

RESEARCH ARTICLE

3D bioprinting of biomimetic trachea with interspersed cartilage and vascularized connective tissue for prompt segmental tracheal reconstruction

Supplementary File

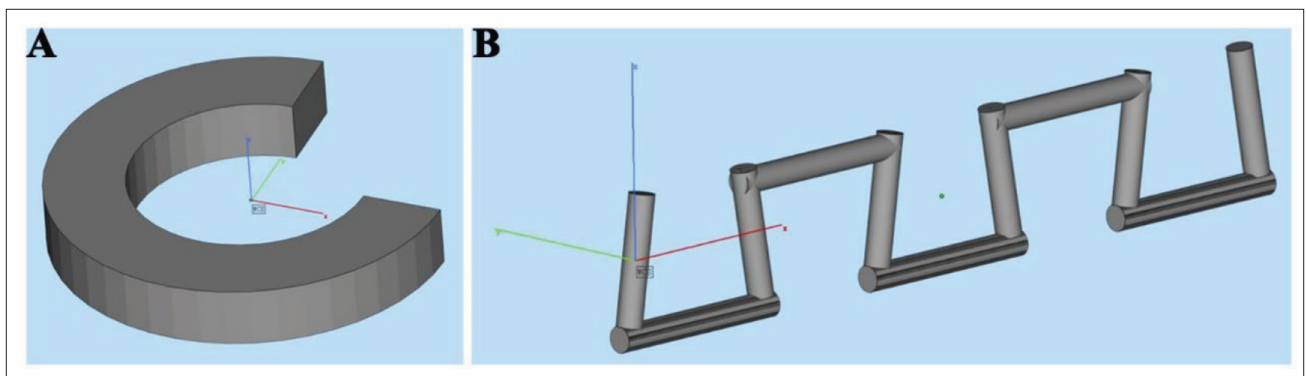


Figure S1. Customized 3D models for a C-shaped ring (A) and S-shaped PCL chains (SPC) (B).

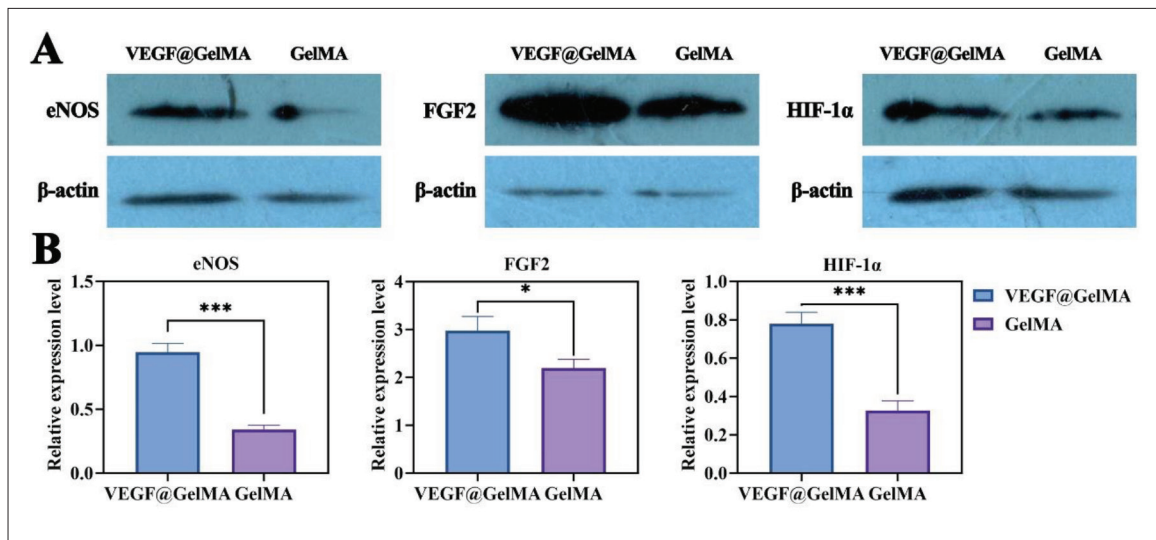


Figure S2. Angiogenic evaluation of VEGF@GelMA and pure GelMA hydrogels on HUVECs. (A) Expression levels of eNOS, FGF2, and HIF-1α determined by Western blot. (B) Relative quantitation of expression levels of eNOS, FGF2, and HIF-1α based on Western blots (the above images). $n = 3$; data are presented as means \pm SD for each group. * $p < 0.05$, *** $p < 0.001$. Abbreviations: FGF2, Fibroblast growth factor 2; GelMA, Gelatin methacrylate; HIF-1α, Hypoxia-inducible factor-1α; eNOS, endothelial nitric oxide synthase; VEGF, vascular endothelial growth factor.



Figure S3. Orthotopic reconstruction of segmental trachea. (A) Exposing the cervical trachea. (B) Resecting a 1.5-cm-long native trachea in rabbits. (C) Performing orthotopic reconstruction using tissue-engineered tracheal construct (TETC).

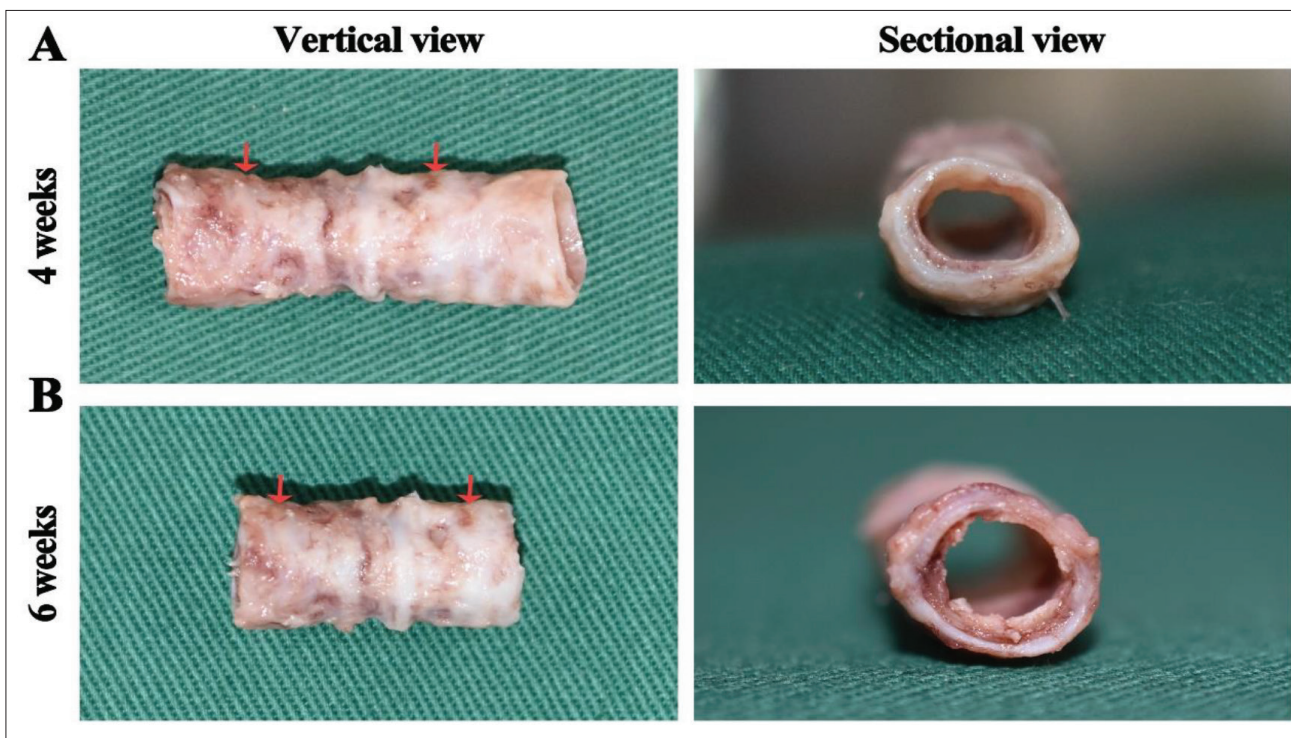


Figure S4. Vertical and sectional views of the orthotopically regenerated engineered tracheal tissue after 4 weeks (A) and (B) 6 weeks.

Table S1. Primer sequences used in qPCR

Gene	Forward (5'-3')	Reverse (5'-3')
<i>NOS3</i>	TGTCCAACATGCTGCTGGAAATTG	AGGAGGTCTTCTCCTGGTGATGCC
<i>HIF1A</i>	AGTTCCGCAAGCCCTGAAAGC	GCAGTGGTAGTGGTGGCATTAGC
<i>FGF2</i>	CAATCCCATGTGCTGTGAC	ACCTTGACCTCTCAGCCTCA
<i>GAPDH</i>	AGGTCGGTGTGAACGGATTG	TGTAGACCATGTAGTTGAGGTCA

Supplementary video

Video S1. Repeated force application to implanted bioengineered trachea.