## Electronic supplementary information

## Interaction of water with oligo(ethylene glycol) terminated monolayers:

wetting versus hydration

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## 1. Integral TPD signal



Figure S1. Integral TPD signal for the EGn-OH ( $n=6,5,3$, and 1 ) SAMs as a function of the $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ dose. The heating rate was set to $0.5 \mathrm{~K} / \mathrm{s}$ (a) and $1.0 \mathrm{~K} / \mathrm{s}$ (b). The legend is given in the figure. The gray dashed lines are guides for the eyes, to underline the linearity of the coverage-vs-dose dependence.

## 2. Additional TPD data



Figure S2. TPD traces for various doses of $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ deposited at $\sim 110 \mathrm{~K}$ onto the surface of the EG3-OH (a) and EG5-OH (b) SAMs. The heating rate was set to $0.5 \mathrm{~K} / \mathrm{s}$. The $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ doses are marked at the respective curves. Individual desorption peaks are marked by numbers (see the main manuscript for details).


Figure S3. TPD traces for various doses of $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ deposited at $\sim 110 \mathrm{~K}$ onto the surface of the EG3-OMe SAMs. The heating rate was set to $0.3 \mathrm{~K} / \mathrm{s}$. The $\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ doses are marked at the respective curves. Individual desorption peaks are marked by numbers (see the main manuscript for details).

