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# Spatial-Temporal Heterogeneity in Large Three-Dimensional Nanofibrillar Cellulose Hydrogel for Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Culture

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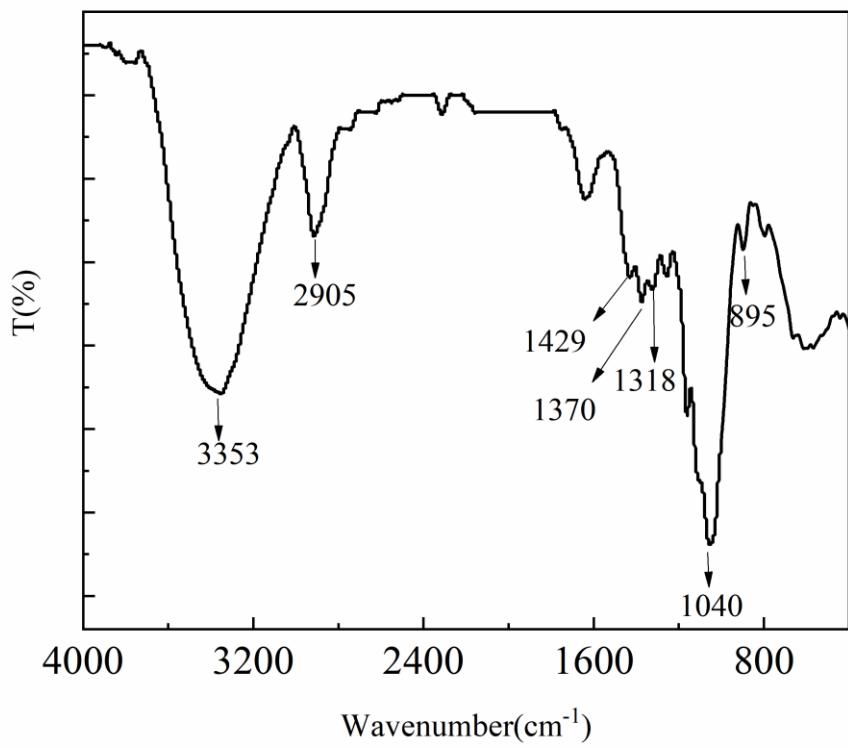
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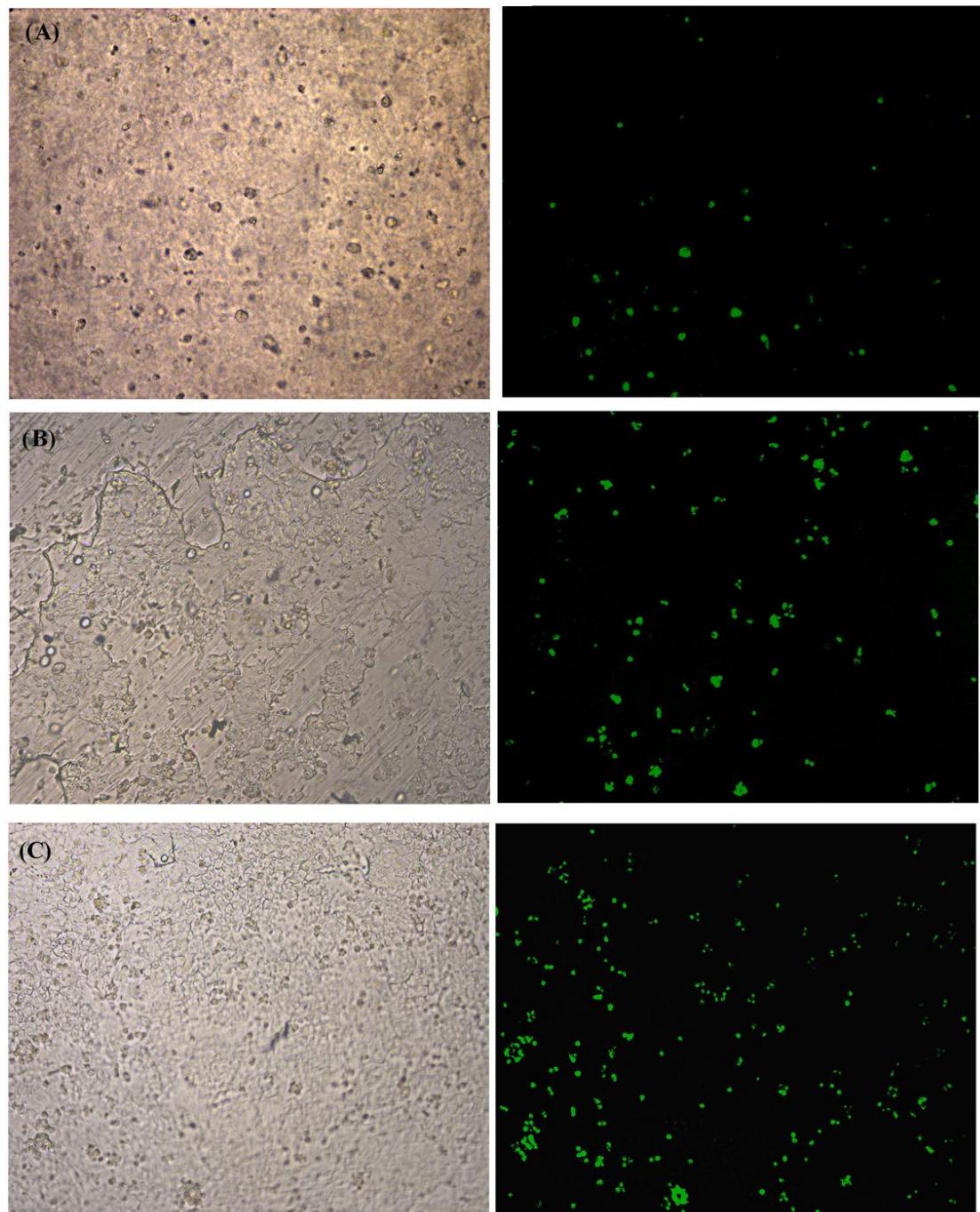
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## FTIR for cellulose



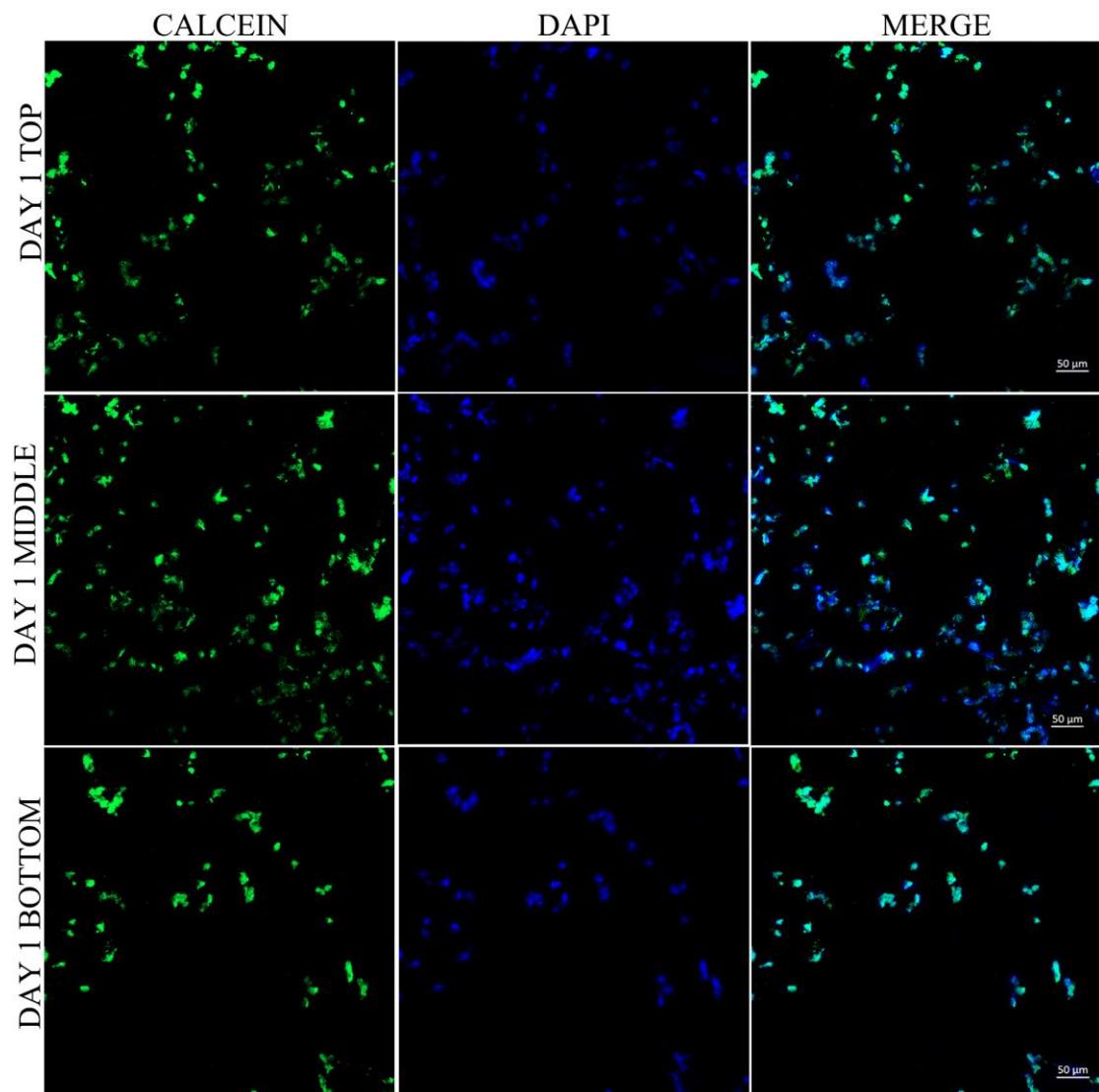
**Figure S1.** FTIR for cellulose.

## Cell morphology in hydrogel with different thickness



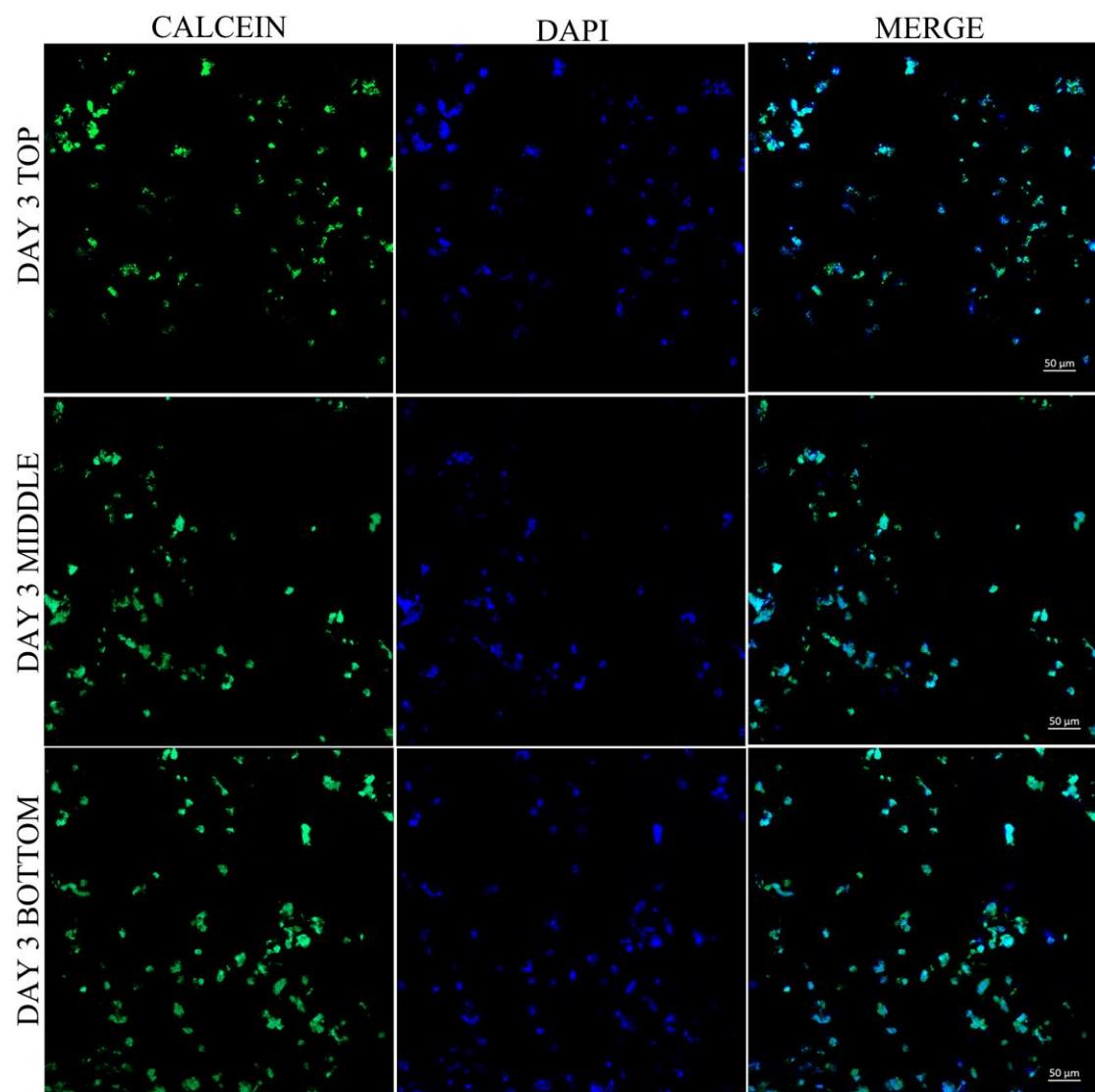
**Figure S2.** Cell morphology at day1 (A) 2mm (B) 3.5 mm (C) 5mm.

### Cell viability after 1 day of culture

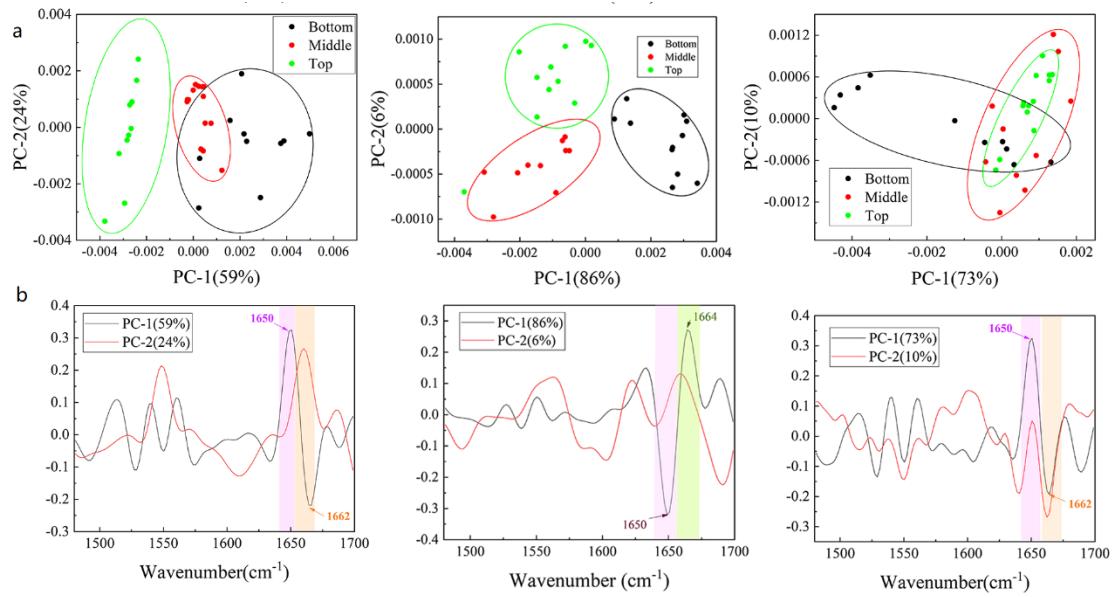


**Figure S3.** Cell viability at different locations after 1 day of culture.

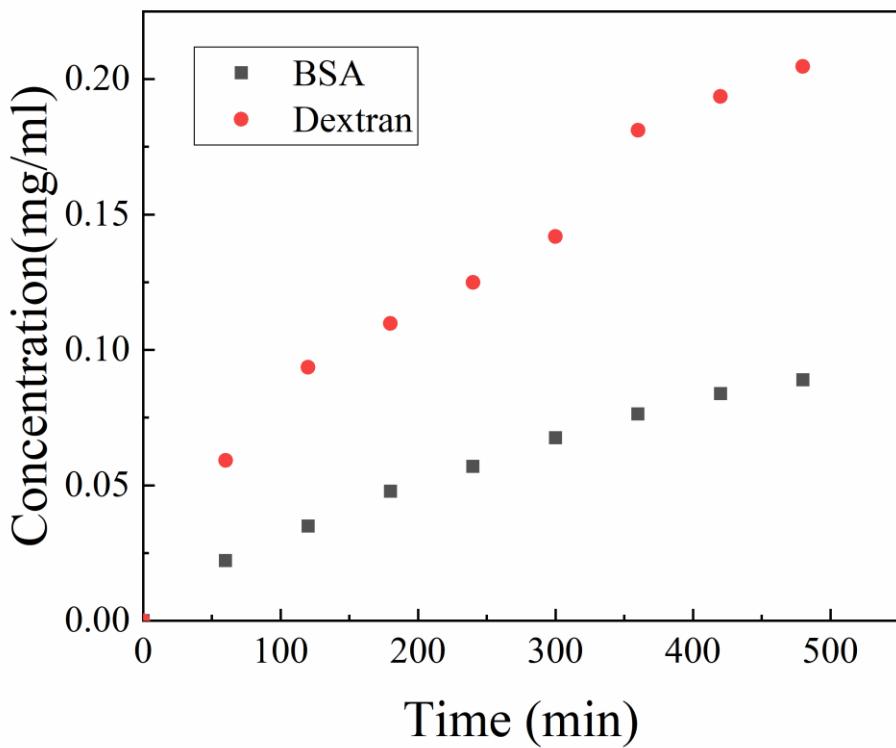
### Cell viability after 3 day of culture



**Figure S4.** Cell viability after 3 days of culture.

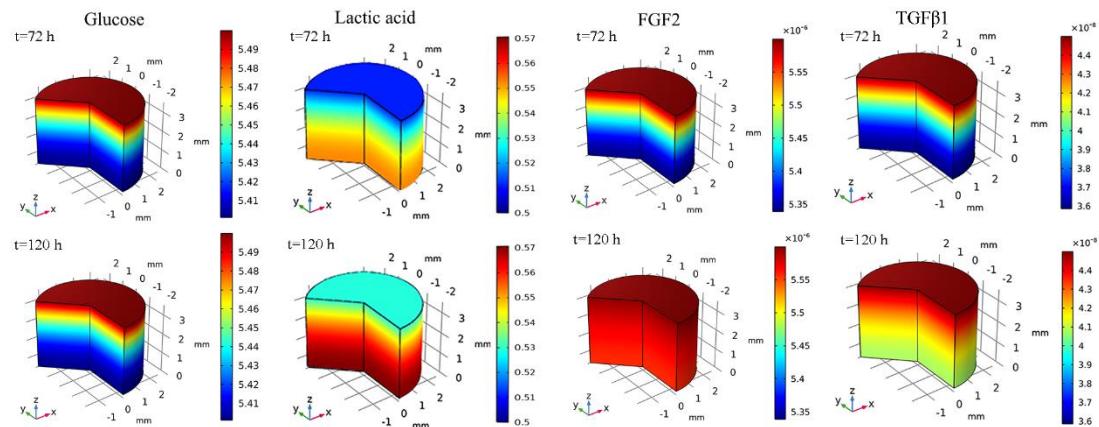


**Figure S5.** Score and loading plots of PCA at the different zones (left day 1, middle: day 3, right: day 5).



**Figure S6.** BSA and Dextran concentration change with time

### Solute distribution in hydrogel



**Figure S7.** Solute distribution in hydrogel at 72 and 120 h

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**Table S1.** Global parameters and variables for the COMSOL simulation.

Parameter	Value	Unit	Annotation
T	310	K	Temperature
$C_{g0,\text{glucose}}$	2.25	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Initial glucose conc. in gel
$C_{m0,\text{glucose}}$	5.5	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Initial glucose conc. in media
$C_{g,\text{glucose}}$	Variable	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Local glucose conc. in gel
$R_{\text{glucose}}$	$1.108 \times 10^{-5}$	$\text{mol s}^{-1} \text{m}^{-3}$	Glucose uptake rate
$C_{g0,\text{FGF2}}$	$2.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Initial FGF2 conc. in gel
$C_{m0,\text{FGF2}}$	$5.6 \times 10^{-6}$	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Initial FGF2 conc. in media
$C_{g,\text{FGF2}}$	Variable	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Real-time conc. of FGF2 in gel
$C_{g0,\text{lacticacid}}$	0	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Lactate conc. in gel
$C_{m0,\text{lacticacid}}$	0	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	Lactate conc. in media
$C_{g,\text{lacticacid}}$	Variable	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	local lactic acid conc. in gel
$C_{m,\text{lacticacid}}$	Variable	$\text{mol m}^{-3}$	local lactic acid conc. in media
$R_{\text{lacticacid}}$	$1.108 \times 10^{-5}$	$\text{mol s}^{-1} \text{m}^{-3}$	Lactate production rate

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**Table S2.** FTIR band assignment.

Wavenumber/cm <sup>-1</sup>	Functional group assignment	Biomolecule
2970–2950	v <sub>as</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	Lipid
2935–2915	v <sub>as</sub> CH <sub>2</sub>	Lipid
1742–1730	v(C=O) carbonyl	Phospholipids
1674–1662	Amide I, turn&bands	Protein
1650–1648	Amide I, vC=O (70-85%) and vC-N (10-20%) $\alpha$ -helix	Protein
1641–1633	Amide I, vC=O (70-85%) and vC-N (10-20%) $\beta$ -sheet	Protein
1570–1530	Amide II, $\delta$ N-H (40-60%), vC-N (18-40%) and vC-C (10%)	Protein
1397	v-COO-	Lipid
1379	$\delta$ <sub>s</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	Lipid
1160	vC-O and $\delta$ C-O-H	Carbohydrates
1099–1080	v <sub>s</sub> PO <sub>2</sub> -	DNA RNA phospholipids
1063	v <sub>s</sub> PO <sub>2</sub> ,vC-C,vC-N	B-DNA
996	RNA stretch and bend ring of uracil	RNA