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Photothermal Effect of Silica-Carbon Hollow Sphere-Concanavalin A for Liver Cancer

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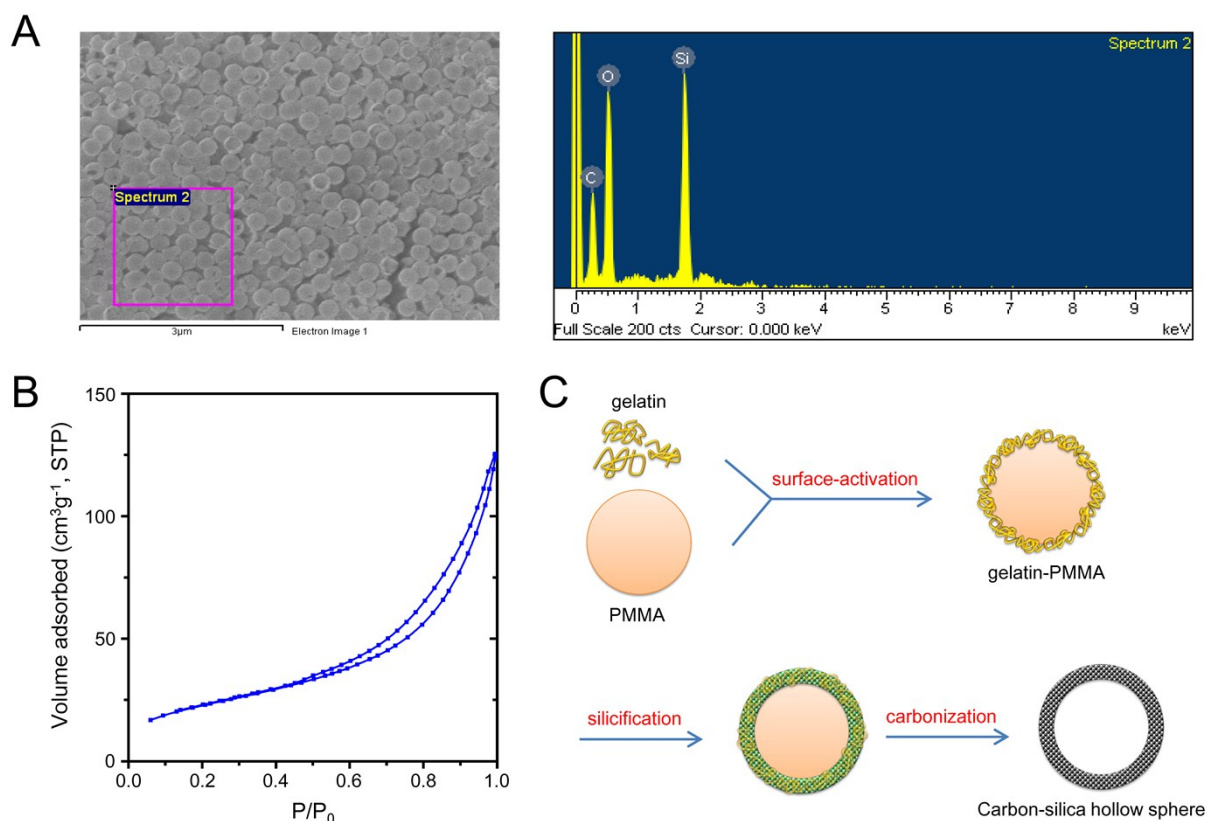


Fig. S1 (A) SEM-EDS image and spectrum of SCHSs. EDS elemental analysis was performed at several different regions of SCHSs in order to minimize the deviation value of the analyzed surface. The EDS results show that the sample is composed of silicon (Si), oxygen (O), and carbon (C). (B) The N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherm of the SCHSs. (C) The proposed formation mechanism of the mesoporous SCHSs.

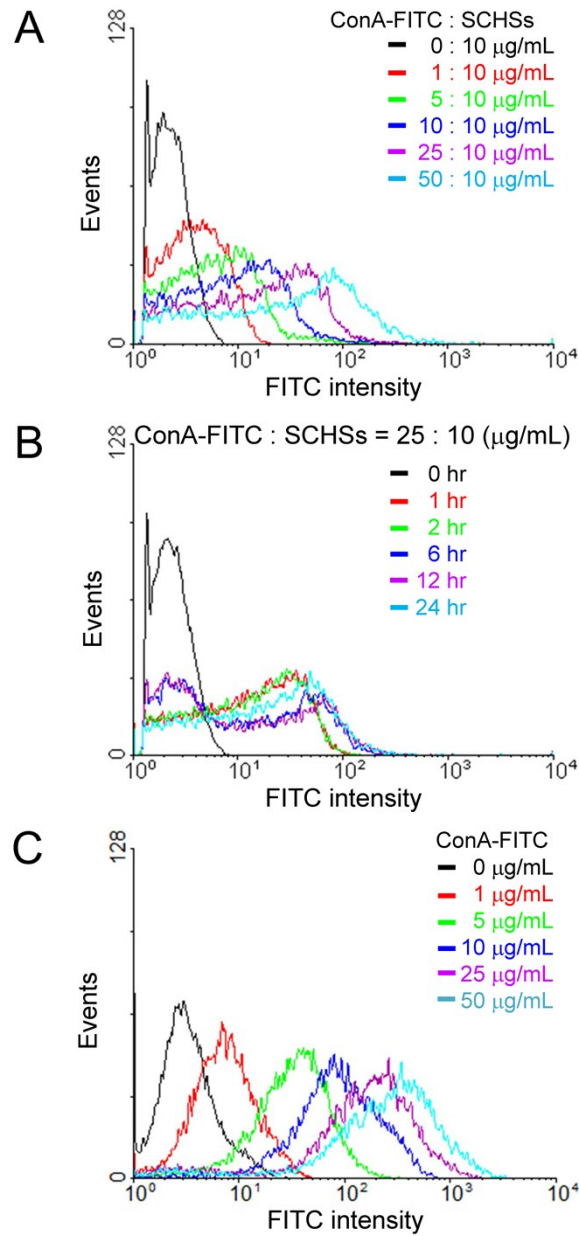


Fig. S2 Optimizing the proportion of the components and reaction time of ConA-FITC-SCHSs. Flow cytometric analysis was used to detect the FITC fluorescent signals. The horizontal and vertical axes represent the FITC intensity and the number of events, respectively. (A) The different concentrations (0-50 $\mu\text{g/mL}$) of ConA-FITC were mixed with 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ SCHSs for 1 hr in order to form the ConA-FITC-SCHSs complex. (B) Mixture of 25 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ ConA-FITC and 10 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ SCHSs for 0-24 hrs in order to form the ConA-FITC-SCHSs complex. (C) The different concentrations (0-50 $\mu\text{g/mL}$) of ConA-FITC were incubated with ML-1 cell for 1 hr.

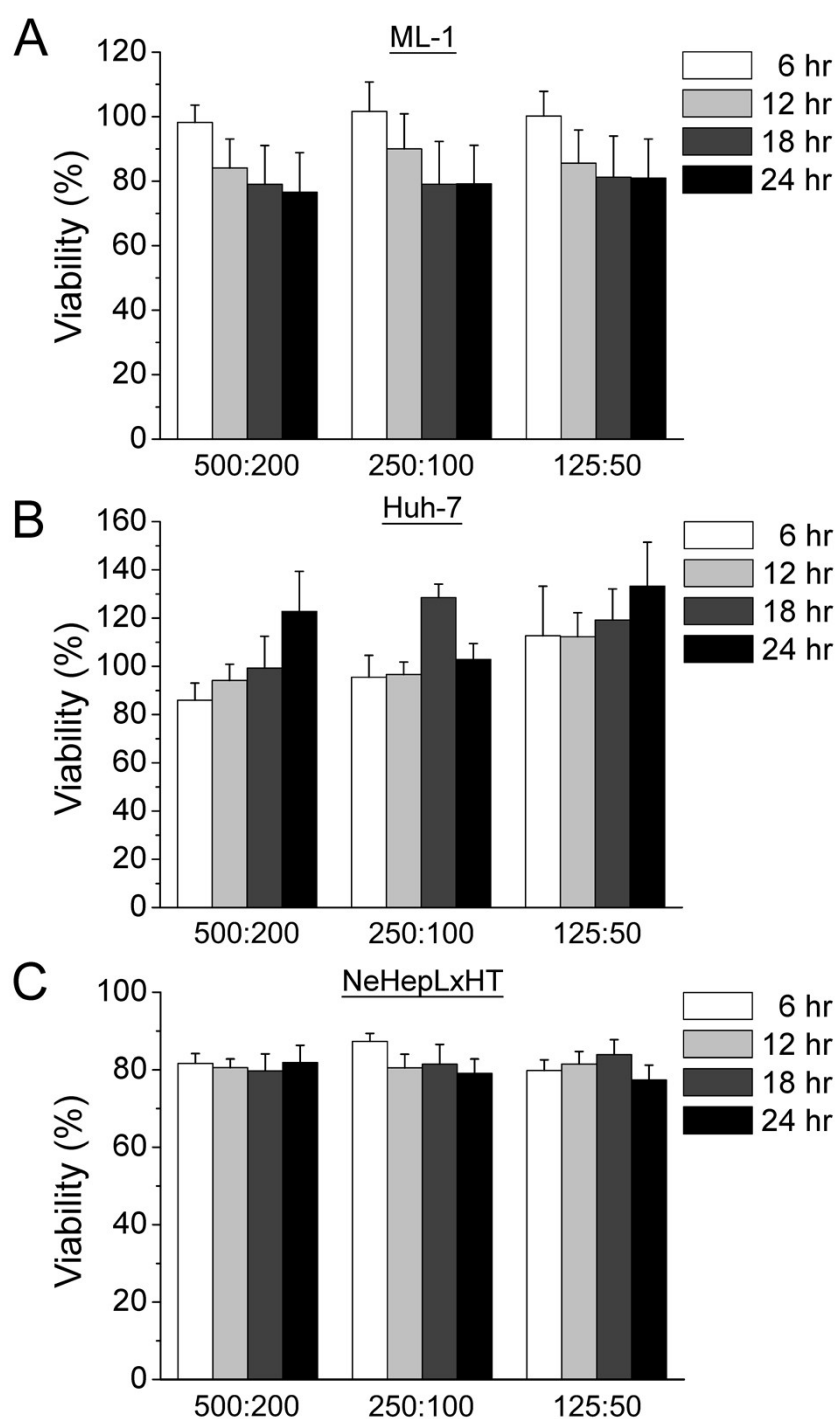


Fig. S3 Effect of ConA-SCHSs on cell viability. The viabilities of (A) ML-1 cells, (B) Huh-7 cells and (C) NeHepLxHT cells were examined by incubating the cells with different concentrations of ConA-SCHSs (500:200, 250:100 and 125:50 $\mu\text{g/mL}$) for various reaction times (6-24 hrs). Propidium iodide (PI), a DNA fluorescence dye, was used as a marker to evaluate the intracellular DNA contents. PI stained cells were analyzed by flow cytometry.

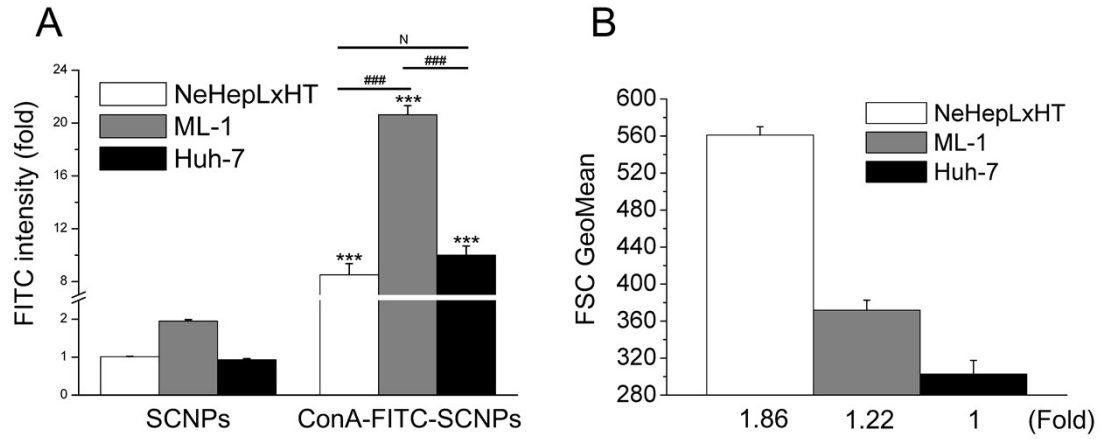


Fig. S4 The binding capacity to ConA-FITC-SCHSs and cell volumes of liver cells. (A) Trypsinized hepatocyte (NeHepLxHT) and hepatoma (ML-1, Huh-7) floating cells were incubated with SCHSs only or ConA-FITC-SCHSs for 1 hr. The FITC intensity in cells indicates the binding capacity by flow cytometry. Each column represents mean \pm SEM from at least three independent experiments. *P* values were calculated by the Student's *t*-test: *** or ###, *p*<0.001. (B) The forward scatter values (geometric mean values) were used to estimate the relative volume of hepatocyte and hepatoma cells by flow cytometry. The relative volume in folds was normalized to Huh-7 cells.