Sulfhydrylated graphene-encapsulated iron nanoparticles directly aminated with polyethylenimine: a novel magnetic nanoplatform for bioconjugation of gamma globulins and polyclonal antibodies

# **Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)**

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### 1. Structural modification of pristine PEI 25kDa - NMR spectra



Fig. S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR of pristine PEI 25kDa







Fig. S3. <sup>13</sup>C NMR inverse-gated of PEI25k-GBL (5 days reaction)



Fig. S4. <sup>13</sup>C NMR inverse-gated of PEI25k-GBL (24 h) – zoom 55.63-39.08



Fig. S5. <sup>13</sup>C NMR inverse-gated of PEI25k-GBL-SH





Fig. S6. FT-IR spectra of GEINS-1.1 and GEINS-1.2;  $2400 - 3100 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  zoom



Fig. S7. FT-IR spectra of GEINS-1.2

#### 3. A titration study



*Fig. S8.* Titration curves of PEI 25kDa (top) and PEI25k-GBL-SH (bottom) solutions (1.1 mg/mL in 0.1 M NaCl, sample volume 10 mL, initial pH=10).



Fig. S9. Relation between EP position and mass of PEI 25kDa used in titration.

Mass of PEI	EP1 (mL)	EP2 (mL)	EP2-EP1 (mL)	(2° amines)/ (1° amines)
(mg)	(2° amines)		(1° amines)	
5.50	0.42	0.61	0.19	2.21
11.00	0.78	1.20	0.42	1.86
22.00	1.51	2.28	0.77	1.96
2.75	0.25	0.33	0.08	3.13
16.50	1.17	1.81	0.64	1.83
				Mean: 2.20±0.48

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4. Bioconjugation of gamma-globulins and human polyclonal antibody (IgG-FITC) to sulfhydrylated CEINs-PEI nanoplatforms



Fig. S11. FT-IR spectra of GEINS-4.2

5. Biocompounds adsorption



Fig. S12. FT-IR spectra of the physical mixture of GEINS-3.2 and gamma-globulins



Fig. S13. TGA curves (in nitrogen) of GEINS-3.1 and GEINS-3.2 with the adsorbed gamma-globulins

## 6. Confocal microscopy



Fig. S14. Confocal microscopy image of GEINS-3.2 with the adsorbed IgG-FITC