PLGA Nanoparticle-Reinforced Supramolecular Peptide Hydrogels

for Local Delivery of Multiple Drugs with Enhanced Synergism

Can Wu, ^a Chunlu Wang, ^a Lu Sun, ^a Keming Xu, ^{*a} Wenying Zhong, ^{ab*}

^aDepartment of Chemistry, China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing 210009, China.

^bKey Laboratory of Biomedical Functional Materials, China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing

210009, China.

Corresponding Author

*E-mail: wyzhong@cpu.edu.cn; *E-mail: kmxu@cpu.edu.cn.

Table of contents

Fig. S1. TOF-MS of Peptide (NapFFYRGD).

Fig. S2. HPLC spectrum of Peptide (NapFFYRGD).

Fig. S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of Peptide (NapFFYRGD).

Fig. S4. (A) Photograph of **Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino** hydrogel (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%) that was injected with a syringe using a 25-gauged needle; (B) Photograph of "CPU" that was written using the hydrogel with a syringe using a 25-gauged needle.

Fig. S5. The profiles of average fluorescence density of RhB over time after the mice were subcutaneously injected with RhB solution, NP(RhB)/Irino or Cis/Peptide@NP(RhB)/Irino hydrogel.

Fig. S6. Viabilities of A549 cells after 48 h treatment of Peptide and blank NP with various concentrations.

Fig. S7. TEM micrograph of Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%) that was further diluted to 125 μ g/mL for peptide (arrows indicate short nanofibers of ~ 500 nm).

Fig. S8. CLSM images of A549 cells after 4 h treatment of Cis/Peptide@NP(RhB)/Irino at 37 or 4 °C (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%, diluted to a final concentration of 75 μg/mL for NP(RhB)). Red, NP-RhB/Irino; Blue, DAPI for staining the cell nucleus. Scale bar, 20 μm.

 Table S1. The calculated parameters for Ritger-Peppas modeling of 192 h drug release of Cis

 from various hydrogel formulations.

 Table S2. The calculated parameters for Ritger-Peppas modeling of 192 h drug release of Irino

 from various hydrogel formulations.



Fig. S1. TOF-MS of Peptide (NapFFYRGD). (ESI-MS: C₅₁H₅₇N₉O₁₁, cal.MW = 972, obsvd. [M]⁺ =972.6 [M+H]⁺ = 973.6, [M+2H]⁺ = 974.6.



Fig. S2. HPLC spectrum of Peptide (NapFFYRGD).



Fig. S3. ¹H NMR spectrum of Peptide (NapFFYRGD). ¹H-NMR, 300 MHZ, ([D₆] DMSO) d = 12.93 (s, 1 H), 9.19 (s, 1 H), 8.25-8.23 (d, 1 H, J = 6 HZ), 8.14-8.11 (d, 2 H, J = 9 HZ), 8.06-8.04 (d, 1 H, J = 6 HZ), 7.84-7.82 (d, 1 H, J = 6 HZ), 7.84-7.82 (d, 1 H, J = 6 HZ), 7.73-7.70 (d, 1 H, J = 9 HZ), 7.46-7.44 (m, 2 H), 7.16-7.12 (d, 14 H, J = 12 HZ), 7.04-7.02 (d, 2 H, J = 6 HZ), 6.65-

6.62 (d, 2 H, J = 9 HZ), 4.50-4.42 (m, 5 H), 4.29 (s, 1 H), 3.87-3.75 (m, 2 H), 3.62-3.48 (m, 2 H), 3.43 (s, 1 H), 3.33 (s, 6 H), 3.09 (s, 2 H), 2.95-2.90 (d, 2 H, J = 15 HZ), 2.78-2.70 (m, 2 H), 2.59-2.57 (d, 2 H, J = 6 HZ), 1.75 (s, 1 H), 1.52 (s, 2 H).



Fig. S4. (A) Photograph of **Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino** hydrogel (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%) that was injected with a syringe using a 25-gauged needle; (B) Photograph of "CPU" that was written using the hydrogel with a syringe using a 25-gauged needle.



Fig. S5. The profiles of average fluorescence density of RhB over time after the mice were subcutaneously injected with RhB solution, NP(RhB)/Irino or Cis/Peptide@NP(RhB)/Irino hydrogel.



Fig. S6. Viabilities of A549 cells after 48 h treatment of Peptide and blank NP with various concentrations.



Fig. S7. TEM micrograph of Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%) that was further diluted to 125 μ g/mL for peptide (arrows indicate short nanofibers of ~ 500 nm)



Fig. S8. CLSM images of A549 cells after 4 h treatment of Cis/Peptide@NP(RhB)/Irino at 37 or 4 °C (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%, diluted to a final concentration of 75 μg/mL for NP(RhB)). Red, NP-RhB/Irino; Blue, DAPI for staining the cell nucleus. Scale bar, 20 μm.

	n	k	R ²
Cis/Peptide (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%)	0.7303	0.0252	0.9513
Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.25 wt%)	0.7125	0.0243	0.9686
Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%)	0.7274	0.0212	0.9672
Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@1.0 wt%)	0.7358	0.0191	0.9612

Table S1. The calculated parameters for Ritger-Peppas modeling of 192 h drug release of Cis from various hydrogel formulations.

Table S2. The calculated parameters for Ritger-Peppas modeling of 192 h drug release of Irino from various hydrogel formulations.

	n	k	R ²
NP/Irino	0.5093	0.0535	0.9830
Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.25 wt%)	0.8095	0.0042	0.9833
Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@0.5 wt%)	0.7732	0.0029	0.9597
Cis/Peptide@NP/Irino (0.2 eq./0.8 wt%@1.0 wt%)	0.7347	0.0018	0.9509