

## Supplementary Material

### Table S1.

Raman Frequencies for CTAB –coated Au nanoparticles in the 400-1700 Region<sup>30</sup>

#### CTAB Assignment (ref. 30)

**532vw** CH<sub>3</sub> rock from N+(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> group

CH<sub>2</sub> rock along the tail

**752wv**

C-Br stretching vibration

**765m**

**877w** CH<sub>3</sub> rock (terminal methyl) C-N<sup>+</sup> stretch

**999m** C-C sym stretch + CH<sub>2</sub> wag

**1013s**

**1040m** C-C sym stretch + CH<sub>2</sub> wag

**1078w** CH<sub>2</sub> twist

**1110vw8** C-C asym stretch +CH<sub>2</sub> wag in TGmT

**1160s** CH<sub>2</sub> rock

**1320s** CH<sub>2</sub> wag

**1370vw** C-CH<sub>3</sub> sym bending

**1476s** N-CH<sub>3</sub> asym bending

**1537m** CH<sub>2</sub> rock in tail and N+(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> group

**1600s**

**2729w** C-H asym stretch of -CH<sub>2</sub>-

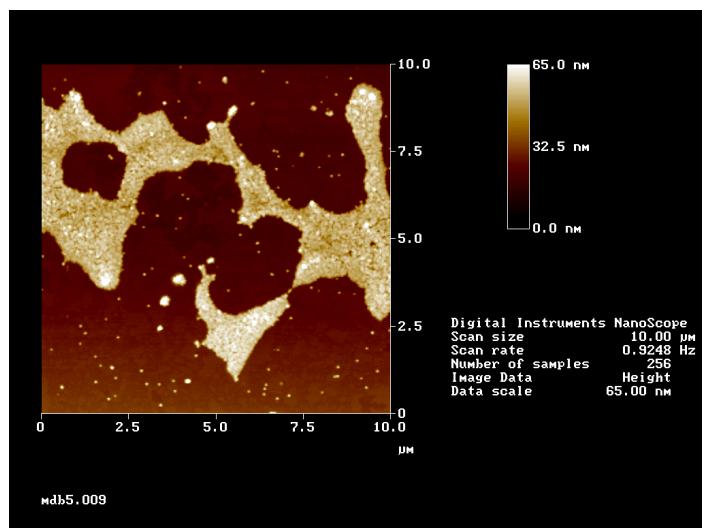
**2847m** C-H asym stretch of -CH<sub>2</sub>-

**2887s** C-H sym stretch of -CH<sub>3</sub>

**3020m** C-H sym stretch of N<sup>+</sup>(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>

Abbreviations: asym., asymmetric; b, broad; def., deformation; m, medium; vib., vibration; rock, rocking s, strong; stretch, stretching; sym., symmetric; twist, twisting; v, very; wag, wagging; w, weak.

**Figure S1:** AFM (tapping mode) of 50 nm CTAB decorated gold nanoparticles deposited on silicon wafer modified with 3-(mercaptopropyl) trimethoxysilane, i.e. where the chain length of the linker is too short to penetrate the CTAB bilayer



**Figure S2:** Amide I region for 10 μmol BPTI in phosphate buffer, pH 9.5, administered onto the nanoarray, spectra are normalized. \* shows contribution from the Raman spectrum of the array.

