## 1 Supplementary materials



Figure S1. Screening of the VHH library for EGFRvIII. (A) The enrichment result was
displayed for five rounds of panning and the statistical result for enrichment fold. +: positive
screened phage; -: negative screened phage. (B) PE-ELISA for the identification of positive
colonies. The ratio higher than 3 was considered positive.



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Figure S2. EGFRvIII expression of U87 and U251 was verified by flow cytometry with an
anti-EGFRvIII antibody. Histogram showing EGFRvIII expression in EGFRvIII-negative GBM
cells U87 and U251 cells.



Figure S3. *In vitro* proliferation and activation activity of EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T cells. (A) PHK26 stained EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T cells were incubated with U251-EGFRvIII cells in culture medium for 4 days and diluted to examine their proliferation, histograms are gated on live T cells. The activation markers CD25 (B) and CD69 (C) were detected by flow cytometry analysis Representative histograms are shown.



Figure S4. Antitumor activity of EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T cells *in vivo*. (A) Schematic representation of the *in vivo* animal model and treatment scheme. NOD/SCID mice were inoculated subcutaneously with  $3 \times 10^6$  U87-EGFRvIII tumor cells (B and C) and treated with

21  $1 \times 10^7$  EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T, Irrelevant Nb-CAR-T, Mock, Utd cells and 100 µL PBS as control.

23 n=5 per group.



Figure S5. DC/tumor fusion vaccines can enhance EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T effector functions
 *in vitro*. EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T cells were evaluated for expression of CD25 (A), CD69 (B),

27 eFluor670 (C), LAG-3 (D), TIM-3 (E) and CD45RA/CD62L (F) after coculture with



28 DC/U87-EGFRvIII fusion cells. Representative histograms are shown.



Figure S6. DC/tumor fusion vaccines enhance antitumor effects of EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T cells therapy *in vivo*. (A and B) NOD/SCID mice were inoculated subcutaneously with  $3 \times 10^6$ U87-EGFRvIII tumor cells and treated with  $1 \times 10^7$  DC/U87-EGFRvIII-FC, EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T, EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T+DC, EGFRvIII Nb-CAR-T+FC and PBS as control groups. Representative flow plots showing the frequency and persistence of CAR-T cells in tumor issue, spleen and blood of treated mice 14 days after injection of FC and CAR-T cells, summarized results and quantitative statistics are shown. Data are presented as mean values  $\pm$  SD.