

*Supplementary material*

**High specific determination of gentamicin by induced collapse of Au-lipid capsule**

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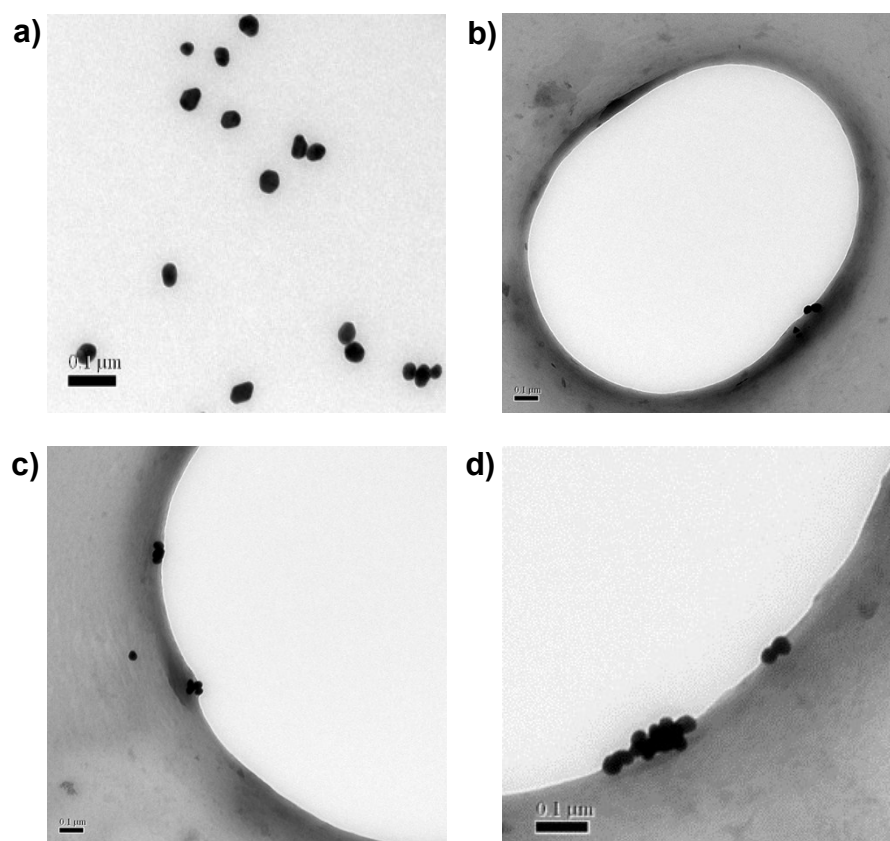
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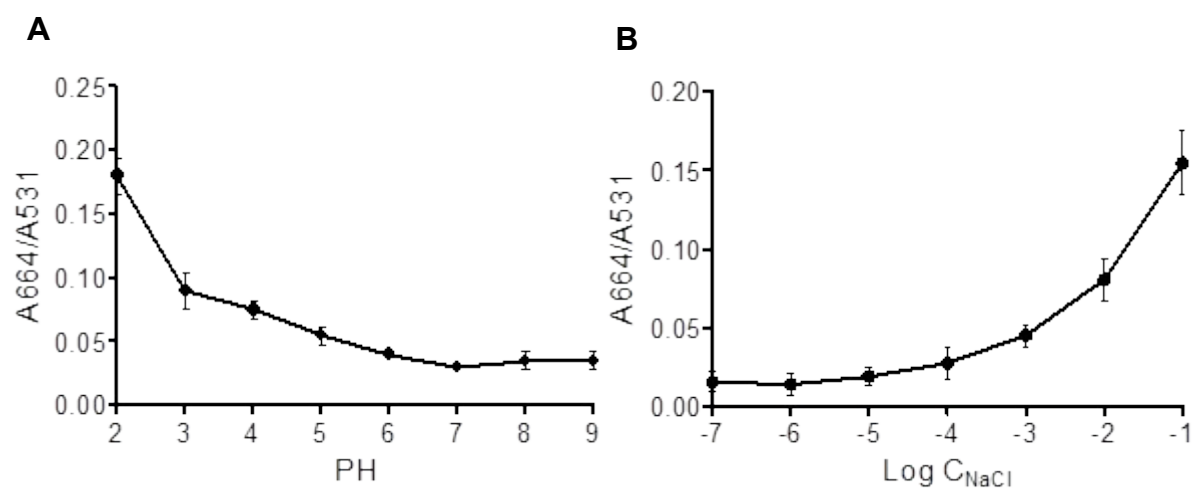
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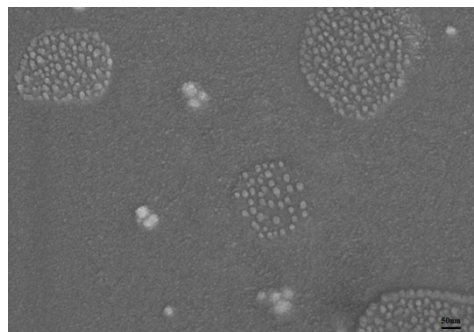
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**Fig. S1.** The TEM images of AuNPs (a), liposome (b) and Au-lipid capsule (c) and (d).



**Fig. S2.** Absorption ratio  $A_{664}/A_{531}$  of Au-lipid capsule under varied pH conditions (A) or with different NaCl concentration (B). All experiments were performed in triplicate. Error bars represent standard deviation.



**Fig. S3.** The SEM image of Au-lipid capsules.

**Table S1** Comparison with other methods for gentamicin detection.

Methods/materials	Analytical ranges/LODs	Comments	References
HPLC	0.1-1 mg kg <sup>-1</sup> /0.05 mg kg <sup>-1</sup>	Detection time:18 min, specific electrochemical detector	(Posyniak et al. 2001)
LC-MS	6-600 ng mL <sup>-1</sup> /12.8 ng mL <sup>-1</sup>	Detection time:22 min, complex, expensive instrument	(Turnipseed et al. 2009)
Enzyme-linked immunoassay	25–200 µg kg <sup>-1</sup> /6.2 µg kg <sup>-1</sup>	Detection time:45 min, complex, high cost, time consuming	(Chen et al. 2008)
Colorimetric detection	0-0.2 µM/7.4 nM	Detection time:1 min, visible, simple, low cost, high specific	This method

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