Supporting Information

Glutamine-Chitosan Modified Calcium Phosphate Nanoparticles for Efficient siRNA

Delivery and Osteogenic Differentiation

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	Diameter (nm)	PDI	Zeta potential (mV)
OChi/siRNA	125 ± 11	0.235	$+27 \pm 0.9$
GOChi/siRNA	144 ± 8	0.205	$+29 \pm 1.1$

Table S1. Size and zeta potential of siRNA loaded Chitosan based NPs.



Figure S1. Cytotoxicity assay for siRNA-loaded chitosan based NPs (OChi/siRNA and Gln-OChi/siRNA) evaluated in HeLa cell line and primarily harvested ADSCs using an alamarBlue assay.





Figure S2. a) Cellular uptake of Cy3-siRNA-loaded OChi and Gln-OChi NPs. Scale bar is 50 μ m. b) Transfection efficiency (%) of NPs into HeLa cell line (n = 5).



Figure S3. a) GFP expression silencing in HeLa-GFP. b) Relative GFP silencing efficacy of NPs in HeLa-GFP analyzed using ImageJ. Images are representative of a total analysis five samples. Scale bar is 100 μm.