#### **Supplementary Materials**

# Hydrogels from a Self-Assembling Tripeptide and Carbon Nanotubes (CNTs): Comparison between Single-Walled and Double-Walled CNTs

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#### 1. Vis-NIR spectra of SWCNTs



**Figure S1.** Vis-NIR absorbance spectra of pristine SWCNTs (p-SWCNTs, grey) and oxidized SWCNTs (ox-SWCNTs, light blue). No significant difference was found between the two simples.



#### 2. Raman spectra of SWCNTs

Figure S2. Raman spectra of pristine (p-) SWCNTs (grey) and oxidized (ox-) SWCNTs (light blue).



**Figure S3.** RBM region of Raman spectra of pristine (p-) SWCNTs (grey) and oxidized (ox-) SWCNTs (light blue).

**Table S1.** SWCNT diameters (*d*) calculated from the RBM frequencies ( $\omega$ ), using the equation  $\omega_{RBM} = A/dt + B$ , where A is associated with the vibrational force constant of the sp<sup>2</sup> C–C bond, and B is related to environmental effects. For typical SWCNT bundles, A = 234 cm<sup>-1</sup>·nm and B = 10 cm<sup>-1</sup> (see S. Costa et al., Materials Science-Poland 2008, 26, 433). The average calculated SWCNT diameter was  $1.0 \pm 0.1$  for both pristine and oxidized SWCNTs.

p-SWC	CNTs	ox-SWCNTs	
ω (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	<i>d</i> (nm)	ω (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	<i>d</i> (nm)
208	1.2	208	1.2
217, 228	1.1	226	1.1
235, 247	1.0	235, 248	1.0
267	0.9	269	0.9

### 3. TEM micrographs of SWCNTs



Figure S4. TEM micrographs of (a) pristine SWCNTs and (b) oxidized SWCNTs.

## 4. TEM micrographs of composite gels



Figure S5. TEM micrograph of composite gel with 0.1 mg/mL ox-DWCNTs.



Figure S6. TEM micrograph of composite gel with 1.0 mg/mL ox-DWCNTs.



Figure S7. TEM micrograph of composite gel with 0.1 mg/mL ox-SWCNTs.



Figure S8. TEM micrograph of composite gel with 1.0 mg/mL ox-SWCNTs.