

## aSupporting Information of

### Functionalized carbon nanotubes as transporters for antisense oligodeoxynucleotides

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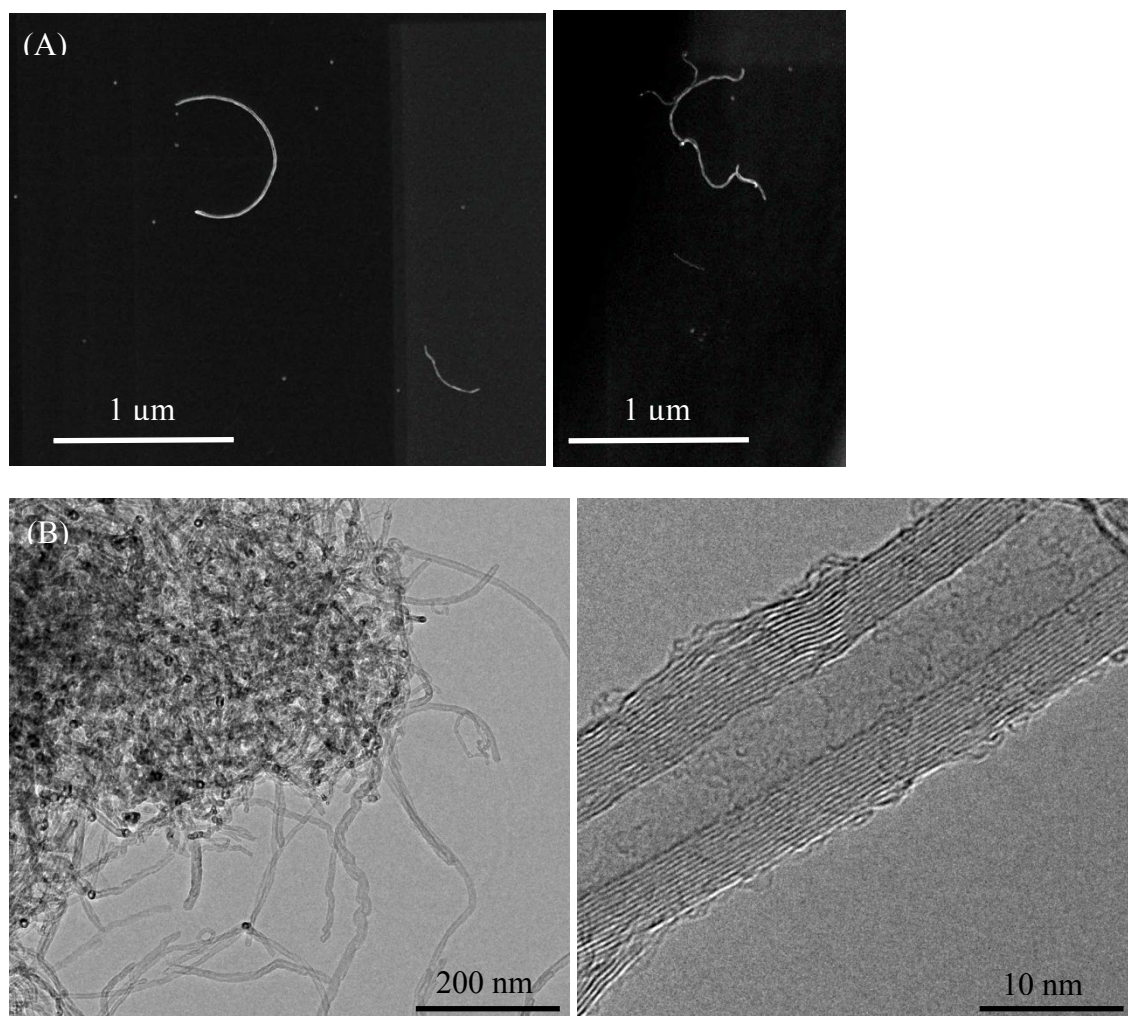
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**Tab. S1.** Elemental distribution (%) of p-MWCNT and MWCNT-f-OH measured by XPS.

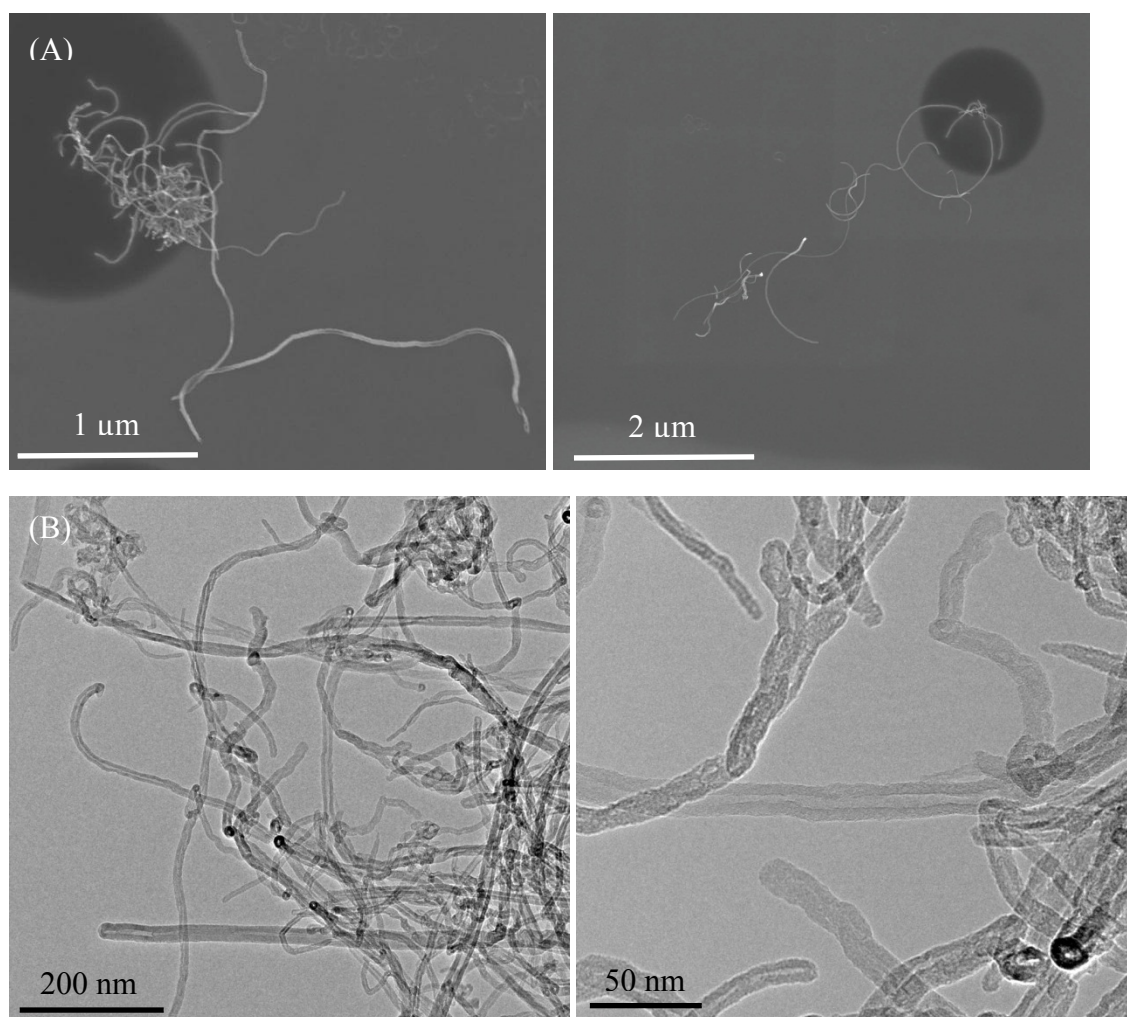
	<b>C</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>
<b>p-MWCNT</b>	98,2	0	1,8
<b>MWCNT-f-OH</b>	89,5	3,2	7,3

**Tab. S2.** Design of synthetic oligodeoxynucleotides<sup>23</sup> which were additionally used for cell culture experiments whereas NS-K1 is used as nonsense control.

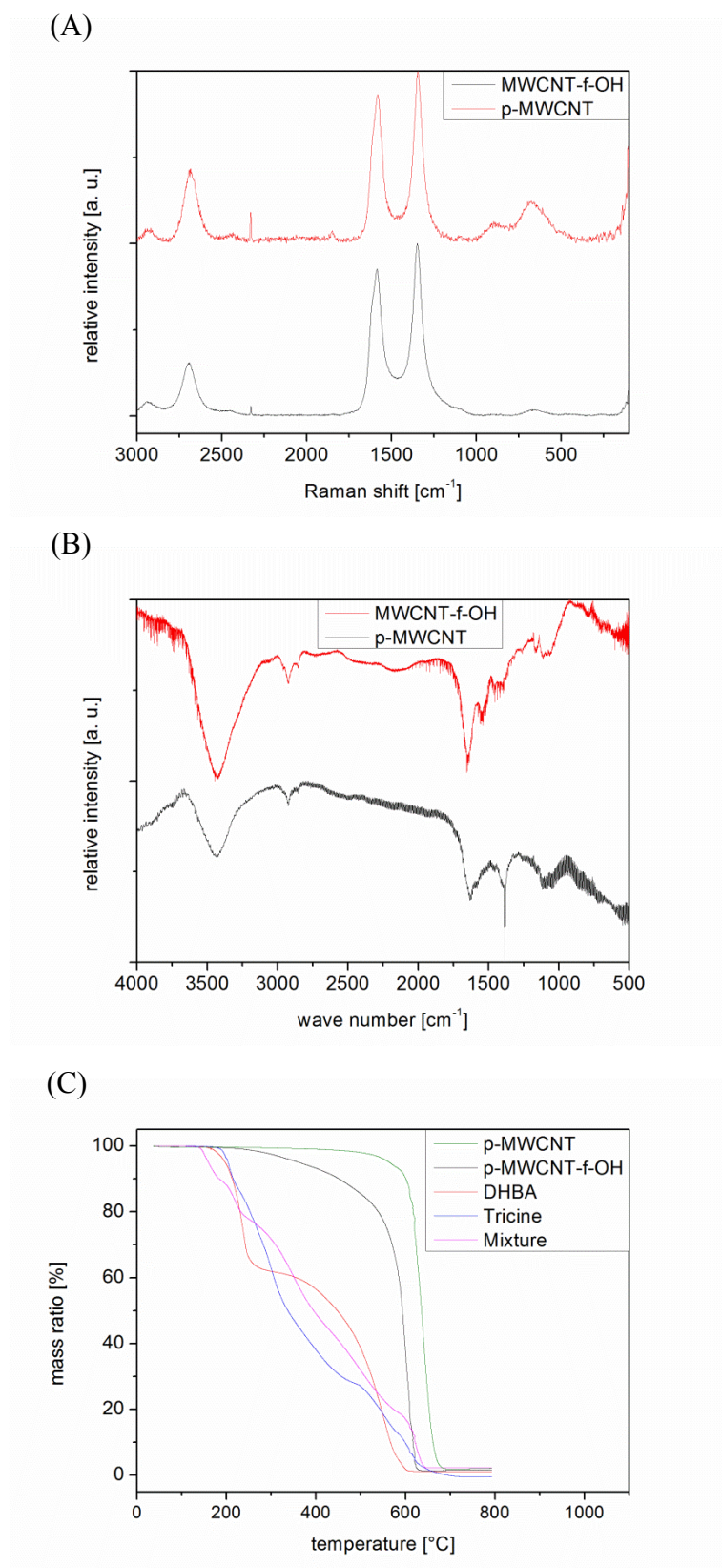
<b>Type</b>	<b>sequence</b>
<b>NS-K1</b>	5'-GTA AGC TGT TCT ATG TGT TC-3'
<b>VEGF-857</b>	5'-AGG GAC CGT GCT GGG TCA CC-3'
<b>VEGF-859</b>	5'-AGA GGG ACC GTG CTG GGT CA-3'



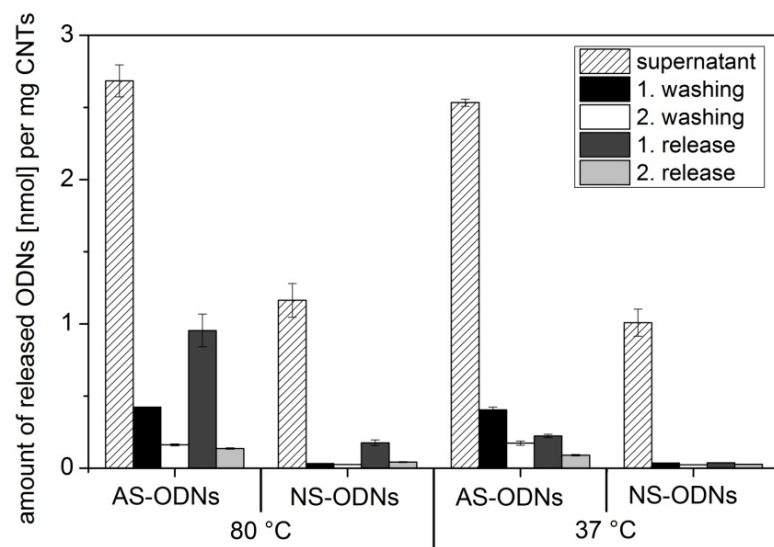
**Fig.S1.** Morphology of p-MWCNTs analyzed by SEM (A) and TEM (B).



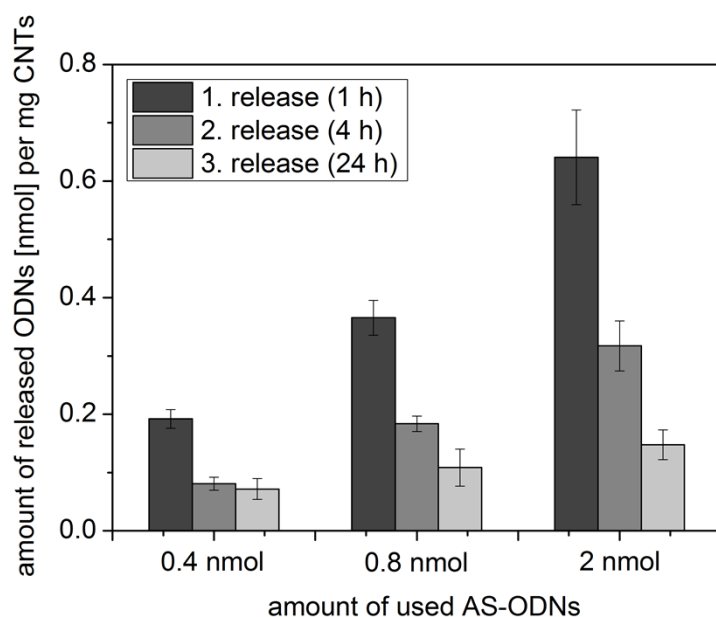
**Fig.S2.** Morphology of MWCNT-f-OH analyzed by SEM (A) and TEM (B).



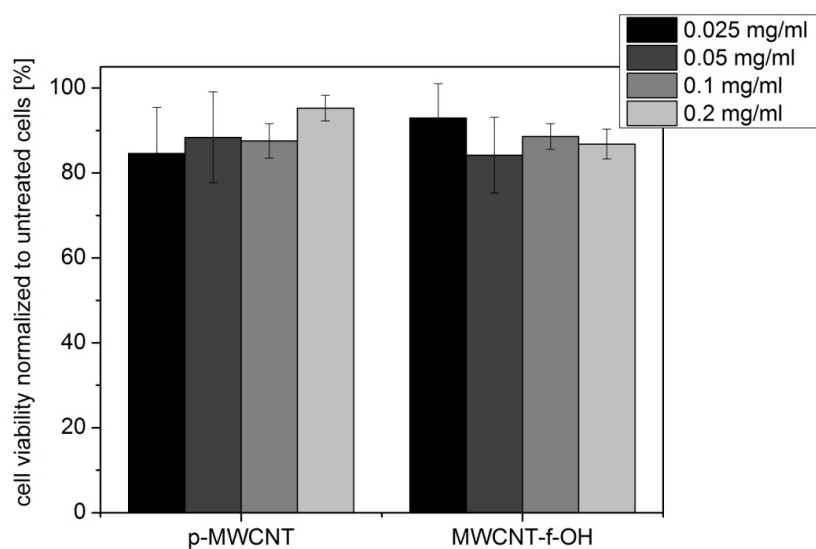
**Fig. S3.** Characterization of p-MWCNT and MWCNT-f-OH (A) Raman spectra; (B) IR-spectra; (C) TGA curves of p-MWCNT, MWCNT-f-OH, DHBA, tricine and a 2:2.7:3.5 mixture of the reactants.



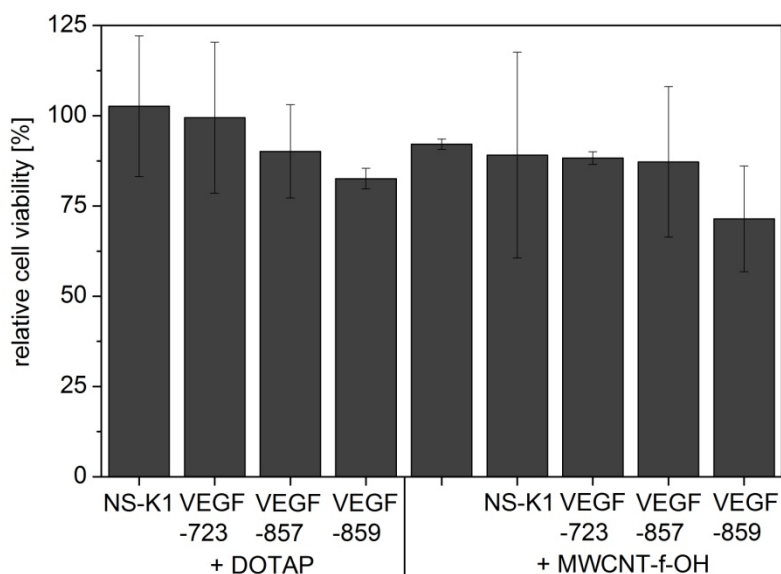
**Fig. S4.** Hybridization of AS-ODNs and NS-ODNs to MWCNT-f-OH ( $t = 30$  min,  $c$  (ODN) =  $0.5 \mu\text{M}$ ) followed by a release at  $37^\circ\text{C}$  and  $80^\circ\text{C}$  measured by fluorescence labeling.



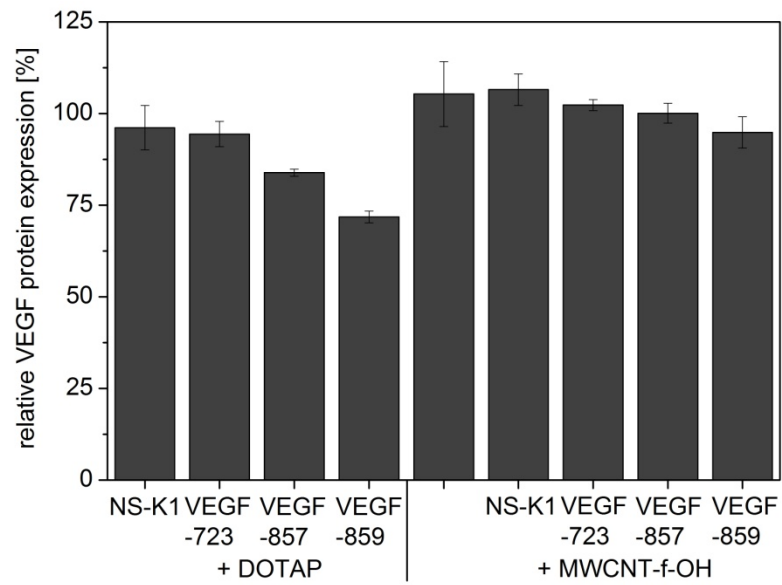
**Fig. S5.** Release of AS-ODNs in cytosol extract (protein content =  $1 \text{ mg/ml}$ ) after adsorption to MWCNT-f-OH followed by a release at  $37^\circ\text{C}$  measured by fluorescence labeling.



**Fig. S6.** Cellular viability of EJ28 after 24 h treatment with different concentrations of p-MWCNT and MWCNT-f-OH measured by WST-1 assay after 96 h (normalized to untreated cells).



**Fig. S7.** Cellular viability of EJ28 after 4 h transfection with 0.5 μM AS-ODNs with DOTAP or with 0.1 mg/ml MWCNT-f-OH measured by WST-1 assay after 72 h (normalized to untreated cells).



**Fig. S8.** VEGF protein expression of EJ28 after 4 h transfection with 0.5  $\mu$ M AS-ODNs with DOTAP or with 0,1 mg/ml MWCNT-f-OH measured by VEGF-specific ELISA after 72 h (normalized to untreated cells).