Supplementary Information

Co-assembly of Fmoc-tripeptide and gold nanoparticles as a facile approach to immobilize nanocatalysts

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Figure S1. UV spectra of SA-H/CoA-H-AuNPs (A), SA-R/CoA-R-AuNPs (B) and SA-C/CoA-C-AuNPs (C) in the range of 250~310 nm

Congo red reduction reaction

Congo red (209.0 mg) and NaBH₄ (56.7 mg) were dissolved in ultrapure water (100 and 5 mL, respectively). 1000 μ L of Congo red solution, 7 mL of ultrapure water and 100 μ L of CoA-X-AuNPs were pre-heated at 37°C for 3 min. Then, 1 mL of fresh NaBH₄ solution was added to the mixture and stirred continuously. The reaction progress was monitored through determining the concentration of Congo red on a SpectraMAX 190 spectrophotometer in the wavelength range of 200 ~ 500 nm.



Figure S2. Time-dependent UV-Vis spectra for the reduction of Congo red catalyzed by CoA-H-AuNPs (A), CoA-R-AuNPs (B), and CoA-C-AuNPs (C) and their corresponding – $\ln(C/C_0)$ vs time plots (D)



Figure S3. Images of CoA-H-AuNPs, CoA-R-AuNPs and free AuNPs before and after 72-h incubation