

# Supplementary Materials: PEGylated Chitosan Nanoparticles Encapsulating Ascorbic Acid and Oxaliplatin Exhibit Dramatic Apoptotic Effects against Breast Cancer Cells

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## 1. Method Validation

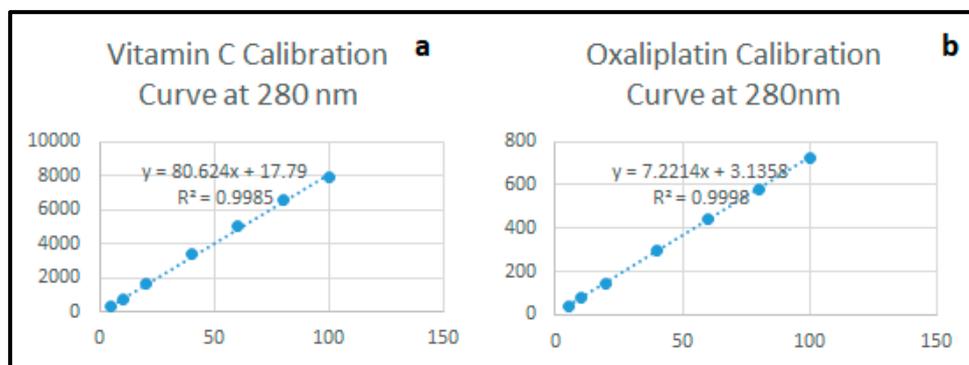
### 1.1. Linearity

Linear relationships were obtained between the peak areas and the corresponding concentrations of each component in the range of 5.00 – 100.00  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  for both VIT C and OXA. A calibration curve was constructed for each drug by plotting concentration (C) against the peak area (PA) as in Figure S1. The regression equations were computed eq 1 and 2 and regression coefficient was determined. LOD and LOQ was 1.7 and 5  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  for OXA.

$$\text{PA}_{\text{VIT C}} = 80.624x + 17.79; R^2 = 0.9985, (1)$$

$$\text{PA}_{\text{OXA}} = 7.2214x + 3.1358, R^2 = 0.9998, (2)$$

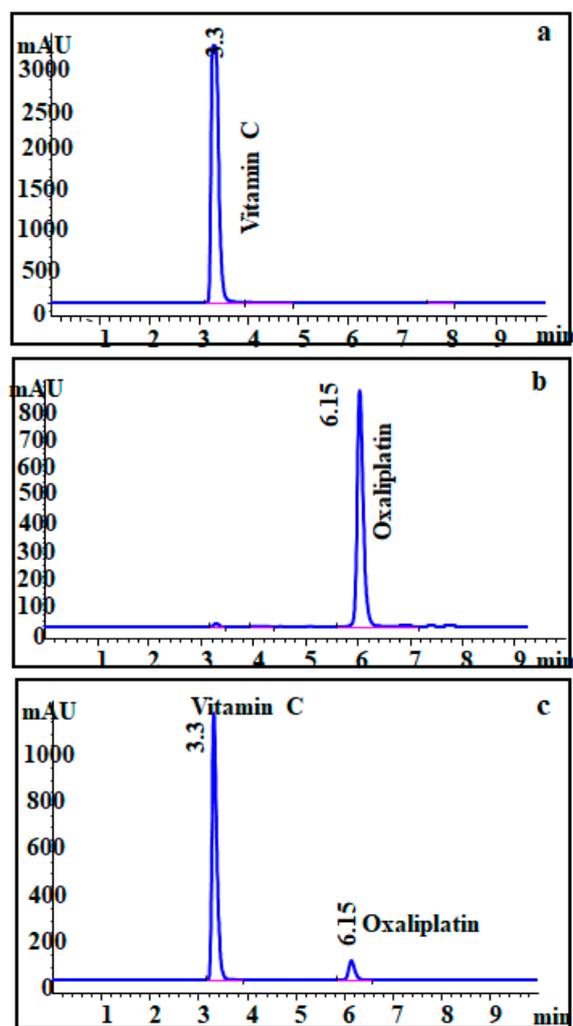
Where (PA) is the peak area, (C) is the concentration in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$  and ( $R^2$ ) is the regression coefficient.



**Figure S1.** Calibration curves of (a) AA, (b) OX over the concentration range of 5-100  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ .

### 1.2. Selectivity/Specificity

Specificity was tested by achieving complete baseline separation between the 2 analytes as shown in Figure S2 with good resolution compared to individual stock solution measurement.



**Figure S2.** UHPLC chromatogram of 1 $\mu$ L injection of (a) AA (500 $\mu$ g/mL), (b) OX (1000 $\mu$ g/mL) and (c) Lab prepared mixture of AA and OX (100 $\mu$ g/mL).

### 1.3. Accuracy

The accuracy of the investigated method was validated by analyzing pure samples of both AA and OX with concentrations of 20, 40, 60  $\mu$ g/mL with good results of Mean  $\pm$ S.D. equals 102.56  $\pm$ 1.20 & 100.35  $\pm$ 1.18 for AA and OX, respectively.