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Enhanced antifungal activity of siRNA-loaded anionic liposomes against the human pathogenic fungus *Aspergillus fumigatus*

This study reports the development of siRNA-loaded anionic liposomes, co-encapsulating low-dose amphotericin B, to enhance siRNA penetration through the fungal cell wall of *Aspergillus fumigatus*. Targeting mRNAs of three key genes, these liposomes achieve a clear fungal growth inhibitory effect, demonstrating for the first time the antifungal potential of siRNA against human fungal pathogens.

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