## **Supporting Information**

## Dual-modal imaging and photodynamic therapy using upconversion nanoparticles for tumor cells

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Fig S1. FTIR spectra of (A) hypocrellin A (B)TESPIC and (C)hypocrellin A molecule precursor



**Fig S2.** (A)TEM image of UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A nanoparticles.(B)FTIR spectra of a) UCNPs and b) UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A nanoparticles.



Fig S3. Hydrodynamic diameter distribution of UCNPs@SiO2@hypocrellin A



**Fig S4.** UV/Vis absorption spectra of UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A, FA, UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A–FA



Fig S5. FTIR spectra of (A) UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A, (B) FA, and (C) UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A–FA



**Fig S6.** Fluorescence spectra of ABDA with UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A–FA nanoparticles exposed to 980 nm NIR laser for 0, 5, 10, 15 min at different pH value: (A) pH 5;(B) pH 6.8; (C) pH 7.4.



**Fig S7.** Fluorescence spectra of ABDA with UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>(hypocrellin A)-FA nanoparticles exposed to 980 nm NIR laser for 0, 5, 10, 15 min.



**Fig S8.** Viability of HeLa cells and HEK-293 cells treated with UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A– FA at different concentrations.



Fig S9. Serial layer scanning of HeLa cells incubated with UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>@hypocrellin A-FA (A)

Layer 1; (B) Layer 2; (C) Layer 3. The distance between different layers is 1µm.



**Fig S10.** Flow cytometry of apoptosis of HeLa cells stained with Annexin V-FITC/PI induced by UCNPs@SiO<sub>2</sub>(hypocrellin A)-FA.