## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

## Facile synthesis of stable, water-soluble magnetic CoPt hollow nanostructures assited by multi-thiol ligands

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## 1. Structure of ligands



O-[2-(3-mercaptopropionylamino)ethyl]-O'-methylpolyethylene glycol (PEG-SH)



methoxypolyethylene glycol acetic acid (PEG-COOH)

Figure S1: Structure of polymers



Figure S2: Structure of peptides

## 2. Results



**Figure S3:** TEM images of CoPt NPs synthesised in the presence of 0.24 mM: a) PMAA-DDT, b) PEG-COOH and c) PEG-SH. Scale bar: 20 nm.



**Figure S4:** TEM images of the CoPt NPs synthesised in the presence of 0.24 mM PEG-SH and 0.12 mM: a) CALNN and b) TLVVN (b). Scale bar: 50 nm.



**Figure S5:** TEM images of CoPt hollow NPs synthesised in the presence of 0.24 mM PEG-SH (5,000 g/mol) and CCALNN: a) 0.06 mM, b) 0.24 mM, c) 0.60 mM and d) 0.96 mM; and 0.24 mM PEG-SH (20,000 g/mol) and CCALNN: e) 0.24 mM, f) 0.96 mM. Scale bar: 50 nm.



**Figure S6:** TEM images of NPs synthesised in the presence of 0.24 mM PEG-SH (5000 g/mol) and 0.12 mM CCALNN with different Co/Pt salt ratio: a) 3:1, b) 9:1 and c) only Pt salt. Scale bar: 20 nm.



**Figure S7:** Hysteresis loops measured at 5 K of CoPt hollow nanostructures synthesis in the presence of mixture of 0.24 mM PEG-SH (5000 g/mol) and different CCALNN concentration: a) 0.06 mM, b) 0.12 mM, c) 0.24 mM, d) 0.60 mM and e) 0.96 mM.



**Figure S8:** TEM images of: a) FePt and b) NiPt hollow nanostructures synthesised in the presence of 0.24 mM PEG-SH (5000 g/mol) and 0.12 mM CCALNN. Scale bar: 20 nm.