

Peptide-grafted dextran vector for efficient and high-loading gene delivery

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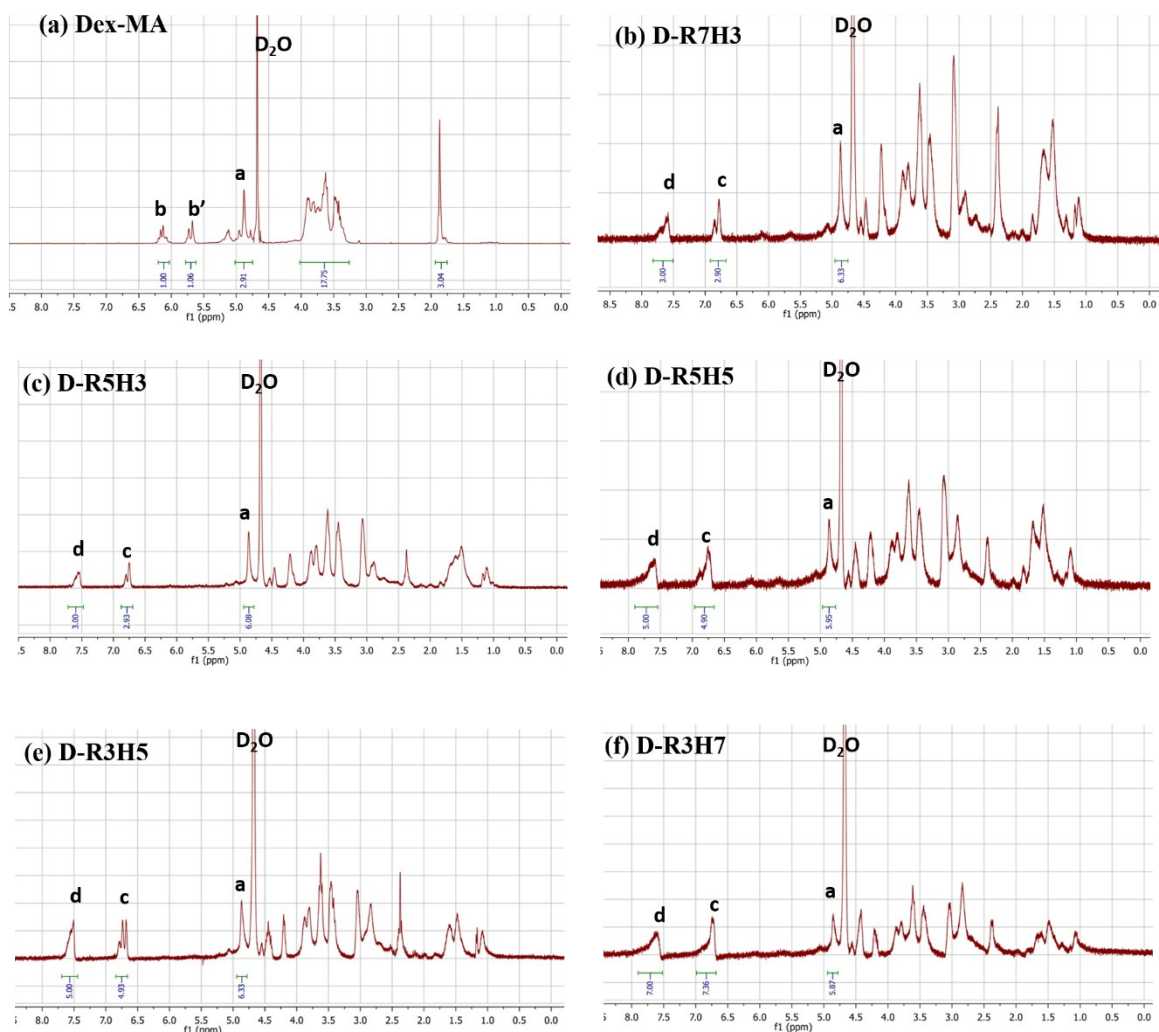


Fig. S1. 400 MHz ^1H NMR spectra of (a) Dex-MA, (b) D-R7H3, (c) D-R5H3, (d) D-R5H5, (e) D-R3H5, and (f) D-R3H7 in D_2O .

Analysis.

As shown in Figure S1a, based on the integration of the anomeric protons of dextran (a, 4.9 ppm) and the integration of the protons from the methacryloyl (MA) groups (b, 6.8 and b', 7.6 ppm), the degree of the substitution (DS) of MA was calculated to be 35%. As shown in Figure S1b-d, the DS of RxHy was calculated by the integration of the anomeric protons of dextran (a, 4.9 ppm) and the integration of the protons from the imidazole ring of histidine (c, 6.75 and d, 7.60 ppm).

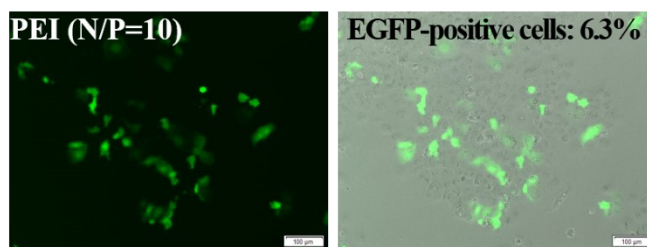


Fig. S2. In vitro EGFP expression of PEI/pEGFP-N1 polyplex at the N/P ratio of 10 in MCF7 cells, where the percentage of EGFP-positive cells was determined by flow cytometry.