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Indocyanine Green-Functionalized Bottle Brushes of Poly(2-oxazoline) on Cellulose Nanocrystals for Photothermal Cancer Therapy

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Fig. S1 X-ray diffractograms of nonmodified CNCs and polymer modified CNCs.

Fig. S2 Thermogravimetric analysis curves for CNCs, PIPOx-g-CNC, P(IPOx-g-nPrOx)-g-CNC.
Fig. S3 UV–Vis–NIR spectra of ICG, P(IPOx-g-nPrOx)-g-CNC and P(IPOx-g-nPrOx)-g-CNC@ICG in water. Insets: optical photograph of (A) CNCs, (B) P(IPOx-g-nPrOx)-g-CNC@ICG.
Fig. S4 (a) Temperature elevation of PBS, ICG and P(IPOx-g-nPrOx)-g-CNC@ICG aqueous solutions with various ICG concentrations as a function of time under irradiation with an 808 nm NIR laser at a power of 2.0 W/cm². (b) Temperature elevation of P(IPOx-g-nPrOx)-g-CNC@ICG aqueous solution at ICG concentrations of 25 g/mL under different powers as a function of time.