Supporting Information

## Phase-change materials filled hollow magnetic nanoparticles for cancer therapy and dual modal bioimaging

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**Figure S1.** Physical property characterization: **(A)** TEM images and particle size distribution of: a, PS spheres; b, MNP@PS core-shell spheres; c, HMNP hollow spheres; **(B)** X-ray diffraction patterns of MNP@PS, HMNP and HMNP@PCM; and **(C)** Temperature change of PBS and HMNP@PCM@DOX solution with different concentrations when exposing to an AMF (300 A, 200 kHz, 4 kW, 30 min).



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**Figure S2.** (**A**) Optical graphs of HepG2 cells treated with different samples in presence or absence of AMF (300 A, 200 kHz, 4 kW, 30 min, scale bar: 200 μm); and (**B**) Time-dependent HepG2 cells treated with HMNP@PCM@DOX nanoparticles. Scale bar: 50 μm. Dead cells were reflected by blue color with trypan blue staining.



**Figure S3.** TEM images of HepG2 cells after incubation with HMNP@PCM@DOX (a: 6 h, b: 12 h). The arrows indicate the endocytosed nanoparticles.



**Figure S4.** Time-dependent cells apoptosis of tumor tissues induced by thermo-chemo combination cancer therapy with TUNEL staining (300 A, 200 kHz, 4 kW, 30 min). Scale bar:  $50 \mu m$ .

Materials	<b>C</b> at.%	<b>N</b> at.%	<b>H</b> at.%	O at.%
PS	91.45	0.04	7.57	0.03
MNP@PS	39.51	0.08	4.63	15.29
HMNP	2.26	0.06	1.84	26.27
HMNP@PCM	15.29	0.05	2.73	21.35

**Table S1.** Elemental analysis of the as-synthesized nanoparticles at each step.

Materials	ζ –potential (mV)
PS	-13.12 ± 2.54
MNP@PS	-7.23 ± 1.76
HMNP	-2.36 ± 0.84
HMNP@PCM	6.29 ± 1.32

 Table S2. Zeta-potentials of the as-synthesized nanoparticles at each step.