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Patchable thermal responsive ion channel for drug delivery

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We demonstrate the thermal responsive artificial ion channel operated within the range of human body heat for the application of drug delivery. Wax-elastic copolymer, coated onto the poly carbonate track etched nanopores membrane by a controlled-vacuum filtration method, is used for building of temperature-gated nanopores. The flexible ion channel membrane can sustain reversible thermo-responsive gating in the high selective temperature range. The nanopore is actuated by the thermal expansion and the contraction of wax composite layers. The phenomenon of ionic current change according to the temperature is simulated based on analytical computation. The pad type ion channel combined with an agarose gel as an electrolyte shows an excellent sensing ability and a quick response, despite its slower mobility of ions compared to a liquid electrolyte cell. The thermal response in the bendable state of wax composite ion channel nearly has a similar behavior with the flat state. For a detection of human body heat, the current flow is effectively distinguished in the patchable ion channel membrane. Such an effective and patchable thermos-gating ion channel is promising in the regulation of bioavailability for drug delivery system.

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