## **Supporting Information**

## Dextran-platinum(IV) conjugate as reduction-responsive carrier for triggered drug release

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## Synthesis of c,c,t-[Pt(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>]

Briefly,  $H_2O_2$  (5 mL) was added to a suspension of cisplatin (1 g) in  $H_2O$  (5 mL), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature in dark for 4 h. Then the light yellow precipitate was collected and washed with water and acetone for several times, and dried (Scheme S1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (300 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, 25 °C): 5.2-5.8 (6H, m, NH<sub>3</sub>); IR: cm<sup>-1</sup> 3463 (br, OH), 538 (sh, Pt-OH). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: (300 MHz, d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO, 25 °C):  $\delta$ H 2.33-2.39 (4H, m, -OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>C-), 5.12-5.71 (6H, m, NH<sub>3</sub>) (Fig. 2A, Fig. S1).



Scheme S1 Synthesis of c,c,t-[Pt(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>] and Pt(IV).



Fig. S1 The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of  $c,c,t-[Pt(NH_3)_2Cl_2(OH)_2]$ .



Fig. S2 ESI-MS spectrum of Pt(IV).



**Fig. S3** Platinum content of the synthesized Dextran–Pt(IV) conjugate as a function of the molar ratio of Pt(IV) to dextran.



**Fig. S4** Intensity of pyrene excitation spectra vs. the logarithm of the concentration of Dextran–Pt(IV) conjugate in water.



**Fig. S5** *In vitro* drug release profiles of DOX-loaded Dextran—Pt(IV) in PBS (pH 7.4) and acetate buffer solution (pH 5.0): (a) DOX release profiles; (b) Pt release profiles.