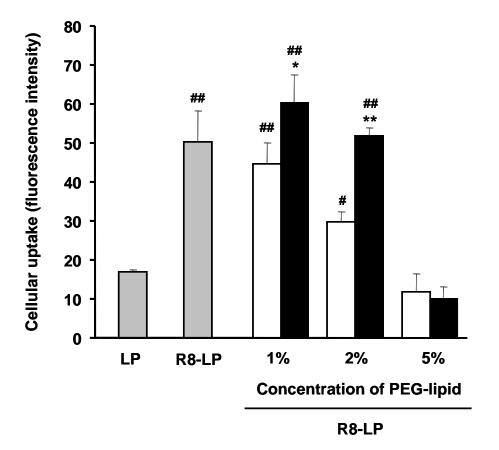


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## Supplementary information



## Supplementary Fig. 1 Cellular uptake of dual-ligand liposomes mediated by NGR and STR-R8.

Different formulations of liposomes were incubated with SM-EC cells for 3 hr and the amount of cellular uptake was determined as described in material and methods. Cellular uptake is expressed as the mean  $\pm$  SD (n=3). Statistical differences v.s. LP were determined by one-way ANOVA followed by Dunnett test. <sup>#</sup>*P*<0.05, <sup>##</sup>*P*<0.01. Comparisons between PEG and NGR-PEG were determined by the Student's *t*-test. \**P*<0.05, \*\**P*<0.01.

The dual-ligand system containing STR-R8 instead of STR-R4 was evaluated using SM-EC cells. The size and zeta- potential of the dual-ligand formulations containing STR-R8 are shown in supplementary Table 1. The zeta-potential of the dual-ligand system with STR-R8 was higher than that for the STR-R4 version, and the size is comparable in both formulations. R8-LP showed a higher cellular uptake than LP and the amount decreased along with PEG-lipid concentration (open bars). However, uptake

for the dual-ligand system was maintained within 1 to 2 mol% of NGR-PEG-lipid. Considering the negligible cellular uptake obtained by NGR single modification as shown in Fig. 3, these results suggest that the synergistic effect was induced by the dual-ligand of NGR and STR-R8.

|                    | LP        |                            | PEG/R8-LP |                            | NGR-PEG/R8-LP |                            |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Conc. of PEG-lipid | Size (nm) | zeta-<br>potential<br>(mV) | Size (nm) | zeta-<br>potential<br>(mV) | Size (nm)     | zeta-<br>potential<br>(mV) |
| 0%                 | 98±1      | -2.4±3.1                   | 101±5     | $13.5 \pm 1.4$             | -             | -                          |
| 1%                 | -         | -                          | 98±5      | $11.3 \pm 3.1$             | 103±2         | 8.3±2.5                    |
| 2%                 | -         | -                          | 98±3      | 7.6±2.4                    | 102±5         | 6.6±3.0                    |
| 5%                 | -         | -                          | 97±2      | 3.4±3.1                    | 99±3          | 6.16±2.9                   |

Supplementary Table 1 Physical properties of dual-ligand liposomes containing STR-R8

The data are expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD. (n=3)

The conc. of PEG-lipid 0% means PEG-unmodified formulation (LP or R8-LP).