## **Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)**

## Fabrication of cross-linked fluorescent polymer nanoparticles and their

## cell imaging applications

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Fig. S1 (A) Intensity of the aggregate emission vs. logarithm of the concentration of PhE-GM-PEI FPNs (λex = 488 nm and λem = 580 nm); (B) Hydrodynamic size changes of PhE-GM-PEI FPNs at different concentrations incubated in PBS at 25 °C; (C) Hydrodynamic size changes of PhE-GM-PEI FPNs incubated in PBS (1 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>) at 25 °C for 6 hours; (D) Hydrodynamic size changes of PhE-GM-PEI FPNs incubated in PBS of different pH (1 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>) at 25 °C.



**Fig. S2** The fluorescence time traces of PhE-GM-PEI FPNs monitored at 580 nm (λex = 488 nm) for more than 20 min, suggesting the durable photostability of the PhE-GM-PEI FPNs.



Fig. S3 GPC chart of PhE-GM-PEI (eluent: DMF).