## **Supporting Information**

Developing an efficient MGCR microneedle nanovaccine patch for eliciting Th 1 Cellular response against the SARS-CoV-2 infection

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RVQPTESIVRFPNITNLCPFGEVFNATRFASVYAWNRKRISNCVADYSVLYNSA SFSTFKCYGVSPTKLNDLCFTNVYADSFVIRGDEVRQIAPGQTGKIADYNYKL PDDFTGCVIAWNSNNLDSKVGGNYNYLYRLFRKSNLKPFERDISTEIYQAGST PCNGVEGFNCYFPLQSYGFQPTNGVGYQPYRVVVLSFELLHAPATVCGPKKS TNLVKNKCVNFHHHHHH Figure S2. (A) Tapping mode AFM images of GOcar (up) and GCR (bottom). (B) Height profile of GOcar and GCR.







Figure S4. Mice weight changes after 2nd vaccination with PBS, RBD, RCP, Alv, and GCR vaccines with hypodermic injection.



Figure S5. Gating strategy for splenic T cells. (A) Gating scheme for the identification of cytokine-expressing  $CD4^+$  and  $CD8^+$  T cells. (B) Gating scheme for the identification of  $T_{cm}$  in  $CD4^+$  and  $CD8^+$  T cells.



Figure S6. Type 1 cellular cytokines concentration in spleen lymphocytes culture supernatant after 24 h incubation with RBD peptide pools.



Figure S7. Mouse skin healing status after MGCR microneedle administrated for 30 seconds



Figure S8. *In vivo* distribution of the MGCR in different mouse tissues after administrated 24 hours.



Figure S9. The representative flow cytometry spectrum and quantitative statistics of type 1 cellular cytokines expression in MGCR microneedle vaccination experiment.

