

## Supporting Information

### Cationic Lipid-Assisted Nanoparticle for Delivery of mRNA Cancer Vaccine

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### **Preparation of DNA template**

Plasmid DNA were exacted and purified from pUC57 by QIAprep Spin Miniprep Kit according to the manufacturer's instructions and quantified by NanoDrop 2000. Genomic region flanking the target sites (~1.3k bp) were amplified by the corresponding primers with T7 promoter.

### **Expression of EGFP in DC2.4 cells**

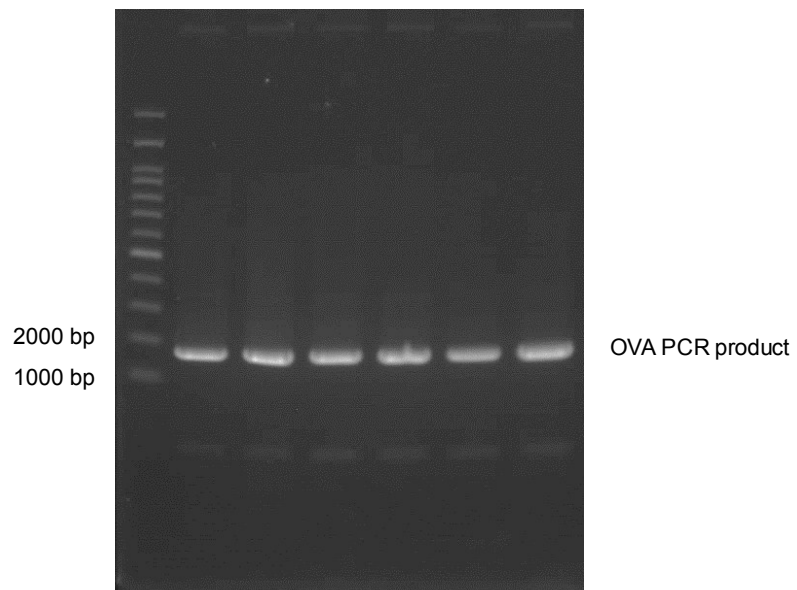
Transfection experiments were conducted on DC2.4 cell lines. The Mean Fluorescence Intensity of EGFP-positive cells after incubated over different time periods and with different concentrations of CLAN<sub>mEGFP</sub> (5.0, 3.75, 2.5 and 1.25 µg/mL) were examined by FACS, and analyzed by FlowJo V.

### **Differentiation of effector T cells *in vivo*.**

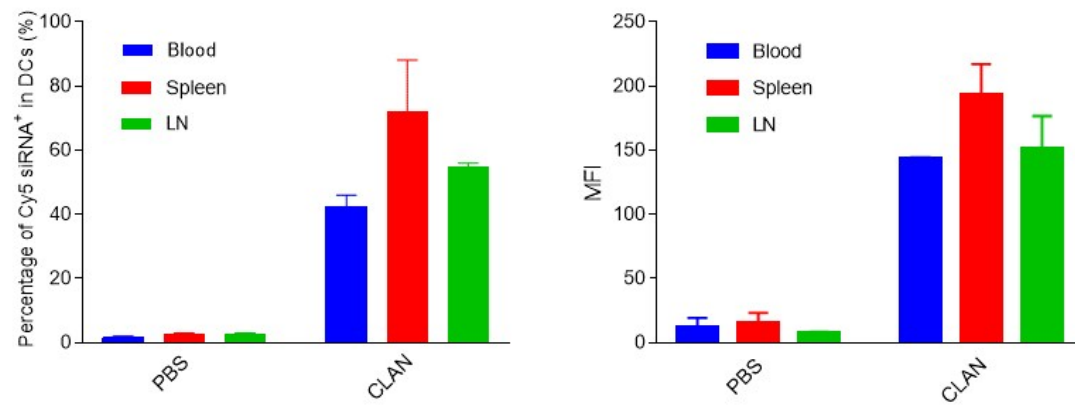
C57BL/6 mice were injected with CLAN encapsulating mOVA (40 µg per mouse). Three days later, splenic and lymphoid cells were isolated and stained according to previous described method, processed and stained with anti-mouse CD3, CD4, CD8 (BioLegend, Inc., San Diego, USA). For the detection of differentiation of effector T cells (such as Tem and Tcm), they were stained with anti-mouse CD44 and CD62L (BioLegend, Inc., San Diego, USA), and then analyzed by BD FACSVerse™ flow cytometer.

**Table S1:** The DNA sequence of OVA with T7 promoter and amplification primers of OVA.

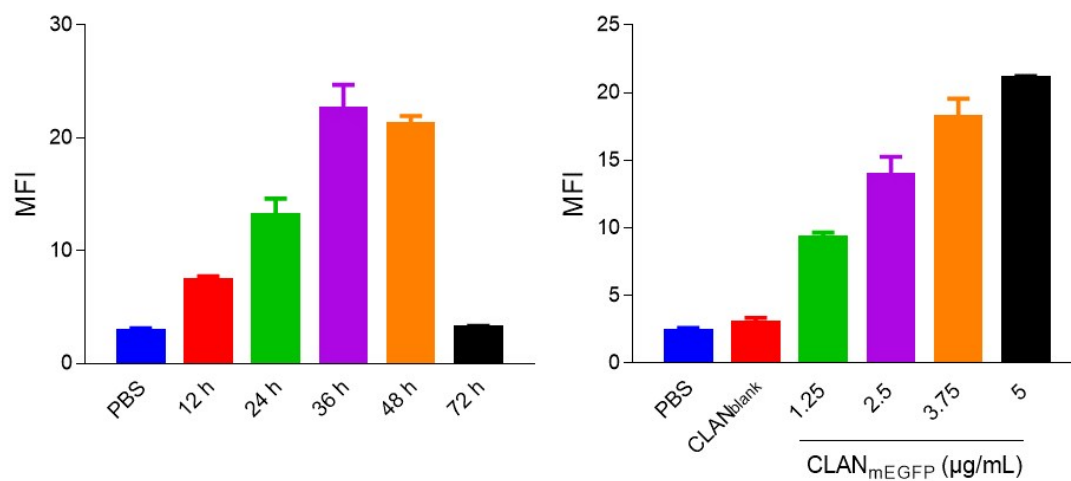
OVA sequence (with T7 promoter)	5'- TAATACGACTCACTATAGG Gatgggctccatcggcgcagcaagcatggaattttgttt gatgtattcaaggagctcaaagtccaccatgccaatgagaacatcttctactgccccattgccatcatgtca gctctagccatgggtatacctgggtgcaaaagacagcaccaggacacagataaataagggtgttcgctttg ataaacttccaggattcggagacagtattgaagctcagtgtggcacatctgtaaacttcactcttcaactta gagacatcctcaacaaatcaccaacaaatgatgtttattcgttcagccttgccagtagactttatgctga agagagatacccaatcctgccagaatacttgagtggtgaaggaactgtatagaggagcttgaacct atcaactttcaaacagctgcagatcaagccagagagctcatcaattcctgggtagaaagtcagacaaatg gaattatcagaaatgtccttcagccaagctccgtggattctcaaactgcaatgggttctggttaatgccattgt cttcaaaggactgtgggagaaaacatttaaggatgaagacacacaagcaatgccttcagagtgaactga gcaagaaagcaaactgtgcagatgatgtaccagattggtttatttagagtggaatcaatggcttctgaga aatgaagatcctggagcttccatttgccagtgaggacaatgagcatgttggtgctgtgcctgatgaagtct caggccttgagcagcttgagagtataatcaactttgaaaaactgactgaatggaccagttctaatgttatgg aagagaggaagatcaaagtgtacttacctcgcatgaagatggaggaaaaataaacctcacatctgtctt aatggctatgggcattactgacgtgttttagctcttcagccaatctgtctggcatctcctcagcagagagcct gaagatatctcaagctgtccatgcagcacatgcagaaatcaatgaagcaggcagagaggtgtaggggt cagcagaggctggagtggatgctgcaagcgtctctgaagaatttagggctgaccatccattcctcttctgt atcaagcacatcgcaaccaacgccgttctcttcttggcagatgtgttccccttaaCGGGATCCG CGCG-3'
OVA F primer	5'-TAATACGACTCACTATAGGGATG-3'
OVA R primer	5'-TTAAGGGGAAACACATCTGC-3'



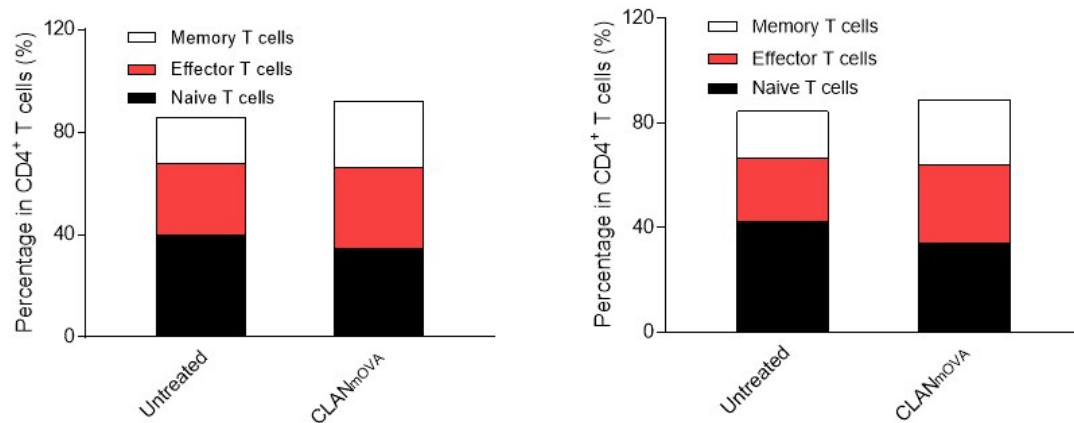
**Fig. S1** Agarose gel electrophoresis of OVA PCR products amplified with T7 promoter primers.



**Fig. S2** Percentage (left) and MFI (right) of Cy5<sup>+</sup> DCs in blood, spleen and LN after *i.v.* injection of CLAN<sub>Cy5-siRNA</sub>. Data are shown as means  $\pm$  SD, n = 3.



**Fig. S3** Time-dependent monitoring (left) and dose-dependent monitoring (right) of the mean fluorescence intensity (MFI) of EGFP expression in DC2.4 after treated with CLAN<sub>mEGFP</sub>. Data are shown as means  $\pm$  SD, n = 3.



**Fig. S4** Delivery of mOVA by CLAN vector (CLAN<sub>mOVA</sub>) enables the activation of effector T cells and memory cells in spleen (left) and LN (right). Data are shown as means  $\pm$  SD, n = 3.