Supplementary Information

A crucial role for spatial distribution in bacterial quorum sensing

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Table S1. Primer sequence of *Vibrio harveyi*.

Gene	Sequence (5’-3’)
luxR	CCACGTTGTGCGTCAGTTCT F
	GCGCTCCACTCAAACCAAAC R
luxS	CGAAGCAAATCGCGAAGAAC F
	TAGTCGATGCGTAGCTCTCT R
rpoA	CGTAGCTGAAGGCAAAGATGA F
	AGCTGGAACATAACCACGA R
luxN	TATCGGCCTCGTTAGCTTTG F
	GATACCGGCGATCATGTAGTT R
luxQ	GCTCCTTTCTGATACCACCTAC F
	CCTCAAGTTCTGGCGAATCT R
luxM	GATGCGATCACGTTGAGTAATCTT F
	AGACAAAGACAATAGCGACAGCA R

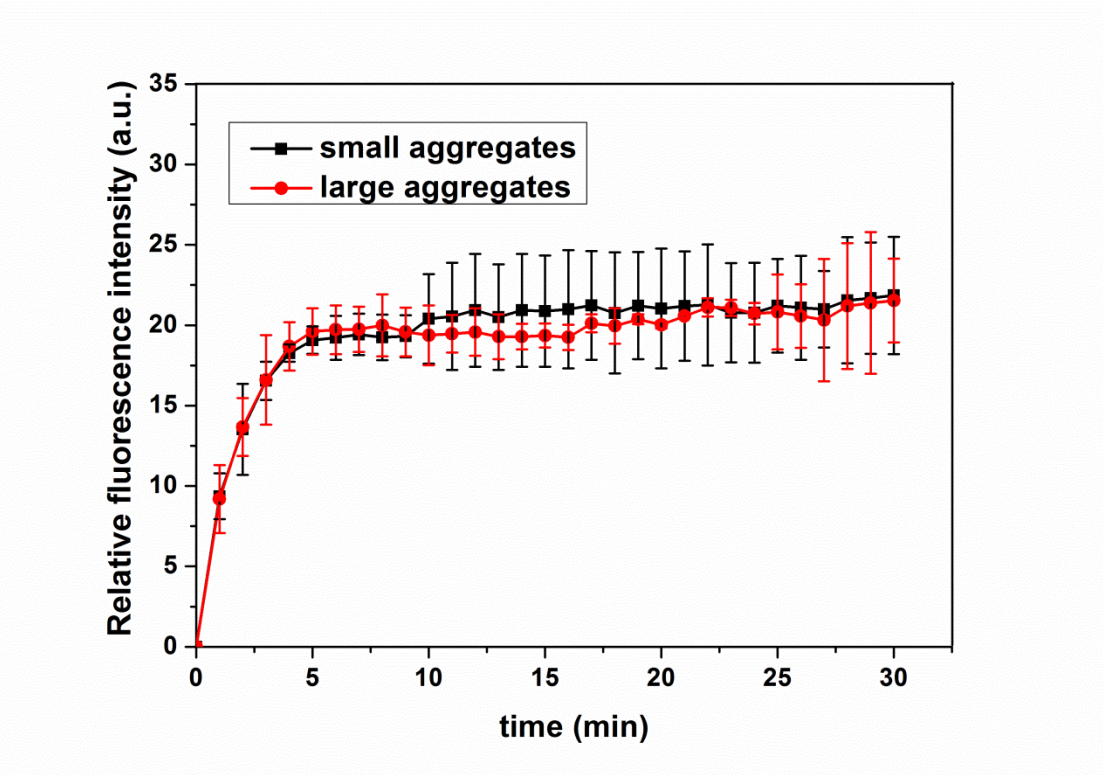

Figure S1. The mass transfer properties of microcapsules with LA and SA groups. FITC, which is as small as autoinducers, was chosen as the model molecule and can freely diffuse into these two kinds of microcapsules without significant difference.