

# Supplementary Materials

## Silk Fibroin-Based Inks for *In Situ* 3D Printing Using a Double Crosslinking Process

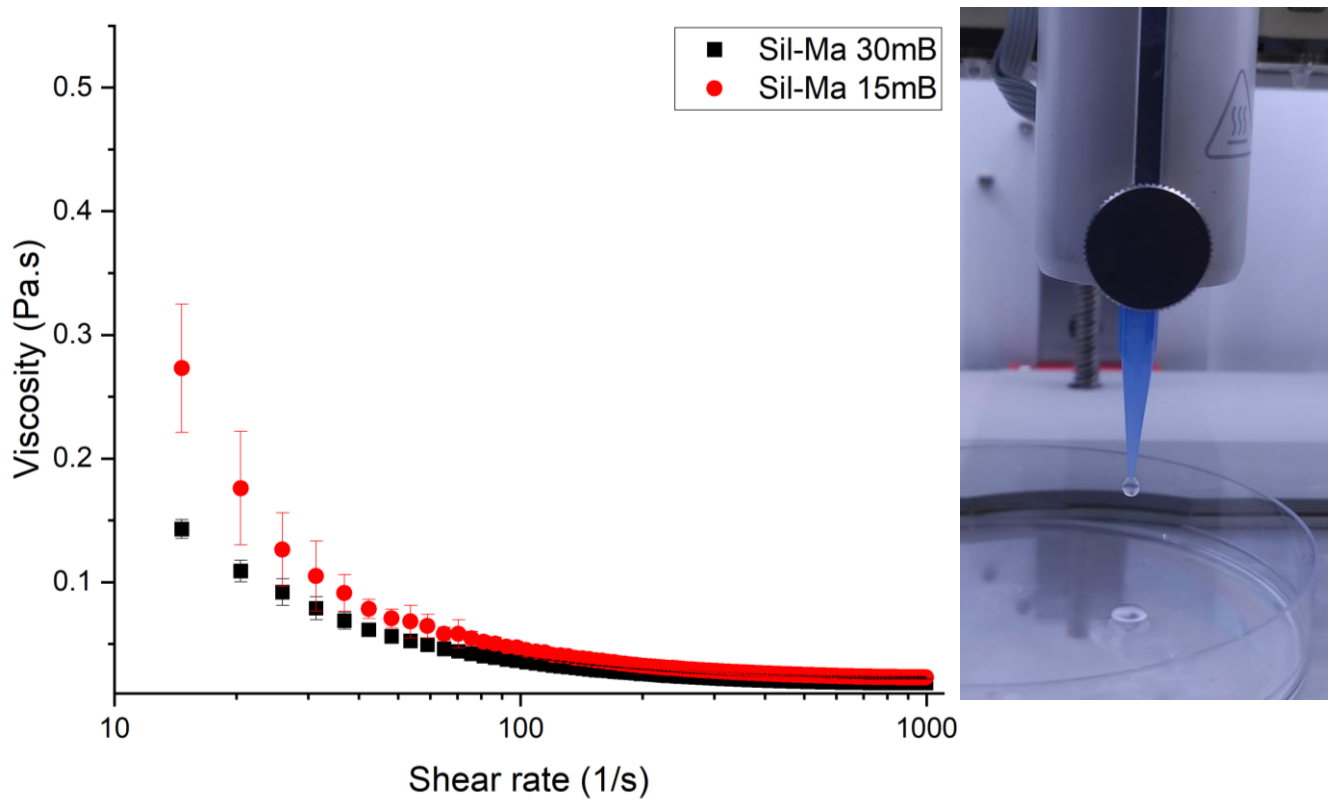
### Materials and methods

#### Viscosity tests

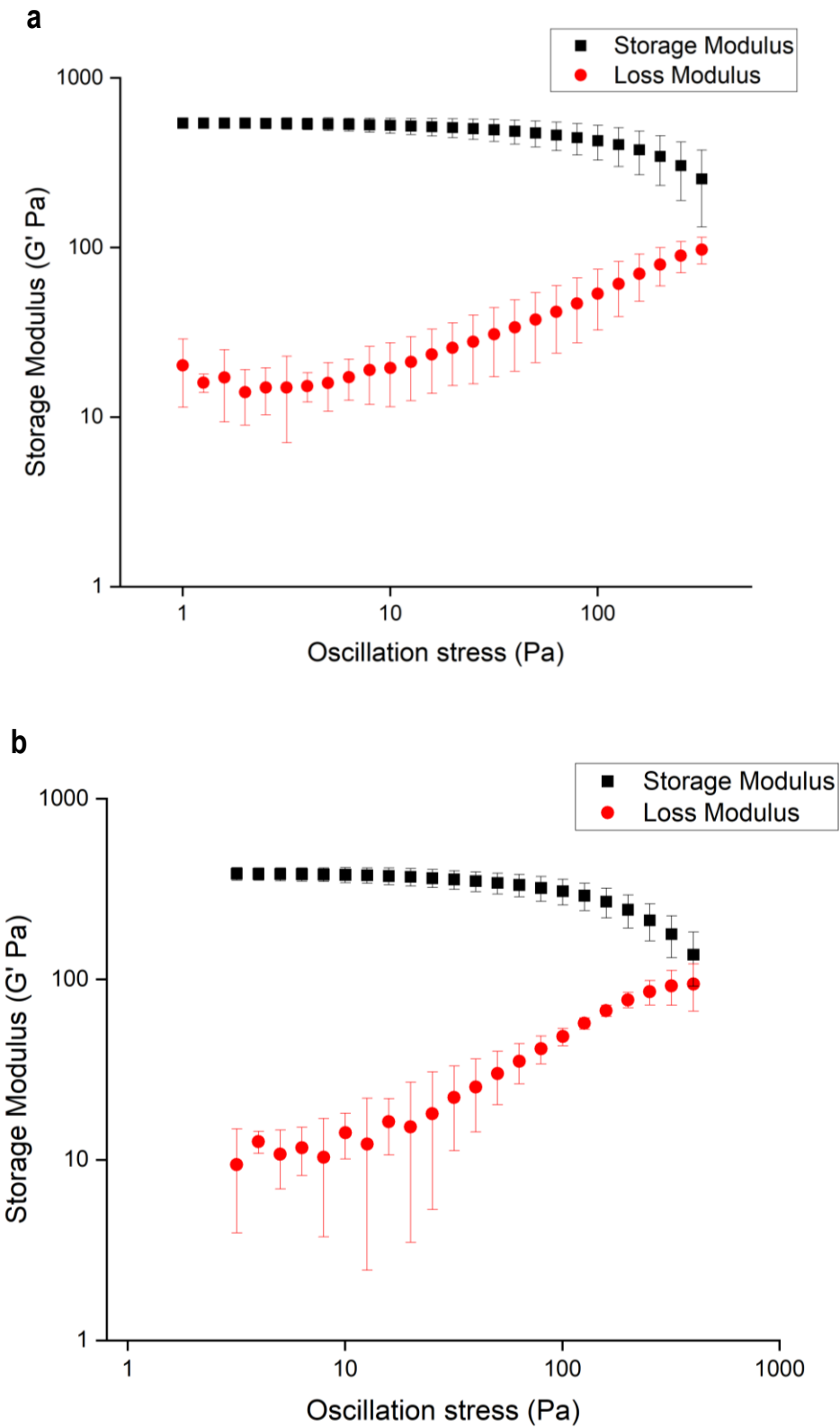
Viscosity of Sil-Ma 15mB and 30mB at 5% (w/V) was measured with HR-2 Rheometer (TA Instrument, Delaware), using 50mm 2,0° cone plate, Peltier plate Aluminium, at 25°C with shear rate ramp from 10 to 1000 s<sup>-1</sup>. At least 3 replicates per conditions were tested.

#### Electron Microscopy

Supra 40 Field-Emission Scanning Electron Microscope (Zeiss, Germany) was used to investigate the internal structures of 15 and 30mB double crosslinked (DC) printed samples. All the conditions were printed with a 25G nozzle. After printing, samples were frozen at -80°C for 12 hours, later lyophilized at -50°C and 0 Bar for 24 hours to remove all the water. Lastly, before images observation, all the specimens were sputtered with platinum-palladium (Pt/Pd, 80:20) conductive thin coating (Q150T ES, Quorum Technologies, UK).



**Figure S1.** Viscosity measurement of Sil-ma 15mB and 30mB at different shear rates and 3D printing of the ink without any pre-crosslinking leading to drop formation instead of filament formation, thus lacks any shape fidelity.



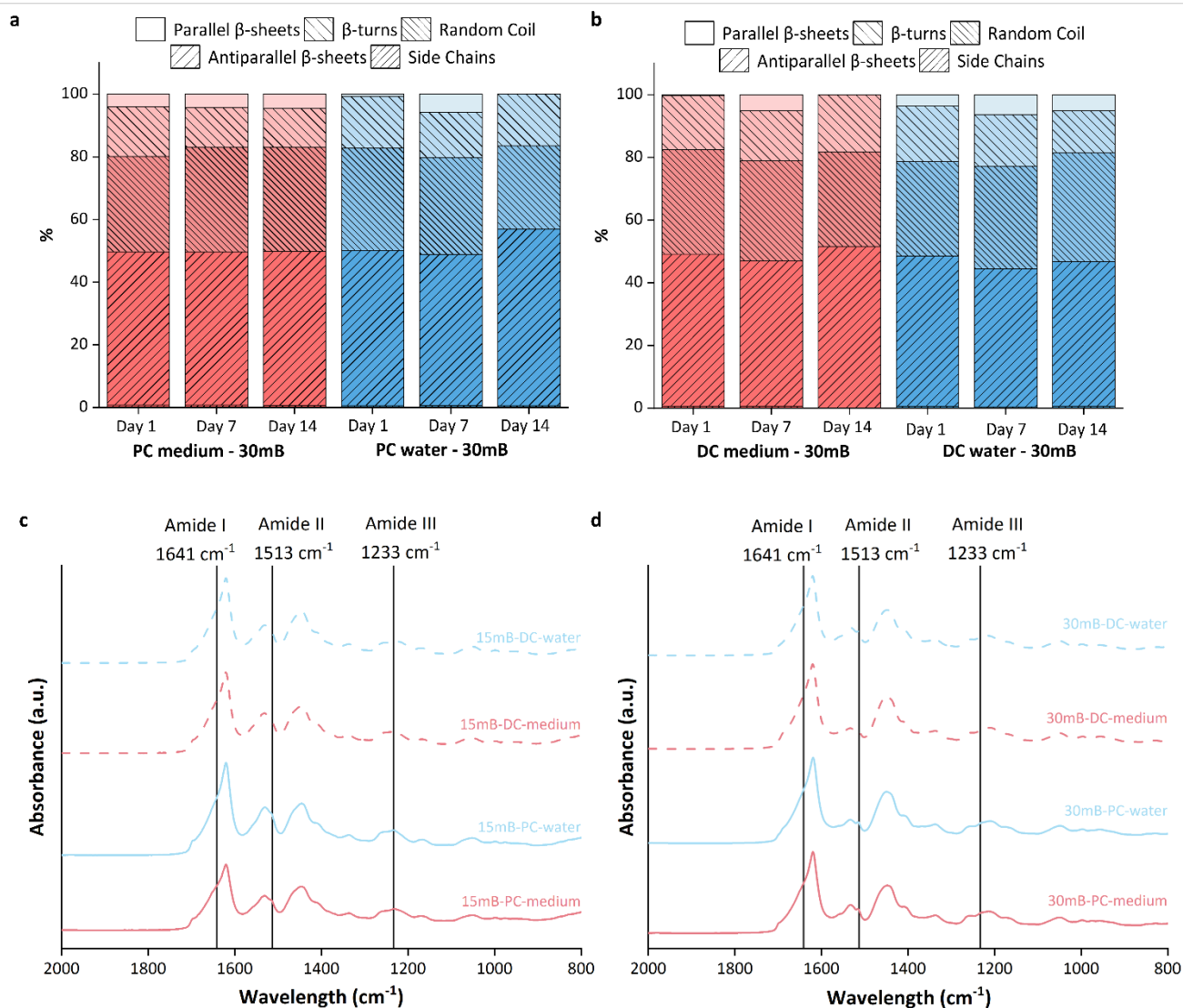
**Figure S2.** Viscoelastic analyses to assess ink printability. a) double crosslinked (DC) condition of the 15mB Sil-Ma. No flow points were detected. b) enzymatic crosslinked (EC) condition of 15mB Sil-Ma, no flow point detected. The test was stopped when gels broke.

**Table S1.** Amide I deconvolution with secondary structure quantification of 15mB and 30mB Sil-Ma, before and after extrusion.

	15mB		30mB	
	Before Extrusion	After extrusion	Before Extrusion	After extrusion
Side Chains	0,4	3,8	0,7	3,8
Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	21,8	41,1	27,3	34,8
Random Coil	54,8	40,5	49,7	44,7
$\beta$ -turns	23,0	12,1	22,3	14,1
Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	0,0	2,5	0,0	2,6

**Table S2.** Amide I deconvolution secondary structure quantification of 15mB Sil-Ma of the pre-photo-crosslinked (PC) and the double crosslinked condition (DC) condition at day 1, 7, and 14 in medium and water

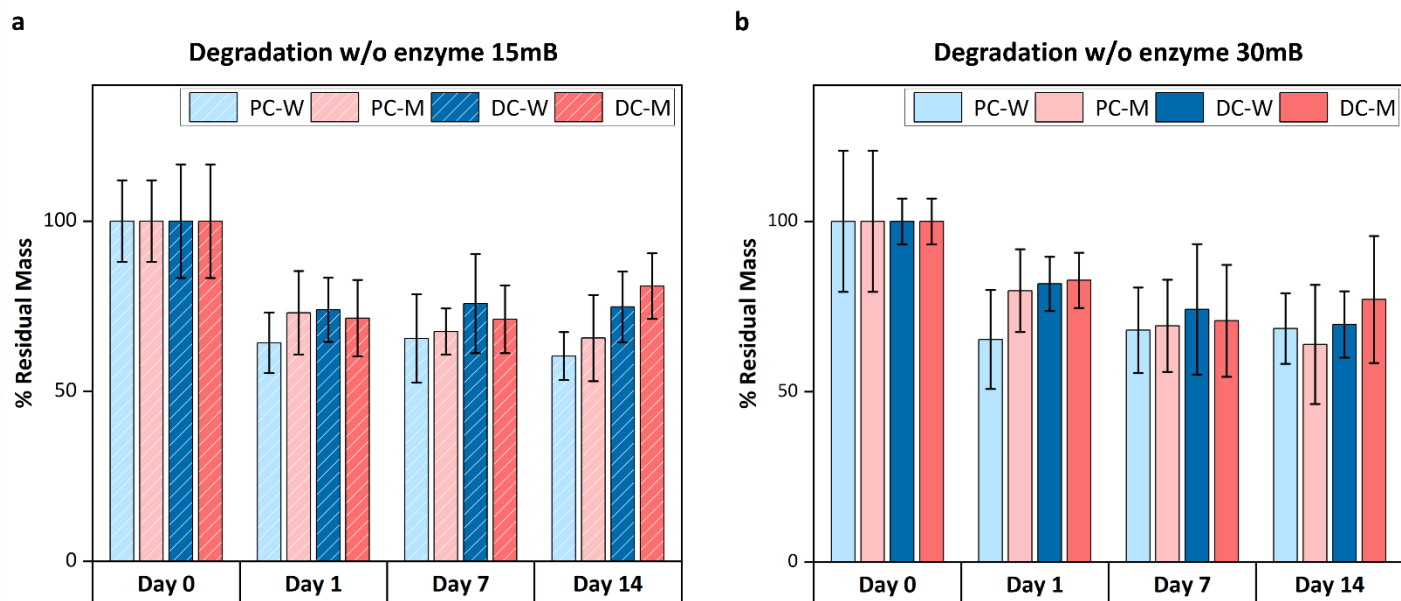
		Day 1	Day 7	Day 14
PC medium	Side Chains	1,2	0,5	0,4
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	45,0	48,1	53,0
	Random Coil	34,8	31,5	28,6
	$\beta$ -turns	13,7	14,3	15,1
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	5,3	5,5	3,0
PC water	Side Chains	0,6	0,5	0,3
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	47,8	48,8	44,6
	Random Coil	31,1	27,8	30,1
	$\beta$ -turns	15,0	17,5	19,2
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	5,6	5,4	5,8
DC medium	Side Chains	0,5	0,6	0,0
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	44,7	46,1	49,6
	Random Coil	29,8	32,1	32,9
	$\beta$ -turns	19,6	15,4	14,3
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	5,5	5,8	3,2
DC water	Side Chains	0,7	0,6	0,0
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	46,4	46,4	51,2
	Random Coil	26,6	34,4	31,9
	$\beta$ -turns	21,8	12,6	14,2
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	4,6	5,9	2,6



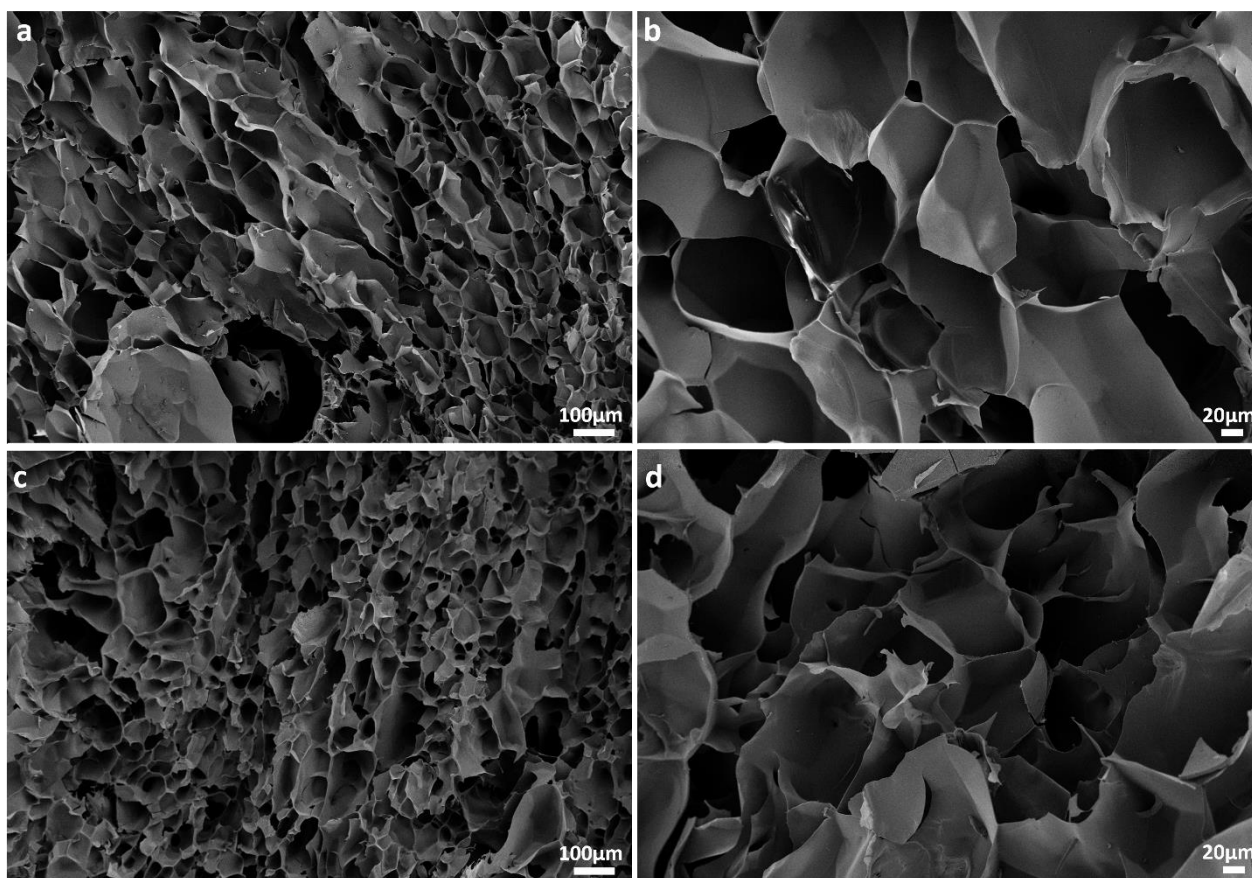
**Figure S3.** a) Sil-Ma 30mB amide I deconvolution of the pre-photo-crosslinked (PC) condition at day 1, 7, and 14 both in medium and water; b) Sil-Ma 30mB amide I deconvolution of the double crosslinked (DC) condition at day 1, 7, and 14, both in medium and water. c) Day 1 spectra of 15 mB Sil-Ma pre-crosslinked (PC) and double crosslinked (DC) incubated in medium and water at 37°C for 1 day before the test. d) Day 1 spectra of 30 mB Sil-Ma pre-crosslinked (PC) and double crosslinked (DC) incubated in medium and water at 37°C for 1 day before the test.

**Table S3.** Amide I deconvolution, secondary structure quantification of 30mB Sil-Ma of the pre-photo-crosslinked (PC) and the double crosslinked condition (DC) condition at day 1, 7, and 14 in medium and water

		Day 1	Day 7	Day 14
PC medium	Side Chains	0,8	0,8	0,6
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	48,9	48,9	49,2
	Random Coil	30,4	33,3	33,2
	$\beta$ -turns	15,8	12,7	12,3
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	4,1	4,3	4,6
PC water	Side Chains	0,5	0,7	0,5
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	49,6	48,1	56,5
	Random Coil	32,7	31,0	26,4
	$\beta$ -turns	16,4	14,3	16,5
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	0,7	5,9	0,0
DC medium	Side Chains	0,6	0,5	0,1
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	48,5	46,5	51,3
	Random Coil	33,4	31,9	30,2
	$\beta$ -turns	17,1	16,0	18,3
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	0,4	5,1	0,0
DC water	Side Chains	0,7	0,4	0,6
	Antiparallel $\beta$ -sheets	47,8	44,1	46,2
	Random Coil	30,1	32,8	34,6
	$\beta$ -turns	17,8	16,4	13,5
	Parallel $\beta$ -sheets	3,6	6,3	5,1



**Figure S4.** Degradation kinetics without enzyme performed in medium (M) and water (W) on pre-photo-crosslinked (PC) and double crosslinked (DC) gels. Each condition was tested at days 1, 7, and 14. On the left results with Sil-Ma 15mB (a), on the right with 30mB Sil-Ma (b). no significance difference was detected among the different conditions in each time point.



**Figure S5.** SEM images of 15mB DC printed gels at 100  $\mu\text{m}$  (a) and 20 scale bars (b). 30mB printed gels at 100  $\mu\text{m}$  (c) and 20 scale bars (d). all the samples were printed with a 25G.

