## **Electronic supplementary information**

## Details for the IRMS analysis and biodistribution of <sup>13</sup>C-C<sub>60</sub>-OH in wheat.

Specifically, the  $\delta$  value could be converted into <sup>13</sup>C/<sup>12</sup>C ratio (r) following Equation 1.  $({}^{13}C/{}^{12}C)_{\text{standard}}$  was the  ${}^{13}C/{}^{12}C$  ratio of the VPDB sample (0.0111802). The r value was further converted into percentage of <sup>13</sup>C in mass (  $\omega_{^{13}C}$ ) following Equation 2, which meant that the ratio of "total weight of  $^{13}C$ atoms/total weight of carbon atoms". The mass of <sup>13</sup>C-enriched fullerenols nanoparticles in tissue  $\binom{m_{1_{3_{C-fullerenol}}}{m_{1_{3_{C-fullerenol}}}}$  could be obtained from Equation 3, where  $\omega_{carbon of tissue}$  from IRMS was the mass percentage of carbon in the dry sample from exposed and unexposed plant (the value was constant for certain organ);  $m_{tissue}$  was the weight of tissues;  $m_{drv}/m_{wet}$  was the weight ratio of tissue before and after drying.  $\omega_{_{13}C}$  (tissue) was the percentage of  $^{13}C$  in mass for tissue samples from exposed plant.  $\omega_{_{13}C}(control)$  was the percentage of  $^{13}C$  in mass for tissue samples from unexposed plant. And  $\omega_{^{13}C-fullerenol}$  was the percentage of <sup>13</sup>C in <sup>13</sup>C-enriched fullerenol. The contents of <sup>13</sup>C-enriched fullerenol in wheat roots, stems and leaves were expressed as %ID/g (Equation 4) or %ID (Equation 5), where dose was the mass of dissolved <sup>13</sup>C-enriched fullerenols nanoparticles.

$$r = (\frac{\delta}{1000} + 1) \times ({}^{13}C / {}^{12}C)_{\text{standard}}$$
(1)

$$\omega_{13} = \frac{r \times 15}{r \times 13 + 12} \times 100\%$$
(2)

$$m_{^{13}C-fullerenol} = \frac{[\omega_{^{13}C}(tissue) - \omega_{^{13}C}(control)] \times (\omega_{carbon of tissue} \times m_{tissue} \times \frac{m_{dry}}{m_{wet}})}{\omega_{^{13}C-fullerenol}}$$
(3)

$$\% ID / g = \frac{m_{C-julterenol}}{dose} \times 100\% \div m_{tissue \ sample}$$
(4)

$$\% ID = \frac{m_{^{13}C-fullerenol}}{dose} \times 100\%$$
(5)

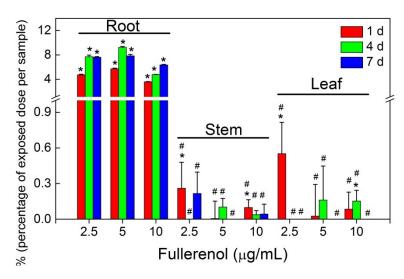


Fig. S1 Bioaccumulation of <sup>13</sup>C-fullerenol with the different concentrations in wheat during growth periods expressed by "%". \* p < 0.05 compared with control group; # p < 0.05 compared with root samples exposed to the same <sup>13</sup>C-fullerenol concentration.