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## **Supplementary Information**

## Self-assembling Janus dendritic polymer for gene delivery with low

## cytotoxicity and high gene transfection efficiency

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**Figure S1.** (A) Synthesis of dendritic polythioether. (B) Correspond2ing <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of products.



Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of dendritic polythioether in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.







**Figure S4.** (A) ESI-MS spectrum of unmodified branched  $PEI_{1800}$ . (B) The peaks of  $PEI_{1800}$  around the range of highest relative abundance (m/z = 465.92, with + 3 charges, M = 1394.76 Da). (C) ESI-MS

spectrum of PEI-dendron. (D) The peaks of PEI-dendron around the range of highest relative abundance (m/z = 633.38, with + 3 charges, M = 1897.14 Da).