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APPLICATION OF ADAMANTYL AMINOGUANIDINES IN FUNCTIONAL SELF-ASSEMBLED NANOVESICLES

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Combination of a lipophilic adamantyl subunit and a highly polar guanidine moiety affords adamantyl aminoguanidines, compounds with membrane compatible features capable of binding to complementary molecules possessing phosphate groups.^[1] We recently showed that adamantyl aminoguanidines can effectively be incorporated into liposomes and the resulting liposome formulations were capable of recognizing complementary liposomes.^[2] We therefore turned out attention to preparing multicomponent self-assembled supramolecular nanovesicles capable of recognition and binding to fluorescently labelled DNA.^[3] Our findings suggest that such nanovesicles (Figure 1) could potentially be applied as nonviral gene delivery vectors.

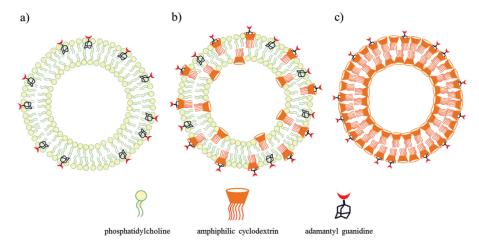


Figure 1. Schematic representation of the prepared functional supramolecular systems consisting of adamantyl aminoguanidines and different liposomes and vesicles.

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