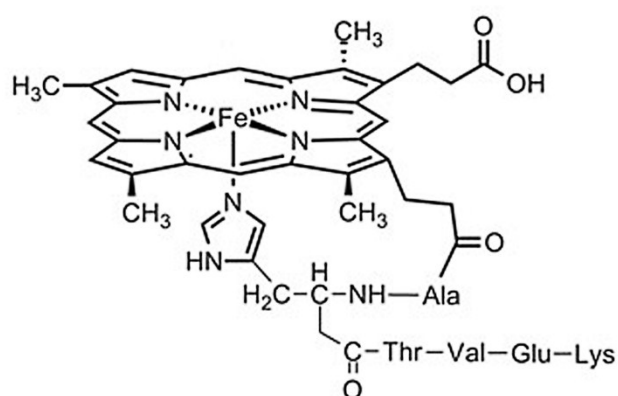


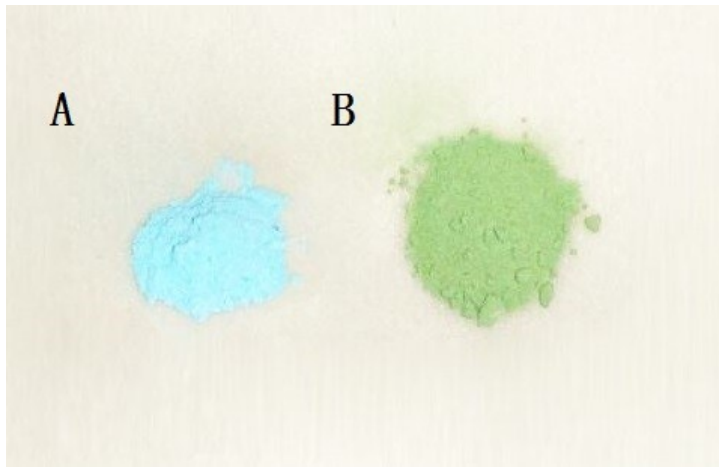
## Supplementary Information

### Structure advantage and peroxidase activity enhancement of deuterohemin-peptide-inorganic hybrid flowers

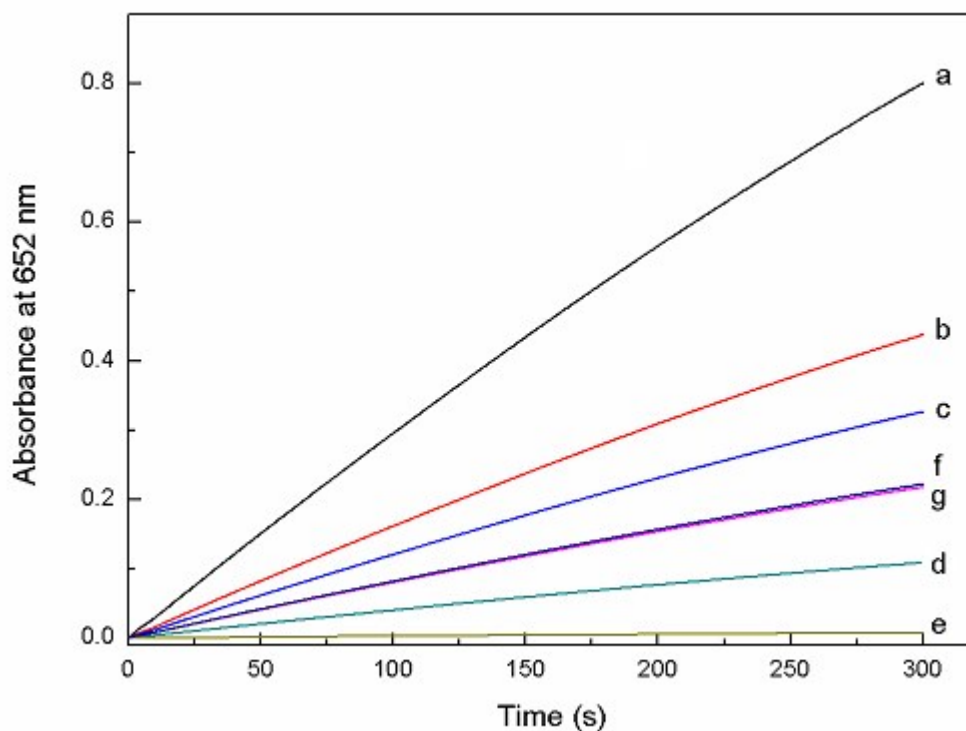
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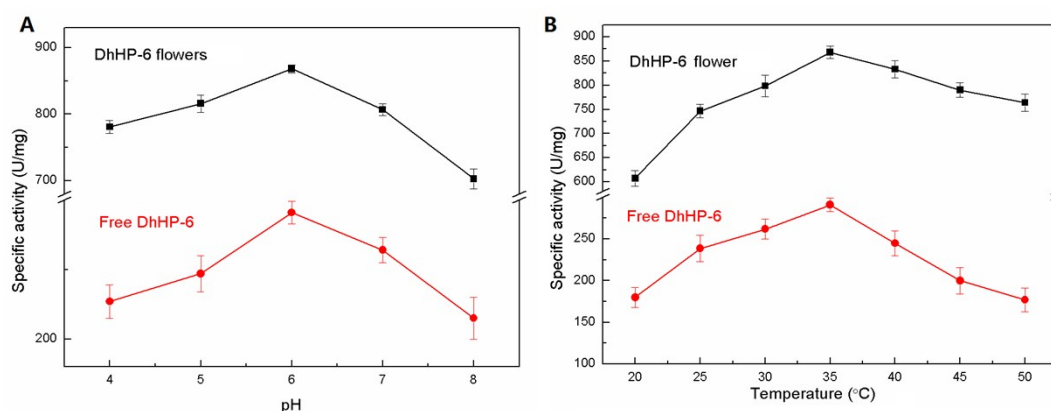
**Fig. S1** The structure of DhHP-6 with molecule weight of 1128.



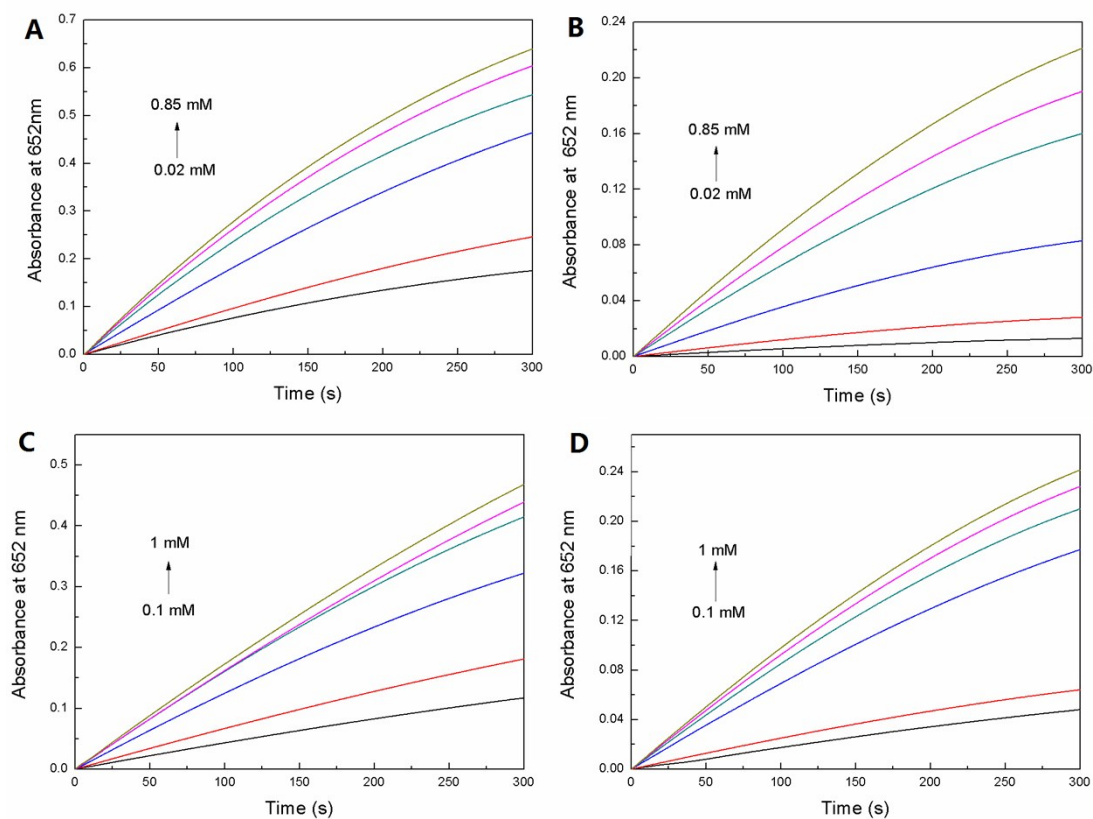
**Fig. S2** Powder photographs of (A)  $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  (left, blue precipitate) and (B) DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  hybrid flowers (right, green precipitate), prepared with and without DhHP-6 respectively.



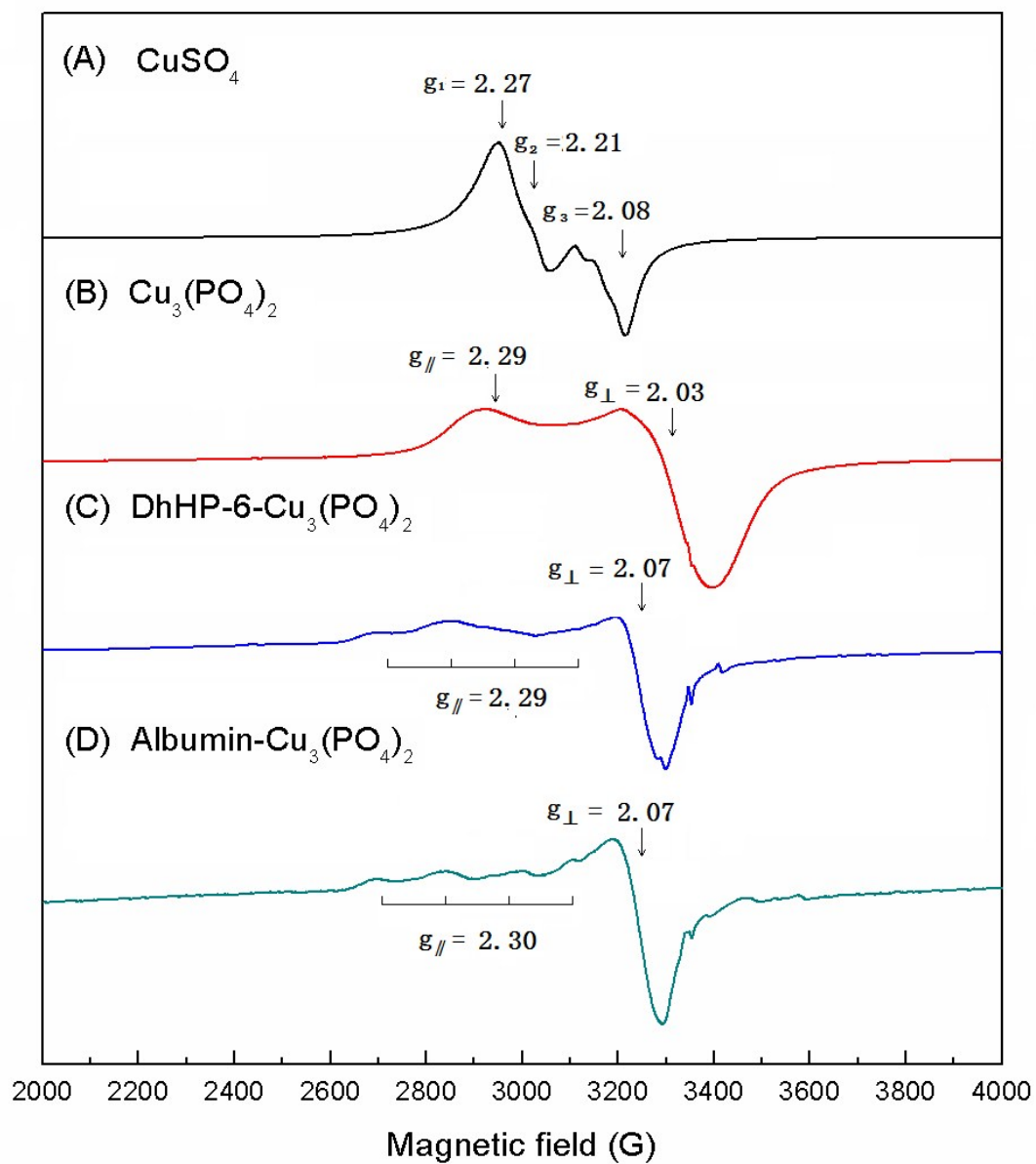
**Fig. S3** Absorbance of oxidized TMB (652 nm) as a function of time in catalytic reactions of DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  prepared from starting concentrations of DhHP-6 at (a)  $0.006 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ; (b)  $0.012 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ; (c)  $0.024 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ; (d)  $0.06 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ; (e)  $0 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ; (f) free DhHP-6; (g) free DhHP-6 and  $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ . Experimental conditions: (a) - (d) and (f) - (g) at equivalent amount of DhHP-6 ( $3.8 \mu\text{g}$ ). The  $1 \text{ mL}$  reaction mixture contained  $0.8 \text{ mM}$  TMB and  $2 \text{ mM}$   $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  at  $\text{pH } 6.0$ ,  $35^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Fig. S4** Peroxidase-like activity of DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  flowers (black) and free DhHP-6 (red) as a function of (A)  $\text{pH}$  at temperature  $35^\circ\text{C}$  and (B) temperature at  $\text{pH } 6.0$ . One unit specific activity ( $\text{U/mg}$ ) of DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  flowers or free DhHP-6 is defined as  $1 \text{ mg}$  of DhHP-6 that catalyzes  $1.0 \mu\text{mol}$  of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  per minute.



**Fig. S5** Time-dependent absorbance changes of the absorbance at 652nm with different concentrations of substrates. Conditions: (A)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  (2 mM) and 100  $\mu\text{g}$  DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  flowers with different concentration of TMB (0.02 mM-0.85 mM ) in 1mL PBS (pH 6.0); (B)  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  (2 mM) and 3.8  $\mu\text{g}$  DhHP-6 with different concentration of TMB (0.02 mM-0.85 mM ) in 1 mL PBS (pH 6.0); (C) TMB (0.8 mM) and 100  $\mu\text{g}$  DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  with different concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  (0.1 Mm-1.0 mM ) in 1 mL PBS (pH 6.0); (D) TMB (0.8 mM) and 3.8  $\mu\text{g}$  DhHP-6 with different concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  (0.1 mM-1.0 mM ) in 1 mL PBS (pH 6.0).



**Fig. S6** EPR spectra of (A)  $\text{CuSO}_4$ , (B)  $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ , (C) DhHP-6- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  flowers and (D) Albumin- $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$  at room temperature.

**Table. S1** From left columns 1 - 3: calculated initial DhHP-6 concentrations, measured actual starting concentrations and unreacted concentrations of DhHP-6 determined from absorbance at 389 nm ( $\varepsilon = 54520 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) columns 4 -5: Encapsulation yield (defined as the ratio of the amount of immobilized DhHP-6 to the total amount of DhHP-6 employed in percentage) and weight percentage of DhHP-6 in the flowers. The weight percentage of protein in flowers was calculated according to the ref. 1. The specific activity of free DhHP-6 is 291 U/mg in PBS and 284 U/mg in PBS with physically mixed  $\text{Cu}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ .

Targeted	DhHP-6 concentration (mg mL <sup>-1</sup> )		Encapsulation yield (%)	Weight percentage (%)	Specific activity (U/mg)
	Actual	Unreacted			
0.006	0.00589	0.00118	79.97	3.78	867.2
0.012	0.0118	0.00291	75.29	6.95	584.9
0.024	0.0237	0.00953	59.72	10.85	436.5
0.060	0.0589	0.0296	49.74	18.75	122.2

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