

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

# Antimicrobial Laser-Activated Sealants for Combating Surgical Site Infections

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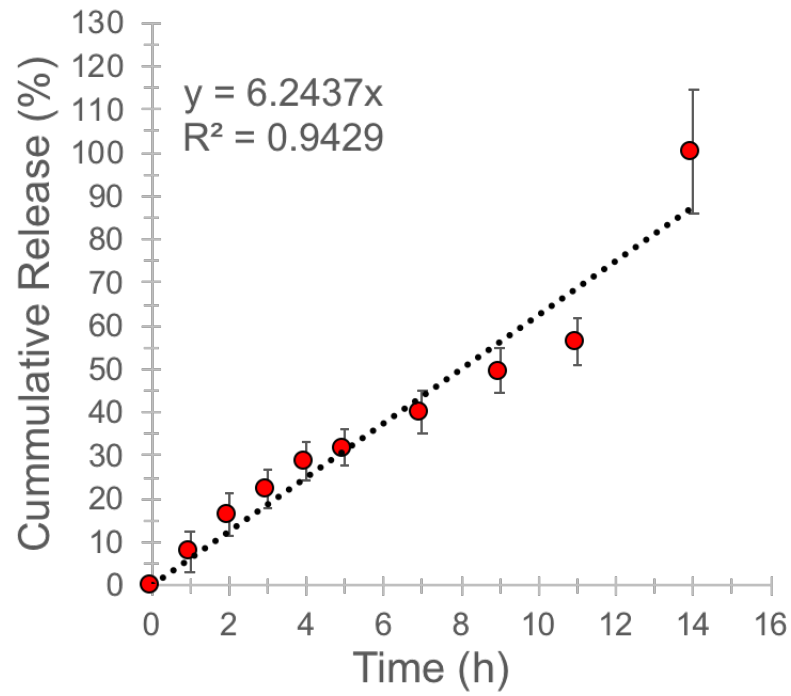
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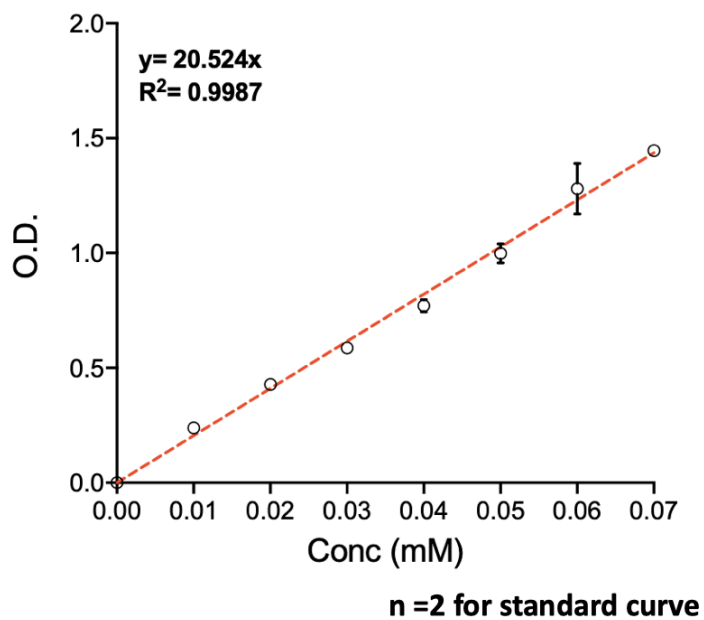
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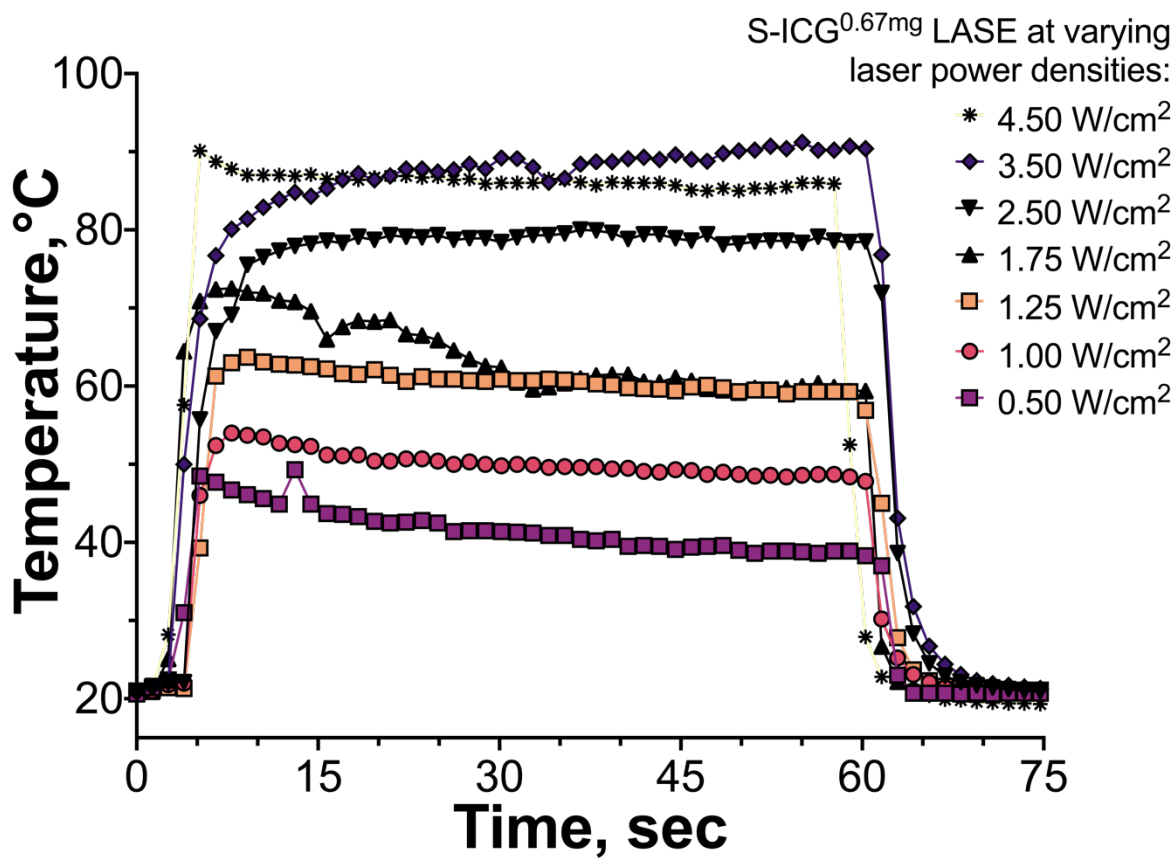
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**Figure S1.** Vancomycin release from silk films for the first 14 h as fit to a zero-order kinetics model (trendline). Data points indicate mean  $\pm$  one standard deviation.

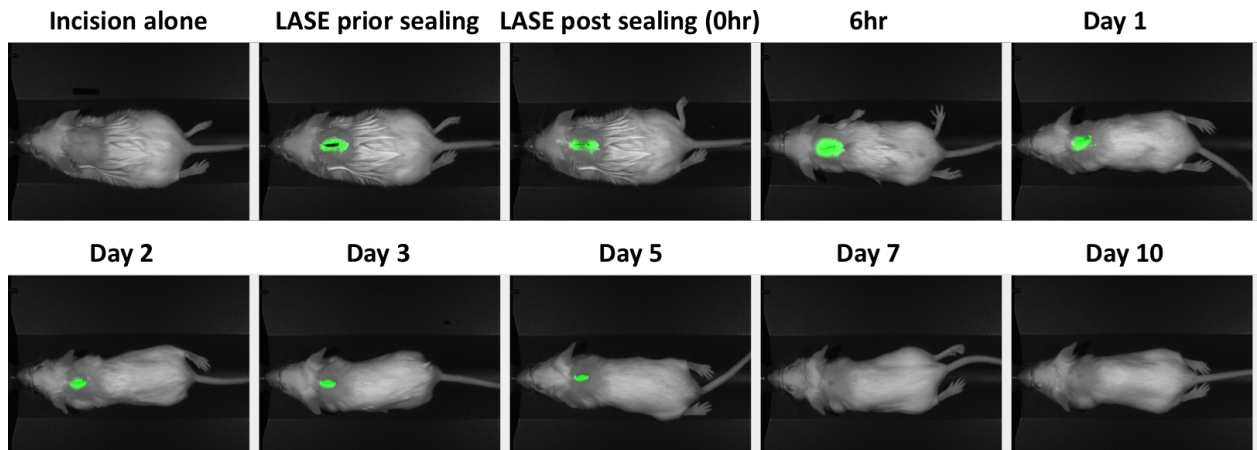
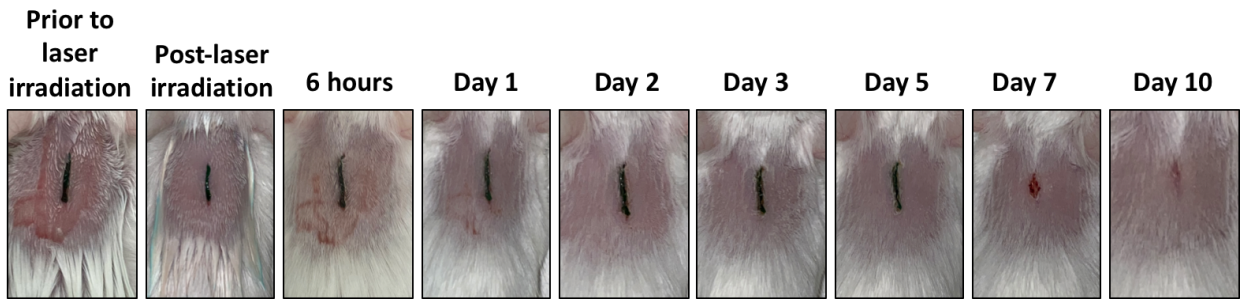


**Figure S2.** A calibration curve for absorbance with concentration for ICG in PBS (0.00 - 0.07 mM).

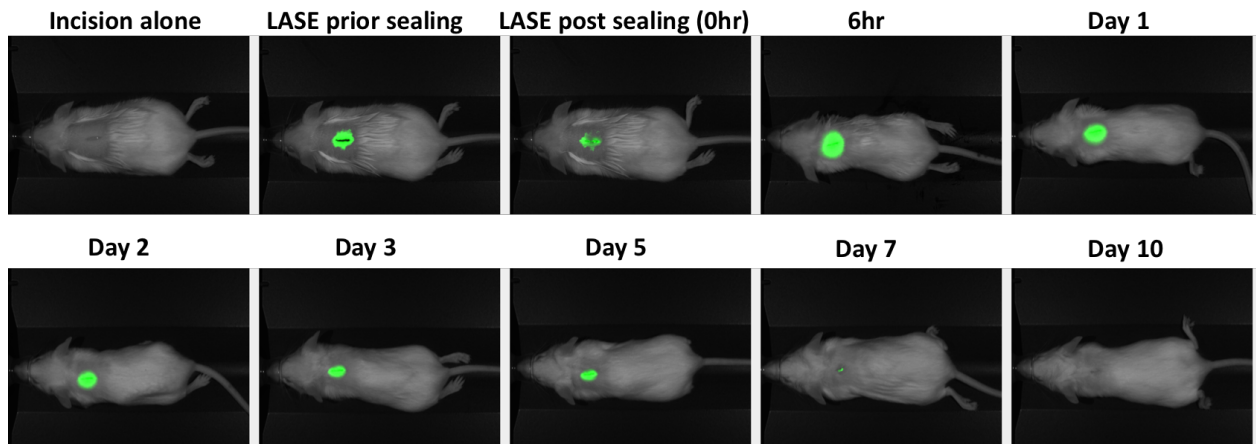
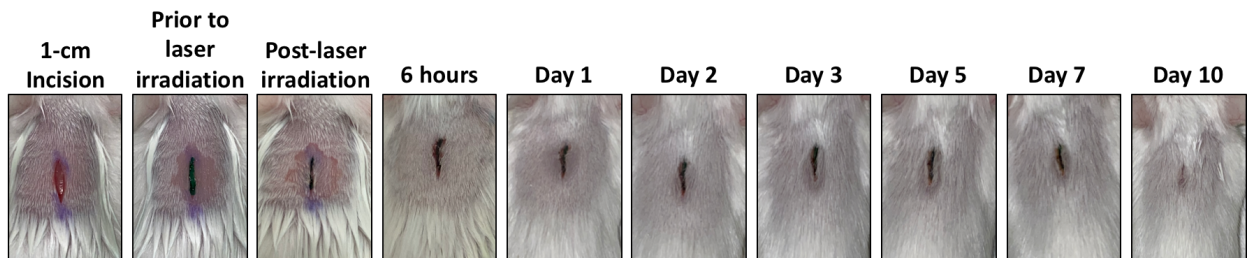


**Figure S3.** Photothermal response of silk-indocyanine green (S-ICG<sup>0.67mg</sup>) LASE. Dry films were irradiated with NIR (800-nm) laser for approximately 60 sec. Laser exposure commenced at time 0 sec and terminated at time 60 sec. Representative profiles from n=3 independent experiments are shown.

Mouse 1



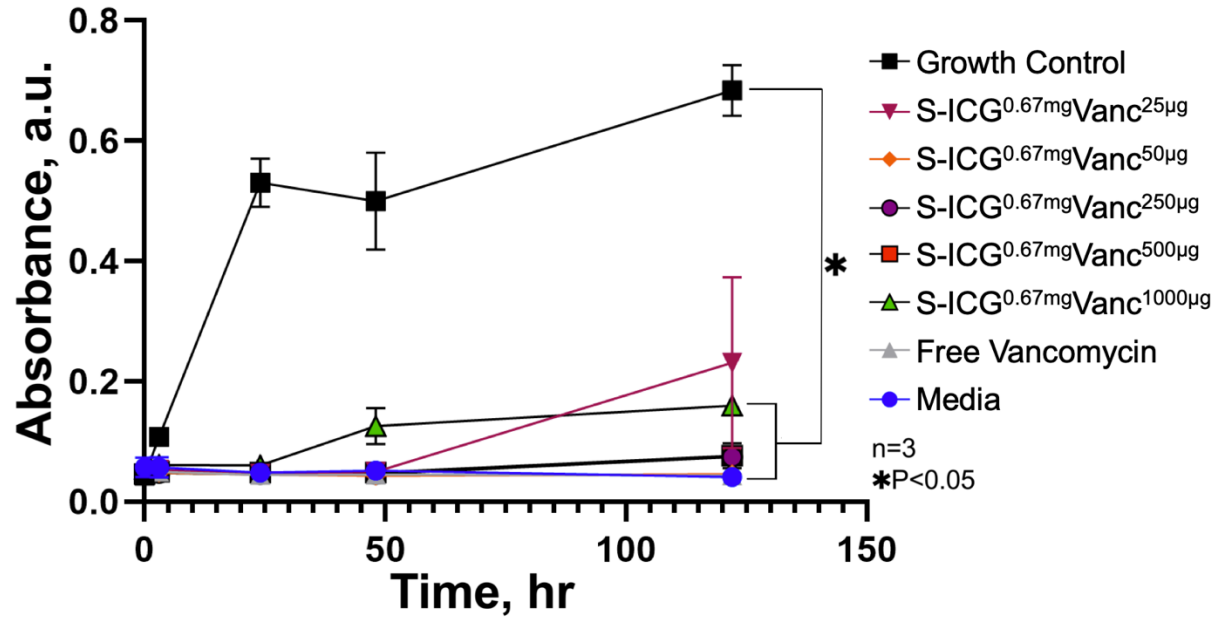
Mouse 2



**Figure S4.** White light and fluorescence imaging of S-ICG LASEs in BALB/c mice before and after laser sealing. These images are additional n=2 for the images shown in Figure 4 in the main manuscript.

	RFU @ 800nm channel		
Timepoints	Mouse 1	Mouse 2	Mouse 3
0 hour	18700	4650	6560
6 hours	38900	26900	15100
Day 1	19800	17500	11700
Day 2	12400	8790	9560
Day 3	11000	10800	7420
Day 5	9560	9830	7790
Day 7	601	9130	957
Day 10	554	726	833

**Table S1.** Fluorescence intensity of ICG in three mice used for investigating the persistence of S-ICG LASEs over a period of 10 days.



**Figure S5. Efficacy of vancomycin-loaded S-ICG<sup>0.67mg</sup> LASE films against MRSA *in vitro*.** MRSA growth in the presence of free vancomycin at 2 µg/mL or S-ICG<sup>0.67mg</sup> LASE films loaded with various vancomycin concentrations. The data represent n=3 independent experiments, and \* indicates p values < 0.05 between groups as determined by unpaired t test. With 50 µg being the lowest vancomycin that significantly reduced MRSA growth, 50 µg was defined as the minimum inhibitory concentration when loaded within S-ICG<sup>0.67mg</sup> LASE films.