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## Powering tyrosol antioxidant capacity and osteogenic activity

## by biocatalytic polymerization

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Figure S1. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of OligoTyr.



| Mn = | 2241  |
|------|-------|
| Mw = | 2861  |
| Mz = | 4013  |
| Mp = | 2492  |
| D =  | 1.277 |

**Figure S2**. Non-aqueous size exclusion chromatography (SEC) profile of acetylated OligoTyr and molecular weight distribution parameters. The peak at 46 min is due to *o*-dichlorobenzene used as internal standard. Detection set at 280 nm. Mn= number average molecular weight; Mw= weight average molecular weight; Mz= size average molecular weight; Mp= peak average molecular weight; D= polydispersity index.



Figure S3. ESI(-)MS spectrum of OligoTyr.



Figure S4. MALDI spectrum of OligoTyr.



Figure S5. Solid state CP-MAS <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of tyrosol.



**Figure S6.** Relative absorption of OligoTyr (top) and tyrosol (bottom) as a function of pH. The chosen wavelengths correspond to the absorption maximum of dissociated OligoTyr (325 nm) and tyrosol (293 nm).



**Figure S7.** Top: SEM micrographs of scaffolds obtained from pure PLA (left) and PLA + 5% OligoTyr (right) prepared following method A (see main text). Bottom: close-up of the scaffolds shown in the upper row. OligoTyr crystals are shown in the red circles.



**Figure S8.** Release of OligoTyr from PLA scaffolds at 5% loading in PBS. Reported are the mean  $\pm$  SD values of three experiments.