



## Supplementary Materials: Development of Theranostic Cationic Liposomes Designed for Image-Guided Delivery of Nucleic Acid

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**Figure S1.** TEM images of UMLs after insertion of 40% of DMAPAP at various pH: (A) pH 5, (B) pH 7, (C) pH 9 and (D) pH 11. 40 % of DMAPAP per total lipid was added to a diluted dispersion of UMLs (50mM of Fe, 0.36 µmol total lipids) at various pH. After stirring for 1h, centrifugation and magnetic separation, TEM images of the post-inserted UMLs was observed.



**Figure S2.** TEM images of UML samples after insertion of 40% of DMAPAP: (A) in water or (B) in CHCl<sub>3</sub>. 40 % of DMAPAP per total lipid was added to a diluted dispersion of UMLs (50mM of Fe, 0.36

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Figure S3. Viability of CT26 cells after transfection with various lipoplexes at RC8.

CT26 cells were seeded at 10<sup>4</sup> cells/well in a 96 well plate. Alamar blue test was were carried out 24h after incubation of cells with 100 µL of lipoplexes containing 1 µg of pFAR4-luc in the absence of magnetic field for 3h. The data given are averages of 3 different experiments (n=3); bars, SD. One way ANOVA was done with GraphPad Prism software, \*\*\* P≤0.001. Ctrl+: positive control (lipoplexes based on liposome DOPE: DMAPAP: C14PEG1000 49:50:1 mol/mol); REV\_MCLs: lipoplexes based on REV\_MCLs; cosol\_MCLs: lipoplexes based on cosols MCLs.



**Figure S4.** Stability of cosol\_MCLs/pFAR4-luc lipoplexes at RC8 in culture medium. Cosol\_MCLs/pFAR4-luc lipoplexes at RC8 were prepared as described above. Then the lipoplexes were diluted 5 times in complete DMEM containing 10% FBS and incubated at 37°C. Hydrodynamic size was measured by DLS after 0h, 1h or 3h incubation. The data given are the averages of 3 measurement of one experiment (n=3); bars, SD.

Table S1. Hydrodynamic size and zeta potential of γ-Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> MNPs in water.

Size d.nm	PDI	Zeta Potential	
$22.6\pm0.3$	$0.194 \pm 0.039$	$-26.2\pm4.7$	

Hydrodynamic size and zeta potential were measured 3 times/ sample, the mean and SD of three means of the 3 measurements were given; bars, SD.

Table S2. Characterization of UMLs after addition of different amount of DMAPAP.

Label	Preformed UMLs	sPI_UMLs_pH_10	PI_UMLs_pH7_	20PI_UMLs_pH7_40
% of DMAPAP	-	10	20	40
Liposome peak nm (intensity %)	175.8 (22.3%)	106.1 (28.4%)	152.9 (42%)	134.1 (57.1%)
Zeta potential (mV)	) -45.4	-38.4	-33.8	-36.3
Aggregate	-	-	+	++
Stability	Stable	Stable	Stable	Less stable

Label	PI_MCL pH3	PI_MCL pH5	PI_MCL pH7	PI_MCL pH9	PI_MCL pH11
% of DMAPAP	40	40	40	40	40
pH	3	5	7	9	11
Liposome peak (nm) (intensity %)	204.3 (100%)	139.0 (33.3%)	134.1 (57.1%)	81.5 (42%)	105.9 (71.2%)
Zeta potential (mV)	-28.2	-25.3	-36.3	-25.8	-20.8
Aggregate	++	-	+	-	-

Table S3. Characterization of post insertion – UMLs at different pH.

Table S4. Characterization of post insertion - UMLs at 2 different temperatures and solvents.

<b>DMAPAP</b> Solution	DMAPA	P in H2O	DMAPAP in CHCl <sub>3</sub>			
T°	45°C	RT	45°C	RT		
Liposome peak nm (intensity %)	185.2 (42.3%)	167.6 (70.2%)	163.0 (42.8%)	197.2 (34.5%)		
Zeta potential (mV)	-20.3	-19.8	-22.2	-22.4		
Aggregate	+	+	+	+		
Stability	Stable	Stable	Stable	Stable		

RT: Room temperature.

Table S5. Size, PDI and zeta potential of various liposomes and their lipoplexes at RC8 in H2O.

Cationic Liposome	Control			REV_MCLs	C	osol_MCLs
pFAR4-luc	-	+	-	+	-	+
Size d.nm	$88.21 \pm 6.5$	$130.0\pm10.5$	$206.4\pm1.4$	$202.9\pm2.0$	$188.1\pm5.6$	$301.3\pm26.7$
PDI	$0.295 \pm$	$0.342 \pm$	$0.249 \pm$	$0.293 \pm$	$0.127 \pm$	$0.342\pm0.038$
	0.025	0.038	0.016	0.029	0.017	
Zeta potential mV	$+66.4 \pm 1.7$	$+53.4 \pm 4.1$	$+64.8 \pm 1.5$	$+57.3 \pm 5.7$	$+45.7 \pm 6.7$	$+24.0 \pm 5.3$

Control: liposome DOPE: DMAPAP: C14PEG1000 (49:50:1 mol/mol). Hydrodynamic size and zeta potential were measured 3 times/ sample, the mean and SD of three means of the 3 measurements were given; bars, SD.



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