

**Supporting Information**

**Mussel-inspired Strong and Tough Hydrogel with  
Self-adhesive based on Dynamic Interactions for  
Flexible Wearable Electronics**

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**Table S1** Formulations of prepared PVA-DBA hydrogel.

Sample	Comprise (g)							
	PVA-DOPA	AM	PAA	MBA (0.1 wt.%)	Fe(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	Irgacure 2959	H <sub>2</sub> O	NaCl
PVA-DBA-0	0	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.048	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.048	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.048	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.048	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.048	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	0	0.2	0.1	0.6	0	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.1@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.6	0	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.2@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.6	0	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.3@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0	0.01	0.4	0.01
PVA-DBA-0.4@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.6	0	0.01	0.4	0.01

**Table S2** Monomer conversion of the =CH<sub>2</sub> bond from PVA-DBA hydrogel as a function of UV irradiation time.

UV irradiation time (min)	Monomer conversion (%)
0	0
2	1.9
4	4.6
8	12.3
12	25.5
16	80.4
20	94.6

**Table S3** Mechanical properties of prepared PVA-DBA-x hydrogel.

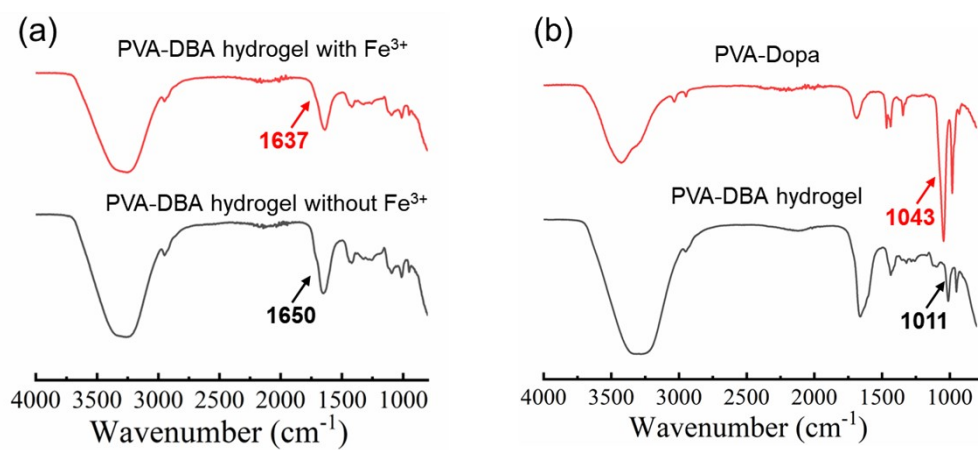
Sample	Mechanical properties			
	Maximum stress (kPa)	Maximum strain (%)	Toughness (J/m <sup>3</sup> )	Young's modulus (kPa)
PVA-DBA-0	2.5	37	72.0	6.2
PVA-DBA-0.1	16.9	221	1526.9	7.3
PVA-DBA-0.2	14.7	144	1349.9	16.2
PVA-DBA-0.3	19.7	145	1653.5	16.5
PVA-DBA-0.4	28.7	148	2178.8	17.2

**Table S4** Mechanical properties of prepared PVA-DBA-x @Fe<sup>3+</sup> hydrogel.

Sample	Mechanical properties			
	Maximum stress (kPa)	Maximum strain (%)	Toughness (J/m <sup>3</sup> )	Young's modulus (kPa)
PVA-DBA-0@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	19.3	33	413.7	10.2
PVA-DBA-0.1@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	30.2	125	2581.1	15.6
PVA-DBA-0.2@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	78.6	128	5156.8	20.4
PVA-DBA-0.3@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	92.8	101	4845.5	60.4
PVA-DBA-0.4@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	122.3	74	5938.1	151.1

**Table S5** Adhesion performance of PVA-DBA-x @Fe<sup>3+</sup> hydrogel for various substrates.

Sample	Adhesive strength (kPa)				
	Glass	Stainless steel	Aluminum	Porcine skin	PTFE
PVA-DBA-0@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	50.6	56.5	53.8	12.3	13.0
PVA-DBA-0.1@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	75.5	68.0	57.4	44.5	18.8
PVA-DBA-0.2@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	87.5	77.0	70.3	63.0	31.4
PVA-DBA-0.3@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	60.3	54.6	42.1	35.4	18.9
PVA-DBA-0.4@Fe <sup>3+</sup>	40.7	26.8	26.5	24.5	13.7



**Figure S1** Structure characterization of PVA-DBA hydrogels. a) PVA-DBA hydrogel with and without Fe<sup>3+</sup>. b) FT-IR spectra of PVA-DOPA and PVA-DBA hydrogel with Fe<sup>3+</sup>.