

## Supplementary Material

### **A Novel Artificial Hemoglobin Carrier Based on Heulandite-Calcium Mesoporous Aluminosilicate Particles**

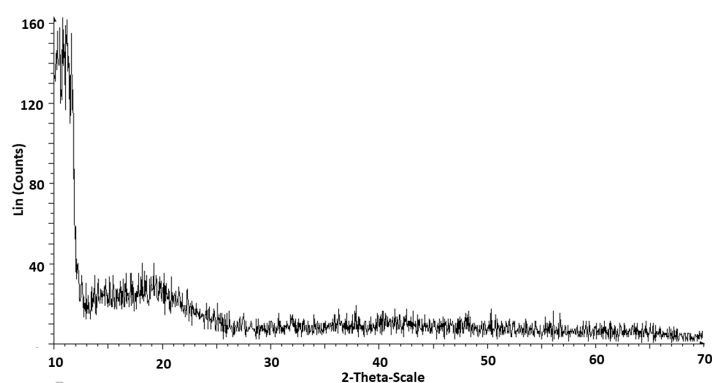
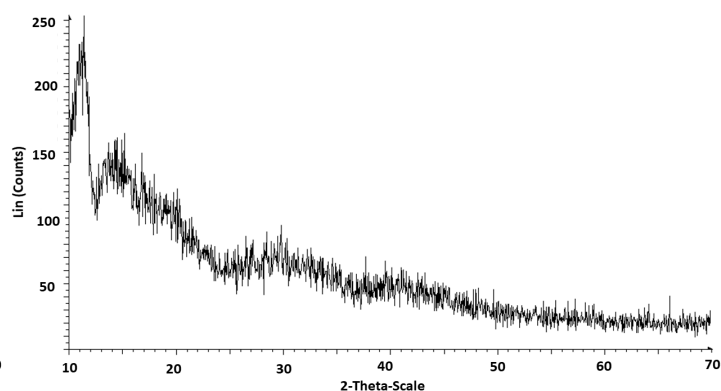
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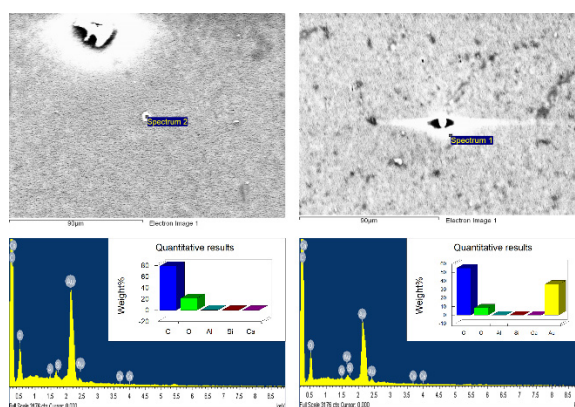
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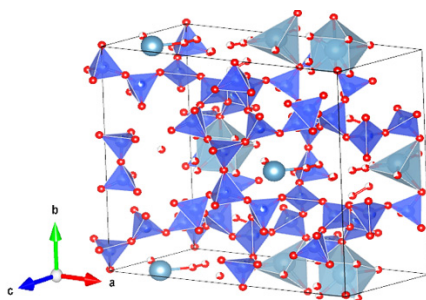
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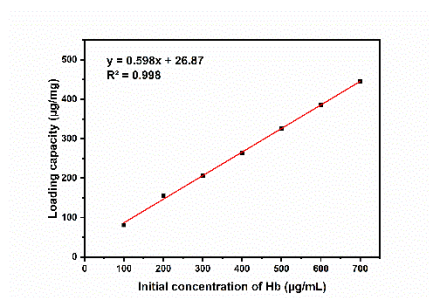
**Figure S1.** X-ray diffraction patterns of empty liposomes (LB) (A) and liposome-encapsulated MSPs (LB-MSPs)(B).

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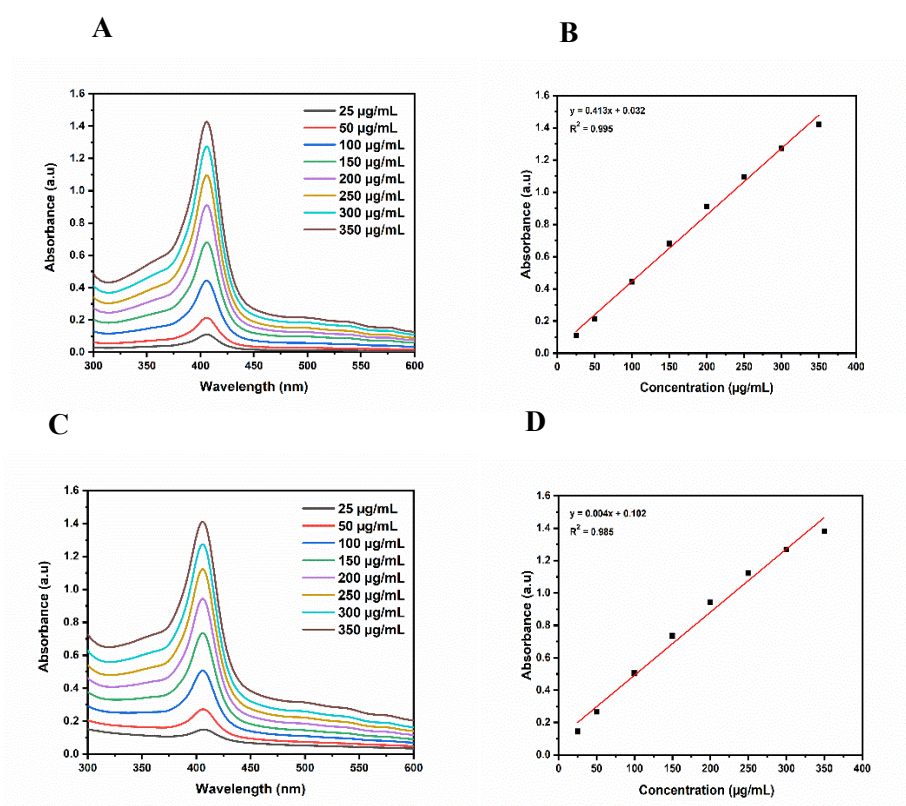
**Figure S2.** Field emission SEM energy dispersive spectroscopy analysis of empty liposomes (A) and liposome-encapsulated MSPs (B).



**Figure S3.** Crystal structure of heulandite-Ca, visualized using the VESTA software, with atom coordinates from the American Mineralogist Crystal Structure Database (VESTA, n.d.).

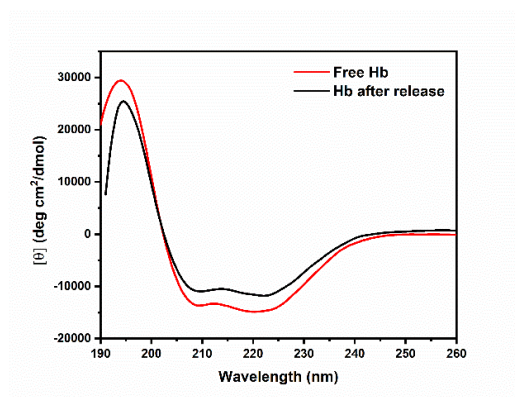


**Figure S4.** Hemoglobin-loading capacity for MSPs at low-loading concentrations, using a plate reader (Safire 2; Tecan; absorbance, 405 nm; 400-700 µg/mL).

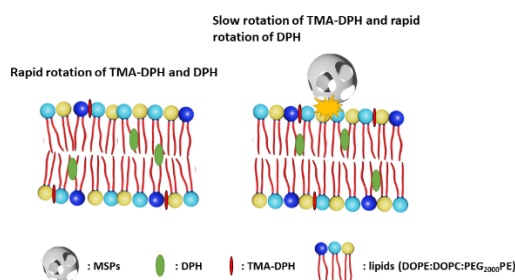


**Figure S5.** (A, C) UV-VIS absorbance spectra of Hb (25-350 µg/mL; 1 mM PB as control) (A) and Hb-loaded MSPs (25-350 µg/mL; 250 µg/mL MSPs in 1 mM PB as

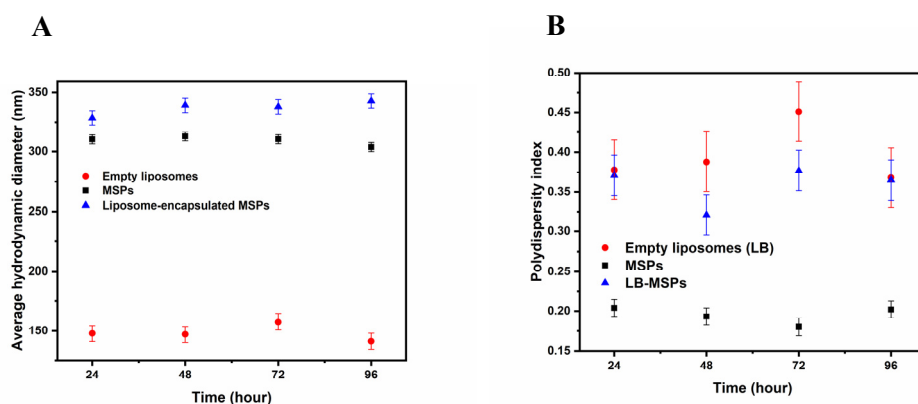
control) (C). (B, D) Standard curves for absorbance (405 nm) of Hb (B) and Hb-loaded MSPs (D).



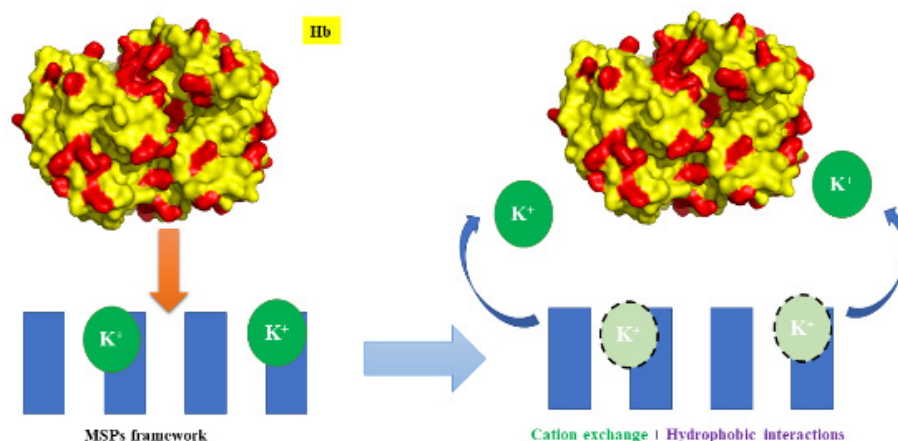
**Figure S6.** Far-UV circular dichroism spectra of free Hb and Hb after release from Hb-loaded MSPs.



**Figure S7.** Schematic illustration of the MSP–liposome membrane interactions. DPH, 1,6-diphenylhexatriene; TMA-DPH, DPH trimethylammonium derivative; DOPE, 1,2-dioleoyl-*sn*-glycero-3-phosphoethanolamine; DOPC, 1,2-dioleoyl-*sn*-glycero-3-phosphocholine; PEG, polyethylene glycol.



**Fig. S8.** (A) Size stability of LB, MSPs and LB-MSPs; (B) Corresponding PDI values.



**Figure S9.** Schematic diagram of adsorption of hemoglobin (Protein) onto natural zeolite (heulandite-Ca). The hydrophobic surface of hemoglobin was modeled with the PyMOL software, version 2.4.1. Yellow, Hb backbone; red, Hb positively charged amino acids (i.e., Arg, His, Lys).

**Table S1.** Summary of hemoglobin effects upon interaction with tetraethyl orthosilicate (TEOS)-based particles and heulandite-Ca MSPs.

| Analysis technique                      | Particle type                                       |  |
|---|---|--|
|   | TEOS-based particles                                | Heulandite-Ca MSPs   |
| Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy | Structural changes induced                          | Partial denaturation and successful binding  |
| Fluorescence spectroscopy               | Degradation induced                                 | Partial denaturation and successful binding  |
| Circular dichroism                      | Displacement and denaturation                       | Partial denaturation   |
| UV-Vis spectroscopy                     | Iron release induced at low particle concentrations | Iron release induced at high particle concentrations ( $\geq 100 \mu\text{g/mL}$ ) |
| Peroxidase-like activity                | Preserved redox activity of bound hemoglobin        | Higher redox activity of bound hemoglobin  |

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| <b>Cytotoxicity</b> | Cytotoxic at low concentrations<br>( $\geq 10 \mu\text{g/mL}$ ) | No cytotoxicity up to $\geq 100 \mu\text{g/mL}$ |
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