## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

The hapten-branched polyethylenimine (PEI) as a new antigen affinity ligand to purify antibodies with high efficiency and specificity

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This **Supporting Information** file includes solutions and buffers, results of NMR, the BLI method and plate layout.

# 1.Solutions and buffers

### **Buffers in column purification section:**

Coupling buffer A: 8.4 g NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, 29.22 g NaCl, dissolved in 1 L distilled H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted pH to 7.4.

Coupling buffer B: 8.4 g NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, 29.22 g NaCl, dissolved in 1 L distilled H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted pH to 7.0.

Blocking buffer: 12.11 g Tris, 1 L H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted pH to 8.0 by HCl.

Washing buffer A: 8.2 g NaAc, 29.22 g NaCl, 1 L H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted pH to 4.0 by HAc.

Washing buffer B: Blocking buffer containing 29.22 g NaCl, adjusted pH to 8.0 by HCl.

Elution Buffer: 7.5 g glycine, 1 L H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted pH to 2.5 by HCl.

Neutralizing buffer:12.11 g Tris, 1 L H<sub>2</sub>O, adjusted pH to 8.5 by HCl.

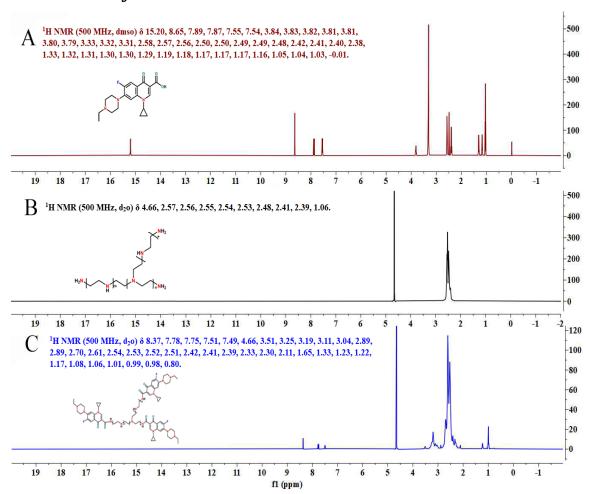
#### **Buffers in ELISA section:**

Coating buffer: Carbonate buffered saline (CBS), 1.59 g Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, 2.93 g NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, dissolved in 1 L distilled H<sub>2</sub>O, filtered by 0.45 µm filter membrane, adjusted pH to 9.6. Dilution buffer: Phosphate buffered saline (PBS), 40 g NaCl, 1 g KCl, 14.5 g Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>·12 H<sub>2</sub>O, 1 g KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 5 L H<sub>2</sub>O, filtered by 0.45 µm filter membrane, adjusted pH to 7.4.

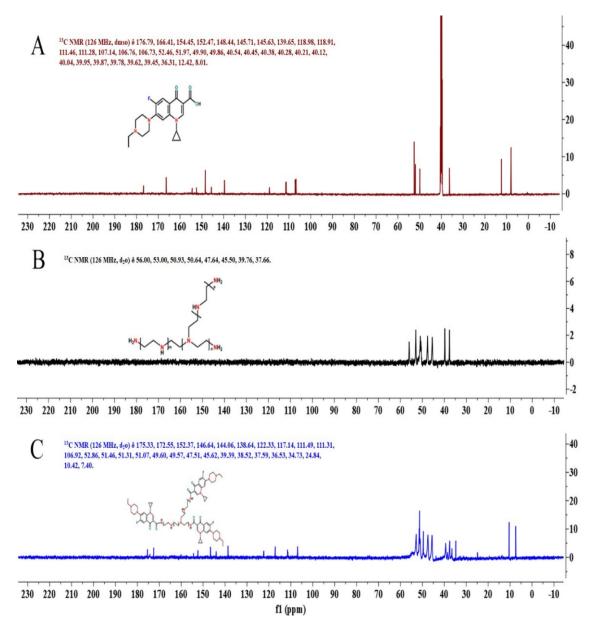
Washing buffer: PBST, PBS containing 0.05% (v/v) Tween-20.

Blocking buffer: PBST containing 5% (w/v) skim milk powder.

# 2.The results of NMR



**Figure S1.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR results of ENR, PEI and ENR-PEI. (A) was the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the ENR. (B) was the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the PEI. (C) was the <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the ENR-PEI.

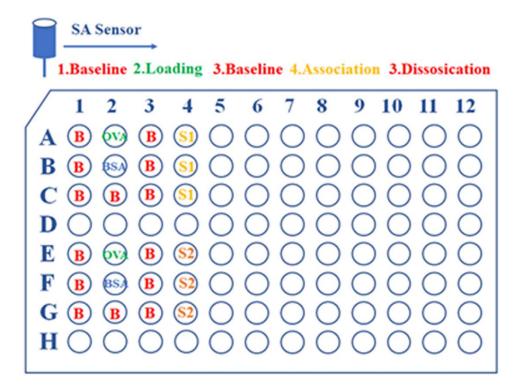


**Figure S2.** The <sup>13</sup>C NMR results of ENR, PEI and ENR-PEI. (A) was the <sup>13</sup>C NMR of the ENR. (B) was the <sup>13</sup>C NMR of the PEI. (C) was the <sup>13</sup>C NMR of the ENR-PEI.

# 3. Determination of unspecific binding of purified antibody with the carrier by BLI

To evaluate the specificity of purified antibody, BLI with an Octet® RED96 System was used to determine the combination of purified antibody with OVA and BSA both by ENR-PEI affinity column and protein A to simulate ELISA process. The OVA, BSA were biotinylated according to the instruction of Biotinylation Kit. As shown in **Figure** 

**S3** the assay procedure includes five steps: (1) baseline (1 min); (2) loading (3 min); (3) baseline (3 min); (4) association (3 min); (5) baseline (5 min). All the solutions were 0.02% Tween-20 in PBS. The response data obtained from the reaction surface were normalized by subtracting the signal simultaneously acquired from the blank surface to eliminate unspecific binding and buffer-induced interferometry spectrum shift.



**Figure S3.** BLI technology assay principle process and plate layout. B was Buffer, S1 was the purified antibody by protein A, S2 was the purified antibody by ENR-PEI affinity column.