## **Supporting Information**

Transferrin-Decorated, MoS<sub>2</sub>-Capped Hollow Mesoporous Silica Nanospheres as a Self-Guided Chemo-Photothermal Nanoplatform for Controlled Drug Release and Thermotherapy

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## **Supporting Figures**



Figure S1. SEM images of (a)  $PS@SiO_2$  nanoparticles and (b) HMSN; (c)TEM image of HMSN@MoS<sub>2</sub>; (d) DLS of HMSN and HMSN@MoS<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S2. TEM images of (a) HMSN in PBS (pH=7.4) for 3 days and (b) the prepared  $MoS_2$  nanosheets.



FigureS3. TGA analysis of (a) pure PS nanoparticles and PS@SiO<sub>2</sub>; (b) HMSN, HMSN@MoS<sub>2</sub> and HMSN@MoS<sub>2</sub>-Tf.



FigureS4. Zeta potential of HMSN-SH and DOX loaded HMSN-SH (HMSN/DOX).



Figure S5. Drug release profile of HMSN/DOX@MoS<sub>2</sub> with and without the presence of GSH under the 808 nm laser irradiation for 10 min at 37 °C.



Figure S6. TEM images of HMSN@ $MoS_2$  (a) before and (b) after the addition of 10 mM GSH.



**Figure S7.** (a) Cellular uptake of HMSN/DOX@MoS<sub>2</sub> and HMSN/DOX@MoS<sub>2</sub>-Tf. (b) Quantitative data collected from the calcein-AM/PI co-stained fluorescence images of HeLa cells treated with different concentrations of HMSN@ MoS<sub>2</sub> under NIR irradiation. The results were expressed as the mean percentage from different fields of cells. Image-Pro plus 6 software was used for the quantification.



**Figure S8.** Confocal fluorescence images of HeLa cells treated with (a) pure DOX, (b) HMSN@MoS<sub>2</sub> and (c) HMSN/DOX@MoS<sub>2</sub>-Tf under the NIR irradiation for 10 min for calcein-AM/PI cell-survival assay; (d) the corresponding quantitative data of dead cells collected from the fluorescence images.