## Supporting Information

Interplay Between the Linker and Polymer Molecular Weight of a Self-Assembling Prodrug on the Pharmacokinetics and Therapeutic Efficacy

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Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of GAyne-ester

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 12.745-12.835 (d, 1H), 7.543-7.526 (d, 1H), 6.674-6.648 (d, 1H), 6.104-6.011 (m, 1H), 5.478-5.419 (m, 1H), 5.132-5.098 (m, 1H), 5.063-5.031 (m, 1H), 4.434-4.378 (m, 2H), 3.487-3.460 (m, 1H), 3.338-3.283 (m, 1H), 3.172-3.120 (m, 1H), 3.065-2.906 (m, 2H), 2.526-2.502 (d, 1H), 2.367-2.285 (m, 2H), 2.124-2.086 (m, 1H), 2.053-1.956 (m, 2H, 1.812-1.778 (t, 1H), 1.731 (s, 3H), 1.712 (s, 2H), 1.688 (s, 6H), 1.645 (s, 6H), 1.602 (s, 2H), 1.544 (s, 3H), 1.449 (s, 2H), 1.342 (s, 3H), 1.282 (s, 3H)



Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of GA-yne-amide

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400Hz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 12.84 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, 1H), 6.89 (t, 1H), 6.68 (m, 1H), 5.47 (m, 1H), 5.39 (m,2H) 5.04 (m, 2H), 4.06 (m, 1H), 3.98 (m, 1H), 3.48 (t, 1H), 3.28 (m, 1H), 3.16 (m, 1H), 2.71 (m, 1H), 2.56 (d, 1H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.34 (m, 1H), 2.18 (m, 1H), 2.05 (m, 2H) 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.73 (s, 3H), 1.71 (s, 3H), 1.65 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.23 (s, 3H)



Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR mPEG<sub>550</sub>-ester-GA



Figure S5. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR mPEG<sub>2000</sub>-ester-GA



Figure S6. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR mPEG<sub>5000</sub>-ester-GA



Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR mPEG<sub>550</sub>-amide-GA



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Figure S10. Chromatogram of GAyne-ester, 7.387 minutes



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Figure S17. Chromatogram of mPEG5000-amide-GA, 6.280 minutes



Figure S18. Mass spectrum of GAyne-ester Calculated  $[M+H]^+ C_{41}H_{47}O_8$ : 667.32

Measured [M+H]<sup>+</sup> = 667.40



Figure S19. Mass spectrum of GAyne-amide

Calculated  $[M+H]^+ C_{41}H_{47}NO_7$ : 665.34 Measured  $[M+H]^+ = 666.45$ 



Figure S20. Mass spectrum of mPEG550-ester-GA

Calculated  $[M+H]^+$  (C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>)-(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O)<sub>n=9-16</sub>: 560.80, 582.81, 604.83, 626.84, 648.85, 670.87, 692.88, 714.89; Measured  $[M+H]^+$  = 560.93, 582.91, 604.81, 626.98, 648.97, 671.44, 693.05, 714.84



Figure S21. Mass spectrum of mPEG2000-ester-GA

Calculated  $[M+4H]^{4+}$  ( $C_{42}H_{49}N_3O_8$ )-( $C_2H_4O$ )<sub>n=35-44</sub>: 567.07, 578.08, 589.09, 600.09, 611.10, 622.11, 633.11, 644.12, 655.13, 666.13; Measured  $[M+4H]^{4+}$  = 566.99, 578.84, 588.98, 600.54, 611.44, 622.34, 633.11, 644.33, 655.51, 666.70



Figure S22. Mass spectrum of mPEG5000-ester-GA

Calculated  $[M+8H]^{8+}$  (C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>)-(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O)<sub>n=69-80</sub>: 538.32, 557.18, 563.47, 576.06, 582.34, 588.63, 594.92, 607.50; Measured  $[M+8H]^{8+}$  = 538.27, 557.32, 582.82, 575.52, 582.82, 587.84, 595.90, 606.61



Figure S23. Mass spectrum of mPEG550-amide-GA

Calculated  $[M+H]^+$  ( $C_{42}H_{50}N_4O_7$ )-( $C_2H_4O$ )<sub>n=9-16</sub>: 582.32, 626.35, 648.36, 670.37, 692.38, 736.41, 758.42; Measured  $[M+H]^+$  = 583.25, 626.65, 648.16, 670.05, 692.61, 736.48, 758.42



Figure S24. Mass spectrum of mPEG2000-amide-GA

Calculated  $[M+4H]^{4+}$  ( $C_{42}H_{50}N_4O_7$ )-( $C_2H_4O$ )<sub>n=32-44</sub>: 533.8075, 544.81, 555.82, 566.83, 588.84, 599.85, 610.85, 621.86, 632.87, 643.88, 654.88, 665.89; Measured  $[M+4H]^{4+}$  = 533.41, 545.35, 555.87, 566.76, 589.22, 600.78, 611.68, 622.10, 632.53, 654.89, 666.64



Figure S25. Mass spectrum of mPEG5000-amide-GA Calculated  $[M+4H]^{4+}$  ( $C_{42}H_{50}N_4O_7$ )-( $C_2H_4O$ )<sub>n=64-79</sub>: 709.02, 753.04, 761.85, 770.65, 823.48, 841.09; Measured  $[M+4H]^{4+}$  = 709.92, 752.95, 761.67, 770.77, 823.84, 840.81



Figure S26. Stability of GA-NPs over three weeks. Data = mean  $\pm$  SD (n = 3).