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## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

## Targeted Killing of Prostate Cancer Cells using Antibody-Drug conjugated Carbon Nanohorns

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Figure S1. Synthesis of prodrug 3.



Figure S2. Thermogravimetric analyses of samples *f*2-CNH, *f*3-CNH and *f*4-CNH versus *p*-CNH. The dashed lines show the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative of the corresponding sample (same colour of the curve): *f*2-CNH shows two peaks at 325 and 400 °C; *f*3-CNH shows two peaks at 345 and 417 °C and *f*4-CNH shows three peaks at 335, 422 and 861 °C.



Figure S3. Thermogravimetric analyses of *f5*-CNH, *f6*-CNH and *f7*-CNH versus *p*-CNH. The dashed lines show the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative of the corresponding sample (same colour of the curve): *f5*-CNH shows three peaks at 150, 253 and 417 °C; *f6*-CNH shows four peaks at 190, 310, 438 and 556 °C and *f7*-CNH shows two peaks at 430 and 556 °C.



Figure S4. Thermogravimetric analysis under air of *f*9-CNH and *f*10-CNH. The inset shows the enlargement of the TGA in the point of finished oxidation. The increment in the quantity of residue is due to the presence of platinum in sample *f*10-CNH. The dashed lines show the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative of the corresponding sample (same colour of the curve): *f*9-CNH shows three peaks at 365, 430 and 600 °C and *f*10-CNH shows four peaks at 356, 480, 540 and 575 °C.



**Figure S5.** Thermogravimentric analysis of *f11*-CNH versus *f10*-CNH and *p*-CNH. The dashed lines show the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative of the corresponding sample (same colour of the curve): *f10*-CNH shows two peaks at 430 and 560 °C and *f11*-CNH shows three peaks at 335, 430 and 565 °C.



Figure S6. Pt4f and S2p XPS spectra of f11-CNH.



**Figure S7.** A typical Raman spectrum of CNHs at 633 nm acquired on PC-3-PSMA, PSMA<sup>+</sup> cells, incubated with f11-CNH. The two bands can be identified as the D and G band at 1320 and 1600 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The spectrum was recorded exciting with 1 mW, using a 20x objective and averaging for 10 s.



**Figure S8.** Specificity of **f11-CNH** hybrid binding on PC-3-PSMA cells. Competition between D2B-biotin Ab and **f11-CNH** hybrid for the binding to PSMA antigen sites. Mean ± SD data of three separate experiments.



Figure S9. 24 h viability assay on PC-3-PSMA cells treated with cisplatin, *f10-CNH* and *f11-CNH.* Mean ± SD of three separate experiments.



**Figure S10.** 24 h viability assay on PC-3-PSMA cells treated with cisplatin, *f10-CNH* and *f11-CNH* after a preincubation step of CNHs with BSA. Mean ± SD data of three separate experiments.

Table S1.		
f11-CNH μg/ml	Binding	Uptake
125	5.6±0.1	16.3±1.4
250	6.9±0.2	23.0±2.3

**Table S1.** Evaluation of binding and uptake of *f11-CNH* on LNCaP, PSMA<sup>+</sup>, cells after incubation for 1 h 30 min at 37°C. MFI values obtained by flow cytometry were normalized to obtain the fluorescent signal gain with respect to the signal of the cells incubated with the secondary antibody FITC- labelled alone (i.e. MFI sample/MFI Gam-FITC; see Experimental Section for more details). Mean ± SD data of three separate experiments.

f11-CNH µg/ml	Binding	Uptake
125	1.0±0.1	1.4±0.2
250	1.2±0.04	1.5±0.2

Table S2. Evaluation of binding and uptake of *f11-CNH* on PC3- WT, PSMA<sup>-</sup>, cells after incubation for 1 h 30 min at 37°C. MFI values obtained by flow cytometry were normalized to obtain the fluorescent signal gain with respect to the signal of the cells incubated with the secondary antibody FITC- labelled alone (i.e. MFI sample/MFI Gam-FITC; see Experimental Section for more details). Mean ± SD data of three separate experiments.