

Supplementary information to accompany:

**Combating pathogens with $\text{Cs}_{2.5}\text{H}_{0.5}\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ nanoparticles:
A new proton-regulated antimicrobial agent**

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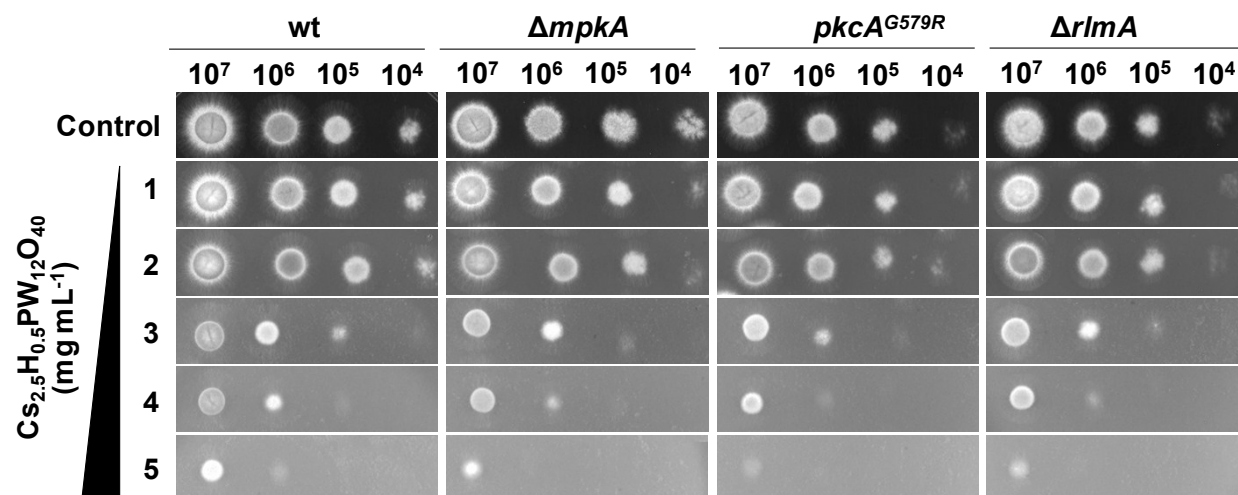


Fig. S1. Comparative sensitivity of *A. fumigatus* wild-type (wt) and its mutants $\Delta mpkA$, $pkcA^{G579R}$, and $\Delta rlmA$ ¹⁻³ to $Cs_{2.5}H_{0.5}PW_{12}O_{40}$ NPs. For the test, conidia were dispersed in Milli-Q water and, then, filtered through Miracloth membrane (Merck). After filtration, the suspensions were diluted at concentrations of 10^7 , 10^6 , 10^5 , and 10^4 conidia mL⁻¹. To perform the sensitivity test, 5 μ L of each suspension was dropped over Petri dishes with YG agar containing 1 to 5 mg mL⁻¹ of $Cs_{2.5}H_{0.5}PW_{12}O_{40}$ NPs. After inoculation, the plates were incubate at 37 °C for 24 h and then photographed.

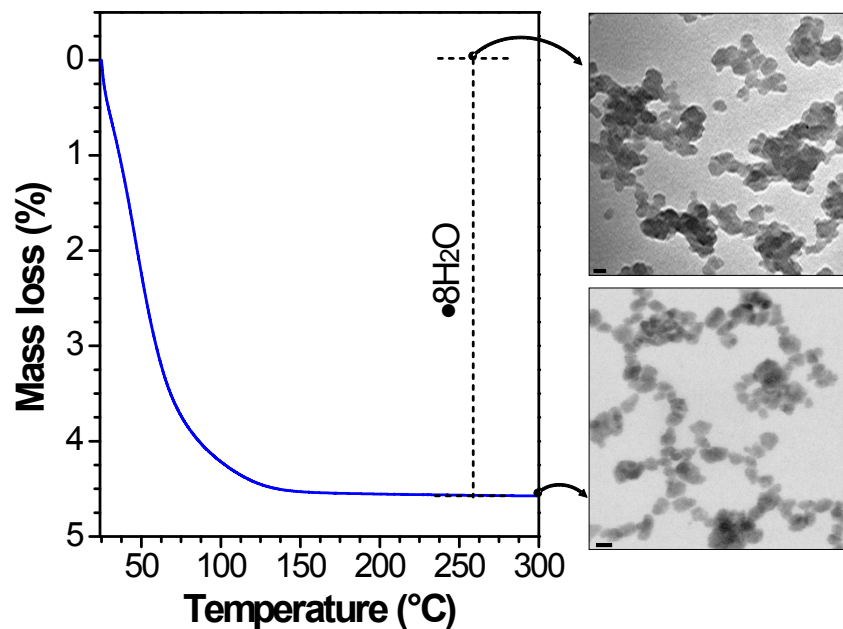


Fig. S2. Thermogravimetric analysis of $\text{Cs}_{2.5}\text{H}_{0.5}\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ NPs. The mass loss of 4.6 wt% is associated with the structural water molecules. TEM images compares the particle size of the (upper) as-synthesized $\text{Cs}_{2.5}\text{H}_{0.5}\text{PW}_{12}\text{O}_{40}$ NPs and (bottom) after heat treatment at 300 °C for 2 h. Even after the heat treatment, the average particle size remains about 10 nm. Scale bars correspond to 10 nm.

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