Supporting Information

Steering Graphene Quantum Dots in Living Cells: Light up the Nucleolus

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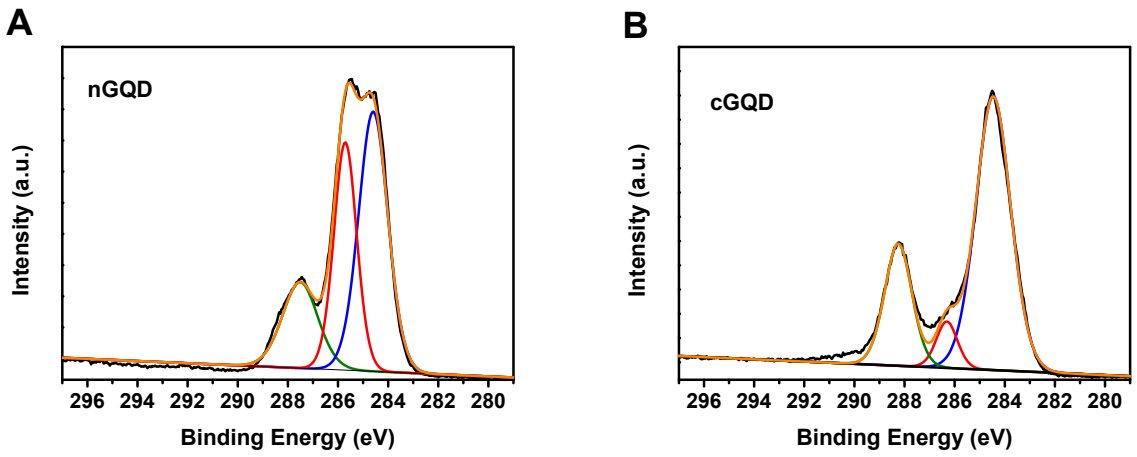

Figure S1. X-ray photoelectron spectra C 1s analysis of nGQD (A) and cGQD (B).

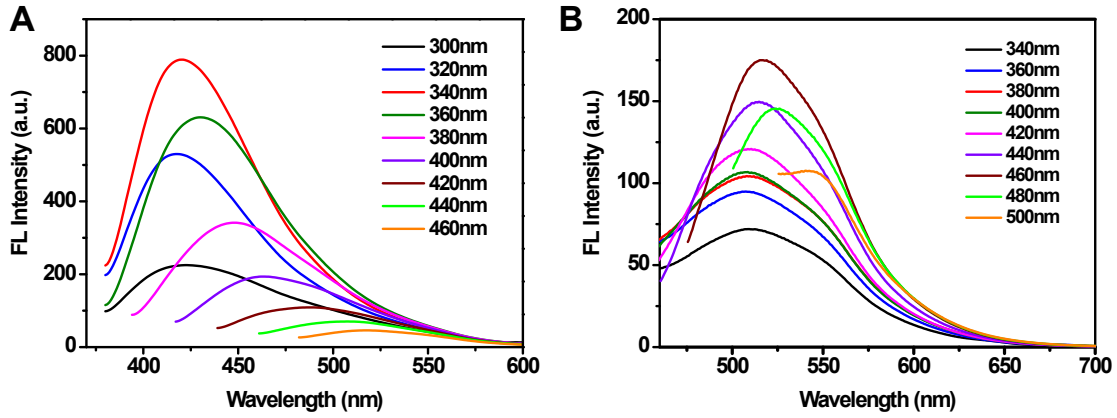

Figure S2. The excitation-dependent PL emission of nGQD (A) and cGQD (B) aqueous solution.

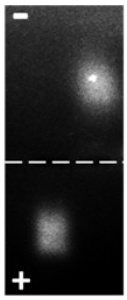

Figure S3. Gel electrophoresis of cGQD (left lane) and nGQD (right lane). The white dashed line indicates the sample-adding area and the image was taken under UV light.

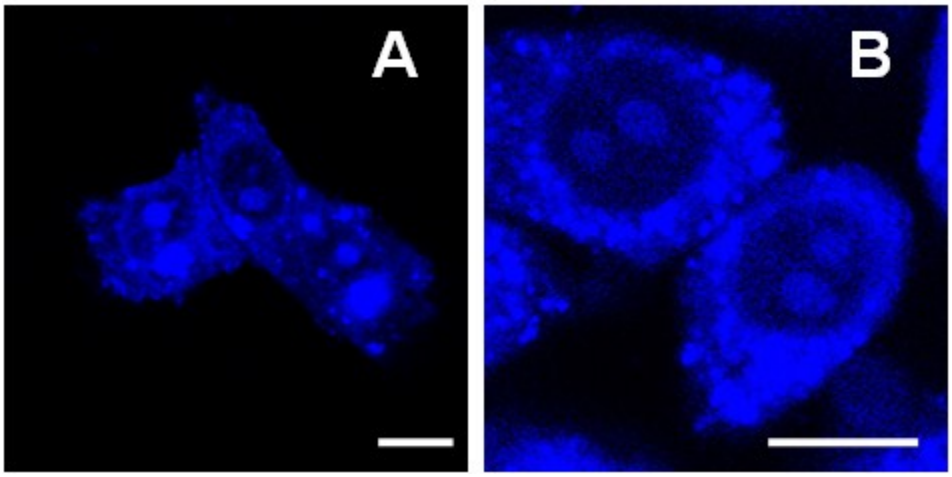

Figure S4. Cellular uptake of nGQD (400 μg/mL) by live (A) MCF7 and (B) HeLa cells after incubation for 5 h at 37℃. Scale bar is 20 μm.

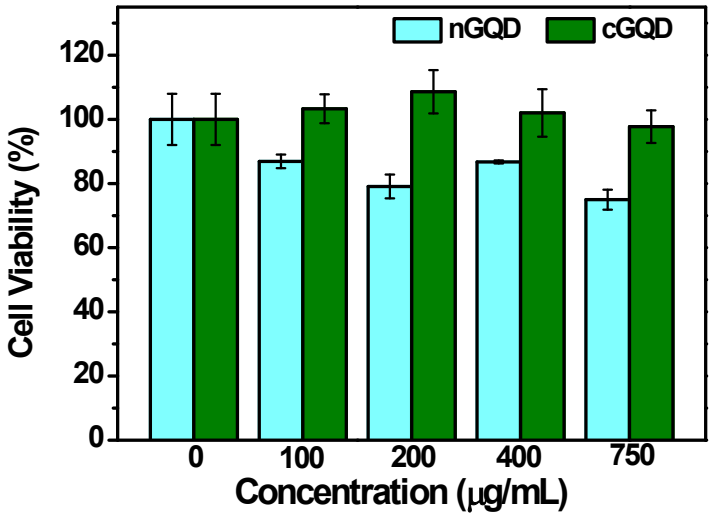

Figure S5. MTT cell viability of HepG2 cells treated with nGQD and cGQD for 24 h. The data are displayed as means ± standard deviation with n = 6.

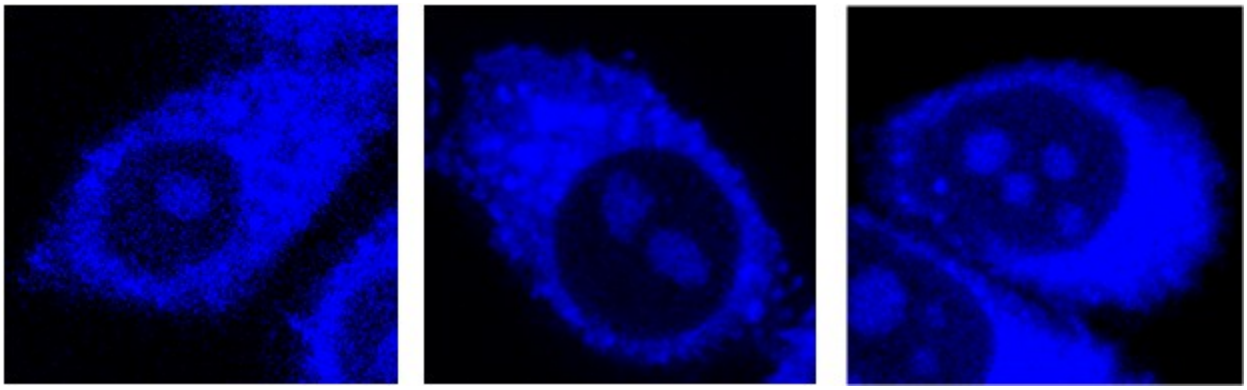

Figure S6. These nGQD-stained HepG2 cells clearly show different number of nucleoli corresponding to various stages of nucleolar fusion.