

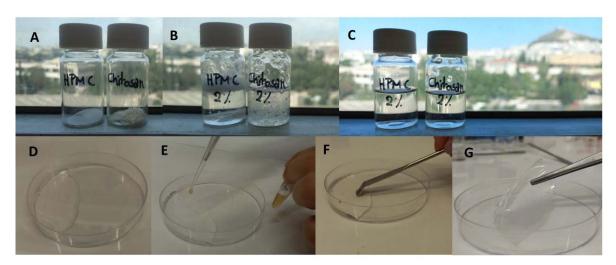


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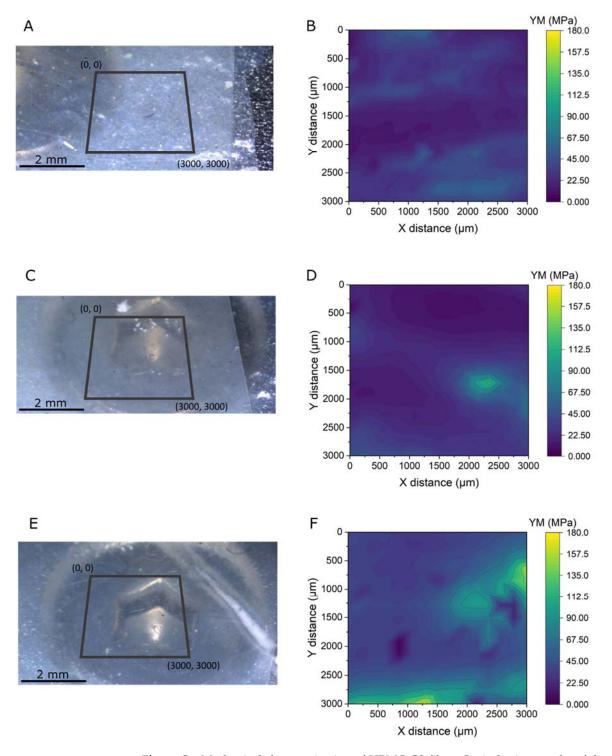
## (Hydroxypropyl)methyl Cellulose-Chitosan Film as a Matrix for Lipase Immobilization. Part II: Structural Studies

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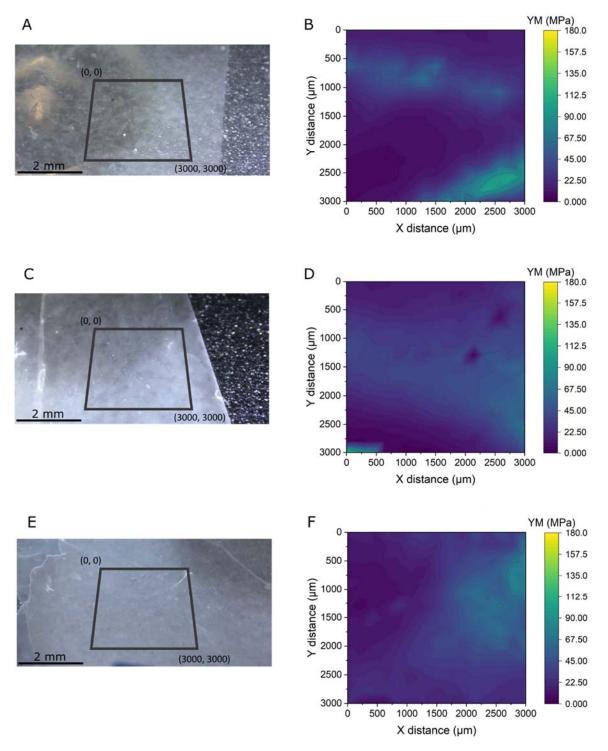
## Supplementary material



**Figure S1.** Step by step procedure for the production of the enzyme-loaded film. (**A**) The two polymers, HPMC and Chitosan; (**B**) Dilution of the two polymers in distilled water and acidic water (1%) for HPMC and Chitosan, respectively. They are then left overnight; (**C**) solutions of the two polymers, the next day; (**D**) Mix of the two polymer solutions on a petri dish, HPMC:Chitosan=2:1; (**E**) Addition of the enzyme-containing buffer; (**F**) Gentle stirring with spatula to homogenize the liquid; (**G**) After overnight drying, the film can be pilled off of the petri dish.



**Figure S2.** Mechanical characterization of HPMC-CS films: Optical micrographs of the films used for mechanical testing before usage (**A**), after 5 usage cycles (**C**), and after 10 usage cycles (**E**), with testing area and coordinates shown. Young's modulus maps from areas depicted in optical micrographs for films before usage (**B**), after 5 usage cycles (**D**), and after 10 usage cycles (**F**). Colormap maintained for comparison between samples.



**Figure S3.** Mechanical characterization of enzyme-loaded HPMC-CS films: Optical micrographs of the films used for mechanical testing before usage (**A**), after 5 usage cycles (**C**), and after 10 usage cycles (**E**), with testing area and coordinates shown. Young's modulus maps from areas depicted in optical micrographs for films before usage (**B**), after 5 usage cycles (**D**), and after 10 usage cycles (**F**). Colormap maintained for comparison between samples.