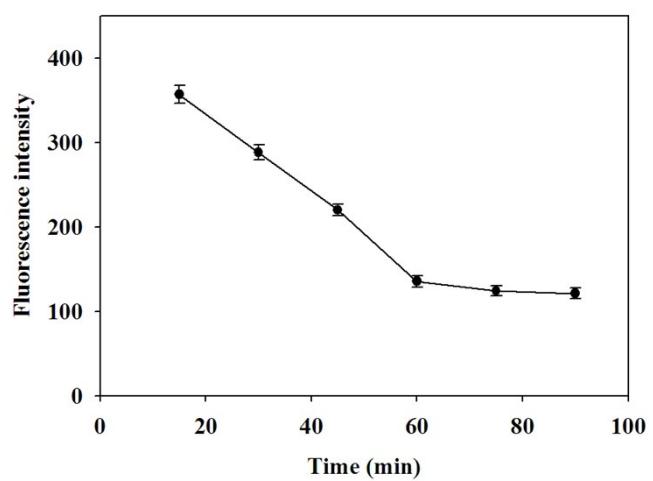


## Supporting Information

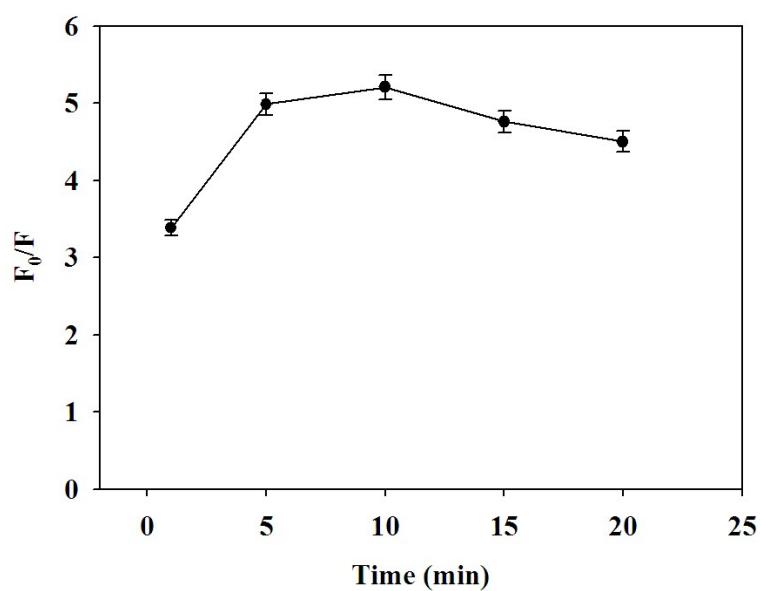
Table S1. Names and sequences of the oligonucleotides.

No.	Name	Sequence (5'-3')
1	AT24-A6-hairpin	TATATATATATATATATATATA AAAAAAA TATATATATATATATATATATA
2	ds DNA-A6-hairpin	CTGAAGTTCTGATGACCACGCGCC AAAAAA GGCGCGTGGTCATCAGA ACTTCAG
3	ds DNA	CTGAAGTTCTGATGACCACGCGCC (DNA1) GGCGCGTGGTCATCAGAACTTCAG (DNA2)
4	AT24 ds DNA	TATATATATATATATATATA
5	ssDNA-A6	CTGAAGTTCTGATGACCAGCGCG AAAAAAA TTCATCTAGATTGCGGAG GAAGGT
6	AT24-T6-hairpin	TATATATATATATATATATA TTTTTT TATATATATATATATATATA
7	AT24-G6-hairpin	TATATATATATATATATATA GGGGGG TATATATATATATATATA
8	AT24-C6-hairpin	TATATATATATATATATATA CCCCCC TATATATATATATATATA
9	AT24-A10-hairpin	TATATATATATATATATATA AAAAAAAAAAAA TATATATATATATATAT ATATA
10	AT24-A15-hairpin	TATATATATATATATATATA AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA TATATATATATAT ATATATATATA
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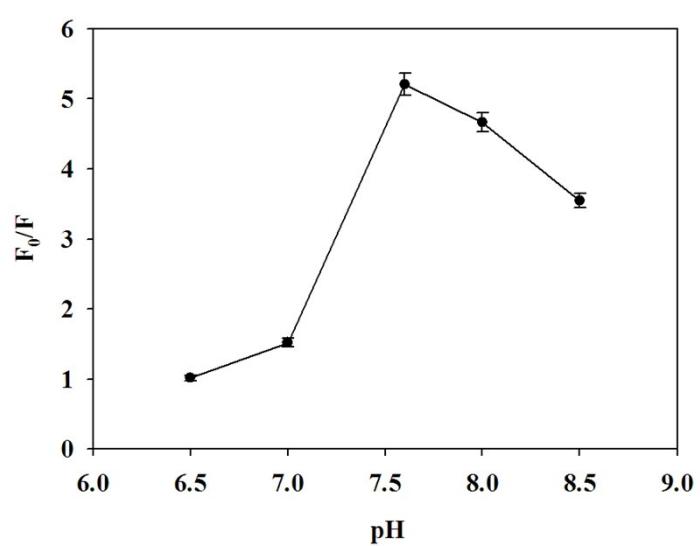
**Fig. S2** Effect of S1 nuclease cleavage time on the fluorescence intensity of AT24-A6-hairpin CuNCs.

Concentration: AT24-A6-hairpin DNA, 100 nM; S1 nuclease, 0.4 U/mL.

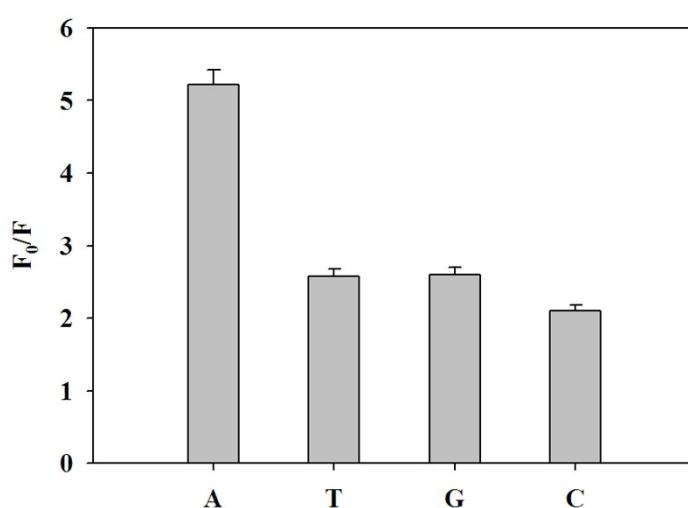


**Fig. S3** Effect of CuNCs synthesis time on the fluorescence intensity of AT24-A6-hairpin CuNCs.

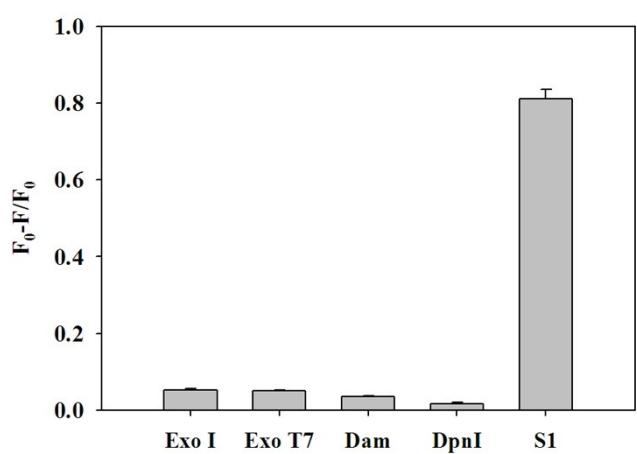
Concentration: AT24-A6-hairpin DNA, 100 nM; S1 nuclease, 0.4 U/mL.



**Fig. S4** Effect of pH on the fluorescence intensity of AT24-A6-hairpin CuNCs. Concentration: AT24-A6-hairpin DNA, 100 nM; S1 nuclease, 0.4 U/mL.



**Fig. S5** Effect of different base sequence of hairpin loop on the sensitivity of the strategy. Concentration: AT24-X6-hairpin DNA (X=A, T, G, C), 100 nM; nuclease, 0.4 U/mL.



**Fig. S6** Selectivity of the AT24-A6-hairpin CuNCs for S1 nuclease. Concentration: AT24-A6-hairpin DNA, 100 nM; nuclease, 0.4 U/mL.