Supporting Information

The preparation of a novel regenerated silk fibroin-based hydrogel for extrusion bioprinting

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Figure S1. Strain sweep of the 6%-0-1h HMWRSF-based precure hydrogel with the lowest G' modulus value among all precure hydrogels.



Figure S2. Digital images of 3D-printed RSF/HPMC scaffolds after experiencing 50% compressive strain. A.r-6%-0-2h, B.r-8%-0.5-1h, C.r-10%-1.0-1h, D.r-L-8%-0-1h, E. r-L-10%-0-1h.



Figure S3. Evaluation of G' and G" in gelation process of the s-10%-1.0 and s-10%-0 upon heating at 70°C. inset: first 500s of gelation process.



Figure S4. Stress-strain curves of RSF/HPMC hydrogels of different solid content and urea content.



Figure S5. Digital images of 8% -0.5 HMWRSF/HPMC-urea aqueous solution and its produced hydrogels at different stages (A1-D1). SEM images of the cross section of those corresponded samples after lyophilization (A2-D2). 8% means the solid content in the solution and 0.5 means the weight ratio of urea to HMWRSF. The weight ratio of HMWRSF to HPMC is 9:1. Scale bar is 500 nm.



Figure S6. Digital images of 10% -1.5 HMWRSF/HPMC-urea aqueous solution and its produced hydrogels at different stages (A1-D1). SEM images of the cross section of those corresponded samples after lyophilization (A2-D2). 10 % means the solid content in the solution and 1.0 means the weight ratio of urea to HMWRSF. The weight ratio of HMWRSF to HPMC is 9:1. Scale bar is 500 nm.



Figure S7. ATR-FTIR characterization of the samples lyophilized from HMWRSF/HPMC solution (r-6%-0-0h), precure HMWRSF/HPMC hydrogel (r-6%-0-2h), and ripened HMWRSF/HPMC hydrogel (r-6%).



Figure S8. The proliferation of dental pulp mesenchymal stem cells (DPSCs) on 3Dbiprinted HMWRSF-based scaffolds evaluated by cell counting kit-8 (CCK-8).

Samples	W _a (wt%)	Compressive modulus (MPa)
r-10%-0	12.7±0.2	1.6±0.2
r-10%-1.0	11.9±0.3	1.5±0.2
r-8%-0	9.7±0.2	$0.95 {\pm} 0.02$
r-8%-0.5	9.3±0.3	$0.84{\pm}0.08$
r-6%-0	$7.2{\pm}0.2$	0.35±0.03
r-6%-0.2	6.8±0.2	$0.28{\pm}0.05$

Table S1. Solid content and compression modulus of different RSF/HPMC hydrogels (n=5). W_a : the actual solid content.