

Imaging of targeted and activatable particles

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- How?
- Why?
- Recent results

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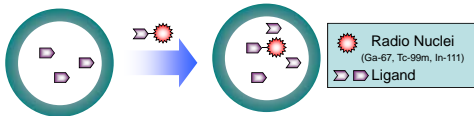
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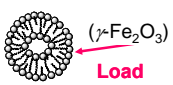
Entrapment of the label in the particle

**SPECT**

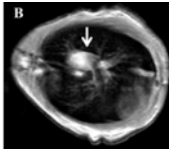


Philips WT, et al. Nucl Med Biol 1992; 19:539. Bao A, et al. J Pharm Sci 2003; 92:1983. Bao A, et al. J Pharmacol Exp Ther 2004; 308:419

**MRI**



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Martina M-S & Lesieur S. et al. J Am Chem Soc 2005; 127:10676

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### Entrapment of the label in the particle

**MRI**

DTPA (diethylenetriamine pentaacetate)

[Ca+2].[Gd+3].DTPA

Ayyagari AL & Bellamkonda RV et al. *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine* 2006; 55:1023

**PET**

Extrusion

Oku N, et al. *Biochim Biophys Acta* 1995; 1238: 86. Kondo M, et al. *Int J Cancer* 2004; 108:301.

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### Surface chelation

**SPECT**

Tilcock C, et al. *Nucl Med Biol* 1994; 21:89. Laverman P. et al. *J Nucl Med* 1999; 40:192

**MRI**

Lipid

Kamaly N & Miller AD. et al. *Bioconjugate Chem* 2007 ASAP

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### Inclusion of the tracer in the shell

1) Directly label the lipid, preinsert

Marik J, et al. *Nucl Med Biol* 2007; 34: 165

2) Post-Insertion method

Heat

Urakami T, et al. *J Med Chem* 2007; 50:6454

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### Inclusion of tracer within the shell NIR Optical Imaging

Superparamagnetic iron oxide nanoparticles (SPION)

Lee H. & Jon S. et al, J AM CHEM SOC 2007; 129:12739

NIR fluorophores (NIRFs)

Peter Ghoroghchian P. & Hammer DA et al. PNAS 2005; 102:2922

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### Why?

New accessible targets

New vehicles

Imaging

New activation methods

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### What to image?

- Circulation & targeting  
Quantitative, high time and spatial resolution
- Activation  
High time resolution, need change with pH, heat, etc.
- Metabolism & clearance of vehicle

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### Circulation and targeting: Vascular Targeting

<b>Receptors:</b>	
<b>RGD</b>	Janssen, M. L. et al. Cancer Res 2002;62:6146-6151.
<b>Aminopeptidase N</b>	Garde, S.V., et al., Anti-Cancer Drugs, 2007; 18:1189-1200.
<b>Aminopeptidase P</b>	Essler M, et. al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 2002; 99:2252-2257.
<b>Neuropilin-1</b>	Starzec A. et. al. Life Sci 2006; 79:2370-2381.
<b>Nucleolin</b>	Christian S. et. al. J Cell Biol 2003;163:871-878. Porkka, K. et. al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA. 2002; 99:7444-7449.
<b>PSMA</b>	Foss CA et. al., Clin Cancer Res 2005;11:4022-4028.
<b>Organ specific</b>	Zhang, Circulation, 112, 1601, 2005.

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### First use heart targeting as model system

Why?

Want to separate enhanced permeability and retention (EPR) effect from molecular targeting to optimize particles

No EPR effect in heart

\*\*Zhang et al, Biomaterials, 2008, in press

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### Methods

#### Lipo-PEG-peptides

	peptide	n	Mw (PEG)
CRPPR-3	CRPPR*	3	3600
CRPPR-2	CRPPR	2	2400
CRPPR-1	CRPPR	1	1200
DSPE-PEG2K			2000

\*\*Zhang et al, Biomaterials, 2008, in press

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### Methods

#### [<sup>18</sup>F]FDP

Marik, Nucl. Med. Bio., 34, 165, 2007

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### Results

#### Organ specificity – well counts

##### Peptide phage\*

Target/muscle = 310

##### Peptidyl liposomes\*\*

Target/muscle = 35

LPP:DSPE-PEG2K:DPPC = 6:6:88 (mol/mol), 90min after injection.

\*Zhang, Circulation, 112, 1601, 2005      \*\*Zhang et al, Biomaterials, 2008, in press

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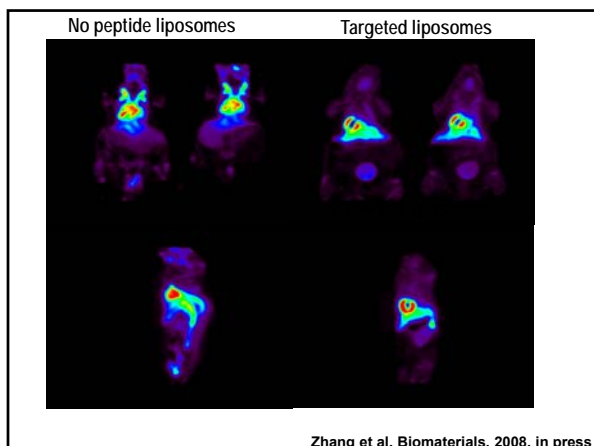
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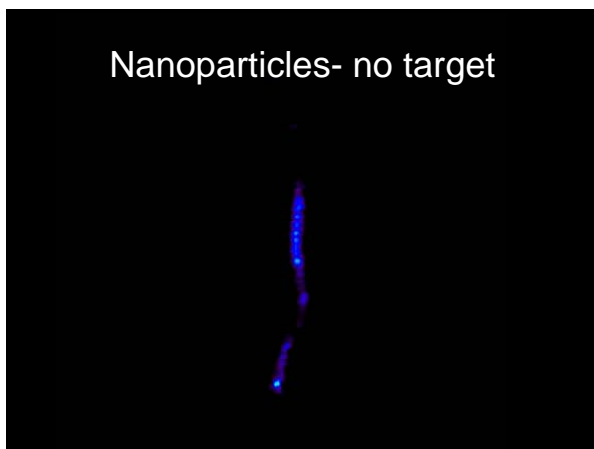
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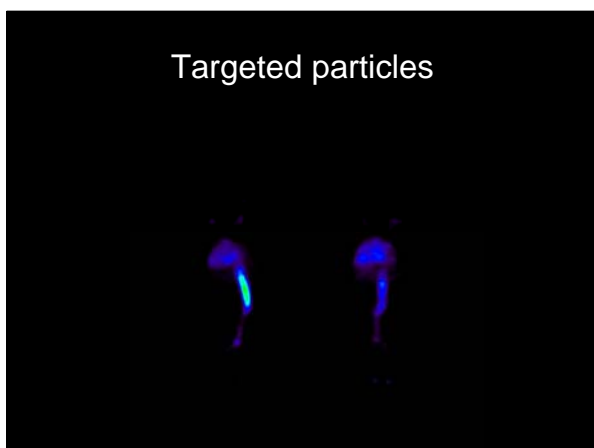
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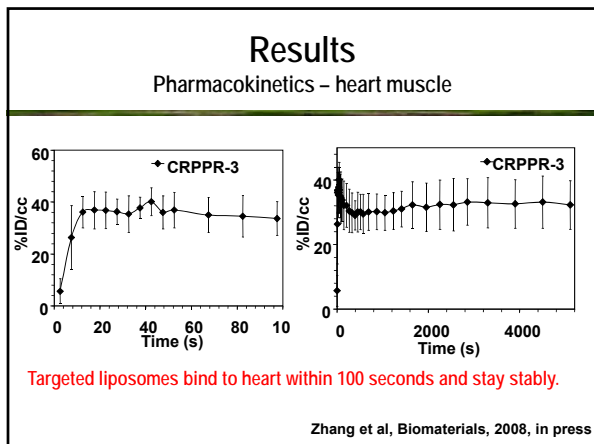
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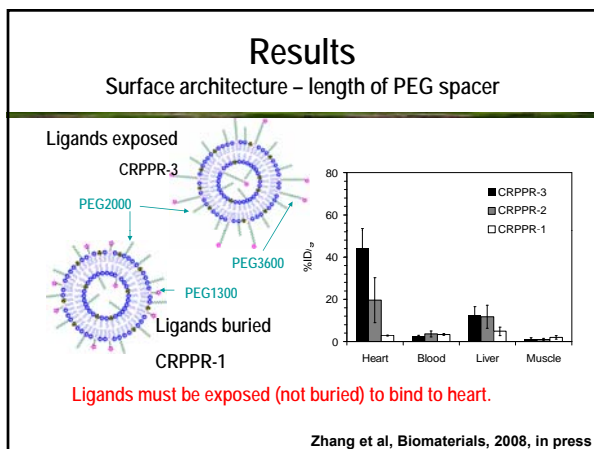
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## Why vehicle activation?

Protection of vehicles during circulation **≠** Bioavailability at target

### Why activatable imaging probe?

- Assessment of enzyme activity
- Cellular internalization
- Assessment of vehicle stability & metabolism

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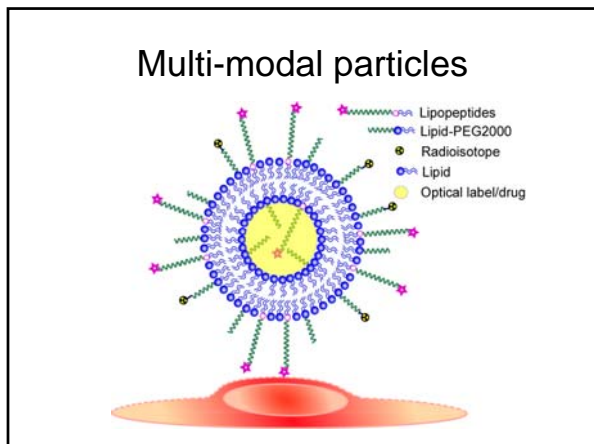
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### Why? Show local particle activation

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### Why? Show stability Stable liposomes

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### Unstable liposomes

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### Particles, degradation and activation

Law B, et al. Protease-sensitive fluorescent nanofibers. *Bioconjug Chem.* 2007 Nov-Dec;18(6):1701-4.

Melancon MP, et al. A novel method for imaging in vivo degradation of poly(L-glutamic acid), a biodegradable drug carrier. *Pharm Res.* 2007 Jun;24(6):1217-24.

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### Kinetics of metabolism- bladder

Time (s)	CRRRR (%ID/cc)	NO peptide (%ID/cc)	RGD (%ID/cc)
0	0	0	0
1000	10	5	5
2000	15	5	5
3000	20	5	5
4000	25	5	5
5000	35	5	5

\*\*Zhang et al. *Biomaterials*, 2008, in press

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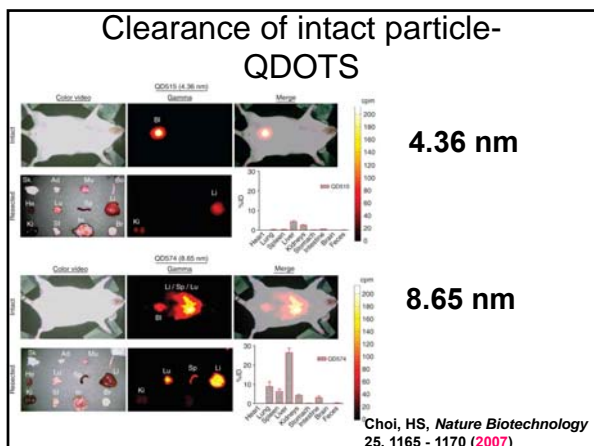
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### Conclusion

- New imaging tools under development to assess pharmacokinetics of vehicles with MRI, SPECT, PET, optical imaging.
- Kinetics of targeted vehicles can vary greatly.
- Activatable vehicles require new imaging approaches. Optical imaging and MRI are obvious choices.
- *In vivo* imaging of vehicle metabolism and clearance also require new approaches. Nuclear medicine techniques are feasible.

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