## **Supporting Information for**

# Lignin-Based Sustainable Antifungal Gel Nanocoatings for Disinfecting Biomedical Devices

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#### Instrumentation and Methods.

The UV-Vis spectra were recorded on Shimadzu UV-2600. FT-IR analysis was done on an FT-IR spectrophotometer with ATR analysis (Agilent; Cary 600 series). The rheology of gel coating was performed using a Discovery HR-2 hybrid rheometer (TA instruments). Fluorescence microscopy was done using inverted fluorescence microscopy (Nikon; TS2FL). The size and zeta potential of nanoconjugates were measured by zeta sizer (Malvern; Nano 25) at CIAB Mohali.

### Materials and Chemicals.

Alkali lignin, silver nitrate, 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide (EDC), polyacrylic acid (PAA), polyvinyl alcohol (PVA), rose Bengal, potassium persulphate, 1,3-diphenylisobenzofuran (DPBF), DAPI and propidium iodide (PI) were purchased from Sigma Aldrich. N-(2-hydroxyethyl) piperazine-N'-(2-ethanesulfonic acid) (HEPES), phosphate buffered saline (PBS), Luria Bertani broth, agar, agarose, malt extract, glucose, yeast extract, and peptone extract were procured from HiMedia Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. Sodium hydroxide was purchased from Central Drug House Pvt. Ltd. All the stock solutions were prepared in deionized water (collected from Merck Millipore system present in CIAB. The yeast strain *Candida tropicalis* (MTCC 6192) and bacterial strain *E. coli* (BL21) were procured from microbial type cell culture (MTCC), CSIR-IMTECH, Chandigarh (India).

**Table S1.** Elemental Analysis of bare lignin and lignin gel coating

| Sample             | %C   | %Н   | %N   | %S  |
|--------------------|------|------|------|-----|
| Bare lignin        | 57.9 | 15.6 | 1.5  | 2.7 |
| Lignin Gel Coating | 52.5 | 12.3 | 0.94 | 2.5 |

**Table S2.** Antimicrobial Photodynamic Therapeutic Efficacy of the Photodynamic Ligninbased Nanocoatings

| Samples            | Percentage survival<br>(C. tropicalis) in dark<br>conditions | Percentage survival<br>(C. tropicalis) in light<br>conditions |
|--------------------|--|---|
| Control            | $100.00 \pm 0.00$  | $97.00 \pm 7.02$  |
| Lignin gel coating | $93.01 \pm 7.010$  | 88.02 ± 8.30  |
| RB                 | $99.05\pm9.34$   | $74.60 \pm 2.23$  |
| Lig-coat-RB        | $91.00 \pm 6.10$   | $69 \pm 6.82$   |
| AgLNCs             | $56.80\pm 6.89$  | 49.89 ± 2.19  |
| Lig_coat-AgLNCs    | $51.00\pm9.59$   | 43.91 ± 4.10  |
| RB@AgLNCs          | $53.45 \pm 7.4$  | $15.84 \pm 2.21$  |
| Lig-coat-RB@AgLNCs | $42.67\pm3.65$   | $8.54\pm0.93$   |