Supplementary materials

Chitosan modified Fe3O4/KGN self-assembled nanoprobes for

osteochondral MR diagnose and regeneration

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1. The NMR spectrum of Fe₃O₄-CS/KGN



Figure S1. the NMR spectrum of Fe₃O₄-CS/KGN (solvent: H₂O+D₂O, Avance III 600 MHz, Bruker, Germany)

2. Released KGN of Fe₃O₄-CS/KGN



Figure S2. *in vitro* KGN release from Fe_3O_4 -CS/KGN nanoparticles in PBS with different pH values (5.5) and pH values (7.4) at 37 °C (n= 3).

3. Characterization of ADSCs



Figure S3. the ADSC characterization of CD90, CD44 and CD11b via FCM

4. The Cell Toxicity



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Annexin V-FITC

Figure S4. the cell apoptosis after incubated with PBS or different concentrations of Fe_3O_4 -CS/KGN via FCM

5. Live/Dead Straining



Figure S5. the double staining of Calcein-AM/PI for live/dead cells (scale bar = $100 \ \mu m$)