

Supporting Information

***Intracellular Delivery of a Native Functional Protein Using
Cell-Penetrating Peptide Functionalized Cubic MSN with
Ultra-Large Mesopores***

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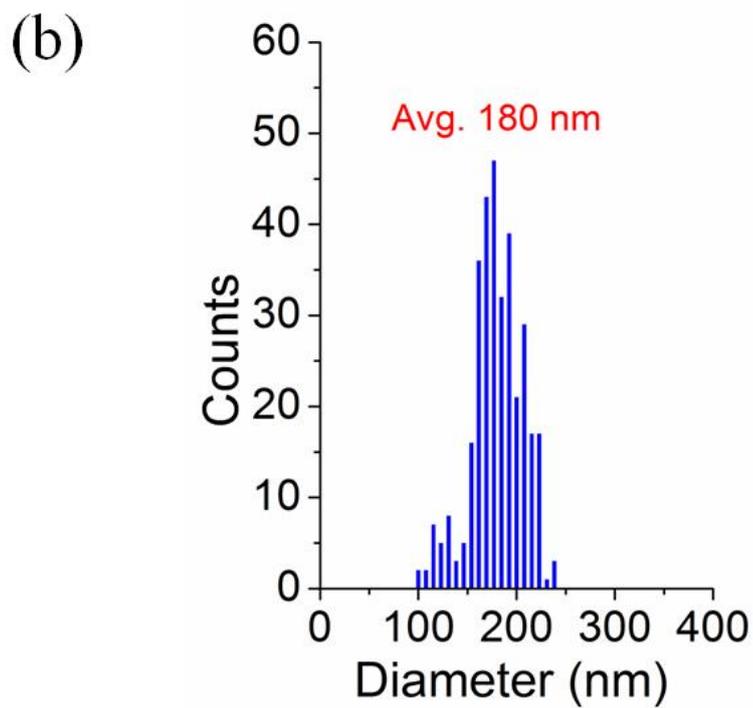
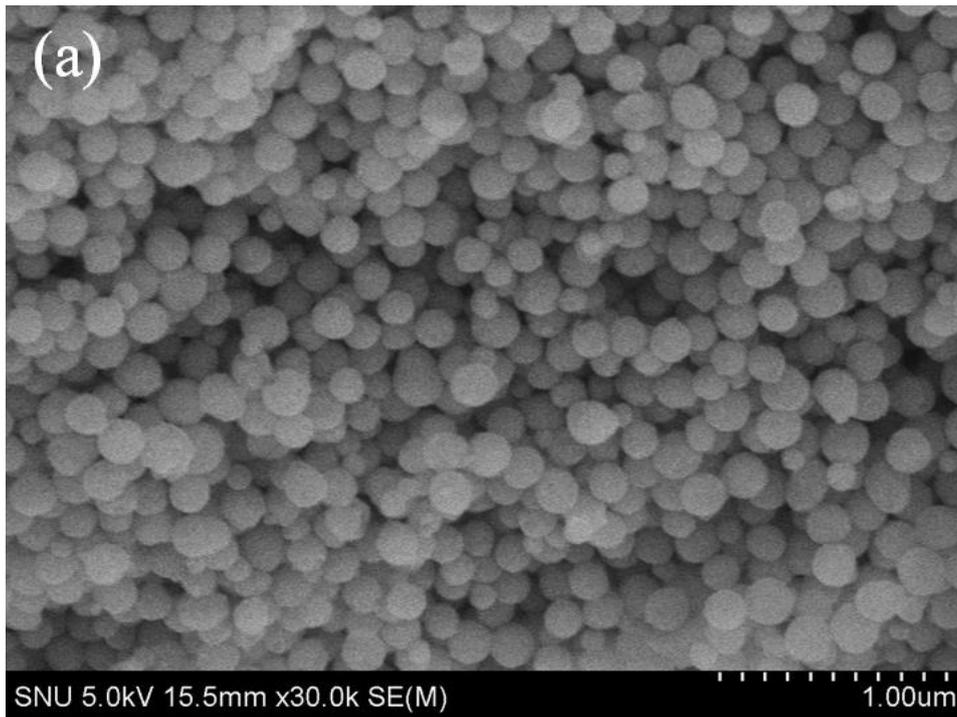


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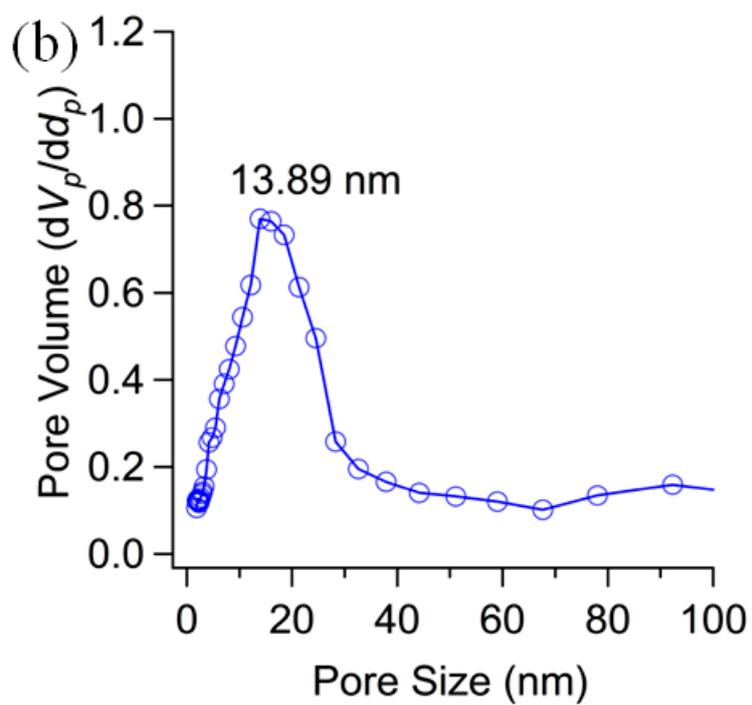
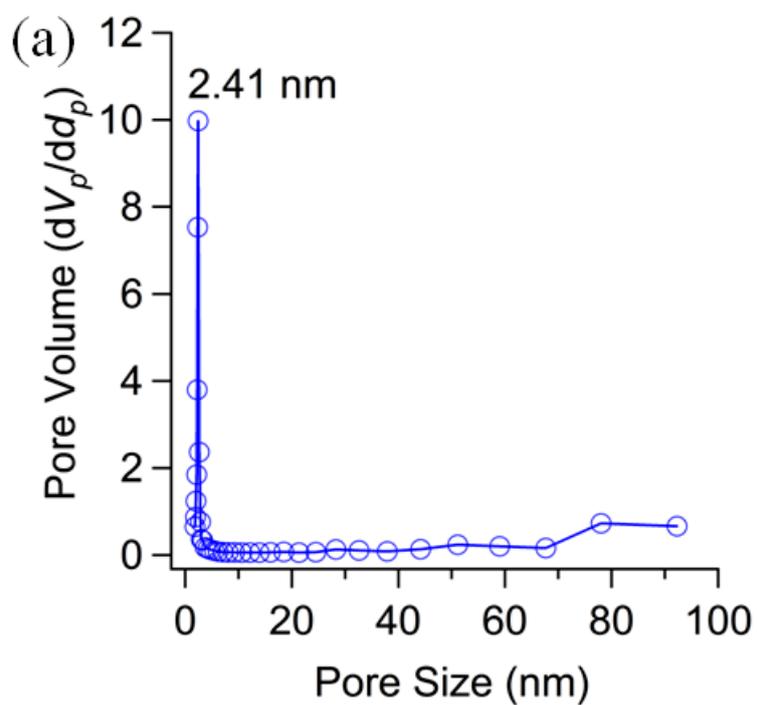


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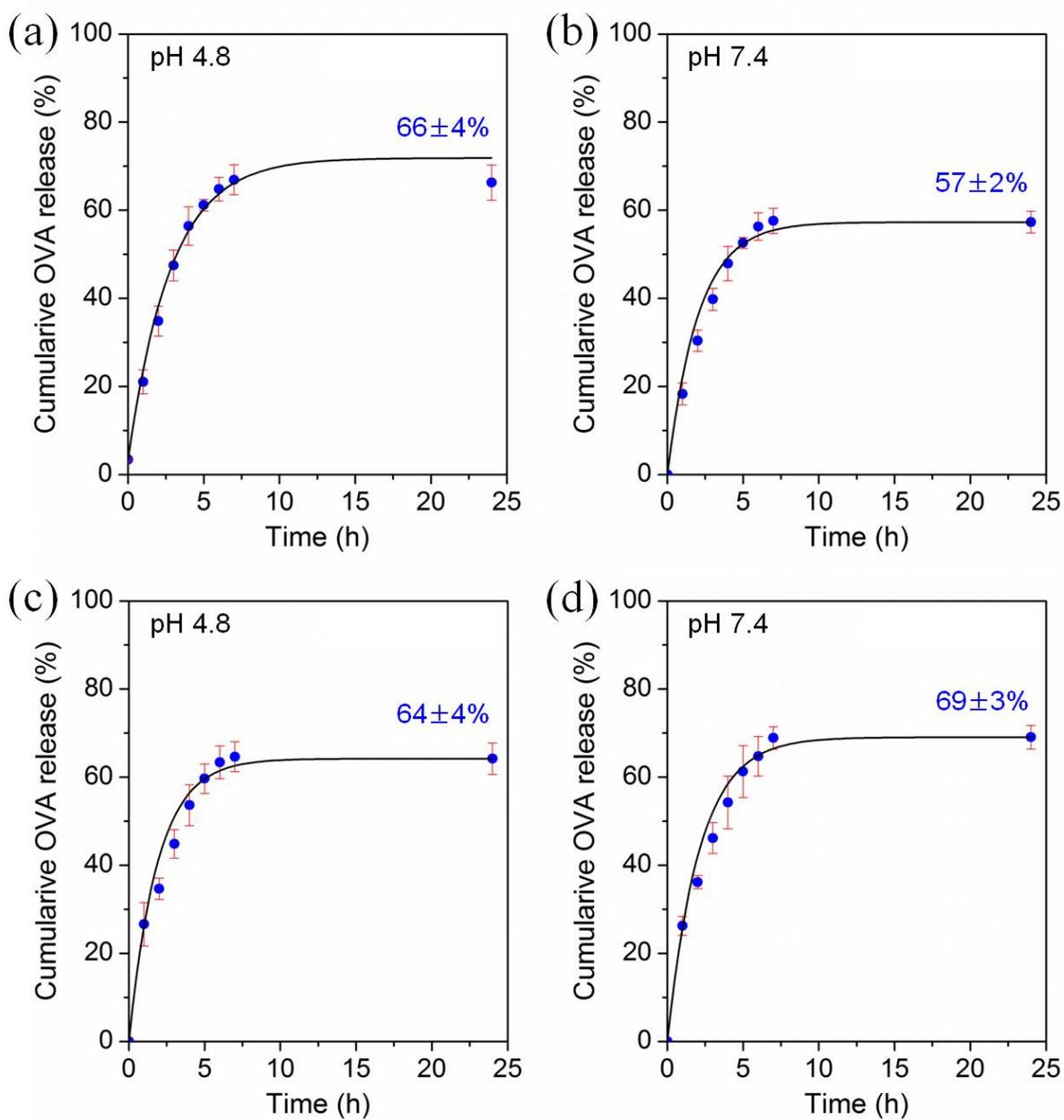


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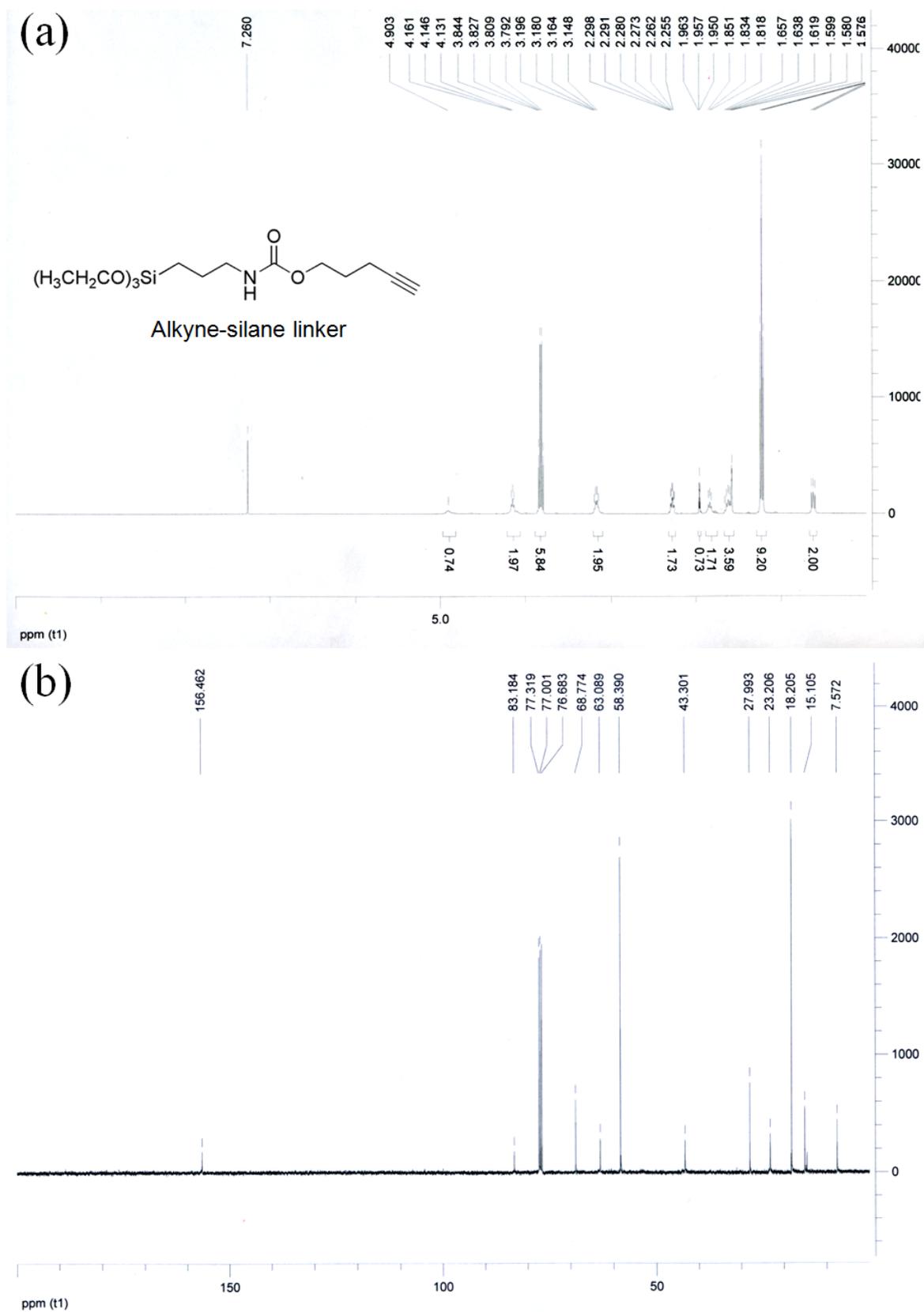


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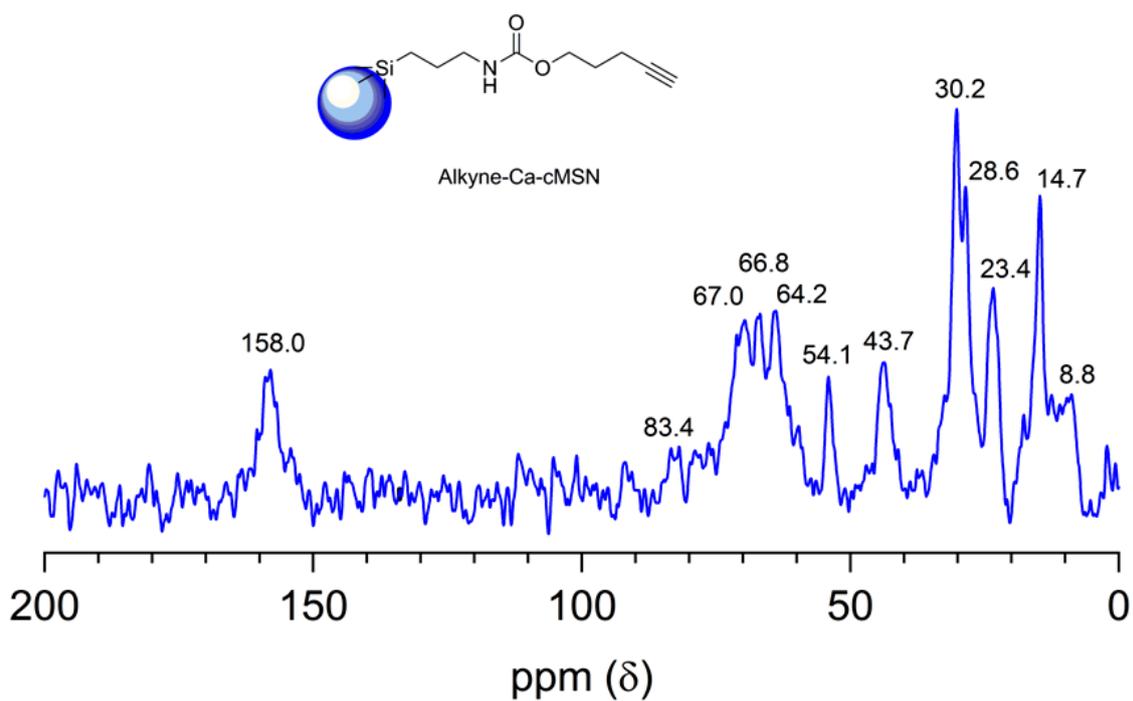


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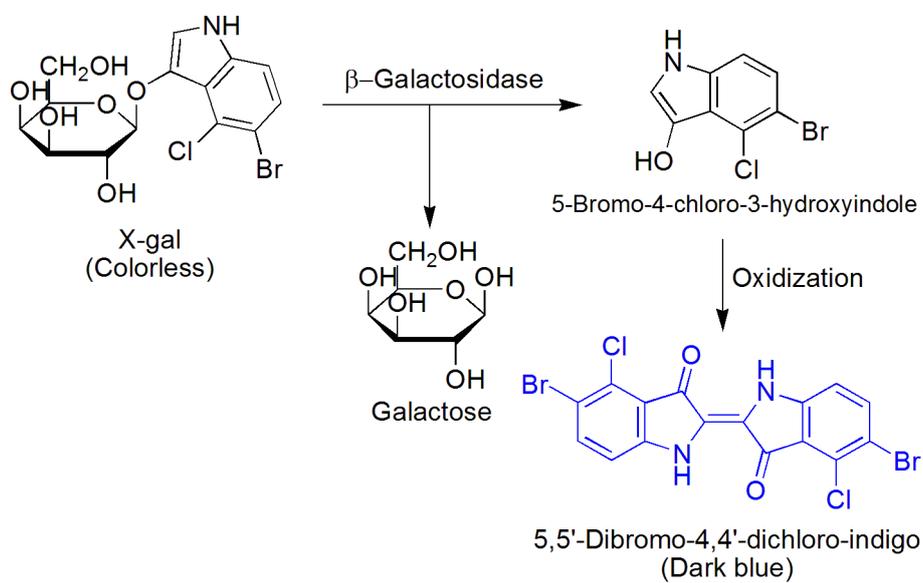


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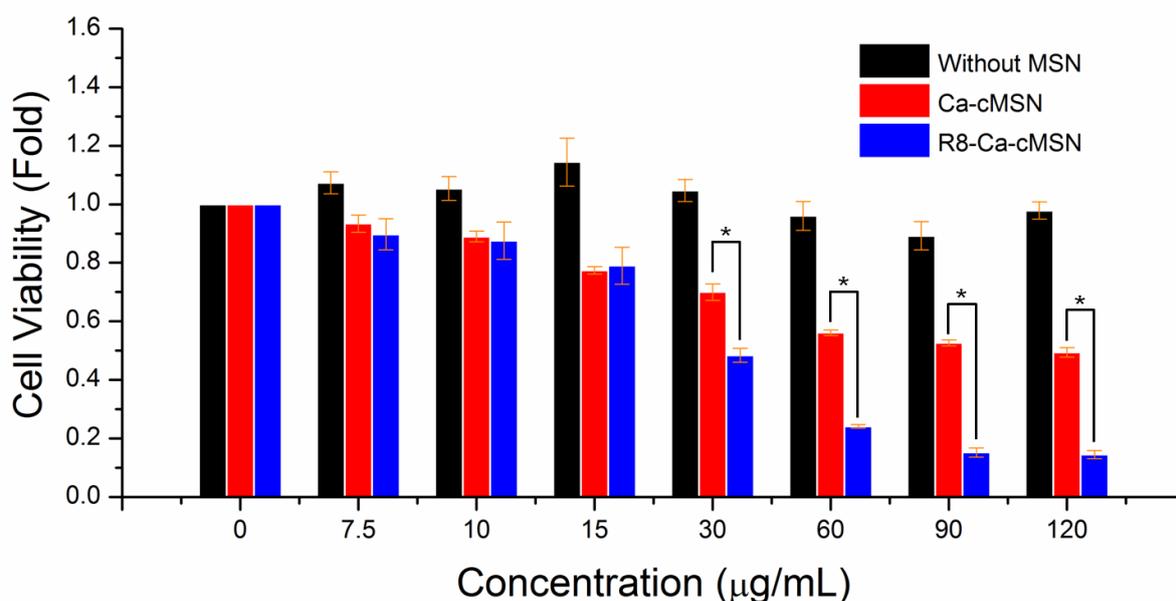


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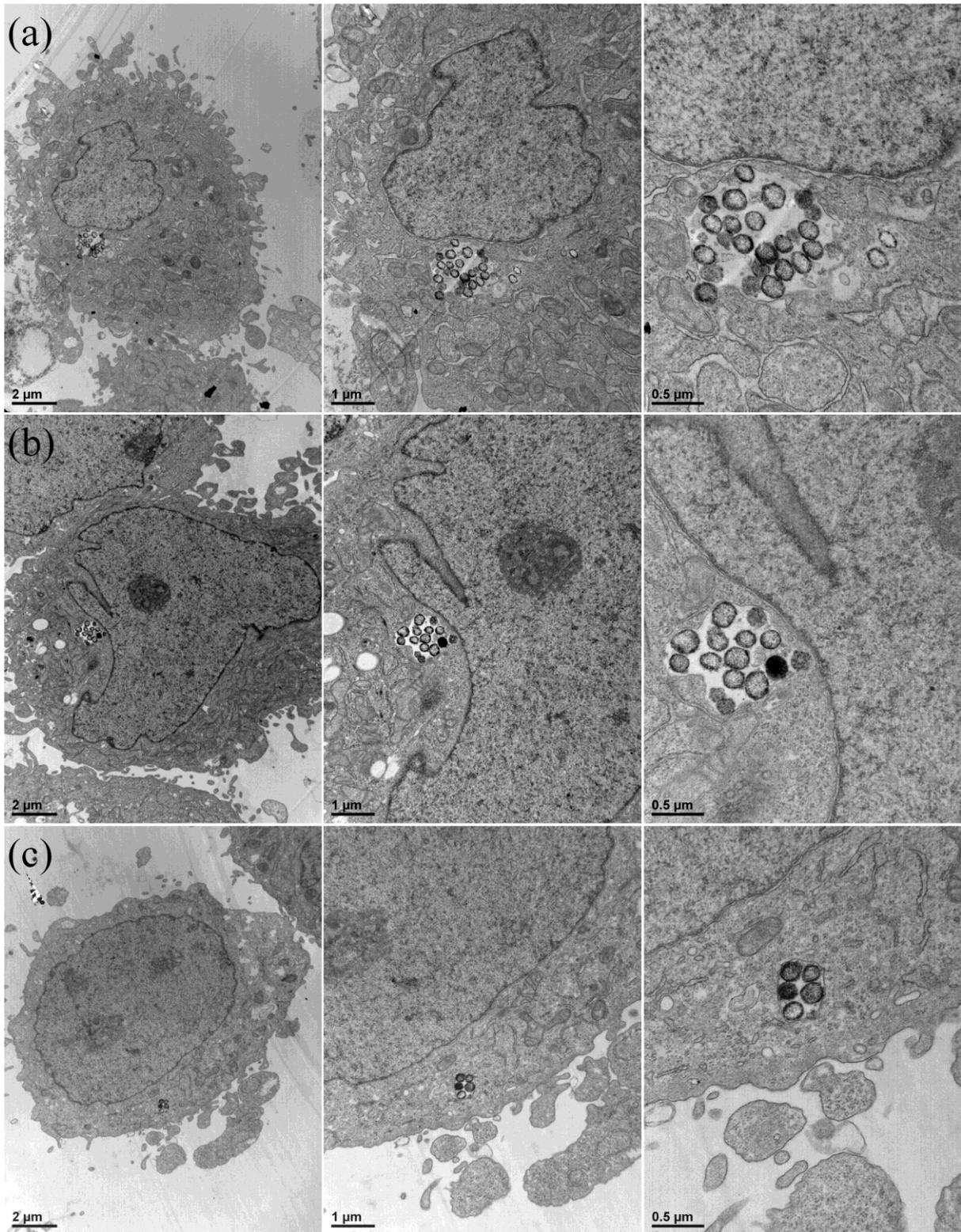


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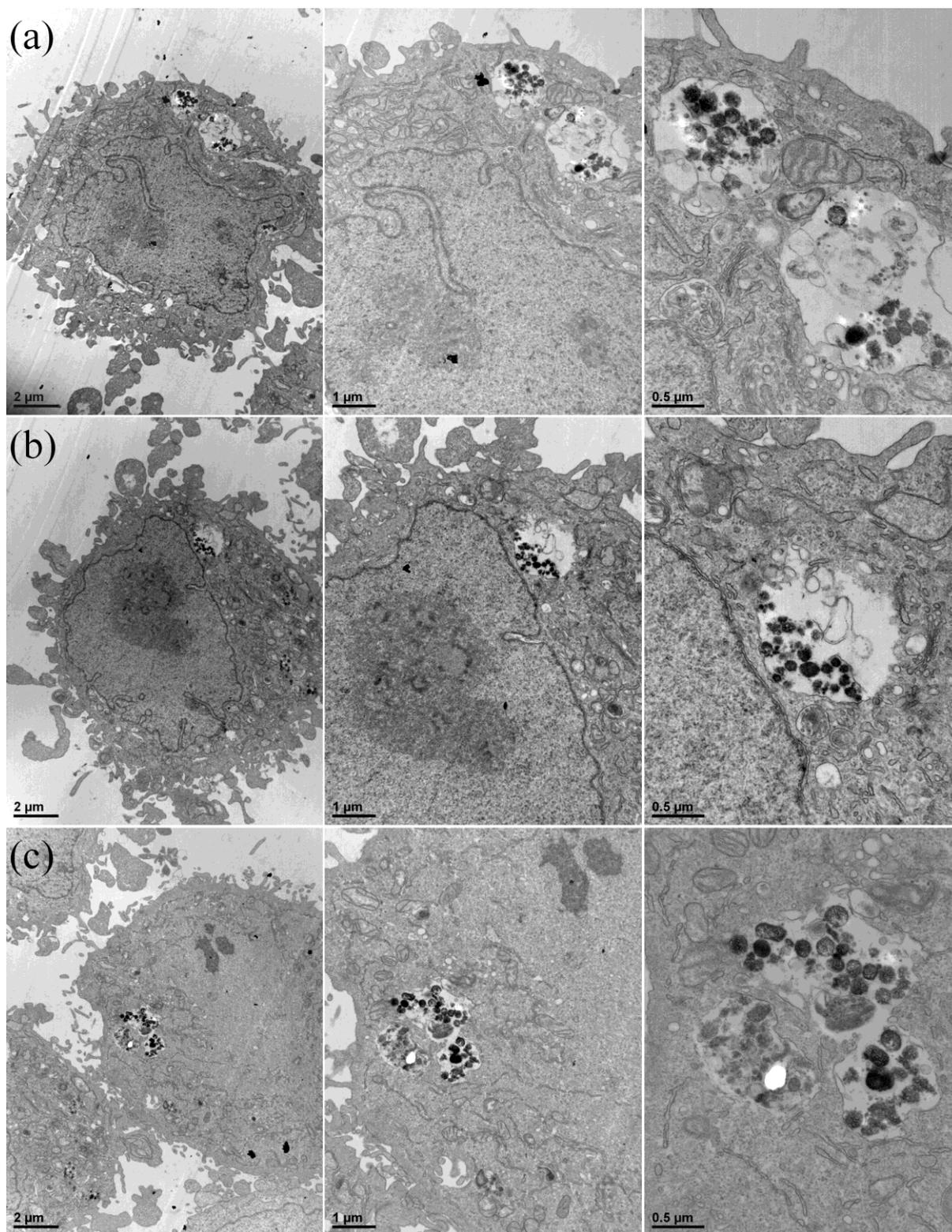


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