## Metal nanoparticle catalyzed charge rearrangement in selenourea probed by surface-enhanced Raman scattering

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## **Supplementary Information**



**Figure S1.** Colour changes in 1mM Ag NPs after addition of 0.2 mM SeU (Ag-SeU) and 150 µM Au NPs (Ag-SeU-Au).



Figure S2. Colour changes in 0.1 mM Au NPs after addition of 0.2 mM SeU (Au-SeU) and 150  $\mu$ M Ag NPs (Au-SeU-Ag).



**Figure S3**. Particle size distribution of (A) Ag, (B) Ag-SeU and (C) Ag-SeU-Au NPs obtained from DLS measurements.



**Figure S4**. Particle size distribution of (A) Au, (B) Au-SeU and (C) Au-SeU-Ag NPs obtained from DLS measurement.



Figure S5. TEM images of the Ag NPs.



Figure S6. TEM images of the Ag-SeU NPs.



Figure S7. TEM images of the Au-SeU NPs.



Figure S8. Normal Raman spectrum of solid SeU in higher frequency region by using

514 nm laser lines with 30 sec acquisition time.



**Figure S9.** SERS spectrum of Ag and Ag - SeU NPs at 514 nm laser lines (A) 150-500 cm<sup>-1</sup> (100 sec acquisition time) & (B) 1800- 2800 cm<sup>-1</sup> (500 sec acquisition time)



**Figure S10.** SERS spectrum of Au NPs and Au -SeU NPs in the low frequency region by using 785 nm laser lines with acquisition time 100 sec.



**Figure S11.** SERS spectrum of Au-SeU recorded at 633 nm laser excitation with 500 sec acquisition time. Laser power on the sample was 40 mW.



**Figure S12.** Time dependent UV-Visible absorption spectrum of Ag-SeU-Au nanoassembly.



**Figure S13.** Time dependent UV-Visible absorption spectrum of Au-SeU-Ag nanoassembly.



Figure S14.TEM images of the Ag-SeU-Au nanoassembly.