Supplementary information for:

Asymmetric cationic lipid based non-viral vectors for an efficient nucleic acid delivery

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Fig S2. ESI-MASS spectra of Di-Octadecylamine



Fig S3. ¹H-NMR spectra of N, N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl) –N-octadecyloctadecan-1-Aminium



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Fig S6. ESI-MASS spectra of N-Octadecyloctadec-9-en-1 amine



Fig S7.¹H-NMR spectra of N, N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl) –N-octadecyloctadec-9- en-1-aminium



Fig S8. ESI-MASS spectra of N, N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl) –N-octadecyloctadec-9- en-1-aminium



Fig S9.¹H-NMR spectra of Di (Octadec-9-en-1yl) amine



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Fig S14. HRMS spectra of N, N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl) –N-octadecyloctadec-9- en-1- aminium



Fig S15.HRMS spectra of N, N-bis (2-hydroxyethyl) –N-(octadec-9-en-1-yl) Octadec-9-1-aminium



Figure S16. HPLC spectra of Lipid S-S



A. Solvent system: 100% Methanol

B. Solvent system: 5% Water in Methanol



Figure S 17. HPLC spectra of Lipid S-U



A. Solvent system: 100% Methanol

B. Solvent system: 5% Water in Methanol



Figure S 18. HPLC spectra of Lipid U-U

A. Solvent system: 100% Methanol



B. Solvent system: 5% Water in Methanol



HPLC Conditions:

System:Varian series Column:Lichrospher® 100, RP-18e (5 μm) Mobile Phases: Methanol (A); Methanol:Water, 95:5, v/v, (B). Flow Rate: 2.0 mL/min Typical Column Pressure: 60-65 Bars Detection: UV at 210 nm **Figure S19.** A) DNA binding assay for three lipids with varying lipid/DNA charge ratio, B) DNA degradation profile post DNase I treatment for three lipid formulations with varying lipid/DNA charge ratio.



Figure S20: Cytotoxic effect of lipid-DNA complexes was studied with a) B16F10 (murine melanoma) and b) CHO (Chinese hamster ovary) cells at varying lipid/DNA charge ratio.



Figure S21: Comparative cytotoxic assays with commercial transfection agent lipofectamine 2000 and cationic lipids using CHO (Chinese hamster ovary) cells.



Figure S22. Confocal laser scanning microscope images for endosomal escape of lipoplexes with liposome tagged with NBD-PE (green) and lysosomes trailed with lysotracker red.



	Lipid:DNA Charge Ratio							
Liposomes	8:1		4:1		2:1		1:1	
	HDD (nm)	Zeta Potential (mEV)	HDD (nm)	Zeta Potential (mEV)	HDD (nm)	Zeta Potential (mEV)	HDD (nm)	Zeta Potential (mEV)
Lipid S-S	197.3	+21.4	205.7	+11.7	367.6	+2.8	474.8	-21.5
Lipid S-U	172.5	+25.3	211.8	+15.7	294.7	+6.5	332.8	-08.1
Lipid U-U	187.5	+14.3	234.0	+12.8	369.2	+3.1	441.2	-17.3

Table TS1: Size and Zeta potential measurements for Lipid S-S, S-U and U-U with varying lipid/DNA charge ratio.

 Table TS2: Size and Zeta potential measurements for Lipid S-S, S-U and U-U in DI water

Liposome	Zeta Size (nm)	Potentials(mV)
1	113.2 ± 2.6	28.5 ± 5.82
2	117.5 ± 3.2	46.1 ± 7.82
3	136.7 ± 5.7	30.3 ± 8.24