

Supplementary information for:

Highly efficient mRNA delivery with nonlinear microfluidic cell stretching for cellular engineering

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Supplementary Figure

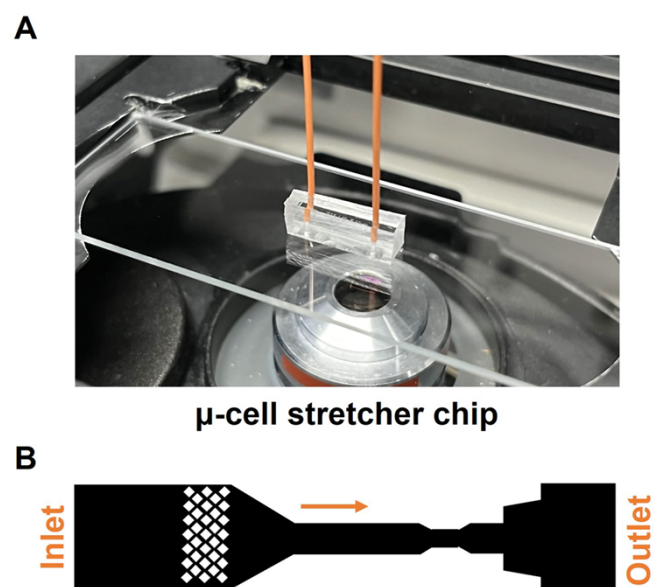


Figure S1. Platform layout. (A) Photograph of the delivery chip device at the microscopic stage. (B) Mock CAD design of the μ -cell stretcher.

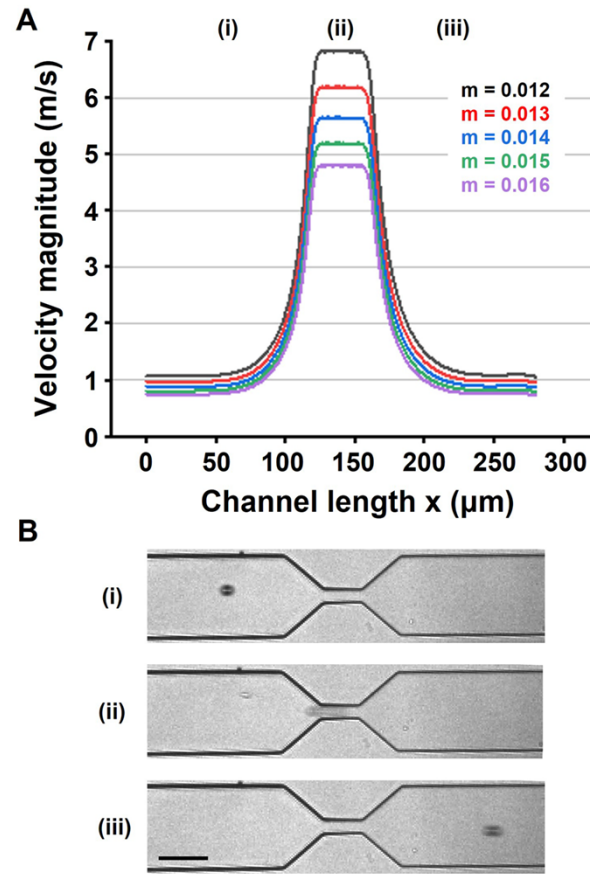


Figure S2. Velocity profile near the deformation region. (A) Velocity profiles for five different m (fluid consistency coefficient) values obtained using the finite element analysis (FEA) software package COMSOL Multiphysics 6.0. (B) High-speed microscope images showing 9.9 μm microspheres flow inside a microchannel. The scale bar represents 50 μm .

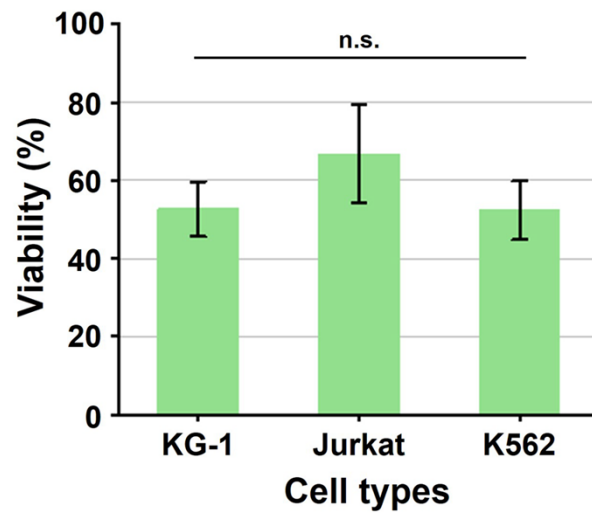


Figure S3. Viability of 3–5 kDa FITC-dextran delivery for three different immune cell lines. All the error bars indicate the mean \pm standard error of the mean (SEM) ($N = 3$). n.s. indicates no significant difference, calculated using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's method.

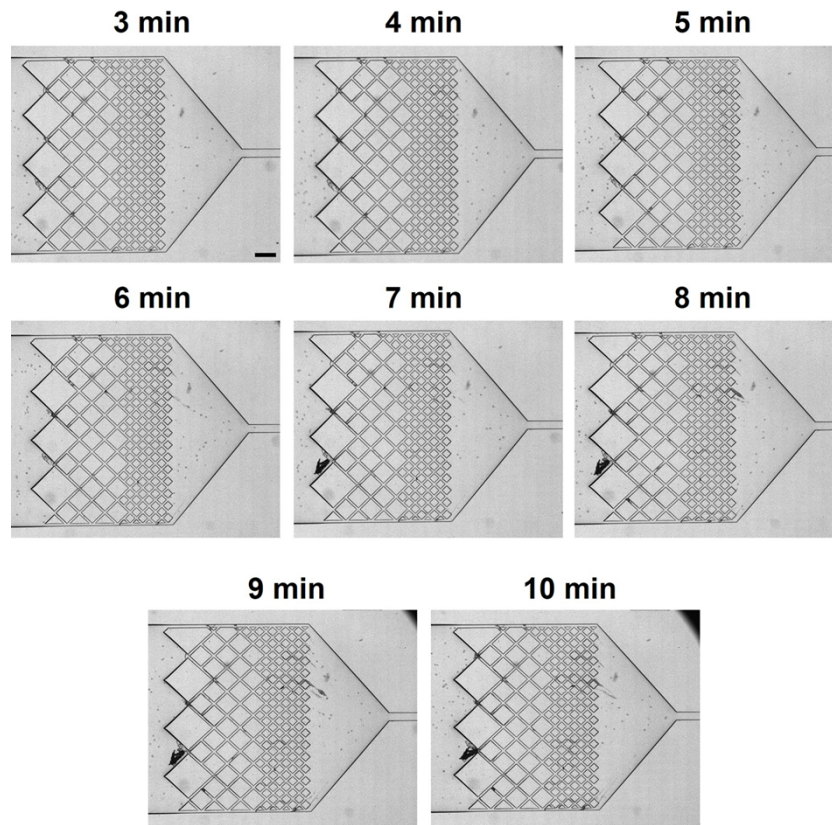


Figure S4. Microscope images near the inlet filter region. K562 cells with a concentration of 5×10^5 cells/mL were flowed, and images were taken at different time points. The scale bar represents 200 μm .

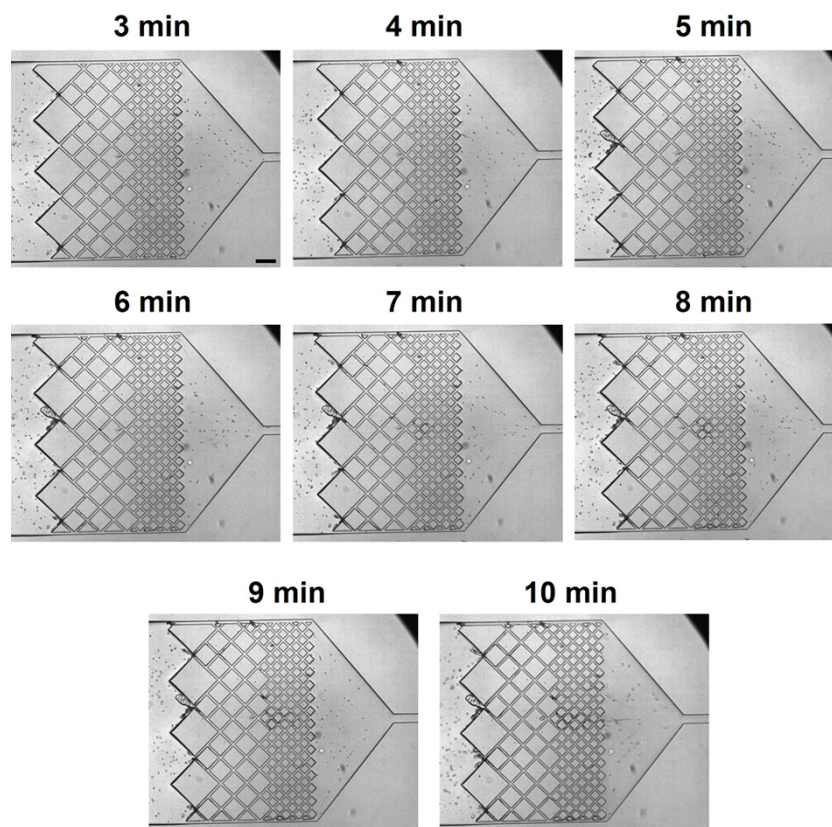


Figure S5. Microscope images near the inlet filter region. K562 cells with a concentration of 1×10^6 cells/mL were flowed, and images were taken at different time points. The scale bar represents 200 μm .

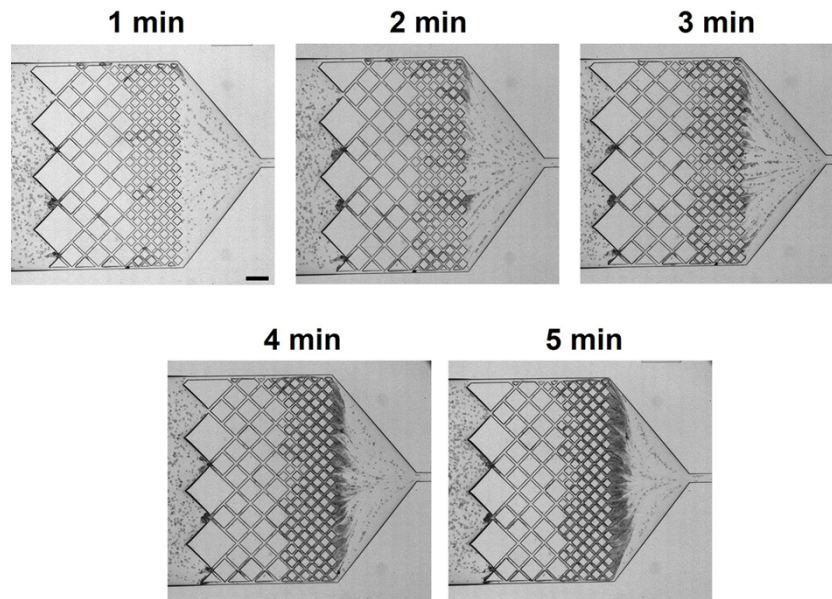


Figure S6. Microscope images near the inlet filter region. K562 cells with a concentration of 5×10^6 cells/mL were flowed, and images were taken at different time points. The scale bar represents 200 μm .

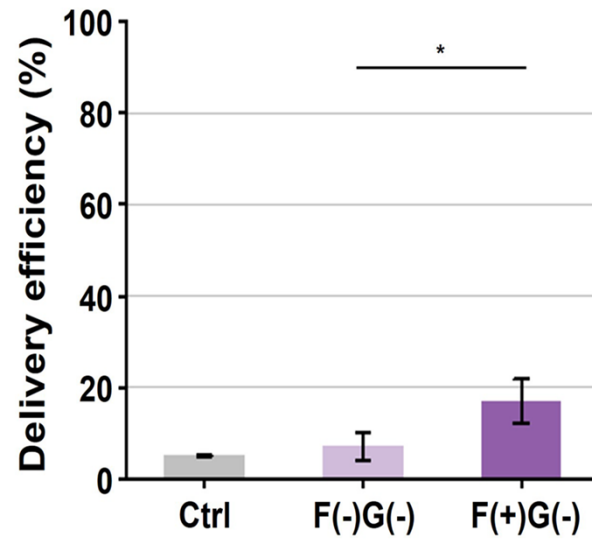


Figure S7. Delivery efficiency for 3–5 kDa FITC-dextran delivery into K562 cells with or without mechanical filters (F) and constriction gap (G). All the error bars indicate mean \pm standard error of the mean (SEM) ($N = 3\text{--}4$). * indicates a P -value below 0.05, calculated using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's method.

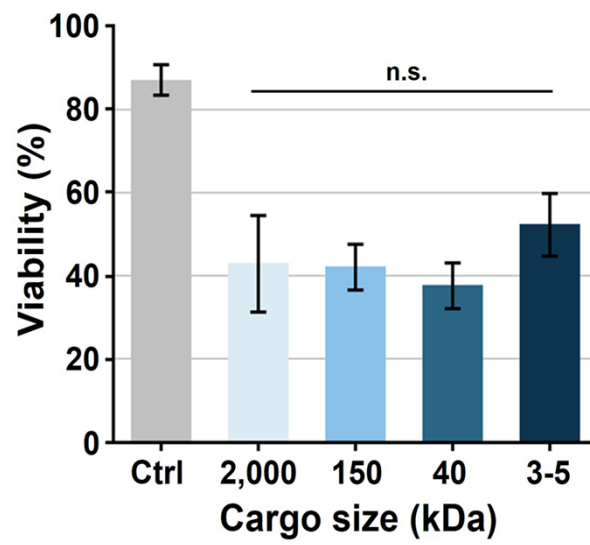


Figure S8. K562 cell viability for different FITC-dextran delivery sizes. All the error bars indicate the mean \pm standard error of the mean (SEM) ($N = 3$). n.s. indicates no significant difference, calculated using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's method.

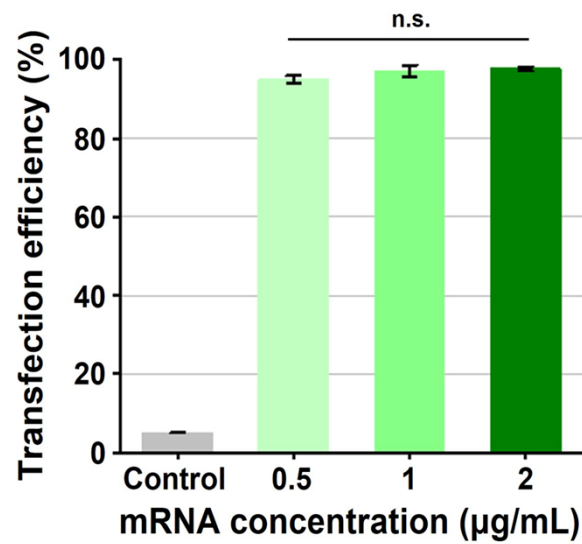


Figure S9. Transfection efficiency of K562 cells showing EGFP expression with different mRNA concentrations. All the error bars indicate the mean \pm standard error of the mean (SEM) ($N = 3$). n.s. indicates no significant difference, calculated using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's method.

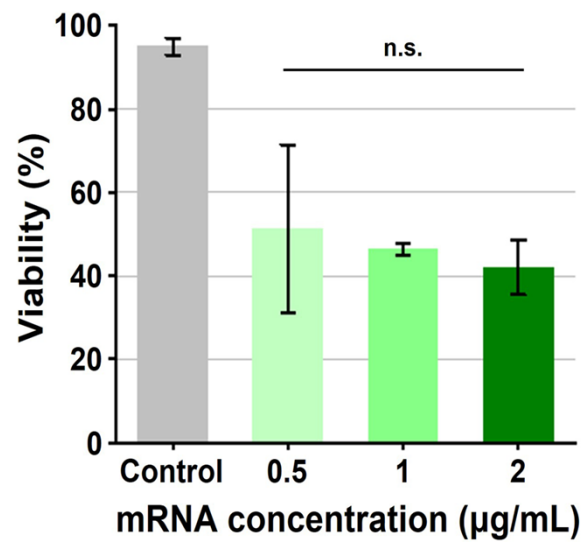
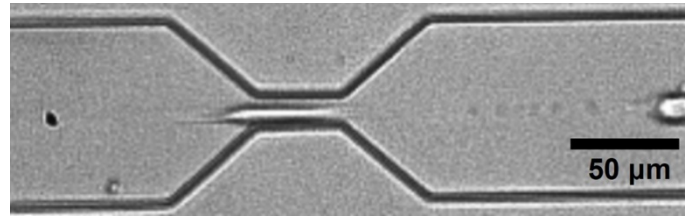
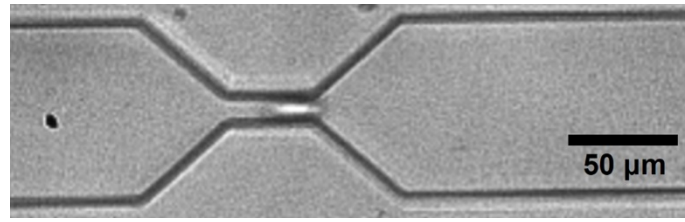


Figure S10. Cell viability of K562 cells tested under different mRNA concentrations. All the error bars indicate the mean \pm standard error of the mean (SEM) ($N = 3$). n.s. indicates no significant difference, calculated using one-way ANOVA with Tukey's method.



Movie S1. High-speed microscope video of K562 cell deformation in 0.85% methylcellulose solutions.



Movie S2. High-speed microscope video of K562 cell deformation in media.