

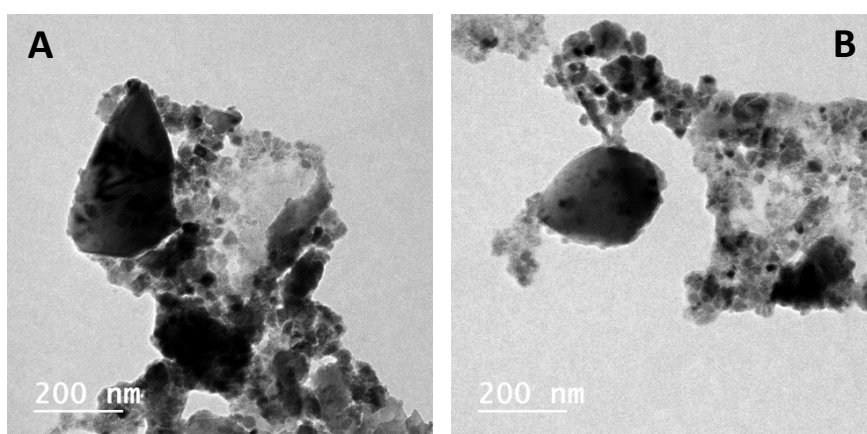
## Supplementary Information

### Magnetic Liposomes based on Nickel Ferrite Nanoparticles for Biomedical Applications

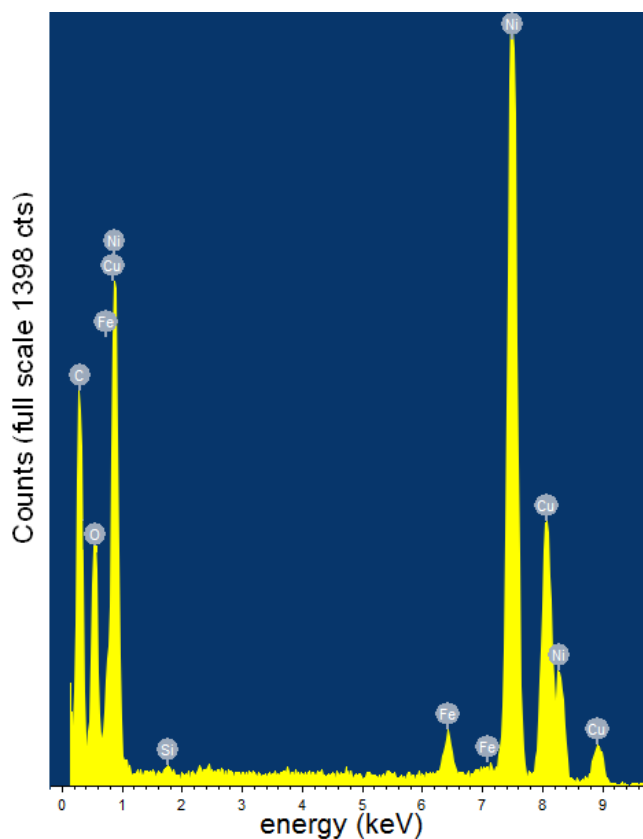
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**Fig. S1** TEM images of the synthesized  $\text{NiFe}_2\text{O}_4$  NPs, containing NiO-rich particles (the larger ones).



**Fig. S2** EDAX elemental analysis of area corresponding to figure S1A.

**Table S1.** EDAX atomic percentages considering only Ni, Fe and O contributions and comparison with the values predicted for NiO NPs.

Element	EDAX Atomic (%)	Calculated atomic (%)
Ni	54.2	50.0
Fe	2.5	0
O	43.3	50.0

## Details of Rietveld XRD analysis using FullProf Software

Bragg-Brentano (X-rays) geometry

March-Dollase model for preferred orientation with

$G_1=0$  and  $G_2=1$  which corresponds to **no preferred orientation** ( $P_h=1$ )

Background defined by a 6 coefficient polynomial centered at  $2\Theta=40^\circ$

Profile function used was T-C-H Pseudo-Voigt function convoluted with asymmetry due to axial divergence, as formulated by van Laar and Yelon.<sup>S1</sup>

Instrumental Resolution Function obtained with a XRD pattern of a reference sample

U-inst	V-inst	W-inst	X-inst	Y-inst	Z-inst
-0.02522	0.00705	0.02608	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000

where U, V, W, X, Y and Z define the variation of Gaussian and Lorentzian widths of the peaks profile with diffraction angle.<sup>S2,S3</sup>

Zero point fixed to -0.0608 (obtained from the XRD pattern of a reference sample)

Displacement peak-shift parameter: SyCos =  $0.0122 \pm 0.0006$  (Fit 1)  
 $0.0113 \pm 0.0007$  (Fit 2)  
 $0.0118 \pm 0.0006$  (Fit 3)

$$\Delta(2\theta) = -\text{SyCos} \times \text{Cos}(\theta)$$

Transparency peak-shift parameter: SySin =  $0.020 \pm 0.003$  (Fit 1)  
 $0.012 \pm 0.003$  (Fit 2)  
 $0.023 \pm 0.003$  (Fit 3)

$$\Delta(2\theta) = \text{SySin} \times \text{Sin}(2\theta)$$

### Phase 1: NiFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Number of Space group: 227

Hermann-Mauguin Symbol: F d -3 m

Hall Symbol: -F 4vw 2vw 3

Atom coordinates, occupation and isothermal factors (Bs)

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/b	Occ	B
Fe_T	0.125	0.125	0.125	1	-1.272±0.007
	0.125	0.125	0.125	1	0
	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.76±0.03	-1.282±0.007
Fe_Oh	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	-1.150±0.007
	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	0
	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.24±0.03	-1.132±0.007
Ni_Oh	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	-1.150±0.007
	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	0
	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.76±0.03	-1.132±0.007
O	0.2515±0.00003	0.2515±0.00003	0.2515±0.00003	4	-1.861±0.015
	0.2512±0.00003	0.2512±0.00003	0.2512±0.00003	4	0
	0.2517±0.00003	0.2517±0.00003	0.2517±0.00003	4	-1.88±0.015
Ni_T	0.125	0.125	0.125	0	-1.272±0.007
	0.125	0.125	0.125	0	0
	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.24±0.03	-1.282±0.007

#### Profile parameters

Overall scale factor: 0.0000001722 ± 0.0000000001 (Fit 1)  
0.00000019887 ± 0.00000000009 (Fit 2)  
0.00000001723 ± 0.0000000001 (Fit 3)

#### Cell parameters:

a=8.3350 ± 0.0001 (Fit 1)  
8.3339 ± 0.0001 (Fit 2)  
8.3352 ± 0.0001 (Fit 3)

b=8.3350 ± 0.0001 (Fit 1)  
8.3339 ± 0.0001 (Fit 2)  
8.3352 ± 0.0001 (Fit 3)

c=8.3350 ± 0.0001 (Fit 1)  
8.3339 ± 0.0001 (Fit 2)  
8.3352 ± 0.0001 (Fit 3)

Preferred orientation: G<sub>1</sub> = 1  
G<sub>2</sub> = 0

#### X (strain enlargement) and Y (size enlargement) parameters:

X = 0  
Y = 0.4263 ± 0.0003 (Fit 1)  
0.4195 ± 0.0003 (Fit 2)  
0.4258 ± 0.0003 (Fit 3)

**Phase 2: FeNaO<sub>2</sub>**

Number of Space group: 33  
Hermann-Mauguin Symbol: P n a 21  
Hall Symbol: P 2c -2n  
COD ID = 1008191

Atom coordinates, occupation and isothermal factors (Bs)

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/b	Occ	B
Fe	0.062	0.13	0	1	0.33 ± 0.03
	0.062	0.13	0	1	0
	0.062	0.13	0	1	0.37 ± 0.03
Na	0.416	0.151	0.489	1	-2.40 ± 0.03
	0.416	0.151	0.489	1	0
	0.416	0.151	0.489	1	-2.41 ± 0.03
O1	0.043	0.084	0.339	1	2.15 ± 0.08
	0.043	0.084	0.339	1	0
	0.043	0.084	0.339	1	2.26 ± 0.08
O2	0.38	0.153	0.927	1	-2.60 ± 0.05
	0.38	0.153	0.927	1	0
	0.38	0.153	0.927	1	-2.52 ± 0.05

**Profile parameters**

Overall scale factor: 0.0003173 ± 0.0000005 (Fit 1)  
0.0003247 ± 0.0000004 (Fit 2)  
0.0003172 ± 0.0000005 (Fit 3)

**Cell parameters:**

a= 5.61077 ± 0.00008 (Fit 1)  
5.60964 ± 0.00009 (Fit 2)  
5.61087 ± 0.00008 (Fit 3)

b= 7.1917 ± 0.0001 (Fit 1)  
7.1909 ± 0.0001 (Fit 2)  
7.1919 ± 0.0001 (Fit 3)

c= 5.37289 ± 0.00008 (Fit 1)  
5.37188 ± 0.00009 (Fit 2)  
5.37294 ± 0.00008 (Fit 3)

Preferred orientation: G<sub>1</sub>=1  
G<sub>2</sub>= 0

X (strain enlargement) and Y (size enlargement) parameters:

X = 0  
Y = 0.1500 ± 0.0003 (Fit 1)

0.1483 ± 0.0004 (Fit 2)  
 0.1497 ± 0.0003 (Fit 3)

### Phase 3: NiO

Number of Space group: 225  
 Hermann-Mauguin Symbol: F m -3 m  
 Hall Symbol: -F 4 2 3  
 COD ID : 1010381

Atom coordinates, occupation and isothermal factors (Bs)

Atom	x/a	y/b	z/b	Occ	B
Ni	0	0	0	1	0.55 ± 0.02
	0	0	0	1	0
	0	0	0	1	0.61 ± 0.02
O	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	-1.66 ± 0.05
	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	0
	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	-1.68 ± 0.05

Profile parameters

Overall scale factor: 0.00000044 ± 0.00000001 (Fit 1)  
 0.000000450 ± 0.000000007 (Fit 2)  
 0.00000044 ± 0.00000001 (Fit 3)

Cell parameters:

a= 4.1783 ± 0.0006 (Fit 1)  
 4.1777 ± 0.0007 (Fit 2)  
 4.1784 ± 0.0006 (Fit 3)

b= 4.1783 ± 0.0006 (Fit 1)  
 4.1777 ± 0.0007 (Fit 2)  
 4.1784 ± 0.0006 (Fit 3)

c= 4.1783 ± 0.0006 (Fit 1)  
 4.1777 ± 0.0007 (Fit 2)  
 4.1784 ± 0.0006 (Fit 3)

Preferred orientation:  $G_1 = 1$   
 $G_2 = 0$

X (strain enlargement) and Y (size enlargement) parameters:

X = 0  
 Y = 0.296 ± 0.008 (Fit 1)  
 0.321 ± 0.009 (Fit 2)  
 0.296 ± 0.008 (Fit 3)

## Figures of merit

### Fit 1

==> RELIABILITY FACTORS WITH ALL NON-EXCLUDED POINTS FOR PATTERN: 1

=> Cycle: 27 => MaxCycle:250  
=> N-P+C: 3471  
=> R-factors (not corrected for background) for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 6.17 Rwp: 8.05 Rexp: 6.19 Chi2: 1.69  
L.S. refinement  
=> Conventional Rietveld R-factors for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 11.7 Rwp: 13.0 Rexp: 10.00 Chi2: 1.69  
=> Deviance: 0.589E+04 Dev\* : 1.694  
=> DW-Stat.: 1.2601 DW-exp: 1.9117  
=> N-sigma of the GoF: 28.699

==> RELIABILITY FACTORS FOR POINTS WITH BRAGG CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PATTERN: 1

=> N-P+C: 3248  
=> R-factors (not corrected for background) for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 6.16 Rwp: 8.05 Rexp: 6.10 Chi2: 1.75  
L.S. refinement  
=> Conventional Rietveld R-factors for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 11.3 Rwp: 12.8 Rexp: 9.68 Chi2: 1.75  
=> Deviance: 0.569E+04 Dev\* : 1.750  
=> DW-Stat.: 1.3033 DW-exp: 1.9093  
=> N-sigma of the GoF: 30.026

=> Global user-weighted Chi2 (Bragg contrib.): 1.80

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BRAGG R-Factors and weight fractions for Pattern # 1  
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=> Phase: 1 Nickel iron oxide 14174 Trevorite  
=> Bragg R-factor: 1.99 Vol: 579.048( 0.014)  
Fract(%): 67.23( 0.27)  
=> Rf-factor= 1.85 ATZ: 1080076.500  
Brindley: 1.0000

=> Phase: 2 IronIII sodium oxide --beta  
=> Bragg R-factor: 9.20 Vol: 216.802( 0.006)  
Fract(%): 19.03( 0.08)  
=> Rf-factor= 4.77 ATZ: 443.342  
Brindley: 1.0000

=> Phase: 3 Nickel oxide  
=> Bragg R-factor: 4.44 Vol: 72.945( 0.019)  
Fract(%): 13.74( 0.40)  
=> Rf-factor= 2.50 ATZ: 688429.688  
Brindley: 1.0000

## Fit 2

==> RELIABILITY FACTORS WITH ALL NON-EXCLUDED POINTS FOR PATTERN: 1

=> Cycle: 15 => MaxCycle:250  
=> N-P+C: 3480  
=> R-factors (not corrected for background) for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 7.51 Rwp: 9.47 Rexp: 6.20 Chi2: 2.33  
L.S. refinement  
=> Conventional Rietveld R-factors for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 14.4 Rwp: 15.4 Rexp: 10.05 Chi2: 2.33  
=> Deviance: 0.814E+04 Dev\* : 2.337  
=> DW-Stat.: 0.9106 DW-exp: 1.9065  
=> N-sigma of the GoF: 55.568

==> RELIABILITY FACTORS FOR POINTS WITH BRAGG CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PATTERN: 1

=> N-P+C: 3255  
=> R-factors (not corrected for background) for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 7.55 Rwp: 9.52 Rexp: 6.10 Chi2: 2.43  
L.S. refinement  
=> Conventional Rietveld R-factors for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 14.0 Rwp: 15.2 Rexp: 9.73 Chi2: 2.43  
=> Deviance: 0.794E+04 Dev\* : 2.436  
=> DW-Stat.: 0.9332 DW-exp: 1.9037  
=> N-sigma of the GoF: 57.806

=> Global user-weighted Chi2 (Bragg contrib.): 2.49

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BRAGG R-Factors and weight fractions for Pattern # 1  
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=> Phase: 1 Nickel iron oxide 14174 Trevorite  
=> Bragg R-factor: 6.35 Vol: 578.819( 0.017)  
Fract(%): 69.77( 0.15)  
=> Rf-factor= 3.75 ATZ: 1080076.500  
Brindley: 1.0000

=> Phase: 2 IronIII sodium oxide - -beta  
=> Bragg R-factor: 11.7 Vol: 216.693( 0.006)  
Fract(%): 17.51( 0.04)  
=> Rf-factor= 7.03 ATZ: 443.342  
Brindley: 1.0000

=> Phase: 3 Nickel oxide  
=> Bragg R-factor: 8.43 Vol: 72.912( 0.021)  
Fract(%): 12.72( 0.21)  
=> Rf-factor= 3.62 ATZ: 688429.688  
Brindley: 1.0000

### Fit 3

==> RELIABILITY FACTORS WITH ALL NON-EXCLUDED POINTS FOR PATTERN: 1

=> Cycle: 70 => MaxCycle:250  
=> N-P+C: 3470  
=> R-factors (not corrected for background) for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 6.16 Rwp: 8.04 Rexp: 6.19 Chi2: 1.69  
L.S. refinement  
=> Conventional Rietveld R-factors for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 11.7 Rwp: 13.0 Rexp: 10.01 Chi2: 1.69  
=> Deviance: 0.588E+04 Dev\* : 1.693  
=> DW-Stat.: 1.2627 DW-exp: 1.9123  
=> N-sigma of the GoF: 28.545

==> RELIABILITY FACTORS FOR POINTS WITH BRAGG CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PATTERN: 1

=> N-P+C: 3247  
=> R-factors (not corrected for background) for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 6.15 Rwp: 8.04 Rexp: 6.09 Chi2: 1.74  
L.S. refinement  
=> Conventional Rietveld R-factors for Pattern: 1  
=> Rp: 11.3 Rwp: 12.8 Rexp: 9.68 Chi2: 1.74  
=> Deviance: 0.568E+04 Dev\* : 1.749  
=> DW-Stat.: 1.3060 DW-exp: 1.9099  
=> N-sigma of the GoF: 29.868

=> Global user-weighted Chi2 (Bragg contrib.): 1.80

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BRAGG R-Factors and weight fractions for Pattern # 1  
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=> Phase: 1 Nickel iron oxide 14174 Trevorite  
=> Bragg R-factor: 2.03 Vol: 579.089( 0.015)  
Fract(%): 67.18( 0.29)  
=> Rf-factor= 1.85 ATZ: 1080076.500  
Brindley: 1.0000

=> Phase: 2 IronIII sodium oxide - -beta  
=> Bragg R-factor: 9.22 Vol: 216.814( 0.006)  
Fract(%): 19.00( 0.09)  
=> Rf-factor= 4.80 ATZ: 443.342  
Brindley: 1.0000

=> Phase: 3 Nickel oxide  
=> Bragg R-factor: 4.50 Vol: 72.954( 0.020)  
Fract(%): 13.82( 0.43)  
=> Rf-factor= 2.52 ATZ: 688429.688  
Brindley: 1.0000

Microstructural analysis was performed by Fullprof software using the broadening of the XRD peaks with an implementation previously described.<sup>S2,S3</sup>



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