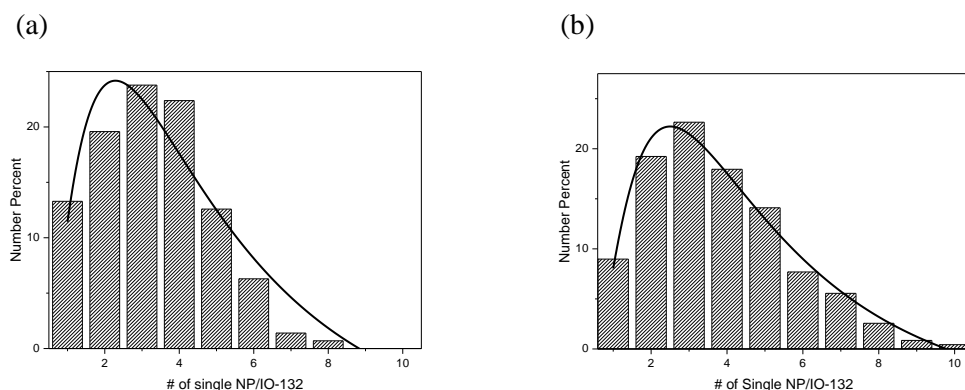


## Supplemental Information.

The average number of spherical  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  nanoparticles per cNP ( $\sim 5$ , see Figure S1) is constant as cNP loading increases



**Figure S1.** Distribution of spherical  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  nanoparticles per cNP. The solid line is a fit using a log-normal distribution for cNP loadings: (a)  $\phi_{\text{cNP}} = 0.005$  and (b)  $\phi_{\text{cNP}} = 0.01$  having average of 4.7 and 4.6 nanoparticles per cNP, respectively. Compared to the analysis from the pure cNP case ( $\phi_{\text{cNP}} = 0.024$ , see Figure 1) where there are 4.8 nanoparticles per cNP, the average number of nanoparticle per cNP is constant with various cNP loadings.