## **Supporting Information**

# Ergosterol-Induced Ordered Phase in Ternary Lipid Mixture Systems of Unsaturated and Saturated Phospholipid Membranes

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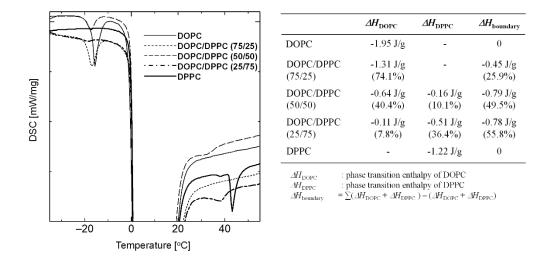
Ergosterol; phase diagram; membrane fluidity; membrane polarity; Langmuir monolayer; ordered phase.

#### Differential scanning calorimetry analysis.

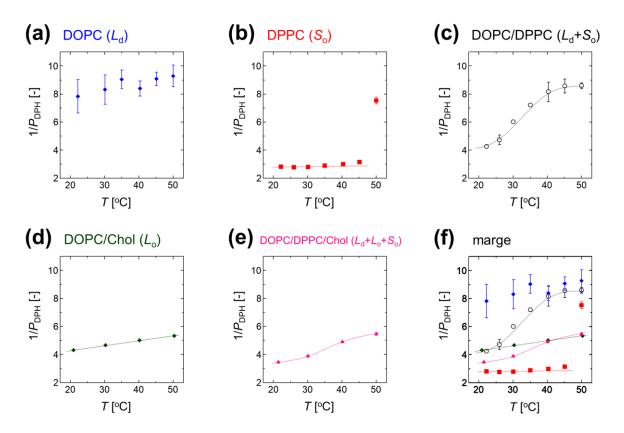
The phase transitions of DOPC/DPPC liposomes were revealed by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) analysis (**Figure S1**). It was found that the DPPC liposome indicated a phase transition temperature ( $T_m$ ) at 41 °C. The enthalpy ( $\Delta$ H) for DOPC and DPPC were calculated (Table). In the case of liposome mixture ((1) DOPC liposome + DPPC liposome), the  $\Delta$ H values showed a liner relationship with DPPC concentration. In contrast, the DOPC/DPPC binary mixtures (2) showed the decreased  $\Delta$ H values lower than those of liposome mixtures. It is therefore suggested that DPPC molecules are not fully in solid ordered ( $S_o$ ) phases.

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	DOPC/DPPC	$\Delta H_{\text{DOPC+DPPC}}(1)$	$\Delta H_{\text{DOPC/DPPC}}$ (2)	(2) - (1)	
	10/0	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	7/3	2.54	0.00	-2.54	
	5/5	4.92	0.49	-4.43	
	3/7	5.42	3.55	-1.87	
	0/10	7.38	7.38	0.00	

Table S1 Phase transition enthalpy of DPPC [kcal/mol]

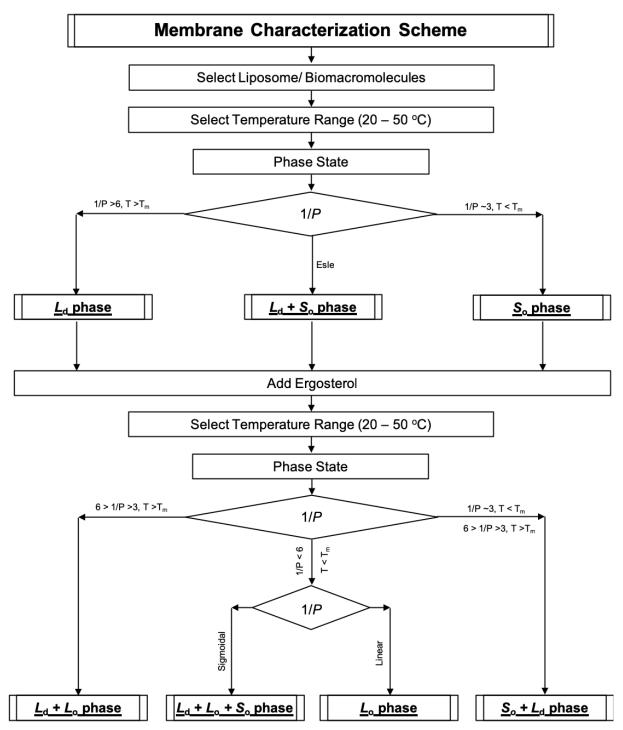


**Figure S1** DSC analysis of DOPC/DPPC liposomes. Based on the obtained  $\Delta$ H values, the fraction of total boundary lipid in DOPC/DPPC 3/1 (75/25), 1/1 (50/50) and 1/3 (25/75) were 25.9%, 49.5%, 55.8%, respectively. The mean boundary DPPC (i.e. not in  $S_0$  state) in DOPC/DPPC 3/1, 1/1 and 1/3 was 25 mol%, 37.8 mol% and 36.0 mol%, respectively.



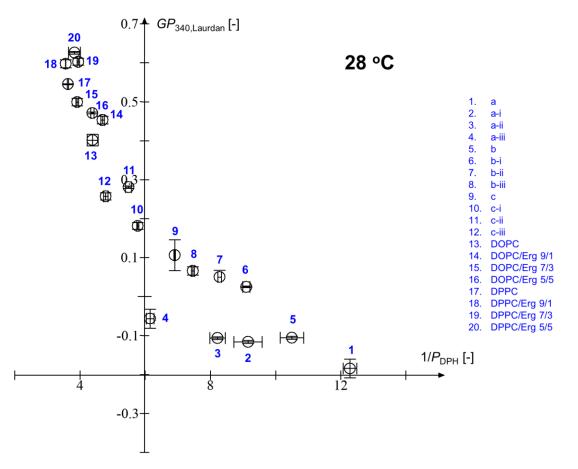
Estimation of phase state based on temperature-dependency of 1/P values.

**Figure S2** Temperature dependency of liposomes with different phase states. (a) DOPC,  $L_d$  phase,  $1/P_{DPH} > 6$ . (b) DPPC,  $S_o$  phase,  $1/P_{DPH} \sim 3$  (almost constant) below  $T_m$ ;  $1/P_{DPH} > 6$  above  $T_m$ . (c) DOPC/DPPC 1/1 (no sterol),  $L_d+S_o$  phase,  $T vs 1/P_{DPH}$  is sigmoidal. (d) DOPC/Chol 1/1,  $L_o$ , phase,  $1/P_{DPH} < 6$ , T vs 1/P is linear. (e) DOPC/DPPC/Chol 2/2/1,  $L_d+L_o+S_o$  phase,  $1/P_{DPH} < 6$ ,  $T vs 1/P_{DPH}$  is sigmoidal. (f) merged graph. Data are cited from Suga et al. (Suga, K. et al., *Langmuir* 2013, 29, 4830-4838).



**Figure S3** Scheme for constructing the phase diagram for DOPC/DPPC/Erg ternary mixtures based on membrane fluidity (1/ $P_{\text{DPH}}$ ) and the dependence on temperatures. In the absence of Erg, the phase states of the pure or mixed phospholipid membranes was analyzed. When  $T < T_{\text{m}}$  and  $1/P_{\text{DPH}} \sim 3$ , it indicated the  $S_0$  phase membrane, and when temperatures increasing over  $T_{\text{m}}$ , and  $1/P_{\text{DPH}} > 6$ , this reflected the  $L_d$  phase. If not, membrane phase was  $L_d + S_0$  phase. The addition of Erg can contribute to the membrane phases. For example, the presence of Erg in  $S_0$ resulted in the  $1/P_{\text{DPH}} < 6$ , it indicated the mixed phase of  $S_0+L_0$  phase. Furthermore, membrane will be  $L_0$  phase, when  $1/P_{\text{DPH}} < 6$ , T vs  $1/P_{\text{DPH}}$  is linear. While,  $1/P_{\text{DPH}} < 6$ , T vs  $1/P_{\text{DPH}}$  is sigmoidal, the membranes in the  $L_d + S_0 + L_0$  phases. Otherwise,  $L_d + L_0$  phase.

Cartesian diagram analysis of DOPC/DPPC/Erg ternary lipid mixtures.



**Figure S4** Cartesian diagram for DOPC/DPPC/Erg ternary mixtures at 28 °C, based on membrane fluidity  $(1/P_{DPH})$  and membrane polarity  $(GP_{340,Laurdan})$ . When the liposome membrane becomes polar  $(GP_{340,Laurdan} \text{ decrease})$ , its fluidity increases  $(1/P_{DPH} \text{ increase})$ . The membranes showing high fluidity  $(1/P_{DPH} > 6)$  and in hydrophilic  $(GP_{340,Laurdan} < 0)$  are estimated as liquid-disordered phase  $(L_d)$ . For details of Cartesian diagram analysis, see following reports (Suga, K., et al., *Langmuir* **2013**, *29*, 1899-1907; Suga, K. et al., *Langmuir* **2013**, *29*, 4830-4838; Bui, T. T. et al., *Langmuir* **2016**, *32*, 6176-6184).