

# Supplementary Material

**Table S1.** DLS results for functionalized silica nanoparticles

Sample no.	Synthesis		D (nm) (using EtOH)	D (nm) (using CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> )
	pristine SiO <sub>2</sub> particles (g)	R(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SiOR'		
1	1.5	0	167	100
2	1.5	Me <sub>3</sub> SiOMe	157	97
3	1.5	VMe <sub>2</sub> SiOEt	158	110
4	1.5	PhMe <sub>2</sub> SiOEt	163	95
5	1.5	CsMe <sub>2</sub> SiOMe	163	131

\* R = -CH<sub>3</sub> (Me), -CH<sub>2</sub>=CH<sub>2</sub>- (V), C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>- (Ph), CH<sub>3</sub>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>7</sub>- (C<sub>8</sub>); R' = -CH<sub>3</sub> (Me), -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub> (Et).

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