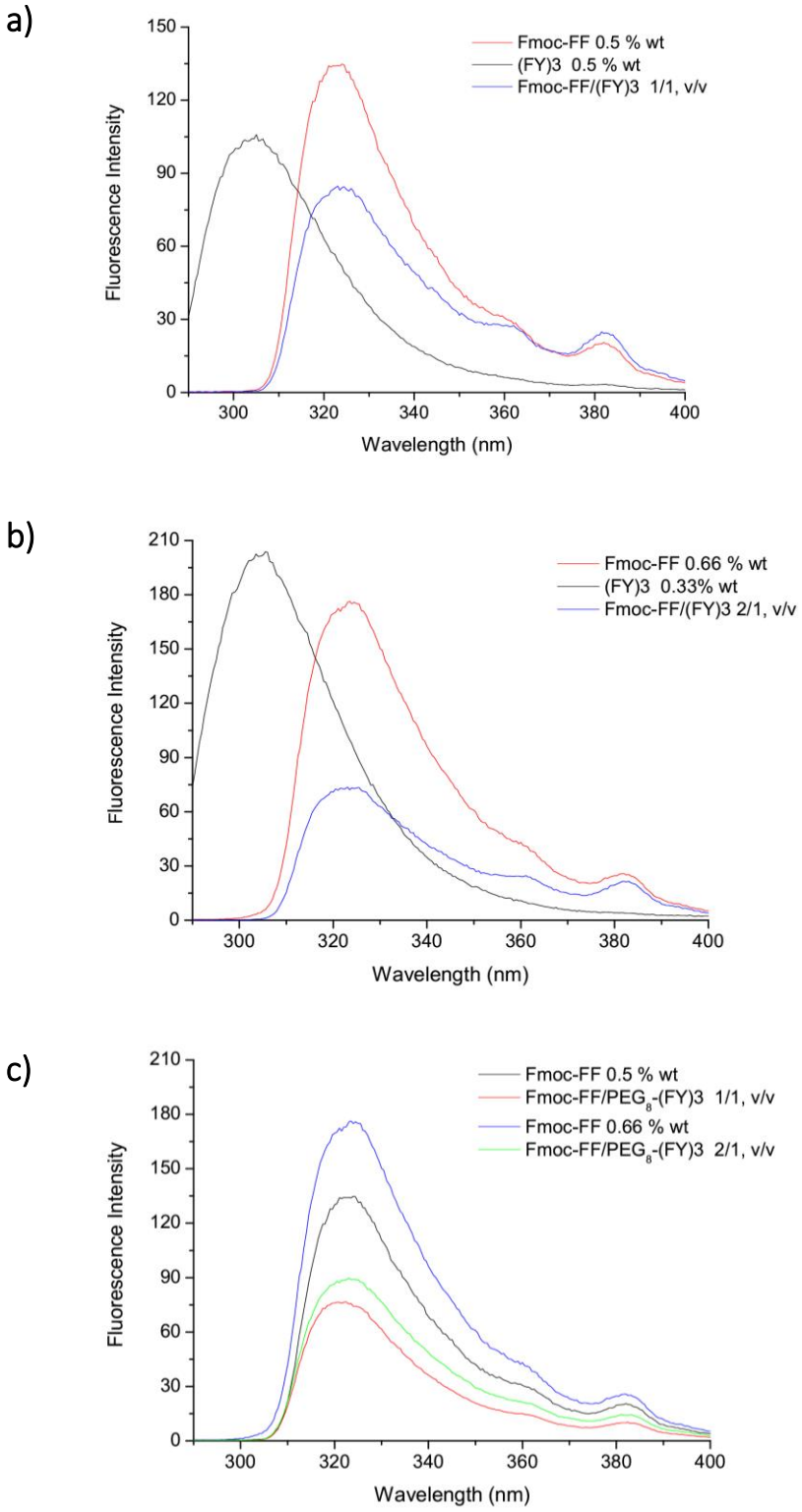

Figure S5: Fluorescence spectra of pure and multicomponent hydrogels recorded exciting peptide solutions at 280 nm.

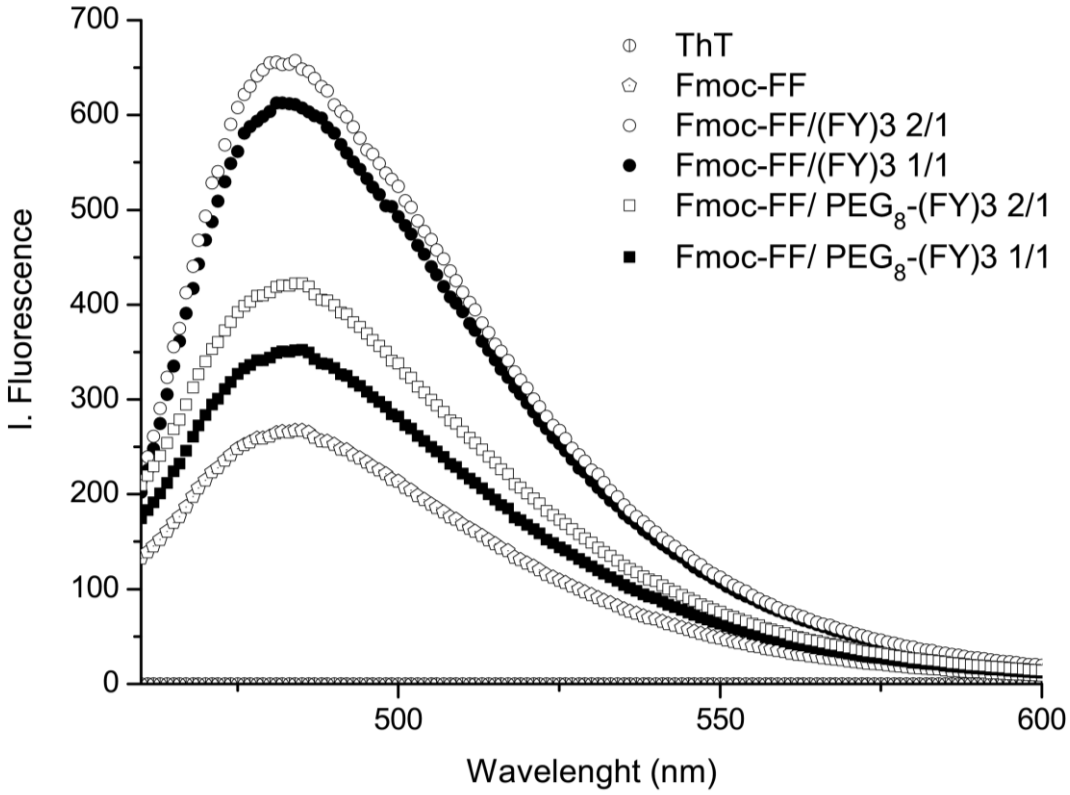

Figure S6: Fluorescence spectra of pure Fmoc-FF and multicomponent hydrogels incubated with Thioflavin T (ThT 50μM) exciting samples at 450 nm. ThT spectra is reported as blank.

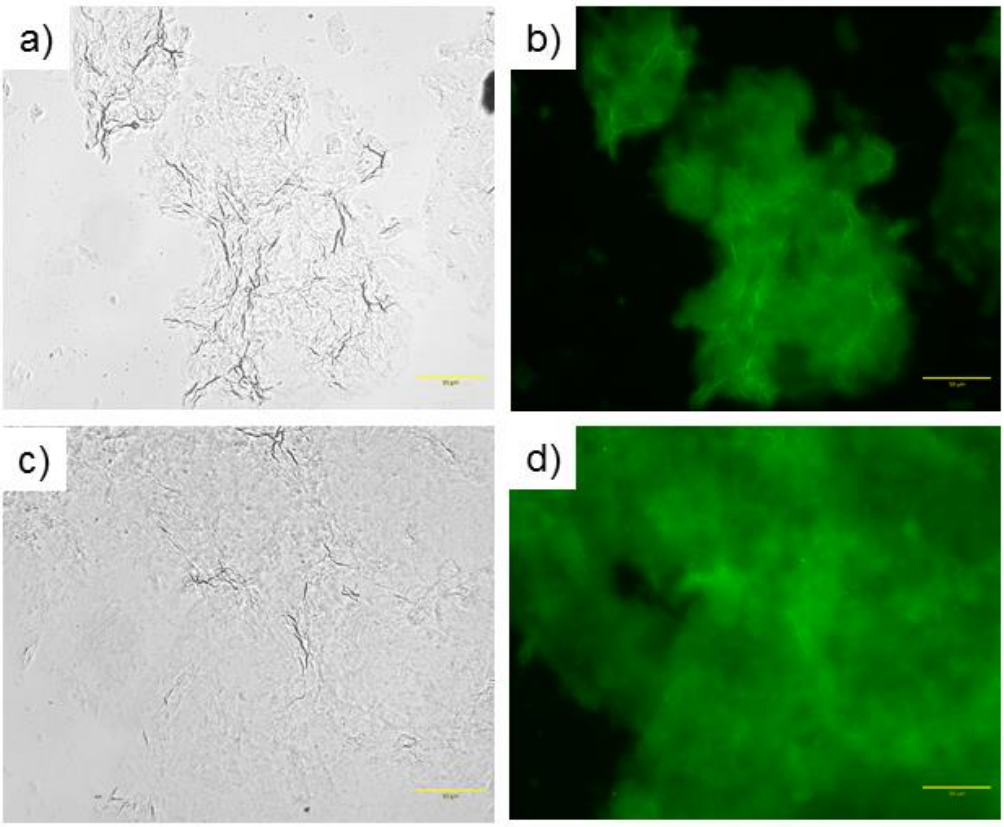

Figure S7: Fluorescence microscopy images of solutions containing Fmoc-FF/(FY)3 1/1 v/v (a,b) and Fmoc-FF/PEG_8-(FY)3 1/1 v/v (c,d) mixed hydrogels 0.5%wt and 20 μM ThT. Samples are imaged in the bright field (b,d) and in the spectral regions of the GFP (Green Fluorescent Protein λ_{exc} = 488 nm, λ_{em} = 507 nm) (a,c). The scale bar = 50 μm.

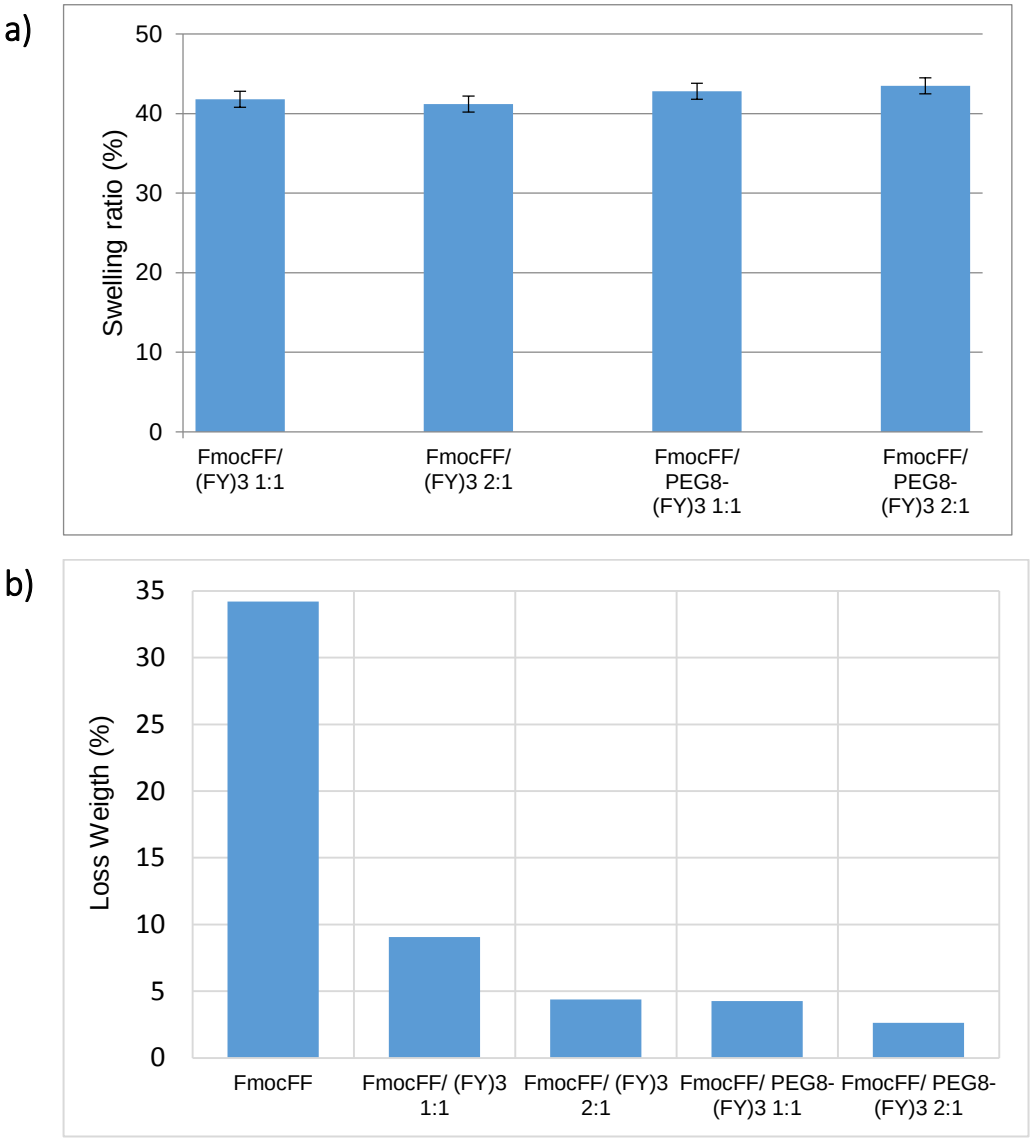

Figure S8: a) Swelling ratio and b) loss weigth percentage for hydrogels