

Supplementary information

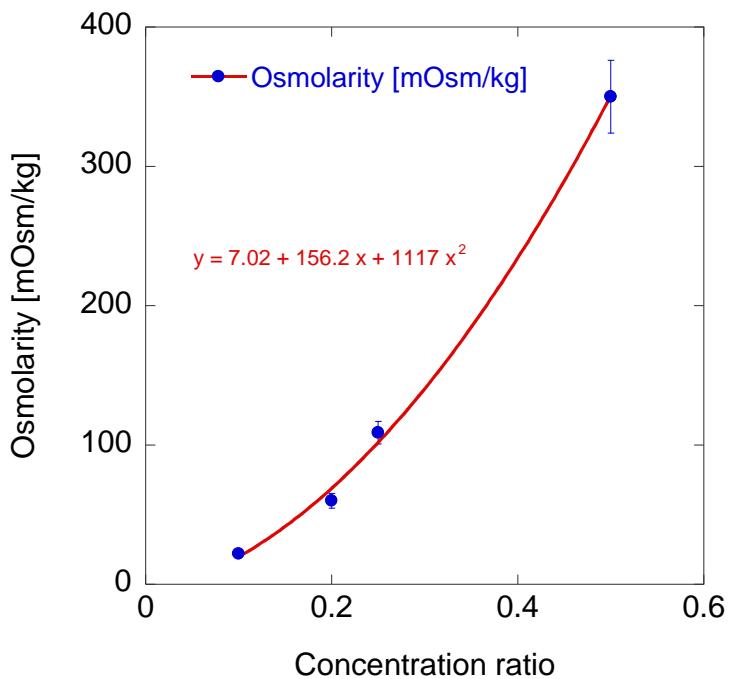


Figure S1. Measured values of osmolarity at 1; 1:4, 1:5 and 1:10 dilutions. The values are basically the same irrespective of the HA presence.

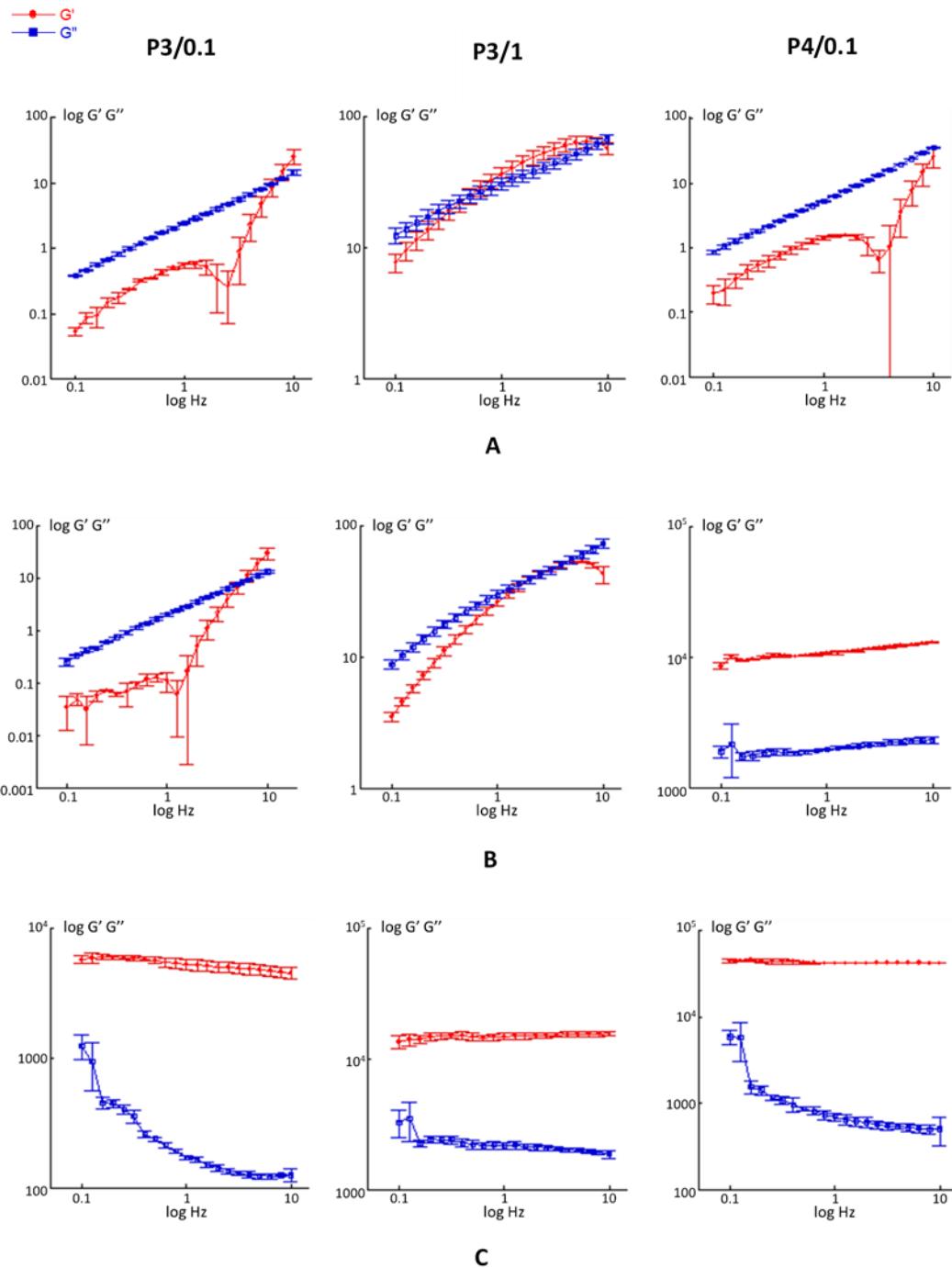


Figure S2. Mechanical spectra of pol/HA platforms loaded with HC at three different temperature 4 °C (A), 25°C (B) and 37°C (C).

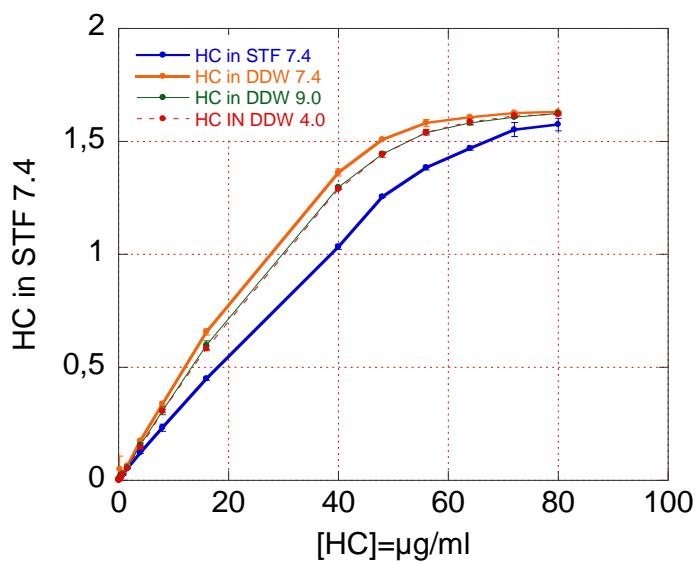


Figure S3. Absorbance vs. HC concentration curves at room temperature.

Table S1. Slopes of the calibration curves in the linear region of Figure S3.

	Calibration curves parameters			
	STF 7.4	pH 4.0	pH7.4	pH 9.0
Equation	$y = 27.993 + 0.0052$	$y = 37.1165x - 0.0032$	$y = 41.287x + 0.0011$	$y = 37.559x + 0.0006$
Slope	27.993	37.1165	41.827	37.559
Standard error	0.004704	0.00677	0.00543	0.00494
R ²	0.9993	0.9992	0.9996	0.9996
LOD	0.0005 mg/ml	0.0006 mg/ml	0.00043 mg/ml	0.00043 mg/ml
LOQ	0.00168 mg/ml	0.00183 mg/ml	0.00131 mg/ml	0.00132 mg/ml

LOD = limit of detection

LOQ= limit of quantification

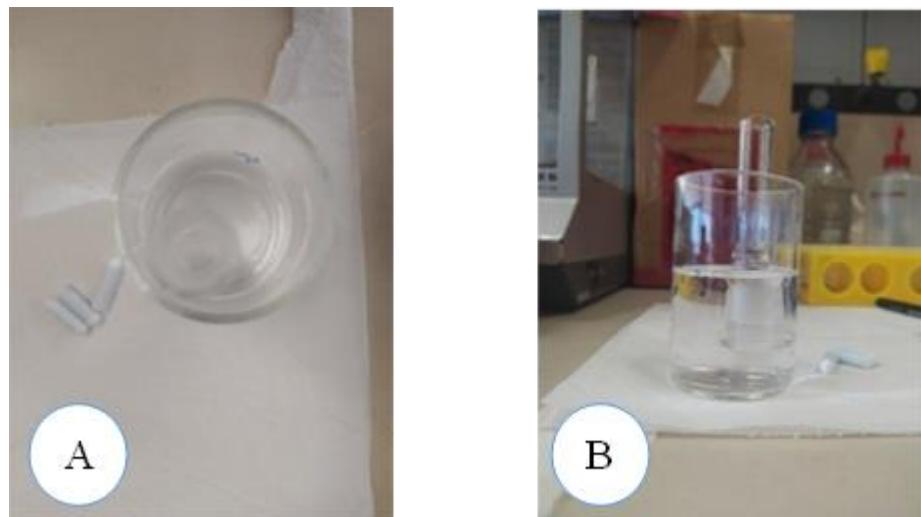


Figure S4. Built-in becker specifically designed for release tests from thermosensitive hydrogels. (A) Interior of the becker seen from above; (B) Example of a becker containing the sample and the release medium (STF), along with the removable lid.