## Supporting Information

#### Thermosensitive Nanoplatform for Photoacoustic Imaging and NIR Light

#### **Triggered Chemo-photothermal Therapy**

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# Calculation of photothermal conversion efficiency

The photothermal conversion efficiency of C720 was calculated by measuring the temperature change of the C720 aqueous as a function of time under continuous

irradiation with an 808 nm laser (3 W cm<sup>-2</sup>) for 600 s (*t*) until the temperature of the solution reached a steady-state. The photothermal conversion efficiency ( $\eta$ ) was calculated by eqn (1),

$$\eta = [hA(T_{\text{max}} - T_{\text{surr}}) - Q_{\text{Dis}}] / [I(1 - 10^{-A\lambda})] (1)$$

where *h* is the heat transfer coefficient, *A* is the area of the container,  $T_{\text{max}}$  is the maximum steady-state temperature (72°C),  $T_{\text{Surr}}$  is the ambient temperature of the environment (24.6°C),  $Q_{\text{Dis}}$  represents the heat dissipation from the light absorbed by the solvent and the sample cell, *I* is the incident laser power (3 W cm<sup>-2</sup>), and  $A\lambda$  is the absorbance of the sample at 808 nm (0.342). The value of *hA* was calculated by eqn (2),

$$hA = m_{\rm D}c_{\rm D}/\tau_{\rm s}$$
 (2)

where  $\tau_s$  is the time constant for the heat transfer in the system, which was accessed based on the measurements in Figure S9 ( $\tau_s = 183$  s); and  $m_D$  and  $c_D$  are the mass (1 g) and heat capacity (4.2 J g<sup>-1</sup>) of DI water used to disperse the C720, respectively. The photothermal conversion efficiency of C720 was calculated to be 62%.

For calculation of photothermal conversion efficiency of CDTSL,  $T_{\text{max}} = 53.5 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $T_{\text{Surr}}$ 

= 24.7 °C), I = 3 W cm<sup>-2</sup>,  $A\lambda = 0.1486$ ,  $\tau_s = 210$  s (Figure S13),  $\eta = 59\%$ .