Supporting Information

Intrinsic Fluorescence Hydrogels for ON/OFF Screening of Antidiabetic Drugs: Assessing  $\alpha$ -Glucosidase Inhibition by Acarbose

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Fig. S1. Swelling of ChDAT hydrogel.



Fig. S2. Stress-strain curve and Young's Modulus of ChDAT hydrogel.



Fig. S3. SEM images of ChDAT hydrogels at maximum swelling degree.



**Fig. S4.** Determination of the optimal excitation wavelength for ChDAT hydrogel. **(a)** Excitation scan conducted from 300 nm to 400 nm, in 10 nm increments. **(b)** Fine excitation scan conducted from 380 nm to 390 nm, in 1 nm increments.



**Fig. S5.** Fluorescence emission of hydrogels at swelling 10 loaded with: (a) PNPG, (b) Enzyme and PNPG. The concentration of PNPG in green line is  $2.63 \cdot 10^{-3}$  M while the concentration of the pink line is  $5.26 \cdot 10^{-3}$  M.



**Fig. S6.** Comparation of the fluorescence emission of the blank and the acarbose loaded hydrogels.