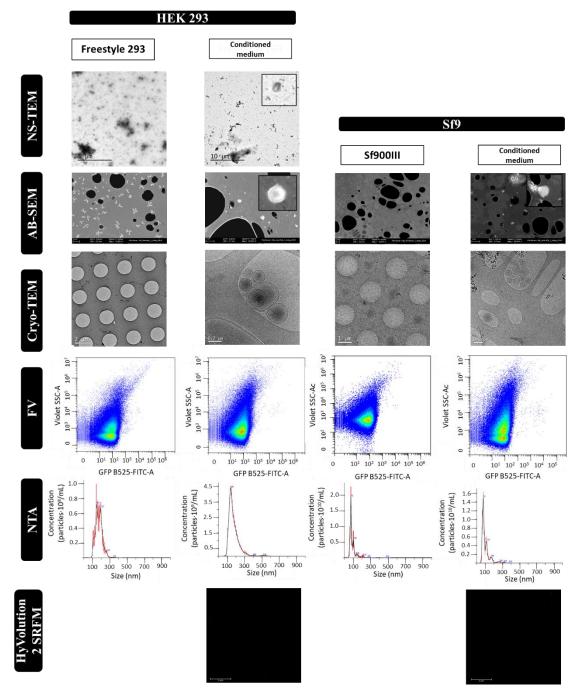
## **1 SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS**

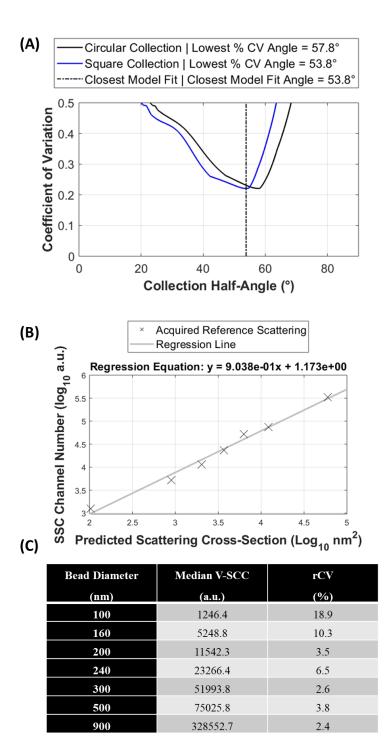


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3 S1. Negative control analyses: cell culture and conditioned media controls. FreeStyle 293 (HEK 4 293) and Sf900III (Sf9) media were assessed by NS-TEM, AB-SEM, cryo-TEM, NTA, flow 5 virometry and SRFM. Analyses were performed by applying the same sample preparation 6 protocol and equipment set up that used for VLP samples. In NS-TEM, AB-SEM and cryo-TEM 7 analyses of FreeStyle medium, the presence of salts was detected while low electrodense 8 aggregates were observed in the Sf900III medium by cryo-TEM. In EM micrographs of both 9 conditioned media, the presence of EVs was detected. NTA analyses of FreeStyle and Sf900III 10 media, and conditioned media resulted in a mean nanoparticle diameter of 174 ± 39 nm 11 (FreeStyle), 174 ± 65 nm (conditioned FreeStyle), 92.7 ± 74.6 nm (Sf900III), 101 ± 47 nm 12 (conditioned Sf900III) with a respective concentration of  $0.6 \pm 0.1 \text{ E+9}$ ,  $17.6 \pm 0.9 \text{ E+9}$ ,  $24.4 \pm 1.1$ 

E+9 and 27.3 ± 1.5E+9 diffracting particles/ml. Conditioned media analyses are adapted from
[24] and FreeStyle medium results from [31]. Flow virometry analyses of FreeStyle medium,
conditioned FreeStyle, Sf900III medium and conditioned Sf900III yielded a nanoparticle
concentration of 0.1 E+9, 0.2 E+9, 0.1 E+9, 0.8 E+9 of EVs, respectively. No particles were detected
by HyVolution2 SRFM analysis of FreeStyle and Sf900III conditioned media samples due to the
absence of HIV-1 Gag-eGFP VLPs, as expected. This data was adapted from [24].

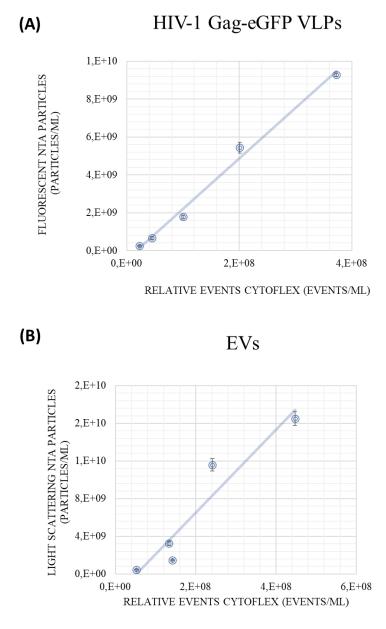
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S2. Mie correlation for EV analysis with FCMPASS software. (A) Collection half-angle plot. (B)
 Lineal regression SSC vs. predicted scattering cross-section plot. (C) Megamix beads

23 information acquired with the CytoFlex LX and introduced in the FCM<sub>PASS</sub> software.





S3. Correlation between flow virometry and NTA of nanoparticles produced in HEK 293 cells.
(A) HIV-1 Gag-eGFP VLPs (fluorescent particles) measured with NTA using the fluorescence
filter and the population corresponding to VLPs in flow virometry are represented. Regression:
(Fluorescent particles/mL) = 26,67 (events /mL) - 5E+08; R<sup>2</sup> = 0,9909. (B) EVs measured with light
scattering by NTA and the population corresponding to EVs in flow virometry are represented.
Regression: (Light Scattering particles/mL) = 44,18 (events /mL) - 2E+09; R<sup>2</sup> = 0,9082.

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