## Nanoparticles co-delivering mRNA and siRNA for simultaneous restoration and silencing of gene/protein expression *in vitro* and *in vivo*

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**Figure S1.** PEI-C<sub>14</sub> lipid synthetic route: epoxide ring opening by polyethylenimine in presence of ethanol and toluene solvents at 70  $^{\circ}$ C.



**Figure S2.** <sup>1</sup>H (400 MHz Bruker AVANCE) NMR Spectrum of PEI-C<sub>14</sub> lipid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.71 – 3.30 (m, 4H), 2.91 – 2.10 (m, 26H), 1.51-1.24 (d, m 171H), 0.92 – 0.76 (m, 18H).



**Figure S3.** (A) Size of Cy5-siRNA+EGFP-mRNA-NPs along with control-NPs, measured by diluting 20  $\mu$ L of NP in 980  $\mu$ L sterile water using Dynamic light scattering n=3. (B) Stability of Cy5-siRNA+EGFP-mRNA-NPs in different percentages of FBS; NPs incubated for 6 hours and measured the size; n=3 (ns-no significant difference). (C) Surface of Cy5-siRNA+EGFP-mRNA-NPs along with control-NPs, measured by diluting 20  $\mu$ L of NP in 980  $\mu$ L sterile water using Dynamic light scattering n=3. (D) Size and morphology of Cy5-siRNA+EGFP-mRNA-NPs by transmission electron microscopy (scale bar-50 nm).



**Figure S4.** PDI (polydispersity index) of all single and dual NPs formulations analysed by DLS; n=3.



**Figure S5.** Representative flow cytometry histogram showing GFP (A) and Cy5 (B) expression in HT1080 cells after treated with (48 h post-treatment) Cy5-siRNA +EGFP-mRNA-NPs and Empty-NPs (control is non-treated).



**Figure S6.** Cy5-siRNA+EGFP-mRNA-NPs or Empty-NPs treated to HT1080 cells. Representative flow cytometry histogram showing dual-drug in single plot, GFP population in x-axis and Cy5 population in y-axis; control is non-treated.



**Figure S7.** Representative flow cytometry SSC-A plots showing GFP (A), and Cy5 (B) expression in HT1080 cells 48 h post-treatment with Cy5-siRNA+EGFP-mRNA-NPs and Empty-NPs (control are non-treated).



**Figure S8.** Single or dual-NPs along with Empty-NPs treated to HT1080 GFP (+) cells and 48 h post-treatment, the count of GFP knockdown was quantified by flow cytometry; (A) FSC-

A plots; (B) histograms representing count of GFP knockdown cells. HT1080 cells used as positive control.



**Figure S9.** Single or dual-NPs along with Empty-NPs treated to MDA-MB-231 GFP (+) cells and 48 h post-treatment, the count of GFP knockdown was quantified by flow cytometry; histograms representing count of GFP knockdown cells. MDA-MB-231 cells used as positive control.



**Figure S10.** Percentage of GFP knockdown in (A) HT1080 GFP+ (B) MDA-MB-231 GFP+ was quantified with flow cytometry analysis; n=3 (Data represent means  $\pm$  SD, \*\*\*\*p < 0.0001 \*\*\*p < 0.001).



**Figure S11.** (A) Single drug (M)-NPs (0.016 nmol) and Empty-NPs (10  $\mu$ M) treated to HT1080 GFP+ and MDA-MB-231 GFP+ cells, and 48 h post-treatment luciferase (RLU) measured by plate reader n=3 (Data represent means ± SD, \*p < 0.05 \*\*\*p < 0.001). (B) HT1080 and MDA-MB-231 cells treated with (M+S)-NPs co-loaded with siRNA-GFP (1 nmol) and Luc mRNA (0.016 nmol) for 48 h, luciferase (RLU) measured by plate reader n=3 (Data represent means ± SD, \*p < 0.05 \*\*p < 0.05 \*\*p < 0.01).

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