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We would like to submit a new manuscript entitled "An extracellular matrix-liposome composite: a novel extracellular matrix delivery system for accelerated tissue regeneration" for publication in Advanced Materials. We designed and formulated a unique combination of lipids for liposomes coated with an extracellular matrix (ECM) and found that this ECM-lipid complex could deliver essential ECM components to cells in the form of native fibrous structures, accelerating cellular activities in the course of wound healing process. This manuscript describes the formulation of the ECM-delivery system that remarkably improves all the aspects in would healing. We encourage you to evaluate Movies S4 first to intuitively appreciate the real-time extracellular matrix formation on the live cell upon the delivery. Below we explain why we believe our research is a novel and technological breakthrough, and why it may capture the

immediate interest of a broad readership in tissue engineering, wound healing, and more importantly, liposomal ECM delivery. Most of the successful or commercialized studies on the liposomal structures have been exploiting the encapsulation ability of liposomes where the assembled hydrophobic lipid boundary encapsulates an aqueous core. The delivery ability of liposomes has been fine-tuned for drug delivery, and researchers continue to envision new applications. For decades. pharmaceutical companies have developed a variety of clinically approved liposome-based medicines. They are Ideal for drugs with poor pharmacokinetics, limited bioavailability, or high toxicity. Very recently, liposomes have become a critical part of COVID-19 vaccines produced by Pfizer and Moderna. Both manufacturers use a specific combination of lipids to protect the delicate mRNA long enough to be delivered to cells. Indeed, ECM delivery has also been reported in a variety of ways. Nonetheless, direct delivery of the fibrous ECM was not successful because encapsulating the fibrous ECMs in the cramped internal space of the liposome was not suitable. Be worth of mentioning, however, in 2015, our group have discovered that the negatively charged moieties can unfold globular fibronectins to fibrous fibronectins, and demonstrated for the first time that highly organized extracellular matrix networks can be generated by the presence of negatively charged polymeric materials (Adv. Mat. 27, p2838, 2015). Later, we further discovered that the conformational changes to the fibrous forms from the globular forms must be occurred at the damaged tissue to be healed. Therefore, we naturally hypothesized, if the negatively charged phospholipids can induce those conformational changes, that the injectable ECMliposomes can be developed as one of the most effective wound healing agents.

Here, we have developed a unique combination of different lipids for liposomes that can promote the adhesion and conformational modification of the extracellular matrix on the surface. Under normal conditions, fibronectin, a protein abundant in the extracellular matrix, remains folded and unfolds only when recruited to the cell surface at the wound site. Therefore, unfolding fibronectin can significantly improve the efficiency of wound healing. In this manuscript, we demonstrated that negatively charged liposomes with our intrinsic lipid composition efficiently bind as well as unfolded fibronectin before delivery to living cells and tissues. This lipidbased substance can induce conformational changes of the fibronectin protein, which is comparable to a potent denaturant. Our system has been successfully applied in vitro to promote healing of cultured fibroblasts. More interestingly, when our composition was applied to an ulcerative rat model to test the system in vivo, the wounds healed much effectively than a control group.

Our results provide a solid background for further development of wound healing extracellular matrix (ECM)-delivery system. The universality of ECM and lipids makes it easy to apply to various diseases without much considering tissue specificity, and synergistic effects can be also expected when combined with target drugs.

Accordingly, we believe that the subject matter and caliber of this work ideally suit it for publication in Advanced Materials.

Sincerely,

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Kwanwoo.

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