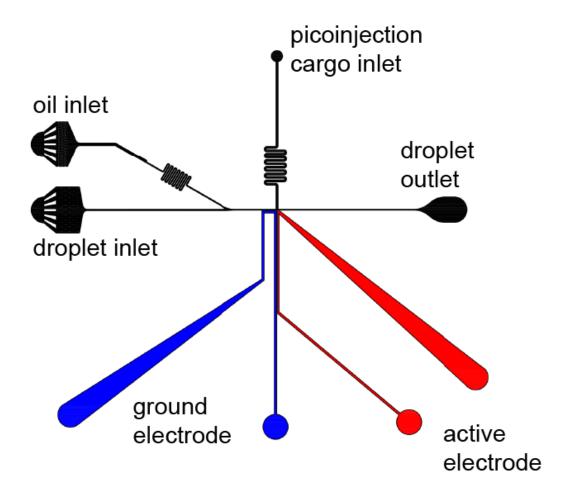
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Supplementary Information

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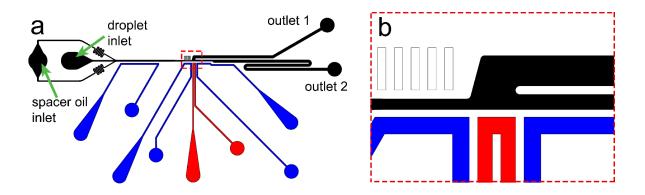
Supplementary Figure 1: Schematic of picoinjector used in study. Additional fluidic resistor was added into the picoinjection cargo channel to stabilize the injection process

| Droplet media composition | Ab concentration | Average droplet Ab concentration | Average Ab concentration of cell-containing droplets at 24 hour (µg/mL) | |
|---|------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| DMEM/F12 + 20% FBS | 0.040 | 1.090 | 10.9 | |
| DMEM/F12 GlutaMAX supplemented + 20% FBS | 0.049 | 0.923 | 9.23 | |
| DMEM/F12 + 20% FBS + 25mM HEPES | 0.028 | 0.129 | 1.29 | |
| DMEM/F12 + 20% FBS + 0.1% Pluronic F68 | 0.007 | 0.555 | 5.55 | |

Supplementary Table 1: The average concentration of nAbs recovered from the supernatant of droplets containing ASCs. 70 μ m diameter droplets containing 10% singly-encapsulated ASCs were incubated for 24 hours to allow accumulation of nAbs prior to demulsification and quantification via ELISA. DMEM/F12 + 20% FBS (highlighted blue) was used for all in-droplet processes stated in the main text as it exhibited the best performance.

| | Droplet diameter (μm) | Estimated droplet volume (pL) | Estimated volume change (%) |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Original droplet size | 70.62 ± 0.36 | 184.4 | - |
| After 1 st picoinjection | 81.00 ± 0.92 | 278.3 | +50.9 |
| After 2 nd picoinjection | 89.70 ± 1.12 | 377.9 | +35.8 |

Supplementary Table 2: Droplet diameter changes after two rounds of picoinjection (virus followed by host cells).



Supplementary Figure 2: (a) Schematic of sorter chip used in study. Blue electrodes represent ground electrodes while red electrode represents active electrode. (b) Magnified view of boxed region where sorting occurs.

| | Average droplet signal | Median | 95 percentile | 99 percentile | 99.2 percentile | 99.5 percentile |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Signal intensity (V) | 0.240 | 0.229 | 0.386 | 0.470 | 0.480 | 0.502 |

Supplementary Table 3: PMT signal distribution of droplets containing 293T cells without virus.