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Doxorubicin-loaded poly(lactic-co-glycolic acid) hollow microcapsules for targeted drug delivery to cancer cells[†]

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Scheme S1. Schematic illustration of the synthesis procedure of PEI-PEG-FA.



Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectra of PEG-FA and PEI-PEG-FA (a). (b) shows the ¹H NMR spectrum of PEI-*m*PEG.



Figure S2. SEM image (a) and size distribution histogram (b) of PLGA HMs loaded with DOX.



Figure S3. SEM image (a) and size distribution histogram (b) of PLGA microspheres without DOX loading.



Figure S4. Photograph of PLGA-DOX-PEI-PEG-FA HMs dispersed in water (a), PBS (b), and RPMI 1640 cell culture medium (d). (c) shows the blank RPMI 1640 cell culture medium.



Figure S5. Hydrodynamic size of the PLGA-DOX-PEI-PEG-FA HMs at different time points.



Figure S6. The micrographs of KB cells treated with PBS (a), PLGA-PEI-*m*PEG HMs (b), PLGA-PEI-PEG-FA HMs (c), free DOX (d), PLGA-DOX-PEI-*m*PEG HMs (e), and PLGA-DOX-PEI-PEG-FA HMs (f) with HM concentration of 12.5 mg/L for HMs with or without DOX loading and DOX concentration of 0.1 mg/L for DOX-loaded HMs, respectively for 24 h.