

Table S1. H'_j and W'_j of encapsulation efficiency, drug loading, and particle size after process optimization

Indicators	H'_j	W'_j
Encapsulation rate (ER,%)	0.914	0.352
drug loading (DL,%)	0.912	0.362
particle size (Size, nm)	0.930	0.287

The entropy weight method is an objective empowerment method that can be used to calculate the weight of each evaluation index in a complex system. For an evaluation index, the smaller the information entropy (H_j), the larger the weight coefficient (W_j), and the greater the role in the comprehensive evaluation; otherwise, the smaller the index plays in the comprehensive evaluation. The calculation steps are performed as follows:

(1) Undimensionless treatment of the original matrix

Due to the incommensurability among multiple evaluation indicators, the raw data needs to be dimensionless. Assuming a total of a formulation prescription and b evaluation index, the original matrix $X = (x_{ij})_{ab}$, where x_{ij} represents the value of the j th evaluation index of the i th formulation prescription.

For the positive indicator, the formula is:

$$y_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij} - (x_{ij})_{\min}}{(x_{ij})_{\max} - (x_{ij})_{\min}}$$

For the negative indicator, the formula is:

$$y_{ij} = \frac{(x_{ij})_{\max} - x_{ij}}{(x_{ij})_{\max} - (x_{ij})_{\min}}$$

Where i represents the sample value ($i=1,2,3,\dots, a$), and j represents the index value ($j=1,2,3,\dots, b$). The undimensionalized matrix is $Y = (y_{ij})_{ab}$. They are the positive indicator formula for the EE and drug load, meaning the better the sample prescription; while for the negative indicator, the smaller the y_{ij} , the better the sample prescription.

(2) Calculate the specific weight of P_{ij}

Convert the dimensionless matrix into a probability matrix (P_{ij}):

$$P_{ij} = \frac{y_{ij}}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}}$$

(3) Calculate the entropy H_j

H_j is the entropy of the j -th evaluation index:

$$H_j = -\frac{1}{\ln n} \sum_{i=1}^n P_{ij} \ln P_{ij}$$

(4) Calculate the weight W_j

W_j represents the weight of the j th evaluation index:

$$W_j = \frac{g_j}{\sum_{i=1}^n g_j}$$

$$(g_j = 1 - H_j)$$

Calculate the composite score (v_j):

$$v_j = \sum_{i=1}^m W_j y_{ij}$$

Table S2. List of dependent and independent variables in the Box-Behnken Design

Independent Variables		Levels		
		Low (-1)	Intermediate (0)	High (1)
X ₁	drug-to-lipid mass ratio (w/w)	1:25	1:20	1:15
X ₂	volume of aqueous phase (mL)	5	7.5	10
X ₃	ultrasound time (min)	2	6	10
Dependent variables		Goal		
Y ₁	ER, %	higher		
Y ₂	DL, %	higher		
Y ₃	Size, nm	lower		

Table S3. Design and Results of the Box-Behnken Design

Num	Independent Variables			Responses			Score
	X ₁	X ₂	X ₃	Y ₁	Y ₂	Y ₃	
1	-1	0	1	81.8	3.29	101	23.0
2	-1	1	0	85.5	3.29	109	29.0
3	1	-1	0	87.2	5.21	105	73.3
4	1	0	-1	86.5	5.18	134	52.3
5	0	0	0	90.7	4.38	110	65.2
6	-1	0	-1	89.8	3.54	138	29.3
7	-1	-1	0	90.4	3.57	97.4	57.1
8	0	-1	1	89.5	4.24	91.6	70.4
9	0	0	0	87.7	4.25	104	57.1
10	0	0	0	88.9	4.20	105	59.3
11	0	1	-1	83.7	4.00	137	19.8
12	0	1	1	82.4	3.77	101	33.7
13	0	0	0	88.7	4.09	105	56.6
14	0	0	0	89.1	4.34	107	61.6
15	1	0	1	82.5	4.98	95.6	60.2
16	0	-1	-1	93.1	4.49	127	64.5
17	1	1	0	83.5	4.70	114	46.7

Table S4. Variance analysis of Score in BBD

Source of Variation	Sum of Squares	Degrees of Freedom	Mean Square Value	<i>F</i> -Value	<i>P</i> -Value	
Model	4394	9	488.2	12.9	0.0014	Very significant
X ₁	1109	1	1109.0	29.2	0.0010	
X ₂	2318	1	2317.5	61.0	0.0001	
X ₃	57.3	1	57.3	1.51	0.2588	
X ₁ X ₂	0.516	1	0.516	0.0136	0.9105	
X ₁ X ₃	50.0	1	50.0	1.32	0.2890	
X ₂ X ₃	15.6	1	15.6	0.411	0.5421	
X ₁ ²	216	1	216.04	5.69	0.0485	
X ₂ ²	7.01	1	7.01	0.185	0.6804	
X ₃ ²	566	1	565.6	14.9	0.0062	
Residual	265	7	38.0			not significant
Lack of fit	216	3	72.0	5.78	0.0617	
Pure Error	49.8	4	12.5			
Cor total	4660	16				

Table S5. Characterization of optimized liposomes (mean \pm SD, n=3)

	pH	Size(nm)	PDI	ζ (mV)	EE (%)	DL (%)
ARG@Lip	6.35 \pm 0.04	97.4 \pm 2.1	0.258 \pm 0.003	20.6 \pm 2.0	90.3 \pm 0.5	4.80 \pm 0.04
ARG@SA-Lip	6.49 \pm 0.03	101.1 \pm 3.7	0.254 \pm 0.004	15.6 \pm 1.6	91.4 \pm 0.4	4.54 \pm 0.02

Table S6. Fitting results of release behaviors of different formulations in pH 7.4 and pH 5.2 medium (n = 3)

Formulations	Release model	pH	Fitting equation	R^2
Arg@Lip	Zero-order	7.4	$Q = 2.74t + 40.9$	0.558
		5.2	$Q = 2.77 t + 39.2$	0.588
	First-order	7.4	$Q = 86.5(1 - e^{-0.3599 t})$	0.988
		5.2	$Q = 86.3(1 - e^{-0.3275 t})$	0.985
	Higuchi	7.4	$Q = 17.9 t^{1/2} + 18.7173$	0.801
		5.2	$Q = 17.9 t^{1/2} + 17.1$	0.826
	Ritger - peppas	7.4	$Q = 36.7t^{0.322}$	0.874
		5.2	$Q = 35.1 t^{0.331}$	0.890
Arg@SA-Lip	Zero-order	7.4	$Q = 3.19 t + 30.2$	0.551
		5.2	$Q = 2.92 t + 39.7$	0.592
	First-order	7.4	$Q = 87.6 (1 - e^{-0.246 t})$	0.961
		5.2	$Q = 90.6 (1 - e^{-0.3024 t})$	0.982
	Higuchi	7.4	$Q = 20.6 t^{1/2} + 4.62$	0.784
		5.2	$Q = 18.9 t^{1/2} + 16.5$	0.828
	Ritger - peppas	7.4	$Q = 27.7t^{0.407}$	0.814
		5.2	$Q = 35.6 t^{0.340}$	0.887

Table S7. Tumor inhibition rate in mice after different treatment for 14 days

	In volume (%)	In weight (%)
Positive	65.6 ± 11.9	61.7 ± 10.3
Arg@solution	34.5 ± 8.3 ^{**}	26.9 ± 8.9 ^{***}
Arg@Lip	40.8 ± 14.4 ^{**}	42.1 ± 10.5 ^{**}
Arg@SA-Lip	51.9 ± 11.7	52.0 ± 7.8

^{*} $P < 0.05$, ^{**} $P < 0.01$, ^{***} $P < 0.001$, compared with positive.