

Supplemental Materials and Methods

In vitro cell uptake assay (pDNA)

NIT-1 cells were seeded at a density of 2.0×10^5 and 6.0×10^5 cells per well in 12-well and 6-well plates respectively 24 h prior to treatment with EVs. Cells were treated with 1.0×10^7 pep1-, NP- or p88-EVs for 10, 30, and 60 min in 1mL F12K medium supplemented with EV-depleted FBS. After incubation, the cells were washed twice with PBS and trypsin/EDTA treated for harvesting. DNA extraction from cell pellets was performed using QIAprep Miniprep Kit, and the copy number of the plasmids was analyzed by qPCR.

qPCR was performed using Taq DNA polymerase (Fisher BioReagents). Each reaction contains 200 μ M dNTP, 500 nM the forward/reverse primers, 400 nM probe (Table S1), 0.5 U Taq DNA polymerase, 1x Assay buffer A and 1 μ L DNA sample or isolated EV in a total reaction volume of 10 μ L using CFX96 Touch Real-Time PCR Detection System (BIO-RAD). The PCR amplification cycle was as follows: 95°C for 2 min; 40 cycles of 95°C for 20 seconds, 65°C for 30 seconds. The pDNA copy numbers were determined by absolute quantification using the standard curve method.

Supplemental Data

Figure S1

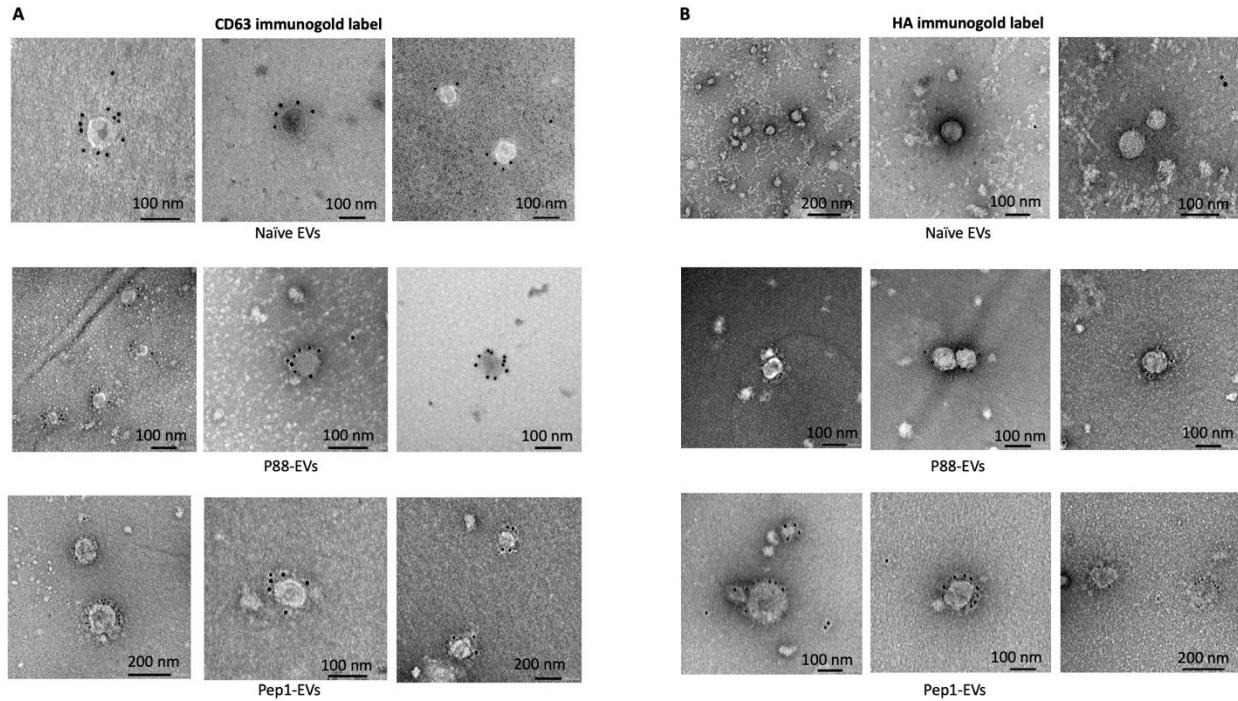


Figure S1. Transmission Electronic microscopic images of (A) CD63 labeled and non-HA labeled Naïve EVs (B) CD63 and HA labeled p88-EVs(C) CD63 and HA labeled pep1-EVs.

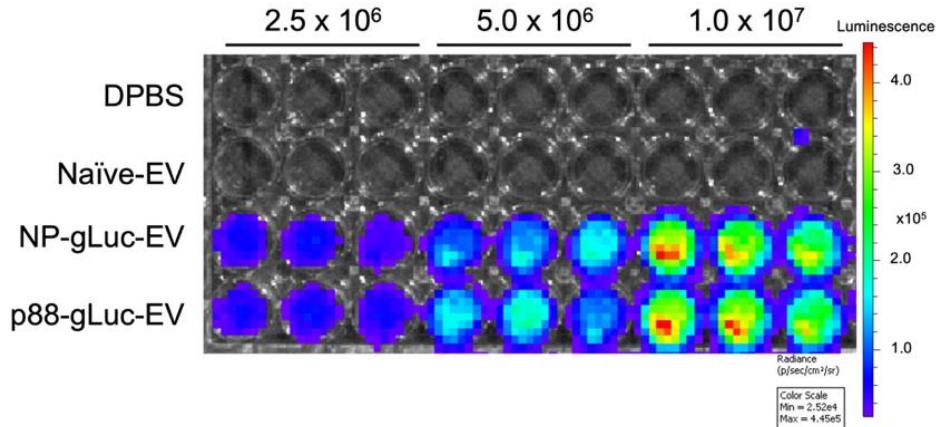


Figure S2. Fluorescence microscopic image of Naïve EVs, mCherry labeled EVs and p88+mcherry co-labeled EVs.

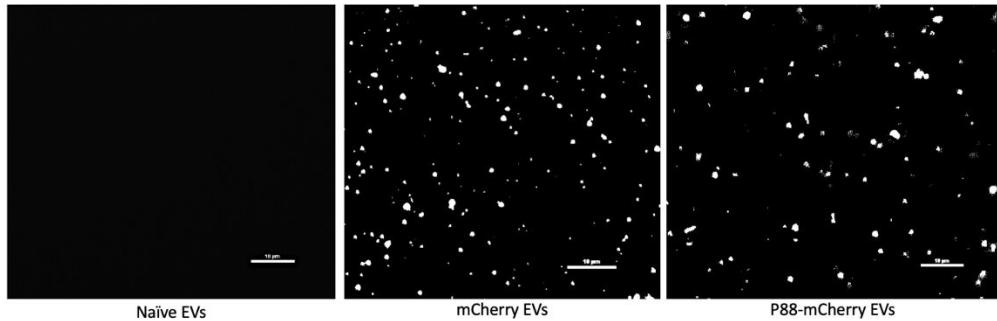


Figure S3. Bioluminescence radiance measurement of Naïve EVs, NP-gLuc EVs and p88-gLuc EVs.

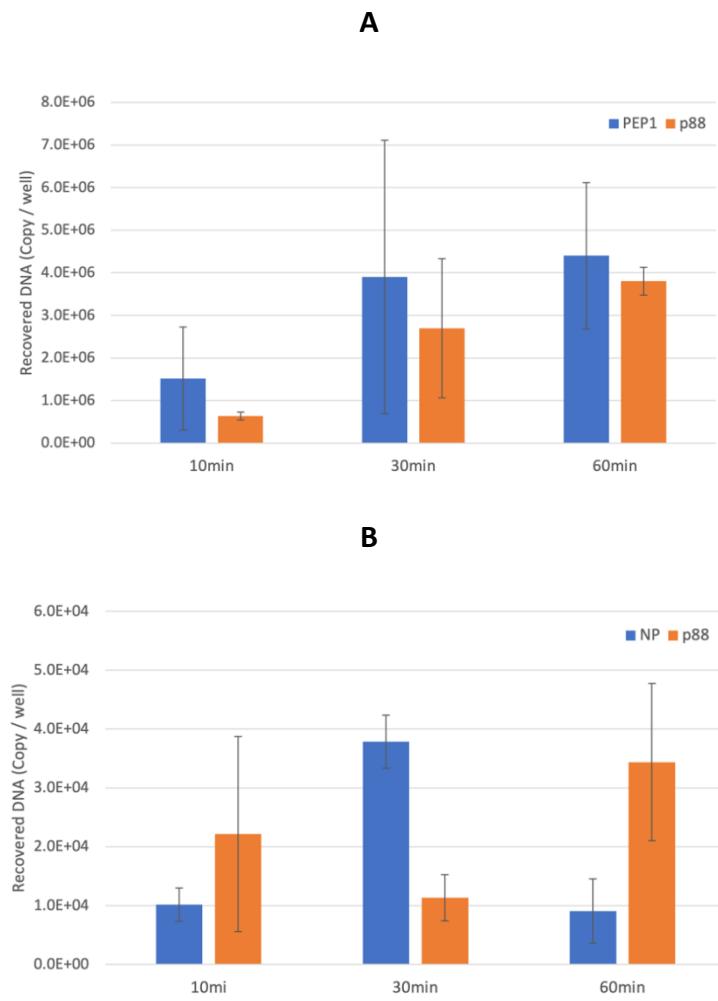


Figure S4. Fold change comparison of pDNA uptake using **(A)** Pep1- and p88 EVs or **(B)** NP- and p88-EVs by NIT-1 cells. The average changes were taken from sample duplicates of two independent experiments. Each set contains two technical duplicates.

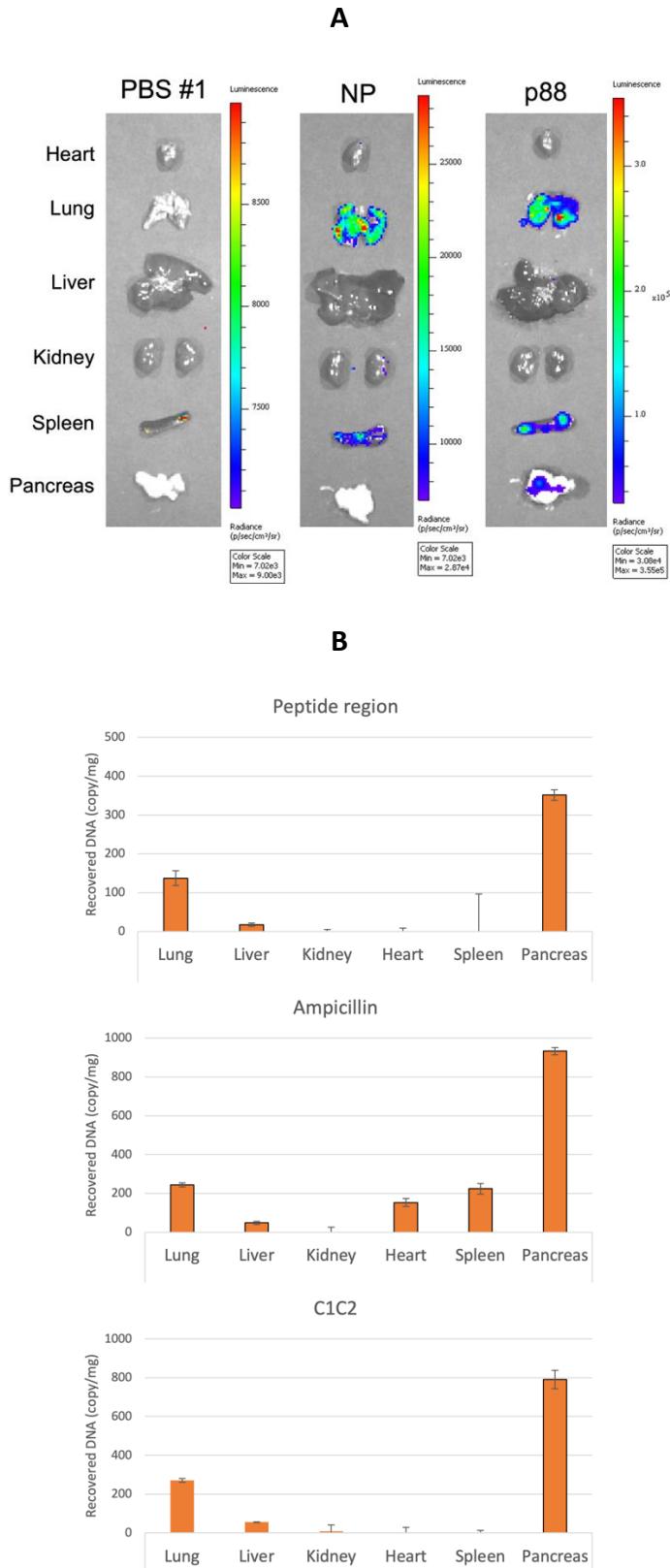


Figure S5. **A)** An additional set of ex vivo imaging following gluc-labeled EV administration, resection and CTZ application, revealing p88 EV accumulation in the pancreas **B)** qPCR analysis of plasmid fragments recovered from the organs of EV injected animals, determined by the primer sets, amplified the peptide-coding region, the ampicillin-coding region and the C1C2-coding region post 1h p88-EV injection. This confirms the plasmid DNA delivery, not the fragmented pDNA detection from the retrieved organs.

Table S1. Table of all the primers and oligonucleotides used in the study.

Primer		Sequence (5'-3')	PCR Fragment (overhang)
1	pcD-ME8SS-F2	GAGACCCAAGCTGgctagcGTGTACAAAAAAGCAGGCACCATGCCGCgc	Lactadherin signal peptide
2	ME8SS-HA-R	agcataatctgaaacatcatatggataGGCGACGAGGAGGCTGGGGC	
3	HA-mCherry-F	atgatgtccagattatgctGTGAGCAAGGGCGAGGAGG	
4	mCherry-C1C2-R	tccatgcccgatggctcgacacattCTTGTACAGCTCGTCCATGCCGC	mCherry
5	mCherry-C1C2-F	gcatggacgactgtacaagAAATGTGTCGAGCCACTGGGCATGG	
6	hME8C1C2-pcD-R2	TGATGGTGATGATGACCGGTacagcccagcagctccaggcgc	Lactadherin C1C2(mCherry)
7	HA-gLuc-F3	atgatgtccagattatgctAAGCCCACCGAGAACAAACGAAGAC	
8	gLuc-C1C2-R2	tccatgcccgatggctcgacacattGTCACCACCAGGGCCCCCTGATCT	gLuc
9	gLuc-C1C2 F	caaggggggccgggtggacAAATGTGTCGAGCCACTGGGCATGG	
1	hME8C1C2-pcD-R2	TGATGGTGATGATGACCGGTacagcccagcagctccaggcgc	Lactadherin C1C2(gLuc)
1	3x4GS-C1C2-BB_F	AATGTGTCGAGCCACTGGGC	
1	pep1-HA-BB_R	AGCATAATCTGGAACATCATATGGATAGGC	pep1 backbone
1	3xG4S-F	GGTGGAGGCGGTTCAAGGC	
1	pcDNAPEP1-HA-R	AGCATAATCTGGAACATCATATGGATAGGC	p88 backbone
1	pcU-BGHR-F	GGGGATAACGCAGGAAAGAAC	
1	pcU-BGHR-R3	TCCTGCGTTATCCCCCCATAGAGCCCACCGCAT	pcS primer sets
1	qPCR Forward	GACCCAAGCTGGCTAGCGTGTAC	
1	qPCR Reverse	GCCCAGTGGCTCGACACATT	qPCR primer & probe
1	qPCR probe	FAM/AGCCTCC/ZEN/GTCGCCTATCCATATGA/IBFQ	
2	HA-3xG4S_F	gttccagattatgct GGTGGAGGCGGTTCAAGGC	
2	HA-R	agcataatctgaaacatcatatgg	pcS-NP-C1C2
2	qPeptide_F	GACCCAAGCTGGCTAGCGTGTAC	
2	qPeptide_R	GCCCAGTGGCTCGACACATT	qPCR primer & probe for peptide region
2	qPeptide_P	FAM/AGCCTCC/ZEN/GTCGCCTATCCATATGA/IBFQ	
2	qAmp-1_F	CTAGAGTAAGTAGTCGCCAGTTAAT	
2	qAmp-1_R	GCTGAATGAAGCCATACCAAAC	qPCR primer & probe for ampicillin region
2	qAmp-1_P	ATTGCTACAGGCATCGTGGTGTCA	
2	qC1C2-1_F	CCTACAAGGTTGCCTACAGTAAT	
2	qC1C2-1_R	CTTCTTGAGGAGTGGTTGT	qPCR primer & probe for C1C2 region
3	qC1C2-1_P	TGCCAGGGAAAGATCTTACTGCTGC	
3	Mt16S_F	CCGCAAGGGAAAGATGAAAGAC	
3	Mt16S_R	TCGTTGGTTCGGGTTTC	qPCR primer for mtDNA
Synthetic DNA fragments			
1	pep1-3xG4S-C1C2	GTGGCTCGACACATTCCGATCCGCCACCGCCAGAGCCACCTCCGCCTGAACCGCCTCCACCATGATGCAGCAGGCTATGGCTAGCATAATCTGGAAC	pep1-G4S fragment
2	P885-3-1	GTTCCAGATTATGCTCTGCCGCTGAGCCGCCATTATGGCGGCCAGCGTGCCTTTAT	
3	P885-3-2	AGCGTGCCGTTTATAGCCATAGCAACACCCATCATACCAGCATGGGTGGAGGCGGTTCA	p88 fragment

Table S2. mtDNA value from 1/100 sample dilution indicating high recovery of plasmid DNA from each organ

EV-type	p88-EV	NP-EV
Lung	18.105	19.18
Liver	14.25	15.54
Kidney	16.68	16.08
Heart	17.18	19.21
Spleen	17.945	18.84
Pancreas	15.32	15.125