An "on-off-on" selective fluorescent probe based on nitrogen and sulfur co-doped carbon dots for detecting Cu²⁺ and GSH

in living cells

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Figure. S1 (a) The TEM images of N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺. (b) The TEM images of N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺/GSH. (c) The XRD pattern of the N, S-CDs. (d) Raman spectroscopy of N, S-CDs.



Figure. S2 (a) The reaction temperature (140-160 $^{\circ}$ C), (b) reaction time (1-5h) of N, S-CDs.



Figure. S3 (a) Relationship between reaction time (0-60 min) of N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺. (b) Reaction time (0-60 min) of N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺/GSH. (c) Fluorescence spectra of N, S-CDs treated with different concentrations of NaCl solutions. (d) Fluorescence spectra of N, S-CDs (red) and N, S-CDs+ H_2O_2 (black) (e) Fluorescence spectra of N, S-CDs irradiation for 3 hours under UV light.



Figure. S4 The N, S-CDs is irradiated at a wavelength of 365 nm with an ultraviolet lamp, a is the N, S-CDs, b is the N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺ and c is the N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺/GSH.



Figure. S5 UV-vis absorption spectra of N, S-CDs and N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺.



Figure. S6 Zeta potential of N, S-CDs, N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺ and N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺ /GSH,



Figure. S7 UV-vis absorption spectra of N, S-CDs (red), N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺ (blue), and N, S-CDs/Cu²⁺/GSH (black).

Table S1 Optical parameters of pH, reaction time and used amount for the detection

of Cu^{2+} and GSH

Analyte	pН	Time (min)	Amount (µL)
Cu ²⁺	7	10	50
GSH	7	10	100